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KEENELAND APRIL SALE TODAY

The Keeneland April Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training gets underway in Lexington today, beginning at 4 p.m. A total of 181 juveniles were catalogued for the one-session sale, down from last year's 216-strong catalogue. The lighter catalogue has been a trend at this year's juvenile sales and is a reflection of market conditions, according to Keeneland's Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell. "Last year the two-year-old consignors/pinhookers didn't buy as many as they had bought in the past," Russell said. "When two-year-old consignors have money, they buy horses and when they don't have enough money, they reduce the number of horses, but keep the quality. Hopefully the market will improve and it will go the other way."

Over 50 youngsters were withdrawn from the sale even before last week's under-tack preview, but Russell said that figure was not unexpected. "This year we have seen a lot of cross-entering in different sales," he explained. "That is one of the off-shoots of the reduced number of horses that the two-year-old consignors had and the decisions that they had to make. So we had horses that were entered in other sales. It's just a by-product of the market right now."

Consignor Niall Brennan agreed. "We're trying to make the decision on which sale to enter these horses in in the middle of December," Brennan explained. "I think one of the reasons that we have a lot of scratches before the breezes is because a lot of horses are double-entered. They are entered in Miami or OBS March, but they are also entered here because you think you might need more time. Some of them could make an earlier start, maybe, but you have to make that decision in December."

Keeneland April Coverage, p6-12



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A 'MOMMA' OF A WEEKEND FOR SADLER

Trained John Sadler registered one of his biggest victories ever with Sidney's Candy (Candy Ride {Arg} in Saturday's GI Santa Anita Derby, and for good measure added yesterday's Easter Day feature at the Arcadia



Benoit photo

oval, the GIII Las Flores H. The heroine on the afternoon was Michael Talla's **Mona De Momma** (Speightstown). The bay had shown plenty of promise last year, winning three of four in a stretch that include razor-sharp allowance victories at Del Mar in August and Santa Anita in October. She failed to fire in her stakes bow, though, running fifth in the restricted Winter S. at Hollywood Dec. 4, and was fourth in both of her 2010 starts, the grassy Wishing Well H. Feb. 12 and

a main-track allowance Mar. 10. Let go at 10-1 odds in the Las Flores off her recent form, she sat second last as **Hallelujah Trail** (Gilded Time) blazed through a :44.03 half. That one fought on bravely, but a slew of challengers came closing in, led by **Mona De Momma**, who outfinished **Free Flying Soul** (Quiet American) and another Sadler trainee in **Alpha Kitten** (Tale of the Cat) to win by a head. "We're really rolling," Sadler said of his barn's recent hot streak. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [brisnet.com PPs](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

PETIONVILLE

**2 Stakes Winners
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Hour Glass wins the Wheel Turns Stakes at Aqueduct on Sunday March 21st, and **Cash Refund** wins the Duncan F. Kenner Stakes at the Fair Grounds on Saturday the 27th.



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Sunday, Santa Anita

LAS FLORES H.-GIII, \$100,000, SAX, 4-4, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:14 2/5, ft.

1--#@MONA DE MOMMA, 116, f, 4, by [Speightstown](#)

1st Dam: Society Gal, by Linkage

2nd Dam: Long Legend, by Reviewer

3rd Dam: Lianga, by Dancer's Image

(\$100,000 yrl '07 FTKOCT; \$335,000 2yo '08 OBSMAR). O-Michael Talla; B-Kim & Rodney Nardelli, RC Durr & Dr Michael Spirito (KY); T-John W Sadler; J-Joel Rosario; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-2, \$177,096. **Werk Nick Rating: C + . Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).** *1/2 to Jigadee (Prospectors Gamble), MGSP, \$193,226; Treasure Hunt (Prospectors Gamble), SP, \$250,922.

MONA DE MOMMA - Another **IBS** 2yo Auction Purchase

2--**Free Flying Soul**, 120, m, 5, [Quiet American](#)--Ruby Surprise, by Farma Way. (\$85,000 yrl '06 FTKOCT; \$125,000 2yo 2007 BESMAY). O-Marsha Naify; B-James Temple Hines Jr (KY); T-Bruce Headley; \$20,000.

3--**Alpha Kitten**, 116, f, 4, [Tale of the Cat](#)--Alpha Mama, by Unbridled's Song. O/B-Mr & Mrs Jerome Moss (KY); T-John W Sadler; \$12,000.

Margins: HD, HF, HF. Odds: 10.10, 3.60, 2.40.

Also Ran: Hallelujah Trail, Miss McCall, Gilded Gem, She's Cheeky. Scratched: Mother Ruth.

Sunday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX EDMOND BLANC-G3, €80,000, Saint-Cloud, 4-4, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:50.30, vhy.

1--GRIS DE GRIS (IRE), 126, h, 6, by [Slickly \(Fr\)](#)

1st Dam: Deesse Grise (Fr), by Lead on Time

2nd Dam: Grey Goddess (Ire), by Godswalk

3rd Dam: Thiella (GB), by Busted (GB)

O/B-Jean-Claude Seroul; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre; J-Christophe-Patrice Lemaire; €40,000. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Fr, GSP-Ity, 30 starts, 9 wins, 18 places, €522,455. **Werk Nick Rating: A + + . Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).**

2--**Skins Game (GB)**, 123, c, 4, Diktat (GB)--Mouriyana (Ire), by Akarad (Fr). (32,000gns wnlg '06 TATDEC; 26,000gns yrl '07 TATOCT). O-Marquise de Moratalla; B-Mr & Mrs J G Davis; T-J C Rouget.

3--**Liang Kay (Ger)**, 126, h, 5, Dai Jin (GB)--Linton Bay (Ger), by Funambule. O-Stall Emina; B-Frau Ina Emma Zimmermann; T-Uwe Ostmann; €12,000.

Margins: 2, HF, 6. Odds: 1.00, 2.30, 10.00.

Also Ran: Cheyrac (Fr), Vertigineux (Fr), Diableside (Fr), Konig Bernard (Fr). Scratched: Slickly Royal (Fr).

Gris de Gris bagged this event last year, but took a further six goes to get his head in front once more, winning the Listed Grand Prix de Marseille at Marseille-Borely Nov. 14, although that string of defeats did include a runner-up finish in May's G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Longchamp. He subsequently dropped to 10th in the G1 Hong Kong Mile at Sha Tin Dec. 13 and just failed to concede seven pounds when a promising second in the Listed Prix Altipan over course and distance on return last time Mar. 13. Leading at an even tempo from the break here, the grey homebred was shaken up passing the quarter-mile marker and came under late urging to comfortably best his Prix Altipan conqueror Skins Game. "Gris de Gris was a little too fresh for his return last time out and had done too much too early," explained trainer Alain de Royer-Dupre. "He was also meeting the Altipan winner on much better terms this time and this, along with race fitness, made all the difference. He should now come back here for the G2 Prix du Muguet [May 1], but we also know that he can do well at Longchamp as he finished second in the Prix d'Ispahan last year." **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).**



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[GIII Las Flores H. \(SAX-8th\)](#) 4yo filly [Mona de Momma](#) (Speightstown) gets up for first black-type badge.



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Top Three from Wood Headed to Derby...

They will all take different routes, but the first three finishers from Saturday's GI Wood Memorial S. will be pointed for the May 1 GI Kentucky Derby. Winner



Eskendereya Sarah K Andrew

Eskendereya (Giant's Causeway) headed back to Palm Meadows Sunday morning, where he will stay until Apr. 20. Explaining that move, trainer Todd Pletcher said, "I like the surface at Palm Meadows, as does he. And the weather will be more reliable there." **Jackson Bend** (Hear No Evil), a distant second to Eskendereya in the Wood and the GII Fountain of Youth S., will be shipped to Churchill Downs in short order. "He'll probably just hang out [at Belmont Park] for a couple of days, and

then I'll make arrangements for him to go to Kentucky," said trainer Nick Zito. **Awesome Act** (Awesome Again), who rounded out the triple after stumbling and losing a shoe at the start, will remain in New York until five days before the Derby. Wayne Tanner, assistant to trainer Jeremy Nosedo, said the chestnut came out of the race in good order. "He couldn't wait to get into his grub last night," Tanner said. "He's a very relaxed horse, and about the only thing that gets him going is the sound of his feed being poured into the bin."

Next Start Undecided for Eightyfiveinafifty...

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ **Eightyfiveinafifty** (Forest Camp), winner of Saturday's GIII Bay Shore S. at Aqueduct, will make his next appearance on Apr. 24, but it has not yet been determined if he will go in the GIII Withers S. at the Big A or the GIII Derby Trial S. at Churchill Downs, both at a one-turn mile. Sporting blinkers for the first time in the seven-furlong Bay Shore, the bay had his head cocked all the way to the left as he raced down the chute, but cut out a fast pace and drew clear late to win decisively. "How dangerous would he be if he learns to run straight?" asked trainer Gary Contessa. "He is a highly perceptive horse, and yesterday, when the rail disappeared on the backstretch, he started to look left. Imagine that he can turn his head 180 degrees left and still run :22, :45, and 1:08 and change."

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Contessa continued, "It's incredible, and the sky is the limit if he ever gets it all together and puts his mind on business. He's given me some fits, but we've managed to figure him out and I have to keep tweaking him and making him better. He's the best horse I've ever had." Asked if the speedster might be able to stretch out, New York's leading conditioner since 2006 remarked, "I'm not sure how far he will go. Yesterday, he looked like a sprinter, but it's important to take into account that he has never had uninterrupted training. We've never seen him at 100 percent. For his maiden victory, he was 75 percent, and yesterday, he was also 75 percent. It will be very interesting to see how he develops and matures over the year to come."



Eightyfiveinafifty Sarah K Andrew

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Lookin at Lucky AOK After Eventful Trip...

Eclipse champion **Lookin at Lucky** (Smart Strike) was bounced around on the turn in Saturday's GI Santa Anita Derby, but escaped the incident without injury, trainer Bob Baffert reported Sunday morning. "Lookin At Lucky looks fantastic," said Baffert. "He's happy, so



Looking at Lucky *Benoit*

that's good. He leaves on [Apr. 12 for Churchill Downs] and, yeah, [Garrett] Gomez will ride him back." Gomez has been in the saddle for each of the bay's career starts. He had the colt tucked in at the rail as they came around the bend in the Santa Anita Derby when Victor Espinoza, aboard **Who's Up** (Graeme Hall), angled to the inside, knocking Lookin at Lucky into the fence. "I was traveling good, and the next thing I knew,

Victor Espinoza came down on top of me," Gomez said after the race. "He had my horse tipped sideways. I mean, it was enough damage where it stopped me completely. And there was no cause for it. Victor was outside the horse that was on the lead, and the outside horse wasn't putting any pressure on him until he came down and put the pressure on me. When he started to get outrun a little bit, he just dropped in and nailed me against the fence." Gomez went after Espinoza as they weighed in, landing at least one punch. The stewards held a hearing yesterday, fining Gomez \$750 and handing Espinoza a three-day suspension. But Lookin at Lucky was unfazed by it all. "In the Rebel [GIII, at Oaklawn, Mar. 13], he was really knocked out after the race," Baffert said. "But this is the best the horse has ever come out of a race. He was ice cold and he was bouncing. We learned a lot about the horse that will really help his chances in the Derby. We got beat by a very nice horse [Sidney's Candy], and you can't make any mistakes against a horse like that."



PREVIEWS

Wednesday, Keeneland

BEAUMONT S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 7f (AWT)

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Glowing Report (K)	Consolidator	Lenclud	Lukas	117
2 Diva Delite	Repent	Leparoux	Wilkes	119
3 Franny Freud	Freud	Gomez	Terranova	117
4 Kawiye (K)	Tapit	Garcia	Matz	117
5 Grand Affair	Grand Reward	Straight	McCauley	117
6 Chantilly Nayla (K)	Five Star Day	Graham	Pessin	117
7 Tia	Giant's Causeway	Castellano	McGaughy	117

SATURDAY'S VERSATILE SUCCESS



GOLDSVILLE

New Graded Stakes Winner of Aqueduct's \$200,000 Gr. III Excelsior S. (1 1/8m). [chart](#) / [video](#)

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PULSION (Include), 5f, 1:01.00, 4/12

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SMART SEATTLE (Smart Strike), 4f, :50.60, 40/45

OAKLAWN

DUBLIN (Afleet Alex), 5f, 1:01.80, 3/5

PALM MEADOWS

DEVIL MAY CARE (Malibu Moon), 4f, :49.00, 6/29

IBBOYEE (Medallist), 4f, :51.65, 26/29

LENTENOR (Dynaformer), 4f, :51.00, 21/29

NONNA MIA (Empire Maker), 4f, :51.00, 21/29

RULE (Roman Ruler), 4f, :52.40, 29/29

SUPER SAVER (Maria's Mon), 4f, :50.90, 20/29

TIZ THE ONE (Tiznow), 5f, 1:01.60, 4/6

SANTA ANITA

MAKE MUSIC FOR ME (Bernstein), 6f, •1:13.00, 1/8

WOODBINE

BIOFUEL (Stormin Fever), 5f, •:59.00, 1/9



JAPANESE RESULTS

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

SANKEI OSAKA HAI-G2, ¥123,260,000, Hanshin, 4-4, 4yo/up, 2000mT, 1:59.50, fm.

1--**#@T M ENCORE (JPN)**, 126, h, 6, by Opera House (GB)

1st Dam: Snark Success (Jpn), by Brian's Time

2nd Dam: Nijinsky Sentiment, by Nijinsky II

3rd Dam: Harrapan Seal (Ire), by Habitat

O-Masatsugu Takezono; B-Sakamoto Farm; T-Masami Shibata; J-Suguru Hamanaka; ¥64,882,000. Lifetime

Record: 33-6-7-3. **Werk Nick Rating: B+**. [Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.](#)

2--**Golden Dahlia (Jpn)**, 126, h, 6, Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)--Nice Tres Bien (Jpn), by Northern Taste. O-Hachiro Tanaka; B-Daiei Farm; ¥26,252,000.

3--**Dream Journey (Jpn)**, 130, h, 6, Stay Gold (Jpn)--Oriental Art (Jpn), by Mejiro McQueen (Jpn).

O-Sunday Racing; B-Shiraoi Farm; ¥16,126,000.

Margins: 3/4, NO, NK. Odds: 20.50, 51.30, 0.20.

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

LORD DERBY CHALLENGE TROPHY-G3, ¥76,910,000, Nakayama, 4-4, 4yo/up, 1600mT, 1:34.40, fm.

1--**@SHOWA MODERN (JPN)**, 123, h, 6, by Air Jihad (Jpn)

1st Dam: Yume Shibai (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire)

2nd Dam: Yodo Senryo (Jpn), by El Centauro (Arg)

3rd Dam: Lily of the Nile, by Never Bend

O-Keiichi Yamagishi; B-Shadai Farm; T-Hiroaki Sugiura; J-Hiroki Goto; ¥40,637,000. Lifetime Record: 37-8-6-3. * 1/2 to Yumeno Shirushi (Jpn) (Fuji Kiseki {Jpn}), SW & GSP-Jpn, \$1,360,155.

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

2--**Meiner Falke (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, Mutafaweq--Bingo Hanako (Jpn), by Park Regent. O-Thoroughbred Club Ruffian; B-Big Red Farm; ¥16,182,000.

3--**Sunny Sunday (Jpn)**, 119, c, 4, Marvelous Sunday (Jpn)--Sunny Classic (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire).

O-Moriyasu Miyazaki; B-Marumura Murashita Farm; ¥10,091,000.

Margins: 1, 1HF, NK. Odds: 15.60, 4.80, 5.90.

CORRECTION: *Ventana* (Toccet), winner of Saturday's GII Potrero Grande H., had a bullet ad as a Mulholland Springs graduate in yesterday's *TDN*. The four-year-old was, in fact, a graduate of Joe Mulholland Sr., Joe Mulholland Jr., John P. and Karen Mulholland's Mulholland Farm. We apologize for the error.

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Optimism On Tap at Keeneland...

Last year's April sale, which was topped by Kaleem Shah's \$1.9-million bid for subsequent **TDN Rising Star** **Take Control** (A.P. Indy), saw 66 juveniles sell for \$11,805,000. The average of \$178,864 was down 15.5 percent from the corresponding 2008 figure, while the median of \$117,500 fell 21.7 percent. But strong results from last month's OBS March sale could provide optimism. "I hope it's a continuation of the March sale down in Florida," Keeneland's Geoffrey Russell confirmed. "I thought that was a very good sale, it was very consistent from start to finish and it had great depth to it. So I would hope that that would continue."

Consigner Niall Brennan also sees cause for optimism and hopes the beautiful spring weather in Lexington brings out potential buyers. "It's been several years since we had good weather for the Keeneland breeze show, or the sale, and the weather is beautiful," Brennan explained. "I think it's got to help. It's a reason for people to be out and about and be around the barns and looking. I think there will be a great atmosphere at the races. It is an Easter weekend, that could be a concern if someone was on the fence about coming in for the sale, if they decide not to because they are with family. But all said and done, I think the OBS sale was hopefully something to build on and, hopefully, we'll see a good buyer base here and the horses can find homes."

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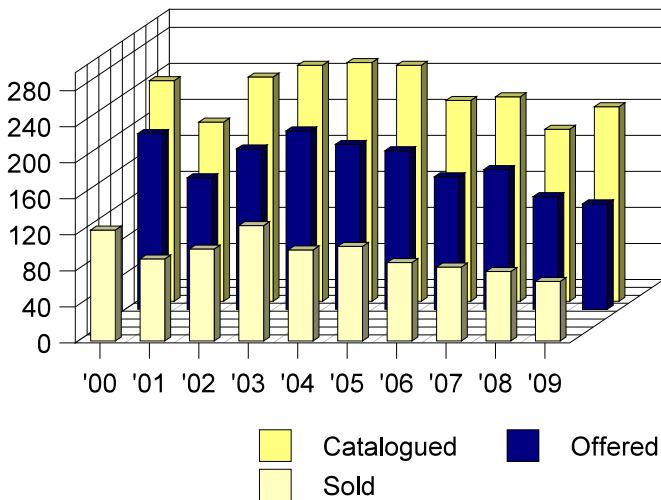
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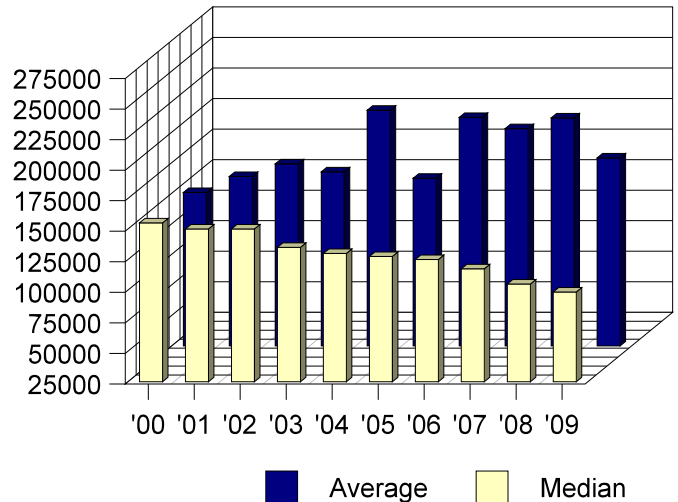
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Medaglia d'Oro Filly Works Better Late...

While the rest of the Keeneland April juveniles were strutting their stuff over the Polytrack last Thursday, [hip 88](#) was back at Hartley/De Renzo's barn 43. "She had just had her feet done and they cut her a little short," explained Dean De Renzo. "She had a little pulse, so we elected not to stress her. We were a little bit concerned, and she is a very expensive filly." But thanks to the Keeneland sales staff, the daughter of Medaglia d'Oro worked Sunday in front of a group of potential buyers. "We elected to scratch and Keeneland gave us the opportunity to breeze her this morning and keep her in the sale, which I thought was great," De Renzo continued yesterday. "[Keeneland Associate Director of Sales] Tom Thornbury was involved from just exactly when we found the pulse through the whole process. He said, 'Well this looks like a situation that could use a little bit of an adjustment,' and he made it happen. We were very happy and the buyers went up there to watch her--we had a little crowd." De Renzo caught the filly in fractions of :10.3 and :21.3. "She looked phenomenal," De Renzo confirmed. "Like a train rolling along." Out of Peridot (Gilded Time), the dark bay filly is from the family of MGSP Elaborate and Areyoutalkintome. She was purchased by Twin Creeks Farm for \$370,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale. "She has a great name--Our Perfect Ten," De Renzo smiled. "We had scheduled to bring her here because we like the gift of time with the April sale. She is a big, stoute, strong Medaglia d'Oro filly for sure, and can use the extra time." -J Martini

Timing is Everything...

Juggling sales dates has never been an easy task, and in 2010, it like it became an issue of 'damned if you and damned if you don't' for most auction houses in the United States. While consignors have attempted to adapt by delegating to members of their support staff, buyers who have opted to attend every juvenile sale this season, appear to have remained in a state of perpetual motion since early February.

"It's tough--something has gotta give," admitted Wavertree Stables' Ciaran Dunne. "We have too many select sales, they are jammed into too short a window and it's not allowing the agents or consignors to do the job they are paid to do. You just don't have the time to sit down and try and sell a horse."

While the consensus among consignors is that the single-session breeze show was the best option chosen by sales companies, some suggested that the position of the breeze show relative to the sale was something that might need to be addressed in the future.

"I love the one session, this is our third year doing it, and I don't ever want to see it go back to two sessions ever again, because I think a single breeze session is easier on the horses," stated pinhooker Eddie Woods, adding, "The one issue I do have is that I think it's too long between Thursday [breeze] and Monday [sale]. It's just a long time for everyone to be out of town. So basically you are [in Lexington] a week for a one day sale. It puts a time restraint on people. In many cases, they just got home from Barretts and they are going to turn around and go down to OBS in April."

Dunne, who sold the sales-topping juvenile at Barretts in Pomona last month, acknowledged the challenges faced by Keeneland this year because of the attempt to juggle the sale around the Easter holiday and Keeneland's opening weekend. However, he indicated that a slight adjustment might serve buyers, sellers and sales companies alike in the future.

"It would be great if we can somehow get the breeze show closer to the actual sale," Dunne said. "I'd have no problem to breeze them on Monday and sell them Tuesday." Cont. p8

KEENELAND APRIL 2009 - TOP CONSIGNORS

Consignor	#	Average (\$)	Gross (\$)
Eddie Woods	9	348,000	3,132,000
Stephens Thoroughbreds	7	192,142	1,345,000
Niall Brennan Stables	5	268,000	1,340,000
Wavertree Stables, Inc.	7	167,857	1,175,000
Scanlon Training Center	8	141,875	1,135,000
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Dunne added, "I would love to see them put the sale in the middle of the meet somewhere. So when these two-year-olds are training in the week prior to the breeze show, the trainers and owners that are in town get some exposure to them. That used to be the way it was in the old days. A lot of the guys that might not necessarily buy at the two-year-old sales, a two-year-old might catch his eye on the racetrack and they might want to follow up on it. The way it is now at the beginning of the meet, most guys didn't ship in until this weekend, by which time we are pretty much done with our training."



Ciaran Dunne
Jim Farios photo

A notable absence at Keeneland's April sale this year is bloodstock agent Buzz Chace, who opted to remain east following a rigorous buying schedule so far this year. And according to Dunne, that is a major blow to sellers.

"Our buyers base is so small right now, that even one guy missing out of there has a tremendous effect," he said. "Basically, we need to revamp the schedule to really need to make it easier on buyers. From our perspective, we are going to sit down and look long and hard next year to see where we will sell." -C Bossinakis

BUYING AT THE TOP OF THE MARKET AT THE 2009 KEENELAND APRIL SALE

There were 2 juveniles purchased for \$500,000 or more at Keeneland April 2009 (down from 7 in 2008)

<u>Buyer</u>	<u>\$500K+ '08</u>	<u>\$500K+ '09</u>
Alex Solis Bloodstock	1	0
B Wayne Hughes	2	0
Centennial Farm	0	0
Dennis O'Neill	0	0
Khaleem Shah	0	1
Mamet Gusseynov	1	0
Jerry Frankel	0	0
John Ferguson	1	0
SteveYoung	0	1
Stonestreet Stable	1	0
Zayat Stables LLC	1	0
TOTAL:	7	2



WHAT THEY'RE SAYING ...AT THE SALES

Kirkwood Stables' Kip Elser on sale expectations:

"I don't see any real reason for it to be dramatically different than anything else. The top has remained relatively solid. We're just hoping that a few more people are willing to have fun and race on Wednesday instead of Saturday, and they will come in underneath the top and bring that up a little bit, too. I think that is starting to happen. They can't all run late on Saturday afternoon, but there are others that you can have a lot of fun with and win some races that don't cost as much as the Saturday afternoon races."



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Hip Happenings

SALE NAME

Hip 3, colt, **Birdstone**--Elle Nicole, by El Corredor
 Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne)

Despite playing catch-up, this colt showed he is certainly heading in the right direction now with a snappy eighth of a mile work in :10 1/5 ([video](#)) during last week's breeze. The Apr. 1 foal is out of the seven-year-old mare Elle Nicole, who has only one other foal to her credit. "He is a very interesting horse," assessed consignor Ciaran Dunne. "He is a very immature horse who looks like he wants to be a three-year-old. He has a big, long way of going and is typical of our consignment. He was targeted at an earlier sale, but just kept getting pushed back. He is just now starting to come within himself. He is probably about a month shorter than where I'd like to have him, but he could be a lovely three-year-old."

Hip 34, f, **A.P. Indy**--Ile de France, by Storm Cat
 Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent XV

Out of GISP Ile de France, this filly's second dam is Cara Rafaela (Quiet American), the dam of champion Bernardini (A.P. Indy). "She's beautifully bred," Niall Brennan said. "And she worked super. She's just a lovely filly. A big, strong, strapping filly--a lot of A.P. Indy in her. Beautiful pedigree. Just a no-brainer." The dark bay worked a furlong in :10.1 ([video](#)).

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Centennial Farms	2	275,000	550,000
Mike Pegram	1	475,000	475,000
Dogwood Stable, Inc.	3	143,333	430,000
John W. Sadler, Agt.	2	207,500	415,000
Bob Baffert, Agent	1	370,000	370,000
F Brothers, agent for B Lunsford	2	175,000	350,000

Hip 35, colt, **Street Cry (Ire)**--I'm in Celebration, by Copelan
 Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock (Becky Thomas), agent

This sire certainly has proven he can produce the good ones, having sired GI Kentucky Derby hero Street Sense and the undefeated supermare Zenyatta, winner of last year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic. The June 7 foal is out of I'm in Celebration, who is a half-sister to Grade I winner Little Baby Bear and GSW First American. She is also responsible for the stakes-winning and graded stakes-placed pair of Nice to Know (Known Fact) and Cheers and Tears (Bold Ruckus). "He is a very nice colt," said Becky Thomas. "He is incredibly athletic. To have a June foal perform like he has is way beyond his chronological years. He's smart and has done everything right." He breezed an eighth in :10 1/5 ([video](#)).

Hip 40, f, **Tiznow**--Keep Smilin, by Geri

Consigned by Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds, agent


This bay filly with a distinctive Rachel Alexandra-esque blaze worked a furlong at Thursday's under-tack show in :10.2 ([video](#)). "She is a pretty fantastic filly," Dean De Renzo confirmed. "She has caught everybody's eye. She is bred to go two turns and she performed like she was a sprinter. It looks like she is hitting what everybody needs, which is precocious speed and pedigree to go long."

Hip 44, f, **Smart Strike**--Lady Canna, by Unbridled

Consigned by Kirkwood Stables,
 agent for Michael and Reiko Baum

This dark bay filly is from the family of Pleasant Stage, Colonial Play, Stage Colony and Changeintheweather. "She is a big strong, quality filly from a quality family," said Kirkwood's Kip Elser. "It's very simple. She has plenty of growing and improving to do, and she's plenty good now." The juvenile worked a quarter mile Thursday in :21.1 ([video](#)).

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Hip 52, colt, Rockport Harbor--Limestone Landing, by Red Ryder

Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent XII

The Apr. 20 foal more than doubled his freshman sire's yearling average of \$60,360 when purchased for \$160,000 by Bradley Thoroughbreds Brokerage last September. The dark bay is out of Limestone Landing, dam of the graded stakes-placed performers It'sallinthechase (Take Me Out) and Upscaled (Sir Cat). "My Rockport Harbor colt is as good a horse as I ever get to take to a sale," confirmed Eddie Woods. "He is gorgeous, goes extremely well and is a very classy horse to be around. He just does everything that nice horses do." Hip 52 breezed a quarter in 21 4/5 ([video](#)).

Hip 62, filly, Tapit--Malia, by Regal Classic

Consigned by Scanlon Training Center, Agent III

Daughters by this Grade I-winning sire are hot commodities these days after the exploits of horses likes champion Stardom Bound and GISW Careless Jewel. This May 5 foal showed her sire imparted her with speed and precocity when she turned in a fine :10 1/5 ([video](#)) work during last week's breeze show.

Hip 72, f, Medaglia d'Oro--Miss Popularity, by Storm Bird

Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent III

This bay filly is a half to MGSW Get Funky (Straight Man). "A Medaglia d'Oro filly--that speaks for itself," explained Niall Brennan. "She's only a May foal. She's immature, but a very typical Medaglia d'Oro. She's a very pretty filly. Definitely still green, young, but she's got a lot of talent."

Hip 84, f, Forest Wildcat--Orate, by A.P. Indy

Consigned by Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds, agent

This is the first foal out of a full-sister to multiple graded stakes winner Pulpit. She shared the :10 flat bullet ([video](#)) at last week's preview. "She is one of our stars," Dean De Renzo said. "She has a very big female family. She looks very much like A.P. Indy. Everyone is really loving her because her pedigree says she'll two turn, and she's got a ton of tactical speed." The juvenile was a \$90,000 KEESEP yearling.

Hip 103, f, Tapit--Rewarding, by Storm Bird

Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent VI

This bay filly breezed a furlong in :10.2 ([video](#)) last Thursday. She is a half-sister to SW Generosity (Unbridled's Song). "She had a lovely breeze," Niall Brennan recalled. "She's a very, very strong filly for a Tapit. Tapit kind of speaks for itself, but she's a different kind of Tapit. She's got a lot of strength about her. She's a very solid filly, beautifully balanced."

Hip 117, filly, Johannesburg--Spain, by Thunder Gulch
Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent XCVIII

This filly showed she packed plenty of punch during last Thursday's breeze show, stopping the clock in the co-fastest time for an eighth in :10 flat ([video](#)). By European champion Johannesburg, who also came stateside to annex the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, the May 7 foal is out of another Breeders' Cup winner in Spain, who took the Distaff in 2001. An earner of over \$3.5 million in career earnings, the 13-year-old mare has produced GSW Plan (Storm Cat) and G1SP Dreamtheimpossible (Giant's Causeway). "She is not very big, but she is very well proportioned, and she goes extremely well," said Eddie Woods.

Hip 123, colt, Indian Charlie--The Church Lady, by Valid Wager

Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne)

This cookie-cut version of his sire looked like the real deal with the co-session topping breeze of :10 flat ([video](#)) for an eighth last Thursday. The Apr. 29 foal is out of unraced The Church Lady, dam of SW Sheyenne Girl (Doneraile Court) and Codio (Doneraile Court). "He's probably as good an example of an Indian Charlie you're ever going to see," said Dunne. "Just a fabulous horse at the end of a shank."



Christina Bossinakis

Hip 124, c, Smart Strike--Topsom, by Red Ransom
Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent VI

This bay colt, named Knockout, is a half-brother to GISP Silver Swallow (Alphabet Soup). "He's a lovely colt," Niall Brennan reported. "He's a big strong, two-turn kind of horse. He's just improving now and coming into his own. He's still got a lot of improvement in him, but I think he's a helluva nice colt." The juvenile RNA'd at \$325,000 as a Keeneland September yearling.

Hip #20

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Hip 134, colt, Distorted Humor--Whichwaydidshego, by Storm Cat

Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne), XXVI This Jan. 20 foal showed some zip during the breeze, going an eighth in :10 2/5 ([video](#)). By leading sire Distorted Humor, the bay sports plenty of black-type on his dam's side, hailing from the family of Yarn (Mr. Prospector), dam of champion Minardi, Tale of the Cat and Myth, dam of champion Johannesburg. "I would imagine he would be on everybody's list," said Dunne. "He is a fabulous horse on the race track and he has a stallion's pedigree. He is just a gorgeous horse at the end of a shank. He could have gone anywhere and been in the top five."

Hip 135, colt, Malibu Moon--Whirlwind Charlott, by Real Quiet

Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne) By one of the season's now sires in Malibu Moon, this handsome chestnut is out of Gill Sorority S. runner-up Whirlwind Charlott. The Jan. 23 foal hails from the family of dual Grade I winner Behrens (Pleasant Colony), also runner-up in the G1 Dubai World Cup. Hip135 breezed a quarter in :20 4/5 ([video](#)).



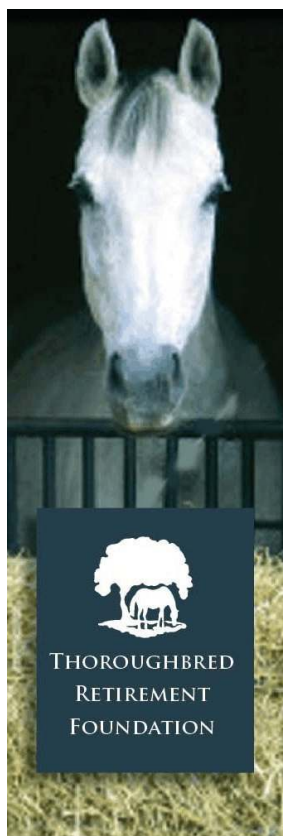
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Hip 139, colt, Songandaprayer--Xtra Heat, by Dixieland Heat

Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne) This colt is bred for speed, and duly flashed his wares with a quarter mile in :21 flat ([video](#)) last Thursday. By the quick, Grade I winning son of Unbridled's Song, the dark bay is out of three-year-old champion filly Xtra Heat. A Grade I winner and earner of over \$2-million, the Apr. 27 foal is a half-brother to SWs & GSP Elusive Heat (Elusive Quality) and Southwestern Heat (Gone West). "Xtra Heat has probably proven herself a better broodmare than racehorse," explained Dunne. "I don't think anyone would of thought that possible." He added of the Apr. 27 foal, "He is a big, tall, leggy horse that stands over a lot of ground. He is very, very fast. He is a late foal, but he looks like he is just going to mature into a beautiful horse. I think he is the best foal I have seen the mare have and we've had several of them."



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Hip 148, filly, War Front--Ashley's Clan, by Seattle Slew

Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock (Becky Thomas), agent By the graded stakes-winning freshman sire War Front (Danzig), this Apr. 8 foal is out of a 10-year-old daughter of GSW Gather the Clan (Ire) (General Assembly), dam of MGSW and millionairess Pure Clan (Pure Prize) and MGSW Greater Good (Intidab). The dark bay strutted her stuff when covering an eighth of a mile in :10 1/5 ([video](#)) last week. "War Front is a first-season sire who has been popular, and she has been popular, too," said Becky Thomas. "She is a two-turn filly--top and bottom--and yet worked and galloped out very nicely."

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Hip 152, f, First Samurai--Beebe Lake, by Grand Slam
 Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent XIV

This young miss, out of SW Beebe Lake, zipped a furlong in a co-bullet :10 flat ([video](#)) last Thursday. "She is a registered New York-bred and she can run," said Niall Brennan. "She is just a very fast filly. She's beautifully balanced and had a very impressive breeze. She's a very sharp, fancy filly. I really like these First Samurais--I think they are honest, professional horses. I think this is a very good filly, and being a registered New York-bred doesn't hurt."

Hip 165, colt, Pulpit--Cherckerspot, by Affirmed
 Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent XXVI

Sure to get some action sale day is this son of Pulpit. The chestnut is out of unraced Checkerspot, dam of SW and GSP Salty Romance (Salt Lake). The May 18 foal impressed spectators during last week's breeze show by topping the session with the fastest quarter mile in :20 3/5 ([video](#)).

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OFFICER CHERRIE, 5, Officer--Madamascus, by Sheikh Albadou (GB)

Foal born Feb. 19, a colt by Tiznow.
 Will be bred back to Bernardini.
 Owned by and boarded at Blazing Colours Farm.
 Accomplishments: GSW of \$259,555.

SENSE OF JOY (GB), 5, Dansili (GB)--Bonash (GB), by Rainbow Quest

Foal born Feb. 19, a colt by Empire Maker.
 Will be bred back to Empire Maker.
 Owned by and boarded at Juddmonte Farms.
 Accomplishments: GSW-Eng.

HAPPY APPROVAL, 16, With Approval--Happy Hawaii, by Hawaii

Foal born Feb. 20, a filly by Divine Park.
 Will be bred back to Divine Park.
 Owned by Brereton C Jones.
 Boarded at Airdrie Stud.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Spring Rush (Wild Rush), MSW, \$226,475.

MISWAKI BELLE, 18, Miswaki--Belle et Deluree, by The Minstrel

Foal born Feb. 20, a colt by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)
 Will be bred back to Pivotal (GB).
 Owned by and boarded at Cheveley Park Stud.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Danehurst (GB) (Danehill), Hwt. 3yo Filly-Eng at 5-7f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire & Ity at 5-7f, GSW-Eng, Ire, Fr & Ity, MG1SP-Eng, \$422,125; Humouresque (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), GSW-Fr; Mighty (GB) (Pivotal {GB}), MGSP-Eng, \$160,055.



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Yesterday's Results:

6th-GPX, \$43,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 5fT, :55 2/5, fm.
1--FORMIDABLE, 124, h, 5, [Sky Mesa](#)--Santaria (SW & GISP, \$266,937), by Star de Naskra. O/B-Robert N Clay & Fair Way Equine LLC (KY); T-H Allen Jerkens. Lifetime Record: GSP, 15-5-1-4, \$184,188. *1/2 to Medallist (Touch Gold), MGSW & GISP, \$421,375; and Air Commander (Point Given), GSW, \$248,680.
2--Lady Rizzi, 115, m, 7, Rizzi--What'salltheruckas, by Bold Ruckus. (\$55,000 2yo '05 OBSJUN).
3--Perfect Officer, 120, g, 4, Officer--Perfect Tradition, by Perfect Vision. (\$75,000 wlng '06 KEENOV; \$110,000 yrl '07 FTKJUL).
 Margins: 1, NO, 3/4. Odds: 4.50, 2.00, 3.00.

He lives up to his name on the Gulfstream Park main track, and Formidable is now perfect in one start on the Gulfstream turf course. The Allen Jerkens trainee made his first appearance in Hallandale as a maiden last January, and promptly graduated by 4 1/2 lengths. A 5 1/2-length winner in allowance company the following month, he came back to be third in the 2009 edition of the GII Gulfstream Park H. Mar. 14 before heading north. The bay was winless for the remainder of the campaign, beating just one home in his seasonal finale in the GIII Fall Highweight H. Nov. 26, but is now three-for-three since getting back to the Sunshine State. Formidable opened the year with an optional-claiming score Jan. 13 and made it two in a row Mar. 18. He was let go at 9-2 as he went for the three-peat while trying the grass for the first time in his career here. Compromising his chances by ducking in as he broke from the inside post, the five-year-old was hustled up from the inside to grab the lead after the opening quarter. He edged clear at midstretch and held Lady Rizzi at bay to run his overall Gulfstream record to five-for-six. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

4th-GPX, \$45,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38 3/5, ft.
HOT TRIP (f, 3, Trippi--Yellow Heat, by Gold Fever) ran second as a 39-1 dark horse in her debut at Gulfstream Park Jan. 6, but trailed the field when switched to the weeds for a one-mile maiden 18 days later. Fifth on the main track Feb. 24, she was a 4-1 chance to graduate in her fourth trip to the post. The chestnut was taken in hand to sit off the early pace, and had some traffic trouble on the turn. She swung wide for clearance at the top of the lane and ran down Gold Collection (Seeking the Gold) in the final strides to win by a neck. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$38,350. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)
 O/B-E Paul Robsham Stable LLC (FL). T-Bruce R Brown.

Yesterday's Results:

9th-WOX, \$68,466, Msw, 3yo, f, 5f (AWT), :57 4/5, ft.
+ FIRST WITH CLASS (f, 3, [Gone West](#)--Go First Class, by Easy Goer), an 8-1 chance in her first start, was happy to sit at the back of the pack through the opening three furlongs. The dark bay made a little headway on the turn, fanned wide into the lane and just got up to best another late closer, Oil Painting (Distorted Humor), by a head. The winner is a 1/2 to Silver Ticket (Silver Deputy), MGSW, \$504,967. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$40,601. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)
 O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON). T-Malcolm Pierce.

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Yesterday's Results:

7th-SAX, \$56,800, Alw, C, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:34 3/5, fm.
1--WELL MONIED, 116, f, 4, [Maria's Mon](#)--Queen of America, by Quiet American. (\$100,000 yrl '07 KEESSEP). O-C T Grether, Inc; B-Occidental Thoroughbreds (KY); T-Howard L Zucker. Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 9-4-1-1, \$371,300. *1/2 to Jimmy Simms (Lost Soldier), SW & GSP, \$254,661
2--Exquisite (NZ), 116, m, 6, Golan (Ire)--Elyzabel (NZ), by Kaapstad (NZ).
3--Chasin Dreams, 116, m, 5, Cactus Ridge--Excessively Hot, by In Excess (Ire).
 Margins: HF, NO, 3/4. Odds: 1.60, 1.90, 6.50.

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[6th-GP \(Alw\)](#) Formidable (Sky Mesa) takes his turf bow.

[2nd-SA \(Msw\)](#) Southern Fireball (Southern Image) scores in her first start since August.

[7th-SA \(Alw\)](#) Well Monied (Maria's Mon) returns a winner in her four-year-old bow.

[9th-WO \(Msw\)](#) First With Class (Gone West) gets it done at first asking.



7th-SAX cont.

Well Monied proved one of the better sophomore grass fillies in California last summer with a tally in the GI Honeymoon H. and a runner-up finish in the GI American Oaks, both at Hollywood. She was favored in the GI Del Mar Oaks and ran well enough when a close-up third to Internallyflawless (Giant's Causeway), but went to the sidelines for the remainder of the year. Making her four-year-old debut here, the gray was rated at the back of the pack under Joel Rosario, then came charging with a resolute rally in the lane to get up and best second pick Exquisite. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

2nd-SAX, \$46,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, a6 1/2ft, 1:12 4/5, fm.

SOUTHERN FIREBALL (f, 3, Southern Image--Hot Moon, by Carson City) broke her maiden in her second career start, cruising by 4 1/2 lengths at Hollywood last May. The bay was sent off the even-money chalk in the June 11 Cinderella S., but could do no better than fourth, and she disappeared after playing the role of caboose in the Aug. 7 Gill Sorrento S. at Del Mar. Off at 5-1 in her sophomore and grass bow, Southern Fireball broke sharply to track the pace from second. She rallied between horses to grab the lead in the stretch and dug in gamely as Elusive Galaxy (Ire) (Elusive City) closed to score by a half-length. Sales history: \$25,000 yrl '08 FTKJUL; \$75,000 RNA 2yo '09 BESMAR. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$65,031. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)



O-King Arthur Farms, Bolton, Masters & Lewis. B-Woodford Thoroughbreds LLC (KY). T-Doug F O'Neill.

1st-SAX, \$48,510, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:37 1/5, ft.

BONNIE BLUE FLAG (f, 3, Mineshaft--Tap Your Feet {SW, \$125,930}, by Dixieland Band), a 1/2 to Diamondrella (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), MGISW-US, \$820,576, started once last term, running fifth on the turf at Oak Tree Oct. 10. The \$300,000 FTSAUG yearling tried Pro-Ride in her first two outings of 2010, finishing third Jan. 24 and second Feb. 21, then was back on the lawn to be third going nine panels Mar. 20. Off at 2-1 to get it done on the synthetic here, she broke on top, was pressured through a half in :48.70 and shook loose at the quarter pole, driving under the wire a 1 3/4-length winner. Caitie's Secret (Benchmark) was second best. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-2, \$47,620. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Peachtree Stable. B-W S Farish & George Bolton (KY). T-Bob Baffert.

4th-SAX, \$44,800, Msw, 3yo, 7f (AWT), 1:22 3/5, ft. CLOSE TO THE EDGE (c, 3, Yes It's True--Lemon Twist, by Seeking the Gold), second at Hollywood Dec. 19 and again at Santa Anita Jan. 23, tried a mile in his latest start Feb. 19 and hit the line in fourth. The bay was the 2-1 second choice dropping back a panel this time. Rated in fifth as he took time to find his best stride, Close to the Edge launched his bid from the outside on the turn. He collared the leaders at the sixteenth pole and, despite drifting in late, edged away to score by 1 1/2 lengths. Apriority (Grand Slam) completed the exacta. Sales history: \$35,000 yrl '08 KEESep; \$37,000 2yo '09 BESMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$45,100. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Brewer Racing Stable & David J Lanzman Racing Inc. B-Silverleaf Farms Inc (KY). T-Jeff Mullins.

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Yesterday's Results:

3rd-GGX, \$25,750, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:11 1/5, ft.

+ YASUDA (f, 3, Forest Wildcat--Sashimi, by Mt. Livermore), a 5-1 chance at first asking, settled just off the pace in third. Put to a drive at the top of the lane, she took over inside the final furlong and turned back the late bid of fellow firster Cabo Cantina (Harlan's Holiday) to take it by a half-length. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,000. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O/B-Wertheimer et Frere (KY). T-Richard E Mandella.



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

- BUCKLE DOWN BEN** (Devil His Due), Xanthus, \$3K, 32/0/0 8-MNR, Msw, 6f, Down Hill Alert, \$500 MNT MIX yrl, 20-1
- GHOSTZAPPER** (Awesome Again), Adena Springs, \$200K, 174/12/0 8-MNR, Msw, 6f, Entranced, \$240K EAS MAY 2yo, 7-5
- POLLARD'S VISION** (Carson City), Wintergreen, \$10K, 165/26/5 7-WRD, Alw, 6f, Daddy's Vision, \$18K KEE NOV wnl, 2-1
- PURGE** (Pulpit), Vinery, \$20K, 250/23/1 6-WRD, Msw, 6f, +Pucker Up Baby, \$47K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- SOUTHERN IMAGE** (Halo's Image), Taylor Made, \$15K, 154/23/0 8-MNR, Msw, 6f, Lady of the Ridge, 5-1

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★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX FRANCOIS MATHET-Listed, €55,000, Saint-Cloud, 4-4, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:21.20, vhy.

1--#**SIMON DE MONTFORT (IRE)**, 123, c, 3, by **King's Best**
1st Dam: **Noble Rose (Ire) (GSW-GB, GSP-Fr, \$103,116)**, by **Caerleon**

2nd Dam: **Noble Lily**, by **Vaguely Noble (Ire)**

3rd Dam: **Water Lily (Fr)**, by **Riverman**

O-Godolphin SNC; B-Darley; T-Andre Fabre; J-Mikael Barzalona; €27,500. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 0 places, €56,500. *Full to Notability (Ire), Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 7-9.5f, GSW-Ger, G1SP-Ity, MGSP-GB, \$308,449.

2--**Pain Perdu (Fr)**, 123, c, 3, **Vespone (Ire)--Coastline (GB)**, by **Night Shift**. (€27,000 yrl '08 ARQOCT). €11,000.

3--**Fylarchos (Fr)**, 123, c, 3, **Muhtathir (GB)--Alfreda (GB)**, by **Unfuwain**. €8,250.

Margins: 3/4, 8, 1HF. Odds: 1.40, 3.50, 3.00.

Also Ran: **Marceti (Ire)**, **Kazzene**, **Leiloken (Fr)**.

Simon de Montfort won a Chantilly maiden on debut Oct. 6 and bagged a Longchamp conditions event Oct. 25 before dropping to eighth in the Nov. 14 G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud last time. Restrained in rear until improving one spot into fifth at halfway in this seasonal return, he came under pressure to challenge approaching the final furlong and was ridden out in the latter stages to assert superiority in cozy fashion. "We had a good trip and he was a little bit green in the home straight, but he gave me a good feel," commented winning jockey Mickael Barzalona. "He is more focused this season than he was last year and there should be more improvement to come."

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Musselburgh, 15.20, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo/up, 7f 30ydsT, 1:34.00, gd/sf.

SKYFIRE (GB) (c, 3, Storm Cat--Sunray Superstar {GB} {SP-GB}), by **Nashwan** weakened on debut to finish last of seven on Wolverhampton's Polytrack six days previously and inspired little confidence this time when sent off at 11-1. In front at the outset, the homebred accepted an early lead and, despite being carried wide in the final quarter, was at the head of affairs again with a furlong remaining before outgaming **Chushka (GB) (Pivotal {GB})** to score by a neck. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £2,590. [Video, courtesy of Racing UK.](#)

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Mark Johnston.

★ IRELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

Cork, 14.45, Mdn, €12,500, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT, 1:58.40, hy.

LOLLY FOR DOLLY (IRE) (f, 3, Oratorio {Ire}--Heart Stopping, by Chester House) attracted significant support into 7-4 joint-favoritism and settled in mid-division early. Making a sweeping move widest of all on the turn, the bay cut loose after grabbing the lead with a quarter mile remaining and registered an impressive seven-length success from **Anaverna (Ire) (Galileo {Ire})**. Sales history: 56,000gns RNA wnlg '07 TATDEC; 57,000gns yrl '08 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,625. [Video, courtesy of attheraces.](#)

O-D Keogh; B-J Jamgotchian; T-Tommy Stack.



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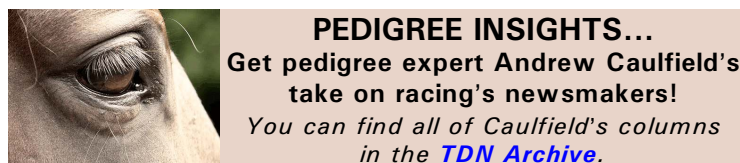
14.35 Longchamp, Mdn, €24,000, unraced 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT

SHAMANOVA (IRE) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) is out of the 1996 G1 Irish Oaks runner-up **Shamadara (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire})** and is thus a half-sister to the 2006 G1 Gran Premio di Milano heroine **Shamdala (Ire) (Grand Lodge)**. His Highness The Aga Khan's homebred, who represents Alain de Royer-Dupre's Chantilly stable, faces a plethora of well-related fellow newcomers among her 12 rivals. They include the Andre Fabre trainee **Truth Reality (Ire) (Dubai Destination)**, who is out of a half-sister to the 2002 G1 Dubai World Cup winner **Street Cry (Ire) (Machiavellian)**; and Ecurie Wildenstein's **Soudanese (Ire) (Peintre Celebre)**, who is a full-sister to the 2007 G1 Gran Premio di Milano victor **Sudan (Ire)**.



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★ ITALY ★

Yesterday's Results:

PREMIO TORRICOLA-Listed, €50,400, Rome, 4-4, 3yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:36.10, sf.

1--**SUPER MOTIVA (GB)**, 128, f, 3, by **Motivator (GB)**
1st Dam: Haute Volta (Fr), by Grape Tree Road (GB)
2nd Dam: Land of Ivory, by The Minstrel
3rd Dam: Ivory Wand, by Sir Ivor
 (10,000gns yrl '08 TATOCT). O-Antonino Bosco; B-Highclere Stud; T-Sebastiano Cannavo; J-Mario Esposito; €28,000. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 4 wins, €60,300.

2--**Misano Lasen (Ire)**, 123, f, 3, **Kheleyf**--My Lilli (Ire), by Marju (Ire). (€7,500 yrl '08 GOFHIT). €12,320.

3--**Raggiante (Ire)**, 123, f, 3, **Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)**--My Personal Space, by Rahy. (€38,000 RNA yrl '08 ITYSEP). €6,720.

Margins: SHD, 2, SHD. Odds: 4.30, 2.70, 10.00.
 Also Ran: Lovisa Beat (GB), Chikorita (Ire), Jet Set Woman (Ire), Salsa Rock (Ire), What's Baby (Ger), Famusa (GB), Touch Belles (GB), Sleawakel (Ire).

Super Motiva had annexed the Listed Criterium Aretuseo over a mile at Siracusa in December before returning there to add a conditions event to her tally over the same trip eight days prior to this Classic trial. Needing every yard of this shorter distance, the bay arrived with a late flourish from mid-pack to deny Misano Lasen in the shade of the post.

PREMIO DAUMIER MEMORIAL MAURO SBARIGIA-

Listed, €50,400, Rome, 4-4, 3yo, c/g, 7 1/2fT, 1:34.50, sf.

1--**#SPIRIT OF FORTUNE (IRE)**, 123, c, 3, by **InvincibleSpirit (Ire)**
1st Dam: Seerah (GB), by Machiavellian
2nd Dam: Labibeh, by Lyphard
3rd Dam: Asl, by Caro (Ire)

(€35,000 RNA 2yo '09 ITYMAR). O-A & C Borsani Snc; B-Fin A Co Srl; T-Bruno Grizzetti; J-Dario Vargiu; €28,000. Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-0, €60,606.

2--**Paladino di Sabbia (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, King Charlemagne--Alma Thomas (Ire), by Orpen. €12,320.

3--**Whifell (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Whipper--Nawafell (GB), by Kris (GB). (€19,000 RNA wnlg '07 GOFNOV). €6,720.

Margins: 2, 1HF, NK. Odds: 4.10, 13.80, 17.60.
 Also Ran: Golden Down, Fancy Beat (GB), Super Dubai (GB), Lear Keye (Ire), Back Hunting, Forsythe (Fr).
 Scratched: Marcello Came Here (GB).

Fourth in the Listed Premio Eupili at the San Siro in October, Spirit of Fortune had subsequently captured two seven-furlong conditions events at the San Siro in October and at this venue on his three-year-old bow Mar. 7. Sent straight to the front by Dario Vargiu, the strong galloper maintained the pressure in the stretch to ward off allcomers.

★ GERMANY ★

Saturday's Result:

Dresden, 15.30, Cond, €5,100, 3yo, 1 3/16mT, 2:01.29, gd.

+ **ALTAIR STAR (IRE)** (c, 3, Kris Kin--Aglow {GB}, by **Spinning World**) broke well and raced in a stalking second from the outset of this opening show. Ridden along to challenge passing the 400-meters pole, the 13-5 second choice kept on resolutely and was driven out to prevail by a head from Fantastic Prince (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €2,600.

O/B-Gestut Ammerland; T-Peter Schiergen.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-WOX, \$71,547, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500-\$60,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :56 2/5, ft.

BATTLE AT SEA (g, 4, **Smart Strike**--Sails Unfurled, by **Capote**) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$130,734.

O/B-Sam-Son Farm (ON). T-Mark R Frostad. *1/2 to Swift of Flight (Sky Classic), GSP, \$133,056.

2nd-WOX, \$63,216, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, 5f (AWT), :57 3/5, ft.

BARE WITH ME (g, 4, **Bold n' Flashy**--In the Buff, by **Take Me Out**) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-1, \$110,198.

O-Gemini Farms & V A Kerrio. B/T-Ralph J Biamonte (ON).

3rd-GPX, \$39,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.

QUICK NOTICE (m, 5, **More Than Ready**--Here to Win, by **Dehere**) Lifetime Record: GSP, 18-5-0-4, \$106,043.

O-Jan Nilsen & Butterfly Stable. B-Paul & Sharri Harmel (KY). T-David C Kassen. *\$40,000 wlng '05 OBSOCT.

5th-PEN, \$36,000, 4-3, NW1X, 4yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51, ft.

AWHOLENEWBALLGAME (g, 4, **Graeme Hall**--Mount Gay, by **End Sweep**) Lifetime Record: 15-2-5-1, \$75,776. O-RJG Racing Management LLC. B-Norman Casse (FL). T-Murray L Rojas. *\$57,000 2yo '08 OBSMAR.

11th-SUN, \$33,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:02 3/5, ft.

TRICKY R. (f, 3, **Favorite Trick**--Mickey R., by **Kentucky Jazz**) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$36,600. O-Ruth Summers. B-Tony Pickard DVM (NM). T-James Cappellucci. *Won by 4 1/2 lengths.



American Breeders' Edition cont.

7th-SUN, \$29,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.
CHICKS A FLYIN (g, 3, Wimbledon--Pipe Creek, by Hadif) Lifetime Record: 7-2-4-0, \$55,091. O-Steve Prather & Dwayne Taylor. B-Steve Prather (TX). T-H Ray Ashford Jr.

7th-GGX, \$28,928, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1\$X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (AWT), 1:38 1/5, ft.
FLICKER OF GOLD (m, 5, Stephanotis--Corona Sunrise, by Houston Sunrise) Lifetime Record: SP, 12-4-1-4, \$51,490. O-Sam Rizzo. B-Savario Farm (WA). T-Bill McLean. *\$5,200 yrl '06 WASDEC.

8th-GGX, \$28,016, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW1\$X, 3yo, 6f (AWT), 1:09 4/5, ft.
CAMP VICTORY (g, 3, Forest Camp--Victory Trick, by Clever Trick) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$42,966. O-West Point Thoroughbreds. B-Atkins Homes Inc (VA). T-Carla Gaines. *\$39,000 RNA yrl '08 FTKJUL; \$90,000 2yo '09 OBSMAR.

8th-CTX, \$27,400, 4-3, NW3L, (S), 3yo, 4 1/2f, :52, ft.
TAYLOR'S FLIGHT (c, 3, Windsor Castle--Meadowlakes Flight, by Meadowlake) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$33,000. O-Taylor Mountain Farm LLC. B/T-James W Casey (WV).

5th-CTX, \$27,300, 4-3, NW3L, (S), 3yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52 3/5, ft.
CATEGORY THREE (f, 3, Ride the Storm--Three Peaks, by Peaks and Valleys) Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$39,700. O/B-Marion Lynn Cuttino (WV). T-J Carlisle.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ambitones, f, 3, **Action This Day**--Numerous Ambition, by Numerous. GPX, 4-4, (C), 1mT, 1:36. B-Old Mill Farm (KY).

+ **El Confidential**, c, 3, **Eltish**--Irrevocable, by Our Emblem. SUN, 4-4, 6f, 1:10 1/5. B-Live Oak Stud (FL).

Ukandoit, g, 3, **Northern Afleet**--Midnight Lightning (SP), by Mountain Cat. SAX, 4-4, (C), 6f (AWT), 1:09 1/5. B-R Gregg & Rob Anderson (KY).

Double the Love, f, 3, **Not For Love**--Loved, by Pulpit. PEN, 4-3, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Gum Tree Stables LLC, Fox Straus & Castlecove Ltd (PA). *\$35,000 2yo '09 FTMMAY.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
 EUROPE**

HANDICAP RESULTS:

FRANCE, Saint-Cloud, 15.08, 4-4, €50,000, 4yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:25.80, vhy.

RANTHAMBORE (FR) (c, 4, Lomitas {GB}--Equibeauta {GB}, by Nashwan) Lifetime Record: 11 starts, 2 wins, 7 places, €62,870. O-Comte Herve de Talhouet-Roy, Jacques Cheuvreux, Gerard Lemaitre & Haras des Sablonnets; B-Thierry de la Heronniere; T-Jean-Marie Beguigne. *€45,000 yrl '07 DEAAUG.

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Saint-Cloud, 16.10 (Female Jockeys), 4-4, €22,000, 4yo/up, 1 5/16mT, 2:24.40, vhy.

TIMOS (GER) (h, 5, Sholokhov {Ire}--Triclarina {Ger}, by Surumu {Ger}) Lifetime Record: MSW-Fr, 8 starts, 4 wins, 3 places, €95,450. O-Marquise de Moratalla & Thierry Doumen; B-Gestut Etzean; T-Thierry Doumen. *€46,000 yrl '06 BBASEP. **1/2 to Tareno (Ger) (Sadlers' Hall {Ire}), GSW-Ger & Ity, \$126,982.

IRELAND, Cork, 14.15, 4-4, €16,500, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 2:02.40, hy.

MUJAAZEY (GB) (g, 3, Dubawi {Ire}--Khubza {GB}, by Green Desert) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, €26,936. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Usk Valley Stud; T-Kevin Prendergast. *180,000gns yrl '08 TATOCT. **1/2 to Trans Island (GB) (Selkirk), GSW & G1SP-GB & Fr, GSP-Ity, \$414,715; and Wish Diva (GB) (Selkirk), GSW-Ity, SW-GB, \$101,217.

FRANCE, Moulins, 11.45, 4-4, €11,000, 4yo/up, 5fT, time: n/a, hy.

GOLD AMBER (GB) (m, 5, Kyllachy {GB}--Ziara {Fr}, by Vettori {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 27 starts, 3 wins, 5 places, €32,800. O-Mme Marie-Claire Lefebvre & Philippe Lacroix; B-W L Caley; T-P Lacroix. *4,500gns wnlg '05 TATDEC; €7,000 HIT '09 ARQNOV.

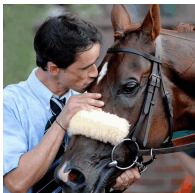
GERMANY, Bremen, 15.30, 4-2, €5,100, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:20.78, sf.

LANGLEY (GB) (c, 3, Trempolino--Late Night {Ger}, by Groom Dancer) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, €8,000. O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen; T-Andreas Wohler.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Legendary Lad (Ire), g, 3, **Dubawi (Ire)**--Lishaway (Fr), by Polish Precedent. Cork, Ireland, 4-4, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/16mT. B-Irish National Stud. *€120,000 yrl '08 GOFMIL. **1/2 to Foss Way (Ire) (Desert Prince {Ire}), GSW-GB; and Casino Clique (Ire) (Medicean {GB}), Co-Hwt. Older Horse-Sing at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Horse-Sing at 11-14f, MSW-Mal.

Goodlukin Lucy (GB), f, 3, **Supreme Sound (GB)**--Suka Ramai (GB), by Nashwan. Musselburgh, Britain, 4-4, Mdn, 3yo/up, 12f 100ydsT. B-Moretail Ventures.



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