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**HENNESSY DEAD**

Coolmore Stud's prominent sire **Hennessy** (Storm Cat--Island Kitty, by \*Hawaii) died yesterday in Argentina at La Mission Stud, where he was standing the 2007 Southern Hemisphere season. He was 14 years old. "He died of a heart attack," said Coolmore spokesman Richard Henry. "It was one of those freak things. He's been a great servant to us and we're sorry for the Argentinians." A Grade I winner on the track, Hennessy has been represented by a number of top runners as a sire, including champion Johannesburg, Henny Hughes, Madcap Escapade and Silver Tree. **Hennessy cont. p3**



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**FLASHY BULL RETIRED**

**Flashy Bull** (Holy Bull--Iridescence, by Mt. Livermore), winner of the GI Stephen Foster H., has been retired from racing due to an ankle injury. Racing for West Point Thoroughbreds, the gray culminated a four-race win streak with his June 16 Stephen Foster victory over Magna Graduate. He also won the GIII William Donald Schaefer H. at Pimlico. The ankle injury was discovered after Flashy Bull's seventh-place finish in the July 28 GI Whitney H. "Flashy Bull was a little off when we took him back to the track after the Whitney," explained trainer Kiaran McLaughlin. "We did some tests and it looks like he injured himself in the race. It is quite a disappointment because we were just starting to see how good Flashy Bull could be. He was one of the soundest horses I have trained and he ran against the best of his peers at age two, three and four." As a two-year-old, Flashy Bull was second in the 2005 GII Remsen S. He was also second in last year's GII Fountain of Youth S. and third in the GII Ohio Derby. On the board in 13 of 19 races, he won five races and earned \$844,313. "Horses like this don't come along too often," said West Point Thoroughbreds founder and President Terry Finley. "He was the stable's first Grade I winner. We wish that his racing career could continue, but we've gotten a tremendous amount of interest in him as a stallion. We are weighing all our options and will make a decision on his stallion plans at a later date."



*MR. HARRY goes wire-to-wire in 4 1/2-length Arlington MSW score.*

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**CHANNEL MEETS TALK AGAIN**

Veteran runners **English Channel** (Smart Strike) and **Better Talk Now** (Talkin Man) face off for the seventh time in Saturday's GI Sword Dancer Invitational S. at Saratoga. Better Talk Now edged out English Channel to win the June 9 GI Manhattan H., but the chestnut turned the tables on his rival while winning the July 7 GI United Nations H. "They have been two mainstays in some of the country's biggest turf races for quite some time and they're nice horses," said Todd Pletcher, who trains English Channel for



**English Channel** *Equi-Photo*

James Scatuorchio. "They always show up and run hard. I have a ton of respect for Better Talk Now. It's a great match-up between the two." Now eight, Better Talk Now captured the 2004 GI Breeders' Cup Turf and came up just a half-length short of a second win in the race when runner-up behind Red Rocks (Ire) last year. "Eventually, I think people will realize he is one of the best American turf horses ever," trainer H. Graham Motion said of Better Talk Now. "He's second to only John Henry in turf earnings. He's won nearly every big turf race you would want to win."



**Better Talk Now**  
*A Coglianesse*

**Saturday, Saratoga**

**SWORD DANCER INVITATIONAL S.-GI, \$500,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT**

| PP | HORSE                | SIRE                 | JOCKEY     | WT  |
|----|----------------------|----------------------|------------|-----|
| 1  | Fri Guy              | Theatrical (Ire)     | Prado      | 116 |
| 2  | Trippi's Storm       | Trippi               | Castellano | 116 |
| 3  | Better Talk Now      | Talkin Man           | Dominguez  | 123 |
| 4  | Embossed (Ire)       | Mark of Esteem (Ire) | Coa        | 116 |
| 5  | English Channel      | Smart Strike         | Velazquez  | 123 |
| 6  | Crown Point          | Honor Grades         | Bejarano   | 116 |
| 7  | Grand Couturier (GB) | Grand Lodge          | Borel      | 116 |
| 8  | Ramazutti            | Honor Grades         | Desormeaux | 118 |
| 9  | Always First (GB)    | Barathea (Ire)       | Velasquez  | 116 |

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**HEART OF THE MATTER**

On Saturday, The Tin Man will attempt to do something that even John Henry couldn't: win consecutive renewals of the GI Arlington Million. But the nine-year-old doesn't need another trophy to keep his place in the hearts of owner/breeders Aury and Ralph Todd.

"I'd love to be the first to win back to back, but it's always the same thing," Ralph Todd said yesterday via telephone. "As long as he runs well and comes back healthy, that's the important thing."

A resident of Santa Ynez, California, Todd was keeping an eye on fires burning near Santa Barbara and Montecito, but plans to fly out to watch The Tin Man's attempt to make history.

"As long as the winds don't change drastically, we'll be OK," the 74-year-old said.

Married in 1956, Todd worked for a plumbing contractor. "The owner's dad was a race fan, so we used to drive over to Hollywood Park," he recalled. "I used to talk my wife into giving me \$10 to bet on the horses."

Todd went into the wholesale plumbing supply business on his own in 1966, establishing Todd Pipe & Supply. After attending some auctions at Hollywood Park, he began to be interested in owning racehorses in the early 1970s.

"A high school friend said there was a guy in Orange County selling his horses--mares, two-year-olds," Todd said. "We got together and decided to have some fun." The partnership bought a group of horses for "about \$100,000," but didn't have much success.

"I thought they knew what they were doing. I knew I didn't know what I was doing," Todd explained. "Of course, we sold the best and kept the worst."

Shortly afterwards, Todd went on his own, buying a filly who wound up becoming his foundation mare.

"Wally Dollase said there was little Northern Dancer filly that was for sale," he said. "She was recuperating from an ankle chip. I had my friend Dave Remstein go look at her. He said she was really good looking, but tiny. I looked at her past performances and saw she'd held her own at Saratoga against some nice fillies."

Todd paid \$30,000 for Dancing Liz (Northern Dancer). "I thought it was fair value," he said.

"She was worth it as a broodmare, if nothing else. She wound up winning the Autumn Days [at Santa Anita] in 1976. But the ankle became a problem."

Referred to Buck Pond Farm in Kentucky, Todd struck up a friendship with the owners, George and Susan Proskauer, and sent Dancing Liz to Kentucky to be bred. He recalled a visit to Darby Dan Farm in 1978.

"We went over to Darby Dan and were speaking to Olin Gentry's secretary," Todd said. "The door was open to his office, and he said 'Send 'em in.' It was a warm, sunny day and he showed us around the farm. I learned more about the horse business that day than I had in my entire life. [Gentry said about Dancing Liz], 'You've got a gold mine here.' He told me to stand my ground and make sure I get who I wanted, not get involved in some deal with a first-year horse."

"I really wanted to breed her to Buckpasser, but he died that year, and that's how we wound up going to Riva Ridge."

Dancing Liz's first foal was the winning Riva Ridge colt Restrike, but it was her later foals who wound up having an impact for Todd. Her second, the Cornish Prince colt Secular, was one of the first horses Richard Mandella trained for him; her third, a daughter of Tom Rolfe named Lizzie Rolfe, became the dam of MSW Mama Simba (Mamaison) and, later, The Tin Man himself.

In 1985, Dancing Liz produced a powerful \*Forli colt named Oraibi. The chestnut rattled off four straight wins for the Todds at three, capped by the GI Malibu S. He later added the GIII Sierra Madre H. and earned \$383,100, but never reached his full potential due to a cracked cannon bone.

"Before The Tin Man, he was absolutely the best horse I had," Todd said. "He was better than what you see. He was built like Mike Tyson. He was so mellow, you could have him sit on the couch with you--The Tin Man is like that, too--I'd stand in front of the webbing with my back to [Oraibi]. He'd put his head on my shoulder and just relax."

There were some inquiries from Kentucky regarding Oraibi as a stallion in 1991, but, as Todd put it, "Things were tough at that time for everyone," and the chestnut went on to stand in California, siring stakes winners Saylo and Rio Oro from nine crops to race.

Mama Simba bankrolled \$505,775 during five seasons of racing for the Todds, and her daughters Call Mama (Phone Trick) and the stakes-placed Midnite Mama (Affirmed) remain as mainstays of the Todds' broodmare band. **Cont. p3**



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**Hennessy: Bred to Be a Good One (cont. from p1)**

By leading sire Storm Cat, Hennessy hailed from a deep family. His dam, the Grade I-placed Island Kitty, was a half to GISW Field Cat and to Beware of the Cat, the dam of Grade I winners Editor's Note and current Coolmore stallion Hold That Tiger. Hennessy himself was a half-sibling to GISW Pearl City and MGSW Shy Tom. Trained by D. Wayne Lukas, he lived up to his breeding as a two-year-old of 1995 while wearing the colors of Bob and Beverly Lewis, who had purchased Hennessy for \$500,000 as a KEEJUL yearling. During a campaign that saw him win or place in seven of nine starts, Hennessy captured the GII Hollywood Juvenile Championship S. and GI Hopeful S. at Saratoga. Off at 7-1 in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Belmont Park, he ran a close second to Unbridled's Song after a thrilling stretch duel ([video](#)). Subsequently second in the GIII Hollywood Prevue S. and fourth in the GI Hollywood Futurity S., Hennessy suffered a career-ending injury and was retired to Coolmore's Ashford Stud in Kentucky. As a sire, Hennessy was a versatile sort. His get includes Johannesburg, named champion two-year-old in Europe and the U.S. after a brilliant, undefeated 2001 season that saw him win Grade I races in four countries, including the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile in the U.S. Hennessy, a shuttle sire who stood in Australia and Argentina, was also the sire of Grade I winners Grand Armee (Aus), Harmony Lodge, Henny Hughes, Madcap Escapade and Sunrise Bacchus (Jpn). His graded winners in 2007 include the top turf horse Silver Tree, winner of Sunday's GII Fourstardave H. at Saratoga, as well as India, Mary Delaney and Liquor Cabinet (Ire). Hennessy currently sits in 10th on the *Thoroughbred Times'* leading sires list with progeny earnings of \$4,259,599 this term. To date, he has sired three champions, 57 stakes winners, 36 graded winners and earners of \$53,721,994. A solid sales sire, Hennessy saw a total of 374 yearlings average \$148,257 over the course of his career. His sons at stud include Johannesburg, who stood for a fee of \$65,000 in 2007; Henny Hughes, who stood his first year at Darley for \$40,000; first-crop sires Cactus Ridge and Wiseman's Ferry; Roll Hennessy Roll; Blazonry; and Heckle.

**Heart of the Matter (cont. from p2)**

"I'm keeping it all in the family," Todd said. "Lizzie Rolfe passed away foaling The Tin Man's sister, She's a Rich Girl [in 2000]. She severed an artery." After breaking her maiden in her lone start at four, She's a Rich Girl sold for \$210,000 in foal to Dixie Union at Keeneland November in 2004. Todd retained Dancing Liz's final foal, Ying Ying (Pirate's Bounty).

"The mares just got back from Claiborne," Todd added. Midnite Mama is in foal to Strong Hope; Call Mama, described as "tough to get in foal," was successfully covered by Arch.

When in California, Todd's mares are boarded at Martin Wygod's River Edge Farm in Buellton. Todd has developed a friendship with farm manager, Russell Drake.

"I'm breeding to get a racehorse," Todd said. "You can't think 'Now I'll get a champion' from any particular mating. There is a huge pool of genes from stallion, and a huge pool of genes from the mare come together. There are millions of possibilities, and you have to see what stallions are getting results.

"You need a proven sire. I loved Smart Strike a few years ago--he was \$15,000 at the time, and I was doing my best to convince Russell to breed to him. And now he's what, \$75,000? They say 10 percent of the fishermen catch 90 percent of the fish, and that's true for breeding, too."

While The Tin Man is the defending champion in the Arlington Million, the likely favorite will be After Market, the multiple Grade I winner campaigned by the Wygods. It would be a fitting exacta.

Todd credits much of his success to his relationship with Hall of Famer Richard Mandella, who began training for him in the early 1980s. "It's been over 20 years, but it feels like a 100," Todd said. "He's a man of impeccable integrity. My relationship with Dick is so important to me, if he told me to take my horses elsewhere, I'd get out of the business...I've stayed in [it] because of the enjoyment of our relationship."

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**LIKE FATHER, LIKE SON,  
LIKE GRANDSON.**

**Leading 2YO Sires in Europe in 2007 (to 8th Aug.)**

| RK | STALLION        | SIRE            | PRIZEMONEY £ |
|----|-----------------|-----------------|--------------|
| 1  | *CHOISIR        | DANEHILL DANCER | 218,785      |
| 2  | DANEHILL DANCER | DANEHILL        | 217,969      |

\* Choisir is also the Leading First Crop Sire

**Leading 2YO Sires in Europe in 2006**

| RK | STALLION        | SIRE     | PRIZEMONEY £ |
|----|-----------------|----------|--------------|
| 1  | DANEHILL DANCER | DANEHILL | 1,369,670    |
| 2  | DANEHILL        | DANZIG   | 960,290      |

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**Heart of the Matter (cont. from p3)**

Having enjoyed a long friendship, the Todds and the Mandellas went on a fishing vacation recently to Alaska. While Todd was able to tease the conditioner about his abilities in the fishing department, he has utmost assurance in Mandella's horse sense. "I'm not the kind of owner that says, 'I want the horse to run in the Haskell, or whatever race,'" Todd added. "It's more, get the horse ready, and, when the polish is on the apple, take a look and see what's available. Make sure he's ready to crank out a big one. Mandella runs the show. Like I say, if you're going to go to the doctor, let him tell you what's wrong."

Mandella has nursed The Tin Man through various injuries, beginning with two tendon injuries before the bay even began his racing career and continuing through a wrenched ankle a couple of years ago. The gelding keeps coming back, though. His legs may not be the best, but, as William Shakespeare wrote, his "heart is as true as steel."

**UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES**

| Date    | Race                        | Track         |
|---------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| Aug. 11 | GI Arlington Million        | Arlington     |
|         | GI Secretariat S.           | Arlington     |
|         | GI Beverly D. S.            | Arlington     |
|         | GI Sword Dancer Inv. H.     | Saratoga      |
|         | GII La Jolla H.             | Del Mar       |
| Aug. 12 | GIII Monmouth BC Oaks       | Monmouth      |
| Aug. 15 | GII Adirondack S.           | Saratoga      |
| Aug. 16 | GII Saratoga Special S.     | Saratoga      |
| Aug. 17 | GII Lake Placid S.          | Saratoga      |
|         | GIII Rancho Bernardo H.     | Del Mar       |
| Aug. 18 | GI Alabama S.               | Saratoga      |
|         | GI Del Mar Oaks             | Del Mar       |
|         | GIII Arlington Oaks         | Arlington     |
|         | GIII Gardenia H.            | Ellis Park    |
|         | GIII Philip H. Iselin BC H. | Monmouth      |
| Aug. 19 | GI Pacific Classic          | Del Mar       |
|         | GII Del Mar BC Mile         | Del Mar       |
|         | GII Pat O'Brien BC H.       | Del Mar       |
|         | GIII Longacres Mile BC H.   | Emerald Downs |

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**Saturday, Del Mar**

**LA JOLLA H.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1 1/16mT**

| PP | HORSE             | SIRE          | JOCKEY   | WT  |
|----|-------------------|---------------|----------|-----|
| 1  | Latin Rhythms     | King Cugat    | Valdivia | 114 |
| 2  | Star Inside (Ire) | Key of Luck   | Almeida  | 114 |
| 3  | Karazi (Swi)      | Arazi         | Blanc    | 116 |
| 4  | Worldly (GB)      | Selkirk       | M Baze   | 121 |
| 5  | Unusual Suspect   | Unusual Heat  | Smith    | 116 |
| 6  | Vauquelin (Ire)   | Xaar (GB)     | Nakatani | 117 |
| 7  | Ten a Penny       | Gulch         | Talamo   | 118 |
| 8  | Medici Code (GB)  | Medicean (GB) | Pedroza  | 115 |
| 9  | Dilemma           | Grand Slam    | Gryder   | 116 |

**Sunday, Del Mar**

**BEST PAL S.-GII, \$150,000, 2yo, 6 1/2f (AWT)**

| PP | HORSE            | SIRE           | JOCKEY      | WT  |
|----|------------------|----------------|-------------|-----|
| 1  | Salute the Sarge | Forest Wildcat | M Baze      | 123 |
| 2  | Mix              | Menifee        | Nakatani    | 117 |
| 3  | Sky Cape         | Najran         | Valdivia Jr | 119 |
| 4  | Slam Slew        | Grand Slam     | Espinoza    | 119 |
| 5  | Leonides         | Richter Scale  | Talamo      | 119 |
| 6  | Georgie Boy      | Tribal Rule    | Smith       | 123 |

**DEL MAR 2007 GRADED STAKES SCHEDULE**

| Date | Race                    | Conditions       |
|------|-------------------------|------------------|
| 8-11 | GII La Jolla H.         | 3yo, 8.5fT       |
| 8-12 | GII Best Pal S.         | 2yo, 6.5f        |
| 8-17 | GIII Rancho Bernardo H. | 3/up, f/m, 6.5f  |
| 8-18 | GI Del Mar Oaks         | 3yo, f, 9fT      |
| 8-19 | GII Pat O'Brien H.      | 3yo/up, 7f       |
| 8-19 | GII Del Mar Mile        | 3yo, 1m          |
| 8-19 | GI Pacific Classic      | 3/up, 10f        |
| 8-26 | GII Del Mar H.          | 3/up, 11fT       |
| 9-1  | GII Palomar H.          | 3/up, f/m, 8.5fT |
| 9-2  | GII Del Mar Derby       | 3yo, 9fT         |
| 9-3  | GI Del Mar Debutante    | 2yo, f, 7f       |
| 9-5  | GI Del Mar Futurity     | 2yo, 7f          |

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**THE MARKET CORRECTS**

Only the 'dotcom crash,' which began in 1999, and the MRLS losses in Kentucky in 2002-2003 have interrupted record-setting growth in the Thoroughbred marketplace since 1995. The market peaked in 2006, when what we now call the calendar year 'second-half' markets grossed a record \$1.275 billion, surpassing even the records set in the early 1980s. With continued growth in numbers, plus the evidence of the North American Two-Year-Old in Training sales being down 10 percent in the first half of the year, it should come as neither a great surprise, nor a precursor of imminent market collapse, that there has been a 12-percent drop in average at Fasig-Tipton's first two yearling sales, Fasig July and Saratoga, which take the temperature of the market.

The fact that there was a big increase in the number catalogued in the two sales--796 this year, 21 percent more than last year's 657--slightly masks the situation, as the gross for the two sales was just \$160,000 down from last year. But even a cursory look at the figures gives us a more accurate picture. Only 14 percent more horses actually sold than last year, which tells us that the clearance rate was down (62 percent of the catalogue, versus 67 percent last year--that includes withdrawals as well as not-solds). And the fact that it took 14 percent more horses (59 more sold, 496 versus 437) to miss last year's combined two-sale gross by \$160,000 tells us the average must be down also. This year's two-sale average was \$156,296, down 12 percent from the corresponding 2006 two-sale average of \$177,764. As the table in this week's WST shows, this year's two-sale gross was \$77,523,000, off just two-tenths of one percent from the 2006 gross of \$77,683,000. With 392 extra yearlings catalogued for Keeneland September (an eight-percent increase from last year), it is likely there will be a greater decline in the average than in the gross there also. But costs are not down 10 percent--the costs of stud fees, of boarding, of insurance, and costs associated with selling--so breeders and sellers who haven't yet benefited from the record tide, who haven't had a 'big horse' sell in the last year or two, well, their chances of making a profit this year are diminished.

For all the record prices, for all the market growth and projected 10-percent correction, what breeders and other auction sector players can never afford to lose sight of is that it always takes a 'big horse' to make money. Everything in this sport/business hinges on gambling, and it's as true of the racehorse breeder as it is of the racehorse owner, and of course the gambler. The tragic thing is that it needn't be that way, at least not for the racehorse owner and the racehorse breeder.

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The money is out there; in fact, it's already circulating in the system. Fred Pope, a disciple of the late John Gaines who is still associated with Gainesway Farm advertising, has outlined a proposed change in the way simulcast signals are priced and marketed which alone could result in a near-doubling of North American purses. If the projected declines at this year's sales come to fruition, Pope's proposals could find more attentive ears among industry breeders.

One thing which is very unlikely to change this year is the market's thirst for first-year stallions because, as one industry watcher has remarked, "as yet they've never sired a bad horse." Because the really big star sires are much more in evidence in Keeneland Book 1 (A.P. Indy has had one yearling sell so far, for \$750,000; Storm Cat has had three average \$600,000), the two Fasig sales correspond much more to Keeneland Book 2 (the two Fasig sales last year averaged \$177,674; Keeneland Book 2 averaged \$167,378). **Cont. p6**



You can also pick up a copy of the TDN today at the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Yearlings Sale.



(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p5)

Of the stallions which had three or more sell at the two Fasig sales, the top six were proven sires, but only Unbridled's Song (11 sold, averaging \$424,545, according to Wednesday's Insta-Tistics), of those six, had more than five sell. Leading first-year sire Smarty Jones himself had three average \$316,666, but particularly significant are the results for four first-year sires, each with nine or more sold, which have averaged just under \$150,000 or higher: Speightstown (13, average \$211,923); Lion Heart (20, average \$167,500); Medaglia D'Oro (11, average \$163,181); and Strong Hope (nine, average \$149,444). Also with six-figure averages so far are: Tapit (11, average \$106,090) and Cuvee (nine, average \$104,111); while Toccet (nine, average \$85,111) and Chapel Royal (18, average \$83,333) have also averaged over \$80,000, with nine or more sold. With five or six sold so far are: Saarland (five, average \$142,000); Congaree (five, average \$140,800); Domestic Dispute (six, average \$111,666); and Friends Lake (six, average \$105,000).

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**LEADING NORTH AMERICAN SIRES OF 2007 UNRESTRICTED FIRST-TIME STAKES WINNERS (through Aug. 6)**

| Stallion   | Loc  | SWs |
|--|------|-----|
| <a href="#">Distorted Humor</a> (Forty Niner)    | Ky   | 12  |
| <a href="#">A.P. Indy</a> (Seattle Slew)         | Ky   | 9   |
| <a href="#">Royal Academy</a> (Nijinsky II)      | Ky   | 7   |
| <a href="#">Awesome Again</a> (Deputy Minister)  | Ky   | 6   |
| <a href="#">Giant's Causeway</a> (Storm Cat)     | Ky   | 6   |
| <a href="#">Kingmambo</a> (Mr. Prospector)       | Ky   | 6   |
| <a href="#">Street Cry (Ire)</a> (Machiavellian) | Ky   | 6   |
| <a href="#">Dynaformer</a> (Roberto)             | Ky   | 5   |
| <a href="#">Hennessy</a> (Storm Cat)             | dead | 5   |
| <a href="#">Pulpit</a> (A.P. Indy)               | Ky   | 5   |
| <a href="#">Silver Deputy</a> (Deputy Minister)  | Ky   | 5   |
| <a href="#">Smart Strike</a> (Mr. Prospector)    | Ky   | 5   |
| <a href="#">Tale of the Cat</a> (Storm Cat)      | Ky   | 5   |
| <a href="#">Belong to Me</a> (Danzig)            | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Danzig</a> (Northern Dancer)         | dead | 4   |
| <a href="#">Elusive Quality</a> (Gone West)      | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Forest Wildcat</a> (Storm Cat)       | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Lemon Drop Kid</a> (Kingmambo)       | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Posse</a> (Silver Deputy)            | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Storm Cat</a> (Storm Bird)           | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Stephen Got Even</a> (A.P. Indy)     | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Stormy Atlantic</a> (Storm Cat)      | Ky   | 4   |
| <a href="#">Tiznow</a> (Cee's Tizzy)             | Ky   | 4   |
| Unbridled's Song (Unbridled)                     | Ky   | 4   |

(Based on winners of unrestricted stakes with purses of \$45,000 or more in North America and winners of European stakes that qualify for "black-type" by North American catalogue standards, graded SWs in Japan, and the graded Dubai World Cup races.) Compiled by [Werk Thoroughbred Consultants](#), specialists in assisting breeders in their stallion selection and buyers in their auction purchases. For more information call (510) 490-1111.

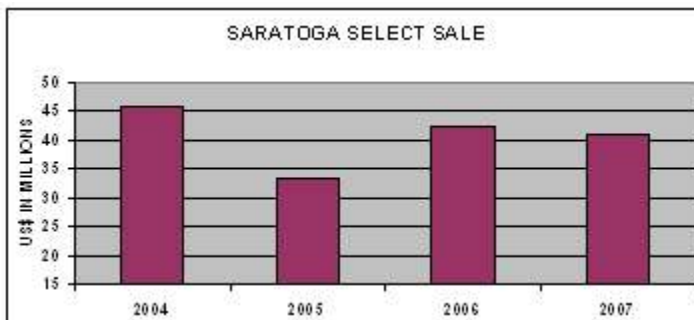
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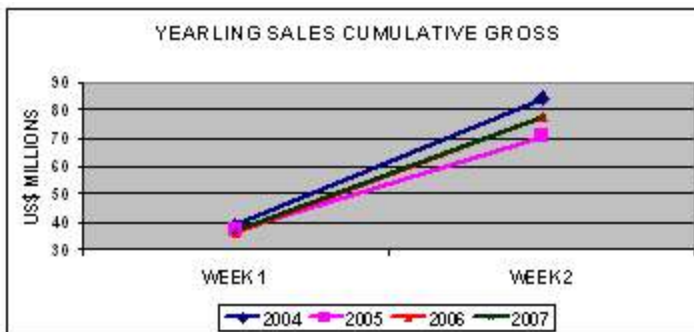
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**NORTH AMERICA**

**WARREN STUTE DIES** Longtime trainer Warren Stute died yesterday at his home in Arcadia, California after a brief illness. He was 85. During a training career which spanned seven decades, he conditioned stakes horses Figonero, Snow Sporting, Table Mate, June Darling and Magical Maiden. He saddled Tonga to win the first Del Mar Debutante in 1951 and returned to take the race again in 2002 with Miss Houdini. Miss Houdini was owned by Bo Hirsch, son of Stute's long-time patron Clement Hirsch. He also won the 2002 \$1-million G2 Godolphin Mile at Nad al Sheba with Grey Memo. Stute was an active trainer until earlier this year. His brother, fellow trainer Mel Stute, celebrated his 80th birthday on Wednesday and Mel's son Gary, also a trainer, said yesterday, "Warren was true to his word. He said he would make my dad's birthday, but wouldn't ruin it." Warren Stute is survived by his wife, Trudy; sons Glen and Steve; daughter Laura; five grandchildren; and three great grandchildren. Funeral services are pending.

**F-T NEW YORK-BREDS SELL TODAY** Fasig-Tipton's New York-bred Preferred Yearlings begin selling this evening at 7 p.m. at the Humphrey S. Finney Pavilion in Saratoga Springs. A total of 519 yearlings have been catalogued for the two-day auction, including youngsters by such sires as Aptitude, Belong to Me, Brahms, Broken Vow, City Zip, Dixie Union, E Dubai, El Corredor, Five Star Day, Harlan's Holiday, Holy Bull, Honour and Glory, Johannesburg, Jump Start, More Than Ready, Mr. Greeley, Orientate, Posse, Pure Prize, Tale of the Cat, Thunderello, Thunder Gulch, Van Nistelrooy and Yonaguska. Among the sires represented by their first crop of yearlings in the catalog are: Action This Day, Birdstone, Candy Ride (Arg), Chapel Royal, City Place, Cuvee, During, Eavesdropper, Pleasantly Perfect, Stanislavsky and Ten Most Wanted. The sale's second session begins Saturday at 7 p.m.

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**TODAY'S  
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- 2:04p TVG** **3rd-SAR, Waya S., \$80K, 4yo/up, f/m, [R], 1 1/2mT**  
**WINGSPAN (Silver Hawk)**, multiple Group 3-placed in France, made a positive impression in her U.S. debut over the Belmont turf June 23, getting up to best Saturday's GI Beverly D. S. hopeful Lahudood in a 10-furlong affair. **Hostess** (Chester House) won her only try at today's distance and comes in off a third to Makderah (Ire) in the GI New York H. June 23.
- 3:08p TVG** **5th-SAR, \$79K, Alw, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m**  
The last time **NKOSI REIGNS (Out of Place)** was seen on these shores, he posted a 7-1 upset in the GIII Spend A Buck H. at Calder last October. He was winless in a pair of starts in Dubai this winter, but could be the controlling speed here. **Minister's Bid** (Deputy Minister), runner-up in last year's GII Jim Dandy S., took a June 17 Churchill allowance and enters this off a near-bullet work Aug. 3. **GISW Evening Attire** (Black Tie Affair {Ire}), **GSW Hesanoldsalt** (Broad Brush) and **GISP Malibu Moonshine** (Malibu Moon) add depth to a tough heat.
- 10:00p TVG** **7th-DMR, Real Good Deal S., \$100K, 3yo, [S], 7f (AWT)**  
Marty and Pam Wygod's **IDIOT PROOF (Benchmark)** has won his last two, including an off-the-charts score in the GIII Jersey Shore BC S. July 4. His clocking of 1:07 2/5 earned him a lofty BRIS speed fig of 108. **Big Bad Leroybrown** (Wild Again) will be rolling late and could pick up the pieces if the favorite fails to negotiate today's distance.

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**103**  
BRIS Speed Figure earned by **Maimonides** (Vindication), Zayat Stables' \$4.6-million **KEESEP** yearling purchase who romped by 11 1/2 lengths in his career debut at Saratoga Wednesday. Bob Baffert trains the juvenile colt. [Click for video.](#)



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## ★ SARATOGA ★

### Yesterday's Results:

- NEW YORK STALLION STATUE OF LIBERTY S.**, \$150,000, SAR, 8-9, (R), 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:50, gd.  
 1--**#TISHMEISTER, 114, f, 3, City Zip--Kristy K**, by Meadowlake. O-Blue Sky Farm; B-Gus Schoenborn Jr (NY); T-Timothy Ritvo; J-Javier Castellano; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 15-2-5-0, \$166,986.  
 2--**Don't Mind Me, 116, f, 3, Freud--Gaye's Blossom**, by Thirty Six Red. (\$37,000 2yo 2006 OBSMAR). O-Peter J and Eloise Canzone Sr. \$30,000.  
 3--**Western Sweep, 120, f, 3, Western Expression--Andover Sweep**, by End Sweep. O-Flying Zee Stable. \$15,000.

Margins: 1HF, 1, HF. Odds: 2.70, 2.20, 7.30.

Tishmeister held her own in state-bred company on the grass, finishing runner-up in maidens at Belmont May 27 and June 8 before graduating in career start number 13 downstate July 12. The chestnut displayed her trademark early speed in a July 26 allowance test over this turf course and led to deep stretch before holding on for the place spot. Sent up to track a moderate pace from the outside for the opening seven panels, Tishmeister made the lead turning for home, opened up past midstretch and remained comfortably clear.

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**LADY D'ACCORD S.**, \$82,750, SAR, 8-9, (S), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:22 2/5, ft.

- 1--**TALKING TREASURE, 123, f, 3, Catienus--Annual Dues**, by Devil His Due. O/B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (NY); T-Charlton Baker; J-John R Velazquez; \$49,650. Lifetime Record: 8-4-3-0, \$207,108.  
 2--**Cammy's Choice, 118, f, 3, Take Me Out--Truth**, by Smart Strike. O-Charles A Murray. \$16,550.  
 3--**Smokin Sarah, 118, f, 3, Smokin Mel--Sarah's a Winner**, by Cormorant. O-Cedar Bridge Stable. \$8,275.

Margins: HF, 2 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 2.75, 1.75, 8.30.

Talking Treasure cleared her first state-bred allowance condition at Aqueduct Apr. 7 before tacking on a two-length victory in the restricted Bouwerie S. at Belmont May 6. Favored at 3-5 for her last pair, she faltered to be fourth in the July 1 Touch of Love S. in Elmont and runner-up in the July 14 Niagara S. at Finger Lakes. Cammy's Choice broke on top, but Talking Treasure argued the pace inside of her, took a short lead past the midstretch marker and eased clear in the final 50 yards.

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**3rd-SAR, \$72,000, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$75,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 1/5, gd.

1--**CRIMINOLOGIST, 118, f, 4, [Maria's Mon](#)--Search Party (GSP, \$258,254), by Seeking the Gold.**  
O/B-Stuart S Janney III & Phipps Stable (KY);  
T-Claude R McGaughey III. Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-1, \$170,899.

2--**Sky High Flyer (GB), 118, m, 5, Anabaa--Hylandra, by Bering (GB).** (8,000gns yrl '03 TATOCT; 100,000gns HRA 2005 TATDEC).

3--**Miracle Moment, 123, f, 4, Chester House--Rejoyced, by Relaunch.**

Margins: HD, HF, HF. Odds: 2.40, 2.75, 2.75.

A winner over the Gulfstream sod Mar. 7, Criminologist was sixth in a Mar. 30 allowance in Hallandale, but put that effort behind her with a five-length romp over subsequent GSW Makderah (Ire) racing over the Keeneland turf Apr. 27. Most recently a close sixth to Meribel in the June 9 Foresta S. at Belmont Park, the Janney/Phipps homebred was a much warmer item in this spot. Always within easy striking distance, Criminologist was roused to the lead in the stretch and held sway late.

**7th-SAR, \$69,000, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:03 3/5, gd.

**ENGLISH COLONY (GB) (c, 3, [Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}](#)--Jemima {GB} {GSW-Eng, SP-US, \$170,705}, by Owington {GB})** was 10<sup>th</sup> to subsequent GSW Pleasant Strike in a nine-furlong turf maiden at Gulfstream Park in his Jan. 31 debut and got a bit of a breather. He returned to graduate over five furlongs of the Gulfstream green stuff Mar. 28 and was most recently a handy two-length winner of the six-furlong Inside the Beltway S. on the Belmont turf July 8. Always traveling on the bridle, the bay colt challenged pacesetter Count On Pal (Numerous) leaving the eighth pole and was fully extended to best Ever a Friend (Crafty Friend) by a long nose as the 6-5 chalk. Lifetime Record: SW, 4-3-0-0, \$110,780. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Lazy F Ranch & William S Farish. B-W S Farish (GB). T-Angel J Penna Jr.

### STAKES CLOSINGS

#### TOMORROW, SATURDAY, AUGUST 11:

8-23 \$200,000 **Ballston Spa H.-II, Sar, 3/up, f/m, 9fT (200)**

8-24 \$400,000 **Personal Ensign-I, Sar, 3/up, f/m, 10f (400)**

8-25 \$1,000,000 **Travers-I, Sar, 3yo, 10f (1000)**

8-25 \$250,000 **King's Bishop-I, Sar, 3yo, 7f (250)**

8-25 \$200/100,000a **Molly Pitcher Breeders' Cup-II, Mth, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (250)**

8-25 \$200,000 **Bernard Baruch H.-II, Sar, 3/up, 9fT (200)**

8-25 \$100,000a **Victory Ride-III, Sar, 3yo, f, 6f (100)**

8-26 \$150/100,000a **Ballerina BC-I, Sar, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (150)**

## ★ CANADA ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**1st-WOX, \$29,275, Msw, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17, ft.**

+ **TAKESTWOTOTANGO (c, 3, [Langfuhr](#)--Kinetigal, by Naskra)**, a full brother to Mobil, Ch. Older Horse-Can, MGSW & GISP, \$1,876,896; and half to Kinkennie (Bold Ruckus), MSP, \$222,458, debuted with the benefit of Lasix, but was dispatched as the 8-1 second-longest shot in a five-horse affair. The \$100,000 KEESSEP yearling showed the best early speed, but surrendered a narrow lead to True Resurgence (Yes It's True) on the turn. He still had that rival to catch at the eighth pole, but was able to drive by late for a 1 1/4-length success. He was pulled up while galloping out and was vanned off the track. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$17,565.

O-Zayat Stables LLC. B-Castleton Group (KY). T-Reade Baker.

## ★ CENTRAL ★

### Churchill to Cease Releasing Handle Figures:

Saying handle and attendance figures no longer gave an accurate picture of financial health, Churchill Downs officials will stop releasing those meet-ending statistics at its four racetracks. During a teleconference Wednesday to discuss second-quarter earnings, officials cited other numbers which effect the company's performance are, such as corporate hospitality and sponsorships.

### TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS



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**8th-SAR (Statue of Liberty S.) Tishmeister (City Zip)** gets it done from just off the pace.

**6th-SAR (Lady D'Accord S.) Talking Treasure (Catenus)** makes amends.

**7th-SAR (Alw \$69K) English Colony (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire})** stays perfect in turf sprints.

**7th-DMR (OC/NW2X) Augment (Aptitude)** finds a new home on the grass with narrow victory.



(Central report cont.)

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-ELP, \$21,300, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 2/5, fm.**

**ROYAL G G (f, 3, [Royal Academy](#)--Pamric, by Woodman),** fourth in her June 9 bow sprinting over the Churchill main, was last of nine in a June 30 maiden in Louisville, but got the job done last time, scoring by two lengths in her turf bow at this oval July 11. Favored here at 2-1, the homebred set the pace, opened up on the backstretch and was never menaced, winning by 2 1/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$28,575. O/B-Dr J K & Linda Griggs (KY). T-Dallas Stewart.

**1st-LAD, \$25,500, Msw, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5, ft. + MIKIMOTO'S MOJO (c, 2, [Hold That Tiger](#)--Munch N Grass, by Pleasant Colony)** was made the 11-10 chalk to become the fourth winner for his freshman sire (by Storm Cat) and did not disappoint. Stalking the pace from the outside, the chestnut challenged four wide into the lane, overtook Yellow Meadow (Meadowlake) at the eighth pole and edged clear to best that foe by 1 1/2 lengths. The winner, a \$55,000 OBSOCT weanling, was an \$80,000 FTKJUL yearling and \$160,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,000.

O-Stanley B Seelig. B-The Answer LLC (KY). T-Patrick Mouton.

**5th-ELP, \$20,175, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12, ft. STORM CAT JOHNNY (h, 5, [Storm Cat](#)--Add {SP}, by Spectacular Bid),** a \$350,000 KEESEP yearling, matured into a \$1.05 million FTFEB juvenile, but debuted just June 29, finishing second by a head in an Indiana Downs maiden. Hammered into 7-10 favoritism for this second try, the half to Inflate (Forty Niner), SW, \$123,127; Arabian Prince (Fusaichi Pegasus), GSP-Eng & Ire; and Lizard Island (Danahill Dancer {Ire}), GSW-Ire, GSP-Eng, \$137,524, brushed the gate at the break, but raced in close attendance to the lead. He took over turning for home and pulled away by 3 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$15,105.

O-Robert V LaPenta. B-Eagle Holdings (KY). T-Nicholas P Zito.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

**IN BRITAIN:**

**Fitzroy Crossing, c, 2, [Cozzene](#).** See "Breeders' Edition Europe."

**Ernie Owl, c, 2, [Tale of the Cat](#).** See "Britain."

**Mirthful, f, 3, [Miswaki](#)--Musicanti, by Nijinsky II.** Haydock Park, 8-9, Hcp, 3yo, 11f 200ydsT. B-Juddmonte Farms. \*3/4 to Distant Music (Distant View), G1SW-Eng & GSW-Ire, \$522,144.

**IN IRELAND:**

**Lady Causeway, f, 3, [Giant's Causeway](#)--Lady Upstage (Ire) (GSW-Ire, G1SP-NA & Fr, SW & GSP-Eng, \$288,953),** by Alzao. Sligo, Ireland, 8-9, Hcp, 3yo, 1 1/2mT. B-Joseph Allen. \*€75,000 yrl '05 GOFORB.

**Senor Benny, h, 8, [Benny the Dip](#)--Senora Tippy (SW-Fr, GSP-US, \$188,833),** by El Gran Senor. Tipperary, Ireland, 8-9, Hcp, 3yo/up, 5fT. B-Landon Knight. \*3,000gns HIT '03 TATAUT. \*\*1/2 to Tippet Witch (Affirmed), GSW, \$326,182. \*\*\*SW-Ire.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**7th-DMR, \$69,600, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW2X, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 4/5, fm.**

**AUGMENT (g, 3, [Aptitude](#)--Spree, by Conquistador Cielo),** an allowance winner over Hollywood's all-weather track May 27, was making his turf debut off a sixth-place effort behind Tiago in the July 14 Gil Swaps Breeders' Cup S. Let go at 7-1, the bay gelding was held in check before angling to the outside for the stretch run and closing well to just get a nose in front at the wire. Frank the Barber (Malibu Moon) was second. Augment was an \$80,000 KEENOV weanling. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-0, \$124,560.

O-Glen Hill Farm. B-George Brunacini & Bona Terra Farm (KY). T-Patrick Gallagher.

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## ★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

### Johnson, Williams Elected to TRF Board:

Famed track announcer Dave Johnson and Robin Traywick Williams, the former commissioner of the Virginia Racing Commission, have been unanimously elected to the board of directors of the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation. *Blood-Horse* Editor-in-Chief Ray Paulick was newly elected to the board, while the following officers were re-elected: Johnathan Miller-President, Susan Finley-First Vice President, George Grayson-Second Vice President, Ray Roy-Treasurer, and Regina Schneller-Secretary.

### Magna Reports Second-Quarter Loss:

The second-quarter results for Magna Entertainment Corporation showed a net loss of more than \$23.4 million. In a press release announcing the results, MEC Chairman and interim CEO Frank Stronach said, "We are extremely disappointed with the second-quarter results. We recognize that immediate and drastic action is required and we have commissioned a strategic review of the company. Also, we will cease racing operations at our Austrian racetrack Magna Racino at the end of its 2007 meet, have relinquished our racing license for Michigan Downs and have terminated our racetrack development project in Dixon, California." Added Blake Tohana, executive vice president and CFO, "Our results this quarter were negatively affected by the slot operations at Gulfstream Park, which have significantly underperformed to date. However, we remain optimistic that our recent marketing initiatives, legislative changes that were adopted in early July and the relocation of Christine Lee's restaurant, a culinary institution in South Florida for more than 30 years, to the third floor of Gulfstream Park in early August, will lead to improved results." Magna, which owns Golden Gate Fields in Northern California, had planned to develop a second racetrack on property owned in Dixon. The new facility would have filled the gap that will be left when Bay Meadows ceases operations, but a proposal to get approval for the development plans lost at a local referendum in April. MEC is also uncertain of its ability to acquire a license to operate in Dixon and, as a result, those plans have been canceled and the property will be put on the market. MEC had also planned to construct a racetrack on 450 acres purchased in Ocala, Florida, several years ago, but has tabled those plans and will sell that property as well.

**All post times in the TDN are listed as local time**

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$50,000 Allowance, at Monmouth Park. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

### Change to MEC Board of Directors:

Dennis Mills has resigned from his position as director and vice chairman of Magna Entertainment Corp. Joining the MEC Board of Directors is Ron Charles, who serves as the executive director of the company's California operations. Charles is a founding member and former Chairman of the Board of the Thoroughbred Owners of California. "On behalf of the entire Board, I would like to thank Dennis for his efforts on behalf of MEC," MEC Chairman and interim CEO Frank Stronach said. "He has worked tirelessly to champion many of MEC's initiatives. I would also like to welcome Ron Charles to the Board. Ron has a wealth of industry knowledge and experience and is a valuable addition to the Board."

### ☆ TRACK OPENING ☆

#### LAUREL PARK - Laurel, Maryland

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### ★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

#### ARLINGTON

**Admiralofthefleet** (Danahill), 3f, :40.00, 11/13

**Danak (Ire)** (Pivotal {GB}), 3f (T), :40.80, 1/1

**Doctor Dino (Fr)** (Muhtathir {GB}), 3f, :37.00, 4/13

**Fleeting Shadow (Ire)** (Danahill), 5f, 1:01.00, 2/30

#### DEL MAR

**Alexandra Rose (SAf)** (Caesour), 6f (T), 1:17.40, 4/5

**One Off (GB)** (Barathea {Ire}), 6f (T), 1:15.40, 3/5

**Valbenny (Ire)** (Val Royal {Fr}), 6f, 1:13.40, 9/28

**Wanna Runner** (El Corredor), 7f, 1:25.80, 1/2

#### SARATOGA

**Akebono** (Sky Classic), 4f, :51.63, 67/67

**Cougar Cat** (Storm Cat), 4f (tr), :48.92, 5/15

**Dance Away Capote** (Capote), 5f, 1:02.03, 19/44

**E Z Warrior** (Exploit), 4f, :49.23, 33/67

**Fed Watcher** (Songandaprayer), 4f, :48.24, 9/67

**Great Intentions** (Cat Thief), 4f, :49.43, 37/67

**Make the Point** (Menifee), 5f, 1:00.84, 6/44

**Meribel** (Peaks and Valleys), 4f, :49.62, 7/15

**Revved Up** (With Approval), 4f (tr), :50.00, 11/15

**Stormy Kiss (Arg)** (Bernstein), 4f, :47.67, 2/67

**Teammate** (A.P. Indy), 4f, :49.43, 37/67

**The Roundhouse** (Fusaichi Pegasus), 4f, :49.03, 23/67

**Vacare** (Lear Fan), 4f (T), :49.84, 7/10

**Wanderin Boy** (Seeking the Gold), 4f, :49.88, 10/15

**Will He Shine** (Silver Deputy), 5f, 1:00.64, 5/44



**5.45 Newmarket, Mdn, £7,000, 2yo, 7fT**

**TANWEER (Seeking the Gold)** is a half-brother to the top-class Excellent Meeting from the high-class family of Doneraile Court and debuts for Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum in the race won by King's Best in 1999. Like that future G1 2000 Guineas winner, the chestnut hails from the Sir Michael Stoute stable and meets another notable in Princess Haya of Jordan's **Woodcutter (Ire) (Daylami {Ire})**, a half-brother to the 2004 G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Chelsea Rose (Ire) from the John Gosden barn.



**SLATE TOPS FINAL SESSION**

Doncaster's August Sale concluded yesterday, with Hussain Ali Ahmed Bukannan paying 40,000 guineas for the day's topper, the three-year-old colt **Slate (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}). Consigned by Jamie Osborne's Kingsdown Stables, hip [562](#), from the family of Catch the Blues (Ire), is a dual handicap scorer this term and is set to race in Qatar. David Chapman, who announced this week that his stable star Quito (Ire) had been retired, had earlier secured the Juddmonte-bred **Fan Club (GB)** (Zamindar). The Northern-based conditioner paid 35,000 guineas for hip [489](#), the three-year-old colt from the family of Etoile Montante who was the winner of a Maisons-Laffitte maiden in October for David Smaga. Henry Beeby, Managing Director of Doncaster Bloodstock Sales, commented, "There is a lot going at DBS at the moment. This was the first sale since we merged with Goffs and I'm pleased that buyers continue to enjoy the same unrivalled hands-on service from the DBS team which was enhanced by some input from a couple of Goffs regulars. This is what we promised when we merged and I guarantee that visitors to any Goffs or DBS sale will continue to be met with a service that is unmatched."

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| CUMULATIVE                                | 2007              | 2006         |
| No. Offered                               | 434               | 507          |
| No. Sold                                  | 328               | 360          |
| RNAs                                      | 106               | 147          |
| % RNA                                     | 24.4%             | 29%          |
| Gross                                     | 2,687,950gns      | 2,240,250gns |
| Average (% change)                        | 8,195gns (+31.7%) | 6,223gns     |

**FOOT AND MOUTH FEARS EASE**

Racing looks set to be virtually untouched by the outbreak of foot-and-mouth disease in Surrey after the British Horseracing Authority gave the green light to the movement of horses within the zones around the affected farms. Despite the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (Defra) not imposing a ban on the transport of racehorses inside the three-kilometre "protection zone" and 10-kilometre "surveillance zone," the BHA had moved to halt any trainers sending runners to the races as a precautionary measure. However, in a statement yesterday, racing's ruling body revealed that the restriction would be lifted on Monday. The statement read, in part, "Trainers within a surveillance zone will be able to have runners, provided they have carried out necessary biosecurity measures when transporting them. The Authority has been in constant contact with trainers who may fall into this category and is in a position to react swiftly should there be any extension of the zone. There will be no change to the restriction on trainers should they lie within a protection zone." At present, all cases of the virus are within the restricted area and there is no evidence of the widespread epidemic which caused such chaos in 2001.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Haydock Park, 2.40, Cond, £7,500, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:14.27, gd/fm.**

**STEP SOFTLY (GB) (f, 2, Golan {Ire})--Step Aloft {GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB}),** successful in a Folkestone maiden first time July 12, raced in second for most of this return. Pushed along to challenge Kylaene (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the 2-1 pick was driven out in the latter stages to deny that persistent rival by a head. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £8,096. O/B-The Queen; T-Richard Hannon.

**Yarmouth, 2.20, Mdn, £5,000, 2yo, 6f 3ydsT, 1:13.04, gd/fm.**

**ERNIE OWL (c, 2, Tale of the Cat--Capitol View {MSW, \$447,752}, by Sports View),** a \$160,000 KEESEP yearling and \$425,000 OBSFEB breezer, was highly tried on debut when off the board in the June 19 G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot, and was sent off as the 15-8 choice to break through in this softer spot. Settled in fifth after breaking best, he challenged for control at the quarter-mile marker and kept on strongly under a forceful drive in the closing stages to deny Mister Fips (Ire) (Chevalier {Ire}) by a head in a bobber. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,239.

O-Roldvale Ltd; B-Stonestreet Mares LLC; T-Brian Meehan.

**(British report cont. p7)**

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Haydock Park, 5.10, Mdn, £4,350, 3yo/up, 10f 120ydsT, 2:13.65, gd/fm.

**SOUL MOUNTAIN (IRE)** (f, 3, [Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}](#)--[Qhazeenah {GB}](#), by [Marju {Ire}](#)) went postward as the even-money chalk coming back from a fourth at Pontefract July 10 and raced in fifth after the opening exchanges here. Making smooth progress in the straight, the 220,000gns TATDEC foal cruised to the fore passing the two pole and was pushed clear before gearing down late for an easy four-length success from Russian Invader (Ire) (Acatenango {Ger}). Soul Mountain is a half-sister to Girl Warrior (Elusive Quality), GSW, \$192,840. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, £5,369. O-Lady Bamford; B-Longueville Bloodstock & Hugo Lascelles Bloodstock; T-Barry Hills.

## ★ IRELAND ★

### US RANGER JOINS BALLYDOYLE SQUAD

One of France's leading sophomores **US Ranger** (Danzig) left the yard of Jean-Claude Rouget yesterday to join Aidan O'Brien's team at Ballydoyle. Owned in partnership by breeder Joseph Allen, Michael Tabor, Susan Magnier and Derrick Smith, the Listed Prix Djebel winner, who was runner-up in the G3 Jersey S. at Royal Ascot June 20, had been trained for Sunday's G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest, but disappointed his trainer in a gallop beforehand and was not declared. Andy Smith, racing manager to Allen, told the *Racing Post* yesterday, "US Ranger is being sent to Ballydoyle because there isn't really a programme for him in France and there are many more opportunities for him in England and Ireland. After half of US Ranger was sold, it was always agreed that we would regroup after Ascot to reconsider his future. He should have run in the Prix Maurice de Gheest, but wasn't quite himself before the race. This move is no reflection on Jean-Claude, who will be sent more horses in the future and US Ranger was unbeaten in France."

### Yesterday's Results:

**AD VALOREM S.-Listed**, €55,000, Tipperary, 8-9, 2yo, 7f 100ydsT, 1:39.10, yl.

1--#[LISVALE \(IRE\)](#), 127, c, 2, by [Danehill Dancer \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: [Farthingale \(Ire\)](#), by [Nashwan](#)

2nd Dam: [Crinolette \(Ire\)](#), by [Sadler's Wells](#)

3rd Dam: [Organza \(GB\)](#), by [High Top \(Ire\)](#)

(€270,000 yrl '06 GOFORB). O-Moira McNamara; B-Grangecon Stud; T-David Wachman; J-W Lordan; €35,805. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €49,575.

2--[Achill Island \(Ire\)](#), 127, c, 2, [Sadler's Wells](#)--[Prawn Cocktail](#), by [Artichoke](#). €11,000

3--[Capt Chaos \(Ire\)](#), 127, c, 2, [Captain Rio \(GB\)](#)--[Blusienka \(Ire\)](#), by [Blues Traveller \(Ire\)](#). (30,000gns yrl '06 DONSEP). €5,500.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, 1 3/4. Odds: 7-2, 2-1, 7-1.

Also Ran: [Norman Invader](#), [Soaring Falcon \(Ire\)](#), [Brazilian Star \(Ire\)](#).

### AD VALOREM S.-Listed result cont.

This appeared an intriguing contest on paper, with unexposed types meeting useful yardsticks, and it was Lisvale who emerged from the first camp to stamp his class on affairs. Fourth on debut at Leopardstown June 13, the bay made strides forward to win a highly competitive Curragh maiden last time June 29 and followed up with a comfortable victory testing the water in stakes company here. Breaking best of all, he was restrained to track the sound early pace before moving up to take over approaching the final furlong. Given one slap at the eighth pole, he settled the result instantly and the whip was not required for the closing stages as Achill Island stayed on into an unthreatening second.

**Tipperary, 5.35, Mdn**, €17,000, 2yo, 5fT, :59.46, yl.

**SAWALEF (IRE)** (f, 2, [Captain Rio {GB}](#)--[Bajan Belle {Ire}](#), by [Efisio {GB}](#)), down the field in the Curragh maiden won by [Myboycharlie \(Ire\)](#) last time June 30, started at 7-1 and broke well to dispute the early lead. In front before halfway, the €8,500 GOFNOV weanling and €58,000gns DONSEP yearling quickened away from [Princess Zoe \(GB\)](#) ([Kyllachy {GB}](#)) to score by three lengths. The Sheikh Hamdan colorbearer becomes the 17th winner for her freshman sire ([Pivotal {GB}](#)). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, €11,747.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Audrey Frances Stynes; T-Kevin Prendergast.

**Sligo, 5.45, Cond**, €11,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:34.20, sf/hy.

**WESTLAKE (GB)** (c, 3, [Sadler's Wells](#)--[Rainbow Lake {GB}](#) {[GSW-Eng](#)}, by [Rainbow Quest](#)), a full to the very good Powerscourt (GB), Co-Hwt 3yo-Ire at 14f+, [GISW-US & Eng](#), [MG1SP-Ire](#), [G1SP-Ger](#), \$1,816,614; and a half to [Kind \(Ire\)](#) ([Danehill](#)), [MSW-Eng & GSP-Ire](#), \$132,389, lost all chance of breaking his maiden at Leopardstown last time July 4 when he veered right nearing the line, prompting the addition of blinkers here. Restrained in third early, the 8-11 pick raced freely throughout but had far too many guns for [Ardistan \(Ire\)](#) ([Selkirk](#)) and after mastering that rival passing the eighth pole cruised to an effortless 5 1/2-length success. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-2, €22,327.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-Dermot Weld.

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★ FRANCE ★

**TOYLSOME ADDED TO MAROIS**

Baron Georg von Ullmann yesterday supplemented last year's Listed Riemer Sprint-Pokal winner **Toylsome (GB)** (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) to Sunday's G1 Prix du Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard-Jacques le Marois at Deauville. The Jens Hirschberger-trained eight-year-old will be employed as a pacesetter for the owner's **Manduro (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}), who is dropping back in trip after wins in the G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Longchamp May 20 and Royal Ascot's G1 Prince of Wales's S. June 20. The latter's trainer Andre Fabre is confident that the five-year-old will prove as effective back at Sunday's distance. "Manduro was very unlucky in his three runs over a mile for us last year--nothing went right for him on those occasions," he told the *Racing Post*. "With a little more luck, he would have won. He has the speed to win at a mile." Von Ullmann's Racing Manager Paul Harley added, "We have done our homework and supplemented Toylsome into the Jacques le Marois as a precaution against it turning into a race with no early pace. Toylsome is jumping out of his skin and he will be ridden by Johan Victoire." Opposition to Manduro crumbled yesterday as Godolphin scratched **Echo of Light (GB)** (Dubai Millennium {GB}) and Jim Bolger withdrew Michael Ryan's G1 English and Irish 1000 Guineas heroine **Finsceal Beo (Ire)** (Mr. Greeley), who will instead run in the same afternoon's G2 Royal Whip at The Curragh.

**Vichy, 8.49, Cond, €26,000, 2yo, 7fT, 1:29.90, vsf. MEROUN (FR) (c, 2, Kouroun {Fr}--Merville {Fr}, by Fairy King)** was let go at 28-5 returning off a win at Vittel last time July 14 and found cover in a midfield sixth for much of this third go. Making progress into contention from the quarter-mile marker, the €12,000 DEAOCT yearling grabbed the lead with 100 meters remaining and was ridden out late to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Major d'Helene (Fr) (Majorien {GB}). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 3 wins, €26,000. O-Jakob Rohr; B-Haras du Camp Benard; T-P Lefevre.

**Vichy, 7.55, Cond, €22,000, 2yo, 5fT, time: n/a, vsf. GALAKTEA (IRE) (f, 2, Statue of Liberty--Granadilla {GB}, by Zafonic)** was a first-up winner at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 20 and went postward as the 11-10 selection coming back off a fifth in the Listed Prix des Reves d'Or over course and distance July 21. Stalking the pace from the outset, she took control with 350 meters remaining and eased clear under mild encouragement thereafter to account for Caprice des Bleus (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) by a facile five lengths. She is the 11<sup>th</sup> winner for her freshman sire (by Storm Cat). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €24,100. O-Leonidas Marinopoulos; B-Stilvi Compania Financiera SA; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.



ASIA



**DUBAI WORLD CUP TO BE HELD MAR. 29** The Board of Directors for the Emirates Racing Authority yesterday released fixtures for the 2007-08 UAE racing season and announced that the 2008 Dubai World Cup will be held on Saturday, Mar. 29. The world's richest day of racing, sponsored by Emirates Airline, will be the highlight of 49 race meetings this season, hosted by the four racing clubs of the United Arab Emirates: the Abu Dhabi Equestrian Club, Dubai Racing Club, Jebel Ali Racecourse and Sharjah Equestrian and Racing Club. The season will open at Nad Al Sheba on Thursday, Nov. 8, the first of 21 fixtures there. The opening 10 make up the Winter Racing Challenge, before the Dubai International Racing Carnival commences on Thursday, Jan. 17, with the first rounds of the Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid Al Maktoum Challenge.



AUSTRALASIA



**HAWKES TO SPLIT WITH CROWN LODGE** The Australian racing fraternity was stunned to learn the all-powerful partnership between indefatigable trainer John Hawkes and dominant owner-breeder Bob Ingham's Crown Lodge will end. Hawkes, the nine-time Sydney trainer's premiership winner and the leading Australian trainer with 257 winners nationwide for the season just ended, has tendered his resignation and plans to step down effective Nov. 16. Based at the Crown Lodge training complex at Warwick Farm in Sydney, Hawkes, 58, has been at the helm of what was a



**Wayne Hawkes (left) and father John Hawkes**  
Bronwyn Farr

four-state training operation for 15 years. His son Wayne is foreman of Ingham's Carbine Lodge at Flemington in Melbourne, and son Michael was foreman at Ingham's Tenor Lodge in Brisbane. However, Ingham Bloodstock Manager Trevor Lobb announced Wednesday that Tenor Lodge, which houses 50 horses, would close and the property would be sold because it was not viable due to relatively low prize money in Brisbane. Hawkes's resignation came soon afterwards. The taciturn Hawkes, who rarely attends actual race meetings and has a tense relationship with media, has not commented publicly on the split. Long-time Crown Lodge foreman Peter Snowden, 50, who has long been the spokesman for the stable and has worked alongside Hawkes for 19 years, will take over as head trainer at Crown Lodge. "I've got shoes bigger than flippers to fill," Snowden said. "As much as I've always wanted the job, I feel sad it will come to an end, the fact I'll be working with John. He's been brilliant." Hawkes has saddled no fewer than 95 Group 1 winners in his career, including 2007 Golden Slipper victor Forensics (Aus).



**MM GOLD COAST, PERTH CATALOGS ONLINE**

Catalogs for the Magic Millions Gold Coast Horses in Training Sale and the Magic Millions Perth Horses in Training Sale are now available online at [www.magicmillions.com.au](http://www.magicmillions.com.au). Both sales feature a record number of offerings. The Gold Coast sale will conduct breeze-up shows Oct. 8 and 9, followed by two days of selling on Oct. 10 and 11. The Perth sale will be conducted Oct. 16.

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
AMERICA**

**STAKES RESULTS:**

**A. P. SMITHWICK MEMORIAL STEEPLECHASE S.-GII**, \$84,900, SAR, 8-9, 4yo/up, 2 1/16mT, 3:45 2/5, gd.

1--**@MIXED UP**, 158, g, 8, by **Carnivalay**  
 1st Dam: **Oh Nonsense** (MSW, \$123,454), by **Oh Say**  
 2nd Dam: **Ba Bish**, by **King's Bishop**  
 3rd Dam: **Babee**, by **Jig Time**

O/B-William L Pape & Jonathan E Sheppard (PA);  
 T-Jonathan E Sheppard; J-Danielle Hodsdon;  
 \$50,940. Lifetime Record: 36-14-2-6, \$538,466.

2--**Preemptive Strike**, 150, g, 9, Roanoke--Mirkwood,  
 by Far North. O-Polaris Stable. \$15,282.

3--**Sweet Shani (NZ)**, 146, m, 7, Kashani--Sterling Princess (NZ), by One Pound Sterling. O-Calvin Houghland. \$8,490.

Margins: HF, 1 3/4, 3 1/4. Odds: 1.45, 2.40, 10.10.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**4th-WOX**, \$67,863, 8-8, NW1LX, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42, fm.

**SKIPPED BAIL** (g, 4, **Skip Away**--**Striking Proposal**, by **Smart Strike**) Lifetime Record: 13-2-4-1, \$133,905. O/B-Chiefswood Stables Limited (ON). T-Eric Coatrieux.

**5th-DMR**, \$64,600, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35, fm.

**COMEDY GIRL** (f, 3, **Comic Strip**--**Musical Girl {SW}**, by **Relaunch a Tune**) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$65,450. O-BnD Chase Thbrds, Z Thbrds, Burgess, Et Al. B-BnD Chase Thoroughbreds, Inc (CA). T-Gloria Buckridge.

**8th-MTH**, \$46,620, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :55 1/5, gd.

**WEEKS** (m, 6, **Ghazi**--**Casablanca**, by **Gulch**) Lifetime Record: SP, 23-8-6-2, \$205,946. O-War Eagle Farm. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY). T-Michael V Pino. \*\$6,500 yrl '02 KEESEP.

**7th-BMF**, \$41,882, 8-8, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:03 1/5, ft.

**DENAESALILDEVIL** (m, 5, **Suggest**--**Devilkin**, by **Devil's Bag**) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-5-2-2, \$109,667. O/T-Dennis Ward. B-Mercedes Stable LLC (CA). \*\$2,500 yrl '03 BESNOV.

**2nd-APX**, \$40,300, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:35 1/5, ft.

**TOUR D'AURA** (f, 4, **Tour d'Or--Aura**, by **Jolie's Halo**) Lifetime Record: 13-4-1-1, \$97,280. O/B-Gordon W & Sharon Bredeson (IL). T-Moises R Yanez.

**8th-APX**, \$30,500, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT) (off turf), 1:43, ft.

**KENTUCKY MAN** (c, 3, **Pulpit**--**Hillbilly Boogie {Ire}**, by **Storm Bird**) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$50,055. O-Alex & JoAnn Lieblong. B-Grapestock LLC (KY). T-Steve Hobby. \*\$180,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

**8th-CTX**, \$27,000, 8-8, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5, ft.

**MAKIN MY DAY** (g, 3, **Makin**--**Boston Princess**, by **Hay Halo**) Lifetime Record: 13-2-2-3, \$50,670. O-Michael Zalalas. B-Sally Ann & Gerald B Yeckley Jr (VA). T-Dimitrios K Synnefias.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ **Bayngen Bartok**, c, 2, **Bartok (Ire)**--**Manila Merci**, by **Mill Native**. DMR, 8-8, (S), (C), 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:07 2/5. B-5 C Racing, LLC (CA). \*Full to Beneficial Bartok, SW, \$396,001. \*\*Won by DQ.

**Myakka**, f, 2, **Crafty Prospector**--**Talamanca** (SP), by **St. Jovite**. SAR, 8-9, (S), 5f, :58 1/5. B-Sequel 2004 (NY). \*\$52,000 yrl '06 FTNAUG; \$170,000 2yo 2007 OBSMAR. \*\*Won by 11 lengths.

**Hop Skip and Away**, c, 2, **Gold Fever**--**Wingspread**, by **Gulch**. MTH, 8-9, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05. B-Janet Laszlo (NJ).

**Makinmoon**, g, 2, **Makin**--**Moonmaker**, by **Arazi**. CTX, 8-8, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:22 4/5. B-Nancy Brown (WV).

**Superior Storm**, f, 2, **Stormy Atlantic**--**Alittlebitsuperior**, by **Total Departure**. LAD, 8-9, (S), 6f, 1:12. B-Jack Dickerson (LA). \*1/2 to **Taffy** (Saratoga Six), MSW, \$322,744.

**Unbridleloveaffair**, f, 2, **Van Nistelrooy**--**Unbridled's Amour**, by **Unbridled's Song**. CTX, 8-8, 4 1/2f, :54. B-Alton Everette James III (PA). \*\$14,000 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$20,000 yrl '06 FTMOCT. \*\*10th winner for freshman sire (by **Storm Cat**).

**Distributor**, c, 3, **Deerhound**--**Withopenarms**, by **Meadow Flight**. CTX, 8-8, 6 1/2f, 1:20 3/5. B-William Harris (MD).

**Soldier Girl**, f, 3, **Lost Soldier**--**On the Horizon** (MSP), by **Lord Avie**. WOX, 8-8, 1 1/16mT, 1:42. B-Four Horsemen's Ranch (FL).

**Royal Heraldry**, f, 3, **Royal Academy**--**La Otra**, by **Personal Flag**. DMR, 8-9, (C), 1m (AWT), 1:40 1/5. B-Team Valor & Gary Barber (KY).

**My Fair El**, f, 3, **Three Wonders**--**Starinthemeadow**, by **Meadowlake**. SAR, 8-9, (C), 6f, 1:11. B-Hidden Point Farm, Inc. (FL). \*\$67,000 wlng '04 OBSOCT; \$135,000 yrl '05 FTKJUL.

**Lhotse Quality**, g, 4, **Elusive Quality**--**Lhotse**, by **The Minstrel**. SAR, 8-9, (S), 5 1/2fT, 1:04 4/5. B-Berkshire Stud (NY). \*\$60,000 yrl '04 FTKOCT.



# BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE



**HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**BRITAIN**, Haydock Park, 3.40, £17,500, 3yo, 1m 30ydsT, 1:42.66, gd/fm.

**SUNLIGHT (IRE)** (f, 3, **Sinndar {Ire}**--**Church Light {GB}** {**SP-Eng**}, by **Caerleon**) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, £17,203. O/B-Lord Harrington; T-Michael Jarvis.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Hitchens (Ire)**, c, 2, **Acclamation (GB)**--Royal Fizz (Ire), by Royal Academy. Folkestone, Britain, 8-9, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT. B-Curragh Bloodstock Agency Ltd. \*€66,000 yrl '06 GORAPR. \*\*18th winner for freshman sire (by Royal Applause {GB}).

+ **Flight Plan (GB)**, c, 2, **Best of the Bests (Ire)**--Cyclone Connie (GB), by Dr Devious (Ire). Folkestone, Britain, 8-9, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT. B-C A Cyzer.

**Derrida (Ire)**, f, 2, **Catcher in the Rye (Ire)**--Irrestible Lady (Ire), by Mtoto (GB). Grosseto, Italy, 8-8, Mdn, 2yo, 1mT. B-Jim McCormack. \*10th winner for freshman sire (by Danehill).

**Fitzroy Crossing**, c, 2, **Cozzene**--Jaded Lady (SP), by Afleet. Haydock Park, Britain, 8-9, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT. B-Diamond G Ranch Inc. \*\$40,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

**Imperial Decree (GB)**, f, 2, **Diktat (GB)**--Docklands Princess (Ire), by Desert Prince (Ire). Yarmouth, Britain, 8-8, Mdn, 2yo, 7f 3ydsT. B-Franconson Partners. \*2,200gns wnlg '05 TATDEC; €11,000 yrl '06 TATIRE.

**Mystic Mayfly (Ire)**, f, 2, **King Charlemagne**--Vol de Reve (Ire), by Nordico. Sligo, Ireland, 8-8, Mdn, 2yo, 6 1/2fT. B-Patricia Beston. \*€2,500 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; €9,000 yrl '06 TATFLT.

**Mudhish (Ire)**, c, 2, **Lujain**--Silver Satire (GB), by Dr Fong. Brighton, Britain, 8-9, Mdn, 2yo, 6f 209ydsT. B-Darley.

**Headborough Lass (Ire)**, f, 3, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Snowspin (GB), by Carwhite (Ire). Sligo, Ireland, 8-9, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT. B-Corduff Stud & Partners. \*€17,000 yrl '05 GOFFEB; €10,000 yrl '05 GOFDEC.

**Nell Peters (Ire)**, f, 4, **Singspiel (Ire)**--Hejraan, by Alydar. Gowran Park, Ireland, 8-8, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1mT. B-Coblinstown Lodge Stud. \*€13,500 HIT '05 GOFFEB.

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**First-crop starters to watch: Friday, August 10**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- BACK PACKER** (Broad Brush) 4/0/0  
6-RP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Emmasgonecountry
- CHANGEIN THEWEATHER** (Gone West), Xanthus, \$8K, 57/2/1  
12-TDN, Stk, 6f, Cold Trial, 9-5
- DREAM RUN** (Cherokee Run), Empire Stud, \$5K, 35/1/0  
6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Rising Dream, \$1K OBS AUG yrl, 5-1
- ENDEAVOURING** (A.P. Indy) 14/0/0  
2-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, My Saint Brook, 10-1
- FLATTER** (A.P. Indy), Claiborne, \$5K, 81/2/0  
7-AP, Msw, 6f, +Augerenie, \$23K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- FULL MANDATE** (A.P. Indy), Hartley, 97/3/1  
9-ELP, Msw, 5f, +Fully Connected, \$1K OBS WIN yrl, 10-1
- HARLAN'S HOLIDAY** (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 99/7/2  
7-ELP, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Holiday Justice, \$57K EAS MAY 2yo, 10-1
- HOOK AND LADDER** (Dixieland Band), Sequel NY, \$4K, 56/5/0  
6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Justinline, 30-1  
6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Upper Level, \$6K OBS AUG yrl, 9-2
- KING TUTTA** (A.P. Indy) 19/1/0  
12-TDN, Stk, 6f, King Cruz, 6-1
- MAYAKOVSKY** (Matty G), Mill Creek, \$3K, 25/0/0  
6-SAR, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Rapprocher, 20-1
- MORLUC** (Housebuster), Buck Pond, \$5K, 16/0/0  
7-ELP, Msw, 5 1/2fT, Lucky Sass, 5-1
- WISEMAN'S FERRY** (Hennessy), Castleton Lyons, \$5K, 66/2/0  
2-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Touch of Class, \$40K EAS MAY 2yo, 3-1
- ZAVATA** (Phone Trick), Walmac, \$8K, 64/4/0  
7-ELP, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Sonofawitch, \$17K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1  
6-RP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Cash Lane

**Second-crop starters to watch: Friday, August 10**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2003 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- BUDDHA** (Unbridled's Song), Hill 'N' Dale, \$18K, 275/33/2  
7-ELP, Msw, 5 1/2fT, +Amy's Buddha, \$16K OBS AUG yrl, 12-1
- ERNIE TEE** (Enough Reality) 8/0/0  
9-PRM, Stk, Tee Zevi, 7-2
- FRENCH ENVOY** (Deputy Minister), Stonehedge South, \$3K, 65/21/2  
8-SAR, Stk, 1m, Pay Wright, 9-2
- PARENTS' REWARD** (Mr. Prospector), Lou-Roe Farm, \$2K, 20/5/1  
12-TDN, Stk, 6f, Buzz Bunny, 9-5
- PURE PRIZE** (Storm Cat), Vinery, \$8K, 131/38/6  
7-AP, Msw, 6f, +Pure Baby, 12-1
- RICHLY BLENDED** (Rizzi), Rancho San Miguel, \$4K, 65/13/0  
7-DMR, Stk, 7f, Running Rich, \$5K NCA SEP yrl
- SNOW RIDGE** (Tabasco Cat), Padua, \$5K, 116/39/1  
7-AP, Msw, 6f, +School Girl, \$80K FTK JUL yrl, 10-1