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STORM CAT FILLY MAKES HISTORY AT BARRETTS

A chestnut filly by Storm Cat--In Neon (Ack Ack) made history during yesterday's first session of the 1996 Barretts March Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training when she brought a final bid of \$900,000, making her the highest-priced unraced two-year-old filly ever to sell at auction. Consigned by Kip Elser's Kirkwood Stables, agent, the half-sister to MGSW and \$807,200-earner Star Recruit (Al Nasr {Fr}) was purchased by The Thoroughbred Corp.'s Ahmed Salman. "She will be sent to trainer D. Wayne Lukas," Salman said. "She was a 10. I've never seen a horse like that. She is really outstanding. We've been fortunate to have some outstanding horses here and in Europe, but I've never seen one like her. I was going to go higher. Dick Mulhall, our general manager, loved her and I loved her too." The filly worked an eighth of a mile in :10.44 during the sale's training preview Monday. The Thoroughbred Corp. also purchased Gold Sequence, a bay colt by Seattle Slew--La Lupe, for \$600,000; Gold Sequence will stay in the U.S. to race and will be trained by Charlie Whittingham. Trainer D. Wayne Lukas, acting as agent for owners Robert and Beverly Lewis, purchased the day's second highest-priced colt at \$750,000, a gray or roan by Relaunch--Screened (Alydar). Lukas said, "He had the conformation of a two-year-old and a fast horse, but his pedigree says he'll run on. He impressed me as a horse who might get two turns also, and I'm doing pretty well with a Relaunch right now." Also commanding attention was a dark bay colt by Danzig--Secrettame. The bidding on the half-brother to Gone West reached \$1,025,000, which was short of the reserve set by owner Ernie Paragallo, who had purchased him for \$450,000 at the 1995 Keeneland July Yearling Sale. Just before bidding on the colt began, it was announced that X-rays taken Tuesday morning revealed he has a small chip in his right front ankle. Paragallo plans to keep the colt to race, but said he has not yet decided who will train him.

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STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 6:

- 3-13 \$200,000g *Bonnie Miss-Gil*, GP, 3yo, f, 8.5f (\$250)
 3-15 \$75/\$75a *Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup Sprint Championship*, GP, 3yo/up, 7f (\$100)
 3-16 \$100,000g *John Battaglia Mem'l*, TP, 3yo, 8.5f (\$100)
 3-17 \$250,000a *San Felipe S.-GII*, SA, 3yo, 8.5f (\$100)



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TOP SIX BARRETTS COLTS--TUESDAY

HIP#	SIRE	DAM	PRICE
113	Storm Cat	Paris Opera	\$825,000 (\$110,000 yrlg '95 KEEJUL)
Consigned by Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds. Purchased by Hiroshi Fujita.			
142	Relaunch	Screened	\$750,000 (\$160,000 yrlg '95 FTSAUG)
Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent for Bailey-Ellenber Select. Purchased by D. Wayne Lukas, agent for Robert and Beverly Lewis.			
86	Caerleon	Milligram (GB)	\$700,000
Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent VIII. Purchased by D. Wayne Lukas.			
64	Seattle Slew	La Lupe	\$600,000
Consigned by Rollin W. Baugh, agent for Howard B. Keck (a complete dispersal). Purchased by The Thoroughbred Corp.			
111	Mr. Prospector	Oscillate	\$600,000
Consigned by Rollin W. Baugh, agent for Howard B. Keck (a complete dispersal). Purchased by Hiroshi Fujita.			
162	Seattle Slew	Sophisticated Girl	\$600,000 (\$280,000 yrlg '95 KEEJUL)
Consigned by Kirkwood Stables, agent. Purchased by Hiroshi Fujita.			

TOP FIVE BARRETTS FILLIES--TUESDAY

HIP#	SIRE	DAM	PRICE
47	Storm Cat	In Neon	\$900,000 (\$82,000 wnlg '94 FTKNOV; \$205,000 yrlg '95 FTSAUG)
Consigned by Kirkwood Stables, agent. Purchased by The Thoroughbred Corp.			
118	Storm Bird	Piling Up	\$525,000 (\$175,000 yrlg '95 KEESEP)
Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock Inc., agent. Purchased by B. Wayne Hughes.			
114	Nureyev	Part Time Lover	\$400,000 (\$180,000 yrlg '95 KEESEP)
Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent X. Purchased by Demi O'Byrne.			
10	Black Tie Affair (Ire)	Fairly Old	\$300,000 (\$95,000 yrlg '95 KEESEP)
Consigned by The Kindergarten Farm, agent. Purchased by Silky Green, Inc.			
83	Capote	Maytide	\$225,000 (\$60,000 yrlg '95 KEESEP)
Consigned by Kirkwood Stables, agent for Lanesborough Stable. Purchased by Ben Walden Jr. & T.F. Van Meter.			



BARRETT'S CONTINUED Overall, there were 96 two-year-olds sold yesterday for a gross of \$19,530,000 and an average of \$203,438, up 40.6 percent from last year's first session average of \$144,689. Tuesday's median price of \$150,000 represented a 57.9 percent increase from last year's \$95,000. There were 58 horses reported as not sold, with another 23 withdrawn from the sale. The sale's second and final session will take place tonight at 7 p.m. at Fairplex in Pomona, California.

DUBAI PREPS Annus Mirabilis (Fr) (Warning {GB}) will make his Dubai debut Sunday in a one-mile race at Nad Al Sheba Racecourse. The Godolphin-owned four-year-old, formerly trained by Michael Stoute, was second in last year's G2 Dante S. in England and G1 Prix Jean Prat in France. Simon Crisford, racing manager for Godolphin, was upbeat about **Halling's** (Diesis {GB}) winning performance over the full Dubai World Cup course and distance of 10 furlongs Sunday. Crisford said, "He has come out of that race in great shape." Trainer Geoff Wragg was delighted with **Pentire** (GB)'s (Be My Guest) work Monday at Nad Al Sheba. Wragg's World Cup hopeful won last year's G1 Champion S. in Ireland and the trainer reported, "Pentire is in good form. I am very pleased with the way things have gone since we sent him (to Dubai) and he looks very well. He did some good work while I was there and, even though the track was a bit deeper than the last time I went, he handled it with no difficulty." The latest British betting on the March 27 Dubai World Cup lists **Cigar** (Palace Music) at 4-6, **Halling** at 3-1, **Pentire** at 8-1 and **Annus Mirabilis** at 10-1.

STALLION INVESTIGATION WIDENS An investigation that began with the sale of five stallions in France has been expanded to include 11 horses. Three men -- agents Alain Decrion and Crispin de Moubray and former chairman of the French Breeders' Association Michel Henochsberg -- have been charged with fraud offenses and are in police custody. The probe originally investigated an estimated \$380,000 more than the vendors' asking price charged to France's National Studs on the sale of the five stallions. The investigation has expanded and now involves British officials.

FOALING NEWS:

ZAFFERA, 6, Alleged--Caledon Minstrel (The Minstrel) Foal born 2-28-96, a colt by Storm Bird. Will be bred back to Thunder Gulch. Owned by Gary Mottola. Boarded at Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Ky. Accomplishments: SW & G1SP-Ity; first foal.

JAKLIN KLUGMAN DEAD Jaklin Klugman (Orbit Ruler), winner of 10 of 19 starts and \$478,878, died Saturday of a ruptured artery. The 19-year-old gray stallion, victorious in the GII California Derby, GII Jerome H. and GIII Hawthorne Derby in 1980, stood at El Rancho de Jaklin in Temecula, California. He was bred and raced by actor Jack Klugman and John Dominguez, and sired the earners of over \$4.8 million. His progeny include graded stakes-winner Best Dress and multiple stakes-winners I'ma Game Master, Estrella Blanca and Shu Biz Annie.

◆ PREVIEW ◆

Saturday, Gulfstream Park:

PAN AMERICAN H.-GII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT

Awad (Caveat) worked a half-mile Tuesday morning in preparation for his second start of the year in Saturday's Pan American H. Trainer David Donk clocked his runner in :47 3/5. "The track was quite a bit faster this morning," Donk admitted. "So those numbers might be a little deceiving." Awad made his 1996 debut Feb. 17 in the Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H, finishing fourth. Donk said, "He ran very well last time; it was a very competitive race." As for the six-year-old's chances to successfully defend his Pan American title, Donk said, "I wish there was a little more speed in the race. His best races have come when he has a little more of a pace. There is **Northern Spur** (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). And **Broadway Flyer** (Theatrical {Ire}) -- hopefully he'll keep him honest."

◆ EAST ◆

Local News, Tampa Bay Downs:

A new record daily handle at Tampa Bay Downs was set Tuesday when \$2,473,443 was wagered on the 10-race card. The new figure reflects a network of simulcast outlets carrying the Tampa Bay Downs signal throughout the country and surpasses the old record of \$2,243,717 set Jan. 16. "The new record is a tribute to the competitiveness of horses who run here and to the hard work of owners, trainers and employees who work at the track," said John Grady, vice president and general manager of Tampa Bay Downs.

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◆ FLORIDA ◆

Today, Gulfstream Park:

HERECOMESTHEBRIDE S., \$50,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT

The field of 10, in post position order, is as follows:

Ms. Mostly (Copelan), Sellers; **Like a Hawk** (Silver Hawk), Smith; **Private Dancer** (Seattle Dancer), Hosang; **Vashon** (Seattle Dancer), Krone; **Platinum Blonde** (Silver Hawk), Davis; **Cymbala (Fr)** (Assert {Ire}), Day; **Rebecca Mae** (Tridessus), Santos; **Little Bold Belle** (Silver Buck), Coa; **Illume** (Alwuhush), Lopez; **Lulu's Ransom** (Red Ransom), Bailey.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Local News, Arkansas:

Pineing Patty (Country Pine), winner of last year's GII Pennsylvania Derby, Calder Derby and Omaha Gold Cup, will stand his first season at stud in 1996 at owner W.C. Partee's Grayrock Farm in Hot Springs, Arkansas. The four-year-old, who won six of 13 starts for earnings of \$473,502, will stand for a 1996 fee of \$1,000 live foal.

Local News, Kentucky:

Mr. and Mrs. Ben P. Walden Jr.'s Vinery announced Monday that stakes-winner **A Status Symbol** (Exclusive Native), the first mare bred to 1994 British 2000 Guineas (G1) winner **Mister Baileys** (Robellino), has been scanned by ultrasound and determined to be in foal. "With this chapter closed, the potential offered by the brilliant miler Mister Baileys is unlimited," said Ben Walden Jr. Five-year-old Mister Baileys stands at Vinery in Midway, Kentucky for a 1996 fee of \$10,000 live foal.

◆ So. CALIFORNIA ◆

Today, Santa Anita Park:

THE WICKED NORTH S., \$70,000a, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

The field of seven, from the rail out, is as follows:

Goldigger's Dream (Native Prospector), McCarron; **Nonproductiveasset** (Stalwart), Nakatani; **Lykatill Hil** (Pilgrim), Pincay Jr.; **R Friar Tuck** (Religiously), Blanc; **Earth Colony** (Pleasant Colony), Douglas; **Dare And Go** (Alydar), Solis; **Pollock's Luck** (Polish Navy), Delahoussaye.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-PHA, \$21,112, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:48 1/5, ft. **AZTEC EMPRESS** (m, 6, Rex Imperator--Little Aztec, by Jacinto) Lifetime Record: 38-6-9-5, \$79,402. O-Dean M. Dellaloggia. B-William J. Solomon (PA). T-Richard A. Wasserman.

5th-PHA, \$19,050, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:43 4/5, ft. **MONA MORE** (f, 4, Iron--Menage a Trois {SP, \$102,956}, by Cyane) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$20,750. O-Londonderry Stable. B-Alison Farwell (PA). T-Michael J. Moran.

8th-PHA, \$16,350, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13, ft. **MAJESTIC PRINCESS** (f, 3, Majestic Venture--Quite Exceptional, by Martins Rullah) Lifetime Record: 8-2-5-0, \$35,000. O-Blue Streak Stable. B-William Niarakis Jr. & Dr. Stephen Sinatra (FL). T-Edward T. Allard.

9th-PHA, \$16,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5, ft. **LADY KNOCKOUT** (m, 5, Fight Over--Mavelous {MSP, \$159,288}, by Crozier) Lifetime Record: 19-7-2-0, \$43,700. O-Roger Cohn. B-R.C. Van Voorhees (FL). T-Guadalupe Preciado.

MAIDEN WINNER:

+ **Quoit a Flag**, g, 3, Waquoit--More Flags, by Mr. Prospector. PHA, 3-5, 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Mrs. Richard C. DuPont (Md).

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a + will denote winners who are first-time starters and an (S) will be used for state-bred races.

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DERBY HOPEFULS BY THE NUMBERS

By: Frank Carlson

If the Kentucky Derby were run tomorrow, which is a silly premise, because everyone knows it will be run the first Saturday in May. Anyway, it's my story, so say it's going to be run tomorrow. Based on the prep races run to date, who would win?

Assuming the horse that wins the Kentucky Derby has already gone two turns this year, and with the help of Mark Hopkins, who oversees the Beyer figures for the Racing Form, the winner would be **Cobra King** (Farma Way). The 107 Cobra King garnished in the Holy Bull Stakes (gr. III) on January 20 is enough to propel him under the wire first in the 122nd Kentucky Derby. But trainer Mike Puype, with permission from owner Betty Biszantz, has decided to only run the son of Farma Way once, possibly twice, before May 4. His next start will be in the 1 1/8 mile Florida Derby (gr. I) on March 16. If necessary, Cobra King will go in the Blue Grass (gr. II) on April 13 at Keeneland. The decision to run *only* one or two prep races could make Puype a hero or a goat...only time will tell.

Next in line, speed figuratively, is **Honour and Glory** (Relaunch). He ran a 103 in the seven furlong San Vicente (gr. III) on February 10, and then came back in the two turn one-mile San Rafael (gr. II) last Saturday at Santa Anita, and duplicated the 103 from his previous race. This is the left coast version of the Lukas-Tabor team that won two-thirds of last year's Triple Crown. Another Lukas trained colt, **Prince of Thieves** (Hansel), ran a 103 in the 1 1/16-mile Santa Catalina on February 4, at Santa Anita. The three-quarter brother to Timber Country is set to go in the San Felipe Stakes (gr. II) on March 17.

George Steinbrenner's **Diligence** (Miswaki) went two turns in a money allowance race to win by more than seven lengths on February 19 at Gulfstream. The Nick Zito trained colt pulled a 102 after notching a 96 in his first start as a three-year-old. Zito plans to start him in the 1 1/8-mile Unbridled, an overnight stakes, on Florida Derby day.

Built for Pleasure (Homebuilder) picked up a 99 for his winning effort, at 143-1, in the Fountain of Youth (gr. II) on February 24 at Gulfstream Park. But until this Florida-bred proves he really belongs in the field on May 4 he'll register a big question mark for many. Owner-trainer Tom Heard, Jr. plans to run his colt back in the Florida Derby. Finishing in the top three might turn some heads.

Last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I) winner **Unbridled's Song** (Unbridled) got the same 99 for his second place effort, a neck back, in the Fountain of Youth. The son of 1990 Kentucky Derby winner Unbridled was fractious in the paddock before his last

start and trainer Jim Ryerson said his charge would have to go back to school to learn better manners.

Another 99 in the group of contenders is **Skip Away** (Skip Trial), owned by trainer Sonny Hine's wife Carolyn. The offspring of Skip Trial bled in his first try as a sophomore and then ran a 99 around two turns in a troubled trip. No telling what kind of talent this one has if everything goes his way.

Talk about troubled trips, **Victory Speech** (Deputy Minister)'s saddle slipped out of the gate, he got banged around in the clubhouse turn and jockey Gary Stevens had trouble getting tied on with the slippery saddle. In spite of all that, Michael Tabor's Victory Speech finished third, a half-length behind the winner, in the Fountain of Youth and earned a 98. This is the right coast version of the Lukas-Tabor combination.

The Nick Zito-trained **Louis Quatorze** (Sovereign Dancer), who backed out of the Fountain of Youth (gr. II) to run in an allowance race a couple of days later, has a 97 off that race. Louis Quatorze is expected to go in the Florida Derby. Overbrook Farm's **Editor's Note** (Forty Niner) was a bigger problem in the paddock for the Fountain of Youth than Unbridled's Song. The D. Wayne Lukas-trained Editor's Note left a deep impression on one of the posts in the paddock. His 95 in that race was nine points below his 104 effort while running second to Cobra King in the Holy Bull. If Editor's Note bounced nine points could Cobra King do the same? Wait and see.

Willmot Stables **Ide** (Forty Niner) went in the Southwest Stakes (gr. III) at Oaklawn over the weekend. The Peter Vestal-trainee was life and death to win by a neck in the two turn mile. It was his first race as a three-year-old, so maybe he needed the run, but the 91 he generated was lacking.

Devil's Honor (Devil's Bag) has eleven races at seven tracks in his career. Racing at Remington Park in the Great West Stakes at the odd distance of 1-mile 70-yards this past Saturday, the gelded son of Devil's Bag put up an 89. Maybe if he stayed in one place for a while, he could develop a pattern. In past years the Beyer number needed to win the Kentucky Derby ranged between 104 and 118. So as you can see, only one horse could win the Derby if it was run tomorrow.

P.S. Don't go looking in your TV Guide for the Kentucky Derby listing; it isn't being run tomorrow.

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