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HURDLE RACE ADDED TO KEENELAND

SCHEDULE Keeneland will create a new tradition this April, introducing steeplechase racing at its 1997 spring meet. The track will host the \$150,000-added Royal Chase for the Sport of Kings, to be run at 2 1/4 miles over a dozen fences April 24, closing day of the 15-day season. The Royal Chase, which along with the Breeders' Cup Grand National will be the richest hurdle event in North America, is the finale of the Sport of Kings Challenge, an international series of steeplechase races. The weight-for-age stakes is open to four-year-olds and up.

CRYPTO STAR INJURED Four-year-old **Crypto Star** (Cryptoclearance), fifth in the GI Malibu S. December 26, pulled his right front suspensory in the race and will be out three months. "It's an injury to his high suspensory," said trainer Wally Dollase. "We didn't know it until a few days after the race, but he'll be out a while." The colt, hero of last year's GII Arkansas Derby and GIII Louisiana Derby, has won four of nine starts and \$638,290. The Malibu was his first start since a fourth-place effort in the GI Belmont S. June 7.

OJC HANDLE SURPASSES \$530 MILLION The Ontario Jockey Club's racetracks and its network of teletheatres handled a total of \$530,217,976 in 1997. Both the Standardbred and Thoroughbred divisions showed gains, with wagering on harness racing up 4.4 percent and wagering on Thoroughbred racing up 2.5 percent. OJC was without the full benefit of handle from Fort Erie Racetrack, which was sold August 28 last year. "What was particularly gratifying was the increase in wagering on-track," said David Willmot, OJC's president and CEO. "The Thoroughbreds were up 3.4 percent at Woodbine and the Standardbreds did even better, increasing by 5.9 percent at Woodbine and Mohawk. We believe this reflects the fact that we are offering better value for the dollar to our customers at improved facilities."

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Wednesday, Gulfstream Park:

OLD HAT S., \$75,000, GPX, 1-7, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

- 1--**#EVENING HUSH**, 114, f, 3, Saint Ballado--Tres Dulce, by Honest Pleasure. (\$80,000 2yo 1997 OBSFEB). O-Brodsky A & Gouse R & Hough S; B-Ocala Stud Farms & Karl Koontz (FL); T-Stanley M Hough; J-R G Davis; \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$87,000.
- 2--**Cotton House Bay**, 116, f, 3, Carson City--Cathy Quick, by Cathy's Reject. (\$145,000 yrl '96 KEESEP). O-Melnyk Eugene. \$15,000.
- 3--**Argos Appeal**, 116, f, 3, World Appeal--Lady Argo, by Gold Meridian. O-Flowers Diane H. \$8,250. Margins: 3, 2 3/4, 4HF. Odds: 2.70, 4.00, 12.50.

Evening Hush won her first two career starts--a May 25 maiden race and a June 18 allowance contest, both at Belmont, in a juvenile campaign that was abbreviated due to sore shins and a knee chip. Off for seven months following her allowance score, the filly came back running to silence her competition here. Seeking to remain undefeated, the second choice showed the way down the backside and drew clear in the stretch for an easy score. "She was fresh," said winning jockey Robbie Davis. "I was going to sit off 'em, but she was full of run. I was going as easy as I could without her throwing her head in my face. I hit her a couple of times in the lane and she just flew" Davis added, "She's a very nice filly. Probably the best two-year-old filly I ever rode....ever! I believe she will (go long). She's by that super stallion (Saint Ballado). He's just phenomenal right now." Trainer Stanley Hough said he was unsure of an upcoming spot for the winner but indicated that he will stretch her out in the future. The 8-5 favorite NANCY'S GLITTER (Glitterman), who swept the filly division of last year's Florida Stallion S., got off to a poor start and trailed the field the entire way to finish seventh and last. "When the gate opened, she was ducking to the outside," Pedro Rodriguez, rider of the beaten favorite, said. "I lost the race coming out of the gate. She warmed up OK. She was standing still in the gate. Everything was fine. She just didn't break."

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HAWTHORNE MEET CONCLUDES Hawthorne Race Course concluded its 81-day 1997 Thoroughbred meet December 31, showing a slight dip in average daily handle from its record-breaking 1996 meet. Average daily wagering (including full-card simulcasting) decreased seven percent from \$3,575,861 in 1996 to \$3,325,556 in 1997. Wagering on the live signal decreased 14.66 percent from \$2,503,562 in 1996 to \$2,136,548 in 1997, while betting on out-of-state simulcasts increased 10.88 percent from \$1,072,300 in '96 to \$1,189,008 in '97. Hawthorne's signal continued to be popular with out-of-state patrons with nearly \$1.3 million being bet into Hawthorne's pools daily. **Dannys a Honey** (Honeyland) was named Horse of the Meet. The Illinois-bred won three stakes during the meeting—the Illinois Stallion Stakes Trial, Illinois Stallion Stakes Final and August Muckler S. Twenty-year-old Jesse Campbell earned his first-ever riding title with 73 wins; Tom Dorris picked up his first Hawthorne training championship with 32 victories. Summer racing returns to Hawthorne in 1998 with a 129-day meet beginning July 1 and extending through Nov. 28.

◆ PREVIEW ◆

Saturday, Santa Anita:

SAN PASQUAL H.-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m
Hal's Pal (GB) (Caerleon), who equalled the track record at Hollywood Nov. 6 with a seven furlong optional claimer victory in 1:20 2/5, drilled five panels in :59 1/5 at Santa Anita Tuesday in preparation for the San Pasqual. "That was his first work over the track," said trainer Ben Cecil. "He seemed to like it. (Corey) Nakatani worked him and said he felt great. I think it's definitely worth taking a shot in this race." Five-year-old Hal's Pal will be making only his fourth U.S. start in the San Pasqual after finishing fourth in the Gill Vernon O. Underwood at Hollywood in his latest outing Dec. 6. In other San Pasqual developments, Breeders' Cup Sprint seventh-place finisher **Northern Afleet** (Afleet) breezed seven furlongs in 1:27 yesterday at Hollywood, and Cal Cup Classic hero **Awesome Daze** (Lil Tyler) drilled a half-mile in :47 3/5.

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 a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Stakes Results:

SPORTS NIPPON SHO KYOTO KIM PAI-G3-Jpn, \$643,112, Kyoto Racecourse, Japan, 1-5, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:00.60, fm.
 1--#**MIDNIGHT BET**, 121, c, 4, Housebuster--Catherine's Bet (GSW & GISP, \$247,512), by Grey Dawn II. (\$120,000 wnl '94 KEENOV). O-Shadai Race Horse; B-John R Williams & Manganaro Stables Ltd. (Ky); T-H Nagahama; J-O Peslier; \$339,447. Lifetime Record: 11-6-1-1. *1/2 to Blushing Katy (Blushing Groom {Fr}), Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MSW, \$376,008.
 2--**Erimo Dandy (Jpn)**, 123, c, 4, Brian's Time--Erimo Florence (Jpn), by Ile de Bourbon. O-S Yamamoto; B-Erimo Nojo; \$133,592.
 3--**Hoei Cosmos (Jpn)**, 117, h, 7, Dyna Cosmos (Jpn)--Dokan Thatcher (Jpn), by *Silver Shark. O-I Sahashi; B-Akita Nojo; \$86,209.
 Margins: 1 1/2, 1/2, 1/2. Odds: 5.70, 2.20, 194.40.
 Looking for his fourth consecutive victory, Midnight Bet was making his first appearance since taking the Mexico Cup Nov. 16. The colt settled in fifth in the early going but found running room in the stretch and closed to get the lead late and draw clear. "I was going to go to the lead right out of the gate, but he didn't have the speed so I set him in fifth position," said jockey Olivier Peslier. "On the final turn, we couldn't find an opening, but when I switched him to the outside I found a hole, so I pushed him hard. The colt was impressive."

NIKKAN SPORTS SHO NAKAYAMA KIM PAI-G3-Jpn, \$642,336, Nakayama Racecourse, Japan, 1-5, 4yo/up, 10fT, 2:01.40, gd.

1--@**GOURMET FRONTIER (JPN)**, 123, h, 6, Tosho Pegasus (Jpn)--Bambi Faber (Jpn), by Faberge II (Fr). O-Masayoshi Ishii; B-Shirai Stud Farm; T-K Tanaka; J-Y Okabe; \$338,904. Lifetime Record: 33-8-8-3.
 2--**Seiryu O (Jpn)**, 121, c, 4, Brian's Time--Good My Love (Jpn), by Northern Taste. O-K Crear; B-Tetsuo Nakagami; \$133,437.
 3--**Meiner Bridge (Jpn)**, 128, h, 6, Rousillon--Hashiko (Jpn), by Royal Ski. O-K. Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Nitto Farm; \$86,131.
 Margins: 1 3/4, 2, 1 3/4. Odds: 2.50, 5.60, 10.30.
 Hard-held early, Gourmet Frontier was asked for his run 3 furlongs from the wire and responded with a brilliant turn of foot to win his first graded stakes. The winner was 2nd in the G3-Jpn Aichi Hai S. in his latest Dec. 7. Said winning jockey Yukio Okabe, "When I pushed him hard, he showed his courage with a gutsy performance."

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HEIAN S.-G3-Jpn, \$632,241, Kyoto Racecourse, Japan, 1-6, 4yo/up, 9f, 1:48.50, sy.

1--**M. I. BLANC (JPN)**, 126, h, 6, **Brian's Time--Yukiguni, by Caro (Ire)**. O-Yutaka Inami; B-Hayata Farms; T-S Ito; J-Y Take; \$331,138. Lifetime Record: 38-10-7-5.

2--**Admire Call (Jpn)**, 123, h, 7, **Tai Tehm (Jpn)--Sweet Abandon, by Lyphard**. O-R Kondo; B-Hokkai Farm; \$133,437.

3--**Juno Pentagon**, 123, h, 5, **Red Ransom--Torsion Belle, by Torsion**. (\$18,000 wnl '93 BESNOV; \$130,000 2yo '95 BESMAR). O-Y Hosokawa; B-Donald W. Baldwin (Ca); \$86,131.

Margins: 2 1/2, NK, NK. Odds: 1.90, 43.10, 5.90.

Third in the G2-Jpn Tokai Winter S. in his most recent outing November 30, M.I. Blanc (Jpn) picked up his first graded win since capturing the G3-Jpn Antares S. last May. Breaking from post 12, the veteran was rated well off the pace to the stretch but rallied strongly to post a decisive score. "The horse hit the front more easily than I thought," said winning rider Yutaka Take. "I have an impression that he is getting stronger despite being six years old."

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

+ **Zenno Birdie, c, 3, Clever Trick--Demure Miss, by Cyane**. Kyoto, 1-6, maiden race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$46,000. O-Shinobu Ohsako; B-Glencrest Farm; T-I Obara. *1/2 to Wind Flyer (Full Pocket), MSW & MGSP, \$212,926. **\$25,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '97 BESMAR. ***Running greenly in his first start, the bay didn't get into the race until three furlongs from the wire, when he made good use of the downhill stretch and closed to take the lead and post a 1 1/4-length tally. "When I switched him to the outside, the colt showed his good turn of foot," said jockey Yoshiyuki Obara. "I thought he might be a great horse, but I never thought he would put on a performance like he did today."

+ **Toyo Miswaki, c, 3, Miswaki--Love From The Air, by Deputy Minister**. Kyoto, 1-6, maiden race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$46,000. O-Toyo Club; B-Silver Spring Stud; T-Y Matsunaga. *Full to Takeawakatlove, SW, \$211,207. **\$200,000 2yo '97 FTFEB. ***Away slowly in his debut, he came on quickly to take the lead and prevailed by a half length. "He had not been satisfactory in training, but I thought he would be better in a race," said jockey Masahiro Matsunaga. "I think he will be okay on the grass, too."

Meiner Jet, c, 3, Trempolino--Chic Monique, by Halo. Kyoto, 1-5, novice race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 9-1-0-2, \$77,264. O-Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Oak Cliff Stables; T-M Shibata. *\$25,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

**The bay sat just off the leader to the drive, then kicked it into gear and cruised away to a four-length score. "I had been pushing him, but he really showed his speed in the stretch," said his rider, Olivier Peslier. "He has a small body, but he has a big heart. He is a very good horse."

+ **Gaily Crane, f, 3, Two Timing--Five France (Jpn), by Northern Taste**. Nakayama, 1-5, maiden race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$46,000. O/B-Mitsuo Haga; T-H Uehara. *1/2 to Noble Grass (Jpn) (Mill George), MSW-Jpn, \$2,417,630. **Making her debut, the filly broke sharply and made all the running to win by an easy 1 1/4 lengths. "She has great speed," said jockey Hitoshi Matoba. "I am very hopeful for her, and the short distances will be perfect for her."

+ **Hyper Nakayama, c, 3, Well Decorated--Tea and Roses (SP), by Fleet Nasrullah**. Nakayama, 1-6, maiden race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$46,000. O-Hirusen Inc.; B-Carmie Sucher; T-K Konishi. *1/2 to Reign Dance (Sovereign Dancer), MSW, \$194,648. **\$8,000 yrl '96 KEEJAN; \$300,000 2yo '97 OBSFEB. ***Sitting second through the opening fractions in his career opener, the colt took the lead while in hand in the stretch and drew clear to win by 2 1/2 lengths.

Ibuki Suspense, c, 3, Woodman--Monica Faye (MSW & MGSP, \$197,502), by Wolf Power (SAf). Kyoto, 1-6, novice race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-1, \$69,188. O-Ibuki Inc.; B-Koichiro Hayata; T-M Hamada. *Breaking from post 15 in this 16-horse field, he was without speed early but came with his run on the far outside in the lane to get up for a 3/4-length victory. "Although he was scared of the kick-back, he put in a great performance in the stretch," said winning jockey Shigeru Ishiyama.

Strong Carson, c, 4, Carson City--Discreetly, by Capote. Nakayama, 1-5, plate race (lower), 6f. Lifetime Record: 13-2-1-3, \$187,917. O-Mie Sugiyama; B-Jose Y Quiros; T-K Konishi. *\$14,000 wnl '94 KEENOV; \$48,000 yrl '95 KEESEP; \$85,000 2yo '96 FTFEB.

Toyo Gulch, h, 5, Gulch--Donna Bella, by Mehmet. Kyoto, 1-5, plate race (lower), 7f. Lifetime Record: 28-3-7-5, \$585,805. O-Toyo Club; B-Leo Gatto-Roissard; T-Y Matsunaga. *\$18,000 wnl '93 KEENOV; \$53,000 yrl '94 KEESEP; \$95,000 2yo '95 FTFEB.

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JAPANESE WINNER BY AMERICAN-BASED SIRE:

Alabanza (Ire), h, 6, **El Gran Senor--Kissagram**, by Alysheba. Kyoto, 1-6, Kotobuki S., 10fT. Lifetime Record: 9-5-1-1, \$549,697. O-Hideo Yokoyama; B-Barronstown Stud & Roncon Ltd.; T-Y Ito.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN ENGLAND:

Ethbaat, g, 7, **Chief's Crown--Alchaasibiyeh**, by Seattle Slew. Wolverhampton, 1-7, Blizzard Selling S., 3yo/up, 1 1/8m 79yds (all-weather), \$2,336 to winner. O-The Over The Bridge Partnership; B-Shadwell Farm, Inc. & Shadwell Estate Co, Ltd; T-Mikie Heaton-Ellis. *1/2 to Fraar (Topsider), G1SW-Aus.

Local News: Australia

American-bred stallions were well represented at the William Inglis & Son 1998 Classic Yearling Sale, held Monday and Tuesday in Sydney. Six of the top 10 sires by yearling average (with three or more sold), were bred in the U.S. New Zealand's **Naturalism (NZ)** (Palace Music) led the list, averaging \$26,294 for his four yearlings. He was followed by his sire, **Palace Music** (The Minstrel), second with an average of \$21,575 (three); **Geiger Counter** (Mr. Prospector), third, \$21,125 (three); **Snaadee** (Danzig), fifth, \$18,396 (seven); **Mister C** (Danzig), sixth, \$16,566 (seven); **Ignatius** (Danzig), eighth, \$15,732 (three); and **Mr. Henrysee** (Mr. Prospector), ninth, \$15,282 (three). Also selling well were the progeny of shuttle stallions **Success Express** (Hold Your Peace), with five yearlings averaging \$12,001; and **Personal Hope** (Storm Bird), four yearlings, \$11,546.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Yesterday's Result:

7th-TPX, \$23,600, Msw, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5, sy. + **CASH CRUNCH** (f, 3, **Sky Classic--Zama Hummer {GII, \$214,355}**, by **Knights Choice**), making her career debut at 6-1 odds, relaxed behind the frontrunners early, rallied late on the turn to take command and prevailed by 1 1/2 lengths under mild urging. Pacesetter **SLUH'S GOLDEN GIRL** (Gold Legend) held on for second. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,935. O/B-T K Roe (KY). T-Kenneth G. McPeck.

Local News: Texas

Cowboy Dan (Walesa), runner-up by just a neck to Horse of the Year candidate Favorite Trick in the WHAS-TV S. in May and winner of the GII Arlington-Washington Futurity, Mid-South Futurity and Miller Genuine Draft Cradle S. last year, has been named the Texas Thoroughbred Association's Champion Two-Year-Old Male and Horse of the Year for 1997. Bred by John Mooring, the gelding started the season running for Tommy Landreth but was sold to the partnership of Bill Shaffrick, Bob Quackenbush and trainer Danny Hutt in the spring. Cowboy Dan won five of his eight starts at two, earning \$382,584.

Other Texas-breds honored by the TTA were: **Cypress City Queen** (Derby Wish), Ch. 2yo Filly; **Two Steppin' Toni** (Happy Jazz Band), Ch. 3yo Filly; **Mocha Express** (Java Gold), Ch. 3yo Male; **Traces of Gold** (Strike Gold), Ch. Older Female; and **Political Whit** (Lines of Power), Ch. Older Male. The TTA's year-end awards, including Horse of the Year, are determined by money earned during the year. The TTA Awards Dinner will be held Saturday, January 10 in Austin.

Local News: Kentucky

Equibase Company is now providing data electronically to the Associated Press Race Wire. Terms of the agreement initially call for Equibase to provide AP with post-scratch entries and summary results. According to Wick Temple, vice president and director of newspaper membership for the AP, additional features and products will be developed to upgrade the AP racing services which are currently available to more than 1,500 U.S. newspaper members. "The alliance between Equibase and AP touches at the very core of what Equibase is all about," said Equibase President Alan Marzelli. "That is, making accurate racing information as widely available and attractively presented as possible."

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◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

Yesterday's Results:

7th-SAX, \$57,684, Alw, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35 3/5, fm.

1--SHELLBACKS, 110, g, 4, Din's Dancer--Bidding Bold (GSP), by Bold Bidder. O-Schwartz Barry K; B-Meadowbrook Farms, Inc (FL); T-Eduardo Inda. Lifetime Record: GSW, 18-7-1-6, \$276,650.

2--Defleet, 116, h, 5, Afleet--Slew's Exceller, by Exceller.

3--Bullfinch, 116, h, 5, Broad Brush--Minted, by Key to the Mint.

Margins: 3HF, NO, HD. Odds: 2.80*, 5.70, 2.80.

Shellbacks, winner of four of his last five starts coming into this race, took the GIII Bay Meadows Breeders' Cup Derby in his most recent outing Oct. 11. Back against allowance company after a three-month hiatus, the slight 5-2 favorite rallied from mid-pack to continue his winning ways.

3rd-SAX, \$51,520, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43 3/5, ft.

1--WALK IN TIME, 120, f, 4, Skywalker--Big Squaw (MSW, \$165,150), by Hoedown's Day. O-Duckett & Hinds & Horizon Stables; B-C-Punch Ranch, Inc (CA); T-Craig Dollase. Lifetime Record: SP, 11-4-1-4, \$137,960.

2--Valid Metaphor, 116, m, 5, Valid Appeal--Piano Affect, by Fappiano.

3--Novel Encounter, 118, m, 5, Woodman--Hot Novel, by Mari's Book.

Margins: 2, 6HF, 2. Odds: 0.90CT, 4.00, 3.60.

Walk in Time, winner of her last two starts--both Hollywood Park allowances--by a combined nine lengths, was sent off the 4-5 favorite here off those performances and did not disappoint. Ridden by Corey Nakatani, the bay filly held a slim lead early, shook clear from her rivals leaving the second turn and held on for her third straight victory.

Local News: Santa Anita

Silver Charm (Silver Buck) breezed five furlongs in 1:00 Wednesday morning at Santa Anita in preparation for the GII San Fernando Breeders' Cup Jan. 17. "He looked good," said trainer Bob Baffert. "It was a nice, easy work. We'll get one more into him and we'll be ready to roll."

Also working yesterday, GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Elmhurst (Wild Again) went six furlongs in 1:12 3/5. He makes his first start of the New Year in the GIII Palos Verdes H. January 31. GII Norfolk S. and GII Del

Mar Futurity winner Souvenir Copy (Mr. Prospector), pointing for the GIII San Vicente S. February 7, went five-eighths in a bullet :58 1/5.

GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies runner-up Career Collection (General Meeting), second in the GI Hollywood Starlet December 13, breezed a half in :47 1/5 for the GI Las Virgenes February 15. MGISW Deputy Commander (Deputy Minister), runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic and a candidate for the GII Strub S. February 7, went a half in :47 2/5. MGSW Crafty Friend (Crafty Prospector), possible for the GII San Antonio H. February 7, went a half in :47 4/5. I Ain't Bluffing (Pine Bluff), winner of the GI La Brea S. December 27, cruised five furlongs in 1:02 3/5 and is prepping for the GII El Encino S. January 18. GSW Anet (Clever Trick), getting ready to face Silver Charm in the GII San Fernando Breeders' Cup S. January 17, worked five furlongs in 1:00 3/5.

◆ FLORIDA ◆

Yesterday's Results:

6th-GPX, \$29,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.

MARTHA'S TERMS (m, 5, Private Terms--Golden Horde {GISW, \$215,693}, by Czaravich) ran third in a Dec. 27 Calder \$32,000 optional claimer last time out to finish 1997 winless in 16 starts. The bay mare won for the first time here since taking a July 6, 1996 Arlington allowance contest 20 starts ago. Sent off at 8-1, she raced up close to the pace prior to grabbing the lead turning for home and pulling away for a four-length score. Lifetime Record: 34-3-2-5, \$69,200.

O-Wexler Racing Stables, Inc. B-Kinghaven Farms Limited (CAN). T-Charles J Vinci.

4th-GPX, \$28,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:52 4/5, ft. KARK'S ARK (c, 4, Defensive Play--Das Boat, by Elocutionist) finished second in a Nov. 29 Churchill allowance contest in his previous start and returned to the winner's circle for the first time here since capturing his debut Oct. 10 at Arlington in a maiden event for Illinois-breds. Making his first attempt past 7 1/2 furlongs, the 4-5 favorite prompted the early pace before taking the lead leaving the far turn and drawing away in the drive for a 2 1/2-length tally. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$36,600.

O/B-Emil Kark (IL). T-Alex L Hassinger, Jr.

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7th-GPX, \$26,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:48, ft. GHOST COLONY (f, 3, Silver Ghost--One Last Colony {SP}, by Pleasant Colony) just missed by a nose after a slow beginning when running second in a Nov. 29 Aqueduct maiden race in her latest start. Trying Florida competition for the first time, the 6-5 favorite, a \$35,000 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November weanling purchase, prompted the early pace before accelerating to the front in the drive to win by 2 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$23,540. O-Edward P Evans. B-T. M. Evans (KY). T-Mark Hennig.

◆ NEW YORK ◆

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$40,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, sy. ARROMANCHES (h, 5, Relaunch--Perfect Roux {SW, \$106,160}, by Sauce Boat) was victorious in a Dec. 14 \$50,000 claimer in which he was claimed and came back to finish second last time out in a Dec. 23 allowance event, both at Aqueduct. The 7-2 third choice forced the pace set by CURIOUS COURT (Notebook) (2nd) and moved by that rival in the final furlong for a 1 1/4-length tally. Lifetime Record: 26-10-7-3, \$201,845. O-L S I Gold Stable. B-Burning Daylight Farms, Inc. (VA). T-Mitchell Friedman.

7th-AQU, \$31,000, Alw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 3/5, sy. CODE WORDS (f, 3, Lost Code--Also Royal, by Native Royalty) captured a Dec. 21 Aqueduct maiden contest in her previous trip to the post. Jumping up to the allowance ranks, the 5-1 shot stalked the early leaders before surging to the lead at the top of the lane and edging clear late for a 1 1/2-length victory. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$39,190. O-F Jack Liebau Jr. B-Lancaster & Vinery (KY). T-L Rice.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-SAX, \$42,000, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. FASCINATE (f, 4, Corwyn Bay {Ire}--Luck's Fantasy, by Dimaggio) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$58,230. O-Asistio & B B C Stables & Davenport. B-Old English Rancho & Bruce Headley (CA). T-Bruce Headley.

9th-AQU, \$35,000, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, a1m 70yd, 1:42 3/5, sy. WILD IRIS (m, 5, Thunder Puddles--Sweet Solace, by Nostrum) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-1, \$80,906. O/T-Willard C Freeman. B-Iris W. Freeman (NY).

7th-GGX, \$34,650, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, my. ASK PETE (c, 4, Petersburg--Ifyou Have Toask, by Steel Emperor) Lifetime Record: SW, 11-5-1-1, \$84,595. O-Jim Smith. B-Mr. & Mrs. J Smith (WA). T-T Roberts.

8th-LRL, \$24,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11, ft. PRINCE JAMIE (g, 5, Believe the Queen--Jamie Ann's Joy, by Bates Motel) Lifetime Record: 22-5-2-4, \$72,960. O/B-Elaine L. Bassford (MD). T-King T Leatherbury.

7th-LRL, \$24,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4m, 2:06 4/5, ft. WICKLOW FLYER (m, 5, Flying Pidgeon--Oopity Doop, by Ali Oop) Lifetime Record: 43-4-5-5, \$44,543. O-The 1 Stable. B-J. R. Cavanaugh (FL). T-Linda L Albert.

9th-TPX, \$23,740, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, sy. HANDSOME TURK (c, 4, Turkoman--Pluie's Honey {MSW, \$112,154}, by Pluie's Sylvester) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-0, \$34,542. O/B-Jeanne Sheets (KY). T-Jeffrey Sheets.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shebatim to Me, c, 3, Belong to Me--Shebatim (SP), by Verbatim. LRL, 1-7, 1 1/16m, 1:47. B-Vines Dan (Ny). *Won via disqualification. **1/2 to Shebatim's Trick (Clever Trick), SW & GSP, \$182,701.

Feathered, f, 3, Cormorant--Noble Rondo, by Noble Nashua. AQU, 1-7, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:46 2/5. Flying Zee Stables (Ny). *16-length winner.

Circus Charmer, f, 3, Manila--Al's Helen (GSW, \$220,281), by Distinctive. GPX, 1-7, (C), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Kinsman Farm (Ky).

Prospectors Choice, c, 3, Northern Prospect--Kerrville, by Demons Begone. AQU, 1-7, (C), 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Anderson Acres (Ky).

Truebreadpudding, f, 3, Proud Truth--Bread Fruit, by Restless Native. AQU, 1-7, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:47. B-Vanderbilt Alfred G (Ny). *1/2 to Starlight Surprise (Salutely), SW, \$171,643. **\$13,000 yrl '96 FTMSEP. *13-length winner.**

Raja Shadow, c, 3, Raja's Revenge--Magic Square, by Quadrangle. AQU, 1-7, (C), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Treasure Hill Farm, Inc. (Ny).

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