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### THE BIG HORSE GOES FOR A JOG

IEAH Stables' and Paul Pompa Jr's dual Classic winner **Big Brown** (Boundary) returned to the track for the first time since his dominating win in Saturday's GI Preakness S., jogging one lap around the Belmont main track Wednesday. Regular exercise rider Michelle Nevin was aboard. "He went out and did his usual thing," Nevin said. "He was very interested in the chickens today." Trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. remains confident in his unbeaten GI Kentucky Derby hero as he seeks to become the first Triple Crown winner since Affirmed in 1978. "It's not a sure thing but he's very live," Dutrow commented. "I wish [the Belmont] were now because our horse is fit. Time is on our side because our horse is good. I'm glad he's here, safe and sound. Things just couldn't be better with Big Brown and that's great for me to say."



**Big Brown**  
*Horsephotos*

### KHALDUN MISSES CURRAGH GIG

**Ibn Khaldun** (Dubai Destination) will sidestep Saturday's G1 Irish 2000 Guineas at The Curragh, connections announced yesterday. Last year's G1 Racing Post Trophy winner was the sole challenger remaining from Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's operation at the five-day stage, but Racing Manager Simon Crisford revealed that the royal blue will not be carried in the mile contest. "We're not going to run him on Saturday as we've just decided to give him a bit more time," he told *PA Sport*. "We will make a decision around the middle of next week as to what his next target will be. He's entered up just about everywhere and he's in the Derby, but we're not going to commit him to that at this time."

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### Divine Park Gives Owner Barry a Big Chance...

In April of 2007, the three-year-old colt **Divine Park** (Chester House) gave owner James Barry his biggest victory to date when taking the GIII Withers S. over C P West. Barry, however, wasn't on hand to see the race. He was in New Jersey, coaching his son in a Little League game.

"I know my priorities," laughed the 41-year-old Barry on Wednesday. "I love my horses, but my family comes first."

This Monday, barring any unexpected scheduling conflicts with league officials, Barry will get a chance to see Divine Park in person as the now-four-year-old goes for even greater glory in the prestigious GI Met Mile as part of Belmont's Memorial Day card.

Trained by Kieran McLaughlin, Divine Park stamped himself as a horse to watch last season when he broke his maiden at Aqueduct at first asking in February and romped by daylight in a Keeneland allowance in early April. But after his win in the Withers improved his record to three-for-three, Divine Park suffered a hind-leg injury and was forced to miss much of the remaining campaign.

It was a measure of McLaughlin's confidence in him that Divine Park was shipped across the country and asked to tackle the Dec. 26 GI Malibu S. at Santa Anita in his return. **cont. p2**



**Divine Park**  
*Adam Coglianesse*

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**STORMY ATLANTIC**

## A BIG STORM ON THE HORIZON

On May 15th, the dam of undefeated, unchallenged and unbelievable dual Classic winner **Big Brown** was bred to Champion Sire Stormy Atlantic. In addition, the half-sister to the dam of Big Brown is currently in foal to Stormy Atlantic. It is mares of this caliber who have Champion Sire Stormy Atlantic poised for Greatness.

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Divine Park cont.

Five wide on the turn, the colt could do no better than ninth that day, and simply failed to show up when he ran up the track in his next outing, the GII General George H. at Laurel Feb. 18.

Searching for a confidence-booster, McLaughlin entered Divine Park in an Aqueduct optional claimer going a mile and 70 yards Mar. 28, and his charge responded with a good-looking 3 3/4-length win. Put in the GIII Westchester H. on Belmont's opening day Apr. 30, Divine Park destroyed the field, beating Grasshopper by five lengths while winning the one-mile event in 1:32 3/5--good for a 111 Beyer. A repeat of that performance would make Divine Park awfully tough in the Met Mile, and Barry is confident that he'll run well.



A Coglianese

"I was down at the barn the other day, and he looked great," said Barry. "Kiaran thinks he's coming into this as

good or better than he was going into his last one. If Kiaran's happy with him, I'm happy with him."

Born and raised in Spring Lake, New Jersey, Barry was first exposed to racing as a teenager. As he grew older, he began attending the races with his father at nearby Monmouth Park.

"When I would come home from college in the summers, my dad and I would go to the track together, and it became a real father-and-son experience for us," he said. "I loved to bet, of course, but I really just loved to watch the horses run."

After graduating from Georgetown University in 1989, Barry went to work on Wall St. His love of racing didn't diminish, though, and when the opportunity arose to claim a horse with a few work buddies in 2000, Barry jumped at the chance. Success in the claiming game was slow to come, however, and four years ago, Barry decided to try his hand in the yearling market. One of the first youngsters he bought was Divine Park, whom Charles Simon acquired on his behalf for just \$20,000.

"Chuck was my trainer, and he and Kenny Lejeune found him for me," explained Barry. "Kenny breaks and trains all of our horses down in Ocala."

In October of 2006, Barry moved his horses to McLaughlin, a decision based on proximity more than anything; Barry wanted to be able to take his young son and daughter to see their horses run.

"My son, who's 11 now, loves going to the track," said Barry. "He's a real pro at reading the *Form* and everything. My daughter, she's nine, and, well, she thinks it's kind of boring, just because of all the time between races. But she loves going back to the barns and giving the horses carrots."

## STEPHEN GOT EVEN

His daughter SWEET VENDETTA won the Grade 2 Black-Eyed Susan S.



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Barry added that his experience with McLaughlin has been very positive.

"Kiaran's more like a friend that a trainer," said Barry. "I don't feel like he works for me, I feel like he works *with* me. He's a great guy, and I've learned so from him about the horse business. But in our conversations, we're just as likely to be talking about our children, the stock market, anything *but* horse racing."

Currently, Barry has just three horses in training. In addition to Divine Park, he has the four-year-old filly **Genuine Devotion (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}). Another purchased by Simon, Genuine Devotion cost \$90,000 and has proven an astute buy. A winner of four of seven for \$174,564 in earnings, she captured last year's grassy Xtra Heat S. at Belmont in October, and returned from a vacation to win last Saturday's six-furlong Upper Noosh S. on Belmont's lawn.

"Kiaran likes her quite a bit, and we're hoping to stretch her out sometime this summer," said Barry.

Now retired from Wall St., Barry still does some trading at home with friends, but admits to spending more time focusing on his horses.

"I'm still learning about the game, but it's been terrific," he said. "Divine Park has a good shot [Monday], and the filly ran big the other day. I'm around a lot of good, honest people, and what more can you ask for than that?"

Well, good, honest people. And no scheduling conflicts with Little League baseball. -L Marquardt



☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

**FAMOUS DILEMMA** Trainer Dermot Weld has warned that **Famous Name (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) will miss Saturday's G1 Irish 2000 Guineas if there is no rain. Khalid Abdullah's impressive G3 Leopardstown 2000 Guineas Trial S. winner faces his first test at the highest level in the Curragh contest, which features the one-two-three from the Newmarket Guineas. "I think it's an outstanding Classic and there are two very high-class colts and Stubbs Art, who was supplemented for the race," his conditioner said yesterday. "Famous Name is a smart colt, but he really needs some nice ease in the ground, and unless we get a fair bit of rain, he won't run."

**CASUAL APPROACH** Dermot Weld yesterday refused to confirm the next target of Moyglare Stud's impressive G2 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial scorer **Casual Conquest (Ire)** (Hernando {Fr}). Following the unbeaten homebred's six-length defeat of Washington Irving (Ire) in Leopardstown's May 11 prep, connections indicated they were not pointing at the June 7 G1 Epsom Derby, for which he would need to be supplemented at a cost of £75,000. "I won't make a decision at the moment, as there is no pressure to," he commented. "We'll wait and see how he works next week, but there's no urgency. He's in the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club [at Chantilly June 1] and he's a big horse who has only run twice, so we'll review everything and see how he is next week."

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

**PERFECT DRIFT SET FOR RETURN** Nine-year-old **Perfect Drift** (Dynaformer), third in the 2002 G1 Kentucky Derby, will make his first start since finishing fifth in a Churchill optional claimer last July when he lines up for the G1 Shoemaker Mile S. at Hollywood Park Monday. Richard Mandella, who campaigned last term's Shoemaker hero The Tin Man to a memorable victory, has taken over the training on Perfect Drift for the retired Murray Johnson. Perfect Drift fired a five-furlong bullet in :58.80 at Santa Anita Wednesday. "He's been doing fabulous," Mandella said. "Like most good horses, he has developed a lot of character through the years. The way he's doing now, he acts like he wants to go to work." To date, Perfect Drift has won 11 of 46 starts and has posted more than \$4.6 in earnings.



**Perfect Drift**  
Horsephotos

**PURE CLAN BACK TO WORK** MGSW **Pure Clan** (Pure Prize), last seen finishing third in the G1 Kentucky Oaks May 2, returned to the worktab with a five-furlong move in 1:02 at Churchill yesterday. The chestnut, who began her career with two straight grass victories, will return to the lawn for Churchill's GIII Regret S. June 14. "She went nice," trainer Bob Holthus said of her workout. "It was just a nice, easy little work. She came back good."



## Back-to-Back in Baltimore!

*Following in September-grad CURLIN's footsteps, the owners of April-grad BIG BROWN got to paint the town (and weathervane) on Saturday. And Black Eyed Susans never smelled sweeter for Team Penney Racing and owner/breeder David Cassidy. Congrats on a super Preakness weekend!*

### **BIG BROWN, Kentucky Derby (G1)**

O-IEAH Stables & Paul Pompa Jr; B-Monticule (KY); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr  
 APRIL 2007 for \$190,000/Earnings - \$2,714,500  
 Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent  
 Purchased by Hidden Brook for Paul Pompa Jr.

### **SWEET VENDETTA, Black-Eyed Susan (G2)**

O-Team Penney Racing & David B Cassidy; B-David Cassidy & Edward Lipton(NY); T-Gary C Contessa  
 JANUARY 2007 for \$30,000/Earnings - \$206,596  
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**Thursday, Baden-Baden, Germany, post time: 5:00 p.m.**  
**37TH BETTY BARCLAY-RENNEN-G3, €50,000, 4yo/up, 2mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	6	Anton Chekhov (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	Hickst	128
2	3	Brisant (Ger)	Goofalik	M Trybuhl	123
3	1	Caudillo (Ger)	Acatenango (Ger)	Bolte	123
4	8	Dragon Fly (Ger)	Acatenango (Ger)	Mayer	123
5	4	Emporio (Ger)	Kaldounevees (Fr)	Schiergen	123
6	7	Sereth (Ire)	Monsun (Ger)	J Hirschberger	123
7	9	Waldvogel (Ire)	Polish Precedent	Wohler	123
8	5	Stephenson (Fr)	Platini (Ger)	Baltromei	121
9	2	Swan Queen (GB)	In the Wings (GB)	J Dunlop	117

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**Saturday, Doomben, Australia, post time: 3:45 p.m.**  
**CARLTON DRAUGHT DOOMBEN 10,000-G1,**  
A\$650,000, 3yo/up, 1350mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Apache Cat (Aus)	Lion Cavern	Eurell	131
2	10	Hard To Catch (Aus)	Dodge (Aus)	Duff	131
3	8	Reigning To Win (Aus)	King of Kings (Ire)	O'Shea	131
4	5	The Jackal (Aus)	Bite The Bullet (Aus)	St Vincent	131
5	9	Double Dare (NZ)	O'Reilly (NZ)	Waller	131
6	7	Helideck (Aus)	Iglesia (Aus)	Cavanough	131
7	4	Murtajill (Aus)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Martin	126
8	11	Turffontein (Aus)	Johannesburg	A Cummings	126
9	1	La Montagna (Aus)	Monashee Mountain	Baldwin	124
10	2	Juste Momente (Aus)	Giant's Causeway	O'Brien	124
11	12	Vormista (Aus)	Testa Rossa (Aus)	Minervini	124
12	6	Tan Tat De Lago (Aus)	Encosta de Lago (Aus)	Moody	120

Apache Cat is even money-favourite to repeat his last start winning effort in the G1 BTC Cup. Trainer Greg Eurell insisted he is not concerned about blood tests taken on the outstanding sprinter in recent days, and the "bald-faced assassin" has drawn ideally to snare his fifth straight Group 1 win. But trainer John O'Shea's Reigning To Win, the lone flagbearer for the stable during the Brisbane winter carnival, is poised to make a comeback in the state where he notched the G1 TJ Smith Stakes at two. Reigning to Win will renew his acquaintances with Apache Cat after clashing in the TJ Smith S. in Sydney. Four-year-old Reigning to Win was second that day, in his first outing for 48 weeks. "Despite being beaten, it was a fantastic return to racing for Reigning to Win," trainer John O'Shea said. "Everything augers well for Brisbane." The Tim Martin-trained Murtajill, who has a close relation in the mare Juste Momente in this race, has finished in the frame at every one of three outings this campaign including a last-start second to Racing to Win in the G1 All-Aged S., and looks poised to go one better here.

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

**Barretts 2-year-old Sale Grads 1-2 in Graded Turf Feature!**



**Polonius and Indian Sun top Will Rogers Stakes**

Front-running favorite **Polonius** gamely held off the late charge of **Indian Sun** to earn his second stakes win and first graded victory in five starts. The \$150,000 purchase at the 2007 March Sale posted a :10 1/5 clocking in his sale preview and won his 2-year-old debut on the turf. **Indian Sun**, a \$140,000 purchase, previewed in :10 2/5 and has placed in graded stakes at 2 and 3 for earnings of \$243,960.

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(\$60,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT;  
\$190,000 2yo '07KEEAPR)  
O-IEAH Stables & P Pompa Jr  
B-Monticule (KY)  
T-Rick Dutrow Jr.  
J-Kent Desormeaux  
Lifetime Record: 5-5-0-0, \$2,714,500

IN THIS CORNER

**Mineshaft--Better Than Honour,**  
by Deputy Minister  
(\$950,000 yrl '06 KEESEP)  
O-Hidetoshi Yamamoto  
B-Shell Bloodstock (KY)  
T-Kazuo Fujisawa  
J-undecided  
Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$185,282

*Michael Sherack, IEAH Stables' vice president of investor relations, took a break from 'Big Brown madness' Wednesday to check in with the TDN. Mike joined IEAH upon its inception in 2003.*

Well, we've all just about had our fill of reading and talking about Big Brown's dominant Preakness score last Saturday. Well, just about.

It's pretty safe to say that all of us at IEAH Stables have had our heads spinning from some time before the Kentucky Derby until now, and that feeling doesn't figure to dissipate anytime soon. Of course, we are "enjoying the ride," which is what everyone seems to tell us--as if we have an alternative--but we all feel our share of exhaustion more than normal right now. cont. p6



**Mike Sherack & IEAH's  
GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero Kip Deville**  
*Sherackatthetrack*

*Nobutaka Tada, racing manager for Casino Drive's owner Hidetoshi Yamamoto, took the time Wednesday morning to speak with the TDN about their GI Belmont S. hopeful, who improved his record to two-for-two with a victory in the GII Peter Pan S. Casino Drive is trained by Kazuo Fujisawa.*

The horse is doing great. He went to the main track this morning, and had a real good canter for five furlongs. He's happy and well, and came out of the Peter Pan in great condition. We could have run him in the Preakness, he came out so well, but the Belmont is our target.

As far as picking a jockey for Casino Drive for the Belmont, we haven't determined that yet. Yutaka Take rode him in Japan, but there are so many good jockeys here. We will talk with the trainer and owner and decide in a couple of days who is the best choice for him. At the moment, it is up in the air. cont. p6



**Nobutaka Tada**  
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**Sherack, Big Brown cont.**

Today, moments ago, I received the perfect break in my day. And, I have a 7-year-old to thank for it.

A letter and card from Taylor Netting of Silver Spring, Maryland, and addressed to Big Brown and his family arrived at our office. In it, she professed her love for Big Brown, called him the best horse in the world, and wrote, "Dear Big Brown, I am a 7-year-old girl in Silver Spring Maryland. I love horses and go to Pony Pal camp in the summer. I thought of a cheer for you. 'All the other horses wear a frown when Big Brown wins the Triple Crown.' Good luck at the Belmont, Big Brown. I'll be watching you. Love, Taylor Netting."

Taylor, thank you. I'll pass along your encouragement to Big Brown and see what I can do to bring that cheer mainstream. More importantly, thanks for making my day. You are now part of Big Brown's family.



**Big Brown at Belmont Wednesday**  
*Adam Coglianes*

**Tada, Casino Drive cont.**

So far, we don't know how good this horse is. We are hoping he will be a champion, but he has to prove that in the Belmont. Mr. Fujisawa has trained many champions in Japan, and he believes in this horse, but you can't really compare horses.

I got into the sport about 15 years ago. Before that, I rode horses at a farm, just pleasure riding. Now I'm the racing manager for Casino Drive's team. There is also an assistant trainer here at

Belmont, and we receive daily instructions from Mr. Fujisawa. But this is about Casino Drive.

On Sunday, we'll have him go a bit faster with him than he went today, and then next Wednesday he'll work.



**Casino Drive (inside) working at Belmont prior to the Peter Pan**  
*Sherackatthetrack*

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<b>5 VERGLAS</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>516,424</b>

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## STALLION PROSPECTS - 3YOS

Rank (prev. week)	Name	Owner	Breeder	Trainer	Last Race - Video	Best BRIS	STATUS
1(1)	<b>BIG BROWN</b> (Boundary)	IEAH/Pompa Jr	Monticule	R Dutrow	<a href="#">1st GI Preakness S.</a>	110	6/7 GI Belmont S. <b>RETIRES TO THREE CHIMNEYS</b>
<i>(The colt added to a powerful Derby score with an equally scintillating Preakness performance. Two down, will 'Brown' get the crown?...Christina Bossinakis)</i>							
2(2)	<b>WAR PASS</b> (Cherokee Run)	Robert LaPenta	Cherry Valley	Zito	<a href="#">2nd GI Wood Memorial</a>	114	Sidelined <b>RETIRES TO LANE'S END</b>
<i>(A half to GISW Oath, the juvenile champ emerged from a hard-fought second in the Wood with an ankle injury...Christina Bossinakis)</i>							
3(3)	<b>PYRO</b> (Pulpit)	Winchell Tbreeds	Homebred	Asmussen	<a href="#">8th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	100	6/14 GIII Northern Dancer <b>RETIRES TO DARLEY</b>
<i>(Tough to hold a mediocre effort in the Derby against any horse; this guy has a lot of running left in him...Lucas Marquardt)</i>							
4(4)	<b>TALE OF EKATI</b> (Tale of the Cat)	Charles Fipke	Homebred	Tagg	<a href="#">4th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	100	6/7 GI Belmont S.
<i>(From the family of champion Sky Beauty, GI Wood Memorial winner was a solid fourth in GI Kentucky Derby...Jessica Martini)</i>							
5(*)	<b>CASINO DRIVE</b> (Mineshaft)	Yamamoto Hidetoshi	Shell Bldstck	Fujisawa	<a href="#">1st GII Peter Pan S.</a>	109	6/7 GI Belmont S.
<i>(Chestnut has the best chance of upsetting the apple cart and creating massive history of his own on Belmont Day...Alan Carasso)</i>							
6(5)	<b>MAJESTIC WARRIOR</b> (A.P. Indy)	Kinsman	Homebred	Mott	<a href="#">4th Derby Trial</a>	97	Undecided <b>RETIRES TO COOLMORE</b>
<i>(Regally bred and Grade I winner at two, but hasn't been a factor in any of his three 2008 starts...Lucas Marquardt)</i>							
7(6)	<b>COLONEL JOHN</b> (Tiznow)	WinStar Farm	Homebred	Harty	<a href="#">6th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	98	7/12 GII Swaps S.
<i>(GI Santa Anita Derby winner was not disgraced when sixth in GI Kentucky Derby; could still prove a factor on traditional dirt down the road...Andy Belfiore)</i>							
8(7)	<b>COURT VISION</b> (Gulch)	WinStar/IEAH	W S Farish	Mott	<a href="#">13th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	98	Undecided
<i>(MGSW at two had a rough trip in the Derby when 13th; plenty of pedigree appeal from the family of A.P. Indy, Summer Squall, et al...Steve Sherack)</i>							
9(8)	<b>ADRIANO</b> (A.P. Indy)	Courtlandt Farms	Homebred	Motion	<a href="#">19th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	101	7/19 GII Virginia Derby
<i>(The GI Lane's End S. winner, who is from the family of MGSW Bet Twice, will return to the grass after a lackluster Derby effort...Christina Bossinakis)</i>							
10(9)	<b>COOL COAL MAN</b> (Mineshaft)	Robert LaPenta	Farish/Hudson	Zito	<a href="#">15th GI Kentucky Derby</a>	100	Undecided
<i>(Grade II winner is much better than his last two...Expect a strong summer and fall...Alan Carasso)</i>							

**AT THE GAP:** Behindatthebar (Forest Wildcat), Cowboy Cal (Giant's Causeway), Denis of Cork (Harlan's Holiday), Dixie Chatter (Dixie Union), Etched (Forestry), Fierce Wind (Dixie Union), Gayego (Gilded Time), Giant Moon (Giant's Causeway), Harlem Rocker (Macho Uno), Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday), Kodiak Kowboy (Posse), Macho Again (Macho Uno), Ready's Image (More Than Ready), Recapturetheglory (Cherokee Run), Salute the Sarge (Forest Wildcat), The Leopard (Storm Cat), Turf War (Dixie Union), Visionaire (Grand Slam), Z Fortune (Siphon {Brz}), Z Humor (Distorted Humor).

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**Yesterday's Results:**

**RED WING DREAM S.**, \$78,750, BEL, 5-21, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:10 4/5, gd.

1--#**EMIRATES TO DUBAI, 118, h, 5, Storm Cat--Morn of Song, by Blushing Groom (Fr)**. O-Godolphin Racing LLC; B-Darley (KY); T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Garrett K Gomez; \$47,250. Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-1, \$152,430. \*1/2 to Mezzo Soprano (Darshaan {GB}), Co. Hwt. 3yo Filly at 11-14f-Eng, G1SW-Fr, SW & GSP-Eng, \$301,035. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.**

2--**Dark Cheetah, 120, g, 6, Storm Cat--Layounne**, by Mt. Livermore. O-IEAH Stables, Andrew Cohen & Jachlen Farm LLC. \$15,750.

3--**Quietly Mine, 118, g, 4, Belong to Me--Quiet**, by Roar. O-Michael Rankowitz & Susan Karches. \$7,875.

Margins: HF, 1 3/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.20, 6.90, 1.75.

An even seventh to the talented Around the Cape in a five-furlong allowance over the Gulfstream turf course Feb. 3, Emirates to Dubai rattled home to take a similar event by 3/4 of a length Feb. 24. He had his fair share of backers when a 4-1 chance in the GIII Shakertown S. at Keeneland Apr. 13, but he was forced to take up at the eighth pole and finished a distant ninth. The second favorite in this spot, the chestnut caboosed the field for the opening half-mile, came wide for the drive and ran down Dark Cheetah for the win. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

**6th-BEL, \$56,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:06, gd.**

**MARCH TO VICTORY (c, 4, Dixieland Band--Frayne, by Red Ransom)**, fourth in the 2006 Kris S. S. at Calder, made just one appearance in 2007, a third in a nine-furlong allowance at this track Oct. 14. The Ontario-bred was well-spotted for his return and ran with credit in a runner-up effort at Atlantic City May. 2. Rated just off a slow pace, the \$130,000 KEENOV weanling and \$300,000 KEESEP yearling struck the front at the quarter pole, opened up past midstretch and held on for a 3/4-length victory at odds of 7-1. Giant Storm (Giant's Causeway) ran on for second, while favored Chinese Whisper (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) faltered to be seventh. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$77,926.

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O-Susan Karches. B-William D Graham (ON).

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**2:04p 3rd-BEL, Alw, \$56K, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m**  
**HRTV/G CHARMING (Seeking the Gold)**, a \$3.2-million KEESEP yearling purchase, was sent off at debut odds of 3-2 racing at Keeneland Apr. 10, and did not disappoint, posting a neck victory. She raced that day in the colors of Jim Scatuorchio and Michael Tabor is listed today as co-owner. **Song of Love (Changeintheweather)** also comes in off an impressive maiden win going a mile at Gulfstream Mar. 12. The Elizabeth Valando homebred is a half-sister to GISW Nobiz Like Shobiz. **Music Note (A.P. Indy)**, a half to MGI/1SW Musical Chimes, makes her debut for Godolphin and first start since graduating by 7 1/4 lengths at Aqueduct last Nov. 1. [brisnet.com pps](#)

**4:56p 8th-CDX, Alw, \$43K, 3yo, f, 7f**  
**HRTV** Glen Hill Farm's **SLY STORM (Storm Cat)** was no secret in her Apr. 6 bow in Lexington, validating 9-5 favoritism with a convincing 4 3/4-length success. The \$500K KEESEP grad is a daughter of MGSW Brushed Halory (Broad Brush), herself a half-sister to GSWs Prory, Key Lory, Halory Hunter and Van Nistelrooy. **Spoken (Unbridled's Song)** broke her maiden by daylight over Arlington's Polytrack Aug. 3 and most recently returned from an 8 1/2-month hiatus to be runner-up in Keeneland allowance company Apr. 25. She is out of Tell It (Storm Cat), a stakes-placed half-sister to Pulpit. [brisnet.com pps](#)

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# ★ CENTRAL ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-CDX, \$44,575, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:36 1/5, fm.**

1--**FAITH'S MAGIC, 120, g, 4, Langfuhr--Creativity (SW), by Notebook.** (\$40,000 yrl '05 KEESEP; \$70,000 2yo '06 OBSMAR). O-Terry Raymond, Jana Wagner & Gus Goldsmith; B-Miller Thoroughbred Farm LLC (KY); T-Jeff Talley. Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-2, \$139,048.

2--**A. P. Xcellent, 120, h, 5, A.P. Indy--Exing (Chi), by Exceller.** (\$750,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$110,000 HRA '07 KEENOV).

3--**Dominican, 120, g, 4, El Corredor--First Violin, by Dixieland Band.** (\$70,000 yrl '05 FTMOCT; \$37,000 yrl '05 KEEJAN; \$150,000 2yo '06 OBSMAR).

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 15.00, 3.70, 5.00.

Faith's Magic had raced over the Polytrack in his two most recent efforts, finishing third in a Turfway allowance Jan. 11 before taking a slowly run test over at Keeneland Apr. 9. Lightly regarded while getting back on the infield for this, the bay gelding bided his time in midpack, angled out off heels on the second turn and was along in time. Wicked Style (Macho Uno), trying turf and older rivals for the first time, was never in the hunt, finishing fifth as the 2-1 chalk.

**4th-CDX, \$43,100, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 4/5, fm.**

**A TO THE CROFT (f, 3, Menifee--Heart Warmer, by Devil's Bag),** runner-up in the GI Spinaway S. and GI Darley Alcibiades S. last season, was ninth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, earning a rest. Third as the favorite in the GIII Bourbonette Oaks at Turfway Mar. 22, she filled the same spot in an Apr. 13 allowance at Keeneland and was most recently a well-beaten seventh in the GI Kentucky Oaks May. 2 Trying the turf for the first time, the \$45,000 KEENOV weanling and \$55,000 KEESEP yearling settled just off the early pace, came calling for the lead exiting the far turn and drew clear to score by 1 3/4 lengths as the 3-5 chalk. Dragum (Menifee) completed the exacta. Lifetime Record: MGISP, 9-2-3-2, \$263,189. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

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7th-CDX, \$40,525, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:51, ft.

**WHIRLIE BERTIE** (f, 3, **Stormin Fever--De Bertie** {MGSW, \$485,920}, by De Niro) never landed a blow in a seven-furlong maiden at Gulfstream Mar. 12, finishing eighth. A half to Get Ready Bertie (More Than Ready), SW & MGSP, \$222,602, the homebred figured to improve with a stretchout in distance and that she did, wiring the field at odds of 10-1 in the final race on the Kentucky Oaks undercard May 2. Rated on a leisurely pace along the inside, the dark bay got six furlongs in a comfortable 1:11.85 and opened it up down the lane to win it by 7 3/4 lengths. Handlethetruth (Yes It's True) held for second, a neck better than favored French Kiss (Hussonet). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$65,548. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Richard, Bertram & Elaine Klein. B-Bertram W Klein (KY). T-Steve Margolis.

2nd-CDX, \$34,470, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51 2/5, ft.

**REGARDLESOFOUTCOME** (c, 2, **Bring the Heat--Bridget Says, by Patton**) missed by a head when third in a two-furlong event at Santa Anita Apr. 4 and completed the triple behind the well-regarded Mr Mistoffelees in a 4 1/2-furlong maiden at Keeneland Apr. 24. The 8-5 second favorite showed the best speed to set the pace and responded when set down in the stretching, pulling clear to score by 7 3/4 lengths. Good Sermon (Honour and Glory) was second, 1 1/4 lengths better than favored War Lap (War Chant). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, \$28,000.

O-David Almost, Brian O'Laughlin, Sanjesh Sharma & Wesley A Ward. B/T-Wesley Ward (CA).

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**8th-BEL (Red Wing Dream S.** Emirates to Dubai (Storm Cat) gives his sire a new stakes winner.

**6th-BEL (Alw \$56K)** March to Victory (Dixieland Band) holds on for a narrow success.

**4th-BEL (Alw \$43K)** A to the Croft (Menifee) gets back in the win column.

**7th-CDX (Alw \$40K)** Whirlie Birdie (Stormin Fever) leads them from flagfall to finish.

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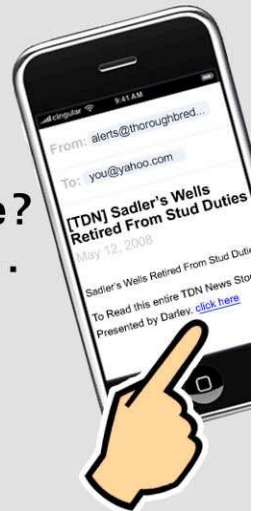
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**Subcommittees Formed to Study Steroid Issue:**

The Kentucky Equine Drug Research Council has announced the formation of subcommittees to study the potential regulation of anabolic steroids, according to *Daily Racing Form*. Members of the council are debating whether to support the limited administration of four steroids, or to ban the drugs all together. In forming the subcommittee, chairman Connie Whitfield explained that regulators needed "basic facts so that people at a decision-making level can be confident in making decisions."

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**Backbackbackgone Returns in a Stakes:**

Juvenile **Backbackbackgone** (Put It Back), tabbed as a ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ following a dominating 10-length maiden win in his debut at Bay Meadows May 11, will start next in Hollywood's Willard L. Proctor Memorial S. Sunday. Trainer Peter Miller won last year's Proctor Memorial with Thoroughly. "We're going back-to-back with 'Backbackback'," Miller said Wednesday with a chuckle from his training base at San Luis Rey Downs. "I don't want to sound overconfident, but he's as good a two-year-old as I've ever had." The Florida-bred was acquired for \$65,000 at OBSMAR.

**THIS DATE IN HISTORY...**

**May 22, 1974...**Locust Hill Farm's **Ruffian** won her first start by 15 lengths at odds of 4-1 at Belmont Park.

**May 23, 1936...****Rushaway**, ridden by Johnny Longden, won his second Derby in as many days, taking the 1 1/4-mile Latonia Derby at Latonia in Kentucky; he had captured the 1 1/8-mile Illinois Derby, run at Aurora outside of Chicago, the previous day.

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**PRESIDENT VETOES FARM BILL – CONGRESSIONAL OVERRIDE LIKELY**

President Bush vetoed the Farm Bill Wednesday, less than a day after Congressional leaders sent him the bill they passed last week. Some lobbyists were concerned the President might delay his veto and use the Memorial Day recess to campaign against a Congressional override.

Congress is prepared to quickly hold an override vote. At press time, the House was expected to conduct an hour of debate late Wednesday and then vote on the bill. The Senate debate and vote will follow the House's actions most likely on Thursday.

Votes cast by Congress on the Farm Bill conference report point to an override. Both chambers easily passed the bill last week: the Senate voted 81-15 in favor, and the House 318 to 106. With each chamber passing by the two-thirds majority vote necessary for an override, the Farm Bill is poised to be overridden and become law.

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**Yesterday's Results:**

**4th-GGX, \$32,100, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:38, ft. GRAND ATLANTIC (f, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Just Fun, by Dehere)** was fourth in a June 8 maiden over the old dirt surface at this track, and most recently returned from a 10-month hiatus to finish an even fourth going six panels at Bay Meadows Apr. 20. Trying two turns and a synthetic track for the first time, the \$55,000 KEEJAN and \$135,000 KEESEP yearling broke a bit slow, but recovered to set the pace and it was all over from there. The bay cruised past the eighth pole on a daylight advantage and was 12 lengths clear under the wire. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$22,050.

O-Bob Blanchard, Jerry Hollendorfer, Martin Sisemore & George Todaro, George. B-Finger Rock Farm LLC (KY). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

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IN BRITAIN:

**Michita**, f, 3, **Dynaformer**. See "Britain."  
**McConnell**, c, 3, **Petionville**--Warsaw Girl (Ire)  
 (GISW-US, \$508,892), by Polish Precedent.  
 Goodwood, 5-21, Hcp, 3yo, 1 1/8mT. B-Hall Et Al  
 Farm. \*\$52,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Have Fun  
 (Topsider), SW-US, \$251,663; Holiday Camp  
 (Chester House), GSP-UAE.

IN IRELAND:

**My Girl Sophie**, f, 3, **Danzig**--Just Fly, by Capote.  
 Leopardstown, 5-21, Hcp, 3yo, 7fT. B-Liberty Road  
 Stables. \*\$300,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to  
 Just Wonder (GB) (Hernando {Fr}), GSW-US,  
 \$289,299.

**First/Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, May 22**  
*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW*  
*Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

**DREAM TRIPPER** (Dehere), 9/0/0  
 4-EVD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Pal's Dream, 20-1  
**MACHO UNO** (Holy Bull), Adena South, \$15K, 137/23/4  
 8-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Number One Edition, \$10K BAR OCT yrl  
**STORM PASSAGE** (Storm Cat), Red River, \$2K, 49/3/0  
 3-EVD, Msw, 5f, +Storming the City, \$8K LTB AUG yrl, 8-1  
**VALID BIDDER** (Valid Appeal), Don Cormier, \$750, 44/0/0  
 3-EVD, Msw, 5f, +Go Tirade, \$700 STM MIX 2yo, 20-1



**SPACIOUS HAS ASCOT DATE** Trainer James  
 Fanshawe yesterday confirmed Cheveley Park Stud's  
**Spacious (GB)** (Nayef) on course for the G1 Coronation  
 S. at Royal Ascot. Following the homebred's second to  
 Natagora (Fr) in the G1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket  
 May 4, connections have aimed for the rematch with  
 the French filly in the June 20 contest. "She's had some  
 time out in the paddock and has only cantered since,  
 but she's starting work again next week and is really  
 well," her conditioner said. "She is really thriving and  
 we wouldn't be afraid of taking on Natagora again--I  
 just hope she gets the good pace she wants."

**First-crop starters to watch: Thursday, May 22**

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

**CANDY RIDE (ARG)** (Ride the Rails), Hill 'n' Dale, \$10K, 123/0/0  
 8-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Chocolate Candy  
**CHAMPALI** (Glitterman), Glencrest, \$8K, 58/0/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, D J's Dreamer, \$25K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1  
**CUVEE** (Carson City), Gainesway, \$10K, 115/1/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, Star of War, \$97K OBS FEB 2yo, 5-1  
**LION HEART** (Tale of the Cat), Ashford, \$30K, 180/4/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, Cameron Crazy's, \$125K OBS AUG yrl, 5-2  
**MEDAGLIA D'ORO** (El Prado {Ire}), Stonewall, \$35K, 149/0/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Rachel Alexandra, 15-1  
**OMEGA CODE** (Elusive Quality), Hartley, 96/0/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, Symbology, \$60K FTK JUL yrl, 8-1  
**PEACE RULES** (Jules), Vinery, \$15K, 102/0/0  
 4-EVD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Halo Beauty, 5-2  
**RAINMAKER** (Storm Cat), All Star Tbreeds, \$2K, 48/0/0  
 4-EVD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Precisely Correct, \$5K TEX APR 2yo, 5-1  
**ROAR OF THE TIGER** (Storm Cat), Hartley, 74/1/0  
 8-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, The Final Roar, \$65K OBS MAR 2yo  
**TETON FOREST** (Forestry), Sprendthrift, \$5K, 40/0/0  
 8-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Smokey Lonesome, \$55K KEE SEP yrl  
**WERBLIN** (Unbridled's Song), Hartley, 22/0/0  
 9-CD, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Best Lass, \$120K OBS MAR 2yo, 10-1

**YOUMZAIN CORONATION-BOUND** Jaber  
 Abdullah's **Youmzain (Ire)** (Sinndar {Ire}) is being aimed  
 at the June 6 G1 Juddmonte Coronation Cup at Epsom,  
 connections announced yesterday. Last year's G1 Prix  
 de l'Arc de Triomphe and G1 King George VI and Queen  
 Elizabeth S. runner-up was fifth on his five-year-old  
 bow in the Mar. 29 G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at Nad Al  
 Sheba. "He is working very well and is in top form," the  
 owner's Racing Manager Bruce Raymond said. "He is  
 bouncing and [trainer] Mick [Channon] is happy with  
 him. There are no other races for him at this stage, so  
 we are thinking he will most likely go to Epsom. He ran  
 some extremely good races last year without quite  
 getting his head in front and the hope is that he can  
 win one of those big ones this time around. He is a  
 good class horse--a real good horse--and he has a fin-  
 ishing kick, especially when there's a little bit of cut in  
 the ground." Youmzain was one of 27 remaining in the  
 £200,000 mile-and-a-half contest after the latest forfeit  
 stage and they include Baron Georg von Ullmann's G2  
 Jockey Club S. winner **Getaway (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger})  
 and Javier Martinez Salmean's GI Man o' War S. and G1  
 Hong Kong Vase winner **Doctor Dino (Fr)** (Muhtathir  
 {GB}) alongside a seven-strong Ballydoyle contingent  
 headed by last year's G1 Irish Derby hero **Soldier of  
 Fortune (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). **Cont. p6**



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Sir Michael Stoute may be represented by Saeed Suhail's **Galactic Star (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}), who was third behind Getaway in the Jockey Club S. "Galactic Star is a possible," Bruce Raymond said of the five-year-old. The G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot [June 21] could also be on his agenda, but there is no reason why he couldn't go to Epsom first if Sir Michael feels that is the best route to take. He improved all last year and there could be more to come as he is finally growing up. He missed almost a whole season with a head injury, so he is entitled to get better. He has plenty of ability and we were pleased with his return at Newmarket behind Getaway."

## ★ BRITAIN ★

Thursday, Goodwood, post time: 2:50 p.m.

**FESTIVAL S.-Listed**, £30,000, 4yo/up, 9f 192ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	1	Blue Ksar (Fr)	Anabaa	Bin Suroor	127
2	2	Ballinteni (GB)	Machiavellian	Kelleway	124
3	5	Sixties Icon (GB)	Galileo (Ire)	Noseda	124
4	3	Spice Route (GB)	King's Best	Bell	124
5	4	Sweet Lilly (GB)	Tobougg (Ire)	Channon	122

The 2006 G1 St Leger hero **Sixties Icon** takes another step back on the road to recovery after a four-year-old campaign that tailed off worryingly. He looked to have revived his fortunes with a creditable second to Getaway (Ger) in the G2 Jockey Club S. at Newmarket last time May 4 and trainer Jeremy Noseda is hopeful he can continue in the same vein. "It was nice to see him back after two very poor runs at the backend of last year," Noseda said. "It has given us hope that the work we had to do on him after those runs had been effective and put us back in a position where I hope he can get back to his old level of form. He looked comfortable at Newmarket and travelled great through the race, but the winner could be a very good horse. I'm sure he'll improve fitness-wise and my gut instinct is that in this company a mile and a quarter shouldn't be a problem."



**3.20 Longchamp, Cond**, €57,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT

**ARTABAN (IRE)** ([Peintre Celebre](#)) bids to build on his success in a debutantes contest full of bluebloods at this track last month, which has already produced a subsequent winner in Thabazimbi. Ecurie Wildenstein's half-brother to 2005 GI Beverly D. S. and 2006 GI Diana H. winner Angara (GB) and 2004 G2 Prix Corrida scorer Actrice (Ire) from the family of Arcangues represents the Elie Lellouche stable in this valuable affair.

Yesterday's Results:

**COCKED HAT S.-Listed**, £30,000, Goodwood, 5-21, 3yo, c/g, 1 3/8mT, 2:26.48, gd.

1--**CITY LEADER (IRE)**, 131, c, 3, by Fasliyev  
1st Dam: **Kanmary (Fr)** (GSW & G1SP-Fr), by **Kenmare (Fr)**

2nd Dam: **Djallybrook (Fr)**, by **Djakao (Fr)**

3rd Dam: **Hollybrook (Fr)**, by **Klairon (Fr)**

O-Sangster Family; B-Swettenham Stud; T-Brian Meehan; J-Jamie Spencer; £17,031. Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Eng, 6-3-2-0, £146,484. \*1/2 to Lit de Justice (El Gran Senor), Ch. Sprinter & GISW-US, GSP-Fr, \$1,397,874; Colonel Collins (El Gran Senor), SW & MG1SP-Eng, \$294,727; Captain Collins (Ire) (El Gran Senor), GSP-US & Eng, \$142,488; Commander Collins (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), G1SW-Eng & GSP-Fr, \$247,113. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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2--**Scintillo (GB)**, 131, c, 3, Fantastic Light--Danseuse du Soir (Ire), by Thatching (Ire). (30,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT). £6,456.

3--**Top Lock (GB)**, 126, c, 3, Nayef--Ermine (Ire), by Cadeaux Genereux (GB). (55,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT). £3,231.

Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 3-1, 14-1, 7-1.

Also Ran: Whistledownwind (GB), Siberian Tiger (Ire), Savarain (GB). Scratched: Meeriss (Ire).

City Leader followed up a debut win at Ascot in July with a runner-up finish in the G3 Solario S. at Sandown in September before claiming a personal best in the Sept. 29 G2 Royal Lodge S. back at Ascot. He closed his juvenile season with a second to Ibn Khaldun in the Oct. 27 G1 Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster and came back this year to run sixth in the Apr. 17 G3 Craven S. at Newmarket last time. Positioned in fourth until making smooth progress on the outside in the straight here, he challenged at the two pole and was driven out to assert superiority inside the final furlong. "The mile of the Craven was a little too sharp for him, but he's bred to get this distance and he's done it very well," said winning trainer Brian Meehan. "I suspect Jamie [Spencer] might say he went [to the front] too soon as he's a bit of an idle horse when he hits the front, but I'm very pleased with him. He was one of the top two-year-olds last year and he's back in great shape." City Leader looks set to bypass the G1 Epsom Derby and head straight to Royal Ascot as owner Ben Sangster revealed, "We'll probably go to the Royal meeting for the G2 King Edward VII S. [June 20]. He's won twice around Ascot before and, all being well, I think that will be the plot." Trainer Andrew Balding indicated third placegetter Top Lock will point to Royal Ascot and the July 6 G1 Deutsches Derby at Hamburg.

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**British Report cont.**

**HEIGHT OF FASHION S.**-Listed, £30,000, Goodwood, 5-21, 3yo, f, 9f 192ydsT, 2:07.45, gd.

1--#**MICHITA, 126, f, 3, by Dynaformer**

1st Dam: **Thunder Kitten, by Storm Cat**

2nd Dam: **Nastique, by Naskra**

3rd Dam: **La Fantastique, by Le Fabuleux (Fr)**

O/B-Stonerside Stable LLC; T-John Gosden; J-Jimmy Fortune; £17,778. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, £20,045.

\* 1/2 to Thunder Mission (Pulpit), MGSP-US,

\$323,424. **Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the**

**[eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)**

2--**Annie Skates, 126, f, 3, Mr. Greeley--Vivalita, by Deputy Minister.** (\$62,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). £6,723.

3--**Rosa Grace (GB), 126, f, 3, Lomitas (GB)--Night Haven (GB), by Night Shift.** (30,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT). £3,360.

Margins: 4HF, 1, HF. Odds: 5-1, 10-1, 12-1.

Also Ran: Don't Forget Faith, Jazz Jam (GB), Queen of Naples (GB), Celtic Slipper (Ire), Rosaleen (Ire), Really Ransom (GB).

Victorious in a Yarmouth maiden in her sole juvenile start, Michita ran ninth in the Apr. 19 G3 Fred Darling S. on seasonal return and rebounded in dominant fashion to record a first stakes success in this. Restrained off the pace in sixth, she made ominous headway in the straight to lead with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and was driven clear thereafter to score by daylight. "She wasn't where I truly wanted her [before the Fred Darling] as she'd been a little tricky to deal with in the spring, and she rather needed a run just to settle her down, which is what it did," explained winning handler John Gosden. "She was a handful to saddle and a handful in the [Fred Darling] race, but she came out of it fine and it mentally chilled her a bit, so we backed off her and brought her along for a nice race like this. She's trained very well and her last three pieces of work have been nice." With regard to the immediate future, the trainer continued, "I'd be very happy to run her in the [G1] Oaks [at Epsom June 6], she's in good order and I have no problem with it. She's a big improving type of filly, she's powerful and has handled the faster ground and the descent today."

**Sandown Park, 6.00, Mdn, £7,000, 2yo, f, 5f 6ydsT, 1:00.45, gd/fm.**

+ **CRYSTAL MOMENTS (GB) (f, 2, Haafhd {GB}--Celestial Choir {GB} {SW-Eng}, by Celestial Storm),** sent off the 9-2 co-second favorite, broke well and stalked the early pace before edging to the front with a furlong remaining. Asserting soon after, the 23,000gns TATDEC weanling and 32,000gns TATOCT yearling had 1 1/2 lengths to spare over Our Wee Girl (Ire) (Choir {Aus}) at the line. Crystal Moments is the first winner for her freshman sire (by Alhaarth {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,533.

O-Mohammed Jaber; B-Lady Jennifer Green and John Eyre; T-Ed Dunlop.

**Goodwood, 4.35, Mdn, £5,500, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:12.20, gd.**

+ **ELUSIVE WAVE (IRE) (f, 2, [Elusive City](#)--Multicolour Wave {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest),** a €20,000 GOFMIL yearling, chased the leaders through the early stages of this first go. Pushed along to challenge approaching the final quarter mile, the 4-1 chance took a slight lead at the distance and drew off late to account for stablemate Straitjacket (GB) (Refuse to Bend {Ire}) by 3 3/4 lengths. Elusive Wave is the third winner for her freshman sire (by Elusive Quality). **[Click for the Racing Post chart.](#)** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,562.

O-Andrew Russell; B-Pier House Stud; T-Richard Hannon.

**Goodwood, 5.10, Mdn, £5,000, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:28.24, gd.**

+ **BABY HOUSEMAN (GB) (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Photogenic {GB} {SW-Ire}, by Midyan)** raced under cover in sixth until the straight in this racecourse bow. Cajoled into contention at the two pole, the 11-2 chance quickened to the front with 150 yards to go and surged clear thereafter to score by 3 3/4 lengths from Victoria Reel (GB) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,116.

O/B-Normandie Stud Ltd; T-John Gosden.

## ★ IRELAND ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Leopardstown, 6.30, Mdn, €20,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.74, gd/fm.**

**HEART OF FIRE (IRE) (c, 2, Mujadil--Heart's Desire {Ire}, by Royal Applause {GB}),** runner-up to Blas Ceoil in a conditions event at Naas a week previously, started as the even-money favorite to make that experience count against debutantes. Up to lead early, the €70,000 TATIRE yearling was challenged and briefly headed by April (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) passing the eighth pole, but dug in to regain the advantage and score by a head. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, €19,520. O-Joseph M McGrath; B-Stephanie Hanly; T-Kevin Prendergast.

## ★ FRANCE ★

**Thursday, Longchamp, post time: 3:50 p.m.**

**PRIX DU PONT-NEUF-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, 7fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Salut l'Africain (Fr)	Ski Chief	Rob Collet	128
2	3	Sceptre Rouge (Ire)	Red Ransom	de Royer-Dupre	123
3	2	Trevezlez (Ire)	Alhaarth (Ire)	de Chevigny	123
4	1	African Rose (GB)	Observatory	Head-Maarek	120
5	4	Gipson Dessert	Orientate	Rouget	120



 **SOUTH AMERICA** 

**SULAMANI, TOBOUGG TO SHUTTLE TO BRAZIL**

Darley stallions **Sulamani (Ire)** (Hernando {Fr}--Soul Dream, by Alleged) and **Tobougg (Ire)** (Barathea {Ire}--Lacovia, by Majestic Light) will shuttle to Brazil to stand the 2008 Southern Hemisphere season under a lease agreement facilitated by the recently formed APFT (Associacao Paulista de Fomento ao Turfe), Sao Paulo's Breeders' Association. Sulamani will shuttle to Brazil for the second straight year to stand at Silvio Crespi's Haras Calunga in Sao Paulo. Tobougg will head to Brazil for the first time to stand at Haras San Francesco in the State of Sao Paulo. Sulamani, a Grade or Group 1 winner for Godolphin Racing in five different countries, currently stands at French-based Haras du Logis, for €8,000. His first crop is foals of 2006. Godolphin Racing's Tobougg (Ire) stands at Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum's Dalham Hall Stud for €5,000.

 **AUSTRALASIA** 

**AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONS HONORED Weekend Hussler (Aus)**

(Hussonet), recently rated the equal-best 1600-meter horse in the world by the World Rankings Supervisory Committee, won the Hunter Thoroughbred Breeders' (HTBA) champion racehorse of the year award and the champion three-year-old trophy at an awards dinner held in Scone last night. Weekend Hussler matched the feat of legendary Kingston Town (Aus), scoring his sixth Group 1 win in a single season when he won the G1 George Ryder S. Apr. 19 at Rosehill. That victory took his overall record to nine wins from 11 outings and earnings of A\$2,384,900.

**Samantha Miss (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), who bravely denied Sebring (Aus) Triple Crown honours when she scored a short head win in the G1 Champagne S. at Randwick May 3, won the HTBA Two-Year-Old award. She is the fifth consecutive juvenile by an Arrowfield sire to win the award. Sold for A\$1.5-million by Willow Park Stud at the 2007 Inglis Easter Yearling Sale, she is the 13th individual Group 1 winner for her sire. Coolmore's flagship Australian sire Encosta de Lago (Aus) proved unstoppable this season with 12 individual stakes winners and a trio of Group 1 winners, led by the Bart Cummings-trained Australian Cup winner Sirmione (Aus), an effort that landed him the Champion Sire award. The incomparable Danehill won HTBA champion sire title no less than 11 times and the mantle looks set to pass to his immensely exciting son Exceed and Excel (Aus), winner of the First Season Sire award, with five first crop stakes winners and a further four stakes performers. The Champion Broodmare Award went to outstanding producer **Surrealist (Aus)** (Kenny's Best Pal {Aus}), dam of Racing to Win (Aus). Coolmore prevailed at Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale in June 2006 to secure Surrealist, in foal to young Danehill stallion Fastnet Rock (Aus), for A\$1.6 million. Sent to Encosta de Lago (Aus) after foaling a Fastnet Rock colt, Surrealist produced a full brother to Racing to Win Oct. 21 and she is back in foal to Encosta de Lago (Aus). Long-time Swettenham NSW manager Alan Morton won the HTBA Service Award, while Arrowfield managing director John Messara's efforts on behalf of the industry in his roles as Aushorse Chairman and TBA President were recognised when he won the HTBA President's Award.

**HUNTER THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS' ASSOCIATION 2008 AWARD WINNERS**

**International Animal Health Champion 2YO**  
**Samantha Miss (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus})

**Ladd Hudson Architects Champion 3YO**  
**Weekend Hussler (Aus)** (Hussonet)

**Pryde's Easifeeds Champion Racehorse Of the Year**  
**Weekend Hussler**

**William Inglis & Son Champion Sire**  
**Encosta de Lago (Aus)**

**Livestock Transport Champion First Season Sire**  
**Exceed and Excel (Aus)**

**Scone Veterinary Hospital Champion Broodmare**  
**Surrealist (Aus)**

**HTBA Service Award**  
**Alan Morton**

**HTBA Presidents' Award**  
**John Messara**

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**AZERI**, 10, Jade Hunter--Zodiac Miss (Aus), by Ahonoora (GB) Foal born May 10, a filly by Giant's Causeway. Will be bred back to Ghostzapper. Owned by The Allen E. Paulson Living Trust. Boarded at Hill 'n' Dale Farms. Accomplishments: Horse of the Year, 3x Ch. Older Mare, MGISW, \$4,079,820.





# BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**5th-HOL, \$58,734**, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44 4/5, ft.  
**SILVER SWALLOW (f, 4, Alphabet Soup--Topsom, by Red Ransom)** Lifetime Record: GISP, 12-2-5-4, \$229,038. O-Bruce Headley & Irwin Molasky. B-Robert L Dodd (FL). T-Bruce Headley. \*\$55,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

**5th-BEL, \$51,000**, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, ft.  
**ONE TOUGH BELLE (f, 4, Good and Tough--Bellebottom Blues, by Cure the Blues)** Lifetime Record: SP, 15-3-2-3, \$144,622. O/B-Pegasus Dream Stable Inc (NY). T-William Badgett Jr.

**1st-PEN, \$28,515**, NW3L, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47 3/5, gd.  
**PATTON'S PEGASUS (h, 5, Patton--I'm Compelling, by Compelling Sound)** Lifetime Record: 28-3-3-5, \$53,758. O-Gama Racing Stable. B-Marcia Wolfe & Gary Brockmeyer (PA). T-Robert A Wolfe Jr.

**2nd-GGX, \$40,120**, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44 4/5, ft.  
**CEE'S FOR CLEVER (g, 4, Cee's Tizzy--Forever Mango {SW}, by Bold Badgett)** Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-2, \$111,151. O-Filouette Enterprises. B-Geri Forrester (CA). T-Steve M Sherman.

**7th-PRM, \$31,684**, 5-20, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05 1/5, ft.  
**GOODBYE SHARK (g, 5, Sharkey--Fare Thee Well, by Housebuster)** Lifetime Record: 25-3-3-4, \$73,186. O-Frank Williams & Dan Walton. B-Teresa McFarlin (IA). T-Steve Manley.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

CHURCHILL DOWNS

Graeme Six (Graeme Hall), 4f, :48.20, 6/33  
 Pure Clan (Pure Prize), 5f, 1:02.00, 5/15  
 Sharp Susan (Touch Gold), 4f, :49.00, 13/33

HOLLYWOOD

Desert Code (E Dubai), 5f, 1:01.80, 16/36  
 Intangaroo (Orientate), 4f, :48.00, 10/66  
 Monterey Jazz (Thunderello), 5f, 1:01.40, 14/36

KEENELAND

West Coast Swing (Gone West), 5f, :59.00, 1/15

**8th-PRM, \$25,500**, 5-20, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.  
**CAPRICIOUS (f, 3, Tiznow--Blink Twice, by Dixieland Band)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-3, \$77,770. O-Carrie L Brogden. B-Padua Stables (FL). T-Lynn Chleborad.

**8th-MNR, \$24,900**, 5-20, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:45, ft.  
**SALTY SILVER SALLY (m, 5, Rubiano--Salted Away, by Private Terms)** Lifetime Record: 28-7-6-3, \$69,134. O/T-William R McDonald. B-J R Cavanaugh (FL). \*\$15,000 yrl '04 OBSAUG.

**9th-MNR, \$24,900**, 5-20, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:46 4/5, ft.  
**BREDWINNER (g, 6, Belong to Me--Missy Slew {SW, \$175,210}, by Seattle Slew)** Lifetime Record: 32-8-9-6, \$178,963. O-My Purple Haze Stables. B-Joseph & William Stavola Inc (KY). T-Chris J Englehart. \*\$130,000 yrl '03 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Vow (Rahy), SW, \$320,645.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Regardless of outcome, c, 2, Bring the Heat--Bridget Says,** by Patton. CDX, 5-21, 4 1/2f, :51 2/5. B-Wesley Ward (CA).

+ **Lightning Diablo, g, 2, Monarchos--House Virgin (MSP),** by Housebuster. HOL, 5-21, (C), 4 1/2f (AWT), :52 1/5. B-Denlea Park Ltd. (KY). \*\$20,000 yrl '07 WASSEP; \$55,000 2yo '08 BESMAR.

**Listisimo, f, 2, More Than Ready--Harbor Princess,** by Boston Harbor. HOL, 5-21, (S), 4 1/2f (AWT), :52 2/5. B-Betty L & Larry Mabee (CA). \*\$2,500 yrl '07 BESOCT.

**Nyzak, g, 3, Glenview--Back Alley Rose (SP),** by Amorelu. PRM, 5-20, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05 3/5. B-Larry D Hagemeyer (IA).

**Bran Jammias, f, 3, In Excess (Ire)--Do You Mind,** by Broadway Forli. HOL, 5-21, (S), 1mT, 1:36 1/5. B-Frank Alesia, Greg Vela, Joe Ciaglia & Bran Jam Stables (CA). \*1/2 to Mind For Gold (Candi's Gold), MSP, \$334,103.

+ **Tiger Would, c, 3, Sir Cat--Super Deb,** by Superbity. PRM, 5-20, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5. B-Bill Hutchins Jr (IA). \*\$1,200 yrl '06 IOWAUG.

**Bontempi, c, 3, Sligo Bay (Ire)--Pumpkin's Pride,** by Louis Quatorze. BEL, 5-21, (S), 1mT, 1:38 4/5. B-Scott Fein (NY).

**Fourth Chapter, f, 4, Touch Gold--Pulled Together,** by Woodman. BEL, 5-21, (C), 1 1/16mT, 1:46 2/5. B-Marvin Little Jr & James Iselin (KY). \*\$35,000 2yo '06 KEENOV.

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## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**IRELAND, Leopardstown, 7.00, 5-21, €25,000, 3yo, 6fT, 1:13.68, gd/fm.**  
**DOHASA (IRE) (g, 3, Bold Fact--Zara's Birthday {Ire}, by Waajib {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-0, €39,346. O-Sean Jones; B-Eamon D Delaney; T-Ger Lyons. \*€19,000 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; €50,000 yrl '06 TATIRE.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Spirit Light (Ity), c, 2, Blu Air Force (Ire)--Sister Light (GB), by Spectrum (Ire).** Rome, Italy, 5-20, Mdn, 2yo, c/g, 6fT. B-Allevamento La Nuova Sbarra SRL.  
**Kathy Ridge (Ire), f, 2, Indian Ridge (Ire)--Katy Guest (Ire), by Be My Guest.** Rome, Italy, 5-20, Cond, 2yo, f, 6fT. B-Allevamento Pian di Neve SRL. \*€55,000 yrl '07 ITYSEP. \*\*1/2 to Kathy College (Ire) (College Chapel {GB}), GSW-Ity, \$238,311; Kathy Pekan (Ire) (Sri Pekan), SW-Fr, \$206,677.  
**Barack (Ire), c, 2, Pyrus--Morna's Fan (Fr), by Lear Fan.** Sligo, Ireland, 5-21, Mdn, 2yo, 6 1/2fT. B-John Malone. \*15,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT. \*\*Second winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector).  
**Mystical Lady (Ire), f, 3, Halling--Lady Icarus (GB), by Rainbow Quest.** Leopardstown, Ireland, 5-21, Mdn, 3yo, f, 7fT. B-Whisperview Trading Ltd.  
**Onceponatime (Ire), g, 3, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Lake Nyasa (Ire), by Lake Coniston (Ire).** Leicester, Britain, 5-20, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 218ydsT. B-Dermot O'Rourke. \*65,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

**✓ APPOINTMENTS**

**JOHN MOONEY**

- Appointed to the position of Delaware Park's Executive Director of Racing.
- Duties include overseeing Delaware Park's Racing Office, as well as its track and backside maintenance operations.
- Mooney has served as the General Manager of Delaware Park, the Chief Operating Officer of the Maryland Jockey Club as well as the President of the Virginia/Maryland racing circuit.

**INGLIS 2009 SALE DATES**

Classic Yearling Sale - Feb. 8, 9, 10  
 Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale - Mar. 1, 2, 3, 5  
 Australian Easter Yearling Sale - Apr. 5, 6, 7, 8  
 Australian Easter Broodmare Sale - Apr. 14, 15, 16



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**GOLDEN APPLES (IRE), 9, Pivotal (GB)--Loon (Fr), by Kaldoun (Fr)**  
 Foal born Mar. 23, a colt by A.P. Indy. Will be bred back to Distorted Humor. Owned by and boarded at Shadwell Farm. Accomplishments: Ch. Turf Mare & MGISW-US, GSP-Ire, \$1,672,454.

**DESSERT, 8, Storm Cat--Windsharp, by Lear Fan**  
 Foal born Mar. 20, a filly by Kingmambo. Will be bred back to Distorted Humor. Owned by and boarded at Shadwell Farm. Accomplishments: GISW of \$259,560.

**IRRESISTIBLE (GB), 8, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Polish Romance, by Danzig**  
 Foal born Mar. 28, a colt by Iceman (GB). Will be bred back to Pivotal (GB). Owned by and boarded at Cheveley Park Stud. Accomplishments: SW-Eng & GSP-Ire. Dam of Infallible (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), GSW-Eng.

**LADY BERTRANDO, 6, Bertrando--Spirited Carly, by Native Prospector**  
 Foal born Apr. 12, a colt by Awesome Again. Will be bred back to Invasor (Arg). Owned by Herb York. Boarded at Hidden Brook Farm, KY. Accomplishments: MSW of \$105,762.

**SHY LADY (FR), 14, Kaldoun (Fr)--Shy Danceuse (Fr), by Groom Dancer**  
 Foal born Apr. 16, a colt by Gone West. Will be bred back to Street Cry (Ire). Owned by Rabbah Bloodstock LLC. Boarded at Hidden Brook Farm, KY. Accomplishments: SW-Ger. Dam of Ya Hajar (GB) (Lycius), GSW-Fr; Zafeen (Fr) (Zafonic), Hwt. 3yo Colt-Eng at 7-9.5f, G1SW-Eng & G1SP-Fr, \$557,860.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$55,000 Allowance, at Belmont Park. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

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