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HYPERBARIC HEADING TO DUBAI DUTY FREE

Prestonwood Farm's **Hyperbaric** (Sky Classic), on the bench since his victory in the GI Citation H. at Hollywood Park Nov. 28, is scheduled to return to action in the G1 Dubai Duty Free at Nad al Sheba Mar. 28. The six-year-old will reportedly ship over Mar. 17. "He runs good fresh," said trainer Julio Canani. Prior to his Citation success, the gelding captured the GI Oak Tree Mile Sept. 28 and, has won his last four starts. His only unplaced effort in 12 outings was a ninth on dirt in the 2006 GI Malibu S.



Hyperbaric Horsephotos

Tuesday Joy Also Dubai Bound...

The six-year-old mare **Tuesday Joy (NZ)** (Carnegie {Ire}) is another candidate for the Dubai Duty Free, according to published reports. The multiple Group 1 winner was forced to the sidelines following a bleeding episode at the beginning of the Australian season, but looked in fine fettle in winning the seven-furlong G2 Apollo S. this past Saturday at Rosehill. "The plan is to run her in the [G1] Chipping Norton S. [Mar. 7] and then go to Dubai for the Dubai Duty Free," owner John Singleton told *racingandsports.com.au*. "If she goes well there, we will look at taking her to France and keeping her over there for the Arc de Triomphe later in the year." Singleton added, "It's such a shame that she hasn't raced in a Melbourne Cup. She has been favourite two years in a row, and equine influenza stopped her the first time, and then last year she bled and wasn't allowed to race." Heroine of the G1 Coolmore Classic in 2007, the brown mare paired up victories in the G1 Ranvet S. and G1 BMW S. last April.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Feb. 28	GI Fountain of Youth S.	GP
	GI Sham S.	SA
	GI Canadian Turf H.	GP
Mar. 1	GI Baldwin S.	SA
Mar. 7	GI Santa Anita H.	SA
	GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile H.	SA
	GI Santa Anita Oaks	SA
	GI Gotham S.	AQU
	GI Toboggan H.	AQU
	GI Honey Fox H.	GP
	GI Razorback H.	OP

GSW TASHA'S MIRACLE RETIRED

Tasha's Miracle (Harlan's Holiday--Ms. Cuvee Napa, Relaunch), winner of the GIII Harold C. Ramser S. in her last outing at Santa Anita in October, has been retired due to an ankle injury. Owned by Barry Irwin's Team Valor International and Sydney Belzberg's Budget Stable's, the four-year-old became the first graded stakes winner for her sire when she won the GIII Sorrento S. at Del Mar during her juvenile season. She was heavily favored on the morning line to win the GI Del Mar Debutante S., but she tied up two days before the race and was withdrawn by trainer John Sadler. Tasha's Miracle also placed in the GI Las Virgenes S., GI Hollywood Oaks and was fourth behind subsequent juvenile champion filly Indian Blessing (Indian Charlie) in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Monmouth Park. The \$125,000 OBSAUG yearling retires with three wins from 11 starts and earnings of \$398,452. The bay filly, who will be shipped to from California to Kentucky this week and will be boarded at Craig and Holly Bandoroff's Denali Stud near Paris, Kentucky. "I have not assigned my breeding right in Medaglia d'Oro yet," said Irwin. "We may wind up sending Tasha's Miracle to him. It would be a good match on paper."



Tasha's Miracle Benoit photo

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Thursday, Nad al Sheba, Dubai

ZABEEL MILE-G3, \$200,000, NH/SH3yo/up, 1600mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Brave Tin Soldier	Storm Cat	Lemaire	128
2	Vertigineux (Fr)	Nombre Premier (GB)	Sogorb	130
3	Kalahari Gold (Ire)	Trans Island (GB)	Hills	128
4	King of Rome (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Murtagh	131
5	Archipenko	Kingmambo	Shea	133
6	Seihali (Ire)	Alzao	Buick	128
7	Summit Surge (Ire)	Noverre	Latham	130
8	Ragheed	Rahy	Mullen	128
9	Tam Lin (GB)	Selkirk	Dettori	131
10	Biarritz (SAf)	Count Dubois (GB)	Ffrench	128
11	My Central (Ity)	Central Park (Ire)	Moore	126
12	Golden Arrow (Ire)	Danehill	O'Shea	128

Reserves

13	Calming Influence (Ire)	King's Best	No rider	128
14	Prince Shaun (Ire)	Acclamation (GB)	No rider	128
15	King Jock	Ghazi	No rider	131
16	Bermuda Rye (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	No rider	128

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IN THE GOLD, 7, Golden Missile--Incinerate by Groovy
Foal born Jan. 27, a filly by Empire Maker.
Will be bred back to Smart Strike.
Owned by and boarded at Live Oak Stud.
Accomplishments: GISW of \$745,617.


MY TYPHOON (IRE), 7, Giant's Causeway--Urban Sea, by Miswaki
Foal born Jan. 30, a colt by Awesome Again.
Will be bred back to Distorted Humor.
Owned by and boarded at Live Oak Stud.
Accomplishments: GISW of \$1,308,361.

LEAVE ME ALONE, 7, Bold Badgett--Fabulous Ballet, by Moscow Ballet
Foal born Feb. 15, a filly by Smart Strike.
Will be bred back to Indygo Shiner.
Owned by Frank and Jane Lyon.
Boarded at Summer Wind Farm.
Accomplishments: GISW of \$653,329.

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AL QUOZ SPRINT-G3, \$200,000, NH/SH3yo/up, 1200mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Peace Royale (Ger)	Sholokhov (Ire)	Jara	123
2	J J the Jet Plane (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	Shea	131
3	Dohasa (Ire)	Bold Fact	Murtagh	126
4	Contest (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Lemaire	126
5	Judd Street (GB)	Compton Place (GB)	Kinane	126
6	Munaddam	Aljabr	Hills	126
7	Hatta Fort (GB)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Dettori	128
8	Intrepid Jack (GB)	Compton Place (GB)	Moore	128
9	Balthazaar's Gift (Ire)	Xaar (GB)	Ffrench	126
10	Instant Recall (Ire)	Indian Ridge (Ire)	Jara	126


Reserves

11	So Will I (GB)	Inchinor (GB)	No rider	126
12	Prince Tamino (GB)	Mozart (Ire)	No rider	126
13	Miss Gorica (Ire)	Mull of Kintyre	No rider	121
14	Nights Cross (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	No rider	126

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**FROM THE DESK
OF...**

Bill Oppenheim



TAKING STOCK

What a year Unbridled's Song has been having, he is number two on the *bloodhorse.com* General Sire List (behind only Distorted Humor, already sire of 143 runners, 32 winners, and the earners of over \$1 million in the first seven weeks of the year), with six stakes winners (three graded), and the earners of over \$875,000. Giant's Causeway is third, by the way, followed by Unusual Heat (everybody's heard of him now), Grand Slam (126 runners, 30 winners), A.P. Indy, Elusive Quality (first post-Smartly three-year-olds 2009), Stormy Atlantic, Lemon Drop Kid, and Tiznow--some familiar names, even so early in the year. But back to Unbridled's Song, who looks poised to have that 'career year' which would finally propel him firmly into the World Top 12.

His six stakes winners this year include four 'olders,' the latest of which was last Friday's GIII Sabin S. winner One Caroline. But it's his three-year-olds who are generating so much excitement. He already has four three-year-old stakes horses at Fair Grounds and Oaklawn, including GIII Southwest S. one-two Old Fashioned and Silver City. GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner and two-year-old champion Midshipman is out in Dubai, but last week saw two **★" TDN Rising Star"★**s by Unbridled's Song in action. Last Thursday Dunkirk, the \$3.7-million sale-topping 2007 yearling, took his record to two-for-two in a nine-furlong Gulfstream allowance. Despite being carried into the middle of the racetrack on the first turn, he recovered to post an easy, near five-length win, recording a Beyer figure of 98 while stopping the clock in 1:50 flat in a performance that just screamed Florida Derby. Then, on Saturday, Zayat Stables' \$700,000 two-year-old purchase Zensational ran a Beyer 104 when breaking his maiden at Santa Anita, going six furlongs in 1:08:3/5. At the risk of uttering the most obvious cliché, of the century so far, it could all be coming up roses for Unbridled's Song this year. It's not like he hasn't been knocking on the door. Interestingly, another son of Unbridled, Chester House's half-brother Empire Maker, could be making his bid for stardom this year, too. He's the sire of Pioneerof the Nile, last year's GI CashCall Futurity and this year's GII Robert S. Lewis S. winner.

The Fappiano theme continues with a glance at the second-crop sire list, currently headed by Candy Ride, unbeaten on the racecourse and sire already of four 2009 stakes winners, three of them graded. A son of the Argentinean-based stallion Ride the Rails, by Fappiano's normally atypical son Cryptoclearance, Candy Ride has jumped off almost \$200,000 in 2009 progeny earnings ahead of leading 2008 freshman sire Tapit (by Pulpit out of an Unbridled mare).

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The top six freshman sires of 2008 are the top six sophomore sires of 2009, in exactly the same order as they finished last year, except that Candy Ride has jumped from third to first; then come Tapit, Lion Heart, Medaglia d'Oro (14 winners this year), Speightstown (three 2009 stakes winners) and Chapel Royal.

One other note on the sophomore sire front: Darley's reverse-hemisphere (raced in South, stands in both) second-crop sire Exceed and Excel, a dual Group 1-winning sprinter by Danehill, had the first and third in Australia's prestigious G1 Blue Diamond S. Saturday, sending him almost A\$800,000 clear of Reset and Statue of Liberty, with over A\$2.1 million in 2008-09 earnings among Australasian second-crop sires. It also took him into second, behind More Than Ready, on the 2008-09 Australasian juvenile sire list, and into 21st ranking on the current Australasian General Sire List (statistics from www.stallions.com.au).

Four third-crop Australasian sires rank in the second 10 on this season's general sire list: (11) Choisir; (15) Hussonet, formerly a leading sire in Chile and the sire of Weekend Hussler; (17) Street Cry; and (18) Rock of Gibraltar. Encosta de Lago, just about the only good horse sired by Fairy King during his Australian stints, leads the sires' championship, having won it last season, with Scenic (from Sadler's Wells' first crop, 1986) and Redoute's Choice, by Danehill and the country's top commercial sire, in second and third. These three are almost A\$2 million ahead of Zabeel (by Sir Tristram) in fourth, and Danehill Dancer in fifth. **Oppenheim cont. p4**



The Credit Freeze...

Back in the 'Eighties, in the heyday of *Racing Update*, I used to go through the Keeneland July catalogue, page by page, and try to forecast what the average would be. It was really an exercise in learning how to value pedigree pages, but it resulted in my achieving a certain notoriety around Lexington as a very specific brand of economic forecaster. Some years I would be spot on--once, I remember, I was within \$100 of the actual average for Keeneland July--but other years I could be off by 30 percent--in either direction. I usually had the trend line figured out, but sometimes the timing was off, by as much as a year or even two!

During that time I would occasionally sneak a peek of what 'real' economic forecasters were up to. What a bunch of sheep! Their 'forecasts' mostly consisted of describing what the markets had been doing in the last little while, and predicting that they would continue to follow the trends, whichever way they were going. 'Hello,' I thought to myself, 'I'm a more original thinker than these geniuses. My crystal ball may be cloudy, but at least I have an idea how it's supposed to work.'

So, now I'm going to give you my very short version of what has been happening in the world's economies and why; what will have to happen to stop the slides and begin to reverse the engines; and how all that affects our business. And I will do this in a few paragraphs. I should emphasize that I've never taken an economics course that I can remember, am pretty much entirely self-taught, and the Thoroughbred horse business is the only one I would even pretend to understand. So I could be completely wrong. In fact, I'm sure quite a few of you will think that I am. So here goes.

In terms lay people like myself have some hope of understanding, what's happened is that credit--borrowing money--was too cheap for too long. Too many people--and institutions--got too far out on a limb, were too leveraged, had too much debt. I'd love to blame this all on the banks, or even on them plus human greed, but in some ways, it's more basic even than that, the desire of humans to live in comfortable, as opposed to uncomfortable circumstances. All these things contributed. But one thing for certain was that a lot of dicey financial instruments were devised--a lot of betting on futures which had no intrinsic value: spread betting on whether stock averages would rise or fall, for example.

Okay, major oversimplification, but the level of sub-prime mortgage debt triggered a collapse in values, then credit, then confidence, and the markets plunged. Credit isn't just tight, it's frozen. The only way you can get it is if you don't need it; and if you can get it, you probably don't want it. For this I do blame the banks; they want to be bailed out, but they don't want oversight, and they want to be in a no-lose situation. That's okay for them.

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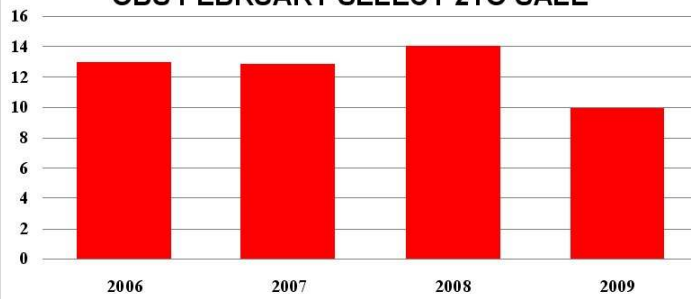
Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

"Having achieved records for gross and average last year, the only real question for the first two-year-old sale of the season was how far it would fall. That it was down 29 percent in gross and 34 percent in average is actually relatively good news, since it is the first like-for-like sale of the last few months. If the two-year-old market as a whole is down a third from last year, it will qualify as a great result, considering the mixed sales have been down 50 percent. Next up: Fasig's flagship Calder sale on March 3, which grossed \$35-million (down from \$43-million in 2007) last year. Referring to the bottom graph, the 2007 Arqana February Sale received a big boost from the Haras de Saint-Pair dispersal."

—Bill Oppenheim

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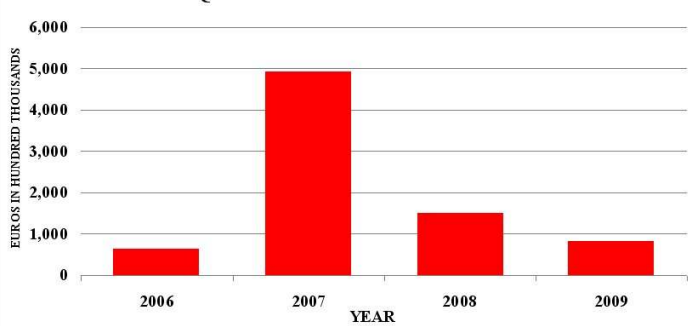


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YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	% S/C	GROSS	AVG
2009	200	154	95	47.5%	\$9,925,700	\$104,481
2008	172	124	89	51.7%	\$14,030,000	\$157,640
2007	192	137	96	50.0%	\$12,831,000	\$133,656
2006	207	158	93	44.9%	\$12,967,000	\$139,430

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley

ARQANA FEBRUARY MIXED SALE





President Obama is doing absolutely the right thing by printing new money to pump into the economy, especially insofar as he is using the U.S. government to create actual work which needs to be done, such as renewing the Interstate highway system and refurbishing government buildings and schools. And this time it's a Democratic president not just making jobs up--it's real work that needs to be done, and will be done with private sector-like efficiency. The problem is, though, that as of now, still no confidence has been restored, for one simple reason: people don't believe the bottom has been reached. Once people believe it's really hit bottom, money will start to trickle, then flow again. But until they have some reason to believe the bottom has been reached or is even in sight, people will not dare to turn loose whatever cash or assets they have. That's still where we're at right now.

Economists differ, of course, about what should happen next. I agree with those who dismiss the tax-cut policies of the American Republican party as discredited, certainly insofar as tax cuts give even more money to rich people. Obama is trying to stand their argument on its head by delivering a tax cut, but to the middle class. I don't really think that will accomplish much. Nope, I'm squarely in the interventionists' camp: at this point, I say print more money. One respected economist I read put the figure at \$4 trillion. Yep, print four trillion more dollars. Like it or not, the United States is still the engine that drives the world economy; it is the only country which could actually pull this off (somebody jokingly asked me if I came from Zimbabwe when I rehearsed this argument at dinner the other night; yes, it probably will be inflationary)--because it's the only one on which the whole world is prepared to gamble.

Did I say gamble? Which brings me to our business. First, I think we should pat ourselves on the back for being in a business which is no more a gamble than the 'securities' businesses have turned out to be--we just knew all along we were gambling, and had an idea what the odds were against us. Putting pension funds in stock derivatives turns out to be maybe even a bigger gamble.

The worldwide credit freeze affects all businesses, including the horse business. Most horses are probably worth half what they were worth this time last year, the very top level is probably down a third, and the number for which there is no market has doubled, or even trebled. At the first major 'like-for-like' Northern Hemisphere sale this year, the OBS Select Two-Year-Old Sale last week, the gross was down 29 percent, the average down 34 percent. If that trend was sustained for the balance of the two-year-old sales over the next three months, there would probably be widespread relief. Fasig-Tipton's Calder average last year was \$344,118, but their gross was down almost 20 percent from 2007, and they sold fewer than 40 percent of those catalogued. **cont. p6**

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Changes are Coming...

Of course, the worldwide credit freeze hit at the same time our industry was due a correction due to overproduction, meaning the supply and demand cycle was severely out of whack. Because racing horses has been such a bad investment (you can expect to lose half your 'investment') and breeding and selling were relatively so much better, the vast majority of new investors in the industry opted for breeding over racing. The buzz was in the sales ring, where a horse sold every two minutes. As the saying goes, the tail has been wagging the dog.

The truth is, the racing side of the business has been in decline, especially in the U.S. Attendance is down, now wagering is down. When you consider that North America's Thoroughbred GNP is twice that of the U.K., Ireland, and France combined, you can see that the implications are serious. Now what are prospective owners supposed to do, and this applies to Europe as well as the States? They can't get or don't want credit because owning racehorses is such a bad bet; they're hardly likely to go buy racehorses if they have other demands on their capital. Moreover, horse racing continues to lose ground in gambling markets, both because it is sometimes too complicated even to be able to get a bet on, and because a younger generation of gamblers doesn't understand it anyway.

Because the industry's short-term problems (some not of its own making) and its long-term decline, both in gambling markets and public visibility (most completely of its own making) coincide, there's a very strong likelihood that the international horse racing industry which emerges from this severe worldwide recession is going to look different and is going to have to change significantly if it is going to have any hope of competing in the entertainment world which will evolve.

Within the past couple of weeks, I have been fortunate enough to be at two conferences where delegates were learning about conditions how they are, and how they might be. The first was a meeting of the Breeders' Cup's Board of Members and Trustees' Strategic Planning Committee, chaired by Satish Sanan in Palm Beach and attended by about 25 Trustees, current and former.

The second was the Irish Thoroughbred Breeders' Association annual national seminar, held in Kilkenny last Friday. I was one of the panelists in the first of three panels.

Though I am a journalist, I wasn't elected to the Breeders' Cup's "Big Board" to do that job; I'm an elected representative of the breeding community, as are 38 other Trustees. This was the first formal meeting of this committee, and the two-day meeting consisted mainly of presentations by an outside English "think tank" (strategic planning consultants) with extensive experience in international sports properties. We saw an awful lot of evidence showing the biggest sports properties by far are those like the Super Bowl, or soccer's World Cup Final, where the top athletes compete in a crowning, championship-deciding event. We also saw how a sport like cricket completely transformed itself by inventing a new, shorter game which was easier to understand, and has led to a major surge in the sport's popularity.

There has been plenty of criticism of the Breeders' Cup and some of its decisions, and even procedures, by various factions over the past few months. I can only report that my experience, from some 'democratic' perspective, has been positive. Chairman Bill Farish and the management team headed by Greg Avioli and CFO Matthew Lutz are fully cognizant of the challenges facing their organization and the industry, both domestically and internationally, and in my view are taking positive steps to address them. As such, I think the Breeders' Cup is displaying leadership in the North American racing industry. One of my pet peeves is the inability of individuals within this industry to recognize we can only be effective in achieving change if we are united behind one plan. The outside world doesn't give a hoot about my reservations about this, or your reservations about that. Sooner or later, one plan must evolve for North American racing, and all factions must unite behind it. Otherwise the cause is hopeless, and we can all flail around and drown separately, clinging to our good ideas and ways to fix the industry. Unity is mandatory. **Oppenheim cont. p7**



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Given that the whole world is a little bit up in the air right now, here are five observations and/or opinions I have. I throw these out to the floor. They do not represent the point of view of any organization, group, or faction. These are just five things I have to say:

(1)--I think racing will finally resolve itself into two tiers: the top tier--what might be called elite, or 'metropolitan' racing; and the other, ordinary, 'country,' or 'bush' racing. It's very much like this in a lot of places already. The difference is that in future the industry must gear itself to support the top tier only--the 'major,' or 'premier' leagues, if you will. Ordinary racing can only have local, or, at best, regional appeal. The vast majority (90 percent?) of the industry's investment in itself must be in the top tier. That's what attracts betting, sponsorship, and headlines. These are the industry's headline acts; they must be supported and promoted. There's plenty of room for discussion as to where the line falls, but the principle is that there is a line, and we as an industry need to find it. Regional and minor-league racing do merit support, but very limited from a national and international perspective. In that regard it should also be noted that North America's race-day medication policies are right now at odds with the rest of the world's.

(2)--Racetracks are not just for horse racing anymore. In North America, they are kind of down-market gambling palaces. The stark truth is that racetracks with video slot machines are doing well, those without aren't. In any event, the racetracks should be our partners, but, unlike other elements of the business, we have to recognize horse racing is not anymore the be-all and end-all for them. They have a big facility to run. In a completely different way, British and Irish racetracks have a similar problem. They never race every day anyway, so their racetracks are marketed for conference meetings, weddings, and other events. For most British and Irish racetracks, horse racing is just a part of their portfolio. Many of them are owned by elements of the industry (The Jockey Club, a private entity in Britain, has a subsidiary which owns several major racetracks, including Epsom, Newmarket, and Sandown) or by the industry itself (Leopardstown and Fairyhouse, in Ireland, for example). Presumably that should make them easier for the industry to work with.

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Oppenheim cont.

(3)--Internet gambling is the huge growth area of the future. This has a number of implications, and impacts. Right now it is way too difficult for potential customers to bet on races. You're sector'd into a racetrack group if you bet on North American racing; you can't even bet over the internet from North America on racing unless it goes through the existing networks; and the whole thing is a confused and confusing mess. If this industry hopes to survive as a gambling medium (and therefore to survive at all), any customer should be able to bet on any race, anywhere in the world, with a minimum of fuss. The current mess of systems actively discourages the very thing that all by itself could fix racing's funding problems--betting. In that regard, I must make a point about betting exchanges. Betfair, which is a great idea, does not pay its fair share to keep the industry going, and neither do the British bookmakers, and they all know it. This issue has come up, as it should, two years in a row at the ITBA seminars to which I've been. The upshot is that the Irish have figured out it takes two percent of the handle to finance purses in Ireland, and that they would like to be indifferent to where the bet is made. At the moment they calculate something like 30 percent of the handle is going 'offshore'; like the Americans, they may well decide to restrict the signal so that offshore concerns which do not agree to 'pay to play' will not get the signal.

To some extent, it is hardly the fault of Betfair, or the British bookmakers, for that matter, if as proper business people they have taken advantage of the weakness, confusion, and disorganization of their partners in this betting venture--horse racing. Over the past 40 years, in Britain especially, a method of funding purses has evolved which you literally couldn't re-create if you tried. We don't know exactly what the right formula is, but in the vast majority of racing countries, purses are tied to the handle. We do know that, and it makes sense for all the stakeholders. But the British system as it exists today is completely wacky. The whole thing should be scrapped. It's time to re-wire the house, but just like when the electrician comes in, he doesn't tape up your 60-year-old wire, he puts in a new grid. It's time for that to happen, and some formula, or set of formulas, tied to the handle must surely be the answer. Whatever the answers are, it's imperative that the industry finds ways to make easier bets easier to bet for far more people who might actually want to bet on horse racing.

(4)--New bets. One of our industry's big problems is that impatient young people who want action do not want to take the time to handicap, not even a little bit. They are not betting on horse racing. Much as it is anathema to anybody who handicaps before they bet, we really do need to create lottery-type bets which enable people to bet on horse racing without thinking about it (yep, that's what I said). I do have a suggestion: two QuickPick bets which you could buy in any lottery terminal: the QuickPick Exacta and the QuickPick Trifecta. They would work in any country, with any unit: \$1, for example, in America. Say there are 10 runners in a race, and you take 10 percent off the top, returning 90 percent to the bettor. There would be 10x9x8 combinations (720), so for 90 cents you'd get a 15-cent three-horse box. The average pay-off would be 719-1 times 15 cents--a little over \$100 for a \$1 bet. I mean, it doesn't have to be this bet, I don't care; it's the principle I'm advocating here.

(5)--A whole new racing calendar, formulated to maximize interest in 'elite' racing, however and wherever. One suggestion: proprietary interests are screaming here. All racetracks have certain races (properties) they want to protect--the Kentucky Derby; the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe; the Woodbine Mile. Fine. But racetracks have to be our partners, not our rulers. Keep the race titles-- they attract vital sponsorship, after all--but do what the NYRA has been willing to try, move the races around. Some, of course, can't move, but many could. We have to create a new and potentially very different-looking calendar for 'elite' racing, but we can still use virtually the same racetracks and the same dates (or range of dates) they already have; we just have to create a sequence which achieves what Formula One and Golf Tours accomplish, one which makes sense, which fans and punters can follow, and which lead to ultimate conclusions and championships. It needs to happen domestically, within North America; and it needs to happen internationally, including North America.

Now, don't start arguing with me about the details; we're not there yet, and that's not the point. The point is, do you agree or disagree that now, while the world is reeling and the industry's decline is as plain as the nose on your face, that now is the right time for the industry to really hold the mirror up, and to start to take decisive, concerted, and above all, united action to reverse what could otherwise be a terminal decline, rescue this business, and restore it to a healthy and competitive player in the entertainment and gambling industry. Or am I deluding myself again?

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Survival of Thoroughbred horse racing on the scale we have known it may be in greater jeopardy than usual because of a confluence of events that is being fueled by the current economic crisis.

Those of us who derive our incomes solely from the industry have come to fully realize horse racing is not an activity that is required for the existence of life. In the current climate, the only group outside of the game's participants that might like to see racing continue is the state governments where betting on horses is conducted, because tax revenue from horse racing in an age of unprecedented budget deficits is temporarily useful.

But don't get too comfortable with state governments, because in my opinion they are the single biggest detriment in allowing the sport to change for the better, so that it may grow and prosper.

States' rights has long been racing's biggest hurdle to clear in coming up with any plan that would lead to a cohesive national strategy for the sport. Each state is its own fiefdom with its own king (governor), its own round table (racing commission), tax collectors and citizens.

But unlike Camelot, there is no guidance from King Arthur and the would-be knights are not on a mission of good will.

Practically all of the ills now challenging the very existence of the game have been promulgated, fostered or allowed by the states, and, individually, few if any can solve the problems they have created.

Only the federal government of the United States has the power to rein in the states and create an atmosphere in which horse racing can cure its ills and move forward on sound footing.

The Feds ultimately control the signal through the Interstate Horseracing Act. This gives them the clout to bring the states in line. Should the Feds decide to use its might, several things could occur to bolster the game, as follows:

National Office--unlike the NTRA, which has little clout, one could be set up that would have some authority to bring cohesiveness to the enterprise, such as national scheduling.

Betting--take-out rates could be lowered and standardized nationwide.

Take-Out Split--an equitable division between the stakeholders could be standardized.

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Drugs--a true national drug policy could be implemented.

Resources--funding could be better directed to create a national lab for drug testing and storing samples.

Enforcement--the FBI could be tapped to create an investigative force that could be used to police the sport.

Outside Oversight--racing, like other major league sports, has shown it cannot be trusted to self regulate. An independent office could be set up to keep the game on the level.

States have been a thorn in the side of racing since the inception of pari-mutuel wagering.

I don't want to pick on California, but I was born and lived there for more than half a century, I covered racing and politics as a columnist with *Daily Racing Form* and as editor of the *Thoroughbred of California*, so I am familiar with it. It provides several examples of what has gone wrong with racing under states' rights.

As in most states, California governors have handed out seats on the racing commission as a political plum for their supporters, whether they knew anything about the sport, or anything else.

For comic relief, there was one racing commissioner that could be counted on to fall asleep during every meeting of the CHR. But it never impacted the proceedings, because the board always met in secret the day before and settled their business, so the meeting was simply theatre.



Op Ed cont.

Over the past few years, the governor's appointee to head the racing board undertook several initiatives that some lawyers consider to be actionable, such as forcing racing associations to spend millions of dollars to install synthetic racing surfaces and owners of racehorses to have their stock compete on these surfaces before the tracks could be properly installed or tested.

Historically, California has been the breeding ground for two of the most disastrous calamities to have befallen any racing venue. California is the home of so-called "permissive medication," a ruse that was foisted on the sport in the guise of caring for equine athletes.

But the worst thing the State of California has been guilty of was allowing the administrative head of the racing board to undermine the laws of the jurisdiction by secretly cutting deals with drug cheats to lessen their suspensions and penalties, thereby creating a culture of doping horses that persists to this day and has tarnished a once proud sport.

States are not the best entity to foster the growth of Thoroughbred racing and breeding. First of all, in this era, they are cash starved and cannot be counted on to properly fund, govern, police or promote the enterprise. If anything, they are likely to try to squeeze the last bit of milk from this cash cow. California, once again, has shown how quickly a candidate for the state's highest office can favor Native American gaming at the direct expense of horse racing. I say give them their bite of the take-out in exchange for them fall in line with an industry run with federal oversight.

Right now horse racing has two big problems: states' rights and public relations. The PR problems racing faces are a direct result of action or inaction on the part of the states.

Right now, as a result of lax, lame, foolish or downright stupid policies, racing has lost fans and gamblers. Without fans and gamblers, pari-mutuel racing cannot exist. The fans have been driven away because not enough people in charge of racing have cared enough to provide a sport in which the fans can reasonably expect to see humane treatment of the very animals for which the sport was created. This is still happening.

Gamblers--big gamblers that bet millions of dollars each--have been driven from the sport because rampant use of illegal performance-enhancing drugs has been allowed to proliferate. This is still happening.

Racing's stakeholders need to set aside their petty, inhumane, unsportsmanlike and selfish agendas that are contrary to the good of the game. With the Feds in charge, people found guilty of altering the outcome of a sporting event would be breaking federal law and could be sent to federal prison, not patted on the back, handed a meaningless fine and returned to the backstretch to rape and pillage again.

With a hammer over the head of the industry, the Federal government can tell the AAEP to rid its ranks of rogue veterinarians and to allow horses to train on therapeutic medication without racing on it. It is time for racetrack vets to take their oaths seriously and think of the greater good of the game, not the next race.

The Feds can tell the HBPA to cease and desist in its policy to continue to let horses run on medication. It is time for trainers to return to an era when they trained their own horses instead of relying on vets to do so and for them to use their skills and patience instead of drugs to keep horses going.

The Feds can restrict the use of jockeys' whips during the running of a race.

The Feds can create a national atmosphere wherein new betting schemes can be introduced that will invigorate the game.

Most important of all, with a true national office, stakeholders in racing will be encouraged to adopt policies that will present our game in its best light, one that is not drug induced or whipped into a frenzy.

There is a Trojan horse in our midst called casino gambling. We need to get strong and shore up our game before that friendly horse eliminates us out of its hind end.

Right now our product sucks as far as gaining new fans or resuscitating gamblers to carry the game on their backs. We need to show these people that we have enough faith in our own game to play it fairly and humanely.

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BREEDERS' CUP FOAL NOMINATIONS FALL IN '08

A total of 14,602 foals were nominated to the Breeders' Cup program in 2008, down from 16,089 in 2007, according to a Breeders' Cup statement yesterday. This led to an 8.9-percent decline in foal nominations revenue. Additionally, the eligible foal crop decreased from 29,083 foals in 2007 to 26,959 last term. "The decline was less than we had anticipated based on the 2008 crop and the economic climate," said Dora Delgado, Breeders' Cup senior vice president of nominations. "We are pleased to report that the percentage of eligible nominated foals to the Breeders' Cup program last year remained steady, with 49.7 percent of foals participating, compared to 50.8 percent in 2007. We continue to believe that the \$500 nomination fee, which has remained constant since foal nominations were first accepted in 1983, provides great value to participating horsemen. In 2009, there will be more than \$30 million in purses and awards available to Breeders' Cup-nominated horses through the Breeders' Cup World Championships and Stakes programs."

WEST POINT PREZ ISSUES STATE OF THE INDUSTRY ADDRESS

President Barack Obama gave his first State of the Union address last night; just a few hours earlier, Terry Finley stepped up to the microphone to issue a State of the Industry address for Thoroughbred racing. Finley, the president of West Point Thoroughbreds, as well as a member of the Breeders' Cup Board and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association's Horse PAC Board of Directors, took it upon himself to outline many of the issues he felt most pressing to the sport during a 50-minute webcast that drew more than 100 viewers yesterday.




Terry Finley
Horsephotos

Why did he feel compelled to issue the address? "It seems that people look to everyone but themselves to take on the challenges that face our industry," he explained. "But we have to take the responsibility of saving our great industry upon ourselves."

Finley started out with an overview of the current state of horse racing. "I'm not going to sugarcoat it," he said. "A lot of people are scared, a lot of people have been hurt by the decrease in prices [at the sales] and by the general turbulence in our business." Finley did not see the current downtrend in sales figures as wholly negative. "For the first time in my 15 years in the business, the pendulum has swung in favor of the end user," he remarked, adding that he took advantage of the lower prices and bought seven two-year-olds at last week's OBS February sale. "In that respect, it is positive. But I do know that our industry cannot continue to suffer the decreases we've seen in the last six months. I am a strong believer in the market equilibrium theory--at some point in the future, our market will come back into equilibrium. We are in for some rough sledding, but, all in all, the industry will stabilize and move forward."

Finley applauded the advances made to protect the health of the racehorse, including the steroid ban, and efforts made by racetracks on behalf of the customers. He added that, while the bettor is the "least recognized and least appreciated" member of the industry, Horse PAC is currently focused on eliminating the withholding now required when bettors collect major winnings at the track. Finley pointed at technology as a way to attract new fans to the sport. "The internet is made for us, because we are a data-driven business," he said. "The web attracts a younger crowd, and it gives us the opportunity to captivate a new group of fans. If, in 2015, I am giving the sixth annual State of the Industry address, and painting a rosier picture than I am today, it will be because we have embraced technology." *Cont. p2*


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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

4:43p HRTV 8th-GPX, \$42K, Alw, 3yo, f, 1mT
EDEN'S STORM ([Stormy Atlantic](#)), eighth on debut at Belmont last October, dominated a Calder maiden field with an 8 1/4-length romp Nov. 27. Trained by Christophe Clement for Bridlewood Farm, the filly is a half sister to MG1SW David Junior (Pleasant Tap). **Striking Dancer** ([Smart Strike](#)) was an impressive maiden winner in her two-turn debut over the Churchill lawn last November and returned to run a narrowly beaten second behind War Tigriss in the Nov. 29 Caressing H. She makes her sophomore debut here for hot trainer Ken McPeck and Stevestan Stables. Bill Mott saddles Darley's **Kiawah Cat** ([Lemon Drop Kid](#)), a first-out winner over the Calder turf Dec. 21. Out of GSW Thunder Kitten (Storm Cat), the filly is a half to MGSP Thunder Mission (Pulpit) and GSW Michita (Dynaformer).

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FATE of the Industry...

Finley also introduced a new initiative called FATE yesterday--Find a Thoroughbred Enthusiast. "Our mission is very simple," he said. "Between today and the time they break from the gate for the 2009 Kentucky Derby, I am asking everyone associated with West Point Thoroughbreds to introduce at least three people to our business. Bring them to the track, buy them lunch. You cannot beat the magic of the racehorse--nothing else comes close. We want to introduce that magic to new people." Even West Point's trainers will be required to participate in the FATE program, and the success of the initiative was at the heart of what Finley hoped to accomplish with yesterday's address. "We are really banking that we'll get some people to pick up on it," he said. "I strongly believe that the fate of the industry is in our hands, and I don't want to be a part of the generation that saw the Thoroughbred industry go down the tubes. We've seen better times, but everyone needs to do everything they can to help. It's not that big of a task--you just have to open your Rolodex and do it."

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9-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Isiahs Chapel, \$3K EAS SEP yrl, 8-1
- 7-SA**, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Play Nine, \$14K BAR MAR 2yo
- GREAT NOTION** (Elusive Quality), Northview, \$4K, 70/4/1
9-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Great Norton, \$1,000 EAS SEP yrl, 9-2
- READ THE FOOTNOTES** (Smoke Glacken), Sequel New York, \$9K, 108/15/1
8-GP, Alw, 1mT, Tailbytherail, 10-1
- TAPIT** (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$15K, 171/28/4
7-AQU, Msw, 1m, Bindle Stick, \$5K OBS APR 2yo, 12-1
- TOCCE** (Awesome Again), Castleton Lyons, \$15K, 157/21/0
7-AQU, Msw, 1m, Touched by a Star, \$130K OBS FEB 2yo, 7-2
- 9-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Get the Silver, \$15K ESM AY 2yo, 3-1

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★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

- MARDI GRAS S.**, \$60,000, FGX, 2-24, 3yo, f, a5 1/2fT, 1:04 3/5, fm.
 - 1--**SELVA**, 116, f, 3, **Forest Wildcat**--Bayou Mist, by Silver Deputy. O-Helen Alexander & Helen Groves; B-Alexander-Groves Thoroughbreds (KY); T-David M Carroll; J-Robby Albarado; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 5-4-1-0, \$221,649.
 - 2--**Fleet Streak**, 116, f, 3, More Than Ready--Falconese, by Imperial Falcon. (\$230,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-Elite Racing Company. \$12,000.
 - 3--**On the Menu**, 116, f, 3, Canadian Frontier--Don't Trick Her, by Mazel Trick. (\$40,000 wlng '06 KEENOV; \$75,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-Brereton C Jones. \$6,600.
- Margins: 1 3/4, NK, HF. Odds: 0.90, 8.60, 3.60.

Selva, who reeled off three straight wins last year to open her career, took the Aug. 31 Sorority S. in her second outing at Monmouth before adding a two-length victory in the Nov. 15 Glorious Song S. at Woodbine. She was passed late and finished second after setting the pace in the one-mile Tiffany Lass S. last time out at Fair Grounds Jan. 10. Trying the turf for the first time, the dark bay filly set the pace through fractions of :22.13 and :46.60, kicked clear of On the Menu on the turn and held sway to the wire. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Click for the [brisnet.com chart.](#)

- 8th-FGX, \$44,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:38 4/5, ft.
- OVERBID** (r, 4, **Pulpit**--Critikola {Arg} {MGISP-US & MGSW & G1SP-Arg}, by Tough Critic), sixth in his second start in the GIII San Rafael S. last January, ended his 2008 campaign with a third-place effort sprinting six furlongs at Hollywood Park Dec. 6 and returned with a sixth-place finish at Santa Anita Jan. 2. Sent off at 5-1, the dark bay rated off the early pace, darted to the lead with a quick move at midstretch and pulled clear despite drifting in to win by 3 1/2 lengths. Favored Maltese Dog (War Chant), making his first start since a winning debut over track and trip a year ago, rallied late to be second. The winner, a \$250,000 KEESEP yearling and \$450,000 KEEAPR juvenile, is a half brother to Lemons Forever (Lemon Drop Kid, GISW, \$648,940). Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-1, \$57,760. O-Southern Equine Stable LLC. B-Farfellow Farms Ltd (KY). T-Eric J Guillot.

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SAMANTHA MISS SIDELINED Multiple Group 1 winner **Samantha Miss (Aus)** (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) emerged from a gallop at Newcastle Tuesday morning with a strained tendon in her near foreleg and will be sidelined for several months. "She's gone amiss," trainer Kris Lees confirmed. "After she cooled down following a track gallop this morning, there was a little bit of thickness in her near side tendon. The vet has been in and scanned her, and the tendon is strained." Lees indicated that the star sophomore would be taken to Randwick Equine Centre in Sydney for further scans, but would definitely not race this autumn. The A\$1.5-million Inglis Easter yearling was being pointed to the Mar. 7 G2 Surround S. ahead of the G1 Coolmore Classic and G1 Australian Oaks. The bay opened her Group 1 account last May in the Champagne S., denying Sebring (Aus) (More Than Ready) the juvenile Triple Crown. She proved formidable in spring, finishing third in the G1 Cox Plate Oct. 25 at Moonee Valley before decimating her rivals with a 3 1/2-length score in the G1 Crown Oaks Nov. 6 at Flemington. Spelled after that victory, Samantha Miss returned with a gallant, half-head second to Rock Me Baby (Aus) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}) in the G2 Light Fingers S. at Randwick Feb. 14. She has a record of 12-7-2-2 and a bankroll of A\$1,763,260.

BITTAR LEAVING NZTR FOR RACING VICTORIA

New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing has announced that Chief Executive Paul Bittar has resigned his position, effective Apr. 8, and will become the Senior Executive of Racing Victoria Limited. He is slated to begin his duties at the Australian entity Apr. 14. NZTR Chairman Guy Sargent said, "I am very disappointed to lose a Chief Executive of Paul's calibre. Paul joined NZTR to drive the change process initiated by the NZTR Board at the time. Our focus has been to move Thoroughbred racing in New Zealand to a more commercial and sustainable model. Paul has done an outstanding job in helping to achieve this goal. Unfortunately, the entire New Zealand racing industry has lost a very valuable asset, but Paul leaves our shores with the blessing and best wishes of us all."

Sargent added, "On the critical question of the future management of NZTR, the Board is to consider at its next meeting on Mar. 6 the establishment of an Executive Management Group, to take over from Paul, for a set interim period. The reasons for this are threefold. Paul is leaving us in six weeks, and the Board does not believe it is in the best interests of NZTR to rush into a decision. Instead, we need to fully and carefully consider all our options and what is best for NZTR and the Thoroughbred racing industry."

Secondly, we are halfway through a Governance Review, which will clarify NZTR's future role and responsibilities and, accordingly, the type of person needed in the future role as Chief Executive. And, finally, the Board has full confidence in the capabilities of the current NZTR Management team, following three and half years of operational improvement under Paul's leadership."

Bittar, who had served as NZTR's chairman since November 2005, commented, "It's naturally with some disappointment I'm leaving New Zealand when there is still much to be done in the industry. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time in New Zealand, and despite the obvious challenges of the role, have been warmly received by most in the industry. The continued development of both the wagering model and on-course model is at a critical juncture in New Zealand, as is the vital element of industry training." Bittar added, "I'm excited by the prospect of working in one of the world's leading racing jurisdictions and the opportunity of being responsible for this strategic role within RVL. The focus of the role is on wagering related issues, such as the wagering relicensing process, the further development and implementation of RVL's race field policies and the industry media strategy. I'm impressed with the vision laid out by RVL and fortunate to have been provided a very clear opportunity to take a leadership role in the strategic process."



MIDDLE EAST



GROUP WINNERS ON OFFER AT ERA SALE The Emirates Racing Authority Horses in Training Sale will feature multiple group winners **Lord Admiral** (El Prado {Ire}), **Biarritz (SAf)** (Count Dubois {GB}), **Royal Vintage (SAf)** (Rich Man's Gold) and **Vertigineux (Fr)** (Nombre Premier {GB}) among the 47 horses catalogued for the Dubai International Racing Carnival Session at Nad al Sheba Mar. 3. The sale, conducted in association with Tattersalls, will continue with 97 head slated to sell the following evening. Both Biarritz and Vertigineux are among the entries for Thursday's G3 Zabeel Mile at Nad al Sheba, while Lord Admiral is scheduled to defend his title in the G2 Jebel Hatta Mar. 5. "We are very pleased with the quality of horse entered for the Carnival session of the Sale, and there are numerous opportunities for people to buy horses in preparation for our move to Meydan in 2010," said Frank Gabriel, chief executive officer of Dubai Racing Club. "Everyone is welcome; there is no admission fee and this provides an ideal chance to become involved in the racing industry here in the UAE." Gabriel added, "We are again pleased to be associated with Tattersalls and are pleased to welcome Al Basti Equiworld as the sponsor of the sale, the company having a great association with the Dubai Racing Club and Nad Al Sheba." Click [here](#) for the conditions of sale and for a complete list of catalogued horses.



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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-FGX, \$48,000, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:38 4/5, fm.

PRETTY SQUALL (m, 5, River Squall--Pretty Miswaki, by Miswaki) O/B-Don Eberts (TX); T-Morris G Nicks. Lifetime Record: MSW, 15-5-2-3, \$136,090.

6th-MNR, \$24,900, 2-23, NW2L, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

HOLLY'S PAL (g, 4, Max's Pal--Holly's Queen, by Lost Code) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$40,256. O/B-David P Holloway Racing Inc (FL). T-William R Connelly. *1/2 to Cahill Holly (Cahill Road), SP, \$165,040.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Tricky Talent, g, 3, **Confide**--Talent Hunt, by The Minstrel. SUN, 2-24, 6 1/2f, 1:17. B-Gary Owens (OK).

Bonheur, g, 3, **Nudge**--Lucky Paws (SW, \$354,322), by Storm Boot. PHA, 2-24, (C), 7f, 1:25 4/5. B-Margaret Ferguson (PA).

Salty Sid, g, 3, **Salt Lake**--Baylor B., by Phone Trick. FGX, 2-24, (S), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Ralph Wadleigh (LA). *\$15,000 2yo '08 TEXMAR.

Glenwood Canyon, g, 4, **Silver Deputy**--Flower Canyon, by Gulch. FGX, 2-24, 1m40y, 1:39 4/5. B-Monticule (KY). *\$95,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

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BELMONT PARK

Saint Daimon (Saint Ballado), 4f, :48.84, 4/26

FAIR HILL

Cowgirls Don't Cry (Pure Prize), 5f, 1:03.00, 2/2

OAKLAWN PARK

Buzzin and Dreamin (Five Star Day), 3f, :36.60, 2/12

PALM MEADOWS

Bold Union (Dixie Union), 3f, :37.00, 8/13

Genuine Devotion (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), 3f, :39.00, 11/13

Raw Silk (Malibu Moon), 4f, :49.85, 23/31

PAYSON PARK

Carribbean Sunset (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), 3f, :38.40, 2/2

SANTA ANITA

Briecat (Adcat), 4f, :47.80, 5/14

The Pamplermousse (Kafwain), 3f, :35.60, 2/10

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Naples, 16.40, 2-23, €13,500, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:08.70, gd.

LOVE FOR EVER (ITY) (c, 3, Tout Seul {Ire}--Eros Love {Ity}, by Love the Groom) Lifetime Record: 19-4-3-2, €33,507. O/B-Scuderia Razza dell'Olmo Srl; T-Riccardo Menichetti. *1/2 to Rob's Love (Ity) (Rob's Spirit), G1SP-Ity, \$1,064,276.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Five Gold Rings (Ire), f, 3, **Captain Rio (GB)**--Metisse (Ire), by Indian Ridge (Ire). Lingfield, Britain, 2-24, Mdn, 3yo, 6f (AWT). B-South House Stud. *€56,000 wnlg '06 GOFNOV; €55,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL.

+ **Quiza Quiza Quiza (Ity)**, f, 3, **Golden Snake**--Quiz Chow (Ity), by Pelder (Ire). Naples, Italy, 2-23, Unraced 3yo, 1 1/8mT. B-Riccardo Cantoni.

Dance and Dance (Ire), c, 3, **Royal Applause (GB)**--Caldy Dancer (Ire) (GSP-Ire), by Soviet Star. Lingfield, Britain, 2-24, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Darley.

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ELLE RUNAWAY, 7, El Prado (Ire)--Runaway Venus, by Runaway Groom

Foal born Jan. 5, a filly by Malibu Moon.

Will be bred back to Lemon Drop Kid.

Owned by and boarded at Live Oak Stud.

Accomplishments: SW & MGSP, \$402,281.

SILVER CHARADES, 7, Broad Brush--Don't Read My Lips, by Turkoman

Foal born Jan. 21, a filly by Mizzen Mast.

Will be bred back to Arch.

Owned by and boarded at Live Oak Stud.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$250,645.

CAT FIGHTER, 9, Storm Cat--Strategic Maneuver, by Cryptoclearance

Foal born Jan. 22, a filly by Bernardini.

Will be bred back to Awesome Again.

Owned by and boarded at Live Oak Stud.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$277,860.

MARRIANE ROSE, 5, More Than Ready--Music Fever, by Gold Fever

Foal born Jan. 22, a filly by Dixieland Band.

Owned by John Becker and Richard Wright.

Boarded at Hidden Brook Farm.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$82,375.