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#### O'BRIEN FIRMS UP ROYAL TEAM

Aidan O'Brien has named his main Royal Ascot contenders, with Susan Magnier's Henrythenavigator (Kingmambo) set to represent the operation in the opening day's G1 St James's Palace S. Having bypassed Saturday's G1 Epsom Derby, the dual Guineas hero will stay at a mile for the £250,000 contest. "Henrythenavigator is well and the plan is to run him in the St James's Palace S.," O'Brien told Racing Post. "When running him in the Derby was ruled out, the Ascot race looked the obvious next step for him. We will take it one race at a time with Henry and we're not looking beyond Royal Ascot for him at this stage. There is no point in looking too far ahead." The Ballydoyle conditioner will send G1 Prix Ganay and G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup winner Duke of Marmalade (Ire) (Danehill) to Wednesday's G1 Prince of Wales's S., while Yeats (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) will bid to emulate Sagaro (GB) in winning a third renewal of the G1 Ascot Gold Cup Thursday. "Another Gold Cup bid with Yeats has always been the plan and that is what we are looking at," O'Brien continued. "Septimus (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) is also in the race, but he hasn't had a run this year and, while he is in work, we are not sure about plans for him just yet." O'Brien also named a pair of four-year-old Danzig colts, the 2007 G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains hero Astronomer Royal and US Ranger, on course for Saturday's G1 Golden Jubilee S., while Haradasun (Aus) (Fusaichi Pegasus) looks set to take in Tuesday's G1 Queen Anne S.

#### Royer-Dupre Ponders Sageburg Supplement...

His Highness the Aga Khan and his daughter Princess Zahra may go head-to-head in Tuesday's G1 Queen Anne S. after trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre announced that he is considering adding the G1 Prix d'Ispahan winner Sageburg (Ire) (Johannesburg) to the £250,000 mile contest, which is set to feature Dariina (Fr) (Zamindar). The stable companions were first and second, respectively, in the May 18 Longchamp feature and connections will have to pay £25,000 to supplement Sageburg today if they decide to forego the following day's G1 Prince of Wales's S. "It is possible that I will saddle both Darjina and Sageburg in the Queen Anne S., but nothing is finalised for the moment," de Royer-Dupre told Racing Post. The conditioner added that Scuderia Zaro's recent G3 Chartwell Fillies' S. winner Sabana Perdida (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) would represent the stable in Wednesday's G2 Windsor Forest S.

#### DIVINE PARK TO STAND AT AIRDRIE

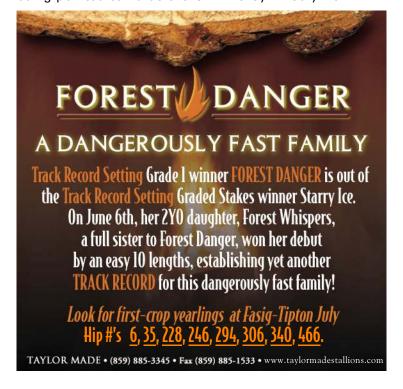
James Barry's **Divine Park** (Chester House--High in the Park, by Ascot Knight), recent winner of the



GI Metropolitan H. at Belmont Park, will enter stud at Airdrie Stud near Midway, Kentucky, after Brereton and Elizabeth Jones announced their purchase of a majority interest in the breeding rights to the four-year-old. "The entire Airdrie team is really excited to have what is possibly America's most brilliant miler in line to

Divine Park A Coglianese stand at Airdrie Stud when he retires from the track," the former

Governor of Kentucky commented. "Divine Park fits the mold of a number of our young stallions as an absolute physical knockout that will excite the most discriminating breeders." Victorious in his first three trips to the post in 2007, including the one-mile GIII Withers S., Divine Park is currently on a three-race winning streak for trainer Kiaran McLaughlin, having taken the GIII Westchester H. by five lengths prior to his success in the Met Mile. "It's very exciting to have such a quality horse on line for the future and equally exciting to team up with quality people like owner James Barry and trainer Kiaran McLaughlin," Jones added. Bred in Kentucky by Runnymede Farm Inc., Divine Park has a career record of 8-6-0-0 and earnings of \$607,935. He is being pointed towards the GI Whitney H. July 26.





#### (Royal Ascot cont.)

#### Tariq to Tackle Queen Anne...

Saleh Al Homaizi and Imad Al Sagar's Tarig (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) will return to the scene of his G3 Jersey S. success 12 months ago for Tuesday's G1 Queen Anne S. Peter Chapple-Hyam sent the four-year-old to the Limekilns gallop in Newmarket and he came through his seven-furlong spin with flying colors. The owners' Racing Manager Tony Nerses told PA Sport, "It went very well and Tariq will certainly go for the Queen Anne as long as everything goes okay up to next week. We were very happy and we feel he has improved a little bit since his run at Newbury [when third in the G1 Lockinge S.]."

#### Benbaun prepares for the double...

Trainer Mark Wallace is considering taking in both Tuesday's G1 King's Stand S. and Saturday's G1 Golden Jubilee S. with Philip Ransley, Steve Birks and Stephen Hillen's Benbaun (Ire) (Stravinsky). Hero of the 2007 G1 Prix de l'Abbaye, the seven-year-old will tackle the "Choisir double" if he bounces out of the opening day's sprint. "He goes for the King's Stand and, depending how he gets on there, we'll think about the Jubilee," Wallace told PA Sport. "He could well run in both, but it depends how he is."

#### In the 'Loup'...

Elie Lellouche has announced that Ecurie Wildenstein's G2 Prix d'Harcourt winner Loup Breton (Ire) (Anabaa) will take his place in the line-up for

Wednesday's G1 Prince of Wales's S.. His trainer told Racing Post, "Our intention is to run Loup Breton in the Prince of Wales's S. and he will work on Thursday. Christophe Lemaire will ride the colt at Ascot."

#### 'Path' to Gold ...

Khalid Abdullah's unbeaten four-year-old Coastal Path (GB) (Halling) is set to clash with Yeats (Ire) in Thursday's G1 Ascot Gold Cup. The homebred, trained by Andre Fabre, has captured the G3 Prix de Barbeville and G2 Prix Vicomtesse Vigier this season. "It is the intention to run him in the Ascot Gold Cup, with Stephane Pasquier in the saddle," Fabre said.

#### 'Geordie' Up for the Cup...

Mountgrange Stud's G2 Yorkshire Cup hero Geordieland (Fr) (Johann Quatz (Fr)) will also be in opposition to Yeats as he bids to go one better than his second to that rival 12 months ago. Trainer Jamie Osborne reported the seven-year-old to have come through his work in pleasing fashion. "He did his last bit of galloping this morning and I couldn't have been happier," Osborne commented.



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"Everything's fine for him and we're looking forward to a week on Thursday," the trainer concluded.

Cheveley Park Stud's G1 1000 Guinpublication. It's a leas runner-up **Spacious (GB)** (Navef) is set to tackle Friday's G1 Coronation S., according to trainer James Fanshawe. Not seen since finishing a half-length behind Natagora (Fr) in the or wait for the daily May 4 Newmarket Classic, the newsletter. It's a homebred has been enjoying some great tool to have tune-ups with the stable's stalwart to stay informed Cesare (GB) (Machiavellian), who is bound for Tuesday's G1 Queen Anne Vice-President of Zayat Stables S. "She worked for the first time last Saturday and worked again yesterday with Cesare and, touch wood, she

> seems in good form," her conditioner said. "[The stud's owners] Mr. and Mrs. Thompson are keen to go for the Coronation, and she's on schedule."

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#### Secret Missile...

Bridget Swire's **Sakhee's Secret (GB)** (Sakhee) delighted connections in a serious workout yesterday ahead of next Saturday's G1 Golden Jubilee S. Last year's G1 July Cup winner will start the likely favorite for the six-furlong sprint. Trainer Hughie Morrison told *PA Sport*, "It all went well and we were pleased with him--it's all systems go for the Golden Jubilee. He'll have a little spin next Tuesday, but he won't be asked to quicken up like he was today." Morrison also reported Michael Kerr-Dineen's Listed European Free H. scorer **Stimulation (Ire)** (Choisir {Aus}) on course for Wednesday's G3 Jersey S. "We are very happy with him," he added. "He appears to have taken his races extremely well and he'll have a spin on Friday or Saturday."

# ☆ NEWSTODAY ☆

#### NAHOODH MOVED TO JOHNSTON Nahoodh (Ire)

(Clodovil {Ire}) has been transferred from the Mick Channon stable to join Mark Johnston's Middlehambased string, *Racing Post* reported yesterday. The luckless G1 1000 Guineas fifth was reported to be sore following her seventh-place finish in last Sunday's G1 Irish 1000 Guineas. The grey was purchased by Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum on the eve of her run in the Curragh Classic. "Nahoodh has moved to Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed's trainer, which is Mark Johnston," bloodstock advisor John Ferguson told the trade daily. "It's too early to tell what her program might be, as she has only just arrived there."

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2	5	Excelerate (Ire)	Mujadil	Lynam	135
3	6	Summit Surge (Ire)	Noverre	Lyons	135
4	1	Akua'Ba (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Bolger	132
5	7	Campfire Glow (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Weld	127
6	2	Great War Eagle	Storm Cat	Wachman	125
7	8	Prince Shaun (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	Flynn	125
8	3	Rock of Rochelle	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Kinsella	125

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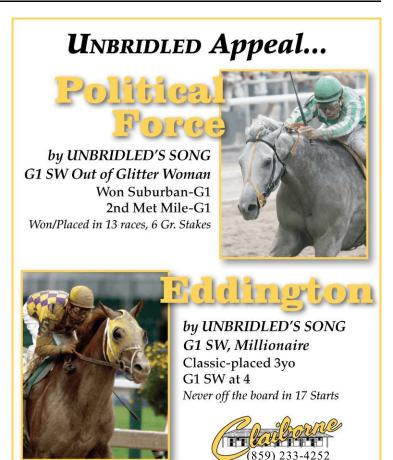
#### CLASSIC WEEKEND

There were four Classics run last weekend: the G1 Epsom Oaks on Friday; the G1 Epsom Derby and Big Brown's bid for Triple Crown glory in the GI Belmont S. on Saturday; and the G1 Prix de Diane on Sunday. Two of them ran to form, two did not. While beforehand it looked like Big Brown's bid was the biggest story, it turned out to be that old standby, the original, the Epsom Derby that seemed to be the weekend's most significant race.

This year's Derby did run to form, in spite of all the controversy preceding it. New Approach (Galileo) was Europe's unbeaten two-year-old champion of 2007, and he had run Racing Post (speed) Ratings (RPR) of 123 and 121 when finishing second to Henrythenavigator (Kingmambo) in both the G1 English and Irish 2000 Guineas at a mile. He was the fastest horse in the race: on form it was only a question of whether he would go that far. He did it, but there are two points to make about his run. First, he didn't help himself at all by not settling for very nearly the first half-mile of the race, so much so that one seasoned racewatcher is reported to have turned to his wife and said, "That's it; he can't win." Also, though, there was a lot of praise for Kevin Manning's ride, as he 'found a gap' on the rails which won him the race. I watched the head-on replay of the stretch run a number of times; Manning didn't find a gap, he made one. He dove for the rail, stopping Frankie Dettori on Rio de la Plata (eventually seventh) and just about cannoned into two other horses. He was going to finish in front of all three of the horses he impeded, but there was no doubt whatsoever in my mind he impeded them. In the States there would have been a stewards' inquiry for sure, and he might not have kept the race. As it was, Manning was suspended for three days. Big deal.

The G2 Dante winner Tartan Bearer, from **Spectrum**'s last European crop, emulated his full brother Golan by finishing second in the Derby. He's a big, rangy chestnut, and ran a copybook race, making up ground relentlessly from the rear of the field. He would certainly have won had Manning not made his gap, and he finished well clear of G2 Derrinstown Derby Trial winner Casual Conquest (**Hernando**). Trainer Sir Michael Stoute supplied two of the first four, as the well-supported G3 Chester Vase winner Doctor Fremantle (**Sadler's Wells**) reported home fourth.

In fact, of the five horses which went off under 10-1, four filled the first four places; only our own Curtain Call (Sadler's Wells), who eventually went off the 7-1 fifth choice, didn't finish in the first five.



We had a great day out, and Epsom did a fantastic job on the hospitality side as far as we were concerned, though I hope they improve the sight lines when all the work there is finally done. None of our team really saw the race very well--too many hats in the way. It didn't matter that much, because some combination of horse and/or jockey failed to read the script for the fairytale ending. He had a bad trip, finding plenty of trouble, and cruised home in 10th after the jockey surrendered about a furlong out. Fortunately, he came back sound, and we hope he'll be back in action soon and prove that run all wrong.

One thing is certain: when you see it, you realize not every horse will handle Epsom. It's almost a rollercoaster course, with a steep uphill climb, and an essentially downhill run with two sharp left-hand turns before rising again for an uphill finish. It takes no prisoners, that's for sure. New Approach was assigned an RPR of 126 for his win--the same as Henrythenavigator in the Irish 2000 Guineas, and which translates, in my rule-of-thumb scale, to a Beyer 114. Tartan Bearer was assigned an RPR 125, with Casual Conquest on 118, the same as his figure in the G2 Derrinstown.

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#### (Bill Oppenheim cont.)

Though our horse was unable to deliver the curtain call we were hoping for his sire, Sadler's Wells, New Approach's first win for his Derby-winning sire, Galileo, means he or Montjeu have sired the winners of three of the four Epsom Derbies in which they could have had runners, Sir Percy (Mark of Esteem) in 2006 being the only exception. Montjeu, of course, has sired 2005 winner Motivator and 2007 winner Authorized. For a line which seemed uncertain to survive five years ago, in a race which hasn't lost that much of its luster, after all, that's a pretty good recommendation for the Sadler's Wells sire line.

The other Classic in which the form was upheld last weekend was the G1 Prix de Diane, aka the French Oaks, run at 2100m (10 1/2 furlongs). Unbeaten Zarkava (Zamindar) ran her string to five-for-five with an impressive three-length victory over Gagnoa (Sadler's Wells), G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches second Goldikova (Anabaa); and last year's G1 Fillies' Mile second, Proviso (Dansili). Zarkava ran an RPR 124 on Sunday, completing a coveted treble, beginning with last year's G1 Prix Marcel Boussac (RPR 115) on Arc day, and including the 'Pouliches' (RPR 120). This treble was also completed by the brilliant Divine Proportions (Kingmambo) in 2005; she won the same three races with RPRs of 114-123-123. Divine Proportions, who won her first nine races before ending her career with a fourth to Dubawi in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois, was more about speed, though. She had also defeated colts in the G1 Prix Morny over six furlongs (RPR 117), but was never asked to go further than the Diane distance. Trainer Royer-Dupre sees Zarkava as likely to stay further, however. She is to be pointed for the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. When a three-year-old filly improves from a Group 1 win in 115 at the end of her two-year-old year, to 120 at a mile, and 124 at 10 ½ furlongs, we probably want to take her pretty seriously for the Arc, too.

#### Upset Specials...

Then there were the 30-1 shots: Look Here (Hernando), 33-1 with the bookies and 55-1 on the Tote (anything strike you about that?) when running out a decisive winner of the G1 Epsom Oaks; and Da' Tara (**Tiznow**), 38-1 all-the-way winner of the Triple Crown-busting GI Belmont S, when the near-100 degree heat, or something, got to Big Brown. I read where somebody commented it would have been a perfect spot to lay Big Brown to hit the board, and play a \$336 Trifecta with all x all x all, leaving out Big Brown. That would have paid about \$3,800, including the two dead-heats. Now, why didn't I think of that? Cont. p6

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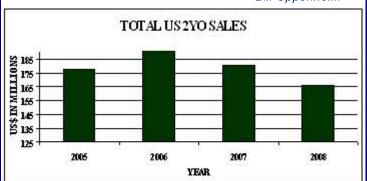
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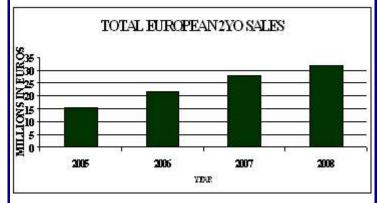
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#### (Bill Oppenheim cont.)

Both Andrew Caulfield, in yesterday's TDN, and Tony Morris, in the Racing Post, covered Hernando in a good deal of detail yesterday. He's always been recognized as a good sire, but, being a decidedly middle-distance version, he's been far more an owner-breeder's horse to use than a commercial sire. His current (through the end of 2007) APEX A Runner Index is 2.12; it has almost always been over 2.00. Pretty good for a middle-distance sire. His ABC Runner Index, on which the age ratings are based is 1.57; as you'd expect, his two-year-old rating (1.12, though earlier it was well below 1.00) is lowest, with all his ratings for three-year-olds and up at 1.50 + . Both Look Here and Derby third Casual Conquest won their only starts at two (so wouldn't have earned enough to register on the ABC scale), Look Here in October, Casual Conquest in September. Hernando also has an awesome record in North America from his few runners there--a North American A Runner Index of 13.16!

While the Derby (RPR 126) and the two Oaks (Epsom 120, France 124) suggested this crop of European three-year-olds in well up to, if not above average, the Belmont seemed to confirm this as a substandard group of North American three-year-old colts. Andy Beyer commented to me that speed was holding all day at Belmont, which might help explain why a 'non-winner of two' could lead all the way, and in fact draw off, in the 12-furlong Belmont. His Beyer speed figure was only 99. Big Brown aside (and remember, Big Brown supporters, Northern Dancer himself didn't win the Belmont), we are struggling to find horses in this crop who can break 100. If you have one, run it in a graded race right away. Of course, the real test comes beginning next month, as the three-year-olds on both continents start to take on older horses. Until those results come in, it's mostly speculation, but it does look like the current crop of North American three-year-old colts is going to have to improve in order to be competitive against their elders.

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#### UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

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June 14	GI Ogden Phipps H.	Belmont
	GI Stephen Foster H.	Churchill
	GII Fleur de Lis H.	Churchill
	GII Jefferson Cup	Churchill
	GIII Regret S.	Churchill
	GIII Mint Julep H.	Churchill
	GIII Northern Dancer BC S.	Churchill
	GIII Obeah H.	Delaware
	GIII Eatontown H.	Monmouth
June 15	GIII Jaipur H.	Belmont
	GIII Affirmed H.	Hollywood

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PAYS TO DREAM RETIRED Graded stakes winner Pays to Dream (High Yield--Changing Ways, by Time for a Change) has been retired from racing after suffering a fractured sesamoid in his right front leg while running third in Saturday's GI Manhattan H., according to Daily Racing Form. The four-year-old gelding originally was thought to be suffering from heat exhaustion after the Manhattan and was sound when loaded into the equine ambulance at Belmont, but trainer David Donk said the injury was diagnosed an hour later. "Obviously, very disappointing, but as [Hall of Fame trainer] Woody [Stephens] said, 'The sun will come up tomorrow,'" Donk said. Pays to Dream captured this year's GII Dixie S. and was third in last year's GII Jamaica H. and GIII Saranac S. On the board in nine of 12 starts, he retires with five wins and earnings of \$377,741.

LITTLE SISTER DIES Little Sister (Valid Appeal--Mepache, by Iron Constitution) suffered a stomach rupture and died last month at Three Chimneys Farm in Lexington. The 14-year-old mare won the 1997 GIII Azalea Breeders' Cup S. and eight other stakes races while earning \$720,568 during her four-year racing career. She is the dam of seven foals and four winners, including multiple stakes winner Takedown (Point Given).



#### **Churchill to Market Test New Wagering Format:**

Churchill Downs will begin market testing a new wagering format which allows patrons to bundle win, exacta and trifecta plays at a lower price per bet ontrack Wednesday. "The Matrix," which costs a minimum total of \$9, enables bettors to name three horses on one ticket, providing 15 possible combinations. If any of the three horses wins, two of them run one-two, or all three of them run 1-2-3, the player collects an increasing payout for the number of correct selections. The Matrix is not a separate pool wager, but the United Tote system fractionalizes the total amount of the wager and places an equal amount into the win, exacta and trifecta wagering pools. "The Matrix is racing's first package bet, offering up a large number of possibilities for a bundled price that starts well below what the entire package would usually cost," said Churchill Downs Incorporated Vice President Tom Aronson. "It also allows players to set their own price anywhere above that minimum, which helps take the guesswork out of how much a ticket with a lot of combinations will ultimately cost."



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#### STAKES CLOSINGS

#### TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11:



06-21 \$150,000 Cinema Breeders' Cup H.-III, Hol, 3yo, 9fT (150)

06-28 \$250/50,000 King Edward Breeders' Cup-II, Wo, 3yo/up, 9fT (300)

07-01 \$200,000 **Dominion Day-III, Wo**, 3yo/up, 10f (AWT) (200)

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4:56p 8th-CDX, Alw, \$43K, 3yo, 6f HRTV OFFICER FRANK (Officer).

**OFFICER FRANK (Officer)**, while under the tutelage of trainer Michael Reavis, looked very impressive with a ninelength victory sprinting against state-breds at Arlington last September. Representing Francois Parisel for the Favorite Trick BC S. at Monmouth in October, the dark bay failed to handle the slop and had to settle for seventh, beaten seven lengths. The three-year-old, who posted a bullet 1:00 3/5 for five furlongs June 4, gets his start for Robert Holthus here. brisnet.com pps

5:20p HRTV 3rd-HOL, Msw, \$50K, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m
SURPRISES WELCOMED (Storm Cat), a \$3-million
KEESEP yearling purchase for Southern Equine, tired late
to be second--beaten only 1 3/4 lengths--in her debut going
seven furlongs over this surface May 2. The filly stretches
out here for trainer Eric Guillot, who gets 13 percent
winners from second time starters. Aspen Diamond (Mr.
Greeley) was a well-beaten fifth while trying 6 1/2-furlongs
on the grass at Santa Anita Apr. 13 before finishing a muchimproved fourth last time going a mile over the lawn here
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7:20p HRTV Great Lady M S. (7th-HOL, \$75K, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f) BAHAMA MAMA (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), third in last year's G2 German 1000 Guineas and G2 Goldene Peitsche for trainer Waldemar Hickst, accounted for a trio of listed events along the German circuit, including Flieger-Preis at Baden-Baden Oct. 19. Moved to the barn of James Cassidy for her U.S. debut in the Apr. 13 GIII Las Cienegas H., the four-year-old, who was sent off at 20-1, crossed the wire first but was demoted to fourth after causing interference. The well-supported 6-5 choice last time out, the bay held on gamely to score by a half length in the restricted Lawndale S. sprinting over this turf course May 9. Silky Smooth (Mr. Greeley), winner of last year's Alywow S. and Viejas Casino H., ended off the season with a runner-up finish in the mile Harold C. Ramser Sr. H. at Santa Anita Oct. 14. In her latest start, the chestnut finished fifth in the GI Santa Monica H. Feb. 2. brisnet.com pps

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CHURCHILL DOWNS
Grasshopper (Dixie Union), 4f, :49.00, 12/38
Halo Najib (Halo's Image), 4f, :50.80, 30/38

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Adriano (A.P. Indy), 4f, :51.20, 3/4

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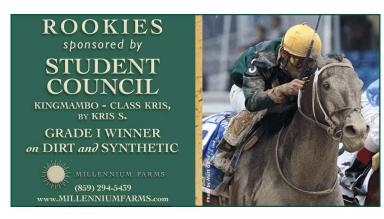
At Pimlico's spring meeting which concluded last weekend, the Maryland Jockey Club reported total wagering figures down 16.5 percent from a year ago. All-sources handle totaled \$190.9 million for 2008, compared to \$228.7 million last year.

#### Yesterday's Results:

8th-DEL, \$42,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, ft

MIDNIGHT RIDGE (c, 3, Montbrook--Daylight Ridge {MSW, \$177,695}, by Dayjur) was a dispirited seventh in his career debut going a sixteenth further at Pimlico Apr. 24, but came back to score in the slop over track and trip May 16. Sent off the 2-1 second choice here, the dark bay took control from the start and proved much the best, scoring by four lengths over K C Shuffle (Northern Afleet). The \$55,000 FTKJUL yearling purchase is a half to Independent George (Cozzene), MSW, \$275,245. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$41,160. O-Joseph J Balsamo. B-Mike G Rutherford (KY). T-Michael J Trombetta.





First/Second-crop starters to watch: Wed., June 11
Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

D'WILDCAT (Forest Wildcat), Vinery, \$10K, 68/13/3
4-WO, Stk, 6fT, D' Wild Affair, \$30K FTK OCT yrl, 7-2

SKY MESA (Pulpit), Three Chimneys, \$30K, 177/29/2
1-PID, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Sky Haven, \$150K KEE APR 2yo, 5-2

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#### IN FRANCE:

Ideal World, c, 3, Kingmambo. See "France."







#### AGA KHAN, MOYGLARE UP GOFFS HOLDINGS

Tony Smurfit and his associates have sold a 21-percent shareholding in Goffs to His Highness the Aga Khan and the Haefner family's Moyglare Stud Farm, it was announced vesterday. Smurfit purchased his interest from the Aga Khan five years ago. The Aga Khan now holds a 40-percent interest in the Irish auction house, while Moyglare now has 26 percent. "Tony Smurfit and his family have been wonderful supporters of Goffs and we look forward to their ongoing involvement with the Irish bloodstock industry," said Eimear Mulhern, chairman of Goffs. "I am pleased the shares are being purchased by the two principal shareholders in the company, which will ensure continuity and reinforces the commitment to Goffs of two of the industry's major forces." Smurfit added, "'I have enjoyed my years as a shareholder in Goffs and I am delighted to have been part of the company's growth and success. My family and I will continue to remain committed, as owners and breeders, to Goffs and the bloodstock industry in Ireland."

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# \* BRITAIN\*

#### Yesterday's Results:

**Chester, 6.45, Mdn**, £8,000, 2yo, f, 5f 16ydsT, 1:01.49, gd/fm.

+ MADAME TROP VITE (IRE) (f, 2, Invincible Spirit {Ire} --Gladstone Street {Ire}, by Waajib {Ire}), sent off at 10-1, broke well and raced behind the early speed duel. Switched wide for her rally in the straight, the 24,000gns DONAUG yearling reeled in Dedante (GB) (One Cool Cat) in the final strides to earn a half-length success. Impressible (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}), the half-sister to Reverence (GB), was sent off at 7-1 and showed early dash to race in the front line before tiring late into fourth. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,181. O-Mrs T Marnane; B-Mark & Pippa Hackett; T-K Ryan.

**Salisbury, 3.15, Mdn**, £5,250, 3yo, 6f 212ydsT, 1:28.62, gd/fm.

+ MAIN AIM (GB) (c, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Orford Ness {GB} {GSW-Fr}, by Selkirk) was restrained in rear through the early stages of this first go. Pushed along approaching the quarter-mile pole, the 4-5 chalk was angled outside for his run at the distance and swooped late to secure a neck success from Carnolian (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}). The Juddmonte homebred is a half-brother to Weightless (GB) (In the Wings {GB}), MGSW-Fr & GSW-GB, \$263,357; and Home Affairs (GB) (Dansili {GB}), SW & MGSP-GB, \$198,038. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,400.

O-K Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Sir M Stoute.

Salisbury, 2.15, Mdn, £5,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.54, gd/fm. MEASUREMENT (IRE) (c, 2, Viking Ruler {Aus}--El-Libaab {GB}, by Unfuwain), a first-up third at Goodwood May 30, was handily placed for much of this return. Making headway to challenge inside the final quarter mile, the bay colt was pushed out to easily assert superiority by 1 1/4 lengths from Blown It (More than Ready) as the 10-3 pick. Measurement was a €16,000 GOFNOV weanling and a 17,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £3,719.

Redcar, 4.00, Mdn, £3,000, 3-5yo, 1mT, 1:39.86, GO. TIMETABLE (GB) (c, 3, Observatory--Clepsydra {GB}, by Sadler's Wells), a half-brother to Passage of Time (GB) (Dansili {GB}), G1SW-Fr, GSW-GB & GISP-US, \$550,654, came into this contest off a second at Newmarket May 24. The 2-9 lock was handily placed from the outset of this one. Coaxed to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the bay colt kept on strongly in the closing stages to comfortably hold Bollin Greta (GB) (Mtoto {GB}) by 1 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, £4,744.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Henry Cecil.





4.10 Nottingham, Mdn, £3,750, 3yo/up, 1m 75ydsT LIBERALLY (IRE) (Statue of Liberty), a half-sister to G1 1000 Guineas heroine Speciosa (Ire) and the smart GSW Major Rhythm from the family of Pride (Fr), debuts in the colors of Andrew Rosen for the Brian Meehan stable. She encounters another blue-blooded debutante in Merry Fox Stud Limited's Alsace Lorraine (Ire) (Giant's Cause way), a filly from the James Fanshawe barn whose first and second dams are the top-class duo Mer de Corail (Ire) and Miss Tahiti (Ire).

6.00 Leopardstown, Mdn, €20,000, 2yo, f, 7fT **DANCING BANDIT (Dixieland Band)**, the latest promising filly off the Jim Bolger conveyor belt, debuts in the race won in recent years by future stars Chelsea Rose (Ire), Miss Beatrix (Ire) and Mad About You (Ire). She is out of the stakes-winning and graded-stakes placed Dancing Gulch, a 3/4-sister to Distorted Humor, and takes on Lady O'Reilly's Rare Ransom (GB) (Oasis Dream (GB)), a Dermot Weld-trained newcomer whose pedigree includes Green Tune and champion juvenile Pas de Reponse.

# \* FRANCE \*

Yesterday's Results:

Longchamp, 2.50, Cond, €29,000, 3yo, 9f 165ydsT, 2:00.10, qd.

IDEAL WORLD (c, 3, Kingmambo--Banks Hill {GB} {Ch. Turf Mare-US, Ch. 3yo Filly-Eur, Hwt. 3yo-Fr at 9.5-11f, Hwt. 3yo Filly-GB at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Mare-Fr at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Mare-GB at 9.5-11f, G1SW-Fr, GB & US, \$1,937,416}, by Danehill), runner up at Chantilly May 13, was settled three lengths behind the leader in second until inching closer at halfway. Pulled off the rail for his bid at the 400-meters pole, the 3-5 favorite wrested control from Blind Shaft (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}) soon after and was coaxed clear of that rival in the closing stages to score by an easy three lengths. The highly-regarded Cherry Linx (Ire) (Linamix {Fr}) was scratched. The winner is the second foal from his top-class dam, herself a daughter of prized producer Hasili (Ire). Banks Hill has an unnamed two-year-old filly by Empire Maker and, after coming up barren to Storm Cat for 2007, produced a Giant's Causeway colt in February this year. Click for the Racing Post chart. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €24,600. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Andre Fabre.

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Longchamp, 3.20, Cond, €23,000, 3yo, 1 11/16mT, 2:56.10, gd.

SATICON (GB) (c, 3, Act One {GB}--Saumareine {Fr}, by Saumarez {GB}), a last-out fifth at Lyon-Parilly May 8, took the lead going past the judge first time and maintained control for most of this affair. Coming under pressure when tackled in the straight, the 77-10 chance was headed by Lanzo (Fr) (Gold Away (Ire)) just inside the final furlong, but rallied bravely under a late drive to deny that rival by a neck. Saticon is a half-brother to Gentlewave (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}), Hwt. 3yo-lty at 11-14f, G1SW-Ity, GSW-Fr & G1SP-Ire, \$1,173,667. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 1 win, 4 places, €21,550. O/B-Haras de la Perelle; T-Andre Fabre.





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# FOUR YEARLINGS TOP MM OPENER A quartet of yearlings each brought A\$200,000 to share top honors at Tuesday's opening session of the Magic Millions National Yearling Sale on the Gold Coast. Coolmore stallion was responsible for two of the toppers: lot 2102, a colt out of Zali (Aus) (Danehill)

purchased by Graeme Rogerson; and lot 2140, a filly from Biscotte (Aus) (Marscay {Aus}) acquired by Magic Millions as agent. Consigned by Baramul Stud, lot 2102 is a grandson of MG1SW Skating (Aus) (At Talag). Lot 2140, part of the Sefton Park Stud draft, is a half-sister to G1SW Barkada (Aus) (Spectrum {Ire}). The next yearling to reach the day's high was lot 2187, a colt from the first crop of popular young sire Fastnet Rock (Aus). South African trainer Charles Laird secured the bay colt, a son of Curvaceous (Aus) (Zabeel {NZ}), from the consignment of Stud Consultants Pty Ltd. The final lot through the ring was the fourth youngster to achieve A\$200,000. Part of the supplementary catalogue and consigned by Kitchwin Hills, lot 2769 was purchased by Les Tinkler's Serene Lodge. The More Than Ready filly is out of the Star Way (NZ) mare Benaura Lass (NZ), a daughter of MGSW Shinakima (NZ). The most-anticipated lot of the day, 2241, failed to meet her A\$500,000 reserve and was passed in at A\$490,000. The Redoute's Choice (Aus) filly, a 3/4sister to MG1SW Fashions Afield (Aus), was offered by Swettenham Stud as agent. "Selling was tough today and the buyers who were successful today must be thrilled with the value on offer," said David Chester, the auction company's managing director. "There are plenty more great opportunities to buy a yearling and be in the race for next year's A\$2-million Conrad Jupiters Magic Millions 2YO Classic over the next couple of days." He added, "Hopefully the clearance rate can pick up, but we are thrilled with the way the quality yearlings with good conformation and vet reports are being received by the buyers. The buying bench is very good across all levels, and we're delighted our international visitors have been so active." The National Yearling Sale continues with two more sessions today and Thursday beginning at 11 a.m. For catalogues and complete results go to www.magicmillions.com.au.

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Session Results	2008
Catalogued	219
Offered	173
Sold	117
RNA	57
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Top Price	A\$200,000
Aggregate	A\$3,689,500
Average	A\$31,534

#### MAGIC MILLIONS NATIONAL YEARLING SALE **TUESDAY - TOP 5 LOTS**

Encosta de Lago (Aus)

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Zali (Aus)

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Consigned by Baramul Stud					
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2140 f Encosta de Lago (Aus) Biscotte (Aus) 200,000					
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Purchased by Magic Millions, agent					
2187 c Fastnet Rock (Aus) Curvaceous (Aus) 200,000					
Consigned by Stud Consultants Pty Ltd, agent					
Purchased by Laird Racing Stables					
2769 f More Than Ready Benaura Lass (NZ) 200,000					
Consigned by Kitchwin Hills, agent					
Purchased by Serence Lodge					

# BREEDERS' EDITION **AMERICA**

Consigned by Bridgeview Stud

Purchased by George Moore Bloodstock

#### STAKES RESULTS:

Sex Sire

INDIANA FIRST LADY S., \$50,000, IND, 6-9, (S), 3yo, f, 1m70y (off turf), 1:45 2/5, sy.

- 1--#MODEL'S MEMO, 115, f, 3, Editor's Note--Top Model, by Leo Castelli. O/B-Jack & Barb Bary (IN); T-Thomas Drury, Jr; J-Orlando Mojica; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$44,480.
- 2--Hey There Cupcake, 114, f, 3, Prized--Ms. Aleah, by Mr. Greeley. \$10,000.
- 3--Crazy X Lover, 112, f, 3, Barkerville--Dyna Fore Me, by Dynaformer. \$5,500.

Margins: 2 1/4, NK, 1 3/4. Odds: 2.30, 9.30, 13.30.

#### **ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

6th-PHA, \$50,304, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 3/5, fm.

RA DER DEAN (g, 8, Rahy--Calamity, by Kris S.) Lifetime Record: GSP, 54-8-12-7, \$206,449. O-T M Racing Stables LLC. B-Roger Devenport (KY). T-Edward Maher. \*1/2 to Herecomeshollywood (Woodman), SW, \$190,620.

8th-PHA, \$48,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 2/5, fm.

R J'S BRIGADE (h, 5, Gone West--Cuando {MSW & MGSP, \$329,967}, by Lord At War {Arg}) Lifetime Record: 16-3-2-2, \$120,872. O-West Point Thoroughbreds. B-Mueller Farms Inc (KY). T-Guadalupe Preciado. \*\$335,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG. cont. p6

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**4th-DEL**, **\$42,000**, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

ROYAL DIANA (f, 3, Royal Empire--Ourfirstattraction, by Vaudeville) Lifetime Record: SW, 7-2-3-1, \$82,280. O-Diane M Harrington. B-Bobby G Pruitt (AL). T-J Larry Jones.

**7th-CNL**, **\$32,670**, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:04 1/5, fm.

JIB (f, 3, <u>Mizzen Mast</u>--Victorian Edge, by Diesis {GB}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$35,575. O/B-Robert J Hunt (KY). T-D Michael Smithwick, Jr.

**8th-PRM**, **\$27,500**, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08 2/5, ft.

NATIVE RULER (c, 4, Elusive Quality--Tajannub {GSW-Eng}, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 13-5-1-1, \$104,699. O-Maggi Moss. B-Rick Nichols & Bernie Sams (KY). T-Chris Richard. \*\$75,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

**4th-MNR**, **\$24,900**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m70yT, 1:39 2/5, fm.

**DIAMOND LURE (c, 4, Lure--Woodfire, by Woodman)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-0, \$32,792. O/B-Judy and Pete Primiano and Jeff White (KY). T-Judy Primiano.

8th-FLX, \$21,000, NW1BX, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:46 4/5, ft.

NEW YORK CITI (f, 4, Citidancer--Get the Glory, by Pleasant Colony) Lifetime Record: 12-5-2-2, \$80,660. O-Ferentino Farm. B-Country Life Farm & Get The Glory, LLC (NY). T-Charlton Baker. \*1/2 to losilver (Silver Ghost), SW, \$238,549.

5th-FLX, \$20,500, NW1BX, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13, ft. ROCKET BOOSTER (g, 5, Cape Canaveral--Power of Beauty, by Wolf Power {SAf}) Lifetime Record: 28-7-2-3, \$70,733. O-Michael S Foster. B-Carapan Farm LLC & Jaz Kidz Stable (NY). T-Linda L Foster.

#### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Hank's Dream, g, 3, Dream Run--Shesafortunategirl (MSP, \$178,087), by Fortunate Prospect. FLX, 6-10, 5 1/2f, 1:07 3/5. B-John D Murphy (NY). \*\$5,500 yrl '06 FTNYRG.

Miss Del Gallo, f, 3, Hennessy--Ligurian, by Ogygian. PRM, 6-9, 1m, 1:38. B-Michael C Byrne (ON). \*\$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Aspen Hill (Tabasco Cat), MSW, \$103,040.

Hear My Voice, c, 3, Stravinsky--Sleek 'N' Slew (Aus), by Seattle Slew. DEL, 6-10, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5. B-Wall Street Thoroughbreds (KY). \*\$42,000 yrl '06 KEESEP

Weekend At Romero, c, 3, Weekend Cruise--Flying Cutie, by Center Cut. MNR, 6-9, 1mT, 1:37 2/5. B-Patrick R & Sandy Gruninger (FL). \*\$4,200 wlng '05 OBSOCT.

#### U.S. Maiden Winners cont.

Good Day Lanny, g, 4, Chullo (Arg)--Echoes of Love (SP), by Runaway Groom. MNR, 6-9, 5f, 1:00 2/5. B-A B Saroni (CA). \*\$2,200 HRA 2007 BESNOV. \*\*1/2 to K C Nite Mayr (Old Topper), SP, \$270,821.

Sonic Charm, g, 4, Concorde's Tune--Unique Charm, by Pentelicus. CNL, 6-9, 1 1/4mT, 2:09 1/5. B-Ocala Stud Farm (FL). \*\$16,000 2vo 2006 OBSAPR.

Elchase, g, 4, Eltish--Bank Approval, by With Approval. CNL, 6-9, 1 1/4mT, 2:05. B-Live Oak Stud (FL). \*\$42,000 2yo 2006 OBSJUN. \*\*1/2 to She's Vested (Boundary), MGSP, \$207,440.

#### ★ WINNERS BY U.S. SIRES ★

#### IN CHILE:

Hiporib (Chi) f, 2, by Muqtarib--Hipotetica (Chi), by Lake Erie (Ire). Club Hipico de Santiago, 6-9, Mdn, 1000m. O-Stud Agricola San Emilio; B-Haras Don Antonio; T-Pedro Medina.

# BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

#### **CONDTIONS RESULTS:**

**FRANCE, Longchamp, 3.50**, 6-10, €23,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:51.20, gd.

TUNE ROYAL (FR) (f, 3, Green Tune--Royal Bride {Fr}, by Garde Royale {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 12 starts, 2 wins, 7 places, €31,250. O-Ecurie du Tregor & Mme Philippe Demercastel; B-Erwan & Mme Annie Le Pivert; T-Philippe Demercastel. \*1/2 to Prudence Royale (Fr) (Loup Solitaire), SW & GSP-Fr; and Slickly Royal (Fr) (Slickly {Fr}), MSP-Fr, \$167,732.

#### **ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

Tagula Breeze (Ire), c, 2, Tagula (Ire)--Pearl Egg (Ire), by Mukaddamah. Redcar, Britain, 6-10, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT. B-Michael & John Fahy. \*€21,000 yrl '07 TATIRE; 25,000gns 2yo '08 DONAPR.

+ Kalahari Gold (Ire), g, 3, Trans Island (GB)--Neat Shilling (Ire), by Bob Back. Salisbury, Britain, 6-10, Mdn, 3yo, 6f 212ydsT. B-Mick McGinn & James Waldron. \* 20,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

#### ON THE WORKTAB

#### HOLLYWOOD

Heatseeker (Ire) (Giant's Causeway), 5f, :59.40, 2/34

#### SANTA ANITA

Dearest Trickski (Proudest Romeo), 5f, 1:00.60, 5/31 Surf Cat (Sir Cat), 5f, 1:01.20, 10/31 Street Boss (Street Cry {Ire}), 7f, 1:27.40, 2/3