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COUNT YOUR BLESSINGS

Champion **Indian Blessing** (Indian Charlie) recorded her fifth win at the highest level in yesterday's GI La Brea S. at Santa Anita, but it didn't come without tragedy, as **Indyanne** (Indian Charlie) was pulled up in the stretch after suffering a fractured sesamoid in her left foreleg (see p2). Exiting the stalls from post three with Johnny Velazquez aboard, Indian Blessing was guided to the outside of Indyanne through fractions of :22.52 and :45.06. The 2007 GI Breeder's Cup Juvenile Fillies heroine turned up the heat on Indyanne on the turn for home, but the gray filly ap-



Indian Blessing (left) & Indyanne (right)

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peared poised for the challenge, until taking a bad step in mid-stretch. Indian Blessing subsequently emerged with the lead and held the duo of **Ginger Pop** (El Prado {Ire}) and **Bsharpsonata** (Pulpit) safe. "She was running good," jockey Russell Baze said of Indyanne. "Turning for home, she switched leads and then went wrong in her left front." It was a "bittersweet" record sixth La Brea tally for trainer Bob Baffert, who said that Indian Blessing would start next against the boys in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen Mar. 28. **Cont. p2**

Saturday, Santa Anita

LA BREA S.-GI, \$250,000, SAX, 12-27, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:20 4/5, ft.

1--**INDIAN BLESSING**, 123, f, 3, by **Indian Charlie**

1st Dam: Shameful (SW & MGSP, \$241,345), by Flying Chevron

2nd Dam: Lady's Legacy, by Matchlite

3rd Dam: Wavering Lady, by Wavering Monarch O/B-Hal & Patti Earnhardt (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-John R Velazquez; \$150,000. Lifetime Record: Ch. 2yo Filly, 12-9-3-0, \$2,437,200. **Werk Nick Rating: A + +**. Click for [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Ginger Pop**, 117, f, 3, **El Prado (Ire)**--French Madam, by Rahy. (\$150,000 2yo '07 ADNMAR). O-Thor-Bred Stable LLC; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Dan L Hendricks; \$50,000.

3--**Bsharpsonata**, 119, f, 3, **Pulpit**--Apasionata Sonata, by Affirmed. O/B-Cloverleaf Farm II Inc (FL); T-Todd A Pletcher; \$30,000.

Margins: 1HF, NO, 1 3/4. Odds: 0.60, 47.80, 3.20.

Also Ran: Foxy Danseur, Never Retreat, Laureldean Gale, Indyanne. Scratches: Country Star, She's Cheeky, Accopela Choir.

STRIKE IT UP

Heavily favored **Fabulous Strike** (Smart Strike) didn't quite bury the opposition as expected in yesterday's GIII Gravesend H. at the Big A, but the result was still impressive, a 1 3/4-length success over **True Quality** (Elusive Quality). The perennial front-runner was content to sit in second as his aforementioned rival enjoyed a clear lead through fractions of :22.28 and :45.24.



Adam Coglianese

With regular rider Ramon Dominguez in the irons, the 2007 GI Vosburgh hero began to cut into True Quality's lead in the stretch, and wore that one down late to win going away. "I thought rating was always a possibility with him," trainer Todd Beattie said. "Today I just let Ramon make the decision. He didn't have a smooth training schedule in between his last race and today. I moved him from Penn National to my brother-in-law's barn at Laurel [because of the track condition]. He actually lost some training, which hurt him. We'll go back to Penn National and make a decision in four or five days. I would like to go to Dubai [G1 Golden Shaheen, Mar. 28] with him. We'll see if this is enough to get him there." **Cont. p3**

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"I didn't want her to go head and head with the other horse [Indyanne], so I took a pretty good hold away from the gate," Velazquez said. "When she made the lead, she was waiting on those other horses, but she ran awesome. She's run very well on this track, but I really think she's four or five lengths better on the dirt."

A True Champion...

Indian Blessing, never worse than second in 12 career starts, announced her arrival with authority, earning

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status in her debut at Saratoga in August 2007, and capped a championship season with a win in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at a rain-soaked Monmouth Park. The Hal and Patti Earnhardt homebred began her sophomore campaign with a pair of tallies in the GII Santa Ynez S. Jan. 13 and the GIII Silverbulletday S. Feb. 9 before finishing second in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks Mar. 8 and the GI Acorn S. June 7. Turned back to sprints in her next three starts, In-



Hal Earnhardt & Indian Blessing
Benoit photo

dian Blessing showed a new dimension coming from slightly off the pace, reeling off wins in the GI Prioress S. July 5, GI Test S. Aug. 2, and the GII Gallant Bloom H. Sept. 20. The daughter of Shameful (Flying Chevron) was freshened for the La Brea following a valiant second in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint Oct. 24. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#), the [brisnet.com PPs](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video](#), sponsored by Taylor Made.

Surgery for Indyanne...

Trainer Greg Gilchrist remained positive following further evaluation of John Sikura's **Indyanne** (Indian Charlie). "It looks like she's going to be saved," Gilchrist said. "The good part is the outside sesamoid is perfect and she tore very few ligaments. Her chance for recovery is 65-35 to be just fine as a broodmare. She'll have surgery in the next three days. This could have been a lot worse." Prior to the La Brea, Indyanne won five of seven career starts, including the GIII Azalea S. at Calder in July. The sophomore finished second against the boys in the Sausalito S. at Golden Gate Nov. 22.

Gomez Injured in Spill Prior to La Brea...

Jockey Garrett Gomez, currently just \$109,014 shy of Jerry Bailey's single-season purse earnings record of \$23,354,660 set in 2003, was transported to Arcadia Methodist Hospital after his mount in the Eddie Logan S. (*see p5 ATW*) ducked into the rail during the stretch. According to his agent, Ron Anderson, Gomez had several teeth knocked out, sustained a gash on his knee and a swollen left hand. Rafael Bejarano replaced Gomez aboard Bsharpsonata (Pulpit) in the La Brea.

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GRAVESEND H.-GIII, \$103,100, AQU, 12-27, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 3/5, gd.

1--**FABULOUS STRIKE**, 126, g, 5, by [Smart Strike](#)

1st Dam: Fabulous Find, by Lost Code

2nd Dam: Dial a Babe, by Fire Dancer

3rd Dam: Saratoga Sal, by Tonkaton

O-Walter Downey; B-Tea Party Stable Inc (PA); T-Todd M Beattie; J-Ramon A Dominguez; \$64,860. Lifetime Record: GISW, 19-12-2-0, \$939,412.

Werk Nick Rating: **A**. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**True Quality**, 115, c, 3, [Elusive Quality](#)--Louve Mysterieuse, by Seeking the Gold. (\$280,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT). O-Paraneck Stable; B-Seasons Farms LLC (KY); T-John P Campo Jr; \$21,782.

3--**Good Card**, 114, c, 4, Good and Tough--Paper Cut, by Notebook. O/B-Thomas J Kelly (NY); T-Patrick J Kelly; \$10,972.

Margins: 1 3/4, 3HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 0.55, 4.50, 11.90. Also Ran: Lucky Island (Arg). Scratched: Grand Champion, Cavallo Pazzo, Night Stand, Songster.

Fabulous Strike catapulted to the head of the sprint division following a dominating victory in last year's Vosburgh, but a serious lung infection sidelined the gelding for an extended period of time. The Walter Downey colorbearer finally resurfaced against two overmatched rivals in Delaware's Vincent A. Moscarelli Memorial S. in June, and rolled by 3 1/4 lengths. He came within a head of successfully defending his Vosburgh title off the layoff Sept. 27, then failed to handle the Santa Anita Pro-Ride in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint, finishing fifth, beaten six lengths. Fabulous Strike got back on track toting 136 pounds in the Nov. 27 Fall Highweight H., and made it two straight at the Big A while showing a new dimension here. "I was planning on going to the lead, especially with the inside post," Dominguez offered. "But the horse that C.C. [Lopez] was on [True Quality] was very quick out of the gate and after a few jumps I took hold. Down the lane, he finished up nice. He's a push-button kind of horse."

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Sunday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:00 p.m. EST

SAN GABRIEL H.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Medici Code (GB)	Medicean (GB)	Vienna	8-1
2	Proudinsky (Ger)	Silvano (Ger)	Frankel	5-2
3	Sartorial	Charismatic	R Mandella	12-1
4	Silent Soul	Afternoon Deelites	Hofmans	20-1
5	Ferneley (Ire)	Ishiguru	Cecil	8-1
6	Porfido (Chi)	Mash One (Chi)	Frankel	6-1
7	Swift Winds	King of the Hunt	Garcia	10-1
8	Obrigado (Fr)	Enrique (GB)	Drysdale	9-2
9	Becrux (Ity)	Glen Jordan (GB)	Sadler	7-2

No horse enters this hotter than the streaking Calbred **Swift Winds**, who made it three in a row with a win in the California Cup Mile H. at Oak Tree last time Oct. 5. A repeat of that performance--which earned him a 102 Beyer--puts him right with these. **Obrigado** is winless in four attempts this term, but enters of a good second behind Champs Elysees (GB) (Danehill) in the GI Hollywood Turf Cup S. Dec. 6. **Proudinsky** has finished off the board in three subsequent attempts since coming within a neck of Big Brown (Boundary) in the Monmouth S. in September.

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- ◆ *Thorn Song* - G1 Shadwell Turf Mile and G2 Firecracker Handicap
- ◆ *Laragh* - G1 Hollywood Starlet Stakes
- ◆ *Roshani* - G2 Las Palmas Handicap and G3 Gallorette Handicap
- ◆ *Charitable Man* - G2 Futurity Stakes at Belmont Park, undefeated in two starts
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Sunday, Nakayama, Japan, post time: 1:05 a.m. EST
ARIMA KINEN-G1, ¥346,560,000, 3yo/up, 2500mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Kawakami Princess (Jpn)	King Halo (Jpn)	Nishiura	12-1
2	Venture Nine (Jpn)	Eishin Sandy (Jpn)	Kobiyama	60-1
3	Cosmo Bulk (Jpn)	Zagreb	Taba	40-1
4	Air Zipangu (Jpn)	El Condor Pasa	Fujiwara	35-1
5	Flotation (Jpn)	Special Week (Jpn)	Hashiguchi	20-1
6	Air Shady (Jpn)	Sunday Silence	Ito	30-1
7	Al Nasrain (Jpn)	Admire Vega (Jpn)	Matsumoto	15-1
8	Screen Hero (Jpn)	Grass Wonder	Shikato	5-1
9	Meisho Samson (Jpn)	Opera House (GB)	Takahashi	6-1
10	Maturida Gogh (Jpn)	Sunday Silence	Kunieda	6-1
11	Dream Journey (Jpn)	Stay Gold (Jpn)	Ikee	20-1
12	Asakusa Kings (Jpn)	White Muzzle (GB)	Okubo	20-1
13	Daiwa Scarlet (Jpn)	Agnes Tachyon (Jpn)	K Matsuda	2-1
14	Admire Monarch (Jpn)	Dream Well (Fr)	H Matsuda	70-1

The fans get their say in who starts in this year-end spectacle, and while the top vote-getter **Vodka** (Jpn) (Tanino Gimlet {Jpn}) stays on the sidelines, second choice **Daiwa Scarlet** gets a chance to improve on her runner-up effort from last year. The four-year-old filly put together four in a row last season, culminating with a win in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup prior to her runner-up effort behind Nakayama specialist **Maturida Gogh** in this event. She has but two starts to her credit this season and comes off a nose defeat at the hands of **Vodka** in the G1 Tenno Sho (Autumn) Nov. 2. **Meisho Samson** makes his final career start before heading off to stud. Winner of the 2006 Japanese Derby, he swept last year's Tenno Sho races, but is winless in seven starts since. He was most recently sixth, beaten less than three lengths, behind **Screen Hero** in the G1 Japan Cup Nov. 30.

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SUN CLASSIQUE TO MISS CARNIVAL **Sun Classique** (Aus) (Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}), who defeated males to win last year's G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, is set to miss the upcoming Dubai International Racing Carnival



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as she continues to recover from a tendon injury suffered last summer. "She's not coming to Dubai," trainer Mike de Kock told *Australian Associated Press*. "She's come back well from her tendon injury, but she's not ready for hard work yet." A three-time Group 1 winner

in South Africa, the chestnut invaded the desert last winter, posting victories in the Cape Verdi S. and the Balanchine S. **cont.**

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 Sightseeing wins the Peter Pan S. (G2)

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In the latter event, she appeared hopelessly beaten when buried down on the inside, but extricated herself and was up to win impressively. She enjoyed the run of the race in the Sheema Classic, saving all the ground before easing out for the drive and going on to a handy score from Hong Kong's Viva Pataca (GB) (Marju {Ire}) and Doctor Dino (Fr) (Muhtathir {GB}) ([video](#)). She was being aimed for a late-summer campaign in England when she suffered her injury while working at Newmarket. De Kock will nonetheless be well-represented in Dubai this coming winter, with the likes of G1SWs **Archipenko** (Kingmambo) and **Eagle Mountain (GB)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) scheduled to compete.

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Yesterday's Results:

9th-AQU, \$46,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:43 4/5, gd.

MANTECA (c, 3, [Aptitude](#)--Irving's Baby {GSW & GISP, \$763,022}, by Quiet American) ran second in his career bow at the Big A last April, but returned to break his maiden by 6 3/4 lengths at Belmont Park May 3. The Anstu homebred made it two in a row in a state-bred allowance 23 days later, but had not been seen since. The 3-1 favorite in his return, he tracked the leaders through six panels in 1:13.14, rallied to take a short lead at midstretch and pulled away late to post the six-length triumph over Success Fee (Mineshaft). Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$94,000. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Anstu Stables Inc. B-Anstu Farm LLC (NY).
T-Charlton Baker.

3rd-AQU, \$43,000, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, my.

Z DAY (c, 2, [Five Star Day](#)--Maybe Lin, by Fly So Free), a \$150,000 KEESEP yearling, got the party started with a second at Delaware in June, then disappeared. The chestnut colt returned to fill the runner-up spot once again at that track Nov. 3, but faded to fourth after fighting it out through a half in :44 1/5 at Philly Park last time out Dec. 6. The 9-5 chalk over the muddy Big A strip, he once again set the pace, but this time had enough in the tank to take them all the way to the wire, winning by 1 1/4 lengths over Wildcat Brief (Forest Wildcat). Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$43,520.

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O-Zayat Stables LLC. B-Dr D P Hall (KY). T-A Dutrow.

Yesterday's Results:

INAUGURAL S., \$65,000, TAM, 12-27, 2yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

1--**#TOP SEED, 117, c, 2, [Grand Slam](#)--Bronze Route, by Mud Route.** (\$65,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-Harry C & Tom O Meyerhoff; B-Capistrano Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Michael J Trombetta; J-Eibar Coa; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$62,205.

2--**General Quarters, 116, c, 2, [Sky Mesa](#)--Ecology, by Unbridled's Song.** (\$20,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). \$10,000.

3--**Miles and Miles, 116, c, 2, [Candy Ride \(Arg\)](#)--Upper Miles, by Polish Navy.** (\$57,000 yrl '07 OBSAUG). \$12,500.

Margins: 1, 3 3/4, HF. Odds: 0.90, 7.20, 4.50.

Top Seed started his career on the grass at Colonial Downs, graduating by a neck in a sprint test June 21. Sidelined thereafter, he resurfaced in an optional claimer on the Laurel main track and won going away by 2 1/4 lengths. The bay was the crowd's choice to go three-for-three. Up to press the pace from his wide post, Top Seed drove to the front in the final eighth and was all out to hang on as General Quarters closed with a furious late rush. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

SANDPIPER S., \$65,000, TAM, 12-27, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

1--**#DR. ZIC, 116, f, 2, [Milwaukee Brew](#)--Royal Corona, by Holy Bull.** (\$40,000 2yo '08 OBSJUN). O-Derby Lane Farm, Jim Tom, Murette Farrell & Joan Scott; B-Ronald G McPeck (KY); T-Joan Scott; J-D Centeno; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$61,225.

2--**Sunday in Malibu, 122, f, 2, [Malibu Moon](#)--Sunday Sonata, by Palace Music.** (\$30,000 yrl '07 FTKJUL). \$10,000.

3--**Hooh Why, 122, f, 2, Cloud Hopping--Magic Merger, by Corporate Report.** \$12,500.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1, 1. Odds: 2.60, 2.30, 5.70.

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MARYLAND JUVENILE CHAMPIONSHIP S., \$50,000, LRL, 12-27, (S), 2yo, a1 1/16m, 1:44 4/5, ft.

1--#**PEACE TOWN, 122, c, 2, [Peace Rules](#)--**

Darnestown (MSP), by Williamstown. (\$37,000 wlng '06 FTMDEC; \$50,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-Vinery Stables LLC & Singer Stables; B-Bowman & Higgins Stable (MD); T-Michael J Trombetta; J-Julian Pimentel; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$88,850. *Second stakes winner for freshman sire (by Jules).

2--**In the Juice, 122, c, 2, [Rock Slide](#)--**Apple Juice, by Pleasant Tap. (\$24,000 yrl '07 FTMOCT). O-Janet L Wayson. \$10,000.

3--**Royal Stare, 122, g, 2, Louis Quatorze--Stare,** by Diamond. O-Hickory Plains. \$5,500.

Margins: HF, 11 3/4, 3 3/4. Odds: 0.60, 4.30, 8.80.

Peace Town graduated by eight lengths in his debut at Delaware in June, then came back to take an optional claimer in the mud at Laurel in August. Sixth



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when trying the synthetic in a Presque Isle Downs stakes test Sept. 27, the chestnut entered this off a second in Oct. 13 Trapp Mountain S. at Belmont. He was trying two turns for the first time as the odds-on chalk. Peace Town stalked the pace from second, drove to a narrow

lead after six furlongs and held off In the Juice for a narrow success. "The thinking was to get him to relax, which he did pretty good. The rest was just taking him around there," jockey Julian Pimentel said. "I knew I had a lot of horse. I wasn't aware that horse was there for a little bit, but when he realized it he just took off. He is a nice horse. You can do pretty much anything you'd like with him." [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

9th-CRC, \$22,400, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:12 4/5, ft. + A CENTURIAN (c, 2, [Indian Charlie](#)--Isleworth, by Mt. Livermore), off at 7-2 in his first start, closed from just off the pace to take control in the stretch. The bay drew off in the final furlong for a five-length victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,934. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O/B-Donald R Disney (FL). T-William P White.

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1:52p 4th-AQU, \$41K, Msw, (S), 2yo, 6f

HR/TVG **MR. FANTASY ([E Dubai](#)),** a 1/2 to GSW Tin Cup Chalice (Crusader Sword), makes his debut for West Point and Kiaran McLaughlin. Also a half to SW Don Corleone (Incurable Optimist), the bay was a \$230K FTMMA juvenile. [brisnet.com PPs.](#)

4:30p 3rd-SA, \$48K, Alw, 2yo, 6 1/2f

HRTV **DREAM OF KAYLEE ([Cactus Ridge](#))** looks to make it two in a row. The Bob Hess Jr. trainee debuted in the May 1 Gill Kentucky S. at Churchill, finishing third, then went to the sidelines. He returned to break his maiden going six panels at Oak Tree Oct. 26, where he earned a 91 Beyer. The bay makes his third career start off a series of solid works, including a 3-of-88 five furlongs in :58 3/5 Dec. 19. B. Wayne Hughes's **Position A** (Aldebaran), a \$675K KEEAPR juvenile, held on to break his maiden by a nose at Hollywood Dec. 6 in his second outing. [brisnet.com PPs.](#)

★ **NEW "TDN Rising Star"** ★

3rd-CRC, \$18,665, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:13, ft.

+ **ZOI ZOI, f, 2, by [Seeking the Gold](#)**

1st Dam: **Angel Puss (SP), by Wolf Power (SAF)**

2nd Dam: **Native Angel, by Exclusive Native**

3rd Dam: **Angel Island, by *Cougar 2nd**

Seeking the Gold had seven juveniles go through the ring in 2008 and, as a \$575,000 FTFEB purchase, this filly was by far the most expensive of the six that sold. The bay RNA'd as a \$340,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$140,000 KEESEP yearling, but dashed off a furlong in :10 flat at the Fasig-Tipton Calder under-tack show and found a new home. She was the 3-5 chalk in her debut. Steadied at the start, Zoi Zoi was at the back of the pack early, but sailed past the field while racing four wide. She had a head in front after a half in :46.35 and was kept to the task by jockey Chris DeCarlo to win by an impressive eight lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,199. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or the brisnet.com pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Zayat Stables LLC. B-Blue Domer Stable (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

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East Report cont.

5th-CRC, \$18,250, Msw, 3,4,5yo, 1m70y, 1:43 3/5, ft.

+ BRADY BABY (c, 3, [Gone West](#)--Indian Snow, by A.P. Indy) was late to the races, but proved worth the wait in this sparkling career opener. Let go at 7-1 despite a series of bullet works, the bay went right to the front, was gifted easy fractions of :49.91 and 1:14.71 and galloped away from the field down the lane to hit the wire 13 3/4 lengths to the good. The winner RNA'd as a \$190,000 KEESEP yearling. His second dam is MGSW November Snow (Storm Cat). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,950. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Dell Ridge Farm. B-Frank Justice (KY). T-Michelle Nihei.

4th-TAM, \$17,000, Msw, 2yo, f, a1 1/16mT, 1:49, fm. ABUELA (f, 2, [Giant's Causeway](#)--Omi {GSW, \$319,718, by Wild Again), a \$400,000 FTSAUG yearling, was a distant seventh on the Keeneland Poly Oct. 25, but turned it around in her turf bow. The 3-1 chance was rated off slow early splits, negotiated the traffic to edge closer on the far turn and finished full of run, driving past Overbrook firster Whisperer (Storm Cat) en route to a 1 3/4-length tally. The winner is a 1/2 to Brushed Bayou (Broad Brush), SW, \$189,457. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$10,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-G Watts Humphrey Jr & St George Farm Racing LLC. B-Donald R Dizney (KY). T-Vicki Oliver.

6th-TAM, \$17,000, Msw, 2yo, a8.5fT, 1:48 4/5, fm. + ROYALE (c, 2, [Kingmambo](#)--Diane Suzanne, by Compliance) was the 5-2 second choice in his first start. The bay trailed the field early, made up ground on the final bend and found his best stride late, outfinishing Been Awhile (Polish Miner) for a two-length score. Darley's Cary Away (Unbridled's Song), part of the Stonerside acquisition, was not a factor while running fourth. A \$675,000 KEESEP RNA, the winner is a 1/2 to Doc Martin (Woodman), GSP, \$210,720; and Mystic Lady (Thunder Gulch), MGSW, \$1,170,390. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,200. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Virginia Kraft Payson. B-Payson Stud (KY). T-C Clement.



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2	Unbridled's Song	\$125,000	14	8	3
3	Dynaformer	\$150,000	13	7	2
4	Smart Strike	\$125,000	12	4	2
5	Kingmambo	\$250,000	11	6	3
-	A.P. Indy	\$250,000	11	6	2
7	Awesome Again	\$125,000	9	5	1
8	Distorted Humor	\$150,000	7	2	1
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BLUE NORTHER S., \$70,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1a	Oro Blanco	Hold for Gold	Polanco	116
2	Acting Lady	Theatrical (Ire)	O'Neill	116
3	Internallyflawless	Giant's Causeway	Baffert	116
4	Malusita	Pure Prize	Gonzalez	116
5a	Street Scape	Street Cry (Ire)	Polanco	116
6	Atka	Swiss Yodeler	Harrington	116
7	Navigator	Stormy Atlantic	Ellis	116
8	April Pride (GB)	Falbrav (Ire)	Cassidy	116
9	Broadway Hennesey	Hennesey	Hollendorfer	118

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Yesterday's Results:

CALIFORNIA BREEDERS' CHAMPION S., \$125,000, SAX, 12-27, (S), 2yo, f, 7f (AWT), 1:21 4/5, ft.

- 1--**SAUCEY EVENING**, 122, f, 2, [More Than Ready](#)--**Jeweled Lady**, by **General Meeting**. (\$160,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-Augustin Stable; B-Betty L & Larry Mabee (CA); T-H Graham Motion; J-Garrett K Gomez; \$75,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, \$250,390.
- 2--**Spanish Ice**, 116, f, 2, Spanish Steps--Lemon Ice, by Sovereign Dancer. O-Martin Stables Inc. \$25,000.
- 3--**Ten Churros**, 122, f, 2, High Brite--Grana, by Miswaki. (\$10,000 yrl '07 BESOCT). O-Patti & Hal J Earnhardt III. \$15,000.

Margins: 2HF, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.00, 22.10, 2.80.

Saucey Evening has been off the board in her two open-company stakes attempts, but is always a factor facing Cal-breds. A maiden winner on the turf at Colonial in her debut in June, the chestnut was runner-up in the July 18 CTBA S. at Del Mar, but ran into traffic in the Sept. 1 GI Del Mar Debutante and finished seventh. The late-running miss took the Oct. 5 Cal Cup Juvenile Fillies on the Oak Tree synthetic, then switched to the lawn and was a solid fourth in the Oct. 24 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. She was even-money with the return to the state-bred ranks. Saucey Evening trailed early, but edged closer on the turn and unleashed a strong late run that carried her to a decisive score.

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NEW TRACK RECORD	
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EDDIE LOGAN S., \$78,070, SAX, 12-27, 2yo, 1mT, 1:36 3/5, gd.

1--**FLASHMANS PAPERS (GB)**, 118, c, 2,

Exceed And Excel (Aus)--Franglais (Ger), by **Lion Cavern**. (30,000gns HRA '06 TATDEC; 38,000gns yrl '07 DONAUG). O-Dennis O'Neill; B-Cliveden Stud Ltd (GB); T-Doug F O'Neill; J-Rafael Bejarano; \$45,870. Lifetime Record: SW-GB, 11-3-0-2, \$150,016.

2--**Kelly Leak**, 116, c, 2, Runaway Groom--Hasty Appeal, by World Appeal. (\$29,000 yrl '07 OBSAUG; \$110,000 2yo '08 OBSMAR). O-Blahut Racing LLC, Dennis Avila, Dave Johnson, et al. \$15,290.

3--**Congor Bay**, 118, c, 2, **Speightstown**--Pico Teneriffe, by Red Ransom. O-Melnyk Racing Stables. \$9,174. Margins: HF, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 6.10, 1.70, 8.40.

Flashmans Papers made it two-for-two on the West Coast with this determined score, but the race was marred by a spill. Back At You (Stormy Atlantic), making his turf bow off a maiden win on the Hollywood Cushion Nov. 15, went to the front and still seemed in control when they turned for home, but shied at the top of the lane and fell after attempting to jump the inside rail. The colt was vanned off the track with what appeared to be just minor cuts and abrasions. Jockey Garrett Gomez was placed on a backboard and taken to Arcadia Methodist Hospital, but was moving all his extremities. Flashmans Papers, a listed winner in Britain, was off the board in his last four European outings, and failed to factor in two tries on the Polytrack at Keeneland. The bay shipped west after running last in an allowance at the Lexington track Oct. 18. A well-backed 2-1 in an optional claimer on the turf at Hollywood Dec. 4, he led all the way to win by a nose over Kelly Leak, and was able to hold off that rival again. Rated just off the pace set by Back At You, he inherited the lead when that one fell, and turned back the late bid of Kelly Leak. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

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3rd-CRC (Msw) Zoi Zoi (Seeking the Gold) rates "TDN Rising Star" status with this eight-length score.

5th-CRC (Msw) Brady Baby (Gone West) airs in his belated debut.

3rd-SA (Msw) Firster Temple City (Dynaformer) gallops home a popular winner.

Holiday Cheer S. (11th-TP) Officer Rocket (GB) (Officer) closes from the rail to get the win.

4th-SAX, \$64,200, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$125,000), NW1\$SR6M, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35 2/5, gd.

1--**MATTO MONDO (CHI)**, 117, c, 4, **Sir Cat--Muy Euforica (Chi)**, by **Sadlers Congress (Ire)**. O-Yatse Stables I; B-Haras El Sheik (CHI); T-Richard E Mandella. Lifetime Record: MG1SW-Chi, 10-5-1-1, \$118,916.

2--**Mr Napper Tandy (GB)**, 117, c, 4, Bahamian Bounty (GB)--Starfleet (GB), by Inchinor (GB). (22,000gns wlng '04 TATDEC; 60,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT).

3--**Monterey Jazz**, 121, c, 4, Thunderello--Reefside, by Dynaformer. (\$85,000 2yo '06 OBSAPR). Margins: 1 1/4, NO, 1 1/4. Odds: 13.20, 6.60, 1.30.

Matto Mondo capped off his juvenile season with a 16-length score over Group 1 company at Club Hippico in Chile in June of 2007, and opened his sophomore campaign with a 4 1/4-length victory in the G1 Chilean 2000 Guineas that August. The dark bay failed to see out 10 panels in his final South American appearance, running seventh in a Group 1 last October, then headed north. Out of action for nearly a year, he finally made his U.S. bow in the Sept. 24 Gill Morvich H. going down the hill during the Oak Tree meet, fading to ninth. The four-year-old had the lead when they hit the eighth pole in the Oct. 12 Lure S. at a mile, but ran out of gas and finished eighth. He improved to be third in an allowance test going 1 1/16 miles on the turf at Golden Gate Nov. 21. That did little to impress the Santa Anita faithful, however, and Matto Mondo was off at double-digit odds here. Jockey Mike Smith sent the colt right to the front, and he held on gamely to the wire.

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2nd-SAX, \$48,220, Msw, 2yo, f, a6 1/2fT, 1:14 4/5, gd.

+ **READY STEADY GONE (f, 2, More Than Ready--Santa's Lady, by Silver Ghost)**, a \$45,000 OBSAPR juvenile, was a 6-1 shot in her first try. Outrun early, she closed three wide when they straightened for home to hit the wire 3/4 of a length to the good of favored Third Dawn (Sky Mesa). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,000. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Gary & Cecil Barber. B-Kidder, Cole & Hunter (KY). T-Peter Miller.

3rd-SAX, \$45,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15 1/5, ft.

+ **TEMPLE CITY (c, 3, Dynaformer--Curriculum, by Danzig)** had been working sharply, including a bullet six-panel trial in 1:10 3/5 Dec. 12, and was bet accordingly. The 6-5 chalk was last of five after an opening half in :44.32, charged at the leaders from the outside down the lane. He drifted in late, but took over in the final eighth and drew away to a two-length tally. King of California (Gone West) got up to get second by a nose. Juddmonte homebred Eagle Strike (Storm Cat) was scratched. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,000.

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O/B-B Wayne Hughes (KY). T-Carla Gaines.



So. Cal Report cont.

First-Time Starter Makes His Point at Santa Anita:

Juvenile **Point Encounter** (Point Given), tabbed as a ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ following a sharp debut victory at Santa Anita on opening day, has exited that effort no worse for the wear, according to trainer Carla Gaines. "I don't really know," Gaines said when asked if he would go through his conditions. "We haven't really mapped out a plan for him just yet. We're going to take our time with him." Jockey Mike Smith was aboard the colt, who is owned and bred by the Kentucky West Racing stable of Patrick O'Keefe of St. Charles, Idaho. "The nice thing was, he was as good in the afternoon as he was in the morning," Smith said of Point Encounter, who earned a 94 Beyer Speed Figure Friday. "He was aggressive in the morning, so to run that quick [1:14.81] first time out is pretty impressive. I liked the way he galloped out. It looks like he'll go long and hopefully he will. We'll see what happens. He broke good, like he does in the morning, so I wasn't surprised, but I was kind of hoping someone would outfoot him, but he's just too quick."

★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

FURL SAIL H., \$60,000, FGX, 12-27, 3yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:45 2/5, fm.

1--**STORMY WEST**, 122, f, 4, [Gone West](#)--**Storm Beauty** (MSW, \$178,164), by **Storm Cat**. (\$500,000 yrl '05 KEESEP). O-Diane & Guy B Snowden; B-Robert & Beverly Lewis (KY); T-William I Mott; J-Patrick A Valenzuela; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 19-6-5-1, \$328,653. *1/2 to Renaissance Lady (A.P. Indy), GSP, \$132,050.

2--**Shytoe Lafleet**, 121, m, 5, King of Kings (Ire)--**Hightshift**, by St. Jovite. O-John L Wiczorek. \$12,000.

3--**Nans Joy (Ire)**, 118, f, 4, In the Wings (GB)--**True Joy (Ire)**, by Zilzal. O-Swettenham Stud. \$6,600. Margins: 3/4, 5, 3. Odds: 3.30, 5.50, 4.90.

First or second in four of her first six starts this term, Stormy West captured the Caress S. at Belmont in June and came back two starts later to be runner-up by 3/4 of a length in the Sept. 5 Positive Gal S. at the Long Island oval. The dark bay was a bit overmatched when fifth behind subsequent GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf heroine Forever Together (Belong to Me) in the Oct. 3 GI First Lady S. at Keeneland, but rebounded with a win in the Nov. 14 Blushing KD S. in the slop at Fair Grounds. She was the slight choice to repeat. Stormy West broke through the gate before the start, but shook off that incident and rated in fifth for six furlongs. She collared Shytoe Lafleet when they hit midstretch and prevailed in a hard-fought final furlong. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

HOLIDAY CHEER S., \$50,000, TPX, 12-27, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:11 2/5, ft.

1--**OFFICER ROCKET** (GB), 118, c, 4, [Officer](#)--**Ocean View** (MGISP, \$154,846), by **Gone West**. (40,000gns wlng '04 TATDEC; \$190,000 2yo '06 OBSMAR). O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey; B-J Chaplin (GB); T-Michael J Maker; J-Orlando Mojica; \$28,830. Lifetime Record: GSW, 22-6-6-2, \$371,783.

2--**Rouse the Cat**, 124, g, 4, Sir Cat--Crouse Mill, by Strike Gold. \$9,300.

3--**Golden Country**, 121, c, 3, Menifee--Sweet Sierra, by Crafty Prospector. \$4,650.

Margins: 1, NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 4.80, 2.00, 10.40.

Winner of the 2006 Gill Arlington-Washington Futurity, Officer Rocket was second in the Don Bernhardt S. at Ellis Park July 19 and third in the Governors' H. at the Henderson oval Aug. 9. Entered for the tag in an \$80,000 optional claimer at Churchill Nov. 22, he was a slow-starting fourth and was haltered by these shrewd connections. Equipped with blinkers for the first time, Officer Rocket remained glued to the rail to the stretch, responded when set down by Orlando Mojica and closed with a rush up the fence to score. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

10th-FGX, \$44,000, Alw, NW1X, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. **ON THE MENU** (f, 2, [Canadian Frontier](#)--**Don't Trick Her**, by **Mazel Trick**) made good on even-money favoritism to score by a half-length at first asking at Delaware Park Aug. 24, but was last seen finishing a well-beaten seventh in the GII Matron S. at Belmont Park Sept. 13. With a bullet five-eighths in tow, the bay was sent off the 4-1 third choice behind favored Heart Ashley (Lion Heart). Forwardly placed three wide, the \$40,000 KEENOV weanling and \$75,000 KEESEP yearling took command in upper stretch and powered home 7 1/4 lengths better than Heart Ashley. He becomes the eighth winner for his freshman sire (by Elsuive Quality). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$51,650. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O/B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-J Larry Jones.

3rd-FGX, \$42,000, Msw, 2yo, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 2/5, fm. **PROTEUS** (g, 2, [Canadian Frontier](#)--**Judy E F**, by **Wolf Power** {SAf}) carried a \$25,000 tag when he made his debut in the slop at Fair Grounds Nov. 29 and finished fourth. He was a 24-1 outsider trying turf this time. Always prominent, the grey gelding grabbed the lead at midstretch and pulled away to win by 5 1/4 lengths over Persian (Peace Rules). Victory Lane (Giant's Causeway), the 5-2 chalk, saved ground to no avail and ran sixth. A \$3,500 KEESEP yearling and \$32,000 EVAMAR juvenile, Proteus becomes the seventh winner for his freshman sire (by Gone West). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$26,400. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Perform Stables Inc. B-Equus Farm (KY). T-Carl J Woodley.



Central Report cont.

12th-TPX, \$22,180, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:12 4/5, ft. + ALICE'S SMART (f, 2, [Smart Strike](#)--Darling Alice {SW & MGSP, \$184,766}, by Northern Flagship) closed from third to grab the lead in the stretch, then outgamed Tacky Cat (Tactical Cat) to win by a head at 5-2 odds. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,730. O/B-J Yawitz & G L Zwerling, LLC (KY). T-G Arnold II.

★ WEST ★

Yesterday's Results:

ARIZONA JUVENILE FILLIES S., \$50,000, TUP, 12-27, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5, ft.

1--CARLSBAD, 122, f, 2, Rocky Bar--Kits Peak (MSW, \$167,224), by Pine Bluff. O/B-Dennis E Weir (AZ); T-Kevin Lewis; J-Daniel P Vergara; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$64,126. *3/4 to Staten Island (In Excess {Ire}), MSW, \$132,887.

2--Shamus On Me, 117, f, 2, Seattle Shamus--Cascade Dancer, by Sovereign Dancer. (\$10,000 yrl '07 WASEP). \$10,000.

3--Keyless, 115, f, 2, Top Hit--O'Hara, by Society Max. \$5,000.

Margins: 19, 6, 1 3/4. Odds: 0.05, 5.30, 12.40.

Carlsbad is quickly developing a local following after three impressive wins. The dark bay filly broke her maiden by 4 1/4 lengths over this track Oct. 15 and added a 14 1/4-length romp in the Arizona Fillies Breeders' Futurity Nov. 29. The 1-20 choice to make it three in a row, she made all the pace and was hand ridden to her easiest score to date.

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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)

BOWMAN'S BAND (Dixieland Band), Lane's End, \$6K, 55/7/1 3-PHA, Msw, 6f, Cowgirlinthesand, 10-1

CAPTAIN RED (Mr. Greeley), Saratoga Glen, \$3K, 11/1/0 2-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Capitan Rojo, 10-1

CHAPEL ROYAL (Montbrook), Ashford, \$10K, 173/36/0 4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Coronation Day, \$43K SAR AUG yrl

CITY PLACE (Storm Cat), Hartley, 45/7/0

3-SA, Alw, 6 1/2f, Gato Go Win, \$145K BAR MAY 2yo

COCKY (Valiant Nature), Godstone Farm, \$2K, 5/0/0

3-PHA, Msw, 6f, Happy Song, 15-1

CUVEE (Carson City), Gainesway, \$10K, 115/18/1

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Boogie Red, 12-1

DOMESTIC DISPUTE (Unbridled's Song), Northview, \$5K, 71/8/0

2-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Legal Code, 10-1

EVEN THE SCORE (Unbridled's Song), Millennium, \$9K, 80/14/2

8-TP, Aoc, 6f, Uneven

GARNERED (Holy Bull), Naylee, \$3K, 22/2/0

1-CT, Msw, 7f, +Quackgoestheducky, 4-1

GIMMEAWINK (Elusive Quality), Hidden Point, \$5K, 60/11/0

8-CRC, Str, 7f, Gimmethemoney

GREAT NOTION (Elusive Quality), Northview, \$4K, 38/4/1

8-TP, Aoc, 6f, Cherubini

LION HEART (Tale of the Cat), Ashford, \$30K, 181/32/3

6-AQU, Msw, 6f, Purrfect Bluff, \$100K ESM AY 2yo

PROMISSORY (A.P. Indy), Camelot, \$1K, 16/0/0

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Lola's Surprise, \$5K LOU OCT yrl, 30-1

READ THE FOOTNOTES (Smoke Glacken), Sequel New York, \$9K, 54/11/1

6-AQU, Msw, 6f, Pleasant Ballerina, \$30K OBS AUG yrl

SOTO (Dehere), Walmac, \$8K, 40/7/2

8-TP, Aoc, 6f, O'Sotopretty, \$13K KEE SEP yrl

SPEIGHTSTOWN (Gone West), WinStar, \$40K, 100/17/2

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Miss Mary K, \$320K KEE APR 2yo, 10-1

STRONG HOPE (Grand Slam), Claiborne, \$30K, 90/8/0

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Holler, 12-1

TETON FOREST (Forestry), Spendthrift, \$5K, 41/5/0

3-SA, Alw, 6 1/2f, Smokey Lonesome, \$55K KEE SEP yrl

VALID REPRIZED (Reprized), D&B, 7/0/0

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Valid Supreme, \$4K OBS AUG yrl, 8-1

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Sunday, Dec. 28

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

CACTUS RIDGE (Hennessy), Walmac, \$7K, 138/55/1

3-PHA, Msw, 6f, +Miss Bewitched, 12-1

FALBRAV (IRE) (Fairy King), 163/35/0

4-SA, Stk, 1mT, April Pride (GB), \$53K GFS MAY 2yo

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 170/81/6

3-PHA, Msw, 6f, +Holiday Chills, \$70K EAS DEC wnl, 5-1

INDY KING (A.P. Indy), Adena South, \$2K, 59/12/1

6-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Royal Vessel, \$12K ADS SPR 2yo

PROUD CITIZEN (Gone West), Airdrie, \$13K, 210/69/4

3-PHA, Msw, 6f, +Holdontoyourdream, \$25K ESM AY 2yo, 9-2

VAN NISTELROOY (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$8K, 200/70/9

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Hudson Parker, \$35K OBS JUN 2yo

WISEMAN'S FERRY (Hennessy), Castleton Lyons, \$5K, 126/45/2

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Smarty Karakorum, \$15K FTN OPN yrl

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IN DUBAI:

Plavius, c, 3, [Danzig](#)--Sharp Minister, by Deputy Minister. Nad al Sheba, 12-26, Hcp., 1600m, 1:38.10.

O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Mohammed al Maktoum;

B-Monticule; T-Abdulla bin Huzaim. *\$9,200,000 yrl

'06 KEESEP. **Full to Dijeerr, GSW-Eng, SP-UAE,

\$231,403; and half to Sharp Writer (Capote), MSW &

GSP, \$212,449.



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IN DUBAI:

I Am the Best (GB), c, 2, **King's Best**--Needles and Pins (Ire) (SW-Eng, GSP-Fr), by Fasliyev. Nad al Sheba, 12-26, Cond., 1400m, 1:25. O-Hamad M Kadfoor Abdullah Al Mehairi; B-D G Hardisty Bloodstock; T-Ali Rashid al Raihe. *37,000gns yrl '07 DONAUG.

Ekhtiaar (GB), g, 4, **Elmaamul**--Divina Mia (GB), by Dowsing. Nad al Sheba, 12-26, Hcp., 1200m, 1:11.26. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Mrs M L Parry & P M Steele-Mortimer; T-Ali Rashid al Raihe. *1/2 to Antediluvian (GB) (Air Express {Ire}), SW-Eng. **33,000gns wnlg '04 TATDEC; 85,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT.

Morghim (Ire), h, 5, **Machiavellian**--Saleela, by Nureyev. Nad al Sheba, 12-26, Hcp., 2000m, 2:04.56. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd; T-Erwan Charpy. *SP-Eng.

Dahteer (Ire), g, 6, **Bachir (Ire)**--Reematna (GB), by Sabrehill. Nad al Sheba, 12-26, Hcp., 1800m, 1:51.86. O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Dhruba Selvaratnam.

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Yesterday's Results:

RADIO NIKKEI HAI NISAI S.-JRA (Listed), ¥61,650,000, Hanshin, 12-27, 2yo, 2000mT, 2:01.70, fm.

1--**#LOGI UNIVERSE (Jpn)**, 121, c, 2, by Neo Universe (Jpn)

1st Dam: **Acoustics (Jpn)**, by Cape Cross (Ire)

2nd Dam: **Soninke (GB)**, by Machiavellian

3rd Dam: **Sonic Lady**, by Nureyev

O-Masaaki Kumeta; B-Northern Farm; T-Kiyoshi Hagiwara; J-Norihiro Yokoyama; ¥32,455,000. Life time Record: 3-3-0-0. **Werk Nick Rating: A.** Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Reach the Crown (Jpn)**, 121, c, 2, Special Week (Jpn)--Crownpiece (Jpn), by Seattle Slew.

O-Hiroyoshi Usuda; B-Shadai Farm; ¥13,130,000.

3--**Trionfare (Jpn)**, 121, c, 2, Special Week (Jpn)--Curly Angel (Jpn), by Judge Angelucci. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; ¥8,065,000.

Margins: 4, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 4.80, 0.30, 33.10.

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STAKES RESULTS:

LOST IN THE FOG JUVENILE S., \$50,000, TUP, 12-27, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:16 4/5, ft.

1--**#HIDDEN BOUNTY**, 118, g, 2, **Hidden City**--**Seafaring**, by **Pirate's Bounty**. (\$8,000 yrl '07 ARZOCT). O-Wire To Wire LLC; B-Robert P & Margaret A Conner (AZ); T-Ken S Brown; J-Wilson Omar Dieguez; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 7-4-2-1, \$88,843.

2--**Just Jebicah**, 118, g, 2, **Full Mandate**--Starship Heaven, by Helmsman. (\$20,000 yrl '07 ARZOCT; \$15,000 yrl '07 OBSAUG). \$10,000.

3--**Spectaculartop**, 115, c, 2, **Old Topper**--**Spectacularcee**, by Cee's Tizzy. \$5,000.

Margins: 7, NK, NO. Odds: 2.30, 8.00, 34.00.

KACHINA H., \$50,000, TUP, 12-27, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 1/5, ft.

1--**#CZECHERS**, 119, f, 3, **Indian Charlie**--**Pine Rob**, by **Pine Bluff**. (\$5,500 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$27,000 yrl '06 KEESSEP; \$160,000 2yo '07 BESMAR). O-Allen & Susan Branch; B-Scott Goldsher (KY); T-Mark Glatt; J-Stephan Heiler; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 12-4-0-3, \$168,619.

2--**Star of Whitney**, 121, m, 5, **Bernstein**--Miss Green Star, by Risen Star. \$10,000.

3--**She's Sensational**, 120, f, 4, **Point Given**--Blushing Issue, by Blushing John. (\$115,000 2yo '06 BESMAR). \$5,000.

Margins: 1HF, HF, 4 1/4. Odds: 3.10, 5.10, 1.10.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-FGX, \$48,900, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW3X, 3yo/up, a5 1/2fT, 1:04 2/5, fm.

KILLING ME (g, 5, Honour and Glory--**Wise and Happy {MSP, \$103,558}**, by **Exuberant**) Lifetime Record: SW, 19-5-3-1, \$178,956. O/B-Earl & Keith Hernandez (LA). T-Frank Leggio.

6th-AQU, \$44,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:44 4/5, my.

RODEO HAND (g, 5, Vision and Verse--**Senorita Constanza**, by **His Majesty**) Lifetime Record: 18-2-4-2, \$108,374. O-WinStar Farm LLC. B-John R Michelotti (NY). T-Bob G Dunham. *\$45,000 yrl '04 FTNAUG.

7th-AQU, \$43,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11, gd. **JANUARY GENT (g, 3, Wiseman's Ferry**--**January Angel**, by **Carson City**) Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$61,000. O-Wesley A Ward. B-Lois Engel (NY). T-Richard E Dutrow Jr. *\$12,000 yrl '06 FTMOCT; \$32,000 2yo '07 OBSAPR.

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4th-DED, \$35,000, 12-26, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:21 2/5, ft.

SENIOR GOLD (g, 3, Gold Tribute--Smooth Seniorita {MSP, \$217,470}, by Pancho Villa) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-3, \$48,900. O/B-Riceland Racing Stables LLC (LA). T-Enis Mouton.

10th-SUN, \$32,500, 12-26, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12, ft.

S L R LONESOMEDOVE (f, 3, Mr. Groush--Miss Special Style, by Majestic Style) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$26,100. O/T-Jack Rumsey. B-Western Livestock LLC (NM).

6th-LRL, \$32,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000-\$20,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38, ft.

TORPEDO RUN (g, 3, Langfuhr--Pure Red {SW}, by Thirty Six Red) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-3, \$65,600. O-Stonach Stables. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Gary Capuano. *\$37,000 2yo '07 ADNMAR.

4th-LRL, \$30,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW1X, 2yo, 7f, 1:24, ft.

ROCK ON JUSTIN (g, 2, Rock Slide--Hyatt Road, by Allen's Prospect) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$34,800. O/B-Non Stop Stable (MD). T-Gary Capuano.

8th-CTX, \$29,000, 12-26, NW3LX, 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51 4/5, sy.

TRUE EXCHANGE (g, 3, Exchange Rate--True Rose {MSP, \$143,555}, by Brunswick) Lifetime Record: 14-3-4-2, \$93,740. O-Hubert Vester. B-Anthony E Guida (KY). T-W Robert Bailes. *\$45,000 yrl '06 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo '07 OBSMAR.

4th-HAW, \$28,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13 3/5, sy. CHURUBUSCO (g, 4, Deputy Commander--Social Pro {GSW, \$265,173}, by Distinctive Pro) Lifetime Record: 14-3-2-1, \$68,210. O-Mary Ann Calabrese & Earl Trostrud Jr. B-Keith Basso (KY). T-Michael L Reavis.

7th-HAW, \$28,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:52 1/5, sy.

EN TRANCE (m, 5, Tejano Run--Hypnosis, by Leo Castelli) Lifetime Record: 20-2-4-2, \$75,610. O-Nancy A Vanier. B-Mr & Mrs Harvey L Vanier (IL). T-Brian Williamson.

9th-TPX, \$24,120, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:48, ft.

PARK AT DARK (m, 5, Sky Classic--Bois D' Amour, by Woodman) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-2, \$83,330. O-Cobra Farm Inc. B-Cobra Farm (KY). T-Jeffrey D Thornbury.

8th-DED, \$24,000, 12-26, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 2/5, ft.

INSIDE STRIKE (g, 3, Smart Strike--Gallant Dancer, by Seattle Dancer) Lifetime Record: 15-2-2-1, \$38,260. O-Donald W Erickson. B-Steve Reich (KY). T-Amos Laborde. *\$17,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

5th-TAM, \$20,200, NW1X, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft.

R BROWN SUGAR (f, 2, Exchange Rate--Winlocs Sistermary, by Woodman) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-0, \$47,513. O-Richard N Averill. B-Harold J Plumley (FL). T-Kirk Ziadie. *\$50,000 yrl '07 OBSAUG; \$40,000 2yo '08 FTMMAY.

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Melodic Soul, f, 2, **Black Mambo**--Touching Melody, by Touch Gold. PEN, 12-26, 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). *\$25,000 2yo '08 FTMMAY. **10th winner for freshman sire (by Kingmambo).

Divi Divi, f, 2, **Captain Red**--Shesafortunatecat, by Sir Cat. CTX, 12-26, 7f, 1:28 2/5. B-Anthony Pylotis (NY). *First winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Greeley).

Bananafafana, f, 2, **Dow Jones U S**--I'm a Raisin, by Raise a Bid. FGX, 12-27, (S), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Lisa B Haydel (LA). *\$3,000 yrl '07 TEXAUG. **First winner for freshman sire (by Unbridled).

Sumo, c, 2, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Dyna Da Wyna (GSW, \$394,540), by Doc's Leader. LRL, 12-27, 1m, 1:39. B-Arthur Hancock (KY).

Glory Gold, f, 2, **Medaglia d'Oro**--Gayla, by Lord Gaylord. LRL, 12-27, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Dr Lance G Bell (NY). *18th winner for freshman sire (by El Prado {Ire}). **\$190,000 wlng '06 KEENOV. ***1/2 to Mocha Express (Java Gold), GSW, \$960,966; and Raving Rocket (Lil's Lad), MSW, \$228,824.

Rock Candy, f, 2, **Mineshaft**--Party Chatter, by Pleasant Colony. TAM, 12-27, 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5. B-W S Farish & Kilroy Thoroughbred Partnership (KY).

Singingwithangels, g, 2, **Omega Code**--Dream With Angels, by Saint Ballado. TAM, 12-27, 6f, 1:12. B-Robert & Mary Harris (FL). *\$20,000 wlng '06 OBSOCT; \$12,000 yrl '07 OBSAUG. **20th winner for freshman sire (by Elusive Quality).

Blue Diablo, f, 3, **Buddha**--Diablo River, by Diablo. TPX, 12-27, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:07 1/5. B-Jerry Little (KY).

Slickuno, g, 3, **Claudius**--Coralann, by Sunday Minister. SUN, 12-27, (S), 1m, 1:38 2/5. B-H Schofield (NM).

Satin Sweep, f, 3, **Out of Place**--Silent Sweep, by End Sweep. HAW, 12-27, (S), 6f, 1:15 1/5. B-Lamont H Nienast LLC (IL).

Cobbleys Jingle, f, 3, **Tom Cobbley**--P. C. Star, by Press Card. CTX, 12-26, (S), 7f, 1:31. B-Heidi Overfelt (WV).

Russian Queen, f, 3, **Zarbyev**--Russian Envoy, by Moscow Ballet. DED, 12-26, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:24 1/5. B-Foxwood Plantation Ltd (LA).

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IN CHILE:

Tilcara (Chi), f, 3, **Muqtarib**--Basteza, by Razor's Edge. Club Hipico de Santiago, 12-26, Mdn, 1000m.

O-Stud Jujuy; B-Haras Porta Pia; T-Ricardo Rojas.

Chico Ce (Chi), c, 3, **Muqtarib**--Island Tammy, by Tom Rolfe. Club Hípico de Santiago, 12-26, Mdn, 1000m. O-Stud Taulemu; B-Haras Sumaya; T-Rafael Bernal.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Triple Axel (Ire), f, 4, **Danehill Dancer (Ire)**--Across the Ice (SP-Fr), by General Holme. Southwell, Britain, 12-27, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-Forenaghts Stud. *38,000gns yrl '05 TATDEC; 3,000gns HIT '08 TATDEC. **1/2 to Timote (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), SW & GSP-Ire.

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