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TALE OF THE CAT VICTORIOUS IN RETURN

Tale of the Cat (Storm Cat), unraced since finishing third in last September's GI Vosburgh at Belmont Park, made his return to the races a winning one yesterday at Monmouth Park, scoring in a one-mile-and-70-yard allowance by 11 lengths. A 50-percent interest in the winner of the GII King's Bishop was sold to the Coolmore-Ashford group for \$7.1 million last fall. Trainer John Forbes said Tale of the Cat will likely stay at Monmouth for the GIII Salvatore Mile August 1, adding that he hadn't ruled out taking a crack at Skip Away in the GII Iselin August 30. (See East Report, p. 3)

CAPE VERDI LAME; OUT OF SUSSEX S. The Godolphin-owned three-year-old filly **Cape Verdi** (Ire) (Caerleon), winner of the G1 Sagitta 1000 Guineas at Newmarket May 3, but a disappointing ninth in the G1 Vodafone Derby at Epsom June 6, came back lame behind after a workout yesterday at Newmarket. She will now miss her next intended start, the G1 Sussex S. at Goodwood next Wednesday, July 29. No further details were made available by the stable, and no further plans have been announced for the filly.

XAAR'S RETURN DELAYED The long-awaited comeback of the 1997 European Champion Juvenile **Xaar** (GB) (Zafonic), originally scheduled for Sunday's G2 Prix Eugene Adam at Maisons-Laffitte, has been put on further hold, with Prince Khalid Abdullah's three-year-old colt reported to have been running a temperature at Chantilly yesterday. No alternative plans have been announced for the colt, who won the G3 Craven S. at Newmarket in April but who has been out of action since a fourth-place finish as the favorite in the G1 Sagitta 2000 Guineas at the same track May 2.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, SATURDAY, JULY 18:

7-19 \$150,000 **Middleground, LS, 2yo, 6f**
(\$9,000s)

7-29 \$100,000 **Schuylerville-GII, Sar, 2yo, f, 6f** (\$100)

7-31 \$125,000 **Bernard Baruch H.-GII, Sar, 3yo/up, 9fT**
(\$125)

8-1 \$200,000 **Test-GI, Sar, 3yo, f, 7f** (\$200)

8-2 \$250,000 **Go for Wand H.-GI, Sar, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f**
(\$250)



W • E • E • K • E • N • D PREVIEW

Today, Laurel:

FRANK J DE FRANCIS MEMORIAL DASH-GII, \$300,000, 3yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Wise Dusty	Bailey	Mancilla	20-1
2	Heckofaralph	Cesare	Velez Jr	9-2
3	Affirmed Success	Schosberg	Chavez	3-1
4	Jove Stone	Dutrow	Prado	6-1
5	Kelly Kip	Jerkens	Samyn	2-1
6	Thunder Breeze	Cesare	Ferrer	8-1
7	Partner's Hero	Lukas	Day	4-1

Already the winner of four races over four different tracks this year, including a six-furlong track-record setting performance in Aqueduct's GIII Bold Ruler H. in 1:07 3/5, **Kelly Kip** (Kipper Kelly) comes into the De Francis Dash off a two-length win in the June 20 GIII Finger Lakes Budweiser Breeders' Cup. **Affirmed Success** (Affirmed) was second that day after hooking up with the favorite for a :43 3/5 opening half-mile in just his second start in 10 months. He was third in the '97 GII Jim Dandy and closed out his year with a seventh-place finish in the GI Travers before turning to sprinting this year. He opened up '98 with an eight-length six-furlong allowance win at Belmont May 30.

Today, Belmont:

NEW YORK H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Colonial Play	Schulhofer	Davis	5-1
2	Cuando	David Carroll	Santos	12-1
3	Sweetzie	Nash	Bridgmohan	15-1
4	Irish Daisy	O'Brien	Migliore	12-1
5	Sweet Sondra	Del Carroll	Espinoza	30-1
6	Starry Dreamer	McGaughey	Smith	4-1
7	Tresoriere	Clement	Bailey	5-2
8	Auntie Mame	Penna Jr.	Velazquez	9-5

Campaigned in France through last fall, **Tresoriere** (Lyphard) went one-for-seven in her native country, winning a Listed stakes, but has been a dynamo in the U.S. Three-for-four stateside, she has won a Gulfstream allowance, the GIII Gallorette H. May 15 at Pimlico and the James B Moseley H. at Suffolk in her most recent effort May 30. Last year's New York H. winner, the morning-line favorite **Auntie Mame** (Theatrical {Ire}), also comes off a short layoff. Unraced since a fifth-place finish in the May 16 GII Dixie H. against the boys, where she encountered some trouble, losing two shoes during the running of the race, she looks for her first '98 win here as the highweight at 118 pounds.

**Weekend Preview, cont.****Today, Monmouth:****OCEANPORT H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT**

The field, in post position order, is: **Strike Zone** (Time for a Change), no rider, 115; **Boyce** (Lord Avie), Krone, 117; **Rob 'n Gin** (Farma Way), Bravo, 120; **Foolish Pole** (Polish Numbers), Wilson, 113; **Mi Narrow** (Mi Selecto), Beckner, 112; **Prospector's News** (Chromite), 114, Krone; **Dream's End** (North Pole), Santagata, 111; **Daylight Savings** (Sky Classic), Castillo, 115. Boyce and Prospector's News run as an entry.

Sunday, Hollywood:**SWAPS S.-GII, \$500,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m**

From the rail out, the field will be: **Old Trieste** (A.P. Indy), 118; **Shot Of Gold** (Jolie's Halo), 116; **Old Topper** (Gilded Time), 116; **Lord Smith (GB)** (Greensmith {GB}), 118; **Grand Slam** (Gone West), 120; **Availability** (El Prado {Ire}), 118.

Sunday, Hollywood:**SUNSET H.-GII, \$350,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

The field, in post position order, will be: **Star Performance** (Theatrical {Ire}), 115; **Lazy Lode (Arg)** (Lode), 113; **River Bay** (Irish River {Fr}), 121; **Devonwood** (Woodman), 114; **Big Sky Jim** (Private Terms), 109; **Amerique** (St. Jovite), 115.

Sunday, Thistledown:**OHIO DERBY-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m**

The field, from the rail out, will be: **Jolie's Tattletale** (Jolie's Halo), 118; **Hot Wells** (Go and Go {Ire}), 118; **Higher Impact** (Fly Till Dawn), 116; **Kinkennie** (Bold Ruckus), 116; **One Bold Stroke** (Broad Brush), 118; **Doc Martin** (Woodman), 116; **Yarrow Brae** (Deputy Minister), 122; **Classic Cat** (Mountain Cat), 122; **True Silver** (Silver Buck), 116; **Slide to the Left** (Strike the Gold), 116; **Poolman** (Notebook), 118.

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◆ NEW YORK ◆

Yesterday's Results:

7th-BEL, \$43,000, Clm (\$100,000), 4yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:12 4/5, fm.

RICE (g, 6, Blushing John--Estrapade {Ch. Turf Mare, MGISW-N.A., GSW-Fr, \$1,928,515}, by Vaguely Noble {GB}) doesn't worry about any strategy in his races, usually going straight to the front and just holding on. Coming off a third against \$70,000 competition at Belmont June 27, he opened a six-length lead on the backstretch, and just held by a nose as the 9-5 co-favorite. Lifetime Record: 16-5-1-1, \$134,092. O/B-Allen Paulson (Ky). T-William Mott.

8th-BEL, \$38,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:42 4/5, ft. FLAX JACKET (c, 3, Fit to Fight--Cushion Cut {SW}, by Raise a Man) broke his maiden by seven lengths at Keeneland in his third career start April 24, but followed that up with a 24-length defeat June 7 at Belmont. Routing for the first time, the longest shot on the board at 14-1 got an easy lead and, when challenged on the turn, drew away to post a five-length score. He is a half-brother to Lost Pan (Lost Code), MSW, \$388,529. Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$61,556.

O-Point East Stable. B-Lavin Bloodstock Services (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

5th-BEL, \$36,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:03 2/5, fm.

CANDLEINTHEDARK (f, 3, Cox's Ridge--Key to the Bridge {GSW, \$289,747}, by Key to the Mint), beaten a combined 29 lengths in her first two starts, one on dirt and one on turf, showed a huge form reversal last out, closing to be second by a head on the grass at 21-1. Back at the same distance and surface here, the half-sister to Islefaxyou (Storm Bird), GSW, \$213,394, was sent away the 2-1 second choice and closed for a three-length win. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$28,800. O/B-Fox Ridge Farm, Inc. (KY). T-Patrick J Kelly.

6th-BEL, \$35,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:08 4/5, fm.

+ BELLE CHERIE (f, 2, Belong to Me--Belle Nuit {SW, \$162,392}, by Dr. Carter), made the 5-2 second choice in her debut, was bumped hard at the start but quickly recovered to race in third just off the dueling pacesetters. After coming three wide into the turn, she grabbed the lead and drew off under a hand ride to win by four lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$21,000. O/B-Amherst Stable & Jeffrey Foong (NY). T-Philip G Johnson.

Stakes Winner SMOKEY MIRAGE
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◆ EAST ◆

Yesterday's Results:

8th-LRL, \$30,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.
STORM PUNCH (c, 3, Two Punch--Too Fast to Catch {SP}, by Nice Catch), winner of the Primer S. at Laurel last August, returned from an 8½-month layoff to run a close second at Pimlico May 14, and followed that with a win at Laurel June 25. The even-money favorite used the same front-running tactics of his previous races to wire a field of six by 3 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: SP, 6-4-1-0, \$85,809.
 O-Lazy Lane Farms Inc. B-Hutchison Farm (MD). T-H Graham Motion.

7th-WOX, \$28,100, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.
KISSEDBYACRUSADER (f, 3, Crusader Sword--Olympic Skater, by Icecapade), two-for-two last year, had won two of four starts this year, both in \$40,000 claiming events. Stepping up against allowance foes here, the even-money choice broke last but hit the top of the stretch in front by three, widening that margin to 8 1/4 lengths at the wire to give jockey David Clark his sixth consecutive win on the card. Lifetime Record: 7-5-1-0, \$77,140.
 O-Bruno Schickedanz. B-Chellsea A. Menefee (FL). T-Michael Wright Jr.

9th-MTH, \$28,070, Alw, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41 3/5, sy.
TALE OF THE CAT (c, 4, Storm Cat--Yarn, by Mr. Prospector) surprised local horsemen who were hoping to find an easy spot to get through non-winners of three conditions when he made his widely anticipated return to the races off a 9½-month layoff after being injured while training for the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. After impressively winning his first two races last year, Tale of the Cat ran a close fourth in the GI Haskell at Monmouth. After winning the GII King's Bishop at Saratoga by 5½, he had a tough trip to get third in the GI Vosburgh at Belmont Sept. 27. With the race scratched down from seven to three, Tale of the Cat cruised to the front and galloped home by 11 lengths. "He's had more time to mature since last year," said winning rider Julie Krone. "It was a spectacular comeback." Said trainer John Forbes, "He's sort of deceiving to watch. It doesn't look like he's doing anything. I was hoping Julie had as much horse as it looked like she did. When she asked him to run, I was relieved." Lifetime Record: GSW, 6-4-0-1, \$222,200.
 O-Phantom House Stable. B-Freedman Philip, Indian Creek & Hugo Lascelles (KY). T-John H Forbes.

Local News, Woodbine Racecourse:

Jockey David Clark won six consecutive races on yesterday's card at Woodbine, becoming the first jockey to do so at the Toronto oval since Sandy Hawley accomplished the feat as part of a seven-win day Oct. 10, 1974. After finishing second in the day's first race, Clark rattled off winners in the second (Unlikely Angel, \$2.70), third (Bacardi Boys, \$4.10) and fourth (Restmore, \$4.60); dead-heated in the fifth (Instant Reward, \$4.80), and won the sixth (Alaskan Sunburn, \$7.10), and seventh (Kissedbyacrusader, \$4.00).

Local News, Monmouth Park:

Jockey Herb McCauley, who suffered a compound fracture of his left leg when he was unseated from his mount in the fourth race at Monmouth Park July 10, is recuperating at his home in Rumson, NJ, his agent, Joe DiAngelo, said yesterday. "It will be six to eight weeks before he can put any weight on the leg," DiAngelo said, "and four to six months before he can think about riding again."

Local News, Laurel Park:

Three live racing dates--August 26, 27 and 28--have been added to the end of the Laurel racing meeting. Racing switches to Timonium Saturday, August 29 and concludes Sept. 6. The now 25-day Colonial Downs meeting will begin Sept. 7.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Thursday's Late Result:

4th-LSX, \$22,000, Msw, 7-16, 2yo, f, 5f, :59 3/5, ft.
+ ORGULLO DEL SUR (f, 2, Black Tie Affair {Ire}--Close to My Heart {MSP}, by Queen City Lad), sent off the even-money favorite in her career debut, settled off the pace early, took a short lead at the top of the stretch and outfinished 34-1 longshot ANNIE'S SECRET (Secret Hello) for a 3/4-length victory. The winner was an \$8,500 '97 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,200.
 O-Bob W McCoy. B-Kenneth Dungan (KY). T-Steven Asmussen.

Yesterday's Result:

7th-ELP, \$23,300, Msw, 2yo, 5f, :59 2/5, ft.
+ LIVELY DANZ (c, 2, Lively One--Why Go On Dreaming {GISP}, by Danzig), sent away at 5-1 to break his maiden at first asking, took the lead on the inside at the start and never looked back, holding on for a half-length victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,585.
 O-John Franks. B-Hill N Dale Farms & John Franks (KY). T-Jack C Van Berg.

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**Midwest Report, cont.****Local News, Churchill Downs:**

Padua Stable's two-year-old colt **Time Bandit** (Time for a Change), winner of the Gill Bashford Manor S. June 27, breezed five furlongs in 1:02 1/5 yesterday over a fast Churchill Downs oval.

Local News, Keeneland:

Live audio of Keeneland's July Selected Yearling Sale this Monday and Tuesday can be heard on the Internet. A link to the audio feature will be listed on the sales portion of the Keeneland home page at <http://www.keeneland.com>. Video with audio of the two-day auction also will be transmitted via satellite to several regions of the world. It can be accessed in North America on Telstar 5, transponder 7C; in the Pacific Rim on PanAmSat 2, transponder 10C lower; in the Middle East on PanAmSat 4, transponder 7C upper; and in Western Europe on PanAmSat 5, transponder 23C. There will be three sales sessions: Monday at 7:30 p.m. (ET), and Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.

◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

Local News, Del Mar:

Headed by **Silver Charm** (Silver Buck) and **Gentlemen (Arg)** (Robin des Bois), 17 horses have been kept eligible to run in the \$1 million Pacific Classic at Del Mar Aug. 15. Also remaining on the list of candidates for the Grade I event are **Free House** (Smokester), **Touch Gold** (Deputy Minister) and **Awesome Again** (Deputy Minister).

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX CHLOE-G3, \$60,465, Chantilly, France, 7-17, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:56.40, gd/sf.

1--**KHUMBA MELA (IRE)**, 121, f, 3, Hero's Honor--Luth de Crystal (Fr), by Crystal Glitters. O-Mme de Moussac; B-Haras du Mezeray; T-Andre Fabre; J-O Peslier; \$36,544.

2--**Insight (Fr)**, 121, f, 3, Sadler's Wells--Or Vision, by Irish River (Fr). O-Niarchos Family; \$13,289.

3--**Miscast (GB)**, 121, f, 3, Kenmare (Fr)--Mistreat (GB), by Gay Mecene. O-Mrs A J F O'Reilly; \$6,644. Margins: 1HF, HF, NK.

Also ran: Welsh Autumn (GB), Good Enough (Fr), Flawless (GB), Carla (Fr).

Prix Chloe, cont.

Khumba Mela (Ire) was sent to the lead soon after the start by jockey Olivier Peslier. After slowing the pace substantially, Peslier kicked on Khumba Mela approaching the stretch and shot clear, rendering the contest over in an instant and coasting home for a comfortable 1 1/2-length win. Insight (Fr) ran on well on the outside to take second from Miscast (GB) on the inside, who in turn just held on to third from the fast-finishing WELSH AUTUMN (GB) (Tenby {GB}).

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

Rainald, c, 3, **Danzig--Ristna** (GB) (GSW-Eng, GSP-N.A., \$214,021), by Kris (GB). Newbury, 7-17, Watermill Conditions S., 3yo/up, 7f 64ydsT, \$10,725 to winner. O/B-George Strawbridge; T-John Gosden.

The Gamboller, c, 3, **Irish Tower--Lady Limbo**, by Dance Spell. Leicester, 7-16, Mountsorrel Median Auction Maiden S., 3/4yo, 9f 218ydsT, \$4,056 to winner. O-Simon Karmel; B-Brereton C Jones; T-Amanda Perrett. *\$35,000 wnlng '95 KEENOV; \$52,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

Sihafi, g, 5, **Elmaamul--Kit's Double** (GSW, \$297,693), by Spring Double. Salisbury, 7-17, Axminster 100 Apprentice H., 3yo/up, 5fT, \$3,783 to winner. O-John Gilbertson; B-Shadwell Farm Inc; T-David Nicholls. *1/2 to Double Wedge (Northern Baby), MGISW, \$419,275.

Delta Soleil, h, 6, **Riverman--Sunny Roberta** (SW, \$197,912), by Robellino. Newbury, 7-17, 49's H., 3yo/up, 6f 8ydsT, \$12,248 to winner. O-American Quartet; B-Robert S Silver & Gaines-GTL P/S; T-V Soane. *\$45,000 yrl '93 KEESEP.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN FRANCE:

Danzigaway, f, 2, **Danehill--Blushing Away** (SP-Fr), by Blushing Groom (Fr). Chantilly, 7-17, Prix de l'Aunette, 2yo, f, 6fT, \$14,950 to winner. O/B-Wertheimer et Frere; T-Criquette Head. *1/2 to Blushing Gleam (GB) (Caerleon), GSW-Fr, \$125,322.

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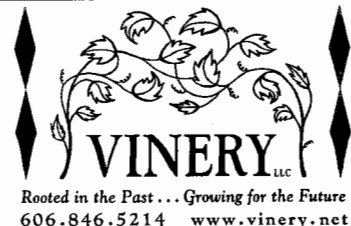
July 18, 1989...The last **Northern Dancer** foal to be sold at public auction, later named Northern Park, was purchased by Zenya Yoshida for \$2.8 million. The colt's dam was the stakes-winning mare Mrs. Penny.

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◆ INDUSTRY INFO ◆

AMERICAN HORSE COUNCIL NEWS:

The National Gambling Impact Study Commission will hold its sixth meeting in Del Mar, California July 29, the American Horse Council announced yesterday. Parimutuel racing will be one of the focuses of the meeting. The Commission will meet at the Del Mar Hilton, directly across the street from the Del Mar Thoroughbred Club. Panel speakers include Joe Harper, President of Del Mar; Nick Nicholson, Executive Director of the NTRA; Tony Chamblin, President of the Association of Racing Commissioners International; Tom Meeker, President and CEO of Churchill Downs; and Alan Foreman, Chairman of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-LSX, \$36,360, 7-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43, fm.

TURF ALERT (m, 5, Sunshine Forever--Time for Redchecks {SW}, by Crimson Satan) Lifetime Record: 25-7-5-3, \$79,048. O-Tom Durant. B-H. John Reed (KY). T-Ronny Werner.

7th-MTH, \$33,700,(S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, sy. MISS LUVVER (f, 4, Bold Josh--Sisterly Love, by Girl's Castle) Lifetime Record: 29-6-2-4, \$69,471. O-Gumpster Stable. B-Baker Mrs Thomas (NJ). T-Patricia Farro.

9th-LRL, \$29,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 3/5, fm. BUNDLING (f, 4, Believe It--Harvest Moon, by Majestic Light) Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-2, \$50,473. O/B-William M. Backer (MD). T-Barclay Tagg.

8th-WOX, \$29,000, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:36, fm. MARIENBURG (f, 3, Conquistador Cielo--Periphery, by Vice Regent) Lifetime Record: SP, 9-2-3-0, \$59,309. O/B-Gustav Schickedanz (CAN). T-Michael Keogh. *1/2 to Circulating (Bold Ruckus), MSW, \$321,466.

6th-WOX, \$28,100, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22 4/5, ft. ALASKAN SUNBURN (c, 4, Great Gladiator--Blonde Beauty, by Kinsman Hope) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-1, \$51,178. O-Wrightpath Farm & Partners. B-Wrightpath Farm & John Carey (CAN). T-Michael Wright Jr.

6th-LSX, \$27,820, 7-16, 3yo, 1mT, 1:35 4/5, fm. PRIVATE POWER (c, 3, Private Admirer--Stalgo, by Stalwart) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$28,605. O-Holcomb Don W & Dorothy. B-Don Waymon Holcomb (TX). T-Patrick Mouton.

9th-HAW, \$27,144, 3yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16T, 1:43, fm. CIRCUS CHARMER (f, 3, Manila--Al's Helen {GSW, \$220,281}, by Distinctive) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$27,835. O-Brigitte Getz. B-Kinsman Farm (KY). T-George J Getz. *1/2 to Blazed Star (Gate Dancer), SW, \$142,356.

8th-HAW, \$26,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18 2/5, ft. SUNRISE SURPRISE (f, 3, Geiger Counter--Neches Dawn, by Lyphard's Wish {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$31,800. O-Cherry Thoroughbreds L L P. B-Gerry Herringer (IL). T-Percy E Scherbenske.

7th-HAW, \$26,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19 1/5, ft. TWELVE THIRTY (f, 3, Danzig--Lets Do Lunch {MSW, \$237,200}, by Royal Roberto) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$32,400. O-Richard L Duchossois. B-Hill 'n Dale Farm (IL). T-Todd Graves. *1/2 to Doc's Dilemma (Known Fact), MSW, \$198,050.

8th-MTH, \$25,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:46 2/5, sy. SHOW TUNE (f, 3, Corporate Report--Anthem, by Deputy Minister) Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-1, \$42,559. O-Three Crowns Farm. B-Morgan's Ford Farm (VA). T-Edward T Allard.

4th-CRC, \$25,000, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. PRINCESS PIETRINA (f, 4, Spectacular Bid--Princess Baja {SP}, by Conquistador Cielo) Lifetime Record: GSP, 18-4-5-1, \$110,600. O/B-Gemini Stables Inc. T-Carlisi Frank.

8th-CRC, \$22,700, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:41 4/5, ft. FREDDY FENTER (f, 4, Fenter--Commandin Princess {MSP}, by Nalees Man) Lifetime Record: 16-6-1-4, \$53,952. O-Elise Ebert. B-Betty Glazer (FL). T-Dennis W Ebert.

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10th-CRC, \$21,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:48 3/5, ft.
PYRITE SILVER (f, 3, Silver Buck--Anne's Money Honey {MSW, \$153,733}, by Great Above) Lifetime Record:
 7-2-0-1, \$29,795. O-Pyrite Stables. B-Dr. D. W. Frazier (FL). T-Laura Posada.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Belle Cherie, f, 2, Belong to Me--Belle Nuit, by Dr. Carter.** BEL, 7-17, 6fT, 1:08 4/5. B-Amherst Stable & Jeffrey Foong (Ny).

+ **Orgullo Del Sur, f, 2, Black Tie Affair (Ire)--Close to My Heart (MSP), by Queen City Lad.** LSX, 7-16, 5f, :59 3/5. B-Kenneth Dungan (Ky). *\$8,500 yrl '97 KEESEP.

Dr. Sal, c, 2, Forli Winds--Starry Jig (SP), by Jig Time. HAW, 7-17, (S), 5f, :58 4/5. B-Danalisa Racing Stable Inc (Il).

+ **Madam Du Barri, f, 2, Formal Dinner--Marvette, by Marfa.** WOX, 7-17, (C), 5f, 1:00 4/5. B-Silvera Laurie (Fl). *Won in dead heat.

+ **Lively Danz, c, 2, Lively One--Why Go On Dreaming (GISP), by Danzig.** ELP, 7-17, 5f, :59 2/5. B-Hill N Dale Farms & John Franks (Ky). *\$8,000 wlng '96 KEENOV.

Sly Rajab, c, 2, Rajab--Miss Sly, by Diamond Prospect. CRC, 7-17, (C), 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Smith Myrtle (Fl).

Bacardi Boys, c, 2, The Name's Jimmy--Penguin Parade, by Miswaki. WOX, 7-17, (C), 6f, 1:14 3/5. B-Mt Joy Stables (Ky). *\$4,500 yrl '97 FTKOCT. **First winner for freshman sire (by Encino).

+ **Zip All Evening, f, 2, Unzipped--Evening's All Star, by Stalwart.** MTH, 7-17, (C), 5f, :59 3/5. B-Horses of Course Inc (Fl). *\$10,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG.

Instant Reward, f, 2, War Deputy--Great Comedy, by Timeless Moment. WOX, 7-17, (C), 5f, 1:00 4/5. B-Box Arrow Farm (ONT). *Won in dead heat. **First winner for freshman sire (by Deputy Minister).

Apalady, f, 3, Apalachee--Love You Sis (SW), by Native Royalty. BEL, 7-17, (S), 1m, 1:38 1/5. B-LagoVista Farm (Ny).

Olga Int, f, 3, Avies Copy--Great Vexation, by Briartic. WOX, 7-17, (C), 7f, 1:25 2/5. B-Gardiner Farms Limited (Can). *\$662 yrl '96 CBSOCT.

Candleinthedark, f, 3, Cox's Ridge--Key to the Bridge (GSW, \$289,747), by Key to the Mint. BEL, 7-17, 1 1/4mT, 2:03 2/5. B-Fox Ridge Farm, Inc (Ky). *1/2 to Islefaxyou (Storm Bird), GSW, \$213,394.

Josh's Image, g, 3, Leo Castelli--Pretty Secretary (SW-Fr, \$105,816), by Secretariat. TDN, 7-17, a1m70yd, 1:45 1/5. B-Fares Farm Inc (Ky). *\$5,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

Crown Prince Billy, c, 3, Regal Classic--Billie Info (MSP), by Info. DET, 7-17, (S), 1m, 1:41 4/5. B-Purdy Clare K (Mi). *1/2 to Private Billy (Private Thoughts), SP, \$227,717.

Fearless Wayne, c, 3, Wayne's Crane--Sunlit's Dancer (MSW, \$141,107), by Orbit Dancer. LSX, 7-16, 7f, 1:23 2/5. B-Barnett Carolyn R (Tx).

Rocky Bayou, g, 4, Pachuto--Hold the Note, by Hold Your Peace. LAD, 7-17, a1 1/16T, 1:46 3/5. B-Northrop George Jr (La).

Stoned Crab, h, 5, Thorn Dance--Shy Juliet, by Gallant Romeo. HAW, 7-17, a1 1/16mT, 1:44. B-Irish Acres Farm (Il). *\$23,000 2yo '95 OBSAPR.

1998 THOROUGHBRED RACING LEADERS

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Trainers	Starts/Wins	Purses
*Bob Baffert	272/76	\$8,575,148
Bill Mott	303/74	\$4,704,493
D. Wayne Lukas	319/59	\$4,111,569
Jerry Hollendorfer	504/135	\$4,008,183
Neil Drysdale	160/46	\$3,703,991
*Richard Mandella	180/28	\$3,305,124
Bobby Barnett	332/62	\$3,062,895
W. Elliott Walden	244/41	\$3,015,324
Ron McAnally	218/42	\$2,936,997
Todd Pletcher	265/50	\$2,484,123

*Includes Dubai statistics.

Horses	Starts/Wins	Purses
*Silver Charm	4/3	\$2,985,420
Skip Away	5/5	\$2,030,000
Real Quiet	6/2	\$1,788,800
Victory Gallop	5/3	\$1,345,000
Escena	6/4	\$ 942,425
*Malek (Chi)	3/1	\$ 840,000
Precocity	7/2	\$ 813,970
Keeper Hill	5/3	\$ 609,410
Indian Charlie	4/3	\$ 593,320
Frisk Me Now	8/4	\$ 593,000

*Includes Dubai statistics.

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WRITERS UP

STARSHIP'S ENTERPRISE

by: FRANK CARLSON

If everybody's first 18 months in horse racing was as positive as owner Lawrence Levy's, they'd have to bar the gate to keep people out. Of course, if everybody put as much time and effort into the game as Levy, there would be a lot more positive experiences.

Levy, a 42-year-old workmen's compensation lawyer from North Miami Beach, backed into the game. His fiancée's parents run a breeding operation in Venezuela and asked Levy to keep an eye out for some good broodmares to broaden their operation. Levy's father had been into breeding greyhounds in Florida, so he knew the work that had to go into learning different bloodlines. Using his computer to speed up the process, Levy researched horses, watched races, went to the track, and talked to people--all the while observing everything that was going on.

After buying a couple of broodmares privately and setting up an account with the horsemen's bookkeeper, Levy claimed a couple of fillies and mares and sent them to South America. One filly he claimed from trainer Duke Davis still had a couple of races left in her. "Duke talked to me about the filly and said, 'Why don't you let me keep her in training until the end of the year? You can still send her to Venezuela, and we may be able to pick up a couple of purses.' The first time she ran, she won. And at the end of the year we shipped her south," explained Levy. "It was a win-win situation for me and my fiancée's parents. They were happy with the broodmares I was sending them and I had a couple of horses to follow at the races."

As Levy cast his eyes toward claiming fillies to race and then send south to breed, he began delving into his computer even more. Now he started checking trainer stats, looking at who was able to handle what kind of horses. "I started looking at high-percentage trainers and low-percentage trainers. The high-percentage trainers I wanted for my horses, and the low-percentage trainers I wanted to claim the right horses from. I was looking for horses that weren't being run in the right spots. Dirt horses that had turf breeding in their backgrounds, sprinters that should have been going two turns."

Beginning in February, 1997, Levy jumped in with both feet. "I feel the same way about trainers as I do my law office. Get the best people to work with you, and you'll get the best results. I went with (trainer) Ralph Ziadie, because I liked the way he moved a horse up, and he was willing to work with me. If I thought a horse would do better on the grass, he was willing to go on the grass to see how it worked."

Not that there haven't been some bumps along the way. "Some of the claims I made left me with pretty sore horses, and I sent them to Dan Hurtak," said Levy. "Dan is incredible with horses that have ailments. He always seems to be able to get them to run in the afternoon. I've got one horse I claimed off (trainer) Steve Dwoskin that I left with him. And I've got some turf horses with John Pregman up north, because the turf races down here don't always go. In the meantime, I started going to the sales here in Florida. I research the catalogue and try to find horses that would fit in my stable."

Levy named his operation Starship Stables, "because I'm a Star Trek fan and I love the Star Wars movies," he explained, adding that his sense of financing the operation is simple. "I figure it costs me \$1,500 a month to keep a horse. So I have to get one third-place finish a month from each horse to break even. Everything higher than third is a profit. In the last 18 months, my horses have a 14-percent win average and a 58-percent in-the-money average. My return on investment is 41 percent, and that includes the two-year-olds that haven't raced yet."

Levy now has 31 horses. Fourteen are two-year-olds from the sales, and the rest are claimers and allowance horses scattered among the four trainers. "I've got three broodmares at the Bonnie Heath Farm in Ocala, so I'm getting set to race my own horses in a couple of years, and I've got the young horses up there with Leo Azpurua Sr., who is in charge of breaking them and getting them ready to run."

Levy, who has become addicted to racing, says he spends four or five mornings a week at the barns and gets to the track every opportunity he can to see his horses run. "Someday I'd like to step away from the law practice and devote all my time to my stable."

Maybe someone should get Levy to give motivational speeches to new owners.

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