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SOUL OF THE MATTER OUT OF HOLLYWOOD GOLD CUP

Burt Bacharach's **Soul of the Matter** (Private Terms) has come down with a problem in his right fore foot and will be forced to miss Sunday's \$1 million Hollywood Gold Cup, trainer Richard Mandella announced Tuesday morning. "It's a sore foot," said Mandella. "We're just not going to make the race. It's frustrating. He's got those feet problems anyway, and he came out of his stall just dead lame today." Soul of the Matter, unraced since finishing second to Cigar in the March 27 Dubai World Cup, would have been the 123-pound highweight for the 1 1/4-mile event. "We'll fix it--I'm guessing we'll fix it--but it's just one of those things and it's very bad timing," Mandella added.

APALACHEE EUTHANIZED Apalachee (Round Table), the Champion Two-Year-Old Colt of 1973 in England and Ireland and the sire of 45 stakes-winners, was euthanized at Graham J. Beck's Gainesway Farm in Lexington, Kentucky June 19. The 25-year-old stallion had been taken out of stud duty for a mini-break in mid-May due to a decline in his weight. However, he did not respond to treatment and the decision was made in early June to retire him from stud duty. When his general health continued to deteriorate, Dr. Norman Umphenour DVM of Gainesway found it necessary to euthanize him for humane reasons. Apalachee's dam was the 1965 Horse of the Year Moccasin. Among his best progeny were champions Dance for Donna and Lubicon and graded stakes-winners Pine Tree Lane, Lazer Show, Up the Apalachee, Lottery Winner, Clocks Secret, Miss Indy Anna, High Counsel, Two Moccasins, Apalachee Honey, Motavato and Apalachee Prince.

UNBRIDLED'S SONG WORKS BULLET FIVE FURLONGS Breeders' Cup Juvenile and Florida Derby winner **Unbridled's Song** (Unbridled), who breezed five furlongs at Belmont Park Saturday in a time too slow to make the official work tab, picked up his pace in a work over the New York oval Monday, covering the distance in :59 1/5 handily. It was the fastest of 30 works at the distance. The three-year-old colt has not raced since finishing second as the 1-5 favorite in the May 26 Peter Pan S. He developed a lung infection following that start, and had not breezed until Monday's work.

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Sunday, Hollywood Park:

HOLLYWOOD GOLD CUP H.-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m

Trainer Richard Mandella, after being dealt the blow of Soul of the Matter's injury, regrouped and sent his other two Gold Cup hopefuls through a pair of five-furlong drills Tuesday at Hollywood Park. **Siphon (Brz)** (Itajara {Brz}), currently riding a three-race win streak, covered the distance in 1:00 3/5, while **Dare and Go** (Alydar), unraced since winning the March 6 The Wicked North S., went in 1:00 4/5. "Siphon worked real nice and Dare and Go looked real good," Mandella said. "They both went perfect." Also working for the Gold Cup yesterday was GI Strub S. winner **Helmsman** (El Gran Senor), who was clocked in 1:13 for six furlongs. "We're all set," trainer Wally Dollase said. "We're just going to coast into the race from here."

GI Californian S. winner **Tinners Way** (Secretariat) will carry 121 pounds in the Gold Cup, the most of any of the race's probable starters. Weights for his expected competitors are as follows: Helmsman, 120; Dare and Go, 118; **Geri** (Theatrical {Ire}), 118; **Mr Purple** (Deputy Minister), 118; Siphon, 117.

Sunday, The Curragh, Ireland:

IRISH DERBY-G1, \$935,745, 3yo, c & f, 1 1/2mT

Don Micheletto (GB) (Machiavellian) and **Sharaf Kabeer** (GB) (Machiavellian), both from the Godolphin team, plus the Khalid Abdullah-owned **Private Song** (Private Account), have been supplemented into the Irish Derby at a cost of \$93,575 each. The addition of this trio means that a maximum of 15 will go postward in the Budweiser-sponsored event. The other 12 to stand their ground from among the original 40 entries are: **Alhaarth** (Ire) (Unfuwain), **Amfortas** (Ire) (Caerleon), **Dr Massini** (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), **Dushyantor** (Sadler's Wells), **His Excellence** (El Gran Senor), **Polaris Flight** (Northern Flagship), **Rainbow Blues** (Ire) (Bluebird), **Spartan Heartbeat** (GB) (Shareef Dancer), **Supreme Commander** (Fr) (Saumarez), **Touch Judge** (Nijinsky II), **Truth Or Dare** (GB) (Royal Academy) and **Zagreb** (Theatrical {Ire}). Dushyantor leads the early betting at 7-4 odds, with Dr Massini second at 9-4 and Alhaarth next at 3-1.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, 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)**





News Continued.

EPSOM LIKELY TO STICK WITH SATURDAY

Epsom's Derby looks set to be run on a Saturday again next year, despite an increasing lobby of opinion that it would be better to return to its traditional date of the first Wednesday in June. Executives of the course met with representatives of Vodafone, the classic's sponsor, yesterday and are expected to announce their final decision by the end of this week. However, informed sources insist that a Saturday timing--as has been in place for the past two years--will continue for several seasons to come. Attendance at Epsom has dropped dramatically recently and, partly because this month's Derby clashed with England's opening match in the European Soccer Championships, television viewing figures were also down. But Edward Gillespie, racing director at Epsom, believes that a Saturday date has greater potential in the long term and Terry Barwick, Vodafone's director of corporate affairs, said, "I thought (this year's Derby) was a success. We can build the Saturday up."

GLORY OF DANCER AIMS FOR JAPAN CUP

The Italian-owned and English-trained three-year-old colt **Glory Of Dancer (GB)** (Shareef Dancer), winner of the G2 Dante S., fourth in the Epsom Derby and a close second in Sunday's G1 Grand Prix de Paris at Longchamp, has November's Japan Cup in Tokyo as his main long-term aim, according to Giorgio Barsotti, the racing manager for owner General Horse Advertising. "We expect him to run in the York International Aug. 20 and then possibly head for the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe," he said. "But, if we keep him to a mile and a quarter, then the Irish Champion S. and the Dubai Champion S. at Newmarket will be his targets after York. But the main aim is the Japan Cup."

FASIG-TIPTON CATALOGUE ON THE WEB

Fasig-Tipton's newly established Internet site will feature the 76th Annual Saratoga Yearling Sales catalogue. The site, located at <http://www.fasigtipton.com/>, will have complete pedigrees of all 233 yearlings offered in addition to indices for sires and first dams. "We are pleased to enable prospective buyers around the world to access our premier yearling sales catalogue prior to it coming off the press," said the company's President Walt Robertson. The official catalogue will be mailed June 27 and will be available from the Fasig-Tipton office at (606) 255-1555.

SANGSTER GETS HUGE SPONSOR Thoroughbred owner Robert Sangster has secured Britain's largest-ever stable sponsorship deal after searching for a suitable backer for almost two years. Beginning next month, all Sangster's horses will carry advertising for Grosvenor Casinos, a group with 32 gambling outlets. Ascot's Diamond Day, which features the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S., has been fixed as the starting date for the £500,000 (\$755,515), three-year sponsorship arrangement. The deal includes a string of 65 horses based in Britain, all but three in training with Peter Chapple-Hyam at Manton in Wiltshire, and bests by some £200,000 (\$302,206) the previous biggest arrangement of its type. David Boden, Grosvenor's managing director, stated, "A lot of our members are from the Middle East, so hopefully we shall be introducing many new faces to racing. We were not interested in a 'one-hit wonder' and could eventually sponsor races or own a horse. But (meantime) our members will be able to visit Manton and we'll be organizing racing days for them. They will also receive monthly details about the Sangster horses."

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Yesterday's Results:

7th-DEL, \$25,300, Alw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.
CRAFTY BUT SWEET (f, 3, Crafty Prospector--Keys Special, by Chieftain), winless in four starts, all stakes, since taking the GIII Sorority S. at Monmouth last August, dropped down to allowance company here and pressed the pace early, took command after 1/2-mile and drew off for a 4 1/2-length victory. Sent off the 3-5 favorite, she is 1/2 to Stutz Keys (MSW, \$247,507, by Stutz Blackhawk) and Shouldnt Say Never (SW, \$102,075, by Meadowlake). Lifetime Record: GSW, 7-3-0-1, \$164,480.
 O-Jolee Stables. B-Mischief Inc. (KY). T-Robert Barbara.

9th-MTH, \$22,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft.
VALID CONCEPT (c, 3, Valid Appeal--Constitution March, by Iron Constitution), 2nd in the Jonathan Dayton S. at the Meadowlands last September, was most recently fourth in the Great Navigator S. at Monmouth June 8. Sent off the overwhelming 1-5 favorite here, the bay colt led from start to finish to defeat SOMEPLACE FAST (Fast Play) by 5 1/2-lengths. Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-2-0, \$43,500.
 O-Overbrook Farm. B-Harry T. Mangurian Jr. (FL). T-D. Wayne Lukas.

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Stakes Results:

PREMIO PRINCIPE AMEDEO, \$49,073, Turin, Italy, 6-23, 3yo, 1 1/2mT, 2:33.00, gd/sf.
 1--#**PERSIAN SWEET (IRE)**, 121, c, 3, Persian Bold (Ire) --Very Sweet (Ire), by Bellypha (Ire). O-F Castelfranchi; B-Azienda Agricola Allevamento Il Crognolo; T-E. Borromeo; J-C. Colombi; \$27,263.
 2--**Ginca Rampezzotti (GB)**, 121, c, 3, Fairy King--Annamaria Pacifico (GB), by Niniski. \$11,996.
 3--**Snake Snap (GB)**, 129, c, 3, Shareef Dancer--Clare Court (GB), by Glint Of Gold (GB). \$6,543.
 Margins: 1/2, 1 3/4, 3/4.

PREMIO VITTORIO CRESPI, \$49,073, Milan, Italy, 6-23, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:12.30, gd/sf.
 1--#**WINDY DAY (IRE)**, 123, f, 2, Waajib (Ire)--Money Spinner, by Teenoso. O-Scuderia dei Cherubini; B-Mrs A. Whitehead; T-G. Botti; J-E. Botti; \$27,263.
 2--**Basovizza (GB)**, 123, f, 2, Statoblest (GB)--Basenite (GB), by Mansingh. \$11,996.
 3--**Rivelazione (Ire)**, 123, f, 2, Night Shift--Juraba (GB), by Bustino (GB). \$8,801.
 Margins: head, 2 1/2, short neck.

Local News, England:

The Aga Khan's G1 Prix Ganay winner **Valanour (Ire)** (Lomond), who missed the recent G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Longchamp because of the very soft going, is a definite starter for the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. over a mile and a quarter at Sandown Park in England Saturday, July 6. Gerald Mosse has the mount on the four-year-old, who also won the G2 Prix d'Harcourt in April.

Mistle Cat (Storm Cat), third in last week's Queen Anne S. at Royal Ascot, is virtually certain to race next in Newcastle's G3 Beeswing S. July 29. Trainer Sean Woods had entered the six-year-old gray in this Saturday's G3 Van Geest Criterion S. and was hoping for a small field. But with a total of 22 five-day entries for the Newmarket race, that appears a longshot, so the handler has decided to stick with his original plan. This is definitely Mistle Cat's last season racing--offers have come in from America and Australia to stand him as a stallion for next season--but before he signs off Woods wants to make the most of his talents. "We're still hoping to pick up that elusive G1 for him," he said. "So Longchamp's Prix de la Foret is our main objective and then we'd love to have a crack at the Hong Kong Bowl."

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-DEL, \$25,000, 3/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, fm. **PICTURE HAT** (f, 4, Topsider--Bluemont {GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB}) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$22,900. O-Ardboe Stable. B-Mr. & Mrs. James B. Moseley (KY). T-Richard K. Trimmer.

10th-LRL, \$22,800, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:23 4/5, ft. **ON THE TREE TOP** (f, 3, Tasso--Toque Rouge {Ire}, by Tarboosh) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$30,374. O/B-Gerald Robins (KY). T-Vincent L. Blengs. *1/2 to Balote (MSP, \$117,039, by Fappiano) and Fappies Cosy Miss (MGSP, \$304,885, by Fappiano).

9th-LRL, \$22,550, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 2/5, ft. **OOMPAPPAH** (c, 3, Hansel--Dontstop Themusic {MGI, \$963,469}, by Stop the Music) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-3, \$42,980. O-Lazy Lane Farms Inc. B-Lazy Lane Stables, Inc. (VA). T-H. Graham Motion.

8th-PRM, \$20,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13, ft. **ISTHATACLAIMGIRL** (f, 4, Claim--Seduisant, by Fluorescent Light) Lifetime Record: 20-4-3-5, \$86,651. O-Hunt Stables Inc. B-Billy Ray Gowdy (KY). T-Larry Hunt.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Patch of Gold, g, 2, Goldlust--Patch Patch Patch, by Explodent. DEL, 6-25, 5f, 1:00 2/5. B-A. Don Wolff (Va). *\$2,700 yrl '95 FTMSEP.

Messer, c, 3, Affirmed--Toor a Lay, by The Minstrel. MTH, 6-25, 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Sterlingbrook Farm (Nj). *\$75,000 yrl '94 KEESEP.

Kata's Kid, g, 3, Danzig Connection--Duo Disco (GSW, \$455,258), by Spring Double. MTH, 6-25, 1mT, 1:36 3/5. B-Robert N. Verratti (Ky). *1/2 to Misspitch (MSW, \$176,691, by Waquoit) and Big Baby Bear (MGSW-Brz, by Northern Baby).

Smartullah, f, 3, Smarten--Mintullah, by The Minstrel. PHA, 6-25, a1m70ydT, 1:45 2/5. B-Mrs. Miles Valentine (Pa).

Randu, c, 3, Sportin' Life--Fiery Debutante, by Sunny Clime. MTH, 6-25, (S), 1m, 1:41 3/5. B-Eugenio Abbruzzese (Nj).

Marshyhope, f, 3, Temperence Hill--Fair Bellino (SP), by Robellino. LRL, 6-25, 1 1/4m (off turf), 2:06 3/5. B-Frank P. Wright (Md).

Rosso Toscano, g, 4, Foreign Survivor--Roman Wine (Mex), by All Hands. DEL, 6-25, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Gasadell Farm (Fl).

BREEDERS' CUP NATIONAL STAKES RACE CLOSINGS



CLOSES	TRACK	RACE	CONDITIONS	PURSE	RUNS
7/1	Crc	SPEND A BUCK BC H.	3yo/up, 9f	\$100K	7/13
7/3	Del	THE KENT BC S.	3yo, 9f (T)	\$100K	7/14

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by: Alan Porter, Highflyer International

ROYAL ASCOT PEDIGREE SHORTS...

England's four-day Royal Ascot meeting--which took place last week--offers what may be the highest concentration of stakes competition in the world, and inevitably many of the winners had pedigrees worthy of note.

Hot on the heels of Lady Carla's Oaks victory, the G2 King Edward VII S. went to **Amfortas {Ire}** (c, 3, **Caerleon--High Spirited {Ire}**, by **Shirley Heights {GB}**), who is bred on the same Caerleon/Shirley Heights cross as Lady Carla. Royal Academy, who like Caerleon is a son of Nijinsky II, has an extraordinary strike rate with Shirley Heights mares, and Shirley Heights' son, Darshaan, does very well with mares by The Minstrel, a three-parts brother to Nijinsky II, so there is definitely something going on here.

Caerleon is in the midst of a phenomenal season and he was also responsible for the G1 Coronation S. winner **Shake the Yoke {GB}** (f, 3, **Caerleon--Bermuda Classic {Ire}**, by **Double Form {Ire}**). Another member of the growing army of major winners who are inbred to Northern Dancer via Nijinsky II and Lyphard, Shake the Yoke is also linebred to Turn-to and Princequillo. Caerleon's dam, Foreseer, is by a son of Round Table (by Princequillo) out of a mare by a son of Turn-to, and combinations of Princequillo with Turn-to's sire, Royal Charger, or Royal Charger's three-parts brother, Nasrullah, appear in many of Caerleon's best winners. As a footnote to the above, we can add that on Sunday, the G1 Grand Prix de Paris was taken by **Grape Tree Road {GB}** (c, 3, **Caerleon--One Way Street {Ire}**, by **Habitat**). Since Shake the Yoke's broodmare sire, Double Form, is by Habitat, she and Grape Tree Road are bred along rather similar lines.

Gone West was represented by a very smart juvenile, **Dance Parade** (f, 2, **Gone West--River Jig**, by **Irish River {Fr}**), who took the G3 Queen Mary S. Brilliant classic winner Zafonic was bred on the Gone West/The Minstrel cross, and Dance Parade's second dam is by The Minstrel's three-parts brother Nijinsky II. This is no coincidence. Flaming Page, the dam of Nijinsky II and the granddam of The Minstrel, loves to pick up the Menow/Bull Dog cross (she is by Bull Dog's son Bull Lea out of a Menow mare). In Gone West's pedigree, we find Tim Tam, who is by a son of Menow out of a Bull Lea mare. Gone West is out of a Secretariat mare, and Dance Parade's maternal grandsire, Irish River, is by Riverman. Both Secretariat and Riverman are bred on a Nasrullah/Princequillo cross and are found together in

the pedigree of Derby winner Erhaab. The Riverman strain should be high on the list of potential mates for the growing number of sires who are out of Secretariat mares.

We frequently advocate what we call "inside out" matings. This is a mating where a stallion is crossed with a mare who is by the sire of a talented half-brother or sister to the stallion. The latest example of the formula is the Chesham S. winner **Shamikh {GB}** (c, 2, **Unfuwain--Narjis**, by **Blushing Groom {Fr}**), who is by Unfuwain out of a mare by Blushing Groom, sire of Unfuwain's magnificent half-brother Nashwan. This is the fourth stakes-winner to date by Unfuwain out of a Blushing Groom mare, so it seems to be working.

PEDIGREE SHORTS...

The victory of **Dance Treat** (f, 4, **Nureyev--Office Wife**, by **Secretariat**) in the G3 La Coupe at Saint-Cloud made her at least the 10th stakes-winner by Nureyev out of a mare carrying Secretariat's dam, Something-royal, which means that the combination is found in better than 10 percent of Nureyev's stakes-winners. Nureyev has so far sired four stakes-winners from 16 starters out of Secretariat mares, so that version of the cross seems to work particularly well. We shouldn't ignore the fact that Dance Treat is out of Office Wife, who is by a son of Bold Ruler out of a daughter of Rare Treat. The mare Another Treat--by a son of Bold Ruler out of Rare Treat--is granddam of Dance Treat's close relatives, the talented Nureyev colts Robin des Pins and Robin des Bois.

Another son of Northern Dancer to have a happy history with Secretariat mares is Storm Bird, with five stakes-winners from 24 runners bred on the cross, among them Summer Squall and Storm Cat. One who might eventually add to that number is **Fixin to Storm** (f, 2, **Storm Bird--Mazama**, by **Secretariat**), a juvenile who notched a five-length tally at Arlington Park in her racecourse debut.

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FIRST STARTER WINS

Champion 2-Year-Old SKY CLASSIC's very first starter, **Frances In The Sky**, won her maiden race at Churchill Downs by an impressive 3 ½ lengths over 5 ½ furlongs on the dirt.