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## PIONEEROF THE NILE TOPS DERBY WORKTAB

The biggest knock against Zayat Stables's **Pioneerof the Nile** (Empire Maker), some would say, is his ability--or his potential lack thereof--to handle a conventional dirt surface for the first time in his career. Shortly after the renovation break on a sunsplashed Tuesday morning at Churchill Downs, the homebred son of Star of Goshen (Lord at War {Arg}) chimed in on the issue, covering five furlongs over a fast track in 1:00.80 be-



**Pioneerof the Nile** Reed Palmer

neath exercise rider and former jockey Joe Steiner. While officially credited with a five-eighths move, trainer Bob Baffert said the work was actually a quarter mile longer. "I ended up working him seven-eighths and let him gallop out strong," the three-time Derby-winning conditioner explained.

"I got him in [one minute] 26 and three, and he galloped out all the way down the backside. So it was a good little work and it was not really hard on him." The strapping dark bay colt went in fractional times of :12.20, :24.20 and :36.40 before galloping out six furlongs in 1:13.40. Baffert is especially pleased with the way his charge is getting over the surface. "It looked like he skipped over it, because I know the track, with the rain [Monday], was a little bit deep," Baffert opined. "I had some other horses work and some horses struggled over it. But he has taken to it great, so far. It was nice and relaxed--I didn't want to do too much. I like what I see." Pioneerof the Nile, last out-winner of the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 4, is scheduled for one additional pre-race work, to come either next Monday or Tuesday. The only horse in the prospective Derby field with Grade I successes at two and three, Pioneerof the Nile has a record of 8-5-0-1 and earnings of \$1,234,200. This past weekend, Garrett Gomez and his agent Ron Anderson opted to ride the Zayat runner in the Derby over **Dunkirk** (Unbridled's Song).

## Talamo Works Revenge...

GI Wood Memorial winner **I Want Revenge** (Stephen Got Even) worked five furlongs at Churchill Downs yesterday in 1:01.60 under jockey Joe Talamo in company with stablemate **Gato Go Win** (City Place). "I thought it was a great work for him," Talamo said during a national teleconference yesterday. "He pretty much accomplished what we wanted to do today. We put a horse [Gato Go Win] right in front of him and he sat right behind him and he got some dirt in his face. At the quarter pole, I just wheeled him out a bit and let him finish a little part. He did great. He galloped out real well. He's looking good." *Cont. p2*

### DERBY DRILLS

#### CHURCHILL DOWNS

Chocolate Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}), 1m, 1:42.00, 1/1  
 Flying Private (Fusaichi Pegasus), 5f, 1:01.20, 7/19  
 I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even), 5f, 1:01.60, 8/19  
 Pioneerof The Nile (Empire Maker), 5f, 1:00.80, 4/19

#### OAKLAWN PARK

Win Willy (Monarchos), 4f, :51.20, 1/1

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In addition to his Wood score, I Want Revenge also posted an impressive win in the GIII Gotham S. The dark bay went off about two lengths behind his workmate and went in fractions of :12.40, :25 and :37.20. His gallop-out time was less impressive than



**I Want Revenge** *Reed Palmer*

that of Pioneerof The Nile, as he was timed in 1:15.20 for the six furlongs. Gato Go Win completed the work in 1:02. Talamo is encouraged by how I Want Revenge is coming up to the May 2 GI Kentucky Derby. "He's a horse that just keeps

getting better and better," said last year's Eclipse Award-winning apprentice rider. "I thought before the Wood Memorial he was at his best, but he's just getting better and better after each race. Right now, he's fit. He's won at a mile and an eighth in the Wood and he galloped out real good after that race. Jeff and his crew have done a great job with him. I think it's just a matter of keeping him real happy and getting him up to the Derby in good order." The Churchill oval was officially listed fast yesterday, but was still drying out. Talamo said he had no concerns about track condition on Derby day. "I wouldn't be worried rain or shine," he confirmed. "He feels great going over it."

**Godolphin Increasingly Likely to Run Two...**

In a release on their website, Godolphin has announced that it has retained both Alan Garcia and Ramon Dominguez to ride **Regal Ransom** (Distorted Humor) and **Desert Party** (Street Cry {Ire}), respectively, in the "Run for the Roses." Garcia was aboard Regal Ransom when the duo upset the more-fancied Desert Party in the G2 UAE Derby on the Dubai World Cup undercard Mar. 28. Dominguez carried Godolphin's royal blue colors to



**Regal Ransom wins the UAE Derby**  
*Andrew Watkins*

prominent 2008 Grade I victories astride Cocoa Beach (Chi) (Doneraile Court) in the Beldame S. on the main track and the GI Matriarch S. on the turf. The two Derby contenders arrived in Kentucky Apr. 9 after a flight from Dubai. "Regal Ransom and Desert Party are doing really well," reports Godolphin Racing Manager Simon Crisford. "They worked at Churchill Down Saturday and both handled the track." Both sophomores went five-eighths of a mile, with Regal Ransom going in :59.80 and Desert Party in 1:00.20.

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**Flying Private Breezes Well...**

Robert Baker and William Mack were co-owners of 2002 Kentucky Derby runner-up and GI Preakness S. third-place finisher Proud Citizen (Gone West), and their blue and white silks are set to be carried by **Flying Private** (Fusaichi Pegasus) in this year's running. With jockey Robby Albarado in the irons, the bay colt went five furlongs in company in 1:01.20 after the renovation break, going in splits of :12, :24, :36.20 and out six panels in 1:16. "It was a very good work and I liked the way he handled the turns," said trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who will have his first Derby starter since 2005. "I had watched him run numerous times," said Albarado, who guided Curlin (Smart Strike) to a third-place effort in 2007. "This was my first time on him and I thought it went well. Wayne just wanted a nice maintenance work and he had some company. He gets a little lax when he works by himself. Overall, I think we accomplished what we wanted this morning." Runner-up to Hold Me Back (Giant's Causeway) in the GII Lane's End S. Mar. 21, the \$700,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase was most recently fifth behind Papa Clem (Smart Strike) in the GII Arkansas Derby Apr. 11.

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Triple Threats cont.

**Pletcher Confident with Dunkirk**

Trainer Todd Pletcher has entered the Kentucky Derby with more experienced contenders, but he thinks the lightly raced **Dunkirk** (Unbridled's Song) could be his best chance to provide him with an elusive first Derby victory. "I feel like, at this point, this is the best chance that we've ever had [to win the Derby]," Pletcher said yesterday. "I think we have a horse that really wants the 1 1/4 miles. He's been very impressive in all three of his races. They've all been increasingly faster races and he's got two 1 1/8 mile races under his belt. Essentially, the only thing he's missing on his resume is a start at two. We'll be interested to see if he's able to overcome that. I certainly feel at this stage of the game we're bringing the right kind of horse for the right race." Dunkirk debuted a 🌟 **"TDN Rising Star"** 🌟 Jan. 24 at Gulfstream. He added an allowance tally Feb. 19 before a game runner-up effort behind Quality Road (Elusive Quality) in the Mar. 28 GI Florida Derby. Pletcher thinks the gray has gotten plenty of experience in those three efforts. "The horse has been very professional in all three of his starts," Pletcher. "He's had a lot of traffic and dirt in his face and he's been in between, inside, outside and in behind horses. I don't think greenness is an issue. The horse is very well educated for a lightly raced horse."

Dunkirk will have five weeks between the Florida Derby and the Kentucky Derby, and Pletcher thinks the extra time off will help his charge. "I've always been a big fan of a little extra time between races," the trainer said. "That's why we felt that the Florida Derby was a perfect prep for our horse. Everything has gone according to plan, so we feel very good about the spacing of all of his races. He's a horse that doesn't carry an excessive amount of weight, that's his natural body style, his natural frame. In the last two weeks, he has put on weight and gotten stronger. We're able to train him the way that we want to train him leading up to a big race." Dunkirk is expected to work at Palm Meadows Saturday and ship to Louisville next Tuesday. As for Pletcher's GI Coolmore Lexington S. winner **Advice** (Chapel Royal), the WinStar colt remains a possible for the Kentucky Derby. "Advice seems to have come out of the [Lexington] very well," Pletcher said. "He's going to ship to Churchill [Wednesday]. He'll gallop there the remainder of the week and is scheduled to have a breeze over that surface on Monday. We'll see how he continues to act and how that work goes on Monday and then we'll get together with the WinStar connections and make a decision."

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Friday, Keeneland Race Course

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	Quasicobra	Wild Rush	Leparoux
2	Transduction Gold	Formal Gold	Graham
3	Buddy's Humor	Distorted Humor	Lezcano
4	Spice Route (GB)	King's Best	Douglas
5	Better Talk Now	Talkin Man	Dominguez
6	Musketier (Ger)	Acatenango (Ger)	Prado
7	Always First (GB)	Barathea (Ire)	Gomez
8	Sir Whimsey	Jump Start	Saez
9	Embossed (Ire)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Theriot
10	Brass Hat	Prized	Borel
11	Champs Elysees (GB)	Danehill	Valdivia
12	Admiral's Cruise	A.P. Indy	Velazquez
<i>Also Eligible</i>			
13	Sudden War (Arg)	Sunray Spirit	Desormeaux
14	Sir Dave	Untutttable	Douglas

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Sunday, Sha Tin, Hong Kong

**AUDEMARS PIGUET QUEEN ELIZBETH II CUP S.-G1**, HK\$14,000,000, 3yo/up, 2000mT

**Viva Pataca (GB)** (Marju {Ire}) tuned up for Sunday's feature over the all-weather track and recorded :22.7 for his final 400 meters. Jockey Darren Beadman was aboard the seven-year-old, who worked in company with a stablemate. "Darren said it was just about the best work he's ever done on the dirt," said trainer John Moore. "He's never really enjoyed that surface as much as the turf, so to have worked so well in the lead-up to the big race on Sunday is very encouraging. He's fresh and well and, if he gets some luck on Sunday, he'll be right there as he always is." Hero of this race in 2007 and third to **Archipenko** (Kingmambo) last year, the gelding is coming off a third in the one-mile Chairman's Trophy at Sha Tin Apr. 5. Archipenko worked in company with Champions Mile hopeful **Imbongi (SAf)** (Russian Revival) on the turf yesterday. The five-year-old had regular rider Kevin Shea in the irons, while his stablemate was piloted by South African jockey Jeff Lloyd. The duo covered 1200 meters in 1:11.80, finishing up the final 400 meters in :22.0. "I'm very happy with that," said Stephen Jell, assistant to trainer Mike de Kock. Archipenko kicked off 2009 with a win in the G3 Zabeel Mile at Nad al Sheba Feb. 26 before finishing sixth in the G1 Dubai Duty Free. Imbongi is coming off a fourth in the G2 Jebel Hatta Mar. 5.



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OF...**

**Bill Oppenheim**



**THE CONTENDERS**

The 135th edition of the G1 Kentucky Derby looks an interesting one, for a couple of reasons. First, unlike last year, which was an average bunch dominated by Big Brown, this looks a pretty reasonable crop of three-year-olds. Second, we should find out something about how the speed figures horses run on synthetic tracks relate to what they're running on conventional dirt. Do horses like Derby favorite I Want Revenge and GII Arkansas Derby winner Papa Clem 'move up' when they switch to dirt, or does the slower early pace on synthetic surfaces render speed figures a less effective handicapping tool – or both?

Speed figures were never intended to do your handicapping for you; they are designed to tell you how fast the horse ran, on an objective scale that compensates for the difference between times run at different distances on different racetracks. Though I'm as guilty as anyone else of putting horses into a bet because of good speed figures, and throwing them out because of bad ones, the truth is that relying too heavily on speed figures is a handicapping mistake, because conditions today may or may not resemble those under which the horse ran the good speed figure. In particular, I'm very suspicious anytime I see a horse run a figure 10 points higher than anything else he's run before or since, especially if it came on a sloppy or 'wet-fast' track. So – especially with improving three-year-olds – it's always been the case that speed figures are a part of the puzzle, but not the whole puzzle, or even necessarily the answer.


This looks relevant to this year's Kentucky Derby. Besides being able to gauge a horse's natural level of ability through speed figures, the other highly relevant element in handicapping Grade I Classics (and probably all other races) is collateral form. Here, 'key races' rise to prominence as a handicapping tool, and there are three 'key races' that have produced six of what I would call the 15 most prominent three-year-olds likely to line up in Louisville, including all five of the horses likely to start at odds of under 10-1.

The first key race was the GII Robert B. Lewis S., run at Santa Anita Feb. 7. Pioneerof the Nile (Empire Maker) won, the second of his four consecutive wins (all with Garrett Gomez up) after having run fifth, beaten less than three lengths by Midshipman and Square Eddie, in the 2008 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile. In the first of his four-race string, Pioneerof the Nile beat I Want Revenge a nose, with Chocolate Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}) third, in the GI CashCall Futurity, at Hollywood Park in December. But back to the Robert B. Lewis, in which Papa Clem (Smart Strike) was second, and I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even) was third.

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What's happened to the protagonists since? I Want Revenge, whose best synthetic Beyer number was 92, shipped to New York where he blasted off and won the GIII Gotham by 8 1/2 lengths, running a Beyer 113. He then got left and hit traffic, but ultimately won with something in hand in the GI Wood Memorial, running a Beyer 103, which surely should be credited as a 103+. Even if you just take the 103 at face value, he had improved by at least 11 points since leaving California.

Papa Clem ran a 94 when he was second to Pioneerof the Nile on synthetic in the Robert B. Lewis. He was a distant second to Friesan Fire on a sloppy track in the GII Louisiana Derby, then won the GII Arkansas Derby Apr. 11, running a Beyer 101; so he had improved by eight points. **Cont. p6**

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**Bill Oppenheim cont.**

Meanwhile, Pioneerof the Nile remained in California and won two more races, the GII San Felipe (slow fractions), with a low figure of 90, and the GI Santa Anita Derby, in 96; his main rival there, The Pamplermousse (Kafwain), was sidelined by injury. I didn't think the Santa Anita Derby was particularly run to suit him, but he won decisively. If he moves up even eight to eleven points, like Papa Clem and I Want Revenge (conservatively) did, there's nothing to say he won't repeat his Robert B. Lewis victory over them. I think his form looks very good and, gambling that the switch to dirt is significant not so much because of a surface switch but because of a truer pace, I'm sticking with Gomez, who picked him over Dunkirk: Pioneerof the Nile is my idea of the 2009 Kentucky Derby winner.

Mind you, I could be totally wrong. His numbers might not improve for the switch to dirt like the Robert B. Lewis placegetters did. So I'm not going to 'single' him, nosiree. So we'd better have a look at the second 'key race,' the Mar. 28 GI Florida Derby, in which Quality Road (Elusive Quality) beat Dunkirk (Unbridled's Song). Initially the Beyer team gave the race a 103 figure, the same as the Wood, but, upon later review, they decided there were a number of nine-furlong races run over those few days which came out an average of 10 points low, so they raised Quality Road's Florida Derby 'fig' to 111—just two points lower than he had run in the GII Fountain of Youth. Dunkirk was raised to 108.

Opinion is obviously divided as to whether Quality Road will confirm the form with Dunkirk in Kentucky. I'm among those who think he won't do so, that Dunkirk can reverse the placings. I thought the much more experienced Quality Road called the tune in the Florida Derby, having things his own way; he had the race won three furlongs out. Dunkirk, on the other hand, was making only his third lifetime start, and was too far back by the time he really got going; Quality Road had made the decisive move. With a little more experience under his belt, I like Dunkirk to beat Quality Road this time. Of course, I could be wrong, so I wouldn't be throwing Quality Road out as a possible winner. But one bet I definitely will have is an Unbridled/Garrett Gomez exacta box: Pioneerof the Nile and Dunkirk.

The third 'key race,' maybe, was the Mar. 14 GII Louisiana Derby, in which Friesan Fire (A.P. Indy) registered a Beyer 104 in running off by 7 1/4 lengths from Papa Clem on a sloppy track. Friesan Fire has been training up to the Derby, and we can't even be sure he was the best three-year-old in his barn, which also housed Old Fashioned (Unbridled's Song). But you don't throw out seven-length, last-start-out winners trained by Larry Jones very lightly. He proved how good a trainer he is with Hard Spun (Danzig).

**Oppenheim cont. p7**

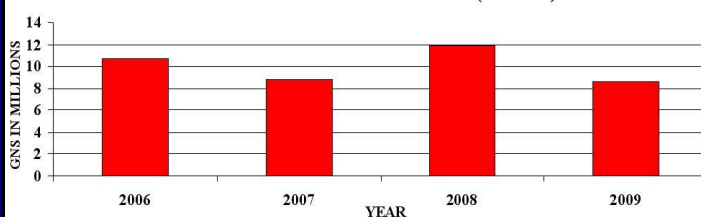
# Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

"Though Tattersalls' Craven Sale gross was down 28 percent in gross and 27 percent in average from last year's records, they were elated that the gross was down only three percent from 2007, and the average was marginally up. Like last year, Sheikh Mohammed accounted for an estimated 40 or more of the 115 sold, buying through a wide range of mostly English-based agents. The overall two-year-old market will be down around a third from last year, which is probably still good news"

—Bill Oppenheim

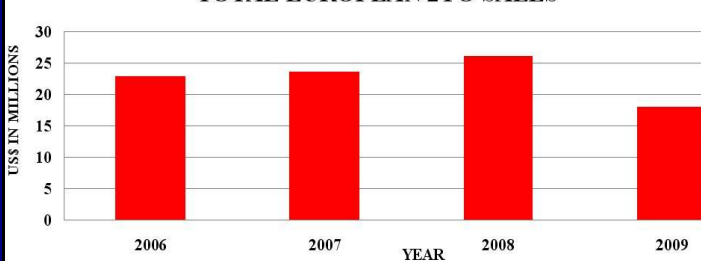
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YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%S/C	GROSS	AVE
2009	183	163	115	62.8%	8,561,000	74,443
2008	194	158	116	59.8%	11,884,000	102,448
2007	213	190	120	56.3%	8,795,000	73,292
2006	206	175	147	71.4%	10,736,000	73,034

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YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%S/C	GROSS	AVE
2009	403	354	263	65.3%	\$18,048,091	\$68,624
2008	465	384	295	63.4%	\$26,048,890	\$88,301
2007	534	463	338	63.3%	\$23,491,106	\$69,500
2006	456	389	320	70.2%	\$22,918,859	\$71,621

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



**Bill Oppenheim cont.**

Papa Clem figures among the 'live outsiders,' along with GI Toyota Blue Grass S. one-two General Quarters (Sky Mesa) and Hold Me Back (Giant's Causeway), and last weekend's GII Coolmore Lexington S. third, Square Eddie (Smart Strike). Returning from injury, last year's GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up had not run since finishing second to The Pamplousse in the GIII San Rafael S. in January, but uncorked a tremendous move on the stretch turn at Keeneland, only to tire in the last furlong. He finished in front of Pioneerof the Nile the last time they met, but, like that horse, comes into the race with low, 'synthetic' figures: his best Beyer is only about a 91, which wouldn't get him above mid-pack. But, if he, too improves for the switch to a faster pace and doesn't bounce coming back in two weeks, he could run a big big race. He hasn't got the Beyers, but he has got the form.

So I see a six-horse box in my future: Pioneerof the Nile, Dunkirk, Quality Road, I Want Revenge, Friesan Fire, and Square Eddie, to be further complicated by what happens in that critical week leading up to the Derby at Churchill Downs: who's hot, who's not? Who's working well, who looks sore? Exciting stuff, and, I reckon, really interesting this year. I just hope they have those cheap 'gimmicks', like the 50-cent trifecta (box seven for \$105) or the 10-cent superfecta (\$84). That, and my Unbridled exacta box. Until we hear otherwise. Pending further updates.

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**BRIS Speed Ratings**  
**Top Weekly Stakes Races**

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Diamondrella (GB)	Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)	Giant's Causeway S.	105
Researcher	Two Smart	Charles Town Classic S.	105
Parading	Pulpit	Ben Ali S.-G3	102
Seattle Smooth	Quiet American	Bed o' Roses H.-G2	102
Magical Fantasy	Diesis (GB)	Santa Barbara H.-G2	101
Midships	Mizzen Mast	San Juan Capistrano Invitational H.-G2	99
Indescribable	Pleasant Tap	Doubledogdare S.-G3	98
Spritely	Touch Gold	Sugar Maple S.	98
Mr Gruff	Mr. Greeley	San Simeon H.-G3	95
Russell Road	Wheaton	Blue and Gold S.	95
Miss Blakely	Smart Strike	Boynton Beach S.	94
Trust Or Bust	Trust N Luck	Webb Snyder S.	94
Advice	Chapel Royal	Lexington S.-G2	93
Afternoon Stroll	Stroll	Appalachian S.-G3	93
Dancing Allstar	Millennium Allstar	Whimsical S.-G3	93
Swift Temper	Giant's Causeway	Sixty Sails H.-G3	93
My Dinah	Victory Gallop	Illiterate S.	92
Song of Navarone	Sultry Song	Sunland Park H.	91
Blind Date	Not for Love	HookedontheFeelin S.	90
Henry the Lover	Windsor Castle	Salerno S.	90
Maid for Music (Ire)	Dubai Destination	Golden Poppy S.	90
Princess Nyla	Lion Hearted	Geisha S.	89
Annie Savoy	Langfuhr	JEH Stallion Station S.	88

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**LEADING KENTUCKY DERBY CONTENDERS**

NAME	Sex	Sire	Last BSF	Last BRIS	Fin	GR	Last Race	Prob. Odds
I WANT REVENGE	c	Stephen Got Even	103+	109	1st	GI	Wood Memorial	4-1
QUALITY ROAD	c	Elusive Quality	111	103	1st	GI	Florida Derby	5-1
DUNKIRK	c	Unbridled's Song	108	101	2nd	GI	Florida Derby	7-1
FRIESAN FIRE	c	A.P. Indy	sy104	103	1st	GII	Louisiana Derby	8-1
PIONEEROF THE NILE	c	Empire Maker	A96	95	1st	GI	Santa Anita Derby	8-1
GENERAL QUARTERS	c	Sky Mesa	A95	98	1st	GI	Blue Grass S.	15-1
PAPA CLEM	c	Smart Strike	101	100	1st	GII	Arkansas Derby	15-1
HOLD ME BACK	c	Giant's Causeway	A93	96	2nd	GI	Blue Grass S.	20-1
SQUARE EDDIE	c	Smart Strike	A91	91	3rd	GII	Lexington S.	20-1
ADVICE	c	Chapel Royal	A94	93	1st	GII	Lexington S.	25-1
CHOCOLATE CANDY	c	Candy Ride	A94	94	2nd	GI	Santa Anita Derby	25-1
DESERT PARTY	c	Street Cry	N/A	N/A	2nd	GII	UAE Derby	25-1
MUSKET MAN	c	Yonaguska	98	104	1st	GII	Illinois Derby	25-1
WIN WILLY	c	Monarchos	96	96	4th	GII	Arkansas Derby	25-1
REGAL RANSOM	c	Distorted Humor	N/A	N/A	1st	G2	UAE Derby	30-1



# Question of the month

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Who is your longshot Kentucky Derby pick and why?

**Steve Cauthen, jockey of 1978 Derby and Triple Crown hero Affirmed, 9-5:**

General Quarters (Sky Mesa) looked good winning the Blue Grass, but I don't think he'll be much of a longshot. He'll probably be around 8-1.

Did you know the third dam of Chocolate Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}) is Won't Tell You, who produced Affirmed?

Really? I didn't know that. Well, there you go! Chocolate Candy is my longshot. Affirmed and Won't Tell You--that brings back the memories.



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**Eddie Delahoussaye, two-time Kentucky Derby-winning jockey--1982-Gato Del Sol, 21-1 & 1983-Sunny's Halo, 5-2:**

That's a good question! I don't really have one. A lot of people aren't talking about the Louisiana Derby winner [Friesan Fire {A.P. Indy}] though. I don't think he'll be a longshot, but I think he's coming in under the radar. They're just mainly focusing on the horses who just won the last few races--Papa Clem (Smart Strike), Pioneer of the Nile (Empire Maker), Quality Road (Elysive Quality) and I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even). I

liked his race a lot in the Louisiana Derby--he beat Papa Clem by nearly eight lengths and Papa Clem came back to run a great race in Arkansas. There are about five of them who have a great chance in the Derby.



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TDN Question of the Month cont.

**Jim Tafel , owner/breeder of 2007 Derby winner Street Sense, 9-2:**

I'd have to say my favorite Derby longshot was Vicar, who was one of my horses. He started as a longshot and finished as a longshot. We got hung out in the 18 hole in the starting gate, and guess where we finished? 18th.

This year, I think everyone has to be excited about the horse that won the Blue Grass, General Quarters (Sky Mesa). A one-horse stable is the most profitable stable, so long as it's a good one. It's a bit reminiscent of Sam Rubin, who owned John Henry.



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**Patricia Chapman , owner/breeder of 2004 Derby winner Smarty Jones, 4-1:**

I'm not sure if he'll be a longshot, but my selection is Quality Road (Elusive Quality). Maybe Papa Clem (Smart Strike). I liked that he did so well in the Arkansas Derby. He seemed to improve on dirt.



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**Paul Pompa, Jr., co-owner of 2008 Derby winner Big Brown, 2-1:**

When thinking about what longshot horse I would like to see win the Kentucky Derby, first I need to put personal feelings to the side. I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even) is a nice horse and is owned in partnership by IEAH, whom I had the privilege of winning the Derby last year with. He was super in the Wood Memorial but now is three over the top and might bounce. Second, Desert Party (Street Cry {Ire}) another horse that I have a connection with, was sold as the sales topper at Fasig-Tipton Miami in February 2008. This horse has done everything right but needs to prove that they can ship from across the world and win at Churchill Downs. Finally, my longshot selection is Papa Clem (Smart Strike). This colt was impressive in the Arkansas Derby, has the tactical speed necessary for the Derby and probably has another real good one left to fire on the first Saturday in May.



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**John Ward, trainer of 2001 Kentucky Derby winner Monarchos, 10-1:**

I would have to say that my longshot pick is Win Willy (Monarchos). He is by Monarchos and he seems to be getting better as he goes along. His closing performances have been impressive. I must add that I am a Quality Road (Elusive Quality) fan. I have had to run against him in the past and he is a quality horse.

**Cam Gambolati, trainer of 1985 Kentucky Derby winner Spend a Buck, 4-1:**

Unfortunately, I saw all the good ones; I don't remember any of the bad ones [laughs]. That's a tough question. Eoin Harty's horse that finished third in the Santa Anita Derby [Mr. Hot Stuff {Tiznow}]; I think he has a lot of improvement in him. I think the three or four top horses are really quality, but if you have to pick a longshot, I think that horse can move up on regular dirt. He increased his level to the Grade I status last time, and a lot of times horses that haven't run that many times will improve, and he could be one. Usually a lot of the longshots don't impress me. When you get 20 horses in a race anything can happen, but I think the top horses are very quality. I think I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even), Quality Road (Elusive Quality), Dunkirk (Unbridled's Song), and Pioneer of the Nile (Empire Maker) are very legit horses. They proved themselves more than once. But I think Eoin's horse has a chance.



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**Jerry Moss, owner with his wife Ann of 2005 Kentucky Derby hero Giacomo:**

I like Chocolate Candy. I like the way he finished in the Santa Anita Derby and I like Mike Smith.



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**HOLLYWOOD WILDCAT**, 19, Kris S.--Miss Wildcatter, by Mr. Prospector  
 Foal born Apr. 15, a filly by Hard Spun.  
 Will be bred back to Street Cry (Ire).  
 Owned by Irving Cowan.  
 Boarded at Roseglade Farm.  
 Accomplishments: Ch. 3yo Filly, MGISW, \$1,432,160. Dam of War Chant (Danzig), GISW, \$1,130,600; Double Cat (Storm Cat), SW & GSP, \$153,247; Ministers Wild Cat (Deputy Minister), MSW & MGSP, \$368,729; Ivan Denisovich (Ire) (Danehill), MGISP-US, GSW & G1SP-Eng, SW-Ire, G1SP-Fr, \$437,399.

**DESIRE TO EXCEL**, 5, Mt. Livermore--Aryial Delight, by Quick Dip  
 Foal born Mar. 15, a colt by Hard Spun.  
 Will be bred back to Curlin.  
 Owned by JMJ Racing Stables, Jeffrey & Michael Narlinger.  
 Boarded at Taylor Made.  
 Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$175,543.

**SUNYATA**, 20, Proud Truth--Far Beyond, by Nijinsky II  
 Foal born Mar. 15, a colt by Belong to Me.  
 Will be bred back to Rock Hard Ten.  
 Owned by Robert Evans.  
 Boarded at Taylor Made.  
 Accomplishments: Dam of New Economy (Red Ransom), MGSW, \$442,118.

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**NORTH AMERICA**

**FERGUSON STRIKES AGAIN AT OBS** Bidding on behalf of Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, John Ferguson went to \$180,000 for a filly by Grade I-winning sprinter Snow Ridge (Tabasco Cat) to lead the way during day two of the OBS April Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training in Central Florida. It was Ferguson who was responsible for Monday's \$675,000 session-topping bid for a colt by A.P. Indy--Got Koko (Signal Tap), and the bloodstock agent was back at work yesterday signing the ticket on hip 443, a Leprechaun Racing-consigned filly out of the 100-percent producer Placerita (Gilded Time). Unsold on a bid of \$27,000 at this auction house's October sale in 2007, the chestnut was reoffered at last year's Fasig-Tipton October sale in Timonium and was purchased by Leprechaun for \$20,000. The Florida-bred filly worked an eighth of a mile in :9 4/5 during her under-tack preview Apr. 16 ([video](#)), allowing the Mulligans' operation to turn a healthy profit. Hip 454, a Spanish Steps colt which was bought back for \$14,500 as an FTKOCT yearling last fall, tied for the second-highest price on the session. Consigned by Southern Cypress Stables LLC, agent, the March foal, from the family of GSW & GISP Strike a Deal (Smart Strike), was knocked down to Double Eagle Ranch for \$120,000. He worked a smooth quarter in :20 4/5 ([video](#)). Hip 692, the final horse to be offered on day two, flew down the SafeTrack in :9 3/5 ([video](#)) despite traveling on her wrong lead, and that attracted a fair amount of interest in the Bridlewood-consigned filly. In the end, it was LRK Stables that proved victorious for the daughter of Stacie's Halo (Halo), already the dam of six winners from as many to race. The OBS April sale continues this morning at 10:30 a.m. EDT. For full results, please visit the company's website at [www.obssales.com](http://www.obssales.com).

**OBS SPRING SALE -- TUESDAY'S TOP LOTS**

Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price
<u>443</u>	filly	Snow Ridge	Placerita	\$180,000
(\$20,000 yrl '08 FTMOCT) <i>B-Canyon Lake Thoroughbreds (FI)</i> Consigned by Leprechaun Racing, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock				
<u>454</u>	colt	Spanish Steps	Poitrine	\$120,000
<i>B-Claude Morris (FI)</i> Consigned by Southern Cypress Stables LLC, Agent I Purchased by Double Eagle Ranch				
<u>692</u>	filly	Forbidden Apple	Stacie's Halo	\$120,000
<i>B-Arthur I Appleton (FI)</i> Consigned by Bridlewood Farm Purchased by LRK Inc				

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<u>SESSION TOTALS</u>		<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Catalogued		348	344
No. Offered		263	270
No. Sold		212	202
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% RNA		19.4%	25.2%
No. Over \$200K		0	2
High Price		\$180,000	\$220,000
Gross		\$5,036,300	\$6,196,200
Average (% change)		\$23,756 (-22.6%)	\$30,674
Median (% change)		\$15,000 (-28.6%)	\$21,000
<u>CUMULATIVE</u>		<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
Catalogued		696	690
No. Offered		537	538
No. Sold		421	390
RNAs		116	148
% RNA		21.6%	27.5%
No. Over \$200K		2	3
High Price		\$675,000	\$250,000
Gross		\$10,513,800	\$11,063,600
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News Today cont.

**\$38 MILLION LOAN TO MAGNA APPROVED**

A U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Delaware approved on Monday some \$38.5 million in loans to Magna Entertainment Corp. from its largest creditor and parent company so it may continue operations as it reorganizes under bankruptcy protection, Daily Racing Form reports. The request was approved by Judge Mary Walrath, and the amount is well short of the \$62.5 million which was originally agreed to by Magna and its parent company MI Developments in early March. Dates for two hearings in May have been set during which motions on plans for Magna to auction off certain of its properties will be heard. The first hearing, set for May 4, will surround a motion related to Santa Anita Park, Laurel Park, Pimlico Race Course, Remington Park, Thistledown and Portland Meadows. A second hearing May 7 will revolve around auction procedures for Gulfstream Park, Golden Gate Fields, Palm Meadows Training Center, Am-Tote and XpressBet. Magna reportedly owes its parent company \$371 million and will likely need to sell off some of its more valuable properties in order to pay down that debt.

★ EAST ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-TAM, \$20,500, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:24 1/5, ft. PAY THE MAN (m, 5, Bernstein--Pyrite Captain, by Magesterial),** a seven-time state-bred stakes winner, faded to fifth in a Tampa allowance on turf Dec. 20, then came back to be fourth over the same course Feb. 21. Off at 7-1 here while shortening up and returning to dirt, the native of the Buckeye State flashed speed from post one before settling in third. The chestnut slipped through an opening along the rail on the far turn and kicked clear in the lane to defeat Orinoquia (Whywhywhy) by 1 3/4 lengths. The winner is a half to Bright Pyrite (Dance Brightly), MSW, \$195,401. Lifetime Record: MSW, 28-11-1-4, \$396,185. O-Pyrite Stables. B-Dr D W Frazier (OH). T-Miguel A Feliciano.

**6th-PHA, \$54,710, Msw, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 4/5, gd. + NOBLE MAZ (f, 3, Storm Boot--Illusive Note, by Dixieland Band),** a \$9,000 FTMOCT yearling, sported a series of quick works in preparation for this start. The 3-1 second choice bounded to a clear lead and pulled at her rider while setting fractions of :22.53 and :45.33. Set to a drive at the three-sixteenths, the dark bay was kept to task to win by 3 1/2 lengths over Vol Poni Up (Volponi). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600. O-Fred Hart. B-Dr S Mark Rayburg Inc (PA). T-William E McCarthy.

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

**3:05p TVG 5th-KEE, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT) CONCERT (Mineshaft),** out of the 2002 GI Humana Distaff winner Celtic Melody (Mr. Greeley), sold for \$250,000 at FTSAUG. Owned by G. Watts Humphrey Jr. and Will Farish, the Vicki Oliver trainee was based at Payson Park this winter, but shows three moves over the Keeneland main track in preparation for her debut. ([brisnet.com PPs](#))

**4:31p TVG 2nd-HOL, \$46K, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT) SPUN SILVER (Grand Slam),** a \$600,000 KEESEP graduate, is three-parts sibling to GISW El Corredor (Mr. Greeley) and a half to GISW Roman Ruler (Fusaichi Pegasus). Like her brothers, Spun Silver is conditioned by Bob Baffert. Also slated to face the starter for the first time is **SweeterthantheDay (Medaglia d'Oro),** a \$190,000 FTFFEB purchase for Southern Equine Stables. ([brisnet.com PPs](#))

**4:35p TVG 8th-KEE, \$58K, Alw, 4yo/up, f&m, 1 1/8mT BELLE ALLURE (IRE) (Numerous)** won the G3 Prix Vanteaux last April in her fourth start and was eighth in the G1 Prix de Diane (French Oaks) in her next outing. Following a seventh in her first North American effort, the GII Dahlia S. Dec. 21, the chestnut was transferred to the barn of Christophe Clement. She cozily fits today's NW2X condition and will have the services of jockey Garrett Gomez. ([brisnet.com PPs](#))

**5:05p TVG 9th-KEE, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT) John Ferguson purchased MORE TO THE STORY (More Than Ready)** for \$625,000, the fourth highest price at the 2008 KEEAPR sale, on behalf of Sheikh Mohammed's Darley Stable. Placed in the hands of trainer Kiaran McLaughlin, the chestnut has been training at Keeneland and enters her debut off a four-furlong :47 bullet from the gate Apr. 15. ([brisnet.com PPs](#))

**7:08p TVG 7th-HOL, \$70K, Harry Henson S., 3yo, 6fT "TDN Rising Star" BACKBACKBACKGONE (Put It Back)** will try to rebound off a last-place finish in the Sunshine Millions Dash Jan. 24 in his last outing. The three-time stakes winner, who will compete on turf for the first time here, covered six furlongs in 1:11 3/5 at San Luis Rey Downs Apr. 11, then followed that move with a :48 four-furlong work Apr. 17 over the same strip most recently. ([brisnet.com PPs](#))

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**East Report cont.**

**5th-TAM, \$20,000, Msw, 3yo/up, a1mT, 1:40 4/5, fm. CHELSEA'S PRIME (c, 3, Montbrook--Chelsea Rose, by West by West) raced evenly to finish third by 5 3/4 lengths when sprinting six furlongs over the Tampa main track in his Apr. 4 debut. Dismissed at 14-1 when making his two-turn and turf debut here, the homebred stalked the pace while racing two-wide around both turns. The bay arrested command from pacesetter Storm Harbor (Giant's Causeway) at the top of the stretch, then kicked clear under a drive to defeat that foe by 2 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$15,240.**

O/B-Second Wind Racing LLC FL). T-Robert G Smith.

**1st-FLX, \$20,000, Msw, 3yo, 4 1/2f, :53, ft. DON'T DO THAT BABY (g, 3, [More Than Ready](#)--Explosive Miss, by Gone West), a \$12,000 KEESEP yearling, pressed the pace to finish third by 9 1/2 lengths when traveling six furlongs at Mountaineer Mar. 6. Cutting back in distance here, the 7-2 third choice took up slightly at the start and was away last of six. The gelding was 5 1/2 lengths behind the leader after a quarter mile, but closed rapidly down the center of the homestretch to win by a widening 3 1/4 lengths over District Chief (Hook and Ladder). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$14,180.**

O-Victor Santiago. B-RMF Thoroughbreds (KY). T-Jared Schoeneman.

**Improved Preakness Website Takes Flight:**

Officials at Pimlico Race Course have launched a new and improved website dedicated to the 2009 running of the GI Preakness S. at [www.preakness.com](http://www.preakness.com). "The people spoke and we listened," said Kerry Carlson, vice president of marketing for Magna Entertainment Corp (MEC), Pimlico's parent company. "Over the last few months we've been working hard to bring a whole new Preakness experience to the web. Overall, our updates have focused on providing fans with more functionality and more information and organizing it all in an easily digestible manner." A new section on the website is the "Preakness Tradition," which includes an interactive timeline and other historical tidbits to take the reader back in time. An all-new "Visitors' Guide" details several dining options in the greater Baltimore area with full menus. There is also a section dedicated to the InfieldFEST to reflect the improvements made to the Preakness infield experience. Following the running of the GI Kentucky Derby May 2, the website will be updated to provide readers with up-to-date information on all Preakness contenders.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$58,000 Allowance, at Keeneland. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

**Bonuses of Delaware Certified Program Increased:**

The Delaware Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association, sponsor of the Delaware Certified Thoroughbred Program, announced a 10-percent increase in the program's purse bonuses, effective with the start of the 2009 Delaware Park meet. The bonuses, which are expected to rise to 50 percent, up from 40 percent one year ago, will go to Thoroughbred owners that breed their horses in other states, but bring those horses to Delaware, where they are housed at a farm or training facility for a minimum of 90 consecutive days prior to Mar. 31 of their respective two-year-old year before racing at Delaware Park. The DCTP bonus for owners will also increase from 20 percent to 25 percent, as will the bonus for the Thoroughbred certifier bonus. Bonuses will be paid out if the certified horse finishes first, second or third in any race, including open stakes races at Delaware. The awards in stakes races are capped at \$15,000 for the owner bonus and by the same amount for the certifier in each race. "These increases reflect our strong commitment to enhance racing conditions for horsemen at Delaware Park and contribute more to Delaware's agricultural economy and the preservation of Delaware farm land," said DTHA President Scott Peck. According to Peck, there are currently over 1600 Delaware Certified Thoroughbreds. The horsemen's association will host its fourth annual DCHP awards banquet Friday, Apr. 24. For more information, visit [www.dtha.com](http://www.dtha.com).

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**Options Remain Open for Hooh Why:**

**Hooh Why** (Cloud Hopping), who upset a field including champion Stardom Bound (Tapit) in the GI Ashland S. at Keeneland Apr. 4, remains based at the Lexington oval, at least temporarily, as connections chart a course for the immediate future. Despite her win in the Ashland, Hooh Why is only questionable for the GI Kentucky Oaks May 1. "Believe me, I want to run in the Oaks, but I don't want to run against Rachel Alexandra [Medaglia d'Oro]," said Mark Hoffman, who co-owns the Florida-bred filly with Gail Gee's Derby Daze Farm Inc. "She's a monster. She's won on dirt. My filly hasn't." Though an Oaks run has not been ruled out, Hooh Why may be more likely stakes races to be run in mid-May at Arlington Park or Woodbine.



**Hooh Why** *EquiSport*

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**Keeneland Report cont.**

**McGaughey Competing for Keeneland Title:**

With just three more runners left to saddle at the current Keeneland meeting, trainer Shug McGaughey might be best judged as a longshot to take down the trainer's title at the prestigious venue, but it has been a successful run for the Lexington native. He enters the final three days of racing with six winners from 20 starters, tied with Rusty Arnold, and a striking 80-percent rate in the top three. His most lucrative victory came just this past Sunday when **Parading** (Pulpit) overcame a wide trip to earn a decisive victory in the GIII Ben Ali S. "He's been begging to run a good race like that," McGaughey said of the six-year-old. "He put it together, so maybe his little



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minor things are behind him and we can go ahead with him." The barn was also represented by **Conservative** (Unbridled's Song), runner-up in the GII Coolmore Lexington S. last Saturday. "He's going back to New York, and I'll see how he trains there and either run him back on the grass or possibly the Barbaro S. at Pimlico on Preakness Day [May 16]." McGaughey is a six-time leading trainer at Keeneland. He was the spring leader in 1984, 1993 and 1996 and was the leading conditioner at the fall meeting from 1983 to 1985.

★ **INDUSTRY INFO** ★

**AHC Forum to Focus on Horse Welfare:**

The American Horse Council's National Issues Forum will focus on the "Welfare of the Horse" when the meeting is held in Washington, D.C., June 16 as part of the AHC's annual meeting. "This will be an opportunity for the industry to provide reports on all the safety initiatives in place and being undertaken to 'Put the Horse First'," said AHC President Jay Hickey. "We must let our fans, the general public, the media, and elected officials know how important the safety and welfare of the horse is to the horse community and what the industry is doing." The keynote address will be given by Dr. Scott Palmer, a nationally renowned veterinarian and past president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners. The forum will include sessions on racing, showing, competition, sport and horses used in work and entertainment. "There is much we can learn from each other," added Hickey. "The AHC hopes that this National Issues Forum will be an opportunity to discuss the common goal of being good stewards of the horse and facilitate our all working together to that end, regardless of our particular activity."

★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

**IN BRITAIN:**

**Melange**, c, 3, **Alphabet Soup**. See "Breeders' Edition, Europe."

**Shabib**, c, 3, **Intidab**. See "Britain."

**Supaverdi**, f, 4, **Green Desert**--Supamova, by Seattle Slew. Bath, Britain, 4-21, Hcp, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m 5ydsT. B-Arbib Bloodstock Partnership. \*1/2 to Supaseus (GB) (Spinning World), SW & GSP-GB, \$217,648.

**Hendersyde**, g, 4, **Giant's Causeway**--Cimmaron Lady, by Grand Slam. Kempton Park, Britain, 4-21, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-Iron County Farms Inc. \*\$300,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

**Judgethemoment**, c, 4, **Judge T C**--Rachael Tennessee, by Matsadon. Kempton Park, Britain, 4-21, Hcp, 4yo/up, 2m (AWT). B-Todd & Michele Graves. \*1/2 to Olympic Express (GB) (Bishop of Cashel {GB}), G1SW-HK, £1,930,412; and Muharib (Far North), GSP-GB.

**IN FRANCE:**

**Fantasy Lady**, f, 3, **Grand Slam**. See "Breeders' Edition Europe."

**Celestina Agostino**, f, 3, **Street Cry (Ire)**. See "France."

**IN CHILE:**

**Lucky Brand**, f, 4, **Alphabet Soup**--Zienat, by Woodman. Valparaiso Sporting Club, 4-20, Hcp, 1300m. Lifetime Record: 14 starts, 4 wins. O-Haras La Compania; T-Juan Pablo Baeza. \*\$15,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

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**Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, Apr. 22**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW*

*Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- CITY PLACE** (Storm Cat), Hartley, 89/11/0  
7-HOL, Stk, 6fT, Wall Street Wonder, \$325K BAR MAR 2yo
- MEDAGLIA D'ORO** (El Prado {IRE}), Stonewall, \$35K, 251/35/7  
2-HOL, Msw, 6f, +Sweeterthanthe day, \$190K FTF FEB 2yo
- 7-HOL, Stk, 6fT, Dream Now, \$80K GOF ORB yrl
- 5-KEE, Msw, 6f, +Double Espresso, \$160K FTK JUL yrl, 8-1
- PLEASANTLY PERFECT** (Pleasant Colony), Lane's End, \$40K, 116/17/1  
7-GP, Msw, 6f, +Ballado's Image, \$95K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1
- TAPIT** (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$15K, 171/34/4
- 9-KEE, Msw, 6f, +All Tapped In, \$9K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1



**Yesterday's Results:**

**Kempton Park, 14.50, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo, 1 1/2m**  
(AWT), 2:35.28, stn.

**INHIBITION (GB) (f, 3, Nayef--Spurned {SP-GB}, by Robellino)**, sixth in a Newmarket maiden on her only start in September, started as the 15-8 crowd's choice and raced behind the early leaders. Collaring Moonbeam Dancer (Singspiel {Ire}) in the final stride, the brown filly registered a short-head success. The Kingsclere homebred is a half-sister to Hidden Meadow (GB) (Selkirk), GSW-Fr, MSW & MGSP-GB, \$197,790; Scorned (GB) (Selkirk), SW & GSP-GB, MGSP-Ger, \$191,583; Kingsclere (GB) (Fairy King), SW & MGSP-GB, \$143,268; Passing Glimpse (GB) (Polar Falcon), Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 7-9.5f, GSW-GB & Ger, \$368,520; and Overbrook (GB) (Storm Cat), GSP-GB. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £2,590.  
O-Kingsclere Racing Club; B-Kingsclere Stud T-Andrew Balding.

**Folkestone, 17.00, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:41.75, gd.**  
**KING OF WANDS (GB) (c, 3, Galileo {Ire}--Maid to Treasure {Ire}, by Rainbow Quest)**, third on his final juvenile start at Goodwood in September, was sent off the even-money favorite and grabbed the early lead. Driven out late on to assert, the bay homebred wrought a 1 1/4-length success from Wild Rhubarb (GB) (Hernando {Fr}). [Video courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, £3,812.  
O/B-Normandie Stud Ltd; B-Normandie Stud Ltd; T-John Dunlop.

**Folkestone, 14.30, Mdn, £3,500, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:26.62, gd.**  
**SHABIB (c, 3, Intidab--Muklah {Ire} {SW-GB}, by Singspiel {Ire})**, runner-up at Lingfield last time Apr. 1, was hammered into 2-5 and seized the early advantage. In no danger inside the final quarter, the homebred was eased close home to record an easy five-length win from Dice (Ire) (Kalanisi {Ire}). [Video courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-2, £4,782.  
O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Farm LLC; T-Barry Hills.

**Folkestone, 15.00, Mdn, £3,500, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:26.99, gd.**  
**+ MASTOORA (IRE) (f, 3, Acclamation {GB}--Sacred Love {Ire}, by Baratheia {Ire})** was rank early behind the leading group before cruising to the front passing the quarter pole. Not asked a serious question from there, the 110,000gns TATOCT yearling registered a facile 3 1/2-length score from Safari Guide (GB) (Primo Valentino {Ire}) as the 11-4 favorite. [Video courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,388.  
O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Rathbarry Stud; T-William Haggas.

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**15.00 FOL (Mdn) Mastroora (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}) keys a big day for owner Sheikh Hamdan.

**17.40 LIM (Mdn)** The well-related **Moving Heart (Ire)** (Anabaa) graduates for breeder Moyglare Stud.



## ★ FRANCE ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**Saint-Cloud, 14.20, Cond, €29,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:14.30, gd/sf.**

**SAYAAB (FR) (c, 3, Monsun {Ger}--Heaven Giant, by Giant's Causeway),** let go at odds of 9-2 coming back from a Mar. 25 third at Fontainebleau, stalked the leader in second from the bell. Coming under pressure with 500 meters to go, the €300,000 DEAAUG yearling took a slender advantage into the final eighth and was ridden out late to best Pedrolino (Distorted Humor) by two lengths. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €19,300.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois; T-Freddy Head.

**Saint-Cloud, 14.50, Cond, €29,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT, 2:17.10, gd/sf.**

**PROVIDANZA (FR) (f, 3, Okawango--Hill Tigress {Ire}, by Robellino),** a once-out second at Chantilly Oct. 7, raced off the pace in seventh for much of this seasonal bow. Pushed along turning for home, the 11-1 chance challenged wide inside the two pole and was ridden out in the latter stages to best Vellane (GB) (Vettori {Ire}) by a head in the bobber. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €18,900.

O-Claude Lambert & Mikel Delzangles; B-Claude Lambert; T-Mikel Delzangles.

### APPOINTMENTS

#### ANDREW BROWN

- Appointed to the position of Chief Executive of New Zealand Racing Board.
- Practised as a lawyer and management consultant in Sydney before heading to the UK.
- Served as Business Development Director of ITV Plc.
- Most recently was Chief Operating Officer of Racecourse Media Group.
- NZRB chairman Michael Stiasny said, "We conducted an extensive and rigorous recruitment search for a new chief executive, both in New Zealand and offshore, and the Board is pleased to have secured such a high calibre individual for this position. Andrew brings wide experience of the racing industry and international business, which he developed through his challenging operational and strategic roles at Racecourse Media Group, ITV and Oliver Wyman."
- Effective May 11.

**Saint-Cloud, 15.50, Cond, €24,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:43.70, gd/sf.**

**MUTASADDI (GB) (c, 3, Linamix {Fr}--Filfilah {GB}, by Cadeaux Genereux {GB}),** runner-up at Fontainebleau last time Mar. 30, broke swiftly from his outside box to claim the immediate lead here. Maintaining control throughout, the 31-10 chance kept on strongly under final-quarter urging to register a comfortable two-length success from Zarkamar (Fr) (Falbrav {Ire}). The grey colt is a half-brother to Baqah (Ire) (Bahhare), GSW-Fr & G1SP-GB, \$192,417. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €20,200.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-Freddy Head.

**Lyon La Soie, 14.05, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:54.50, stn.**

**ASHAAQ (GB) (c, 3, Anabaa--Al Ishq {Fr}, by Nureyev)** came into this contest off a sixth at Fontainebleau Mar. 25. The 27-5 chance led going by the judge first time and never relinquished control. Urged away from toiling rivals off the home turn, the bay colt drew further clear inside the closing panel to score by six lengths from Slam Warrior (Grand Slam). The Shadwell homebred is a half-brother to Tamayuz (GB) (Nayef), MG1SW-Fr, \$994,580; and Nuqoosh (GB) (Machiavellian), GSP-GB. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €10,300.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-Freddy Head.

**Lyon La Soie, 14.35, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m (AWT), 1:58.88, stn.**

**CELESTINA AGOSTINO (f, 3, Street Cry {Ire}--Chelsey Dancer, by Affirmed),** a half-sister to Chelsey Flower (His Majesty), GISW, \$568,305; and Key Guy (Key to the Mint), SW, \$145,828, debuted with a fifth at Saint-Cloud Mar. 17. The \$200,000 KEESEP yearling raced in fifth for most of this second go. Angled outside for her bid with 300 meters to go, the 16-5 chance kept on strongly under a drive to deny Kentucky Mix (GB) (Linamix {Fr}) by a neck nearing the line. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €8,200.

O-Ecurie des Monceaux; B-Hilary Boone Jr; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

#### TDN Euro is:

<b>England:</b>	<b>Sean Cronin (CAFE Racing)</b> <b>Tom Frary (CAFE Racing)</b>
<b>France:</b>	<b>Claude Beniada</b>
<b>Germany:</b>	<b>Christa Riebel</b>
<b>Ireland:</b>	<b>Dave Keena</b>
<b>Italy:</b>	<b>Giorgio Barsotti</b>



## ★ IRELAND ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Limerick, 19.10, Cond, €22,500, 3yo, 6f 160ydsT, 1:28.29, yl.**

**COUNT JOHN (IRE) (c, 3, Intikhab--Triton Dance {Ire}, by Hector Protector)** got off the mark last time in a course-and-distance maiden Apr. 6. He went postward at 10-1 and stayed close to the early tempo. Grinding his way to the front with 150 yards remaining, the bay colt held on to best Lastkingofscotland (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) by a short head. Count John was a 5,000gns TATDEC weanling and €12,500 TATIRE yearling. [Video courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €22,248.

O-Miss M McWey; B-N E Poole & George Thornton; T-Jim Gorman.

**Limerick, 17.40, Mdn, €13,000, 3yo, f, 7f 50ydsT, 1:36.03, yl.**

**MOVING HEART (IRE) (f, 3, Anabaa--Lady Luck {Ire}, by Kris {GB}),** who found one too good in Silk Mascara (Ire) when odds-on at Cork nine days ago, started as the 3-1 second choice. Mid-pack early, the bay filly stayed on the rail in the stretch and found a seam to overhaul Samba School (Ire) (Sahm) in the final 100 yards en route to a two-length success. The Moyglare homebred is a half-sister to last year's G1 Irish Derby runner-up Casual Conquest (Ire) (Hernando {Fr}), GSW & G1SP-GB, G1SP-Ire, \$896,759; and Elusive Double (Ire) (Grand Lodge), SW & MGSP-Ire. [Video courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, €11,193.

O/B-Moyglare Stud Farm; T-Dermot Weld.

## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**5th-SUN, \$29,000, NW2L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.**

**STORMY EXPRESS (f, 3, In Excess {Ire}--Stormy Senorita, by Storm Boot)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$42,690. O-Connie & Richard Snyder. B-Mr & Mrs R David Randal (KY). T-Jimmie D Claridge. \*\$37,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

### STAKES CLOSINGS

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22:**

05-10 \$150,000 **Hendrie-III, WO, 4yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (AWT) (150)**

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**9th-MNR, \$25,600, 4-20, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, sy.**

**LIMITMENOT (f, 3, Limit Out--Meadowville, by Allen's Prospect)** Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-1, \$53,760. O-Irvin Reid. B-Irene & Michael Rife (WV). T-Timothy C Grams.

**6th-IND, \$25,000, 4-20, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, sy.**

**ROSE RUN (m, 5, Will's Way--Incredibelle, by Personal Flag)** Lifetime Record: 14-6-0-1, \$50,655. O/B-Fred D & Neil McCrary (ON). T-Joseph D Davis.

**8th-FLX, \$23,100, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW3BX, (S), 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52, ft.**

**IRISH BLAST (h, 5, Kelly Kip--Bombshell, by Time to Explode)** Lifetime Record: 14-4-2-0, \$126,406. O-JW Singer LLC. B-H T Whitbred (NY). T-Jeremiah C Eleghart.

**8th-WRD, \$22,600, 4-20, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5f, :58 2/5, ft.**

**DR T HUDSON (g, 3, Wertaloona--Nanique (SP), by Rivergo)** Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-0-2, \$44,277. O/B-Don S Nutt (OK). T-Boyd Caster.

**6th-FLX, \$22,100, Opt. Clm. (\$10,000), NW2BX, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 4/5, ft.**

**SWING LANE (m, 5, War Deputy--Tormenta, by Storm Boot)** Lifetime Record: 33-7-5-7, \$124,086. O-Albert R Tassone. B-Mr & Mrs William Sienkewicz & Lands End Farm (NY). T-Michael A Lecesse.

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### • ON THE WORKTAB •

#### BELMONT PARK

Heart Ashley (Lion Heart), 5f, 1:03.86, 2/3

#### CHURCHILL DOWNS

C.S. Silk (Medaglia d'Oro), 5f, 1:00.60, 2/19

Gato Go Win (City Place), 5f, 1:02.00, 11/19

Hull (Holy Bull), 4f, •:47.60, 1/36

Sugar Mint (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), 4f, •:47.60, 1/36

#### HOLLYWOOD

Elysium Fields (El Prado {Ire}), •1:11.80, 1/6

Empressive Lady (Empire Maker), 5f, 1:01.00, 8/19

Rail Trip (Jump Start), 5f, 1:02.00, 16/19

Sea of Pleasure (Sea of Secrets), :57.40, •1/19

#### KEENELAND

Boss Lafitte (Dynaformer), 7f, 1:29.20, 1/1

Sok Sok (Trippi), 5f, •1:00.60, 1/12

#### PAYSON PARK

Silver Tree (Hennessy), 4f, :51.00, 5/6

#### SANTA ANITA

Dixie Chatter (Dixie Union), 5f, 1:02.20, 14/19

Mayor Marv (Distorted Humor), 4f, •:46.80, 1/21

Yankee Bravo (Yankee Victor), 6f, 1:12.80, 2/7



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7th-IND, \$21,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 3/5, sy.

**STAN THE TAP MAN** (c, 3, [Pleasant Tap](#)--French Lady, by French Deputy) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$37,833. O/B-Spade Stable (KY). T-David E Pate. \*1/2 to Deputy G (Matty G), GSW, \$175,597.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Fly'n Lion**, c, 3, [Lion Heart](#)--Far to Fly, by U. S. Flag. SUN, 4-21, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5. B-Dr Tom Castoldi (KY). \*1/2 to Testafly (Deputed Testamony), MGSW, \$413,116.

+ **Sequoia Charm**, f, 3, [Major Henry](#)--Flaming Sequoia, by Winds of Winter. WRD, 4-20, (S), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Loyd J Christesson (OK).

**Hoosier Kingdom**, c, 3, [Repent](#)--Aunt Pansy, by Quiet American. IND, 4-21, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05. B-Andrew Fernung (IN). \*\$22,000 2yo '08 OBSJUN. \*\*SP.

**Spy Mask**, g, 3, [Super Special](#)--Willspynow (SP, \$149,677), by Well Selected. SUN, 4-21, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:02 4/5. B-Lobo Farm (NM).

**Right Nice Philly**, f, 3, [Van Nistelrooy](#)--Johnny Turk Band, by Chimes Band. PHA, 4-21, (C), 1m70y, 1:43 4/5. B-Mary McGaley (KY).

**Gold Raker**, g, 4, [Timeraker](#)--Sluh's Golden Girl, by Gold Legend. IND, 4-20, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5. B-Breakway Farm LLC (IN).

**River Spey**, f, 4, [Freespool](#)--Tulchan, by Dehere. MNR, 4-20, 5 1/2f, 1:06. B-Desperado Stables Inc & Merrill Stables (CA).

**Van Nistelrooy Gal**, f, 4, [Van Nistelrooy](#)--Cathy's Jewels, by French Deputy. IND, 4-20, 5 1/2f, 1:05 1/5. B-Larry Halt International (KY).

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
EUROPE**

**HANDICAP RESULTS:**

**FRANCE, Saint-Cloud, 13.50, €58,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:17.60, gd/sf.**

**MELISOS (IRE)** (c, 3, [Galileo {Ire}](#)--Diotima {MSP-Fr}, by High Estate {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €47,860. O-Leonidas Marinopoulos; B-Stilvi Compania Financiera SA; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias.

**BRITAIN, Kempton Park, 15.20, £7,300, 3yo, 1 1/2m (AWT), 2:35.54, stn.**

**HEADLINE ACT (GB)** (c, 3, [Dalakhani {Ire}](#)--Daring Miss {GB} {GSW & G1SP-Fr, \$208,783}, by Sadler's Wells) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, £13,156. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-John Gosden. \*1/2 to Quickfire (GB) (Dubai Millennium {GB}), MGSP-GB & SP-US, \$143,087.

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Melange**, c, 3, [Alphabet Soup](#)--Garendare (GB) (GSW-Fr & GSP-US, \$212,450), by Vacarme. Southwell, 4-21, Mdn, 3yo, 1 3/8m (AWT). B-Delehanty Stock Farm.

**Champagne Future (GB)**, f, 3, [Compton Place \(GB\)](#)--Jade Pet (GB), by Petong (GB). Bath, Britain, 4-21, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 161ydsT. B-P M Crane. \*30,000gns yrl '07 DONAUG. \*\*1/2 to Hail the Chief (GB) (Be My Chief), MGSW-US, \$654,019.

**Castor (Ire)**, c, 3, [Fasliyev](#)--Vespers (Ire), by Perugino. Limerick, Ireland, 4-21, Mdn, 3yo, a7fT. B-J O'Brien.

**Fantasy Lady**, f, 3, [Grand Slam](#)--Lemon Lady, by Lemon Drop Kid. Agen, France, 4-20, Mdn, 3yo, 6fT. B-Merrydale Farm Partners 2003 LLC. \*\$150,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

**Bleu de Chartres (Fr)**, g, 3, [My Risk \(Fr\)](#)--Valley Road (Fr) (SP-Fr), by Noblequest (Fr). Hyeres, France, 4-20, Mdn, 3yo, 1 9/16mT. B-Roland Monnier & Mme Jacqueline Lefebvre. \*1/2 to Berkoutchi (Fr) (Take Risks {Fr}), SW-Fr.

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**IN CHILE:**

**Caucus (Chi)**, h, 5, [Dushyantor](#)--Costa Norte (Chi), by Fappavalley. Valparaiso Sporting Club, 4-20, Hcp, 8fT, 1:38.34. Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP-Chi, 17-6-2-2. O-Stud Ruta; B-Haras Matancilla; T-J Inda.