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SEVEN HEAVEN FOR BIG BROWN

It will be post seven for IEAH Stable and Paul Pompa, Jr.'s **Big Brown** (Boundary) in Saturday's GI Preakness S. at Pimlico. The GI Kentucky Derby hero, who bucked 79 years of history when he captured the Run for the Roses after breaking from post 20, gets a much more manageable post for the second leg of the Triple Crown, at least historically speaking. Thus far, 11 Preakness winners have left from stall seven.



Big Brown and Desormeaux
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Pimlico odds-maker Frank Carulli installed Big Brown as the heavy 1-2 favorite. At the Preakness draw, IEAH president Michael Iavarone confirmed that stud plans for the two-time Grade I winner would likely be announced today, and that Big Brown would definitely be retired after his three-year-old year. **Cont. p2**

2008 GI PREAKNESS STAKES

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|--------------------|-----------------|
| 1 Macho Again | 8 Kentucky Bear |
| 2 Tres Borrachos | 9 Stevil |
| 3 Icabad Crane | 10 Riley Tucker |
| 4 Yankee Bravo | 11 Giant Moon |
| 5 Behindatthebar | 12 Gayego |
| 6 Racecar Rhapsody | 13 Hey Byrn |
| 7 Big Brown | |

'CASINO' TO RETURN TO JAPAN AFTER BELMONT

Casino Drive (Mineshaft) exited a 5 3/4-length score in last Saturday's GI Peter Pan S. in good order and is poised to take on all comers in the 1 1/2-mile GI Belmont S. June 7. "He is happy; he loves it here and is doing well," said Nobutaka Tada, managing director of Globe Equine Management Ltd. "We always felt he was a good horse, and he showed his ability the other day. We are hoping Big Brown wins [in the Preakness] on Saturday. We think the Belmont will be a very exciting race for everyone." Win or lose, the striking colt will return to Japan to prepare for a fall campaign, which will culminate with a start during the Breeders' Cup, contested during Santa Anita's Oak Tree meeting Oct. 25-26. "If we stay beyond 60 days [in the U.S.], then we face three months of quarantine in Japan," explained Tada. "So, he is going back to Japan after the Belmont." Stablemate **Spark Candle** (A.P. Indy), who finished sixth in the Peter Pan, will not run in the Belmont. "He came out of the race well, and we have some options with him," added Tada. "We might go on the turf in the [GI] Hill Prince S. [June 6] or we might keep him on the dirt."

OVER AND OUT?

Twice Over (GB) (Observatory) has quickly become one of the season's talking horses, and his presence in today's G2 Dante S. at York will provide the main focus if trainer Henry Cecil gives the green light. Khalid Abdullah's G3 Craven S. winner has never encountered firm ground, and Cecil is concerned about the likely quick conditions on the Knavesmire. "He hits the ground hard and the ground will need to be safe," Cecil told *PA Sport*. "He wouldn't want it like a road." Cecil has saddled seven Dante winners over the course of his career. Twice Over has won thrice on good ground, most recently when besting Raven's Pass in the Apr. 17, and connections are keen to keep this date after bypassing the 2000 Guineas. "As long as there is no jar, the horse is likely to run," the owner/breeder's Racing Manager Teddy Grimthorpe added. "The aim is to run. I would think we will look at the racing [Wednesday] and look at it [tomorrow], and then make a decision." **Cont. p6**

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in the six furlong Decathlon S. at Monmouth Park on May 10th. The son of MUTAKDDIM has now won **FIVE** Stakes races at **FOUR** different tracks in the past six months!



TDN Feature Presentation... Continued
GRADE 1 PREAKNESS STAKES

Saturday, Pimlico Racecourse

PREAKNESS S.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 3/16m

- | PP | HORSE | SIRE | ODDS |
|----|---|-------------------------|------|
| 1 | Macho Again | Macho Uno | 20-1 |
| | (\$85,000 yrl '06 OBSAUG; \$150,000 2yo '07 OBSFEB) | | |
| | O-West Point Thoroughbreds; B-Milan Kosanovich (Fl); T-Dallas Stewart; J-J Leparoux. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-0, \$143,761. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 1st Derby Trial S. Apr. 26</i> | | |
| 2 | Tres Borrachos | Ecton Park | 30-1 |
| | (\$7,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT) | | |
| | O-C Beau Greely, John J Greely IV & Phil Houchens; B-Robert Shapiro, John J Greely IV & Phil Houchens (KY); T-C Beau Greely; J-T Baze. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-3, \$159,200. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 3rd GII Arkansas Derby Apr. 12</i> | | |
| 3 | Icabad Crane | Jump Start | 30-1 |
| | (\$65,000 yrl '06 FTNAUG; \$110,000 2yo '07 OBSFEB) | | |
| | O-Earle Mack; B-Gallagher's Stud (NY); T-Graham Motion; J-J Rose. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$125,400. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 1st Federico Tesio S. Apr. 19</i> | | |
| 4 | Yankee Bravo | Yankee Gentleman | 15-1 |
| | (\$17,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL; \$16,500gns 2yo '07 TATGNS; \$5,000 2yo '07 GOFMAR) | | |
| | O-Richard Duggan, Bienstock and Winner; B-Tommy Burberry & Barry Hay (Ky); T-P Gallagher; J-A Solis. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-1, \$247,052. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 4th GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 5</i> | | |
| 5 | Behindatthebar | Forest Wildcat | 10-1 |
| | (\$130,000 yrl '06 KEESEP; \$140,000 2yo '07 OBSJUN) | | |
| | O-Padua Stables & Michael Shustek & Don Stanley; B-Dr Frank Justice & Meadow Oaks Farm LLC (Ky); T-Todd Pletcher; J-D Flores. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$277,100. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 1st GII Coolmore Lexington S. Apr. 19</i> | | |
| 6 | Racecar Rhapsody | Tale of the Cat | 30-1 |
| | (\$390,000 wnlg '05 KEENOV; \$400,000 yrl '06 FTSAUG) | | |
| | O-Jerry Carroll, Stan Kaplan, Ron Plattner and Mark Guilfoyle; B-G Watts Humphrey (Ky); T-Ken McPeek; J-R Albarado. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$148,391. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 4th GII Coolmore Lexington Apr. 19</i> | | |
| 7 | Big Brown | Boundary | 1-2 |
| | (\$60,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT; \$190,000 2yo '07 KEEAPR) | | |
| | O-IEAH Stables & Paul Pompa Jr; B-Monticule (Ky); T-R Dutrow Jr; J-K Desormeaux. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$2,114,500. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 1st GI Kentucky Derby May 3</i> | | |
| 8 | Kentucky Bear | Mr. Greeley | 15-1 |
| | (\$42,000 yrl '06 KEESEP) | | |
| | O-Bear Stables Ltd; B-Alexander Valley Breeders (Ky); T-Reade Baker; J-J Theriot. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$100,200. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 3rd GI Toyota Blue Grass S. Apr. 12</i> | | |

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| 9 | Stevil | Maria's Mon | 30-1 |
| | (\$110,000 yrl '06 KEESEP) | | |
| | O-R LaPenta; B-John Piehl II (Ky); T-N Zito; J-J Velazquez. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$95,865. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 4th GI Toyota Blue Grass S. Apr. 12</i> | | |
| 10 | Riley Tucker | Harlan's Holiday | 30-1 |
| | (\$375,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL) | | |
| | O-Zayat Stables LLC; B-Formal Gold LLC; T-W Mott; J-E Prado. Lifetime Record: 7-1-3-2, \$161,100. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 3rd GII Coolmore Lexington Apr. 19</i> | | |
| 11 | Giant Moon | Giant's Causeway | 30-1 |
| | O/B-Albert Fried Jr (NY); T-Richard Schosberg; J-Ramon Dominguez. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, \$223,535. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 4th GI Wood Memorial S. Apr. 5</i> | | |
| 12 | Gayego | Gilded Time | 8-1 |
| | (\$32,000 yrl '06 KEESEP) | | |
| | O-Cubanacan Stables; B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton (Ky); T-Paulo Lobo; J-M Smith. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$723,420. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 17th GI Kentucky Derby May 3</i> | | |
| 13 | Hey Byrn | Put It Back | 20-1 |
| | (\$30,000 yrl '06 OBSAUG; \$160,000 2yo '07 OBSMAR) | | |
| | O-Beatrice Oxenberg; B-Arthur Appleton (Fl); T-Edward Plesa Jr; J-C C Lopez. Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-0, \$266,000. | | |
| | <i>Last Start: 1st GIII Holy Bull S. Apr. 12</i> | | |



Preakness Coverage cont.

Will Good Be Bad for Brown?

Up until yesterday, **Big Brown** has had some exceptionally poor luck drawing post positions. He drew post 12 for the Mar. 29 GI Florida Derby at Gulfstream, regarded by many as the kiss of death since no horse



Horsephotos

had won from there since the track was reconfigured a few years ago. He put his doubters to rest with a five-length tally that earned him favoritism for the May 5 GI Kentucky Derby. His post there? The right-next-to-the-hotdog-vendor post 20. IEAH President Michael Iavarone laughed yesterday at the

Preakness draw when asked about landing a favorable spot in the starting gate Saturday. "I don't know," he said. "He gets to save some ground for the first time. I'm not sure if that's a good thing or a bad thing. We'll find out." Iavarone added that the IEAH team is still riding high after Big Brown's Derby romp. "For the first six days, we were still trying to figure out what happened, but for the last six days reality set in and it's been incredible, being able to share this with our family and friends," he said. But he added that a win in the Preakness is not assured by any stretch, regardless of what the toteboard says. "It's two weeks rest, and like any other Kentucky Derby winner you're going to face a bunch of new shooters in the race," Iavarone said. "We all know how tough it is to win the Kentucky Derby and come back in two weeks and win the Preakness." Before leaving for Maryland yesterday on an afternoon flight that was delayed about two hours, Big Brown made one more visit to the track at Churchill Downs Wednesday morning. Trainer Richard Dutrow, Jr. said the colt went out for a gallop with his regular exercise rider, Michelle Nevin. "It was just a regular gallop," Dutrow said. "He went good." Dutrow added that he has scrapped a plan to give the colt a short breeze late in the week at Pimlico. Big Brown will gallop up to the race. "It's just what I want to see," he said. "Everything is good with him."

Gayego A Go...

Hollywood Park-based trainer Paulo Lobo put **Gayego** (Gilded Time) on a plane at 5 a.m. Wednesday, confident that his GI Arkansas Derby winner would have no problems enduring the cross-country flight from Los Angeles to Baltimore. The flight to BWI Airport was Gayego's third shipping experience in five weeks, as he first shipped to Oaklawn and back for the Arkansas Derby, then to Louisville and back for the Kentucky Derby. "He's a very good shipper," said Lobo, who expects to join his Preakness hopeful late Thursday. "He's a very, very calm horse and he's a very, very good eater. He's a big strong horse."



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Baker High on Kentucky Bear...

At the Preakness draw yesterday, trainer Reade Baker expressed the same confidence he's shown all week in his lightly raced **Kentucky Bear** (Mr. Greeley), who ran third in the GI Blue Grass S. At Keeneland. "Big Brown beat a lot of good horses [in the Derby], but he didn't beat Kentucky Bear," said Baker. Yesterday, Kentucky Bear galloped twice around the Pimlico oval under exercise rider Cassie Garcia, who said the chestnut was "awesome." Baker said that he's seen a noticeable improvement in Kentucky Bear since his last race. "From the Blue Grass, he's really developed and put on weight," said Baker, "There's no grass to graze on in Florida, and once he got to the grass at Keeneland and Churchill, the horse has been doing phenomenal." Kentucky Bear, who has had only three career starts and was unraced at two, has had three five-furlong works since the Apr. 12 Blue Grass, one each at Churchill Downs (:59.60, muddy), Keeneland (:59, fast) and at Pimlico (1:01, sloppy). "Works obviously can be deceiving, but he was really coasting in those works," said Baker, who will saddle his first Preakness runner.

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Wednesday, York, Britain

DUKE OF YORK S.-G2, £100,000, York, 5-14, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:10.71, gd/fm.

1--**@ASSERTIVE (GB)**, 133, h, 5, by **Bold Edge (GB)**
 1st Dam: **Tart and a Half (GB)**, by **Distant Relative (Ire)**
 2nd Dam: **Vagrant Wind (GB)**, by **Vaigly Great (GB)**
 3rd Dam: **Silent Prayer (GB)**, by **Queens Hussar (GB)**
 (36,000gns yrl '04 DONSEP). O-Lady Whent; B-Raffin Bloodstock; T-Richard Hannon; J-Ryan Moore; £56,770. Lifetime Record: 29-5-5-5, £194,434.
 * 1/2 to **Boogie Street (GB)** (Compton Place {GB}), MSW & MGSP-GB, \$266,651. **Werk Nick Rating: B.**
 Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**War Artist (Aus)**, 138, g, 5, Orpen--Royal Solitaire (Aus), by Brocco. O-Vintage Thoroughbreds; B-S Kirkham; T-James Eustace; £21,520.

3--**Beckermet (Ire)**, 133, g, 6, Second Empire (Ire)--Razida (Ire), by Last Tycoon (Ire). (€12,500 yrl '03 TATIRE). O-Great Head House Taylor Nash Edwards; B-Fritz von Ball Moss; T-Roger Fisher; £10,770.

Margins: NK, NK, 3/4. Odds: 15-2, 11-1, 40-1.
 Also Ran: US Ranger, (DH) Haatef, (DH) Hoh Mike (Ire), Prime Defender (GB), Balthazaar's Gift (Ire), Utmost Respect (GB), Galeota (Ire), Honoured Guest (Ire), Beaver Patrol (Ire), Big Timer, Wi Dud (GB), Rising Shadow (Ire), Garnica (Fr), Sonny Red (Ire).
 Scratched: Soldier's Tale.

Three-time listed winner Assertive, third in the G2 Diadem S. at Ascot in September, closed last term with an off-the-board run in the G3 Bentinck S. at Newmarket the following month; it was his 15th attempt at pattern level. He just missed when runner-up in a blanket finish in the Apr. 17 Listed Abernant S. at Newmarket in his seasonal return, but he refused to buckle at the business end of this contest to register a career high. Moving sweetly on the tail of the leading quartet through the early fractions, the chestnut took aim at the quarter-mile marker, led at the distance and was driven out from there to prevail in determined fashion. "He's won [and been placed] in a stack of listed races and has always been there or thereabouts in group races," said winning rider Ryan Moore. "Today went pretty well as I got a lovely tow off Beckermet and, if anything, I got there too soon as he idled a bit once getting to the front. The boss has done a great job to keep him going for so long and still willing to do it. He's a game old horse."

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CASINO DRIVE, Peter Pan Stakes(G2)

O-Hidetoshi Yamamoto; B-Shell Bloodstock (KY); T-Kazuo Fujisawa
SEPTEMBER 2006 for \$950,000/Earnings - \$185,282
 Consigned by Denali Stud (Bandoroff, Craig & Holly), Agent for Mark Dedomenico
 Purchased by Nobutaka Tada

EL GATO MALO, Lone Star Derby(G3)

O-West Point Thoroughbreds; B-Kenneth C Roberts (KY); T-Craig Dollase
SEPTEMBER 2006 for \$130,000/Earnings - \$440,200
 Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent

TAJAAWEED, Dee Stakes(G3)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Herman Sarkowsky; T-Sir Michael Stoute
SEPTEMBER 2006 for \$400,000/Earnings - \$39,490
 Consigned by Hidden Brook, Agent for Herman Sarkowsky
 Purchased by Shadwell Estate Company LTD

STREET BOSS, Los Angeles Handicap(G3)

O-Bluegate Corp, Headley & Naify; B-Brilliant Stable Inc (KY); T-Bruce Headley
SEPTEMBER 2005 for \$300,000/Earnings - \$221,800
 Consigned by Woods Edge Farm, Peter O'Callaghan, Agent
 Purchased by Worldwide Bloodstock, Agent





Wednesday, Naas, Ireland

BLUE WIND S.-G3, €90,000, Naas, 5-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:09.24, gd.

1--#@**ADORED (IRE)**, 121, f, 3, by [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: Sudden Hope (Fr), by Darshaan (GB)

2nd Dam: Sudden Glory (Fr), by Luthier (Fr)

3rd Dam: Sauce Supreme (GB), by Hard Sauce (GB)

O-Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd; T-Aidan O'Brien; J-Johnny Murtagh; €58,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, €70,247. *1/2 to Frederick Ozanam (Ire) (Traditionally), GSP-Ire.

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

Werk Nick Rating: A + .

2--**Tiffany Diamond (Ire)**, 121, f, 3, Sadler's Wells--Niyla

(Ire), by Darshaan (GB). O-Anne Marie O'Brien; B-Whisperview Trading Ltd; T-Aidan O'Brien; €18,000.

3--**Profound Beauty (Ire)**, 135, f, 4, Danehill--Diamond Trim (Ire), by Highest Honor (Fr). O/B-Moyglare Stud Farm; T-Dermot Weld; €9,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2, 7. Odds: 9-2, 33-1, 4-7.

Also Ran: Allicansays Wow, Sweet Sixteen (Ire), Arkadina (Ire), Marjalina (Ire).

Adored made no impact on her first two starts at Navan in October and Leopardstown Apr. 6, but made a giant leap forward in the stable's now customary style at Gowran Park May 4. The bay looked a transformed character with that 11-length maiden success, and continued the progression under a forceful ride from Johnny Murtagh here as Ballydoyle enjoyed a one-two. Soon in front, she had drawn the sting from Profound Beauty before the final furlong and pulled out extra as Tiffany Diamond emerged to complete the exacta for her breeder and trainer. "The filly has improved a lot from her maiden," Murtagh told *PA Sport*. "She's a big, strong galloping filly with a lot of class."

Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).

Wednesday, York, Britain

TATTERSALLS MUSIDORA S.-G3, £60,000, York, 5-14, 3yo, f, 10f 88ydsT, 2:09.78, gd/fm.

1--#@**LUSH LASHES (GB)**, 124, f, 3, by [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: Dance for Fun (GB), by Anabaa

2nd Dam: Hilaris (GB), by Arazi

3rd Dam: Carnival Spirit (GB), by Kris (GB)

(€80,000 yrl '06 GOFORB). O-Mrs J S Bolger; B-Mrs A M Jenkins; T-Jim Bolger; J-Kevin Manning. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, £704,665. **Werk Nick Rating: A + + .**

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2--**Cape Amber (Ire)**, 124, f, 3, Cape Cross (Ire)--

Maramba (GB), by Rainbow Quest. O/B-Five Horses Ltd; T-Peter Chapple-Hyam; £12,912.

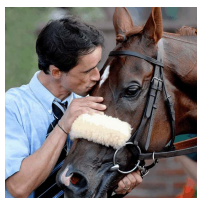
3--**Dar Re Mi (GB)**, 124, f, 3, Singspiel (Ire)--Darara (Ire),

by Top Ville (Ire). O-Lord Lloyd-Webber; B-Watership Down Stud; T-John Gosden; £6,462.

Margins: 5, 1 3/4, HD. Odds: 2-1, 9-1, 10-3.

Also Ran: Moonstone (GB), Sovereign's Honour, Cruel Sea, Comeback Queen (GB), Sayyedati Symphony.

Lush Lashes hit the jackpot when garnering the Parknasilla Hotel Goffs Fillies Million on debut at The Curragh last September, but found the deep mud too much of a hindrance when returning to run seventh in the G3 Park Express S. at the Co. Kildare venue in her sophomore bow Mar. 30. Noted for her closing rally when finishing a close-up sixth in the May 4 G1 1000 Guineas S. at Newmarket last time, she appreciated this firmer strip to trounce the opposition and claim a first pattern-race score. Keeping the leaders within range in fifth, the bay filly eased closer in early straight and broke loose once taking over inside the final quarter mile to outclass her rivals by daylight. "She did it very easy, considering there wasn't much early pace and that they quickened up a long way from home," explained jockey Kevin Manning. "There are no question marks about her getting a mile and a half." Trainer Jim Bolger issued a note of caution with regard to her participation in the June 6 G1 Epsom Oaks as representative Ger Flynn revealed, "Speaking to the boss on the phone just now, he said...Epsom and The Curragh are both on the cards. We'll see how she is when we get her home, but it's more likely to be The Curragh [the July 13 G1 Irish Oaks]." Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).



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Thursday, York, Britain, post time: 2:40 p.m.

DANTE S.-G2, £150,000, 3yo, 10f 88ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	3	Centennial (Ire)	Dalakhani (Ire)	Gosden
2	2	Frozen Fire (Ger)	Montjeu (Ire)	A O'Brien
3	1	McCartney (Ger)	In the Wings (GB)	bin Suroor
4	6	Tartan Bearer (Ire)	Spectrum (Ire)	Stoute
5	5	Twice Over (GB)	Observatory	Cecil
6	4	Young Pretender (Fr)	Oasis Dream (GB)	bin Suroor

All carry 126 pounds.

Godolphin, who first collected this trophy in 1995 with Classic Cliche (Ire) and followed up with Moon Ballad (GB) seven years later, put forward a duo in **Young Pretender** and ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ **McCartney**. The former was trained by John Gosden when winning the G3 Prix la Rochette at Longchamp in September and subsequently fifth in that track's G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere on Arc day. McCartney, who was impressive when winning Doncaster's G2 Champagne S. for the Mark Johnston yard, may have been past his best when only seventh in the G1 Dewhurst S. at Newmarket in October. "Young Pretender is in good form and I am happy with him," trainer Saeed bin Suroor commented. "It will be a tough race to win, but we are looking forward to a good performance from him on his first start for us. The 10-furlong trip should be no problem for him. McCartney does not show us a great deal at home, but he is fit and ready. We are looking forward to a good run from him. I think the step up in distance could suit him."

John Gosden, who saddled Benny the Dip to win this en route to Epsom Derby success in 1997, relies on Michael O'Flynn's **Centennial**. That grey colt toughed it out on his sophomore bow in the Apr. 26 G3 Sandown Classic Trial. Sir Michael Stoute's four winners include subsequent Blue Riband heroes Shahrastani and North Light (Ire), and he will be hoping that Ballymacoll Stud's ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ **Tartan Bearer** can improve off his Leicester maiden win Apr. 26 to make an impact.

Thursday, York, Britain, post time: 2:10 p.m.

MIDDLETON S.-G3, £50,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 10f 88ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	5	Flying Clarets (Ire)	Titus Livius (Fr)	Fahey
2	3	Promising Lead (GB)	Danehill	Stoute
3	7	Ronaldsay (GB)	Kirkwall (GB)	Hannon
4	1	Samira Gold (Fr)	Gold Away (Ire)	Cumani
5	6	Sell Out (GB)	Act One (GB)	Wragg
6	2	Soft Morning (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Prescott
7	4	Under the Rainbow (GB)	Fantastic Light	B Hills

All carry 124 pounds.

Friday, York, Britain

EMIRATES AIRLINE YORKSHIRE CUP-G2, £140,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	7	Alfie Flits (GB)	Machiavellian	Winston
2	2	Geordieland (Fr)	Johann Quatz (Fr)	Kelly
3	1	Honolulu (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Murtagh
4	6	Royal and Regal (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Callan
5	4	Samuel (GB)	Sakhee	Ahern
6	5	Sergeant Cecil (GB)	King's Signet	Munro
7	3	Young Mick (GB)	King's Theatre (Ire)	Moore
8	8	Veenwouden (GB)	Desert Prince (Ire)	McEvoy

All carry 124 pounds bar Veenwouden, 121.

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July Mixed	July 7-11
October Yearlings - 1	Oct. 7-10
October Yearlings -2	Oct. 14-15
October Yearlings - 3	Oct. 16-18
Autumn HIT	Oct. 27-30
October Yearlings - 4	Oct. 31-Nov. 1
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December Foals	Nov. 25-29
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☆ SALES NEWS ☆

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY FILLY TOPS BARRETTS MAY SALE

A daughter of Harlan's Holiday sold for \$700,000, a sale record for a filly, to top Tuesday's Barretts May Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training in Pomona, California. The juvenile, who recorded the fastest quarter-mile drill of :20.80 during the auction's under tack show last week, was purchased by Jess Jackson's Stonestreet Stables. Consigned by Murray Smith, agent, the bay filly is out of



Harlan's Holiday *airdrie stud*

Leading the Way (Septieme Ciel), a daughter of multiple graded stakes winner Fit to Lead (Fit to Fight). The two-year-old brought \$150,000 as a FTKJUL yearling before failing to meet her reserve at \$190,000 earlier this year at Fasig-Tipton February. Stonestreet purchased four of the sale's top five lots, taking home sons of Fusaichi Pegasus and Mr. Greeley and a filly by Lion Heart for \$300,000 each. During Tuesday's auction, Barretts sold 147 juveniles for a total of \$7,816,400. The sale average was \$53,173, down 15.1 percent from a year ago, while the median fell four percent to \$24,000. A total of 74 horses were reported not sold.



Lion Heart *Coolmore*

BARRETTS MAY SALE -- TOP FIVE LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
<u>121</u>	filly	<u>Harlan's Holiday</u>	<u>Leading the Way</u>	700,000
(\$150,000 yrl '07 FTKJUL) <i>B-Fanfare II, Inc.</i>				
Consigned by Murray Smith, agent Purchased by Stonestreet Stables LLC				
<u>114</u>	colt	<u>Forestry</u>	<u>Just Fun</u>	400,000
(\$170,000 yrl '07 KEESEP) <i>B-Capistrano Thoroughbreds</i>				
Consigned by Excel Bloodstock LLC (B De Berdt & R Delguidice), agent Purchased by I A S Management				
<u>138</u>	colt	<u>Fusaichi Pegasus</u>	<u>Majestic Legend</u>	300,000
(\$30,000 yrl '07 KEESEP) <i>B-MC Stables, LLC</i>				
Consigned by Ricky Leppala, agent Purchased by Stonestreet Stables LLC				
<u>199</u>	colt	<u>Mr. Greeley</u>	<u>Private Feeling</u>	300,000
<i>B-Gulf Coast Farms, LLC</i>				
Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent Purchased by Stonestreet Stables LLC				
<u>214</u>	filly	<u>Lion Heart</u>	<u>Rokeby Rosie</u>	300,000
(\$15,000 yrl '07 FTKOCT) <i>B-Lynn Schiff</i>				
Consigned by Havens Bloodstock Agency, Inc., agent Purchased by Stonestreet Stables LLC				

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Session Totals	2008	2007	
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No. Offered	221	265	
No. Sold	147	181	
RNAs	74	84	
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No. Over \$300K	5	10	
High Price	\$700,000	\$650,000	
Gross	\$7,816,400	\$11,331,300	
Average (% change)	\$53,173 (-15.1%)	\$62,604	
Median (% change)	\$24,000 (-4.0%)	\$25,000	
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☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

RIO COULD HEAD TO THE CURRAGH Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains runner-up **Rio de la Plata** (Rahy) could join stable companion **Ibn Khaldun** (Dubai Destination) for a dual Godolphin raid on next Saturday's G1 Irish 2000



Rio de la Plata *le-cheval bleu*

Guineas at The Curragh. Trainer Saeed bin Suroor confirmed that last year's G1 Racing Post Trophy winner Ibn Khaldun, who flopped in the Newmarket equivalent, remained on course for the mile

Classic before adding that Rio de la Plata was also under consideration. "Rio might go as well," bin Suroor told PA Sport. "He ran very well the other day to come from the back and take second. We will keep our options open with him and decide closer to the race. We could run them both, but we have been really happy with Ibn Khaldun since Newmarket."

CUMANI MAKES THE CALL Trainer Luca Cumani has announced that Patrick Cooper's **Curtain Call (Fr)** (Sadler's Wells) will head straight to the June 7 G1 Epsom Derby. Last year's G2 Beresford S. winner was



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taken out of Saturday's G3 Lingfield Derby Trial due to fast ground, and his conditioner has ruled out a late prep. "Curtain Call will now have to go straight to the Derby without having faced a strong field so far this year," Cumani said on his official website. "On the plus side, he did

have five runs as a two-year-old, so is not in need of racing experience. He is a horse that looks after himself naturally and does not tend to overdo it, but can get a bit fresh and boisterous, so it is rather like keeping the lid on a simmering pot without letting it boil over."

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What are some positive steps racing should take in the wake of the Eight Belles tragedy, both for the safety of the horses and in light of the mounting public criticism of the sport?

DIANA PIKULSKI, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, THOROUGHBRED RETIREMENT FOUNDATION diana@trfinc.org

The death of Eight Belles--tragic and unintentional--was met by outrage by the American public, a public which is this week discovering that we routinely and intentionally send thousands more thoroughbreds to a cruel and inhumane death every single year in the slaughterhouse.

Monday night on HBO, Real Sports premiered a segment on horse slaughter, the first of several airings of this program. We have been told that a major American newspaper is planning a similar story. In July 2008, the New York Governors Task Force will hold a much-needed public forum on the issue of retired racehorses. This issue is in the forefront of racing's current public perception hurdles.

Much has been written over the past few days about initiatives to make the sport safer for its equine participants during their racing careers. Any of these moves, of course, would be welcome and are clearly needed. That said, it is clear that these initiatives will take time and may be problematic to enforce in racing's decentralized circumstances.

In every state in the U.S. where horses were being slaughtered, the public and the legislatures overwhelmingly voted to shut them down. This is a trend that can be expected to continue as the American public is growing increasingly more concerned about animal welfare. If the federal legislation passes, transportation of horses to Canada and Mexico for slaughter will be illegal and for all intents and purposes, there will be no market to which trainers and owners can send their racehorses to be slaughtered. Why wait for this and allow thousands of Thoroughbreds to be transported to Canada and Mexico for a gruesome inhumane death?

The issue of humane retirement, however, can be addressed instantly and effectively through fairly simple measures. A national task force similar to the New York Governor's Task Force on Retired Racehorses is the first step. Racing can be proactive and take a stand to protect its retired athletes. Certain tracks have begun to take steps in the right direction: Suffolk Downs funds a TRF program to protect the horses on its backstretch, Penn National is working on such a program, Philadelphia Park recently announced its program and the Finger Lakes is in its third year of a similar program for horse adoption.

Many owners are responsible and plan for the retirement of their racehorses, but most are not able to or willing to do the same--especially at the lower level tracks where the horses are most at risk. It is for this reason that the Unwanted Horse Coalition model of 'promoting responsible ownership' does not relate to the racing business.

If the NTRA plans to market horse racing as a safe and humane sport, it will not pass muster without definitive action on the issue of funding racehorse retirement. There is no shortage of facilities and jobs in which to place retired racehorses--just the funds to care for them. Many should be humanely euthanized at retirement rather than have to suffer the trip to slaughter with an injury as is often the case.

It doesn't speak well of our industry that we can't, or won't, take care of our own. Don't do it because the eyes of the world are upon us. Do it because it's the right thing to do.

GARRETT REDMOND

Since other forms of spectator entertainment became readily available, Thoroughbred racing has been slouching into oblivion. Our Establishment, in all its manifestations--The Jockey Club, NTRA, Breeders' Cup, et al--has failed to arrest the decline. Conclusion, the Establishment is a failure. The people who make their living in the Thoroughbred industry must rise up and take over. Nothing except a revolution can save us. It can be "bloodless," if those in power admit their failures and depart.

Faced with our worst media exposure on record, what does The Jockey Club do? Appoints a committee which, except for Larry Bramlage, is typically the same old gang mustered to appear on every occasion of crisis. They will meet, talk and report; and that will be the end of it. The NTRA, instead of taking the lead, defers to The Jockey Club. Same old, same old, never prepared with an immediate response for foreseeable situations. Always wavering, vacillating, uncertain.

"If the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself for battle?" 1 Corinthians, XIV, 8

As Oliver Cromwell told a British Parliament, "You have sat here too long for any good you might do. In God's name -- GO."

What we need now is leaders, not figureheads.



☆ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ☆

I went to the meeting in Louisville [Tuesday] night (*see related story ATW p1*) and was blown away by the lack of understanding many in our industry have of this situation. I started to get up and speak many times, but realized that I was 10 years younger than anyone in the room (which was also appalling). Here is what I took from the meeting.

All of us in the Thoroughbred industry have a duty to understand what is going on, and after going to the THG meeting in Louisville it is blatantly obvious many do not. Our business will not survive without one unified group that negotiates for the best interest of the horsemen. TOBA, NYRA, even the Breeders' Cup, while all have good intentions, none has any leverage.

The HBPA's hold the only card, they control the the ADW signals. They also understand that they don't have the the negotiating skills or money necessary to hire the kind of attorneys we need to represent us while negotiating with the likes of Churchill and Magna. THG is trying to create a nationally unified group of all HBPA's. Everyone in our industry must back this group and push everyone they know in any state that has not already joined to do just that. HBPA's are historically run by trainers, and that is just plain ridiculous. Not because trainers don't understand the issues, but because all a racetrack does when a trainer says something they don't like is cut his stalls. The other reason is even more simplistic. Trainers are not skilled negotiators.

I listened to members of the KHBP and TOBA explain to the crowd of horsemen what they are doing--we get nothing from ADW's and we all know that. So the only rational course of action is to shut down the ADW's until they are willing to negotiate. Churchill's response was to cut purses and if you did not see that coming, you simply ignored the fact that it was their only obvious retaliation. Here is where the problem lies. A large majority of the horsemen want a quick fix and that simply won't happen. We are crying about a 20-percent purse cut and are acting like we can't survive a week with it in effect. I guarantee you that every trainer and owner in that meeting has gone through long dry spells without a win. Point being, you will survive two months, six months even a year of purse cuts if it gets this ADW situation sorted out properly and forces tracks to give horsemen what they deserve. We won't survive when 10 years from now when ADW's make up 50 percent of overall money wagered and the horsemen get none of it.

During the meeting, Bill Casner pointed out that horsemen incur \$2 billion in expenses and that doesn't include the cost to acquire the horses themselves. Gross annual purses amount to \$1 billion. That makes it blatantly obvious that we're not trying to be irrational and we deserve a fair percentage of this.

One very significant owner, who has traditionally worn his emotions on his sleeves, brought up a boycott of racing and the crowd applauded. This is completely ludicrous. It will lead to a quickly scraped-together cure and the horsemen will be left with the short end of the stick. Once that is done, we are done, because we have then set a precedent that cannot be redesigned. We missed the boat when we allowed racetracks to sell simulcasting signals in the 80's for pennies and have been fighting an uphill battle ever since. Proof that if you allow yourself to be exploited in the beginning you will never be able to change that exploitation.

Tracks are going to portray us as greedy villains. Just read letters to the editor in the *Daily Racing Form* and it is obvious they are succeeding. Gamblers are funneling their anger to horsemen because they can't bet. It's time we explained to the average gambler who the real villain is: the racetracks. It should be obvious, they are big corporations and their CEO's are paid to make as much money as possible for their shareholders. They don't care about us, they would drop us in a minute if they could prove that the public would bet just as much on billy goats as they do on horses.

I was warned not to put my name of this letter because the likes of Churchill and Magna can make my life miserable. The way things are right now, I'll never be able to buy a box at Churchill and I sure as hell won't ever be able to afford putting a horse in training!

The point is that any quick decision will not be in our best interest. There's no cure-all. This has to be addressed and thought out and proper negotiations need to take place to make it fair for everyone.

Sincerely, Deuce Greathouse

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

ZITO WEIGHS IN ON TRACK DEBATE In the wake over Eight Belles' breakdown in the Kentucky Derby, there have been calls for the continued progression to synthetic tracks. Hall of Fame trainer Nick Zito, who has been skeptical of synthetic tracks, addressed the issue at Pimlico yesterday. "As you know, I'm a dirt-track guy," he said. "Eight Belles is going to come up over and over this week. You know just as well as I do, or better, it's more than the tracks. My thing right now is to try to protect the dirt surfaces as good as we can." Zito said he did some personal research on the recent Oaklawn Park meeting, where from some 4,600 starters, there were only five breakdowns (one a seven-year-old, one a nine-year-old) during the meet that went from Jan. 18 to Apr. 11--a 30-percent drop from last season. "They resurfaced the track this winter," Zito said. "They also installed an on-site soil analysis lab." Zito said the entire cost of the resurface and lab operation was roughly \$100,000. "If [Oaklawn] can do something like that with that least [amount of] money, there should be more research into dirt. I'm here to protect the game," said Zito.

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STALLION PROSPECTS - OLDER HORSES

Rank (Prev.Rank) Name	Owner	Breeder	Trainer	Last Race - Video	Best '07/'08 (if started) BRIS STATUS
1(1)- CURLIN (Smart Strike) ('08: 2-2-0-0, \$3,705,000; '07: 9-6-1-2, \$5,102,800) <i>(The 2007 Horse of the Year stamps himself a world leader, dismantling an honest bunch in the World Cup...Christina Bossinakis)</i>	Stonestreet et al	Fares Farm	Asmussen	1st G1 Dubai World Cup	121 6/14 GI Stephen Foster H.
2(2)- HEATSEEKER (IRE) (Giant's Causeway) ('08: 4-1-2-1, \$768,000; '07: 8-3-3-0, \$190,238) <i>(A graded stakes winner at four and a Grade I winner at 5, the spirited chestnut showed his grit at Oaklawn...Christina Bossinakis)</i>	W Deburgh	R Barnes	Hollendorfer	2nd GII Oaklawn H.	105 5/31 GII Californian
3(3)- DAAHER (Awesome Again) ('08: 2-0-0-1, \$8,123; '07: 7-4-0-1, \$447,039) <i>(Full to MGISW Spun Sugar, topped sprint champ Midnight Lute in GI Cigar Mile and begins his stud career at \$30,000...Jessica Martini)</i>	Shadwell	Y&D Schwabe	McLaughlin	3rd Stymie H.	100 RETIRED TO SHADWELL
4(4)- CHAMPS ELYSEES (Danehill) ('08: 3-1-1-1, \$260,000; '07: 6-1-3-1, \$235,630) <i>(A full to leading sire Dansili, Grade I-placed on two continents last year, is GSW and GISP in the U.S in 2008...Jessica Martini)</i>	Juddmonte	Homebred	Frankel	2nd GII Jim Murray Mem.	103 6/7 GI C. Whittingham H.
5(5)- TIAGO (Pleasant Tap) ('08: 4-1-1-1, \$444,000, '07: 8-4-0-1, \$1,234,750) <i>(MGISW beat his elders at three, the half to KY Derby hero Giacomo appreciated the move to Oaklawn...Steve Sherack)</i>	Moss	Homebred	Shirreffs	1st GII Oaklawn H.	101 5/31 GII Californian
6(6)- SPRING AT LAST (Silver Deputy) ('08: 2-1-0-0, \$301,500; '07: 5-2-1-0, \$722,000) <i>(By the sire of last year's leading freshman sire Posse, the Grade I winner was retired after failing to fire at the Big A ...Jessica Martini)</i>	J Reddam/WinStar	WinStar LLC	O'Neill	8th GI Carter H.	104 RETIRED TO WINSTAR
7(7)- MIDNIGHT LUTE (Real Quiet) ('07: 6-2-2-0, \$1,368,000) <i>(Champion sprinter will get a freshener before kicking off his 2008 campaign in New York this summer...Alan Carasso)</i>	Watson & Weitman	Evans/Macon	Baffert	2nd GI Cigar Mile H.	112 undecided
8(8)- CIRCULAR QUAY (Thunder Gulch) ('08: 3-1-0-0, \$328,000; '07: 10-4-2-0, \$1,177,434) <i>(GI Hopeful hero may have bounced after his gritty New Orleans victory...Marie Kizenko)</i>	Tabor	Homebred	Pletcher	4th GII Oaklawn H.	103 6/14 GI Stephen Foster H.
9(9)- NOBIZ LIKE SHOBIZ (Albert the Great) ('07: 13-7-2-1, \$1,544,730) <i>(GISW on dirt and G2SW on turf has had a few setbacks of late and could return by the summer...Lucas Marquardt)</i>	Valando	Homebred	Tagg	8th GI Hollywood Derby	103 undecided
10(10)- KIP DEVILLE (Kipling) ('08: 1-1-0-0, \$186,000; '07 7-3-1-1, \$1,965,780) <i>(Last year's BC Mile winner looked sharp at Keeneland, but won't see action again for a while...Lucas Marquardt)</i>	IEAH/Pegasus	Center Hills	Dutrow Jr	1st GI Maker's Mark Mile	96 9/7 GI Woodbine Mile

AT THE GAP: Air Commander (Point Given), A.P. Arrow (A.P. Indy), Benny the Bull (Lucky Lionel), Chatain (Forest Wildcat), First Defence (Unbridled's Song), Go Between (Point Given), Grasshopper (Dixie Union), Idiot Proof (Benchmark), In Summation (Put it Back), Student Council (Kingmambo), Street Boss (Street Cry {Ire}).

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CHURCHILL SUES KHBPA, KTA Churchill Downs Incorporated, Churchill Downs Technology Initiatives Company and Calder Race Course Inc. have filed suit against the Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association (KHBPA), the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association (KTA) and officers of each organization. Submitted to the United States District Court for the Western District of Kentucky, the suit alleges violations under the Sherman Antitrust Act and is the result of the refusal of the KHBPA and the KTA to approve the distribution of the Churchill simulcast signal to national advance deposit-wagering operations (ADWs) and Calder Race Course. The suit requests that the defendants be prevented from boycotting racetracks and ADW operators that do not comply with their demands, which include uniform terms for the pricing of racing signals. "It is in the best interest of our racetrack, our horsemen and certainly our customers for the Churchill Downs signal to be made available to racing fans throughout the country," said Steve Sexton, executive vice president of Churchill Downs Incorporated. "Unfortunately, our negotiations with Kentucky horsemen have not advanced. We still have not heard from them what they are looking for, other than to be pointed to representatives in Ohio. The KHBPA and KTA continue to block the Churchill Downs signal from being offered to national ADW platforms and Calder, despite the fact that since our entry into the ADW business last year we have nearly doubled host fees paid by ADW businesses to our racetracks and horsemen partners." This suit amends a complaint filed Apr. 24 against the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Group (THG), the Florida HBPA and those respective officers over their refusal to export the signal from Calder Race Course to out-of-state OTBs.

MAGNA FIRES DRAGONE Chris Dragone, who was hired six months ago as president of the Maryland Jockey Club, has been fired by Magna Entertainment and replaced by Tom Chuckas, longtime president of Rosecroft Raceway. "Dragone, he was a nice fella, but it might have been maybe too much for him," Magna Chairman Frank Stronach told the *Washington Post* from Moscow. "[Chuckas] had more experience. We have in mind he will play a greater role. It happened he was available." Chuckas has been serving as an advisor to Stronach since May 1. Dragone, who replaced the Lou Raffetto, will stay on through Preakness weekend, Pimlico's signature event. "Right now, I'm president of the Maryland Jockey Club, and my focus is 100 percent on the Preakness," Dragone told the *Post*.

KENTUCKY HORSEMEN PRESENT UNITED FRONT

The Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association hosted a forum at the Executive Inn East in Louisville Tuesday evening, encouraging the approximately 150 horsemen on hand to stand their ground in the ongoing stalemate with Churchill Downs regarding revenue sharing from advance deposit wagering (ADW) platforms. In spite of the recent 20-percent cut in overnight purses at the Louisville oval, horsemen remain nearly unanimous in their refusal to distribute the simulcast signal to ADWs. "I don't see horsemen wavering whatsoever on this issue," commented Marty Maline, executive director of the Kentucky HBPA. "The main purpose of the meeting was to provide information to our membership, regarding not only ADWs, but also what we feel is an unwarranted significant purse decrease at Churchill Downs. Those were the two issues we wanted to explain to horsemen so they could get a better understanding of why this action was taken, and secondly what our ideas will be regarding the purse decrease." Maline suggested that horsemen learned their lesson back in the early days of simulcasting, when they allowed the racetracks to negotiate deals on the cheap. "[The horsemen] recognize that this is the growth of our industry and as [HBPA President] Rick [Hiles] mentioned, we were kind of caught flat-footed with simulcasting. We allowed the racetracks to negotiate the deals for simulcasting and at that point, everybody saw that as new-found money. Now, whereas most of our betting was on track, now 85 percent of it is simulcasting, of which we get a very small percentage. If indeed ADWs are going in a similar direction, horsemen obviously need a more equitable share of that revenue." Maline remains optimistic that a deal can be reached, but that Churchill Downs should not expect a significant shift in the HBPA's position. "We're hoping that Churchill and [Churchill's ADW platform] TrackNet will recognize that horsemen are firm in their resolve regarding this issue, and that they will sit down and work out a reasonable approach to this new revenue," he stated. "We hope Churchill makes as much money as they can [with TrackNet], but we can't continue to operate under a scenario whereby the handle is growing tremendously, while our purses are decreasing. If horsemen are going to continue to operate in this business with rising expenses, we just need a larger share of the revenue." Also present at the meeting was Bob Reeves, president of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Group, which represents 18 horsemen's group. From his standpoint, it was mission accomplished Tuesday night. "I thought it was a very good meeting and the feedback that I got following was all positive and people were thanking me for what we're doing," Reeves commented. "I don't see any panic among the horsepeople. I would use the word resolved. They are resolved to do what they have to do and see this thing out. They just want what's fair."



★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

ADJUDICATING S., \$74,950, BEL, 5-14, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

1--**READY'S IMAGE, 120**, c, 3, [More Than Ready--Clever Phrase, by Clever Trick](#). (\$410,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-James T Scaturchio; B-Dark Hollow Farm (MD); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-John R Velazquez; \$45,870. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 7-4-1-1, \$305,292. **Werk Nick Rating: C.**

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2--**Desert Key, 118**, c, 3, E Dubai--Storm Key, by Storm Cat. (\$270,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-Centennial Farms. \$15,290.

3--**True Quality, 118**, c, 3, Elusive Quality--Louve Mysterieuse, by Seeking the Gold. (\$280,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT). O-Paraneck Stable. \$7,660.

Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 6. Odds: 0.95, 2.95, 4.00.

Ready's Image won last year's Tremont S. and GII Sanford S. and was second behind Majestic Warrior in the Sept. 3 GI Hopeful S., but had not been seen since coming home last in the Oct. 6 GI Champagne S. Favored in this short field of five in his return, the dark bay colt raced at the back of the pack after bobbling at the start. He moved into contention turning for home and reeled in the leaders down the length of the stretch for a professional win. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#).

8th-BEL, \$58,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 3/5, fm.

STALINGRAD (g, 4, Glitterman--Formeredith, by Dynaformer) ended 2007 with a maiden-breaking win over the Hollywood lawn Dec. 12 and began 2008 the same way, taking an Aqueduct allowance by 3 3/4 lengths Apr. 19. Sent off the 5-2 second choice, the bay gelding rated in third, powered to the lead at the top of the stretch and came under the wire 1 3/4 lengths in front of the late-closing favorite Cougar Bay (Ire) (Daylami {Ire}). Best Alibi (Ire) (King's Best), checked at the break and was forced to steady down the backstretch and lacked room late while running fourth. A \$150,000 KEESEP yearling, Stalingrad is a half brother to Crowned King (Barkerville, MSW & GSP, \$583,800). Lifetime Record: 8-3-3-0, \$124,179. O-Barry K Schwartz. B-Richard Kaster, Nathan Fox & John Kuehl (KY). T-Michael E Hushion.

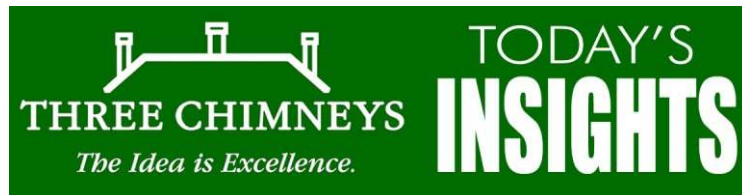
6th-BEL, \$56,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5, fm.

MORAL COMPASS (c, 3, Grand Slam--Affair With Aflair {MSW}, by Well Decorated), who began his 2008 campaign with a sixth-place effort behind Cowboy Cal in the Jan. 1 GIII Tropical Park Derby, was a narrowly beaten third in a Feb. 1 Gulfstream allowance and was coming off another third-place finish over the Gulfstream lawn in the Mar. 29 GIII Palm Beach S. The \$65,000 FTMMAY juvenile, returning to the course and trip of his maiden win last October, rated in mid-pack before rallying four wide into the stretch to take charge at midstretch and pull clear to a 1 1/4-length victory over Holiday Trip (Trippi). Lifetime Record: GSP, 9-2-2-3, \$111,930.

O-North Shore Racing. B-Castleton Lyons & Kilbo Estate Inc (KY). T-Barclay Tagg.

4th-BEL, \$46,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:10 2/5, fm.

EXONERATED (f, 3, Johannesburg--Ladies Night In {MSP, \$123,750}, by Peteski) was making her turf debut off a fifth-place effort at Aqueduct Apr. 13. The 6-5 favorite shadowed the pacesetter before taking charge approaching the lane and drew clear under a hand ride to score by four lengths over Spa Princess (Desert Warrior). Exonerated was a \$105,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$34,527. O-Earle Mack. B-J Bruno (NY). T-H Graham Motion.



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2nd-BEL, \$52k, Msw, 5f

Stewart Armstrong's **DREAM PLAY (Hennessy)** debuts for Kieran McLaughlin off a bullet four-furlong move over the Belmont training track in :47 2/5 May 4. The filly, a \$325,000 FTFFEB juvenile, is a three-quarter sister to Grade I winner Diplomat Lady (Forestry). [brisnet.com pps](#)

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Pfizer Boosts Support of Barbaro Memorial Fund:

Pfizer Animal Health, which since late January has joined forces with the National Thoroughbred Racing Association (NTRA) to help fund laminitis research through the NTRA Charities-Barbaro Memorial Fund, announced yesterday that it will continue with its "Riding with Barbaro" awareness bracelets campaign. The displays have appeared in select veterinary clinics and retail outlets across the country and at major equine events. Due to the strong response thus far, Pfizer will be expanding its number of display locations and manufacturing thousands of additional bracelets for public distribution.

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★ CENTRAL ★

Waldens Announces Sale of Gracefield:

Ben Walden and his wife Elaine have announced that they have sold Gracefield, their 310-acre farm near Lexington, Kentucky, to Robert and Lisa Lourie of Setauket, New York. "It has been the privilege of a lifetime to develop Gracefield," Walden commented. "We have planted over 1,100 trees, built over 90 stalls, run over 13 miles of fence and built three miles of roads. Gracefield has been a second child for us. Our future industry efforts will be directed towards our broodmare band and the stallion operation at Hurricane Hall." The Louries are in the show horse business and also have farms on Long Island, New York, and in Wellington, Florida. Robert Lourie is the head of futures research at Renaissance Technologies, the world's largest hedge fund with over \$30 billion in managed funds. The Waldens will operate Gracefield through the end of 2008 and will offer its final yearling crop at sales this summer and fall.

Yesterday's Results:

7th-CDX, \$41,400, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, sy. ICETATE (c, 4, [Orientate](#)--[Starry Ice](#) {[GSW](#), \$209,300}, by [Ice Age](#)) had not been out since running fourth at Fair Grounds Jan. 7. The 9-5 favorite contested the pace four wide through fractions of :22.06, :46.20 and :58.60. He took command in upper stretch and splashed clear to a 2 3/4-length victory. Ecton Road (Doneraile Court) completed the exacta. [Icetate](#), a \$150,000 KEESEP yearling, is a half brother to [Forest Danger](#) (Forestry, [GISW](#), \$423,000). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$28,305. O/B-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable & Taylor Made Farm, Inc (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

4th-CDX, \$39,915, Msw, 2yo, 5f, :59 2/5, sy. + RETAP (c, 2, [Tapit](#)--[Free Spin](#), by [Olympio](#)), looking to become the first winner for his freshman sire (by [Pulpit](#)), was the 5-2 second choice in his bow. The chestnut homebred was always close to the pace, took over in upper stretch and strode clear to a confident 3 1/2-length score. [Join in the Dance](#) ([Sky Mesa](#)) held on for second, a head in front of even-money favorite [Awesome Preacher](#) ([Touch Gold](#)). [Chapel Run](#) ([Chapel Royal](#)) was fourth. [Click for the \[brisnet.com\]\(#\) chart. \[Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.\]\(#\)](#) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,965. O/B-Winchell Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

The [brisnet.com](#) 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$43,000 Allowance, at Churchill. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

NTRA REPORT FROM CAPITOL HILL



FARM BILL CONFERENCE REPORT PASSES HOUSE

On Wednesday, the Farm Bill conference report was brought to the House floor for debate and vote, where it passed 318 to 106. The Senate will vote next. Congress has given itself until May 16 to finish the bill.

It is expected the Senate also will approve the final version of the Farm Bill and send it to the President for approval. Senate Finance ranking member Charles Grassley (R-IA) has indicated he will work to override a likely presidential veto. Like the House, which reached the necessary 2/3 majority of members present and voting to support an override, Grassley predicted the Senate would reach the 66 votes it needs as well.

The Farm Bill includes language to amend the depreciation schedule for racehorses and also makes equine farmers and ranchers eligible for emergency federal loans following a disaster. Horse breeders previously have not been eligible for these loans, while other livestock producers have been.

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



[Blas Ceoil](#), f, 2, [Mr. Greeley](#). See "Ireland."

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, THURSDAY, MAY 15:

05-26 \$400,000 [Lone Star Park H.-III, LS](#), 3yo/up, 8.5f (0)
 05-26 \$200,000 [Dallas Turf Cup-III, LS](#), 3yo/up, 9fT (0)
 05-26 \$200,000 [Ouija Board Distaff-III, LS](#), 3yo/up, f/m, 8fT (0)

TOMORROW, FRIDAY, MAY 16:

09-06 \$150,000e [FSS--Affirmed, Crc](#), 2yo, , 7f (250)
 09-06 \$150,000e [FSS--Susan's Girl, Crc](#), 2yo, f, , 7f (250)
 10-18 \$400,000e [FSS--In Reality, Crc](#), 2yo, , 8.5f (250)
 10-18 \$400,000e [FSS--My Dear Girl, Crc](#), 2yo, f, , 8.5f (250)
 12-13 \$400,000e [Hollywood Starlet-I, Hol](#), 2yo, f, 8.5f (AWT) (250)
 12-20 \$750,000 [CashCall Futurity-I, Hol](#), 2yo, 8.5f (AWT) (250)

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★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

LONG BEACH S., \$67,870, HOL, 5-14, (R), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35, fm.

1--**WAKE UP MAGGIE (IRE)**, 118, m, 5, **Xaar (GB)--Kalagold (Ire)**, by **Magical Strike**. (24,000 yrl '04 TATIRE; 300,000gns HRA '07 TATDEC).

O-Bloodstock Management Services Inc and Bradley; B-Rathmoyle Exports Ltd (IRE); T-Julio C Canani; J-Joseph Talamo; \$39,780. Lifetime Record: MGSW & G1SP, 17-5-6-1, \$532,651.

2--**Heathersdaddysbaby**, 118, m, 5, Badge--Bonzo's Baldski, by Baldski. (\$3,000 2yo '05 OBSAPR).

O-Capen, Ellis and Noone. \$13,260.

3--**I Can See**, 118, m, 5, Flying Chevron--Precocious Queen, by Bold Ruckus. O-Michael J Miller. \$7,956.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, 3/4. Odds: 1.30, 4.30, 7.40.

Wake Up Maggie, who captured a pair of Group 3 events in England last year before being sold for 300,000gns at the Tattersalls December Sale, was away slowly in her U.S. bow, the Gill Las Cinegas H. at Santa Anita Apr. 13. Given a good ride by Joe Talamo here, the bay settled off the leaders, advanced along the rail on the far turn and slipped through an opening in upper stretch, then drew clear under intermittent urging. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

3rd-HOL, \$51,600, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:43 3/5, ft.

STREET MATCH (f, 3, Street Cry {Ire}--Doubles Match, by Danzig), a \$38,000 KEENOV weanling, was an uninspiring seventh sprinting seven furlongs over this track in his May 2 unveiling. Stretching out here in the quick turnaround, the chestnut filly, forced five wide on the first turn, gained command turning for home and sailed under the wire 5 1/4 lengths in front of Violet Sky (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) at 3-1. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$30,400.

O-Betty Currin and Catherine Parke. B-Masao Araki, Polo Green Stable & Darley (KY). T-William L Currin.

2nd-HOL, \$53,236, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X, 3yo, 6fT, 1:09, fm.

JUNGLE WAVE (g, 3, Hold That Tiger--Darren Blue Wave, by Cure the Blues) was claimed for \$50,000 from a front-running debut win Apr. 13 at Santa Anita. Pressed on the lead through fractions of :22.27, :44.83 and :56.75, opened a clear lead in upper stretch and held sway to score by one length at 7-1. Doneitagain (Awesome Sword) was second. The winner, a \$140,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$50,000 BESMAY juvenile, is a three-quarter brother to Castle Mountain (Mountain Cat, SW & GSP, \$114,495). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$46,800.

O-Peter Redekop B C Ltd & Jerry Hollendorfer. B-Katalpa Farm & Dr Rodney Orr (KY). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

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[Adjudicating S. \(3rd-BEL\)](#) GSW Ready's Image (More Than Ready) returns a winner in sophomore debut.

[4th-CDX \(Msw\)](#) Retap (Tapit) becomes first winner for his freshman sire (by Pulpit).




[2nd-HOL \(Msw\)](#) Jungle Wave (Hold That Tiger) goes two-for-two in first off the claim.

[3rd-HOL \(Msw\)](#) Street Match (Street Cry {Ire}) stretches out to win in second start.

[Long Beach S. \(7th-HOL\)](#) Wake Up Maggie (Ire) (Xaar {GB}) easily best in second start in the States.

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First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, May 15

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW

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

BOWMAN'S BAND (Dixieland Band), Lane's End, \$6K, 55/0/0

4-PIM, Msw, 4 1/2f, Just Hummm, \$2K EAS SEP yrl, 6-1

CHAPEL ROYAL (Montbrook), Ashford, \$10K, 173/2/0

2-BEL, Msw, 5f, Iberian Gate, \$340K OBS FEB 2yo

PEACE RULES (Jules), Vinery, \$15K, 102/0/0

3-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Trifecta King, \$45K BAR MAR 2yo

READ THE FOOTNOTES (Smoke Glacken), Sequel New York, \$9K, 53/0/0

2-BEL, Msw, 5f, +Fast Footnote

ROAR OF THE TIGER (Storm Cat), Hartley, 74/1/0

1-PIM, Msw, 4 1/2f, Fight Like a Tiger, \$8K EAS SEP yrl, 3-2

TEN MOST WANTED (Deputy Commander), Sequel \$13K, 81/0/0

1-PIM, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Nasty Widow, \$11K EAS DEC wnl, 9-2

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, May 15

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW

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

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 170/38/5

3-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +South of France, \$10K KEE SEP yrl

ROCK SLIDE (A.P. Indy), Maryland Stallion, \$8K, 76/6/0

4-PIM, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Cobalt Kid, \$3K EAS SEP yrl, 3-1

VAN NISTELROOY (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$8K, 199/39/6

3-CD, Msw, 5f, +Rose of Aran, \$35K OBS FEB 2yo

WHYWHYWHY (Mr. Greeley), Gainesway, \$8K, 100/22/2

3-CD, Msw, 5f, +Why Not Tonight, \$14K FTK OCT yrl



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PENNY MARIE, 11, Sky Classic--Aspenglo, by Raise a Native

Foal born Apr. 16, a colt by Quiet American.

Will be bred back to Malibu Moon.

Owned by and boarded at Lazy Lane Farms.

Accomplishments: MSW & MGSP, \$351,830.

WANDEL (ARG), 15, Fitzcarraldo (Arg)--La Brujula (Arg), by Cipol (Arg)

Foal born Apr. 17, a colt by Awesome Again.

Will be bred back to Johannesburg.

Owned by Diamond A Racing and Arturo Vargas.

Boarded at Diamond A Farm.

Accomplishments: MGSP-Arg. Dam of Ski Champ (Arg) (Salt Lake), Ch. 3yo Filly-Arg, MG1SW-Arg & GISW-US, \$150,000-US; Lucky Wish (Arg) (Lucky Roberto), MSP-Arg.

BROOKE'S HALO, 6, Southern Halo--Salty Lady, by Salt Lake

Foal born Apr. 18, a filly by Rock Hard Ten.

Will be bred back to A.P. Indy.

Owned by Mercedes Stables LLC.

Boarded at Diamond A Farm.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$250,455.

DUDA, 17, Theatrical (Ire)--Noble Times (NZ), by Drums of Time

Foal born Apr. 19, a filly by Rock Hard Ten.

Will be bred back to Roman Ruler.

Mare owned by Allen E Paulson Living Trust and Madeleine Pickens.

Foal owned by Madeleine Pickens.

Boarded at Diamond A Farm.

Accomplishments: GISW of \$657,968.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BELMONT PARK

Bit of Whimsy (Distorted Humor), 5f, •:59.67, 1/23

Harlington (Unbridled), 6f, 1:12.89, 1/1

Moon Catcher (Malibu Moon), 5f, 1:03.70, 20/23

CHURCHILL DOWNS

Graeme Six (Graeme Hall), 4f, :50.00, 21/35

Secret Gypsy (Sea of Secrets), 4f, :47.40, 2/35

Sharp Susan (Touch Gold), 4f, :49.00, 7/35

Sutra (Meadowlake), 4f, :49.20, 10/35

HOLLYWOOD

Dixie Meister (Holzmeister), 3f, :36.80, 10/18

Get Funky (Straight Man), 5f, 1:00.40, 10/34

Thor's Echo (Swiss Yodeler), 6f, 1:12.40, 3/16

KEENELAND

West Coast Swing (Gone West), 5f, 1:00.00, 1/1

MONMOUTH PARK

Buffalo Man (El Prado {Ire}), 4f, •:46.40, 1/64

SANTA ANITA

Arson Squad (Brahms), 3f, :35.40, 3/22

WOODBINE

Sealy Hill (Point Given), 5f, •:59.60, 1/25

Sky Conqueror (Sky Classic), 4f (T), :52.00, 2/3



★ IRELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

Naas, 6.50, Cond, €20,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:10.56, gd.
BLAS CEOIL (f, 2, Mr. Greeley--Extraterrestrial, by Storm Bird), off the mark at Navan last time Apr. 27, was keen under restraint behind the leading quartet before pulling her way to the fore passing halfway. Quickening to lead with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 7-4 favorite had two lengths to spare over Heart of Fire (Ire) (Mujadil) at the line. Blas Ceoil is a full sister to Allwise, SP-Jpn, \$453,088; and a half to Alienated (Gone West), SW; Machikane Isaribi (Gone West), SP-Jpn, \$480,341; and Exhaust Note (A.P. Indy), SW-Jpn, \$372,196. Her second dam is Canadian champion Victorian Queen (Victoria Park), who produced a trio of Grade I winners in Judge Angelucci (Honest Pleasure), War (Majestic Light) and Peace (Naskra) as well as Saviour (Majestic Light), the granddam of champion Teofilo (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). [Click for the Racing Post chart.](#) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €26,890.
 O-Mrs J S Bolger; B-WinStar Farm LLC; T-Jim Bolger.

Naas, 5.50, Mdn, €13,000, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:11.18, gd.
+ CUIS GHAIRE (IRE) (f, 2, Galileo {Ire}--Scribonia {Ire}, by Danehill) broke well and showed pace to race prominently throughout the early stages. Swamped by Silver Shoon (Ire) (Fasliyev) passing the quarter pole, the 7-2 second choice battled gamely against the fence to gain the upper hand in the final 50 yards and earn a neck success. Newcomer Empress of France (Storm Cat), Ballydoyle's half to Fasliyev, raced in mid-division early, but never looked likely to get involved and trailed home in 11th. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €13,020.
 O-Mrs J S Bolger; B/T-Jim Bolger.

Naas, 7.50, Mdn, €13,000, 3yo/up, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:15.79, gd.
+ CENTRAL STATION (IRE) (c, 3, Indian Ridge {Ire}--Token Gesture {Ire} {GSW-Ire}, by Alzao), a full brother to Relaxed Gesture (Ire), GISW-NA & MGSP-Ire, \$1,594,977, was sent off the 4-1 joint-second favorite. The chestnut raced close up behind the early pace against the rail and found himself in a pocket at the top of the stretch. Pat Smullen muscled his way out and the homebred quickened to seal the result with 100 yards remaining before cruising to the line under hand riding for a two-length success from Peacock's Pride (GB) (Groom Dancer). The Moyglare representative is also a half to Evolving Tactics (Ire) (Machiavellian), GSW-US & SP-GB, \$243,797. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,983.
 O/B-Moyglare Stud Farm; T-Dermot Weld.



1.50 Salisbury, Mdn, £6,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 198ydsT
GHAIDAA (IRE) (Cape Cross {Ire}), a half-sister to Eswarah (GB), steps out for the same Michael Jarvis stable responsible for guiding that Shadwell homebred to success in the 2005 G1 Epsom Oaks. Sheikh Hamdan's latest representative of the brilliant Midway Lady encounters Godolphin's **Siyasa (Rahy)**, a full sister to Fantastic Light.

4.20 York, Mdn, £12,100, 2yo, 6fT
AWINNERSGAME (IRE) (Kyllachy {GB}), who represents the Saeed Suahil-Jeremy Nosedad axis, is a very close relative of the 2005 G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner Saoire (GB). He meets Susan Magnier and Anne Keogh's **Four Star General (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire})**, another close relative to a top performer in Spartacus (Ire). He ships in for Ballydoyle.

4.20 Longchamp, Mdn, €22,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT
TREAT GENTLY (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}) ran into the dual subsequent group scorer Gagnoa (Ire) on debut here in September. Khalid Abdullah's homebred, who is out of a half to Hasili (Ire), has been given plenty of time by Andre Fabre.

6.55 Newmarket, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT
CENSORED (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), a half-sister to the 2006 G1 Prix de Diane heroine Confidential Lady (GB), makes her belated debut for the Cheveley Park Stud-Sir Michael Stoute connection. Stable jockey Ryan Moore is on Ballymacoll Stud's **Ucetek (Ire) (Kalanisi {Ire})**, a half-sister to the yard's Lang Shining (Ire) from the family of Spectrum (Ire) and Stream of Gold (Ire).

8.00 Newmarket, Cond, £10,500, 3yo, 1mT
CAT JUNIOR (Storm Cat) makes his eagerly awaited return to the track after an impressive win on his sole start at Newbury in August that earned him a **★ "TDN Rising Star" ★** tag. Roldvale Ltd's colt, whose dam is a half to Linamix (Fr), is not pitched straight into stakes company by Brian Meehan, but still meets a useful cast, including Terry Benson's **Fanjura (Ire) (Marju {Ire})**, a Jeremy Nosedad-trained colt whose sole start saw him annex the Wood Ditton S. at the Craven meeting here at the expense of the impressive subsequent scorer Khateeb (Ire) and Ballydoyle's much-touted Zulu Chief.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN HONG KONG:

Win-A-Lot (Ire), g, 4, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Pipers Pool (Ire), by Mtoto (GB). Happy Valley, 5-14, Hcp., 1200mT. B-J F Tuthill. *Formerly Longquan (Ire). ** 1/2 to Miss Chryss (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), SW-Fr, GSP-US, \$104,885. ***€35,000 yrl '05 GOFORB.
Dim Sum (GB), g, 4, **Kyllachy (GB)**--Heckle, by In the Wings (GB). Happy Valley, 5-14, Hcp., 1200mT. B-W L Caley. *Formerly Algol (GB). **41,000gns wnlg '04 TATDEC; 50,000gns yrl '05 DONSEP.
Sabre and Gold (GB), h, 6, **Dr Fong--Fronde (GB)**, by Alzao. Happy Valley, 5-14, Hcp., 1650mT. B-Fittocks Stud. *Formerly Ridder (GB). ** 1/2 to Portcullis (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), Horse of the Year-Hol, MSW-Hol; and Streets Ahead (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}), SW-Eng. ***SP-Ire. ****20,000gns yrl '03 TATOCT.



★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

York, 1.40, Hcp, £25,500, 4yo/up, 10f 88ydsT, 2:10.43, gd/fm.

FOLK OPERA (IRE) (f, 4, [Singspiel {Ire}](#)--Skiphall {GB}, by Halling) claimed a **★ "TDN Rising Star" ★** badge with a maiden victory at Newbury in April last year, but was put on the shelf after running third in the Listed Oaks Trial S. the following month. Leading after the early steps, the 6-1 chance was shaken up approaching the quarter-mile pole and ran on in determined fashion to hold Tastahil (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}) by 3/4-lengths. "She had a tiny problem with her ankle, so we decided to give her a rest, but she's been in work since January and was fit and ready for today," explained conditioner Saeed bin Suroor. "She's in good form, will improve for the race and, as she's by Singspiel, I think her best trip will be a mile and a half, so we might go for a listed race over that trip." Folk Opera was a 27,000gns TATDEC weanling and a 105,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: SP-GB, 4-2-0-2, £28,953. O-Godolphin; B-Abbeville & Meadow Court Partners; T-Saeed bin Suroor.

York, 4.20, Cond, £13,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:00.01, gd/fm. + MASAMAH (IRE) (c, 2, [Exceed and Excel {Aus}](#)--

Bethesda {GB}, by Distant Relative {Ire}), a 3-1 chance, chased the leaders and ran greenly through the early stages of this first go. Oozing confidence when making his bid inside the final quarter-mile, the grey colt seized control with a furlong to go and, despite drifting across the track to the far rail, kept on strongly for one tap of the whip in the closing stages to best Caranbola (GB) (Lucky Story) by 1 1/4 lengths. "He's always shown a lot of class at home and has a fantastic temperament apart from an intimidation of other horses," explained trainer Ed Dunlop. "[Jockey] Richard [Hills] very much did the right thing by letting him drift, because you want to be uncomplicated with two-year-olds at this stage of their career. He's a smart horse and, hopefully, he'll win again." Masamah, a 60,000gns DONAUG yearling, marks the first Northern Hemisphere winner for his freshman sire (by Danehill). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £8,419. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Stanley Estate & Stud Co & Mount Coote Stud; T-Ed Dunlop.

Bath, 6.30, Mdn, £5,600, 2yo, 5f 11ydsT, 1:01.85, gd/fm. + CERITO (GB) (c, 2, Bahamian Bounty {GB}--Pascali

{GB}, by Compton Place {GB}) attracted support into 2-1 favoritism, and showed why with early speed that took him to the fore to dispute the lead. Gaining the upper hand passing halfway, the €63,000 TATIRE yearling drew away under hand riding to beat Master of Disguise (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) by six lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,627. O-Mrs M Findlay; B-Nicola & Eleanor Kent; T-M Channon.

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STAKES RESULTS:

HANCOCK COUNTY H., \$75,000, MNR, 5-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :58, ft.

1--**LA CHICA RICA, 120, m, 5, Disco Rico--Colonial Conquest, by Colonial Affair.** O-Bella Cavello Stables LLC; B-High Five Stables (MD); T-Crystal G Pickett; J-Deshawn L Parker; \$45,750. Lifetime Record: 31-9-7-4, \$344,274. **Werk Nick Rating: A + + .**

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2--**Pola's Place, 117, m, 5, Out of Place--Pola, by Strawberry Road (Aus).** \$15,000.

3--**Ben's Grand Babe, 112, f, 4, Millennium Wind--Siphon Cat, by Siphon (Brz).** (\$9,000 yrl '05 KEESEP). \$7,500.

Margins: 3/4, 6 3/4, NK. Odds: 0.90, 2.70, 8.80.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-DEL, \$42,600, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46, wf.

KLEBER (c, 4, Lite the Fuse--S S N Phoenix, by Woodman) Lifetime Record: 20-5-4-1, \$126,005. O-McCarty Racing. B-Amin Saiden (FL). T-Scott A Lake.

9th-CDX, \$42,585, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24, sy.

MUTADDA (c, 4, [Mutakddim](#)--Carita Tostada {Chi} {MSW & MGISP-US & MG1SW-Chi, \$259,050-Chi}, by Gallantsky) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-1, \$89,011.

O/B-Andrena Van Doren (KY). T-Thomas M Amoss. *1/2 to Chile Chatte (Storm Cat), MGISP, \$317,315; Jadada (Jade Hunter), GSW, \$449,087; Shaconage (El Prado {Ire}), MGSW, \$534,051.

8th-CDX, \$41,555, NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46 4/5, sy.

GO WEST BERT (g, 3, [Gone West](#)--Clever Bertie, by Timeless Native) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$65,900.

O-Richard, Bertram and Elaine Klein. B-Bertram W Klein (KY). T-Steve Margolis. *1/2 to Hurricane Bertie (Storm Boot), MGSW & GISP, \$940,040; My Poppy Bert (Demons Begone), SP, \$228,228; Allamerican Bertie (Quiet American), MGSW, \$799,235.

5th-PRM, \$34,169, 5-13, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

SOFT PURR (m, 6, Tiger Talk--Lines of a Lady, by Lines of Power) Lifetime Record: 26-7-5-6, \$117,818.

O/T-Timothy E Martin. B-Gene O Nazworthy (IA).

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Call Aly, f, 2, **Nineeleven**--Catchthecat, by Crafty Prospector. HOL, 5-14, (C), 4 1/2f (AWT), :50 4/5. B-Terry C Lovingier (CA).

Benchmark Kid, g, 3, **Benchmark**--Dancing Step, by Green Dancer. HOL, 5-14, (S), (C), 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16 3/5. B-Fairway Racing (CA). *\$21,000 yrl '06 BESNOV. **1/2 to Magic Smoke (Smokester), SW, \$120,385

Slide On Bye, f, 3, **Smart Strike**--Classic Misty, by Sky Classic. PRM, 5-13, 6f, 1:10 1/5. B-Eureka Thoroughbreds (KY).

Cool Tales, c, 4, **Tale of the Cat**--Shameem, by Nureyev. BEL, 5-14, (C), 1m, 1:37 1/5. B-CHO, LLC (KY). *\$285,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

Red Beau Leo, g, 5, **Lucky Number**--Our Sunset, by Mexicali. MNR, 5-13, (S), 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-Monica Pamela Collins (WV).

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE:

Punch Glory (Arg), f, 2, **Honour and Glory**--First Punch (Arg), by Two Punch. Argentina, Palermo, 5-12, Mdn, 1400m, 1:23.60. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, P35,000. O/B-Haras De La Pomme; T-F Bunge Frers. *1/2 to Punch Punch (Arg) (Fadeyev), MSP-Arg. **Won by 7 lengths.

#El Siete Mete (Chi), c, 2, **Muqtarib**--Salsa Latina (Chi), by The Great Shark. Chile, Club Hipico de Concepcion, 5-13, Premio Raul Rios Espinoza-Promesas, 1100m, 1:04.93. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0. O-Tom s Rivas; B-Haras Porta Pia; T-L Machulas. *Won by 12 1/4 lengths.

Bateau Vapeur (Chi), c, 3, **Doneraile Court**--Navette (G1SP-Chi), by Jeune Homme. Chile, Club Hipico de Concepcion, 5-13, Hcp, 1300m, 1:19.34. Lifetime Record: 33-5-4-5, P650,000. O-La Peninsula; B-Haras Sumaya; T-Luis Machulas.

Distinguida Lake (Arg), f, 3, **Salt Lake**--Distinguidaprize (Arg) (GSW & G1SP-Arg), by Hidden Prize. Argentina, Palermo, 5-12, Cond, 1000m, :57.07. Lifetime Record: 13-2-6-1, P40,000. O-Rincon de Piedra; B-Haras De La Pomme; T-Federico Aranaga.

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EUROPE**

HANDICAP RESULTS:

BRITAIN, York, 2.10, 5-14, £25,000, 3yo, 7fT, 1:24.05, gd/fm.

FATHSTA (IRE) (c, 3, Fath--Kilbride Lass {Ire}, by Lahib) Lifetime Record: 23-6-5-2, £49,796. O-Speedlith Group; B-Brian Miller; T-Sylvester Kirk. *€23,000 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; 7,500gns yrl '06 TATDEC.

BRITAIN, York, 4.55, 5-14, £11,000, 3yo, 10f 88ydsT, 2:10.87, gd/fm.

COLLECTION (IRE) (c, 3, Peintre Celebre--Lasting Chance {GSW-Can, \$222,492}, by American Chance) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, £12,552. O-Highclere Thoroughbred Racing (Brunel); B-Peter Savill; T-William Haggas. *€130,000 yrl '06 DEAAUG.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNER BY EUROPEAN SIRE:

El Bullanguero (Chi), c, 3, **Until Sundown**--Manuscrita (GSP-Chi), by Semenenko. Chile, Club Hipico de Santiago, 5-13, Hcp, 1600mT, 1:33.14. Lifetime Record: SW-Chi, 11-3-0-0, P1,470,000. O-Gino Rivano V; B-Haras Matancilla; T-Claudio Bernal.

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GILDED DIABLO, 11, **Diablo**--Gilded Moment, by Timeless Moment

Foal born Apr. 19, a colt by Rock Hard Ten. Will be bred back to First Samurai. Owned by Diamond A Racing Corp. Boarded at Diamond A Farm. Accomplishments: SW.

SPOKEN FUR, 8, **Notebook**--Siberian Fur, by Siberian Express

Foal born Apr. 19, a filly by Smart Strike. Will be bred back to Distorted Humor. Owned by Southern Equine Stables. Boarded at Hill 'n' Dale Farms. Accomplishments: MGISW of \$675,880.

POISED TO POUNCE, 17, **Smarten**--Lady Lyndy, by Bold Favorite

Foal born Apr. 20, a colt by Speightstown. Will be bred back to Hardspun. Owned by Dark Hollow Farm & William Beatson. Boarded at Dark Hallow Farm. Accomplishments: Dam of Quick 'n Smart (Polish Numbers), MSW, \$160,020; Play Bingo (Polish Numbers), MSW, \$434,590; Rhythm Master (Two Punch), SP, \$178,433.

SALT CHAMP (ARG), 8, **Salt Lake**--Wandel (Arg), by Fitzcarraldo (Arg)

Foal born Apr. 20, a filly by Dynaformer. Will be bred back to Mr. Greeley. Owned by Diamond A Racing Corp and Arturo Vargas. Boarded at Diamond A Farm. Accomplishments: Ch. 3yo Filly-Arg, MG1SW-Arg & GISW-US, \$150,000-US.