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CURLIN CLEARED FOR MAN O'WAR

The ownership licensing issues in New York regarding **Curlin** (Smart Strike) have been resolved and the 2007 Horse of the Year will make his first start on turf in the GI Man o'War S. at Belmont Saturday, trainer Steve Asmussen announced Tuesday. "Very recently we've been told we've been OK'd in New York and plan on flying him there on Thursday," Asmussen said, choosing the Man o'War over the Gill Arlington H. The trainer said he wanted a true test of Curlin's turf form, which he'll get in the Man o'War facing two previous GI Breeders' Cup Turf winners--**Better Talk Now** (Talkin Man) and **Red Rocks (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). If all goes according to plan, it could be Curlin's last start in the U.S. this year, as the colt's long-term goal remains the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp Oct. 5. "He won't have to win [Saturday to proceed with the Arc plans], but he'll have to look the best," Asmussen said. With a satisfactory performance in the Man o'War, Curlin's next start would be the G2 Prix Foy Sept. 14, also at Longchamp. Asmussen said he plans to retain Curlin's regular rider, Robby Albarado, instead of replacing him with a European jockey. "It's between knowing the course and knowing the horse," Asmussen said, describing the Prix Foy as a "tune-up for Curlin and for Robby equally."



Curlin
Reed Palmer

FALMOUTH FEAST

International competition is now commonplace in Britain's top events and today's G1 Falmouth S. is no exception, with runners from France, Ireland, Germany and even New Zealand in evidence on Newmarket's July Course. Princess Zahra Aga Khan's **Darjina (Fr)** (Zamindar), who suffered the ordeal of a lengthy journey across the Channel, will be in favor if the rain stops and that also applies to Michael Ryan's **Finsceal Beo (Ire)** (Mr. Greeley). How testing conditions will affect the chances of Dick Karreman's **Seachange (NZ)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) is uncertain, but Stall Litex's **Briseida (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) becomes more of a force with wetter weather. The latter's trainer Peter Schiergen is welcoming the rain. "It will very hard for her, but soft ground will be no problem," he commented. "She is a small filly, but a good one and we will happy if she is in the first four." **Cont. p4-5**

AGA KHAN, ARROWFIELD IN NEW VENTURE

His Highness the Aga Khan's Studs and Australia's Arrowfield Stud have announced a new breeding venture, in which several of the Aga Khan's mares will be bred to Arrowfield's stallions. The produce will be offered at Australian select yearling sales. Six mares have been selected for this season, and they are currently in quarantine in Australia. Among the sextet are **Zarakiysha (Ire)** (Kendor {Fr}--Zarkasha {Ire}, by Kahyasi {Ire}), a four-year-old unraced half-sister to unbeaten champion Zarkava (Ire); and **Vadsalina (Ire)** (Sagacity {Fr}--Vadaza, by Zafonic), a listed winner as a juvenile last season. The latter is a half-sister to G1SW Vadawina (Ire) (Unfuwain) and GSW Vadapolina (Fr) (Tremolino) from the immediate family of MG1SW Valixir (Ire) (Tremolino) and Val Royal (Fr) (Royal Academy). Arrowfield stands the leading Danehill stallions Flying Spur (Aus) and Redoute's Choice (Aus) as well as Hussonet, a son of Mr. Prospector who, after establishing himself in Chile, has made an excellent start in Australia. "The market in Australia is developing and this will add quite a bit of interest," Arrowfield's John Messara told *Sport 927*. "It's a pretty exciting development--not only for Arrowfield, but the whole industry." He added, "I think this is underlining the future of the Australian breeding industry. The likes of Redoute's [Choice] are world renowned now, and you're no longer embarrassed to approach these people [to breed to Australian stallions]."

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In addition, **CASH'S GIRL** cashed in her FOURTH career Stakes win and her third of 2008 in the \$100,000 Sweet and Sassy S. on July 4th. Bred by T. Wynn and Mary Sue Jolley, **CASH'S GIRL** has now earned \$277,492 for owners Cash Is King LLC and trainer Tim Ritchey.

Look for 2YO's from Northern Afleet's first Kentucky crop on the track this year and for yearlings from his second Kentucky crop at the Fasig-Tipton July Sale: Hip#s **338 & 416**.

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WELSH CAKE TOPS TATTS OPENER *Welsh Cake (GB)* (Fantastic Light), a half-sister to G2 Prix du Rond-Point winner *Trans Island (GB)*, brought 200,000gns to top yesterday's breeding-stock orientated first session of the Tattersalls July Sale in Newmarket. Selling as lot 96 from the draft of Kevin and Sue Mercer's Usk Valley Stud in Wales, the winning five-year-old is in foal to *Sakhee*. She is also a half to Italian Group 3 winner *Welsh Diva (GB)*. Mike Caddy, who trades as *Horizon Bloodstock*, outbid agent *Richard Frisby* for *Welsh Cake*. "You only have to look at the first and second dams to see her potential--it's a very good family to get into," said Caddy. "We bought *Heatherwold* in 2003 and, like most up-and-coming studs, you start off with a certain band of broodmares, but are always looking to upgrade. We've got 33 mares of which 10 are my own." Later in the session, Lancashire-based *Mike Smith* paid 180,000gns to get his first broodmare **Boast (GB)** (*Most Welcome {GB}*), the dam of black-type performers *Strut (GB)* and *Vaunt (GB)*. The 11-year-old mare, listed as lot 245, is carrying a foal from the first crop of *Dylan Thomas (Ire)*. Offered through *Bill Dwan's Castlebridge Consignment*, she is set to be owned with *Smith's* business partner, *Nick Cable*. "We have dressage and riding horses, and were looking to start breeding," said *Cable*. The winning mare **Lunathea (Ire)** (*Barathea {Ire}*) out of a half-sister to leading French sire *Linamix (Fr)*, sold for 150,000gns to Irish agent *Brian Grassick*, acting for a County Wexford-based client. The five-year-old, offered as lot 80 through *Charlie and Alice Mason's Silfield Bloodstock*, is in foal to *Oasis Dream (GB)*. "For me she was the pick of what was here," said *Grassick*. "She was in foal to a hot horse, and there is a lot happening in the pedigree." The sale continues today at 9:30 a.m. Complete results are available on www.tattersalls.com.



TATTERSALLS JULY SALE
TUESDAY, JULY 8, 2008


	2008	2007
No. Catalogued	282	296
No. Offered	220	247
No. Sold	157	200
RNAs	63	47
% RNA	28.6%	19.0%
No. 150Kgns+	3	2
Top Lot	200,000gns	250,000gns
Gross	3,352,200gns	4,608,200gns
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TUESDAY - TOP LOTS

Hip	Name	Covering Sire	Price (gns)
<u>96</u>	Welsh Cake (GB)	Sakhee	200,000
	<i>(m, 5, Fantastic Light--Khubza {GB}, by Green Desert)</i>		
	Consigned by Usk Valley Stud		
	Purchased by Horizon Bloodstock Ltd		
<u>245</u>	Boast (GB)	Dylan Thomas (Ire)	180,000
	<i>(m, 11, Most Welcome {GB}--Bay Bay {GB}, by Bay Express {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by the Castlebridge Consignment		
	Purchased by Mr N Cable		
<u>80</u>	Lunathea (Ire)	Oasis Dream (GB)	150,000
	<i>(m, 6, Barathea {Ire}--Luna Caerla {Ire}, by Caerleon)</i>		
	Consigned by Silfield Bloodstock, agent		
	Purchased by Brian Grassick Bloodstock		
<u>247</u>	Fancy Dance (GB)	Dalakhani (Ire)	140,000
	<i>(f, 4, Rainbow Quest--Discomatic, by Roberto)</i>		
	Consigned by the Castlebridge Consignment		
	Purchased by Richard Frisby Bloodstock Ltd		
<u>248</u>	Collioure	Authorized (Ire)	140,000
	<i>(f, 4, Gulch--Saraa Ree, by Caro {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by the Castlebridge Consignment		
	Purchased by BBA Ireland Ltd		
<u>171</u>	Entre Nous (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	130,000
	<i>(f, 3, Sadler's Wells--Dayanata {Ire}, by Shirley Heights {GB})</i>		
	Consigned by Seskin Stud		
	Purchased by Eamon Phelan		



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The Dabbling Duck, which hosts its own beer festival in July, is a traditional rural hostelry with large open log fires and three restaurant areas, including one dubbed 'the library.' It also offers accommodation for those wishing to get away from the crowd. As well as occasional live music and poetry readings, local attractions include Houghton Hall, which hosts the internationally renowned Horse Trials every May. Alternatively, just sit and watch the world--and the ducks!--go by as you enjoy your meal. The website is a useful source for menus, wine lists and much more. Check out the positioning at www.multimap.com/maps/?&hloc=GB|PE322HN.

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GR.1 WINNER IN ENGLAND ON SATURDAY

Mount Nelson added the Eclipse Stakes-Gr.1 (pictured) to his success in the Criterion International-Gr.1 as a 2-y-o.

GR.3 WINNER IN U.S.A. ON SUNDAY

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TATTERSALLS JULY - WEDNESDAY

325 Flying Hawk (Ire), c, 3, **Hawk Wing**--Two Clubs (GB),
by First Trump (GB)

Consigned by Shalfleet Stables

As yet unraced for Jeremy Nosedá, this chestnut is a half-brother to last year's G1 Haydock Sprint Cup hero Red Clubs (Ire) from the family of another high-class sprinting force in Petong (GB).

365 Dnata Flyer, c, 3, **Mr. Greeley**--Regal Miss Copelan,
by Copelan

Consigned by Kingsley House Stables

This half-brother to the MGSW Rockport Harbor showed ability when winning a handicap at Musselburgh last month for Mark Johnston.

401 (unnamed), c, 2, **Elusive Quality**--Clever Monique,
by Clever Trick

Consigned by Gaybrook Lodge Stud

As an unraced half-brother to Yes It's True, this April-foaled offering from Jim McCartan's operation is certain to attract attention.

471 Bibliography, c, 3, **Diesis** (GB)--Skiable (Ire),
by Niniski

Consigned by Juddmonte Farms

Another who has not made it to the track yet, this sophomore is a full brother to the top-class Three Valleys from the family of the great Hasili (Ire), et al.

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Wednesday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 3:10 p.m.

UAE HYDRA PROPERTIES FALMOUTH S.-G1,
£200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	4	Darjina (Fr)	Zamindar	de Royer-Dupre	131
2	8	Finsceal Beo (Ire)	Mr. Greeley	Bolger	131
3	7	Heaven Sent (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Stoute	131
4	6	Kasumi (GB)	Inchinor (GB)	Morrison	131
5	3	Lady Gloria (GB)	Diktat (GB)	Given	131
6	5	Majestic Roi	Street Cry (Ire)	Channon	131
7	11	Seachange (NZ)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Sanders	131
8	2	Briseida (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Schiergen	122
9	12	Hip (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	E Dunlop	122
10	1	Infallible (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Gosden	122
11	10	Love of Dubai	More than Ready	C Brittain	122
12	9	Nahoodh (Ire)	Clodovil (Ire)	Johnston	122


Darjina, who is yet to win on her travels, was beaten only a head by Haradasun (Aus) in the June 17 G1 Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot on her latest start and had Finsceal Beo and Saturday's G1 Eclipse winner Mount Nelson (GB) behind. Despite an 18-hour ordeal due to shipping delays, it is the mercurial British summer weather which has trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre concerned. "She had to stay for six hours at Calais because of the storms," he told *PA Sport*. "She left us at 6 a.m. and got to Newmarket at 12 last night, so it was a very long trip. She is okay, but we have the problem of the rain. They had 10 millimetres of rain last night and there is more rain tomorrow. If the ground is not as she likes it, I would prefer not to run." **cont. p5**



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FALMOUTH S. cont.

Finsceal Beo needs to prove she is back to her best after a dismal effort when trailing in the June 28 G1 Pretty Polly S. at The Curragh, but was brilliant when smashing the all-Guineas time record on the Rowley Mile here last May. Seachange is running for the final time and trainer Graeme Sanders is hoping she can improve on an unplaced effort in the G1 Golden Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot June 21 and cap a career boasting seven domestic Group 1s. "She is one of the greatest horses to race in New Zealand alongside Sunline," he said. "She probably needed the race at Ascot and has improved a bit since then. She wasn't on the best part of the track there and the step up in trip will help her as well. She needs firm ground and won't really like it soft unfortunately, even though she has won easier-class races at home on it." Heading the home defence are Cheveley Park Stud's **Heaven Sent**, who found only Sabana Perdida (Ire) too strong in the G2 Windsor Forest S. at Royal Ascot last time June 18 and **Infallible**. The latter will appreciate any ease in the ground, having found the lively conditions against her when runner-up in the Royal meeting's G1 Coronation S. on her latest outing June 20.

Wednesday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 2:35 p.m.

ITM CHERRY HINTON S.-G2, £80,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	4	Ahla Wasahl (GB)	Dubai Destination	Simcock
2	7	Art Princess	Officer	B Hills
3	8	Heart Shaped	Storm Cat	A O'Brien
4	2	Kerrys Requiem (Ire)	King's Best	Channon
5	6	Lucky Leigh (GB)	Piccolo (GB)	Channon
6	5	Mrs Kipling (Ire)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Callaghan
7	1	Please Sing (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	Channon
8	3	Sea of Leaves	Stormy Atlantic	Gosden

All carry 124 pounds.

Aidan O'Brien saddled You'resothrilling to win this 12 months ago and relies on the Listed Marble Hill S. winner **Heart Shaped**. Following her hard-fought success in that five-furlong Curragh contest May 24, she only beat three rivals when failing to make an impact in Royal Ascot's G2 Queen Mary S. June 18. **Lucky Leigh** was fourth on that occasion and looked the likely winner at one stage before succumbing in the final yards and forms a three-pronged attack by Mick Channon. Channon was watching the weather yesterday for Lucky Leigh. He told *Racing Post*, "She's by Piccolo and has terrific speed. If she'd not been drawn high in the Queen Mary, she must almost have won. If it happened to come up soft or heavy, I would probably leave her and, in that case, it would be a good job I left Please Sing in." She is joined by the G3 Albany S. flop **Please Sing** and Windsor conditions scorer **Kerrys Requiem**. John Gosden saddled Chicarica to collect the 1990 edition and relies on **Sea of Leaves**, who looked in need of an extra panel when graduating over five furlongs of Salisbury's circuit last time June 25.

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PRINCESS OF WALES'S S.-G2, £100,000, 3yo/up,

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	3	Lucarno	Dynaformer	Fortune
2	2	Anna Pavlova (GB)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Moriarty
3	9	Galactic Star (GB)	Galileo (Ire)	Murtagh
4	6	Gulf Express	Langfuhr	Fanning
5	10	Halicarnassus (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Holland
6	4	Happy Boy (Brz)	Ski Champ	McEvoy
7	8	Lion Sands (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	O'Neill
8	5	Papal Bull (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	Moore
9	7	Petara Bay (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	Crowley
10	1	Sagara	Sadler's Wells	Dettori
11	11	Shahin	Kingmambo	R Hills

All carry 128 pounds bar Lucarno, 133.

Thursday, Newmarket, Britain

JULY S. -G2, £80,000, 2yo, c/g, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	5	Classic Blade (Ire)	Daggers Drawn	Kingscote
2	7	Effort (GB)	Dr Fong	McEvoy
3	2	I am the Best (GB)	King's Best	Mullen
4	3	Prime Delivery	More than Ready	Durcan
5	4	Prolific (Ire)	Compton Place (GB)	Moore
6	1	Sayif (Ire)	Kheleyf	Munro
7	6	Viva Ronaldo (Ire)	Xaar (GB)	Dettori

All carry 124 pounds.



Saturday, Delaware Park

DELAWARE OAKS-GII, \$500,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Weathered	Key Contender	Napravnik	120
2	Maren's Meadow	Meadowlake	Saez	120
3	African Violet	Lemon Drop Kid	Velasquez	116
4	French Kiss	Hussonet	Johnson	116
5	Snowy Elegance	Snow Ridge	Vega	116
6	Proud Spell	Proud Citizen	Saez	122
7	Shes All Eltish	Eltish	Castro	120
8	Cape Cod Lady	Yonaguska	Morales	116

Saturday, Delaware Park

ROBERT G. DICK MEMORIAL S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 3/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	Rosinka (Ire)	Soviet Star	Velasquez
MT0	All Smiles	Awesome Again	no rider
3	Herboriste (GB)	Hernando (Fr)	Napravnik
4	Palmilla	Crowd Pleaser	Homeister Jr
MT0	Private Whisper	Roar	Napravnik
6	Oh Glory Be	Dixieland Band	no rider
7	Eres Magica (Chi)	Stuka	Caraballo
8	Royalties	King of Kings (Ire)	Rocco Jr
9	Leap in the Sun	Anees	Castro

All carry 117 pounds, except Rosinka, 119.

Sunday, Delaware Park

DELAWARE H.-GII, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Moon Catcher	Malibu Moon	Prado	115
2	Santa Teresita	Lemon Drop Kid	Desormeaux	117
3	All Smiles	Awesome Again	Morales	112
4	Buy The Barrel	E Dubai	Saez	118
5	Over Under	Seeking the Gold	Mena	112
6	Lemon Drop Mom	Lemon Drop Kid	Caraballo	116
7	Kathleens Reel	Lemon Drop Kid	Emigh	115
8	Hystericalady	Distorted Humor	Gomez	121
9	Unbridled Belle	Broken Vow	Dominguez	122
10	Spring Waltz	Silver Charm	Castellano	119
11	Copper State	Jump Start	Pino	115

Sunday, Delaware Park

BARBARO S.-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1a	Goldsville	Successful Appeal	Desormeaux
2	Magical Forest	Forest Camp	Chavez
3	Cherokee Artist	Cherokee Run	Gomez
4	Ready Set	Touch Gold	Prado
5a	Z Humor	Distorted Humor	Desormeaux
6	Roman Emperor	Empire Maker	Dominguez

All carry 116 pounds, except Roman Emperor, 118.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track	
July 12	GI Princess Rooney H.	CRC	
	GI Man o'War S.	BEL	
	GII Smile Sprint H.	CRC	
	GII Carry Back S.	CRC	
	GII American Derby	APX	
	GII Delaware Oaks	DEL	
	GII Swaps BC S.	HOL	
	GII Dance Smartly S.	WO	
	GIII Azalea S.	CRC	
	GIII Arlington H.	APX	
July 13	GIII Modesty H.	APX	
	GIII Robert G. Dick Mem S.	DEL	
	GII Delaware H.	DEL	
	GII Sunset BC H.	HOL	
	GIII Barbaro S.	DEL	
	GIII Poker H.	BEL	
	Prince of Wales S.	FEX	
	July 19	GI CCA Oaks	BEL
		GII Virginia Derby	CNL
		GII San Diego H.	DMR
GIII Virginia Oaks		CNL	
July 20	GI Eddie Read H.	DMR	
	July 23	GIII Schuylerville S.	SAR
July 24	GII Sanford S.	SAR	
July 25	GIII Lake George S.	SAR	
July 26	GI Whitney H.	SAR	
	GI Diana S.	SAR	
	GI Go for Wand H.	SAR	



A Flurry of Activity!

MONARCHOS sired four winners and a stakes horse July 2-6, led by previous stakes colts **ROYAL HUDSON (SP 7/6)** and **Overextended** (alw wnr at Belmont).

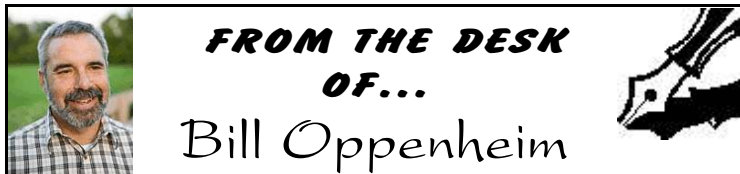
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FIRST IMPRESSIONS

They don't call it the New Sire Showcase for nothing: 38 different stallions are represented by 211 yearlings--37 percent of the catalogue--in next week's season opener, the Fasig-Tipton July Yearling Sale in Lexington. The last couple of years it's seemed almost like a Florida New Sire Showcase, but this year only two of the 12 new stallions with seven or more catalogued even began their careers in Florida, and one of them, **Closing Argument** (Successful Appeal), has already moved to Kentucky. Of course, the big guns aren't really rolled out at Fasig. This sire crop's undisputed commercial leader, **Ghostzapper** (Awesome Again), has just one yearling catalogued at Fasig, and the two/three on the F2007 list (first foals 2007) by weanling/ or 'short yearling' sire average (per *Insta-tistics*, calculating sales of foals of 2007 through the February 2008 mixed sales), **Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.) and **Saint Liam** (Saint Ballado), are represented by two and three yearlings, respectively. Ghostzapper will explode onto the commercial scene at Saratoga, where he has seven catalogued; Rock Hard Ten and Saint Liam have four each.

Here, in alphabetical order, are thumbnail sketches of the 12 stallions represented by seven or more yearlings from their first crops at Fasig:

The number four new sire on the F2007 average through February was **Afleet Alex** (Northern Afleet), who has nine yearlings catalogued at Fasig. He comes to the table with very strong credentials. At two, he won his first four starts: two 5 1/2-furlong races at Delaware Park by 11 and 12 lengths, followed by a Saratoga stakes double, in the GII Sanford (six furlongs) and the GI Hopeful (seven furlongs)--so he had plenty of zip. He was beaten 3/4 of a length in each of his two tries at 1 1/16 miles to close out his two-year-old campaign--second-place finishes to Proud Accolade in the GI Champagne, and to Wilko in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. He wintered at Oaklawn as a three-year-old, winning the six-furlong Mountain Valley S. before turning in an unaccountably bad run in his only career off-the-board performance, the GIII Rebel S., but rebounded to win the GII Arkansas Derby by eight lengths (Beyer 108). He was third to Giacomo and Closing Argument in the GI Kentucky Derby, leaving the impression he might have been the best horse on the day, then romped by nearly five lengths in the GI Preakness S., despite stumbling badly and nearly losing jockey Jeremy Rose (career-best Beyer 112), before finishing off his career with a seven-length rout in the GI Belmont S.

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He never ran again, but with a record that reads 12-8-2-1; a winner from 5 1/2 furlongs to 1 1/2 miles; and a Grade I winner at two and three--well, there's not much missing from his CV, is there? He must have a big shot to make a sire.

Closing Argument, from his sire Successful Appeal's first crop, has seven catalogued at Fasig from his own first crop, sired in Florida. But he has already received the call-up from Kentucky, where he now stands at Hill 'n' Dale. He went pot-hunting as a two-year-old, winning over \$420,000 while competing in ungraded stakes, such as the NATC Futurity (won), two legs of the Florida Stallion Series (placed in both), and the \$1-million Delta Jackpot S. (second) at Delta Downs. He stepped up to the big time as a three-year-old, winning the GIII Holy Bull S. at Gulfstream in early February. He came back two months later to run a distant third to Bandini in the GI Blue Grass S., then completed a massive exacta when, at odds of 71-1, he finished second behind 50-1 Giacomo in the GI Kentucky Derby. He was down the field two weeks later in the GI Preakness S. in what was to be his final start. With plenty of two-year-old form, solid Florida credentials, and from the never-fail two-year-old line of In Reality's son Valid Appeal, he is sure to have a lot of 'valid appeal.'

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Consolidator (Storm Cat) was a \$1.25-million KEESEP yearling trained by D. Wayne Lukas for Bob and Beverly Lewis. He won the GI Lane's End Breeders' Futurity at Keeneland before running fourth behind Wilko, Afleet Alex and Sun King in the GI Breeder's Cup Juvenile. After a prep race in the seven-furlong GII San Vicente S., he trounced Giacomo by more than six lengths in the GII San Felipe S. at a mile and a sixteenth (Beyer 105), but the wheels came off when he trailed in fifth in Bandini's Blue Grass. It was a little bit of a surprise, at the time, when Darley stepped in to buy him to stand at Jonabell, though it later became clear his was just an early purchase in what evolved as a new Darley strategy, buying top three-year-olds to stand at stud. He's going to have plenty of followers, and has nine catalogued at Fasig.

A lot of people are hoping that Unbridled's Song will make a sire of sires--so far he is one-for-two, counting Songandaprayer as a success and Buddha, unfortunately, not. Two of his new sire sons will be strongly represented at Fasig, **Eurosilver** (16 catalogued) and **Value Plus** (q.v., 15). A homebred for the late Mahmoud Fustok's Buckram Oak Farm, Eurosilver ran just three times at two, winning a Saratoga maiden (Beyer 96) in his second start, already indicating he was a very promising colt, then following with a near-five-length win in Keeneland's then GII Lane's End Breeders' Futurity. Like many before him, his three-year-old campaign did not go to plan, yielding just an allowance win and two stakes-placings (all at seven furlongs) from four starts. But, unlike many before him, he did bounce back at four to show us what he could do. With trainer Carl Nafzger now calling the shots, he showed good form at nine furlongs, winning the GIII Skip Away H. on Florida Derby day, then closing out with a second to Saint Liam in the GI Stephen Foster H. (Beyer 106) before running poorly in the GI Whitney H. in his final career start. The first stallion for the popular Gerry Dilger's Dromoland Farm, he's got 'Pinhookers Look Here' written all over him.

Forestry, sire of the brilliant Discreet Cat, has the best APEX A Runner Index (3.16) of any North American or European sire whose first foals were born in 2001 (F2001). The lightly raced **Forest Danger**, unraced at two, made only four starts each year at three and four, yet proved himself a crack seven-furlong specialist. He won the GIII Bay Shore (Beyer 110) and ran second in the GIII Withers (at a mile) before going on the shelf at three, but came back to win the GI Carter H. (Beyer 115), again at seven furlongs, at four. From a \$20,000 stud fee, 19 weanlings/short yearlings from his first crop averaged over \$88,000 through February, more than four times his stud fee--and that was for weanlings! He has eight catalogued at Fasig. A \$900,000 two-year-old himself, with the tip of his first-crop foals having sold so well--expect fireworks.

Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

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TATTERSALLS JULY HIT & MARES	JULY 8-11
FASIG-TIPTON JULY YRL	JULY 14-15
FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA SELECT YRL	AUG 4-5
FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA PREF YRL	AUG 9-10
FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA OPEN YRL	AUG. 12
ARQANA YRL	AUG 15-18
OBS SELECT YRL	AUG. 18
OBS OPEN YRL	AUG. 19-22
FASIG-TIPTON TEXAS SUMMER YRL	AUG 25-26
DONCASTER ST. LEGER YRL	AUG 26-28
BBAG YRL	SEPT 5-6
KEENELAND SEPT YRL	SEPT 8-21
TATTERSALLS IRE SEPT YRL	SEPT 22-23
BARRETTS CA FALL SELECT YRL	SEPT. 30
FASIG-TIPTON MD FALL YRL	SEPT 29-OCT 1
GOFFS ORBY MILL/SPRTSMN YRL	SEPT 29-OCT 2
ARQANA ARC SALE	OCT. 4
OBS FALL MIXED	OCT 6-10
TATTERSALLS OCT YRL PART 1	OCT 7-10
TATTERSALLS OCT YRL PART 2	OCT 14-15
TATTERSALLS OCT YRL PART 3	OCT 16-18
ARQANA YRL	OCT 20-22
FASIG-TIPTON KY FALL YRL	OCT 20-22
BARRETTS OCT MIXED	OCT 27-28
TATTERSALLS AUTUMN HIT	OCT 27-30



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Grand Reward, by Storm Cat out of the great Serena's Song, no less, placed in six stakes from 12 starts for Aidan O'Brien, but came to Wayne Lukas toward the end of his three-year-old year with a lowly 107 Timeform rating. His best day in North America came when he led virtually all the way and held on to win the nine-furlong GII Oaklawn H. He ran a Beyer 108 that day, about equivalent, on my scale, to a Timeform 120. In spite of his blockbuster pedigree, he wasn't a horse I thought had that much to recommend him. Until he had five weanlings sell in Kentucky last November for at least \$75,000, as well as probably another five to 10 which blatantly way outsold their pedigrees. That's almost always a sign that a horse is throwing good individuals, and these days that's almost always a sign that this is a horse to watch. It will be interesting to see if the European pinhookers will go for him. They'll have plenty of chances: he has 14 catalogued at Fasig (another sign that he's getting good individuals).

Gone West probably rates second only to Fappiano among Mr. Prospector's sons as a sire of sires, and his son Grand Slam already has an active sire son in dual Grade II winner Strong Hope. His second major son is **Limehouse**, who has the highest number catalogued (21) of any first-crop sire at Fasig. Limehouse has a real speedball pedigree: his second dam is the rocket sprinter Blue Jean Baby, by Mr. Prospector (so Limehouse is inbred 3x3 to the great man, I mean horse) out of another rocket sprinter, Jones Time Machine. Sure enough, Limehouse won his first three starts as a two-year-old--kicking off over 4 1/2 furlongs at Keeneland in April, the Three Chimneys Juvenile S. on Derby Day, and the GIII Bashford Manor S. at six furlongs in early July. He placed over as far as 8 1/2 furlongs at two when third to Eurosilver in the Lane's End Futurity. He came back to win his first two starts at three--the GII Hutcheson S. at seven furlongs, and the GIII Tampa Bay Derby, his first win at 8 1/2 furlongs. Limehouse ran third to The Cliff's Edge in the GI Blue Grass S. and fourth to Smarty Jones in the GI Kentucky Derby, but then went on the shelf after running only sixth as the even-money favorite in the GII Ohio Derby. But he proved his toughness by coming back to run 10 times at four, all in stakes races, including eight Grade I or Grade II races. He won twice, including the GII Brooklyn at nine furlongs, running a career-best Beyer 112 that day. He's got plenty to recommend him.

Carson City didn't sire that many quality two-turn horses, but if you want to talk about toughness, look at **Pollard's Vision**. He ran in 15 consecutive two-turn graded races at three and four. The dark bay won four of them: the GII Illinois Derby (Beyer 107), GIII Leonard Richards S., and GIII Lone Star Derby at three, and the GIII National Jockey Club H. (Beyer 109) at four; he also placed in seven more graded races, two of them Grade I's. His dam is by the top broodmare sire Dixieland Band, but the next two dams are by Pleasant Colony and Nijinsky II, and some of those two must have come through to contribute to his toughness. He has 11 yearlings at Fasig, and if he's throwing the kind of precociousness the close-up elements of his pedigree suggest (you wouldn't expect two-turn Grade II winners to have 11 yearlings at Fasig July), he could be a very interesting prospect.

Blimey, how many of these did Todd Pletcher train? Forest Danger, Limehouse, Pollard's Vision, and now **Purge**, a brilliant (on his day) but not terribly consistent son of Pulpit. We should just ask Todd to handicap these sires--he trained most of them. Purge won three graded races: the nine-furlong GII Peter Pan (Beyer 108) and GII Jim Dandy (Beyer 109) at three, and the GI Cigar Mile (Beyer 111) at four. On those days, it didn't look like any horse in America could touch him: he won the Peter Pan by 6 3/4 lengths, the Jim Dandy by 4 1/2, and the Cigar Mile by 3 3/4. Vinery always gives their sires a fair shot, and Purge is no exception: he had 30 weanlings/short yearlings sell through February (average \$56,763), and he has 17 yearlings catalogued at Fasig.

Roman Ruler, a half-brother to El Corredor, is from the first crop of Fusaichi Pegasus, and did his best to get his old man off to a good start. Trained by Bob Baffert, Roman Ruler won his first two starts, a five-furlong maiden at Hollywood Park (by four lengths, in :57 1/5), and the 6 1/2-furlong GII Best Pal S., at Del Mar, by seven lengths (Beyer 103). Off such a sensational Beyer at that stage of the season (that figure would have won something like nine of the last 10 GI Breeders' Cup Juveniles), he was sent off at 1-10 for the GII Del Mar Futurity, but the bubble was burst when eventual two-year-old champion Declan's Moon beat him by a head. He came back to win the GII Norfolk (at 1-20), but could only finish fifth as the 2-1 favorite behind Wilko, Afleet Alex, Sun King, and Consolidator in the 2004 Breeders' Cup Juvenile.
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In five starts at three, he won the GII Dwyer S. and GI Haskell S. (Beyer 108), and placed in the GI Travers S. and GII Goodwood H., where he was second to the then four-year-old Rock Hard Ten (Roman Ruler's Beyer was 111). Roman Ruler has a very similar commercial profile to that of Purge: he also had 30 weanling/short yearlings sell, his average of \$59,973 was just ahead of Purge's; and he has 14 yearlings catalogued at Fasig-Tipton.

So that's just the five trained by Pletcher, then, of the 12 first-crop sires to have seven or more yearlings catalogued to Fasig July. The last of them is **Value Plus**, like Eurosilver, a son of Unbridled's Song. Value Plus never won a graded stakes; his best win came in the 7 1/2-furlong Artax H. at Gulfstream Park (Beyer 108), in his second start at four. But he had run (a distant) second to Cuvee in the GI Futurity at Belmont Park as a two-year-old, and he had also run second to Friends Lake in the GI Florida Derby at three. He's getting plenty of exposure, too: he's had 37 weanlings/short yearlings sell, for near enough three times his stud fee (\$12,500), and he has 15 catalogued at Fasig.


Storm Cat's son Forest Wildcat has already had a useful freshman sire, last year, in D'Wildcat (11th on the 2007 Freshman Sire list), and he has another good prospect in Florida-based **Wildcat Heir**, who has eight yearlings catalogued at Fasig. Second to Whywhywhy in the GII Sanford S. at Saratoga as a two-year-old, he missed most of his three-year-old year, but returned at four to win four and run second twice in seven starts. In his only off-the-board performance that year, he dead-heated for fourth, beaten 1 1/2 lengths, in the GIII Phoenix S. at Keeneland (Beyer 110), then came back to win the GI Frank DeFrancis Memorial at Pimlico, running a Beyer 109. A Florida-based, Grade I-winning six-furlong specialist: sounds like a recipe for early two-year-old speed to me.

In Other News...


First, many thanks to those of you who elected me to the 48-member Breeders' Cup Board of Members and Trustees. I was also pleased to see that *TDN* publisher Barry Weisbord was elected. Just in case there was any question about it, there was no plan involved; Barry and I didn't even know each other was running until the nominations were published. But I feel that it is the 'winds of change' that saw us elected, and you can bet I will do everything we can to make a great game even better, and I'm sure Barry will do the same.

Back on the sire front, what a huge weekend for **Street Cry** (Machiavellian), with two Grade I winners from his first crop (four-year-olds) at Hollywood Park on Saturday. Ditto for **Chester House** (Mr. Prospector), whose last of just three crops are four-year-olds of 2008. I counted four stakes horses for him reported in Sunday's *TDN*: stakes winners at Belmont Park and Evangeline Downs; Ventura, second in the GII Cashcall Mile; and Phoenix Tower, second in the G1 Eclipse S.--all four-year-olds from his last crop.

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He's now ranked seventh on the 2008 North American General Sire List, with 13 stakes winners of 17 stakes races, just halfway through the year. So much for temperament meaning a sire's progeny won't take racing. A Grade I winning half-brother to three other Grade I winners--including Empire Maker (Unbridled) and Honest Lady (Seattle Slew)--Chester House was notoriously temperamental himself, and is out of the notoriously temperamental mare Toussaud, but from reading these statistics, you'd think he must have been calmer than Old Shep. I've never really been convinced of that 'temperament' knock, and I'm even less convinced of it now. Saturday was a big day also for **Lion Heart** (Tale of the Cat), who went further clear at the top of the Freshman Sire List by virtue of Azul Leon's win in the GII Hollywood Juvenile Championship S. and Lyin' Heart's second in the GII Bashford Manor S. at Churchill Downs; and a big day, too, for Airdrie Stud's **Friends Lake** (A.P. Indy), who sired the winner of the Bashford Manor, Screen Your Friend. Airdrie's Bret Jones has been telling me for the last year I haven't been giving Friends Lake enough ink, and it looks like that young buck could be right this time. Friends Lake only has three starters and one winner, but having the Bashford Manor winner in his first crop is big news for a sire with a two-turn race record and a two-turn pedigree.

FIRST-YEAR SIREs WITH YEARLINGS SELLING AT FASIG-TIPTON JULY									
Name	Year	06 Fee	08 Farm	State	# Sold	Avg	FTK	Beyer	Distance
Afleet Alex	2002	40,000	Gainesway	KY	21	113,809	9	112	9.5
Blazonry	2000	5,000	Hopewell	KY	2	17,250	1	99	7
Bwana Charlie	2001	6,500	Journeyman	FL	13	18,453	1	106	6
Closing Argument	2002	10,000	Hill 'n' Dale	KY	17	36,558	7	99	10
Consolidator	2002	20,000	Darley	KY	19	54,200	9	105	8.5
Crafty Shaw	1998	5,000	Buck Pond	KY	2	1,500	1	113	8.5
Dance With Ravens	2002	7,500	Northview	MD	5	5,800	2	94	9
Dehere	1991	20,000	Ashford Stud	KY	10	44,550	3	n	8
Eddington	2001	20,000	Claiborne	KY	17	50,588	2	113	9.5
Eurosilver	2001	12,500	Dromoland	KY	43	32,997	16	106	9
Forest Danger	2001	20,000	Taylor Made	KY	19	88,421	8	115	7
Ghostzapper	2000	200,000	Adena Springs	KY	3	603,333	1	124	9
Grand Reward	2001	12,500	Hill 'n' Dale	KY	31	30,175	14	108	9
Heckle	2001	5,000	Asmussen	TX	3	19,666	1	96	8
Indian Ocean	2002	4,000	Bridlewood	FL	11	9,863	2	104	8.5
Kela	1998	7,500	Margaux	KY	11	15,190	1	116	7
Kitten's Joy	2001	25,000	Ramsey	KY	6	94,666	4	114	12
Leroidesanimaux (BRZ)	2000	30,000	Stonewall	KY	13	46,807	3	115	8
Limehouse	2001	17,500	Vinery	KY	20	45,475	21	112	9
Medallist	2001	8,500	Northview	MD	10	14,810	4	113	7
Midas Eyes	2000	10,000	Empire Stud	NY	7	24,214	2	113	7
Mingun	2000	7,500	Lane's End	KY	11	15,445	3	108	8.5
Offlee Wild	2000	15,000	Darley	KY	8	14,712	5	110	9
One Nice Cat	2000	3,500	Sugar Maple	NY	5	17,800	2	98	8.5
Pico Central (BRZ)	1999	10,000	KRA Jeju Stud	Korea	8	12,462	2	116	8
Pollard's Vision	2001	10,000	Wintergreen	KY	22	21,100	11	109	9
Proud Accolade	2002	5,000	Bridlewood	FL	17	17,688	1	100	8.5
Purge	2001	20,000	Vinery	KY	30	56,783	17	111	8
Quest	1999	5,000	Stone Farm	KY	3	1,733	1	108	10
Rock Hard Ten	2001	50,000	Lane's End	KY	9	166,777	2	113	9
Roman Ruler	2002	30,000	Hill 'n' Dale	KY	30	57,973	14	111	9
Saint Liam	2000	50,000	Dead	N/A	10	148,050	3	114	9
Seine (CHI)	1997	Private	Springland	KY	3	7,100	1	104	9
Southern Image	2000	15,000	Taylor Made	KY	20	21,135	6	118	9.5
State City	1999	10,000	Buck Pond	KY	2	4,100	1	n	6
Unforgettable Max	2000	7,500	Stonewall	KY	8	13,950	5	110	8.5
Value Plus	2001	12,500	Stonewall	KY	37	34,648	15	108	7
Wildcat Heir	2000	8,000	Journeyman	FL	31	26,025	8	109	6
Woke Up Dreamin	2000	7,500	Millennium	KY	9	12,322	2	111	6

Average = Combined weanling/short yearling average through February 2008

Beyer = Usually this will be the horse's best Beyer rating in a stakes or winning race. Occasionally a horse will run a number, especially on a sloppy or wet-fast track, which is out of line with its other numbers. I have tried to use a horse's 'typical best number'. Ghostzapper ran a 128 when he won the Iselin by 10L on a sloppy track, but I have used his Breeders' Cup Classic win, 124. Saint Liam once ran a 123, but I have gone with his far more typical figure, 114.



Bright Futures

Begin With A Northview-Sired Yearling At Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July



Dance With Ravens

14 Colt o/o **Millashand**
Consigned by: Marshall W. Silverman, Agent

73 Colt o/o **Safe At the Plate**
Consigned by: Dark Hollow, Agent



Domestic Dispute

126 Colt o/o **Too Fast to Catch**
Consigned by: Dark Hollow, Agent

177 Colt o/o **Boltin' Bride**
Consigned by: Morrowdale Farm
& Anne Tucker, Gainesway, Agent

282 Filly o/o **If you know what I mean**
Consigned by: Denali Stud, Agent II



Two Punch

471 Filly o/o **But Mommy**
Consigned by: Bill Reightler, Agent



Medallist

94 Colt o/o **Smooth Harmony**
Consigned by: Equus Farm, Agent

130 Filly o/o **Traipse**
Consigned by: Highclere Sales, Agent VI

161 Colt o/o **Anna K.**
Consigned by: Summerfield, Agent

216 Colt o/o **Darnestown**
Consigned by: Stoney Lane Farm, Agent



Not For Love

386 Filly o/o **Search For a Cure**
Consigned by: Millennium Farms, Agent I

502 Colt o/o **Diva Girl**
Consigned by: Taylor Made Sales, Agent LXXIV

552 Colt o/o **Lady Tiara**
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Yesterday's Results:

6th-PHA, \$47,520, Msw, 3yo, 1m70y, 1:44 1/5, ft. TIZ LATE (c, 3, [Tiznow](#)--Roring Fork, by Mr. Prospector), a \$120,000 KEENOV weanling and \$85,000 KEESEP yearling, took plenty of support at first asking as a 2-1 chance, but failed to fire in a well-beaten fifth-place try sprinting at Delaware June 11. Adding ground in his second go and again earning respect, this time as the 8-5 choice, the dark bay tracked in third, hit the front at the furlong grounds and gamely held on to best Oopers Here (Outflanker). In Gear (A.P. Indy) scratched. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$27,600.

O-Harry C and Tom O Meyerhoff, et al. B-Mike G Rutherford (KY). T-Michael J Trombetta.

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CHRB Seeks Comment on Shoeing Regulation:

Should horses be allowed to run without shoes if a trainer feels the horse might perform better unshod? The California Horse Racing Board will be considering this option July 17 at Del Mar and is soliciting comments from the public by July 14. The issue was first raised by the California Thoroughbred Trainers at a meeting of the CHRB Medication Committee last November. CTT Executive Director Ed Halpern indicated there had been sentiment among some trainers "for a long time to allow horses to race unshod, but with the introduction of synthetic tracks, the idea has gained support for moving forward. Some horses are more comfortable without shoes." The official program will note when any horse adds or removes shoes. To date, the CHRB has heard no testimony in opposition to allowing horses to race unshod. Written comments should be addressed to: Harold Coburn, Regulation Analyst, California Horse Racing Board, 1010 Hurley Way, Suite 300, Sacramento, CA 95825. For additional details, Coburn can be reached at (916) 263-6397; Fax: (916) 263-6022; or e-mail: harolda@chrb.ca.gov. The public hearing will be held July 17 in the Surfside Room simulcast wagering facility on the Del Mar fairgrounds. The Board meeting will begin at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.chrb.ca.gov.

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TODAY'S
INSIGHTS

4:12p 7th-BEL, \$75K, Inside the Beltway S., 3yo/up, 6fT
TVG/ HRTV It was about 26 months ago when **STEPHENWOLFER** ([Aptitude](#)) completed the trifecta behind Barbaro in the 2006 GI Kentucky Derby. Sidelined after running fourth in the GI Belmont S., he didn't start again that year and managed just four starts last term. The last two were on the grass; he ran a closing second in a Belmont allowance in May before finishing last of eight in the GI Manhattan H. He begins his comeback in this turf sprint. **Emirates of Dubai** ([Storm Cat](#)) is a talented, if somewhat inconsistent, grass sprinter who'll need some pace to close into. **Buffalo Man** ([El Prado {Ire}](#)) scales back after running second in a Monmouth stakes going long on the main track. brisnet.com pps

4:45p 8th-BEL, \$55K, Alw/Opt Clm, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f
TVG/ HRTV **TURN AWAY** ([Empire Maker](#)) was tabbed a ★ "TDN Rising Star" ★ when she broke her maiden as the 6-5 favorite in her debut sprinting at Churchill Downs last October. She subsequently ran with credit when third to Pure Clan in the GII Golden Rod S. in her next start, but was eased and vanned off as the heavy favorite in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. at Santa Anita Jan. 13. The Juddmonte homebred, who is trained by Bobby Frankel, has been working steadily since May. **Pulpitina** ([Pulpit](#)) earned a big BRIS fig breaking her maiden at Aqueduct last November. She tired to fourth returning to the races at Belmont May 29. **City Bird** ([Carson City](#)), a four-year-old, should be tough from the rail. brisnet.com pps

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TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JULY 9:

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Fountains Abbey, f, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#). See "Britain."

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

- ALAJWAD** (Storm Cat), Lou-Roe, \$4K, 52/1/0
- 4-BEL, Msw, 5 1/2f, Justify
- CUVEE** (Carson City), Gainesway, \$10K, 115/2/0
- 8-NP, Stk, 6f, +Quiet Approach, \$28K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
- JOHAR** (Gone West), Mill Ridge, \$20K, 75/0/0
- 8-NP, Stk, 6f, +Trust in Jo, 10-1
- 4-BEL, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Special Detail
- MEDAGLIA D'ORO** (El Prado (IRE)), Stonewall, \$35K, 149/6/0
- 4-BEL, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Glory Gold, \$150K EAS SEP yrl
- OCEAN TERRACE** (Saint Ballado), Mighty Acres, \$5K, 25/0/0
- 8-NP, Stk, 6f, +Against the Tide, \$5K KEE SEP yrl, 9-2

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, July 9

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

- POSSE** (Silver Deputy), Vinery, \$10K, 154/39/7
- 5-PEN, Msw, 6f, +Not Enough Jack, 3-1

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★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Pontefract, 3.00, Mdn, £6,000, 3yo/up, 10f 6ydsT, 2:16.95, gd.

HEVELIUS (GB) (c, 3, Polish Precedent--Sharp Terms {GB}, by Kris {GB}), a half-brother to Sunsemperchi (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), GSP-Ity, debuted with a sixth at Goodwood June 13 and was sent off at 12-1. The bay colt raced in midfield early. Pushed along on the home turn, the 27,000gns TATOCT yearling responded to pressure to reel in Syvilla (GB) (Nayef) with a furlong remaining before asserting to score by a neck. London Bid (Rainbow Quest), the son of Islington (Ire), was friendless beforehand at 10-1 and, despite racing prominently, had no say in the finish and faded into a distant fourth. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,886.

O-The Warsaw Pact; B-W and R Barnett; T-W Swinburn.

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British Report cont.

Pontefract, 4.30, Mdn, £6,000, 3yo/up, 12f 8ydsT, 2:43.34, gd.

BOUCHERON (GB) (f, 3, Galileo {Ire}--Rainbow Lyrics {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest), third on her first outing over this track and trip June 22, was ignored at 14-1, but soon enjoyed the lead. Asked to stretch before the final turn, the bay filly drew clear and was geared down near the line to record a facile 10-length success. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1; £3,367.

O-Dr Anne J F Gillespie; B-Falcon Assets Ltd; T-Richard Fahey.



4.20 Newmarket, Mdn, £15,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT

MEYDAN CITY (Kingmambo), third on debut over a mile here last month, is bred to appreciate this added distance. Godolphin's \$11.7-million sensation meets Bjorn Nielsen's **King o'the Gypsies (Ire) (Sadler's Wells),** a Roger Charlton-trained full-brother to the high-class, ill-fated Gypsy King (Ire).

6.50 Kempton, Mdn, £6,000, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT)

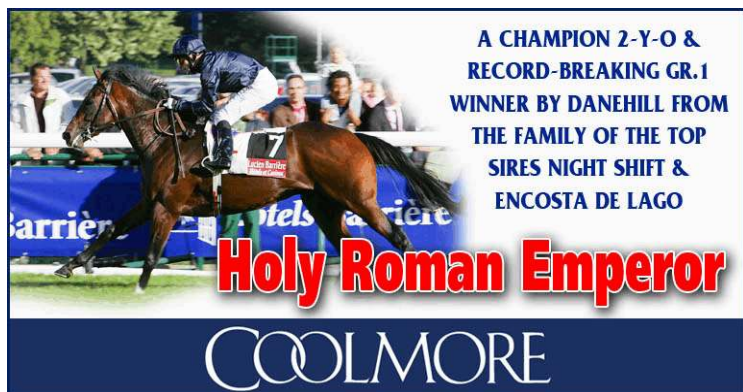
HAPPY FOREVER (FR) (Dr Fong) is Klaus and Renata Jacobs's daughter of the New Zealand champion and MG1SW Happyanuoit (NZ). She was withdrawn from her intended first start at Windsor last week, and is diverted to the Polytrack by trainer Marco Botti here.

7.30 Naas, Mdn, €16,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT

CHAUSSONS (IRE) (Indian Ridge {Ire}) is a half-sister to MG1SW Petrushka (Ire) from the family of Spectrum (Ire). Trained by Jim Bolger, the chestnut debuts in the colors of breeder Sonia Rogers.

8.30 Naas, Mdn, €11,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT

ZULU CHIEF (Fusaichi Pegasus) was the subject of favorable reports before his debut third in the second division of Newmarket's Wood Ditton S. in April. Susan Magnier's half-brother to MG1SW Hawk Wing and full to GSW Race for the Stars looks to have found a potentially soft spot for his belated return by Aidan O'Brien.



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Monday's Results:

Ripon, 9.20, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:46.68, hy.
LA SARRAZINE (FR) (f, 3, Medicean {GB}--Fulcrum {GB}, by Pivotal {GB}), runner-up at Goodwood on her latest start May 30, was hammered down to 4-5 and stalked the early pace. Taking over before the quarter pole, the bay filly asserted to beat Ainia (GB) (Alhaarth {Ire}) by three lengths. Godolphin's Stalking Shadow (Storm Cat), a half to Ishiguru, was slowly away and keen early before failing to land a blow and finishing a further five lengths back in third. The winner was a 22,000gns TATDEC weanling and 200,000gns DONSEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, £4,118. O-Mr & Mrs Duncan Davidson; B-Benedikt Fassbender; T-James Fanshawe.

Windsor, 8.30, Mdn, £4,000, 3-4yo, f, 1m 67ydsT, 1:51.22, sf.

FOUNTAINS ABBEY (f, 3, Giant's Causeway--Dream Bay, by Mr. Prospector), a last-out third at Goodwood May 30, led at a steady pace in this return. Pushed along when threatened at the quarter-mile marker, the 8-11 chalk stayed on in resolute fashion to easily best Suede (GB) (Zamindar) by five lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, £3,139.

O-Gainsborough; B-Gainsborough Farm LLC; T-Sir Michael Stoute.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Clairefontaine, 3.50, Cond, €29,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 3/8mT, 2:19.50, sf.

BRUSLINI (FR) (c, 3, Linamix {Fr}--Brusca, by Grindstone), a last-out winner at Marseille-Borely June 3, assumed a clear lead in the early stages here. Coming under pressure as the pack closed off the home turn, the 9-5 chance was headed by lolith (Ger) (Monsun {Ger}) inside the final quarter mile, but rallied under a drive to reassert a two-length superiority over that rival. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €29,700.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

UPCOMING FRENCH GROUP 1 RACES

Date	Race	Track
July 13	Prix Jean Prat	Chantilly
July 14	Grand Prix de Paris	Longchamp
Aug. 3	Prix d'Astarte	Deauville
Aug. 10	Prix Maurice de Gheest	Deauville
Aug. 17	Prix Jacques le Marois	Deauville
Aug. 24	Prix Morny	Deauville
Sept. 7	Prix du Moulin	Longchamp
Sept. 14	Prix Vermeille	Longchamp



Clairefontaine, 4.20, Cond, €29,000, 3yo, f, 1 3/8mT, 2:21.60, sf.

ALPINE ROSE (FR) (f, 3, Linamix {Fr}--Fragrant Hill {GB} {SW-GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB}), a full sister to Fragrant Mix (Ire), Hwt. Older Horse-Fr at 11-14f, G1SW-Fr, \$467,506, went off at 11-5 coming back from a Chantilly win June 8. On the front end from the bell, the grey filly was shaken up with 300 meters remaining and stayed on well under urging before gearing down late to dismiss Photophore (Ire) (Clodovil {Ire}) by two lengths. The Aga Khan homebred is also a full to Farfala (Fr), SW & GSP-Fr, SP-GB; Fascinating Mix (Ire), SW-Fr; and Fracassant (Ire), GSW-Fr, \$192,632; and a half to Fraloga (Ire) (Grand Lodge), G1SP-Fr, \$168,947. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €26,200.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.



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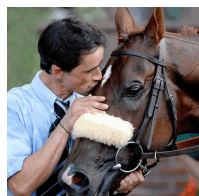
#**@Jily (Arg)**, f, 4, **Easing Along**--Radiosa, by Turkoman. Palermo, Argentina, 7-7, Clasico Ines Victorica Roca-G3, 1600m, 1:33.87. Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-3, P50,000. O/B-Haras Rio Claro S.A.; T-Alfredo Gaitan Dassie. *1/2 to American Boy (Arg) (Ocean Falls {Ire}), G1SP-Arg; Duran (Arg) (Rudy's Fantasy), SW-Arg; Golias (Arg) (Romarin {Brz}), GSP-Arg.

BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-PHA, \$60,536, NW2X, 3yo/up, 5fT, :57, fm.
BABY GOOSE (h, 6, Lion Hearted--Marya's Girl, by Red Attack) Lifetime Record: 31-6-3-4, \$154,929. O-Kiwi Racing Stable & Marya Montoya. B-Marya K Heimer (PA). T-Marya K Montoya.

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8th-CNL, \$30,510, 7-7, NW1\$X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft.

CHASING THE PRIZE (g, 4, Pure Prize--Chasing Wind {SW}, by Mining) Lifetime Record: 7-4-1-1, \$50,085. O-David A Ross. B-WinStar Farm, LLC (KY). T-Michael V Pino. *1/2 to Rgirldoesn'tbluff (Pine Bluff), MSW & MGSP, \$224,270.

6th-CNL, \$27,500, 7-7, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:04 1/5, fm.

CHEROKEE SPIRIT (c, 4, Cherokee Run--Tasso Bee {MSP}, by Tasso) Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-1, \$85,250. O-David A Ross. B-J Mack Robinson (KY). T-Michael V Pino.

2nd-MNR, \$24,900, 7-7, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:25, fm.

TANK YOU (g, 5, Tank--Hello Solly, by Secret Hello) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-4, \$53,432. O-Bruce Simpson & Rene Moore. B-Irene Rife & Rene Moore (WV). T-Charles W Phelps, Sr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Wezar, f, 4, Cozar--We Like Green, by Trempolino. MNR, 7-7, 5 1/2f, 1:06 1/5. B-Mr & Mrs Glenn S Wismer (KY).

Hibernia Gold, g, 4, Knockadoon--She's the Best, by Parfaitement. PHA, 7-8, (C), 5fT, :58. B-E Marie Morrison (PA).

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BELMONT PARK

ARIEGE (Doneraile Court), 4f, :50.10, 12/29
 BARRIER REEF (Mizzen Mast), 4f, :50.10, 12/29
 GIANT GIZMO (Awesome Again), 6f, 1:13.88, 1/1
 JALIL (Storm Cat), 4f, :50.60, 18/29
 LES GRANDS TROIS (Officer), 4f, •:47.45, 1/29
 NATIONAL PRIDE (Macho Uno), 4f, :53.10, 28/29
 NUMAANY (A.P. Indy), 4f, :49.66, 10/29

CHURCHILL DOWNS

GRASSHOPPER (Dixie Union), 4f, :48.80, 10/30

HOLLYWOOD

IDIOT PROOF (Benchmark), 5f, 1:01.60, 15/43
 TASHA'S MIRACLE (Harlan's Holiday), 5f, 1:00.40, 5/43
 TWO STEP SALSA (Petionville), 4f, :49.40, 20/35

KEENELAND

DESERT PARTY (Street Cry {Ire}), 5f, •1:01.00, 1/26
 TIZ NOW TIZ THEN (Tiznow), 4f, :49.40, 15/34

SANTA ANITA

MAGNIFICIENCE (Stormy Atlantic), 3f, :35.40, 3/18
 SURF CAT (Sir Cat), 6f, 1:12.80, 2/15
 WELL ARMED (Tiznow), 1m, 1:38.20, 1/1

★ WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE ★

IN CHILE:

Parco Ducale (Chi), c, 3, Muqtarib--Wild Lady, by Stuka. Club Hipico de Santiago, 7-7, Mdn, 1000m. O/B-Haras Sumaya; T-Marco Pavez.

IN PERU:

+ Glory Pleasure (Arg), c, 3, Honour and Glory--Morning Pleasure (Arg), by Morning Bob. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 7-6, Mdn, 1200m, 1:13.20. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0. O-Stud Harem; B-Haras De La Pomme; T-Juan Suarez. *Won by 5 1/2 lengths.

IN ARGENTINA:

Barbara Cat (Arg), f, 3, Easing Along--Barbarina (Arg), by Northern Trend. Palermo, 7-7, Mdn, 1000m, :56.02. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0. O/B-Haras El Alfalfar; T-Jorge Dulom.

La Billetera (Arg), f, 4, Salt Lake--Fame's Halo (Arg), by Southern Halo. Palermo, 7-7, Cond, 1000m, :54.93. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1. O/B-Haras La Sortija S.R.L.; T-Juan Carlos Etchechoury, Jr.

IN BRAZIL:

Sol de Angra (Brz), c, 3, Put It Back--Gondoleira (Brz), by Roi Normand. Gavea, 7-6, Cond, 1100m, 1:06.89. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0. O-Stud Performance; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-M Ferreira. *Won by 7 3/4 lengths.

Relax Now (Brz), c, 4, Put It Back--Frairie (Brz), by Bright Again. Cidade Jardim, 7-6, Mdn, 1400m, 1:23.66. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0. O-Stud Gold Black; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-Pedro Nickel.

Rivoltella (Brz), f, 4, Put It Back--Hysterique (Brz), by Tokatee. Cidade Jardim, 7-7, Cond, 1000mT, :55.60. Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1. O-Haras Moema; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-R G Siqueira.

BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, La Teste de Buch, 3.35, 7-8, €32,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:50.80, gd/sf.

KING OF CRY (FR) (h, 7, Freedom Cry {GB}--Queen's Mary {Fr}, by Marignan) Lifetime Record: SW-Fr, 37 starts, 9 wins, 20 places, €178,075. O-Marquise de Villatoya; B-Chevington Stud; T-Ramon Martin Sanchez.

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FRANCE, La Teste de Buch, 4.05, 7-8, €20,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:11.58, gd/sf.

GO FOR GOLD MINE (FR) (g, 3, Goldneyev--Rudbeckia {Fr}, by High Estate {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 9 starts, 2 wins, 4 places, €26,010. O-Freddy Tondelier; B-Haras des Marais; T-Brigitte Halley des Fontaines.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Packsapunch (Ire), c, 2, Big Shuffle--Elite Society (Ire), by Linamix (Fr). Roscommon, Ireland, 7-8, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT. B-Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd. *€18,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL.

Belleplace (Fr), f, 2, Lord of Men (GB)--Belle Muse (Fr), by Courtroom (Fr). La Teste de Buch, France, 7-8, Mdn, 2yo, f, 6fT. B-Mme Danielle de la Heronniere. *€8,000 yrl '07 DEAOCT.

Born Lucky (Fr), c, 2, Lucky Story--Marvita (Ger) (SP-Ger), by Surumu (Ger). La Teste de Buch, France, 7-8, Mdn, 2yo, c/g, 6fT. B-Snig Elevage. *Third winner for freshman sire (by Kris S.).

City Diamond (GB), c, 2, Lujain--Gem (GB), by Most Welcome (GB). Wolverhampton, Britain, 7-8, Mdn, 2yo, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Red House Stud. *10,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT.

St Trinians (GB), f, 3, Piccolo (GB)--Cherrycombe-Row (GB), by Classic Cliche (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 7-8, Mdn, 3-4yo, 1m 141yds (AWT). B-Mrs E L Hunter.

★ WINNERS BY EURO SIRES ★

IN CHILE:

A Te O Cara (Chi), f, 3, Dushyantor--Artemisa Cara, by Jeune Homme. Club Hípico de Santiago, 7-7, Mdn, 1600m. O-Stud Laguna Blanca. B/T-Patricio Baeza.

Agente Secreto (Chi), c, 4, Dushyantor--Aguila Sur, by Crowning Tribute. Club Hípico de Santiago, 7-7, Hcp, 1000m. O-Stud Etiqueta Negra; B-Haras San Pablo; T-Juan Cavieres.

IN ARGENTINA:

Mr. Bam (Arg), c, 4, Numerous--Miss Bambuca (Arg), by Major Gundry (GB). Palermo, 7-7, Cond, 1000m, :54.76. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-2. O-Stud Rubio B; B-Haras Firmamento; T-Juan J Etchechoury.

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