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**SPORTSMAN'S PARK OPENS SUNDAY** A new and different Chicago Thoroughbred season will begin this Sunday at Sportsman's Park. The major difference in Illinois racing's version of the new world order is the absence of the state's showcase track, Arlington International Racecourse. A combination of riverboat casino competition, an unanticipated increase in real estate taxes and dissatisfaction with the Illinois Racing Board prompted Arlington owner Dick Duchossois to announce in September that he was shutting down in 1998 and was uncertain if he'd ever reopen. With Arlington out of the picture, the Racing Board adopted a schedule that has Sportsman's racing from March 1-June 30, after which Hawthorne Race Course will conduct a July 1-Nov. 28 meeting. The Thoroughbred season is beginning two weeks later and ending a month earlier than has been the norm in Chicago. Both Sportsman's and Hawthorne, located only one block from each other, have discontinued harness racing, giving Maywood Park and Balmoral Park all of the Chicago-area Standardbred dates. Thanks to an accumulation of full-card simulcast revenue during January and February, Sportsman's is guaranteeing a minimum of \$200,000 in daily overnight purses, an Illinois record. A \$2 million stakes program added to the overnight guarantee ups the daily average to approximately \$224,000. However, Arlington's 20 graded stakes, including the circuit's only three Grade I races, are conspicuous by their absence. Chicago now has just six graded stakes, three at Sportsman's and three at Hawthorne. Instead of the Arlington Million, the circuit's main event now is Sportsman's GII \$500,000 Illinois Derby May 9. Despite Arlington's absence, Sportsman's Chief Operating Officer Ed Duffy put a positive spin on the current state. "By Arlington shutting down, the industry actually has been given a shot in the arm because there is more money available when we do race," said Duffy. "What has happened is what we've been talking about for a long time—we have a consolidation of racing. Chicago can't support five tracks, including one which costs \$200 million (Arlington). Throughout its history, horse racing never has been able to support that kind of investment." Duchossois disagrees. "The reason we're closed is because our real estate taxes were raised from \$1.25 million to nearly \$5 million (in 1990), the year after we reopened," said Arlington's owner. "A track works on the basis of cash flow. If our taxes had not been raised and we could manage our own track without being micro-managed by the Illinois Racing Board, we'd still be open."

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

**Saturday, March 7, Santa Anita:**

**SANTA ANITA H.-GI**, \$1,000,000, 4yo/up, 10f

Last year's champion three-year-old colt **Silver Charm** (Silver Buck) completed his final major Big 'Cap tuneup yesterday morning at Santa Anita Park, breezing six furlongs in a bullet 1:11 4/5 under apprentice jockey Dana Barnes. The grey four-year-old is scheduled to complete a shorter drill next week. Silver Charm worked in company with stablemate Stalwart Tsu (Stalwart), starting one length behind, pulling even turning for home and passing his workmate in the stretch. "His stride is so long, it looks like he's running in peanut butter," said trainer Bob Baffert after the work. "It looks like he's galloping, and you look down and see the time and say, 'whoa!'" Jockey Gary Stevens, on hand to watch the breeze, agreed. "He's deceiving as hell when you watch him. They measured his stride to be 25 feet from takeoff to landing. I've been told that's what Secretariat's was." Silver Charm has won the GII San Fernando Breeders' Cup and GII Strub Stakes in his only two starts in 1998. Expected to contest the race: **Gentlemen (Arg)** (Robin des Bois); **Bagshot** (Smokester), third in the Strub; Chilean import **Malek (Chi)** (Mocito Guapo {Arg}), second in the GII San Pasqual; and **Refinado Tom (Arg)** (Shy Tom), third in the GII San Antonio in his '98 bow.

**Saturday, Santa Anita:**

**BUENA VISTA H.-GII**, \$150,000a, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, post time 4:07 p.m. PST

The field, in post position order, will be: **Ecoute** (Manila), 115; **Wheatly Special** (Wheatly Hall), 111; **Made Of Jade** (Jade Hunter), 109; **Real Connection** (Vigors), 115; **Dixie Pearl** (Dixieland Band), 115; **Dance Parade** (Gone West), 115; **Queen Maud (Ire)** (Akarad {Fr}), 119; **Donna Viola (GB)** (Be My Chief), 121; **Imroz** (Nureyev), 112; **Seattle Carla** (Slew the Bride), 112; **Shake The Yoke (GB)** (Caerleon), 116; **Golden Arches (Fr)** (Common Grounds {GB}), 121.

### STAKES CLOSINGS

**TODAY, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27:**

3-7 \$1,000,000 **Santa Anita H.-GI, SA**, 4yo/up, 10f (\$20,000s)

**TOMORROW, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 28:**

3-14 \$100,000 **Distaff H.-GII, Aqu.**, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (\$100)



**News Cont.**

**SLAVIC TO BLUE RIDGE FARM** Slavic (Danzig), who recently completed the Southern Hemisphere season at Glenmorgan Stud in New Zealand, has relocated to Blue Ridge Farm in Upperville, Virginia to stand beginning this season. The winner of the GII Breeders' Futurity at 2 and MGISP, Slavic entered stud in Japan in 1992, returning to North America last year to stand at Margaux Farm in Midway, Kentucky. According to Emmanuel de Seroux, the 11-year-old stallion's manager, Slavic is the sire of 61 winners and seven stakes winners, with total progeny earnings of over \$5 million. He will stand for a fee of \$5,000 live foal.

◆ FLORIDA ◆

**Yesterday's Results:**

**11th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:44 4/5, fm.**

**PROMPTLY (IRE) (m, 5, Lead On Time--Ghariba {Ire} {GSW-Eng}, by Final Straw {GB})** finished second by a neck in her previous trip to the post and won for the first time since taking the May 25 Silver Spoon S. at Delaware five starts back. The even-money favorite stalked the early leader and accelerated to the front turning for home for a 2 1/2-length score. Lifetime Record: SW, 14-4-2-1, \$79,192.

O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge, Jr. & London Thoroughbred Services, Ltd. (IRE). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

**9th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, a1 1/16mT, 1:44 4/5, fm.**

**MUIRFIELD WAY (g, 4, Sports View--Quiet Note, by Quiet Fling)** finished second in a Feb. 16 allowance event that was taken off the turf last time out and returned to the winner's circle here for the first time since capturing a Nov. 10 Calder turf allowance contest four starts back. The 9-5 favorite was reserved early before unleashing his bid turning for home and rolling to the front in the stretch to score a 1 1/2-length victory. Lifetime Record: 22-4-2-1, \$67,345.

O-Donald Spencer, Jr & Judson Van Worp. B-Charles H. Huber, Jr. (KY). T-William P White.

**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, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.**

**6th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:45, fm.**

**BURSTING FORTH (f, 4, Alwasmii--Burst of Sound, by Stop the Music)**, winner of an Oct. 6 Delaware Park turf allowance contest three races back, ran second in a Jan. 29 Gulfstream allowance event in her previous trip to the post. Making her second start off a three-month break, the 2-1 favorite tracked the early leaders prior to swinging out five-wide turning for home and chased down VICTORY CHIME (Polish Numbers) like her owner used to pursue quarterbacks for a 3/4-length tally. Lifetime Record: GSP, 13-4-1-2, \$94,829.

O-Sam Huff. B-Sporting Life Farm (KY). T-H Graham Motion.

**10th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m 70yd, 1:43 4/5, ft.**

**KINGS LYNN (f, 4, Mt. Livermore--Til Forbid {GSW & MGISP, \$382,596}, by Temperence Hill)**, fifth in a Feb. 8 Gulfstream allowance contest after ducking out at the start, got her picture taken for the first time here since winning a March 3, 1997 Gulfstream allowance event 13 races back. The 9-5 favorite tracked the pace along the inside before angling out turning for home and sailed by TIME TO SIGN (Time to Explode) in the final stages for a 3/4-length victory. Lifetime Record: GSP, 24-3-7-3, \$140,714.

O/B-James B. Tafel (KY). T-Carl A Nafzger.

**3rd-GPX, \$32,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24 4/5, ft.**

**EVENING CHAR (f, 4, Fuzzy--Charbon Risque, by Bold Reason)**, second by a head in a Jan. 29 \$25,000 claimer last time out, scored for the first time here since taking her debut Aug. 11 at Rockingham Park. Returning to the allowance ranks, the 7-2 second choice was rated just off the pace set by 4-5 favorite JUST BET ON ME (Darn That Alarm) and collared that rival inside the eighth pole to win by a length over the public's choice. Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$34,180.

O-Paul J Parisi, Jr. & Sommer Stables. B-Susan G. Skaggs (KY). T-Paul J Parisi, Jr.

**Local News, Gulfstream Park:**

MGSW **Glitter Woman** (Glitterman) drilled a half-mile in :47 3/5 yesterday, but trainer Shug McGaughey is still undecided about whether the four-year-old filly will start in Sunday's GII Rampart H. "She worked fine; I was happy with it," McGaughey said. "I haven't made up my mind yet. I'll decide (Friday). I'm going to see how she comes out of the work and how she eats tonight."

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**Local News, Gulfstream, cont.:**

**Quick Lap** (Nicholas), winner of her first two races over the Gulfstream turf--the Sweetest Chant S. Jan. 19 and the Lulu's Ransom S. Feb. 12--breezed six furlongs in 1:16 2/5 yesterday. The three-year-old filly is nominated to the GIII Herecomesthebride S., to be run over 1 1/8-miles on the Gulfstream turf March 4.

◆ **NEW YORK** ◆

**Yesterday's Results:**

**6th-AQU, \$40,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12, ft.**

1--**BLUE BEGONIA, 117, m, 5, Seeking the Gold--Icy Time (SW & GISP, \$146,046), by Icecapade.**

O-Stronach Stables; B-Birriel Jose Dr (KY); T-Joseph Orseno. Lifetime Record: 7-5-0-0, \$95,700. \*Full to Biding Time, MGSP, \$159,383; 1/2 to Cool Digger (Tank's Prospect), MGSP, \$231,566; Be Cool (Tank's Prospect), GSW, \$141,539.

2--**The Lady's Unreal, 109, f, 4, Unreal Zeal--Lady Encino, by Encino.**

3--**Lucky Marty, 117, m, 5, Fortunate Prospect--Campaign Worker, by Our Michael.**

Margins: 1HF, NO, 1 3/4. Odds: 1.45, 4.90, 3.20.

Blue Begonia captured her first four career starts before being eased in the June 25 Jim Newman H. at Hollywood. Sixth last time out in the off-the-turf GIII Monrovia H. Jan. 3 at Santa Anita, the favorite raced just off the early pace and stormed past front-running The Lady's Unreal, who had a five-length lead with a furlong to go, to win going away.

**8th-AQU, \$33,000, Alw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.**

**GREAT RESPECT (f, 3, Caller I. D.--June Gift, by Hold Your Peace)** broke the ice with a victory in a Dec. 14 maiden event and followed that up with a third-place finish last time out in a Jan. 15 \$60,000 claimer, both at Aqueduct. Attempting allowance company for the first time, the 5-2 second choice got loose on the lead and pulled away under a hand ride in the drive for a 10-length romp. Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-3, \$63,798.

O-Barry K Schwartz & Jay W Weiss. B-Cecil Stewart & James Haley (FL). T-Michael E Hushion.

**FOALING NEWS:**

**CHRISSY'S SECRET, 11, Northern Jove--Amber Kim (Selari)**

Foal born 2-4-98, a filly by Torrential.

Will be bred back to Lord Carson.

Owned by K.C. Horse Corp.

Boarded at Grass Valley Farm in Paris, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$129,024.

◆ **EAST** ◆

**Yesterday's Result:**

**7th-LRL, \$24,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft.**

**UP WITH THE FLAG (c, 4, Time for a Change--Dewan's Flag {SW}, by Dewan), a 1/2 to Recoup The Cash (Copelan), MGSW, \$1,070,078, won a Nov. 16, 1996 maiden race at the Meadowlands and was placed first via disqualification last time out in a June 15 Delaware allowance contest. Returning from an eight-month lay-off, the 5-2 second choice stalked the early leaders and rolled to the front in the stretch for a 2 1/2-length score. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$38,880.**

O-Erdenheim Farm. B-Jaime S. Carrion, Trustee (KY). T-John R S Fisher.

◆ **FOREIGN** ◆

**AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN FRANCE:**

**French Partner, c, 3, Seattle Song--Cloelia, by Lyphard.**

Maisons-Laffitte, 2-25, Prix de la Croix de Noailles, 3yo, 7fT, \$8,931 to winner. O/T-Mrs M Bollack-Badel; B-Flaxman Holdings, Ltd. \*\$82,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV.

◆ **So. CALIFORNIA** ◆

**Yesterday's Results:**

**7th-SAX, \$50,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:51, gd.**

1--**POMONA (GB), 116, m, 5, Puissance--Plum Bold, by Be My Guest.** O-Cohen Roberta & Red Baron's Barn; B-Allen E Paulson (GB); T-Darrell Vienna. Lifetime Record: 17-3-2-3, \$55,143.

2--**Proud Fillie (Fr), 115, f, 4, Linamix--Proud Puppy, by Proud Appeal.**

3--**Rajahmundry, 115, f, 4, Diesis (GB)--Paulistana, by Pretense.**

Margins: 3HF, 3HF, 3/4. Odds: 4.00, 2.60, 17.60.

A winner of two of 16 starts in her native England, Pomona made her last start in her native country last November and has been working steadily at Santa Anita since that time. Sent away at 4-1 for her American debut here, she was reserved off the early pace, moved up inside into the stretch, split rivals in the stretch and drew clear.

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*His two 2-year-olds at FT Calder Select  
sold for \$200,000 and \$105,000.*

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**Southern California Report, cont.**

**6th-SAX, \$63,600, Opt-Clm, (\$80,000), 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22 2/5, ft.**

**WHITE BRONCO (c, 4, Houston--Reiterate, by Drone),** disqualified after a first-place effort in the Inverness Drive S. at Del Mar Aug. 28, has been lightly raced since that time, winning a \$62,500 optional claiming event at Santa Anita Oct. 31, and finishing fourth in a similar event for \$80,000 last time out. Sent away at 5-2 here, he was off a bit slowly, lacked room on the turn, came out for the stretch drive and drew clear.

**3rd-SAX, \$40,160, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:52 3/5, gd.**

**MANY CHARMS (f, 3, St. Jovite--Darren Miss {MGSW, \$600,409}, by Mr. Leader)** finished in fifth in a Jan. 14 Santa Anita turf maiden contest at first asking. The 2-1 second choice settled just off the early pace before advancing to the front in mid-stretch and fending off the late challenge of favored YOU WIN AGAIN (Red Ransom) for a half-length victory. The winner is a 1/2 to Future Quest (Relaunch), MGSW, \$329,500. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$24,800.

O-V H W Stables. B-Verne H. Winchell (KY). T-Ronald McAnally.

**Local News: Hollywood**

GII San Vicente winner **Sea of Secrets** (Storm Cat), a perfect three-for-three, breezed a half-mile in :51 3/5 yesterday, but will be forced to bypass Sunday's GII San Rafael due to a minor viral infection suffered earlier this week. "His white count is a little high," said trainer Neil Drysdale. "We don't want to run him when he's not 100 percent right and risk getting him sick again. We've only lost a day of training with him, though." Drysdale said his colt would point toward the \$250,000 GII San Felipe S. at Santa Anita March 14.

GI Las Virgenes winner **Keeper Hill** (Deputy Minister) worked a half-mile in :49 2/5 in preparation for her next start, the March 15 GI Santa Anita Oaks.

**Local News: Santa Anita**

**Souvenir Copy** (Mr. Prospector) worked a bullet half-mile in :46 1/5 yesterday in preparation for Sunday's GII San Rafael. "It was a very good work," said trainer Bob Baffert of his GII Del Mar Futurity and GII Norfolk winner. "That's what he wants to do--sit back, pour it on and make his run." Also working in preparation for Sunday's three-year-old showdown: the Wally Dollase-trained **Orville N Wilbur's** (Out of Place), a winner of two of four starts, who breezed a half in :46 3/5.

**Local News: Santa Anita, cont.**

Also on the Santa Anita worktab: **Prosperous Bid** (Mr. Prospector) worked five furlongs in 1:00 1/5 yesterday under Corey Nakatani. The half-brother to Best Pal (\*Habitony) won his first two starts by a combined 9 1/2 lengths and is scheduled to make his stakes debut in the March 14 GII San Felipe... **MGISW Grand Slam** (Gone West), injured in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, worked six furlongs in 1:15 2/5...Breeders' Cup Sprint champ **Elmhurst** (Wild Again) drilled six furlongs in 1:12 2/5, pointing for the March 7 GII San Carlos ...GIII Santa Ynez winner **Nijinsky's Passion** (Nijinsky's Table) worked six furlongs in 1:15 1/5 in preparation for the March 15 GI Santa Anita Oaks, while Santa Ynez runner-up **Well Chosen** (Deputy Minister) went the same distance in 1:12 4/5, also prepping for the Oaks.

◆ **W E S T** ◆

**Local News, Bay Meadows:**

Undefeated three-year-old colt **Event of the Year** (Seattle Slew), winner of his only two career starts by a combined 11 1/2 lengths, drilled six furlongs in 1:11 3/5 at Bay Meadows yesterday. "He worked very well," said trainer Jerry Hollendorfer. "He'll blow out next week, probably a half on Thursday." The Kentucky-bred is slated to make his stakes debut in the GIII \$200,000 El Camino Real Derby March 7.

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**EDITION**

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**7th-BMX, \$36,800, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.**  
**LAST MANGO INPARIS (c, 3, Bold Badgett-Icy Escapade, by He's Our Native)** Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-2-1, \$57,220. O/B-S L U, Inc. (CA). T-Carmela Anderson.

**9th-OPX, \$36,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:40 1/5, sy.**  
**PROUD MARY BURNING (m, 6, Proud Birdie--Powder Burnt, by Fire Dancer)** Lifetime Record: SP, 34-8-9-5, \$155,609. O/B-Lou Harper (OK). T-Kenny P Smith.

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**2nd-AQU, \$31,000**, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13, ft.  
**DOUBLE DARE** (f, 4, **Double Negative--Miss Norcliffe**, by Norcliffe) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$42,200. O-Double R Stable & Iselin & Kaufman. B-Gus Schoenborn & P. W. Hallenbeck (NY). T-Richard Stoklosa. \*1/2 to Miss Norcliffe (Ends Well), MSP, \$317,035.

**8th-LRL, \$29,000**, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 2/5, ft.  
**OLIVER'S STAR** (f, 4, **Horatius--Star Package**, by Star de Naskra) Lifetime Record: 24-7-3-3, \$104,386. O-Theodore Sanford, Jr., Inc. B-McGinnes Charles Mr. & Mrs. (MD). T-Howard E Wolfendale.

**9th-TPX, \$28,910**, 2-25, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.  
**PAY THE BANKER** (f, 4, **Lac Ouimet--Primed to Win**, by Irish Tower) Lifetime Record: 13-3-3-1, \$56,770. O/B-Reklein Stables (KY). T-Bernard S Flint.

**8th-OPX, \$27,000**, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 2/5, sy.  
**GOLD LANDING** (g, 3, **Gold Legend--Second Landing**, by Avatar) Lifetime Record: MSP, 9-2-3-2, \$40,635. O-Dennis L Hammersmith. B-Santa Escolastica, Inc. (KY). T-Tim M Gleason.

#### MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Profitable Sin**, f, 3, **Carson City--Apalachee Blade** (MSP), by Blade. SAX, 2-26, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:19 1/5. B-Copeland Dreabon (Ky). \*\$47,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to King's Blade (Wavering Monarch), GSW, \$215,199.

**Tori Dancer**, f, 3, **Danzatore--All Fulla Fire**, by Full Out. OPX, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:14 3/5. B-Thomas F Hudgins, II & Prestonwood Farm (Ky). \*\$19,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

**Gypsy Baron**, c, 3, **Dixie Brass--Serene Nobility** (MSW, \$264,778), by His Majesty. AQU, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Stronach Frank (Ky). \*13-length winner.

**Free Too Fly**, c, 3, **Fly So Free--Onlyyouwouldknow** (MSP), by Mamaison. BMX, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Wood M L Mr & Mrs (Ky). \*\$10,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

**Bal Harbour**, c, 3, **Jade Hunter--Tropicop**, by Policeman (Fr). AQU, 2-26, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:47 4/5. B-Beler C P (Ny).

**Robyns Tune**, f, 3, **Robyn Dancer--Tune Writer**, by Master Willie (GB). GPX, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:12. B-Equi Frank R Jr (Fl).

**Gendarme**, c, 3, **Scarlet Ibis--Heathers Arrest**, by Policeman (Fr). AQU, 2-26, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Cohn Seymour (Ny).

**Many Charms**, f, 3, **St. Jovite--Darien Miss** (MGSW, \$600,409), by Mr. Leader. SAX, 2-26, 1 1/8mT, 1:52 3/5. B-Winchell Verne H (Ky). \*1/2 to Future Quest (Relaunch), MGSW, \$329,500.

**Strawberry Way**, f, 3, **Strawberry Road (Aus)--Dorky** (SW), by Flying Paster. TPX, 2-26, 1m, 1:40 1/5. B-Nordic Thoroughbreds (Ky). \*\$40,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$35,000 2yo 1997 OBSJUN.

**Inhale**, f, 3, **Trapp Mountain--Exploriano**, by Fappiano. GPX, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Bryan J Howlett & Henry A Roberts (Fl). \*1/2 to Excise (Ogygian), SP, \$184,788.

**K T Boom**, f, 4, **Fred Astaire--Spritzer**, by Portsmouth. OPX, 2-26, (C), 1m, 1:42 2/5. B-Fortune Marital Trust (Ky). \*1/2 to Novel Sprite (Text), MSW, \$467,586.

**Fettle**, g, 4, **Wild Again--Charging Walk**, by Peterhof. GPX, 2-26, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:46 1/5. B-Craig Banderoff & Matthew Firestone (Ky). \*Placed first via disqualification. \*\*\$30,000 yrl '95 KEEJAN; \$170,000 yrl '95 KEESEP.

**Dickandraysfortune**, g, 5, **Cee's Tizzy--Sister Mel**, by Pellinore. SAX, 2-26, (S), (C), 7f, 1:24 4/5. B-Dante Thomas C (Ca). \*1/2 to Tenacious Tom (Fort Calgary), MSW, \$163,125. \*\*\$3,200 HRA 1997 BESJAN.

**Logical Solution**, m, 5, **Rocamadour (Ire)--Logical Confusion**, by Hagley. AQU, 2-26, (C), 6f, 1:14 4/5. B-Argiannis Elizabeth P (Fl). \*1/2 to Mickeray (Blood Royal), SW, \$219,233.

#### FOALING NEWS:

**LADY D'ACCORD**, 11, **D'Accord--Avichi** (Damascus) Foal born 2-7-98, a colt by Deputy Minister. Will be bred back to Smart Strike. Owned by John Hettinger. Boarded at Akindale Farm in Pawling, NY. Accomplishments: MGSW & MGISP, \$590,138.

**MOST APPEALING**, 20, **Peace Corps--Nell's Best** (\*Rocky Royale)

Foal born 2-7-98, a filly by Mystery Storm. Will be bred back to Editor's Note. Owned/Boarded at Hart Farm in Morriston, Fl. Accomplishments: MSW; Dam of Grab The Prize (Green Dancer), GSW & GISP, \$304,741 and Appealing Piece (Hold Your Piece), SW, \$107,054.

**SINGLE FLOWER**, 18, **Nodouble--Corsage** (Native Royalty)

Foal born 2-12-98, a filly by Strodes Creek. Owned/Boarded at Stonerside Stable, Ltd. in Paris, Ky. Accomplishments: Dam of Single Dawn (\*Grey Dawn II), GSW & MGISP, \$421,005.

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## WHAT'S DOING DOWN UNDER



### JUVENILES GET READY TO GO FOR GOLD IN THE "SLIPPER"

By: **BRONWYN FARR**

Exuberant jockey Jim Cassidy and veteran trainer Jack Denham combined in spring to reign at Melbourne's lucrative racing carnival, winning the Melbourne Cup and the Caulfield Cup with the tough stayer **Might and Power (NZ)** (Zabeel {NZ}). Now the pair look set to dominate autumn racing Down Under with the exciting Danehill colt **Shovhog (Aus)**--named in reference to a mountain in Denmark--hotly favored to win the nation's ultimate two-year-old prize.

The \$2 million Australian (\$1,332,000 U.S.) Golden Slipper, run over six furlongs at Sydney's Rosehill April 4, is the richest race in the world for juveniles and at 11-4, Shovhog is the shortest-priced early favorite in the 41-year history of the race.

Although Cassidy is among the nation's most prolific stakes-winning jockeys, the Golden Slipper has eluded the "Pumper" to date. He was booked to ride the Danehill colt **Flying Spur (Aus)** in 1995, but was suspended on race eve. Flying Spur won the race with Glen Boss aboard. Now Cassidy has rich pickings with Shovhog and his stablemate, Silver Slipper winner **Iglesia (Aus)** (Last Tycoon {Ire}), as potential Golden Slipper mounts.

While the outgoing Cassidy usually has something colorful to say, trainer Denham is renowned for a 40-year silence. When the 70-year-old won the Slipper with Marscay in 1982, one pundit observed it would have been easier to interview the horse.

Popular owner/breeders Geoff and Beryl White paid \$400,000 Australian (\$266,400 U.S.) for Shovhog at last year's Inglis Easter Sale. They bred fellow Golden Slipper hopeful Iglesia, and are aiming for their second Slipper trophy after winning with Marscay in 1982. The early favorite for the '98 Golden Slipper, Shovhog won in his debut at Rosehill last October before being beaten into second by fellow Slipper contender **Prowl (Aus)** (Marauding {NZ}) in the Blue Diamond Prelude last weekend. The colt was slowly away, then struck a heap of trouble before being driven to the lead, fighting off all but Prowl. But he is a heavy-set bay with a professional attitude and the courage to overcome the buffeting he copped.

"We've always considered Shovhog to be our best two-year-old and that's why he was sent to Melbourne for the Blue Diamond," said Beryl White. "Shovhog is a little more brilliant than Iglesia, although Iglesia has an

incredible will to win. Nothing went right for Shovhog in the Blue Diamond Prelude and if it were any other two-year-old, everyone would say what a great run it was."

Shovhog has impeccable credentials to become the fourth Golden Slipper winner for champion southern hemisphere sire Danehill since 1994. He is out of Starling Lass (Aus), the daughter of 1977 Golden Slipper victor Luskin Star (Aus) and herself third-placed in the 1988 Golden Slipper. Danehill's other Golden Slipper representatives this year are likely to include the Lee Freedman-trained **Compulsion (Aus)**, a full sister to the filly Merlene (Aus), winner of the Slipper in 1996. Compulsion, a \$450,000 Australian (\$299,700 U.S.) Easter sale purchase for former top cricketer turned bloodstock agent and owner Simon O'Donnell, is from the Luskin Star mare Bold Promise (Aus), the unplaced 1991 Slipper favorite. Compulsion, who has shown scope for improvement and whose campaign has been perfectly timed by Freedman, is currently rated at 10-1 with fellow Danehill filly and stablemate **Danelagh (Aus)** at 16-1.

Shovhog will have one more outing before the Golden Slipper--Melbourne's \$1 million Australian (\$666,000 U.S.) Blue Diamond S. at Caulfield Saturday.

### FOALING NEWS:

**LITTLE EXPLOSION**, 19, Honest Pleasure--Appearance (T.V. Commercial)

Foal born 2-13-98, a colt by West By West.

Will be bred back to West By West.

Owned by Mary Anne Parris.

Boarded at Winning Ways Farm in Lexington, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Miss Double Dip (Time to Explode), MSW, \$101,865.

**LAURA'S PISTOLETTE**, 7, Big Pistol--Lovely Nedra (Irish Tower)

Foal born 2-14-98, a colt by Kris S.

Will be bred back to Deputy Minister.

Owned/Boarded at Stonerside Stable, Ltd. in Paris, Ky.

Accomplishments: MGSW & GISP, \$545,710.

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