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DERBY DRAW CREATES CONTROVERSY

The "new and improved" Kentucky Derby post position draw, televised on ESPN Wednesday from 5-6 p.m. EDT, unfortunately was not problem-free. For the first time in history, a blind draw was to determine not the post positions themselves, but the order in which each horse's connections would be able to choose their own post. However, a "misdraw" by ESPN host Chris Lincoln led to two horses--**Artax** (Marquetry) and **Rock and Roll** (Cure the Blues)--both receiving the 15th pick. Under Kentucky Racing Commission rules, the entire draw had to be erased and completely redone. After the controversy, an outraged Churchill President Thomas Meeker said, "We shouldn't have let TV control this. Chris Lincoln should not have been doing this. Racing officials should have done this--which is something they do every day. Chris was more worried about his commentary--he has a responsibility to his commentary but the more important responsibility is to execute the rules of racing, you can't do both things. We should have done a lot better. This is not brain surgery." Affected most by this procedural error were the connections of **Cape Town** (Seeking the Gold), who went from having first pick of any post position they wanted to having 10th pick in the 15-horse field, resulting in a pick of post position 11. D. Wayne Lukas, trainer of Cape Town, said afterwards, "I thought what (owner) William T Young said was the most appropriate --it felt like we had our number taken down before we even ran the race." Reigning Horse of the Year **Favorite Trick** (Phone Trick) enters the Derby with a little bit of luck on his side. The 4-1 third choice on the morning line was awarded first pick in the blind draw, and trainer Bill Mott went for post position seven. "Seven has always been a lucky number for me," Mott explained. Second pick overall went to **Indian Charlie** (In Excess {Ire}), whose trainer Bob Baffert chose directly outside Favorite Trick in post position eight. Churchill Downs' oddsmaker Mike Battaglia made Indian Charlie the 2-1 morning line favorite for the race. "He's undefeated; he's won four in a row; he's improved with every start," Battaglia said. Battaglia tagged **Halory Hunter** (Jade Hunter) as the second choice in the field at 7-2 odds. Boston Celtics coach Rick Pitino, co-owner of the GII Blue Grass winner, said post position four was chosen because it was the number worn by Lou Gehrig, the famed New York Yankees first baseman. The last time the Derby field numbered 15 was in 1990, with Unbridled emerging as the victor from post eight.

Saturday, Churchill Downs:

- KENTUCKY DERBY-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/4m**
- | PP | HORSE | SIRE | ODDS |
|--|------------------------------|-----------------------|------|
| 1 | NATIONALORE | Video Ranger | 50-1 |
| O/B/T-Cho Myung Kwon (CA); J-G. Almeida. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 15-0-6-5, \$283,766. | | | |
| 2 | BASIC TRAINEE | Majestic Light | 50-1 |
| O-Gambotto & Ocejo; B-Claiborne Farm (KY); T-Jorge Romero; J-John Velazquez. Lifetime Record: SW, 8-3-2-1, \$146,591. | | | |
| 3 | REAL QUIET | Quiet American | 8-1 |
| O-Mike Pegram; B-Little Hill Farm (KY); T-B. Baffert; J-K. Desormeaux. Lifetime Record: GSW, 12-2-2-5, \$581,122. | | | |
| 4 | HALORY HUNTER | Jade Hunter | 7-2 |
| O-Celtic Pride Stable; B-Elmendorf Farm Inc. (KY); T-N. Zito; J-C. Nakatani. Lifetime Record: GSW, 9-3-2-3, \$668,119. | | | |
| 5 | CHILITO | Strawberry Road (Aus) | 30-1 |
| O-Lazy Lane Farms; B-Holtsinger Inc. (KY); T-G. Motion; J-G. Boulanger. Lifetime Record: GSW, 8-4-0-2, \$198,944. | | | |
| 6 | HANUMAN HIGHWAY (Ire) | Alzao | 50-1 |
| O-Budget Stable; B-Dermot & Meta Cantillon (IRE); T-K. Walsh; J-D. Flores. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-2-1-0, \$133,906. | | | |
| 7 | FAVORITE TRICK | Phone Trick | 4-1 |
| O-Joseph LaCombe; B-Mr. & Mrs. M.L. Wood (KY); T-B. Mott; J-P. Day. Lifetime Record: Horse of the Year, Ch. 2yo Colt, MGSW, 10-9-0-1, \$1,341,998. | | | |
| 8 | INDIAN CHARLIE | In Excess (Ire) | 2-1 |
| O-Earnhardt & John R. Gaines Rcg LLC; B-Michael H. Hutzler (CA); T-B. Baffert; J-G. Stevens. Lifetime Record: GSW, 4-4-0-0, \$531,120. | | | |
| 9 | ROCK AND ROLL | Cure the Blues | 50-1 |
| O-M. Paulson & J. Craig; B-Pin Oak Stud Inc. (KY); T-B. Mott; J-F. Torres. Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-2-3-2, \$46,390. | | | |
| 10 | PARADE GROUND | Kingmambo | 20-1 |
| O-Farish & Hilbert; B-W.S. Farish & Hudson Interests Ltd. (KY); T-N. Howard; J-S. Sellers. Lifetime Record: SW, 9-3-4-2, \$215,320. | | | |
| 11 | CAPE TOWN | Seeking the Gold | 6-1 |
| O/B-Overbrook Farm (KY); T-D. Wayne Lukas; J-J. Bailey. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 10-5-1-1, \$795,817. | | | |
| 12 | ARTAX | Marquetry | 12-1 |
| O-Paraneck Stable; B-Vinery & Carondelet Farm (KY); T-Randy Bradshaw; J-C. McCarron. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 7-3-2-2, \$431,320. | | | |
| 13 | VICTORY GALLOP | Cryptoclearance | 15-1 |
| O-Prestonwood Farm Inc.; B-Tall Oaks Farm (CAN); T-E. Walden; J-A. Solis. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 7-5-1-0, \$499,880. | | | |
| 14 | OLD TRIESTE | A.P. Indy | 15-1 |
| O-Cobra Farm Inc.; B-W.R. Hawn (KY); T-M. Puype; J-R Albarado. Lifetime Record: GSP, 6-2-1-1, \$97,220. | | | |
| 15 | ROBINWOULD | Robin des Pins | 50-1 |
| O-B & D Davenport; B-D.J. Stable (KY); T-J. Calvin; J-E. Fires. Lifetime Record: GSP, 9-1-3-1, \$67,040. | | | |



Triple Threats Continued.

PARADE GROUND WORKS Working shortly after 6:30 a.m. on a muddy Churchill Downs track yesterday, Tampa Bay Derby winner **Parade Ground** (Kingmambo) breezed three furlongs in :36 1/5. Clockers caught the first quarter in :25, with an out time of :49, as did trainer Neil Howard. "I just wanted him to stretch his legs a little bit," said Howard.

NATIONALORE ARRIVES AT CHURCHILL DOWNS

Nationalore (Video Ranger), who, although still a maiden, is the most experienced of the Kentucky Derby entrants with 15 career starts, arrived at Churchill Downs shortly after noon Tuesday to begin final preparations for Saturday's 124th Run for the Roses. "It was an easy trip, no problems," said assistant trainer Rafael Martinez. "Nothing much bothers this horse. He's nice to work around." Nationalore finished third behind Favorite Trick in the 1997 Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

YARROW BRAE SKIPS DERBY Trainer D. Wayne Lukas announced yesterday morning that Gil Jim Beam and GIII Derby Trial runner-up **Yarrow Brae** (Deputy Minister) will not contest this year's Kentucky Derby. Lukas added that future plans for the Magnier & Tabor-owned colt are indefinite.

(News cont.)

TRF INTRODUCES HOTLINE The Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation has introduced a new direct, toll-free hotline which the organization hopes will speed the process of finding appropriate homes for horses coming off the track at the end of their racing careers. "The 800 number will make it easy and convenient for owners and trainers to reach us right away when the decision is made to retire a horse," said TRF Executive Director Diana Pikulski. "And this will help us to more quickly identify a suitable placement for the animal. We believe that the TRF hotline will enable us to rescue many more horses that would otherwise be auctioned for export and slaughter." The new TRF number is 1-800-728-1660.

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◆ PREVIEW ◆

Today, Churchill Downs:

LA TROIENNE-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 7f, post time 4:35 p.m. EDT

The field, in order of the draw, is as follows: **Sister Act** (Saint Ballado), Borel, 113; **Prospector's Song** (Prospector's Music), Albarado, 116; **Smelly Cat** (Mountain Cat), Sellers, 113; **Really Polish** (Polish Numbers), Woods, 116; **Flashstorm** (Storm Cat), Bailey, 116; **Bourbon Belle** (Storm Boot), D'Amico, 118; **Marie J** (Mr. Prospector), Stevens, 113; **Storm Beauty** (Storm Cat), Day, 116.

Friday, Churchill Downs:

KENTUCKY OAKS-GI, \$500,000, 3yo, f, 9f

The field of 13 fillies will line up in the following order: **Let** (A.P. Indy), **Occhi Verdi (Ire)** (Mujtahid), **Really Polish** (Polish Numbers), **Keeper Hill** (Deputy Minister), **Roza Robata** (Fire Maker), **Banshee Breeze** (Unbridled), **Diamond on the Run** (Kris S.), **Came Unwound** (Cryptoclearance), **Well Chosen** (Deputy Minister), **Nurse Goodbody** (Personal Hope), **Try N Sue** (Sir Harry Lewis), **Star of Broadway** (Broad Brush), **Soft Seniorita** (Senor Speedy). All carry 121 pounds.

Friday, Churchill Downs:

LOUISVILLE BREEDERS' CUP H.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8½f

The field, in order of the draw, is as follows: **Panama Canal** (Gulch), 114; **One Rich Lady** (Air Forbes Won), 113; **Escena** (Strawberry Road {Aus}), 119; **Belle's Flag** (Avenue of Flags), 116; **Water Street** (Storm Bird), 110; **Buckeye Search** (Meadowlake), 110; **Pleasant Temper** (Storm Cat), 110; **Three Fanfares** (Chief's Crown), 109; **Everhope** (Danzig), 112; **Naskra Colors** (Star de Naskra), 109; **Top Secret** (Afleet), 115; **Mil Kilates** (Gold Alert), 114; **Ajina** (Strawberry Road {Aus}), 120.

Saturday, Newmarket, England:

SAGITTA 2000 GUINEAS-G1, 3yo, 1mT

Trainer Aidan O'Brien told the *Racing Post* that his 2000 Guineas second favorite **King of Kings (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) completed his last piece of serious work Tuesday, covering six furlongs under his big-race jockey Michael Kinane. "King of Kings worked nicely," said O'Brien, who also confirmed that, like **Xaar (GB)** (Zafonic), his colt will fly to Newmarket Saturday morning.

Walter Swinburn has been booked to partner **Soviet Bureau (Ire)** (Soviet Lad) Saturday. Soviet Bureau has raced only twice, winning an allowance at Salisbury last August and most recently finishing fourth in the G3 Tripleprint Greenham S. at Newbury April 18.

Newmarket officials yesterday announced that the quickly drying track could already be described as "good."

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Stakes previews cont.

Sunday, Newmarket, England:

SAGGITTA 1000 GUINEAS-G1, 3yo, f, 1mT

Godolphin's G2 Stakis Casinos Lowther S. winner **Cape Verdi (Ire)** (Caerleon) is now the 2-1 favorite with most bookmakers for the Sagitta 1000 Guineas. The Godolphin team has four colts entered in Saturday's 2000 Guineas and both Cape Verdi and **Embassy (GB)** (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), last year's Highweight Two-Year-Old Filly in England, in Sunday's 1000 Guineas.

French trainer Criquelette Head has confirmed that G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner **Loving Claim** (Hansel) is a definite starter for the 1000 Guineas.

Elshams (GB) (Zafonic) will miss Sunday's 1000 Guineas, but trainer Alec Stewart intends to supplement the filly to the G1 French 1000 Guineas (Poule D'Essai Des Pouliches) at Longchamp May 10.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Local News, Ireland:

Irish trainer Aidan O'Brien has reported that his G1 Grand Criterium winner **Second Empire (Ire)** (Fairy King), due to run in Saturday's G3 Tetrarch S. at The Curragh in Ireland rather than in the Sagitta 2000 Guineas at Newmarket, may now be switched to Paris to run in the G1 French 2000 Guineas (Poule D'Essai Des Poulains) at Longchamp May 10.

◆ NEW YORK ◆

Local News, Aqueduct:

Coronado's Quest (Forty Niner) worked five furlongs yesterday in 1:01. The three-year-old could start in either the Preakness, the Belmont or the May 25 GI Metropolitan H...**Banker's Gold** (Forty Niner) worked a bullet five furlongs in :58 3/5 from the gate. The colt is nominated to Sunday's GI Carter, but will most likely skip the race...**Za-im (GB)** (Green Desert), scheduled to make his U.S. debut in the Carter H., worked five furlongs in 1:00 2/5 Tuesday at Belmont...Three-year-old **Daniel My Brother** (Runaway Groom) worked a half mile at Belmont yesterday in :47 1/5...**Skip Away** (Skip Trial), prepping for the May 9 GI Pimlico Special, worked seven furlongs Tuesday at Belmont in 1:23 3/5...**Chip** (Norquestor) breezed a half mile in :48 4/5 yesterday with jockey Joe Bravo in the irons...**Behrens** (Pleasant Colony) breezed five furlongs yesterday in 1:01.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$35,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:52 1/5, gd.

LORD ZADA (g, 5, Lord Avie--Lanzada {MSW, \$222,304}, by Robellino) made his first three starts on the turf last summer and fall and switched to the main track for a second-place finish at Delaware Nov. 8 and a win in his last start Nov. 30 at Aqueduct. Back on the grass here and off the five-month layoff, the gelding, with effervescent jockey Julie Krone in the irons, was sent off the 2-1 favorite and rallied from well back nearing the stretch to wear down 15-1 outsider **JERICO WARNING** (Caveat) for a one-length tally. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$66,380. O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge Jr. (PA). T-Sanna Neilson.

6th-AQU, \$31,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:22 3/5, ft.
LYRICAL GHOST (f, 3, Silver Ghost--Lyrical Prayer, by The Minstrel) broke her maiden by nine lengths at Keeneland October 22, but had failed in three subsequent tries, most recently finishing fourth in an April 1 allowance at Aqueduct. Making her longest start to date here, she took the lead after a quarter and drew away to a four-length win at 6-1. The 3-5 favorite, **FIELD OF VISION** (Deputy Minister), had traffic trouble on the turn, got clear in the stretch, but couldn't gain ground on the winner. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$42,352. O/B-Edward P. Evans (VA). T-Mark Hennig.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Yesterday's Results:

8th-CDX, \$61,760, Alw, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17, my.

1--**ELUSIVE QUALITY**, 122, h, 5, Gone West--Touch of Greatness, by Hero's Honor. O-Darley Stud Management; B-Silver Springs Stud Farm, Inc & Mrs J Costelloe; T-William I Mott. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 15-7-3-2, \$265,294.

2--**Charlie Chan**, 119, h, 5, Air Forbes Won--Shady Street, by Shadeed.

3--**Crowns Runner**, 122, h, 5, Rajab--Brave Shadow, by Little Miracle.

Margins: 3HF, 8, 1HF. Odds: 0.30, 5.70, 6.20.

Elusive Quality was off seven months after a third-place finish in the July '97 Gil Tom Fool H. and returned to the races with a seven-length Gulfstream allowance victory Feb. 5 last time out. Heavily favored here, the bay ran wire-to-wire for an easy score.

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7th-CDX, \$58,430, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, my.
1--MARSHEW, 119, f, 4, Houston--Marshesseaux,
by Dr. Blum. O-Youngblood John; B-John Youngblood
 & Fletcher Gray (KY); T-Thomas V Smith. Lifetime
 Record: SW, 17-5-4-3, \$221,653. *1/2 to Code Blum
 (Lost Code), SW, \$151,630.

2--Surina Star, 119, m, 5, Pleasant Colony--Timber
Ribbon, by Cox's Ridge.

3--Baby Rabbit, 119, m, 6, No Sale George--Snuggle
Bunny, by Wild Wind.

Margins: 4, 1 3/4, 2 3/4. Odds: 6.60, 2.00, 1.60.

After winning a six-furlong allowance at Churchill in
 wire-to-wire fashion Oct. 31, Marsheslew had failed in
 three straight tries, getting nipped at the wire in her
 subsequent outing by the third-place finisher and the
 favorite here, Baby Rabbit, in a similar event in Novem-
 ber. She then finished off the board in two Oaklawn
 tries this winter, including a last-place finish in the Car-
 ousel H. in her last start March 28. Recapturing her
 winning formula here, she bounded out of the gate,
 quickly opened up daylight, and never looked back en
 route to an easy score.

5th-CDX, \$48,700, Alw, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 3/5, my.

1--IRON CAT, 121, c, 3, Storm Cat--Miss Iron Smoke
(MSW, \$332,217), by Iron Constitution. O/B-Siegel
 Jan & Mace & Samantha (KY); T-Randy Bradshaw.
 Lifetime Record: SP, 8-3-2-2, \$111,328.

2--Baquero, 121, c, 3, Forty Niner--Fit for a Queen, by
Fit to Fight.

3--World Series, 112, c, 3, Robyn Dancer--Clutch Hitter,
by Nodouble.

Margins: 3/4, 1 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 0.70, 2.20, 7.90.

Fourth in her debut at Santa Anita October 19, Iron
 Cat hasn't finished off the board since that try and had
 won two of those starts coming into this race, including
 her last outing April 10 at Keeneland over a muddy
 surface. Sent off the 3-5 choice to repeat on similar
 ground here, she stalked the leaders, took over at the
 top of the stretch, and held off the charge of Baquero
 near the wire.

6th-CDX, \$41,550, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18, my.

1--LICENSE FEE, 112, f, 3, Black Tie Affair (Ire)--Star
Deputy, by Deputy Minister. O-Overbrook Farm;
 B-Pedigree Farms Inc (CAN); T-D Wayne Lukas. Life-
 time Record: 6-3-1-0, \$62,020.

2--One Hot Minute, 119, f, 4, Relaunch--Hot Love, by
What a Pleasure.

3--Tejano Melt, 109, f, 3, Tejano--Melt My Heart, by
Peterhof.

Margins: 3/4, 8, 2 3/4. Odds: 4.30, 6.60, 9.90.

6th-CDX results cont.

After finishing second and fourth in her first two
 outings at the Fair Grounds, License Fee won her next
 two, each at six furlongs. A well-beaten sixth in the
 one-mile Bourbonette at Turfway in her last start March
 29, she was the second choice. Just off the leaders
 early, she came out from the drive and wore down One
 Hot Minute under a vigorous hand ride. The even-money
 favorite, WINI JONES (Seeking the Gold), gave way
 after a half and finished 11th and last.

3rd-CDX, \$42,640, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53 4/5, my.
SHOWCALL (f, 2, Capote--Cool Baby {SP}, by Northern
Baby), fourth in her debut at Keeneland April 10, came
from off-the-pace to defeat MISS JENNIFER LYNN (El
Prado {Ire}) by a neck. Sent off the 6-5 favorite,
 Showcall, a half-sister to Cool Air (Air Forbes Won),
 MSW, \$535,853, was a \$400,000 Kee. July yearling.
 Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$29,120.

O-Magnier Mrs John & Tabor Michael. B-William F. Lotz
 (KY). T-D Wayne Lukas.

◆ EAST ◆

Local News, West Virginia:

Purses for the West Virginia Breeders Classics have
 been raised and the races will now be held over two
 days. The \$75,000 filly and mare race along with eight
 additional races will take place on Saturday night, Octo-
 ber 24. On Sunday the afternoon card will consist of the
 five stakes including the \$150,000 feature.

Yesterday's Results:

7th-PIM, \$25,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.
DIXIE DAYLIGHT (f, 4, Dixieland Band--Exclusive Love
{MSW, \$125,005}, by Exclusive Native), 4 1/4-length
winner of her debut April 11, was the 2-1 second
choice here. The filly took the lead with a wide rally into
the stretch and drew off to score by 3 1/2 lengths.
 Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$25,650.

O-Burning Daylight Frms. B-A Watson. (KY). T-A Allen III.

4th-HIA, \$16,500, Msw, a1 1/8mT, 1:52 1/5, fm.
+ SIERRA VIRGEN (f, 3, Stack--Forever Lady, by Forever
Sparkle) trained at Hialeah this winter, getting in several
long works for her nine-furlong debut here. Sent away
at 10-1 to win first time out of the box, she was last
early, but split horses through the lane and got up to
win by a neck. The winner is a 1/2 to Forever Whirl
(Island Whirl), MGSW, \$453,658 Lifetime Record: 1-1-
0-0, \$10,900.

O/B-Santa Cruz Ranch (FL). T-Louis Dusang.

Good Luck Halory Hunter!



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◆ **So. CALIFORNIA** ◆

Local News, Hollywood Park:

I Ain't Bluffing (Pine Bluff) worked six furlongs from the starting gate yesterday in 1:14 3/5 with jockey Chris McCarron up. The four-year-old filly will start next in Sunday's Gil Hawthorne H.

Yesterday's Results:

7th-HOL, \$53,280, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43 3/5, ft.

1--MESSAGE OF HONEY, 118, f, 4, General Meeting--Lady Hardwick, by Nijinsky II. O-Golden Eagle Farm; B-Mabee John C Mr & Mrs (CA); T-Jack Carava. Lifetime Record: MSP, 8-3-1-2, \$99,374. *1/2 to Miss Hardwick (Honest Pleasure), MSW, \$176,066; Air Bag (Devil's Bag), MSW, \$126,700.

2--Estrella Voladoras, 117, m, 5, Star de Naskra--Tengo Prisa, by Relaunch.

3--Perfected, 122, f, 4, Never Tabled--Is She Perfect, by Pirate's Bounty.

Margins: HF, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 4.80, 3.10, 6.80.
 Message of Honey returned from an eight-month layoff to run fourth in a March 11 Santa Anita allowance and returned to finish seventh in the April 1 Irish O'Brien S. in her last start. The third choice in the field of eight stalked the early pacesetters before moving to challenge for the lead while three wide turning for home, took control in upper stretch and edged clear late.

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STAKES RESULTS:

VARIETY BABY H., \$48,160, GGX, 4-29, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:42 4/5, ft.

1--#ECUDIENNE, 116, f, 4, Cost Conscious--Cie Canadienne, by Canadian Gil. O-Walter Family Trust; B-Walter Robert H Mr & Mrs (CA); T-Jerry Hollendorfer; J-R A Baze; \$31,520. Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-2, \$112,010.

2--Lady Tap, 115, f, 4, Pleasant Tap--Chelseanna, by Nice Dancer. (\$250,000 yrl '95 KEESEP). \$8,000.

3--Numero Uno, 115, f, 4, Afleet--Une Pavane (Fr), by Caro (Ire). \$4,800.

Margins: 3HF, 3, 1HF. Odds: 4.10, 2.10, 3.30.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-HOL, \$42,000, (S), 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft. (DH)--EXCESSIVE THERESA (f, 3, In Excess (Ire)--Theresa's Pleasure {MSW, \$130,840}, by Greenwood Star {GB}) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$45,600. O-Haagsma J D & Haagsma J R & Tillema. B-Lester W Smith Trustee for Lester W Smith Trust. T-Rafael Becerra.

(DH)--FEVERISH (f, 3, Pirate's Bounty--Blonde Fever {SW, \$122,825}, by Flying Paster) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$45,720. O/B-Wygod Mr & Mrs Martin J (CA). T-Dan L Hendricks.

8th-PIM, \$30,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. G COLUMBUS (h, 5, Kona Tenor--Cathabella, by Decathlon) Lifetime Record: 37-15-10-2, \$156,589. O-Conover Stable. B-Quinter S (FL). T-J J Tammaro III.

8th-SPT, \$29,000, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. ASK VALENTINO (c, 3, Ask Muhammad--I Ninety Salad {SW}, by Full of Drive) Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$31,010. O-Jack Lucchesi Inc. B-Jack Lucchesi (IL). T-Israel Gonzalez.

9th-HIA, \$20,100, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25 3/5, ft. SHEHAZAHOME (f, 4, Known Fact--Homeland {MSW, \$241,547}, by Current Hope) Lifetime Record: 14-5-2-2, \$65,060. O-Acclaimed Racing Stable. B-David Schwartz (FL). T-Joseph Calascibetta.

10th-HIA, \$18,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25 2/5, ft. MISS MEDALLION (f, 3, Honor Grades--Alarm Too Loud, by Darn That Alarm) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$20,180. O-Maria Angola Stable. B-George C. Turner (FL). T-Ruben Monjes.

8th-PRM, \$17,500, 4-28, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft. SHE RULES THE MINT (f, 4, King of the Mint--Ms. Spider Webb, by Desperado) Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-1, \$29,748. O-R Turner. B-Lynn Heitman (OK). T-T Ebardt.

5th-HIA, \$16,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5, ft. MR. SAINT (c, 3, St. Jovite--Heaven Knows Why {MSW}, by Star de Naskra) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$27,310. O-Kathy Jo Stable. B-Virginia Kraft Payson (KY). T-James E Bracken.



BREEDERS' CUP NATIONAL STAKES RACE CLOSINGS

<u>CLOSES</u>	<u>TRACK</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>CONDITIONS</u>	<u>PURSE</u>	<u>RUNS</u>
5-2	PIM	Maryland Breeders' Cup H. (GIII)	3yo/up, 6f	\$200,000	5-16
5-9	CD	Kentucky Breeders' Cup S.	2yo, 5 1/2f	\$125,000	5-25

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MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Showcall**, f, 2, **Capote--Cool Baby** (SP), by Northern Baby. CDX, 4-29, 4 1/2f, :53 4/5. B-Lotz William F (Ky). *\$400,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL. **1/2 to Cool Air (Air Forbes Won), MSW, \$535,853.
- Heron's Franklin**, c, 2, **Franklin Me--White Heron** (MSW), by Bombay Duck. HIA, 4-29, 5f, 1:00. B-Alfred T Eldredge Jr (Fl). *1/2 to Daisy Brown (Distinctive Pro), GSP, \$171,866.
- Emerging Class**, f, 2, **Regal Classic--Emergency Nurse** (SW), by Blue Ensign. HOL, 4-29, (C), 4 1/2f, :52 1/5. B-Muirfield Ventures & William Roberts (Ca).
- + **Sharp Standard**, c, 3, **American Standard--Fool's Delight**, by Foolish Pleasure. HOL, 4-29, (C), 6f, 1:08 4/5. B-Walton & McGehee (Ky). *\$27,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.
- Wana Affair**, f, 3, **Black Tie Affair (Ire)--Uwana Kawana** (SW), by Hold Your Peace. PRM, 4-28, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Cashmark Farms (Ky). *\$10,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.
- Jojo's Express**, g, 3, **Claramount--Romantic Dinner**, by Who's for Dinner. AQU, 4-29, (S), 1 1/8mT, 1:54 4/5. B-Stock Michael L (NY).
- + **La Femme M**, f, 3, **Cure the Blues--Key Venture**, by Key to the Kingdom. AQU, 4-29, (S), 7f, 1:26 2/5. B-Moss Creek Farm Inc (NY). *\$25,000 yrl '96 FTNAUG; \$38,000 2yo 1997 OBSMAR.
- Thunderous Ovation**, g, 3, **Expensive Decision--Thunder Stand**, by Thunder Puddles. AQU, 4-29, (S), 1 1/8mT, 1:53 3/5. B-MacMillen William C Jr (Ny). *Won off 6-month layoff.
- Autumn Splendor**, f, 3, **Hansel--Hitting Streak (Ire)**, by Sadler's Wells. SPT, 4-29, (C), 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Triple C Thorostock (Il).
- Incinderfella**, g, 3, **Incinderator--Watch Misty**, by Close Watch. GGX, 4-29, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45. B-Donna Mattox & Cardiff Stud Farm (Ca). *\$2,000 yrl '96 NCASEP.
- Nicholas Drive**, c, 3, **Nicholas--Cheapside Queen**, by Screen King. CDX, 4-29, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5. B-Donna Moore & Marcy Shatner (Ky).
- Riff**, c, 3, **Opening Verse--Hay Patcher** (SW), by Hoist the Flag. PIM, 4-29, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 2/5. B-Meyerhoff Robert E (Md). *1/2 to Broad Brush (Ack Ack), MGSW, \$2,656,793; Hay Halo (Halo), MSW, \$233,993.
- La Reine's Terms**, c, 3, **Private Terms--La Reine Elaine** (GSW, \$174,722), by King's Bishop. PIM, 4-29, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 1/5. B-Sondra Bender & Howard M Bender (Md).
- + **Sierra Virgin**, f, 3, **Stack--Forever Lady**, by Forever Sparkle. HIA, 4-29, a1 1/8mT, 1:52 1/5. B-Santa Cruz Ranch (Fl). *1/2 to Forever Whirl (Island Whirl), MGSW, \$453,658.
- Behave On Tour**, g, 3, **Tour D'Or--Lum Behave**, by Good Behaving. BEU, 4-29, (S), 1m, 1:42 2/5. B-Baker Luann (Oh).
- + **Lorena's Blade**, f, 4, **Groovy--Dependable Sword**, by Dependable. HOL, 4-29, (C), 6f, 1:10 2/5. B-Dr Pat Ziefle & Randy Brown (Ky). *\$10,000 yrl '95 KEESEP.

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

PEDIGREE SHORTS

Saint Ballado continues to deliver impressive results from his inexpensively-sired Florida crops, and April 25 he was represented by another graded stakes winner when **Fantasy Angel (f, 3, Saint Ballado--Tales of Long Ago, by Raise a Cup)** took the GIII Comely S. at Aqueduct. Somewhat surprisingly, Fantasy Angel is the first stakes winner to be sired by Saint Ballado out of a Raise a Native-line mare. However, there are plenty of indications that this is a cross worth trying, as Saint Ballado's brother, Devil's Bag, has sired five stakes winners out of mares by sons of Raise a Native. Four of these are out of mares by stallions bred on a Raise a Native/Nashua cross, including Devil His Due, who like Fantasy Angel is out of a mare by Raise a Cup (the other two sires in question are Mr. Prospector, twice, and Marshua's Dancer). We might also note that Fantasy Angel's third dam is by Prince John. He quite often occurs in stakes winners with Saint Ballado's sire Halo, which comes as no surprise when one notes that Prince John is out of a half-sister to Halo's broodmare sire Cosmic Bomb.

Given that he is inbred 3x2 to Dr. Fager, the best son of Rough 'n Tumble, Quiet American should be well-suited by mares carrying In Reality, who is out of My Dear Girl, the best daughter of Rough 'n Tumble. The cross has already produced Kentucky Derby candidate Real Quiet, and he was joined by a second stakes winner when **Cherry Moon (f, 3, Quiet American--Datsdawayitis, by Known Fact)** captured the Admirably H. at Golden Gate April 25. Quiet American has also sired stakes winner Dustin's Dream out of a mare by In Reality's half-brother, Superbity, so three of his first seven stakes winners have My Dear Girl.

The strain of Exclusive Native is proving to be an excellent foil for the Northern Dancer line, and the cross has already produced 46 stakes winners (a third of those out of Exclusive Native-line mares). The latest addition to the list is **Storm Broker (c, 4, Storm Cat--Buy the Firm, by Affirmed)**, who took the GIII Ben Ali S. at Keeneland April 24. Storm Cat has previously sired graded stakes winners Country Cat and Caress out of Affirmed mares, and his sire Storm Bird was represented by dual classic winner Balanchine out of an Affirmed mare. It might be significant that Exclusive Native has a very similar background to Northern Dancer's dam, Natalma. The Storm Bird connection with Affirmed is marked by the fact that Storm Bird carries Gallant Fox, while Affirmed's dam is inbred closely to Fighting Fox and Gallant Fox.