

THOROUGHBRED™

D • A • I • L • Y N • E • W • S

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1998



\$2 Daily

N • E • W • S T O D A Y

COSTNER NAMED "CLAIMER OF THE YEAR"

Winner of eight of his 18 starts as a five-year-old last year, **Costner** (Society Max) has been named the 1997 National Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association "Claimer of the Year." Owned by DeWayne Rees and trained by Charles "Scooter" Dickey, the bay was claimed for \$20,000 from his first outing of the season at Oaklawn in February and went on to win eight of his last 11 appearances, beginning with a victory at the \$10,000 level at Churchill in May and ending up with back-to-back scores at Turfway--a \$35,000 claimer December 10 and an allowance event December 30. The Oklahoma-bred gelding was named for actor Kevin Costner. He will be honored at the 1998 HBPA Summer Convention in Des Moines, Iowa in late July.

LORD AT WAR FILLY TOPS FASIG-TIPTON

TWO-YEAR-OLDS A filly by **Lord At War (Arg)** out of **G1SW Orchestra (Arg)** (Logical) brought a final bid of \$110,000 to top yesterday's Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Two-Year-Old Sale, held in Lexington. Consigned by Graves Stable, agent for Diane L. Perkins (Wimborne Farm), the half-sister to **SW Up To Code (Lost Code)** was purchased by Tyson Gilpin, agent. A filly by **Ghazi** out of **SW Coax Classic (Caveat)** attracted the second highest price at the one-day auction. Consigned by Eddie Woods, agent, she was purchased by Cobra Farm for \$100,000. A total of 54 two-year-olds grossed \$1,176,800, with 29 listed as not sold. The average of \$21,793 was down 4 percent from a year ago, when 93 juveniles brought an aggregate \$2,209,500, an average of \$22,683. There were two horses of racing age sold for a gross of \$5,900, an average of \$2,950.

RACING ON TV:

TUESDAY, APRIL 28:

Run for the Roses - ESPN, 5-5:30 p.m. EDT

Tales of the Kentucky Derby - PBS, 10 p.m. EDT

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29:

Kentucky Derby Post Position Draw - ESPN, 5-6 p.m. EDT



STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 29:

5-16 \$100,000 **Eclipse-GIC, Wo, 4yo/up,**
8.5f (\$100)

5-2 \$1,000,000 **Kentucky Derby-GI, CD, 3yo,**
10f (\$150,000s)



T • R • I • P • L • E T H R E A T S

Saturday, Churchill Downs

KENTUCKY DERBY-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m
FAVORITE TRICK OKAY AFTER MONDAY-MORNING STUMBLE The 1997 "Horse of the Year" **Favorite Trick** (Phone Trick) stumbled badly while galloping out after a six-furlong breeze yesterday at Churchill, but pulled up okay, according to trainer Bill Mott. "You're concerned any time a horse going 35 miles per hour stumbles, but he seems to have cooled out okay," said Mott. The colt, chasing stablemate **Happy Medium**, a maiden, worked the three-quarters in 1:14, with the first quarter in :26 4/5 and the half in :50 2/5. He was out the seven furlongs in 1:29 2/5. "The work was exactly what I wanted," said the trainer. "He stayed back early and finished up well."

BLUE GRASS WINNER PREPS GII Toyota Blue Grass hero **Halory Hunter** (Jade Hunter) had his final Derby prep yesterday morning, going five-eighths in 1:01 3/5 and galloping out six furlongs in 1:15. "I love the way he did it," said trainer Nick Zito. "He just glided. He went through there with great acceleration."

CAPE TOWN SHARP GII Toyota Blue Grass third-place finisher **Cape Town** (Seeking the Gold) breezed five furlongs in :59 4/5 over a Churchill strip labeled "good" yesterday morning. With jockey Donna Barton in the saddle, the colt worked with stablemate **Lake Ponchatrain**, going the first quarter in :24 3/5, the half in :48 2/5 and galloping out three-quarters in 1:14. Explaining why he sent the three-year-old in company, trainer D. Wayne Lukas said, "He is not exactly a great work horse. He's laid back and gentle." Added Barton, "The first quarter he almost acts like he doesn't care the other horse is there, like a cat-and-mouse game. Then he likes to pull even with him and run for a while, but when you ask him, he takes off." Lukas will wait until Tuesday night or Wednesday morning before deciding if **Cape Town** will be joined in the gate by Saturday's Derby Trial runner-up **Yarrow Brae** (Deputy Minister). "He came back in top order," said Lukas. "He ran a good race. He's a healthy good horse and I think he'll get a mile and a quarter. But I'm not running him unless (owner Michael Tabor and his racing manager, Demi O'Byrne) want to go. Some of you out there might not believe it, but they make the decision." The trainer said he was leaning more toward the GI Preakness May 16.
Lucien Laurin Remembers Secretariat...p6
Triple Threats cont. p2



Triple Threats cont.

DERBY DATA Gill Flamingo winner **Chilito** (Strawberry Road {Aus}) went five furlongs in 1:04 2/5 Monday morning. "I had hoped he would do a little more," said trainer Graham Motion. "He went off slowly like he did last week, but he finished up super. I got his last eighth in :11 and change or :12. I would have liked to have seen him a little bit more aggressive from the pole, but having said that, what I have been trying to do is get him to relax. There's a fine line somewhere." Longshot **Basic Trainee** (Majestic Light) arrived at Churchill yesterday after a 15-hour van ride from New York.

◆ **P R E V I E W** ◆

Saturday, Newmarket, England

ENGLISH SAGITTA 2000 GUINEAS-G1, 3yo, 1mT

A total of 24 colts have been entered at the five-day stage for Saturday's G1 Sagitta 2000 Guineas. The latest odds for the race are: **Xaar (GB)** (Zafonic), 4-5; **King of Kings (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells), 7-2; **Lend A Hand (GB)** (Great Commotion), 10-1; **Central Park (Ire)** (In The Wings {GB}), 16-1; and **Haami** (Nashwan), 20-1.

French champion trainer Andre Fabre Monday confirmed that Xaar, his odds-on favourite for Saturday's Classic, had completed his preparations. "He had his last piece of serious work on Saturday," said Fabre. "He worked with two other horses and was ridden by his work rider. The horse is fine and I am very pleased with him. He will travel over to Newmarket on the morning of the race."

Highclere Thoroughbred's colt **Tamarisk (Ire)** (Green Desert), runner-up to Xaar in last October's G1 Thoroughbred Corporation Dewhurst S. over seven furlongs, but who has not run this year, had been expected to go to France for the French 2000 Guineas (Poule d'Essai des Poulains) at Longchamp May 10, but may be switched to the Sagitta 2000 Guineas if the ground at Newmarket dries up. "The horse is in great form and we don't want to miss our Classic opportunity," said a spokesman for the company.

The Dubai-based Godolphin team has left four colts -- **Almutawakel (GB)** (Machiavellian), **Altibr** (Diesis {GB}), **Central Park (Ire)** (In The Wings {GB}) and **Zaya (GB)** (Zafonic)--still engaged in the 2000 Guineas, but no definite running and riding plans have been made as the Godolphin team of some 60 horses has yet to arrive in England.

Sunday, Newmarket, England

ENGLISH SAGITTA 1000 GUINEAS-G1, 3yo, f, 1m

Twenty fillies are still pointing for the G1 Sagitta 1000 Guineas on Sunday. Current odds for the one-mile test are: **Cape Verdi (Ire)** (Caerleon), 9-4; **Loving Claim** (Hansel), 5-1; **Embassy (GB)** (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), **Cloud Castle (GB)** (In The Wings {GB}) and **Jibe** (Danzig), 10-1; **Exclusive (GB)** (Polar Falcon), 12-1; **Ashraakat** (Danzig) and **Daunting Lady (Ire)** (Mujadil), 14-1; and **Shahtoush (Ire)** (Alzao), 16-1.

◆ **E A S T** ◆

Yesterday's Results:

6th-DEL, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft. **CAT BE NIMBLE** (g, 6, Afleet--Frisky Kitten {MSW, \$188,963}, by Isopach), winner of last year's Gill Maryland Breeders' Cup H. and Gill Philadelphia Breeders' Cup H., last raced Oct. 4 when second in the Mario Beneito Memorial H. at Penn National. Sent off the 3-5 favorite here despite coming off a 6 1/2-month layoff, the chestnut dueled for the lead early, took command after a half-mile and was ridden out to a 2 1/2-length victory. Trainer Tim Ritchey said Cat Be Nimble's next start will likely be a defense of his title in the Gill Maryland Breeders' Cup H. at Pimlico May 16. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 36-12-8-5, \$580,564. O-Candy Stable. B-B & J Wilkinson (KY). T-T F Ritchey.

5th-HIA, \$15,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 5f, 1:01, ft. **SHEBEAFLYER** (f, 2, Alysheba--Regal Robyn, by Raja Baba) had the lead going three furlongs in her latest at Hialeah April 8, but weakened late and had to settle for second. Stretching out off the effort, the 8-5 favorite sprinted to the lead at the start and widened her advantage to the wire, winning off by 3 3/4 lengths. The winner was an \$11,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$12,425. O-G & R C Miller. B-Parrish Hill Farm & W S Farish (Ky). T-R C Miller.

© Copyright Thoroughbred Daily News.
This newspaper may not be reproduced in any form or by any means, electronic or mechanical, without prior written permission of the copyright owner, MediaVista. Information as to the races, race results and earnings was obtained from results charts published in Daily Racing Form and utilized herewith with the permission of the copyright owner, Daily Racing Form.

GAINESWAY

Graham J. Beck, President
Inquiries: Michael Hernon
606-293-2676
Fax 606-299-9371



New Stakes Winner **MISHILL** wins U.S. Bank Stakes...

CAHILL ROAD

And three winners last week at Keeneland - \$7,500 Live Foal



East Report cont.

11th-HIA, \$14,000, Msw, 3yo, f, abt. 1 1/8mT, 1:49 3/5, fm.

+ **ADANA** (f, 3, Theatrical {Ire})--**Slew the Queen**, by **Seattle Slew** prepped for her first start at Payson Park and was sent off the 5-2 favorite in her career debut. The filly hesitated at the break, swerving and hitting the side at the start, but recovered to stalk the pace to the top of the lane before driving to the lead in deep stretch for a head victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$8,400. O/B-Allen E Paulson (Ky). T-William I Mott.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Yesterday's Result:

8th-SPT, \$44,800, Alw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 1/5, ft.

MACASO (h, 7, Ziggy's Boy--**Toveris** (GB), by **Homing**), a multiple Mexican champion, had not raced since a May 26, 1996 race at the Hippodromo de las Americas in Mexico City. The 15-1 outsider, the longest price on the board, ran wire-to-wire and scored by 3 3/4 lengths. Macaso is a half brother to Lip Service (Lypheor {GB}), SW, \$108,966. Lifetime Record: Ch. 2yo, 3yo, Sprinter, Handicap Horse, Horse of the Year-Mex, 28-23-1-3, \$263,576.

O-Garcia Francisco Parra. B-Warrender Associates, Inc (KY). T-Eusebio Razo.

Local News: Remington Park

Despite a dispute over the purse money generated by full-card simulcasting between Quarter Horse and Thoroughbred horsemen in the state, Oklahoma racing fans will be able to wager on this year's Kentucky Derby. Remington Park has reached an agreement with the Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association which will allow the track to simulcast not only the Derby, but the entire May 2 card from Churchill Downs.

Local News: Idaho

Dismissed (Dayjur--**Bemissed**, by *Nijinsky II), third in the G3 Solario S. in England at two, has been retired and will stand stud at Duane Dent Ranch in Caldwell, Idaho. The five-year-old, who started his career with a win, a second and two thirds in seven starts in England and Italy, raced three times in the U.S., running second by a head in a Santa Anita allowance this past January 1, then finishing fifth in his final career start, a Santa Anita allowance event January 15. Owned by Jack Souza, he will stand for a fee of \$1,500.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Stakes Results:

NEW ZEALAND TROPHY S.-G2 Jpn, \$939,590, Tokyo, Japan, 4-26, 3yo, 7fT, 1:22.20, yld.

1--**#EL CONDOR PASA**, 123, c, 3, **Kingmambo--**

Saddler's Gal (Ire), by **Sadler's Wells**. O/B-Takashi Watanabe (Ky); T-Y Ninomiya; J-H Matoba; \$494,411. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$914,000.

2--**Sugino Cutie**, 119, f, 3, **Majestic Light--Summer Mood**, by **Raja Baba**. (\$50,000 2yo '97 FTFEB). O-Mie Sugiyama; B-Fares Farm (Ky); \$198,051.

3--**Meiner Love**, 123, c, 3, **Seeking the Gold--Heart of Joy**, by **Lypheor** (GB). (\$375,000 yrl '96 KEEJUL). O-K. Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Mr. & Mrs. John C. Mabee (Ky); \$126,308.

Margins: 2, 1/2, NK. Odds: 2.00, 8.00, 4.00.

El Condor Pasa broke his maiden by seven lengths last November, then came back after a two-month break to win again, this time by nine. Moving up to a stakes in his last, he captured the Kyodo Tsushin Hai Yonsai in his latest effort February 5. Making his group race and turf debut this time, the colt remained undefeated, switching to the outside at the top of the stretch and rallying powerfully to win going away.

SILK ROAD S.-G3 Jpn, \$643,230, Kyoto, Japan, 4-26, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:08.60, fm.

1--**SEEKING THE PEARL**, 123, f, 4, **Seeking the Gold--**

Page Proof, by **Seattle Slew**. O-Masako Uenaka; B-Lazy Lane Stables Inc. (Va); T-H Mori; J-Y Take; \$339,107. Lifetime Record: 10-7-0-2, \$2,750,000.

2--**Masa Lucky** (Jpn), 126, h, 5, **Magnitude** (Ire)--**Rose Entry** (Jpn), by **Cajun** (Ire). O-M Marui; B-Nisshin Farm (Jpn); \$133,635.

3--**Shinko Forest** (Ire), 126, h, 5, **Green Desert--Park Express** (Ire), by **Ahonoora** (GB). O-Osamu Yasuda; B-Lodge Park Stud (Ire); \$86,304.

Margins: NK, NK, 1 1/2. Odds: 6.50, 3.80, 15.40.

Making her first start since finishing third in the G2-Jpn Rose S. Sept. 21, Seeking the Pearl was nervous in the paddock, but settled down in time for the race. Never far from the lead, the filly found an opening on the inside in the stretch and burst through to take the photo. "Actually, I did not have confidence we would win this race, because my filly had not raced for seven months," said rider Yutaka Take. "I am very pleased she could win in her first race back." KYOEI MARCH (JPN) (Dancing Brave), winner of the Japanese 1000 Guineas, was the favorite, but finished a disappointing 11th.



KEENELAND

Entries Close Friday, May 1 September 14-24 Yearling Sale

P.O. Box 1690, Lexington, KY 40592-1690
606-254-3412 / 800-456-3412 / Fax 606-288-4348



Foreign Report cont.

Local News: Macau

Cheerine Champion (GB) (Arazi), a four-year-old now racing in Macau for owner Wong Waikai and trainer Danny Murphy, captured the 1998 Macau Derby going 1,850 meters at Taipa Racecourse Sunday, April 26. Sent off the favorite, the colt was coming off a victory in the Macau Derby Trial. He won by an impressive five lengths under jockey Brent Thompson.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

+ **Toho Yukako**, f, 3, **A.P. Indy**--Crown Silver (SW, \$107,045), by Spectacular Bid. Niigata, 4-26, maiden race, 8.5f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$39,000. O-Toho Bussan Inc.; B-Keswick Stables; T-F Koga. *\$200,000 yrl '96 FTSAUG. **Settled on the outside while close up early, the filly finished full of run to win it by 2 ½ lengths. "At the three-furlong pole, the filly almost lost her spirit, but she started to fight again in the stretch," said jockey Naohiro Ohnishi. "I hope she will improve a lot in the future."

Ken the Gold, c, 3, **Horatius**--Marston's Mill (SP), by In Reality. Kyoto, 4-26, novice race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 10-1-4-0, \$101,000. O-Kenzo Nakanishi; B-Pine Brook Farm; T-H Tadokoro. *\$200,000 2yo '97 BESMAR. **Won by two lengths.

+ **Round Prospector**, c, 3, **Mr. Prospector**--Flowing (Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 5-7f, MGSW-Ire, GSP-Ity, \$113,638-UK & Fr), by El Gran Senor. Kyoto, 4-26, novice race, 7fT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$39,000. O-Royal Farm; B-Brushwood Stable; T-Y Ikee. *\$300,000 yrl '96 KEEJUL; \$400,000 2yo '97 BESMAR. **Very relaxed early, the colt pressed the pace while in hand, took the lead on the far turn and drew clear to win by 2 ½ lengths. "The colt wasn't concentrating on running once we took the lead, but when another horse came to him, he started to fight again," said jockey Shigefumi Kumazawa. "He has a good sense of racing and also wonderful speed."

Gaily Kiss, f, 3, **Theatrical (Ire)**--A Little Kiss (NZ) (MG1SW-Aus), by Sackford. Kyoto, 4-26, Marguerite S. (Listed stakes), 1mT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$222,000. O-Morihiro Nishitani; B-Tokyo Thoroughbred Bureau USA Inc.; T-Y Masumoto. *A maiden winner February 22, she finished fifth last time out in the Sawarabi Sho March 22, but rebounded to post a rallying 3 1/2-length victory. "She is sometimes difficult, but I got her to relax before the race and was very happy to see her brilliant turn of foot in the stretch," said jockey Hirofumi Shii.

Amaro, c, 3, **Theatrical (Ire)**--Marshua's Rose (SW, \$103,500), by Marshua's Dancer. Niigata, 4-25, Prix Yukisubaki, 10fT. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$134,000. O-Masato Kaneko; B-Silver Springs Stud Farm Inc. & Mrs. J Costelloe; T-I Shinizu. *\$130,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. **Fourth in his lone start at two last August, the colt came back to break his maiden March 21, then was fourth in his most recent outing April 4. Second early, he responded quickly when asked at the top of the lane and drew off to win by 1 3/4 lengths; he can be expected to move up in class successfully. **1/2 to Marshua's River (Riverman), MGSW, \$402,146.

Juno Pentagon, h, 5, **Red Ransom**--Torsion Belle, by Torsion. Tokyo, 4-25, Oasis S. (Listed stakes), 1m. Lifetime Record: 31-4-6-2, \$1,102,000. O-Yukiko Hosokawa; B-Donald W Baldwin; T-H Asami. *\$18,000 wnl '93 BESNOV; \$130,000 2yo '95 BESMAR. **Coming off a sixth-place finish April 5, the five-year-old broke from the rail, was in good position throughout and prevailed by a ½ length over a sloppy track. **1/2 to That Lady (Trust A Native), MSW, \$131,037; Crafty Belle (Crafty Prospector), MSP, \$195,735; and Crafty Dude (Crafty Prospector), MSW, \$180,680.

◆ INDUSTRY INFO ◆

NTRA News:

Looking to increase the presence of Thoroughbred racing on national network television, the National Thoroughbred Racing Association spearheaded an underwriting campaign to get the one-hour documentary entitled "Tales of the Kentucky Derby: You Ain't Seen Nothin'," broadcast on the Public Broadcasting System. The Jockey Club, Breeders' Cup Ltd. and Churchill Downs joined in the funding effort, and as a result the program will be televised on PBS today at 10 p.m. EDT. "This will be the first national broadcast of this film and the NTRA funding made it possible," said the show's co-producer, Louis Guida of Co-Media Inc. "It's a great opportunity for racing to reach a national audience and some people that it might not normally reach."

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.

Another Graded Stakes winner for **SAINT BALLADO**

4/25 - Fantasy Angel wins the Comely S. (G3) at Aqueduct

12% Stakes Winners -

44% Graded/Group Stakes Winners!



TAYLOR MADE FARM

Phone: 606.885.3345

Fax: 606.887.1754



B • R • E • E • D • E • R • S E D I T I O N

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-SPT, \$31,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 4/5, ft. SISTER CABRINI (f, 4, Cabrini Green--Laid Claim, by Believe a Little) Lifetime Record: 29-6-6-3, \$82,316. O-Curt Franson. B-Hal Snowden Jr. (IL). T-C J Vinci.

7th-DEL, \$30,600, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:44 4/5, ft. VIVACIOUS SUZI (f, 4, Once Wild--Scintillating Suzi, by Tri Jet) Lifetime Record: 24-5-8-6, \$148,137. O-James A Riccio. B-Hooper Agnes Wanda (FL). T-Steve Klesaris.

3rd-DEL, \$28,000, 3yo, a1m70yd, 1:41 4/5, ft. RUNNING COPELAN (c, 3, Copelan--Miss Running Vany {MSW, \$363,457}, by Runaway Groom) Lifetime Record: SW, 15-3-4-5, \$98,572. O-Fox Hill Farm. B-Harry T. Mangurian, Jr. (FL). T-John C Servis.

9th-PHA, \$27,100, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03 2/5, ft. TOOTS'S TONYA (f, 4, Mining--Toots La Mae {SW}, by Danzig Connection) Lifetime Record: 14-5-1-1, \$79,030. O/B-Someday Farm (PA). T-Robert W Camac.

8th-DEL, \$26,900, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. FASHION FIND (h, 5, Mr. Prospector--Too Chic {GISW, \$136,270}, by Blushing Groom {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 10-2-2-1, \$54,959. O-William S Farish. B-Emory A. Hamilton (KY). T-Neil J Howard. *Full to Chic Shirine, GISW, \$237,944; and Queena, Ch. Older Mare, MGISW, \$565,024.

8th-PHA, \$20,790, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:42 1/5, ft. BRONX RUNNER (c, 4, Afleet--Le Bag Lady {MSW, \$103,913}, by Sauce Boat) Lifetime Record: 9-4-0-2, \$38,352. O-Lee A Rogalski. B-Ken Keiser (KY). T-Luis Collazo.

9th-DET, \$18,025, 4-26, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41 2/5, my. ARCHIE'S STAR (c, 4, Monetary Gift--Starwink {SW}, by Star Spangled) Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-2, \$49,242. O/B-George Palushaj (MI). T-Gerald S Bennett.

7th-PHA, \$17,000, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:41 2/5, ft. PROUD RENE (f, 3, Proud Birdie--Nicole Rene, by Tanthem) Lifetime Record: 16-2-1-4, \$26,895. O/T-Russell J Cash. B-Givens Farm (FL).

9th-HIA, \$16,000, 4yo/up, a1 1/16mT, 1:41 1/5, fm. CURRENT MAN (c, 4, Little Current--Tamarind Seed, by Roberto) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-1, \$24,018. O-David S Romanik. B-Mary Anne Parris (KY). T-Ronald B Spatz.

10th-TDN, \$15,500, 4-26, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, my.

SPANISH SASS (f, 3, Spanish Drums--European Lady, by Lord Rebeau) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$24,135. O-Feldman Bros & Yagour Mark. B-Mark Yagour (OH). T-Gary L Johnson.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shebeaflyer, f, 2, Alysheba--Regal Robyn, by Raja Baba. HIA, 4-27, 5f, 1:01. B-Parrish Hill Farm & W S Farish (Ky). *\$11,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.

Wadi, c, 3, Gulch--Judaire's Mint, by Key to the Mint. HIA, 4-27, 8.5f, 1:47 2/5. B-Respite Farm Inc. (Ky). *Won in a dead-heat. **\$300,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

Native Coast, c, 3, Raise a Man--Coastal Flash, by Coastal. FLX, 4-27, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:47 2/5. B-Scott Riedel & Joseph Cataldo (Ny).

High Liver, c, 3, Storm Cat--Twitchet, by Roberto. HIA, 4-27, 1 1/16m, 1:47 2/5. B-Dr & Mrs R Smiser West & Mr & Mrs Mackenzie Miller (Ky). *\$50,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. **1/2 to Star Attitude (Star de Naska), GSP, \$144,121; Evanescent (Northern Jove), MGSW & GISP, \$972,015; and Tactical Advantage (Forty Niner), GSW, \$174,630. *Won in a dead-heat.**

+ Adano, f, 3, Theatrical (Ire)--Slew the Queen, by Seattle Slew. HIA, 4-27, abt. 1 1/8mT, 1:49 3/5. B-Allen E Paulson (Ky).

FOALING NEWS:

INGOT WAY, 17, Diplomat Way--Ingot (Iron Ruler) Foal born 4-23-98, a colt by Seeking the Gold. Will be bred back to Storm Cat.

Owned/boarded at Summer Wind Farm, Georgetown, Ky. Accomplishments: MSW; dam of Skip Away (Skip Trial), Ch. 3yo Colt, Ch. Older Horse, MGISW, \$7,356,360.

PARADE OF ROSES, 15, Blues Parade--Best O'The West (Olympiad King)

Foal born 3-28-98, a colt by Broad Brush. Will be bred back to Concern.

Owned by S. Bonsal White.

Boarded at Northview Stallion Station, Chesapeake City, Md.

Accomplishments: SW, \$161,608; dam of Gail's Brush (Broad Brush), GSW, \$250,702.

SEEKING REGINA, 6, Seeking the Gold--Fulbright Scholar (Cox's Ridge)

Foal born 3-28-98, a filly by A.P. Indy.

Will be bred back to Capote.

Owned/boarded at Stonewall Farm, Granite Springs, NY. Accomplishments: Graded stakes winner.



WRITERS UP

SILVER ANNIVERSARY

By Frank Carlson

As we celebrate the 25th anniversary of Secretariat's Triple Crown, the *Thoroughbred Daily News* begins the first of a three-part Q&A with his trainer Lucien Laurin. Unfortunately, the Canadian-born horseman, 86, recently suffered a heart attack. He is resting at home in Florida. A plan to have him present trophies at each of the Triple Crown races had to be canceled.

Secretariat (Bold Ruler--Somethingroyal, by Princequillo) was bred in Virginia by Meadow Stud, Inc. He was named the 1972 Horse of the Year at two after winning seven of his nine starts.

TDN: Why did you put blinkers on him?

LL: When I'd work him in the morning, everybody was beating him. He'd want to follow a horse, he didn't want to run. I had a horse worth \$10,000 that I was using against him in the morning. I knew he could beat that horse, but sure enough I'd breeze them and Secretariat wouldn't win. I got to thinking, maybe I should put blinkers on him. Then I took them to the gate...and when they were 100 yards out of there, Secretariat was 10 lengths in front. He went five-eighths in :58 3/5. The clocker calls me and says, "Lucien, what did you do? Did you put a joint on him, did you hop the horse? How can a horse run so fast?" I said, "Did you notice something? I put blinkers on him today." He said, "You mean to tell me that made that much difference?" I said, "You saw what he did today, didn't you?" Would you believe that blinkers would make that much difference on a horse?

TDN: At the end of his two-year-old season he was syndicated for over \$6 million (\$6.08 million). That must have put a lot of pressure on you. What was that like?

LL: The guy who put the pressure on me was Warner Jones. He drove me crazy. He'd call me two or three times a night. He didn't want him to go to the Kentucky Derby. He'd say, pardon the expression, "Don't bring that son-of-a-bitch to the Derby. There's no Bold Ruler that can go that far. I'm in the syndication, and I'm going to try and get the horse away from you." I said, "You can try and get him away, but if I have him he'll be in the Derby."

TDN: Why did you start him back in the Bay Shore (his first start as a three-year-old, seven furlongs, March 17, at Aqueduct)?

LL: I knew that race would really set him up. I told (jockey Ron Turcotte) to let him gallop out strong, to the mile, and he galloped a mile in 1:36 and some change. The clocker came up to me and said, "Why did you let him go so long?" And I said, "He's going to go a mile-and-a-quarter."

TDN: (Secretariat won the Bay Shore by 4 1/2 lengths and the Gotham by three, but finished third behind stablemate Angle Light in the Wood Memorial, his final prep for the Derby.) After the loss in the Wood Memorial, did you lose any confidence in the horse?

LL: No, no. When I took him to Kentucky, Ronnie (Turcotte) flew over to work him (at Churchill Downs, the Wednesday before the Derby) five-eighths of a mile. I said, "Ronnie, take a hold, this horse he can run." He went five-eighths in :58 3/5, and three-quarters in 1:10 and something, and he couldn't pull him up. And a guy says, "You can take him off the books for Saturday, the SOB won't be in the money, he just left his race on the track." I said to Ron, "What did you go so fast for?" He said, "I could've gone a second faster." I said, "You would've needed wings." He said, "He did it so easy." Can you imagine that?

TDN: Where were you sitting to watch the Derby?

LL: I told the people at Churchill that I wanted to be right on the finish line. So what do you suppose happened? Who do you think is in the box next to me? Warner Jones. I had to be right next to him. He looked at me and said, "You damn Frenchman, you don't have any sense. When he gets to the quarter pole, he'll leave you." I said, "I don't think he will."

TDN: What was Secretariat like in the Derby, in the post parade?

LL: The other horses were all over their ponies, jumping around. He just turned around, wondering "What was all that noise?"...he never made a move. Walked like nobody's business. Nothing fazed that horse. I came in (to the barn) at 2 o'clock that afternoon, and he was laying down flat in his stall like he's dead. Two o'clock in the afternoon, and he's going to run a couple of hours later. I asked Eddie (Sweat, the colt's groom who passed away April 17 at the age of 59), "What's the matter?" He says, "Boss, he does that every day. He doesn't know he's going to run. He'll be all right." I was worried; I thought he might have colic or something. I said, "Are you sure?" He said, "Every day."

A couple of hours later Secretariat went out and shattered the Churchill Down's track record, going 1 1/4 miles in 1:59 2/5, winning the 1973 Kentucky Derby by 2 1/2 lengths over Sham. On to the Preakness...



FOALING NEWS

ELOQUACK, 16, Elocutionist-La Quack (Quack) Foal born 3-29-98, a filly by Unbridled's Song. Owned by Hendricks, Justice, Littrell & Pierce. Boarded at Viking Stud, Lexington, Ky. Accomplishments: MSW of \$292,640; dam of Esplendita (Pancho Villa), SW, \$136,228; Seacliff (Valid Appeal), GSW, \$456,300.