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FINAL WORLD CUP PREPS **Pentire (GB)** (Be My Guest) had his final tune-up for the Dubai World Cup yesterday morning, going a half-mile with the final eighth clocked in :12.11. "He is spot-on," said trainer Geoffrey Wragg. "We were very pleased with his last peice of work." **Needle Gun (Ire)** (Sure Blade) also breezed a half-mile Monday; with jockey Brett Doyle in the saddle, the six-year-old went the first three-eighths in :39.99, but quickened sharply to finish up with a final furlong in :10.75. Trainer Bill Mott was satisfied by even-money favorite **Cigar's** (Palace Music) work Sunday evening, and said, "He had a good look at the lights and he moved very well." Added his jockey, Jerry Bailey, "He was kind of inquisitive and paid attention to the crowd, but he galloped out well. I felt like he was grabbing the bit at the end."

Danewin (Aus) (Danehill) had his final bit of work out of the starting gate Sunday night, going a half-mile in :48.37.

PEARL'S QUEST SUCCESS **Ridgewood Pearl (GB)** (Indian Ridge {Ire}), heroine of last year's Breeders' Cup Mile at Belmont Park, has been scanned in foal to the 1985 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Rainbow Quest. The brilliant filly, also successful in the Irish 1000 Guineas at The Curragh plus Longchamp's Prix du Moulin, was covered by the Newmarket-based stallion earlier this month and connections were delighted by the result of her tests, taken this weekend. Ridgewood Pearl, owned by Anne and Sean Coughlan and trained by John Oxx, is to be mated with Sadler's Wells next season.

JOLI'S SUMMER TAKES FIRST GRADED STEEPLECHASE Closing from well off the early pace of highweight **Cold Beauty** (Far North), **Joli's Summer** (Lejoi) and jockey Matt McCarron surged to the lead approaching the last fence and drew off to win the GIII \$30,000 Palmetto Federal Imperial Cup by two-and-a-half lengths at South Carolina's Aiken Steeplechase Saturday. Carrying 144 pounds, eight less than the top weight, the six-year-old, a half-brother to graded-stakes winner Pride Of Summer (Compliance) ran the two-and-a-quarter miles in 4:39; **Quadrireme** (Rousillon) finished second and **Flown (GB)** (Hotfoot {GB}) was third. The victory in American steeplechasing's first-ever graded event gave Jimmy Daly his first win as a trainer.

This Week's Triple Crown Preps Saturday, Turfway Park

JIM BEAM S.-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, 9f

Seven are definite and three are potential candidates for Saturday's Jim Beam. Trainer D. Wayne Lukas will send out the pair of **Victory Speech** (Deputy Minister) and **Dr. Caton** (Seattle Slew) in a bid for his second straight Jim Beam victory. Lukas, who saddled winning filly **Serena's Song** last year, sent probable favorite **Victory Speech** a sharp five furlongs at Churchill yesterday morning; the colt, third in the GII Fountain of Youth last out, went the distance in 1:00 3/5. Dr. Caton, who has just a maiden win to his credit, is scheduled to arrive from California today; jockey Jerry Bailey is expected to have the mount. **Roar** (Forty Niner), impressive taking the GIII Swale S. at Gulfstream in his most recent effort, worked at the Florida track Monday, going five-eighths in 1:03 2/5; he shipped out of Florida yesterday and should arrive at Turfway today. **Blushing Jim** (Blushing John), trained by two-time Kentucky Derby winner Nick Zito, was bedded down at Keeneland Sunday as part of Zito's 24-horse string. **Ensign Ray** (Blue Ensign), ninth in the GI Florida Derby in his latest, worked five furlongs in 1:02 2/5 at Calder Sunday and will van to Turfway, arriving Wednesday. Speaking of his effort in the Florida Derby, trainer Manny Tortora said, "It was mystifying. He never ran a lick after two solid performances. He came back okay after the race, making it harder to understand." **Best Secret** (Fiery Best), third in the OBS Championship S. last time he ran, left his Calder base Monday morning and was due at Turfway this morning. **Heza Gone West** (Gone West), scratched from Saturday's Remington Park Derby after his papers failed to arrive in time for the race, will fly into Louisville Thursday for the Jim Beam. Explaining the mix-up, trainer Randy Bradshaw said, "It's a complicated story, but basically his papers got hung up in a Federal Express shipment in Memphis." Also possible are **Tour's Big Red** (Tour d'Or), Canadian champion **Gomtuu** (Hail the Ruckus) and **Apak** (Opening Verse). **Triple Threats cont. p2**

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27:

4-5 \$125,000a **The Beaumont-GII, Kee,**
3yo, f, 7f (\$125)

4-6 \$200,000a **Potrero Grande Breeders'**
Cup H.-GIII, SA, 4yo/up, 6.5f (\$50)



**Triple Threats cont.****Saturday, Aqueduct****GOTHAM S.-GII**, \$200,000, 3yo, 1m

A field of up to 14 could go to the gate for the Gotham, headed by undefeated California invader **Tiger Talk** (Phone Trick). The colt entered stakes competition for the first time in his last, taking the Bolsa Chica S. at Santa Anita. He steps up another level trying a graded stakes. Also putting his perfect three-for-three record on the line is the Aqueduct-based **Romano Gucci** (Aaron's Concorde). The gelding stretches out after taking the GIII Best Turn S. "In all three of his races, he's been much the best," said his trainer, Dick Dutrow. "Now he's going a mile with stiffer competition. Does he have ability? Yes. Am I worried about the competition? No. But I don't think anyone can answer what he's going to do until the race is over." Also probable for the race are **Feather Box** (Cherokee Colony), **Firey Jennifer** (Tilt Up), **Gentle Inspiration** (Inspired Prospect), GII Hutcheson third **Gold Fever** (Forty Niner), Panama stakes winner **Javeriano** (Sewickley), **Silver Dollar Kids** (Meadowlake) and Maryland stakes winner **Viv** (Houston). Possible are **Snow Tower** (Irish Tower), **Stalwart Member** (Claramount), **Piggy** (Exclusive Gem), **Irish Conquest** (Conquistador Cielo) and **Influence Peddler** (Marfa).

Last Week's Triple Crown Contenders

In addition to the GII Rebel S., a trio of pre-Derby Derbies were held over the weekend, and the results have produced at least four who will continue on the Triple Crown trail. Picking up his seventh consecutive victory, **Ide** (Forty Niner) eked out a head victory in the Rebel at Oaklawn in his prep for the GII Arkansas Derby April 13. The colt's game performance prompted trainer Pete Vestal, a former boxer, to say, "Ide reminds me of Mickey Walker, a former fighter back in the 1930s. He's small, he's pretty and he fights like heck." **Blow Out** (Marfa), the Rebel runner-up could also be back for the Arkansas Derby. **Semoran** (Phone Trick), four-length winner of the \$300,000 Remington Park Derby, came out of the race in good order and will head next for either the Arkansas Derby or the GII Toyota Blue Grass, also April 13. **Devil's Honor** (Devil's Bag), third after a rough trip as the favorite at Remington, was slightly sore after the race but is expected to recover in time to try the Arkansas Derby. The gelding was off on his left hind, and veterinarian Rudy Garrison diagnosed a minor muscle strain which he did not expect would cause a training setback. **Halo Sunshine** (Halo) earned his first stakes score with 3 1/2-length win in the \$200,000 Golden State Derby, and now heads east for the Blue Grass. Plans for **Thundering Storm** (Storm Brewing), winner of the Tampa Bay Derby, are undecided.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Local News: Churchill Downs

Churchill Downs has unveiled a new World Wide Web site which contains information on the history and tradition wrapped up in the Kentucky Derby. Located at <http://www.kentuckyderby.com>, "Virtual Churchill" will also include news features, statistics, games, track facts and simulcast schedules. A special section aimed at serious handicappers, with entries, results, past performances, tip sheets, barn notes, feature race advances and recaps, will come on line in late April.

◆ EAST ◆

Yesterday's Results:

4th-LRL, \$17,150, Alw, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5, ft. **PALETTE KNIFE** (f, 3, Broad Brush--Dakkari, by Affirmed) broke her maiden at odds of 31-1 by 7 1/2 lengths February 24 but did not get by the crowd at Laurel second time around. This time bet down to even money, the bay had an even easier time of it, taking command after three furlongs and galloping away to a 10 1/2-length romp. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$19,380. O/B-Burning Daylight Farms, Inc. (VA). T-A A Ferris III.

Local News: Rockingham Park

Rockingham will treat racing fans to a morning program Wednesday which will feature the live simulcast of the \$4 million Dubai World Cup at 10:00 a.m. Gates will open at 9:00 a.m., and the World Cup will be followed by the full-card simulcast of the program from Suffolk Downs, with a special first post of 10:45 a.m.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Weekend Results:

FUJI TV SHO SPRING S.-G2-Jpn, \$997,529, Nakayama Racecourse, Japan, 3-24, 3yo, 9fT, 1:50.1, fm.
 1--**@BUBBLE GUM FELLOW (JPN)**, c, 3, Sunday Silence--Bubble Company (Fr), by Lyphard. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shadai Farm; T-Kazuo Fujisawa; J-Yukio Okabe; \$522,890. *Ch. 2yo colt-Jpn. ** 1/2 to Basiluzzo (Arctic Tern), MSW-Fr; Intimiste (Arctic Tern), MGSW-Fr, \$233,277.
 2--**Cheers Silence (Jpn)**, c, 3, Sunday Silence--Green Sumire (Jpn), by Northerly. \$211,863.
 3--**Cash Lavora (Jpn)**, c, 3, Russian Roubles--Elizabeth Joy, by Silver Shark. \$134,449.
 Margins: 1/2, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 1.50. 13.50, 34.80.

GAINESWAY

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**Three G-1 Winners in 5 Months**

Lear Fan is on fire. His mare WINDSHARP won the San Luis Rey Stakes to join colts LOUP SOLITAIRE and LABEED as recent G-1 winners.

Lear Fan, a son of Roberto, is a great value at \$17,500 live foal.



Foreign Report cont.

MAINICHI HAI-G3-Jpn, \$774,144, Hanshin Racecourse, Japan, 3-24, 3yo, 10fT, 2:01.1, fm.

1--#**@TAIKI FORTUNE**, c, 3, **Seattle Dancer--Patently Clear**, by Miswaki. O/B-Taiki Farm; T-Yoshiyasu Takahashi; J-Yoshitomi Shibata; \$405,494.

2--**Namura Inazuma (Jpn)**, c, 3, Tamamo Cross (Jpn)--Chalice of Silver, by Graustark. \$163,384.

3--**Donguri**, c, 3, Mining--Freshet, by Believe It. \$105,456.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2 1/2, 2. Odds: 5.80, 22.80, 7.10.

TOTO-LOTTO-SPRINTPREIS, \$27,872, Hanover, Germany, 3-24, 4yo/up, 6.5fT, 1:20:80, gd.

1--#**WALKING POSSESSION (GB)**, 121, h, 7, **Faustus--Pepeke (GB)**, by Mummy's Pet (GB). O-Stall Lambada AB; B-Downclose Stud (GB); T-M. Kahn; J-J. Fortune; \$16,315.

2--**Takaddum**, 128, g, 8, Riverman--Lyphard's Holme, by Lyphard. \$6,526.

3--**Novize (Ger)**, 121, h, 5, Zampano (GER)--Nombreuse (Fr), by Nebos (Ger). \$3,331.

Margins: 3, 3 1/2, short HD.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN FRANCE:

Bazajet, g, 4, **Shahrastani--Belle Sultane**, by Seattle Slew. Saint-Cloud, 3-23, Prix Paris-Turf, 10.5fT, 4yo, \$27,701 to winner. O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-C Head.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

Field Thunder, c, 3, **Beau Genius--Matilda the Hun**, by Young Bob. Chukyo, 3-24, novice race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-0, \$73,669. O-Katsuzo Chida; B-Vinery & Leslie Hammond; T-Norihito Fujioka. *\$37,000 yrl '94 KEESPE; \$75,000 2yo '95 FTFFEB.

+ **Abiru Hero**, c, 3, **Glitterman--Cherokee Dee (SP)**, \$128,904, by Cherokee Fellow. Nakayama, 3-23, maiden race, 6f (dirt). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$47,529. O-Abiru Fodosan, Inc; B-Dr. A S Rogers & F W Lucas; T-Masakatsu Sakai. *\$100,000 yrl '94 OBSAUG; \$375,000 2yo '95 FTFFEB.

Field Champ, c, 4, **Halo--Fieldy (Ire) (MGSW)**, \$1,210,189, by Northfields. Chukyo, 3-23, Nagaragawa S., 9fT. Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-3, \$376,901. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Fontainebleau Farm; T-Kazuo Fujisawa.

Eishin Washington, h, 5, **Ogygian--Shamaritan (MSW)**, by Sham. Hanshin, 3-23, Yoshun S., 6fT. Lifetime Record: SW-Jpn, 20-7-3-2, \$2,204,373. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Mr. & Mrs. Shannon Wolfram & Fred Seitz; T-Shigeharu Naito. *Ambush Alley (Gulch), MSP, \$224,306. **\$140,000 wnlg '91 KEENOV; \$50,000 yrl '92 KEESUM; \$230,000 2yo '93 BESMAR.

Local News: France

Helissio (Fr) (Fairy King) made an impressive debut in the 10-furlong Prix de Montaigu for unraced three-year-olds at Evry yesterday. The Elie Lellouche-trained French-bred took up the running five furlongs out and drew away to beat the Criquette Head-trained **Nobel Tycoon (Fr)** (Last Tycoon {Ire}) by 10 easy lengths.

The three men jailed March 1 in connection with the French National Stud fraud investigation, Michel Henochsberg, Alain Decrion and Crispin de Moubray, were released March 22. The investigation continues; it has not yet been decided if the three will stand trial.

Local News: England

Tagula (Ire) (Taufan), twice successful in Group-race company as a juvenile, is to make his first appearance of 1996 in Newbury's G3 Tripleprint Greenham S. April 20. Trainer Ian Balding said yesterday: "Tagula has done well over the winter. I'm very pleased with his progress. The plan is definitely to start him off in the Greenham, assuming he is not affected by the cough which some of the other horses in the stable have had." Tagula put himself in contention for the 2000 Guineas by capturing both the July S. at Newmarket and Deauville's Prix Morny last year. He later ran third behind Europe's champion juvenile and 2000 Guineas favourite **Alhaarth (Ire)** (Unfuwain) and **Danehill Dancer (Ire)** (Danehill) for Newmarket's G1 Dewhurst S. October 13.

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STAKES RESULTS:

RED CAMELIA H., \$77,600, FGX, 3-25, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:39, fm.

1--**HOPE LIST**, 118, m, 6, **List--Knightly Spritely**, by **Knightly Dawn**. O/B-Delmar R Caldwell (LA); T-Bradley J Cathey; J-R Ardoine; \$46,560. Lifetime Record: 53-12-9-7, \$349,843. *1/2 to Knight Man (El Mandingo), MSW, \$250,636.

2--**Fresa**, 114, f, 4, Strawberry Road (Aus)--Confident Writer, by Staff Writer. \$15,520.

3--**Expressive Gal**, 117, m, 5, Fire Dancer--Calm Expression, by Hold Your Peace. \$8,536.

Margins: 2HF, 1HF, NO. Odds: 0.60, 10.70, 3.90.

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



KEENELAND

Offered in April. Triumphant in May.

1994 April graduates **Thunder Gulch** and **Gal in a Ruckus** won the 1995 Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks.

April Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale, April 16, 1996

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

11th-FGX, \$38,000, 4yo/up, a1 9/16T, 2:42, fm.
FANCY TEDDY (g, 7, Lobsang (Ire)--Fancy's Finest, by Chicago) Lifetime Record: SW, 72-13-11-14, \$227,085. O-Anthony Osso. B-Ted Butner (KY). T-Keith Dickey. *1/2 to Fanchee (Apalachee), SP, \$123,543.

10th-FGX, \$31,000, 3yo, 6f, 1:10, ft.
VICTOR COOLEY (c, 3, Cool Victor--Willow Flight {SW, \$345,928}, by Lend Lease) Lifetime Record: 7-3-1-1, \$50,070. O-Windways Farm. B-J. Begg (CAN). T-Mark Frostad.

7th-FGX, \$31,000, 4yo/up, a5 1/2fT, 1:04 2/5, fm.
SILENT VOYAGE (c, 4, Tyrone Terrific--Peaceful Voyage, by Admiral's Voyage) Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1, \$31,110. O-Henry Flugence. B-Thibodeaux Shelton L. Mrs. (LA). T-Wilson Flugence.

9th-SPT, \$26,000, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41 2/5, ft.
IT'S TRULY OBVIOUS (g, 4, Mufti--Shammar, by The Axe II) Lifetime Record: 17-5-3-3, \$54,083. O-Racing Partner 95-96. B-Arthur J. & Gretchen M. Eaton (MN). T-Bernell B Rhone. *1/2 to Distinctive Turn (Turnberry), SW, \$127,033.

8th-SPT, \$24,000, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13, ft.
CHANTYTOWN (c, 4, Ruben's Art--Apapleasure, by Apalachee) Lifetime Record: 15-2-7-4, \$59,504. O/B/T-Tom Dorris (IL).

4th-SPT, \$24,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 4/5, ft.
BETSY WOLF (f, 4, Wolf Power (SAf)--Betsy Mack {SP}, by Mr. Redoy) Lifetime Record: 20-3-6-1, \$57,439. O-Panic Stable. B-Sandra D. Clark, Dr. Jan Tucker, et al. (KY). T-Christine K Janks.

7th-SPT, \$24,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 2/5, ft.
HALAWA (f, 4, Lomond--Gracious Girl, by *Forli) Lifetime Record: 19-3-2-3, \$32,051. O-Ernie Poulos Racing Stable Inc. B-Buckram Oak Farm (KY). T-Ernie T Poulos.

8th-LRL, \$19,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:52 1/5, ft.
BRITE LITE (c, 3, High Brite--Camaria, by Somerset) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$28,070. O-Linda S Gaudet. B/T-Edmond D. Gaudet (MD). *1/2 to Trap Line (Trip Trap), MSW, \$178,085.

7th-PHA, \$17,092, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft.
CONFESSOR (c, 4, Houston--Redeemer, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-1, \$37,500. O-Centennial Farms. B-Candy Land (MD). T-Edward T Allard.

5th-HIA, \$16,500, 4yo/up, a1 1/16mT, 1:40 4/5, fm.
TOPSY ROBSY (c, 4, Topsider--Articulate Robbery {MSW}, by No Robbery) Lifetime Record: 10-2-3-0, \$47,000. O/B-Hobeau Farm, Ltd. (FL). T-H Allen Jerkens. *1/2 to The Tender Track (Topsider), GSW, \$526,329.

7th-HIA, \$16,500, 4yo/up, a1 1/16mT, 1:41, fm.
NAPPER TANDY (c, 4, Caveat--Silly Heels, by Mr. Leader) Lifetime Record: 14-2-1-3, \$51,419. O/B-Phelan Mary Mrs. (FL). T-Vincent L Blengs.

9th-PHA, \$15,742, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24 4/5, ft.
HALF OUT EAST (m, 5, Far Out East--Pia's Adora, by Bob's Dusty) Lifetime Record: 37-11-4-6, \$81,049. O-Arenel Farms. B-James K. Thomas (KY). T-Karen M Kunes.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Run John Run, c, 3, John Alden--Run Equine Run (SP), by Run Fool Run. LRL, 3-25, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5. B-Clagett Hal C B (Md). *1/2 to Ameri Run (Americo), MSW, \$191,852; and full to Run Alden, MSW, \$292,644.

Rare Regent, c, 3, Rare Brick--Regent Goddess, by Vice Regent. LRL, 3-25, 1 1/8m, 1:53. B-Burness J (Can).

Running Inmy Blood, f, 3, Siglo Diez (Arg)--Atoyot, by Roman Blood. FGX, (S), 3-25, 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Knight Doyle W (La).

Debi Jean, f, 3, Waquoit--Newsun, by Penowa Rullah. PHA, 3-25, 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Perry Joseph (Pa). *1/2 to Rockabye Joshua (Rock Talk), MSW, \$330,081; and Charlie You Know (Horatius), MSW, \$331,785.

Reload 'n Remount, c, 4, Mining--Trinycarol (Ven) (3x Horse of the Year & 2x Mare of the Year and Ch. 3yo Filly-Ven, MGISW-Ven), by Velvet Cap. HIA, 3-25, a1 1/16mT, 1:42 2/5. B-Caldwell David R Mr. & Mrs. (Ky). *\$50,000 yrl '93 KEESEP; \$10,000 2yo 1995 BESJUL.

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Binalong filly out of Todd's Starlet, March 19

"According to Judy Campbell Fuson, this is the best foal at Elmhurst. She's a sharp filly, beautifully balanced and correct. Without a doubt, she is the nicest foal the mare has ever produced. Todd's Starlet will go back to Binalong." -- John Logan, owner

BINALONG

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THE EXPERTS PICK THE TOP FRESHMEN SIRE OF 1996

It's only March and this year's two-year-olds have already started racing at tracks across the country. With any new crop of juveniles comes a new group of freshman sires. This year's stallions with their first crops to race include no fewer than 23 Grade I winners: A.P. Indy, Arazi, Defensive Play, Deposit Ticket, Dixie Brass, Dr. Root, El Prado (Ire), Fly Till Dawn, In Excess (Ire), Jolie's Halo, Olympio, Pine Bluff, Pleasant Tap, Quest For Fame (GB), Restless Con, Rubiano, Salt Lake, Selkirk, Sheikh Albadou (GB), Sky Classic, St. Jovite, Twilight Agenda and Western Playboy.

We asked a panel of experts in the bloodstock industry to predict which freshman sires will top the charts in 1996. Here is what they said:

Michael S. Brown, Publisher, Racing Update:

1. **Pine Bluff** (Danzig)—A good two-year-old himself, with the scope to go on to win a Classic.
 2. **Robyn Dancer** (Crafty Prospector)—Crafty Prospector has shown he can get a sire son; this one's his best-looking.
 3. **The Prime Minister** (Deputy Minister)—They're just as good-looking as the Salt Lakes, with more scope.
- BEST VALUE: Defensive Play** (Fappiano)—A whole lotta racehorse for the money.

James Delahooke, Bloodstock Agent:

1. **Twilight Agenda** (Devil's Bag)—Large crop of mostly nice two-year-olds.
 2. **A.P. Indy** (Seattle Slew)—Class horse bred to class mares.
 3. **Pine Bluff** (Danzig)—I liked them (his foals).
- BEST VALUE: Quest For Fame (GB)** (Rainbow Quest)—Beautifully bred Epsom Derby winner. May lead the group in a few years time.

Sid Fernando, Bloodstock Editor, Daily Racing Form:

1. **Jolie's Halo** (Halo)—A high-class, front-running Grade I winner very much like Farma Way and with a better pedigree. From the family of Sharrod (Caro {Ire}), the sire of Japanese Horse of the Year Biwa Hayahide (Jpn).
 2. **Dixie Brass** (Dixieland Band)—A very fast Met Mile winner with the right connections: Ben Walden Jr.'s Vinery.
 3. **Selkirk** (Sharpen Up {GB})—Stands in England, but a terrific prospect as a champion miler by Sharpen Up, the sire of top sires Kris, Diosis, Sharpo and Trempolino.
- BEST VALUE—Shotiche** (Northern Dancer)—One of Northern Dancer's last graded stakes winners; from the same Canadian farm that stands the very successful and underrated Bold Ruckus.

John Kimmel, Trainer:

1. **Salt Lake** (Deputy Minister)—The Salt Lakes as a group looked very good in the two-year-old market place. His horses breezed well and I'd expect them to come out running at two.
 2. **Rubiano** (Fappiano)—One of the things he's got going for him is being a son of Fappiano, who looks to be stamping himself as a top sire of young sires. You take a top-class racehorse like Rubiano, he's very likely to do well in the American marketplace.
 3. **El Prado (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells)—The Champion Two-Year-Old Colt in Ireland descends from the pre-eminent stallion in the world today.
- BEST VALUE: Jolie's Halo** (Halo)—His two-year-olds looked good, breezed well and sold very well.

Paul S. Mostert, Ph.D., President, Equix Biomechanics:

"If a stallion receives a representative book of mares and his mechanics are similar to those of a large proportion of the Thoroughbred population, the probability for him to have greater-than-average success at stud is higher than for a stallion whose mechanics (however good) are uncommon and do not combine well with a large portion of the broodmare population."

1. **Rubiano** (Fappiano)—Excellent biomechanics that match well with a large segment of the mare population and similar mechanics to excellent sires, such as Diosis (GB), Halo, Known Fact and Storm Bird.
 2. **Jolie's Halo** (Halo)—Topped our Landscape Model test of freshman sires with nearest neighbors like Manila, Procida and Affirmed, who get a high percentage of high-class runners.
 3. **Dixie Brass** (Dixieland Band)—Topped most of our tests, but likely to be more limited in class of offspring. Probably an excellent sprinter sire and live in a biomechanical neighborhood of such sires as Clever Trick, Baldski, Copelan and Well Decorated.
- BEST VALUE: Western Playboy** (Play Fellow)—Does well on most biomechanical tests. Lives in the same general neighborhood as Distinctive Pro, Apalachee, Wavering Monarch, Capote and Kris S.—and costs only \$1,500, low for a Grade I winner of over \$1 million.

Bill Oppenheim, Bloodstock Consultant and former Editor of Racing Update:

1. **A.P. Indy** (Seattle Slew)—Unoriginal but a commercial star and Seattle Slew's last chance to have a top-class sire son.
 2. **Pine Bluff** (Danzig)—A Danzig who stayed. These could be classic-type late-season two-year-olds and three-year-olds.
 3. **Sheikh Albadou (GB)** (Green Desert)—Very popular, will get good chances on both sides of the Atlantic.
- BEST VALUE: Robyn Dancer** (Crafty Prospector)—From a sire line and state (Florida) that always seem to have useful sires of two-year-olds.

Freshman Sires Cont. on Page 6.

**Freshman sires cont.****Alan Porter, Highflyer International:**

1. **Salt Lake** (Deputy Minister)—Precocious speed, plenty to run, sold well.
 2. **Rubiano** (Fappiano)—Class sprinter, Fappiano coming sire of sires.
 3. **Pine Bluff** (Danzig)—Classic-winning Danzig is a half to underrated Demons Begone.
- BEST VALUE (tie): Caller I.D.** (Phone Trick)—Phone Trick is a useful speed sire line. **Honor Grades** (Danzig)—A Danzig half to A.P. Indy, Summer Squall. Same type of profile as Polish Numbers.

Jack Werk, President, Werk Thoroughbred Consultants:

1. **Pine Bluff** (Danzig)—With a superb race record and a pedigree similar to supersire Danehill, Pine Bluff could be this crop's biggest surprise.
 2. **Salt Lake** (Deputy Minister)—His pedigree, race record and foals suggest big things for this sire.
 3. **A.P. Indy** (Seattle Slew)—Champion son of Seattle Slew out of Weekend Surprise. Great credentials.
- BEST VALUE: Honor Grades** (Danzig)—By Danzig out of Weekend Surprise, Honor Grades is a "sleeper" standing in Florida for \$5,000.

Index of Sires Mentioned:

- A.P. Indy** (Seattle Slew--Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat) Lane's End Farm, \$50,000.
- Caller I.D.** (Phone Trick--Plagiarizing, by Ramsinga) Pin Oak Stud, \$6,000.
- Defensive Play** (Fappiano--Safe Play, by Sham) Payson Stud, \$8,500.
- Dixie Brass** (Dixieland Band--Petite Diable, by Sham) Vinery, \$5,000.
- El Prado (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells--Lady Capulet, by Sir Ivor) Airdrie Stud, \$5,000.
- Honor Grades** (Danzig--Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat) Bonnie Heath Farm, \$5,000.
- Jolie's Halo** (Halo--Jolie Jolie, by Sir Ivor) Bridlewood Farm, \$10,000.
- Pine Bluff** (Danzig--Rowdy Angel, by Halo) Lane's End Farm, \$15,000.
- Quest for Fame (GB)** (Rainbow Quest--Aryenne, by Green Dancer) Gainesway, \$10,000.
- Robyn Dancer** (Crafty Prospector--Double Dancer, by Sword Dancer) Silverleaf Farms, \$4,000.
- Rubiano** (Fappiano--Ruby Slippers, by Nijinsky II) Lane's End Farm, \$15,000.
- Salt Lake** (Deputy Minister--Take Lady Anne, by Queen City Lad) Walmac Int'l, \$7,500.
- Selkirk** (Sharpen Up {GB}--Annie Edge {Ire}, by Nebbiolo) Lanwades Stud, England, \$12,332.
- Sheikh Albadou (GB)** (Green Desert--Sanctuary (GB), by Welsh Pageant) Gainsborough Farm, \$10,000.
- Shotiche** (Northern Dancer--Nimble Folly, by Cyane) Park Stud, Canada, \$3,500 Canadian (\$2,550 U.S.).
- The Prime Minister** (Deputy Minister--Stick to Beauty, by Illustrious) Brookdale Farm, \$5,000.
- Twilight Agenda** (Devil's Bag--Grenzen, by Grenfall) Vinery, \$7,500.
- Western Playboy** (Play Fellow--Westward Hope, by Daniel Boone) Wintergreen Farm, \$1,500.

FOALING NEWS:**DIANE'S HALO, 5, Sunny's Halo--Olay Monique (Drouilly {Fr})**

Foal born 3-9-96, a filly by Colonial Affair.

Will be bred back to Carson City.

Owned by Mr. Gary Garber.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Ky.

Accomplishments: GII winner of \$337,210; first foal.

DANZADAR, 15, Gaelic Dancer--Spirit Lake (*Gallant Man)

Foal born 3-11-96, a colt by Pirate's Bounty.

Will be bred back to You and I.

Owned by Granja Vista Del Rio.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW of \$210,110; dam of Viento Bailador (SP, \$83,425, by Naskra) and Pareja (SW, \$131,425, by Strawberry Road {Aus}).

HAIL A CAB, 13, Hail The Pirates--Fifth Avenue Lady (Rising Market)

Foal born 3-11-96, a colt by Carson City.

Will be bred back to Holy Bull.

Boarded at Jonabell Farm in Lexington, Ky.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$483,691.

LEVERAGED BUYOUT, 13, Spectacular Bid--Squander (Buckpasser)

Foal born 3-11-96, a colt by Strike the Gold.

Will be bred back to Mr. Baileys.

Owned by Vinery and Hargus Sexton.

Boarded at Vinery in Midway, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Rosa Eterna (Eternal Prince), GSW-Per.

POLITICAL MIXUP, 15, Political Coverup--The Shoener Family (Ambehaving)

Foal born 3-11-96, a colt by Premiership.

Owned by John Franks.

Boarded at Franks Farm in Ocala, Fla.

Accomplishments: Dam of Makin Faces (Premiership), SW, MGSP, \$379,873.

SINTRA, 15, Drone--Misty Plum (Misty Day)

Foal born 3-11-96, a filly by Conquistador Cielo.

Will be bred back to Theatrical (Ire).

Owned by Mr. Toshio Saito.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Ky.

Accomplishments: MGSW of \$378,605.

STRATEGIC MANEUVER, 5, Cryptoclearance--Prayer Wheel (Conquistador Cielo)

Foal born 3-11-96, a filly by Danzig.

Will be bred back to Danzig.

Owned by Brushwood Stable.

Boarded at Plum Lane Farm in Lexington, Ky.

Accomplishments: MGSW of \$414,340, first foal.