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### IDE, COBRA KING OUT OF DERBY

Wilmott Stable's **Ide** (Forty Niner) has been sidelined indefinitely after sustaining an injury during training at Oaklawn Park yesterday morning, according to his trainer, Pete Vestal. The three-year-old colt, who was pointing toward the April 13 Arkansas Derby, "took a misstep during training Tuesday morning, injuring his right foreleg," said Vestal. "Although no lameness appeared, a general filling in the ankle area ensued. Ultra-sounds were taken revealing a significant tear in the lateral branch of the suspensory ligament. This injury, while not career ending, will require a lengthy rest period in order to heal properly." Vestal added, "The horse is walking sound and not at all in distress. He just can't race with an injury like this. He will continue to walk under the shedrow each day and continue to do so when we get to Kentucky. In Kentucky, he will be turned out at Longfield Farm and the prognosis is that it will require five to six months to heal. Obviously, that means he won't be seeing much more action this year." Ide's win in the March 23 Gill Rebel S. at Oaklawn was his seventh consecutive victory--five of which came against stakes company. He has earned \$363,780.

**Cobra King** (Farma Way), winner of the Gill Hollywood Prevue Breeders' Cup and Gill Holy Bull S. before finishing eighth as the favorite in the March 16 GI Florida Derby, is also out of the Triple Crown picture, due to a minor injury to a tendon in his left front leg. "This decision was absolutely heart-wrenching," trainer Mike Puype told the *Daily Racing Form*. "It's something minor, almost undetectable, and in fact the vets have told us we probably could keep going and make the Derby with no problem. However, they cautioned us that there is a slight chance the injury could be aggravated and perhaps become a bowed tendon and ruin his career. There are many things to consider with a colt of this caliber, and after long and careful calculation, Gary (Bisantz, whose wife Betty owns the colt) and I agreed this is the best way to go. This is about the horse and his long-term future." Cobra King, who has won five of eight starts for earnings of \$256,825, will be turned out at Longfield Farm in Goshen, Kentucky for about two months to allow the injury time to heal. The colt's veterinarian, Dr. Foster Northrop, said, "The prognosis for a 100 percent recovery is excellent."

**TRAINER GARY JONES TO RETIRE** Southern California-based trainer Gary Jones plans to retire April 22, the last day of the current Santa Anita meeting. Jones, 51, told the *Daily Racing Form*, "I've been thinking about (retiring) for a long, long time. My health isn't the greatest and I want to live out my life and have a good time. Now I have a new challenge--trying to help my son." Jones took over for his father, Farrell W. Jones, in 1975, following his father's heart attack. Jones himself suffered a heart attack in 1993. His stable will be taken over by his 24-year-old son Marty, who has served as his assistant for the last five years. "I've had a good career," Jones added. "I'm fortunate to be able to retire." According to the *DRF*, through Sunday, Jones's career totals were: 7,846 starts, 1,453 wins, 1,097 seconds and 972 thirds. Horses trained by Jones have earned \$51,058,723. He has won two Santa Anita Handicaps--in 1992 with Best Pal and in 1994 with Stuka, the 1991 Pacific Classic with Best Pal, the 1991 Yellow Ribbon Invitational and 1992 Beverly D. with Kostroma, and the 1994 Santa Anita and Hollywood Oaks with Lakeway. "The Pacific Classic with Best Pal probably was the most fun," he said. "It was really special, because it was a local horse, local owners dreamed up the race, and we beat the Derby winner (Unbridled)."

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### STAKES CLOSINGS

#### TODAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3:

- 4-13 \$200,000g **California Derby, GG, 3yo, 9f** (\$200)
- 4-14 \$100,000/100,000 **Commonwealth Breeders' Cup-GII, Kee, 3yo/up, 7f** (\$100)
- 9-29 \$150,000g **Arlington Washington Lassie-GII, AP, 2yo, f, 8f** (\$100)
- 10-6 \$200,000g **Arlington Washington Futurity-GII, AP, 2yo, 8f** (\$150)

#### TOMORROW, THURSDAY, APRIL 4:

- 4-6 \$1,000,000g **Santa Anita Derby-GI, SA, 3yo, 9f** (\$30,000s)
- 4-20 \$200,000g **Federico Tesio-GIII, Pim, 3yo, 9f** (\$200)



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**News Continued.**

**CIGAR'S PLANS UNCERTAIN** Allen Paulson said yesterday that there was a chance **Cigar** (Palace Music) could make his next start in the July 4 Suburban H. at Belmont Park if the purse were raised to \$1 million. "We'd sure have to take a good look at it," said Paulson, when a reporter posed the question to him during a question-and-answer session on a national teleconference. Paulson also said there was a chance Cigar could run before his planned start in either the June 30 Hollywood Gold Cup or Suburban. "It depends how he came out of the (Dubai World Cup), but we have three months in between races here. I think we'll take a good look at something in between. We'll let Billy (Mott) have the final word." Paulson hinted, however, that a repeat engagement in the Massachusetts H. was not in the cards. "I'd say we'd rather stay with the Group Ones," he said. What is definite about the six-year-old's schedule: "We are planning to bring him to Del Mar for the (Aug. 10 Pacific Classic) and (to run him) in the Breeders' Cup and a few races in between, (but) we're going to play it one at a time." Other Cigar tidbits from the conference: no decision on where he will stand at stud or the horse's possible syndication has been made. "We (haven't) been thinking about it lately, but somewhere at the end of this year, we'll be thinking of syndicating him and standing him at stud. We haven't really finalized anything. I've got him insured for \$20 million, but every time he wins, he's more valuable than that." Said Paulson of his own return from Dubai, "I've got a desk full of congratulatory letters and well-wishes. He seems to be the toast of the racing industry and he's certainly earned it."

**SAM HOUSTON HORSEMEN MUST PAY FOR SIMULCASTS** At its April 1 meeting, the Texas Racing Commission voted to force horsemen at Sam Houston Race Park to share with the track the costs of buying simulcast signals from other states. The net effect of this charge will be approximately \$1.5 million being shifted from Thoroughbred purses to the track operator. This move is expected to cost Texas horsemen some \$10,000 per day in purse money in 1996. Retama Park also took a hit from the commission when Trinity Meadows was granted a 77-day mixed Thoroughbred/Quarter Horse meeting to replace the 30-day fall Thoroughbred meeting previously granted to Trinity. The Trinity Meadows mixed meeting will run from May 2 through Sept. 8, which will be in direct competition for horses with the June 8 through Sept. 29 Retama Park Thoroughbred season. Trinity Meadows will now drop its fall Thoroughbred meeting and Sam Houston will add an Oct. 3 through Dec. 8 Thoroughbred season.

**HONG KONG CUP IN JEOPARDY** The prestigious Queen Elizabeth II Cup, scheduled to be run April 14 at Sha Tin Racecourse, is under review after an Australian import was diagnosed with strangles disease. As a result, the likely favorite for the race, Godolphin-trained **Kalabo** (Tremolino), may not ship from his winter base in Dubai to Hong Kong for the race. The infected horse was moved to the isolation stables as soon as the disease, which affects the glands, was diagnosed. A spokesman for the Royal Hong Kong Jockey Club commented, "Its a single case and the horse involved, plus those on the same plane, have been completely isolated. We are confident it will not spread to any other horses in training here."

**BROODMARE RECORD BURST** Australasia's record price for a broodmare sold at public auction was smashed earlier this week when the 1992 Golden Slipper winner **Burst (Aus)** (Marauding {NZ}), a daughter of another Golden Slipper winner, was sold for \$695,410 at the Newhaven Park Stud's dispersal in Sydney. Melbourne businessman and bloodstock agent Michael Jakity purchased Burst, who is in foal to champion sire **Danehill** (Danzig), sire of last weekend's Golden Slipper-winning filly Merlene. The previous record of \$540,875 was set by the mare **Shannara (Aus)** (Biscay {Aus}) 14 years ago, when bought by the late Robert Holmes A Court at the Thoroughbred International Pty Ltd's 1982 dispersal.

**DANEHILL BREEDS SUCCESS Merlene (Aus)** (Danehill), winner of last weekend's \$1.5-million Tooheys Golden Slipper in Australia, became the 11th individual Group One winner from just three racing crops to be sired by Coolmore Stud's stallion Danehill and provided the son of Danzig with a record third straight Golden Slipper winner. Danehill has now sired the winners of 18 Group One races in all, as well as 11 other individual Group winners. Merlene was Danehill's eighth Group One winner in Australia. She follows Danewin, Daney Boy, Danzero, Danarani, Flying Spur, Joie Denise and Nothin' Leica Dane. His Group One winners in the Northern Hemisphere have been Danehill Dancer, Danish and Kissing Cousin. Danehill's Group One tally could increase again this weekend when Victoria Derby winner Nothin' Leica Dane goes postward in the A.J.C. Derby at Randwick in Sydney.

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**AUTOTOTE PROMOTES GERALD LAWRENCE**

Thomas C. DeFazio, president and COO of Autotote Corporation, announced yesterday that Gerald Lawrence has been named President of Autotote's North American pari-mutuel operations, which provide wagering systems and simulcasting services to race tracks as well as casinos, off-track betting facilities and sports book operators. Lawrence had been Vice President of Autotote Corporation. "Jerry Lawrence has more than 30 years of experience in the pari-mutuel industry," said DeFazio. "He understands the challenges the industry faces as well as the opportunities that are presented by simulcasting and the rapid growth of off-track revenue sources. Jerry's mandate is to continue to improve our customer service while strengthening our dominant positions in pari-mutuel systems and simulcasting." Lawrence will operate out of Autotote's Newark, Delaware office.

**SWINBURN ON COMEBACK TRAIL** Jockey Walter Swinburn continues to undergo intensive physiotherapy after suffering a broken shoulder and collarbone in a February spill at Hong Kong's Sha Tin Racecourse. Swinburn had hoped to make his return in time for Newmarket's first meeting of the year, the three day Craven fixture in two weeks, but that schedule remains questionable. "It's so far so good," the jockey said. "Things are improving, but it's just a day to day thing. Hopefully I will know more by the end of the week." Swinburn is also looking forward to his reunion with last year's G1 Middle Park S. winner **Royal Applause (GB)** (Waajib {Ire}) in Newmarket's 2,000 Guineas May 4.

**CORRECTION:** **King of Ken** (Manila), winner of Sunday's G3 Crystal Cup at Nakayama Racecourse in Japan, was sold for \$100,000 at the 1994 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July Yearling Sale, not the Keeneland July Yearling Sale, as reported incorrectly in Tuesday's TDN.

## ◆ FOREIGN ◆

**AMERICAN BRED WINNER IN ENGLAND:**

**Waikiki Beach**, g, 5, **Fighting Fit**--**Running Melody** (Ire), by **Rheingold** (Ire). Wolverhampton, 4-2, **Avalon Associates S.**, 3yo/up, 1m 100yds (all weather track), \$3,625 to winner. O-K Higson; B-Dan C Pitts & Frank Ramos; T-G L Moore. \*SW-Ger.

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## ◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

**Local News, Santa Anita:**

**Super Mining** (Mining), third in the \$200,000 Golden State Derby at Bay Meadows March 23, drilled a half-mile yesterday at Hollywood Park in :48 4/5 in preparation for Saturday's \$1 million Santa Anita Derby. "It was just a maintenance drill," said trainer Randy Bradshaw. "I caught him galloping out in 1:01."

**Exotic Wood** (Rahy) suffered a minor injury to her head Monday and will miss Sunday's \$75,000a Santa Lucia H. "She bumped her head in her stall," trainer Ron Ellis said. "It's nothing serious. She doesn't have any swelling, but it made me nervous when she had a bloody nose. There's a salt block in her stall and it's about the only thing that isn't padded. It's amazing she found the one thing that isn't padded and hit her head." Exotic Wood won her first five career starts, including the GII La Brea S., before finishing second to **Serena's Song** in the Jan. 27 GI Santa Monica H.

**Dare And Go** (Alydar), forced to miss the \$4 million Dubai World Cup March 27 after suffering an injury to his left hind ankle, breezed five furlongs in 1:02 4/5 at Hollywood Park yesterday.

**MGSW Cara Rafaela** (Quiet American), second in the March 10 Santa Anita Oaks, worked six furlongs in 1:13 3/5 over Santa Anita's fast main track Tuesday in preparation for the April 20 GI Ashland S. at Keeneland.

## ◆ EAST ◆

**Yesterday's Result:**

**THE HARRIMAN S.**, \$31,725, PIM, 4-2, 3yo, 5f, :57 3/5, ft.

1--**IMA GOOD GAMBLE, 119, c, 3, Prospectors**

**Gamble--Hug'm**, by **Dixieland Band**. O-Speriamo Stable; B-Dr. & Mrs. E.C. Hart (FL); T-John M. Destefano Jr; J-E S Prado; \$19,035.  
Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-2, \$92,156.

2--**Big Rut**, 117, g, 3, **Kokand--Miss Baltimore**, by **Gun Bow**. \$6,345.

3--**Von Groovey**, 117, c, 3, **Sword Dance** (Ire)--**Marilyn's Mystique**, by **Dearest Doctor**. \$3,489.

Margins: HF, 1 3/4, 1HF. Odds: 2.70, 2.90, 2.20.

Ima Good Gamble, winner of the \$37,000 Bimelech S. at Laurel last November, posted his first victory of 1996 in a \$50,000 claimer at Aqueduct in his last start March 13. Moving back up against stakes company here as the 5-2 third choice, the bay colt dueled for the lead while outside early, put a head in front at the top of the lane, then held off the late rally of Big Rut for the victory.



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## East Report Continued.

## Local News, Florida:

Working at Gulfstream Park yesterday morning for trainer Bill Mott were GI Gulfstream Park H. winner **Wekiva Springs** (Runaway Groom) and GIII Creme Fraiche H. winner **Geri** (Theatrical {Ire}). Wekiva Springs, who went a half-mile in :48 1/5, is considered a definite starter for Saturday's GI Oaklawn H., while Geri, who breezed five furlongs in 1:03 2/5, is listed as possible for the \$750,000 race.

Rudlein Stable and William Clifton Jr.'s **Will's Way** (Easy Goer) breezed five panels in 1:03 2/5 at Payson Park yesterday in preparation for Saturday's GIII Flamingo S. at Hialeah. The three-year-old colt is undefeated in two career outings, both at Gulfstream, and will be making his stakes debut in the Flamingo.

## Local News, Suffolk Downs:

Suffolk Downs will have two schedule changes in its racing calendar for the month of April. The East Boston oval will be dark Sunday, April 7 for the Easter holiday. Twilight post-times of 3:30 p.m. Fridays only will resume April 26 and continue through the balance of the meeting, which ends June 8.

A mixed auction, consisting of both unraced two-year-olds and horses of racing age, will be held at Suffolk Downs Thursday, April 18 at 11 a.m. Sales catalogues are available by contacting Camara's New England Commission Auction Inc. at (617) 749-0459 or (508) 679-1030. Suffolk Downs last hosted a public auction in May of 1993.

Southern California announcer Trevor Denman will call the races at Suffolk Downs over the long Memorial Day weekend, May 24 through 27.

## ◆ MIDWEST ◆

## Local News, Hoosier Park:

Hoosier Park, L.P., which operates Indiana's Hoosier Park and its three Sports Spectrum facilities throughout the state, yesterday announced revenues of \$26.2 million for the fiscal year which ended December 31, 1995. The Company reported a loss in operating income of \$1.2 million; interest on debt service for 1995 of \$2.24 million brought the total partnership loss to \$3.4 million. Hoosier Park opened in September, 1994, and 1995 marked its first full year of operation. The 1996 Thoroughbred meet is scheduled to run September 20-November 30. Hoosier Park, L.P., is majority owned and operated by Churchill Downs Management Company.

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## ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**6th-PHA, \$21,142, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5, ft. MY PRIDE N JOY (f, 3, Taylor Road--Doon's Joy, by Doonesbury) Lifetime Record: 9-2-3-3, \$39,630. O-Elaine Peck. B-Rose Stables (PA). T-Dennis Desmarais.**

**8th-PHA, \$19,370, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. RUNAWAY MACHO (c, 4, Runaway Groom--Knock Me Out, by Over Arranged) Lifetime Record: 23-5-2-2, \$66,115. O-Plumstead Stables & Nancy Williams. B-Ronald R. Kilbourne (MD). T-Robert J. Seeger.**

**8th-PIM, \$19,250, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:12 3/5, ft. ALI BABA (c, 4, Red Attack--Track Magic, by Track Barron) Lifetime Record: 15-2-0-3, \$45,156. O/B-Philip S. Maas (KY). T-Diane Crump. \*Won off 8-month layoff.**

**4th-PIM, \$19,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. KING'S FLOAT (g, 4, King's Nest--Float Upstream {MSW}, by Nile Delta) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-4-3-3, \$68,440. O-Timothy D. Little. B-Sondra & Howard M. Bender (MD). T-Linda L. Albert. \*1/2 to Runaway Stream (MGIII, \$402,693, by Runaway Groom).**

**6th-PIM, \$19,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft. DOWHATISAY (f, 4, Oh Say--Whatwouldhappenif, by Red Monk) Lifetime Record: 11-4-3-1, \$50,245. O/B-R. Larry Johnson (MD). T-H. Graham Motion. \*1/2 to What It Is (SW, \$111,122, by Parfaitement).**

**9th-PHA, \$15,000, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:44 3/5, ft. EL PROSPECTO (c, 4, El Raggaas--Middle Prospect, by Mr. Prospector) Lifetime Record: 18-4-4-3, \$42,990. O-Worcester Stable. B-T.M. Evans (KY). T-Henry Worcester III.**

## MAIDEN WINNER:

**Bescoute, f, 3, Zilzal--Best Decision (MSP), by Best Turn. HIA, 4-2, a1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5. B-New Gate Stud Farm, Inc (Ky).**

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.

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## WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by: Alan Porter, Highflyer International

### **ROAR** (c, 3, *Forty Niner--Wild Applause*, by *Northern Dancer*)

Roar is by a son of Mr. Prospector out of a Northern Dancer mare, which, believe it or not, is noteworthy itself. Whereas Mr. Prospector himself sired 12 stakes-winners from 48 runners out of Northern Dancer mares, the Blood-Horse nicks book informs us that sons of Mr. Prospector had, until the weekend, sired only four stakes-winners from 49 runners out of Northern Dancer mares. So much, in this case at least, for male-line nicks. What might be more relevant is that Roar is inbred 4x4 to not only Native Dancer, but also to Ribot.

The Ribot duplication is particularly interesting because it appears in six of Forty Niner's first 17 stakes-winners and a remarkable four of nine graded stakes-winners. Three of the six appearances involve Graustark, and a fourth has Majestic Light, who owns a somewhat complex genetic relationship to Graustark.

Of course, Forty Niner is now in Japan, but for those standing Forty Niner sons, or with Forty Niner mares, it might be worth considering introducing Ribot when making mating plans, especially if Graustark, his brother His Majesty, or Majestic Light can be utilized.

### **PEDIGREE SHORTS...**

The third consecutive victory by **Del Mar Dennis** (*Dixieland Band--Party Bonnet {The Axe II}*) in Saturday's San Bernardino H. serves as a reminder of just how useful his broodmare sire, **The Axe II**, is to have in a pedigree. The Axe II is a son of Mahmoud, a horse far more often found in pedigrees through daughters, most notably Northern Dancer's granddam, **Almahmoud**. The Axe II has a rather similar pedigree background to Almahmoud, and serves as a good foil for her, which might make him useful to combine with the growing number of horses with double Almahmoud. He also has Mahmoud and Blue Larkspur, a combination beloved of Halo, and his granddam **Big Event** is not only a sister to **Businesslike** (granddam of **Buckpasser**), but closely related to several other daughters of **La Troienne**.

**Tychonic (GB) (Last Tycoon {Ire}--Metair {GB} {Laser Light [GB]})** won his fifth straight stakes Sunday, the El Rincon Handicap at Santa Anita. The British-bred has Tom Fool in his sire and Spring Run (through Red God) in his dam, this pair both being by Menow out of Bull Dog mares. This combination is also evident in the **Nijinsky II/Blushing Groom** nick. **Blushing Groom's** sire is Red God and **Nijinsky II's** dam is **Flaming Page** (by a grandson of Bull Dog out of a daughter by Menow). In the fourth generation of **Tychonic's** pedigree are the genetically related **Never Bend** and **My Babu**, two other horses which we love to see combined.

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## FOALING NEWS:

**TOES KNOWS**, 13, *Cormorant--Melrose Queen* (Rose Argent)  
Foal born 3-5-96, a colt by Gulch.  
Will be bred back to Crafty Prospector.  
Boarded at Trakside Farm in Versailles, Ky.  
Accomplishments: MGSW of \$311,892.

**HOLLYWOOD WILDCAT**, 6, *Kris S.--Miss Wildcatter* (Mr. Prospector)  
Foal born 3-17-96, a filly by Danzig.  
Will be bred back to Danzig.  
Owned by Margie and Irving Cowan.  
Boarded at Echo Valley in Georgetown, Ky.  
Accomplishments: Ch. 3yo Filly and MGSW of \$1,432,160; first foal.

**POPOL VUH**, 12, *Czaravich--Tiy* (Nalees Man)  
Foal born 3-17-96, a colt by Clever Trick.  
Will be bred back to Wild Again.  
Owned by CandyLand Farm.  
Boarded at Three Chimneys Farm in Midway, Ky.  
Accomplishments: Dam of Popol's Gold (Strike Gold), GSW, \$232,157.

**WELCOME BREAK (GB)**, 16, *Wollow (Ire)--Intermission* (GB) (Stage Door Johnny)  
Foal born 3-17-96, a filly by Royal Academy.  
Will be bred back to Caerleon.  
Owned by John R. Gaines Thoroughbreds.  
Boarded at Coolmore Stud in Ireland.  
Accomplishments: Dam of Invited Guest (Ire) (Be My Guest), MGSW, \$592,776.

**ELOPEMENT**, 18, *Gallant Romeo--Sack Race* (Cohoes)  
Foal born 3-18-96, a filly by Time for a Change.  
Will be bred back to Wild Again.  
Owned by River Bend Farm and Mrs. W L Lyons Brown.  
Boarded at River Bend Farm in Goshen, Ky.  
Accomplishments: Dam of Rip Dabbs (MSW, \$257,643, by Highland Blade) and the graded stakes-placed Susan's Choice (Storm Cat).

**HALF SECRET**, 12, *Upper Nile--Half Concealed* (Cyane)  
Foal born 3-18-96, a filly by West By West.  
Will be bred back to Runaway Groom.  
Owned by John Peace.  
Boarded at Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Ky.  
Accomplishments: Dam of Top Secret (GI, \$119,080, by Afleet).

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