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Weekend Recap**  
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**A GOLDEN BRIGADIER**

**Sights on Gold (Ire)** (Indian Ridge {GB}) stayed clear of the traffic which plagued **Parasol (Ire)** (Halling) and gamely held off the favorite to take yesterday's G3 Brigadier Gerard S. at Sandown. Sights on Gold was a progressive sophomore last term under the care of Dermot Weld, winning the Listed Kiltarnan S. at Leopardstown in September. Acquired by Godolphin, he showed he had gone forward when finishing runner-up to Ipi Tombe (Zim) in the Jebel Hatta at Nad al Sheba Mar. 8. Sixth behind that filly in the G1 Dubai Duty Free back at that track Mar. 29, he suggested that he may have a profitable European turf campaign ahead of him with a fluent score in this competitive contest. Settled in a stalking second by Frankie Dettori in the early stages yesterday, he was in the firing line when the sprint began at the quarter-mile marker. Quickening decisively there, he was pushed out to hold the late thrust of Parasol, who hung fire in the closing stages under Jamie Spencer. "He might go for Royal Ascot but he really needed this race and he will come on a lot for it," trainer Saeed bin Suroor said of the winner. "He will be a nice horse this season over 1 1/4 and 1 1/2 miles." Parasol will be aimed at the G2 Hardwicke S. at Royal Ascot June 21, according to trainer David Loder, who said, "Jamie said that if he had been able to get a clear run, then he would have won, but that's racing and it happens at Sandown all the time."

**betfair.com BRIGADIER GERARD S.-G3**, £50,000, Sandown, 5-27, 4yo/up, 10f 7ydsT, 2:07.68, gd/fm. 1--@SIGHTS ON GOLD (IRE), 122, c, 4, by Indian Ridge (GB)

1st Dam: Summer Trysting, by Alleged

2nd Dam: Seasonal Pickup, by The Minstrel

3rd Dam: Bubinka, by Nashua

O-Godolphin; B-Moyglare Stud Farm; T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Frankie Dettori; £29,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-UAE, 13-4-4-2, £142,324.

2--**Parasol (Ire)**, 122, c, 4, Halling--Bunting (GB), by Shaadi. O/B-Mohammed Jumah al Nabouda; £11,000.

3--**Indian Creek (GB)**, 125, h, 5, Indian Ridge (Ire)--Blue Water, by Bering (GB). (46,000gns yrl '99 TATOCT).

O-Seymour Cohn; B-Rebecca Philipps; £5,500.

Margins: HF, 1HF, SHD. Odds: 7-1, 5-2, 9-2.

Also ran: Izdiham (Ire), Bourgainville (GB), Island Sound (GB), Ulundi (GB), Rainbow End (GB).

**Rising Star on the horizon for  
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**UNBRIDLED BEAUTY** wins by 7 1/2 first time out for owners Robert & Beverly Lewis.

"UNBRIDLED BEAUTY, produced by a full sister to champion sprinter Housebuster, was acquired for \$750,000 as a yearling at FTSAUG. After posting three straight bullet works, including a :46 2/5 half at Churchill May 19, the word was out on the dark grey and she went postward as the 1-2 choice." —TDN, 5/27/03

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**Belmont Hopfuls Work**

G1 Preakness S. runner-up **Midway Road** (Jade Hunter), still possible for the June 7 G1 Belmont S., worked four furlongs Tuesday at Churchill Downs in :48.60. "He went real well and galloped out real good," said trainer Neil Howard. "He's doing good. We're still on the fence about what we're doing about the Belmont, but we should have a decision [on the Belmont] pretty soon." Howard said a decision on Midway Road's participation in the Belmont would likely be made Sunday or Monday. Also working at Churchill



**Midway Road** Horsephotos

yesterday, **Scrimshaw** (Gulch), third in the Preakness, breezed five furlongs in 1:01.20 under regular exercise rider Stacy Maker. "I was looking for something in 1:01, so he did exactly what I wanted," trainer D. Wayne Lukas said of the GII Coolmore Lexington S. winner. The Hall of Fame conditioner admitted, "He'll have to step up in the Belmont. He's getting tighter and fitter everyday and he's coming to hand very well. I don't know how things will work out in the Belmont, but the race is a big enough plum to run in. He's got good tactical speed and that's very important in the Belmont."

GII Illinois Derby winner **Ten Most Wanted** (Deputy Commander) worked seven furlongs at Hollywood Park yesterday in 1:25, according to trainer Wally Dollase. "Very good," Dollase said of the drill. "Couldn't have gone better. We've been pretty lucky with the weather out here and we haven't missed any training. Everything is right on schedule." The colt is expected to ship to Belmont June 3.

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**FROM THE DESK OF...**  
 Bill Oppenheim 

**SIX WINNERS, ONE SECOND**

There were some standout performances, including one in defeat--I need hardly tell you who she is--over the Memorial Day/Bank Holiday weekend. Let's review a few of the major results and consider their ramifications. In chronological order, the weekend's six biggest races were:

**Saturday:** G1 Irish 2000 Guineas, 3yo, colts, 1m, The Curragh: It's still debatable how good this year's crop of three-year-old mile colts is in Europe, but three of the first four in this race had contested the English 2000. The soft ground probably put paid to the chances of Mick Kinane's selected, Tomahawk (Seattle Slew), and English 2000 second Zafeen (Zafonic), but impressive Free H. winner and English 2000 also-ran Indian Haven scored another big soft-ground win for his sire Indian Ridge. French 2000 fourth France, from Desert Prince's first crop (as is impressive Heron S. winner Kalaman), ran a strong second, ahead of last year's Dewhurst winner and English 2000 fourth Tout Seul (Ali-Royal) and another English 2000 also-ran, Saturn. It will all make for an intriguing G1 St. James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot.

**Saturday:** G1 Milady H., 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, Hollywood Park: Nine in a row, now 12-for-13 lifetime, last year's Horse of the Year Azeri was very impressive winning her second straight Milady H. When triple Grade 1 winner and \$1.4-million earner Affluent came to her approaching the stretch turn, Azeri put her away with a decisive change of gear and just motored away. Though trainer Laura de Seroux, in numerous TVG interviews, seemed reluctant to ship Azeri again, with the Breeders' Cup in California this year, the pressure is building for her to take on the boys. The Whitney H. at Saratoga--nine furlongs, her trip--could be a target should connections decide to swing for the fences.

**Sunday - G1 Irish 1000 Guineas, 3yo, f, 1m, The Curragh:** You wouldn't believe it could happen again, but it did. It was obviously Six Perfections' destiny not to win a Guineas, and, sure enough, new jockey Johnny Murtagh contrived to let her be boxed in just long enough for the great Mick Kinane to grab a decisive two-length lead at the furlong pole on Yesterday and hold off Six Perfections by a head. The winner established herself among the top echelon of a particularly good crop of three-year-old fillies up to a mile in Europe, and now heads to Epsom as the Oaks favorite. English 1000 winner Russian Rhythm goes to the Coronation at Royal Ascot.

**Monday: G2 Temple S., 3/up, 5f, Sandown:** Another member of that top-flight club of three-year-old fillies is Airwave, the filly by Air Express who closed out 2002 with a decisive win over Russian Rhythm in the G1 Cheveley Park S. Russian Rhythm's seasonal reappearance, the English 1000 Guineas, worked out well, and so did Airwave's. Carrying a seven-pound penalty for her Group 1 win last year, she broke last but ultimately coasted home an easy winner over older males at Sandown Monday. She is a Banker for Royal Ascot: barring misfortune, she will win the G2 King's Stand S.

**Monday: G1 Met Mile, 3yo/up, 1m, Belmont:** The Niarchos family enjoyed some consolation for Six Perfections' defeat when frequent bridesmaid Aldebaran had a speed duel (between Congaree and Najran, as many predicted) in front of him, and he and the oft-maligned Saarland (Unbridled) charged from the rear to run one-two in the prestigious Met Mile. Much whistling, clapping, and stamping of feet was heard in the offices of Darby Dan Farm, which has secured the services of Aldebaran as a stallion.

**Monday: GIII Kentucky Breeders' Cup, 2yo, 5 1/2f, Churchill Downs:** This looked competitive on paper, but the crowd didn't think so, and bet Cuvee, a Carson City colt trained by Steve Asmussen for the Winchell family, down to 3-5. Carson City has always been a very good two-year-old sire (he has an impressive 2.74 two-year-old ABC Runner rating), and this colt won mighty easily. You'll be hearing plenty more of him, it's to be hoped.

# Arch *KY Top 5 Second-Crop Sire by Percentage of Winners*

**Recent Updates:**

- 5/22 **First 2YO Starter, J STAR, Wins Debut by Daylight at Pimlico**
- 5/24 **TRUSTEE MAN Wins 3YO Maiden Special at Belmont**
- 5/26 **Second 2YO Starter, OLD FASHION GIRL, Second in MSW Debut**

  
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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE  
PERSPECTIVES**

*by Alan Porter*

**GAMELY BREEDERS' CUP H.-GI**, \$421,000, HOL, 5-26, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:46 4/5, fm.

1--▲ **TATES CREEK**, 122, m, 5, by **Rahy**

1st Dam: **Viviana (MSW & GSP-Fr)**, by **Nureyev**

2nd Dam: **Nijinsky Star**, by **Nijinsky II**

3rd Dam: **Chris Evert**, by **Swoon's Son**

O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY); T-Robert Frankel; J-P A Valenzuela; \$263,400. Lifetime Record: 14-10-2-0, \$1,121,007. \*1/2 to Sightseek (Distant View),

GISW, \$539,866. Click for the [brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) chart or

the [free brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) catalogue-style pedigree.

With wins in five of her last six starts, all but one in graded stakes competition, **Tates Creek** had proven herself to be one of the best turf fillies in the nation. However, her resume lacked the Grade I victory her performances warranted, and Monday's GI **Gamely H.** looked a tough place to try and change that. Not only was **Tates Creek** coming off a four-month layoff, but she was also carrying joint-top weight in a field of remarkably tough opponents. These included **Tates Creek's** stable companions, **Megahertz (Pivotal)**, winner of the GII **Santa Barbara H.** on her most recent start; **Miss Terrible (Numerous)**, the winner of seven straight Group 1 races in her native Argentina, making her first start in this country; **Dublino (Lear Fan)**, successful in three of her last four starts, and most recently winner of the GIII **Wilshire H.**, while running a mile in 1:33.3; and **Dress to Thrill (Danehill)**, who finished eighth, beaten a little more than five lengths, in the GI **Breeders' Cup Mile** last October before capping off 2002 with a score in the GI **Matriarch H.** in December.

However, **Tates Creek's** blowtorch finish proved equal to the occasion and, after stalking the early pace of **Miss Terrible**, **Tates Creek** took command, and charged home a length ahead of **Dublino**. In doing so, **Tates Creek** became the seventh Grade I winner for her sire, **Rahy**, a level of success which might not have been anticipated when **Rahy** first arrived in North America.

**Rahy** had begun his racing career in England, and shaped like a horse of tremendous promise on his first two juvenile starts, winning a maiden race and the black-type **Sirenia S.** Third in the G2 **Mill Reef S.** next time out, **Rahy** ended the year with a second in the G1 **Middle Park S.**, England's leading two-year-old event over six furlongs. Following the **Middle Park**, **Rahy** was found to have suffered a hairline fracture of a hind pastern. The injury healed sufficiently for **Rahy** to return to the track the following year, but he failed to return to his previous level of form, three starts, all in non-black type events, resulting in one win and one second.

As a four-year-old, **Rahy** campaigned in North America, and after making an initial start on turf, raced on dirt for his final five outings. He certainly appeared to appreciate the change of surface, as on his first three dirt outings, he scored three wide-margin victories, culminating in a 10-length score in the GII **Bel Air H.**, a race which saw him run the mile in 1:33.0. **Rahy** completed his career with seconds to the accomplished **Present Value** in the GIII **Harold C. Ramser Sr. H.** and GIII **Goodwood H.**

When **Rahy** retired to stud, he took with him the luster of a horse who had at least shown a flash of brilliance, and who also owned an outstanding pedigree. A son of **Blushing Groom**, **Rahy** is out of **Glorious Song**, who was not only a champion older mare in the U.S. and a Horse of the Year in Canada, but was also a sister to champion two-year-old **Devil's Bag** (and subsequently **Saint Ballado**, who was foaled in 1989, the year in which **Rahy** concluded his racing career). Events have shown **Glorious Song** to be an exceptional producer of sires, as, in addition to **Rahy**, she has also produced **Rakeen** (by **Northern Dancer**), a champion sire in South Africa, and **Singspiel** (by **In the Wings**), whose first crop includes the G1 **Dubai World Cup** victor, **Moon Ballad**.

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**TATES CREEK**, winner of this weekend's **Gamely Breeders' Cup H.-G1**, is **Rahy's 10<sup>TH</sup> Millionaire** from 10 crops of racing age.

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*(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 3)*

Another factor in Rahy's favor was that he was free of Northern Dancer and Mr. Prospector, the two predominant strains of the era. On paper, the strain of Northern Dancer looked particularly interesting, since Rahy's broodmare sire is Halo, a horse who has the same granddam, Almahmoud, as Northern Dancer. As it has turned out, the impact of breeding mares carrying Northern Dancer close-up in their pedigree to Rahy has been an extremely positive one. Northern Dancer is in the first four generations of the pedigrees of at least 15 of Rahy's graded stakes winners, including Grade I winners *Tates Creek*, *Exotic Wood*, *Fantastic Light*, *Noverre* and *Tranquility Lake*, and in at least 33 of his first 46 unrestricted stakes winners. What's particularly interesting here is that Rahy has worked with a remarkably wide range of Northern Dancer strains, with at least 14 different sons appearing. Despite his diminutive size--he stands 15.1--he has successfully combined with Northern Dancer strains of a very disparate type, working with smaller Northern Dancer strains such as *Nureyev*, *Lyphard* and *Danzig*, right up through to the much more substantial *Nijinsky II*.

*Tates Creek's* dam *Viviana* covers both those extremes, since she is by *Nureyev* out of a mare by *Nijinsky II*, and inbred to Northern Dancer 2x3. This close inbreeding didn't prevent *Viviana* from being a more than useful runner and it hasn't stopped her making an outstanding start as a broodmare. On the track, *Viviana* captured a pair of listed races in France and was also third in G3 *Prix de Psyche*. The second foal of her dam, *Tates Creek* has already been preceded as a Grade I winner by her year younger half sister, *Sightseek*, who achieved that status in this year's GI *Humana Distaff H.* *Sightseek* is a daughter of the Mr. Prospector stallion *Distant View* and has Northern Dancer 5x3x4 through *Lyphard*, *Nureyev* and *Nijinsky II*. Monday was a very good day for *Viviana's* immediate family, as her full sister *Willstar* was represented by *Etoile Montante*, a *Miswaki* filly who gained a first stakes victory in the *Prix des Lilas* at *Compiègne*, after finishing third in the G1 *Poule d'Essai des Pouliches* (French 1000 Guineas) on her previous start.

*Viviana* is also half sister to a pair of stakes winners and producers in the GI *Tidal H.* victress *Revasser* (who is dam of *Viviana's* stakes winning three-parts brother, the *Nureyev* colt, *Dance Dreamer*); and *Hometown Queen*, who was also runner-up in the GI *Kentucky Oaks*, and is dam of the stakes winning and Grade I-placed *Dixieland Band* colt *Bowman's Band*. *Viviana's* dam *Nijinsky Star* never ran, but owned an exceptional pedigree, as she was by English Triple Crown winner *Nijinsky II* out of champion and filly Triple Crown winner *Chris Evert*. *Nijinsky Star's* stakes-winning half sister *Six Crowns* produced champion juvenile colt *Chief's Crown* and the Grade I-winning filly *Classic Crown*. *Chris Evert's* dam *Miss Carmie* is also granddam of another outstanding distaff performer in the GI *Kentucky Derby* heroine *Winning Colors*.

We can't leave *Tates Creek* without dispelling one myth about Rahy. With \$724,895-earner *Mariah's Storm* (subsequently dam of *Giant's Causeway*) as the star of his first crop and champion *Serena's Song* and Grade I winner *Exotic Wood* as the best of his second crop, Rahy quickly gained a reputation as a "filly sire." However, a look at his statistics shows that of his first 22 stakes winners, 13 are males and nine females. And, while *Tates Creek's* *Gamely* win tilted the Group/Grade I score in favor of the females, four of whom have scored at this level, the Group/Grade I-winning males include *Fantastic Light* and *Noverre*, two of Rahy's three champions.

**GRADED STAKES NOTE...**The *Red Bank H.*, run at *Monmouth Park* on Saturday, was originally scheduled as a Grade III event. The race was downgraded when it came off the turf. The American Graded Stakes Committee has decided not to reinstate the race's graded status.

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**Yesterday's Results:**

**7th-DEL, \$37,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40 2/5, gd.**

**BROAD HOPES (f, 3, Broad Brush--Fondly Remembered {GISP, \$358,060}, by Skywalker),** off the board in two Gulfstream appearances earlier this winter, returned from a 2 1/2-month freshening to break her maiden in her two-turn debut over trip and track Apr. 29. In her most recent, she lacked a strong closing kick and was forced to settle for the runner-up spot May 13. The 2-1 crowd's pick was well off the pacesetter A Vision in Gray (Two Punch), who had squirted clear by five lengths, but got the jump on that one turning for home and easily accounted for her by 5 1/4 expanding lengths. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$51,880. O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge Jr (KY). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

**5th-CRC, \$23,000, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m (off turf), 1:39 2/5, ft.**

**FIRM REALITY (f, 3, Roy--Firma, by Relaunch),** being treated with Lasix for the first time, wired a field of \$25,000 maiden claimers over Calder's main track Apr. 25. A switch to the grass produced a fifth-place effort May 19, but the filly appeared happy to be back on the dirt in this off-the-turf affair. Off as a 5-1 chance, she took control early, stole away through modest fractions and sprinted clear once asked for the 7 1/4-length success. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$23,080.

O/B-De La Pomme (KY). T-Pablo Andrade.

**Monday Night Results:**

**6th-MNR, \$21,700, Msw, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05 2/5, ft. TRAVELEZE (c, 3, Dayjur--Betty's Nobility, by Mark of Nobility)** was only a neck behind the winner in a six-furlong River Downs maiden May 4 and went off the 8-5 choice to graduate this time. Out front early, the \$7,500 KEENOV weanling maintained a comfortable advantage at every call and cruised home to score by 8 1/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$14,226. O/T-Joe-F Schrage. B-Raising Dust Stables (KY).

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**IN BRITAIN:**

**Jebal Surraj, c, 3, Gone West.** See "Britain"

**Comfy, c, 4, Lear Fan.** See "Britain" for more info.



**SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

**First-time starters/stakes runners: Wednesday, May 28**

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

**ELUSIVE QUALITY** (Gone West), Gainsborough, \$10K, 165/29/11  
4-PHA, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Elusive Honor, \$5K FTK FEB 3yo, 10-1

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 28:**

06-07 \$200,000a **Honeymoon Breeders' Cup**  
H.-II, Hol, 3yo, f, 9fT (200)

06-15 \$300,000a **King Edward Breeders' Cup H.-II, Wo,**  
3yo/up, 9fT (300)

**TOMORROW, THURSDAY, MAY 29:**

06-07 \$150,000a **Bay Meadows Breeders' Cup Sprint-III,**  
BM, 3yo/up, 6f (100)

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**LADY BLACKFOOT DIES** Brick Kiln Stud has announced that top producer **Lady Blackfoot (GB)** (Prince Tenderfoot) has died from foaling complications. The 25-year-old mare's colt by Robellino has been placed on a nurse mare. A stakes winner in Ireland at two, Lady Blackfoot was the dam of **Fanmore** (Lear Fan), a multiple graded-stakes winner in the U.S. who was also the runner-up in both the GI Arlington Million and the GI Hollywood Gold Cup; the stakes-winning **Madame L'Enjoleur** (L'Enjoleur), who placed in two Grade I races; and the talented but quirky **Labeeb (GB)** (Lear Fan), a millionaire who was one of the top turf milers in the U.S. in 1998. At three, Labeeb captured the GI Hollywood Derby, then went on to win the GII Shoemaker Breeders' Cup Mile and the Woodbine Mile and ran third in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile while earning over \$1.4 million. Lady Blackfoot also produced **Alrassaam (GB)** (Zafonic), the highweighted miler in Ireland at four while winning the G2 Budweiser International S. and the G3 Prix Daphnis.

★ BRITAIN ★

**TRADE IS BACK**

**Trade Fair (GB)** (Zafonic) will reappear in Saturday's Listed Cheveley Park Stud King Charles II S. at Newmarket. The Khalid Abdullah-owned colt had been the second favourite for the G1 2000 Guineas over the winter before suffering a burst blood vessel in the lead-up to that Classic. He will return to the track for the first time since finishing third in the G1 Dewhurst S. there in October. "He seems spot-on now and if things are okay, he will go to Newmarket," trainer Roger Charlton told *Racing Post*. "He will have to have one more piece of work, be scoped and so on, but as long as everything is fine, the plan is to run." Meanwhile, Aidan O'Brien has six juveniles entered in the six-furlong maiden on the undercard, including the \$2.5-million purchase **The Mighty Tiger** (Storm Cat), out of MIGSW Clear Mandate (Deputy Minister); Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)'s full brother **Rock of Cashel (Ire)** (Danehill); and **Tumblebrutus** (Storm Cat), a full brother to Giant's Causeway.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**BETFAIR.COM NATIONAL S.-Listed**, £25,000, Sandown, 5-27, 2yo, 5f 6ydsT, 1:00.65, gd/fm.

1--#**RUSSIAN VALOUR (IRE)**, 127, c, 2, by **Fasliyev**

1st Dam: **Vert Val (SW-Fr)**, by **Septieme Ciel**

2nd Dam: **Valthea (Fr)**, by **Antheus**

3rd Dam: \***Green Valley II**, by \***Val de Loir**

O-A Latter & Partners; B-Gestut Sohrehof; T-Mark Johnston; J-Kevin Darley; £14,500. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, £25,163. \*First stakes winner for freshman sire (by Nureyev).

2--**Incise (GB)**, 119, c, 2, Dr Fong--Pretty Sharp (GB), by Interrex. £5,500.

3--**Under My Spell (GB)**, 119, f, 2, Wizard King (GB)--Gagajulu (GB), by Al Hareb. £2,750.

Margins: 1HF, 3, 1 1/4. Odds: 5-1, 6-1, 50-1.

Also ran: Prince of Denmark (Ire), Ma'Soola (GB), Vienna's Boy (Ire), Lualua (GB).

Russian Valour made virtually all to deny a penalty and powered to his first stakes score. Breaking well, he disputed the early lead with Prince of Denmark (Ire) (Danetime {Ire}), but had that rival's measure passing halfway. Though threatened briefly by Incise inside the final quarter, his only concern was his own tendency to hang into the rails, but Kevin Darley was strong in the saddle and kept him straight enough to land the spoils. Russian Valour had veered left in the closing stages of a Windsor conditions event last time May 19, handing the race to Crafty Fancy (Ire), who had a neck verdict at the line. Trainer Mark Johnston will now aim him at the G3 Norfolk S. at Royal Ascot June 19. "He is still a bit big and heavy and still green, but when you get a sprinting two-year-old like this you have got to make hay while the sun shines," Johnston told sportinglife.com. "I wasn't sure about which race we ought to go for at Ascot, but seeing [this race] has made my mind up for the Norfolk, and Kevin agrees." Russian Valour is the first stakes winner for champion Fasliyev, whose unbeaten two-year-old season included a victory in the G3 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot.

**TDN Euro is:**

**England:** Sean Cronin (*CAFE Racing*)  
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**France:** Claude Beniada

**Germany:** Christa Riebel

**Ireland:** Dave Keena

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Another Group winner for **INDIAN RIDGE**

**SIGHTS ON GOLD** won betfair.com Brigadier Gerard Stakes (Gr.3) - Bred by Moyglare Stud Farm

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*(British report cont.)*

**Leicester, 3.30, Cond**, £15,120, 3yo/ up, 7f 9ydsT, 1:24.03, gd.

**COMFY (c, 4, Lear Fan--Souplesse {SW & GSP-Fr}, by Majestic Light)** had been off the track since finishing fifth to Rock of Gibraltar (Ire) in the G1 Dewhurst S. at Newmarket in 2001. He was settled at the rear of the field throughout the early stages by Richard Hughes as Ceepio (Ire) (Pennekamp) attempted to stretch his rivals. Making stealthy progress to wear down that rival with 50 yards remaining, the homebred lived up to his name in the final strides, easing ahead to win by a half-length as the 4-1 second favourite. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, £34,047.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Inc; T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**Sandown, 6.45, Hcp**, £15,000, 3yo, 10f 7ydsT, 2:09.91, gd/fm.

**JEBAL SURAAJ (c, 3, Gone West--Trishyde {GSW & MGISP-US, GSW-Fr, \$470,326}, by Nureyev)**, who took a Musselburgh maiden Apr. 10, was well supported into 3-1 second favouritism. Stalking the early pace under Kevin Darley, he was committed at the quarter-mile marker and, despite veering right in the closing stages, had enough in the tank to hold Tiber (Ire) (Titus Livius {Fr}) by a head. The bay colt was acquired for just \$20,000 as a Keeneland September yearling. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, £17,257.

O-Mohammed Rashid; B-B Wayne Hughes; T-Mark Johnston.

**Sandown, 8.45, Mdn**, £8,975, 3yo/up, 10f 7ydsT, 2:10.78, gd/fm.

+ **PROMOTION (GB) (c, 3, Sadler's Wells--Tempting Prospect {GB} {MSP-GB & SP-Itty}, by Shirley Heights {GB})** tracked the leaders in sixth until making good headway from the home turn. The 2-1 punters' choice was pushed along at the quarter-mile marker, was ridden to challenge at the eighth pole and ran on strongly under a typically forceful Kieren Fallon ride to deny Bagan (Fr) (Rainbow Quest) by a short-head in the final strides. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,834. O/B-The Queen; T-Sir Michael Stoute.

**Leicester, 4.30, Mdn**, £7,360, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:00.02, gd.

+ **CATSTAR (f, 2, Storm Cat--Advancing Star {MGSW & MGISP, \$794,470}, by Soviet Star)**, the second foal from top California sprinter Advancing Star, was sent off the hot 1-7 favourite and took a lead from Rewayaat (GB) (Bahhare) throughout the early stages. Despite running greenly in the final quarter, she got on top of that rival at the eighth pole and asserted to score by two lengths. Catstar went through the ring as a weanling at Keeneland November, but was led out unsold at \$925,000. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,784. O-Sheikh Mohamed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Summer Wind Farm; T-David Loder.

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**Redcar, 4.45, Mdn**, £6,350, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:06.14, gd/fm.

+ **SILENT HEIR (AUS)** (f, 4, **Sunday Silence--Park Heir-ess {Ire}**, by **Sadler's Wells**) lacked market confidence on her debut and was sent off at odds of 14-1. Settled in mid-division throughout the early stages, she arrived at the head of affairs travelling strongly at the quarter-mile marker. Pushed out to assert from there, she had a length to spare over Tango Cat (Tale of the Cat) at the line. A granddaughter of English and Irish champion Park Express (Ire) (Ahoonora {GB}), Silent Heir was a A\$450,000 Inglis Easter yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,127.

O-Carl Holt; B-Arrowleave Joint Venture NSW; T-Jeremy Nosedá.

## ★ FRANCE ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Chantilly, 3.15, Cond**, €32,000, 2yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:06.20, gd/sf.

**ANGISSE (GB)** (f, 2, **Fasliyev--Perfect Alibi {Ire}**, by **Law Society**), third on her only previous start over Maisons-Laffitte's straight five furlongs May 6, soon assumed command and set a modest pace until beyond halfway. The 7-2 second choice was pushed along when challenged at the the eighth pole and ran on well for minimal encouragement thereafter to comfortably account for market choice Veri Star (Fr) (Verglas {Ire}) by a length. Angisse is the sixth winner for her freshman sire (by Nureyev). From the family of U.S. Broodmare of the Year Best in Show, the half sister to Likely Story (Ire) (Night Shift), SW-GB, was a 13,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €20,350.

O-Hubie de Burgh; B-M L Page; T-Richard Gibson.

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**Chantilly, 2.15, Cond**, €29,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT, 2:14.90, gd/sf.

**LIGHT JIG (GB)** (f, 3, **Danehill--Nashmeel {GSW & G1SP-Fr, MGISP-US, \$224,167}**, by **Blushing Groom {Fr}**), third in her debut at Saint-Cloud Mar. 25, was positioned in a stalking fourth until making steady headway once into the home straight. The 29-10 chance was ridden along to challenge approaching the final furlong and ran on strongly late to beat Entendu (Diesis {GB}) by a half-length. She is a half to Lynton (Lyphard), SW-Fr and Battle Dore (Sanglamore), SW & MGSP-Fr. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €18,850. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Pascal Bary.

**Chantilly, 1.45, Cond**, €29,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:09.40, gd/sf.

**MORNING ECLIPSE (GB)** (c, 3, **Zafonic--Hunt the Sun {GB}**, by **Rainbow Quest**), successful on his only other start at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 7, was sent to the lead from the outset and set a considerate pace for the most part. Pushed along when pressed at the quarter-mile marker, the 1-10 favourite was ridden out in the closing stages to safely hold the late rally of Kindjhal (Fr) (Ashkalani {Ire}) by a neck. A half brother to Polish Summer (GB) (Polish Precedent), GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$341,857; and Winter Solstice (GB) (Unfuwain), GSP-Fr, Morning Eclipse is out of a full sister to French champions Raintrap (GB) and Sunshack (GB). Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €23,000.

O-K Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-C Head-Maarek.

**Chantilly, 4.15, Mdn**, €17,000, unraced 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:44.70, gd/sf.

+ **POCHETTINO (IRE)** (c, 3, **Barathea {Ire}--Chanteraine, by Trepolino**) soon raced at the head of affairs and set a uniform pace until turning for home. The 11-10 market choice was pushed along with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining and ran on well under a hand ride to account for Weightless (GB) (In the Wings {GB}) by an easy 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €8,500. O-Mme Paul de Moussac; B-Haras du Mezeray SA; T-Andre Fabre.

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Chantilly, 2.45, Mdn, €17,000, unraced 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:41.60, gd/sf.  
**+ VICTOIRE FINALE (GB)** (f, 3, **Peintre Celebre**--Victoire Bleue {GB} {G1SW-Fr, \$159,922}, by Legend of France), a daughter of G1 Prix du Cadran heroine Victoire Bleue, is a half sister to Vertical Speed (Fr) (Bering {GB}), Hwt. 3yo-Fr at 14 + f, MGSW-Fr & G1SP-GB, \$210,341; and Vanishing World (Fr) (Bering {GB}), GSP-Fr. The blaze-faced chestnut was settled in a tracking second until moving to the head of affairs at the top of the stretch run. Pushed along with 1 ½ furlongs remaining, the 6-5 favourite stretched clear of her rivals inside the final furlong to defeat Carmen Amaya (Joyeux Danseur) by a highly impressive five lengths. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €8,500. O-Ecurie Wildenstein; B-Dayton Investments Ltd; T-Elie Lellouche. [Click here for the France Galop photo.](#)

Wednesday, Lyon-Parilly, post time: 3:15 p.m.  
**PRIX LYON AVANT LUGDUNUM (COUPE DES TROIS ANS)**-Listed, €38,000, 3yo, 1 1/2mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	6	Doyen (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Fabre
2	5	Siralix (Fr)	Oumnaz (Fr)	Betron
3	3	Adeno (Fr)	Johann Quatz (Fr)	Laurent-Joye Rossi
4	8	Escuchasme (Fr)	Green Tune	Laurent-Joye Rossi
5	2	Messenger du Roi (Fr)	King's Theatre (Ire)	Laurent-Joye Rossi
6	4	Karllys (Fr)	Poliglote (GB)	Beguigne
7	1	French Polo (Fr)	French Glory (Ire)	Boisnard
8	7	Kjetil	King of Kings (Ire)	Laffon-Parias

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Wednesday, Baden-Baden, post time: 4:25 p.m.  
**PREIS DER HOTELLERIE BADEN-BADEN**-Listed, €34,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	8	Raintrix (Ire)	Linamix (Fr)	de Roualle	126
2	4	Romualdo (Ger)	Dashing Blade (GB)	E Groschel	126
3	7	Bros (Ire)	Night Shift	Hellier	123
4	3	One Touch (Ger)	Sasuru (GB)	Hiller	123
5	5	Del Gado (Ger)	Acatenango (Ger)	Blume	121
6	2	Euro American (Ger)	Snurge (Ire)	Kleinkorres	121
7	1	Ramius (Ger)	Lomitas (GB)	von der Recke	121
8	6	Skythe (Ger)	Spectrum (Ire)	Schutz	121



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**STAKES RESULTS:**

**DECORATION DAY H.**, \$78,000, MNR, 5-26, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:37, ft.

1--**ASHWOOD C C**, 117, m, 5, **Cryptoclearance--Dylan's Crafty (SW, \$109,323), by Crafty Prospector**. O/B-Ashwood Thoroughbreds Inc (OH); T-Rodrigo Madrigal; J-L A Gonzalez; \$46,800. Lifetime Record: 33-12-10-4, \$394,599.

2--**Forty Marinesca (Arg)**, 111, m, 5, **Roar--Ma Sirene (Arg)**, by Mountdrago (Arg). \$15,600.

3--**Phyxius**, 114, f, 4, **Broad Brush--Daytime Princess**, by Brent's Prince. \$8,580.

Margins: 3 3/4, 1 1/4, 2HF. Odds: 2.70, 15.60, 3.90.

**MEMORIAL DAY H.**, \$77,900, MNR, 5-26, 3yo/up, 1m (off turf), 1:36 3/5, ft.

1--**EAGLE TIME**, 111, h, 6, **Light of Morn--Telina, by El Gran Senor**. (\$4,000 2yo '99 FTMMAY). O-Loy Kempthorne; B-Clare Silva (FL); T-Rick Jordan; J-J M Magrell; \$46,740. Lifetime Record: 41-7-8-12, \$157,245.

2--**Taylor twofeathers**, 116, h, 5, **Cherokee Run--Shekinah Noon Time**, by Noon Time Spender. \$15,580.

3--**On to Richmond**, 117, h, 5, **Faltaat--Sassy Madame**, by Sassafras (Fr). (\$50,000 yrl '99 KEESEP). \$8,569. Margins: 3 3/4, 1, 5. Odds: 17.30, 3.10, 2.90.

**GRAY'S LAKE S.**, \$59,950, PRM, 5-26, (S), 3yo, c/g, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft.

1--**#BILLY IDEL**, 115, c, 3, **Ide--Little Mo Gold, by Golden Act**. O-RPM Thoroughbreds; B-RPC Thoroughbred Farm (IA); T-Kelly Von Hemel; J-K A Shino; \$35,970. Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-3, \$76,787. \*1/2 to Elvis Rocks (Dignitas), MSP, \$201,937.

2--**Mr. Mingo**, 115, c, 3, **Devil His Due--Swaps Glory**, by His Majesty. \$11,990.

3--**Triage**, 121, c, 3, **Dr. Danzig--Green Magazine**, by Green Forest. \$5,995.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, HD. Odds: 10.90, 2.20A, 11.50.

**PEPSI-COLA H.**, \$39,000, EMD, 5-26, 3yo, c/g, 6 1/2f, 1:15 1/5, ft.

1--**#LEATHER N LACE**, 118, c, 3, **Slewdledo--Parisian Lace (SP, \$142,578 ), by Pappagallo (Fr)**. (\$7,000 yrl '01 WASAUG). O-Riverside Thoroughbreds, Swag Stable & Terry P; B-Paulson Brothers Ranch (WA); T-Rick Terry; J-A Ceden; \$21,725. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$29,325.

2--**Geardown**, 114, c, 3, **High Brite--Dianes Song**, by Eastern Echo. \$7,000.

3--**Knightsbridge Road**, 119, c, 3, **Cisco Road--Southern Choice**, by Knights Choice. \$5,925.

Margins: 2, 2 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 4.80, 13.30, 7.60.

**ALLOWANCE WINNERS:**

**8th-DEL, \$37,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, gd.**

**TO THE CROWD (f, 4, Take Me Out--Skip the Stone, by Foolish Pleasure)** Lifetime Record: 19-5-3-2, \$104,610. O-Star Search Stable Inc. B-William Lussky (KY). T-Allen Iwinski.

**8th-FEX, \$28,300, NW2L, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.**

**CHRIS RUN (h, 6, Bold Run {Fr}--Cadillac Chris, by Pass Catcher)** Lifetime Record: 18-2-3-2, \$52,060. O-Fred Vormittag. B-Giancarlo Malnati (FL). T-Thomas J County Jr.

**8th-PHA, \$24,800, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:17 3/5, wf.**

**TRIJONIA (f, 3, Tri for the Gold--Sajonia, by Speedy Prospect)** Lifetime Record: 12-5-2-0, \$66,320. O-Glenn Bortner. B-Roberta Seeger (PA). T-Scott A Lake.

**9th-PHA, \$20,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, wf.**

**LONCHE (c, 4, Ponche--Lila Wanblee, by Capote)** Lifetime Record: 34-6-8-6, \$61,554. O-H G Stable. B-Sally K Cook (FL). T-Keith W Lebaron.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Sacagawea's Spirit**, f, 3, **Runaway Groom--Osceola Princess**, by Broad Brush. DEL, 5-27, 1m, 1:42. B-Donald R Dizney (Fl). \*\$70,000 yrl '01 FTKJUL; \$125,000 2yo 2002 FTFFEB.

**Mashonthegas**, g, 3, **Sunny's Halo--Helen Brown**, by Taylor's Special. LSX, 5-26, (S), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Cimarron Farms Llc (Tx).

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Mad Lass (Ire)**, f, 2, **Alhaarth (Ire)--Madam Caprice (GB)**, by Salse. Rome, Italy, 5-27, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT. B-Joan Coburn.

+ **Firebelly (GB)**, f, 2, **Nicolotte (GB)--Desert Delight (Ire)**, by Green Desert. Redcar, Britain, 5-27, Mdn, 2yo, f, 6fT. B-Bricklow Ltd and Hyperion Stud Ltd. \*8,500gns wnl '01 TATDEC. \*\*1/2 to L'Passionata (GB) (Pursuit of Love {GB}), MSW-SAf.

**Alpenfels (Ger)**, c, 3, **Solon (Ger)--Assoluta (Ger)**, by Niniski. Baden-Baden, Germany, 5-27, Mdn, 3yo, 7 1/2fT. B-Frau Katharina Kremer.

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