

☆ SOPHOMORE SCENE ☆

**Blue Grass Still Atop Lion Tamer's Dance Card**

Trainer Todd Pletcher is keeping all of his options open with star pupil **Lion Tamer** (Will's Way) and has nominated the Michael Tabor-owned chestnut to a trio of Aqueduct fixtures Apr. 12; the GI Wood Memorial and the GIII Bay Shore S. against sophomores, and to the GI Carter H. for three-year-olds and up. But the colt



**Lion Tamer** Equi-Photo

appears most likely to make his next start in Keeneland's GI Blue Grass S. the same day. "He'll work five furlongs at Keeneland on Sunday and we'll make a decision on the Blue Grass," said Pletcher. "If we skip the Blue Grass, we'll look at the [Apr. 19 GII] Lexington S." The runaway winner of

the GII Hutcheson S. at Gulfstream Feb. 15, Lion Tamer finished fourth by 2 1/2 lengths last time out in the GII Lane's End S. at Turfway Mar. 22, but his conditioner remains upbeat concerning the colt's chances in the Blue Grass. "I think that race was better than people give him credit for," said Pletcher. "He broke slow and had to work hard to get position. He just flattened out. I thought it was a courageous effort for him to stay on like that. From a numbers standpoint, it was a good effort." Another Pletcher trainee, **Indy Dancer** (A.P. Indy) appears online for his upcoming start in the Wood Memorial and the addition of blinkers may be in the cards for the colt's first New York appearance in 2003. "If he works satisfactory [Sunday at Belmont], he'll run in the Wood with blinkers. Hopefully, the blinkers will put him in the race a little sooner. You can't win when you're more than 20 lengths out of it."

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☆ NEWS ☆

**WAGERING ON MEZZO SOPRANO SUSPENDED**

Wagering on **Mezzo Soprano** (Darshaan {GB}) in the first Kentucky Oaks Future Wager was suspended shortly before the four-day pool was scheduled to open yesterday after a Godolphin representative confirmed that the undefeated filly would head to the G1 One Thousand Guineas at Newmarket instead of Churchill Downs' filly Classic. Since Churchill Downs received notice of the fillies exclusion prior to the KOFW's scheduled opening time at noon yesterday, officials decided to suspend wagering on the winner of the Mar. 13 UAE One Thousand Guineas, who is currently 13th in the pool. For wagering purposes, she will be included in the mutuel field, which consists of all three-year-old fillies other than the 22 fillies listed among the KOFW's individual betting interests. Mezzo Soprano was listed at odds of 30-1 on the Kentucky Oaks Future Wager morning line established by Churchill Downs handicapper Mike Battaglia. The KOFW will close Sunday, Apr. 6 at 5:30 p.m.--one hour prior to the close of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager. Log onto [www.kentuckyderby.com](http://www.kentuckyderby.com) for more information on the Derby and Oaks future wagers.

**BOREAL RETIRED**

Group 1 Coronation Cup winner **Boreal** (Ger) (Java Gold--Britannia {Ger}, by Tarim {GB}) has been retired from racing and will take up stud duties alongside his sire at Gestut Ammerland in Germany. The five-year-old captured the G1 Deutsches Derby in 2001 before becoming the first German horse to win a Group 1 race in England with his 2002 Coronation Cup victory. Boreal ran third in last year's G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, but the decision was made to retire the German-bred after a disappointing last-place finish in this year's renewal of the Nad al Sheba race Mar. 29. On the board in nine starts, Boreal won three times and earned \$859,826. He is a half brother to multiple champion Borgia (Ger) (Acatenango {Ger}). Boreal will stand his first season for €5,500.

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Friday, Keeneland, post time: 4:45 p.m. EST

**TRANSYLVANIA S.-GIII**, \$100,000, 3yo, 1mT

PP HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1 Christmas Away	Skip Away	Byrne	116
2 Hypnotist	Favorite Trick	Tagg	120
3 White Cat	Mountain Cat	McPeek	116
4 Rapid Proof	Fast Play	Wiggins	120
5 Larry B	Patton	Kassen	116
6 Remind	Deputy Minister	Mott	116
7 Deep Shadow	Cape Town	Lukas	116
8 Chicken Soup Kid	Alphabet Soup	B Flint	116
9 Strizzi	Lit de Justice	Pierce	116

Saturday, Keeneland

**ASHLAND S.-GI**, \$500,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1 Yell	A.P. Indy	McGaughey	120
2 Lady Tak	Mutakddim	Asmussen	123
3 Unbridled Femme	Unbridled	Pate	116
4 Ivanavinalot	West Acre	O'Connell	123
5 Elloluv	Gilded Time	C. Dollase	120
6 Allspice	Coronado's Quest	Cilio	116
7 Holiday Lady	Deputy Commander	Zito	116

Saturday, Oaklawn Park

**APPLE BLOSSOM H.-GI**, \$500,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m

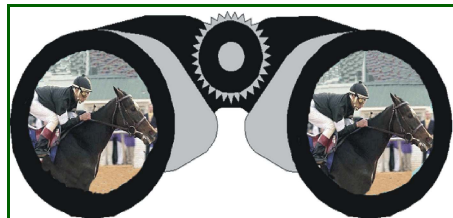
PP HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1 Took Out	Barkerville	Scarberry	110
2 Affluent	Affirmed	McAnally	117
3 Rhiana	Runaway Groom	Hendricks	110
4 Bien Nicole	Bien Bien	Von Hemel	115
5 Take Charge Lady	Dehere	McPeek	118
6 Azeri	Jade Hunter	De Seroux	123
7 Mandy's Gold	Gilded Time	Gorham	116

Saturday, Oaklawn Park

**OAKLAWN H.-GII**, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1 Medaglia d'Oro	El Prado (Ire)	Frankel	122
2 Gold Tango	Sword Dance (Ire)	Barnett	108
3 Crafty Shaw	Crafty Prospector	Vestal	114
4 Slider	Prenup	Woodard	111
5 Kudos	Kris S.	R. Mandella	115

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The TDN Guide to today's Keeneland entries of particular interest to the Thoroughbred industry professional.

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Race	Type of Race	Highlights	Brisnet.com pps	Thoro-Graph sheets
3	Msw, 2yo, 4.5f	Hasslefree, \$425,000 FTSAUG02 Forestry (Storm Cat) colt	<a href="#">click here</a>	
7	N3x, f, 4/up, 1 1/16m	GII SW Chamrousse (Peaks and Valleys) vs. MGSP Charmed Gift (A.P. Indy)	<a href="#">click here</a>	<a href="#">click here</a>
8	GIII Transylvania, 1mT	Remind (Deputy Minister) 2-2 turf vs. SW Hypnotist (Favorite Trick)	<a href="#">click here</a>	<a href="#">click here</a>
9	N2x, 3yo, 1 1/8mT	Irrawaddy (Nureyev) U.S. turf debut vs. Ground Hero (Dynaformer)	<a href="#">click here</a>	<a href="#">click here</a>
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**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-GPX, \$40,000, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16, ft.**

**PINCH HITTER (c, 4, Rubiano--Lady of Iron, by Polish Navy), a \$22,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$75,000 KEESEP yearling, won going seven-eighths Jan. 18 and missed by just a neck last out Feb. 27. The 7-5 crowd's choice raced in the four path, sauntered up to take the lead in deep stretch and was ridden out for a 1 3/4-length success over Wheaton's Aly (Wheaton). Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-1, \$94,878.**

O-Gatsas Thoroughbreds. B-Gaye C C Stable Inc (KY). T-John P Terranova II.

☆ **TRACK OPENING** ☆

**KEENELAND - Lexington, KY**

**Opens: Friday, Apr. 4**

**Closes: Friday, Apr. 25**

**Racing Days: Wednesday through Saturday**

**Post Time: 1:15 p.m.**

**Stakes Schedule: 19 stakes worth \$3,675,000.**

**Highlights: \$500,000 GI Ashland S.-Apr. 5;**

**\$250,000 GII Stonerside Beaumont-Apr. 10;**

**\$200,000 GII Maker's Mark Mile-Apr. 11;**

**\$750,000 GI Toyota Blue Grass-Apr. 12;**

**\$250,000 GII Commonwealth Breeders' Cup-Apr. 13;**

**\$325,000 GII Coolmore Lexington-Apr. 19.**

**Website: [www.keeneland.com](http://www.keeneland.com)**

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, FRIDAY, APRIL 4:**

**04-26 \$250,000 Citibank Snow Chief, Hol, 3yo, ♀, 9f (250)**

**TOMORROW, SATURDAY, APRIL 5:**

**04-19 \$150,000 Bed O' Roses Breeders' Cup H.-III, Aqu, 3yo/up, f/m, 8f (100)**

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**7th-GPX, \$38,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:46, fm.**

**IMITATION (c, 3, Grand Slam--Kovna, by Seattle Slew), a half to El Ballezano (French Deputy), GSP, \$151,998, shipped to California off his Belmont maiden win and was a decent fifth to Peace Rules in the Gill Generous S. Nov. 30. The bay colt came back to run third, beaten just a length, in the Gill Palm Beach S. Feb. 21 over this course. Duly favored at 1-5, the Calumet homebred tracked the lone filly Impolite (Two Punch) to the top of the stretch before bounding clear for a 2 1/2-length tally. Moonshine Hall (Spinning World) closed well to complete the exacta. Lifetime Record: GSP, 5-2-0-1, \$65,400.**

O/B-Calumet Farm (KY). T-Christophe Clement.

**6th-GPX, \$36,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, ft.**

**AWESOME CHARM (f, 3, Awesome Again--Reet Petite {GSW, \$175,043}, by Maudlin) debuted with a fourth going this distance at Laurel Dec. 4 and showed just one work in the interim, a bullet three-eighths from the gate at Ocala Training Center Mar. 19. The 6-1 shot moved into contention on the turn, took charge at the head of the lane and widened her advantage to 3 1/4-lengths over firster Salty Rocket (Salt Lake). A \$30,000 ADNMAR juvenile purchase, she is a 3/4-sister to Petite Deputy (Silver Deputy), MSP, \$164,593. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$23,100.**

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## ★ NEW YORK ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**8th-AQU, \$54,000, Alw, NW2\$6MX, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08 4/5, ft.**

1--**SAY FLORIDA SANDY, 120, h, 9, Personal Flag--Lolli Lucka Lolli, by Sweet Candy (Ven).** O-John Rotella; B-Sanford Bacon (NY); T-Victor Cuadra. Lifetime Record: MGSW & GISP, 95-32-18-11, \$2,038,937. \* 1/2 to Dancin Renee (Distinctive Pro), GSW, \$497,546.

2--**Here's Zealous, 118, h, 6, Dehere--Zealous Connection, by Unreal Zeal.**

3--**Well Fancied, 113, h, 5, Prosper Fager--Patty's Fancy Tric, by Tricky Creek.**

Margins: NK, 1, 3/4. Odds: 6.30, 0.40A, 0.40A.

The evergreen Say Florida Sandy gained his first win of the year with this determined effort. Second by a half-length in the Paumonok H. Jan. 25, the New York-bred nine-year-old never fired when fifth in a tough allowance Feb. 26 over the inner, a race which was run in 1:07 4/5. Always in striking distance, the dark bay angled out at the top of the stretch and got up in the final strides past the heavily favored entry of Here's Zealous and Well Fancied.

**5th-AQU, \$44,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:37, ft. BONAY (f, 3, Wild Again--Fabulous, by Seeking the Gold)** ran third in the GIII Tempted S. Nov. 3 before concluding her two-year-old season with a seventh in the GII Demoiselle S. Nov. 30. She returned to action with a solid second going seven panels at Gulfstream Mar. 14 and took a ton of action at the windows this time. The 1-10 shot lived up to her odds, setting the pace before being ridden out to a 5 3/4-length triumph over Bella Giorno (Siphon {Brz}). She was a \$135,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: GSP, 9-2-3-3, \$99,559.

O-Centaur Farms Inc. B-Robert N Clay & River Bend Farm (KY). T-Randy Schulhofer.

**7th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, NW2L, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:24, ft. DR. GUILIANI (c, 4, Honour and Glory--Social Miss, by Affirmed)** wired maiden foes by 4 1/4 lengths Feb. 9 and came back to be the runner-up in an allowance over the inner track Mar. 13. Showing good speed early, the even-money chalk recovered from a bumping incident in midstretch to best Golconda (Crafty Prospector) by a length. The winner was a \$13,000 KEE NOV weanling, a \$15,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$38,000 FTMMAY juvenile. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$73,160.

O-Barry Drucker, Edward Mazur & George J Ruggeri. B-Mike Sloan (KY). T-Michael Miceli.

**3rd-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 3yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:54, ft. AVA ANNE (f, 3, Gulch--Greening, by Greinton {GB})** improved to be third in a sprint over the inner track Mar. 16 and was favored at even money in her first attempt at a route. The New York-bred contested the pace, then set sail for the wire in the stretch, crossing the line six-lengths clear of her rivals. She is a 3/4-sister to Best Friend Stro (Jade Hunter), GSW & GISP, \$196,579; and Noteasybeinggreen (Distinctive Pro), GSP, \$155,032; as well as a half to Turnofthecentury (Holy Bull), GSW, \$474,236. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$30,940.

O-Eugene E Hauman. B-Ernest J Dahlman & Eugene E Hauman (NY). T-Michael E Hushion.

**6th-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft. + SENORITA ANITA (f, 3, You and I--Miss Livi, by Devil's Bag),** a half to Balto Star (Glitterman), MGSW & GISP, \$1,120,446, had trained in New York over the winter and went postward as the 3-1 third choice in her career opener. Recovering quickly from an awkward start, the dark bay was in the thick of things from the start and dug in deep to deny favored Cajun Kelly (Mr. Sutter) by a neck. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600. O-Anstu Stables Inc. B-Anstu Farm LLC (NY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

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★ CENTRAL ★

**Memorial Service for Conley McGaughey:**

A memorial service for Linda Conley McGaughey, a Kentucky-based advertising representative who passed away Mar. 28, will be held Tuesday, April 22 at the Thoroughbred Club in Lexington at 5:30 p.m. Friends are encouraged to share remembrances at the service.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

1st-SAX, \$48,716, Msw, 2yo, 2f, :21 4/5, ft.  
 + **DOUBLE BELVEDERE** (c, 2, Swiss Yodeler--Mood Elevator, by Kalim {Ire}), an \$8,200 BESJAN yearling, continued his sire's fine record with babies with this debut effort. The even-money favorite bumped at the start, but quickly recovered and came home two lengths clear of Papa's Pickpocket (Latin American). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$29,640.  
 O-Bill Aubrey. B-Peg Goemans (CA). T-Jose Corrales.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

**KTOB and KTA Host Kentucky Derby Trainers Dinner:**

Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders Inc. and Kentucky Thoroughbred Association Inc. will host the annual Kentucky Derby Trainers Dinner Apr. 29 at the Hyatt Regency located in downtown Louisville. The event features cocktails, dinner, presentations and the infamous one-on-one interviews with the trainers of 2003 Derby contenders. ESPN's Chris Lincoln and WHAS Radio's Paul Rogers will emcee the event. New to this year's dinner will be a \$1000 scholarship named for every Kentucky Derby trainer who makes an appearance at the event. Advanced tickets for the dinner are \$150 per person. For more information please contact Vickie Garcia at 859-259-1643.



**FRESHMAN FOCUS**

**First-crop progeny to watch: Friday, April 4**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1999 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW  
 Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- EXPLOIT** (Storm Cat), Taylor Made, \$25K, 84/0/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Exploit Lad, \$87K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
- FORESTRY** (Storm Cat), Taylor Made, \$50K, 75/0/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Hasslefree, \$425K FTS AUG yrl, 2-1
- STORMIN FEVER** (Storm Cat), Airdrie, \$15K, 71/0/0  
 3-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Darios Fire, \$75K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1



**SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

**First-crop progeny to watch: Friday, Apr. 4**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1998 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW  
 Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- ARCH** (Kris S.), Claiborne, \$, 102/10/0  
 4-KEE, Msw, 1 1/16m, Gold Vault, 4-1
- AWESOME AGAIN** (Deputy Minister), Adena, \$50K, 148/14/2  
 3-GP, Alw, 1 1/16m, Clays Awesome, \$35K FTF FEB 2yo
- CAPE TOWN** (Seeking the Gold), Overbrook, \$10K, 127/13/1  
 8-KEE, Stk, 1mT, Deep Shadow, \$650K FTS AUG yrl, 4-1
- CONCERTO** (Chief's Crown), Ocala, \$4K, 82/18/2  
 3-GP, Alw, 1 1/16m, Angelic Aura, \$15K OBS APR 2yo
- 5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Master Concerto, \$2K OBS AUG yrl
- DANCE BRIGHTLY** (Mr. Prospector), HillnDale, \$8K, 171/15/0  
 4-SA, Msw, 1 1/8mT, Brilliant Move, \$250K FTK JUL yrl
- ELUSIVE QUALITY** (Gone West), Gainsborough, \$10K, 165/26/8  
 1-OP, Alw, 6f, Elusive Hour
- FAVORITE TRICK** (Phone Trick), Walmac, \$30K, 138/16/2  
 8-KEE, Stk, 1mT, Hypnotist, \$80K FTS AUG yrl, 4-1
- GENTLEMEN (ARG)** (Robin des Bois), Walmac, \$30K, 126/12/1  
 9-KEE, Alw, 9fT, Prince in Command, \$160K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
- LASTING APPROVAL** (With Approval), Walmac, \$7K, 42/5/0  
 5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Shady Deal, \$20K KEE SEP yrl
- NORTHERN AFLEET** (Afleet), DBL Diamond, \$5K, 78/14/0  
 5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, North Broad, \$75K OBS MAR 2yo



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**ORDWAY** (Salt Lake), Claiborne, \$5K, 74/12/1  
 6-AQU, Msw, 7f, Broadway Lady  
**SKIP AWAY** (Skip Trial), Hopewell, \$50K, 180/21/2  
 8-KEE, Stk, 1mT, Christmas Away, \$75K OBS MAR 2yo, 15-1  
**WILD RUSH** (Wild Again), Adena, \$15K, 173/20/1  
 5-GP, Alw, 1 1/16mT, Mombo Loco  
 9-KEE, Alw, 1 1/8mT, Wild Arrow, 15-1

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**IN BRITAIN:**

**Ski Jump**, c, 3, **El Prado (Ire)**--Skiable (Ire) (SP), by Niniski. Leicester, 4-3, Hcp, 3yo, 9f 218ydsT. B-Juddmonte Farms Inc.

**IN FRANCE:**

**Petite Speciale**, f, 4, **Atticus**. See "France"  
**Bezrin**, c, 4, **Danzig**. See "France"

**IN DUBAI:**

**Burnt Ember**, c, 4, **Smoke Glacken**--Castle Gardens (Ire), by Common Grounds (GB). Nad al Sheba, 4-3, hcp., 2000m. B-Nutbush Farms. \*\$250,000 yrl '00 KESEP.  
**Mumari**, h, 6, **A.P. Indy**--Jathibiyah, by Nureyev. Nad al Sheba, 4-3, cond., 1600m. B-Shadwell Farm.

☆ TRACK OPENING ☆

**LONE STAR PARK - Grand Prairie, TX**

**Opened: Thursday, April 3**  
**Closes: Sunday, July 13**  
**Racing Days: Thursday through Sunday (April only); then Wednesdays through Sundays**  
**Post Time: 6:35 p.m. CT (weekdays), 1:35 p.m. CT (weekends)**  
**Stakes Schedule: 30 stakes worth \$4,075,000.**  
**Highlights: \$500,000 GIII Lone Star Derby-May 10; \$300,000 GIII Texas Mile.-Apr. 26; \$300,000 GIII Lone Star Park H.-May 26; \$200,000 GIII WinStar Distaff-May 26; \$200,000 USA S.-May 26**  
**Website: [www.lonestarpark.com](http://www.lonestarpark.com)**



**ALAMSHAR FOR BORU REMATCH** Alamshar (Ire) (Key of Luck) is likely to reappear in the G3 Ballysax S. at Leopardstown Apr. 13, where he will meet current ante-post Epsom Derby favourite Brian Boru (GB). His Highness The Aga Khan's unbeaten colt came out on top by a head when the pair met in the G3 Beresford S. at The Curragh in October. "Alamshar is a very relaxed, lazy sort of horse who wouldn't show you as much at home as he does on the track and I like it that way around," conditioner John Oxx commented. "He has matured and strengthened up nicely and we might start him off in the Ballysax S. and take it from there. He is a nice horse, his dam stayed well and even though he is by Key of Luck, who tends to get mile or mile-and-a-quarter horses, this fellow has a very good chance of getting a mile and a half."

★ FRANCE ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**PRIX FINLANDE-Listed**, €41,000, Longchamp, 4-3, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:56.50, sf.  
 1--#BAIE (FR), 123, f, 3, by Green Tune  
 1st Dam: Balioka (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Tourangeau (Fr)  
 2nd Dam: Bangalore (Fr), by Cadmus (GB)  
 3rd Dam: Balbona (Fr), by Soleil Levant (Fr)  
 O-Michel Cordero; B/T-Francois Rohaut; J-Christophe Soumillon; €20,500. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €41,000. \*1/2 to Baldwin (Fr) (Pistolet Bleu {Ire}), GSW-Fr.  
 2--Mes Bleus Yeux (Fr), 123, f, 3, Exit To Nowhere--Restless Mixa (Ire), by Linamix (Fr). €8,200.  
 3--Tikkanita, 123, f, 3, Cozzene--Reiko (Fr), by Targowice. €6,150.  
 Margins: HF, 6, 1. Odds: 2.60, 1.40, 3.90.  
 Also ran: Bahamamia (GB), Mofa Bere (Fr), Reine de Sabot (Fr), Tempete de Sable (Fr).  
**Prix Finlande cont. p5**



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**Prix Finlande cont.**

Baie made her first Parisian foray a successful one as she started on the road to the G1 Prix de Diane Hermes (French Oaks) at Chantilly June 8. She finished eighth in the Listed Criterium du Languedoc at Toulouse in December, but enjoyed an easy tune-up when taking a conditions event at Bordeaux le Bouscat last time Mar. 9. Stalking the steady early pace under Christophe Soumillon, Baie quickened alongside Mes Bleus Yeux and Christophe-Patrice Lemaire at the quarter-mile marker. As the pair pulled clear, Baie always had the edge in the drive to the line. "I was very happy with that and she is a filly with talent," conditioner Francois Rohaut commented. "She could now go for either the G3 Prix Cleopatre [at Saint-Cloud May 12] or G1 Prix Saint-Alary [at Longchamp May 18]. Then we will see if she goes for the Diane."

**3.45 Longchamp, Cond, €26,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 5/16mT, 2:14.70, sf.**

**PETITE SPECIALE (f, 4, Atticus--Petite Sonnerie {GB} {MSP-US, \$127,530}, by Persian Bold {Ire}),** fifth in the Listed Prix Petite Etoile at Saint-Cloud on her final start last year, won a handicap at Saint-Cloud Mar. 13 on her second start of this season and was settled in midfield in the early stages of this contest. The 18-5 chance, a 26,000gns TATDEC weanling, made good progress once into the home straight, was ridden to the front at the distance and ran on well to beat Karsawina (Ger) (Lando {Ger}) by a comfortable 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 8 starts, 3 wins, 4 places, €54,910. O-Jean-Pierre Leseigneur; B-Bodfari Stud; T-Eric Lecoiffier.

**FOALING NEWS:**

**MIZNAH (IRE), 14, Sadler's Wells--La Dame du Lac (Round Table)**

Foal born Feb. 16, a filly by Kingmambo. Will be bred back to Gone West.

Owned by and boarded at Lazy Lane Farms, Inc., Va. Accomplishments: SW-Ire. Dam of Geisha Girl (GB) (Nashwan), MSP-Ire; Zindabad (Fr) (Shirley Heights {GB}), MGSW-Eng & MG1SP-Eng & Ity, \$636,289.

**4.15 Longchamp, Cond, €26,000, 4yo/up, 7fT, 1:23.90, sf.**

**BEZRIN (c, 4, Danzig--Darling Flame {GSP-Eng}, by Capote),** second in the Listed Prix Contessina at Maisons-Laffitte in his only attempt at stakes level last November, was reserved off the pace in a midfield sixth during the opening exchanges here. The 17-5 chance made rapid headway along the rail approaching the final furlong and kept on best of all in the closing stages to assert a neck superiority over Sea Star (GB) (Distant Relative {Ire}) nearing the line. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 2 places, €32,000. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley Stud Management LLC; T-Andre Fabre.

**★ BRITAIN ★**

**Yesterday's Results:**

**4.30 Leicester, Cond, £14,640, 3yo, 5f 218ydsT, 1:12.69, gd/fm.**

**MEDEENA (IRE) (f, 3, Green Desert--Tanouma {GSP-Eng}, by Miswaki),** a maiden winner at the second attempt, was unplaced in the Listed Firth Of Clyde S. at Ayr last September in her most recent start. The 7-2 joint-favourite tracked the front rank from the outset, was sent to the front at the quarter-mile marker and ran on well thereafter to deny Look Here's Carol (Ire) (Safawan {GB}) by a half-length. Medeena is a half sister to Azzilfi (GB) (Ardross {Ire}, GSW-Eng, GSP-Ger & G1SP-Ity) and Khamaseen (GB) (Slip Anchor {GB}, Hwt. Older Horse-Ity at 14 +f, GSW-Ity & MGSP-Eng, \$136,967); Tamnia (GB) (Green Desert, SW-Eng & G1SP-Ire). Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, £13,678. O-Prince A A Faisal; B-Nawara Stud Co Ltd; T-John Dunlop.

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**British Report cont.**

**5.05 Leicester, Mdn**, £8,440, 3yo/up, 9f 218ydsT, 2:07.62, gd/fm.  
**MUTAJJEB (IRE)** (c, 3, **Darshaan {GB}**--**Nightlark {Ire}**, by **Night Shift**), sixth in both juvenile starts last year, was making his sophomore debut here. The 10-1 chance tracked the leaders in the initial stages, was pushed to the front approaching the final furlong and ran on well under pressure to defeat 6-4 market choice **Love In Seattle (Ire)** (**Seattle Slew**) by 1 1/4 lengths. The colt was a Ir£26,000 GOFORB yearling. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, £5,486.  
 O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-E J Loder; T-Ed Dunlop.

**3.20 Leicester, Mdn**, £8,300, 3-4yo, 11f 183ydsT, 2:33.88, gd/fm.  
**CARA FANTASY (IRE)** (f, 3, **Sadler's Wells**--**Gay Fantasy {Ire}**, by **Troy {GB}**), fourth and third in juvenile maidens at Newbury and Ayr, respectively, last season, was positioned in a stalking second for much of the race. The piping-hot 4-11 favourite, a half sister to **Lucky Guest (Ire)** (**Be My Guest**, Ch. Hcp Horse-Aus, MSW-Ger & Tur), was ridden to the front approaching the final quarter mile and was pushed out thereafter to beat **Macmillan (GB)** (**Machiavellian**) by a comfortable 2 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, £6,737.  
 O/B-Windflower Overseas Holdings Inc; T-John Dunlop.

**2.10 Leicester, Mdn**, £4,680, 2yo, 5f 2ydsT, 1:01.53, gd/fm.  
**+ PROMENADE (GB)** (f, 2, **Primo Dominie {GB}**--**Hamsah {Ire}** {**SP-Eng**}, by **Green Desert**), making her racecourse debut, was slow from the gate and as a consequence raced off the early pace. The 5-2 chance made good progress from halfway, was ridden to make her challenge approaching the final furlong and ran on well in the closing stages to safely account for **Ever Cheerful (GB)** (**Atraf {GB}**) by three-parts of a length. The winner was a 42,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,276.  
 O-Cheveley Park Stud; B-Angmering Park Stud. T-Michael Bell.

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★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

**IN DUBAI:**

**Valdancer (Ire)**, c, 3, **Groom Dancer**--**Valdara (GB)** (GSP-Fr), by **Darshaan (GB)**. Nad al Sheba, 4-3, mdn, 1400m. B-Sh Mohd bin Rashid Al Maktoum. \*1/2 to **Musha Merr (Ire)** (**Sadler's Wells**), SW-Eng & UAE.  
**Al Maali (Ire)**, c, 4, **Polar Falcon**--**Amwag (SW-Eng)**, by **El Gran Senor**. Nad al Sheba, 4-3, hcp., 1600m. B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd.  
**Kameynn (Ire)**, h, 5, **Green Desert**--**Continuous (Ire)** (SP-Ire), by **Darshaan (GB)**. Nad al Sheba, 4-3, hcp., 1200m. B-Forenaghts Stud. \*Ir£170,000 yrl '99 GOFORB.  
**Iska al Mels (Fr)**, h, 7, **Dormane (Fr)**--**Cindhia**, by **Djenoun (Fr)**. Nad al Sheba, 4-3, cond., 1400m. B-M. Viguie.



MIDDLE EAST



★ DUBAI ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**UAE OAKS-Prestige**, \$250,000, Nad al Sheba, 4-3, 3yo, f, 1800m, 1:49.69, ft.  
**1--DANUTA, 117, f, 3, by Sunday Silence**  
**1st Dam: Polish Style (SW-Fr & GSP-Ity), by Danzig**  
**2nd Dam: Family Style, by State Dinner**  
**3rd Dam: Sharp Kitty, by Blade**  
 O-Godolphin; B-Darley Stud Manag.; T-S bin Suroor; J-L Dettori; \$150,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$306,600. \*1/2 to **Polish Panache (Gone West)**, GSP-Ire.  
**2--Desert Glow (Ire), 117, f, 3, Machiavellian--**  
**Alumisiyah, by Danzig.** (Ir£42,000 yrl '01 GOFHIT).  
 O-Arabian Knights; B-Shadwell Estate Co Ltd; \$50,000.  
**3--Ashraaf, 117, f, 3, Deputy Minister--Cinnamon Sugar (Ire), by Wild Again.** (\$2,300,000 yrl '01 KEESEP).  
 O-Godolphin; B-Skara Glen Stables; \$25,000.  
 Margins: 4 3/4, 2 3/4, NK.  
 Danuta, second in her debut at Saratoga last August, graduated with a three-length victory at Belmont in September. She drew off to a 7 3/4-length victory in the Feb. 20 Moonshell Mile. The filly gained the lead from the start and pulled clear easily with a furlong to run. It was Godolphin's third UAE Oaks victory in the three-year history of the race, won last year by Imperial Gesture. Danuta is expected to head America for the May 2 GI Kentucky Oaks at Churchill Downs.

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## AUSTRALASIA



**DON EDUARDO RETIRED** G1 AJC Derby winner **Don Eduardo (NZ)** (Zabeel {NZ}--Our Diamond Lover {Aus}, by Sticks And Stones {Aus}) has been retired after running last in the G1 Ranvet S. at Rosehill Saturday. The four-year-old, a record NZ\$3.6 million yearling purchase, will be heading to Gooree Stud in New Zealand, with plans to be finalized in the next few days, according to Gooree manager Andrew Baddock. "He is a staying son of Zabeel and there is quite a bit of interest in him in New Zealand," Baddock said. Explaining the retirement, he added, "He did not break down, but his joints are a little angry and he's feeling them and not stretching out. We achieved what we wanted to achieve with him, and we will support him with our own mares." Eduardo Cojuangco's Gooree Stud boasts an enviable broodmare band, comprising 70 percent imports with an emphasis on U.S. pedigrees. Don Eduardo retires with five wins, a second and two thirds from 18 starts for earnings of A\$1,685,110. In addition to his Derby score, he captured the G2 Shannons Classic, finished second in the G1 Rosehill Guineas and third in the G1 Australian Cup.

## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**10th-TPX, \$35,760**, 4-2, NW1RY + X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.

**LITTLE VELVET (c, 4, Harlan--Rotary Queen, by His Majesty)** Lifetime Record: 12-4-5-2, \$99,115. O-VAG Racing & Kay Hofmeister. B-Highland Farms Inc (KY). T-Wayne D Mogge.

**4th-BMX, \$34,980**, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1mT, 1:37 4/5, gd.

**RAPIER DANCE (c, 3, Sword Dance {Ire}--Marilyn's Madness {SW}, by Shananie)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$41,625. O-Abruzzo, Hollendorfer & Litt. B-Gilbert G Campbell (FL). T-Jerry Hollendorfer. \*\$97,000 wIng '00 KEENOV; \$30,000 yrl '01 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Unreal Madness (Unreal Zeal), MSW, \$694,822; Sejm's Madness (Sejm), MSW, \$428,465; and full to Magical Madness, MSW, \$265,169; and Coco's Madness, GSP.

**8th-OPX, \$32,000**, NW2L, 3yo, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft. **MAUK FOUR (c, 3, Boston Harbor--Moroccan Magic, by Rahy)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-2-2, \$47,700. O-R & W Srygley Partnership Sr. B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd & Highlands of Lexington Inc (KY). T-Jerry D Cart.

**9th-OPX, \$32,000**, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40 2/5, ft. **ELUSIVE SARA (f, 3, Elusive Quality--Saratoga Surge, by Saratoga Six)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$47,320. O-Dreamchaser Thoroughbreds. B-Alan S Kline (MD). T-J Larry Jones. \*\$20,000 yrl '01 FTKOCT.

**9th-TPX, \$28,910**, 4-2, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19, ft.

**OUR CAROL (f, 4, Carson City--Our Tomboy {GSP}, by Bates Motel)** Lifetime Record: 25-4-1-5, \$86,555. O-George Brunacini. B-John J Greely III (KY). T-Emilie Fojan. \*\$20,000 yrl '00 FTKOCT; \$18,000 2yo 2001 TEXMAR.

**8th-PIM, \$26,000**, NW1X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. **LAUNCH YOUR DREAMS (h, 5, Waquoit--Dear Sister, by Overskate)** Lifetime Record: 23-6-5-1, \$94,755. O-Noreen C McCrossen. B-John Franzone Jr (MD). T-Timothy L Keefe.

**8th-CTX, \$20,500**, 4-2, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5, ft.

**IRISH CRYSTAL (f, 4, End Sweep--Erin's Irish Lass {SP}, by Erins Isle {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-1, \$40,135. O/B-Peter Van Anandel (KY). T-Francis P Campitelli.

### MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Classy Commander, f, 3, Deputy Commander--Relevation (SP), by Recusant.** GPX, 4-3, (C), a1 1/8mT, 1:54 4/5. B-Clarkland Farm (Ky). \*\$60,000 yrl '01 FTKJUL. \*\*1/2 to Majestic Number (Polish Numbers), SP, \$148,670.

**Royal Prize, f, 3, Kingmambo--Micheline,** by Shaded. OPX, 4-3, (C), 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Peter Van Anandel (Ky). \*\$100,000 wIng '00 KEENOV.

**Sale the Atlantic, c, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Best in Sale (SW, \$111,140),** by No Sale George. PIM, 4-3, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5. B-Arthur I Appleton (FI).

+ **Twining and Dining, f, 3, Twining--After School,** by Arts and Letters. GPX, 4-3, (C), a1 1/8mT, 1:53 3/5. B-Marcus & Hortense Vogel (Ky). \*\$36,000 yrl '01 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '02 OBSMAR. \*\*1/2 to Its Acedemic (Sauce Boat), MGSW & MGISP, \$931,228.

**Punch D Lites Out, c, 3, Two Punch--Moments Delight,** by General Assembly. PIM, 4-3, 5 1/2f, 1:04. B-Charles J Reed (Md). \*Full to Heavyweight Champ, GISP, \$199,268; and 1/2 to Sleetwood Mac (Seattle Sleet), MSW, \$169,038.

**Billy Angel, c, 3, Williamstown--Cherub,** by Halo. TPX, 4-2, 1m, 1:38 2/5. B-Langsem Farm, Inc (Ky). \*\$8,000 yrl '01 KEESEP.

**Punch, c, 4, Smoke Glacken--Angela's Starfish,** by Secretariat. TPX, 4-2, 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5. B-Swifty Farms, Inc (Ky). \*\$45,000 yrl '00 FTKJUL; \$20,000 2yo 2001 KEEAPR. \*\*1/2 to Shoal Creek (Demons Begone), GSW, \$135,340.



## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**El Paraiso (Ity)**, c, 3, **Glen Jordan (GB)**--Florida Beach (GB), by Unfuwain. Florence, Italy, 4-3, Cond, 3yo, 1 1/4mT. B-A & G Botti.



## WRITERS UP

### WELCOME TO THE BIGS

By Frank Carlson

Retired after a career in professional baseball, Rob Murphy will try his luck on the big-league racing circuit as a pinch-hitter for Gulfstream Park announcer Vic Stauffer this afternoon.

Attending a charity auction last week, Murphy found himself going to \$300 for the opportunity to call a race at Gulfstream. It wasn't just philanthropy that motivated the winning bid, it wasn't so much ego, it was more a matter of digging down into his roots to uncover a little of his family's past.

For more than 40 years, Murphy's maternal grandfather, Frank Ashley, called races on the Chicago circuit. Ashley, who passed away in 1997, retired in 1970 after handling the calls at Arlington, Hawthorne and Washington Park. In the winter he'd take his binoculars to Oaklawn Park, calling races in Hot Springs for 35 years.

To add a little luster to the story, he also called nine Kentucky Derbies.

Murphy, 42, from Miami, isn't without his own credentials. For 11 years, he was a left-handed reliever in the big leagues. But his love affair with racing started well before his baseball career.

In 1978, as a senior science project at St. Christopher's High School, Murphy and a friend wrote a computer program to pick the Kentucky Derby winner. Their grade was based on where their pick finished. The computer picked Affirmed to win and Alydar to run second. They got an A.

Murphy went to the University of Florida for two years before transferring to the University of Kentucky, where he pursued computer sciences with an eye toward perfecting his high school handicapping program. By the time Murphy reached Kentucky, he had expanded the program to look at breeding and pedigrees.

"U of K didn't have much of a pitching program, but between their library and the Keeneland Library, they did have all those stallion registries and breeding manuals I needed," said Murphy as he was preparing for his debut as an announcer.

Murphy came up with the Cincinnati Reds organization in 1985, then pitched for the Seattle Mariners, Houston Astros, St. Louis Cardinals, New York Yankees and Los Angeles Dodgers before finishing up with the Florida Marlins.

But, after he was called up to the big leagues, Murphy didn't lose his interest in horses or horse racing. While he was with the Reds, he and then player-manager Pete Rose would discuss the finer aspects of the Thoroughbreds running at Latonia Race Course (now Turfway Park), just across the bridge from Riverfront Stadium.

It was also during his major-league career that the Miami native formed his first syndicated partnership, getting together a group of his fellow players to buy horses. He called the syndicate M375 Thoroughbreds. M375 is Slew upside down and backwards, after his favorite Thoroughbred, Seattle Slew.

He is still putting together syndicates today.

"We're into our 11th group," said Murphy. "The various groups have had 22 horses, and from that we had 10 stakes-winning horses."

M375's biggest winner to date has to be Platinum Tiara, who came within a half-length of beating Caress in the 2000 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

Murphy knows there's going to be pressure on him today as he prepares to call the third race at Gulfstream.

"I was looking for a two-turn race with seven or eight horses," explained Murphy on how he settled on Gulfstream's third. "This is a 1 1/16-mile allowance race with a field of eight horses. Track announcer Vic Stauffer thought that with the horses starting in front of me, I'd have an easier time with the break, rather than trying to pick them up in a sprint race."

In working up to the race, Murphy went to Race-replays.com, found 1 1/16-mile races with eight horse fields and substituted the names of today's runners, then practiced calling. He's also been on the Gulfstream roof recording practice calls into a tape recorder.

"A mile and a sixteenth is long enough that I can do the break and let the horses settle in on the clubhouse turn," he said. "Then down the backside I can pick them up and follow them through the far turn. I hope I don't make any mistakes--if I do, I'd like to keep them to a minimum."

Murphy figures he has, at the most, one minute and 48 seconds to fill during the call, and then it's over.

"It will be a lot shorter than the first time I was called in to relieve," said Murphy. "The Reds were playing the Dodgers and we were losing when I got the ball from Pete [Rose]. The first guy up, Mike Marshall hit one 400 feet for a home run. My eyes went glassy.

"After that, a couple of batters got hits and there were a couple of walks. When I finally got into the dugout, my best friend on the team said, 'Welcome to the bigs.'"

Murphy's first outing as a racecaller should go a lot smoother.