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## N • E • W • S T O D A Y

### TURF CHAMPION CANDIDATES FACE OFF AT CALDER

Calder Racing Secretary Bob Umphrey released the nominations for next Saturday's GII \$150,000 W. L. McKnight H. yesterday, and topping the list of 31 for the mile-and-a-half event are two contenders for this year's Eclipse Award as champion turf horse, **Mecke** (Maudlin) and **Diplomatic Jet** (Roman Diplomat). The two multiple Grade I winners are both expected to start. Four-year-old Mecke, a winner of five of his 13 starts this season including the GI Arlington Million and GI Early Times Turf Classic, came back from a two-month vacation November 30 to take the GIII Tropical Turf H. Diplomatic Jet, also four, has won three of his 15 1996 appearances, taking the GI Man o'War, GI Turf Classic Invitational and GI Early Times Manhattan, all at Belmont Park. The Florida-bred was 12th in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf and fifth in the GII Red Smith H. in his most recent try.

**LAURA'S PISTOLETTE RETIRED** Big Pistol Partnership's **Laura's Pistolette** (Big Pistol), a two-time graded stakes winner, has been retired and will be bred next year. The five-year-old mare captured 10 of her 31 lifetime starts and \$545,710; she ended her career with a second-place finish in a Churchill Downs allowance race November 26. Sent to Denali Stud in Paris, Kentucky, the mare will be bred to Kris S. in 1997; current plans call for her to be sold at the 1997 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale.

### ONCE WILD TO DOUBLE DIAMOND FARM

**Once Wild** (Baldski), who has sired the winners of more than \$1.8 million from his three crops to race, has been moved to stand the 1997 breeding season at Double Diamond Farm in Ocala, Florida. Donald Disney, owner of Double Diamond, purchased an interest in the 11-year-old stallion, who has produced stakes winners Bog Wild, Judith's Wild One and Hoop Coyote Hoop to date. Once Wild, a Grade I winner of \$428,668, will stand for a fee of \$5,000, live foal, next year.

## W • E • E • K • E • N • D P R E V I E W

### Today, Hollywood Park

PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Wealthy	Hofmans	McCarron	6-1
2	City Band	Lukas	Stevens	9-5
3	Sharp Cat	Lukas	Nakatani	5-2
4	High Heeled Hope	Bradshaw	Solis	4-1
5	Dove Shell	Kimmel	Smith	8-1
6	Queen of Money	Baffert	Flores	12-1
7	Critical Factor	Cho	Delahoussaye	10-1
8	Cerita	Sadler	Douglas	30-1

**City Band** (Carson City) disappointed when 10th in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies but bounced back to take the GIII Golden Rod S. at Churchill Downs November 30. The Overbrook colorbearer, two-for-three at this distance, is the only filly in the field with a win at a mile and a sixteenth. **Wealthy** (Regal Classic), impressive winning her first two, was third to City Band in the GI Oak Leaf S., then took nearly two months off before trying the turf in the GIII Miesque S. in her return and running a strong second.

### Today, Aqueduct Racetrack

**QUEENS COUNTY H.-GIII**, \$75,000a, 3yo/up, 1 3/16m

The field of seven, in post position order, will be: **Mickeray** (Blood Royal), 111, Velez Jr.; **More To Tell** (Moro), 113, Migliore; **Topsy Robsy** (Topsider), 111, Keim-Bruno; **Ormsby** (Carson City), 121, Krone; **Colonial Secretary** (Pleasant Colony), 116, Reynolds; **Poor But Honest** (Nasty And Bold), 121, Chavez; and **Secreto de Estado** (General Assembly), 112, C Velasquez.

### Today, Calder Race Course

**WHAT A PLEASURE S.-GIII**, \$100,000, 2yo, 8.5f

The field of two-year-olds, from the rail out, will be: **Plenty of Pie** (Two's a Plenty), 113, Sellers; **Love View** (Sports View), 120, Walls; **Valid Ensign** (Blue Ensign), 115, Ferrer; **Minighosta** (Silver Ghost), 115, Patterson; **Fight for Liberty** (Fight Over), 115, Dominguez; **Arthur L.** (Ocala Slew), 115, Coa; **Blount Island** (Pentelicus), 117, Sukie; and **David's Ghost** (Notebook), 115, Toribio Jr.

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## Sunday, Hollywood Park

**HOLLYWOOD TURF CUP H.-GI**, \$500,000, 3yo/up, 12fT

The field of 10 turf stars, in post position order, will be: **Party Season (GB)** (Shirley Heights {GB}), 126; **Running Flame (Fr)** (Assert {Ire}), 126; **Mr. Bluebird** (Crafty Prospector), 126; **Windsharp** (Lear Fan), 123; **Raintrap (GB)** (Rainbow Quest), 126; **Wings Bash (Ire)** (In The Wings {GB}), 126; **Talloires** (Tremolino), 126; **Marlin** (Sword Dance {Ire}), 122; **Bon Point (GB)** (Soviet Star), 126; and **Mister Alleged** (Alleged), 126. Raintrap (GB) and Bon Point (GB) run coupled.

## Sunday, Hollywood Park

**HOLLYWOOD FUTURITY-GI**, \$250,000a, 2yo, 8.5f

The 13 juveniles, from the inside, will be: **Constant Demand** (Summer Squall), **Higher With Fire** (Fire Dancer), **Swiss Yodeler** (Eastern Echo), **Steel Ruhl** (Ruhlmann), **Stolen Gold** (Conquistador Cielo), **Master Marshal** (Houston), **Flew The City** (Slew City Slew), **Free House** (Smokester), **In Excessive Bull** (In Excess {Ire}), **Leestown** (Seattle Slew), **Mellifont** (Woodman), **Robynhood** (Robyn Dancer) and **Carmen's Baby** (Iam The Iceman). All carry 121 pounds. Higher With Fire and Master Marshal make up the mutuel field. Flew The City worked three-eighths in :36 yesterday; Swiss Yodeler went a half in :51 Friday.

## Sunday, Hollywood Park

**DAHLIA H.-GII**, \$100,000a, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5fT

The expected starters, from the rail out, are: **De Puntillas (GB)** (Distant Relative {Ire}), 116; **Grafin** (Miswaki), 116; **Admise (Fr)** (Highest Honor {Fr}), 121; **Radu Cool** (Carnivalay), 115; **British Bauble** (Kris S.), 114; **Antespend** (Spend A Buck), 119; **Sixieme Sens** (Septieme Ciel), 115; **Miss Lady Bug** (Rough Pearl), 115; **Logia (Arg)** (Parade Marshal), 113; **Ribot's Secret (Ire)** (Danehill), 109; **Special Eyes** (Stanstead), 107; **Real Connection** (Vigors), 115; and **Wende** (Herat), 113. Logia (Arg) and Special Eyes make up the mutuel field. Antespend went a half in :47 3/5 at Santa Anita Friday.

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◆ EAST ◆

## Yesterday's Results:

**THIRTY ZIP S.**, \$25,950, CRC, 12-13, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13, gd.

1--**PLUM COUNTRY**, 118, f, 3, **Country Pine--Plum Island Girl**, by **Rexson**. O-Vittese Dominick; B-Curtin Richard (FL); T-David A Vivian; J-J A Velez Jr; \$15,570. Lifetime Record: GSW, 14-6-5-1, \$365,730.

2--**Fort Pond**, 117, f, 4, **Fortunate Prospect--Silver Pond**, by **Raja Baba**. \$5,190.

3--**Cascade Canyon**, 112, f, 4, **Unreal Zeal--Grope**, by **T. V. Commercial**. (\$10,500 yrl '93 OBSJAN). \$2,854.

Margins: 4 3/4, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.00, 6.60, 5.80.

Plum Country, winner of the GIII Davona Dale S. in February and then beaten a nose in the GIII Florida Oaks March 24, came back after a six-month layoff to finish off the board in a Calder turf stakes September 28. Back on the dirt for her second start back, the filly was third, beaten only a neck, in the GIII Honey Bee H. at the Meadowlands in her last outing. The even-money choice off that effort and never worse than second in seven prior starts over this track, the bay filly was content to follow the field for a half but kicked it into gear at the top of the stretch and swept past pacesetter Fort Pond late to win going away, completing the double on the day for her dam, Plum Island Girl (see *New York Report*).

## Local News: Gulfstream Park

Probable champion three-year-old **Skip Away** (Skip Trial) recorded his first workout since October 2 at Gulfstream Park yesterday, breezing a half in :47 4/5. The grey, who bested Cigar in his final 1996 start, taking the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup by a head October 5, is expected to make his four-year-old bow in the GI Donn H. at Gulfstream February 8.

The first condition book of the Gulfstream meet, out yesterday, offers purses which are 10 percent higher than those in the first book of the 1996 meet. The 1997 season starts January 3.

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## ◆ MIDWEST ◆

### Thursday's Late Result:

**8th-TPX, \$25,300, Alw, 2yo, f/m, 8f, 1:38 3/5, my.**  
**OUT FIELD** (f, 2, **Metfield--Dedham Dancer, by Verbatim**), third in her debut at Keeneland, broke her maiden at Turfway last out and came back to make it two in a row, moving from second to take the lead after six furlongs and cruising clear to win it by four lengths as the 6-5 chalk. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$34,600.  
 O/B-Frederick T Lewis Jr. (KY). T-Eric R Reed.

### Local News: Hot Springs, Arkansas

James P. "Big Jim" Alford, a trainer at Oaklawn Park for the past 25 years, died Wednesday in a Hot Springs hospital. He was 60. Born in Texas, his best runner was the multiple stakes winner Dr's Enjoy Dollars. He is survived by his wife, Billie; daughter Penny; a step-daughter and her husband, Debra and Leon Hunt; and three grandchildren. Funeral services are set for Saturday at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Church in Hot Springs.

## ◆ NEW YORK ◆

### Yesterday's Results:

**7th-AQU, \$41,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 8.5f, 1:43 4/5, ft.**  
**1--NATIVE TRIBE, 115, c, 4, Our Native--Rogatien, by Storm Bird.** O-Perez Robert; B-Summa Stable (KY); T-Alfredo Callejas. Lifetime Record: 26-5-6-3, \$141,230.

**2--Ce Flite, 114, c, 3, Cefis--Mercy Flite, by North Flight.**

**3--Select Session, 117, c, 4, Mi Selecto--Jeunesse, by Youth.**

Margins: NK, 1HF, 1HF. Odds: 1.45, 2.50, 5.10.

Off the board his last four starts, Native Tribe found himself facing an easier field here and took advantage of the spot, grabbing the lead right at the start and battling Ce Flite to the wire to take the photo as the crowd's choice.

**4th-AQU, \$33,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft.**  
**WILD PLUM** (f, 4, **Once Wild--Plum Island Girl, by Rexson**), fourth at this level following a short break last out, dueled on the lead from the start and proved gamest in the drive, outfinishing 2-5 **THESKY'STHELIMIT** (Northern Prospect) by a head at 8-1. The winner is a 1/2 to Plum Country (Country Pine), GSW, \$350,160, who was also a winner yesterday (see *East Report*). Lifetime Record: 17-3-0-4, \$68,845.

O/B-Richard Curtin (FL). T-Michael H Daggett.

**2nd-AQU, \$33,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 8.5f, 1:47 2/5, ft.**  
**+ GLORY IN MOTION** (f, 2, **Broad Brush--Timeless Token, by Timeless Moment**), off at 5-2 in her debut, trailed the field for six furlongs but finished full of run to break her maiden by a length and a half. The winner was a \$35,000 KEEJAN yearling and a \$60,000 FTFFEB 2yo. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,800.  
 O-Kentucky Blue Stables. B-Larry Millison (KY). T-John C Kimmel.

## ◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

### Local News: Del Mar

The Del Mar Thoroughbred Club has distributed \$187,000 in charity donations to 20 organizations as a result of its 1995 meet. Under state law, the track's charity funds are now based on two-tenths of one percent of the total on-track handle for the season. Donations from the 1995 meeting include \$20,000 to the United Way of San Diego; \$16,000 to the Helen Woodward Animal Center; \$15,000 each to the Grayson-Jockey Club Research Foundation, the University of California-Davis Equine Research Lab and the North Country YMCA; and \$10,000 each to the University of Arizona Racetrack Industry Program, the Winners Foundation, the Children's Hospital of San Diego, the Don MacBeth Memorial Jockey Fund and the California Equine Retirement Foundation. Charity money earned from the 1996 meet will be released next year.

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### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-AQU, \$35,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.**  
**DAHL** (f, 3, **Irish Tower--Democracy, by Give Me Strength**) Lifetime Record: GSP, 8-3-3-1, \$106,863.  
 O/B-Philip Birsh (NY). T-John M Destefano Jr.

**9th-TPX, \$27,050, 12-12, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18 1/5, my.**

**CAPOTE'S WAY** (f, 3, **Capote--Gene's Lady {MGSW, \$946,190}, by What a Pleasure**) Lifetime Record: 14-3-5-3, \$104,283. O-Lewis Beverly J & Robert B. B-Dr. William O. Reed (KY). T-D Wayne Lukas.

**8th-LRL, \$25,480, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, sy.**  
**SEE YOUR POINT** (f, 4, **Rock Point--All the C's, by Bold Monarch**) Lifetime Record: 18-7-3-3, \$99,687.  
 O/T-William M Sire. B-Sophian Stables (NC).

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9th-FGX, \$25,000, 3yo, f, a1mT, 1:41 2/5, fm.  
(DH)-DYNADA (f, 3, Dynaformer--Luckada, by  
Marshua's Dancer) Lifetime Record: 13-5-0-1, \$43,025.  
O-H C Vogel Jr. & Wafare Farm. B-Bayne & Jackson, et  
al. (KY). T-Paul L Oliver.

(DH)-SPRUCE CUTIE (f, 3, Spruce Bouquet--Island Cutie,  
by Island Whirl) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-2, \$23,580.  
O/B-Foxwood Plantation Inc. (LA). T-Bret Thomas.

8th-MED, \$25,000, 12-12, (S), 3/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, sy.  
TRIPLE KRIS (c, 3, Evening Kris--Tripolina (Col), by  
Charlotte's Wig) Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-2, \$48,395.  
O/T-Juan Serey. B-Gonzalo A. Gomez (NJ).

9th-WOX, \$24,600, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 2/5, gd.  
OPEN ICE HIT (g, 3, Nasty and Bold--Love Touch, by  
Gallant Romeo) Lifetime Record: 17-6-3-2, \$74,321.  
O-De Perio Anthony M & Jeffrey. B-Orie Lebus (KY).  
T-Andrew A Bankuti.

7th-HAW, \$23,000, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:45, my.  
BELIEVE IT HONEY (c, 4, Believe It--Honey Dar, by  
Alydar) Lifetime Record: 30-6-5-4, \$93,668. O-Goldish  
Marc & Savoy Stable. B-Robert C. Kirkwood (IL).  
T-Frank J Schiffner.

6th-MED, \$22,000, 12-12, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41  
2/5, sy.  
FROSTY AIR (c, 4, Frosty the Snowman--S. S. Aroma,  
by Seattle Slew) Lifetime Record: 14-3-1-4, \$58,232.  
O/B-Arthur I. Appleton (FL). T-Robert W Camac. \*1/2 to  
Ocean Crest (Storm Bird), GSW, \$270,455.

10th-CRC, \$21,300, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12 1/5, gd.  
GEE WIZ KID (g, 3, Hold On Chris--Gaygee, by Sover-  
eign Dancer) Lifetime Record: 15-4-3-3, \$62,115. O-Poo  
Bare Stable. B-Diamond L Farm (FL). T-O Edwards.

9th-HAW, \$21,000, 3yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:46, my.  
DGORGEOUS ROSE (f, 3, Procida--Gorgeous Dee, by  
Dewan) Lifetime Record: 14-3-3-0, \$31,822. O-Kevin  
Danger. B-Arthur B. Hancock III (KY). T-Bernell B Rhone.

4th-CRC, \$18,700, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:50, sy.  
MACAJAH (c, 3, Exclusive Gem--W. J.'s Annabella, by  
Toronto) Lifetime Record: 19-3-2-4, \$24,499. O-Geaver  
Corp. B-Donald Wilson (FL). T-Manuel J Azpurua.

7th-LRL, \$17,500, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:25 4/5, sy.  
COLD SALUTE (c, 3, Salutely--Cold Venus {SP}, by  
Cold Reception) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-2-2-4,  
\$41,839. O/T-William D Sams. B-Debra A. Sams (VA).

#### MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Bold Arbitrage**, c, 2, **Bold Executive**--Speculative Bid, by  
Spectacular Bid. WOX, 12-13, 5f, 1:00. B-Sorokolit  
William (Can).

+ **Glory in Motion**, f, 2, **Broad Brush**--Timeless Token,  
by Timeless Moment. AQU, 12-13, 1 1/16m, 1:47  
2/5. B-Millison Larry (Ky). \*\$35,000 yrl '95 KEEJAN;  
\$60,000 2yo 1996 FTFEB.

**Fly to Houston**, c, 2, **Houston**--Jet Trade (SP), by Tri  
Jet. MED, 12-12, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Mueller Stables  
(Ky). \*\$3,000 yrl '95 KEESEP.

**l'madreamer**, c, 2, **l'ma Hell Raiser**--Pacific's Dream  
(MSW), by Brother Machree. FGX, (S), 12-13, 6f,  
1:12 4/5. B-Kennington Mike (La). \*\$5,000 yrl '95  
LOUSEP.

**Royal Blush**, f, 2, **Majestic Venture**--Fast Blush, by  
Graustark. AQU, 12-13, 6f, 1:13. B-Jerkens Elisabeth  
R (Fl).

**Twochindordor**, f, 2, **Vice Regent**--Wonchindordor  
(MSW, \$177,256), by Mari's Book. WOX, 12-13, 5f,  
:59 4/5. B-Lister Richard L (Can).

**Dance's to Kings**, c, 3, **Carnivalay**--Excellent Native, by  
Exceller. CRC, 12-13, a1 1/8mT, 1:53 1/5.  
B-Fourbros Stable (Md). \*\$14,000 wlng '93 FTMDEC;  
\$20,000 yrl '94 FTMSEP.

**Heedless**, g, 3, **Caveat**--Swan, by Nijinsky II. CRC,  
12-13, a1 1/8mT, 1:53. B-Belmont August (Md). \*Full  
to Heed, GSW, \$253,530.

**Report Time**, c, 3, **Corporate Report**--Tryanothertime, by  
Majestic Light. WOX, 12-13, 1 1/16m, 1:48 3/5.  
B-Glencrest Farm (Ky). \*\$15,000 wlng '93 KEENOV.

+ **Rest Til Morn**, f, 3, **Restivo**--Kitty Sunshine, by  
Harvard Man. AQU, (S), 12-13, 6f, 1:13. B-Just  
Resting Farm (Ny).

**Omaha Beach**, c, 3, **Storm Bird**--Queen of Women, by  
Sharpen Up (GB). TPX, 12-12, 1 1/16m, 1:44.  
B-Kennelot Stables, Limited (Ky).

**Alpha Wolf**, c, 3, **Wolf Power (SAf)**--Quietly Played, by  
Dewan. FGX, 12-13, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5. B-Saddle  
Home Farm (Ky). \*\$19,000 yrl '94 KEESEP; \$30,000  
2yo 1995 FTFEB. \*Full to Run Wolf Run, MSW,  
\$102,939.

**Star Punch**, f, 4, **Two Punch**--Banner Yet Waive, by  
Jolly Johu. LRL, 12-13, 6f, 1:14 2/5. B-Kincheloe J  
Gordon (Md).

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