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CITRONNADE RETIRED

Grade I winner **Citronnade** (Lemon Drop Kid--Primarily, by Lord At War {Arg}) has been retired after her victory in Sunday's GII Dahlia H. at Hollywood Park, according to published reports. Breeding plans have not yet been finalized for the four-year-old, a homebred for Frank Stronach. Stronach acquired her dam, the stakes-winning Primarily, as a 10-year-old for \$2.2 million at the 1998



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KEENOV sale after three of the mare's offspring made waves on the track. Her second foal, a colt by Wild Again named Whiskey Wisdom, captured five of six career starts, including the GIII Fayette S. He crossed the line third in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic before being disqualified to fourth. He was followed by Primaly (Alydeed), Canada's champion two-year-old filly in 1997 and third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies; and Poetically (Silver Deputy), who emulated her sister with a Sovereign Award of her own as a two-year-old in 2000. Foaled in 2003, Citronnade won four of seven outings as a sophomore last year. The free-running bay kicked off 2007 with four straight graded victories: the GII San Gorgonio H. Jan. 7, GII Santa Ana H. Mar. 25, GI Gamely BC S. May 28 and GII Beverly Hills H. July 1. Her streak came to an end over rain-softened ground in the GI Beverly D. S. at Arlington Aug. 11 where she finished fourth. Citronnade just failed to hold off Nashoba's Key in the GI Yellow Ribbon S. Sept. 29, but was able to go out a winner in the Dahlia. Her record stands at 14-9-3-0 with earnings of \$864,205.

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Shore Do (Include) worked a half mile in :49.40 under Jose Dominguez at Hollywood Park Tuesday in preparation for Saturday's GI CashCall Futurity at Hollywood.



Shore Do Horsephotos

Transferred to Bobby Frankel's barn following an eighth in his most recent start in the Monmouth slop in the GI BC Juvenile, the flaxen-maned colt finished third in the GI Norfolk S. at Oak Tree Sept. 30. "Tommy Roberts manages the horse for a partnership and turned him over to me," said Frankel. Michael Baze gets the call for

the 1 1/16-mile event. Also slated for the CashCall, **Colonel John** (Tiznow), winner of the Nov. 18 Real Quiet S., breezed five furlongs in :59 at Hollywood Monday. The juvenile was partnered by Iggy Puglisi. "It was pretty much even the whole way," said the colt's trainer, Eoin Harty. "He's fit, and he's proven the ability to go two turns."

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The initial running was captured by **Stalwart** (Hoist the Flag), the California sensation who provided trainer D. Wayne Lukas with the first of his four trophies in this race. Finishing down the field in seventh was **Gato del Sol** (*Cougar II), winner of the GII Del Mar Futurity a few months before. Stalwart never raced again, but the grey

Gato del Sol captured the GI Kentucky Derby in May, paying \$44.40 for owner/breeders Arthur Hancock III and Leone Peters as well as trainer Eddie Gregson.

The Breeders' Cup appeared on the scene three years later to trump the Hollywood Futurity's status, but the race has continued to serve as a precursor to success at three for its participants. The 1984 renewal was captured by **Stephan's Odyssey** (Danzig), who became the third Grade I winner from the first crop of his sire. The Henryk di Kwiatkowski homebred wound up running second in both the Kentucky Derby and GI Belmont S. in 1985.

In 1985, the California-bred **Snow Chief** (Reflected Glory) scorched to 6 1/2-length victory, covering a mile in 1:34 1/5. While Snow Chief went on to take the 1986 GI Preakness S. and the Eclipse Award as the nation's champion three-year-old for owners Ben Rochelle and Carl Grinstead, he took a back seat on the first Saturday in May to **Ferdinand** (Nijinsky II), who had finished third in the Hollywood Futurity the previous December. Ferdinand had a championship season in 1987, taking an epic renewal of the GI Breeders' Cup Classic on his way to the Horse of the Year title.



Ferdinand H. Proctor photo

While Ferdinand and Snow Chief traded decisions in 1986, a two-year-old colt by Alydar, **Alysheba**, kept picking up checks for trainer Jack Van Berg and owners Dorothy and Pamela Scharbauer. The \$500,000 KEEJUL yearling purchase, third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, ran second by a neck to **Temperate Sil** (Temperence Hill) in the Hollywood Futurity. While that colt went on to take the GI Santa Anita Derby in April, Alysheba proved to be the star of his crop, avoiding near-disaster to take the Run for the Roses before capturing the Preakness. Second by a nose to Ferdinand the Breeders' Cup Classic, he was named champion three-year-old before going on to complete a Horse of the Year campaign in 1988.

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A \$2.9-million KEEJUL saletopper, **A.P. Indy** (Seattle Slew) came along in 1991 to take the Hollywood Futurity while winning three of four starts at two. The handsome bay was scratched on the morning of the Kentucky Derby, but rebounded with victories in the Belmont and Breeders' Cup Classic on his way to 1992 Horse of the Year honors, and has gone on to a glittering career in the breeding shed.

Three years later, **Afternoon Deelites** (Private Terms) capped an unbeaten season with a 6 1/2-length score over East Coast shipper **Thunder Gulch** (Gulch) in the Hollywood Futurity. The Burt Bacharach homebred added three graded-stakes victories at three, including the GI Malibu S., but Thunder Gulch rattled off wins in the Kentucky Derby, Belmont, GI Florida Derby and GI Travers S. and was honored with the Eclipse Award as champion three-year-old.

Mike Pegram's **Real Quiet** (Quiet American) took his time breaking his maiden in 1997, but concluded the year with a victory in the Hollywood Futurity. He became the race's first--and only--winner to go on to victory in the Kentucky Derby.

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After adding the Preakness to his trophy case, the rangy bay came up a nose short to Victory Gallop in his Triple Crown quest. Voted champion three-year-old of 1998, Real Quiet went on to win the GI Hollywood Gold Cup and GI Pimlico Special H. at four.

The Thoroughbred Corporation's **Point Given** (Thunder Gulch) was second by a nose in the 2000 Breeders' Cup Juvenile, but bounced back to give trainer Bob Baffert his third Hollywood Futurity winner in four years. Though he managed to lodge his only off-the-board finish in the Kentucky Derby, Point Given asserted his superiority with impressive victories in the Preakness and Belmont as well as the GI Haskell Invitational H. and the Travers, and wound up as the 2001 Horse of the Year and champion three-year-old.

The 2003 winner, **Lion Heart** (Tale of the Cat), emulated Best Pal by finishing second to Smarty Jones in the 2004 Run for the Roses before adding the Haskell a few months later.

In 2004, **Declan's Moon** (Malibu Moon) was honored with an Eclipse Award after taking the Hollywood Futurity as part of a perfect four-race season. Finishing second that day was **Giacomo** (Holy Bull), who went on to light up the tote board as the 50-1 winner of the Kentucky Derby. The Futurity trifecta was rounded out by **Wilko** (Awesome Again), himself the surprise winner of the Breeders' Cup Juvenile in his previous start.

HOLLYWOOD FUTURITY FACTS

- Declan's Moon was the second Hollywood Futurity winner to win the Eclipse Award that season. The first was the star-crossed **Roving Boy** (Olden Times) in 1982.
- The 1983 Hollywood Futurity became the richest Thoroughbred race with a purse of \$1,049,725, and was the first seven-figure contest for juveniles. It was won by the California-bred **Fali Time** (Faliraki {Ire}). Fali Time crossed the line fifth, but was put up to fourth in Swale's Kentucky Derby in 1984.
- Fittingly, the D. Wayne Lukas trainee **Tejano Run** (Caro {Ire}) became the first two-year-old to break the \$1-million mark when he captured the 1987 renewal of the Hollywood Futurity.
- After being gradually reduced in purse over the last two decades, the CashCall Futurity will be run as a \$750,000 contest this year, thanks to the sponsorship of J. Paul Reddam's consumer-loan company. "It is a huge opportunity to earn graded-stakes money," said Martin Panza, Hollywood's vice president of racing, said when the 2007 stakes schedule was announced. "Whoever wins it is in the Derby."

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BRING THE SAW

Back in my student days, I 'read' literature, as they say over here. One of the greatest passages of prose I ever read was written by the Southern (Georgia) woman writer Flannery O'Connor. She was from the Faulkner era of great Southern writing, and believed in the literal truths of the Catholic church, which made for some peculiar fundamentalist ideas she had about grace through violence. Toward the beginning of O'Connor's first short novel, *Wise Blood*, her main character, Hazel Motes, walking down a street in a small southern town at night. Her description of the night sky is mindblowing; by the time you finish the paragraph, there are just about stars in your eyes, and your mind is reeling. Then she hits you with her concluding sentence: "no one was looking at the sky."

Stallion analysis is like that. Rule number one of stallion analysis, which they taught us in Stallion Analysis 101, is: you know nothing until they start to have runners. But, since about half of the \$2-billion annual auction marketplace is keyed around stallions which do not yet have runners, there's still a lot at stake. So we have opinions: forecasts, prognostications, hopes, foals on the ground, weanlings, yearlings, etc. That's what today's column is about: opinions. These are some of my opinions, forecasts, etc., but here's my disclaimer going in: the writer is fallible. I've predicted a few howlers over the years, including, if you can believe this, forecasting that J.O. Tobin would be a better sire than Seattle Slew the year they both had yearlings. Given that disclaimer, we certainly want to encourage all you professionals out there who have a different opinion to write in and tell us, and we will report the proposed amendments so you professionals can decide for yourselves. Over the next two columns we're going to mention 56 Kentucky sires yet to have runners, which we think are worth breeders' consideration. They're organized by 'sire crop'--year of first foals. We cover 27 this week, with first two-year-olds and yearlings in 2008; there will be 29 more to follow next week, with first foals arriving 2008, and retiring in 2008. Bring the saw, honey--I'm going out on the limb again!

First Foals 2006 (first two-year-olds 2008)

Action This Day won a painfully slow GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile (Beyer 92) and never won another race, but was well received by breeders in his stint at Castleton Lyons before moving, with Malibu Moon, to Spendthrift this year. Righteously priced at \$10,000, his 48 yearlings sold had a median of \$30,000 (3.00 times stud fee), indicating a good level bunch. The judges liked them.

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Canadian Frontier was a late starter, won the GIII Bold Ruler (Beyer 107) and two other six-furlong stakes as a five-year-old. He's by Gone West, and the market liked them too. His 25 yearlings sold yielded a median of \$32,000, off a \$10,000 initial fee. He's now down to \$7,500. Argentinian-bred Candy Ride was unbeaten in six career starts, running a Beyer 123 when beating Medaglio d'Oro by three lengths in the GI Pacific Classic. His sire, Ride the Rails, is an obscure enough son of Cryptoclearance, but his dam was by Candy Stripes, a son of Blushing Groom who made a big impact in southern parts. Chapel Royal was a \$1.2-million OBS juvenile by top Florida sire Montbrook, bought by Demi O' Byrne for Coolmore. He won the GIII Flash S. and GIII Sanford, and stayed well enough to run second in the GI Champagne S., and third to Action This Day in the Breeders' Cup. He had 96 yearlings sell, would you believe (of 131 offered!), and still had a \$30,000 median, three times his stud fee. The fact that he had nearly 50 yearlings sell for over \$30,000 really does say something positive about his chances. Congaree has to overcome being by Arazi, but if that doesn't stop him, his credentials are awesome. He won 10 graded stakes, five of them Grade I, earned \$3.2 million, and placed in both the Kentucky Derby and Preakness S. As a five-year-old in 2003, he ran nine times, and in seven of those races he ran Beyers of 115+, culminating in a Beyer 120 for his second win in the GI Cigar Mile.



Bill Oppenheim cont.

Cuvee went into Action This Day's BC Juvenile as the 8-5 favorite after wide-margin wins in the G2 Saratoga Special and GI Futurity, but stopped to last after contesting the pace. City Zip has proven Carson City can get a useful sire; it wouldn't surprise me to see this guy prominent among next year's leading freshman sires.

Even the Score plied his trade mostly in New Orleans from three to five, winning one stakes, placing in four others, and earning over \$400,000; he nearly doubled that in four starts in California as a six-year-old, including two Grade II wins. Retired at \$5,000 (now \$7,500), he had 33 yearlings sell at a median of \$30,000, six times his entering stud fee and four times his current one. Friends Lake is another who never ran a big figure--his best was a very respectable Beyer 99 at two, but he won the GI Florida Derby with a low Beyer 92--but the market liked him, because they looked the part.

With 43 selling for a median of \$42,000, the market considers he ran more like a 106 in Florida. Lion Heart was another successful buy at the two-year-old sales by Demi O'Byrne. He cost \$1.4 million at Calder, went 3-for-3 at two, including the GI Hollywood Futurity; he won the GI Haskell at three (Beyer 109), and ran second in the GI Blue Grass (Beyer 110) and Kentucky Derby (to Smarty Jones). He had even more yearlings offered (134) and sold (106) than his stablemate Chapel Royal, and to achieve a median of \$73,500--more than 50 sold for more than that--is strong testimony to his chances. I see from the ads I've said some nice things about Medaglia d'Oro in the past. Here are some more. He was first or second 15 times in 17 starts, 13 of them in Grade I or Grade II races, earning over \$5.7 million. His highest Beyer was 120 when he ran off with the GI Jim Dandy by almost 14 lengths as a three-year-old. In six starts in North America at four and five, he never ran a figure below Beyer 111, and four times he ran between 117-119. There's more. He had 69 yearlings sell this year, his \$126,631 average ranking him fourth among North American F2006 sires, with a median of \$95,000, from his-then \$35,000 stud fee (he's now \$40,000). They liked them. He's a grand-looking horse himself, and I thought he sired a lot of the same. I expect big things. Olmodavor is a much lower-key play. Though he only won two Grade III's himself, he mixed with the best, placing in one Grade I and four Grade II races. He's down to \$5,000 (from an original \$10,000), and he was sure a whole lot better racehorse than that.

Here are the big guns. Smarty Jones was beaten exactly one length in his bid to become an undefeated Triple Crown winner, ran a Beyer 118 when he won the Preakness by 11 1/2 lengths, and comes from a very respectable branch of the storied *La Troienne family. He was crop commercial leader, though not by as much on average as might have been expected over Speightstown, and the latter, a \$40,000 stallion, equaled him on median, at \$150,000.

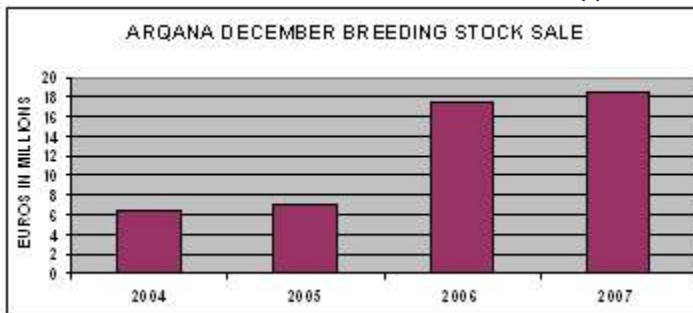
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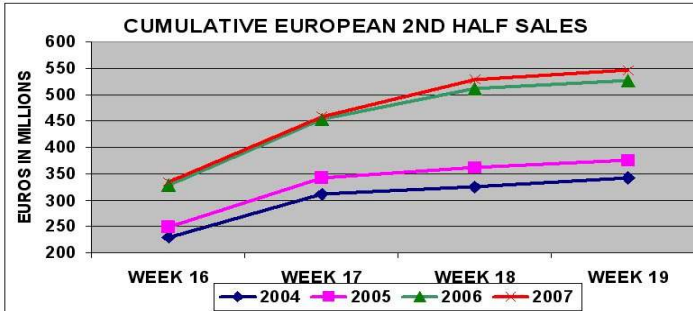
"Typically of the European mixed sales in the last two months, Arqana's Deauville December mixed sale numbers showed gains in number sold, gross, and average -- but the clearance rate was way down. With an extra day this year, 68% of the horses offered were sold; it was 82% last year. There were 301 more yearlings offered at the European sales we covered this year, but 28 fewer sold; at the European mixed sales, 683 more horses were offered, but 123 fewer sold. The yearling sale clearance rate dropped from 80% to 76%; at the mixed sales, the clearance rate dropped from 78% to 65%."

— Bill Oppenheim



ARQANA DECEMBER BREEDING STOCK SALES (IN EUROS)

YEAR	SOLD	GROSS	AVG
2007	560	18,371,000	33,198
2006	491	17,453,000	35,544
2005	375	7,042,500	18,780
2004	351	6,503,200	18,528



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Dangerous to underrate this horse, I say to 'the market'; he was a superstar on the racetrack. Speightstown has always 'punched above his weight' (stud fee) in the marketplace; he never won a stakes until he was a six-year-old, but went five-for-six in 2004, and was undisputed champion sprinter of his year after winning the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. Strong Hope was a \$1.7 million yearling from Grand Slam's first crop, and, like Speightstown, was trained by Todd Pletcher for owner Eugene Melnyk. He ran Beyers of 110 winning the GII Dwyer and Jim Dandy at three, then placed in the GI Carter H. and GI Met Mile at four. His 40 yearlings sold at a median of \$100,000, over three times his stud fee, so, like him, they obviously look the part. Tapit, who originally stood for \$15,000 (now \$12,500), had 20 weanlings sell for a median of \$73,500--almost five times his stud fee--in 2006. His 67 yearlings which sold this year didn't average that much (\$53,506), but the foal buyers are rarely wrong. He should surprise a few people, if history means anything.

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First Foals 2007 (first yearlings 2008)

Afleet Alex displayed great form: he won the GI Hopeful and ran second in the GI Champagne and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at two, and at three ran third in the GI Kentucky Derby, then won the GI Preakness (Beyer 112) and GI Belmont (by seven lengths). A little like Smarty Jones, it looks like, and reads like, they're just medium-sized horses themselves, and aren't throwing the big showy types the market laps up. Sometimes the market knows too much: these horses will be bargains if they're as good at stud as they were on the racetrack--especially this horse, at \$40,000. Eddington was a quality three-year-old who placed in three Grade I's, including the Preakness, behind Smarty Jones and Rock Hard Ten, then improved at four to win the GII Gulfstream Park H. and GI Pimlico Special. Think Private Account (similar race record, same farm), for those of you who remember that far back. Eurosilver, winner of the G2 Breeders' Futurity at two, also won the GIII Skip Away at four, and ran second to Saint Liam in the GI Stephen Foster (Beyer 106) for Buckram Oak. He's always looked a good commercial prospect, and duly had 30 weanlings sell for a median of \$30,000--2.5 times the stud fee. He'll be a popular mid-books sire at the September Sale next year. *cont. p5*

Going better than ever...

December 9th:

Unbeaten 2-y-o **GIANT MOON** won Damon Runyon Stks-L.R. at Aqueduct.

December 8th:

HEATSEEKER won Native Diver H'cap-G3 at Hollywood Park in track record time.

November 28th:

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November 28th:

G3 winner **CHARM THE GIANT** won International H'cap-L.R. by 3 L. at Hollywood Park.

November 24th:

2-y-o **COWBOY CAL** won Laurel Futurity Stks-L.R. by 6 1/4 lengths earning a 95 Beyer.

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Forest Danger ran a Beyer 118 when he won the GI Carter at seven furlongs, and Taylor Made is giving him a big shot for owners Aaron and Marie Jones. His 15 weanlings sold averaged \$102,066--over five times his stud fee--with a median of \$75,000, which is 3.75 times the stud fee. That's a very big commercial pointer. Then there's Ghostzapper. He's the most impressive horse I've seen in America in the last 10 years (which alone tells you Awesome Again is a top-class sire); he's not just different class, he's from a different planet. He won nine of his 11 career starts. He went four-for-four at four, running a Beyer 128 (Timeform 140) over a sloppy track in the GIII Iselin, and a Beyer 124 (*Timeform* 136) when he eased home in the BC Classic. Beyer 120 in the GI Tom Fool, 122 in the next year's GI Met Mile. He has a chance to be 'one of the ones.'

Kitten's Joy was one of four top North American-raced grass horses which dominated the domestic turf picture between 2004-07, and which are all now at stud for prices ranging between \$15,000--\$30,000, which is what this horse stands for. Two of the four, Kitten's Joy and Artie Schiller, are by El Prado. In 12 starts on the grass, Kitten's Joy won nine and was second in the other three. He was champion turf male as a three-year-old in 2004, when he won the GI Secretariat (Beyer 113) and GI Turf Classic (Beyer 114), and was second to Better Talk Now on a yielding course at Lone Star in the GI BC Turf. Leroidesanimaux was champion turf male himself, in 2005. By Candy Stripes, who also figures in these pages as the sire of Invasor (appears next week) and damsire of Candy Ride, 'Leroy' was eight-for-10 in North America, running Beyers of 111, 112, 112 in his final three starts at four, including the GI Citation H., then went three-for-four at five, winning the GI Kilroe and GI Atto Mile (Beyer 115), and running second to Artie Schiller in the 2005 G1 BC Mile. He's from the family of Dansili, too, by the way. He has lots of credentials--top miler on the grass, good Beyers, and a top sire close up in the family. Mingun is a half-brother to Kingmambo by A.P. Indy, and was a Group 3 winner in Ireland for Aidan O'Brien. At \$7,500 he won't have been bred to the best mares in the stud book, but he's an interesting sleeper who could surprise.

He's got the conformation as well as the pedigree, too; so say the judges. This has been an all-grass horse paragraph so far; next is Powerscourt, who won the GI Arlington Million twice (though disqualified due to pilot error the first time), on the second occasion handily beating Kitten's Joy. They're giving him away at \$7,500 this year, down from his original price of \$12,500.

Back to the dirt. It was a little bit all or nothing with Purge, but when he ran his race he was very good indeed. He won the GII Peter Pan at Belmont Park by nearly seven lengths (Beyer 108) and the GII Jim Dandy at Saratoga by 4 1/2 (Beyer 109) as a three-year-old, and the GI Cigar Mile by nearly four lengths (Beyer 111) at four. The market liked him, too: his 23 weanlings sold had a median of \$50,000, a very respectable 2.50 times his \$20,000 stud fee. Behind Ghostzapper, Rock Hard Ten emerged as the crop's number two commercial sire at the November sales, ahead of Saint Liam (who died after siring one crop) and Afleet Alex. Though it was no doubt all a bit rushed for him, considering he didn't make his first start until February of his three-year-old year, Rock Hard Ten did extremely well to finish second to Smarty Jones in the GI Preakness in only his fourth lifetime start. He came back to win the GII Swaps S. (Beyer 109) and GI Malibu S. at three, then won all three of his starts at four, including the GII Goodwood H. (Beyer 113) on his way to a showdown with Saint Liam in the GII Breeders' Cup Classic. It wasn't to be, as Rock Hard Ten was retired before the race with an injury, but the market's going to forgive him: his eight weanlings to sell averaged \$187,500, with a \$175,000 median, 3.50 times his stud fee. And I mustn't forget my annual speech about Taste of Paradise. I'd hardly heard of him before the 2005 GI Breeders' Cup Sprint, and take nothing away from Silver Train, a top-class horse in his own right, but Taste in Paradise was the unluckiest loser of a Grade I race I've seen for years; he definitely should have beaten Silver Train that day, so I reckon a \$6,000 fee for a Breeders' Cup Sprint winner in all but name is nothing. He only had three weanlings sell, but one brought \$100,000, so I must not be the only one who thought so.

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CANDY RIDE	1999	2006	HILL 'N' DALE	12,500	10000	48	36	52,984	25,000
CHAPEL ROYAL	2001	2006	ASHFORD	10,000	10000	131	96	45,072	30,000
CONGAREE	1998	2006	ADENA SPRINGS	15,000	15000	48	37	62,513	42,000
CUVEE	2001	2006	GAINESWAY	10,000	10000	80	61	45,255	25,000
EVEN THE SCORE	1998	2006	MILLENNIUM	7500	5000	45	33	42,878	30,000
FRIENDS LAKE	2001	2006	AIRDRIE	15,000	15000	59	43	73,481	42,000
LION HEART	2001	2006	ASHFORD	20,000	30000	134	106	99,766	73,500
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	2006	STONEWALL	40,000	35000	103	69	126,831	95,000
OLMODAVOR	1999	2006	ADENA SPRINGS	5,000	10,000	35	28	22,174	10,350
SMARTY JONES	2001	2006	T HREE CHIMNEYS	100000	100000	58	34	201,029	150,000
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	2006	WINSTAR	40,000	40000	77	53	185,415	150,000
STRONG HOPE	2000	2006	CLAIBORNE	30000	30000	57	40	132,295	100,000
TAPIT	2001	2006	GAINESWAY	12,500	15000	82	67	53,506	35,000

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AFLEET ALEX	2002	2007	GAINESWAY	40,000	40000	24	16	119,687	92,500
EDDINGTON	2001	2007	CLAIBORNE	20000	20000	18	14	51,428	50,000
EUROSILVER	2001	2007	DROMOLAND	12,500	12500	49	30	36,556	30,000
FOREST DANGER	2001	2007	TAYLOR MADE	20,000	20000	22	15	102,066	75,000
GHOSTZAPPER	2000	2007	ADENA SPRINGS	150,000	200000	2	2	755,000	755,000
KITTEN'S JOY	2001	2007	RAMSEY FARM	30000	25000	8	6	94,666	112,500
LEROIDESANIMAUX	2000	2007	STONEWALL	17,500	25000	16	11	46,954	35,000
MINGUN	2000	2007	LANE'S END	7,500	7500	11	7	16,771	4,700
POWERSCOURT	2000	2007	ASHFORD	7,500	10000	10	6	10,340	5,957
PURGE	2001	2007	VINERY	20,000	20000	35	23	60,239	50,000
ROCK HARD TEN	2001	2007	LANE'S END	50000	50000	11	8	187,500	175,000
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NASHOBA'S KEY TOPS SUN. MILLIONS NOMS

Nashoba's Key (Silver Hawk) and **McCann's Mojave** (Memo {Chi}) top a list of 57 nominees to the Sunshine Millions Classic, which highlight a series of four Florida-bred versus California-bred stakes at Santa Anita on Sunshine Millions Day Jan. 26. In addition to the nine-furlong Classic, Santa Anita will also host the Filly and Mare Turf, the Filly and Mare Sprint and the Dash. **Nashoba's Key**, a perfect seven-for-seven early in the season before finishing fourth in her most recent start in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf, is also nominated to the Sunshine Millions equivalent of the race. Returning to defend his title in Classic, **McCann's Mojave** won his most recent start in the GIII All American S. at Golden Gate Fields Nov. 17. Also nominated to the Classic is GSW **Sweetnorthern**saint (Sweetnorthern) and GI Triple Bend H. winner **Bilo** (Bertrando). Headlining the Filly and Mare Turf field alongside **Nashoba's Key** is **Ginger Punch** (Awesome Again), winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff at Monmouth Park Oct. 27; and GISW **Dancing Edie** (Moscow Ballet). Among 40 nominees for the Filly and Mare Sprint is defending champion **Shaggy Mane** (Bertrando), seventh in the BC Filly and Mare Sprint; while **Fort Funston** (Snow Ridge) heads the Dash, which attracted 50 nominees.

SILVER WAGON TO HURRICANE HALL MGISW

Silver Wagon (Wagon Limit--So Ritzy, by Darn That Alarm) has been retired and will stand at Hurricane Hall for the 2008 breeding season. The six-year-old will stand for \$5,000, live foal. "The under \$10,000 stud fee market recently has been forgotten and Silver Wagon, as a Hopeful winner and later as a Grade I winner in New York going one turn, will be hard to look past at his stud fee," said Hurricane Hall's Ben Walden, Jr. Campaigned by the late Mahmoud Fustok's Buckram Oak Farm, the grey won the GI Hopeful S. at two and was third in the GII Fountain of Youth S. the following season. Runner up in the 2005 GI Metropolitan H., the Florida-bred ran third in that year's GI Forego S. Silver Wagon added the GIII Sports BC Page H. last year before enjoying a resurgence with victories in this term's GI Carter H. and the GII General George BC H. He retires with seven wins from 25 starts and earnings of \$1,162,193.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 7th Race, \$28,000 Allowance, at Hawthorne. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

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MUSTANFAR RETIRED TO SHADWELL Multiple graded stakes winner **Mustanfar** (Unbridled--Manwah, by Lyphard) has been retired from racing and will enter stud at Shadwell Farm in Kentucky for \$3,000, live foal. The six-year-old sustained a soft tissue injury to his left front ankle. A grandson of Shadwell's famed broodmare Height of Fashion (Fr) (Bustino {GB}), the chestnut was trained by Kiaran McLaughlin, winning the GIII Lexington S. and GIII Sycamore BC S. at three. He was also second in the GII Washington Park H., GII National Museum of Racing Hall of Fame S., GIII Tampa Bay Derby and GIII Dominion Day S., and posted a third-place finish in the 2005 GI Gulfstream Park BC H. "Really, he has always run well, but it's just been one thing or another," McLaughlin said. "He's never really had a bad race." The half-brother to SW Tadriss (Red Ransom) heads to the breeding shed with a record of 27-5-5-3 and earnings of \$625,010. His dam is a half-sister to dual Classic winner Nashwan (Blushing Groom {Fr}) and British highweight Nayef (Gulch) as well as group winners Unfuwain (Northern Dancer) and Alwasmi (Northern Dancer). It's also the family of Lahudood (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), this year's GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf heroine.



★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

9th-PHA, \$48,600, Alw, NW3\$R6MX, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:42 2/5, ft.

1--**VICTORY POOL, 115, m, 5, Victory Gallop--Taliesin, by Talinum.** (\$70,000 2yo 2004 OBSMAR). O-New Farm; B-L O R Stables, Ltd (TX); T-Benjamin W Perkins, Jr. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 26-7-7-6, \$335,402. *1/2 to Humorously (Distorted Humor), SW, \$137,575.

2--**Raging Rapids, 115, m, 6, Roanoke--Enraged, by Pine Bluff.**

3--**Jenny Bean Girl, 115, m, 5, Sefapiano--That's a Plenty, by Dixieland Band.**

Margins: 2, 2, 3/4. Odds: 1.10, 1.70, 8.10.

Victory Pool, winner of the restricted Gold Beauty S. at Aqueduct in her 2006 finale, hit the board in five stakes events in 2007, including the Gill Turnback the Alarm H. in her most recent at the Big A Nov. 4. Looking for her first victory since taking a Presque Isle Downs allowance in September, she sat in third off of dueling leaders, moved to challenge and lengthened away in deep stretch to top a chalky exacta.

8th-PHA, \$38,000, Alw, NW2L, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:41, ft.

PEMAQUID LIGHT (c, 3, Unbridled's Song--Quimper, by Palace Music), a \$150,000 KEESEP yearling, got off slowly in his debut going one mile at Gulfstream last April, but came charging to register the 39-1 shocker. He failed to make much of an impact in his next star two months later, running sixth in a Belmont allowance in June for trainer Tom Albertrani, and was off for the next five months. The bay returned this fall in Steve Klesaris's barn and ran a solid third after pressing the pace at the Meadowlands Nov. 9; he was back here as the 8-5 choice in this second off the break. Under jockey Jeremy Rose, Pemaquid Light was in close attendance of the pacesetter through quick :22 4/5 and :45 3/5 splits. He took control and began to get away from the field on the turn and was full of run down the lane, cruising home six lengths clear at the wire. Mister White Socks (Horse Chestnut {SAf}) was second. A half-brother to Pemaquid Light, the juvenile colt Hall of Famer (Grand Slam), won at first asking over the lawn at Calder Race Course on Monday for owner Dogwood Stable. Pemaquid Light is also a half to Gold From the West (West By West), SW & GISP, \$315,745; and to Fifth Overture (Pulpit), GSW, \$323,619. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$49,867.

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6th-PHA, \$37,000, Msw, 2yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft.
NOR'EASTERNER (c, 2, Fusaichi Pegasus--One More Breeze {MSW, \$351,180}, by Mythical Ruler), a half to the good turf horse Dr. Kashnikow (El Gran Senor), MGSW, \$777,351, ran a close-up third in a maiden special weight at Woodbine for trainer Bobby Frankel. The \$250,000 KEENOV weanling, now running for Tony Dutrow, was sent off the heavy 1-2 choice and came through for his backers. The juvenile rallied wide from well back, overtook the pacesetter Travinator (Tiznow) in deep stretch and was going away late to win over that foe by a lengths. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$55,341.
O-Mark Reid, Jr. B-Stan Dodson (ON). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

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STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 20:
12-29 \$250,000 La Brea-I, SA, 3yo, f, 7f (250)
12-30 \$150,000 San Gabriel H.-II, SA, 3yo/up, 9fT (150)

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10th-TAM, \$20,200, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:24 2/5, ft.

ISLANDPROSPECTRBOB (c, 3, **Suave Prospect--Cinderella Island {MSP}**, by **Island Whirl**) went missing off a runner-up effort sprinting here in February. He came back to register a sharp two-length win over six furlongs at Remington Park Nov. 16--earning a solid 84 Beyer for the effort--and was a 7-2 chance to make it two in a row in his return to Tampa Bay here. The Rehbein homebred set :23 and :46 fractions and edged away to prevail by 2 1/2 lengths over Even Par (Valid Expectations). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$30,992. O/B-Barbara Rehbein (FL). T-Bernell B Rhone.

★ CENTRAL ★

KHRA Moves Forward on Steroids

The Kentucky Horse Racing Authority supports the regulation of anabolic steroids in racehorses in the state, and took the first step toward drafting and adopting the revised model rule offered by the Association of Racing Commissioners International and Racing Medication and Testing Consortium during a Dec. 17 meeting. The first step is to place the rules before the Kentucky Equine Drug Research Council and then have them returned before the full KHRA. Once approved, the regulations would be sent to the Kentucky Legislative Research Commission. The KHRA plans to work with veterinarians and trainers to receive their input on the use of steroids and if all goes well, the new rules would be implemented within six months. The model rules ban any androgenic-anabolic steroids in test samples collected from horses in training. Because the use of some steroids for horses out of training is permitted, residues of the major metabolites of stanozolol and nandrolone and the naturally occurring substances boldenone and testosterone, at concentrations less than the indicated thresholds, are permitted.

Turfway to Race Days on Wednesdays, Thursdays:

Turfway Park announced yesterday that it is switching from night racing to day racing on Wednesdays and Thursdays for the 2008 Winter/Spring Meet. First post for both days will be 1:10 p.m. The change will go into effect on New Year's Day and run through Apr. 3, 2008. The move was approved by the Kentucky Horse Racing Authority at its Dec. 17 meeting. "The switch will not only enhance our opportunities in the national simulcast markets, but also allow us to conduct racing during hours likely to provide the most favorable weather conditions on any given winter day in Northern Kentucky," said Turfway Track President Ralph Elliston. "The change is fully supported by the Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association." Turfway will now race nights only on Fridays, though yesterday's announcement does not affect post times during the Fall and Holiday Meets.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Count Cougar, g, 7, **Sir Cat--Gold Script**, by Seeking the Gold. Southwell, Britain, 12-18, Hcp, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT). B-Angus Glen Farm (1996) Ltd. *\$10,000 yrl '01 KEESEP.

IN PERU:

Alighieri, c, 2, **Theatrical (Ire)**--Ms. Aerosmith (MSW & MGSP, \$240,566), by Skywalker. Monterrico, Peru, 12-16, Mdn, 6.5fT, 1:18. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-0, \$4,400. O-Stud Santa Maria; B-Lake Center Mgmt; T-Ernesto Fuchs. *\$7,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Illiquidity (Sky Classic), GSW, \$429,262. *** Won by 2 1/4 lengths.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

HOLLYWOOD PARK

BATTLE WON (Honour and Glory), 5f, 1:04.20, 35/37
LA MINA (Mineshaft), 3f, :35.80, •1/10
MOLENGAO (BRZ) (Royal Academy), 6f, 1:13.20, 5/14

PAYSON PARK

LEAH'S SECRET (Tiger's Ridge), 4f, :50.40, 17/17

SANTA ANITA (training)

ARSON SQUAD (Brahms), 3f, :37.00, 2/9
IDIOT PROOF (Benchmark), 6f, •1:17.40, 1/7



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

BAY HEAD KING (Saint Ballado), Buena Suerte, \$2K, 20/1/0
6-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Rampaging King, 12-1

COMIC GENIUS (Unbridled), Doubletree, \$3K, 22/5/0
6-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Skar, 3-1

HOLD THAT TIGER (Storm Cat), Haras de la Haie Neuve, \$15K,
149/19/2

8-CRC, Str, 6f, Hold That Prospect, \$25K OBS APR 2yo, 4-1

SUNDAY BREAK (JPN) (Forty Niner), Walmac, \$9K, 93/19/0
2-CT, Msw, 7f, Mama's Find, \$22K FTK JUL yrl, 6-1

Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, Dec. 19

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

CIVILISATION (Gone West), Naylee, \$4K, 78/13/0
2-CT, Msw, 7f, +Swish Maravich, 10-1

DEEP GOLD (Olympio), 30/13/0
6-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Lit de Gold, \$1,000 NMX MIX yrl, 10-1

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4th crop	foals 05	~\$68,000	~\$65,000	~\$8,000
5th crop	foals 06	~\$95,000	~\$102,000	~\$25,000
6th crop	foals 07	~\$120,000	~\$120,000	~\$25,000

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DOCTOR EYING DUBAI **Doctor Dino (Fr)** (Muhtathir {GB}) might have Dubai as the next stamp on his impressive passport. The chestnut, whose 2007 victories include the G1 Hong Kong Vase and GI Man o'War S., will likely make his next appearance in the \$5-million G1 Dubai Sheema Classic Mar. 31 at Nad al Sheba, according to *Racing Post*. "We said straight away that there were no fixed plans [after Sha Tin], but he will stay in training and, as he loves fast ground, we'll be looking very closely at Dubai," Chantilly-based trainer Richard Gibson told the *Post*. "As long as he's in good nick, the Sheema Classic is the race to go for--it's a \$3-million pot for the winner, so it's a likely option, but he certainly won't have a prep." The five-year-old isn't doing much work at the moment. "He is just jogging, getting some r'n'r," Gibson added. "It's minus six in Chantilly--I feel sorry for him being there, but even so, he's still full of beans." Doctor Dino made the frame in each of six starts this year, finishing third in the G1 Champion S., GI Arlington Million, G1 Prix Ganay and G1 Singapore Airlines Cup in addition to his two victories.

FALLON FRENCH TEST CONFIRMED POSITIVE Kieren Fallon's immediate future will be at the mercy of the French authorities following the return of a 'B' sample positive for a prohibited substance. Coolmore's retained jockey failed a drug test following his winning ride on Myboycharlie (Ire) in Deauville's G1 Prix Morny in August, and his solicitor Christopher Stewart-Moore revealed yesterday that a hearing had been set for next month. "I had a letter at the weekend that confirmed the positive findings," Stewart-Moore said. "The letter tells me that the medical commission wish to meet in January to consider the case. I have instructed our French legal counterparts to request all the relevant data before we decide on our next step." Fallon, who had already served a six-month ban for testing positive for a metabolite of cocaine in France in June 2006, learned of the news shortly after being acquitted of conspiracy to defraud after his well-documented Old Bailey case.

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Yesterday's Results:

Deauville, 2.05, Cond, €33,000, 2yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16.00, stn.

LETTRE SPIRITUELLE (GB) (f, 2, **Invincible Spirit {Ire}**--**Epistole {Ire}** {GSP-Fr}, by **Alzao**), successful in a conditions event over this track and trip last time Dec. 6, was let go at 10-1. The half-sister to Aigle d'Or (GB) (Halling), SW-Fr, stalked the pace carved out by Trevelez (Ire) (Alhaarth {Ire}), who went up to lead after causing some trouble at the start. Though Lettre Spirituelle was comfortably held by 2 1/2 lengths at the line by that rival, she was awarded the race after the stewards disqualified Trevelez for interference at the start, where Murcielago (Fr) (Spinning World) was hampered and unseated his rider. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €45,050. O-M Hovelacque; B-SC Ecurie de Meautry; T-V Dissaux.



LYNCH BACK IN THE SADDLE

Fergal Lynch will be allowed to ride once again in Britain after the British Horseracing Authority approved his application for a licence. Banned since the City of London police's charges of alleged race-fixing were made public, Lynch had been on the sidelines for 18 months until his acquittal by the jury at the Old Bailey last Friday. Paul Struthers, public relations manager at the BHA, said, "The Licensing Committee made it clear to Fergal Lynch that its role was not to consider any disciplinary matters that may or may not follow the City of London trial--they are matters for consideration by the Disciplinary Panel in due course, once the review of the evidence relating to the trial is complete."

THIS DATE IN HISTORY...

December 20, 1980...In his last race, at Hazel Park, 15-year-old **Bucket O' Suds** set the record for most starts by a Thoroughbred, 273. He raced every year of his career, which began when he was a three-year-old in 1968.

December 20, 1987...**D. Wayne Lukas**-trainee **Tejano** became the first juvenile millionaire when he won the Hollywood Futurity with Laffit Pincay Jr. aboard.

December 22, 1991...Jockey **Kent Desormeaux**, at age 21, won his 2,000th race aboard Saron Lake, trained by Gary Jones, at Hollywood Park. He was the youngest jockey to reach that mark and did so faster than any other rider.



★ IRELAND ★

POOR TURNOUT MARKS SEASON'S END

Fairyhouse was the scene of a low-key conclusion to the 2007 European Flat Sales Season yesterday as the Tattersalls Ireland December Flat Sale witnessed a clearance rate of only 35 percent for its quiet second session and 45 percent overall. It was a weanling son of Elusive City (Elusive Quality) from the draft of Rahinane Stud who was the centre of attention. Hip [447](#), from the family of the group-placed Counsel's Opinion (Ire), was secured by Tony O'Callaghan of Tally-Ho Stud for €25,000. Of the fillies on offer, hip [369](#)--from the first crop of Rakti (GB) (Polish Precedent)--proved the main focus. JK Thoroughbreds' daughter of a half to the graded-stakes scorer Bon Point (GB) was knocked down to John Costello for €20,000. Full results are available on www.tattersalls.ie.

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No. Catalogued	499
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BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-MNR, \$24,900, 12-17, NW2L, 2yo, 6f, 1:15 4/5, gd.

WITH WINGS (c, 2, [Marquetry](#)--Sixth and Walnut, by Defrere) Lifetime Record: SW, 8-3-0-2, \$63,045. O/B-Redbob Farm (MI). T-Scott Sowle.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Mary Louhana (GB), f, 4, [Loup Solitaire](#)--Miss Daisy (Fr), by Shirley Heights (GB). TAM, 12-18, a1 1/16mT, 1:50. B-Serge and Jerome Reynier (GB). *€2,000 wlng '03 DEADEC. **GSP-Fr.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

MAIDEN WINNER:

Especially (Ire), f, 2, [Fantastic Light](#)--Esperada (Arg) (Ch. 3yo Filly-Arg, MG1SW-Arg), by Equalize. Southwell, Britain, 12-18, Hcp, 2yo, 7f (AWT). B-Darley.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Dec. 22	GI CashCall Futurity	Hollywood
Dec. 26	GI Malibu S.	Santa Anita
	GI Sir Beaufort S.	Santa Anita
Dec. 29	GI La Brea S.	Santa Anita
	GI Frances A. Genter S.	Calder
	GI Stage Door Betty H.	Calder
Dec. 30	GI San Gabriel H.	Santa Anita
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