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OUT OF THE FRYING PAN, INTO THE FIRE

With the decision by trainer Nick Zito to send **No-where to Hide** (Vindication) to Tampa for their Derby, a field of nine sophomore colts and geldings will face the starter in today's GII Louisiana Derby in the Big Easy. However, a victory in the 8 1/2-furlong event will be anything but easy, as the race has drawn the deepest



Friesan Fire (right) Lou Hodges Jr

field of any Kentucky Derby prep thus far this season. Fox Hill Farms and Vinery Stable LLC's **Friesan Fire** (A.P. Indy) is the morning-line favorite as he attempts to become the first horse since Dixieland Heat in 1993 to sweep the Fair Grounds's series for three-year-olds. A cut below the best of his

generation in 2008, the bay colt has made steady progress this year with the addition of blinkers. Second to **Uno Mas** (Macho Uno) in a Dec. 18 allowance prep for the GIII Lecomte S., Friesan Fire reversed form comprehensively in the Jan. 10 event, striking from close range for a 1 1/2-length victory over **Patena** (Seeking the Gold). The Vinery-bred colt was sent off at 5-2 for the Feb. 7 GIII Risen Star S., ceding favoritism to **Giant Oak** (Giant's Causeway). But, perfectly handled by the underrated Gabriel Saez, Friesan Fire sat just off a comfortable pace and pounced late to post a two-length victory from the comebacking **Flying Pegasus** (Fusaichi Pegasus). Trainer Larry Jones, who will be at Oaklawn to saddle Old Fashioned in the GII Rebel S., says the lightbulb has finally gone on for Friesan Fire. "I would say he was basically [immature] early in his career and satisfied to be a herd animal," Jones said. "He had the talent, we knew it. He was just satisfied to go out and play with the other guys. But that is all turning around for him now." **Cont. p2**

DESTINATION: DERBY CLARITY

By the end of the day Saturday, three Kentucky Derby preps in addition to the Louisiana Derby should shed some light on who are the contenders and the pretenders. The action takes place from coast to coast, beginning in the greater Los Angeles area, where **Pioneer of the Nile** (Empire Maker) looks to further cement his status as the

leading West Coast sophomore in the GII San Felipe S. at Santa Anita. The action then shifts to Central Florida, where **General Quarters** (Sky Mesa), a \$20,000 claim by owner and trainer Tom McCarthy, looks to validate his victory in the GIII Sam F. Davis S. in



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the GIII Tampa Bay Derby against a field including the promising **Hello Broadway** (Broken Vow). In Oaklawn Park's GII Rebel S., we have a horse, who to date has no flaws. Fox Hill Farms' **Old Fashioned** (Unbridled's Song) puts his four-race winning streak on the line, and while he is fully expected to remain at or near the top of every Derby Top 10, rivals like **Wise Kid** (Lemon Drop Kid) and **Captain Cherokee** (Sir Cherokee) are out to convince their connections that they are worthy of a trip down the Triple Crown trail.



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The aforementioned **Patena** took Woodbine's Display S. last December and made a positive impression in his first start on conventional dirt when second in the Lecomte. A controlling interest in the regally bred colt has since been purchased by IEAH Stables, and the bay returns to the Bayou off a series of strong morning trials at Palm Meadows for new trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. **Giant Oak**, runner-up to Beethoven (Sky Mesa) in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. in his first foray onto the dirt, took the worst of it as the 2-1 chalk in the Risen Star. Buried down on the inside, he lacked room to the stretch and, just as he was gaining some momentum, was checked again. He finally got out, but much too late, and finished willingly to be fifth. Trainer Chris Block and connections are confident that the Illinois-bred will come on for that run. "One thing I have seen since the Risen Star is his mental capability to realize that he needs to settle and not get quite as aggressive when he sees horse up in front of him," Block explained. "But to still give that effort when it is time to go, I think, is a sign of maturity that probably a lot of people do see in three-year-olds. The older they get, the more they start to realize what this is all about." Given the overwhelming victory of I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even) in last weekend's GIII Gotham S., it would be no surprise to see **Papa Clem** (Smart Strike) as something of a wiseguy horse. Papa Clem was just in front of I Want Revenge when runner-up to Pioneer of the Nile in the GII Robert B. Lewis S. at Santa Anita Feb. 7. One thing is for sure. He'll have to be good to best a very talented group.

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Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 5:45 p.m. EDT
LOUISIANA DERBY-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Free Country <i>(c, 3, Big Country--Smyrna, by Wild Again)</i>	Silver Wing Stable, et al	Brunacini & Bona Terra Farm	McPeck Desormeaux	12-1
2	Soul Warrior <i>(c, Lion Heart--Urmia, by Meadowlake)</i>	Zayat Stables	B Austin, Copperhead Stbl & D Hanley	Asmussen S Bridgmohan	20-1
3	Patena <i>(c, 3, Seeking the Gold--Handpainted, by A.P. Indy)</i>	IEAH Stbl, Hill 'n' Dale, Sikura & Dilalla	Hill 'n' Dale & NETP	Dutrow Jr Albarado	7-2
4	Terrain <i>(g, 3, Sky Mesa--Minery, by Forty Niner)</i>	Adele B Dilschneider	Adele B Dilschneider	Stall Jr Leparoux	10-1
5	Flying Pegasus <i>(c, 3, Fusaichi Pegasus--Lilly Capote, by Capote)</i>	James C Spence	James C Spence	Nicks Velazquez	8-1
6	Giant Oak <i>(c, 3, Giant's Causeway--Crafty Oak, by Crafty Prospector)</i>	Virginia H Tarra Trust	Virginia H Tarra Trust	Block Graham	4-1
7	Uno Mas <i>(c, 3, Macho Uno--Queen Majesty, by Regal Classic)</i>	Cathy & Bob Zollars & Mark Wagner	Crossroads Farm	Asmussen Hernandez Jr	12-1
8	Papa Clem <i>(c, 3, Smart Strike--Miss Houdini, by Belong to Me)</i>	Bo Hirsch	Bo Hirsch	G Stute Bejarano	8-1
9	Friesan Fire <i>(c, 3, A.P. Indy--Bollinger {Aus}, by Dehere)</i>	Vinery Stable & Fox Hill Farms	Grapestock LLC	Jones Saez	5-2
10	Nowhere to Hide <i>(c, 3, Vindication--Stirring, by Seeking the Gold)</i>	SCR	SCR	SCR	SCR

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Triple Threats

Flat Out to Point for Arkansas Derby...

Smarty Jones S. winner **Flat Out** (Flatter), fourth after getting off to a slow start in the Feb. 16 GII Southwest



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S. at Oaklawn, was forced to skip today's GII Rebel S. due to a bruised foot, but the Florida-bred bay is expected to make it to the gate for the Apr. 11 GII Arkansas Derby. "We haven't decided yet if we are going to train up to the race, or if we will look for some kind of prep race before the Ar-

kansas Derby," trainer "Scooter" Dickey said yesterday. "We will see how he trains and take things from there." Purchased by Oxbow Racing as an \$85,000 FTKJUL yearling, Flat Out broke his maiden at Fair Grounds in his second start Dec. 14 and took the Jan. 16 Smarty Jones going a mile at Oaklawn by 3 1/2 lengths. He was beaten 4 1/2 lengths by Old Fashioned (Unbridled's Song) in the Southwest, and sports a record of 4-2-0-0.

Kentucky Derby Graded Stakes Earnings

Compiled by Churchill's Ben Huffman (Through Mar. 9)

Horse	Trainer	Graded \$
Square Eddie (Smart Strike)	O'Neill	\$774,981
Pioneer of the Nile (Empire Maker)	Baffert	\$623,250
Vineyard Haven (Lido Palace {Chi})	bin Suroor	\$417,500
Terrain (Sky Mesa)	Stall	\$344,830
I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even)	Mullins	\$324,000
Old Fashioned (Unbridled's Song)	Jones	\$270,000
Desert Party (Street Cry {Ire})	bin Suroor	\$241,667
West Side Bernie (Bernstein)	Breen	\$225,760
Chocolate Candy (Candy Ride {Arg})	Hollendorfer	\$220,000
Friesan Fire (A.P. Indy)	Jones	\$210,465
Bittel Road (Stormy Atlantic)	Pletcher	\$206,000
Azul Leon (Lion Heart)	O'Neill	\$203,600
Crowded House (GB) (Rainbow Quest)	Meehan	\$195,020
The Pamplemousse (Kafwain)	Canani	\$180,000
Charitable Man (Lemon Drop Kid)	McGlaughlin	\$150,000
Quality Road (Elusive Quality)	J Jekens	\$150,000
Beethoven (Sky Mesa)	Ward	\$132,494
General Quarters (Sky Mesa)	McCarthy	\$121,645
Munnings (Speightstown)	Pletcher	\$105,000
Cribnote (Read the Footnotes)	Violette	\$90,000
Flying Pegasus (Fusaichi Pegasus)	Nicks	\$90,000
Hello Broadway (Broken Vow)	Tagg	\$63,860
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4:17p Florida Oaks-GIII, TAM	(brisnet.com PPs)	HR/TVG
4:38p New Orleans H.-GII, FG	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
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5:03p San Felipe S.-GII, SA	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
5:09p M Muniz Jr Mem H.-GII, FG	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
5:14p Palm Beach S.-GIII, GP	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
5:26p Tampa Bay Derby-GIII, TAM	(brisnet.com PPs)	HR/TVG
5:45p Louisiana Derby-GII, FG	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
5:45p Gulfstream Park H.-GII, GP	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
6:50p Rebel S.-GII, OP	(brisnet.com PPs)	HRTV
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Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:07 p.m. EDT
SANTA MARGARITA INVITATIONAL H.-GI, \$300,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Forest Melody	Forest Camp	Capestro	15-1
2	Life Is Sweet	Storm Cat	Shirreffs	7-5
3	Bel Air Sizzle	Unusual Heat	Abrams	12-1
4	Modification	Vindication	O'Neill	10-1
5	Magical Fantasy	Diesis (GB)	Gallagher	3-1
6	Santa Teresita	Lemon Drop Kid	Guillot	7-2
7	Model	Giant's Causeway	Drysdale	6-1

All-weather specialist **Life Is Sweet** looks to make it three in a row on the Pro-Ride surface. The runner-up when trying turf in the Calder Oaks in south Florida and the GIII Sands Point S. at Belmont Park last spring for Bill Mott, the bay then was sidelined for the remainder



Life Is Sweet Benoit photo

of the year. The Wygod homebred returned in the Jan. 18 GII El Encino S. and, under the tutelage of John Shirreffs, powered to a 2 1/2-length victory. The pace was pedestrian in the Feb. 15 GII La Canada S., but the late-running miss still found a way to win, rallying

off fractions of :50 and 1:14 1/5 to best **Magical Fantasy** by 3/4 of a length. She will be tough if there is any pace at all. **Magical Fantasy**, winner of the GI Del Mar Oaks last summer, capped off the campaign with a fourth in the Nov. 30 GI Matriarch S. The chestnut was making her 2009 bow in the La Canada. **Model** has been a herself of consistency, compiling a record of 4-7-3 in her 15 career starts. The five-year-old captured the Itsintheair S. at Hollywood Nov. 2 and followed up with a second in the GII Bayakoa H. Dec. 7. She enters this off a runner-up finish behind **Santa Teresita** in the Feb. 14 GI Santa Maria H.



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Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 3:38 p.m. CST

NEW ORLEANS H.-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	It's a Bird	Birdonthewire	Ma Wolfson	6-1
2	Golden Yank	Yankee Gentleman	Thomas	12-1
3	Secret Getaway	Skip Away	Stidham	10-1
4	Dry Martini	Slew Gin Fizz	Tagg	6-1
5	Brothers Nicholas	Smart Strike	Roussel	20-1
6	Wishful Tomcat	Tactical Cat	Frankel	10-1
7	El Caballo	El Corredor	Nicks	30-1
8	Good and Lucky	Wild Rush	Carroll	8-1
9	Slew's Tiznow	Tiznow	O'Neill	12-1
10	Honest Man	Unbridled's Song	Jones	3-1
11	Macho Again	Macho Uno	Stewart	12-1
12	Richard's Kid	Lemon Drop Kid	Small	20-1
13	Star Guitar	Quiet American	Stall Jr	20-1
14	My Pal Charlie	Indian Charlie	Stall Jr	8-1

Honest Man, four-for-five over the Fair Grounds main oval, figures to be tough to beat with a repeat of his 4 1/4-length win in the GIII Mineshaft H. Feb. 7. Six-

year-old **It's a Bird**, who has thrived under the care of Martin Wolfson, has been freshened since running a hole in the wind in Gulfstream's OBS Sunshine Millions Classic S. Jan. 24.

Wishful Tomcat, purchased privately by IEAH Stables and partners following a victory in Aqueduct's GIII Discovery H. last November,

returns to dirt after a pair of attempts on Santa Anita's Pro-Ride. The chestnut led in the stretch during the GII San Fernando S. Jan. 17, but got late, and reported home third. He was last seen finishing eighth, beaten only 1 3/4 lengths, in the GII Strub S. Feb. 7.



Honest Man winning the Mineshaft
Lou Hodges Jr

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 4:09 p.m. EST

MERVIN MUNIZ JR MEMORIAL H.-GII, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Brass Hat	Prized	Bradley	15-1
2	My Happiness (Arg)	Festin (Arg)	Barnett	20-1
3	Golden Yank	Yankee Gentleman	Thomas	10-1
4	Wesley	El Prado (Ire)	Hennig	15-1
5a	Windward Islands	Cozzene	Frostad	6-1
6	Soldier's Dancer	Lost Soldier	Vivian	7-2
7	Sir Whimsey	Jump Start	Nihei	15-1
8	Corrupt	Belong to Me	Howard	10-1
9	El Caballo	El Corredor	Nicks	20-1
10	Nownownow	Whywhywhy	Biancone	12-1
11	Demarcation	Gulch	McGee	15-1
12	Transduction Gold	Formal Gold	Glenney	8-1
13a	French Beret	Broad Brush	Frostad	6-1
14	Proudinsky (Ger)	Silvano (Ger)	Frankel	3-1

Defending Muniz champion **Proudinsky**, who came within a neck of defeating dual Classic winner Big Brown in the Monmouth S. last September, makes his seasonal debut. The six-year-old has not been out since annexing the GII San Gabriel H. Dec. 28. Florida-bred **Soldier's Dancer** made a successful trip to the West Coast, posting a half-length tally in Santa Anita's Sunshine Millions Turf S. last out Jan. 24. **Wesley**, who looked like a promising turfer last summer following a victory in Saratoga's GII Hall of Fame S., can make some noise here at a price. The big gray kicked off the year with a better-than-it-looked fourth in Gulfstream's Fort Lauderdale S. Jan. 10, then failed to land a blow when tried on the synthetic in the GII Strub S. Feb. 7.

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Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 4:07 p.m. EDT
FAIR GROUNDS OAKS-GII, \$400,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Our Dahlia	Belong to Me	McPeck	10-1
2	Four Gifts	Even the Score	Asmussen	5-2
3	Rachel Alexandra	Medaglia d'Oro	Wiggins	4-5
4	African Skies (GB)	Johannesburg	Biancone	6-1
5	Flying Spur	Giant's Causeway	Mott	12-1
6	War Tigress	War Chant	Thornbury	10-1

This race was used as a steppingstone to victory in the GI Kentucky Oaks by Summerly back in 2005, and **Rachel Alexandra** looks to be in that same class. Off the board just once in her seven-race career, the bay filly closed her freshman season on a high, taking the GII Golden Rod S. by nearly five lengths and earning the



top speed figure by a two-year-old filly going two turns. She picked up right where she left off, taking the Feb. 15 Martha Washington S. by eight easy lengths while covering her final quarter mile in an outstanding :24.41. Her final time was over a full second faster than the one clocked by

Rachel Alexandra (left) goes for home in the Martha Washington
Coady Photography

Old Fashioned in his GIII Southwest S. success the following afternoon. Her last few efforts have been of the on-pace variety, but she has proved equally effective rallying from out of it. **Four Gifts** took a clear lead past the eighth pole of this track's GIII Silverbulletday S. Feb. 7, but fell victim to a strong late rally from War Echo (Tapit), who was forced to miss this with an injury. The grey has the home-track advantage over the favorite.

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:45 p.m. EST
GULFSTREAM PARK H.-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Cool Coal Man	Mineshaft	Zito	2-1
2	Formidable	Sky Mesa	Jerkens	4-1
3	How's Your Halo	Halo's Image	Prichard	10-1
4	Bribon (Fr)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Ribauda	5-2
5	Finallymadeit	Concerto	Negrete	10-1
6	Smooth Air	Smooth Jazz	Stutts Jr	3-1

Cool Coal Man, winner of last term's GII Fountain of Youth S. over this strip, kept his perfect record at Gulfstream intact with an eye-catching \$100,000 optional claiming tally in his seasonal bow Jan. 28. The Robert LaPenta

colorbearer earned a career-best 107 Beyer Speed Figure in that 6 1/2-furlong contest. "The one-turn mile is perfect for him, especially with the way he won his last race sprinting," trainer Nick Zito said. "He couldn't be doing any better and he loves Gulfstream.



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He's a quality horse." Another who has flourished under the Florida sun is **Formidable**. The half brother to the very talented MGSW and GISP Medallist (Touch Gold) looked sharp in his Jan. 9 maiden and Feb. 13 allowance wins. **Bribon**, who earned one of the highest speed figures of 2008 when he registered a 118 Beyer in a \$75,000 optional claimer at Belmont, enters off a six-length decision over track and trip Feb. 12.

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Saturday, Oaklawn Park, post time: 6:50 p.m. EDT

REBEL S.-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Old Fashioned	Unbridled's Song	Jones	7-5
2	Hamazing Destiny	Salt Lake	Lukas	5-1
3	Poltergeist	Tapit	Von Hemel	15-1
4	Pointing Home	Point Given	Dickey	15-1
5	Wise Kid	Lemon Drop Kid	Ritchey	9-2
6	His Greatness	Honour and Glory	Salazar	12-1
7	Captain Cherokee	Sir Cherokee	Asmussen	8-1
8	Silver City	Unbridled's Song	Calhoun	4-1
9	Win Willy	Monarchos	Robertson	20-1

Old Fashioned is a good bet to go off somewhere in the vicinity of half his morning-line quote as he bids to run his unbeaten streak to five. Untested since being stretched out to a route of ground, the **TDN Rising Star** earned a spot on the Eclipse ballot with a romping success in the GII Remsen S. Nov. 29. The grey was likely not at his best for his seasonal debut in this track's GIII Southwest S. Feb. 16, but it was more than good enough, as he rallied past the pacesetter **Silver City** for a 3 1/4-length victory. The latter re-matches this afternoon and recently had a stamina-building work over a mile at the Fair Grounds, but he may well be best at sprint distances. **Wise Kid** and **Hamazing Destiny** exit local allowance victories, but the most intriguing newcomer is **Captain Cherokee**. The half-brother to champion Midnight Lute is two-for-three in his young career, and though he seems overmatched on his figures, his Feb. 14 allowance score in New Orleans is much better than it looks on paper.

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 5:03 p.m. EDT

SAN FELIPE S.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	He's Really Big	Johar	Becerra	30-1
2	Pioneerof the Nile	Empire Maker	Baffert	2-5
3	Feisty Suances	Suances (GB)	Vienna	10-1
4	Shafted	Mineshaft	Casse	8-1
5	Jeranimo	Congaree	Pender	20-1
6	Kelly Leak	Runaway Groom	Machowsky	6-1
7	New Bay	Cuvee	R Mandella	8-1

Pioneerof the Nile makes his second start of the season and looms a heavy favorite against a maximum of six apparently overmatched rivals. Winner of the GI CashCall Futurity last December, the Zayat homebred turned in a nearly unbelievable final sixteenth of a mile to best today's GII Louisiana Derby hopeful Papa Clem in the GII Robert B. Lewis S. Feb. 7, with I Want Revenge a no-excuses third. The Sham form was franked with I Want Revenge's towering success in the GIII Gotham S., and this should be a stroll in the park in preparation for the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 4. Richard Mandella sends **New Bay** around two turns for the first time. A \$310,000 OBS March graduate, the B. Wayne Hughes colorbearer is fresh off a 3/4-length maiden score going six furlongs Feb. 16 and should be a forward factor from his outside draw.

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Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 5:26 p.m. EDT

TAMPA BAY DERBY-GIII, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Perfect Bull	Holy Bull	Rhone	30-1
2	Musket Man	Yonaguska	Ryan	8-1
3	Nowhere to Hide	Vindication	Zito	5-1
4	Hello Broadway	Broken Vow	Tagg	3-1
5	Warrior's Reward	Medaglia d'Oro	Wilkes	12-1
6	Sumo	Fusaichi Pegasus	Motion	6-1
7	Join in the Dance	Sky Mesa	Pletcher	12-1
8	General Quarters	Sky Mesa	McCarthy	4-1
9	Bear's Rocket	Lion Heart	Baker	8-1
10	Justdontcallmejeri	Mr. Broad Blade	O'Neill	12-1
11	Top Seed	Grand Slam	Trombetta	20-1

He'll spot his rivals six pounds owing to his victory in the GIII Sam F. Davis S. over course and distance Feb. 14, but **General Quarters** is giving every indication that he is ready for a repeat effort. Despite a runner-up effort to **Top Seed** in the Dec. 27 Inaugural S. and to **Musket Man** in the Pasco S. Jan. 17, the grey colt was let go at odds of 13-1 in the Davis, but turned in a powerful performance to best **Sumo** by 3 1/2 lengths. A bullet five-eighths move Mar. 7 suggests he retains his top form as he takes another step towards the first Saturday in May for Louisville native trainer Tom McCarthy. **Hello Broadway** is the tepid morning-line favorite off his runner-up effort to Capt. Candyman Can (Candy Ride {Arg}) in the GII Hutcheson S. going seven furlongs Jan. 30 at Gulfstream. The chestnut tries two turns for the first time this afternoon. Fans of Dunkirk (Unbridled's Song) will get a read on the strength of his Feb. 19 allowance score, in the form of **Warrior's Reward**, who was second by 4 3/4 lengths that afternoon.

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 4:17 p.m. EDT

FLORIDA OAKS-GIII, \$200,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Brinca	Macho Uno	Stewart	20-1
2	Rock Candy	Mineshaft	Zweisler	5-2
3	Royal Ballade	Elusive Quality	Albertrani	8-1
4	Ameribelle	Medaglia d'Oro	Plesa Jr	3-1
5	Dzibanche	Roar of the Tiger	K Ziadie	8-1
6	Don't Forget Gil	Kafwain	Hennig	9-5
7	Miss Ocean City	Mineshaft	Begley Jr	10-1

Rock Candy has improved by leaps and bounds since her arrival on Florida's left coast, and is perfect in her three local appearances for the Michael Zwiesler barn. Winner of the seven-furlong Gasparilla S. Jan. 17, the chestnut successfully transitioned to two turns for a neck victory over **Ameribelle** and **Don't Forget Gil** in a blanket finish in the Feb. 14 Suncoast S.

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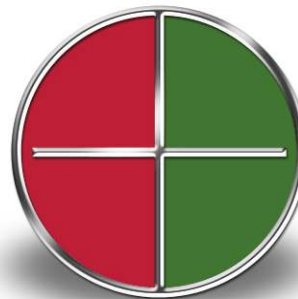
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Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT
HILLSBOROUGH S.-GIII, \$175,000, 4yo/up, f/m,
 a1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	First Ascent	Cherokee Run	Offutt	20-1
2	Elusive Lady	Van Nistelrooy	Kimmel	6-1
3	Ballymore Lady	War Chant	Kenneally	6-1
4	Russian Rosie (Ire)	Traditionally	Attfield	15-1
5	Drop a Line	Lemon Drop Kid	Motion	8-1
6	Mushka	Empire Maker	Mott	8-1
7	Backseat Rhythm	El Corredor	Reynolds Jr	3-1
8	Communique	Smart Strike	Arnold II	4-1
9	Waquoit's Love	Not For Love	Hills	5-1
10	Absolutely Cindy	Arch	Clement	15-1
11	Jaunty Gale	Tiger Ridge	Wasiluk Jr	30-1

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:14 p.m. EDT
PALM BEACH S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Sweetlandofliberty	Anasheed	Gold	15-1
2	Stormalory	Storm Cat	Mott	3-1
3	Casey's On Call	Gimmeawink	Fehr	6-1
4	Lime Rickey	Lemon Drop Kid	Alexander	4-1
5	Duke of Homberg (GB)	Dynaformer	Albertrani	2-1
6	Beacon Hill Road	Forestry	Ja Servis	6-1
7	El Crespo	A.P. Indy	Arnold II	6-1

Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 4:50 p.m. EDT
CICADA S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Dream Play	Hennessy	McLaughlin	7-5
2	Daily Star	Five Star Day	Terranova II	10-1
3	Heart Ashley	Lion Heart	Asmussen	5-2
4	Purrfect Bluff	Lion Heart	Contessa	6-1
5	Love That Dance	Not For Love	Perkins Jr	5-1
6	One Smokin' Lady	Smoke Glacken	Reid Jr	8-1

All carry 118 pounds, except Love That Dance, 120.

Saturday, Saint-Cloud, France, post time: 4:05 p.m.
PRIX EXBURY-G3, €80,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Trincot (Fr)	Peintre Celebre	Demercastel	128
2	3	Loup Breton (Ire)	Anabaa	Lellouche	128
3	2	Belle et Celebre (Fr)	Peintre Celebre	de Royer-Dupre	127
4	10	Indian Daffodil (Ire)	Hernando (Fr)	Rouget	126
5	9	Chinchon (Ire)	Marju (Ire)	Laffon-Parias	123
6	8	Court Canibal (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	Delzangles	123
7	6	Lady Deauville (Fr)	Fasliyev	Curtis	122
8	11	Tardrou (Fr)	Tot ou Tard (Fr)	Dubord	121
9	1	Runaway (GB)	King's Best	Pritchard-Gordon	121
10	4	Wingstar (Ire)	In the Wings (GB)	Collet	118
11	5	Diyakalanie (Fr)	Ashkalani (Ire)	de Nicolay	118

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Sunday, Oaklawn Park

HONEYBEE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Be Fair	Exchange Rate	Thompson	119
2	Aleet Deceit	Northern Afleet	Emigh	115
3	Hightap	Tapit	S Bridgmohan	119
4	Just Jenda	Menifee	Saez	122
5	My Spanx	A.P. Delta	Escobar	119
6	Peach Brew	Milwaukee Brew	Hamilton	117
7	Bon Jovi Girl	Malibu Moon	Caraballo	119

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

ESPN CUTS OAKS COVERAGE A decision by officials at ESPN will see the all-sports network completely cut its coverage of the GI Kentucky Oaks on the first Friday in May. In previous years, ESPN budgeted three hours of programming centered around the Oaks. The coverage on Kentucky Derby day will consist of the program "Today at the Kentucky Derby" from noon to 3 p.m. EST and the "Kentucky Derby Special" from 3 to 5 p.m. EST before handing things over to NBC for the Derby itself. Last year there were a total of six hours of Derby coverage on ESPN. There is scheduled to be one hour of television on the Bravo network on Oaks Day tied in with Susan G. Komen For the Cure to raise funds for breast cancer awareness.

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‘VICTORY’ TAKES HIS SHOW ON THE ROAD

Reigning G1 Carlos Pellegrini hero **Life Of Victory** (Arg) (Incurable Optimist) will bid for more glory in today’s 25th renewal of the Gran Premio Asociacion



Life of Victory
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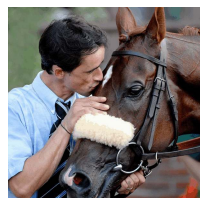
Latinoamericana de Jockey Clubes E Hipodromos at Cidade Jardim racecourse in Sao Paulo. The six-year-old, who will break from post 10 under regular pilot Rodrigo Blanco, will seek his first victory away from home in South America’s 2000-meter continental championship. Life of Victory’s major adversaries are headed by Sao Paulo Derby winner **Negro Da Gaita (Brz)** (Know Heights {Ire}), a strong second to Life of Victory in the Carlos Pellegrini. He leads a strong home team delegation that includes four-time Group 1 winner

Quick Road (Brz) (Jules), Derby Paulista runner-up **Hot Six (Brz)** (Burooj {GB}) and Rio de Janeiro Classic winner **Flymetothemoon (Brz)** (Roi Normand). Other contenders include Chilean standouts **Last Impact (Chi)** (Stuka), **Staccato (Chi)** (Stuka), three-year-old turf filly **Raja Diabla (Chi)** (Major King) and U.S.-bred and Peruvian Group 2 winner **Zeide Isaac** (Freud).

Saturday, Cidade Jardim (Sao Paulo), Brazil
GRAN PREMIO ASOCIACION LATINOAMERICANA DE JOCKEY CLUBES E HIPODROMOS-G1, \$250,200,

3yo/up, 2000mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Zeide Isaac	Freud	Padilla	128
2	Last Impact (Chi)	Stuka	Berrios	134
3	Hot Six (Brz)	Burooj (GB)	Leme	123
4	Negro Da Gaita (Brz)	Know Heights (Ire)	Cardoso	123
5	Quick Road (Brz)	Jules	Aparecido	134
6	Quadriball (Brz)	P.T. Indy	Reis	123
7	Des Moines (Brz)	Arambare (Brz)	Blandi	132
8	Propper Fun (Chi)	Gracioso	Toledo	134
9	Staccato (Chi)	Stuka	Ulloa	134
10	Life Of Victory (Arg)	Incurable Optimist	Blanco	134
11	Flymetothemoon (Brz)	Roi Normand	Ricardo	123
12	Raja Diabla (Chi)	Major King (Arg)	Ulloa	119
13	Naperon (Brz)	Know Heights (Ire)	Santana	134
14	Principe Dos Maare (Brz)	Vettori (Ire)	Mesquita	134



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Northern Afleet is Heading North in 2009

On the path to the \$2,000,000 Dubai Golden Shaheen (G1) in 2009, **BIG CITY MAN**, a Multiple Stakes winner at two, has won the \$200,000 Al Shindagha Sprint (G3) and run second in the \$200,000 Mahab Al Shimaal S. (G3).

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RAISING THE BAR...ON AND OFF THE TRACK

By Steve Sherack

In a city flooded with restaurant chains, Barbazon's Sports Bar & Grill in Ocala, Florida, is a pleasant surprise. Joseph and Helen Barbazon, who also own Pleasant Acres Farm in Morriston, Florida, opened the eatery in June 2007.



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Boasting an expansive food menu, two full-service bars, more than 60 flat-screen high-definition televisions, six billiard tables and arcade games, there's something for everyone at Barbazon's, including horsemen. Interested in taking another look at the OBS March breeze show or catching a race during lunch or dinner? Grab a seat at one of the booths. They are all equipped with flat-screen monitors with access to horse racing channels TVG and HRTV, as well as the live feed from OBS. Playing to the Grill's sports theme, the cordial waitress staff all don referee uniforms.

"You can see the sales and workouts all here live," owner Joe Barbazon commented. "Our menu covers everything from finger foods to filet mignon. The dining room floor is painted like a football field and we have over 60 televisions. We have tv's in every booth, a 45-foot bar in the front, wide screens on both sides of the restaurant, pool tables, virtual reality golf and video games for the kids. We also have a stage, where we play a live band every Friday. Tuesday is poker night; and we also offer free pool that day. Karaoke is on Wednesday and Trivia on Thursday. It's been a lot of fun owning the restaurant."

While the couple of nearly 30 years appears to be off and running with their first restaurant venture, the duo also hit one out of the park on the racetrack last year with **Presious Passion** (Royal Anthem), who annexed the 2008 GI United Nations S. at Monmouth Park. The Barbazons bred the son of Princessa's Passion (Marquetry) at their Florida base before selling him privately to longtime client Patricia Generazio. The six-year-old kicked off the new year with a strong second-place finish in the Sunshine Millions Turf S. at Santa Anita Jan. 24, then registered a courageous score in the GII Mac Diarmida S. at Gulfstream Park Feb. 21. After leading by as many as seven lengths, the gelding looked to be out of gas in the stretch, but found more beneath Elvis Trujillo, turning back the challenge of Quasicobra (Wild Rush) to take it by a half-length.



Presious Passion
Horsephotos

"It's been very exciting watching him run," the 57-year-old said. "We had his last race on the big screen in the restaurant. I think the whole place was cheering for him." **Cont. p12**



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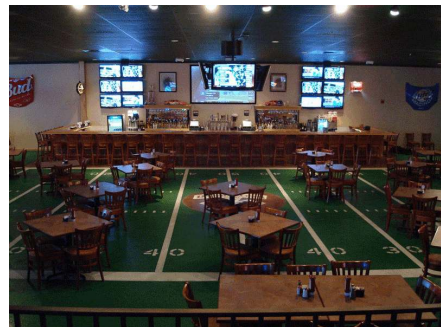
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The unraced Princesa's Passion, a daughter of MSW Sizzlin Sunshine (Sunshine Forever), was acquired privately by Barbazon as a juvenile. Her first foal was



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Presious Passion, who has collected six graded stakes victories and more than \$1.2 million in earnings.

"She hurt herself as a two-year-old and was sent to the farm," Barbazon explained. "Her owners mainly had a racing stable, and didn't

want any broodmares, so we bought her privately. I loved Marquetry, and she was out of a good stakes mare. She's a very flashy chestnut, with a lot of white."

Just Livin a Dream (Trippi), a three-year-old half-sister to Presious Passion, has big shoes to fill, but has also hinted potential in her seven-race career. Also bred by the Barbazons and owned by Generazio, the chestnut has turned in belated rallies in her last two attempts over the Gulfstream lawn to round out the superfecta in the Sweetest Chant S. Jan. 18 and the Coconut Grove S. Feb. 15. The Florida-bred graduated over the Belmont lawn last fall.

"She's probably going to be a nice stakes horse," Barbazon said of Just Livin a Dream. "She just needs a little time, kind of like Presious Passion. He wasn't much of a two-year-old."

Exchangeable (Exchange Rate), an unraced two-year-old daughter of Princesa's Passion, was acquired privately by Satish Sanan's Padua Stables. Barren in 2008, the 10-year-old mare is currently in-foal to Medaglia d'Oro with a Mar. 25 due date, and has a future mating scheduled with Unbridled's Song, according to Barbazon.

Married in 1980, the Barbazons founded Pleasant Acres Farm shortly thereafter. It is currently the home to approximately 170 horses. The Barbazons relocated to a different property in 2001, and now offer services at their 225-acre farm including, boarding, breeding, sales prep and layoffs.

"We breed to sell, basically, but anything that's a little crooked or something, we'll go to the races with," Barbazon said, adding that they own 21 of the mares on the farm. "We didn't have anything make it to the two-year-old sales this year. We were lucky enough to sell everything. Especially in this time, if you could sell them privately, it's a plus. We've had a real good year. The horses ran good and the restaurant did good. We can't complain."



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UNDER-TACK PREVIEW--MAR. 13

Time	Hip#	Sex	1/8-mile works	
			Sire	Dam
:9	3/5	450	c	More Than Ready / Silent Circle
:20	3/5	261	f	Gulch / Lady of Wicklow
		276	c	Tiger Ridge / Low Talker
		327	f	Distorted Humor / Mountain Girl
		340	f	Exchange Rate / Notably Charming
		498	c	Indian Ocean / Sweet Zeena
:33		3/8-mile works		
		414	c	Mingun / Run Early Run Fast

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Thoro-Graph Race of the Week
by Jerry Brown

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 5:20 p.m. EDT
GIII TAMPA BAY DERBY, \$300,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m
 For sheets and complete Thoro-Graph data on the Race of the Week, click [here](#).

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Perfect Bull	Holy Bull	Butler	30-1

May prefer turf, and is too slow regardless.

2 Musket Man [Yonaguska](#) Centeno 8-1
 Jumped forward with the addition of Lasix in his first local start, then paired that figure last time when trying two turns for the first time in an effort that was much better than it looked. The Thoro-Pattern tells us that this colt is better than 50/50 to run at least as well this time and, drawn inside the other contenders, just a repeat would give him a real shot. Strong contender at a price.

3 Nowhere to Hide [Vindication](#) Garcia 5-1
 Quickly got down to a good figure at Saratoga, but hasn't developed at all since. He will take a little play at the windows because his last looked much better than it really was, but he would need to improve a lot in a hurry to contend here.

4 Hello Broadway [Broken Vow](#) Coa 3-1
 Debuted with a stakes-level figure last summer, but is another that has gotten no better in the interim. This colt hasn't been two turns or run fast enough to win here, but will be heavily bet. Vulnerable favorite.

5 Warrior's Reward [Medaglia d'Oro](#) Montalvo 12-1
 Is by the red-hot Medaglia d'Oro, who in terms of figures run by his progeny is off to the fastest start of any stallion since at least Distorted Humor, and maybe longer. This guy ran okay in his debut and went forward to a borderline stakes figure last time with the addition of Lasix, which leaves him within range of making a dent here, at a price.

6 Sumo [Fusaichi Pegasus](#) Rose 6-1
 Didn't earn much of a figure in his local debut after he did a dance step mid-stretch, but more than made up for it last time. He was wide both turns in the Sam F. Davis (4w3w, upper left), and earned a better figure than the winner, who skimmed the rail on both turns. Coming off a huge new top, this colt is likely to bounce, but he comes into this as the fastest horse and will still be a fair price, so he's usable. Note that his dam got much better with age, so even if he does bounce, Sumo could be heard from later.

7 Join in the Dance [Sky Mesa](#) Trujillo 12-1
 Is another that ran really well early and didn't develop last year. This one at least broke through with a new top in his seasonal debut, but he would need another significant jump, and is questionable at the distance.

8 General Quarters [Sky Mesa](#) Lopez 4-1
 Had a nice pattern going into his last, and parlayed a jump to a lifetime best figure and a rail trip to a nice stake win. It's going to be tougher this time--he's likely to bounce, and even if he doesn't, the weight he's spotting and the outside post make it unlikely a repeat will be good enough.

9 Bear's Rocket [Lion Heart](#) Allen Jr 8-1
 Is one of many horses that have jumped forward going from synthetic to dirt. A rail trip on both turns made that effort look better than it was, and he'll get bet here--but the figure he earned wasn't that good, and the requisite further jump is unlikely.

10 Justdontcallmejeri [Mr. Broad Blade](#) Rios 12-1
 Has a nice pattern and is trying dirt for the first time, so he might jump to a new top. But he's slow coming in, so he would need quite the jump to get involved.

11 Top Seed [Grand Slam](#) Maragh 20-1
 Ran two big sprint figures at two before backing up going long last time. On his best, this one could get a check, but he's got to show he can do it at a route--and, interestingly, Trombetta does much better in sprints (see trainer profile).

Bottom Line: There are a lot of horses that will be overbet in this one, making it a good betting race. Musket Man has a lot going for him and is the value, with Sumo worth using in the exotics.

Jerry Brown formed Thoro-Graph in 1982 to service the needs of horsemen and professional handicappers. Since then, Thoro-Graph has been responsible for the purchase of Belmont winner and champion Victory Gallop, two-time Breeders' Cup Mile winner Da Hoss, multiple track record setter and leading sire Distorted Humor--a total of 70 horses who have gone on to win stakes for their clients. Additionally, the last three NTRA national handicapping championship winners used Thoro-Graph data. Thoro-Graph performance figures take into account weight, ground loss, effect of wind on the time of the race, and track speed. The lower the figure, the better the performance. Among Thoro-Graph's innovations are the figure-based profiles, which enable horsemen and serious handicappers to accurately assess the tendencies of trainers in different situations, and sires and dam's runners at different distances, over different surfaces, and at different ages. For more information about Thoro-Graph data and consulting services, go to www.thorograph.com.

2008

Group winner

UNSUNG HEROINE won Give Thanks Stakes-**Gr.3** and runner-up to Conduit in the St. Leger Stakes-**Gr.1**

Group winner

SENLIS won Italian 2,000 Guineas-**Gr.3**

Group winner

SERIENHOEHE won Maurice Lacroix-Trophy-**Gr.3** (for 2YO's)

Listed winner

BEACH BUNNY won Dance Design Stakes-**L.R.** and runner-up to Katiyra in the Blandford Stakes-**Gr.2**

Listed winner

WINKLE won Prix Vulcain-**L.R.**

Group 1 placed

MAGADAN defeated Montmartre on his debut and third to him in the Grand Prix de Paris-**Gr.1**

2009

All the above remain in training.
Unexposed 3-year-olds to watch out for include:

REDWOOD *B.W. Hills*

“This Khalid Abdullah-owned colt didn't get away well in his only race but came through to beat a much fancied opponent in the final furlong, hinting that he has a touch of class”

James Underwood's Review of 2008

GOLDEN SWORD *A.P. O'Brien*

“won maiden at Fairyhouse by 1¼ lengths from Ebashan... quickening well... open to further improvement.”

Timeform

HIGH HEELED *B.W. Hills*

“confirmed promise of debut (split Rainbow View and Snoqualmie Girl at Newmarket) when easily winning maiden at Kempton in September”

Timeform

THE MINIVER ROSE *R. Hannon*

“won maiden at Doncaster in September: plenty of promise when third to Tiger Eye in sales race at Newmarket... sure to improve further”

Timeform

TORAI DHE *J.S. Bolger*

“useful form when second in Leopardstown maidens... likely to progress”

Timeform

AKHENATEN *M.R. Channon*

“won maiden at Chester in September: improvement in pattern company, fourth to Ashram in Somerville Tattersall Stakes at Newmarket”

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GALATEO *J.M. Beagnone*

This unraced €430,000 yearling purchase is very well-regarded by his connections and holds several Group 1 entries.

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Yesterday's Result:

6th-GPX, \$35,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 2/5, fm.

LOXY LADY (m, 5, Dynaformer--Palette Knife {MSW & GSP, \$319,400}, by Broad Brush), a \$180,000 KEESEP yearling, commenced her career with a pair of seconds over turf in New York, then was switched to the main track. Sidelined following a third at Belmont May 4, the bay was sixth in her comeback bid at Aqueduct Nov. 26. She beat two home to be seventh over the inner track Jan. 22 last time out. The return to turf appeared to make the difference here. After racing in midpack early, the 5-1 fourth choice closed quickly down the center of the home stretch to prevail by 1 1/4 lengths over Gold Indy (A.P. Indy). Dyani (Dynaformer) was a away slowly, but closed to finish third. Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$50,050. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-DATTT Stable. B-Burning Daylight Farms Inc (KY). T-Mark A Hennig.

★ **NEW YORK** ★

Yesterday's Result:

3rd-AQU, \$45,080, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m70y, 1:43, ft.

FLASHING (f, 3, A. P. Indy--Morning Pride {Ire} {GSW-Fr}, by Machiavellian) overcame a wide trip to score by 1 1/4 lengths on debut when sprinting 6 1/2 furlongs over the outer track at Aqueduct Nov. 30. In her most recent outing, she faded to eighth after steadying early in the Busanda S. over this course and distance Jan. 10. The chestnut was off a bit slowly here before she was hustled to a clear lead through fractions of 23.99 and :48.95. Unpressured up the backstretch, the even-money favorite drew away under mild urging down the lane to score by 3 1/2 lengths over Boleyn (Proud Citizen). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$53,760. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Darley Stable. B-Gainsborough Farm LLC (KY). T-Thomas Albertrani.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-LRL, \$30,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. RAYRA (c, 4, Richter Scale--Yarray, by Yarrow Brae), never off the board in her first three starts, graduated by 8 3/4 lengths in front-running fashion over this course and distance Feb. 19. Seeking a second straight score, the homebred led at every call as the 8-5 second choice to run away to a 5 3/4-length triumph over Routine Patrol (Outflanker). Lifetime Record: 5-2-2-1, \$47,900.

O/B-William R Harris (MD). T-Christopher W Grove.

5th-TAM, \$20,200, Alw, NW2L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. SNOW LASS (f, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Keri's Snowman, by Frosty the Snowman), a full to Atlantic Frost, MSW, \$201,930, set all the fractions to graduate by 2 1/4 lengths in a five-furlong dash over this course Jan. 10. Looking to remain unbeaten, the dark bay shadowed the early leader Absolute Salt (Olmodavor), then challenged for the lead on the upper turn. The 8-5 favorite was ridden out to the wire to post a 3 1/2-length success over Shez So Special (Put It Back). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$26,320.

O-Bridlewood Farm. B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). T-Lynne M Scace.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 14:

03-27 \$150,000 Bonnie Miss-II, GP, 3yo, f, 9f (150)

03-28 \$750,000 Florida Derby-I, GP, 3yo, 9f (2500)

03-28 \$150,000 Swale-II, GP, 3yo, 7f (150)

03-29 \$150,000 Rampart-II, GP, 4yo/up, f/m, 9f (150)

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BELMONT PARK

Songster (Songandaprayer), 4f, :48.29, 4/42

GOLDEN GATE FIELDS

Chocolate Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}), 7f, 1:25.80, 1/1
High Resolve (Put It Back), 4f, :47.20, 1/26

GULFSTREAM PARK

Consequence (El Prado {Ire}), 3f, :35.20, 1/11

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1:44p HRTV 2nd-GPX, \$41k, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/8m
CONVOCATION (Pulpit), a \$340,000 KEEAPR juvenile, was a clear second to Chef (Smarty Jones) at Gulfstream Feb. 14 in his bow and will try two turns here in his second start. His dam Shade Dance (Nureyev) is a half to Equerry (St. Jovite), MGSW-Fr & G1SP, \$264,035; and Tempera (A.P. Indy), Ch. 2yo Filly, GISW, \$670,240. His second dam is the Mr. Prospector mare Colour Chart, who won three Group events in France and placed in a trio of Grade I races in the United States. brisnet.com pps.

6:14 HRTV 11th-GPX, \$41k, Msw, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT
 Team Valor purchased **KINSELLA (Mr. Greeley)** for \$2.2 million at FTSAUG, and the chestnut is slated to debut here under the syndicate's green and red colors. The first foal out of an unplaced half-sister to GSW Secret Liason (Housebuster), Kinsella has worked three times over the Palm Meadows spinach in preparation for this effort. He'll be joined by second-time starter **Dr. Smarty Jack (Smarty Jones)**, the first foal out of the GSW turf mare Hoh Buzzard (Ire) (Alhaarth {Ire}), and **Chapin Beach (Dynaformer)**, a full to the GISW millionaire Sand Springs who returns to the sod following a dull effort over the Gulfstream main track. brisnet.com pps.

★ CENTRAL ★

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 6:20 p.m. EDT

DUNCAN F. KENNER S., \$125,000, 3yo/up, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Kodiak Kowboy	Posse	Jones	121
2	Ikigai	Whywhywhy	Ma Wolfson	121
3	Greeley's Conquest	Mr. Greeley	Thomas	117
4	Lanzera	Montbrook	Werner	117
5	Garifine	Belong to Me	Margolis	117
6	Success Success	Successful Appeal	McGee	117
7	Sok Sok	Trippi	Asmussen	117
8	Tend	Dynaformer	Stall Jr	117

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-FGX, \$44,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, a1 1/16mT, 1:43, fm.

NATURALLYONTHEROCKS (c, 4, Empire Maker--lcy Warning {MSW & MGSP, \$516,202}, by Caveat), a three-quarters to Devotion Unbridled (Unbridled), SW, \$163,500; and a half to Snow Cone (Cryptoclearance), MSW, \$353,110, graduated by 3 1/2 lengths first out at Woodbine Nov. 8. Fifth after weakening in the stretch of Woodchopper S. over the Fair Grounds turf Dec. 20, the homebred was rebuffed by House of Silver (Chester House) when second by a half-length in an entry-level allowance over the local weeds Jan. 23. The 4-5 favorite made a three-wide move on the far turn here to draw off by 6 3/4 lengths over Mogumbo Cat (Van Nistelrooy). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$67,308.

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O-Live Oak Plantation. B-Live Oak Stud (FL). T-Malcolm Pierce.

9th-FGX, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

SMILEY PETE (c, 3, Distorted Humor--Irish Lover {Brz} {Ch. 3yo Filly-Brz, MG1SW-Brz}, by Spend a Buck), a \$295,000 KEESEP acquisition by Rick Porter's operation, was bet into 4-1 for his course-and-distance debut Feb. 19, but was rushed up into the race and gave way readily in the stretch to finish seventh, beaten 22 1/2 lengths. Let go at 9-1 for this second go, the chestnut colt disputed the pace closest to the rail while pursued by three rivals to his outside. He disposed of longshot Ethics Reform (Touch Gold) in upper stretch and held sway for a 1 3/4-length victory. First-time starter Burt's a Stitch (Jump Start) outfinished Ethics Reform for third, while the debuting Kelham (Distorted Humor) stayed on well for fourth. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,200. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Fox Hill Farms Inc. B-Anderson Inc (KY). T-J L Jones.

9th-OPX, \$36,000, Alw, NW2L, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

EVERYDAY HEROES (c, 3, Awesome Again--Lucette {SW}, by Dayjur), produced by a half-sister to Baby Zip, the dam of GISW City Zip (Carson City); and champion and Horse of the Year Ghostzapper (Awesome Again), led from the start to take his debut by 4 1/4 lengths when covering this distance at Oaklawn Feb. 21. Favored at 6-5 to repeat here, the \$400,000 FTSAUG yearling settled off the flank of the pacesetter Fuffy Too (Speightstown) and edged clear in the lane to defeat that foe by 1 1/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$42,000. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Cash Counters LLC. B-Marathon Farms Inc (KY). T-Timothy F Ritchey.



Monday Cancellation

TURFWAY PARK

(lack of entries)



★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

MOSCOW BURNING S., \$70,150, SAX, 3-13, (R), 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34 1/5, fm.

1--**DAWN AFTER DAWN**, 118, m, 5, [Successful Appeal](#)--Jhenais Jewel (SW, \$220,673), by **Sword Dance (Ire)**. O-Ike & Dawn Thrash; B-Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds (FL); T-John W Sadler; J-Joel Rosario; \$41,610. Lifetime Record: GSW & MGISP, 22-6-3-3, \$516,283.

2--**Modern Look (GB)**, 118, f, 4, Zamindar--Prophecy (Ire), by Warning (GB). O-Juddmonte Farms Inc. \$13,870.

3--**Ransom Captive**, 119, m, 5, Red Ransom--Cap Rouge, by Summer Squall. (\$125,000 yrl '05 KEESEP; 115,000gns HRA '07 TATHIT). O-Charles D Miller. \$8,322.

Margins: 3/4, 1 1/4, 3/4. Odds: 5.20, 0.70, 18.20.
Winner of the GII La Canada S. and second in the GI Santa Margarita H. last year, Dawn After Dawn rebounded off an eighth in the Sunshine Millions Distaff Jan. 24 to take the Wishing Well H. seven days later in her last start. The bay saved ground and patiently waited for running room when she was shut off in the stretch. After finding the needed space, she surged to the front to annex her second consecutive stakes. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

5th-SAX, \$47,600, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:47 3/5, fm. **BIG SHOT SYD (c, 3, Chapel Royal--Mighty Fine Music, by Pleasant Tap)**, fifth to Mr. Hot Stuff (Tiznow) Feb. 1 last out, tried turf for the first time here. The \$125,000 FTKJUL yearling stalked the pace in third before taking the lead between horses in the stretch. Egypt (GB) (Dansili {GB}) rallied to poke his head in front, but the 8-1 shot battled back to win by a half-length despite drifting out. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$36,720. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Budget Stable. B-Highclere Inc & Heiligbrodt Racing Stable (KY). T-Janet Armstrong.

1st-SAX, \$46,400, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45 2/5, ft.

TASTY TEMPTATION (f, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Parisia {SW, \$121,836}, by Tethra) was edged by three-quarters when debuting in a five-furlong maiden at Woodbine Nov. 29, then was selected to be part of Mark Casse's Southern California string. Sixth down the hill Dec. 27, the \$170,000 KEESEP yearling weakened to report home fourth when traveling a mile over the local main track Jan. 23. The gray followed that outing with a third in a 1 1/16-mile event Feb. 19, with her chances hindered when she was reluctant to sneak up the rail and was cut off at the sixteenth pole. Off as the 9-2 second choice this time, Tasty Temptation stalked the pace three wide up the backstretch, took command at the top of the lane and edged clear of the favorite Storm the Church (Pulpit) to break her maiden by 1 1/4 lengths. Sweet Thoughts (A.P. Indy) was scratched. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$46,961. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Woodford Racing LLC. B-Josham Farms Limited (ON). T-Mark E Casse.

★ WEST ★

Yesterday's Result:

3rd-GGX, \$31,958, Msw, 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10, ft. **SAND HARBOUR (c, 4, Van Nistelrooy--Risky Seas, by Sea Hero)** had just missed in her last two starts, rallying to be second by a neck Dec. 18, then closing in the five path to be runner-up by one length Jan. 30. Tackling this trip a third time here, the 7-5 favorite made a four-wide run to best He Did (Siberian Summer) by three-quarters. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$29,600. O/B-Ann Marie Farm (KY). T-Lloyd C Mason.

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IN BRITAIN:

Argnil, g, 4, **Langfuhr**--Sherona, by Mr. Greeley. Southwell, 3-12, Hcp, 4yo/up, 5f (AWT). B-Colt Neck Stables LLC. *\$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

King of Dixie, h, 5, **Kingmambo**--Dixie Accent (SW-US, \$101,993), by Dixieland Band. Kempton Park, 3-12, Cond, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT). B-Bee Zee LLC. *\$200,000 yrl '05 KEESEP. **Full to Mumbo Jumbo, MSW-US, \$168,366. ***GSP-Eng.

IN FRANCE:

Wadjeka, f, 3, **Oasis Dream (GB)**. See "France."
Oiseau de Feu, c, 3, **Stravinsky**. See "France."

IN DUBAI:

Calabash Cove, h, 5, **Rahy**--I Need a Holiday, by Nureyev. Jebel Ali, 3-13, Hcp, 1950m. O-Sh Ahmed bin Mohd Al Maktoum; B-Gainsborough Farm LLC; T-Erwan Charpy.



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- ACTION THIS DAY** (Kris S.), Sprendthrift, \$10K, 148/14/1 4-SP1, Msw, 6f, Ra'a Action, 10-1
- 3-TAM, Msw, 1m, My Violin, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
- ANASHEED** (A.P. Indy), Questroyal at Liberty, \$5K, 38/9/0 9-GP, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Sweetlandofliberty, 15-1
- BIRDSTONE** (Grindstone), Gainesway, \$10K, 114/17/4 4-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Lucy to the Max, \$15K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
- BLACK MAMBO** (Kingmambo), Bridlewood, \$5K, 120/14/0 5-GP, Msw, 5fT, Rocamadour, \$70K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1
- BOWMAN'S BAND** (Dixieland Band), Lane's End, \$6K, 101/9/1 7-CT, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Bowman's Gold, 5-1
- BURNING ROMA** (Rubiano), Jubilee, \$7K, 72/6/0 3-TAM, Msw, 1m, Perf, 5-1
- CANADIAN FRONTIER** (Gone West), Airdrie, \$10K, 86/10/0 8-OP, Msw, 6f, Canadian Pacific
- 12-FG, Aoc, 5 1/2fT, Proteus, \$32K EVA MAR 2yo, 12-1
- CHAPEL ROYAL** (Montbrook), Ashford, \$10k, 279/47/1 2-OP, Aoc, 1 1/16m, Golden Chapel, \$110K KEE SEP yrl
- CONGAREE** (Arazi), Adena Springs KY, \$15K, 142/25/3 11-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Custers Last Stand, \$120K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- 4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Jeranimo, \$70K BAR MAY 2yo, 20-1
- CUVEE** (Carson City), Gainesway, \$10K, 208/25/2 4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, New Bay, \$310K OBS MAR 2yo, 8-1
- 8-SUN, Msw, 1m, Admired Most, \$8K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- DISTINCTION** (Seattle Slew), Mighty Acres, \$2K, 38/3/0 7-WRD, Alw, 5 1/2f, Phantom's Diva, 7-2
- 7-WRD, Alw, 5 1/2f, Someotherspring, 2-1

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- 8th-FGX Naturalontherocks** (Empire Maker) makes a three-wide rally.
- 9th-OPX Smiley Pete** (Distorted Humor) gives his connections a reason to grin.



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EVEN THE SCORE (Unbridled's Song), Millennium, \$9K, 170/18/3
 6-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Four Gifts, \$125K FTK JUL yrl, 5-2
GARNERED (Holy Bull), Naylee, \$3K, 33/2/0
 9-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Quackgoestheducky, 7-2
 9-CT, Msw, 6 1/2f, Rare Garnet, 4-1
GIMMEAWINK (Elusive Quality), Hidden Point, \$5K, 108/15/0
 9-GP, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Casey's On Call, 6-1
JOHAR (Gone West), Mill Ridge, \$20K, 105/13/0
 4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, He's Really Big, 2yo, 30-1
LION HEART (Tale of the Cat), Ashford, \$30K, 288/43/4
 4-FG, Alw, 1m, Hongkong Superstar, \$260K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
 9-AQU, Stk, 6f, Heart Ashley, \$320K FTS AUG yrl, 5-2
 9-AQU, Stk, 6f, Purrfect Bluff, \$100K ESM AY 2yo, 6-1
 4-FG, Alw, 1m, Cool Lion, \$145K OBS MAR 2yo, 15-1
 9-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Soul Warrior, \$290K OBS MAR 2yo, 20-1
 11-TAM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Bear's Rocket, \$350K FTK JUL yrl, 8-1
MARINO MARINI (Storm Cat), Rancho San Miguel, \$10K, 103/8/0
 1-GG, Aoc, 6f, High Tune
MEDAGLIA D'ORO (El Prado {IRE}), Stonewall, \$35K, 251/31/4
 8-LRL, Aoc, 1m, Tone It Down, \$100K ESM AY 2yo, 6-1
 9-TAM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Ameribelle, 3-1
 2-OP, Aoc, 1 1/16m, Anaan, \$475K KEE SEP yrl
 11-TAM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Warrior's Reward, \$180K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
 8-SUN, Msw, 1m, Quick in Motion, \$42K OBS MAR 2yo, 9-2
 5-GP, Msw, 5fT, +D'oro Diablo, \$115K KEE NOV wnl, 5-1
 6-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Rachel Alexandra, 4-5
OMEGA CODE (Elusive Quality), Hartley, 175/26/1
 8-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Mardi's Magic, 15-1
PERFECT SOUL (IRE) (Sadler's Wells), Darby Dan, \$15K, 158/7/0
 11-FG, Msw, 1mT, Near Perfect, \$37K KEE JAN yrl, 20-1
PLEASANTLY PERFECT (Pleasant Colony), Lane's End, \$40K, 116/14/1
 8-LRL, Aoc, 1m, Perfect Song, \$67K KEE SEP yrl, 3-5
QUINTON'S GOLD (Carson City), Doubletree, \$3K, 14/3/1
 7-SUN, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Fourteen Kt. Gold, 8-1
 7-SUN, Msw, 4 1/2f, +S D S Golden Boy, 3-1
ROAR OF THE TIGER (Storm Cat), Hartley, 168/19/0
 9-TAM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Dzibanche, \$65K OBS AUG yrl, 8-1
ROARING FEVER (Storm Cat), Questroyal, \$5K, 100/9/0
 8-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Lesson in Deceit, 12-1
SEATTLE FITZ (ARG) (Fitzcarraldo {ARG}), Buck Pond, \$7K, 68/7/1
 9-HAW, Msw, 5 1/2f, Duchess Eowyn, \$14K FTK OCT yrl, 30-1
SIR CHEROKEE (Cherokee Run), Crestwood, \$8K, 55/6/1
 10-OP, Stk, 1 1/16m, Captain Cherokee, \$650K BAR MAR 2yo
SMARTY JONES (Elusive Quality), Three Chimneys, \$100K, 161/13/1
 11-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Dr. Smarty Jack, 6-1
STROLL (Pulpit), Claiborne, \$8K, 56/10/3
 7-AQU, Msw, 1m, +Strolldownbroadway, 6-1
SUANCES (GB) (Most Welcome (GB)), Rancho Temescal, \$3K, 36/1/0
 4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Feisty Suances, 10-1
TAPIT (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$15K, 171/30/4
 11-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Tapit's Brew, \$280K OBS MAR 2yo, 4-1
 4-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Scilly, \$22K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
 10-OP, Stk, 1 1/16m, Poltergeist, \$30K TEX AUG yrl
TENPINS (Smart Strike), Walmac, \$7K, 126/15/2
 9-HAW, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Pencil to Paper, \$2K FTK OCT yrl, 5-1
TIMBER LEGEND (Storm Cat), OakhurstTbreds, \$1K, 8/1/0
 8-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Deacon Speakin', 20-1
TWO POINT TWO MILL (Known Fact), Courthouse, \$3K, 22/5/0
 8-OP, Msw, 6f, Two Point Favorite
WHIFF OF INDY (A.P. Indy), Traders Rest, \$2K, 8/0/0
 3-FG, Msw, 6f, Augustus Macray, \$35K EVA MAR 2yo, 8-1



KAUTO REGAINS STAR STATUS Runner-up when attempting to defend his crown in last year's G1 Cheltenham Gold Cup, **Kauto Star (Fr)** (Village Star {Fr}) exacted revenge on stablemate **Denman (Ire)** (Presenting {GB}) to become the first horse ever to regain the title in steeplechasing's Blue Riband at the Prestbury Park track yesterday. Last season's performance was marked by an indifferent round of jumping, but Clive Smith's nine-year-old gave an imperious display this time to reclaim the glory and provide jockey Ruby Walsh with an unprecedented seventh win at the meet. Keeping the leaders within range from the outset, the 7-4 crowd's choice moved smoothly throughout the £475,000 contest until cruising to the fore going over the third-last fence. He was threatened by Denman from there, but put in a spectacular leap at the penultimate obstacle and an equally extravagant jump at the last, adding luster to the performance as Walsh cajoled his partner up the climb to register an impressive 13-length score. "This is the greatest horse I have ever ridden," enthused jockey Ruby Walsh. "He wins over two miles, he wins over three miles, he loses Gold Cups and he wins Gold Cups. He is magic; he is a wonderful horse. He travelled super all the way and I got to the front sooner than I wanted, but I had no choice as he pinged the fourth-last [fence] and he pinged the third-last [fence]. I love him." The meet's leading conditioner Paul Nicholls was succinct in his praise, adding, "He's fit, he's fresh and he was never going to get beat today. He's a very, very good horse."

★ FRANCE ★

Saturday, Saint-Cloud, post time: 2:05 p.m.
PRIX ROSE DE MAI-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	1	Stacelita (Fr)	Monsun (Ger)	Rouget
2	2	Goldava (Fr)	Gold Away (Ire)	Loeuillet
3	4	Many Dreams (Fr)	Lando (Ger)	Spanu
4	6	Tassara (Fr)	Sendawar (Ire)	de Nicolay
5	5	Spring Shower (Fr)	Lord of Men (GB)	Boisnard
6	3	Divine Comedy (Fr)	Daylami (Ire)	Smaga

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Saturday, Saint-Cloud, post time: 3:35 p.m.
PRIX MAURICE CAILLAULT-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/16mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	3	Nizamabad (Fr)	Gold Away (Ire)	Rouget
2	2	Lord des Evees (Fr)	Lord of Men (GB)	Boisnard
3	5	Wajir (Fr)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Lellouche
4	1	Martial Law (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Fabre
5	4	Sokar (Fr)	Slickly (Fr)	Boisnard

All carry 123 pounds.



French Report cont.

Yesterday's Results:

Deauville, 14.38, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:33.50, stn.

WADJEKA (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Woman Secret {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells), a winner at this track last time Dec. 26, led from the break in this seasonal return. Coming under pressure with 300 meters remaining, the 13-5 chance required a forceful drive inside the closing panel to hold the late rush of Western Isle (Gone West) by a short head. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, €31,000.

O/B-Ecurie des Monceaux; T-Yves de Nicolay.

Deauville, 14.05, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:30.20.50, stn.

OISEAU DE FEU (c, 3, Stravinsky--Slewadora, by Seattle Slew) went postward as the 1-2 pick coming back from a Dec. 10 win here and led after the initial strides. Pushed along approaching the final eighth, the \$11,000 KEESEP yearling and €55,000 ARQAPR breezer kept on strongly in the closing stages to easily account for Eastern Promise (Grand Slam) by 2 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 4 wins, 1 place, €48,000. O-Bernard Weill; B-Gallagher's Stud; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

★ GERMANY ★

Woeste Elected President of German Jockey Club:

Former leading politician and Dusseldorf entrepreneur Albrecht Woeste has been elected the new president of the Direktorium fur Vollblutzucht und Rennen (German Jockey Club), succeeding Jochen Borchert, who held the post since 1999. Vice President Manfred Ostermann valued Borchert's work, and warmly welcomed Woeste to his new post amid hopes for a successful and positive future for German racing. Woeste, who is married with four sons, operates under the banner of Stall Grafenberg and is also an active small-scale breeder. He immediately stated that a structural reform in racing was imperative and placed emphasis on the continued, and indeed improved, co-operation between the Direktorium and the individual German race clubs. He also indicated there would be a need to seek improved public relations management, as well as becoming active in betting by co-operating with bookmakers and launching its own betting operation.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN DUBAI:

Blue Sky Basin (GB), g, 4, **Desert Prince (Ire)**--Kimba, by Kris S. Jebel Ali, 3-13, Hcp, 1400m. O-Saif Ali Al Kitbi; B-George Strawbridge; T-Mubarak bin Shafya.

Military Power (GB), c, 4, **Dubai Destination**--Susun Kelapa, by St. Jovite. Jebel Ali, 3-13, Hcp, 1800m. O-HRH Princess Haya; B-Paul Hearson Bloodstock; T-Mubarak bin Shafya.

Mutajammel (Fr), g, 7, **Kingmambo**--Irtifa (GB), by Lahib. Jebel Ali, 3-13, Hcp, 1600m. O-Sh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-6 C Stallions Ltd; T-Erwan Charpy. *525,000gns yrl '03 TATOCT.



AUSTRALASIA



SIR PERCY TO SHUTTLE TO NZ Lanwades resident **Sir Percy (GB)** (Mark of Esteem {Ire}--Percy's Lass {GB}, by Blakeney {GB}) will shuttle to Rich Hill Stud in New Zealand for the 2009 Southern Hemisphere breeding season, it was announced. The two-time champion in England will command a stud fee of NZ\$15,000. "Sir Percy was an early two-year-old winning a 1200-meter maiden in May," Rich Hill Stud principal John Thompson said. "He trained on to win two of the world's most respected Group 1 races--the Dewhurst S. at Newmarket and the Epsom Derby. He had a tremendous turn of foot and he acted on good-to firm-ground." Sir Percy stood his first season at stud in 2008. Kirsten Rausing, owner/manager of Lanwades Stud, added, "Sir Percy's first foals look highly promising and, at Lanwades, we have high hopes of this stallion following in the tradition of our champion sires Niniski, Selkirk and Hernando. After nearly 30 years as a leading stallion stud in England, Sir Percy's shuttling to New Zealand will be a first for Lanwades. We are particularly pleased he is joining Rich Hill to stand alongside champion Pentire."

MELBOURNE THOROUGHBRED SALE

CONCLUDES The two-day Melbourne March Thoroughbred Sale concluded yesterday with a 91-percent clearance rate. A total of 329 horses grossed A\$1,369,600, for an average of A\$4,163. Inglis Director Peter Heagney was pleased with the results. "It was incredibly strong for the quality of horses we had in the sale," he said. "The demand for racing stock was as strong as it has ever been. This result should be comforting to a lot of people in the industry as it underlines that people are still very keen to get their hands on a racehorse and chase the excellent prizemoney available in Australia." Roobles (Aus) (Rubiton {Aus}), catalogued as lot 401, topped the sale at A\$50,000. The three-year-old filly is out of the stakes-placed mare Blithe Spirit (Aus) (Bletchingly {Aus}).



MIDDLE EAST



BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

Yesterday's Results:

JEBEL ALI SPRINT-Listed, Dhs500,000, NH/SH/3yo/up, 1000m, :59.71, ft.

1--#**HAMMADI (IRE)**, 126, c, 4, by **Red Ransom**

1st Dam: **Ruby Affair (Ire)**, by **Night Shift**

2nd Dam: **Tiavanita**, by **J. O. Tobin**

3rd Dam: ***Nirvanita**, by **Right Royal (Fr)**

(38,000gns wnlg '05 TATDEC; €50,000 yrl '06 GOFORB; 65,000gns 2yo '07 TATAPR). O-Malih Lahej Al Basti; B-Peter Hodgson & Star Pointe Ltd; T-Doug Watson; J-F Jara; Dhs300,000. Lifetime Record: 16-2-3-2.

2--**Frosty Secret**, 126, h, 5, Put It Back--Secret From Above, by Great Above. (\$18,000 yrl '05 OBSAUG; \$17,000 2yo '06 OBSMAR). O-Elsadig Elhag; B-Carl Bowling; T-Mike de Kock; Dhs100,000.

3--**Alo Pura (GB)**, 121, m, 5, Anabaa--Rubies From Burma, by Forty Niner. (210,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT). O-Sh Ahmed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-TW Bloodstock Ltd; T-Dhruba Selvaratnam; Dhs50,000.

Margins: NO, 3 1/4, HF.

Also Ran: Warsaw (Ire), Brave Tin Soldier, Artimino (GB), Melhor Impossivel (Brz), Lipocco (GB), League Champion, Furnace (Ire), Power Politics, Malayeen (Aus), Tawaassol, Prince Tamino (GB), Instant Recall (Ire), Evaluator (Ire).

Hammadi, a maiden win at Catterick in September 2007, ended the long drought with a career best here. Eighth in a Nad Al Sheba handicap Jan. 29, he just missed by a head, when second in the Jebel Ali Sprint Prep Feb. 27. Stepping up in class off that conditions race, Hammadi was forwardly placed and held on by the slimmest of margins.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

HOLLYWOOD

Georgie Boy (Tribal Rule), 5f, 1:00.40, 11/31

PALM MEADOWS

Better Talk Now (Talkin Man), 4fT, :55.00, 24/27
 Capt. Candyman Can (Candy Ride {Arg}), 4fT, 54.85, 23/27
 Cosmonaut (Lemon Drop Kid), 6fT, 1:20.00, 1/1
 Criticism (GB) (Machiavellian), 5f, 1:02.00, 7/18
 Justwhistledixie (Dixie Union), 4f, :49.40, 16/40
 Nistle's Crunch (Van Nistelrooy), 5f, 1:02.40, 8/18
 Ready Set (Touch Gold), 4f, :51.05, 32/40
 Rebellion (GB) (Mozart {Ire}), 4fT, :55.00, 24/27
 Thorn Song (Unbridled's Song), 4fT, :51.60, 7/27

SANTA ANITA

Golden Doc A (Unusual Heat), 4f, :48.20, 10/46
 Medici Code (GB) (Medicean {GB}), 6f (tt), 1:12.80, 1/1

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-AQU, \$45,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. **HOME CROWD** (f, 4, Came Home--Fun Crowd, by Easy Goer) Lifetime Record: SP, 13-2-3-2, \$99,555.

O-Paraneck Stable. B-Mr & Mrs Gerald J Stautberg (KY). T-David Jacobson. *\$200,000 yrl '06 FTMOCT. ** 1/2 to Throng (Silver Deputy), MSW, \$315,321.

7th-AQU, \$44,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40 2/5, ft.

PUTIN (g, 4, Mayakovsky--Charley's Alada, by Becker) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$52,980. O-Charles F Engel & Donald P Ogden. B-Charles F Engel (NY). T-Carlos F Martin.

2nd-DED, \$43,000, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 7f, 1:29, sy.

LANDWOMAN (f, 3, Laabity--Trickygift, by Gift of Gib) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$43,200. O/B-Chad White (LA). T-William A Deakins.

6th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05 2/5, ft.

DONTCALLMESHORELY (g, 4, Shore Breeze--Sweetheartonparade, by Salt Lake) Lifetime Record: 12-3-0-3, \$59,692. O/B-Terry Biondo (IL). T-M Boyce.

11th-SUN, \$29,000, NW2L, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 1/5, ft.

SKY JEDI (c, 3, Yankee Victor--Thesky'sthelimit, by Northern Prospect) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$35,600. O-Amestoy, Pierre Jean and Leslie A. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-Jose R Gonzalez, Jr. \$35,000 wlng '06 KEENOV.

7th-CTX, \$29,000, 3-12, NW2LX, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:28 2/5, ft.

SMILE SAMANTHA (f, 4, Reparations--Away Rene, by Toolighttoquit) Lifetime Record: 20-6-5-0, \$183,800. O/T-Harry J Painter. B-Harry Joe Painter & Dr Alison Kate Painter (WV). *SW.

6th-TUP, \$20,000, NW16M, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

HEZAMAZING (g, 4, Indy Film--She's Amazing, by Ruhlmann) Lifetime Record: 11-3-4-2, \$34,500. O-Carly Le Rollins. B-George Krikorian (CA). T-Rick Houghton.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sacred Psalm, f, 3, Awesome of Course--Spirit and Soul, by Saint Ballado. DED, 3-12, 7f, 1:29 3/5. B-Jacks or Better Farm Inc (FL).

Regretable Romance, f, 3, **Repent**--Kiss Me Twice, by Kissin Kris. LRL, 3-13, 7f, 1:25 1/5. B-Clover Leaf Farms II Inc (FL).



Additional U.S. Maiden Winners cont.

Latenite Cowboy, g, 3, **Super Special**--Latenite Lady, by Carson City. SUN, 3-13, (S), 1m, 1:38 4/5. B-Lobo Farms (NM). *Full to Latenite Special (Super Special), MSW, \$464,709; and 1/2 to Latenite Trick (Tricky Creek), MSW, \$226,033; and Latenite Band (Chimes Band), MSW, \$171,150.

Schopenhauer, c, 4, **Giant's Causeway**--Fine Jade, by Jade Hunter. TAM, 3-13, a1 1/16mT, 1:43. B-Syd Belzberg (KY). \$300,000 wlng '05 KEENOV; €190,000 yrl '06 GOFORB.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Deauville, 15.32, 3-13, €22,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2m (AWT), 2:37.60, stn.

GREEN TANGO (FR) (h, 6, **Majorien {GB}**--Miss **Bonfosse {Fr}**, by **Hard Leaf {Fr}**) Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 32 starts, 5 wins, 18 places, €168,190. O-Patrick Rayez, Vincent Auriemma & Herve Dumant; B-Mme Andree Dyvrande & Mlle Annie Dyvrande; T-Philippe van de Poele.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Flash Art Trevi (Ire)**, f, 3, **Choisir (Aus)**--Liyana (Ire), by Shardari (Ire). Pisa, Italy, 3-12, Mdn, unraced 3yo, 7 1/2fT. B-Razza Della Sila SRL. *1/2 to Maxxi Arte (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), SW-US, \$141,880.

Dalradian (Ire), c, 3, **Dansili (GB)**--Aethra, by Trempolino. Lingfield, Britain, 3-13, Mdn, 3yo, 1m (AWT). B-Hesmonds Stud Ltd.

Triki Miki (Fr), f, 3, **Della Francesca**--Alienor du Berlais (Fr), by Gairloch (GB). Marseille Pont de Vivaux, France, 3-11, Cond, 3yo, 7f 138ydsT. B-Alain Haddad & Samuel Messeca.

Rupestrian (GB), g, 3, **Fantastic Light**--Upper Strata (Ire) (MSW-Eng), by Shirley Heights (GB). Lingfield, Britain, 3-13, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-Darley. *50,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT. **1/2 to Her Ladyship (GB) (Polish Precedent), SW & G1SP-Fr, \$153,454; Lord of Men (GB) (Groom Dancer), G1SW-Fr, G1SP-Ity, SP-Eng, GSP-UAE, \$343,089.

Sullenberger (Ire), g, 3, **Namid (GB)**--Bint Alhaarth (Ire), by Alhaarth (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 3-13, Mdn, 3-4yo, 1m 141yds (AWT). B-Highfort Stud. *€70,000 yrl '07 TATIRE; 14,000gns 2yo '08 TATGNS.

Stern Dancer (Fr), c, 3, **Sternkonig (Ire)**--Trance Dancer (GB), by Mtoto (GB). Marseille Pont de Vivaux, France, 3-11, Mdn, 3yo, 10f 138ydsT. B-Francois & Mme Martine Mell. *€24,000 yrl '07 DEAOCT.

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Sire	Total Listings	Unique Progeny	SWnrs SWins	Stakes Horses	GSWnrs GSWins	Graded Stakes Horses	Winners Wins	G1-G2SWnrs G1-G2SWins
Distorted Humor	97	65	8 9	22	0 0	5	58 79	0 0
Giant's Causeway	82	60	8 10	21	6 8	11	53 57	5 6
Smart Strike	78	57	11 13	21	6 6	12	51 61	3 3
Grand Slam	65	54	4 4	9	2 2	4	51 57	0 0
Not for Love	65	39	11 13	23	0 0	0	32 44	0 0
Unbridled's Song	65	42	11 13	15	6 7	8	40 55	3 3
Malibu Moon	63	42	7 8	17	2 2	6	39 48	0 0
A.P. Indy	62	44	4 6	13	4 5	11	38 48	1 1
Stormy Atlantic	61	44	10 11	18	2 2	5	38 46	0 0
Elusive Quality	60	38	10 14	16	6 7	10	35 49	4 5

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