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BLASTED HEATH

While Ascot is accustomed to Australian raiders running off with the family silver, Newmarket and today's G1 Darley July Cup has remained a bridge too far for the Antipodean challenge. Elio Anthony Galante's **Scenic Blast (Aus)** (Scenic {Ire}), who comes here fresh



Scenic Blast news.com.au

off a win in the G1 King's Stand S. June 16, bids to prevail where predecessors Choisir (Aus) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and the re-opposing **Takeover Target (Aus)** (Celtic Swing {GB}) fell short. So impressive when adding the Royal meeting's five-furlong dash to his portfolio of wins in Flemington's Jan. 31 G1 Lightning S. and Mar. 7 G1 Newmarket H., the flashy bay carries a weight of expectation which jockey

Steven Arnold is feeling now. "We know the form of his rivals and nothing seems to have burst onto the scene since Scenic Blast won the King's Stand," he told www.heraldsun.com.au. "If he turns up in the same form at Newmarket, and everything suggests he will, then he's going to be the one to beat again. I think it's a real bonus [trainer] Danny [Morton] has been able to take him there twice and work alongside Takeover Target. The course won't be foreign to him. The undulating track has been in mind, but he's had some experience there and he's the sort of horse who travels well in his races, and that will help him."

July Cup cont p2

Friday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 3:10 p.m.

DARLEY JULY CUP-G1, £400,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	12	Ancien Regime (Ire)	King's Best	bin Suroor	131
2	7	Equiano (Fr)	Acclamation (GB)	B Hills	131
3	6	Intrepid Jack (GB)	Compton Place (GB)	Morrison	131
4	5	J J the Jet Plane (SAf)	Jet Master (SAf)	de Kock	131
5	13	King's Apostle (Ire)	King's Best	Haggas	131
6	10	Main Aim (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Stoute	131
7	1	Paco Boy (Ire)	Desert Style (Ire)	Hannon	131
8	3	Prime Defender (GB)	Bertolini	B Hills	131
9	2	Scenic Blast (Aus)	Scenic (Ire)	Morton	131
10	8	Takeover Target (Aus)	Celtic Swing (GB)	Janiak	131
11	11	African Rose (GB)	Observatory	Head-Maarek	128
12	9	Fleeting Spirit (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Nosedá	128
13	4	Art Connoisseur (Ire)	Lucky Story	Bell	125

BREEDERS' CUP BOARD ELECTION RESULTS

The results of Wednesday's election for the six openings on the 13-member Board of Directors of Breeders' Cup Ltd. have been announced. Robert Manfuso was re-elected to a two-year term, while Tom Ludt, Clem Murphy, Richard Santulli, Oliver Tait and Duncan Taylor all join the Board for the first time. "Our five new Directors comprise an outstanding group of individuals with knowledge and expertise that will be vital to the Breeders' Cup in the opportunities before us," said William S. Farish Jr., chairman of Breeders' Cup Ltd. "We also express our sincere thanks to Reynolds Bell, Watts Humphrey and Don Robinson for their excellent and distinguished service to the Board." Vinery's Tom Ludt barely had time to appreciate his election before finding himself in his first Board meeting. "I've been a trustee, but not on the Board--I didn't realize we would jump right into it," Ludt said. "I've been in a meeting all day. It's exciting and it's obviously an honor to be elected. The Breeders' Cup has done a lot of good work, and I am looking forward to being a productive member of the Board." During the Board meeting, William S. Farish was reappointed as chairman, Greg Avioli as president, Robert Manfuso as vice chairman and Matthew Lutz as treasurer. Robert Watt was elected secretary, replacing James A. Philpott Jr., who resigned after more than 25 years with Breeders' Cup. **Cont. p6**

Pioneer of the Nile Retired, p2

Indian Blessing Scratched From Princess Rooney, p6

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Darley July Cup cont.

Having conquered an all-star international cast in the June 20 G1 Golden Jubilee S. at Royal Ascot, **Art Connoisseur** bids to emulate Les Arcs (Arch), who pulled



Art Connoisseur Horsephotos

off the double here three years ago. His neck defeat of Cannonball (Catienus) in that six-furlong contest, where **J J the Jet Plane** was languishing in fourth, came off the back of a troubled preparation and was a welcome return to the form of his two-year-old high when landing that track's G2 Coventry S. "He popped a splint before Ascot and, although he looked great beforehand, we were surprised that he won," trainer Michael Bell commented. "His Coventry form was the best two-year-old form of last year, and he's got to prove now he's not a one-course horse. He's very effective at Ascot, but provided it is good fast ground, I don't have too many worries about the July Course. I think the big incline should suit his way of running." Due to the late rain, connections of **Paco Boy** have decided to take the plunge, and the impressive G1 Queen Anne S. winner will be bidding to further prove his versatility here. His latest success in that June 16 Royal Ascot contest showed he stays a mile, but his wins last year over seven furlongs--which include Longchamp's G1 Prix de la Foret--were demonstrations of his natural speed. "We had to make a decision first thing on Wednesday morning, and the reason I declared Paco Boy was because of all the rain. If the ground is suitable we will run," trainer Richard Hannon explained. "But Newmarket can dry up quickly and, if on Friday morning we feel that the turf has dried out too much, we won't hesitate to pull him out. We don't think we saw anything from the Golden Jubilee at Royal Ascot to worry us too much and, while Scenic Blast is obviously exceptional, we are not worried about the opposition, just the state of the ground."

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RECENT WINNERS - DARLEY JULY CUP

Year	Winner	Sire	Trainer
2008	Marchand d'Or (Fr)	Marchand de Sable	F Head
2007	Sakhee's Secret (GB)	Sakhee	Morrison
2006	Les Arcs	Arch	Pitt
2005	Pastoral Pursuits (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	Morrison
2004	Frizzante (GB)	Efisio (GB)	Fanshawe
2003	Oasis Dream (GB)	Green Desert	Gosden
2002	Continent (GB)	Lake Coniston (Ire)	Nicholls

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PIONEEROF THE NILE RETIRED MGSW

Pioneerof the Nile (Empire Maker--Star of Goshen, by Lord at War {Arg}) has been retired with a soft tissue injury to his left front leg, owner/breeder Zayat Stables announced yesterday. "We noticed a little filling in his leg when we took the bandages off, and we were hoping he just rapped it," trainer Bob Baffert said. "I'm in shock. I was getting so excited about that horse. I loved the way he had been training. He was getting stronger with age and was just starting to mature." Winner of the G1 CashCall Futurity at two, the dark bay opened 2009 with victories in the GII Robert B. Lewis S. and GII San Felipe S. before adding another Grade I success when he took this year's Santa Anita Derby. He was subsequently second to Mine That Bird (Birdstone) in the G1 Kentucky Derby. His final start was an 11th-place finish in G1 Preakness S. May 16. Ahmed Zayat expressed his deep disappointment at the news. "He's not just a horse I happened to see at a sale," Zayat said. "We bred him; we lived with him on the farm; we watched him grow. We also have his mother, and we have his sister and his brother. He was a part of our family so to speak, and it's very hard." He continued, "The horse certainly doesn't owe me anything. He gave me so many thrills and so much happiness, but it's sad not to see his potential realized. I'm grieving, but I'm thankful that I had the opportunity to enjoy him. Thank God I'll get to see his progeny and that, in a way, would be redeeming in itself." Baffert added, "He gave us a lot of thrills. He put me back in the Classic spotlight. The saddest part is that we hadn't even seen his full potential. He was a very game horse, but he had a lot speed for a horse that could go long. I've had lot of good horses that didn't make it as far as he did, so at least we got a chance to see how talented he was." The dark bay retires with a record of 10-5-1-1 and earnings of \$1,634,200. Stud plans for the three-year-old have yet to be determined. **More news, p5-7**



Pioneerof the Nile & Ahmed Zayat
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BLACK-TYPE RESULTS

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PRINCESS OF WALES'S BLUE SQUARE S.-G2,
 £100,000, Newmarket, 7-9, 3/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:30.70, gd.

1--**DOCTOR FREMANTLE (GB), 128, c, 4,** by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: Summer Breeze (GB) (GSP-Fr), by Rainbow Quest

2nd Dam: Suntrap, by Roberto

3rd Dam: Sunny Bay, by Northern Bay

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-Sir

Michael Stoute; J-Ryan Moore; £56,770. Lifetime

Record: 11-4-3-0, £240,692. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).

* 2--**Alwaary, 115, c, 3,** [Dynaformer](#)--Tabrir (Ire), by Unfuwain. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Farm LLC; T-John Gosden; £21,520.

* 3--**Schiaparelli (Ger), 128, h, 6,** Monsun (Ger)--

Sacarina (GB), by Old Vic (GB). O-Godolphin;

B-Gestut Karlshof; T-Saeed bin Suroor; £10,770.

Margins: (HF, NK, 4). Odds: 8-1, 12-1, 25-1.

Also Ran: Indian Days (GB), All the Aces (Ire), **Enroller (Ire), Drumfire (Ire), Campanologist, Duncan (GB).

*Schiaparelli finished second, but was DQ'd and placed third. **Enroller was fourth, but was DQ'd to sixth.

On the fringes at the top level at three, Doctor Fremantle offered hope that he could make the breakthrough this term when defying a poor draw and racing against Chester's rail bias to win the May 7 G3 Huxley S. After drifting in the market at Royal Ascot, the homebred took a backward step with a tame seventh-place effort in the G2 Hardwicke S., and he had questions to answer in this contest. Steadied in rear early by Ryan Moore, last year's G1 Epsom Derby fourth had a strong pace to run at courtesy of Godolphin's outsider Schiaparelli and made smooth progress through the pack as that rival kept up the momentum. As the long-time leader drifted left before the final furlong, the bay took advantage and, after gaining the edge at the eighth pole, asserted as Schiaparelli took the ground of the subsequently promoted Alwaary against the rail.

"We wanted to be a bit handier, but he just has a habit of sitting in the stalls a bit," Moore said. "He has won two Group 3s and has been fourth in two Group 1s, and this level is about what he is, I think." Trainer Sir Michael Stoute suggested that the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot July 25 was an unlikely target for the four-year-old and pointed at the G1 Juddmonte International at York Aug. 18 as a more likely aim. Trainer Saeed bin Suroor said of the disqualified Schiaparelli, "He was out with a foot problem and this was his first race since the Arc and he needed it." Alwaary's jockey Richard Hills was left counting the cost of the interference the sophomore encountered late on and added, "He was on song today and should probably have won by a length, so he was an unlucky loser--he's a horse with a lot of talent and is going places." Click for the [Racing Post chart](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video, courtesy of Racing UK.](#)

Top sires of European stakes winners in 2009

(in order of total prize money earnings)

RK	STALLION	ST-WNRS	EARNINGS
1	Danehill Dancer	11	£1,716,291
2	Cape Cross	6	£1,542,314
3	Montjeu	4	£1,520,050
4	Sadler's Wells	11	£1,168,114
5	Noverre	3	£1,029,981
6	Galileo	10	£990,944
7	Monsun	4	£807,187
8	Pivotal	6	£753,478
9	High Chaparral	6	£726,755
10	Dansili	7	£608,650
11	Giant's Causeway	3	£562,708
12	Dynaformer	4	£562,658
13	Peintre Celebre	5	£535,072

Source: www.racingpost.com, 8th July 2009

Enough said.

No. 11 for Galileo - Kite Wood won Bahrain Trophy-Gr.3 at Newmarket yesterday

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Thursday, Newmarket, Britain

TNT JULY S.-G2, £80,000, Newmarket, 7-9, 2yo, c/g, 6fT, 1:10.53, gd.

1-#**@ARCANO (IRE)**, 124, c, 2, by Oasis Dream (GB)

1st Dam: Tariysha (Ire), by Daylami (Ire)

2nd Dam: Tarwiya (Ire), by Dominion (GB)

3rd Dam: Touraya (Ire), by Tap on Wood (Ire)

O-Brimacombe, McNally, Vinciguerra, Sangster; B-Yellow Bird Syndicate; T-Brian Meehan; J-Martin Dwyer; £45,416. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £50,596.

Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: **A**.

2--**Orpen Grey (Ire)**, 124, c, 2, Orpen--Sky Red (GB), by Night Shift. (€37,000 yrl '08 TATIRE). O-The Folly Racers; B-John Osborne; T-Tom Dascombe; £17,216.

3--**Red Jazz**, 124, c, 2, [Johannesburg](#)--Now That's Jazz, by Sword Dance (Ire). (\$37,000 wnlg '07 KEENOV; €95,000 yrl '08 GOFMIL). O-R J Arculli; B-William F & Annabel Murphy; T-Barry Hills; £8,616. Margins: 3/4, 3, 4HF. Odds: 7-4, 9-2, 7-1.

Also Ran: Reignier (GB), Ghostwing (GB), Angel's Pursuit (Ire), Tawaabb (GB), Nosedive (GB), Noble Greek, Diamond Johnny G, Niran (Ire).

When Arcano beat Showcasing (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) by a head in a hot Newbury maiden June 11, the form looked potentially smart, but the depth of the contest was truly revealed in subsequent weeks. The third horse home, Party Doctor (GB) (Dr Fong), finished in the same position in the Listed Chesham S. at Royal Ascot, the fifth and sixth Lucky General (Ire) (Hawk Wing) and Lord Zenith (GB) (Zamindar) won their respective next starts by open lengths and Showcasing earned ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ status last week. Arcano was restrained early here as Orpen Grey set the fractions. He made his move passing halfway and cut down that rival at the furlong marker before pulling clear in the latter stages. "I was very impressed, as he's still a baby, and I didn't want to get there too soon and be in front on my own," jockey Martin Dwyer said. "He is still learning and he's pretty raw at the minute--he's nowhere near his best." Trainer Brian Meehan echoed that sentiment, adding, "There is a lot to be done with him this year, and I'm thinking of the G1 Prix Morny [Aug. 23] and probably stepping him up to seven furlongs for the G1 Dewhurst S. [at Newmarket Oct. 17]. We always thought he'd be a stakes horse. This looked a very solid race and there was a good pace, so I'm pleased with the way he knuckled down, as it's only his second race." Click for the [Racing Post chart](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). Video, courtesy of Racing UK.

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Thursday, Newmarket, Britain

BAHRAIN TROPHY-G3, £65,000, Newmarket, 7-9, 3yo, 1 5/8mT, 2:42.01, gd.

1--**KITE WOOD (IRE)**, 126, c, 3, by [Galileo \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: Kite Mark (GB), by Mark of Esteem (Ire)

2nd Dam: Shadywood (GB), by Habitat

3rd Dam: Milly Moss (GB), by Crepello (GB)

(270,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT). O-Godolphin; B-Elsdon Farms; T-Saeed bin Suroor; J-Frankie Dettori;

£36,900. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-0, £76,982. **Click for**

the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick

Rating: A + +.

2--**Tactic (GB)**, 126, c, 3, [Sadler's Wells](#)--Tanaghm

(GB), by Darshaan (GB). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid

Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited;

T-John Dunlop; £13,988.

3--**Above Average (Ire)**, 129, c, 3, [High Chaparral \(Ire\)](#)--

Crystal Valkyrie (Ire), by Danehill. (€70,000 yrl '07

GOFMIL). O-O-J Hanson; B-C O P Hanbury; T-Barry

Hills; £7,000.

Margins: 2HF, 4HF, 1. Odds: 2-1, 10-3, 16-1.

Also Ran: Free Agent (GB), Too Much Trouble (GB),

Inhibition (GB), Dhushan (GB), Popmurphy (GB).

Kite Wood was purchased by Godolphin following his G3 Autumn S. success at Ascot in October and emerged as the operation's leading Derby hope this spring. Only fifth in the G2 Dante S. at York May 14,

the bay took his chance at Epsom, but was out of his depth and finished ninth in the Blue Riband itself last time June 6. Sent straight to the front by Frankie

Dettori here, he was never in danger of being pegged back and galloped relentlessly to the line for a welcome confidence booster. "We're really delighted to get him

back winning, as we were aiming him at races that, at that stage of his career, he wasn't good enough to win," Racing Manager Simon Crisford commented. "This was the perfect race for him, and he will progress,

particularly next year, so we've got to mind him. Mentally, he's been quite fragile and although he's a physically strong horse, he hasn't found his gears yet, so it's a question of him telling us where to go. The G1 St Leger [at Doncaster Sept. 12] is definitely the right race for him, and he will race once more beforehand in either the G3 Geoffrey Freer S. [at Newbury Aug. 15] or G2 Great Voltigeur S. [at York Aug. 18]." **Click for the**

[Racing Post chart](#). **[Video, courtesy of Racing UK](#)**.

WINNER IN ENGLAND FOR FRESHMAN SIRE

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TWO NIGHT SESSIONS FOR FT NOVEMBER

Fasig-Tipton's Kentucky Selected Mixed Sale will be pushed back a day and will be held in two evening sessions this year, Nov. 9-10. The Mixed Sale had been a one-night event in year's past, and had been held on Sunday night, but it was decided a change needed to be made for 2009. "Timing is often a critical issue for our industry, and the fall of 2009 poses special challenges," remarked Fasig-Tipton President Boyd Browning. "We will sell on Monday and Tuesday evenings to allow industry members attending the Breeders' Cup in California on Friday and Saturday to fully participate in the November sales schedule." Browning added, "Our aim is to recruit high-class stakes fillies and celebrity producers as the nucleus of the sale, as well as a group of weanlings with superior conformation. It's a format that has worked well for us, and we hope the sale's proven success will attract the sort of stars which, even in challenging times, are still in strong demand." Nominations will close on August 31. The Keeneland November Sale is slated to run Nov. 8-21.

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BC Board Election cont.

Asked how he felt about having the opportunity to serve on the Breeders' Cup Board of Directors, Taylor Made's Duncan Taylor said, "There were a lot of good people running, and I feel very fortunate to be able to serve. That's what I want to do, help serve the industry and the breeders who nominate the foals and make sure we get as much bang for our buck as we can." As for what he hopes the Board can accomplish, Taylor said, "The way I look at it, we are at the bottom of a funnel, so to speak. It all starts at the top with the fans and people who wager. I'd love to see more handicapping contests, more recognition for handicappers. We have to let handicappers know the sport cares about them. I think we need to get to know some of the big handicappers much better, to acknowledge them, to know their e-mail addresses and correspond with them and get to know what they want. Then you can start building the fan base." Taylor added, "When handle increases, there will be bigger purses for tracks and owners, and we can deliver a better product for sponsors. And when all that takes place, there will be a trickle-down effect for breeders, with more people, hopefully, coming to the sales and buying horses. But we have to do a good job for them before it pays off for us." Taylor hopes to continue the work already started by the Breeders' Cup. "I think the Breeders' Cup has been on the right road," he said. "I think it has been improving, but we have to make sure we stay on that road and stay focused." Selected to chair the various BC committees were: Audit and Finance Committee, Oliver Tait; Investment Committee, Richard Santulli; Compensation Committee, Satish Sanan; Host Site Committee, R.D. Hubbard; Racing and Nominations Committee, Clem Murphy; and Marketing, Roy Jackson. "The first steps have been undertaken in a transparent manner, and now the Board has been determined, we have to go out and perform our duties," Tait said. "As far as goals, I'd personally like the Breeders' Cup to advance; I think we have a great opportunity to advertise the sport of horse racing to a wide audience in the greater public. That, in turn, will be beneficial to the industry. If the Breeders' Cup can be the flagship for the sport of horse racing, then I think everyone in the industry will benefit." Coolmore's Clem Murphy was looking forward to his participation on the Board. "Coolmore has been a staunch supporter of the Breeders' Cup since its foundation and, in these challenging times, we'd like to help in any way possible," Murphy said. "Having thought about it for some time, we decided we would like to be more involved in the running of the organization. There are already great people on the board and there are some great new people coming on, so we felt now was the time to get more involved. Our main focus is on the championship event. It is the world championship event and we feel it's the most important event on the calendar. We want to focus on keeping it that way."

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**RACING
Round-Up**

Indian Blessing Out of Princess Rooney...

Champion **Indian Blessing** (Indian Charlie) has been withdrawn from Saturday's GI Princess Rooney H., *Daily Racing Form* reports. Her trainer Bob Baffert explained that the four-year-old had been treated with medication following her fourth in the Desert Stormer H. at Hollywood Park June 14, and he didn't want to risk receiving a positive test. "After her last race, she had a hind leg infection, which we treated with antibiotics," Baffert told *DRF*. "When that didn't work, we gave her penicillin for a few days. Penicillin has procaine in it, so we tested her Monday and again Wednesday and my vet felt, after talking to the state lab in Florida, that she could be too close to the threshold levels allowed in Florida to take a chance." The dark bay was the 5-2 morning-line favorite for the Princess Rooney.



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Racing Round-Up cont.

Grade I Winner Monba Retired...

Starlight Stable and partners' Grade I winner **Monba** (Maria's Mon--Hamba, by Easy Goer) has been retired after injuring his left hind leg. Stud plans for the four-year-old are undecided. Bred in Kentucky by Mill Ridge Farm and Jamm Ltd., Monba was acquired by Starlight, Donald Lucarelli and Paul Saylor for \$200,000 at the 2006 Fasig-Tipton Saratoga select yearling sale. Monba captured his debut at Keeneland as a two-year-old in the fall of 2007, defeated recent GI Stephen Foster H. winner Macho Again (Macho Uno) in a first-level allowance at Churchill, then shipped to be a good fourth in the GI CashCall Futurity at Hollywood Park. In



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his second start as a sophomore, Monba registered his biggest career score in the GI Blue Grass S. at Keeneland, when he defeated stablemate Cowboy Cal (Giant's Causeway) by a long neck. After going unplaced in the GI Kentucky Derby, Monba was shelved for the remainder of the year, but returned at four to garner placings in the GIII Thunder Road H. and GIII Ben Ali S. and finish a close-up fourth in the GI Santa Anita H. In his final career start, Monba ran fourth, beaten 2 1/4 lengths, in the GII Dixie S. at Pimlico. "Monba quickly demonstrated that he had talent that could take him to the highest level," said trainer Todd Pletcher. "He was an individual who could adapt to any kind of surface or pace scenario." Added Starlight's Jack Wolf, "It was a great thrill to watch Monba run. From the time we bought him, we knew he was special. We are presently beginning the process of finding the right farm for Monba to achieve more success in his next career as a stallion."

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Diamond Diva Sidelined...

Three Chimneys' multiple graded stakes winner **Diamond Diva (GB)** (Dansili {GB}--Vivianna {GB}, by Indian Ridge {Ire}) has been sidelined with a suspensory problem. The five-year-old made two starts this year after a nine-month hiatus with a previous suspensory issue. "It's the same problem as last year, a suspensory," said trainer Jim Cassidy. "She will probably need six months off." After placing in a trio of listed races in England, the dark bay sold for 230,000gns at TATDEC as a three-year-old. She was sent to Cassidy in California and made four starts in 2008, winning the American Beauty H. and GIII Wilshire H. in succession before finishing second in the GI Gamely S. Sidelined following a game win in the GII CashCall Mile ([video](#)), Diamond Diva missed by 3/4 of a length when runner-up in her Wilshire title defense May 2, and was third in a three-horse photo in the Gamely May 30. Her career record currently stands at 18-6-6-3 with earnings of \$774,552. A granddaughter of South African champion Kundalini (El Gran Senor), she hails from the family of MG1SW Kooyonga (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}).

Gladiatorus Has Sussex Aim...

Godolphin are looking at the G1 Sussex S. for their Royal Ascot flop **Gladiatorus** (Silic {Fr}). Only sixth when defending his crown as the world's top-rated horse in the June 16 G1 Queen Anne S., the four-year-old will remain at a mile for the July 29 feature of Glorious Goodwood week. "It was obviously a disappointing run at Ascot, and we were expecting better than that, but in all fairness he hadn't really been sparkling before that race like he had been in Dubai," Racing Manager Simon Crisford said of the Mar. 28 G1 Dubai Duty Free winner yesterday. "He was on an upward curve there and we gave him a bit of a break, but we weren't seeing any bullet works before Ascot. The left-handed track in Dubai suits him well, and the way he was ridden at Ascot was the opposite to the way he was ridden out there. He's back in fast work and did some nice work yesterday, so we're aiming at the Sussex S., but he's got a bit to prove now. We're going to stick by him and we have maximum faith in the horse."



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Stars Decision Delayed...

Connections of **Sea the Stars (Ire)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) are waiting until next week to decide on the next target of the G1 2000 Guineas, G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Eclipse S. hero. Left in the July 25 G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S. at Ascot at the latest forfeit stage, Christopher Tsui's homebred has the Aug. 18 Juddmonte International S. as his preferred goal at present. "We are still keeping our options open and will probably make a decision about the King George early next week," trainer John Oxx told *Racing Post*. "The original plan was to run him in the Irish Derby and then the King George, but when he missed the Curragh race and went for the Eclipse instead, it changed the time gaps between races. I would say it is more likely that he will miss the King George and wait for the Juddmonte International, although the York race comes only 18 days before the [Sept. 5] G1 Irish Champion S., which is a definite target. The horse is fresh and well in himself, but we will leave off making a decision until after the weekend."



COOLCULLEN TIMES LEADS TATTS' FINALE
 Virginia-based owner Jim Treptow topped Tattersalls' 2009 July Sale in Newmarket last night when, bidding through Joe Seitz, he paid 155,000gns for progressive three-year-old **Coolcullen Times (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), who was sold from trainer Jim Bolger's stable after three successes this year. Seitz, who was accompanied to the sale by Treptow, saw off British jumps trainer Donald McCain to get the colt, who is set to join the Graham Motion stable. "Jim Bolger gave us a positive report about him and he looks like a 10-11 furlong horse, which suits Mr. Treptow's program," said Seitz. "If he turns out to be stakes caliber, then the pool of competition is narrower." Treptow is the chairman and CEO of Magellan Resources Group, a Virginia-based company engaged in the development, ownership and operation of alternative energy projects, according to *Forbes* magazine. Jumping buyers picked up the day's two other six-figure lots. McCain was again underbidder on **Beidh Tine Anseo (Ire)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), another progressive three-year-old sold from Bolger's stable. Scotland-based trainer Lucinda Russell was the successful buyer this time with a bid of 150,000gns. "He's for an existing owner who has a few chasers with me, but wanted a hurdler and he fit the bill. We'll take him home and get him jumping and then take it from there," said Russell. American-bred **Ithbaat** (Arch), a \$160,000 Keeneland September yearling and 300,000gns Tattersalls breeze-up graduate, made 150,000gns on his latest sale ring appearance, this time when sold by Shadwell from John Gosden's stable on the back of a Yarmouth maiden win. Trainer Stuart Williams opened the exchanges for the three-year-old with a bid of 20,000gns, with the likes of Tom Goff, Bobby O'Ryan and Seitz all soon joining in. David Redvers, standing with jumps trainer Tom George, was the underbidder to Eddie O'Leary, standing with agent Mags O'Toole. "He's probably going jumping in Ireland and was beautiful horse with loads of presence," said O'Leary. "I actually tried to buy him as a yearling at Keeneland when Con Marnane got him for \$160,000 and again followed him when he went through the breeze-up here last year."

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 TATTERSALLS JULY SALE THURSDAY, JULY 9, 2009		
SESSION TOTALS	2009	2008
No. Catalogued	251	247
No. Offered	170	161
No. Sold	153	133
RNAs	17	28
% RNA	10%	17.4%
Gross	1,964,800gns	1,813,500gns
Average (% change)	12,842gns (-5.8%)	13,635gns
Median (% change)	6,500gns (-18.8%)	8,000gns
CUMULATIVE	2009	2008
No. Catalogued	732	915
No. Offered	503	629
No. Sold	438	507
RNAs	65	122
% RNA	12.9%	19.4%
Gross	5,546,700gns	7,515,200gns
Average (% change)	12,664gns (-14.6%)	14,823gns
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Four-year-old Miss Pelling (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), who was sold for 52,000gns to Michael Donohoe of BBA Ireland, could enjoy a pedigree boost this afternoon via Art Connoisseur (Ire) (Lucky Story) in the G1 Darley July Cup. "She is for Michael O'Callaghan and his son Michael Jr., who trade as Rangefield Bloodstock and are building up a broodmare band in County Kerry," said Donohoe after seeing off Art Connoisseur's breeder Denis McDonnell. "They are clients of my colleague Eamonn Reilly's and they will keep her in training before breeding from her."

July By the Numbers...

The 6,500gns sale median fell by 18 percent and the 12,664gns average dropped by 15 percent while the 5,546,700gns aggregate--for a day-shorter sale than last year--was down 26 percent. There was a very healthy 87-percent clearance rate. "With nearly 200 fewer lots catalogued than last year and a relative shortage of genuine quality we knew, regardless of the prevailing market conditions, that the sale turnover would fall significantly, but nobody would dispute that this has been a good sale from start to finish and a real boost for all concerned," said Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony. "Since the global recession took hold, bloodstock sales throughout the world have suffered in line with economic trends, but we have seen sustained demand at all levels of the market this week. Without doubt, the feature of this year's July Sale has been the extraordinary diversity of the buyers which has contributed to an outstanding clearance rate. Every year we do our best to cover as much ground as possible to attract international buyers, and sometimes even we are surprised by the sheer number of overseas buyers who flock to Tattersalls. This year's July Sale has demonstrated that even in tough times, there is an enduring appetite for the sport of racing, and it has been a genuine pleasure to have seen such depth to the market and so many satisfied vendors."

**TATTERSALLS JULY
THURSDAY - TOP THREE LOTS**

Hip	Name	Status	Price (gns)
610	Coolcullen Times (Ire)	In Training	155,000
	<i>(c, 3, Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}--Key to Coolcullen {Ire}, by Royal Academy)</i>		
	Consigned by Glebe House Stables (Jim Bolger)		
	Purchased by Joseph T Seitz (agent for Hickory Tree Equine)		
559	Ithbaat	In Training	150,000
	<i>(c, 3, Arch--Annul, by Conquistador Cielo)</i>		
	Consigned by Shadwell Stud		
	Purchased by Margaret O'Toole		
609	Beidh Tine Anseo (Ire)	In Training	150,000
	<i>(c, 3, Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}--Siamsa, by Quest for Fame {GB})</i>		
	Consigned by Glebe House Stables (Jim Bolger)		
	Purchased by Lucinda Russell		



BELL HOPING SARISKA CAN WORK HER MAGIC

Michael Bell is looking ahead to Sunday's G1 Darley Irish Oaks with relish as he prepares **Sariska (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) in her attempt to add The Curragh Classic to her Epsom success. Since 1987, six fillies have completed the double, and Lady Bamford's homebred is poised to add to that list. "She has an amazing temperament, a great physique, a big engine and fantastic gears, so she has everything you want in a racehorse," Bell commented. "A lot of people doubted whether she would come round Epsom, as she's so big, but the key to that track is whether you are on the bridle or not. She had a nasty cut at Epsom and just stood there for the vet while they did the dressing without a care in the world--she is so kind and cool and calm. The plan is to go for the G1 Yorkshire Oaks [at York Aug. 20] after Sunday and if she won both, she could be put in the Arc."



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EUROPEAN VIDEO LINKS

- [G2 Princess of Wales's S.](#) Doctor Fremantle (GB) (Sadler's Wells) earns a first Group 2 badge .
- [G2 TNT July S.](#) Arcano (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}) takes his record to two wins from two starts.
- [G3 Bahrain Trophy](#) Kite Wood (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) outclasses them on the front end.

In Other News...

**A Daily Roundup of
Racing Articles in Other Media**

- [Drug Tests for harness horses are lagging in New York](#)
Bill Finley, New York Times
- [Churchill Downs doesn't rule out nighttime Derby](#)
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Friday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 2:00 p.m.

MEYDAN SUPERLATIVE S.-G2, £80,000, 2yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	2	Big Audio (Ire)	Oratorio (Ire)	Hannon
2	3	Emperor Claudius	Giant's Causeway	A O'Brien
3	6	Lord Zenith (GB)	Zamindar	Balding
4	8	Lucky General (Ire)	Hawk Wing	Hannon
5	4	No Hubris	Proud Citizen	Cole
6	5	Roi de Vitesse (Ire)	Chineur (Fr)	Millman
7	9	Shakespearean (Ire)	Shamardal	Johnston
8	1	Silenceofthewind	Eddington	Burke
9	7	Silver Grecian (GB)	Haafhd (GB)	J Ryan

All carry 126 pounds.

Aidan O'Brien brought Horatio Nelson (Ire) (Danehill) to win this in 2005 and relies on **Emperor Claudius**, who failed by a nose to peg back **Big Audio** in the Listed Chesham S. at Royal Ascot last time June 20. Big Audio represents the Richard Hannon stable along with **Lucky General**, who followed a debut fifth behind yesterday's G2 July S. hero and **TDN Rising Star** **Showcasing** (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) on debut at Newbury June 11 with a six-length success at Windsor 16 days later. "[Jockey] Ryan [Moore] was very impressed with Lucky General, who won very easily," Hannon said. "He had shown a lot of promise first time in that hot Newbury maiden won by Arcano (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), and an extra furlong won't bother him. Big Audio was certainly crying out for the seventh furlong, though we were a bit surprised he won the Chesham S., as we felt that the ground at Royal Ascot would be too fast." **TDN Rising Star** **No Hubris** gets another chance to prove that his winning debut performance in a six-furlong maiden at York May 14 did not flatter, as he looked to be out-classed by Canford Cliffs (Ire) (Tagula {Ire}) when sixth in the G2 Coventry S. at Royal Ascot last time June 16.

Friday, York, Britain, post time: 2:45 p.m.

CUISINE DE FRANCE SUMMER S.-G3, £65,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	11	Look Busy (Ire)	Danetime (Ire)	A Berry	132
2	2	Lesson in Humility (Ire)	Mujadil	Burke	130
3	5	Diana's Choice (SAf)	Windrush	de Kock	128
4	7	Festoso (Ire)	Diesis (GB)	H Dunlop	128
5	8	Mullein (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Beckett	128
6	4	Pusey Street Lady (GB)	Averti (Ire)	Gallagher	128
7	6	Danehill Destiny (GB)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Haggas	122
8	3	Favourite Girl (Ire)	Refuse to Bend (Ire)	T Easterby	122
9	10	Infamous Angel (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Hannon	122
10	1	Serious Attitude (Ire)	Mtoto (GB)	Guest	122
11	9	Swiss Diva (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Elsworth	122

This highly competitive renewal sees a clash between the June 20 G1 Golden Jubilee S. third **Lesson in Humility** and last year's G1 Cheveley Park S. heroine **Serious Attitude**. Off the track since her disappointing effort when only seventh in Newmarket's G1 1000 Guineas May 3, the latter is fresh from her subsequent break. "This is the first opportunity she has had to run without a Group 1 penalty--that was a big attraction," conditioner Rae Guest said. "In the Guineas, she was racing too keen early on and didn't see the trip out. So, we thought we would drop her back to six furlongs. We gave her a bit of time off to get over the Guineas and then have been building up to this."

Saturday, Ascot, Britain

TOTESPORT.COM SUMMER MILE S.-G2, £100,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	6	Aqlaam (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	R Hills
2	5	Bushman (GB)	Maria's Mon	Mullen
3	2	Cesare (GB)	Machiavellian	Spencer
4	9	Fronton (GB)	Nayef	Fortune
5	7	Dream Eater (Ire)	Night Shift	Keniry
6	1	Imbongi (SAf)	Russian Revival	Shea
7	8	Ordnance Row (GB)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Hughes
8	3	Perks (Ire)	Selkirk	Durcan
9	4	Without a Prayer (Ire)	Intikhab	Kingscote

All carry 127 pounds.

Sunday, Hollywood Park

HOLLYWOOD JUVENILE CHAMPIONSHIP S.-GIII, \$100,000, 2yo, 6f (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Necessary Evil	Harlan's Holiday	Rosario	114
2	Classical Slew	Bernstein	Gomez	120
3	Grace Upon Grace	Rio Verde	Espinoza	117
4	Zip Quik	City Zip	Talamo	117
5	Coo Cachoo	Mingun	T Baze	117

TDN Rising Star **Necessary Evil**, who established a track record of :56.68 for five furlongs in capturing her May 31 debut over this surface ([video](#)), will bid to become the first filly since Althea in 1983 to trump colts in this affair.



NORTH AMERICA ★

KEENELAND TRIMS FALL STAKES PROGRAM; DIXIANA TO SPONSOR BREEDERS' FUTURITY

Keeneland will offer \$5.125 million in stakes purses this autumn, down slightly from 2008's record level of \$5.4 million. "Keeneland's stakes purses continue to rank among the highest in North America", Keeneland Director of Racing Rogers Beasley said. "The reduction in stakes purses is a result of the economic climate, which has led to declines in both live and simulcast wagering revenues." The Lexington track will present six Grade I events, including the Dixiana Breeders' Futurity, previously sponsored by Lane's End. The purses for the six Grade I races were kept at their 2008 levels. Three races--the GII Thoroughbred Club of America S., GII Fayette S. and GIII Woodford S.--have been upgraded by the American Graded Stakes Committee. The Thoroughbred Club and Woodford were two of seven races that saw their purses trimmed, with respective cuts of \$50,000 and \$25,000. Other races with reduced purses are the GIII Bourbon S. (cut by \$75,000), GIII Perryville S. (\$50,000), GIII Bryan Station S. (\$25,000), the GIII Sycamore S. (\$25,000) and the Rood & Riddle Dowager S. (\$25,000). Eight of the 19 stakes races have been designated Breeders' Cup "Win-and-you're-in" events.

DOGWOOD DOMINION AWARD WINNER

ANNOUNCED Mary Lee-Butte, the executive director of the Blue Grass Farms Chaplaincy credited with aiding more than 1,500 horse farm workers and their families in Kentucky each year, has been honored as the winner of the 2009 Dogwood Dominion Award, Dogwood President Cot Campbell has announced. The award, in its 17th year, recognizes "one of racing's unsung heroes." Lee-Butte will be presented with \$5,000 and a bronze statue of Dominion during a ceremony at the Reading Rooms in Saratoga Springs, New York, Aug. 5. Judges Anne Campbell, Jay Hovdey and Todd Pletcher chose her from among more than 30 nominees. "In a state whose Thoroughbred industry is currently short on good news, the Blue Grass Farm Chaplaincy is a shining star--an extraordinary program which helps, on many different levels, the sometimes invisible farm employee," said Cot Campbell. "Mary is the epitome of what the Dogwood Dominion Award stands for. Growing up with a father who was a Standardbred trainer, she has always appreciated and understood the hard work and dedication it takes to make a living in our industry. Her background has given her a keen sense of what farm workers--and their families--need."

NEW YORKERS PLEDGE TRF SUPPORT The New York Racing Association, as well as The Jockey Club, the New York Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association and members of the New York jockey colony, will collectively donate more than \$100,000 to the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation this year. NYRA has pledged \$50,000; TJC and NYTHA will contribute \$25,000 apiece. In addition, the 29 riders based at NYRA tracks have all signed up for a checkoff program that will deduct \$1 from each mount fee for the TRF. "This is an example of industry stakeholders working together to do the right thing for the welfare of racehorses when they can no longer race," said Diana Pikulski, executive director of the TRF. "We are very grateful to NYRA, NYTHA, The Jockey Club and the Jockeys' Guild, and we would encourage organizations and individuals at other racing circuits around the country to follow their example." Hal Handel, executive vice president and COO of NYRA, remarked, "This is an interim step while the New York racing community works out a more comprehensive and detailed plan to deal with this issue. We want to have something in place that we can all be proud of." Explaining why the New York jockeys wanted to participate, John Velazquez said, "We make our living because of these horses. Because of that, we love to be a big part of helping out with retired horses and enabling them to be better cared for." The donations from the riders will be retroactive to June 27. The contribution from TJC will come from a voluntary retirement checkoff option for owners and breeders established this past January. That program funds TRF and the Thoroughbred Charities of America, and TJC has pledged to match the money donated. "Regardless of the amount raised through the checkoff, we will guarantee our \$100,000 matching donation to each of those two charities," said Alan Marzelli, TJC president. "In so doing, we will earmark \$25,000 of the contribution to TRF for this New York-based effort."

KEENELAND FALL 2009 GRADE I RACES

DATE	RACE	PURSE
Oct. 9	Darley Alcibiades S.* 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT)	\$500,000
Oct. 10	Shadwell Turf Mile S.* 3yo/up, 1mT	\$600,000
Oct. 10	Dixiana Breeders' Futurity S.* 2yo, 1 1/16m (AWT)	\$500,000
Oct. 10	First Lady S.* 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT	\$400,000
Oct. 11	Juddmonte Spinster S.* 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m (AWT)	\$500,000
Oct. 17	Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT	\$500,000

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4:30p **4th-BEL, \$43K, Msw, 2yo, 6fT**
TVG The unraced **KEY QUALITY (Elusive Quality)** is among the firsters in this seemingly wide open baby race on the grass. The \$200K KEESEP yearling, owned by Lakland Farm and trained by Bill Mott, is a half-sister to GISW Gaviola (Cozzene). The race also features runners by freshman sires **Afleet Alex**, **Kitten's Joy** and **Leroidesanimaux (Brz)**. brisnet.com pps

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★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-BEL, \$48,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5, fm.
TREAT GENTLY (GB) (f, 4, Cape Cross {Ire}--Kid Gloves {GB}, by In the Wings {GB}) won the 12-furlong G2 Prix de Malleret at Saint-Cloud last summer in between second-place finishes in the G3 Prix de Royaumont and the Pris de La Nonette. Only 2 1/2 lengths back in third behind winner Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar) in the G1 Prix Vermeille at Longchamp Sept. 14, the bay rounded out the season--and her European campaign with Andre Fabre--with a fourth in the G1 Prix de L'Opera Oct. 5. Sent off the 6-5 choice in her U.S. and seasonal bow, the homebred settled at the back of the pack through opening splits of :25.22, :49.17 and 1:13.39. Ready to engage the front rank turning for home, the English-bred swung five wide while closing between rivals in the stretch and wore down ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ Cable (Dynaformer) late to post a 1/2-length victory. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](http://brisnet.com) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 8-3-3-0, \$240,018. O-Juddmonte Farms Inc. B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd (GB). T-Robert J Frankel.

2nd-BEL, \$43,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, 5f, :57 2/5, ft.
+ **GENERAL MAXIMUS (c, 2, Freud--Modern Toughness, by Good and Tough)** was backed down to 6-5 favoritism and justified that support in this career opener. Off to a quick start, the chestnut dueled with Jung Man Scott (Freud) through a crisp opening quarter in :21.72. Dispensing with that rival at the top of the stretch, the homebred extended his advantage through the lane and was four lengths clear of Most Happy Fella (Ecton Park) at the wire. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](http://brisnet.com) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,800. O-Michael Imperio & Elizabeth Loftus. B-Jill & Dominick Imperio (NY). T-Joseph Imperio.

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GENERAL MAXIMUS (Freud)

MAXIMUS WINS THE CROWD

Michael Imperio and Elizabeth Loftus's **General Maximus** (Freud--Modern Toughness, by Good and



Adam Coglianese

Tough) stamped himself as one to watch after graduating impressively in a snappy :57.42 at Belmont Park yesterday. The handsome chestnut, hammered down to 6-5 off his 10-1 morning-line

odds, brought an impressive worktab to the table, including a three-furlong bullet in :35 3/5 at the Big A June 28.

"He'd been training like a real good horse," trainer Joe Imperio said of the juvenile. "He's worked against some real good horses, and just beat everything I have. He's real professional and does everything right. We've always thought since he's been born that he was a good horse."

Imperio, who trains the colt for his cousin Michael, plans on taking a patient approach with the Empire-bred.

"We're going to take it slow with him and let him gather himself up after this race," the conditioner continued. "We're not going to try and make any mistakes--let's put it that way. We're just going to go nice and easy with him because we really think he's a nice horse."

Imperio purchased the unraced Modern Toughness, three at the time, while carrying General Maximus for a bargain \$2,000 at the 2006 NYBSEP sale.

"My uncle [co-breeder] Dominick [Imperio] liked the mare and the pedigree, and he told me to buy her if I liked her," said Imperio, who has a 20-horse stable based at Aqueduct. "When I saw her, she was a nice looking mare, and we decided to go for it."

Modern Toughness is also the dam of the unplaced three-year-old filly Bon Bon's Footnote (Read the Footnotes) and a yearling colt by Prime Timber. According to Imperio, Modern Toughness was struck and killed by lightning about a week after foaling her Prime Timber colt. --S.S.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the **8th Race, \$45,000 Allowance, at Belmont.** For pps and a complete race analysis, [click here](#).



★ CANADA ★

Yesterday's Results:

1st-WOX, \$52,419, Msw, (S), 2yo, 5f (AWT), :58 3/5, ft. + BOLD CANADIAN (g, 2, Bold n' Flashy--Miss Florielo, by Conquistador Cielo), sent off the 5-2 second choice, pressed the early pace, took over at the top of the stretch and drew clear to an easy 8 3/4-length victory over King of the Swamp (Trajectory). The winner was a C\$20,000 CANSEP yearling purchase. Click for the brisnet.com chart. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$30,834. O-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable. B-Bonny Breeze Acres (ON). T-Steven M Asmussen.

★ CENTRAL ★

Bridgmohan Injured:

Jockey Shaun Bridgmohan sustained a concussion and a compressed fracture of a vertebra in a training accident Monday at Churchill, according to *Daily Racing Form*. The 30-year-old reinsman will likely be out from four to six weeks. He was breezing a juvenile trained by Steve Asmussen when the horse broke down at the end of the workout. The two-year-old was euthanized.

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Colts: 33, 71, 92
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2nd-BEL (\$43K Msw) General Maximus (Freud) wins with ease in debut.

8th-BEL (\$48K Alw) Treat Gently (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}) scores in her U.S. debut for Bobby Frankel.

1st-HOL (\$46K Msw) Octogarian (Rock Hard Ten) gives freshman sire second winner.

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★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-HOL, \$68,324, Alw, C, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34 3/5, fm.

1--BOOTLEG ANNIE, 122, m, 5, Go for Gin--Shu Biz Annie (MSW, \$158,676), by Jaklin Klugman. O-Al & Sandra S Kirkwood,; B-R & Y Wira (CA); T-K Walsh. Lifetime Record: MSW, 28-14-4-4, \$373,358.

2--Bahama Mama (Ire), 120, m, 5, Invincible Spirit (Ire)--Nassma (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. (17,000gns wlng '04 TATDEC; 40,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT; 150,000gns 2yo '06 TATDEC).

3--Bitterbutsweet, 120, f, 4, Lemon Drop Kid--Ever Lasting, by General Assembly. (\$10,000 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$35,000 yrl '06 KEESEP).

Margins: 1 3/4, 1HF, 1. Odds: 1.00, 1.50, 13.50.

Bootleg Annie had toiled in the claiming ranks for much of her career, but appears to be getting better with age. The bay beat \$40,000 claimers at Santa Anita Feb. 28, took a starter allowance Mar. 28 and made it three in a row in the Fran's Valentine S. for Cal-breds at Hollywood Apr. 25. She tired to be sixth in the restricted Redondo Beach S. June 6, but was favored against open allowance foes here. Sent right to the front, she led every step and was kept to the task to prevail. Click for the brisnet.com chart.

2nd-HOL, \$58,300, Alw, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:42 2/5, ft.

CHAMPAGNE EYES (f, 4, Flatter--Corking {MSP}, by Sensitive Prince), winner of the restricted Santa Lucia H. at Santa Anita Apr. 11, weakened late to be fifth--beaten 15 lengths--by superstar Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) in the GII Milady H. May 23. Installed the 9-5 choice in this drop in class, the bay took charge from the start and was much the best late, winning by 10 1/2 lengths over Spinning Yarns (Free House). The \$30,000 FTKJUL yearling is a half to Betty Van (Broad Brush), GSP, \$128,538. Click for the brisnet.com chart. Lifetime Record: SW, 8-3-1-0, \$156,652.

O-Suarez Racing Inc. B-B D Gibbs Farm LLC & Fleetwood Bloodstock (KY). T-Doug F O'Neill.

Career Victory Who: Rafael Bejarano
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 Where: 5th race, at Hollywood
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5th-HOL, \$48,400, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 4/5, fm.

GOOD TIME SALLY (f, 4, Forestry--Golden Temper {GSW, \$347,413}, by Forty Niner), fourth over this course and trip June 14, was installed the 7-5 choice to get off the mark here. Settled in a stalking third in the early going, the dark bay was briefly headed at the top of the stretch, but regained control late and drew clear to score by 3 3/4 lengths over Susuan's Wildcat (Forest Wildcat). **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#).** Lifetime Record: 9-1-4-1, \$84,300.

O-Ferro Family Trust, John Sikura & Kathy Walsh. B-Pollock Farms (KY). T-Kathy Walsh.

4th-HOL, \$47,600, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:16 1/5, ft.

STASH (f, 4, Maria's Mon--River Cache, by Unbridled) tired late to be third going six furlongs over this course May 25 and was backed down to 3-2 favoritism to get the job done in her route bow. On top in the early going of this one, the \$275,000 KEESEP yearling had enough left in the tank to win by 3/4 of a length over Cherryblossommiss (Langfuhr). The \$400,000 KEESEP yearling is a half to Sentimental Charm (Silver Charm), MSW, \$213,185. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#).** Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$44,820.

O-Jay Em Ess Stable. B-Hanover Meadows (KY). T-Bruce Headley.

1st-HOL, \$46,400, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:10 1/5, ft.

+ OCTOGARIAN (f, 2, Rock Hard Ten--Coronda Rose, by Coronado's Quest), sent off the 3-2 second choice, took command soon after the start, held a 3 1/2-length cushion turning for home and had enough left in reserve to graduate by one length over Mi Sueno (Pulpit). With the victory, Octogarian becomes the second winner for her freshman sire (by Kris S.). The \$160,000 KEESEP yearling purchase RNA'd for \$110,000 at FTFEB. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#).** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,600.

O-J Paul Reddam. B-Fares Farm LLC (KY). T-D O'Neill.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Mingun Bell, c, 2, Mingun. See "Britain."
+ Breathless Kiss, f, 2, Roman Ruler. See "Britain."
Spring of Fame, c, 3, Grand Slam. See "Britain."

IN ITALY:

Cayo Paloma, f, 2, Wiseman's Ferry. See "Breeders' Edition Europe."



First-crop starters to watch: Friday, July 10

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2006 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- AFLEET ALEX** (Northern Afleet), Gainesway, \$40K, 138/0/0
 1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Alex a Fortiori, \$1K EAS SEP yrl, 12-1
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Ciminella, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- KITTEN'S JOY** (El Prado {Ire}), Ramsey, \$25K, 104/1/0
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Lisa's Kitten, 6-1
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Jill's Kitten, 6-1
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Raise the Kitty, \$67K OBS APR 2yo, 7-2
- LERODESANIMAU (BRZ)** (Candy Stripes), Stonewall, \$30K, 71/1/0
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Maux Money, \$60K KEE NOV wnl, 6-1
- MINISTERS WILD CAT** (Deputy Minister), Tommy Town, \$8K, 51/0/0
 7-NP, Stk, 6f, Scriptocat, \$19K ALB AUG yrl, 10-1
- OFFLEE WILD** (Wild Again), Darley, \$15K, 70/5/1
 7-NP, Stk, 6f, Offlee Fancee, \$12K FTK OCT yrl, 7-2
- ORATORY** (Pulpit), Country Life, \$5K, 58/2/0
 1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Rutledge Star, 3-1
- SHADOW HAWK** (Mr. Prospector), 13/0/0
 1-PRM, Msw, 1m, Deans Dancer, \$2K IOW SEP yrl, 6-1
- WILDCAT SHOES** (Forest Wildcat), Elite T'breeds, \$3K, 34/0/0
 3-LAD, Msw, 5f, +Wildcat Gypsy, 9-2

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Friday, July 10

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- CANDY RIDE (ARG)** (Ride the Rails), Hill 'n' Dale, \$10K, 216/47/5
 1-LS, Msw, 6f, +Fu Fu's Candy Kiss, 30-1
- CAT DREAMS** (Storm Cat), Tommy Town, \$4K, 77/9/0
 4-BEL, Msw, 6fT, +Alwaysinmydreams, 15-1
- CHAPEL ROYAL** (Montbrook), Ashford, \$10K, 279/68/2
 7-NP, Stk, 6f, Royal Path, 8-1
- DOMESTIC DISPUTE** (Unbridled's Song), Northview, \$5K, 157/25/0
 1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Bowdle, \$4K EAS SEP yrl, 6-1
- TOCCE** (Awesome Again), Castleton Lyons, \$15K, 158/44/2
 8-WO, Msw, 1 1/16m, +Copola, \$30K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
 7-NP, Stk, 6f, Tocway, \$11K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1

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RIO SET FOR RETURN Rio de la Plata (Rahy) is due to stage a comeback following a lengthy spell off the track, Godolphin revealed yesterday. Last seen when third in the G1 Prix Jean Prat at Chantilly last June, the 2007 G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere winner and 2008 G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains runner-up is nearing a return. "He had a setback in the spring, but is back in full work now after a respiratory problem," Racing Manager Simon Crisford commented. "He will be back in the second half of the season and is a really exciting horse to look forward to. All being well, he can have a really good campaign in September-October time."

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

BLUE SQUARE S., £80,000, Newmarket, 7-9, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:03.52, gd.

1--**#FIREBET (IRE)**, 131, c, 3, **Dubai Destination--Dancing Prize (Ire) (SP-Eng)**, by Sadler's Wells. (65,000gns wnlg '06 TATDEC; €50,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL). O-Mrs H Steel; B-Derek Veitch & Saleh Ali Hammadi; T-Richard Fahey; J-Paul Hanagan; £48,848. Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-0, £92,891. *1/2 to Seeking the Prize (GB) (Zafonic), GSP-UAE.

2--**Roman Republic (Fr)**, 122, c, 3, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Mare Nostrum (GB), by Caerleon. (200,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT). £14,928.

3--**Class is Class (Ire)**, 120, c, 3, **Montjeu (Ire)**--Hector's Girl (GB), by Hector Protector. £7,464.

Margins: 1 3/4, NK, HF. Odds: 7-1, 7-2, 11-4.

Firebet was brought along steadily by his former trainer Ann Duffield and garnered a nursery win at Chester in September from four starts at two. Runner-up to the smart Crackdown (Ire) (Refuse to Bend {Ire}) at Ripon on his sophomore bow Apr. 16, he met a possible group horse when filling that same spot behind Infiraad (GB) (Haafhd {GB}) on the Rowley Mile here May 2. Back to winning ways for his new trainer Richard Fahey in one-mile handicaps at Nottingham and Ayr in the space of nine days in June, the bay relished this step up in trip to book his ticket to a higher level. Reserved in rear early by a patient Paul Hanagan, he traveled strongly into contention and ground his way past Roman Republic in the final 150 yards. "I made an entry for him in the [July 26] G2 Prix Eugene Adam at Maisons-Laffitte on Wednesday and that would have looked foolish if he hadn't shaped up here, but we'll have a look at that," Fahey said. "We thought the trip would help him and it has done, as he's come home well, and a mile and a quarter is his forte. I'd keep him away from very quick ground and he's relaxing and going the right way--he could be a proper horse one day." [Video, courtesy of Racing UK.](#)

★ **NEW "TDN Rising Star"** ★

Newmarket, 15.45, Cond, £20,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.78, gd.

AWZAAN (GB), c, 2, by Alhaarth (Ire)

1st Dam: **Nufoos (GB) (SW & MGSP-Eng, \$133,45)**, by Zafonic

2nd Dam: **Desert Lynx (Ire)**, by Green Desert

3rd Dam: **Sweeping (GB)**, by Indian King

Sent off at 9-1 despite the obvious promise of his debut success at Hamilton June 17, Awzaan was anchored leaving the stalls and was protected from the fast early fractions. Slicing through rivals inside the final quarter, the homebred quickened to lead in a matter of strides approaching the furlong marker and drew away under hand riding to beat Amarty (Ire) (Acclamation {GB}) by five lengths. "For an Alhaarth to win first time over six furlongs was pretty good and, although he made the running there, they went quick here so I sat on him and he produced a really good turn of foot," jockey Richard Hills commented. "The mother was tough and regarding his ideal distance, Mark [Johnston] will probably go with what the horse shows us rather than his breeding." Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, £16,837. [Click for the Racing Post chart or the free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, courtesy Racing UK.](#) O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Limited; T-Mark Johnston.

Newmarket, 16.20, Cond, £20,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:38.52, gd.

SPRING OF FAME (c, 3, Grand Slam--Bloomy {SP-US}, by Polish Numbers), purchased by Godolphin following his fast-finishing second in Kempton's Kentucky Derby Challenge S. Feb. 18, was tried over 10 furlongs in the May 2 Listed Newmarket S. and a mile in Sandown's Listed Heron S. May 28. Third in both contests, the \$170,000 KEESEP yearling dipped a bit when seventh back up to 10 furlongs in Royal Ascot's Listed Hampton Court S. last time June 18 and was handed this as a confidence boost. Keen early restrained behind the pace, the 9-2 shot challenged between rivals and after leading at the furlong pole asserted to best Cloudy Start (GB) (Oasis Dream {GB}) by 3/4-lengths. Lifetime Record: MSP-Eng, 8-3-1-2, £45,048. [Video, courtesy of Racing UK.](#)

O-Godolphin; B-Brushwood Stable; T-Saeed bin Suroor.



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Doncaster, 19.45, Cond, £6,000, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:02.77, gd/sf.
+ BREATHLESS KISS (f, 2, [Roman Ruler](#)--Crusading Miss Cox {SP}, by Crusader Sword) raced in a prominent second after a furlong in this opening show. Pushed along on the run to the two pole, the 6-1 chance refused to surrender under a forceful drive in the closing stages to deny High Spice (Songandaprayer) by 3/4-lengths. The winner, the sixth for her freshman sire (by Fusaichi Pegasus) and third in Europe, was a \$145,000 KEENOV foal, RNA'd for \$140,000 as an FTSAUG yearling and resold as a \$60,000 FTFEB juvenile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,886. [Click for the Racing Post chart. Video, courtesy of attheraces.](#)
 O-Angie Bailey; B-Don & Pam Mattox; T-Kevin Ryan.

Folkestone, 14.10, Mdn, £5,500, 2yo, f, 5fT, :58.44, gd/fm.
TOMINTOUL SINGER (IRE) (f, 2, [Johannesburg](#)--Shivaree {GB}, by Rahy), a last-out second at Yarmouth June 11, missed a beat at the kick and raced in third after the opening exchanges. Sent to the front passing the two pole, the 11-10 choice was pushed out to score by 4 1/2 lengths from Memory and Magic (Sahm). Titoli di Coda (Ire) (Bertolini), a half-sister to Le Vie dei Colori (Ire) (Efisio {GB}), was never competitive and finished seventh. The winner, who RNA'd for 24,000gns as a TATDEC foal, was a 25,000gns TATDEC yearling. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, £5,778. [Video, courtesy attheraces.](#)
 O-Angus Dundee Distillers Plc; B-Paul & T J Monaghan; T-Henry Cecil.

Warwick, 14.20, Mdn, £5,250, 2yo, 7f 26ydsT, 1:24.73, gd/fm.
MINGUN BELL (c, 2, [Mingun](#)--Miss Tippins, by Squadron Leader), third at Leicester last time June 18, was positioned in fifth through the early fractions of this one. Coaxed along passing the quarter-mile marker, the 2-1 chalk came under a drive approaching the closing panel and swooped late under continued urging to oust Duplicity (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) by a half-length. The second winner for his first-crop sire (by A.P. Indy), he was a \$25,000 KEENOV foal and a \$55,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-2, £4,700. [Video, courtesy Racing UK.](#)
 O-Niarchos Family; B-Paula W Cline; T-Henry Cecil.

Epsom, 18.50, Mdn, £5,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.50, gd/sf.
SILVER GREY (IRE) (f, 2, [Chineur](#) {Fr}--Operissimo {GB}, by Singspiel {Ire}), a debut second at Chepstow May 26, raced in a handy fifth from the break in this one. Angled wide once into the stretch run, the 7-2 chance was ridden along to challenge approaching the final furlong and comfortably asserted superiority in the closing stages to score by three lengths from Cuthbert (Ire) (Bertolini). The winner, the fifth for her freshman sire (by Fasliyev), was a 5,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,047.
 O-Z Malik; B-Tally-Ho Stud; T-Roger Ingram.

Warwick, 17.15, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo/up, 12f 134ydsT, 2:47.96, gd/fm.
DOGGERBANK (IRE) (f, 3, [Oasis Dream](#) {GB}--Discreet Brief {Ire} {Co. Hwt. 3yo Filly-Eng at 14f+, GSW-Eng, GSP-Ity, SP-Ger, \$109,094}, by Darshaan {GB}), a first-up second at Lingfield June 22, raced in second until shuffled back to third after a half mile. Pushed along to challenge off the home turn, the 8-11 crowd's choice stayed on strongly in the latter stages to comfortably assert by 1 1/4 lengths from the subsequently demoted Sally Forth (GB) (Dubai Destination). The winner RNA'd for 95,000gns as a TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £3,820. [Video, courtesy of Racing UK.](#)
 O-G Schoeningh; B-Airlie Stud; T-Henry Cecil.

Folkestone, 14.45, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo, 7fT, 1:25.40, gd/fm.
SILK TRAIL (GB) (f, 3, [Dubai Destination](#)--Satin Flower {GSW-Eng, G1SP-US, \$187,887}, by Shadeed), runner-up at Newcastle last time June 26, led after the early steps of this one. Shaken up approaching the final quarter mile, the 1-5 favorite was ridden out late to hold Kessraa (Ire) (Kheleyf) by a half-length. The winner is a half-sister to Lujain (Seeking the Gold), G1SW-Eng, \$139,762; Lilium (GB) (Nashwan), MSW & GSP-Eng; and Botanical (Seeking the Gold), G1SP-UAE, GSP-Eng, \$403,510. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-2, £6,273. [Video, courtesy of attheraces.](#)
 O-Godolphin; B-Darley; T-Saeed bin Suroor.

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15.45 Newmarket (Cond) Azwaan (GB) (Alhaarth {Ire}) becomes the newest ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆.
19.45 Doncaster (Cond) Breathless Kiss (Roman Ruler) scores at first asking.
18.00 Leopardstown (Mdn) Third time the charm for the regally bred **Famous (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}).



★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Clairefontaine, 13.05, Cond, €34,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:41.50, sf.

ACCORD SECRET (FR) (c, 3, Okawango--Super Vite {SW & GSP-Fr}, by Septieme Ciel), fifth in the Listed Prix Omnium II at Saint-Cloud last time Mar. 23, raced in fourth until the straight in this lesser spot. Sent wide off the home turn, the 9-10 pick was ridden along to challenge approaching the final eighth and kept on well under urging in the closing stages to best Faylan (Fr) (Indian Rocket {GB}) by 1 1/2 lengths. The winner was a €52,000 DEAAUG yearling. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €43,250.

O-Frank McNulty; B-Haras d'Etream; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.

Clairefontaine, 13.35, Mdn, €22,000, unraced 3yo, f, 1 1/2mT, 2:38.20, sf.

+ DARYAKANA (FR) (f, 3, Selkirk--Daryaba {Ire} {MG1SW-Fr, \$371,601}, by Night Shift) dwelt at the break and raced in rear for much of this debut. Moving into contention rounding the home turn, the 23-10 chalk came under pressure to make her bid approaching the final furlong and stayed on well in the latter stages to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Fastback (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}). The homebred is a half to Daramsar (Fr) (Rainbow Quest), GSW-Fr, \$215,630. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €11,000.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre.

★ IRELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

Leopardstown, 18.00, Mdn, €17,500, 2yo, f, 7fT, 1:29.01, gd/fm.

FAMOUS (IRE) (f, 2, Danehill Dancer {Ire}--Starlight Dreams, by Black Tie Affair {Ire}) went postward as the 1-3 choice coming off a fourth in the June 26 Listed Ballygallon Stud S. at The Curragh and led after the early strides here. Maintaining control throughout, the €1-million GOFMIL yearling surged clear inside the final quarter mile and was ridden out to defeat Rosa Muscosa (Dixie Union) by 3 1/2 lengths. Regally bred, she is a full sister to Mastercraftsman (Ire), Ch. 2yo-Eur, Hwt. 2yo Colt-Ire, MG1SW-Ire, G1SW-Eng, \$1,278,964; and a 3/4-sister to Genuine Devotion (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), GSW-US, \$275,725. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, €16,968. [Click for the Racing Post chart.](#) [Video, courtesy of attheraces.](#)

O-Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Lynch Bages Ltd; T-Aidan O'Brien.




2.25 Deauville, Cond, €34,000, 2yo, f, 6fT

BETA LEO (A.P. Indy) earned **"TDN Rising Star"** status with a smooth debut win over 5 1/2 furlongs at Maisons-Laffitte last month and the Niarchos family's daughter of the 2003 G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner Denebola (Storm Cat) from the dynasty of Coup de Folie is kept to conditions level at the moment by Pascal Bary. She encounters the Toulouse winner **Zeniycya (Fr) (Red Ransom)**, who represents His Highness the Aga Khan and Jean-Claude Rouget.

2.25 Ascot, Mdn, £12,000, 2yo, 6fT

FROZEN POWER (IRE) (Oasis Dream {GB}) makes his debut for Godolphin and has a serious family reputation to uphold as a half-brother to the star performer Finsceal Beo (Ire) (Mr. Greeley). His other half-sister Musical Bar (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}) was also stakes-placed, and his sire is carrying all before him at the moment.



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★ JAPAN ★

Wednesday's Results:

JAPAN DIRT DERBY-Listed, ¥85,000,000, Ohi, 7-8, 3yo, 2000m, 2:04.5, yl.

1--#TESTA MATTA, 123, c, 3, by Tapit

1st Dam: Difficult, by Concern

2nd Dam: Wings of Jove, by Northern Jove

3rd Dam: Regatela, by Dr. Fager

(\$20,000 RNA yrl '07 KESEF; \$60,000 2yo '08 BESMAR). O-Kazumi Yoshida; B-Waterford Farm; T-Akira Murayama; J-Yasunari Iwata; ¥50,000,000. Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-0, ¥80,664,000.

2--Silk Mobius (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Stay Gold (Jpn)--Channel One (Jpn), by Polish Navy.

3--Golden Ticket (Jpn), 123, c, 3, King Kamehameha--Agnes Chocolat (Jpn), by Sunday Silence.

Margins: 2, 4, 1HF. Odds: 10.80, 2.20, 2.90.



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BLACK-TYPE RESULTS:

REPERCUSSION S., \$90,412, WOX, 7-8, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2fT, 1:13 2/5, fm.

1--#**LADY ATTACK**, 119, m, 5, **Mutakddim--She's a Slewpy**, by **Slewpy**. (\$150,000 2yo '06 FTFEB; \$30,000 yrl '05 KEESEP; \$105,000 HRA '09 KEEJAN). O-Hill 'n' Dale Equine Holdings Inc; B-Oak Haven Farm (KY); T-Josie Carroll; J-Patrick Husbands; \$51,444. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 12-4-2-2, \$212,231. *1/2 to **Slewpy's Storm** (Storm Creek), MSW, \$233,700.

2--**Saskawea**, 119, m, 5, **Stormy Atlantic--Saintly Angel**, by **St. Jovite**. \$19,720.

3--**Pleasant Review**, 119, m, 5, **Pleasant Tap--Dance Review**, by **Northern Dancer**. \$9,431. Margins: NK, NK, 2HF. Odds: 4.75, 1.75, 12.35.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

2nd-WOX, \$64,391, 7-8, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41, fm.

PARABOLA (g, 3, **Trajectory--Flying Tabriz**, by **Turkoman**) O/B-Janet Jeanpierre (ON); T-Barbara J Minshall. Lifetime Record: SW, 10-3-0-1, \$140,511.

3rd-WOX, \$63,297, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46 4/5, ft.

SUNFLOWER DRIVE (f, 4, **Paynes Bay--Palmetto Bay**, by **Broad Brush**) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$107,291. O-Melnyk Racing Stables Inc. B-Eugene Melnyk (FL). T-Mark E Casse. *1/2 to **Cherry Grove** (Archers Bay), SP, \$184,309.

2nd-WOX, \$59,527, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:39 3/5, fm.

MEKONG MELODY (IRE) (f, 4, **Cape Cross {Ire}--Nini Princesse {Ire}**, by **Niniski**) Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 13-2-5-2, \$77,001. O/B-David C Egan (IRE). T-Roger L Attfield. *1/2 to **Miss Honorine** (Ire) (Highest Honor {Fr}), MSW & MGSP-Eng, \$169,889.

7th-PID, \$51,480, 7-8, NW16MX, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:02 4/5, ft.

NIGHT STAND (g, 6, **Diamond--Infinite Passion**, by **Polish Numbers**) Lifetime Record: MSP, 35-9-11-5, \$388,139. O-W P C Stable. B-Joe-Dan Farm (PA). T-Jose A Gallegos.

8th-MTH, \$50,840, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5fT, :54 3/5, fm.

BIG DEALER (g, 6, **Polish Numbers--Clayton's Nobility**, by **Mark of Nobility**) Lifetime Record: 32-7-1-4, \$242,039. O/B-Richard Malouf (NJ). T-Edwin T Broome. *1/2 to **Knockout Kid** (Two Punch), SP, \$205,576; **Punch The Odds** (Two Punch), SW, \$194,786.

6th-PID, \$42,570, 7-8, NW3X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:37, ft.

ROLLICKING AFFAIR (f, 4, **Black Tie Affair {Ire}--What a Rollick {SW}**, by **Rollicking**) Lifetime Record: 12-4-1-2, \$114,869. O-Christopher Progn. B-Dresden Farm (VA). T-Christopher Progn.

7th-PID, \$38,220, NW2L, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:09 3/5, ft.

GOLDZAR (g, 4, **Cozar--Golden Asset**, by **Gold Crest**) Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-3, \$65,700. O-Baldwin & Wismer. B-Glenn & Irene Wismer (KY). T-Glenn S Wismer.

5th-PEN, \$36,792, NW1X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

HIT A HOMER (g, 3, **Grand Slam--She Looks Wicked**, by **Seattle Slew**) Lifetime Record: 10-4-0-1, \$50,751. O-Nick Sanna Stables LLC. B-Mr & Mrs Robert David Randal (KY). T-Michael V Pino. *\$75,000 RNA yrl '07 KEESEP.

7th-APX, \$33,500, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, a8.5fT, 1:42 3/5, yl.

MY COUSIN PEPI (m, 6, **Go for Gin--Native Meadow**, by **Meadowlake**) Lifetime Record: 13-3-5-1, \$89,435. O/B-Allen Tanis (IL). T-Christine K Janks.

6th-APX, \$30,500, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:45 2/5, ft.

DOUBLE PITTSBURGH (c, 3, **More Than Ready--Sewickley Heights**, by **Pleasant Colony**) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$58,875. O/B-Kim and Rodney Nardelli, John Clarke & Lewis G Lakin (KY). T-Rebecca Maker. *\$17,000 RNA yrl '07 FTKOCT; \$50,000 RNA yrl '07 KEESEP.

8th-IND, \$30,000, 7-8, NW16MX, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

FLEETHEART (m, 6, **Northern Afleet--Guarded Optomist**, by **Spend a Buck**) Lifetime Record: SP, 14-5-1-1, \$138,470. O-Hinkle Farms. B-Brett Rice (FL). T-Thomas M Amoss. *1/2 to **Guardianofthegate** (Gate Dancer), MSW, \$273,532; and full to **Afleet Angel**, MSW, \$413,941; **Guardianofthenorth**, MSP, \$214,301.

4th-CTX, \$29,000, 7-8, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 3/5, ft.

CHELSEA BARTON (f, 3, **Honour and Glory--Ruby Rubles {GSW}**, \$475,546}, by **Scarlet Ibis**) Lifetime Record: SP, 8-2-2-2, \$60,614. O/B-The Elkstone Group LLC (KY). T-Ron G Potts.

8th-EVD, \$27,640, 7-8, NW3L, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23 2/5, wf.

KISSIN CHILD (g, 4, **Snuck In--Kissin Miss**, by **Kissin Kris**) Lifetime Record: 5-3-1-0, \$62,840. O-Velocity Farm LLC. B-Artie & Patty Hawkesworth (FL). T-Alfonso Balderas.



7th-CRC, \$22,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 4/5, gd.

RUBAIYAT (c, 4, Awesome Again--Rangoon Ruby {GSP-Fr}, by Kingmambo) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-3, \$53,045. O-Peachtree Stable. B-Flaxman Holdings Ltd (KY). T-Martin D Wolfson. * \$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Sagara (Sadler's Wells), Hwt 3yo-Fr at 11-14f, G1SP-Fr, MGSP-Eng, \$525,002.

8th-NPX, \$21,961, 7-8, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW1R6MX, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41, my.

SMILE N WAVE (g, 4, Smile Again--Nearctic Wave, by Steady Effort) Lifetime Record: SW, 13-6-0-4, \$92,015. O-Dennis, Lora & Wendy Barton. B-Dennis M Barton (AB). T-Joan Petrowski.

4th-NPX, \$18,864, 7-8, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW1\$Y+, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18 4/5, my.

RARE CRYSTAL (m, 6, Bright Launch--Crystal Flag {SP}, by High Brite) Lifetime Record: SW, 22-10-2-4, \$110,128. O-James E Cranwell. B-Leigh & Alfred Hurst Nuckols III (KY). T-Jim Meyard. * \$6,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Champagne Rhythm, f, 2, Eddington--Actceptional (MSP), by Noactor. PEN, 7-9, (C), 5f, 1:01. B-North Wales LLC (KY). * \$25,000 yrl '08 FTMOCT.**

** Fourth winner for freshman sire (by Unbridled).

+ **Bailey's Charm, g, 2, Soto--Face Turner, by Alwuhush. EVD, 7-9, (S), 5f, :59 2/5. B-Highclere & Gary Guidry (LA). * \$25,000 yrl '08 TEXAUG.**

Valid in Progress, g, 2, Valid Expectations--Purple Lady Day, by Rahy. PEN, 7-8, (C), 5f, 1:01. B-Ed Few (TX). * \$1,000 yrl '08 TEXAUG; \$4,000 2yo '09 TEXMAR; \$12,000 RNA wlng '07 KEENOV.

Down Town Allen, f, 2, Windsor Castle--Like Down Town, by Roy. CTX, 7-9, (S), 4 1/2f, :53. B-John Allen Casey (WV).

B B's Bop, f, 3, Bop--B B's Prospect, by Allen's Prospect. CTX, 7-8, (S), 4 1/2f, :54. B-Vermont Horses, LLC (VA).

Quick Hit, f, 3, Direct Hit--La Revanche, by Dehere. EVD, 7-8, (S), 6f, 1:13. B-Marc & Jill Winston (LA).

Three Bridge Road, g, 3, During--Areti, by Harlan. BEL, 7-9, (S), 1 1/16mT, 1:43. B-Briggs/Cromartie & B D Gibbs Farm, LLC (NY). * \$14,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Guided Wave, f, 3, Jump Start--Alcea, by Honour and Glory. PLN, 7-9, 1m70y, 1:41 1/5. B-Dede McGehee (KY). * \$75,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Touchdown Jesus, g, 3, Lion Hearted--Office Miss (MSW, \$394,721), by Silver Ghost. LAD, 7-9, (S), a1 1/16mT, 1:44 4/5. B-Southern Equine Stables LLC (LA). * \$9,000 yrl '07 LOUOCT.

The Sterling Boys, g, 3, Mizzen Mast--Fairy Glade, by Gone West. EVD, 7-9, 7 1/2fT, 1:31 4/5. B-Millsec Limited (KY). * \$10,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Guipago, c, 3, My Way Only--Cherokee Chick, by Cherokee Fellow. WOX, 7-9, (S), 1 3/8mT, 2:17 3/5. B-Heste Sport Inc. (ON). * C\$1,200 yrl '07 CANOCT.

Tapitbound, g, 3, Tapit--Gloriosity, by Boundary. PID, 7-9, 1m (AWT), 1:39. B-Dr. Joselito Millan (KY). * \$16,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Uno Chapo, g, 3, Texas Glitter--With Zest, by With Approval. APX, 7-9, (S), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46 4/5. B-Salvador Hernandez (IL).

Toccetup, f, 3, Toccet--Queenofeverything, by Kingmambo. EVD, 7-8, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:48 1/5. B-Coffeepot Stable (KY). * \$25,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Jemerra, f, 4, Bold Executive--Most Precarious, by Numerous. WOX, 7-8, (S), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46. B-Kingview Farms (ON). * C\$35,000 yrl '06 ONTSEP.

River Scene, c, 4, River Squall--Flee the Scene, by Criminal Type. LAD, 7-9, a1mT, 1:38. B-Donald Eberts (TX). * 1/2 to Northern Scene (Northern Baby), MSW, \$311,785.

She's Very Rare, f, 4, Unusual Heat--Grilltoperfection, by Perfect Mandate. HOL, 7-9, (S), (C), 6f (AWT), 1:10 3/5. B-Old English Rancho (CA).

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Tweeter (Unbridled's Song), 4f, :47.40, 1/37

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Milan, 16.40, 7-8, €31,500, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:52.00, gd/sf.

JOHANNES MOZART (IRE) (c, 3, [Spinning World](#)--Nicolitta {Ire}, by Nicolotte {GB}) Lifetime Record: 14-7-1-1, €50,252. O-Valentina Sestili; B-M Bambrick; T-Elisabetta Bernardini. *€5,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL.

FRANCE, Clairefontaine, 14.45, €21,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:37.30, sf.

SATWA PRINCE (FR) (h, 6, Munir {GB}--Toryka {Fr}, by Vettori {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 17 starts, 5 wins, 10 places, €121,950. O-Steven & Mme Gillian Lamprell; B-Mme Maria Rodrigues Mendes; T-Jean de Roualle.

IRELAND, Leopardstown, 20.00, €21,000, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:13.33, gd/fm.

MISS GORICA (IRE) (m, 5, Mull of Kintyre--Allegorica {Ire}, by Alzao) Lifetime Record: SP-Ire, 38-5-4-7, €147,335. O-G Tierney; B-Miss A R Byrne; T-Joanna Morgan. *€16,000 yrl '05 TATIRE.

BRITAIN, Epsom, 19.55, £12,000, 3yo/up, 10f 18ydsT, 2:10.21, gd/sf.

FAIRMILE (GB) (g, 7, Spectrum {Ire}--Juno Marlowe {Ire}, by Danehill) Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 26-6-6-4, £211,133. O-Dr Marwan Koukash; B-Pendley Farm; T-Ian Williams. *280,000gns HIT '06 TATAUT; 17,000gns HIT '08 TATAUT. **1/2 to Marzeline (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}), SW & GISP-US, \$241,387.

ITALY, Grosseto, 23.30, 7-8, €10,800, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:31.00, gd.

LIBERO MERCATO (IRE) (c, 4, Golan {Ire}--Afto {GSW-US, \$133,386}, by Relaunch) Lifetime Record: 12-5-2-0, €57,443. O-Vittorio Feltri; B-Scuderia San Pancrazio; T-Stefano Botti.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Danger Mulally (GB), g, 2, Governor Brown--Glittering Image (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Warwick, Britain, 7-9, Mdn, 2yo, 7f 26ydsT. B-D Robb. *£16,000 yrl '08 DONAUG. *First winner for freshman sire (by Kingmambo).

Cayo Paloma, f, 2, Wiseman's Ferry--Five Stars (GB), by Bahamian Bounty (GB). Milan, Italy, 7-8, Mdn, 2yo, f, 7fT. B-Epona LLC. *\$4,700 RNA yrl '08 OBSAUG.

Wholdaia (Ire), f, 3, Alhaarth (Ire)--Edhkerini (GB), by Lammtarra. Milan, Italy, 7-8, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4mT. B-Darley. *8,500gns yrl '07 TATOCT

Forever Nadine (Ger), f, 3, Kornado (GB)--Forever Nice (Ger), by Greinton (GB). Frankfurt, Germany, 7-8, Cond, 3yo, 10f 165ydsT. B-Reinhard Ueber. *€43,000 2yo '08 BBAMAY. **1/2 to Forever Free (Ger) (Platini {Ger}), SW-Ger; and Forthe Millionkiss (Ger) (Dashing Blade {GB}), GSW-Ger, SW-Fr, \$213,141.

+ **Mix Dancer (Ire), g, 3, Linamix (Fr)--Pollys Dance (Fr),** by Kaldoun (Fr). Clairefontaine, France, 7-9, Mdn, unraced 3yo, c/g, 1 1/2mT. B-Francois Bayrou. *€50,000 yrl '07 DEAAUG.

Meran (Ger), f, 3, Sholokhov (Ire)--Mistic Pearl (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB). Frankfurt, Germany, 7-8, Cond, 3yo, f, 1mT. B-Gestut Etzean & Dr Klaus Schulte. *€28,000 yrl '07 BBAAUG.

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