

FRANKEL'S EMPIRE COULD RULE

Hall of Fame trainer Bobby Frankel, still looking for his first Kentucky Derby winner, will saddle the morning-line favorites in Saturday's two major Derby preps. When entries were taken yesterday, Frankel's GI Florida Derby winner **Empire Maker** (Unbridled) was installed the 3-5 morning-line favorite for the GI Wood Memorial



Empire Maker Horsephotos

at Aqueduct, while the trainer's GI Louisiana Derby winner **Peace Rules** (Jules) is the 7-5 choice in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keeneland. Empire Maker was causing a stir even before his dominant Florida Derby performance catapulted him to the front of the sophomore class, but Frankel contends, "I don't think he ran nearly as fast as he can in the Florida Derby. I'm expecting him to take a little step back [in the Wood], but I think he'll proba-

bly run about the same race he did in Florida." The weather forecast may be the biggest obstacle to Empire Maker solidifying his position as the Kentucky Derby favorite. Heavy rain is expected in the New York area on Friday, likely leaving the track wet for Saturday's nine-furlong race. "I just hope the track doesn't bother him," Frankel said. "He's never worked or galloped over one, so I have no idea how he'll handle it." Empire Maker drew the far outside post in the eight-horse Wood field. In the 10-horse field entered yesterday for the nine-furlong Blue Grass, Peace Rules will break from post two. Looking to derail the Frankel hit parade, owners Kenneth and Sarah Ramsey have entered **Badge of Silver** (Silver Deputy), 2-1 second choice, and **Ten Cents a Shine** (Devil His Due), 20-1. "We're hoping for a dead heat," Ken Ramsey joked. "We've got two nice colts and we're just hoping at least one of the two demonstrates enough to get us to Churchill Downs for the big dance." The Wood Memorial will be shown on ESPN, with a one-hour telecast beginning at 3:30 p.m., while NBC will show the Blue Grass and GI Arkansas Derby from Oaklawn Park from 4:30-6 p.m. ET.

GAL POWER AT KEENELAND

My Boston Gal (Boston Harbor), who opened her career with three straight juvenile wins, made her first trip to the winner's circle this year with a 1 1/4-length triumph in yesterday's GI Stonerside Beaumont S. at Keeneland. The filly ended her undefeated juvenile season with a win in the GI Golden Rod S. at Churchill in November, but at three, the bay was fifth in the GI Davona Dale and second in the Mar. 14 GI Bonnie Miss S. Favored at 5-2 in the Beaumont, My Boston Gal settled just off fractions of :21.91 and :44.46, split horses to reach contention midway on the turn and battled **Bird Town** (Cape Town) into submission in the final furlong to win going away. "Two things really pleased me today," said winning trainer Carl Nafzger. "She let the speed go and she split horses. This was a good test for her both mentally and physically. We'll take her back to Churchill now and see where we're at." Despite the victory, jockey Pat Day admitted, "She really didn't care for the racing surface here today. She was swapping leads all the way. She swapped leads in the stretch and still won handily." [Click here for the brisnet.com chart](#), the free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree or the [video race replay](#).

STONERSIDE BEAUMONT S.-GII, \$250,000, KEE, 4-10, 3yo, f, a7f, 1:26 4/5, my.

1--**MY BOSTON GAL**, 120, f, 3, by Boston Harbor

1st Dam: Western League, by Forty Niner

2nd Dam: Cinegita, by Secretariat

3rd Dam: Wanika, by Sadair

(\$95,000 yrl '01 KEESEP). O-Porter, R Bloch & P Milner; B-Overbrook Farm (KY); T-Carl A Nafzger; J-P Day; \$155,000. Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, \$394,037.

2--**Bird Town**, 118, f, 3, Cape Town--Dear Birdie, by Storm Bird. O-Marylou Whitney Stable; B-Marylou Whitney Stables (KY); \$50,000.

3--**Midnight Cry**, 118, f, 3, Smart Strike--Mythical Dancer, by Sovereign Dancer. (\$62,000 yrl '01 KEE OCT). O-Barrister Hall Stables; B-Runnymede Farm Inc & Peter J Callahan (KY); \$25,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 4 3/4, 4. Odds: 2.70, 3.30, 5.20. Also Ran: Chimichurri, Adopted Daughter, Elegant Designer, Vibes, Perfect Story, Wild Light.

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

MAKER'S MARK MILE-GII, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Angel on the Wing	Sky Classic	Frostad	20-1
2	Private Son	Miesque's Son	Schu	12-1
3	Royal Spy	Peteski	Amoss	8-1
4	Political Attack	Hawk Attack	Matz	8-1
5	Miesque's Approval	Miesque's Son	Mott	4-1
6	Mister Acpen (Chi)	Golden Voyager	K Mulhall	20-1
7	Decarchy	Distant View	Frankel	5-2
8	Statement	Seattle Slew	Kimmel	8-1
9	Touch of the Blues (Fr)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Drysdale	7-2
10	Music's Storm	Storm Creek	Pletcher	10-1

Statement returned from a year's absence to win a Gulfstream allowance Jan. 29 and added a Mar. 3 \$100,000 optional claimer victory at the Hallandale oval last time out. The bay New York-bred tackles graded stakes company for the first time while looking for his fourth straight victory. Defending Maker's Mark Mile champ **Touch of the Blues** was a neck back of Landseer and a half-length ahead of Beat Hollow in last year's GI Shadwell Turf Mile, but hasn't started since running 10th in the Breeders' Cup Mile last October.

Decarchy, a multiple graded stakes winner last season, was a solid third behind Redattore and Good Journey in the Mar. 1 GII Frank Kilroe Mile H. last time out.

Friday, Oaklawn Park, post time: 5:38 p.m. CDT

FANTASY S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Harbor Blues	Petionville	N Canani	5-1
2	Ruby's Reception	Rubiano	Jones	9-2
3	Go for Glamour	Pine Bluff	Greely	5-2
4	Kristina's Wish	Smart Strike	Robertson	12-1
5	My Trusty Cat	Tale of the Cat	Vance	2-1
6	Westerly Breeze	Gone West	Nafzger	4-1

Go for Glamour returned to the main track for her 2003 debut and graduated with a three-length maiden tally Jan. 2. She added a two-length win in a Feb. 12 Santa Anita allowance before an impressive third-place effort behind divisional leaders Composure and Elloluv in the Mar. 8 GI Santa Anita Oaks. **My Trusty Cat** finished third behind Lady Tak in the Tiffany Lass S. at Fair Grounds in January and is coming off a five-length victory over track and distance in the Mar. 8 Honeybee S. **Ruby's Reception**, second behind **Westerly Breeze** in last year's GII Alcibiades S., was 10th in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. She made her 2003 debut in the Honeybee where she closed late to be second.

Saturday, Keeneland

TOYOTA BLUE GRASS S.-GI, \$750,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	Acceptable Venture	Acceptable	Perret
2	Peace Rules	Jules	Prado
3	Offlee Wild	Wild Again	Day
4	Badge of Silver	Silver Deputy	Albarado
5	Crowned Dancer	Tactical Advantage	Desormeaux
6	Great Notion	Elusive Quality	L Melancon
7	Ten Cents a Shine	Devil His Due	Smith
8	Lion Tamer	Will's Way	Velasquez
9	Brancusi	Deputy Commander	Farina
10	Lots of Sizzle	Hold For Gold	Lumpkins

All carry 123 pounds.

Saturday, Aqueduct

WOOD MEMORIAL-GI, \$750,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	New York Hero	Partner's Hero	Arroyo Jr.
2	Spite The Devil	Devil His Due	Luzzi
3	Kissin Saint	Kissin Kris	Migliore
4	Funny Cide	Distorted Humor	Santos
5	Senor Swinger	El Prado (Ire)	Stevens
6	Indy Dancer	A.P. Indy	Velazquez
7	Sky Soldier	Unaccounted For	Madrigal
8	Empire Maker	Unbridled	Bailey

All carry 123 pounds.

Saturday, Aqueduct

CARTER H.-GI, \$350,000, 3yo/up, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Peeping Tom	Eagle Eyed	Bridgmohan	114
2	Congaree	Arazi	Stevens	122
3	Affirmed Success	Affirmed	Migliore	117
4	Papua	Louis Quatorze	Santos	111
5	Aldebaran	Mr. Prospector	Bailey	118

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Ministers Wild Cat Gets Back To Work

After missing last weekend's GI Santa Anita Derby due to a minor right hind foot bruise, **Ministers Wild Cat** (Deputy Minister) returned to serious work yesterday morning at Hollywood Park, breezing seven-eighths of a mile for trainer Neil Drysdale. "He worked very well," the conditioner commented. "He went seven furlongs in 1:25 and change [1:25 1/5] and I caught him galloping out a mile in 1:38 and change." Drysdale confirmed that the Marjorie and Irving Cowan homebred colt will make his next start in Keeneland's GII Coolmore Lexington S. Apr. 19. Meanwhile, the injury which temporarily derailed the son of Hollywood Wildcat has completely healed, Drysdale said. "We took the shoe off for a few days and soaked the foot and it worked very well. He is feeling good." Ministers Wild Cat is scheduled to leave Southern California Apr. 17.

Ats at Churchill

Atswhatimtalknbout (A.P. Indy), fourth in Saturday's GI Santa Anita Derby, arrived at Churchill Downs Wednesday evening. "He got in fine," trainer Ron Ellis said at Santa Anita yesterday. "He just walked today and they'll take him to the track tomorrow." To make sure his star pupil doesn't become homesick, Ellis added, "I'll be there Saturday morning, stay with him for a little while and see how he likes it back there."

☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

Eight Added to Derby

Eight horses were added, at a cost of £9,000 each, to the G1 Epsom Derby June 7 after Wednesday's second-entry stage. Godolphin is responsible for three of the eight: **New South Wales (GB)** (In The Wings {GB}), **Lateen Sails (GB)** (Elmaamul) and **Bourbonnais (Ire)** (Singspiel {Ire}). John Oxx has added the Aga Khan's **Alamshar (Ire)** (Key Of Luck), who beat current favourite **Brian Boru (GB)** (Sadler's Wells) in last season's G3 Beresford S. Dermot Weld, yet to win the Derby, has nominated last year's G1 National S. winner **Refuse To Bend (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) and **Former Senator (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells). The set is completed by the John Dunlop-trained **Big Bad Bob (Ire)** (Bob Back) and the Ed Dunlop-trained **Battle Chant** (Coronado's Quest). There is one final opportunity to add horses to the Derby, the £90,000 supplementary entry stage May 29.

☆ GOLDEN SLIPPER ☆

HAWKES WIELDS SEVEN SHOOTER IN SLIPPER

Crown Lodge trainer John Hawkes will have an unprecedented seven Golden Slipper runners among the 16-horse field at Rosehill on Saturday after first-emergency **Fracassas (Aus)** (Marauding {Aus}) gained a berth with the scratching of the Paul Sutherland-trained **Handsome Ransom (Aus)** (Red Ransom), who recorded an elevated temperature that required treatment. Jockey Kerrin McEvoy, recently returned from Dubai, will partner Fracassas, who is rated at 250-1 in pre-post betting after being a well-beaten favorite in the Listed Silver Jubilee S. (1200 meters) at Moonee Valley on March 22 in her last start. Hawkes has \$4.50-favorite **Niello (Aus)** (Octagonal {NZ}), **Kusi (Aus)** (Desert Prince {Ire}), who is rated \$8, **Hammerbeam (Aus)** (Grand Lodge), rated at 100-1, **Legally Bay (Aus)** (Snippets {Aus}), rated at \$6.50, **Dorky (Aus)** (Grand Lodge), and **Syrinx (Aus)** (Desert Prince {Ire}), also a 250-1 chance. Hawkes prepares six of the seven for dominant owners Jack and Bob Ingham; G3 Sweet Embrace S. winner Legally Bay is a \$220,000 Inglis Easter graduate, the first yearling purchase for Toowoomba couple Chris and Jane Barham. The Inghams have chosen Kusi to carry their all-cerise colours.

Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 3:45 p.m.
AAMI GOLDEN SLIPPER S.-G1, A\$3,000,000, 2yo, 1200mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	2	Kusi (Aus)	Desert Prince (Ire)	Brown	124
2	13	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Danehill	Bowman	124
3	11	Hammerbeam (Aus)	Grand Lodge	King	124
4	9	Snip Attack (Aus)	General Neydim (Aus)	Newitt	124
5	15	Handsome Ransom (Aus)	Red Ransom	Ser	Ser
6	6	Niello (Aus)	Octagonal (NZ)	Beadman	124
7	18	Face Value (Aus)	Red Ransom	Payne	124
8	14	Polar Success (Aus)	Success Express	D Beasley	118
9	8	Hasna (Aus)	Snippets (Aus)	L Beasley	118
10	7	Shamekha (Aus)	Secret Savings	Cassidy	118
11	4	Legally Bay (Aus)	Snippets (Aus)	Quinn	118
12	12	Halibery (Aus)	Red Ransom	Oliver	118
13	5	Secret Land (NZ)	Secret Savings	Munce	118
14	17	Dorky (Aus)	Grand Lodge	Gauci	118
15	3	How Funny (Aus)	Rory's Jester (Aus)	Boss	118
16	10	Syrinx (Aus)	Desert Prince (Ire)	Childs	118
17	1	Fracassas (Aus)	Marauding (NZ)	McEvoy	118
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18	16	Bella Corona (Aus)	Beautiful Crown	No rider	118

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Thursday, Oaklawn Park

COUNT FLEET SPRINT H.-GIII, \$150,000, OPX, 4-10, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09, ft.

1--**@BEAU'S TOWN**, 122, h, 5, by Beau Genius

1st Dam: Frio Town, by Kerosene

2nd Dam: Delice, by What a Pleasure

3rd Dam: Swoonalong, by Swoon's Son

O-Coast to Coast Racing Fund & David Hulkewicz; B-Bryant H Prentice III (AR); T-Cole Norman; J-H J Theriot II; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 12-9-2-0, \$357,600.

2--**Honor Me**, 116, h, 5, Honor Grades--Bo K., by Raise a Native. (\$350,000 yrl '99 FTKJUL; \$150,000 2yo '00 FTMMAY). O-Highway 1; B-Whisper Hill Farm (FL); \$30,000.

3--**Sand Ridge**, 114, h, 8, Known Fact--Skybox, by Spend a Buck. (\$25,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$215,000 2yo '97 OBSMAR). O-Thunderhead Farms; B-Sally S Humphrey & Richard K Means Jr (KY); \$15,000. Margins: HF, 4, HF. Odds: 0.40, 12.80, 8.90.

Also Ran: Chindi, Cojet, Big Bad George.

The ultra-consistent Beau's Town had to work hard to maintain his unbeaten season, but staved off Honor Me to earn his first graded victory. After rattling off six straight wins last winter and spring, the chestnut ran second in the Kings Court H. at Louisiana Downs June 28, then was sidelined following a fifth to Orientate in the GII A. G. Vanderbilt H. Aug. 11 at Saratoga. He returned Feb. 1, dominating the King Cotton H. by 4 1/4 lengths over track and trip, before annexing the Pelleteri Breeders' Cup H. at Fair Grounds Mar. 16. Breaking alertly, the Arkansas-bred sat just off the pacesetting Cojet (Unbridled's Song), moving up to assume command turning for home. Honor Me came after him determinedly in the stretch, but Beau's Town shrugged off that challenge and prevailed by a half-length. "He dug in when he had to do it," commented winning trainer Cole Norman. "The race developed kind of like I thought it would. I thought it would take nine [1:09] to win it." [Click here](#) for the [brisnet.com](#) chart.

(Stakes previews cont.)

Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 2:15 p.m.

THE BMW S.-G1, A\$2,000,000, 3yo/up, 2400mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	7	Northerly (Aus)	Serheed	Payne	128
2	5	Freemason (Aus)	Grand Lodge	Beadman	128
3	2	Henderson Bay (NZ)	Guns of Navarone (Ire)	Oliver	128
4	1	Carnegie Express (NZ)	Carnegie (Ire)	Brown	127
5	8	Republic Lass (Aus)	Canny Lad (Aus)	Boss	121
6	6	National Treasure (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Cassidy	121
7	3	Helenus (Aus)	Helissio (Fr)	King	118
8	4	St Reims (NZ)	Zabeel (NZ)	Childs	118

 **FOALING NEWS**

DANKA, 9, Strawberry Road (Aus)--Paloma Blanca (Blushing Groom {Fr})

Foal born Feb. 25, a colt by Saint Ballado.

Will be bred back to Seeking the Gold.

Owned by/boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Bedanken (Geri), MGSW, \$281,074.

METEOR COLONY, 10, Pleasant Colony--Meteor Stage (Stage Door Johnny)

Foal born Feb. 25, a filly by Carson City.

Will be bred back to Forest Wildcat.

Owned by/boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Changeintheweather (Gone West), GISW, \$263,002.

PROGRAM PICK, 14, Peterhof--Lite a Star (Our Michael)

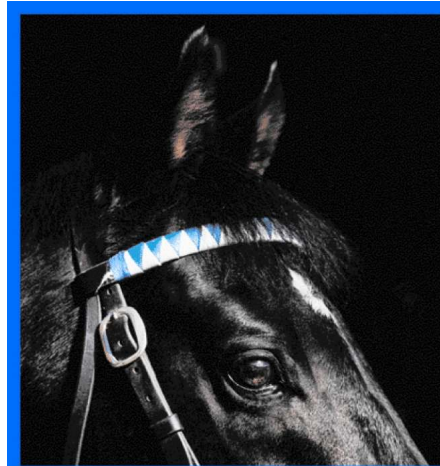
Foal born Feb. 25, a colt by Storm Cat.

Will be bred back to Forestry.

Owned by Herman Heinlein.

Boarded at Eaton Farms, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW of \$125,588. Dam of Stormy Pick (Storm Creek), GISW, \$441,900; Expected Program (Valid Expectations), MSW, \$129,625.



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Yesterday's Results:

3rd-KEE, \$62,563, Alw, NW1TLX, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:38 1/5, gd.

1--SOUTHERN FICTION, 116, m, 5, Brocco--Shawnee Legend, by Miswaki. O-G W Humphrey Jr; B-G Watts & Louise I Humphrey (KY); T-Victoria Oliver. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 18-5-6-1, \$265,532.

2--Temis (Chi), 116, m, 7, Lord Florey--Top Shape, by Fit to Fight.

3--Miss Goosebumps, 116, f, 4, Pioneering--Little Miss Porter, by Dare to Command.

Margins: 3HF, NK, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.90, 2.80, 21.20.

Winner of the Monmouth Beach S. last May, Southern Fiction was sidelined following a fourth-place finish in the Gil Molly Pitcher Breeders' Cup H. June 29. The chestnut returned to action Mar. 1 in the Gil Rampart H. at Gulfstream, but didn't do much that day, finishing last of six to Allamerican Bertie. Trying the turf for the first time, the third choice tracked the pace while four wide, took charge inside the final furlong and pulled away to win by daylight. [Click here for the video replay.](#)

6th-KEE, \$51,975, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 2/5, my. ROCKIN ON READY (c, 3, Smoke Glacken--Ganzania, by Far Out East) won at first asking Aug. 8 at Monmouth and followed that up with a second at the Jersey track Aug. 25 before going missing. Sixth in a turf contest Jan. 27 at Fair Grounds, he ran fifth in a main-track allowance at the same track Feb. 23 and most recently ran third by a length to the promising pair of Battle Won and Political Risk in New Orleans Mar. 14. Favored at 4-5, the chestnut colt sat just behind the duel up front, rallied along the rail at the quarter pole and pulled away under a hand ride to win by 1 3/4 lengths over Penthouse Promise (Pentelicus). Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$63,443. [Click here for the video replay.](#) O/B/T-Henry L Carroll (KY).

5th-KEE, \$49,625, Msw, 3yo, f, a7f, 1:29 1/5, my. OUR SOPHIA (f, 3, [Belong to Me](#)--Our Tomboy {GSP}, by Bates Motel) had been dismissed at 21-1 in her Mar. 22 debut at Turfway, but belied those odds with a runner-up finish. Breaking from the rail here, the 4-1 shot secured a good spot on the inside, then angled out seven wide in the stretch and got to the wire a neck in front of favored Nevada Miss (Carson City). Our Sophia was a \$12,000 KEESEP yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$36,485. O-George Brunacini. B-John J Greely III (KY). T-Emilie Fojan. [Click here for the video replay.](#)

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2nd-KEE, \$48,500, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5, my.
+ EAST BAY (f, 2, Stormin Fever--Tee for Three, by Lil E. Tee) was sent off as the tepid 3-1 favorite in her career opener. The bay filly vied with Rodeo Licious (Rodeo) in the early stages, turned for home with her ears pricked and pulled away from her early rival to score by five lengths. An \$80,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$72,000 KEESEP yearling, she is the first winner for Airdrie's freshman stallion (by Storm Cat). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,225.

O-Mike G Rutherford. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-Dallas Stewart. [Click here](#) for the video replay.

★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

5th-AQU, \$50,000, Alw, NW2\$X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09 2/5, my.

- 1--**UPHILL SKIER, 116, f, 3, Appealing Skier--Resilient Kris, by Kris S.** O/B-New Farm (NJ); T-Ben W Perkins Jr. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$77,900.
 - 2--**Southern Smoke, 116, f, 3, Smoke Glacken--Bourbon Street Gal, by Dixieland Band.** (\$3,700 yrl '01 KEESEP; \$36,000 2yo '02 TEXMAR).
 - 3--**Beautiful America, 119, f, 3, Dixie Brass--Eyeofbeauty, by Bounding Basque.**
- Margins: NK, 1, 8 3/4. Odds: 4.10, 9.20, 1.30.

5th-AQU cont.


Uphill Skier defeated Jersey-breds by five lengths in her Nov. 14 career debut at the Meadowlands, but didn't start again until Feb. 1, running second in an open allowance at Aqueduct. She came back to win a similar test as the odds-on favorite Mar. 15 and was sent off as the third choice in this five-horse field. Up close from the start, the bay filly split horses in the stretch and outfinished Southern Smoke for the win.

8th-AQU, \$48,000, Alw, NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:35 3/5, my.

SHE'S GOT THE BEAT (f, 4, Sultry Song--Judy's Magic, by Wavering Monarch) posted back-to-back allowance victories at Aqueduct prior to a third in the Broadway H. Mar. 15. The lukewarm favorite here at 2.35-1, she took to the outside to make her run in the stretch and pulled away late by 2 3/4 lengths over pacesetter Madame X Ski (Polish Numbers). The winner was a \$15,000 FTNAUG yearling and a \$47,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: SP, 14-6-2-2, \$193,116.

O-Elizabeth Walsh. B-JI Racing Inc & Woodside Stud Inc (NY). T-Philip G Johnson.

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2	Msw, 3yo, 7f	Blazing Freedom (Gone West) vs. Involvement (Mr. Prospector)	click here	click here
5	N1x, f, 3yo, 6f	Dance Hall Girl (Gulch) & D'Nile (Capote) have faced tougher;		
		Crow Jane (Indian Charlie), Baby Lets Cruise (Tale of the Cat)	click here	click here
8	G2 Maker's Mark 4/up, 1mT	Touch of the Blues (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) vs.		
		Decarchy (Distant View), Miesque's Approval (Miesque's Son)	click here download all	click here download all

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New York Report cont.

3rd-AQU, \$41,000, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53 1/5, sy.
+ CASH BUTTON (c, 2, Comic Strip--Hard Core, by His Majesty), a \$6,500 KEENOV weanling purchase, became the first winner for his freshman sire (by Red Ransom) with this game effort. Part of a Charles Town-based entry at 4-1, the dark bay was bumped at the start, but came up the rail willingly to best favored Ro Day Scious (Rodeo) by 3/4-length. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,600.
 O/T-John D McKee. B-E & D Enterprises & W S Farish (PA).

Saarland Returns to Action:

Saarland (Unbridled) makes his belated four-year-old debut in this afternoon's seventh race at Aqueduct. The Cynthia Phipps homebred is scheduled to face four other rivals in the one-mile allowance event. The bay colt, winner at two of the GII Remsen S. at Aqueduct, was second to Mayakovsky in the GIII Gotham S. and fourth to Buddha in the GI Wood Memorial, before suffering an injury when 10th in the Kentucky Derby. In his only start since the Run for the Roses, he won a "non-winners of three lifetime" allowance by 3/4 of a length last Nov. 15, but emerged from that event with a grabbed quarter. Trainer Shug McGaughey planned on having the colt ready for the handicap series at Gulfstream Park this past winter, but Saarland developed a quarter crack and never made it to the races. He will race with a patch this afternoon and will be ridden, as usual, by jockey John Velazquez.

5th-GPX, \$34,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:40 4/5, fm.
HIDEAWAY HEROINE (IRE) (f, 4, Hernando {Fr}--Dulcinea {GB}, by Selkirk), a 40,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase, had been trained by John Hills in England. After breaking her maiden in a Newbury handicap in May, she ran sixth in the G1 Coronation S. June 21 and concluded her three-year-old campaign with a second in the Listed Sceptre S. Sept. 12 at Doncaster. Getting Lasix for her U.S. bow, the chestnut filly was bet down to 2-5 and won despite an eventful trip. She was rank going into the first turn and was forced to steady several times, causing her saddle to slip. Despite that, she rallied three wide on the far turn, seized the lead with a furlong to run and prevailed by 3/4 of a length over Lady Adare (Dare and Go). Lifetime Record: SP-GB, 10-2-1-4, \$49,691.
 O-Lael Stables. B-Ryan Bryan (IRE). T-Christophe Clement.

8th-GPX, \$34,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 5f, :58 4/5, ft.
DESIRABLE MOMENT (f, 4, Peteski--Aly's Joyce, by Capote) broke her maiden for a \$20,000 tag on the turf at the Meadowlands Oct. 25. She made her next appearance Mar. 28 over this surface at the \$30,000 level and squandered her lead late, finishing fifth. The 5-1 shot went straight to the front and kept on going this time, defeating even-money Almost Magic (Fortunate Prospect) by two lengths. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$30,860.
 O/B-Daniel E McGlothlin (KY). T-Timothy A Hills.

★ EAST ★

★ GULFSTREAM ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-GPX, \$43,000, Alw, NW2\$RT6MX, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 3/5, fm.
FRENCH CHARMER (c, 4, French Deputy--Queen of Women, by Sharpen Up {GB}), a half to Antoniette (Nicholas), GSW, \$399,140, paired up allowance victories at Calder and Gulfstream Dec. 27 and Feb. 10, respectively, then ran a decent fifth in the GIII Canadian Turf H. Mar. 9. Let got at 6-1 in this spot, the bay brought up the rear through the opening half, then commenced his run on the outside to hit the front at the top of the stretch. The \$200,000 KEESEP yearling held off the persistent challenge of Mr. Livingston (El Prado {Ire}) to win by a half-length. Mr. Livingston was DQ'd to third for bumping favored Request for Parole (Judge T C) in the stretch. Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-0, \$109,520.
 O-Double S Stables, K Avanzino & J Sullivan.
 B-Calumet Farm (KY). T-Harry Benson.

Yesterday's Results:

6th-PIM, \$27,440, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW2X, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:03 4/5, ft.
CAPE GOOD HOPE (c, 3, Cape Town--Share the Fun, by Deputy Minister) ran third in the Dover S. Oct. 26 at Delaware before concluding his juvenile season with a fourth to Toccet in the GIII Laurel Futurity. The even-money chalk in his three-year-old debut, he pressed Always in the Red (Explosive Red) from the start and got the better of that rival late, winning by a length. A \$95,000 KEEJAN yearling, the bay colt resold for \$210,000 at KEESEP and was also a \$275,000 FTFEB two-year-old. Lifetime Record: MSP, 7-3-0-2, \$106,010.
 O-Paul J Manning & Edward F Schuler. B-John R & Bennet B Williams (KY). T-Rodney Jenkins.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races. Purses for Canadian races are in Canadian dollars.



★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-OPX, \$31,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft.

+ AC'S BLACKCAT (f, 3, Sir Cat--No Doublet {SP}, by Nodouble), a \$38,000 KEESEP yearling, was sent off at 10-1 in her bow. Last in the early going, the dark bay filly moved up after half and finished strongly to get up late for a 3/4-length triumph over La Reason (Labeeb {GB}). The winner is a half sister to Elvina (Simply Majestic, SP, \$319,011). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,600.

O-Jim Evans & Ellen Williams. B-Dr H Steve Conboy (KY). T-Morris G Nicks.

 **FRESHMAN FOCUS**

First-crop progeny to watch: Friday, Apr. 11

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

TACTICAL CAT (Storm Cat), Overbrook, \$10K, 68/0/0
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Stan Israelite, \$45K KEE JAN yrl, 8-1

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

Second-crop progeny to watch: Friday, Apr. 11

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

ACCEPTABLE (Capote), Wafare, \$8K, 53/7/0
9-OP, Msw, 6f, Exceptional Sunset, \$45K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
BANKER'S GOLD (Forty Niner), Airdrie, \$15K, 123/15/2
2-KEE, Msw, 7f, Letter of Credit, \$150K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
CORONADO'S QUEST (Forty Niner), Claiborne, \$60K, 127/17/3
5-KEE, Alw, 6f, La Violette, \$210K FTF FEB 2yo, 12-1
ELUSIVE QUALITY (Gone West), Gainsborough, \$10K, 165/26/8
5-KEE, Alw, 6f, Yoren, 8-1
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Tino Rossi, 3-1
GRAND SLAM (Gone West), Ashford, \$30K, 244/34/1
7-LS, Alw, 1m, Perfect Present, \$65K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
9-OP, Msw, 6f, +Mr. Gehrig, 10-1
1-KEE, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Grand Warrior, \$600K FTS AUG yrl, 8-5
HALORY HUNTER (Jade Hunter), Rockin Rvr, \$8K, 98/7/0
5-KEE, Alw, 6f, Halory Leigh, 30-1
INDIAN CHARLIE (In Excess {Ire}), Airdrie, \$10K, 149/26/1
5-KEE, Alw, 6f, Crow Jane, \$45K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
TALE OF THE CAT (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$25K, 235/32/5
5-KEE, Alw, 6f, Baby Lets Cruise, \$170K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
10-OP, Stk, 1 1/16m, My Trusty Cat, \$130K KEE SEP yrl, 2-1
TRAITOR (Cryptoclearance), Meadowbrook, \$6K, 62/8/0
4-HAW, Alw, 1m, Megoman, \$2K KEE JAN yrl, 2-1

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Whittingham To Be Remembered Sunday:

Santa Anita will honor the memory of Charlie Whittingham Sunday, on what would have been the Hall of Fame trainer's 90th birthday. Memorabilia from the trainer's career will be on display on the Main Line of the grandstand and there will be a video presentation of some of his major victories at Santa Anita. Whittingham died of leukemia in 1999.

Twilight Racing Returns Tonight:

Santa Anita will offer twilight racing on the final two Fridays of the meeting, this evening and again on Apr. 18. First post time is 3 p.m.

Yesterday's Results:

1st-SAX, \$38,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, f, 2f, :21 3/5, ft.
+ INTUITIONAL (f, 2, State Performer--Woman's Intuition, by Bolger), sent off at 9-1, was quickly into stride and found the wire a half-length in front of Siphonette (Siphon {Brz}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$22,800.
O-E W & Judy Johnston. B-Old English Rancho (CA). T-Donald Warren.

★ ON THE RADAR ★

FRIDAY'S ENTRIES

2nd-KEE, Msw, a7f, post time: 1:45 p.m. EDT
BLAZING FREEDOM (c, 3, Gone West--Drums of Freedom, by Green Forest) B-Edmund J Loder (Ky).

Blazing Freedom, a \$460,000 KEESEP yearling, ran a good second sprinting six furlongs in his bow at Gulfstream Park Mar. 22. The bay is a full to Proud Citizen, who won the Gil Lexington S. last year and was runner-up in both the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. He adds Lasix for this one and will be the one to beat coming from Bill Mott's shedrow.

7th-GPX, Msw, 6f, post time: 5:50 p.m. EDT
+ VAYAMOS (c, 4, Deputy Minister--Turk o Witz, by Stop the Music) B-Alex G Cambell (Ky).

The homebred Vayamos, trained by Alison Register, makes his belated career debut at four years of age, but has plenty in his pedigree to suggest he might go on to bigger and better things. The chestnut is a full to GISW Mr Purple, who won the Santa Anita H. and banked \$1,134,018; a half to MGISW Queens Court Queen (Lyphard), as well as a half to two other stakes winners. Jockey Jose Velez gets the call.

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★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Jebal Surraaj, c, 3, **Gone West**. See "Britain"
Ballyhurry, g, 6, **Rubiano--Balakhna** (Fr) (GSP-Fr), by Tyrant. Musselburgh, 4-10, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1mT. B-John Hettinger. *\$60,000 wnlg '97 FTKNOV.

IN DUBAI:

Babylon's Hero, c, 3, **Unbridled's Song--Mz. Mazuma** (SP), by Robyn Dancer. Nad al Sheba, 4-10, Mdn, 1700m, 1:43.09. B-Glencrest Farm. *\$55,000 2yo '02 OBSJUN.
Al Ash Hab, c, 4, **Dixieland Band--Meteor Cap** (SW), by Capote. Nad al Sheba, 4-10, Hcp, 1800m, 1:48.47. B-Gaineway Thoroughbred Ltd. *\$720,000 yrl '00 KEEJUL.
San Salvador, g, 6, **Dayjur--Sheer Gold** (MSP, \$232,449), by Cutlass. Nad al Sheba, 4-10, Hcp, 1200m, 1:10.93. B-D Earl Pardue. *\$42,000 wnlg '97 KEENOV; 42,000gns yrl '98 TATHOU.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Derby Contest Offers \$5-Million Prize:

Churchill Downs is offering a new on-line contest which challenges fans to pick the exact order of finish for the May 3 Kentucky Derby to win \$5 million. Contestants can register now for the free contest at www.kentuckyderby.com. Selections may be made starting Apr. 30 at 7 p.m. until 5:45 p.m. on Derby day. The payoff will be \$5 million if the Derby field consists of 15 or more horses. The winning payoff drops to \$1 million if the field is fewer than 15 horses and \$50,000 if the field is fewer than 12 runners. Multiple winners will split the prize money. "The Kentucky Derby \$5 Million Pay Day is an attention-grabbing contest with a life-altering prize," said Karl Schmitt, Jr, president of Churchill Downs Simulcast Network which developed and will administer the contest. "It's a fantastic way to reach out to veteran horseplayers, casual race fans and to millions of people in the United States and abroad who haven't been exposed to our sport."

UPCOMING GRADED STAKES

Date	Race	Track
4-12	GI Wood Memorial	Aqueduct
	GI Toyota Blue Grass S.	Keeneland
	GI Carter H.	Aqueduct
	GII Arkansas Derby	Oaklawn
	GIII Bay Shore S.	Aqueduct
4-13	GIII Shakertown S.	Keeneland
	GII Commonwealth BC S.	Keeneland
	GIII Jenny Wiley S.	Keeneland



★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Musselburgh, 4.25, Mdn, £8,380, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:52.13, gd/fm.
JEBAL SURAAJ (c, 3, **Gone West--Trishyde {GSW & MGISP, \$470,326}**), by **Nureyev**), second in a one-mile maiden at Ascot Mar. 29, was soon at the head of affairs at a comfortable pace. The 2-5 favourite was pushed along with three furlongs remaining and needed strong riding throughout the final quarter mile to beat Millagros (Ire) (Pennekamp) by 3½ lengths. The winner was a \$20,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £7,507.
 O-Mohammed Rashid; B-B Wayne Hughes; T-Mark Johnston.

★ ITALY ★

DETTORI TO HERRERA'S AID

Frankie Dettori's visit to Pisa last Sunday proved a fruitless one in the saddle, but the native Italian more than justified his trip home as he played a key role in helping to raise money for Augustin Herrera, the Dominican jockey who was in a coma for several weeks after a fall at Rome last year. Herrera needs extensive rehabilitation treatment, which is not covered by his jockey's insurance scheme, so Dettori was on hand to host a charity dinner for his benefit. Dettori's whip, carried aboard **Moon Ballad (Ire)** (Singspiel {Ire}) when winning the G1 Dubai World Cup, was auctioned for €5,000, part of a total €20,000 raised for Herrera. Anyone wishing to contribute to Herrera's continuing treatment can do so at (account name) Soc. Alfea-Herrera, (bank) Cassa di Risparmio di Pisa Sede Centrale, (account number) 110101350, ABI 06255 CAB 14011.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN DUBAI:

Opportunist (Ire), c, 4, **Machiavellian--Fatefully** (MSW-Eng), by Private Account. Nad al Sheba, 4-10, Hcp, 1500m, 1:29.61. B-Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd.
Walmooch (GB), h, 7, **In the Wings (GB)--Walimu** (Ire), by Top Ville (Ire). Nad al Sheba, 4-10, Hcp, 1600mT, 1:40.34. B-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum. *1/2 to Ameerat (GB) (Mark of Esteem {Ire}), G1SW-Eng, \$290,082.



MIDDLE EAST



★ DUBAI ★

Yesterday's Results:

NAD AL SHEBA GOLD CUP-Prestige, Dhs350,000, Nad Al Sheba, 4-10, 4yo/up, 3200mT, 3:22.74, fm.

1--**KAYSERI (IRE)**, 118, c, 4, **Alzao--Ms Calera**, by **Diesis (GB)**. O/B-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; T-A Smith; J-G Hind; Dhs210,000. *GSP-Eng.

2--**Celtic Silence (GB)**, 131, c, 5, Celtic Swing (GB)--Smart n' Noble, by Smarten. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Maktoum Al Maktoum; B-P D Savill; Dhs70,000.

3--**Clodion (Ire)**, 124, h, 7, Nikos (GB)--Didia Clara (Fr) by Sea Break (Ire). O-Sheikh Rashid bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Claude Cohen; Dhs35,000.

Margins: NK, 9 1/4, 2 1/4.

Unraced since finishing a good fifth in the Al Rashidiya Prep in January, Kayseri proved the three-month absence did him no harm here as he dug deep in the final 200 meters to fend off the hard-charging Celtic Silence for the win. Kayseri was always prominent as the pacesetters led the way through honest fractions, and the bay looked as if he might run away with it as he took control shortly after turning for home. Celtic Silence made it interesting, however, with a good run from the back of the pack, but Kayseri had enough in the tank to assure victory. "[This] race was always part of his program, but we couldn't get a run for him," said winner conditioner Allan Smith. "We entered and declared him a number of times, but kept getting balloted out." Smith indicated Kayseri might be aimed towards a summer campaign in England.

BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-KEE, \$50,540, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1 3/16mT, 2:01 2/5, gd.

SPANISH SPUR (GB) (h, 5, Indian Ridge {Ire}--Las Flores {Ire} {G1SP-Ity & SP-GB}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime Record: 16-2-6-1, \$75,257. O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge (GB). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

7th-SAX, \$70,070, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16, ft.

R. BAGGIO (h, 5, Chimes Band--Taj Aire {SW}, by Taj Alriyadh) Lifetime Record: SW, 19-4-5-4, \$208,640. O-Frank Lewkowitz; B-John William & Doris Konecny (KY); T-Adam Kitchingman. *\$46,000 yrl '99 WASSEP.

7th-AQU, \$44,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:53 1/5, my.
HOLLYWOOD PRINCESS (f, 3, Tomorrows Cat--Starring Monique, by Risen Star) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$70,920. O/B-Donald & R Mary Zuckerman, as Tenants by the Entireties (NY). T-Mark Hennig. *\$65,000 wlng '00 KEENOV.

7th-BMX, \$39,188, 4-9, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37 3/5, fm.
SUNSET SERENADE (m, 5, General Meeting--Royal Blue Bell, by Sharpen Up {GB}) Lifetime Record: 19-5-4-4, \$149,345. O-Nico Nierenberg. B-Mr & Mrs John C Mabee (CA). T-Patrick Gallagher.

8th-OPX, \$32,000, 4-9, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39 4/5, ft.
TOUR'S ENERGY (f, 4, Tour D'Or--Potential Energy, by Rajab) Lifetime Record: 19-3-4-1, \$71,950. O/T-Daniel G Switzer. B-Luann Baker (FL).

4th-PIM, \$26,000, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, ft.
SISTER JEAN (f, 3, Two Punch--Foolish Dancer, by Smarten) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$32,340. O/B-William M Steinbuch Jr (PA). T-Gary Capuano. *Full to Jest Punching, MSW, \$358,208

7th-PIM, \$26,000, NW2L, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5, ft.
GOLDENALDEN'S CARD (c, 4, Press Card--Golden Alden, by John Alden) Lifetime Record: 15-2-1-3, \$42,270. O-Hal C B Clagett III. B-Jeanne F & Hal C B Clagett (MD). T-Karel A Ridder.

9th-CTX, \$20,000, 4-9, NW3L, 3yo, 4 1/2f, :51 3/5, my.
CAREER RUN (c, 3, Cherokee Run--Career Move, by Rare Performer) Lifetime Record: 9-3-4-0, \$51,760. O-Scuderia Montese Stable. B-Dr Doug Byars & Peter Blum (KY). T-Rmndo Schiano-Dicola. *\$40,000 yrl '01 FTKJUL.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bugsy Marrone, f, 2, Bold Badgett--Bugged, by Lost Code. SAX, 4-10, (S), 2f, :21 3/5. B-Old English Rancho/McKuen (Ca).

Can I Call You Dad, f, 3, Corslew--Miss Superstar, by Mercedes Won. BMX, 4-10, 1mT, 1:36 4/5. B-Dr Robert Domush, Brent Sumja & Clay Murdock (Ca).

Silkworth, f, 3, Distinctive Pro--Status Quo, by Strawberry Road (Aus). AQU, 4-10, (S), 7f, 1:25 4/5. B-Foxrace Farm (NY).

Wed in Dixie, f, 3, Dixie Brass--Merry Me Mary, by Baldski. AQU, 4-10, (S), 7f, 1:25 1/5. B-JP Racing Stable (NY). *\$18,000 yrl '01 FTNAUG.



+ **Mist On Moon Hill**, f, 3, **Double Honor**--Hold the Dream, by Hold Your Peace. SAX, 4-9, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5. B-Mary Jane & Elizabeth S Hunt (Fl). *\$150,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR. **1/2 to Captain Video (Stalwart), MSW, \$180,985; and A Penny Saved (Pentelicus), MSW, \$129,294.

Honorable World, f, 3, **Double Honor**--World Predictions, by World Appeal. GPX, 4-10, (C), 6f, 1:13 2/5. B-Farnsworth Farms (Fl).

Whosoeverbelieveth, f, 4, **Beau's Leader**--Sucha Who, by Sucha Pleasure. OPX, 4-9, (S), 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Jim & Brenda Labiak (Ar).

Mr. Value, c, 4, **Moscow Ballet**--Shayne McGuire (SW, \$130,890), by Mickey McGuire. SAX, 4-9, (C), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Harris Farms Inc (Ca). *Full to Teresa Mc, GSW, \$302,945; and Mr. Thrifty, SW, \$243,743.

Dipper's Dancer, f, 4, **Rinka Das**--Double Dipper, by Sir Raleigh. PIM, 4-10, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Charles Haugh (Md).

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITION RESULTS:

ITALY, Florence, 5.25, Cond, €11,475, 3yo, 6fT, time: n/a, hy.

SECRET LIVE (IRE) (f, 3, Mukaddamah--Secreto Kiss, by Secreto) Lifetime Record: 9 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €28,305. O-Scuderia Gianni Daniele SRL; B-Scuderia di Falchetti Annuziata; T-Ivano Bugattella.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS

Ali's Oasis (GB), c, 2, Ali-Royal (Ire)--Miss Walsh (GB), by Distant Relative (Ire). Musselburgh, Britain, 4-10, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-Mrs C A Brown. *2,500gns yrl '02 DONJAN; 6,500gns yrl '02 DONOCT.

Micky Thin (GB), c, 2, Prince Sabo (GB)--Walsham Witch (GB), by Music Maestro (GB). Brighton, Britain, 4-10, Mdn, 2yo, 5f 59ydsT. B-J R Mitchell & Beechgrove Stud Farm Ltd. *1,800gns wnlg '01 TATDEC; 11,000gns yrl '02 DONSEP.

Kristoffersen (GB), c, 3, Kris (GB)--Towaahi (Ire), by Caerleon. Brighton, Britain, 4-10, Mdn, 3yo, 7f 214ydsT. B-Five Horses Ltd.



FOALING NEWS

PULSATILLA, 8, Gone West--Peggibonsi (Proud Truth) Foal born Feb. 26, a filly by Forestry. Will be bred back to Dynaformer. Owned by Robert S Evans. Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, KY. Accomplishments: SW.



WRITERS UP

O'BRIEN UNVEILS PLANS by Tom Frary

Trainer Aidan O'Brien opened his doors on the new-look Ballydoyle yesterday which features the 24-box Giant's Causeway yard where **Hold That Tiger** (Storm Cat) and **Statue of Liberty** (Storm Cat) rub shoulders with **Hawk Wing** (Woodman) and **High Chaparral (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells). O'Brien was on hand to talk about plans for his horses for 2003 as they galloped on a beautiful spring morning in the idyllic County Tipperary setting. Working under Pat Lillis, Hold That Tiger was led in his work by **Shoal Creek (Ire)** (Fairy King) while High Chaparral enjoyed a lead from **Ice Dancer (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) with Hawk Wing exercising in the company of **Cougar (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells). A host of other stable stars were also in action, including G1 Epsom Derby possibles **Brian Boru (GB)** (Sadler's Wells) and **Alberto Giacometti (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells). It looks unlikely at the moment that O'Brien will send runners to England before Newmarket's Guineas meeting with concerns surrounding the equine flu scare that has affected Newmarket in particular. "We are afraid of the sickness, we had enough of that last year so it's possible they won't go to the Craven meeting [next week]." the trainer explained. The Ballydoyle conditioner talked at length about his stable stars individually:

THREE-YEAR-OLD COLTS

HOLD THAT TIGER, by Storm Cat

1st Dam: **Beware of the Cat (SW & GSP, \$164,094), by Caveat**

2nd Dam: **T.C Kitten, by Tom Cat**

3rd Dam: **Needlebug, by Needles**

(\$1,100,000 wnl '00 KEENOV)

B-Ten Broeck Farm (Ky)

"He came out of his work at the Curragh last Sunday very well and Mick [Kinane] was happy with him. He is big and strong and has plenty of pace. What happened with the stalls last year [in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile] was my fault. We'd been teaching him to relax and come out steady because he's the sort of horse that if you wanted him to run he would. We'll see how he runs in the [G1 2000] Guineas and he's a possible for Epsom. Although his half brother [Editor's Note] won the Belmont, you couldn't be sure he was going to get that trip until he runs, as he is a horse with a lot of pace. The Preakness is a possibility, but so is the Irish [2000] Guineas and the [G1] Epsom Derby [June 7]."

ALBERTO GIACOMETTI (IRE), by Sadler's Wells

1st Dam: **Sweeten Up (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Honeybeta (GB), by Habitat**

3rd Dam: **Attica Meli (GB), by Primera (GB)**

B-Orpendale (Ire)



Alberto Giacometti (Ire) cont.

"Last year he was showing me five- to six-furlong pace, which is very unusual for a Sadler's Wells. I had him with the early two-year-olds, but he pulled a muscle. He then came back off a seven-furlong maiden win and won a G1 [Criterium de Saint-Cloud] over 1 1/4 miles in very bad ground. He's been working very well and there's no doubt he is a good ground horse. We time all our gallops, we have sectional timing for every furlong of our work, and there is only a fraction between him and Brian Boru over seven furlongs, with both working very comfortably."

BRIAN BORU (GB), by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: Eva Luna (Hwt. Older Mare-GB at 14+ f, GSW-GB, \$101,748), by Alleged
2nd Dam: Media Luna (GB), *Star Appeal
3rd Dam: Sounion (GB), by Vimy (Fr)
B-Juddmonte Farms (GB)

"I'm very happy with him. He's done everything we've asked him to do. I forgot to enter him in the [G3] Ballysax S., but that may be good because now we can work after racing* and we will be able to compare him with Alberto Giacometti. Then we have the [G3] Derrinstown Derby Trial [at Leopardstown May 11] and we'll see what happens after that. He and Alberto Giacometti are working like two very good colts.

**Brian Boru is due to work 10 furlongs after racing at Leopardstown this Sunday and O'Brien is hoping that the racecourse executive will allow Brian Boru and a limited number of stablemates to exercise under race conditions including starting from stalls with the work being officially timed.*

STATUE OF LIBERTY, by [Storm Cat](#)

1st Dam: Charming Lassie, by Seattle Slew
2nd Dam: Lassie Dear, by Buckpasser
3rd Dam: Gay Missile, by Sir Gaylord
 (\$1,300,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)
B-W S Farish & W S Kilroy (Ky)

"He bruised a shoulder last year so have given him as much time to recover as we can and haven't rushed him. He could run in the [G1] Irish 2000 Guineas [Curragh May 24], but if he doesn't make that he could go to [Royal] Ascot. We're hoping he'd stay a mile, but he has a lot of pace and could end up back at six furlongs. We could look at the Mozart route for him."

TOMAHAWK, by Seattle Slew

1st Dam: Statuette (GSW, \$341,658), by Pancho Villa
2nd Dam: Mine Only, by Mr. Prospector
3rd Dam: Mono, by Better Self
 (\$2,500,000 yrl '01 KEEJUL). *B-Peter E Blum (Ky)*

"He came out of his first run well and goes for the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau at Longchamp [April 20]. We're just looking at the French [2000] Guineas [Longchamp May 11] for him as last year at Newmarket, going into 'the dip', he just became a little bit unbalanced."

VAN NISTELROOY, by [Storm Cat](#)

1st Dam: Halory, by Halo
2nd Dam: Cold Reply, by Northern Dancer
3rd Dam: Respond, by Canadian Champ
 (\$6,400,000 yrl '01 KEESEP). *B-Stonerside Stables (Ky)*

"Van Nistelrooy's had a few little setbacks, but he and some others might be racing in the U.S.A. this year. We could go for the Preakness, the Belmont or the Travers."

CATCHER IN THE RYE (IRE), by [Danehill](#)

1st Dam: Truly a Dream (Ire) (GSW-Fr & NA, \$336,196), by Darshaan (GB)
2nd Dam: Truly Special (Ire), by Caerleon
3rd Dam: Artique Royale (Ire), by Royal and Regal
 (FF4,900,000 yrl '01 DEAAUG). *B-Kilfrush Stud Ltd (Ire)*

"He could have another run before the [G1] Irish 2000 Guineas, possibly in the [G3] Tetrarch S. [Curragh Apr. 27]."

DELACROIX, by [Gulch](#)

1st Dam: Line of Thunder (G1SP-GB, \$115,913), by Storm Bird
2nd Dam: Shoot a Line (GB), by High Line (GB)
3rd Dam: Death Ray (GB), by Tamerlane (GB)
B-Fontainebleu Farm

"He wants fast ground and has worked well."

O'Brien also has what he terms "hidden horses who we have always thought a lot of" among his three-year-olds. These include **Atticus (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells), a brother to dual Derby winner Galileo (Ire); **Solskjaer (Ire)** (Danehill); and **Middlemarch (Ire)** (Grand Lodge).

THREE-YEAR-OLD FILLIES

YESTERDAY (IRE), by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: Jude (GB), by Darshaan (GB)
2nd Dam: Alruccaba (Ire), by Crystal Palace (Fr)
3rd Dam: Allara (GB), by Zeddaan (GB)
B-Premier Bloodstock (Ire)

"She was always the filly that stuck out last year and she started to come together at the end of the season. If it's safe ground at Newmarket she'll run in the [G1] 1000 Guineas [May 4], but I would love a little ease in the ground for her. I have always said if that went well then we would look at the [G1] Irish 1000 Guineas [Curragh May 25] and then the [G1] Oaks [Epsom June 6]."

L'ANCRESSÉ (IRE), by Darshaan (GB)

1st Dam: Solo de Lune (Ire) (SP-Ger), by Law Society
2nd Dam: Truly Special (Ire), by Caerleon
3rd Dam: Artique Royale (Ire), by Royal and Regal
B-Britton House Stud Ltd (Ire)

"She runs in the [Listed] Leopardstown 1000 Guineas Trial on Sunday, but she looks more like an Oaks-type filly at the moment."



OLDER HORSES

HIGH CHAPARRAL (IRE), by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: Kasora (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)

2nd Dam: Kozana (GB), by Kris (GB)

3rd Dam: Koblenza (Fr), by Hugh Lupus (Fr)

(270,000gns yrl '00 TATHOU). B-S Coughlan (Ire)

"He could go for the [G1] Lockinge S. [Newbury May 17] if there's ease in the ground as that would make it a stiff mile. He is a horse that we always thought went on fast ground, but you wouldn't want him to do it in his first race. He's in great form and Mick [Kinane] is very happy with him. He's big and strong physically, but a lot of older horses in training wouldn't have had as hard a three-year-old campaign as him."

MILAN (GB), by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: Kithanga (Ire) (Hwt. Older Mare-GB at 14+f, GSW-GB & G1SP-Ire, \$100,693), by Darshaan (GB)

2nd Dam: Kalata (Ire), by Assert (Ire)

3rd Dam: Kalkeen (Ire), by Sheshoon (GB)

(650,000gns yrl '99 TATHOU). B-Fittocks Stud (GB)

"He's coming on grand and he has an entry in the Mooresbridge S. [Curragh Apr. 27]. He's a horse open to an awful lot of races and he could even turn into a 'Cup' horse. He has a lot of quality. He had a spiral fracture of a cannon bone last year, but rather than have it pinned it was allowed to heal naturally in a cast, so he has taken a lot longer to get back."

HAWK WING, by [Woodman](#)

1st Dam: La Lorgnette (Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, GSW, \$488,610), by Val de l'Orne (Fr)

2nd Dam: The Temptress, by Nijinsky II

3rd Dam: *La Sevillana, by Court Harwell (GB)

(\$225,000 wnl '99 KEENOV; \$300,000 yrl '00 FTSAUG) B-Hill 'n' Dale Farm (Ky)

"He's doing great and working well. He is entered in the Mooresbridge as well as Milan and if he doesn't run in that he could run in the [G1] Tattersalls Gold Cup [Curragh May 25] or the Lockinge."

FOALING NEWS:

TRAMPOLI, 14, Trempolino--Luth de Saron (Fr) (Luthier {Fr})

Foal born Feb. 27, a filly by Silver Deputy.

Will be bred back to Silver Deputy.

Owned by Foxfield.

Boarded at Trackside Farm, KY.

Accomplishments: MGSW & GISP-US, GSW-Fr, \$640,575.

EAST IS EAST, 5, Gone West--Grease (Ire) (Filiberto)

Foal born Feb. 28, a filly by Gilded Time.

Will be bred back to Capote.

Owned by/boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW.

TWO-YEAR-OLDS

The two-year-olds were also on display and, in one particular formation, the strength of the O'Brien juvenile hand was highlighted by the Storm Cat freshman sandwiched between a pair of Sadler's Wells' and a pair of Danehills. Whilst O'Brien stressed that it is hard to pick out any in particular he gave favourable mention to the colt **Grand Reward** ([Storm Cat](#)--Serena's Song), a brother to Sophisticat. Another colt bound to attract plenty of attention is **Rock of Cashel (Ire)** ([Danehill](#)--Offshore Boom {Ire}), a brother to none other than Rock of Gibraltar. Other two-year-olds of note include **Moscow Ballet (Ire)** ([Sadler's Wells](#)) and **Colossus (Ire)** ([Danehill](#)), who, according to O'Brien, "could be a Royal Ascot horse who we thought would come on a bit for his first run."

O'Brien also pointed out: "Next year we might start a little earlier with the horses that are going to America as everyone says you need preps to run in the [G1] Kentucky Derby. We rushed them back a little bit last year after they had been ill so then we had to give them a longer break in the winter. If we had gone on training them like American horses, we'd have had no horses left for the spring."

HOW THEY GOT THERE: KENTUCKY DERBY WINNERS' PREPS SINCE 1980

<u>Year</u>	<u>Winner</u>	<u>Last Prep</u>
2002	War Emblem	1st, Illinois Derby
2001	Monarchos	2nd, Wood Memorial
2000	Fusaichi Pegasus	1st, Wood Memorial
1999	Charismatic	1st, Coolmore Lexington
1998	Real Quiet	2nd, Santa Anita Derby
1997	Silver Charm	2nd, Santa Anita Derby
1996	Grindstone	2nd, Arkansas Derby
1995	Thunder Gulch	4th, Blue Grass
1994	Go for Gin	2nd, Wood Memorial
1993	Sea Hero	4th, Blue Grass
1992	Lil E. Tee	2nd, Arkansas Derby
1991	Strike the Gold	1st, Blue Grass
1990	Unbridled	3rd, Blue Grass
1989	Sunday Silence	1st, Santa Anita Derby
1988	Winning Colors	1st, Santa Anita Derby
*1987	Alysheba	DQ-1st, Blue Grass
1986	Ferdinand	3rd, Santa Anita Derby
1985	Spend a Buck	1st, Garden State S.
1984	Swale	2nd, Lexington
1983	Sunny's Halo	1st, Arkansas Derby
1982	Gato del Sol	2nd, Blue Grass
1981	Pleasant Colony	1st, Wood Memorial
1980	Genuine Risk	3rd, Wood Memorial

*Alysheba finished first in the '87 Blue Grass, but was DQ'd to third.