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**SWEET CATOMINE HEADS OAKS NOMS**

Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wygod's champion two-year-old filly **Sweet Catomine** (Storm Cat) leads a list of 144 sophomore fillies which have been nominated to the 131st running of the G1 Kentucky Oaks at Churchill Downs May 6. The imposing bay filly was second in her



**Sweet Catomine** Benoit

career debut, but has since rattled off four straight wins in stakes competition. A powerful 3 3/4-length winner of the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies last October, she has already returned to action this season, taking the GIII Santa Ysabel S. by 2 1/2 easy lengths Jan. 16. Other marquee names who may seek Oaks glory include Peter Vegso's **Splendid Blended** (Unbridled's Song), victorious in last year's G1 Hollywood Starlet S.; **Sharp Lisa** (Dixieland Band),

runner-up in the Starlet and recent winner of the G1 Las Virgenes S.; **Runway Model** (Petionville), the GII Darley Alcibiades S. and GII Golden Rod S. victress; **Summerly** (Summer Squall), easily best in the GIII Silverbulletday S.; **Sis City** (Slew City Slew), the one-time claimer who devastated the field in the GII Davona Dale S. Feb. 5; and the undefeated **Maddalena** (Good and Tough), winner of the GIII Old Hat S. earlier this year. "The list of three-year-old fillies nominated to the Kentucky Oaks contains the names of the major races of this generation and we are truly excited about the quality and potential of this group," commented Doug Bredar, racing secretary at Churchill Downs. "We are just as impressed with the number of fillies nominated to the Oaks. In a year in which the three-year-old crop was sharply reduced by MRLS and nominations to the Kentucky Derby were off, the number of Oaks-nominated fillies remained steady and we believe that is evidence of continued growth in the prestige and attractiveness of a race that we believe is now America's premier event for three-year-old fillies." Trainer Bobby Frankel, a two-time winner of the Oaks, led all trainers with 10 nominated horses while Overbrook Farm and Stronach Stables led all owners with six Oaks nominees.

**WHISTLE WHILE YOU WORK**

Trainer Mike de Kock saddled Right Approach (GB) to victory in last year's G3 Al Rashidiya S. at Nad al Sheba and used that as a springboard to a dead-heat win in the G1 Dubai Duty Free S. on the World Cup program.



**Wolf Whistle (inside)**  
Andrew Watkins photo

De Kock is hoping that lightning strikes twice as he saddles **Wolf Whistle (SAf)** (Badger Land) in tonight's Carnival feature. Second to stablemate and G3 Al Fahidi Fort winner Yard-Arm (SAf) (Western Winter) in the G1 Champion S. in South Africa last May, the chestnut was a gallant second in the G2 Greyville 1900 S. the following month before getting a break. He tried the main track to no avail with a last-place finish in Round I of the G3 Maktoum

Challenge Jan. 20, but atoned for that effort with a handicap victory Jan. 27. **Checkit (Ire)** (Mukaddamah) and **Latino Magic (Ire)** (Lion Cavern), second and third in the Al Fahidi Fort Feb. 11, renew acquaintances this evening. The former is already having his fifth run of the Carnival and looks to be peaking while Latino Magic, winner of last year's G3 Meld S. at Leopards-town, is making just his second start since last August. **D'Anjou (Ire)** (Marju {Ire}) won the 2004 running of the Al Fahidi Fort, but finished well up the track in this year's renewal. He is ridden tonight by Mick Kinane.

**Thursday, Nad al Sheba, post time: 9:55 p.m.**

**AL RASHIDIYA S.-G3, \$200,000, 4yo/up, 1777mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Checkit (Ire)	Mukaddamah	Bouresly	130
2	D'Anjou (GB)	Marju (Ire)	Oxx	130
3	Dutch Gold	Lahib	Al Kurdi	130
4	Latino Magic (Ire)	Lion Cavern	Osborne	130
5	Membership	Belong to Me	Brittain	130
6	Red Crescent (SAf)	Northern Guest	Seemar	130
7	Shakis (Ire)	Machiavellian	Watson	130
8	Wolf Whistle (SAf)	Badger Land	de Kock	130
9	John Falstaff (Brz)	Burooj (GB)	Borges	121
10	Outcraft (Brz)	Ghadeer (Fr)	Borges	121

**EL CORREDOR**

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*"Just on what I've seen at the yearling sales, I think El Corredor [whose name is Spanish for 'the runner'] is the best of this group. He was a precocious, fast two-year-old, and he was bred to have speed. His yearlings had some scope and presence to them and they're not just Quarter Horse speedballs. I was very impressed with his babies..."*

- Barry Berkelhammer chose El Corredor as his #1 Freshman Sire Pick from the 2/5/05 Thoroughbred Times



☆ RESULTS ☆

Wednesday, Morphettville (Adelaide), Australia

**ROBERT SANGSTER S-G1**, A\$300,000, Morphettville, 2-23, 3yo/up, f/m, 1200mT, 1:08.77, gd.

1--**ALINGHI (AUS)**, 116, f, 3, by [Encosta de Lago \(Aus\)](#)

1st Dam: **Oceanfast (Aus)**, by **Monde Bleu (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Affluent (Ire)**, by **Shirley Heights (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Marcela (GB)**, by **Reform (GB)**

O-Markdel Racing Synd, Mrs C Slade, Real Deal Synd, S Saunderson, Diamond Forehead Synd, et al;

B-Piney Ridge Pty Ltd & Edenkey Nominees Pty Ltd;

T-D L Freedman; J-D Oliver; A\$201,000. Lifetime

Record: 14-9-3-2, A\$2,788,125. \*Full to Slice of

Paradise (Aus), MSP-Aus.

2--**Glamour Puss (NZ)**, 121, f, 4, Tale of the Cat--Centenaire (NZ), by Centaine (Aus). O/B-G J Chittick; A\$54,000.

3--**Solar Antiquity (Aus)**, 121, f, 4, Desert Sun (GB)--

Pompeii Glory (NZ), by Pompeii Court. O-D & C

Malcolm, J & A Sturgess & K & C Williams; B-D

Malcolm; A\$27,000.

Margins: 2, 2 1/4. Odds: 0.30, 10.00, 20.00.

Trainer Lee Freedman opted to bypass the G1 Australia S. last weekend in favor of sending the powerful three-year-old filly Alinghi out against her own sex and made a mockery of yesterday's G1 Robert Sangster S. at Adelaide's Morphettville track yesterday. The result in yesterday's race, formerly run as the G2

Swettenham Stud S., was never in doubt, as jockey Damien Oliver looked in vain for competition, but found none. "She's the greatest horse I've ever trained," said winning trainer Lee Freedman, who also conditions the likes of dual Melbourne Cup winner Makybe Diva (GB). "Did you see what she just did? Don't point to me as the trainer because you're looking at a serious champion." Alinghi will now be prepared for a run in the G1 Newmarket H. Mar. 12, where she will clash with Fastnet Rock (Aus). The son of Danehill narrowly bested Alinghi in the Feb. 5 Lightning S. at Flemington.

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

**SAINT LIAM SIGNS ON FOR BIG 'CAP** Saint Liam (Saint Ballado), who defeated GI Breeders' Cup Classic runner-up Roses In May in the GI Donn H. at Gulfstream Park Feb. 5, will pass on the G1 Dubai World Cup and will instead make the trans-continental journey to California for the GI Santa Anita H. Mar. 5. The addition makes a strong field for the \$1-million event that much stronger, as the five-year-old will likely be joined in the gate by GI San Pasqual H. winner **Congrats** (A.P. Indy) and GI Strub winner **Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.), both from the barn of Richard Mandella, as well as Strub runner-up **Imperialism** (Langfuhr) and Sunshine Millions Classic upsetter **Musique Toujours** (Musique d'Enfer). The two Mandella trainees worked seven furlongs yesterday in company between races over a wet fast main track at Santa Anita. Congrats broke off a couple of lengths ahead of Rock Hard Ten, but the duo arrived home essentially on even terms. Rock Hard Ten was timed in 1:24 4/5 with jockey Gary Stevens in the saddle while Congrats, partnered by Tyler Baze, covered the distance in 1:25 1/5.

Today's Graded Stakes brought to you by



12:55p **Al Rashidiya S.-G3**, Dubai

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**NORTH AMERICA**

**SO LONG BIRDIE DERAILED WITH FRACTURE**

Triple Crown prospect **So Long Birdie** (Pioneering), runner-up in the GIII San Miguel S., emerged from a Bay Meadows starter allowance Sunday with a condylar



**So Long Birdie (outside)**  
*Benoit photo*

fracture to his left ankle, reports the *Blood-Horse*. The three-year-old colt, a half to MGISW Birdstone and champion Bird Town, won the Feb. 20 event, run over a deep, muddy track, but not without paying a price. "He suffered a condylar fracture with minor displacement of his left ankle," confirmed Bob Per-

sons, managing partner of owner Great Eagle Stable, to the *Blood-Horse*. "I think he fractured the ankle loading or on the first turn when he was in tight. He will undergo surgery [Thursday] morning to put a screw in the break and will be out for six months." Persons added that the horse's racing career may be over. "I hope to convince the partnership to turn him out somewhere as a stud. He has repeatedly shown the heart of a champion, and that championship heart is too great to lose." Trainer Craig Dollase, on behalf of Great Eagle Stable, claimed So Long Birdie for \$40,000 out of his debut at Hollywood May 26.

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24:**

3-5 \$200,000 *Santa Catalina-II, SA, 3yo, 8.5f (200)*

**TOMORROW, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25:**

3-6 \$250,000 *Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H.-I, GP, 3yo/up, 11fT (250)*

5-30 \$350,000 *Shoemaker BC Mile-I, Hol, 3/up, 8fT (500)*

5-30 \$350,000 *Gamely BC H.-I, Hol, 3/up, f/m, 9fT (500)*

★ **GULFSTREAM** ★

**Morales Gets First North American Winner:**

Apprentice jockey Pablo Morales, a 16-year-old native of Peru, recorded his first North American winner in



**Pablo Morales gets a shower after winning his first North American race**  
*Equi-Photo*

yesterday's first race at Gulfstream Park. Morales booted home favored **Alena's Boy** (West by West), who won the \$10,000 claiming event by 3 1/4 lengths. Records show that Morales had a 3-2-2 record from seven mounts in Peru before coming to this country. Morales, whose father and brother are riders in Peru, lives in Miami with his sister. Alena's Boy, who was

claimed out of the race, was Morales' sixth mount at Gulfstream this meeting.

**Turf-Vivor Set For this Weekend:**

Tom Quigley, the owner and publisher of HorsePlayer magazine, will be back to defend his title in Turf-Vivor IV, the annual handicapping contest at Gulfstream Park, which kicks off its three-day run this Friday. As in the previous three renewals of the event, this year's winner will receive a grand prize of \$100,000, while the second- and third-place finishers will earn \$10,000 and \$5,000, respectively. The top three placegetters will also receive automatic berths to the 2006 NTRA Handicapping Championship Tournament.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, 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.

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**MADCAP ESCAPEDE**, Winner of the **Shirley Jones H. (GII)** Feb. 19

O-Bruce Lunsford; B-Needham/Betz Thoroughbreds & James Blackburn (KY); T-Frank L Brothers  
Sold Keeneland September 2002 for \$160,000; Earnings now \$626,400

*Consigned by Needham Betz Hanley LLC, agent; Purchased by Frank L Brothers, agent*

**SARATOGA COUNTY**, Winner of the **General George H. (GII)** Feb. 21

O-Evelyn M Pollard; B-Round Table LLC (KY); T-George Weaver  
Sold Keeneland September 2002 for \$67,000; Earnings now \$446,590

*Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent; Purchased by Bowling & Dodd*





**Yesterday's Results:**

**9th-GPX, \$39,000, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$100,000), NW4X, 4yo/up, 7 1/2f, 1:29 3/5, ft.

**BUILT UP (h, 7, Homebuilder--Toned Up, by Herat)**, winner of last year's GIII Spend a Buck H., started the year with a seventh-place effort in the Jan. 1 Pelican S. at Tampa Bay Downs and filled that same position in a Feb. 3 optional claimer at Gulfstream. In for a \$100,000 tag here, the bay gelding recovered from a stumble at the break to vie for the lead down the backstretch, forged to the front in upper stretch and held sway late to score by a half-length at 9-1. Stockholder (Bertrando), the even-money choice, was second. Built Up was a \$4,100 FTMOCT yearling and a \$10,000 FTMJUL two-year-old. Lifetime Record: GSW, 51-15-7-8, \$782,378. O-Raymond Susi. B-John Franks (FL). T-Enrique Alonso.

**5th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39 2/5, ft.**

**RIGHT DADDY (f, 3, [Yes It's True](#)--Anesthesiologist, by Damascus)**, an impressive 3 1/2-length winner of her six-furlong debut at this track Jan. 30, was the heavy 1-2 favorite to follow up in this stretch out to a mile. With the pace from the start, the bay filly put a head in front leaving the backstretch and powered clear to a six-length win over 17-1 longshot Picata (Rizzi). A \$100,000 OBSFEB two-year-old, Right Daddy is a half sister to Phone the Doctor (Phone Trick, MSW & MGSP, \$306,406). [Click for video replay](#). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$39,000. O-Puglisi Stables. B-Brylynn Farm, Inc (FL). T-S Klesaris.

**10th-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 3yo, 1mT, 1:34 1/5, fm.**  
**ARGENTO (c, 3, More Than Ready--Black Tie Kiss, by Danzig)** was well-beaten in two main-track sprints last fall, most recently running sixth, beaten 12 1/2 lengths by Defer while racing seven furlongs at Belmont Oct. 2. Making his turf debut in his return, the gray colt broke from the outside and settled off the pace. The 5-1 shot moved into contention with a three-wide move turning for home, took over with a furlong to run and held onto a one-length lead despite jumping a shadow at the sixteenth pole. Zurich (Ire) (Giant's Causeway), the 7-5 favorite, held the place spot for the fourth straight time in his five-race career. The winner was a \$250,000 KEESEP yearling. [Click for video replay](#). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$19,458. O-James T Scaturchio. B-Jayeff B Stables (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

★ NEW YORK ★

**Distinctive Pro Dead:**

**Distinctive Pro** (Mr. Prospector--Well Done, by Distinctive), perennially a leader among New York sires, was euthanized in January, according to *The Blood-Horse*. The 26-year-old stallion, pensioned last fall, was suffering from laminitis. On the racetrack, Distinctive Pro was a multiple stakes winner and captured the 1981 GIII Hutcheson S. He is the sire of graded stakes winners Quick Mischieff, Bodacious Tatas, Big Stanley, Distinct Habit, Dancing Renee and Toffeefee. With 20 crops to race, his progeny have earned over \$35.6 million. His three-year-old son Distinctive Trick won Saturday's Fred "Cappy" Capossela S. at Aqueduct. Distinctive Pro had stood at Howard Kaskel's Sugar Maple Farm near Poughquag, NY since moving from Florida for the 1990 breeding season.

**Sugar Maple Purchases Performing Magic:**

Multiple graded stakes winner **Performing Magic** (Gone West--Performing Arts {Ire}, by The Minstrel) has been purchased by Sugar Maple Farm. The eight-year-old stallion has stood at the Poughquag, NY farm as the property of the late Prince Ahmed bin Salman's The Thoroughbred Corporation since retiring to stud in 2002 and his first foals are two-year-olds this year. Performing Magic won the 2000 GII Illinois Derby, GIII Remington Derby and GIII Derby Trial. He will stand for \$5,000, live foal.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

**IN BRITAIN:**

**Saintly Thoughts**, g, 10, **St. Jovite**--Free Thinker (Hwt. Three-Year-Old Filly-Ity at 7-9 1/2f, SW-Ity & SP-Ire), by Shadeed. Lingfield, 2-23, Hcp, 4yo/up, 2m (AWT). B-R K Kirk. \* 1/2 to Kia Ora (Ind) (Miswaki), SW-Ind.

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**BREEDERS' CUP STAKES CLOSINGS**



CLOSES	TRACK	RACE	CONDITIONS	PURSE	RUNS
2-25	GP	Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H. (GI)	3yo/up, 1 3/8mT	\$250,000	3-06
3-02	GP	Richter Scale BC Sprint H. (GII)	3yo/up, 7f	\$200,000	3-12

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★ CENTRAL ★

**Oaklawn Announces Purse Increase:**

Officials at Oaklawn Park in Hot Springs, Arkansas, have announced an across-the-board purse increase effective with today's races. "We will be raising all of our purses from \$500 to \$1,000 in thanks to the many owners and trainers who have helped us get off to such a great start by racing their horses in big numbers," said Oaklawn Racing Secretary Pat Pope. Through the first 18 days of the current meet, the average field size per race is 9.7 starters. Additionally, Oaklawn's "Instant Racing" terminals have seen a year-over-year increase of 151 percent and registered its first \$1-million day this past Monday. The track also announced that the purse of the Instant Racing Breeders' Cup S. will be boosted by \$25,000 to \$100,000 while the race previously known as the Oaklawn Breeders' Cup S. will now be called the Azeri Breeders' Cup S., in honor of the multiple champion who won the GI Apple Blossom H. from 2002 through 2004.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

**Declan's Moon to Work Saturday:**

Eclipse Award-winning two-year-old **Declan's Moon** (Malibu Moon), originally scheduled to work Tuesday, has been tentatively penciled in for a Saturday breeze ahead of his start in the GII Santa Catalina S. on the Santa Anita H. undercard. "We've been pretty lucky up to this point," trainer Ron Ellis commented. "When the first rain storm hit we were kind of walking with him anyways, so it didn't hurt him that much. The most he's done in the mud is jog. I'm going to get a good couple of days galloping him before I work him, so it boils down that he missed one work."



For today's Dubai International Racing Carnival past performances, click [here](#).

**7th-SAX, \$48,400, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:15 3/5, wf.**

**RANSOM DEMANDED (c, 3, Meadowlake--Pay On Demand, by Red Ransom)** won his maiden for \$62,500 three back, then was third in his two most recent efforts, a seven-furlong allowance test in the local mud Dec. 30 and a Jan. 23 down-the-hiller at this track. An 8-1 chance in this field, the \$95,000 KEENOV weanling, \$30,000 KEESEP yearling and \$80,000 OBSMAR two-year-old purchase chased the pace from the inside after bobbling at the start, got through along the fence at midstretch and went on to defeat Cepheus Star (Double Honor) by a length. Morning-line favorite El Roblar (War Chant) was scratched due to the moisture in the track. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, \$60,120. [Click for video replay.](#)

O-Charles Cono. B-Richard J Forbush & Richard Lueck (KY). T-Christopher S Paasch.

★ WEST ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**5th-BMX, \$29,185, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 3/5, gd.**

**SIR CHARGE (c, 3, Crafty Prospector--Frances in the Sky {SW}, by Sky Classic)** earned a debut Beyer of 75 despite finishing over five lengths adrift of the winner in his Feb. 2 debut going half a furlong shorter. Hailing from a barn that hit with 38 of 101 starters in 2004, this Triple Crown nominee was bet down to 7-10 favoritism for this and did not disappoint, repulsing a challenge in upper stretch before going on to a two-length victory. City Trail (Trail City) completed the exacta. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$18,550.

O-The Big Horse Stable. B-Echo Valley Horse Farm, Inc (KY). T-Steven Miyadi.

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**Progeny to Watch: Thursday, February 24**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2001 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW*

*Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

ANEES (Unbridled), Dead, 87/8/1

7-GP, Msw, 6f, +Carocita

**CAT THIEF** (Storm Cat), Overbrook, \$35K, 137/11/0

7-TP, Alw, 1m, Catch Me, \$120K KEE SEP yrl

**CROWD PLEASER** (A.P. Indy), Northview, \$4K, 82/4/0

10-OP, Msw, 1 1/16m, She Is What She Is, \$5K OBS AUG yrl

**DAVID** (Mt. Livermore), Sugar Maple, \$3K, 21/3/0

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, If It's Meant to B, \$35K OBS MAR 2yo

**FUSAICHI PEGASUS** (Mr. Prospector), Ashford, \$85K, 197/20/4

2-SA, Msw, 1m, Pegasus Rose

**KELLY KIP** (Kipper Kelly), Highcliff, \$3K, 67/4/0

7-GP, Msw, 6f, Kelly K's Pleasure

**KING OF THE HUNT** (Seattle Slew), Golden Eagle, \$2K, 15/4/0

1-BM, Alw, 1m, King Mobay

**MORE THAN READY** (Southern Halo), Vinery, \$15K, 161/21/4

7-GP, Msw, 6f, +More for Me

**OPTIC NERVE** (Majestic Light), Dutchess, \$2K, 7/0/0

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Keepswooinshoes

**PRECISE END** (End Sweep), Japan, \$6K, 101/16/2

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Precise Strike, \$65K OBS AUG yrl

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Champagne Ending, \$33K OBS JUN 2yo

**STEPHEN GOT EVEN** (A.P. Indy), Lane's End, \$13K, 104/13/0

10-OP, Msw, 1 1/16m, The Bohemian Girl, \$7K KEE SEP yrl

**STRAIGHT MAN** (Saint Ballado), Dunhill, \$5K, 156/16/0

4-GP, Msw, 6f, Forever Brilliant, \$160K FTK JUL yrl

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Vertical Storm, \$33K OBS APR 2yo

**YES IT'S TRUE** (Is It True), Three Chimneys, \$10K, 149/25/4

7-GP, Msw, 6f, Spiritude, \$50K OBS APR 2yo

★ **BRITAIN** ★

**SOUTHWELL EXTRA**

Southwell will provide an additional all-weather meeting Saturday as Britain remains in the grip of winter. The British Horseracing Board has instigated the extra meeting as prospects for turf racing over the weekend look bleak, but the card will clash with one of the biggest soccer matches in the Midlands. "We are currently working on putting everything into gear for Saturday's fixture," said Southwell's Nathan Corden to *PA Sport*. "However, I do not expect a large attendance, mainly due to the short notice and also the small matter of the [nearby] Nottingham Forest versus Derby match at the City Ground." The seven-race card is scheduled to commence at 1:30 p.m.

**Yesterday's Result:**

**Lingfield, 4.45, Hcp, £10,264, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:06.70, stn.**

**BRIDGE LOAN (GB) (c, 3, Giant's Causeway--Credit-A-Plenty {GB} {GSP-Eng}, by Generous {Ire})** went postward as the 11-10 pick off a second-out maiden win over course and distance Feb. 9. Trapped wide behind the pace in fourth early, the chestnut homebred made smooth progress to lead at the top of the stretch and was pushed out inside the final furlong to best Comeintothespace (Ire) (Tagula {Ire}) by an easy three lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, £12,158. O/B-Hesmonds Stud; T-Jeremy Nosedá.

**Lingfield, 1.30, Mdn, £6,315, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:38.70, stn.**

+ **KHE SANH (GB) (f, 3, Mtoto {GB}--Hoh Chi Min {GB} {SW-Itly, MGSP-Fr, GSP-Ire & Eng, \$173,724}, by Efisio {GB})**, following a tardy start, was reserved off the pace for the first half of this debut event. Making headway under pressure approaching the final quarter mile, the 7-1 chance finished strongly in the closing stages to deny Resplendent Nova (GB) (Pivotal {GB}) by a neck nearing the line. The victress was an €80,000 DEAAUG yearling acquisition. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,105.

O-N R A Springer; B-Newsells Park Stud Ltd; T-Michael Jarvis.

★ **EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

**IN HONG KONG:**

**Northerner (Fr), g, 4, Loup Solitaire--Northern Mixa (GB) (SP-Fr), by Linamix (Fr). Happy Valley, 2-23, Hcp., 1800mT. B-Jean-Pierre Dubois. \*SP-Fr. \*\*€65,000 2yo '03 GOFARC.**

★ **ON THE WORKTAB** ★

**FAIR GROUNDS**

**Warleigh** (Lord at War {Arg}), 4f, :49.60, 8/18

**GULFSTREAM PARK**

**Salute** (Unbridled), 4f, :48.60, 9/22

**Spite the Devil** (Devil His Due), 6f, 1:15.60, 1/1

**PALM MEADOWS**

**Better Talk Now** (Talkin Man), 4f, :53.00, 9/11

**Dearest Mon** (Maria's Mon), 6f, 1:11.20, 1/3

**Macaw (Ire)** (Bluebird), 5fT, 1:05.00, 6/7

**Swingforthefences** (Boston Harbor), 4f, :50.00, 6/13

**Zakocity** (Precocity), 4fT, :52.00, 5/11

**SANTA ANITA**

**Island Escape** (Petionville), 3f, :37.40, 2/6

**Night Patrol** (Storm Boot), 3f, :37.80, 4/6

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$44,000 Alw, at Aqueduct. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).



## AUSTRALASIA



### FUSAICHI PEGASUS COLT SETS RECORD AT

**ADELAIDE** Another record yearling price was established at the Magic Millions Adelaide Sale yesterday when bloodstock agent Tony Cavanagh, acting for client Rod Menzies, secured a Fusaichi Pegasus colt for A\$330,000. The Melbourne-based Cavanagh, underbidder on the A\$300,000 Encosta de Lago colt that set a new mark for the auction Tuesday, said Hip 333 was on the "must-buy" list. Cavanagh admitted, however, that he had not expected to go beyond A\$250,000 for the handsome chestnut. Hip 333 is the first foal out of So Gorgeous (Aus) (Brief Truce), who counted the G2 Ascot Vale S. and G2 Edward Manifold S. among her victories. "So Gorgeous was a great race filly and this colt has a wonderful page," Cavanagh explained. "We were very keen to buy him." Earlier in the session, Hip 303, a colt by Scenic (Ire) from the unraced Rubiton (Aus) mare Scarlet Bird (Aus) fetched \$240,000 when knocked down to local agent David Goldfinch. "He's a magnificent colt," Goldfinch reported. "He's very powerful and, although he may not have the best pedigree in the catalogue, he's a great looker." Session three is slated to begin at 11 a.m. Thursday, with a further 173 horses catalogued. There is a Summer Session on Sunday Feb. 27 with 159 yearlings catalogued.

#### WEDNESDAY - TOP THREE LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (A\$)
<b>333</b>	c	<b>Fusaichi Pegasus</b>	<b>So Gorgeous (Aus)</b>	<b>\$330,000</b>
Consigned by Erinvale Thoroughbreds Purchased by Anthony Cavanagh				
<b>303</b>	c	<b>Scenic (Ire)</b>	<b>Scarlet Bird (Aus)</b>	<b>\$240,000</b>
Consigned by Rubiton Bloodstock Pty. Ltd . Purchased by David Goldfinch				
<b>343</b>	c	<b>Danehill</b>	<b>Star of Juniper (Ire)</b>	<b>\$190,000</b>
Consigned by Erinvale Thoroughbreds Purchased by Wadham Park				



### MAGIC MILLIONS ADELAIDE SALE Wednesday, February 23, 2005

SESSION TOTALS	2005
Offered	104
RNAs	21
%RNA	20.2%
Sold	83
Aggregate	A\$3,866,500
Average (% change)	A\$46,584
CUMULATIVE	2005
Offered	324
RNAs	77
%RNA	23.8%
Sold	247
Aggregate	A\$10,666,500
Average (% change)	A\$43,184

### AUSSIE GALLOPERS TO MEET IN HONG KONG?

Two of Australia's best middle-distance horses, **Grand Armeé (Aus)** (Hennessy) and **Elvstroem (Aus)** (Danehill) could lock horns in the G1 Audemars Piguet QE II Cup at Sha Tin Apr. 24. Trainer Gai Waterhouse told *Australian Associated Press* Wednesday that the 2000-meter event, the first leg of the World Series Racing Championship, is "definitely a serious option" for Grand Armeé, winner of the G1 Chipping Norton S. in his most recent appearance. The six-year-old gelding will make his next start in the G1 Ranvet S. at Rosehill a week from Saturday. Elvstroem, fourth to Makybe Diva (GB) in last year's G1 Melbourne Cup over two miles, displayed his versatility when returning from four months of inactivity to win the seven-furlong G1 C. F. Orr S. Feb. 12. The four-year-old colt will rematch with the Melbourne Cup winner at Caulfield in this weekend's G2 St George S.



## ASIA



### ★ HONG KONG ★

#### CAPE NONE THE WORSE FOR WEAR

Having returned from a very successful couple of weeks in Australia, **Cape of Good Hope (GB)** (Inchior {GB}) will be entered for a showdown with Silent Witness (Aus) in Sunday's G1 Centenary Sprint Cup, although his participation is not yet guaranteed. "He'll probably...have a canter [Thursday] and he will be declared to run," trainer David Oughton told *South China Morning Post*. "But we'll keep an eye on him because we don't want to run him if he isn't 100 percent." The conditioner reported that the seven-year-old gelding, who earned a richly deserved Group 1 win in last weekend's Australia S. at Moonee Valley, endured the trip home well. "He got in about 11 o'clock Monday night and seems to be very well," Oughton told *SCMP*. "He drank well on the flight, he has eaten up since he arrived and seems to be very bright in himself."

### TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS



- [Gulfstream 5th \(33K N1X\) Right Daddy](#) (Yes It's True) unbeaten in two starts after six-length romp.
- [Gulfstream 10th \(MSW\) Argento](#) (More Than Ready) wins turf debut.
- [Santa Anita 7th \(OC 80k/N1X\) Ransom Demanded](#) (Meadowlake) gets through on the rails.



## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**3rd-BMX, \$39,848**, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, gd.

**FIVE STAR MEETING (m, 5, General Meeting--Star Eighty Eight {SP}, by Star de Naskra)** Lifetime Record: SW, 13-4-2-1, \$154,444. O-The Merv Griffin Ranch Co. B-Clydene Boots (CA). T-Doug O'Neill. \*\$50,000 yrl '01 BES OCT. \*\*1/2 to Reno Hightower (Debonair Roger), MSP, \$184,311; Full to Star's Millennium, SP, \$160,745.

**8th-PHA, \$23,320**, NW1X, 4yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:43 3/5, ft.

**ASSISTANT (g, 5, Jules--Lady Secretary, by Secretariat)** Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-1, \$66,950. O-Jayeff B Stables. B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). T-Paul Conrad. \*\$57,000 yrl '01 FTKJUL.

**10th-SUN, \$22,700**, 2-22, NW2L, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11, ft.

**MY DESERT LADY (f, 3, Desert God--Lisa Lide {SP}, by Bel Bolide)** Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-1, \$43,294. O-James W Cassels & Steven & Cash Asmussen. B-Ronald Eugene & Joe Allen (NM). T-Steven M Asmussen. \*\$16,000 yrl '03 RUIAUG.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Playing 'r Song, f, 3, Bartok (Ire)--Play It Up**, by Drumalis (Ire). SAX, 2-23, (S), 1m, 1:36. B-Larry & Suzanne Bollman (Ca). \*\$32,000 yrl '03 CALAUG.

**Mazel Dazel, c, 3, Mazel Trick--Vita Bella**, by Silver Hawk. MNR, 2-22, 6f, 1:15 3/5. B-Brereton C Jones (Ky). \*\$40,000 wlng '02 KEENOV.

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**ITALY, Rome, 4.00**, 2-22, €19,125, 4yo/up, 1 3/16mT, time: n/a, hy.

**LAROFINO (GER) (c, 4, Laroche {Ger}--L'Orofina {Ger}, by Orofino {Ger})** Lifetime Record: 14 starts, 4 wins, 6 places, €40,825. O-G Braschi; B-Gestut Westerberg; T-R Monaco.

**ITALY, Rome, 2.30**, 2-22, €19,125, 4yo/up, f/m, 7fT, time: n/a, hy.

**POLAR DOUB (IRE) (f, 4, Polar Falcon--Doubles {GB} {SP-Fr}, by Damister)** Lifetime Record: 22 starts, 5 wins, 10 places, €61,676. O-F Pierluigi; B-Scuderia Andy Capp SRL; T-G Bietolini.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Emouna (GB), f, 3, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Red Rabbit (GB)**, by Suave Dancer. Cagnes-sur-Mer, France, 2-23, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT). B-Stowell Hill Ltd & S P Tindall. \*25,000gns yrl '03 TATOCT.

**Dalsy (Ire), c, 3, Daylami (Ire)--Al Sylah (GB) (GSW-Eng, GSP & SW-Ger)**, by Nureyev. Rome, Italy, 2-22, Cond, 3yo, 1 1/16mT. B-Scuderia Siba SPA. \*1/2 to Yaqthan (Ire) (Kris {GB}), MSW-US, \$740,693.

**Quai du Roi (Ire), g, 3, Desert King (Ire)--Emly Express (Ire)**, by High Estate (Ire). Cagnes-sur-Mer, France, 2-23, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT). B-Twelve Oaks Stud.

**Palto (Ire), f, 3, Priolo--Cascina Bicocca (Ire) (SP-Ity)**, by College Chapel (GB). Rome, Italy, 2-22, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1mT. B-Stefano Pellegrini.



## FOALING NEWS

**SAFELY KEPT, 19**, Horatius--Safely Home, by Winning Hit

Foal born Feb. 13, a colt by Aldebaran.

Will be bred back to War Chant.

Owned by Jayeff "B" Stables.

Boarded at Lakland LLC, Ky.

Accomplishments: Ch. Sprinter, MGISW, \$2,194,206.

**STRIKING MOVE, 9**, Valid Appeal--Lori Gail, by Explosive Bid

Foal born Feb. 6, a colt by Tiznow.

Will be bred back to Ten Most Wanted.

Owned by Sequel 2004 and Lere Visagie.

Boarded at Lakland, LLC, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW of \$182,941.

**EMERY BOARD, 7**, Grindstone--Cosmic Tiger, by Tim the Tiger

Foal born Feb. 11, a colt by Mineshaft.

Will be bred back to Aldebaran.

Owned by Alan Cohen.

Boarded at Darby Dan Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW & GSP, \$158,290.

**PERSONAL GLORY, 18**, Danzig--Andover Way, by His Majesty

Foal born Feb. 12, a filly by Seeking the Gold.

Will be bred back to Elusive Quality.

Owned by and boarded at River Bend Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Supremo (Gone West), GSW, \$228,250; Personal Love (Diesis {GB}), MSW-Ger.

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