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OUT OF THE BOX THINKING

Perhaps no owner has embodied out-of-the-box thinking more than Robert LaPenta. On several occasions, he has audaciously decided to retain horses offered at two-year-olds in training sales, even at high six-figure hammer prices. In the case of **Ice Box** (Pulpit), the \$125,000 Keeneland September graduate was catalogued for the 2009 Fasig-Tipton Calder Sale, but never went under the hammer. "He trained great on the farm, but he just didn't take to the track at Calder and we decided to scratch him," explained the owner's son, Robert Jr. "We pulled him out and what a good decision that was." *Florida Derby cont. p2*

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

FLORIDA DERBY-GI, \$750,000, GPX, 3-20, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:49, ft.

1-▲#@**ICE BOX**, 122, c, 3, by [Pulpit](#)

1st Dam: **Spice Island** (GSW, \$487,376), by **Tabasco Cat**

2nd Dam: **Crown of Sheba**, by **Alysheba**

3rd Dam: **Belle de Jour**, by **Speak John**

(\$125,000 yrl '08 KEESEP). O-Robert V LaPenta; B-Denlea Park Ltd (KY); T-Nicholas P Zito; J-Jose Lezcano; \$450,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$506,534. **Werk Nick Rating: A + +**. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)

A Pedigree Consultants Recommended Mating

2--**Pleasant Prince**, 122, c, 3, Indy King--Archduchess, by Pleasant Tap. (\$30,000 yrl '08 OBSAUG).

O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey; B-Adena Springs (FL); T-Wesley A Ward; \$150,000.

Adena Springs/Hidden Brook Sales Grad

3--**Rule**, 122, c, 3, [Roman Ruler](#)--Rockcide, by Personal Flag. O/B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; \$75,000.

Margins: NO, 1 1/4, 4HF. Odds: 20.70, 29.00, 1.90. Also Ran: Lentenor, First Dude, Pulsion, Game On Dude, Soaring Empire, Radiohead (GB), Miner's Reserve, Best Actor.

D'FUNNYBONE ALL BUSINESS IN SWALE

Paul Pompa's **D' Funnybone** (D'wildcat) continued to show why he is the leading sprinter of his generation, contesting a fast pace before holding off **lbbooyee** (Medallist) for a 1 1/4-length victory in Saturday's GII Swale S. at Gulfstream Park. It was the fourth graded win in seven career starts for the clean chestnut, who came into the Swale off a one-length victory in the GII Hutcheson S. over course and distance Feb. 20. The 10 1/2-length winner of the GII Saratoga Special in his first start for Rick Dutrow Jr. last August, D' Funnybone added a 4 3/4-length success in the GII Futurity S. Sept. 19, but flopped when last in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Nov. 7. Given plenty of time to regroup, he resurfaced in the Hutcheson, and the one-length margin of victory belied the ease with which it was accomplished. History would repeat in the Swale. Away cleanly, D' Funnybone argued the pace outside **Hear Ye Hear Ye** (Hear No Evil) and inside of **Privileged** (Southern Image), took command midway on the turn and stayed on gamely as lbbooyee closed best of all from the rear. **Swale chart. p4**



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Florida Derby cont.

Ice, Ice Baby...

Ice Box was unplaced in his first three career trips to the post, including a fourth-place effort behind **Rule** (Roman Ruler) in an Oct. 8 Belmont maiden, then shipped across the Hudson River and made a successful two-turn debut at the Meadowlands Oct. 30, scoring by a half-length. That effort put a wrap on his two-year-old campaign, and he resurfaced in a Jan. 18 entry-level allowance, where he encountered **Pleasant Prince** (Indy King) for the first time. Sent off at 6-1 in his seasonal bow, Ice Box sat a three-wide trip, engaged the Ramsey runner at the eighth pole and prevailed by a half-length. The duo squared off again in the GII Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 20, and Pleasant Prince evened the head-to-head battle at one apiece, finishing fourth, 1 3/4 lengths ahead of Ice Box and over 10 lengths behind the victorious Eskendereya (Giant's Causeway).

Anatomy of an Upset...

While **Pulsion** (Include) and Rule slugged it out up front, Ice Box was allowed to drift right out the back of the field over a track that seemed kind to speed all day long. Still last after a half-mile in :46.46 and six panels in 1:10.76, the LaPenta runner began to slingshot past rivals on the turn and caught the eye while wide into the stretch. Up front, favored Rule had finally dis-



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patched the other speed and opened a two-length advantage leaving the eighth pole. But he was immediately tackled, first by Pleasant Prince, who rolled past and seemed on his way to victory. Even in the final 30 yards it looked like he would not be caught, but Ice Box came with a relentless rally to get his nose

down on the money. "I just let him go at his own pace through the first part of the race and didn't want to rush him," explained winning rider Jose Lezcano. "At the five-eighths, I started to ask him a little bit and he got to running along. Then I got into him a little more at the three-eighths, and that's when he took off and started flying. I was a little worried that I would have to go too wide on the turn and use him too much then, but I knew I needed to get him in the clear so he could keep up his run. I didn't think the other horse [Pleasant Prince] would stay there like he did, but I knew in the last jump that my horse got there and stayed there."

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park

BONNIE MISS S.-GII, \$200,000, GPX, 3-20, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m, 1:49, ft.

1--**DEVIL MAY CARE**, 122, f, 3, by [Malibu Moon](#)

1st Dam: **Kelli's Ransom**, by Red Ransom

2nd Dam: **Musical Minister**, by Deputy Minister

3rd Dam: **Ballerina Princess**, by Mr. Prospector

(\$110,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$400,000 RNA 2yo '09 FTFEB). O-Glencrest Farm LLC; B-Diamond A Racing Corp (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-John R Velazquez; \$120,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-3-0-0, \$399,000. *1/2 to Regal Ransom (Distorted Humor), GSW-US & UAE, \$1,747,200. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

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A Pedigree Consultants Recommended Mating

2--**Amen Hallelujah**, 122, f, 3, Montbrook--Sara's Success, by Concorde's Tune. (\$40,000 yrl '08 KEESEP). O-IEAH Stables & Whizway Farms; B-Thorobeam Farm (FL); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr; \$40,000.

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3--**Joanie's Catch**, 116, f, 3, First Tour--Caught Speeding, by Saint Ballado. O/B-Rose Family Stable Ltd (FL); T-Barry R Rose; \$20,000.
Margins: 2 3/4, 5, 1. Odds: 7.10, 1.50, 12.40.
Also Ran: Switch, Christine Daae, Danny's Friend.



Bonnie Miss S. cont.

A half-sister to MGSW Regal Ransom (Distorted Humor), Devil May Care was bet down to 2-1 favoritism for a Travers Day maiden--always among the toughest to win--at Saratoga Aug. 29, but came through that debut with flying colors, scoring by a good-looking 4 3/4 lengths. Connections had no problem stepping their filly way up in class for the GI Frizette S. going Belmont's one-turn mile Oct. 10, and the bay responded in kind, recovering from a stumble as they left the gate to hold on late for a head success. From there it was on to Santa Anita for the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Nov. 6. Trainer Todd Pletcher expressed some concern going into that event that Devil May Care may not take to the synthetic surface, and those words proved prophetic, as she never really reached contention and checked in 11th behind She Be Wild (Offlee Wild), beaten nearly 10 lengths. Put away for the year off that effort, Devil May Care was sent to New Orleans, where she was the 4-5 chalk to kick off her sophomore campaign on a winning note in the GIII Silverbulletday S. Feb. 20. However, very little went right. Fractious in the gate, she ranged up into contention after six furlongs, but wilted down the stretch to finish some 13 lengths adrift of the winner in fifth. Amen Hallelujah and favored Christine Daae (Giant's Causeway) engaged in their own little match race from the two outside stalls, allowing Tyler Baze and Switch (Quiet American) to slide through to take up the running into the clubhouse turn. That California raider got her opening half-mile in :47.28 with the two main protagonists stacked up to her outside. The pacesetter called it a day at the three-eighths marker, allowing Amen Hallelujah, a touch keen beneath Julien Lejaroux, to take over after six furlongs in 1:10.76. The lead was short-lived, however, as Devil May Care, allowed to save every bit of ground, came to tackle in upper stretch. She was edging clear past the eighth pole when she shied from the whip and crossed in front of Amen Hallelujah. Straightened thereafter, she increased her margin to the wire for the victory. "We've always thought a lot of this filly, but I'm not surprised that some could be a little skeptical after her last two races," winning trainer Todd Pletcher explained. "In the case of the Breeders' Cup it was simply a matter of she hated the synthetic [track]. She trained great for the race in Louisiana, but then she misbehaved at the gate and then they got pretty severe with her and then used tongs, which most fillies don't handle well." Devil May Care goes straight to the GI Kentucky Oaks Apr. 30.

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Saturday, Santa Anita

SAN LUIS REY H.-GII, \$150,000, SAX, 3-20, 4yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:24, fm.

1--**BOURBON BAY**, 120, g, 4, by [Sligo Bay \(Ire\)](#)
 1st Dam: Coral Necklace, by Conquistador Cielo
 2nd Dam: Private Banking, by Private Account
 3rd Dam: Flag Waver, by Hoist the Flag (\$1,700 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-David & Jill Heerensperger; B-Adena Springs (KY); T-Neil D Drysdale; J-Rafael Bejarano; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-2, \$300,384. *1/2 to Booyah (Running Stag), SW, \$190,728; and Ginger Brew (Milwaukee Brew), Ch. 3yo Filly-Can, MSW & MGSP, \$970,311. **Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.** Werk Nick Rating: D+.

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2--**Romp (Arg)**, 115, g, 6, Incurable Optimist--Stormy Secret (Arg), by Hidden Prize. O-Sisters in Racing Stable & Jeff Siskin; B-John T Behrendt (ARG); T-Kristin Mulhall; \$30,000.

3--**Sudden War (Arg)**, 118, g, 5, Sunray Spirit--Swiftly War (Arg), by Lord At War (Arg). O-Magdalena Racing, Bruce Frazier & Bill Hughes; B-San Francisco De Pilar (ARG); T-Kenneth G McPeek; \$18,000.

Margins: 2HF, HD, 1HF. Odds: 0.90, 50.30, 9.30. Also Ran: Obrigado (Fr), Unusual Suspect, Dynamic Range, Lease of Life, Unusual Smoke, High Court Drama (Ire), Quasicobra.

TDN TODAY

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San Luis Rey H. cont.

Bourbon Bay was 10th over a yielding Woodbine turf course Oct. 30, then returned to his California base and finished fourth in a 10-furlong entry-level allowance at Hollywood Park Dec. 4. Stepped up to 12 furlongs for a Jan. 6 allowance over this turf course, the one-time \$1,700 yearling purchase pulled away to take it by 3 1/2 lengths and remained perfect at that marathon



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distance in his latest, rolling home by 4 1/2 lengths in the GII San Luis Obispo H. Feb. 21. Odds-on to keep his streak in tact, Bourbon Bay raced closest to Quasicobra as that one established reasonably fast fractions for the trip. Rafael Bejarano pushed the button and

asked Bourbon Bay to go after the leader leaving the half-mile pole. The gelding edged to the front nearly effortlessly and responded to open daylight, winning with something in reserve. "We were going a little faster than the last time, but I still had a lot of horse at the end," the winning jockey commented. "After the second turn I could see my horse was getting comfortable and I knew I had a chance to win the race. He made a move at the three-eighths and passed everybody. This horse is getting through every time he runs, and he is getting better every time he runs. I'm so happy he won again." [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#), the [brisnet.com PPs](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

Saturday, Gulfstream Park

SWALE S.-GII, \$150,000, GPX, 3-20, 3yo, 7f, 1:21 4/5, ft.

1--**D' FUNNYBONE**, 122, c, 3, by [D'wildcat](#)

1st Dam: **Elbow**, by Woodman

2nd Dam: **Elvia**, by Roberto

3rd Dam: **Chain Bracelet**, by Lyphard

O-Paul P Pompa Jr; B-Harold J Plumley (FL); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr; J-Edgar S Prado; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 7-5-1-0, \$458,200. *1/2 to Dr. Kathy (Polish Numbers), SW & GSP. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#). **Werk Nick Rating: B.**

2--**lbboyee**, 120, c, 3, Medallist--Expect Excellence, by Pentelicus. (\$35,000 wIng '07 KEENOV; \$120,000 yrl '08 FTNAUG). O-Anstu Stables Inc; B-Dr Patricia S Purdy (NY); T-Todd A Pletcher; \$30,000.

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3--**Privileged**, 114, r, 3, Southern Image--Hasty Appeal, by World Appeal. (\$290,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$470,000 RNA 2yo '09 BESMAY). O-CRK Stable; B-Luis de Hechavarria (FL); T-John W Sadler; \$15,000.

Another IBS Yearling Auction Purchase

Margins: 1 1/4, 2 1/4, 4 3/4. Odds: 0.50, 3.90, 35.40. Also Ran: Hear Ye Hear Ye, Dixie Band, Fearless Cowboy, City Trooper, Gary D, Silver Craft.

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RAMPART S.-GIII, \$150,000, GPX, 3-20, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:49 1/5, ft.

1--**@UNRIVALED BELLE**, 117, f, 4, by [Unbridled's Song](#)

1st Dam: Queenie Belle (MGSW, \$624,790),

by **Bertrando**

2nd Dam: **Lady Argyle**, by **Don B.**

3rd Dam: **Fleet Polly**, by **Fleet Discovery**

(\$260,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O/B-Gary Seidler & Peter Vegso (KY); T-William I Mott; J-Kent J Desormeaux; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: GISP, 7-4-2-0, \$259,270.

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Werk Nick Rating: **A +**.

THREE CHIMNEYS Raised and Grazed

2--**Champagne Eyes**, 117, m, 5, [Flatter](#)--Corking, by Sensitive Prince. (\$30,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL; \$95,000 HRA '09 KEENOV). O-Farnsworth Stables LLC; B-B D Gibbs Farm LLC & Fleetwood Bloodstock (KY); T-Martin D Wolfson; \$30,000.

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Another **IBS** Yearling Auction Purchase

3--**Miss Singhsix (Ire)**, 117, m, 5, [Singspiel \(Ire\)](#)--Whatamiss, by Miswaki. (€14,000 yrl '06 GOFDEC). O-Team Valor International; B-John O'Connor (IRE); T-Martin D Wolfson; \$15,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, HD, 1. Odds: 1.90, 25.70, 6.80.

Also Ran: Miss Match (Arg), Aurora Lights, Even Road, Don't Forget Gil, Bambara (Ven).

Second by a neck in her first appearance, a Keeneland maiden test last April, Unrivaled Belle then disappeared for four months. The grey streaked through her next three starts, taking a two-turn maiden event at Monmouth Park Aug. 26, a seven-furlong allowance at Belmont Park Oct. 1 and the Real Prize S. going 1 1/16 miles at that oval Oct. 23. Sent off at 2-1 in the Nov. 28 GI Gazelle S. at Aqueduct, she acquitted herself well to run second behind Flashing (A.P. Indy). Unrivaled Belle had been out once since, shipping to Santa Anita to finish fourth in the Feb. 14 GII La Canada S. Sent right to the front after giving her handlers a hard time in the paddock and showing some reluctance to load before the Rampart, the crowd's choice needed 13 seconds to negotiate the final furlong, but held Champagne Eyes at bay for her first graded tally. "She froze going into the gate, but that's all it was," jockey Kent Desormeaux explained. "It's not a simple thing to explain, but hopefully it's something she gets over." As for yesterday's strategy, he added, "The last couple of times, we tried to hold her off the lead and I was a little disappointed with the way she ran, so I thought maybe we should employ a different tactic today and go for the lead. At no point late was I worried that the other horses were going to come get her--she still had plenty left at the finish." Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or the [brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#).

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Saturday, Aqueduct

CICADA S.-GIII, \$100,000, AQU, 3-20, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10, ft.

1--**#@LIAM'S DREAM**, 118, f, 3, by **Saint Liam**

1st Dam: **Danzig's Dreamer**, by **Rubiano**

2nd Dam: **Danzig's Beauty**, by **Danzig**

3rd Dam: **Sweetest Chant**, by **Mr. Leader**

O-Mr & Mrs William K Warren Jr; B-Karen S & Gary M Farrar (PA); T-Anthony W Dutrow; J-A R Napravnik; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$149,760. *Second GSW for sophomore sire (by Saint Ballado). Click for the [eNicks report](#) and [5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: **C**.

2--**Romantic Hideaway**, 120, f, 3, [City Zip](#)--My Canada, by With Approval. (\$13,000 RNA yrl '08 OBSAUG; \$45,000 2yo '09 OBSMAR). O-Red Oak Stable; B-Carl Bowling & Doug Branham (KY); T-Gregory D Sacco; \$20,000.

3--**Indian Burn**, 118, f, 3, [Indian Charlie](#)--Christmas Affair, by Black Tie Affair (Ire). (\$125,000 yrl '08 KEESEP). O-Crossed Sabres Farm; B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton (KY); T-John O Hertler; \$10,000.

[Bred by Hargus and Sandra Sexton](#)

Margins: 1HF, 3HF, NK. Odds: 5.80, 7.70, 21.70.

Also Ran: Fuzzy Britches, Southern Truth, Bickersons, Female Drama.

Cicada S. cont. p6



Cicada S. cont.

It seemed the perfect set-up for Bickersons (Silver Deputy), who recorded the top Beyer for a three-year-old filly sprinter when taking the GII Forward Gal S. by seven lengths Jan. 31. She was shipped to New York for the Cicada, which was pushed back by a week by torrential rains, giving her an extra seven days to re-



Adam Coglianese

cover from a disappointing run in the GII Davona Dale S. Feb. 27. She was made the odds-on choice to return to her best form, but she wilted up front, and it was upstart Liam's Dream who snuck through at the fence for her first graded stakes success. The Pennsylvania-bred,

one of several offspring by her sire campaigned by the couple who raced Saint Liam to a Horse of the Year title in 2005, kicked off her career with a pair of wins at Philadelphia Park, debuting with a 3 1/4-length success Nov. 3 before defeating next-out stakes winner Age of Humor (Distorted Humor) in an entry-level allowance Dec. 7. She took on Bickersons in the Forward Gal, and gave a good account of herself, all things considered, finishing 8 1/2 lengths back in third. Liam's Dream got acquainted with the inner track with a half-mile breeze from the gate in :48 2/5 over a drying-out strip Mar. 16 and was the third choice in the field. Bickersons jumped alertly and led early, but jockey Joe Bravo allowed supplemental entry Southern Truth (Yes It's True) to slide up underneath to lead through a swift opening quarter-mile in :22.27. Liam's Dream, ground-saving with Rosie Napravnik a few lengths behind, began a steady advance approaching the stretch, and, while Bickersons was hoisting the white flag, punched through inside of Indian Burn and held off Romantic Hideaway for the win. "She broke a little awkwardly, but I was able to save ground," said Napravnik, winning her first graded-stakes event. "In the stretch, when she came through on the rail, she really fired. She was very, very game today." While non-committal on her next start, trainer Tony Dutrow indicated Liam's Dream would remain in New York.

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park

APPLETON S.-GIII, \$100,000, GPX, 3-20, 4yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:27 3/5, fm.

1--**@SOCIETY'S CHAIRMAN**, 120, h, 7, by **Not Impossible (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Athena's Smile**, by **Olympio**

2nd Dam: **Sun for All**, by **One for All**

3rd Dam: **Sunda Strait**, by ***Aboukir II**

(C\$40,000 yrl '04 ONTSEP). O-Charles E Fipke; B-Errol Bailey (ON); T-Roger L Attfield; J-Jose Lezcano; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 20-7-3-4, \$470,295. **Werk Nick Rating: D**. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Rahy's Attorney**, 122, g, 6, Crown Attorney--Rahy's Hope, by Rahy. O-Ellie Boje Farm, Read Peters & Jean & Jim MacLellan; B-Ellie-Boje Farm (ON); T-Ian Black; \$20,000.

3--**Kiss the Kid**, 122, h, 7, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Black Tie Kiss, by Danzig. (\$270,000 yrl '04 KEESEP). O-Hardacre Farm LLC; B-Jayeff B Stables (KY); T-Amy Tarrant; \$10,000.

THREE CHIMNEYS **THREE CHIMNEYS Sales Graduate**

Margins: HD, 1HF, HD. Odds: 6.10, 1.80, 3.40. Also Ran: Storm Play, Boots Ahead, Carson Hall, Almoradi (Ire), Together Indy. Scratched: Suyeta.

The Canadian Turf H. is contested early during the Gulfstream meet, but, given the results of Saturday's Appleton H., it wouldn't have been hard to mistake the two races, as Society's Chairman and Rahy's Attorney combined for a rare stateside Ontario-bred exactor. By a full brother to Perfect Soul (Ire), the consistent seven-year-old, who graduated in a maiden claimer at this meet two years ago, had a productive 2009 campaign north of the border, including a victory in the restricted Halton S. Sept. 7 at Woodbine. Third to Rahy's Attorney in the Oct. 24 Bunt Lawless S. over a soft turf course in Toronto, the bay was last seen rounding out the triactor in the Dec. 2 Sir Barton S. on the Polytrack. Allowed to trail early as Storm Play (Smart Strike) set the pace from Rahy's Attorney, Society's Chairman began to pick off horses on the far turn. Switched out widest of all for the drive, the veteran closed with menacing strides and was up in the shadow of the post. "A mile is probably his best distance, and he likes a shorter stretch rather than the longer one at Woodbine," said winning trainer Roger Attfield. "I'll take him to Kentucky and perhaps run him once there, or just wait until we get back [to Woodbine] and run in the [GIII] Connaught Cup again." Society's Chairman was third in that event last season. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or the [brisnet.com PPs](#). Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.

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1--**@TRANQUIL TIGER (GB)**, 126, h, 6, by [Selkirk](#)
 1st Dam: Serene View (MSP-Fr), by Distant View
 2nd Dam: Navarene, by Known Fact
 3rd Dam: Nimble Folly, by Cyane
 O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Henry Cecil; J-Tom Queally; £56,770. Lifetime Record: 25-10-3-2, £237,291. **Werk Nick Rating: C. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).**

2--**Suits Me (GB)**, 126, g, 7, Bertolini--Fancier Bit (GB), by Lion Cavern. (7,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT; 17,000gns HIT '06 DONHIT; 15,000gns RNA HIT '08 TATHIT). O-D E Cook; B-R S A Urquhart; T-Tom Tate; £21,520.

3--**Pallodio (Ire)**, 126, h, 5, Medecis (GB)--Bent Al Fala (Ire), by Green Desert. (€26,000 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; 14,500gns yrl '06 DONSEP; €72,000 2yo '07 GOFFRA; €400,000 HIT '08 ARQARC). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Millennium Partnership; T-John Hammond; £10,770.
 Margins: 3/4, NK, HD. Odds: 11-8, 9-1, 20-1.

Also Ran: Stotsfold (GB), Yahrab (Ire), Mister Green (Fr), Beauchamp Viceroy (GB), Dalradian (Ire), Soul City (Ire), Full Toss (GB), Ocean's Minstrel (GB), Fiery Lad (Ire), Bon Spiel (GB). Scratched: Jaroslaw (SAf).

Highly accomplished in listed events with seven successes already in the bag at that level, Tranquil Tiger continued his love affair with the Polytrack to garner a decisive first group win. While his admirable career record and 100-percent tally on this surface were recommendation in themselves, the homebred's recent publicized gallop with his Dubai World Cup-bound stable companion Twice Over (GB) (Observatory) helped ensure favoritism here. Building on winter course-and-distance scores in the Listed Churchill S. and Listed Quebec S., the chestnut burst from the gate and, after showing the most pace in the first quarter, accepted a lead from the fellow Polytrack specialist Suits Me.

Swamping that rival passing the two-furlong marker, the imposing veteran was beyond recall as Pallodio and Stotsfold (GB) (Barathea {Ire}) found top gear too late. Jockey Tom Queally told *PA Sport*, "He's been working really well with Twice Over, so there was certainly confidence in him. He really opens up when you kick on, but he does tend to idle a bit in front." **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#). [Video, courtesy attheraces](#).**

Saturday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX EXBURY-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-20, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:16.60, vsf.

1--**CHINCHON (IRE)**, 126, h, 5, by Marju (Ire)
 1st Dam: Jarama (Ire), by Hector Protector
 2nd Dam: Tijuana Tango, by Tejano
 3rd Dam: Northern Prancer, by Northern Dancer
 O-Darpat SL; B-Zubieta Ltd; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias; J-Christophe Soumillon; €40,000. Lifetime Record: 16 starts, 4 wins, 12 places, €378,140. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).**



2--**Starlish (Ire)**, 126, h, 5, [Rock of Gibraltar \(Ire\)](#)--Stylish (GB), by Anshan (GB). O-Mme Daniel Malingue; B-Daniel Malingue; T-Elie Lellouche; €16,000.

3--**La Boum (Ger)**, 120, m, 7, Monsun (Ger)--La Bouche (Ger), by In the Wings (GB). (€38,000 RNA yrl '04 BBASEP). O-Emmanuel Trussardi & Robert Collet; B-Gestut Karlshof; T-Robert Collet; €12,000.
 Margins: 2, NO, 3/4. Odds: 4.10, 11.00, 4.60.
 Also Ran: Eire (GB), Court Canibal (GB), Capitaine Courage (Ire), Ashalanda (Fr), Terre du Vent (Fr), Tangaspeed (Fr).

Chinchon was precocious enough to finish fifth in the 2008 renewal of the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) at Chantilly, but has always been considered a work in progress by connections and was kept to a light campaign at three. Third in this contest on his seasonal bow last term, the bay was fourth in the G1 QEII Cup at Sha Tin in April before finishing runner-up in the G2 Grand Prix de Chantilly the following month. Sent to New York to be fourth in the GI Man O' War S., he returned to France to round off with a second in the Listed Prix de Boulogne at Longchamp and success in the G3 La Coupe de Maisons-Laffitte in September. Held up with only two behind throughout the early stages of this contest, he produced a smooth wide run to sweep by rivals at the quarter pole and onto a comfortable success. "He has never run a bad race in his life, but although he did a lot last year and ran some nice races, he was still probably a bit too tender to be traveling around the world," trainer Carlos Laffon-Parias commented. "Now he is five, he is much more mature, and so will probably go abroad again and try to win some nice races somewhere."

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Saturday, Chukyo, Japan

CHUNICHI SPORTS SHO FALCON S.-G3, ¥75,570,000, Chukyo, 3-20, 3yo, 1200mT, 1:08.70, fm.

1--#**A SHIN WHITY (JPN)**, 123, c, 3, by Sakura Bakushin-Oh (Jpn)

1st Dam: Rising Sunday (Jpn), by Sunday Silence

2nd Dam: Talented Girl (Jpn), by Remand (GB)

3rd Dam: Chiyoda Masako (Jpn), by Lover John

O-Eishindo Inc; B-Chiyoda Farm; T-Shigeki Matsumoto; J-Yuichi Kitamura; ¥39,679,000.

Lifetime: 9-3-1-0. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#). Werk Nick Rating: First SW from this cross.

2--**Toshi Gang Star (Jpn)**, 123, c, 3, Kurofune--Pisa no Birkin (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. O-Toshihiko Tabata; B-Chiyoda Farm; ¥16,194,000.

3--**Sariel (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Shinko Nobby, by Nashwan. (¥20,000,000 fl '07 JPNJUL). O-Koji Meda; B-Shinko Farm; ¥9,897,000. Margins: NO, 3/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 6.90, 25.20, 11.90.

Saturday, Nakayama, Japan

FLOWER CUP-G3, ¥71,450,000, Nakayama, 3-20, 3yo, f, 1800mT, 1:50.30, fm.

1--**OKEN SAKURA (JPN)**, 119, f, 3, by Bago (Fr)

1st Dam: Run for the Dream (Jpn) (MSW-Jpn, \$1,774,459), by Real Shadai

2nd Dam: Milford Slew (Jpn), by Slew the Dragon

3rd Dam: Speed Kiyofuji (Jpn), by China Rock (GB)

O-Akira Fukui; B-Takase Farm; T-Hidetaka Otonashi; J-Hiroki Goto; ¥37,595,000. Lifetime: 6-3-0-1.

* 1/2 to Fille de Reve (Jpn) (Sunday Silence), SW-Jpn, \$592,972. Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Cosmo Nemo Shin (Jpn)**, 121, f, 3, Zenno Rob Roy (Jpn)--Du Pre (GB), by Singpiel (Ire). O-Big Red Farm; B-Yasushi Tomita; ¥15,170,000.

3--**Saint Emillion (Jpn)**, 119, f, 3, Zenno Rob Roy (Jpn)--Moteck (Fr), by Last Tycoon (Ire). O-Teruya Yoshida; B-Shadai Farm; ¥9,385,000

Margins : 1 1/4, 1HF, HD. Odds: 6.90, 9.10, 0.60

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SO. HEMISPHERE RESULTS

Saturday, Rosehill, Australia

RANVET S.-G1, A\$400,000, Rosehill, 3-20, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:02.33, dead.

1--**THESEO (AUS)**, 130, g, 6, by Danewin (Aus)

1st Dam: Ozone Sand (SP), by L'Enjoleur

2nd Dam: Divorce Decree, by Judger

3rd Dam: Renounce, by Buckpasser

O-M Townsend, P Evans, Mrs A Wilberforce, C Thompson, Mrs S Hardie, R Stanwell, G Sobels, G Menzies, Mrs J Nathans & Mrs M Rusk; B-Emirates Park Pty Ltd; T-Gai Waterhouse; J-Nash Rawiller; A\$260,000. Werk Nick Rating: F.

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

2--**Rangirangdoo (NZ)**, 130, g, 5, Pentire (GB)--

She Wishes (NZ), by Kenfair (NZ). O-N Morgan; B-Mrs V A & W K Pike; T-Chris Waller; A\$80,000.

3--**Speed Gifted (GB)**, 130, g, 6, Montjeu (Ire)--Good Standing, by Distant View. (95,000gns yr '05 TATOCT). O-J M Charmat; B-B W Hills & R A N Bonnycastle; T-Lee Freedman; A\$36,000.

Margins: 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 7-4, 7-2, 25-1.

Also Ran: Daffodil (NZ), No Wine No Song (Aus), Divine Rebel (NZ), Littorio (Aus), Moatize (Aus), Road To Rock (Aus), Roman Emperor (NZ), Purple (Aus), Alcopop (Aus).

Theseo added his fifth victory at the highest level with a game front-running score in Saturday's G1 Ranvet S. Backed down to favoritism, the chestnut drew an unfavorable outside draw. However, despite that disadvantage, the strapping gelding took command soon after the start, and had plenty in reserve late to hold off Rangirangdoo. "He didn't have a very nice alley, but he's got that lovely daisy cutting style," said trainer Gai Waterhouse. "But I love the way [jockey] Nash [Rawiller] just glided him over from the wide alley. He rolled off the fence just slightly in the straight it was very exciting." Despite the narrow winning margin, Rawiller was never concerned about his chances in yesterday's race. "I was just so full of confidence throughout the race," explained Rawiller. "He started clicking up through his gears at the 700 [meters]. He showed no signs of stopping at all." According to Waterhouse, the G1 BMW at Rosehill on Slipper Day Apr. 3 is the next mission for Theseo. "That's probably where we'll go," said Waterhouse. "We can hope to win that, because last year we thought we were a bit denied while taking nothing away from the winner."

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Saturday, Rosehill, Australia

COOLMORE CLASSIC-G1, A\$600,000, Rosehill, 3-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:28.55, dead.

1--▲**ALVERTA (AUS)**, 120, m, 6, by Flying Spur (Aus)

1st Dam: Grilse, by Rahy

2nd Dam: Sous Entendu, by Shadeed

3rd Dam: It's In the Air, by Mr. Prospector

O-Arrowfield Pastoral Pty Ltd Synd; B-Gainsborough Stud Australia Pty Ltd & Arrowfield Group Pty Ltd; T-Paul Messara; J-Tye Angland; A\$390,000.

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Werk Nick Rating: A + + .

2--**Gold Water (Aus)**, 116, f, 4, [Choisir \(Aus\)](#)--Float, by Devil's Bag. O-E Cojuangco; B-Mr H Cojuangco; T-Gai Waterhouse; A\$120,000.

3--**Palacio de Cristal (Aus)**, 116, f, 4, [Encosta de Lago \(Aus\)](#)--Crystal Palace (NZ), by Palace Music.

O/B-Mr G Harvey; T-Grahame Begg; A\$54,000.

Margins: 2, 1. Odds: 17-1, 16-1, 9-2.

Also Ran: Neroli (Aus), Hurtle Myrtle (Aus), Allez Wonder (Aus), Strawberry Field (Aus), Lady Lynette (Aus), Faint Perfume (Aus), So Anyway (Aus), Dane Julia (SAf), Irish Lights (Aus), Prima Nova (Aus), Ivory Pegasus (Aus), Ekstreme (NZ), Miss Marielle (Aus), Messenger (Aus). Scratched: Set For Fame (Aus).

Saturday, Morphetville, Australia

ROBERT SANGSTER S.-G1, A\$300,000, Morphetville, 3-20, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:09.42, gd.

1--▲**ROSTOVA (AUS)**, 119, f, 3, by Testa Rossa (Aus)

1st Dam: Space Talk (Aus), by Anabaa

2nd Dam: Key Satellite (Aus), by Chanteclair (Aus)

3rd Dam: Born Rich (Aus), by Beau Sovereign (NZ)

O-Mrs M A Richards, J Hymet, F Dintinosante, B E Marshall, Behind The Bar Syndicate, Linc Synd., S A Harrington & G R Beale; B-Mr L Wilson; T-Steve Richards; J-Steven King; A\$190,950. Werk Nick Rating: B. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Velocitea (NZ)**, 125, f, 4, Volksraad (GB)--Cat Shmea (NZ), by Felix the Cat. O-R A & J E Ferguson Partnership Syndicate; B-Mrs S L Frost & Mrs R A Ramage; T-Brian Mayfield-Smith; A\$51,300.

3--**Sister Madly (Aus)**, 119, f, 3, **Redoute's Choice (Aus)**--Jade Tiara (Aus), by Bureaucracy (NZ). O-Edinburgh Park Syndicate & B Cummings; B-Mr I K Smith; T-Anthony Cummings; A\$25,650.

Margins: 3/4, LG NK. Odds: 20-1, 7-2, 7-/1.

Also Ran: Valentine Miss (Aus), Trim (Aus), Very Discreet (Aus), Shekinaar (Aus), Madame Pedrille (Aus), Montana Flyer (Aus), Majestic Music (Aus), Jaalippy (Aus), Augusta Proud (Aus), Happy Hippy (Aus), Headway (Aus), Luce del Mare (Aus), Avenue (Aus), Tootsie (NZ), Cerberus Gal (Aus). Scratched: Falvelon's Dream (Aus), Irish Lights (Aus).



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Saturday, Morphettville, Australia

AUSTRALASIAN OAKS-G1, A\$300,000, Morphettville, 3-20, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT, 2:06.44, gd.

1--▲@SMALL MINDS (Aus), 123, f, 3, by Canny Lad (Aus)

1st Dam: Princess Marigold (Aus), by Yeats

2nd Dam: Lady Dalmary (Aus), by Lorenzaccio (Ire)

3rd Dam: Lady Arlyn (Aus), by Sweet Moss (GB)

O-Patinack Farm Racing Syndicate; B-Mr D R Casson; T-John P Thompson; J-Dean Holland; A\$190,950.

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

Werk Nick Rating: B.

2--No Evidence Needed (Aus), 123, f, 3, Shamardal--

Generosa (NZ), by Generous (Ire). O-Patinack Farm Racing Syndicate; B-Mr J B Cummings,

Mr B Halcombe, Mr T Kostos, Mr M Alexeeff,

Mr L Smith & Dato Tan Chin Nam; T-John P Thompson; A\$51,300.

3--Ipioga (Aus), 123, f, 3, Niello (Aus)--Yarra Dreaming

(NZ), by Nassipour. O-P Anastasiou, Ken Bee Sports Pty Ltd Syndicate, G Roinoitis, M G Gerrard &

C D Mathieson; B-Mrs B Ivill; T-Danny O'Brien; A\$25,650.

Margins: NK, HF NK. Odds: 25-1, 6-1, 8-1.

Also Ran: Aloha (Aus), Salinas (Aus), My Emotion (NZ), Absolute Faith (Aus), I'm Discreet (Aus), Shady Grove

(Aus), Furline (Aus), Artistic Rock (Aus), Nakaaya (Aus), Pins On Ice (NZ), My Mojo's Back (Aus), Linky Dink

(NZ). Also Ran (DNF): Speedy Natalie (Aus). Scratched: Exceptionally (NZ), Marley and Me (Aus), Rhiannon's Joy (Aus).

Saturday, Trentham, New Zealand

NEW ZEALAND OAKS-G1, NZ\$300,000, Trentham, 3-20, 3yo, f, 1 1/2mT, 2:28.49, gd.

1--KEEP THE PEACE (NZ), 123, f, 3, by Keeper (Aus)

1st Dam: Peace of Mind (NZ), by Wild Rampage (Aus)

2nd Dam: Regency Art (Aus), by New Regent

3rd Dam: Copper Art (Aus), by Horbury (Ire)

O-P E Bellingham & L R & L R D Dittman;

B-D W & Mrs J A Moss; T-Shaune Ritchie;

J-Opie Bosson; NZ\$187,500. Werk Nick Rating: A.

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2--November Rain (NZ), 123, f, 3, Stravinsky--Lady

Teruko, by Kris S. O-Goodson & Perron Bloodstock Ltd; B-Mrs J L Egan; T-Richard Collett; NZ\$60,000.

3--Zarzuela (NZ), 123, f, 3, Zabeel (NZ)--Star Satire

(NZ), by Volksraad (GB). O/B-D Paykel; T-Mark

Walker; NZ\$30,000.

Margins: SHD, HF HD. Winner's Odds: 5.40.

Also Ran: Miss Sharapova (NZ), A Chance To Dream (Aus), Eileen Dubh (NZ), Platinum Princess (NZ), Poppy

Rose (NZ), La Marina (NZ), Adaline (Aus), Posavina (NZ), Corsage (NZ), Shamarose (Aus), Nike Princess

(NZ), Southern Heights (NZ), The Goddaughter (NZ), Miraflores (NZ). Scratched: Jungle Juice (NZ), Utopia

(NZ), Pomellato (NZ), Innocent Lady (NZ), Ekstra Dane (NZ), Arctic Heights (NZ).

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Sunday, Santa Anita, post time: 7:08 p.m. EDT
SANTA ANA H.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/18mT


PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Eissoai (Brz)	Roi Normand	M Baze	Ascanio	8-1
2	General Consensus (K)	Giant's Causeway	Solis	Gallagher	6-1
3	Tuscan Evening (Ire)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Bejarano	H'dorfer	6-5
4	Chasin Dreams	Cactus Ridge	Sorenson	Jackson	20-1
5	Treat Gently	Cape Cross (Ire)	Gomez	Mott	7-2
6	Belmont Cat (NZ)	Felix the Cat	T Baze	Sadler	15-1
7	April Pride (GB)	Falbrav (Ire)	Flores	Cassidy	8-1
8	Cat by the Tale (K)	Tale of the Cat	Rosario	Drysdale	4-1

Tuscan Evening has five wins and a pair of thirds from seven starts over the local weeds and is strictly the one to beat, providing she can see out today's nine-furlong distance. Runner-up to Ventura (Chester House) in the GI Matriarch S. at Hollywood Nov. 28, the bay tackled the downhill turf course and posted a one-length victory in the GIII Monrovia H. Jan. 3. She stretched back out to the mile for her latest and drew clear of **Eissoai** to take the GII Buena Vista H. by 2 1/4 lengths Feb. 15. **Cat By the Tale** was no match when fourth to the favorite in the Buena Vista, but, in her prior start in the GII San Gorgonio H. going this distance Jan. 2, defeated **Treat Gently** by a solid 2 1/2 lengths.

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Sunday, Curragh, Ireland, post time: 3:55 p.m.
LODGE PARK STUD EBF PARK EXPRESS S.-G3,
€84,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	WT
1	6	Danehill's Pearl (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Dascombe	Kingscote	136
2	8	Fourpenny Lane (GB)	Ef시오 (GB)	Morgan	Berry	136
3	9	Indiana Gal (Ire)	Intikhab	P Martin	McDonogh	136
4	3	Latin Love (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Wachman	Lordan	136
5	4	Pollen (Ire)	Orpen	Stack	Lee	136
6	1	Rare Ransom (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Weld	Smullen	136
7	2	Akdarena (GB)	Hernando (Fr)	Bolger	Manning	121
8	5	Devoted To You (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	A O'Brien	Murtagh	121
9	7	Lady Lupus (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	A O'Brien	J P O'Brien	121



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Gitano Hernando Gets Final Work at Newmarket...

Team Valor International's **Gitano Hernando (GB)** (Hernando {Fr}), as low as 6-1 fourth choice in ante-post wagering for next Saturday's G1 Dubai World Cup, worked 7 1/2 furlongs Friday at Newmarket and was scheduled to depart for the Middle East yesterday.

Jockey Kieren Fallon flew in from Dubai for the move,



Marco Botti photo

accomplished in the company of a pair of stablemates from trainer Marco Botti's barn. Upset winner of the GI Goodwood S. at Santa Anita last October, the four-year-old got an ideal World Cup prep at Lingfield Feb. 27, taking the Listed Winter Derby

Trial by an easy 4 1/2 lengths. It was the manner in which that victory was accomplished that particularly impressed Team Valor's Barry Irwin. "Last year, he was always on muscle and wanted to go," he explained. "This race, he showed maturity and relaxed. At one point, the jock thought he had no horse, switched whips and the horse immediately picked up. He was sharper in this work, and when Fallon asked him to go, the response was instant." As a potential \$6-million payday looms, Irwin is optimistic, but is taking nothing for granted. "We're trying to keep our feet on the ground. Most of the time you hope you have the right horse and I feel very confident," he said.



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Awesome Act Works for Wood...

Susan Roy and Vinery Stables' **Awesome Act** (Awesome Again), a handy winner of the GIII Gotham S. at Aqueduct Mar. 6, tuned up for the Apr. 3 GI Wood Memorial S., breezing an easy half-mile in :50.43 over the training track at Belmont Park yesterday morning. The chestnut was out shortly after the second renovation break beneath exercise rider George Windsor for his first serious work since the Gotham. "It was nice and easy," commented Wayne Tanner, assistant to trainer Jeremy Noseda. "He's taken to it here like a duck to water." Tanner indicated that Awesome



Awesome Act Horsephotos

Act would have a stiffer work next week, likely on Thursday, and that Noseda is scheduled to fly in to supervise the move. Others expected for the Wood are GII Fountain of Youth S. hero **Eskendereya** (Giant's Causeway), that event's runner-up **Jackson Bend** (Hear No Evil) and **Yawanna Twist** (Yonaguska), second in the Gotham. The latter breezed a half-mile in :50.38 at Aqueduct yesterday morning.

'Lucky Training Well, Could Stay for SA Derby...

Trainer Bob Baffert has been pleased with how **Lookin at Lucky** (Smart Strike) has been training over Santa Anita's Pro-Ride main track, increasing the likelihood last year's champion two-year-old could stay at home for the Apr. 3 GI Santa Anita Derby. A gritty winner of the GII Rebel S. at Oaklawn Mar. 13 in his lone start as a sophomore, the bay could also return to the Razorback State for the Apr. 10 GI Arkansas Derby. "It depends on how he's training,"



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Baffert said. "If he's training really well here, [running in the Santa Anita Derby] would give him an extra week for the [May 1 GI Kentucky] Derby. If he needed the extra week [following the Rebel], I'll go to Arkansas. If he doesn't need the extra week, I'll stay here."



RACING Round-Up

Sacred Kingdom on the Mend...

World champion sprinter **Sacred Kingdom** (Aus) (Encosta de Lago {Aus}), who underwent emergency surgery in Hong Kong after suffering from a bout of colic, has improved dramatically and appears to be well on his way to recovery. The two-time winner of the G1 Hong Kong Sprint was about to depart Chep Lap Kok Airport for a start in the G1 Takamatsunomiya Kinen next Sunday, but was taken ill and was rushed to the equine hospital at Sha Tin Racecourse. "The initial hours are the most crucial, and having the equine hospital here available as and when we wanted it, so we could get Sacred Kingdom on the operating table quickly, was important," Dr. Chris Riggs, a veterinarian for the Hong Kong Jockey Club told South China's *Morning Post*. Trainer Ricky Yiu told the *Post* that doctors have advised him that Sacred Kingdom could return to training as soon as May, but he is inclined to give the gelding some extra time and focus on a defense of his Hong Kong Sprint title this coming December.

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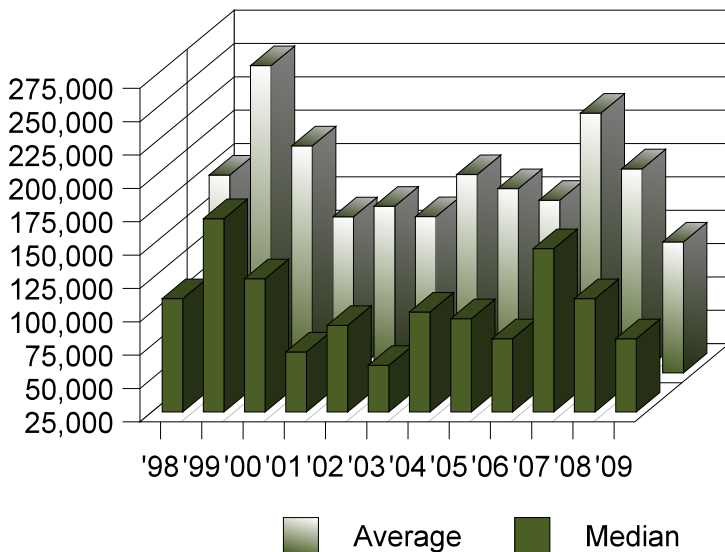
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Hip 41 - Flatter colt
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Hip 130 - Unbridled's Song colt
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BARRETTS READY FOR LATER KICK-OFF

In recent years, the Barretts March Sale had been squeezed between the Fasig-Tipton Calder Sale, which had shifted from February to the first Tuesday of March; and OBS March, which is usually slotted during the month's third week. The coast-to-coast travelling took its toll on both buyers and consignors, and Barretts officials announced last fall that they would push back their flagship auction to this upcoming Monday.

"We listened to our customers," said Kim Lloyd, Barretts' vice president of sales. "It's very difficult to have three weeks in a row of sales. It made it much more manageable for the consignors, and the extra couple of weeks probably helped some of the horses. The real question is what would the OBS sale do to our sale, and we think that it added momentum. It was a very good sale."

Lloyd, a self-described optimist, also had some thoughts as to how the auction schedule could be set up in the future.

"What I would like to see is to have the season begin at Calder at the end of February, have OBS [March] be a week earlier [than this year] and have us be two weeks later, then have Keeneland two weeks later," he opined. "So you'd have four select sales, every two weeks. That would ideal, and it makes sense for us to work together as a group to the benefit of the industry."

The sales complex has also seen the addition of the Finish Line Sports Grill, a simulcasting and dining facility that was unveiled following last year's March sale.

"It's been a phenomenal success," Lloyd stated. "Since it opened, there's been a lot more people at the sales, a lot more energy."

Friday's breeze show, contested under sunny skies, featured a flurry of works in the :9 4/5 and :10 range, but the Fairplex surface is a unanimous hit with both management and consignors.

"We have the ideal training conditions here," Lloyd explained. "The track was opened up 10 days before the sale. It was perfect the first day, and it's perfect now. It's not a hard track; they just bounce over it. It has so much life. The guys that do the stride analysis tell me that the average stride length is at least a foot longer over this surface. We're very pleased with how Friday went."

Conspicuous by their absence at the 2009 March sale were Becky Thomas and Murray Smith, who between them at this venue had sold high-priced future stars Officer (Bertrando) and E Z Warrior (Exploit), among others.

"We're thrilled to have them back this year," Lloyd confirmed. "They're both top-notch professionals, and they always bring runners to this sale. It's just a pleasure to have them here."



Becky Thomas
Jim Farios photo

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"I love coming to Barretts," Thomas said. "I've got five horses here this year, and they are well worth the trip." She added, "I've had a lot of success here, and I think it's a great place for the homeboys to visualize their horses here."

Thomas acknowledged that the shift in scheduling was slight better, but pointed out, "These sales are tough. Unfortunately, we ship out for Keeneland Monday, and we're not there to do anything, to do the fine-tuning. But that's how it's been, and all of us [consignors] have good staff. I don't think there's anything [the sales companies] can do--they're all trying to capture a limited market, and a market share that has been diminishing."

The new calendar date appealed to Smith, who didn't have her own consignment at OBS.

"The horses dictate where they need to go," said Smith, whose three-horse draft at Calder all sold, topped by an \$800,000 Empire Maker colt. "Having this extra week allowed me to go home and watch my horses train."

Smith was living in Del Mar at this time a year ago, but found herself missing the auction action.

"I think I was gone just long enough that it made me really hungry and want it again," she reflected. "You go through life doing the same thing every day, you don't appreciate it as much. I've probably had more fun this year than I've had in the last 10 years. I've really come back with a refreshed attitude of why I got into the business, and that's because I love horses. I live and breathe it."

Local Flavor...

About 25 miles south of the Barretts locale in Pomona lies the Chino Hills residence of California owner/breeders Peter and Barbara Walski. The five-acre lot is the birthplace of three of the juveniles set to sell Monday, all consigned by Hank Bird's Steepollow Farm. Walski is a familiar face on the California circuit, having gotten his feet wet, like so many others, with Quarter Horses. The switch to Thoroughbreds wasn't a difficult decision to make.



Barbara & Peter Walski
Benoit photo

"Money," Peter Walski, at one time a resident of Pomona, explained with a laugh. "The purses were a little bit better than with the Quarter Horses."

Walski's first foray into pinhooking was a mixed success. A Fit to Fight filly was acquired for \$10,500 at Keeneland September in 1991, with the intention of reselling her at Barretts the following March.

"A bunch of my relatives wanted to play the game, so we went in and bought that filly," he recalled. "We happened to luck out."

They did indeed luck out, but not in the conventional pinhooking sense. The dark bay RNA'd for \$19,000 at this venue, and Walski placed her with his trainer Caesar Dominguez instead. Named Fit to Lead, she made nine starts for Walski and partners, culminating with a 5 1/2-length victory in the GII Santa Ynez S. in January of her sophomore campaign. She was sold privately to a partnership headed by R.D. Hubbard.

A few years later, agent Buzz Chace signed a \$73,000 ticket on Walski's behalf at OBS March for a Boundary filly. Dubbed She's Classy by Walski and his partners, the chestnut ran third to champion Chilukki (Cherokee Run) in both the GII Sorrento S. and GI Del Mar Debutante, and finished up her 1999 campaign with a runner-up showing to eventual champion Surfside (Seattle Slew) in the GI Hollywood Starlet. The partnership sold her in foal to Saint Ballado at Keeneland November in 2001 for \$525,000.

Chace also picked up Wind Flow (Indian Charlie) for \$24,000 as a weanling at Keeneland November. Though she RNA'd for \$47,000 the following September, the dark bay turned into a solid performer for the Walskis, airing in both the Bustles and Bows S. at Fairplex and the Anoakia S. at Santa Anita, and adding a Turf Paradise stakes win at three.

"We were all set to win a Grade I with her, but she blew her knee out," Walski explained. "So we turned around and sold her [in foal to Forestry for \$500,000 at Fasig-Tipton's November Sale in 2005]."

Both She's Classy and Wind Flow were consigned as broodmares by Taylor Made, which led Walski to Bird.

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PINHOOK PROSPECTS - TOP 5 BY PRICE

Hip	Price (\$)	Sale
<u>130</u>	\$225,000	FTKJUL
c, <u>Unbridled's Song</u> --King Shooting Star, by Storm Cat Purchased by Dapple Bloodstock '10 Consignor: Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), Agent II		
<u>131</u>	\$140,000	KEESEP
c, <u>Wildcat Heir</u> --Lose the Blues, by Pulpit Purchased by Excel Bloodstock '10 Consignor: Excel Bloodstock (B De Berdt & Delgudice), agent		
<u>83</u>	\$130,000	FTKJUL
c, <u>Silver Train</u> --Best Practices, by Tough Knight Purchased by BC3 Thoroughbreds '10 Consignor: BC3 Thoroughbreds		
<u>66</u>	\$100,000	KEESEP
c, <u>Afleet Alex</u> --Virden, by Tactical Cat Purchased by Steve Bajer, agent '10 Consignor: John O'Hara, agent		
<u>110</u>	\$100,000	KEESEP
c, <u>More Than Ready</u> --Eishin Bridle, by Unbridled Purchased by Divine Assets '10 Consignor: Murray Smith, agent		



"I asked Mark [Taylor] if he knew anyone in Texas who conditions horses, and he recommended Hank Bird," Walski explained. "My place here is only five acres, so the yearlings head out to Texas."

Walski has a ranch in Blanco, Texas, about 50 miles from San Antonio. Barbara Walski is from Texas, and has family in Bryan, where Bird's Steepollow Farm is situated. Walski noted that they had "exotics," such as llamas, oryx, gazelles and impalas at their Texas spread.

That's a long way from his childhood in Winona, Minnesota, where he excelled as an athlete.

"Our high school basketball team won the state championship, and I'm in my high school's Hall of Fame," Walski said.

Walski also played baseball and football, and used that versatility to elude the notorious Midwest winters.

"Let me put it to you this way: I had a scholarship to Notre Dame, and I didn't want to spend any more time in the snow," he said.

Walski went on to excel in both baseball and football from 1955-1957 at the University of California at Santa Barbara. He was known for his hitting on the diamond, played both quarterback and linebacker in football and went on to bigger and better things in that sphere.

"I spent two years in the Marines, and all I did was play ball," he reflected. "It was the best football and baseball I ever played--they were all professionals. I played in the Detroit Tigers chain, but playing in the Marine Corps was something else. Our team played for the national service championship and, to give you an idea of what we had, the starting defensive halfback for the Rams couldn't make first team for us."

Walski left sports behind soon after that.

"I started working for AeroJet, then started my own business doing customized software for automobile dealers," he explained. "One of the dealers hooked me up with an insurance general agent, and he wanted to know if I wanted to be partners with him. We've been in the business now for 27 years."



MARCH SALE

SESSION TOTALS	2009	2008
Catalogued	124	191
No. Offered	81	132
No. Sold	51	73
RNAs	30	59
% RNAs	37%	44.7%
No. Over \$500K	2	3
High Price	\$650,000	\$800,000
Gross	\$6,285,500	\$12,996,000
Average (% change)	\$123,245 (-30.7%)	\$178,027
Median (% change)	\$80,000 (-27.2%)	\$110,000

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That partner is Neil O'Shea, who happened to play basketball at St. Mary's in Winona. O'Shea has also had interests in several of Walski's runners.

"We went up to see a guy who was running the same type of business, and he said that we couldn't do it, that we didn't have the right program," Walski recalled. "I said, 'Neil, let's do it.' Eight years later, he was working for us."

The Walskis' and O'Shea's BPN Corporation created the "ClassicPlan" Insurance Premium Financing Program in 1984. The Chino-based company, which has about 27 employees, provides financial programs for personal and commercial insurance products.

Walski's sons William and Paul became career military men after respectively graduating from West Point and the Air Force Academy, and James "works for me, or I work for him, whichever way you want to put it," the senior Walski explained.

Peter and Barbara Walski thought they were onto a good thing with Awesome Gambler (Coronado's Quest), a \$50,000 acquisition by Buzz Chace at FTKJUL in 2005. Second to subsequent GSW Horse Greeley (Mr. Greeley) in his debut at two, the chestnut came out of a Hollywood maiden win in his sophomore bow to defeat GSW Cobalt Blue (Golden Missile) in the Alydar S. in May 2007.

"We had big, big plans for him," Walski said.

However, after two additional unplaced efforts at the Inglewood oval, the colt wound up bowing a tendon while training at Del Mar. He now stands at Terry Lovingier's Lovacres Thoroughbred Ranch in Signal Hill, California, and Walski has high hopes for him as a stallion.

"I would love it if [Awesome Gambler] could be the next Unusual Heat," Walski stated. "If you'd seen his babies, you'd know what I mean. Terry told me, 'Pete, I think he's going to be better than In Excess.' I hope he's right."

"I've got six mares," he continued. "They're all boarded at my house [in Chino Hills]. We foal them at my place, then we shuttle them over to Terry's to get bred to Awesome Gambler. There's just one drawback: I've got a mare due to foal and I'm the one who has to get up at three in the morning to check on her, where I could leave her at Lovingier's, and he could be the one doing the checking."

Walski bred his Grade III-placed On London Time (Gilded Time) to Awesome Gambler, as well as a pair of Dixieland Band mares purchased in 2007, Southern Day and Dixie Daylight. That trio is responsible for Walski's Barretts draft: On London Time's Touch Gold colt is [hip 14](#); Southern Day's filly by Harlan's Holiday is catalogued as [hip 47](#); and the Tiznow filly from Dixie Daylight rounds it out as [hip 107](#).

"We've got two really nice fillies here--the Harlan's Holiday and the Tiznow," Walski added. "They're going to have a lot of people looking at them, hopefully."

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Hip 14 - Touch Gold colt
Jim Firas photo



Hank Bird is impressed with how the fillies have blossomed over the winter, and with how they handled the journey from his Bryan, Texas, base.

"We left Texas Wednesday, got here late Thursday," said the Lone Star State native. "We stopped in El Paso and unloaded them for a while, rested them--and rested us. Believe me, the horses made the trip better than we did. It's basically a 30-hour trip."



Hank Bird
Jim Firios photo

Bird's Steepollow Farm encompasses 57 acres, with a 40-stall barn, as well as an indoor arena and round pen.

"We can do anything we need to do any day of the year," Bird explained. "We're close to the major tracks [in Texas] and we haul them over, especially the babies--they can get so much experience that when they get here, it's just another racetrack. They've seen ev-

everything."

Bird added, "We broke five for him this year--took two to Santa Anita and dropped them off with Caesar Dominguez, an A.P. Warrior and It's No Joke [both colts]."



Hip 107 - Tiznow filly
Jim Firios photo

Having grown up near Gonzalez, Texas, Bird went to Texas A&M, and has a background similar to other pinhookers.

"I taught at and ran the horse center at A&M for four years, then moved on and bought a place of my own," Bird explained. "We had show horses and cut-

ting horses when we started, and bought our first racehorse in partnership with Jerry Windham in College Station--he's the former president of the AQHA. Even when we got into the racehorse business, we stayed active on the Quarter Horse side, too.

"A bunch of my friends, people I'd known a long time from our vicinity, started pinhooking horses," he continued. "Carl Bowling and his family, Hoby Kight, guys like that who had been in the Quarter Horse business all their lives, they all started making a lot of money, and I thought, 'I can do that, too.' It has been good to us."



Hip 47 - Harlan's Holiday filly
Jim Firios photo

After a downturn in 2009, the juvenile sales market has been encouraging at the start of this year, and Walski hopes it continues with his group of youngsters.

"The market is starting to come back a little bit," he said. "The business seemed to really pick up at OBS, and I just hope it carries over to Barretts. Caesar came over and looked at [the fillies the other day] and fell in love [with them]. He's probably saying, 'I hope they don't sell,' and I'm saying, 'I hope they do.'"

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TWO-YEAR-OLDS IN TRAINING SALE Under-tack preview--March 19

Fastest 1/8-mile works

Time	Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam
<u>:9 4/5</u>	<u>29</u>	c	<u>Stormin Fever</u>	Rainbow's End
<u>:9 4/5</u>	<u>56</u>	f	<u>Holy Bull</u>	Table the Motion
<u>:9 4/5</u>	<u>70</u>	c	<u>D'wildcat</u>	Wildly Celestial
<u>:9 4/5</u>	<u>119</u>	c	<u>A.P. Warrior</u>	Girl Gone Crazy

Fastest 1/4-mile works

<u>:20 4/5</u>	<u>26</u>	c	<u>Pure Prize</u>	Prize Possession
<u>:20 4/5</u>	<u>76</u>	f	<u>Fusaichi Pegasus</u>	Act Devoted
<u>:20 4/5</u>	<u>80</u>	f	<u>Roman Ruler</u>	Bathsheba

Fastest 3/8-mile work

<u>:33 1/5</u>	<u>110</u>	c	<u>More Than Ready</u>	Eishin Bridle
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The complete list of works can be viewed [here](#).

BARRETTS MARCH 2009 - TOP BUYERS (by average, 2 or more purchased)

Buyer	Head	Gross (\$)	Average (\$)
C-Punch Ranch Inc	2	560,000	280,000
Narvick International Inc	2	400,000	200,000
Murayama Bloodstock Inc	2	220,000	110,000
Darrell Vienna, agent	2	200,000	100,000
Dennis R O'Neill	3	280,000	93,333

BARRETTS MARCH - TOP CONSIGNORS (by average, 2 or more sold)

Consignor	Ring	Sold	Gross (\$)	Average (\$)
Jerry Bailey Sales Agency	3	3	872,000	290,667
Wavertree Stables Inc, agent	8	5	1,400,000	280,000
Scanlon Training Center, agent	3	3	640,000	213,333
John O'Hara, agent	12	7	930,000	132,857
Eddie Woods, agent	5	4	460,000	115,000
BC3 Thoroughbreds, agent	8	6	634,000	105,667

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BOB BLACK JACK RETIRED **Bob Black Jack**

(Stormy Jack), winner of the 2008 GI Malibu S. at Santa Anita, has been retired after suffering a soft tissue injury to his right leg during a Friday workout at Hollywood Park. The five-year-old won the GII San Carlos H. in Arcadia Feb. 20 in his first start since the Malibu, and had been preparing for a tilt at Santa Anita's GII Portrero Grande H. Apr. 3. "It's a huge blow for me," trainer James Kasparoff said. "He was the best horse I ever trained." Owned by James' brother Tim Kasparoff and Jeff Harmon, Bob Black Jack set a then-world record of 1:06.53 over the wickedly fast Cushion Track at Santa Anita in the 2007 Sunshine Millions Dash. He retires with a record of 11-5-2-1 and \$684,925 in earnings.



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1st-GPX, \$37,000, Alw, NW1X, 4/up, 6f, 1:09 3/5, ft. MAJESTIC BLUE (c, 4, **Forestry--Cariada, by Seeking the Gold)** kicked off his career with a maiden win at Saratoga in August 2008, but had made only three starts since, running fifth each time. The dark bay filled that spot in the GI Breeders' Futurity at Keeneland that October, then beat one home in an allowance in the mud at Belmont June 20 in his lone outing last year. Returning after a seven-month layoff in a Feb. 24 allowance over this track and trip, he had trouble at the start and was never really in the mix, but he turned it around in his second start back. Majestic Blue pressed Strasbourg (Friends Lake) through a half in :45.29, drove to the lead at the eighth pole and held the advantage to the wire to score by a half-length at 6-1 odds. Sales history: \$310,000 yrl '07 KEESEP; \$675,000 2yo '08 FTFEB. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$76,120. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video](#), sponsored by Taylor Made.**



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MAJESTIC BLUE (Forestry)

Majestic Blue represented the first winner for the fledgling Fasig-Tipton Racing Club I. Created this year to bring new owners into the business, the F-T Racing Club has 26 members who share in four horses. Their first starter was Bialy (Distorted Humor), who finished second at Gulfstream for trainer Todd Pletcher Feb. 14.

The F-T Racing Club roster is comprised of horses with some proven form who have been leased for a year, not bought outright. Majestic Blue, a \$675,000 FTFEB juvenile, was leased from Darley, and carried the F-T Racing Club colors for the first time in his last appearance. He was off the board that afternoon, but connections had ambitious hopes for yesterday's race.



"Our expectations were very high," said Katy Moore, who manages the Club. "He was fifth in his last start, but it was in the slop and the fractions were fast. Alan Garcia said he didn't like getting mud in his face, and really liked his chances if he got a dry track."

Four of the Club members were in attendance at Gulfstream for the victory. "They were absolutely ecstatic--they couldn't be happier," Moore enthused.

There is every reason to think it could be a big weekend for the small F-T Racing Club stable.

"Bialy is entered [today] Gulfstream," Moore explained. "He was second at Gulfstream in his last start. We really like his chances."

★ **GULFSTREAM** ★

Yesterday's Results:

6th-GPX, \$53,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34, fm.

1--SCOLARA, 120, m, 5, [Quiet American](#)--Millie's

Delight, by El Gran Senor. O/B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras SA (FL); T-William I Mott. Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP, 19-5-5-4, \$341,239. *1/2 to Platinee (Gulch), SW, \$256,861.

2--Cherokee Queen, 122, m, 5, Cherokee Run--Virginia Bee, by Virginia Rapids.

3--Pull Dancer, 120, f, 4, Pulpit--Mayhavebeentheone, by Arch. (\$220,000 yrl '07 KEESEP).

Margins: 1 1/4, HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 3.40, 5.30, 6.60.

Scolara raced exclusively in black-type company in 2009, winning the Marion County S. over this course in February and the Mckaymackenna S. at Belmont in May. The bay signed off on the year after running third in the De La Rose S. at Saratoga Aug. 5, but had been off the board in her two prior efforts this season. A rallying sixth in the Jan. 16 Marshua's River S. on the Gulfstream green, she was dropping down to the allowance ranks after finishing fifth when switched to the dirt for the Jan. 30 Sunshine Millions Distaff S. Unhurried through the opening exchanges, Scolara charged to the front inside the eighth pole and had enough left in the tank to hold the late bid of Cherokee Queen. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video](#), sponsored by Taylor Made.**

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2nd-GPX, \$37,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 1mT, 1:35 3/5, fm. SAINT ELIGIUS (c, 3, Saint Liam--Great Connection, by Dayjur) made his 2010 and his turf debut after a five-month absence, scoring by 1 3/4 lengths in a Jan. 15 maiden at Gulfstream. He cut out the early pace in an allowance Feb. 17 and held on gamely after an eventful stretch run to be third by 3/4 of a length. The dark bay was the 9-10 chalk to prevail this time. Content to track the pace from second through six panels in 1:12.43, Saint Eligius put a head in front at the eighth pole, opened up between calls and held off Manhattan Fox (Elusive Quality) for a 3/4-length tally. He is a 1/2 to Guana (Fr) (Sillery), SW & GSP-US, SP-Fr, \$137,418; and Great News (Fr) (Bering {GB}), SW-Fr. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$48,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Mr & Mrs William K Warren Jr. B-Patricia Morange (KY). T-Kieran P McLaughlin.

12th-GPX, \$45,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34 3/5, fm. THE GREAT MCGEE (g, 4, Greatness--Kelly McGee, by Blair's Cove) had developed the reputation of a bridesmaid after finishing second or third in all six prior tries, but he broke the streak with this decisive success. The runner-up twice on the dirt at Delaware Park last fall, he came back after a three-month vacation to set the pace on the turf at Gulfstream Jan. 16 before ending up on the losing side of the exacta once again. The chestnut was on the front end early over this course and trip Feb. 11 before running third by a half-length, and he was the 2-1 choice to hold on here. That he did, leading all the way to win by a half-length over the dead-heating Trend (Sligo Bay {Ire}) and Santa (Mr. Greeley). E.H. Indy (A.P. Indy), off at 5-2, made up some ground late after a slow break to be fifth. The winner is a 1/2 to Tour Ireland (Tour d'Or), GSP, \$114,527. Lifetime Record: 7-1-4-2, \$60,625. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Kuehne Racing. B-Robert & Terese Brittingham (FL). T-Michael Mareina.

3rd-GPX, \$35,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. STORM ON THE MOON (c, 3, Stormy Atlantic--Cajun Moon, by Conquistador Cielo) opened his 2010 account with a fifth going seven furlongs at Gulfstream Jan. 14 and came back to be fourth after leading late in a similar test Feb. 20. Let go at 9-1 as he stretched out an extra eighth, the chestnut broke sharply to attend the early pace. Storm on the Moon grabbed a short lead after a half and edged clear late to best Biloxi (Tiznow) by two lengths. Dapper Zapper (Ghostzapper), a \$775,000 KEENOV weanling, broke slowly and never got into the hunt, finishing seventh. Sales history: \$130,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '09 OBSFEB. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$24,900. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

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O-Lael Stables. B-Christina Latimer (KY). T-B Tagg.

5th-GPX, \$35,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 1:36 3/5, ft. OUR DARK KNIGHT (c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Drifa, by Tabasco Cat) was the runner-up in his first two attempts, closing to complete the exacta at Saratoga Aug. 29, then returning from the sidelines and pressing the pace before weakening late over this track and distance Feb. 27. Kept out in the clear while just off the pace down the backstretch, the 3-1 chance went after front-running Avenging Spirit (Tapit) at the quarter pole and took control down the lane, drawing off to beat that rival by 2 3/4 lengths. Indy News (A.P. Indy) trailed early and beat just two under the wire. Sales history: \$160,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$325,000 RNA 2yo '09 KEEAPR. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$40,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Robert V LaPenta. B-Joseph M Bryan Jr & Sandy Lane Farm (KY). T-Nicholas P Zito.

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIVATE TERMS S., \$57,400, LRL, 3-20, 3yo, 1m, 1:37, ft.

1--#**PLANTATION, 116, g, 3, by Luftikus**

1st Dam: **Stalda, by Chenin Blanc**

2nd Dam: **American Belle (NZ), by Harbor Prince**

3rd Dam: **Romantic Belle (NZ), by Battle-Waggon (GB)**

O-Nellie Mae Cox; B-Nellie M Cox & Rose Retreat (WV); T-Rodney Jenkins; J-Travis L Dunkelberger; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 4-4-0-0, \$79,560.

2--**Reckless Runner, 116, g, 3, Cherokee Run--Nashly,** by Island Whirl. O-Sondra D Bender. \$14,000.

3--**Regal Warrior, 116, g, 3, Louis Quatorze--Gallaslass,** by Gallapiat. O-Morris Stable LLC. \$7,700.

Margins: HF, 1HF, 1 3/4. Odds: 1.70, 12.80, 4.90.

Plantation handled open-company maidens at Laurel in his career opener Nov. 19, and had no trouble beating fellow West Virginia-breds in allowance races at Chuck Town Jan. 14 and Feb. 19. The bay was the second favorite to remain unbeaten in his stakes bow. Settled just off longshot Reckless Runner through solid splits, he went up alongside the pacesetter at the eighth pole and outgamed him to the wire. "We just sat off the pace and hoped they'd run out there a little bit so we didn't get in a speed duel," jockey Travis Dunkelberger said. "He settled good and ran down the lane. He's learned something every race. He's getting better and better and better." Added trainer Rodney Jenkins, "He's a very big horse and is very deceiving. When you watch this horse run he looks like he's cantering. Probably has one of the best minds I've ever had around a horse." [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)



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★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIMA DONNA S., \$60,000, OPX, 3-20, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, wf.

1--**HOT DIXIE CHICK, 122, f, 3, by Dixie Union**

1st Dam: Above Perfection (GSW & GISP, \$380,737), by In Excess (Ire)

2nd Dam: Something Perfect, by Somethingfabulous

3rd Dam: Happening, by Terrang

(\$340,000 yrl '08 FTSAUG; \$435,000 2yo '09 FTFFEB). O-Grace Stables LLC; B-Santa Rosa Partners (KY); T-Steven M Asmussen; J-Robby Albarado; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: GISW, 5-4-1-0, \$321,685.

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2--**Biorra, 116, f, 3, Smoke Glacken--Birr, by Farma Way.** O-Plum Lake Racing LLC. \$12,000.

3--**Woman Soldier, 117, f, 3, Werblin--Soldiersingsblues, by Lost Soldier.** (\$6,500 RNA yrl '08 OBSAUG; \$20,000 2yo '09 OBSAPR). O-Rolando Cabral. \$6,000.

Margins: 5 3/4, 3, NK. Odds: 0.20, 18.70, 40.50.

Also Ran: Cosmo Girl, Drewman Prince, Brown Eyed Baby.

🌟 **"TDN Rising Star"** 🌟 Hot Dixie Chick followed an impressive maiden score at Churchill Downs last June with victories in the July 29 Gil Schuylerville S. and Sept. 6 GI Spinaway S., but had not been sighted since. She was the heavy chalk in her sophomore bow. Sharp early, she grabbed the lead after a half in :44.90 and rolled down the lane to win as much the best. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

8th-TPX, \$21,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:42, ft. + BK'S OTHER BROTHER (g, 3, Cryptoclearance--Ocean Isle, by Dynaformer), an 11-1 chance in his career opener, trailed after the opening quarter. He made up some ground on the turn, swung out at the top of the lane and rallied between horses in the final furlong to get to the wire a length to the good of Sweet Talkin Fella (Mutakddim). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,180. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O/B-Robert M Boerner (KY). T-D Michael Smithwick Jr.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

IRISH O'BRIEN S., \$100,000, SAX, 3-20, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, a6 1/2fT, 1:11 4/5, fm.

1--**#UNZIP ME, 117, f, 4, City Zip--Escape With Me, by Arazi.** O-Harris Farms Inc, Per Antonsen, Marin Jones, & Donald Valpredo; B-Harris Farms Inc & Donald Valpredo (CA); T-Martin F Jones; J-Rafael Bejarano; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 10-5-2-1, \$219,700.

2--**U R All That I Am, 117, f, 4, Valid Wager--Fort Silver, by Fort Calgary.** O-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC. \$20,000.

3--**A Jealous Woman, 117, f, 4, Muqtarib--Miss Free Bird, by Fly So Free.** O-Three Cent Stable. \$12,000. Margins: HD, 1 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 2.60, 19.70, 1.40.

Unzip Me was bidding for her third straight after wiring the field in a Dec. 20 allowance sprint on the grass at Hollywood Park and in an optional claimer down the hill at Santa Anita Jan. 28. Forced to duel through an opening half in a blistering :43.05, she still had enough gas to get her head down on the wire in front of the late-running U R All That I Am. "She's definitely going to lay down after that one," quipped trainer Marty Jones. "She was pretty tired, but it's nice to see her be so game after not getting things her own way. That's three in a row now. Hopefully she comes out of the race all right, and we'll look for something else on the grass for her." [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

7th-SAX, \$46,000, Msw, 3yo, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:15, ft. GOLDEN ITIZ (c, 3, Tiznow--Golden Tiy, by Dixieland Band) was adding Lasix after finishing third in an identical maiden event Feb. 11. He was sent off the 2-1 chalk. Taking the long way around from post eight, the dark bay came from just off the leaders in the stretch to sweep to the front and draw off to a two-length graduation. Firster Apriority (Grand Slam) was second. The winner is a 1/2 to Sapphire N' Silk (Pleasant Tap), MGSW, \$222,182. Sales history: \$240,000 yrl '08 KEESSEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$31,680. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Jay Em Ess Stable. B-William A Carl (KY). T-R Ellis.

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[1st-GP \(Alw\) Majestic Blue](#) (Forestry) gives Fasig-Tipton Racing Club I its first victory.

[5th-GP \(Msw\) Our Dark Knight](#) (Medaglia d'Oro) draws off to graduate by 2 3/4 lengths.

[Private Terms S.-LRL Plantation](#) (Luftikus) runs his record to four-for-four in his stakes debut.

[Prima Donna S.-OP GISW Hot Dixie Chick](#) (Dixie Union) cruises in her sophomore bow.



So. Cal Report cont.

1st-SAX, \$47,010, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:49 1/5, fm.

TURNS MY HEAD (IRE) (f, 3, [Montjeu {Ire}](#)--Egyptian Queen, by Storm Cat) was eighth in her debut going a mile on the turf at Santa Anita New Year's Day, but finished well in her second start and was up for fourth under the same conditions Feb. 25. The \$310,000 KEESEP yearling was off at 4-1 in this third go. Content to sit near the back of the pack as they raced around the first turn and down the backstretch, the bay closed on the final bend and kept coming in the lane, catching Cosset (Mizzen Mast in the shadow of the wire to take it by a length. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$30,100. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

O-Amerman Racing Stables LLC. B-Smythson (IRE). T-David E Hofmans.

5th-SAX, \$45,600, Msw, 3yo, 6.5f (AWT), 1:15 2/5, ft.

ROYCE (c, 3, Came Home--Fragrant Cloud {SP}, by Smokester) was third at Oak Tree in his Oct. 2 debut, then came back after a break to round out the triple at the same track Jan. 16. The chestnut tried turf and a mile in Arcadia Feb. 13, finishing fourth, and was back on the Pro-Ride here. Off at 9-2, he rated in the middle of the pack and finished well once angled outside in the stretch to get up for a 1 1/4-length victory. Sirocco Strike (Forestry) was second. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-2, \$39,180. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

O/B-Mr & Mrs John Toffan (KY). T-J Paco Gonzalez.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Al Farahidi, c, 3, [Seeking the Gold.](#) See "Britain."

Arganil, g, 5, [Langfuhr.](#) See "Britain."

TODAY'S INSIGHTS

2:12p 3rd-GP, \$37K, Alw, (S), 3yo, 6 1/2f

HRTV TRAPPE SHOT ([Tapit](#)), a sales-topping \$850K FTMMAY juvenile purchase for Mill House, broke his maiden by an eye-opening 10 1/4 lengths against Florida-bred company at Gulfstream Feb. 21, and looks to make it two-for-two in state-bred company. [brisnet.com pps](#)

3:12p 5th-GP, \$45K, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f

HRTV Thoroughbred Legends' PURE GRACE ([Vindication](#)), a half to GISW Backseat Rhythm (El Corredor), makes her debut. The \$240K KEESEP yearling purchase worked a bullet half in :47 4/5 at Palm Meadows Mar. 1. **Bialy ([Distorted Humor](#)),** representing the Fasig-Tipton Racing Club I, has been second in her first two starts, missing by 3/4 of a length in her latest over track and trip Feb. 14. The chestnut is closely related to multimillionaire and MGISW Commentator (Distorted Humor). [brisnet.com pps](#)

American-bred Winners cont.

IN FRANCE:

Monday Show, f, 4, [Maria's Mon.](#) See "Breeders' Edition, Europe."



First/Second-crop starters to watch: Sunday, March 21

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

- AFLEET ALEX** (Northern Afleet), Gainesway, \$40K, 232/28/3
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Fleet Special, \$60K FTK NOV wnl, 12-1
- GATORS N BEARS** (Stormy Atlantic), MD Stallion Stn, \$5K, 82/7/0
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Ally Bear, \$32K EAS SEP yrl, 3-1
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Captain Leonidis, \$6K EAS SEP yrl, 15-1
- LEROIDESANIMAUX (BRZ)** (Candy Stripes), Stonewall, \$30K, 136/13/0
6-FG, Msw, 1mT, Radiant Man, \$22K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
- MEDALLIST** (Touch Gold), Three Chimneys, \$9K, 91/10/1
5-GP, Msw, 6f, +Captivating Girl, \$67K KEE NOV wnl, 6-1
- ORATORY** (Pulpit), Country Life, \$5K, 104/20/0
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Starring Sky, \$5K KEE JAN yrl, 6-1
- POWERSCOURT (GB)** (Sadler's Wells), Ashford, \$13K, 133/6/1
7-TP, Msw, 1m, Ciao Bellino
- PURGE** (Pulpit), Vinery, \$20K, 250/22/1
9-OP, Aoc, 6f, Perfect Drive
5-GP, Msw, 6f, Texas Aggie, 8-1
- ROCK HARD TEN** (Kris S.), Lane's End, \$50K, 150/13/3
5-SA, Msw, 7f, Hard Way Ten, \$185K KEE SEP yrl
- ROMAN RULER** (Fusaichi Pegasus), Hill 'n' Dale, \$30K, 238/45/4
9-OP, Aoc, 6f, Mandoorule, \$50K KEE SEP yrl
- SOUTHERN IMAGE** (Halo's Image), Taylor Made, \$15K, 154/21/0
4-FG, Msw, 1m, Brickyard Helen, 8-5
5-SA, Msw, 7f, S C Song Girl, \$70K KEE SEP yrl
- WILDCAT HEIR** (Forest Wildcat), Journeyman, \$7K, 222/49/4
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Wild Jab, \$12K OBS APR 2yo, 8-1
8-CT, Aoc, 4 1/2f, Perfect Measure, \$11K EAS SEP yrl, 4-1
9-OP, Aoc, 6f, Banner Cat, \$7K KEE SEP yrl



EUROPE



SINGSPIEL EXPERIENCING FERTILITY ISSUES

Singspiel (Ire) (In the Wings {GB}--Glorious Song, by Halo) has experienced fertility problems since the beginning of the 2010 breeding season, Darley has announced. The farm believes the issue might be linked to a brief illness the 18-year-old suffered back in January. The sire of 72 black-type winners has been in good health since recovering from that illness. Darley hopes the drop in fertility is temporary so he can cover a reduced book of mares, and they will assess the stallion's condition as the breeding season continues.



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★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

SPORTINGBET SUPPORTS HEROS SPRING CUP-Listed, £60,000, Lingfield, 3-20, 3yo, 7f (AWT), 1:23.54, stn. 1--**#CLASSIC COLORI (IRE)**, 127, c, 3, by **Le Vie Dei Colori (GB)**

1st Dam: **Beryl (GB)**, by **Bering (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Fayrooz**, by **Gulch**

3rd Dam: **Solar**, by **Halo**

(€55,000 yrl '08 TATIRE). O-The Classic Strollers Partnership; B-Frank Dunne; T-Tom Dascombe; J-Richard Kingscote; £34,062. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, £37,948. *1/2 to Vauquelin (Ire) (Xaar {GB}), SW & GSP-US, SP-Eng, \$188,555.

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2--**Greyfriarschorista (GB)**, 127, c, 3, **King's Best**--Misty Heights (GB), by Fasliyev. (€8,000 yrl '08 GOFMIL). £12,912.

3--**Stargaze (Ire)**, 127, c, 3, **Oasis Dream (GB)**--Dafariyna (Ire), by Nashwan. (70,000gns wnlg '07 TATDEC; 10,000gns RNA yrl '08 TATOCT; 74,000gns RNA HIT '09 TATHIT). £6,462.

Margins: NO, NO, 1HF. Odds: 7-1, 15-8, 10-1.

Also Ran: Jira (GB), Fratellino (GB), Hanson'D (Ire), Ongoodform (Ire), Haadeeth (GB), Ramamara (Ire), Duplicity (GB), Amary (Ire), Dubai Miracle, Kona Coast (GB).

After a smooth start to his career when winning a six-furlong maiden at Windsor in July, Classic Colori was on the shelf for three months until returning with an eighth over an extra furlong in the G3 Horris Hill S. at Newbury. The bay showed his connections' faith here to be well placed with a game win in this competitive contest after arriving from mid-pack late on to deny Greyfriarschorista and Stargaze in a three-way photo.

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SPORTINGBET SUPPORTS HEROS HEVER SPRINT S.-Listed, £40,000, Lingfield, 3-20, 4yo/up, 5f (AWT), :57.49, stn.

1--**ARGANIL**, 129, g, 5, **Langfuhr**--Sherona, by **Mr. Greeley**. (\$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-The Big Moment; B-Colt Neck Stables, LLC; T-Kevin Ryan; J-Neil Callan; £22,708. Lifetime Record: MSW-Eng, SW-Ire, 19-9-1-0, £124,104.

2--**Glamorous Spirit (Ire)**, 121, f, 4, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Glamorous Air (Ire), by Air Express (Ire). (£105,000 2yo '08 GOFMAR; 6,500gns HIT '08 TATHIT; 19,000gns RNA HIT '09 TATHIT). £8,608.

3--**Jaconet**, 124, m, 5, **Hussonet**--Radiant Rocket, by Peteski. (\$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). £4,308. Margins: SHD, 1, HD. Odds: 4-1, 16-1, 11-8.

Also Ran: Inxile (Ire), Rowe Park (GB), Matsunosuke (GB), Moorhouse Lad (GB), Ivory Silk (GB), Mac Gille Eoin (GB), Crimson Fern (Ire).

Hever Sprint S. cont.

Successful in this event 12 months ago, the furiously-fast Arganil mustered a fourth in the G2 Temple S. at Haydock in May and a victory in Dundalk's Listed Mercury S. in October from seven starts in 2009. Out early this year, the chestnut annexed a six-furlong conditions event here Jan. 14 before filling fourth spot in the Listed Cleves S. over the same track and trip last time Feb. 27. Close behind early as Glamorous Spirit blazed the trail, he proved the stronger of the pair inside the final 100 yards as the customary front-runner Jaconet found her feet too late having been robbed of her usual duties. Click for the [Racing Post chart](#). [Video, courtesy attheraces](#).

Lingfield, 17.20, Mdn, £6,500, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:08.06, stn.

GOMRATH (IRE) (c, 3, **Lomitas {GB}**--**Diner de Lune {Ire} {SW-Fr}**, by **Be My Guest**), seventh on his sole start at Goodwood in August, was sent off the 7-4 second choice here in his first start on Polytrack. Racing freely early without cover in second, the 110,000gns TATOCT yearling gained the edge passing the furlong pole and asserted late for 1 1/4-length success from the long-time leader Deauville Post (Fr) (American Post {GB}). The winner holds an entry into the G1 Epsom Derby. [Video, courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £4,209.

O-Jon and Julia Aisbitt; B-Kilfrush Stud; T-Mick Channon.

Lingfield, 17.50, Mdn, £6,500, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:37.92, stn.

AL FARAHIDI (c, 3, **Seeking the Gold**--**Banksia {GB} {SW-Fr}**, by **Marju {Ire}**), second on debut despite showing his keenness over this track and trip 12 days previously, was the 10-3 second favorite and was again rank at the head of affairs early. Strong when asked to lengthen at the top of the straight, the homebred drew away for an impressive three-length success from Mejd (Ire) (Desert Style {Ire}). [Video, courtesy attheraces](#). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,934.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Gainsborough Farm LLC; T-Mark Johnston.

EUROPEAN VIDEO LINKS

LISTED SPRING CUP S. (3-Lingfield) **Classic Colori (Ire)** (Le Vie Dei Colori {GB}) earns first black-type victory.

HEVER SPRINT S. (6-Lingfield) **ARGANIL** (Langfuhr) returns for repeat victory.

17:20 Lingfield (Mdn) **GOMRATH (IRE)** (Lomitas {GB}) graduates by 1 1/4 lengths.



★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX MAURICE CAILLAULT-Listed, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-20, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/16mT, 2:21.20, vsf.

1--#**CELTIC CELEB (IRE)**, 123, c, 3, by **Peintre Celebre**

1st Dam: Gaelic Bird (Fr) (MGSW-Fr, SW & GSP-US, \$233,141), by Gay Mecene

2nd Dam: Orange Bird, by Sea-Bird (Fr)

3rd Dam: Mock Orange, by Dedicate

(€85,000 yrl '08 ARQAUG). O-Henri de Pracomtal, Francois Doumen & Haras d'Ecouvres; B-Horse Breeding Corporation; T-F Doumen; J-T Thulliez; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €45,600.

* 1/2 to Gaelic Queen (Ire) (Fairy King), SW & GSP-Ire.

2--**War Monger (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Linamix (Fr)--War Game (Fr), by Caerleon. €11,000.

3--**Green Rock (Fr)**, 123, c, 3, Green Tune--Pyramid Painter (Ire), by Peintre Celebre. (€32,000 RNA yrl '08 ARQAUG). €8,250.

Margins: HD, 2, 2. Odds: 25.00, 0.90, 28.00.

Also Ran: Casa Battlo (Fr), Kaage (Ire), Kazzene, Brigantin, Ivory Land (Fr).

This early Classic pointer fell the way of the progressive Celtic Celeb, who showed a game attitude to start out on the French Derby trail. Third behind War Monger on debut in a mile conditions event here in early October, the chestnut stepped up 1/16mile to break his maiden at Longchamp later that month. Settled in third early against the rail, he was angled out inside the final quarter and after gaining the edge with a furlong remaining clung on to deny his old rival. "This is a very encouraging performance," conditioner Francois Doumen said. "He had done very well over the winter and we'll see how he comes out of this, as it was a real race today on very soft ground. He will take the route to the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club [at Chantilly June 6], with either the G2 Prix Noailles [at Longchamp Apr. 11] or the [May 8] G2 Prix Greffulhe here on the way."

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PRIX ROSE DE MAI-Listed, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 3-20, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT, 2:22.70, vsf.

1--#**SANDBAR (GB)**, 123, f, 3, by **Oasis Dream (GB)**

1st Dam: Shifting Sands (Fr) (MSP-Fr), by Hernando (GB)

2nd Dam: Sahara Sunrise, by Houston

3rd Dam: Sahara Sun, by Alysheba

O-Lady O'Reilly; B-Petra Bloodstock Agency Ltd; T-F Rohaut; J-Francois-Xavier Bertras; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €54,300.

2--**Sound of Summer**, 123, f, 3, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Moon Queen (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. €11,000.

3--**Scandola**, 123, f, 3, **Afleet Alex**--Look of the Lynx, by Forest Wildcat. (\$75,000 RNA wnlg '07 KEENOV; €50,000 yrl '08 ARQAUG). €8,250.

Margins: SHD, 2HF, HF. Odds: 2.70, 0.90, 11.00.

Also Ran: Marie de Medici, Plume Rose (GB), Terra Nova (Fr), Balerina (Fr), Foundation Filly (GB), Ruler of My Heart (Ire).



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2.15 Curragh, Mdn, €19,500, 2yo, 5fT

HIGH AWARD (IRE) (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**) made his debut in the first race of the 2010 Irish Flat season at the track at which his dam Tarascon (Ire) (Tirol {Ire}) captured the 1998 renewal of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas. Trained like that Classic heroine by Tommy Stack, the Susan Magnier and Jane Rowlinson-owned colt meets a pair of Ballydoyle representatives in **Emperor Hadrian (Ire)** (**Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}**), a grandson of the champion Palacegate Episode (Ire) (Drumalis {Ire}) who is the choice of Johnny Murtagh and **Pirateer (Ire)** (**Danehill Dancer {Ire}**), a three-parts brother to the 1998 G1 Cheveley Park S. winner Wannabe Grand (Ire) (Danehill).

1st Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe-**Gr.1**
1st Irish Champion Stakes-**Gr.1** (twice)
1st Irish Derby-**Gr.1**
1st The 'King George'-**Gr.1**
1st Prix Ganay-**Gr.1** (in record time)

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Prix Maurice Caillault cont.

Sandbar got off the mark at Bordeaux-le-Bouscat in October before returning to this venue to record a three-length success in a 10-furlong conditions event Mar. 8. Stalking the early pace in second, the blaze-faced bay took over before the quarter pole, and after gaining first run on Sound of Summer dug in to prevail in the bobber. "Today was the second race in 12 days, so she ought to have a break," said trainer Francois Rohaut. "We'll see how she recovers, but we will aim to bring her back here for either the [Apr. 22] G3 Prix Penelope or [May 8] G3 Prix Cleopatre." Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).

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French Report cont.

Saint-Cloud, 13.35, Cond, €33,000, 4yo/up, 1 7/8mT, 3:26.70, vsf.

AIZAVOSKI (IRE) (c, 4, Monsun {Ger}--Arlesienne {Ire}, by Alzao), who looked a serious Arc contender when registering an eight-length success in a conditions event at Longchamp last May, failed to reach those heights subsequently, but was still runner-up in the Listed Prix Ridgway at Chantilly in July and third in both the G2 Prix Niel and G2 Prix Chaudenay back at Longchamp in September and October. In front from the outset, the 3-5 pick had only Calissee (Fr) (Ocean of Wisdom) for company in the home straight, but was always comfortably holding that rival en route to a length success. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 5 places, €75,500. O-Ecurie Wildenstein; B-Dayton Investments Ltd; T-Elie Lellouche.

 **SOUTH AMERICA** 

EXCHANGE RATE TO RETURN TO ARGENTINA

A trio of Argentine operations--La Leyenda, La Pasión and Santa Ines--have reached an agreement with Three Chimneys Farm in Kentucky for **Exchange Rate** (Danzig --Sterling Pound, by Seeking the Gols) to return to the Southern Hemisphere for the 2010, 2011 and 2012 seasons. Exchange Rate, who previously stood at Alberto y Renata Stein's fledgling operation La Leyenda, covered 109 mares in 2009. In addition, the agreement leaves the door open to extend the contract for an additional two seasons. The newly formed La Pasion is headed by Ricardo and Nicolas Benedicto, owners of Rubio B. Stables, leading owner the last three seasons in Argentina. Santa Ines, owned by Sandro Misericocchi, holds the distinction of having raised 2006 U.S. Horse of the Year and champion older horse **Invasor (Arg)** (Candy Stripes).

 **AUSTRALASIA** 

★ **WINNERS BY EURO SIRE** ★

SO. HEMISPHERE GROUP WINNERS:

@Masquerader (Aus), c, 2, **Lucky Owners (NZ)**--Ion You (Aus), by Geiger Counter. Rosehill (Sydney), 3-20, Todman S.-G2, 3yo, 6fT, A\$195,000 to winner. B-Mr K F Leung; T-David Payne.

Wall Street (NZ), g, 5, **Montjeu (Ire)**--Villa Wanda (GB), by Grand Lodge. Trentham (Wellington), 3-20, Thompson H.-G3, 3yo/up, 1mT, NZ\$43,750 to winner. B-C M Wong; T-Jeff Lynds. *G1SW-NZ.

BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA

BLACK-TYPE RESULTS:

KINGS POINT H., \$65,000, AQU, 3-20, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:50 3/5, ft.

1--**ICABAD CRANE, 118, g, 5, Jump Start--Adorahy, by Rahy.** (\$65,000 yrl '06 FTNAUG; \$110,000 2yo '07 OBSFEB). O-Earle I Mack; B-Gallagher's Stud (NY); T-H Graham Motion; J-Gabriel Saez; \$39,000. Lifetime Record: GISP, 16-4-3-6, \$332,895. *1/2 to Our Golden Dream (Medaglia d'Oro), SW, \$141,953.

 **Bred by Gallagher's Stud — Denali Sold** 
 **Broken & Sold by Crupi's New Castle Farm** 

2--**Mighty Morris, 118, g, 5, Wheelaway--Bid O'Powdre, by Talc.** \$13,000.

3--**Manteca, 118, h, 5, Aptitude--Irving's Baby, by Quiet American.** \$6,500.

Margins: 1 3/4, 5, 1HF. Odds: 0.75, 9.00, 2.75.

COSTA RISING S., \$60,000, FGX, 3-20, (S), 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 3/5, ft.

1--**IDE LIKE A DOUBLE, 118, h, 5, Ide--Make Mine a Double, by Carr de Naskra.** (\$3,000 RNA yrl '06 TEXAUG). O-Valene Farms; B-Robkat Racing Stable LLC (LA); T-B J Gilbert; J-P Valenzuela; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 26-8-7-4, \$526,396.

2--**Snug, 117, g, 5, Swamp--Tulia, by West by West.** \$12,000.

3--**Kissimmee Kyle, 117, c, 4, Gold Tribute--Hoh Flyer, by Northern Flagship.** (\$5,200 yrl '07 LOUAPR; \$6,000 RNA yrl '07 TEXAUG). \$6,600.

Margins: 1HF, 1HF, 3/4. Odds: 1.00, 4.40, 6.30.

HOT SPRINGS S., \$60,000, OPX, 3-20, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, wf.

1--**#COUNTRY DAY, 119, c, 4, Speightstown--Hidden Assets (GSW, \$298,313), by Mt. Livermore.** O/B-Bert, Elaine & Richard Klein (KY); T-Steve Margolis; J-Brian Joseph Hernandez Jr; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$132,829. *1/2 to Due Date (El Prado {Ire}), GSP, \$141,018.

2--**Riley Tucker, 117, h, 5, Harlan's Holiday--My Sweet Country, by Bold Ruckus.** (\$375,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL). \$12,000.

3--**Ez Dreamer, 122, h, 5, In Excess (Ire)--French Debutante, by French Deputy.** \$6,000.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2 1/4, 1. Odds: 7.00, 4.10, 2.90.

Career Victory Who: Jockey Alan Garcia
#1,000 When: Saturday, Mar. 20
Where: 2nd race, Gulfstream Park
With: Saint Eligius (Saint Liam)



WORK THE CROWD S., \$50,000, GGX, 3-20, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:44 3/5, ft.

1--**YOU LIFT ME UP, 122, m, 5, Lord Carson--Up On Her Toes, by Green Dancer.** O-Hollendorfer & Todaro; B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds, LLC (CA); T-Jerry Hollendorfer; J-Russell A Baze; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 31-8-6-5, \$431,299.

2--**Rule the Storm, 122, m, 5, Tribal Rule--Thewholebag, by Falstaff.** (\$4,700 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$10,000 yrl '06 ARZOCT). \$10,000.

Another Successful *Brookdale* Sales Graduate

3--**Croxie, 122, f, 4, Redattore (Brz)--Donna B. Quick, by Moscow Ballet.** (\$7,000 yrl '07 CTNSEP). \$6,000. Margins: 2, 1, 3/4. Odds: 1.00, 3.80, 9.10.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

9th-TPX, \$30,000, 4yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:10 4/5, ft.
MITIGATION (g, 5, Cherokee Run--Sophisticatedcielo {MSW & GSP, \$290,299}, by Conquistador Cielo) Lifetime Record: SW, 27-5-3-9, \$140,286. O-Scarlet Stable. B-Mace & Samantha Siegel (KY). T-Michael J Maker.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-GPX, \$51,000, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2X, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:36 3/5, ft.
WINGEDLIE (c, 4, Winged Foot Willie--Outrageous Lie, by Valley Crossing) Lifetime Record: 18-5-2-3, \$93,136. O-Javier Negrete. B-Rolando Rodriguez (FL). T-Javier Negrete.

6th-SAX, \$49,600, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, (R), 4yo/up, f/m, a6 1/2fT, 1:13 3/5, fm.
WARREN'S R READY (m, 5, Mongol Warrior--Ready and Willing, by Mangaki) Lifetime Record: 16-4-5-2, \$118,760. O/B-Benjamin C Warren (CA). T-Jorge Gutierrez.

8th-PHA, \$47,658, NW1X, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22 3/5, ft.
MIDDLE BANK (g, 4, Petionville--Miss Re Anna, by Relaunch) Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-2, \$99,160. O-Casey K Racing Stable. B-Charles Matses (KY). T-Robert E Reid Jr.

9th-PHA, \$46,740, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 2/5, ft.
HALO HOLLIE (m, 5, Halo's Image--Hold the Dream, by Hold Your Peace) Lifetime Record: 10-3-2-1, \$113,900. O-Three Chimneys Racing LLC & Richard C Colton Jr. B-Mary Jane Hunt (FL). T-John C Servis. *\$50,000 wlng '05 KEENOV; \$73,000 RNA yrl '06 FTKJUL; \$70,000 RNA yrl '06 ARZOCT. **1/2 to Captain Video (Stalwart), MSW, \$180,985; and A Penny Saved (Pentelicus), MSW, \$129,294.

All horses in the *TDN* are bred in North America, unless otherwise indicated

8th-FGX, \$43,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:41, fm.

MY STORMY ANGEL (f, 4, Storm Day--Sarah's My Angel {SP}, by Sutter's Prospect) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-3, \$67,180. O-Larry Johnson Racing LLC. B-Val C Murrell (LA). T-Morris G Nicks. *\$28,000 yrl '07 LOUOCT. **1/2 to Grand Facile (Zuppardo's Prince), MSW, \$310,660.

8th-FGX, \$41,000, 3-19, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1m40y, 1:40 4/5, ft.

BURT'S A STITCH (g, 4, Jump Start--Questionable Past {MSW, \$146,736}, by Petionville) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$58,720. O/B-Long Odds Racing Stable Inc (KY). T-Michelle Lovell.

9th-OPX, \$39,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, wf.

SMOKY BELLE (f, 4, Macho Uno--Iny Belle, by Lord Carson) Lifetime Record: 19-6-1-3, \$76,167. O-Robson Thoroughbreds. B-Florida Bloodstock LLC, Jeff Feins & Joe Orseno (FL). T-Cynthia Gastel. *\$20,000 wlng '06 OBSOCT; \$47,000 yrl '07 FTKJUL.

3rd-GGX, \$33,008, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW1\$X, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:10 3/5, ft.

PUERTO NUEVO (f, 3, Benchmark--Sky of Diamonds, by Banker's Gold) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$58,302. O-Theresa & Edward DeNike. B-Bruce Chandler (CA). T-Lloyd C Mason.

9th-DED, \$32,100, 3-19, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 7f, 1:27 3/5, ft.

BEST REWARD (f, 3, Grand Reward--Best Practices, by Tough Knight) Lifetime Record: MSP, 10-2-1-3, \$104,725. O-Rolando Cabral. B-Justice Farm & Greg & Steve Justice (KY). T-Olivo I Inirio. *\$11,000 yrl '08 FTMOCT; \$27,000 2yo '09 OBSAPR.

8th-LRL, \$30,000, NW1X, 4/up, 1 1/8m, 1:51 3/5, ft.
TWISTED DREAM (c, 4, Distorted Humor--Quiet Dream, by Seattle Slew) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-3, \$67,680. O-Half Day Farm. B-Wertheimer & Frere (KY). T-Mary E Epler. *1/2 to No Dream (Anabaa), SW-Fr.

9th-MNR, \$28,600, 3-19, NW4L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:41 2/5, ft.

NITA RIDGE (g, 6, Home At Last--Proper Nita, by Proper Reality) Lifetime Record: 38-4-9-6, \$72,882. O/T-William M Howard. B-E & H Stable (KY).

8th-CTX, \$27,200, 3-19, NW3LX, 4yo/up, 4 1/2f, :52 1/5, ft.

TAKEN (g, 5, Forestry--Jealous and Jaded, by Jade Hunter) Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-1, \$44,901. O-Ray M Pennington III. B-T/C Stable (KY). T-Ollie L Figgins III. *\$160,000 yrl '06 KEESEP. **1/2 to Payton d'Oro (Medaglia d'Oro), GSW, \$355,035.



7th-HAW, \$26,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47 3/5, sy.

I'VE GOT A SECRET (g, 5, Dandy's Secret--More Malarkey, by Fifth Marine) Lifetime Record: 26-4-3-2, \$74,901. O-K & H Racing. B-Sandi & George Kleemann (IL). T-Thomas F Tomillo.

6th-HAW, \$26,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47 3/5, sy.

PLEASANTLYSURPRISE (c, 4, Pleasantly Perfect--Royal Bandita {SW, \$268,524}, by Royal Roberto) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$51,950. O/B-Mike & Maureen Moore (IL). T-Roger A Brueggemann. *\$70,000 RNA yrl '07 KEESEP.

8th-MNR, \$22,400, 3-19, NW2L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13 1/5, ft.

LEGENDARY RIDGE (f, 3, Cactus Ridge--Legendary Lady, by Virginia Rapids) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$29,128. O/B-E H Beau Lane III (KY). T-Timothy C Grams.

10th-TPX, \$21,785, 3-19, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:40 3/5, ft.

DEPUTY DARLING (f, 4, Service Stripe--Classy Little Bing, by Binalong) Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-1, \$46,845. O-Justice Racing Stable. B-Pope McLean Jr & Sr & Marc McLean (KY). T-Michael J Maker.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Zealous Boy, c, 3, Here's Zealous--At the Helm, by Maria's Mon. AQU, 3-20, (S), 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY).**

D'oro Deelites, f, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Reagle Mary, by Afternoon Deelites. FGX, 3-20, (C), 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Yanagawa Stud LTD. (KY). *\$30,000 wlng '07 KEENOV; \$22,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$22,000 2yo '09 FTMMAY.

Conchis Monchis, f, 3, Proud Irish--Dora's Tower, by Irish Tower. SUN, 3-20, (S), 6f, 1:11. B-Tricar Stables Inc (NM). *Full to Proud Tower, GSW, \$280,660; Proud Cardenal, MSW, \$171,805; and Proud Tower Too, Hwt Older Horse-UAE at 5-7f, GISW-US, G1SW-UAE, \$1,735,572.

Roaring Aly, f, 3, Roaring Fever--Alyandover, by Alydar. AQU, 3-20, (S), 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Diane Cardinale (NY).

Ice Strike, g, 3, Silver Deputy--Loving Lucy (SW), by Lycius. OPX, 3-20, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5. B-Hare Forest Farm & Anne Poulson (KY). *\$100,000 yrl '08 KEESEP.

Pomerosa Prospect, g, 4, American Tribute--Nasty Little Thing, by Mr. Nasty. DED, 3-19, 5f, :58 2/5. B-John E & Corey D Pomier (LA). *\$2,000 RNA yrl '07 LTBOCT.

Armsglen, f, 4, Arms and the Man--Ardglen (GSP-Ire, \$112,826), by Lyphard's Wish (Fr). LRL, 3-20, 1m, 1:40 4/5. B-Elisabeth Salchow (MD). *1/2 to Streets of Rio (Carnivalay), MSP, \$170,605.

Soda Jerk, g, 4, Smarty Jones--Double Scoop (SW & GSP, \$257,494), by Seeking the Gold. TPX, 3-19, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:06. B-G Watts Humphrey Jr & Louise I Humphrey (KY). *\$45,000 RNA yrl '07 KEESEP.

Run Willy Run, g, 4, Stonecoldbroke--Daffodilly, by Allen's Prospect. PEN, 3-19, (S), 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Hope Hill Farm & Wilbur Lindsay (PA).

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

HANDICAP RESULT:

BRITAIN, Lingfield, 14.25, 3-20, £50,000, 4yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:23.91, stn.

BRAVO ECHO (GB) (c, 4, Oasis Dream {GB}--Bold Empress, by Diesis {GB}) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-2, £55,150. O-Canisbay Bloodstock; B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd; T-Michael Attwater. *48,000gns HIT '09 TATHIT.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Rome, 14.55, 3-19, €27,000, 3yo, c/g, 6fT, 1:09.20, gd.

GRENSO (ITY) (c, 3, Martino Alonso {Ire}--Green Reew {Ire}, by Sikeston) Lifetime Record: SW-Ity, 10-4-3-1, €91,545. O/B-Scuderia SIBA di Azienda Agricola Antezzate Srl; T-Stefano Botti. *1/2 to Tuliangreen (Ity) (Tertullian), SW-Ity, \$114,362.

FRANCE, Toulouse, 17.05, 3-20, €27,000, 3yo, 1 3/8mT, 2:24.67, gd/sf.

ZIRCJORIEN (FR) (c, 3, Majorien {GB}--Zircon Lady {Fr}, by Kings Lake) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 5 places, €36,250. O-Haras du Bosquet & D Guillemain; B-Haras du Bosquet & A Laborde; T-D Guillemain. *€11,000 RNA yrl '08 ARQOCT.

FRANCE, Toulouse, 19.05, 3-20, €16,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 5/16mT, 2:23.84, gd/sf.

MONDAY SHOW (f, 4, Maria's Mon--La Sylphide {Swi} {GSW-Fr}, by Baratheia {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 4 wins, 2 places, €47,800. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Henri-Alex Pantall. *Full to Expansion, GSW, \$255,610.

ITALY, Rome, 17.50, 3-19, €19,800, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:09.20, gd.

TONY DOUGLAS (IRE) (h, 6, Elnadim--Zilwaki, by Miswaki) Lifetime Record: 21-9-1-3, €79,058. O-Scuderia dell'Avvocato di Vellucci G; B/T-Antonio di Dio.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Itathir (Fr), c, 3, Muhtathir (GB)--Italienne, by Distant View. Toulouse, France, 3-20, Mdn, 3yo, 1 5/16mT. B-Elevage de la Galerie. *€30,000 yrl '08 ARQDEC.