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IT'S OFFICIAL: CIGAR TO ARLINGTON JULY

13 Cigar (Palace Music) will attempt to tie Citation's modern North American record of 16 consecutive victories in the July 13 Arlington Citation Challenge at Arlington International Racecourse, it was announced yesterday. Arlington Chairman Dick Duchossois confirmed that the track will offer a \$750,000 purse, with \$300,000 added to the standard winner's share of \$450,000 if Cigar starts in the race. If Cigar does not participate, the race will be worth \$300,000. The nine-furlong race will be televised on CBS from 5:30 to 6 p.m. Eastern, with 30 minutes devoted to the event. The race will be run under unique allowance conditions with three-year-olds carrying 118, older horses carrying 126, and Cigar carrying 130 pounds. Jimmy Jones, one of Citation's former trainers, will be on hand for the race. Originally scheduled to run in Saturday's Hollywood Gold Cup, Cigar was forced to miss the race when he was taken out of training with a bruised foot. Duchossois told owner Allen Paulson that the track wanted Cigar badly enough to put on a new race for him and that Paulson could name the date and the distance. "Once he couldn't make the Gold Cup, there was an opening to get him to Arlington," said Paulson. "This fits in well with our program. I think it's important to race in the Midwest because there are so many racing fans there. Hopefully, he can fill the place." Should he tie the record July 13, Cigar is scheduled to attempt to break Citation's mark in the August 10 Pacific Classic at Del Mar. Should other tracks attempt to lure Cigar with riches after Del Mar, both Mott and Paulson said they would resist the temptation, meaning Cigar could run in either the Sept. 14 Woodward, the Oct. 5 Jockey Club Gold Cup, or both. "I don't think this fall, we'll be ducking any scheduled races," said Mott. "It's important for us to run in New York at least once, if not more."

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, TUESDAY, JUNE 25:

7-6 \$100/100,000 Baltimore Breeders' Cup
H.-GIII, Lrl, 3yo/up, 9f (\$100)

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 26:

7-6 \$150,000g Round Table S.-GIII, AP, 3yo, 9f
(\$150)

7-7 \$300,000a Beverly Hills H.-GI, Hol, 3yo/up, f/m,
10fT (\$200)



Sunday, The Curragh, Ireland

IRISH DERBY-GI, \$935,745, 3yo, c & f, 12fT

Shaamit (Ire) (Mtoto), winner of the Epsom Derby just over two weeks ago, will miss his intended engagement in the Irish Derby at The Curragh Sunday after suffering a training setback. The William Haggas-trained colt worked well on Saturday morning and was due to be supplemented today, at a cost of approximately \$90,000, for the Irish race. But he was found to be lame yesterday and is now definitely a non-runner. Intended starters for The Curragh do, however, include Epsom second **Dushyantor** (Sadler's Wells) and **Dr Massini (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells), who led the betting on Britain's premier Classic before being ruled out with a leg injury. **Alhaarth (Ire)** (Unfuwain), last year's European champion juvenile but still to score in 1996, is also set to line up in the Irish Derby. But he may be fitted with blinkers for the first time as he bids to recapture his two-year-old form at The Curragh. Trainer Dick Hern, whose colt finished fifth at Epsom, said: "There is a strong possibility he will wear blinkers for Ireland. He is a very laid-back horse and they may help him concentrate."

Sunday, Saint-Cloud, France

GRAND PRIX DE SAINT-CLOUD-GI, \$390,654, 3yo/up, c/f, 12fT

Bahamian Knight (Ascot Knight), whose win in last month's Italian Derby in Rome saw the start of a change of fortunes for David Loder's stable, is to bid to give his young trainer a little more glory in Sunday's GI Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud in France. Loder's Newmarket-based team struggled to find its form in the early weeks of this season and his main Classic hope, **Blue Duster** (Danzig), champion European juvenile filly of 1995, has been dogged by back problems which have prevented her from racing so far this year. But Bahamian Knight's win over a mile and a half at Italy's Capannelle Racecourse May 26, followed by the 50-1 success of Lucayan Prince in last week's seven-furlong Jersey S. at Royal Ascot have apparently turned the tide for an ambitious handler who prides himself on his high strike-rate in top-class events. A spokeswoman for Loder's stable said yesterday, "Bahamian Knight is an intended runner in France Sunday. David is pleased with him and, at the moment, the plan is certainly to go for it." French Derby victor **Ragmar (Fr)** (Tropular {GB}), is also set to run.



SKY CLASSIC GETS FIRST WINNER FROM FIRST STARTER Frances in the Sky represented her sire, Sky Classic, with his first winner from his first starter in taking the first race at Churchill by 3 ½ lengths Sunday. The 1992 Champion Turf Male in North America, who was also Champion Two-Year-Old, Older Horse and Turf Horse in Canada, Sky Classic stands at Pin Oak Stud in Versailles, Kentucky for \$15,000 live foal, and had a full book of 75 mares this year. The filly sold for \$55,000 in the Frances Gender dispersal at last year's Keeneland November sale. Echo Valley Farm owner Don Sucher was surprised at the bargain. "I was really looking for a mare," said Sucher. "I buy very few yearlings. I bid on her dam, My Dear Frances, but she went for \$400,000 (in foal to Unbridled), and her weanling filly (by Irish River) sold for \$150,000. I was surprised to get the filly for only \$55,000. She was a little on the small side, but she's grown into a beautiful filly." Said Pin Oak's Clifford Barry, "Sky Classic has 54 two-year-olds, and we expected to have some early runners. Not only was he a champion two-year-old, but he had two half-brothers (Regal Classic and Grey Classic) who were also champion two-year-olds in Canada."

TIMARIDA BACK ON TRACK Taylor S. heroine Timarida (Ire), whose disappointing run in last week's Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot was found to have been caused by bleeding, is likely to attempt a rehabilitation in the GII Sea World International S. at The Curragh Sunday. Timarida started second favorite for the Ascot event, but finished eighth of the nine runners behind **Charnwood Forest (Ire)** (Warning). However, a legitimate excuse has subsequently been discovered and, assuming she pleases her trainer John Oxx this week, she will be racing again at the weekend. Charnwood Forest, meanwhile, is to be prepared by the Godolphin operation for Goodwood's GI Sussex S. July 31 and the GI Prix Jacques Le Marois at Deauville August 15. Connections believe he "will get a mile and a quarter for sure" but have already counted out a shot at the Eclipse S. at Sandown July 6. **Halling** (Diesis), last year's hero of that GI race, will represent the Dubai team again next month.

PRICKET FACES CARLA AGAIN Pricket (Diesis), who started a hot favorite for the Epsom Oaks earlier this month but who was beaten by **Lady Carla (GB)** (Caerleon), is set to take on her Classic conqueror again in the Irish Oaks at The Curragh July 14. Pricket, trained as a juvenile last year by Lady Carla's handler Henry Cecil, joined the Godolphin stable and went to Epsom on the back of her comfortable victory in Newmarket's Listed Pretty Polly S. But, despite a starting price of 7-4, she could finish no closer than nine lengths runner-up to Cecil's filly. However, Simon Crisford, racing manager to Godolphin, said: "Obviously Pricket is going to be up against it with Lady Carla in the field. But she has been fine since Epsom and the plan is to run in the Irish Oaks." Godolphin will also be represented in this Sunday's Irish Derby, now that a decision to supplement twice-raced **Sharaf Kabeer (GB)** (Machiavellian) has been taken. The colt won a maiden event at Kempton June 12.

SWINBURN SEEKS CLEARANCE FOR COMEBACK Three-time Epsom Derby winning jockey Walter Swinburn, seriously injured in a fall at Hong Kong's Sha Tin racecourse in February, is to see Michael Turner, the chief medical officer of Britain's Jockey Club, tomorrow in a bid to obtain the go-ahead for a return to race-riding. Swinburn, 34, has been partnering horses on the Newmarket gallops for some 10 days following an extended period of recuperation from an accident which left him with multiple fractures and painful head injuries. "I am fit and raring to go," said Swinburn. "I never doubted I would be back and, although it has taken me a while, I am in great shape now and my weight is good." To convince Dr. Turner of his complete recovery, Swinburn will need to muster all the independent medical evidence he can. Turner is well-respected by all Britain's jockeys, but has never been known to allow riders to make comebacks before he is entirely satisfied with their physical condition.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

MERMAID S.-G3-Jpn, \$757,884, Hanshin Racecourse, Japan, 6-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT, 2:00.6, fm.
 1--#**@SHININ' RACER (JPN)**, m, 5, Northern Taste--Millracer, by Le Fabuleux. O-Y Ichikawa; B-Shadai Farm; T-T Takahashi; J-H Kawachi; \$396,632.
 2--**Golden Jack (Jpn)**, m, 5, Afleet--Comaz, by Danzig. \$159,974.
 3--**Symphony (Jpn)**, m, 5, Sakura Yutaka O (Jpn)--Dyna Agree (Jpn), by Northern Taste.
 Margins: ½, ¾, NK. Odds: 9.70, 6.20, 26.60.

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MT. LIVERMORE'S PEAKS AND VALLEYS

Champion returns with win at Belmont to start his 1996 campaign.

Mt. Livermore has 4 yearlings selling in July.

**AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:**

+ **Agehanomai**, f, 3, **Danzig--Fashion Delight** (SW, \$122,950), by Fappiano. Hanshin, 6-22, novice race, 3yo, 8fT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$46,650. O-Y Asakawa; B-W S Farish; T-H Yoshioka.

Over the Gulch, c, 3, **Gulch--Coolcarrie**, by Vanlandingham. Hanshin, 6-22, plate race, 3yo, 9f (dirt). Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-2, \$187,815. O-K Nishiura; B-Brylynn Farm; T-S Sasaki. *\$75,000 yrl '94 OBSAUG; \$70,000 2yo '95 KEEAPR.

Toyo Lotus, c, 3, **Lyphard--Thirty Eight Go Go** (MGSW, \$871,229), by Thirty Eight Paces. Nakayama, 6-23, Azuma Kofuji Open S., 6fT. Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-3, \$509,890. O-Toyo Club; B-Silverleaf Farm; T-Masahiro Horii. *\$460,000 2yo '95 FTFFEB.

Three Scout, c, 3, **Nureyev--Nancy's Scout**, by West Coast Scout. Sapporo, novice, 8.5f (dirt). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$67,083. O-N Shoji Inc; B-M I Farm; T-Tetsuya Meno. * 1/2 to Valay Maid (Carnivalay), MGSW, \$641,442. **\$175,000 yrl '94 KEEJUL; \$270,000 2yo '95 KEEAPR.

Taiki Flash, g, 5, **Spend a Buck--Sudden Flash** (GB), by Known Fact. Nakayama, 6-22, plate race, 8fT. Lifetime Record: 19-3-4-5, \$416,496. O-Taiki Farm; B-H & Y Bloodstock Inc.; T-Yoshiyasu Takahashi.

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ETERNAL SEARCH S., \$40,285, FEX, 6-24, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:40 2/5, yl.

1--**COLORFUL VICES**, 118, f, 3, **Regal Classic--Xoc**, by **Blade**. (\$35,000 2yo 1995 OBSMAR). O-Sam-Son Farm; B-McInlin J R (CAN); T-J E Day; J-T K Kabel; \$24,171. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, \$77,898. * 1/2 to Very Formal (State Dinner), SW, \$411,660.

2--**Princess Nicole**, 114, f, 3, **Northrop--Yourmybabygirl**, by Highland Park. \$8,057.

3--**Kibitzing**, 116, f, 3, **Wild Again--Marshua's Secret**, by Secretariat. (\$42,000 yrl '94 KEESEP; \$75,000 2yo 1995 FTFFEB). \$4,431.

Margins: 5HF, 1 3/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 1.25, 18.35, 5.75.

LET'S DO LUNCH H., \$30,000, APX, 6-24, (S), 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39 4/5, ft.

1--**SLUMGULLION**, 117, f, 3, **Conquistador Cielo--Storming Lass**, by **Storm Bird**. O/B-Block Mr. & Mrs. (IL); T-C Block; J-R J Albarado; \$18,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-3-1, \$98,193.

2--**Miss Delovely**, 117, f, 3, **Lord At War** (Arg)--**Miss Delilah**, by Tyrant. \$6,000.

3--**Heavenly Creek**, 117, f, 3, **Tricky Creek--Smoky Duchess**, by Droll Role. (\$9,000 yrl '94 ILLAUG). \$3,300

4th-DEL, \$29,300, 3yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:35 4/5, fm. **ELUSIVE** (f, 4, **Elmaamul--Gentle Encounter**, by ***Vaguely Noble**) Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, \$53,827. O-Audley Farm Stable. B-Audley Farm, Inc. (VA). T-William H Turner Jr.

5th-DEL, \$25,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. **SON OF HUCK** (c, 4, **Northern Flagship--Gnome's Light**, by **Laser Light**) Lifetime Record: 26-5-3-3, \$53,204. O-Kathleen Kelley. B-Manor House Farm (KY). T-A Archie Smith Jr.

5th-APX, \$22,000, 3yo/up, a1 1/8mT, 1:53 3/5, gd. **RETURN THE CROWN** (c, 4, **Chief's Crown--Irvina**, by **Turn to Reason**) Lifetime Record: 20-3-5-3, \$89,182. O-Cannizzaro & Fedro & Johnson. B-H. Waits, R. Cannon, Et Al. (KY). T-Rickey B Harris. * 1/2 to Recital (High Tribute), MGSW-PR; Silent Turn (Silent Cal), MGSW, \$527,649.

9th-APX, \$21,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41 4/5, ft. **ARE YOU FIT** (f, 3, **Fit to Fight--A Sunny Society {MSP}**, by **Son Ange**) Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-0, \$32,800. O-Shirley Muckler. B-Dan C. Muckler (IL). T-Timothy J Muckler. * 1/2 to Auggie My Dad (Broad Brush), SW, \$152,937.

9th-PHA, \$19,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23, ft. **SOPHISTIQUE PINE** (m, 6, **Country Pine--Sophistique**, by **Iron Ruler**) Lifetime Record: 57-12-10-9, \$135,597. O-John Kapinos. B-Save Dwsokin & Fred Labenski (FL). T-Faustino F Ramos.

8th-PHA, \$18,480, 3yo/up, 5fT, :58 1/5, fm. **BERYL HOFFMAN** (h, 6, **Conquistador Cielo--Casamora**, by **Villamor**) Lifetime Record: 36-9-5-3, \$64,878. O/B-Ronald Targan (KY). T-Neil Vosters.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Silver Gamble**, c, 2, **Prospectors Gamble--Above the Rest**, by Singular. CRC, 6-24, 4 1/2f, :53 2/5. B-Siegel Jan (Fl). *\$11,000 yrl '95 OBSJAN; \$38,000 2yo 1996 OBSFEB.

Chargitorose, f, 2, **Rexson's Hope--Pass My Budget**, by **Forward Charger**. CRC, 6-24, 5f, 1:00 3/5. B-R Harold (Fl).

St Mo, c, 3, **Aggressive Bid--Purple Rose**, by Relaunch. PHA, 6-24, 1m, 1:38 4/5. B-C Mitten & J Wasserstein (Tx).

Lyphdum, f, 3, **Lyphard--Dumtadumtadum** (SW), by ***Grey Dawn II**. DEL, 6-24, a1 1/8mT, 1:50 3/5. B-Pineau A Leonard Dr & Mrs (Md). * 1/2 to Nepal (Raja Baba), MGSW, \$226,259; Dumdedumdedum (Star de Naskra), GSW, \$262,344; Allegedum (Alleged), SW, \$101,502.



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