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MEDALLIST RETIRES TO THREE CHIMNEYS

Grade II winner **Medallist** (Touch Gold--Santaria, by Star de Naskra), who has been retired from racing because of a sesamoid fracture, will take up stud duty at



Medallist Steve Sherack photo

Three Chimneys Farm near Midway, Kentucky. The four-year-old, who finished second to Forest Danger in the GI Carter H. Apr. 9, was preparing for the May 30 GI Metropolitan H. when the injury was detected. "Further examination showed that there was displacement in the fracture and so retirement is in

his best interest," said Three Chimneys President Robert N. Clay. Winner of the GIII Withers S. last May, the dark bay set a new stakes record when he blazed 8 1/2 furlongs in 1:40 flat in the GII Dwyer S. two months later. Also last year, the colt ran the fastest Kenny Noe Jr. H. at Calder, winning the seven-furlong event in 1:22.62. In his 2005 debut, Medallist again set the board ablaze with a stakes record setting performance in the GIII Deputy Minister H. at Gulfstream Park Feb. 5.



**Winning the Deputy Minister
Equi-photo**

"Medallist had as much speed as any horse I've been around and he was very generous,"

said the colt's trainer, Allen Jerkens. Clay added, "It's with mixed emotions that we retire Medallist, because we thought he had some great races ahead of him. But he's a miler with great natural speed and he's a homebred standing at Three Chimneys, so we're excited."

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FABRE GUNNING FOR MOTIVATOR

Gestut Ammerland's **Hurricane Run (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) will seek compensation for his defeat in Sunday's G1 Prix du Jockey-Club in the Irish equivalent at The Curragh June 26, according to *Racing Post*. The Andre Fabre-trained colt finished fast when denied a neck by Shamardal in the 1 5/16-mile Classic, and connections are keen to take on Saturday's G1 Epsom Derby hero Motivator (GB) in the €1.3-million Irish Derby. "The plan is to go to Ireland," Fabre told the *Post*. "It was frustrating to be beaten like that, but the way he ran was very promising. He is a good horse. Motivator was very impressive at Epsom, but Shamardal is a good horse also. He was a leading two-year-old and I'm not sure Motivator beat the same type of horse. Hurricane Run will obviously stay, and the mile and a half at the Curragh should suit him better than the trip at Chantilly." Budweiser also announced yesterday that the Irish Derby will carry the beer distributors name through 2007.

ELSWORTH'S EXCITING OPTIONS

Setsquare Recruitment's G1 Epsom Oaks runner-up **Something Exciting (GB)** (Halling) may be supplemented for the G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh July 17. Trainer David Elsworth ruled out next week's Royal Ascot meeting at York for the filly, who was beaten 1 1/2 lengths by Eswarah (GB) in Saturday's Oaks and is considering the supplement for the Irish Classic. "She seems okay after her run, while showing me at the same time that she's had a race, but that's something you would expect," he told *PA Sport* yesterday. "She is not in the Irish Oaks, but there is a possibility we could supplement her for it, while looking further ahead, the G1 Yorkshire Oaks [at York Aug. 17] would be an obvious target."

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**HELSINKI, the dam of Multiple Classic winner SHAMARDAL (G1),
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FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



SECOND-CROP SIRES: 5 OF 9 EURO CLASSICS

There are 12 European Classics run in Britain, France, and Ireland between the end of April and the beginning of July. Six are over a mile: 2000 Guineas races for colts, and 1000 Guineas races for fillies, run in each of the three countries, followed by their respective Derbies and Oaks. Those are run at 12 furlongs in Britain and Ireland, while the French, in what I suppose can be described as a certain kind of symmetry, have this year reduced their Derby to 10.5 furlongs (2100m), bringing it in line with the French Oaks.

With the six Guineas races in the books, and last weekend's English Oaks and English and French Derbies, nine of the 12 scheduled European Classics have been run. The results are always significant, but this year they seem especially so. Five of the nine Classics run so far have been won by the progeny of second-crop sires (meaning, their first crop of three-year-olds are now racing). The other four have been won by representatives of World Top 12 sires Kingmambo and Pivotal, as well as Unfuwain, whose Eswarah became the fourth group-winning three-year-old from his final crop.

Let's look at the non-'sophomore' (first crop three-year-olds) sires first, especially as Classic number 10, this Sunday's French Oaks, features two of these three sires. Sunday's Prix de Diane matches Divine Proportions (Racing Post Rating 122), by Kingmambo, unbeaten in seven starts including the French 1000 Guineas last time out; against Vadawina, by Unfuwain, unbeaten in three starts, including the G1 Prix Saint-Alary last time out, earning an RPR of 115+. These are two seriously good fillies, and it will be a huge surprise if anything happens other than Kingmambo getting his third 2005 European Classic win, or Unfuwain getting his second 2005 Classic winner.

Though the Irish 1000 Guineas was hardly the best Classic run so far this year--in fact, on RPR's it was the worst--it is no less significant that World Top 12 sire Pivotal had the exacta in that one-mile contest. As the Golden Age of Great Sires, going back almost 40 years (Northern Dancer's first crop was foaled in 1966), really does draw to a close, I think it's terribly significant that so few proven sires have made an impact in the European Classics this year, and those that have really are in that rarefied World Top 12. Part of the reason is that the World Top 12 probably consists of only six active sires right now, and two of those are 20-somethings: Sadler's Wells and Storm Cat. That leaves four: A.P. Indy, Kingmambo, Pivotal, and this ultra-exclusive club's newest nominee with runners older than three, Ghostzapper's sire Awesome Again.

There are other bright young things knocking on the door: Unbridled's Song (first foals 1998); Awesome Again's fellow 'fourth-crop' sires (first foals 2000) Distorted Humor and Elusive Quality; and the surprising Cape Cross (first foals 2001), just to name a few. But there was no doubt the sires with their first foals 2002, who have their first crop of three-year-olds this year, included some potentially top-class sires, particularly the six-figure Coolmore duo of Giant's Causeway and Fusaichi Pegasus, the 60-something-million dollar man. Fusaichi Pegasus has seven stakes winners from his first crop--more than stablemates Giant's Causeway and Montjeu--but it is the latter two who, like a new hit single from one of the great rock bands, have gone straight into the World Top 12 with their first crops.

Both Giant's Causeway and Montjeu stood their first seasons in Ireland, but Giant's Causeway was moved to America for 2002, his second season, and has remained there. From his first crop, he's sired two individual Classic winners of three Classic races so far: Footstepsinthesand remained unbeaten in three starts by winning the G1 English 2000 Guineas at Newmarket, while last year's champion European two-year-old Shamardal benefited from two vintage Frankie Dettori rides in France to win the G1 French 2000 Guineas, followed by last weekend's new-look G1 French Derby win.

Weekend Updates



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- **Melhor Ainda, by PULPIT**
Undefeated winner of the Sands Point-G3
- **Choose, by ARCH**
5-length winner of the Wolf Hill S. at Monmouth
- **Racing Luck, by OUT OF PLACE**
8 1/2-length winner of Rooney S. at Delaware
- **Winner, by HORSE CHESTNUT**
Impressive 7 3/4-length MSW winner at Belmont



Shamardal's immediate victim at Chantilly last Sunday was the previously unbeaten Hurricane Run, who in nearly all observers' opinions would already be a Classic winner if the French Derby had been run at its traditional distance of 2400m. As it was, you've no doubt already heard that Montjeu had the 1-2 in the G1 English Derby, by virtue of unbeaten Motivator slamming his field and Walk In The Park staying on to get second ahead of the Irish 2000 Guineas hero Dubawi, who is of course by the other Classic-siring European first-crop three-year-old sire, Dubai Millennium. It's a pretty impressive tally. Giant's Causeway (Timeform 132 at three, 2000) has two Classic winners, with three Classic wins, and Classic runner-up Maid's Causeway; Montjeu (Timeform 137 at three and four, 2000) had the Epsom Derby 1-2 and the French Derby second, Hurricane Run.

Dubai Millennium (Timeform 140 at four) has Irish 2000 Guineas winner and Epsom Derby third Dubawi. They were all pretty much superstar racehorses, and you can't ask much more of a sire than to get a Classic winner in his first crop. Unfortunately it can't make Dubai Millennium a Top 12 Sire, but the other two go straight in. So that now makes eight current members in the World Top 12 club (I guess you've figured out by now 'World Top 12' is a concept, not really a precise number), and it's ironic that the two 2002-crop sires, Giant's Causeway and Montjeu, look logical successors to their aging sires, Storm Cat and Sadler's Wells, respectively.

All this Classic success has propelled Montjeu past Giant's Causeway among Europe's leading sophomore sires, with just under £2.2-million in career progeny earnings, ahead of Giant's Causeway's £1.86-million.

LEADING SECOND CROP SIRES IN EUROPE
(In Order of Total Prize Money 2004-2005)

Rnk	Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs	Wins	Total £	SW	SP
1	MONTJEU	80	32	51	2,198,607	6	9
2	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	82	29	46	1,861,020	5	3
3	MONASHEE MOUNTAIN	73	32	58	734,255	3	3
4	DUBAI MILLENNIUM	25	13	16	626,279	1	3
5	DANSILI	85	34	53	600,396	1	1
6	XAAR	76	30	44	599,300	2	3
7	KING'S BEST	72	38	46	551,632	3	4
8	NAMID	102	35	54	533,733	2	1
9	ROSSINI	78	25	41	485,836	2	1
10	ALMUTAWAKEL	45	23	36	481,546	2	1
11	DIKTAT	74	20	30	481,258	2	3
12	SINNDAR	52	17	25	384,616	3	1
13	LUJAIN	77	30	40	378,821	1	3
14	JOSR ALGARHOUD	54	24	32	310,436	1	1
15	TRANS ISLAND	50	21	40	299,763	2	1
16	BACHIR	34	16	29	275,422	0	1
17	MARTINO ALONSO	8	2	6	274,162	1	0
18	SENDAWAR	52	17	25	249,565	0	1
19	MUJAHID	51	23	30	233,982	0	2
20	DIABLENEYEV	6	2	8	215,629	1	0

This table includes worldwide earnings (excluding Japan) for the Northern Hemisphere progeny of European stallions. Statistics by Hyperion Promotions Ltd. Results received to June 5th.

In addition to Pulpit, "the A.P. INDY / MR. PROSPECTOR CROSS has produced Horse of the Year Mineshaft, Champion 2-Year-Old Filly Tempera and other Grade I winners Tomisue's Delight, Jilbab and A.P. Adventure." – Alan Porter, TDN 6/1/05

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They are over £1-million clear of Monashee Mountain (also a Coolmore sire, also transferred to America) in third, while Dubai Millennium has now moved into fourth spot, up from 10th at the end of 2004. The top two are absolutely miles clear in total progeny earnings, and to top it off, Montjeu has already had 15 stakes horses. He's got 32 winners in this crop so far, and literally just under half of them have gained black type.

He was just about the best racehorse among the many great ones sired by Sadler's Wells. You'd have to say, now, he looks poised to take over the mantle, and join fellow Sadler's Wells son El Prado as one of the world's leading sires.

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LEADING THIRD CROP SIRE IN EUROPE

(In order of Total Prize Money 2003-2005)

Rnk	Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs	Wins	Total£	SW	SP
1	CAPE CROSS	156	82	158	3,256,023	10	10
2	FASLIYEV	195	92	175	2,426,490	10	11
3	ORPEN	188	97	196	2,125,227	6	9
4	GOLD AWAY	69	32	71	1,974,505	2	2
5	DAYLAMI	98	43	80	1,741,601	4	7
6	DR FONG	125	64	121	1,498,651	9	6
7	INTIKHAB	95	51	102	1,487,561	5	3
8	VERGLAS	45	27	60	1,262,728	3	6
9	DAGGERS DRAWN	100	44	90	1,229,164	2	2
10	TIGER HILL	71	38	74	1,173,269	12	4
11	STRAVINSKY	81	46	96	1,161,243	4	3
12	CROCO ROUGE	63	43	93	1,042,714	1	4
13	SECOND EMPIRE	99	56	122	1,009,195	2	3
14	DESERT SUN	83	39	87	872,140	3	0
15	SHINKO FOREST	81	33	83	779,262	2	1
16	DOCKSIDER	93	37	78	697,998	1	1
17	LORD OF MEN	77	35	68	695,360	1	0
18	DANZERO	72	32	50	503,836	1	0
19	INDIAN ROCKET	52	28	79	486,163	1	0
20	PRINCELY HEIR	27	14	23	426,777	2	0

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HIS FIRST CROP ARE PURE CLASS IN 2005

- FOOTSTEPSINTHESAND**..... 1st English 2000 Guineas-Gr.1
- SHAMARDAL**..... 1st French 2000 Guineas-Gr.1
- SHAMARDAL**..... 1st French Derby-Gr.1
- MY TYPHOON**..... 1st Hilltop Breeders' Cup Stakes-L.R.
- NOBLE CAUSEWAY**..... 2nd Florida Derby-Gr.1
- MAIDS CAUSEWAY**..... 2nd English 1000 Guineas-Gr.1

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by Alan Porter

Saturday, Belmont Park

ACORN S.-GI, \$250,000, BEL, 6-4, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:35 1/5, ft.

1--▲**ROUND POND**, 121, f, 3, by **Awesome Again**

1st Dam: Gift of Dance, by **Tremolino**

2nd Dam: Coral Dance (Fr), by **Green Dancer**

3rd Dam: Carvinia (Fr), by ***Diatome**

(\$105,000 yrl '03 KEESEP). O-Fox Hill Farms Inc; B-Trudy McCaffery & John Toffan (KY); T-John C Servis; J-S Elliott; \$150,000. Lifetime Record: 5-4-0-1, \$367,300. *1/2 to Tropical Wave (With Approval), SW-Jam.

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Awesome Again is certainly living up to his name. Last Monday, his son Ghostzapper was nothing else short of awesome in the GI Metropolitan H., and on Saturday, it was awesome again when Round Pond won her fourth straight race in five starts, taking the GI Acorn S.

Awesome Again made a flying start to his stud career with his first crop which was headed by Ghostzapper. That crop contained five other stakes winners, including the GI Champagne S. and GI Hollywood Futurity victor Toccet, and other graded winners Personal Legend, Snorter and Awesome Time. The momentum slowed somewhat with Awesome Again's second crop, which contained just one stakes winner--the GIII Natalma S. heroine Pink Champagne--but he's come back strongly with his third crop. These three-year-olds of 2005 include not only Round Pond, but also the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Wilko; Spun Sugar, heroine of the GII Black-Eyed Susan S., and stakes winner Magoo's Magic.

Round Pond's dam Gift of Dance has a pedigree with a decidedly European look to it. She is a daughter of Tremolino, a Sharpen Up horse who captured the 1987 renewal of the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Tremolino began his stud career in the U.S. but, not surprisingly, turned out to be a better sire of European runners and is now at stud in France. Tremolino is turning out to be a more-than-useful broodmare sire. To date, his daughters have produced 23 stakes winners. In addition to Round Pond, they include the 2004 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) winner Blue Canari; Chelsea Rose, who took last year's G1 Moyglare Stud S.; and the 2003 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner, champion Action This Day.

Gift of Dance's dam Coral Dance, a daughter of Green Dancer, never won a stakes, but did finish second in the G1 Criterium des Pouliches. She proved to be an even better broodmare, producing four stakes winners, three of them at the Group/Grade 1 level. The first of these was Coral Dance's second foal, Nasr El Arab (Al Nasr).

He won two group races at three in France, but proved even better in the U.S., taking the GI Oak Tree Invitational S. and the GI Carleton F. Burke H. as a sophomore, and the GI Charles H. Strub and GI San Juan Capistrano H. at four. Coral Dance's second major winner was Pennekamp, a son of Bering. He won the G1 Prix de la Salamandre and G1 Dewhurst S. at two and the G1 English 2000 Guineas at three. Coral Dance's trio of Group/Grade 1 stars is completed by Black Minnaloushe, a Storm Cat colt who took the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas and G1 St. James's Palace S.

Coral Dance's dam Carvinia, a Listed winner in France, was half sister to Carvin, a top-class runner who won the Criterium de Saint-Cloud as well as finishing second in the Washington D.C. International and third in the Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby).

Round Pond is a product of a Deputy Minister/Sharpen Up cross. Despite the fact that Deputy Minister's generally have done best on the dirt, and that Sharpen Up has been a turf influence, the cross has already produced the three-time Grade I winner Clear Mandate and Flag Down, a MGSW of over \$1.5 million. We can also note that Sharpen Up's son Diesis has the Grade I-winning Magistretti out of a Deputy Minister mare. In addition to the Deputy Minister/Sharpen Up cross, something else interesting is apparent in the pedigree of Round Pond. Deputy Minister is by Vice Regent, and Tremolino is out of a mare by Vice Regent's brother, Canadian champion two-year-old Viceregal, so Round Pond has the brothers 3x3. This combination has appeared in several other stakes winners, including Canadian champion sprinter Scotzanna; GSWs Except for Wanda and Gentleman Beau; and Rosie Dooley, a black-type winning and graded-stakes placed performer who was by Tremolino out of a Deputy Minister mare, making her bred on a reverse cross to Round Pond.

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ROUND POND, f, 2002

Awesome Again	Deputy Minister	Vice Regent	Northern Dancer
		Mint Copy	Victoria Regina
	Primal Force	Blushing Groom (Fr)	Bunty's Flight
		Prime Prospect	Shakney
Gift of Dance 10-0-1-2, \$17,000 8Fls, 1G1SW	Tremolino	Sharpen Up (GB)	Red God
		Trephine (Fr)	Runaway Bride
	Coral Dance (Fr) G1SP-Fr, 13-3-1-3, \$76,822 12Fls, 2Ch, 3G1SW, 1SW	Green Dancer	Mr. Prospector
		Carvinia (Fr) 5Fls, 1GSP	Square Generation
			Atan
			Rocchetta (GB)
		Viceregal	
		Quiriquina (Fr)	
		Nijinsky II	
		Green Valley (Fr)	
		Diatome (Fr)	
		Coraline (Fr)	



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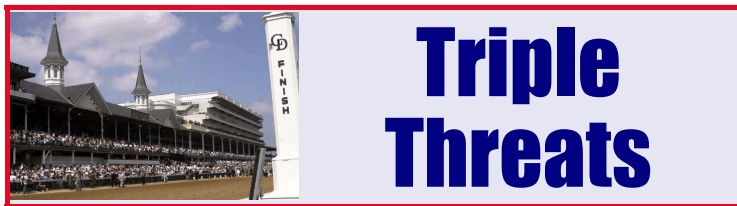
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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	3	Simple Exchange (Ire)	Danehill	Weld	138
2	1	Zarad (Ire)	Selkirk	Oxx	133
3	4	Democratic Deficit (Ire)	Soviet Star	Bolger	128
4	2	Gaff	Maria's Mon	Weld	123
5	5	Sanserif (Ire)	Fasliyev	Halford	120



Triple Threats

Respite For 'Alex' After Belmont

Trainer Tim Ritchey said yesterday that, regardless of the outcome of Saturday's GI Belmont S., **Afleet Alex** (Northern Afleet) would get a breather. "He'll get a little time off," confirmed Ritchey, who added the colt would likely return to action in August. "Tentatively, he'll go to either the GI Haskell Invitational [at Monmouth Aug. 7] or the GI Travers S. [at Saratoga Aug. 27] and then possibly the Breeders' Cup. It's possible we'd do both the Haskell and the Travers, but I don't want to run him into the ground. I'd like to race him against three-year-olds, especially when you have million-dollar races for straight three-year-olds. You've got three or four of them--the Haskell, the Travers. I think the GII Super Derby [Louisiana Downs Oct. 1] is \$750,000 now. We've got a lot of options."

CORRECTION: A report in Tuesday's TDN should have noted Irridescence (SAf) winning the G1 SA Fillies Classic prior to her victory in the G1 Woolavington. We regret the error.

Watchmon and A.P. Arrow Work

A.P. Arrow (A.P. Indy), working at Churchill Downs, and **Watchmon** (Maria's Mon), breezing at Belmont Park, both put in final major preparatory works in advance of Saturday's GI Belmont S. A.P. Arrow, owned by the Allen E. Paulson Living Trust and trained by D. Wayne Lukas, zipped three furlongs in :35.20, the fastest of 11 moves at the distance. "I just wanted to sharpen him a little bit," said Lukas. "He hasn't had a lot of racing, so my theory has always been that if they haven't run as much as some of the others and have some seasoning, then sometimes just getting them a little bit sharper works for me." He added, "I just let him stretch his legs after a mile gallop and I was pleased with him." A.P. Arrow, who broke his maiden last time out going 10 panels at Churchill May 14, is scheduled to ship to Belmont today. Paul Pompa Jr.'s Watchmon covered five panels in 1:00.09. "[Jockey Javier] Castellano had horse every step of the way," said trainer Patrick Reynolds. "He's not necessarily always a good work horse...but after watching him work, I know he feels good and we got him right on the money." Watchmon, a winner of one of six starts, most recently finished second in a nine-furlong allowance test at Belmont May 22.

Bellamy Road Update...

Bellamy Road (Concerto), who exited his seventh-place finish in the May 7 GI Kentucky Derby with a sore splint bone in his left front leg, is scheduled to be pinfired in the next few days, trainer Nick Zito reported yesterday. The three-year-old, who earned 5-2 favoritism in the "Run for the Roses" after his eye-catching romp in the GI Wood Memorial S., could be sidelined until the fall. "Hopefully I can get him ready for the summer, but you don't run out of races with a horse like this," Zito said. "It would be great if we could get him ready to run in the Travers [at Saratoga Aug. 27], but the ultimate goal is the Breeders' Cup Classic [at Belmont Park Oct. 29]." The colt could meet reigning Horse of the Year Ghostzapper in the Classic, but Zito is confident that, on his best day, Bellamy Road can run with any horse in the country. "If Bellamy Road is like he was for the Wood Memorial, he would give any horse a tumble, anywhere, anytime," he said.

FOALING NEWS:

EXING (CHI), 17, Exceller--Twinkling Danzig, by Danzig Foal born Apr. 27, a filly by A.P. Indy. Boarded at Denali Stud, Ky. Accomplishments: MSP-Chi. Dam of Exhortada (Chi) (Cresta Rider), G1SW-Chi; Mash One (Chi) (Mashkour), G1SW-Chi, MGISW-US, \$390,000-US; Reciclada (Chi) (Rictorious), GSW & G1SP-Chi & MGSP-US, \$351,971-US; Gran Mujer (Chi) (Single Dawn), GSW-Chi & SW-US.

 **NORTH AMERICA** 

★ **EAST** ★

TCT, BREEDERS' CUP SIGN CONTRACT FOR SERIES

by Tom LaMarra--Courtesy of Blood-Horse.com

The Thoroughbred Championship Tour, a proposed series of big-event racing days leading up to the Breeders' Cup World Thoroughbred Championships, appears on track for 2006 now that the TCT and Breeders' Cup have signed a contract.

TOBA president Dan Metzger, who serves as chief executive officer of the TCT, said the contract was signed June 3. The two parties had reached an agreement on certain issues last year and again earlier this year, but some changes were made in the interim. Breeders' Cup Ltd. would still provide \$3 million a year in purse supplements for five years.

"We're now discussing how to develop the series as a ramp-up to the Breeders' Cup, and how to enhance the popularity and presence of the Breeders' Cup on the national sporting scene," Metzger said.

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★ **INDUSTRY INFO** ★

Alex's Lemonade Continues to Expand:

Lone Star Park, Sam Houston Race Park and Keeneland will host their versions of Alex's Lemonade Stand on Belmont S. Day June 11. The fundraising effort, which made its debut at this year's Kentucky Derby, has expanded to over 30 tracks nationwide. Proceeds from sales at Sam Houston will go to the Texas Children's Cancer Center. The Houston-area oval will also hold a silent auction on eBay to benefit the charity. Auction items will include a Houston Texan's jersey signed by David Carr; tickets to the pre-season Texans game; a one-year membership to Sam Houston Race Park's exclusive Jockey Club; and a framed photograph of Afleet Alex, winner of the 2005 Preakness.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8:

- 06-11 \$1,000,000 **Belmont-I, Bel**, 3yo, 12f (100000s)
- 06-18 \$250,000 **The Californian-II, Hol**, 3yo/up, 9f (250)
- 06-18 \$175,000 **Chicago Breeders' Cup H.-III, AP**, 3yo/up, 7f (125)
- 06-18 \$100,000a **Affirmed H.-III, Hol**, 3yo, 8.5f (100)
- 06-18 \$200,000 **Dallas Turf Cup, LS**, 3yo/up, 9fT (0)
- 06-26 \$200,000a **Highlander H.-III, Wo**, 3yo/up, 6ft (200)



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Yesterday's Results:

6th-DEL, \$36,300, Msw, 2yo, f, 5f, :59 2/5, ft. **MYSTICAL WILDCAT** (f, 2, [Forest Wildcat](#)--Spend a Dream, by Spend a Buck) came onto the scene with a third at Keeneland Apr. 15, then was a well-beaten second going 4 1/2 panels over Churchill's strip 15 days later. The odds-on 4-5 pick to graduate here, she ranged up into contention turning for home, collared pacerfactor Pu Dew (Lucky Lionel) in the deep stretch and asserted by a neck on the line. The victress is a half to Clever Tish (Clever Trick), SW, \$119,686. Life-time Record: 3-1-1-1, \$33,300. O-Pandora Racing. B-London Thoroughbred Services Ltd (PA). T-H Graham Motion.

★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

IN BRITAIN:

Les Arcs, g, 5, **Arch**--La Sarto, by Cormorant. Chester, 6-7, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7f 2ydsT. B-Elk Manor Farm. *\$140,000 yrl '01 KEESEP; 32,000gns HRA '03 TATAUT. **1/2 to White Mountain Boy (Meadowlake), MSW, \$167,470.

Takes Tutu, g, 6, **Afternoon Deelites**--Lady Affirmed (GSW & GISP, \$313,037), by Affirmed. Redcar, 6-7, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1mT. B-Harbor View Farm. *\$65,000 yrl '00 KEESEP; 18,000gns HRA '03 TATAUT.

IN FRANCE:

Soleil Gris, c, 3, **Royal Anthem**. See "France."

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

Stakes/First-time Starters to Watch: Wed., June 8

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2001 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- CAT THIEF** (Storm Cat), Overbrook, \$35K, 137/19/0 3-LS, Msw, 1m, +Eccentric Cat, \$170K FTK JUL yrl, 10-1
- GOLDEN MISSILE** (A.P. Indy), Adena, \$25K, 151/13/3 3-AP, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Durado, \$42K FTK JUL yrl, 8-1
- STAR PROGRAMMER** (Storm Cat), Silver Spur, \$4K, 80/6/0 6-LS, Msw, 5f, +Sleppy's Star, 10-1
- WAR CHANT** (Danzig), Three Chimneys, \$60K, 111/16/5 8-PIM, Msw, 1mT, +Skirmish, \$360K FTS AUG yrl, 5-1

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 **FRESHMAN FOCUS**



First-crop progeny to watch: Wed., June 8

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2002 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- SATELLITE SUN (Seattle Slew), Four Green, \$2K, 17/2/0
4-BEL, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Gemmie a Satellite
- UNCLE ABBIE (Kingmambo), Key, \$2K, 24/0/0
6-LS, Msw, 5f, +Atomic Abbie, 30-1

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.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

BELMONT

Watchmon (Maria's Mon), 5f, •1:00.09, 1/8
Spite the Devil (Devil His Due), 7f, 1:31.02, 2/2

CHURCHILL

A. P. Arrow (A.P. Indy), 3f, •:35.20, 1/11
Cool Conductor (Stravinsky), 3fT, :37.60, 2/3
Del Mar Show (Theatrical {Ire}), 4f, :48.00, 10/56
Meteor Storm (GB) (Bigstone {Ire}), 4f, :52.00, 55/56
Seattle Borders (Western Expression), :47.80, 7/56
Senor Swinger (El Prado {Ire}), 4f, :48.60, 15/56
America Alive (American Chance), 4fT, :50.80, 6/12
Kitten's Joy (El Prado {Ire}), 4fT, •:48.80, 1/12
Old Deuteronomy (Storm Cat), 4fT, :54.00, 12/12
Cape Hope (Cape Town), 5fT, •1:01.40, 1/2
Honor in War (Lord at War {Arg}), 5fT, 1:03.40, 2/2

HOLLYWOOD

Megahertz (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), 4f, :48.60, 12/35

SANTA ANITA

Bluesthstandard (American Standard), 5f, :59.60, 10/31
Congrats (A.P. Indy), 5f, :58.80, 3/31
Minister Eric (Old Trieste), 5f, :59.60, 10/31
Ticker Tape (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}), 5f, 1:13.80, 2/6

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Salisbury, 3.45, Hcp, £13,760, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 198ydsT, 2:07.08, gd/fm.
NATALIE JANE (IRE) (f, 3, Giant's Causeway--Kirk {GB}, by Selkirk), third in the Listed Zetland S. at Newmarket in October, beat only one rival home in the GII Demoiselle S. at Aqueduct the following month. After a warm-up fifth in a Lingfield handicap on the polytrack last time Jan. 4, she stalked the early pace before challenging wide approaching the quarter pole. Taking command soon after, the 14-1 chance was driven out to beat Mystery Lot (Ire) (Revoque {Ire}) by five lengths. Lifetime Record: SP-GB, 7-2-0-2, £18,531. O/B-Woodcote Stud Ltd; T-Gerard Butler.

Salisbury, 4.15, Mdn, £7,130, 3yo, 6f 212ydsT, 1:27.75, gd/fm.
MACAULEY (IRE) (c, 3, Zafonic--Wigging {GB}, by Warning {GB}), a 30,000gns TATOCT yearling and 60,000gns TATAPR two-year-old, ran third in a Lingfield maiden in October in his sole previous outing. The chestnut broke well here in his return and raced prominently while trapped wide. Making fluent progress at the top of the straight, the 11-4 second favorite grabbed the lead at the quarter pole before extending his advantage over Grecian Gold (Ire) (Lujain) to four lengths at the line. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £5,424. O-Michael Pescod; B-Bloomsbury Stud; T-Roger Charlton.

Redcar, 2.30, Mdn, £6,050, 2yo, 6fT, 1:10.70, gd/fm.
MURFREESBORO (GB) (c, 2, Bahamian Bounty {GB}--Merry Rous {GB}, by Rousillon) had finished seventh in the Newbury maiden May 14, which received a boost by the success of the runner-up Genari (GB) 15 minutes earlier. Adding further weight to that form here, the 6-4 pick disputed the early lead before stretching clear inside the final quarter to beat Ten Downing Street (Ire) (Mujadil) by a comfortable three-length margin. The winner was a 70,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,932. O-George Strawbridge; B-Jeremy Green & Sons; T-John Gosden.



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Salisbury, 2.15, Mdn, £5,960, 2yo, 6fT, 1:14.79, gd/fm.
GENARI (GB) (c, 2, Generous {Ire}--Sari {GB}, by Faustus) came within a head of upsetting Championship Point (Ire) at 33-1 on debut at Newbury May 14 and was sent off the 8-11 punters' choice here. Showing early dash to dispute the early lead, he was pushed out to assert in the final eighth and beat Dont Dili Dali (GB) (Dansili {GB}) by 2½ lengths. "I don't think he made much at the Sales because he was by Generous who was history at that point," his trainer said. "He was also very big, but he has a good temperament and will come on again. He qualifies for the Listed Chesham S. [at Royal Ascot at York June 14] and we'll think about that." Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £20,549.
 O/B-R A Instone; T-Paul Cole.

Wednesday, Newbury, post time: 8:00 p.m.
LORD WEINSTOCK MEMORIAL S. (Registered as the Ballymacoll Stud S.)-Listed, £28,000, 3yo, f, 10f 6ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	1	Art Eyes	Halling	Elsworth
2	7	Corcoran	Lear Fan	Perrett
3	3	Favourita (GB)	Diktat (GB)	C Brittain
4	4	Karliyna (Ire)	Rainbow Quest	Stoute
5	8	Ma'am	Royal Anthem	Wood
6	5	Ruby Wine (GB)	Kayf Tara (GB)	Eustace
7	2	Subtle Affair (Ire)	Barathea (Ire)	Quinlan
8	6	Valentin (Ire)	King of Kings (Ire)	Hannon

All carry 121 pounds.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:
Fontainebleau, 3.35, Cond, €27,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:03.39, gd/sf.
SOLEIL GRIS (c, 3, Royal Anthem--Golden Glimmer {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Kendor {Fr}), successful on his third start here May 11, was sent off the 9-4 second choice. Taken to the front in the early stages, he was challenged by Sois Fort (Fr) (Pelder {Ire}) in the straight, but held off that rival to score by a length, completing a four-timer on the card for his owner and trainer in the process. A \$40,000 KEENOV weanling, Soleil Gris resold for €71,000 as a GOFFRA juvenile. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 2 wins, 2 places, €24,300.
 O-Antoine Capozzi; B-Hopewell Investments LLC; T-Julie Laurent-Joye Rossi.

Fontainebleau, 2.05, Mdn, €12,000, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:11.33, gd/sf.
+ ROSE DE TAHITI (FR) (f, 2, Anabaa--Domus Orea, by Gone West), a €93,000 DEAAUG yearling, broke smartly and was settled in a stalking fifth early. Quickening to the front with 1½ furlongs remaining, the 15-1 shot was pushed out to beat Tien Vao (Fr) (Ski Chief) by 1½ lengths. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €6,000.
 O-Antoine Capozzi; B-Brentwood Farms Ltd; T-Julie Laurent-Joye Rossi.

Fontainebleau, 2.35, Mdn, €12,000, 2yo, c/g, 6fT, 1:11.33, gd/sf.
+ PEINTRE BERE (FR) (c, 2, Verglas {Ire}--Phussandbussle {GB}, by Pharly {Fr}) stalked the early pace before being moved up to take command at the top of the straight. Tackled by Crystal World (Fr) (Spinning World) in the closing stages, the 7-1 chance rallied gamely to win the short head verdict. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €6,000.
 O-Antoine Capozzi; B-SNC Regnier & San Gabriel Inv. Inc; T-Julie Laurent-Joye Rossi.

Wednesday, Fontainebleau, post time: 3:35 p.m.
PRIX MELISANDE-Listed, €47,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	4	Montare (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Pease
2	2	Changeable (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Fabre
3	6	Vassileva (Fr)	Lomitas (GB)	Beguigne
4	5	Hideaway (Fr)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Gibson
5	7	Grand Opening (Ire)	Desert King (Ire)	E Lellouche
6	3	Saudade (Ger)	Linamix (Fr)	de Roualle
7	1	Stash the Ice (Ire)	Daylami (Ire)	de Royer-Dupre
8	9	Yellow Purple (Jpn)	Dream Well (Fr)	Bary
9	8	Spectrofolle (Fr)	Spectrum (Ire)	Doumen

All carry 123 pounds, bar Montare, 128.

★ IRELAND ★

Wednesday, Leopardstown, post time: 8:30 p.m.
JOCKEY CLUB OF TURKEY SILVER S.-Listed, €50,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	6	Latino Magic (Ire)	Lion Cavern	R Osborne	138
2	2	Solskjaer (Ire)	Danehill	A O'Brien	138
3	4	Sublimity (Fr)	Selkirk	Carr	136
4	5	Napper Tandy (Ire)	Spectrum (Ire)	Bolger	133
5	1	Chelsea Rose (Ire)	Desert King (Ire)	Collins	124
6	3	Merger	Mr. Greeley	Weld	120

Last year's G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner **Chelsea Rose** makes her belated return as she prepares for a tilt at the G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh July 17. She faces older horses here, including Listed Alleged S. winner **Sublimity** and Listed Heritage S. scorer **Solskjaer**.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-DEL, \$38,000, NW1X, 3yo, f, a1m70yd, 1:43 4/5, ft.

PIAS MOONLITE (f, 3, Migrating Moon--Pens Pens Pens, by Morning Bob) Lifetime Record: 13-2-1-1, \$53,670. O/B-James Georgeades (FL). T-Angel Gutierrez.

4th-MNR, \$32,400, 6-6, NW3L, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:22 3/5, fm.

IL CAPRICCIO (c, 4, Langfuhr--Lost the Code, by Lost Code) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-3, \$77,235. O-Navigator Stable. B-Dr Audrey Narducci (KY). T-Eric R Reed. *\$130,000 yrl '02 FTSAUG. **1/2 to Squirtle Squirt (Marquetry), Ch. Sprinter, MGISW, \$1,112,220.

9th-PHA, \$28,320, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:38, ft.

NITTANY EXPRESS (g, 4, Quarry--Parfait Noir, by Parfaitement) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-5-3-4, \$99,593. O-Green Eyed Stable. B-Xanthus Farms Inc (PA). T-Todd M Beattie. *1/2 to Imprints in Gold (Digamist), SP, \$250,962.

4th-CRC, \$28,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47, ft.

FAST LISA (f, 3, Sword Dance {Ire}--Hot Rod Helen, by Regal Search) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-3, \$59,520. O/T-Steven Dwoskin. B-Gilbert G Campbell (FL). *\$13,500 yrl '03 OBSAUG.

8th-PHA, \$27,280, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

ROANOKE'S BEST (m, 5, Roanoke--All of the Best, by Poles Apart) Lifetime Record: 22-4-9-3, \$97,502. O-Finish Line Racing Stable. B-Conrad Stipp (PA). T-Scott A Lake.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Tour With Jo, c, 2, Tour D'Or--Freebie From Jack, by Tiffany Ice. FEX, 6-7, 4 1/2f, :53 3/5. B-Luann Baker (FL).

Sidetrack, c, 3, El Prado (Ire)--Dream Away, by St. Jovite. PHA, 6-7, 1m (off turf), 1:42 2/5. B-Nancy S Dillman (Ky). *\$170,000 yrl '03 FTSAUG.

Lox and Kippers, c, 3, Kipper Kelly--My Own True Love (MSW & MGSP, \$307,430), by Regal and Royal. CRC, 6-7, 5f, :59 4/5. B-Robert Bakerman (FL). *1/2 to Always Try Love (Ward Off Trouble), MSP, \$228,820; and True Love's Secret (Desert Secret {Ire}), MSW, \$431,607.

The Love King, g, 3, Not for Love--Rollicking Flair, by Rollicking. PHA, 6-7, 1m, 1:39. B-Giles Cook (Pa).

Magic Berti, c, 3, Maghnatis--Beautiful Bertie, by Tunerup. DEL, 6-7, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5. B-Bertram W Klein (Ky).

Lucky Wink, f, 3, Straight Man--Lucky Penny, by Golden Act. DEL, 6-7, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05 3/5. B-William Schettine (On). *\$47,000 wlng '02 FTMDEC; \$65,000 yrl '03 OBSAUG. **1/2 to Lucky Appeal (Valid Appeal), GSP, \$102,960.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ Golden Knife (Ire), f, 2, Cape Cross (Ire)--Coral Golden (Ire), by Rainbows for Life. Rome, Italy, 6-6, Mdn, 2yo, f, 5fT. B-Scuderia Golden Horse SRL.

Verite (GB), g, 2, Foxhound--Blushing Victoria (GB), by Weldnaas. Chester, Britain, 6-7, Mdn, 2yo, 5f 16ydsT. B-Yvette Dixon.

Ocean Gift (GB), g, 3, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Sea Drift (Fr), by Warning (GB). Salisbury, Britain, 6-7, Mdn, 3yo, 6f 212ydsT. B-Lady Juliet Tadgell. *56,000gns wnl '02 TATDEC.

Jaafi (Ire), c, 3, Celtic Swing (GB)--Bustinetta (GB) (SP-GB), by Bustino (GB). Redcar, Britain, 6-7, Mdn, 3-5yo, 1 3/8mT. B-Ballyhane Stud. *52,000gns yrl '03 DONSEP.

White Mountain (Ire), g, 3, Monashee Mountain--Va Toujours (Ire) (SW & GSP-GB), by Alzao. Tralee, Ireland, 6-7, Mdn, 3yo, 1 3/8mT. B-Acorn Stud. *€15,000 wnl '02 GOFNOV.

FOALING NEWS...

VALID AFFECT, 11, Valid Appeal--Piano Affect, by Fappiano
Foal born Apr. 27, a filly by Gone West. Will be bred back to Maria's Mon. Owned by and boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky. Accomplishments: SW & GSP, \$181,607. Dam of Obligatory (Belong to Me), SP; City Code (Carson City), SW.

SOFTLY, 7, Binalong--Coragil, by Metfield
Foal born Apr. 27, a colt by Victory Gallop. Will be bred back to Forest Wildcat. Owned by James Tafel. Boarded at Mill Ridge, Ky. Accomplishments: GSW of \$373,783.



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