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(Edited press release) The estate of the late Edward P. (Ned) Evans, who bred more than 100 stakes winners, including 2005 Horse of the Year Saint Liam (Saint Ballado) and MGISW Quality Road (Elusive Quality), will disperse its Thoroughbred yearlings, weanlings, broodmares and racing stock at Keeneland's September Yearling and November Breeding Stock Sales. Lane's End Farm will act as agent for the complete dispersal, with the exception of Quality Road, who will continue to stand at Lane's End. The approximately 250 horses will be sold without reserve. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Edward P. Evans Charitable Foundation. "Ned was an extraordinary sportsman who had such a wonderful passion for this game," said Keeneland President and CEO Nick Nicholson. "He truly loved his



Ned Evans at Spring Hill Farm
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horses, and took immense pride in the success of his breeding and racing program--personally planning the matings and racing his homebreds. Ned was a great friend to Keeneland, and a tremendous champion of our industry." Evans operated Spring Hill Farm in Virginia for more than 40 years. The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association named Evans the Virginia Breeder of the Year nine times, most recently in 2009. That year it also named him the National Breeder of the Year. Evans retired his best fillies to build a world-class broodmare band, including GISWs Summer Colony (Summer Squall) and Raging Fever (Storm Cat), and MGSW Gold Mover (Gold Fever). "The Evans dispersal will offer breeding stock from families not previously available on the commercial market," said Vice President of Sales Walt Robertson. "This will be a unique opportunity for Keeneland and horsemen worldwide." In 2010, Evans ranked seventh among North American owners with stable earnings of \$3.6 million, spurred by the success of homebred Quality Road, winner of the GI Woodward S., GI Donn H. and GI Metropolitan H.

UNCLE MO READY TO GO

Eclipse Award winner **Uncle Mo** (Indian Charlie) makes his three-year-old bow in today's \$100,000 Timely Writer S. going a mile at Gulfstream Park. The champ is expected to face five rivals in the one-turn test. "We're happy the Timely Writer filled and we're able to run Uncle Mo at Gulfstream," said trainer Todd Pletcher. "The horse has been training well. Everything's gone according to plan. We've had cooperative weather, we've been able to breeze whenever we wanted to breeze, and he's been training as well as he ever has." Uncle Mo, perfect in his three career starts, is the 3-5 chalk in the Timely Writer.



Adam Coglianesse

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 4:25 p.m. EST

TIMELY WRITER S., \$100,000, 3yo, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Uncle Mo	Indian Charlie	Velazquez	Pletcher	3-5
2	Gallant Dreams	Bernardini	Castellano	Albertrani	12-1
3	Madman Diaries	Bring the Heat	Sanchez	Ward	6-1
4	Rocking Out	Include	Leparoux	Dutrow Jr	4-1
5	Schoolyard Cat	Catienus	Curatolo	Martin	20-1
6	Rattlesnake Bridge	Tapit	Lezcano	McLaughlin	5-1

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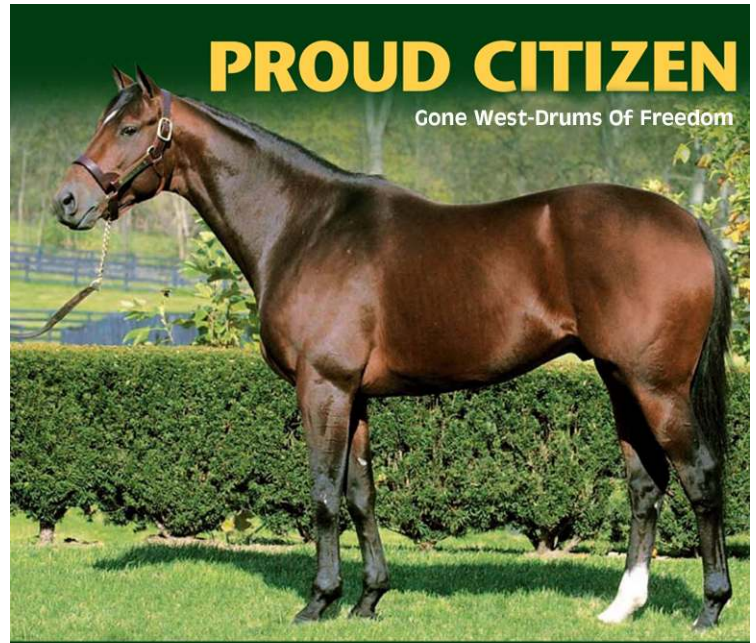
VELAZQUEZ'S ATTORNEY SPEAKS OUT Maggi Moss, the attorney for jockey John Velazquez, issued a statement Friday in response to the 161-page report released by the Kentucky Horse Racing Commission



John Velazquez
Horsephotos

Thursday. In the report, the result of its months-long investigation into the performance of Life At Ten (Malibu Moon) in the GI Breeders' Cup Ladies Classic last November, the KHRC charged Velazquez with engaging "in conduct that is against the best interest of horse racing." Moss countered, "In this particular case, there were no specific rules of racing violated by Mr. Velazquez, as admitted by the KHRC. They speak about 'common sense' and have charged my client with a catch-all rule of racing that

his actions were not 'in the best interest of racing.' I submit they missed the 'common sense' of the knowledge of the riders, the risks the jockeys take every time they climb on the back of a horse and the duties of all of the participants involved." She continued, "A jockey is not going to intentionally ride a horse that he or she believes is truly in distress or injured. To do so would not only jeopardize their own life and the horse's life, but the lives of all of the jockeys and horses. The risk is great without any additional factors." Moss cited an incident at Keeneland 15 days before the Breeders' Cup, where jockey Garrett Gomez informed the KHRC veterinarian that there was a problem with his mount. The vet opted not to scratch the horse, another rider was tapped to sub for Gomez, and the horse, Stream of Gold (Ire), finished a dull seventh. The horse has not been out since. "How does the public, or authorities, ever reconcile the ever-changing scenery?" Moss questioned, adding, "Throughout this investigation, the truism best spoken by Mr. Velazquez is as follows--'I've ridden thousands of horses: some do not warm up perfect and run brilliantly. Conversely, some warm up perfectly and run poorly.' As indicated by the KHRC and those interviewed, it was never a case of the unsoundness of this great mare. Any attempt to notify personnel of a horse being quiet would never have led to a scratch, especially given the caliber of the race and the interest of the public." Moss concluded, "We do not make light or undermine the travesty to racing and the betting public as a result of the 'Life at Ten incident' during the 2010 Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic. However, charging John Velazquez, an individual with such great integrity, after months of 'investigation' will never improve the image of our sport and rebuild the public trust. He is, quite simply, a scapegoat. The entire process, as well as the charges against Mr. Velazquez, will not withstand legal scrutiny." **News cont. p11**



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Super Saver's undefeated little brother **Brethren** (Distorted Humor) is even-money on the GII Tampa Bay Derby morning line, but that hasn't scared away the competition. Eight rivals will line up with aspirations of erasing the chalk.

Juddmonte homebred **Striding Ahead** (Empire Maker) showed an affinity for the track in his sophomore bow. The bay failed to factor in his lone juvenile start in a sprint at Saratoga last summer, but romped to a 6 3/4-length victory over this track and trip Feb. 5. Stepping up sharply in his third career outing, he will be saddled by Bill Mott.



Bill Mott *Horsephotos*

Trainer Chad Brown sends out second choice **Free Entry** (Tale of the Cat) for his stakes and two-turn debut. A distant fourth behind champion Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie) in his career opener at the Spa last August, the Gary and Mary West colorbearer came back to break his maiden going six furlongs at Gulfstream Park Jan. 23 and made it two in a row in a one-mile allowance test Feb. 13. Remarking on the colt's route potential, Brown told *Daily Racing Form*, "If you look at him he's a solid horse. He's not short, but he's a muscular horse. When Bobby had Ghostzapper, I never thought the horse would go two turns. He proved to me you can't make your mind up about them until you try them." **Moonhanger** galloped home an 11-length winner in an off-the-turf maiden test at the Tampa Bay Derby distance here Jan. 22. He switched to the lawn for an optional claimer Feb. 20 and, after setting a pressured pace, got caught late to run second by 3/4 of a length. **Tampa Feature**, p8-10

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 5:20 p.m. EST
TAMPA BAY DERBY-GII, \$350,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Striding Ahead <i>(c, Empire Maker--Helstra, by Nureyev)</i>	Juddmonte Farms Inc	Juddmonte Farms Inc-KY	Mott	Solis	10-1
2	Economic Summit (K) <i>(c, Malibu Moon--Summit Lite, by Mt. Livermore)</i>	Klaravich Stables Inc & W H Lawrence	Live Oak Stud-FL	Violette	No Rider	8-1
3	Beamer <i>(c, Vindication--Untarnished, by Unbridled)</i>	Jim Tafel LLC	Jim Tafel LLC-KY	Nafzger	Goncalves	10-1
4	Uncle Mo (K) <i>(c, Indian Charlie--Playa Maya, by Arch)</i>	Repole Stable	D Michael Gavey DVM-KY	Pletcher	Velazquez	3-5
5	Too Experience <i>(c, Drewman--Lake Victoria, by Meadowlake)</i>	Move Horse Inc	Steve Tucker-FL	Passley	Centeno	8-1
6	Crimson Knight <i>(g, Leroidesanimaux {Brz}--For My Pleasure, by Numerous)</i>	Winning Stables Inc & Ray Rech	Terry G Heidmann-KY	Bennett	Allen	30-1
7	Free Entry (K) <i>(c, Tale of the Cat--Preachtothechoir, by Pulpit)</i>	Gary & Mary West Stables Inc	Corner Farm & Raul Lottero-KY	Brown	A Garcia	7-2
8	Moonhanger (K) <i>(c, Malibu Moon--Important Daisy {Brz}, by Ghadeer {Fr})</i>	Bruce F Alexander	Stud TNT-KY	Alexander	Marquez	20-1
9	Watch Me Go <i>(c, West Acre--Sabbath Song, by Deputy Minister)</i>	Gilbert G Campbell	Gilbert G Campbell-FL	O'Connell	L Garcia	12-1
10	Brethren <i>(c, Distorted Humor--Supercharger, by A.P. Indy)</i>	WinStar Farm LLC	WinStar Farm LLC-KY	Pletcher	Dominguez	1-1

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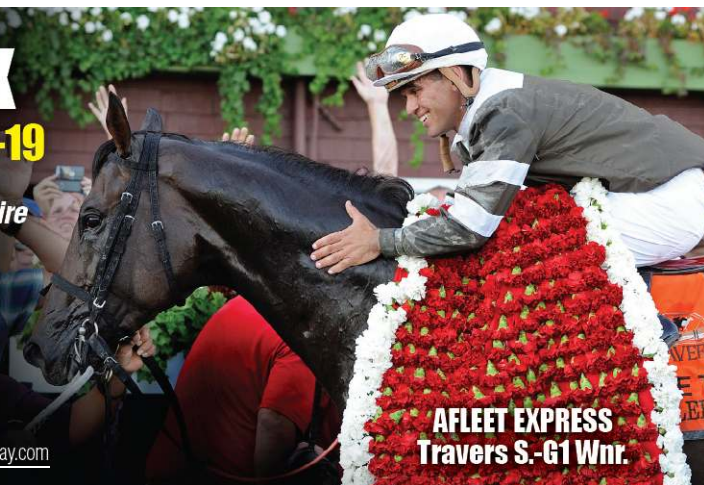
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Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 6:05 p.m. EDT
SANTA MARGARITA INVITATIONAL S.-GI, \$300,000,
4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Party With Brando	Bertrando	Blanc	Abrams	50-1
2	Always a Princess	Leroidesanimaux (Brz)	Garcia	Baffert	3-1
3	St Trinians (GB)	Piccolo (GB)	Talamo	Mitchell	3-1
4	Switch (K)	Quiet American	Rosario	Sadler	1-1
5	Vision in Gold (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Bejarano	Ellis	5-1
6	Miss Match (Arg) (K)	Indygo Shiner	Gomez	Drysdale	20-1
7	Hemera (K)	Maria's Mon	Nakatani	Hollendorfer	15-1

C R K Stable's **Switch** seeks her third consecutive Grade I victory following open-length triumphs here in the Dec. 26 La Brea S. and the Jan. 30 Santa Monica S. This will be the four-year-old's first nine-furlong test, but the John Sadler trainee took the GII Hollywood Oaks over 8 1/2 furlongs last June and almost denied champion Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) in the 1 1/16-mile GI Lady's Secret in October. "With a 3-year-old filly that wins over 1 1/16 miles, going another 1/16th at four shouldn't be a problem," Sadler told *Daily Racing Form*. "We like what we did this year. We knew what we wanted to get done and we got the Grade I. It makes sense to go to the routes." **Vision in Gold** appears to be on the improve for Jay Em Ess Stables and Ron Ellis. The \$360,000 KESEF yearling got her first taste of conventional dirt in an optional claimer Dec. 30, and annexed that event by 4 1/2 lengths before taking the GII Santa Maria S. by a neck Feb. 12--two slots in front of **St Trinians**. The 95 Beyer Speed Figure Vision in Gold earned for her Santa Maria score represents a seven-point career top.

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Santa Margarita cont.

Arnold Zetcher's **Always a Princess** handed champion three-year-old filly Blind Luck (Pollard's Vision) back-to-back defeats by more than three lengths each time in the Jan. 16 GII El Encino S. and the track-and-trip GII La Canada S. Feb. 13. Her early speed proved an advantage in both of those run-ins with the champ, and trainer Bob Baffert plans on instructing pilot Martin Garcia to employ similar tactics this time. "A lot of horses get in the zone, and she's in the zone right now," Baffert told *DRF*. "You can't change her style."



Always a Princess
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Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:25 p.m. EDT
GULFSTREAM PARK H.-GII, \$300,000, 4yo/up, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Rule	Roman Ruler	Velazquez	Pletcher	3-1
2	Our Dark Knight (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Castellano	Zito	8-1
3	Tackleberry	Montbrook	Santiago	Olivares	5-1
4	Duke of Mischief	Graeme Hall	Bravo	Fawkes	6-1
5	Jackson Bend	Hear No Evil	Sanchez	Gold	8-1
6	Tizway (K)	Tiznow	Maragh	Bond	5-1
7	Soaring Empire (K)	Empire Maker	Lezcano	Gambolati	5-2
8	Pulsion	Include	Curatolo	Biancone	20-1

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Gulfstream Park H. cont.

William L Clifton Jr.'s **Tizway** makes his first start since running a valiant fifth in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile at Churchill Downs Nov. 6. The H. James Bond trainee was forced up early into a fast pace that day, and his five-length romp in the GII Kelso H. over a one-turn mile at Belmont Oct. 3 seems a better indication of the 6-year-old's ability at this trip. "I was very disappointed in the Breeders' Cup because I thought he was the best horse in the race," Bond told *Daily Racing Form*. "I was pretty upset about it. I don't think he ran his race. I felt he moved a little too early for him. But that was last year and this is a new one, so I won't dwell on it." He added, "He usually runs pretty well



Soaring Empire EquiPhoto

fresh. This is the kind of race I was looking for to start him back. I want to keep him at a mile this year, and I'm not surprised it came up so tough. After all, this is Gulfstream." **Soaring Empire** owns a win over course and distance with his 1 1/4-length score over **Rule** in the Jan. 8 GIII Hal's Hope S. He

returned to finish second to **Tackleberry** in the seven-furlong GII Gulfstream Park Sprint Championship S. here Feb. 12. The winner proved his 27-1 upset of the Jan. 29 Sunshine Millions Classic was no fluke, and gave the Luis Olivares owned and trained four-year-old victories going a furlong shorter and a furlong longer over the strip. **Duke of Mischief**, second to Tackleberry in the Classic, adds further intrigue while cutting back to the trip over which he secured the GIII Fort Lauderdale S. last January.

Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:07 p.m. EDT

SAN FELIPE S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Albergatti	Unbridled's Song	Gomez	Asmussen	6-1
2	Runflatout	Flatter	Rosario	Sadler	4-1
3	Surrey Star (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Talamo	Cassidy	15-1
4	Awesome Patriot (K)	Awesome Again	Bejarano	Baffert	12-1
5	Comma to the Top	Bwana Charlie	Nakatani	Miller	4-1
6	Premier Pegasus	Fusaichi Pegasus	Quinonez	Cho	4-1
7	Bench Points	Benchmark	Flores	Yakteen	8-1
8	Jakesam (K)	Smoke Glacken	Valenzuela	Hollendorfer	20-1
9	Jaycito (K)	Victory Gallop	Garcia	Baffert	7-2
10	Quail Hill	Candy Ride (Arg)	Pedroza	Hofmans	20-1

West Point Thoroughbreds' **Runflatout**, a surprising early favorite in Pool 2 of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager with over \$30,000 in the pool Friday, was tabbed a ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ after his effortless 2 1/2-length graduation score at six furlongs here Jan. 29. The \$165,000 BARMAR two-year-old buy earned a field best 98 Beyer Speed Figure for his debut. "We're short on seasoning, but long on ability," conditioner John Sadler told *Daily Racing Form*.

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San Felipe S. cont.

Zayat Stables' GI Norfolk S. hero **Jaycito** makes his first start for Bob Baffert after running out of the Mike Mitchell barn last term. The bay put in an interesting run when seventh last out in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile under the Twin Spires Nov. 6. He was steadied entering the first bend and swerved to the outside rail entering the backstretch, but got back on track late to put in a run that was much more impressive than his official finish would indicate. Baffert, who will remove Jaycito's blinkers,



Jaycito Benoit Photo

has not reported any similar behavior since he joined the team. Stonestreet Stables and Natrona Racing Stable's **Albergatti** broke his maiden on the engine in his second go here Feb. 12 after finishing a close-up second on debut Jan. 16. The promising grey will make his first start beyond seven furlongs. "He's a very talented horse," said leading jockey Garrett Gomez. "He's still learning. The main objective is to make sure he can get the two turns. He's got a great mind to him, and he's willing to listen. But you don't know it until they do it."



Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 4:55 p.m. EDT

PALM BEACH S.-GIII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	East of Danzig	Langfuhr	Bravo	Matz	8-1
2	Ari C (K)	Stormy Atlantic	Castellano	Pletcher	6-1
3	Joes Blazing Aaron	Graeme Hall	Bocachica	Hunter Jr.	20-1
4	Artful Run (K)	Artie Schiller	Desormeaux	Romans	12-1
5	Queen'splatekitten	Kitten's Joy	Velazquez	Pletcher	6-1
6	Newsdad (K)	Arch	Castanon	Mott	10-1
7	Liberty Cap	Street Cry (Ire)	Lezcano	McLaughlin	4-1
8	Pluck	More Than Ready	Maragh	Motion	5-2
9	Master Dunker	Imperialism	Saez	Fawkes	6-1
10	Rafe	Anabaa	Trujillo	Stewart	15-1

Pluck will scratch from the Palm Beach and will use a Saturday one-mile allowance at Tampa as a prep for the GIII Transylvania S. at Keeneland Apr. 8. Mill House's **Queen'splatekitten** makes his stakes debut following a nifty 1 1/2-length allowance score over a turfy mile here Feb. 5. That effort, in which the Ontario bred got his final quarter mile in :22.84, was his first for Todd Pletcher. He broke his maiden by 5 1/4 lengths over the Woodbine Polytrack in December for Brian Lynch while carrying breeders Ken and Sarah Ramsey's familiar red and white silks. Zayat Stables' **Ari C**, a first-out winner here Jan. 14 before finishing a close second over course and distance Feb. 16, will also be saddled by Pletcher. The \$130,000 KEESEP yearling should be on or near the lead. **Liberty Cap**, twice a winner in England, was fourth in the Hallandale Beach S. here Feb. 6 in his stateside unveiling for Namcook Stables and Kieran McLaughlin. The \$150,000 FTSAUG yearling was very difficult to load that day, and could be poised for an improved effort.

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 4:20 p.m. EDT

HILLSBOROUGH S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 9fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Ruling Class	Mazel Trick	Allen Jr.	O'Connell	30-1
2	General Consensus (K)	Giant's Causeway	Martinez	Kenneally	8-1
3	Keertana	Johar	Goncalves	Proctor	7-2
4	It's Tea Time	Dynaformer	Garcia	Arnold II	6-1
5	Zagora (Fr)	Green Tune	Dominguez	Brown	5-2
6	Box Office Queen	Pulpit	Centeno	Delacour	20-1
7	Cherokee Queen	Cherokee Run	Solis	Wolfson	5-1
8	Denomination	Smart Strike	Lenclud	Clement	8-1
9	Askbut I Won'ttell	Horse Chestnut (SAf)	Marquez Jr.	Block	4-1



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Saturday, Oaklawn Park, post time: 6:03 p.m. EDT

HONEYBEE S.-GIII, \$125,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Salty Strike	Smart Strike	Borel	McPeck	4-1
2	Rigoletta	Concerto	Baze	Hendricks	5-2
3	Joyful Victory (K)	Tapit	Smith	Jones	4-1
4	Holy Heavens	Holy Bull	Ocampo	Chatters	10-1
5	Dixie City	Dixie Union	Rose	Dutrow	7-2
6	Norma's Dream (K)	Awesome Again	Radosevich	McCauley	30-1
7	Summer Soiree (K)	War Front	Saez	Jones	6-1
8	Jazzin' Okie	Candy Ride (Arg)	Berry	Von Hemel	20-1
9	Hearts On Fire (K)	Lion Heart	Birzer	Von Hemel	12-1

Saturday, Oaklawn Park, post time: 7:02 p.m. EDT

RAZORBACK H.-GIII, \$125,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Double Threat (K)	Smarty Jones	Thompson	Moquett	20-1
2	Win Willy (K)	Monarchos	Berry	Robertson	2-1
3	Golden Yank	Yankee Gentleman	Razo Jr.	Thomas	20-1
4	Kate's Main Man	Bernstein	Borel	Morse	6-1
5	It Happened Again	Proud Citizen	Baze	Asmussen	5-1
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THE UPSIDE AT TAMPA BAY DOWNS

Tampa Bay Downs is flying high this weekend, and for good reason. This afternoon, Tampa puts its best foot forward with its Festival Day card, highlighted by the Oldsmar oval's marquee event, the GII Tampa Bay Derby, which has been upgraded for 2011. Also scheduled for this year's Festival Day program is the nine-furlong GIII Hillsborough S. for fillies and mares on the turf, and the Suncoast S. for three-year-old fillies.



Peter Berube

"A number of years ago we combined the Tampa Bay Derby with other stakes, because we wanted to make it more of a festival-type day," said Peter Berube, vice president and general manager of Tampa Bay

Downs. "It provides a great day of racing for our patrons."

Last year, the 1 1/16-mile test for three-year-olds cemented its reputation as a major stepping stone to the GI Kentucky Derby when Super Saver (Maria's Mon) followed a third-place finish at Tampa with a triumph in Louisville for WinStar Farm and trainer Todd Pletcher. This year, WinStar will bring in Super Saver's little brother Brethren (Distorted Humor) for the track's main event. The handsome bay captured the GIII Sam F. Davis S. over the local strip Feb. 12.

The first horse to use the Tampa Bay Derby as a springboard to a Kentucky Derby victory was Street Sense (Street Cry {Ire}), who took the Tampa contest before triumphing under the Twin Spires in 2007. Campaigned by Jim Tafel, the 2006 juvenile champ was conditioned by Carl Nafzger, who has been a regular at the Tampa oval for several years. In addition to Nafzger, Graham Motion, Ian Wilkes and David Vance also secured stalls at the Oldsmar oval for the first time this winter.

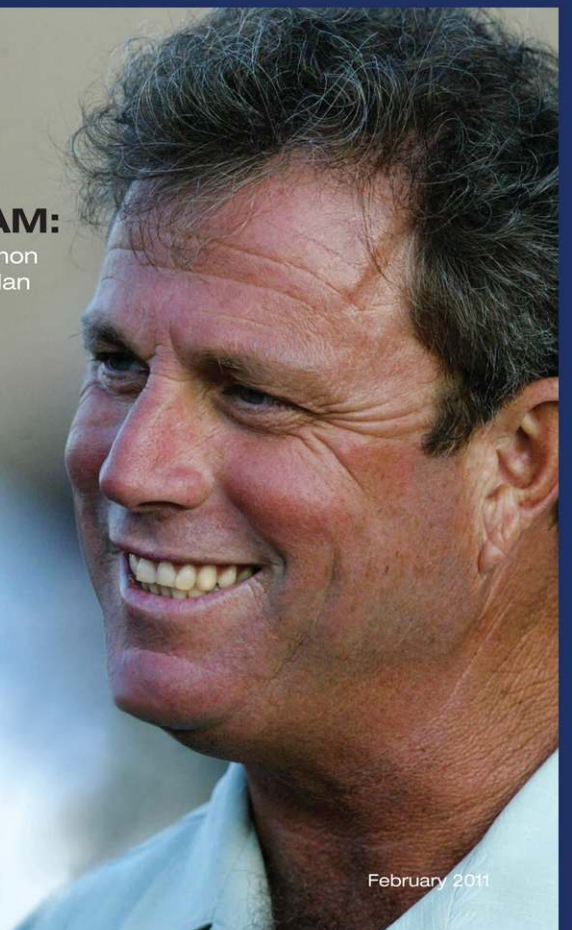
Tampa's training roster also includes returning stalwarts Christophe Clement and Bill Mott.

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Backed by the horsemen's support, Berube points out a number of factors fostering the development of the Tampa Bay Derby into one of the leading prep races for the first jewel in the Triple Crown.

"Other tracks offered races at a mile and an eighth, and the trainers that were on the Triple Crown trail and wanted 1 1/16-mile races started looking around for other options, so they focused in on the Tampa Bay Derby," explained Berube. "That certainly has helped us over the years.

"Additionally, the way we set our schedule is attractive to horsemen. We have our major prep for the



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Tampa Bay Derby--the Sam F. Davis S., which received graded status two years ago--four weeks before the Tampa Bay Derby. Our race sets itself up nicely as a prep for the major Triple Crown preps in April that are four to five weeks later like the

[GI] Wood Memorial [at Aqueduct], the [GI] Arkansas Derby [at Oaklawn] and the [GI] Blue Grass S. [at Keeneland]. The spacing seems to make a lot of sense for trainers."

Where Turf is King...

Originally opened in 1926, Tampa Downs was re-named Sunshine Park in 1947, then was sold to a group of Tampa sportsmen in 1965 and given the title of Florida Downs. Following another change in ownership and name in 1980, the newly christened Tampa Bay Downs was secured by its current owner, Tampa President Stella F. Thayer, and her brother, Howell Ferguson, just prior to the 1986-1987 season.



Stella F. Thayer

Thayer, who got her law degree from Columbia University and is a practicing attorney, has also served as the president of the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame since 2005.

Throughout the changes, the surface has been consistent.

"We have a great track," said Berube. "It's good to run on and is very good to train on. It seems to get the horses fit. Historically, once horses leave Tampa they do very well at other racetracks around the country. That is a well-known fact throughout the industry."

Having worked its way up the ranks through eight decades of operation, Tampa Bay Downs is now considered by horsemen to be one of the nation's top winter racing circuits.

"It has a lot to do with the facilities overall, but one of things that has worked to our benefit is the reputation of the surface here at Tampa," said Berube.

The general consensus among horsemen is that they are pleased with what Tampa has to offer.

"I think Tampa Bay Downs is a good track, a very popular track," offered Ian Wilkes. "The surface is good and it has a nice turf course. Plus, there are stakes scheduled here that can help me develop my horses."

In 1997, track management announced the installation of a 7/8-mile turf course with a 1/4-mile chute. The course was completed in the spring of 1998, and the first turf race was contested on Kentucky Derby Day, May 2, 1998.

"We are fortunate that the temperature here is temperate," said Berube. "The turf track is Bermuda, which goes dormant in the winter, so we overseed with rye grass in the winter time. When it gets warmer in March and April, the rye grass will die and the Bermuda will come in. So we really get the best of both worlds."

In addition to the cooperative climate and well-established turf course, Tampa also benefits from its position on the racing calendar. Cont. p9



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"I think a lot of our success has to do with the time of year that we run," said Berube. "In the wintertime, there are less tracks running than typically there are in the summertime. Our Florida sunshine makes for our on-track business. Also, having our turf track allows us a niche market out there."

According to Berube, 25% of Tampa's races this season are carded on the turf. In 2010, a total of 946 races were contested at Tampa Bay Downs, with 205 (21.7%) of those conducted on the turf.

"We have more turf racing this year as compared to last year," confirmed Berube. "Our turf race handle is 28% more than a dirt race, and we've run 30 additional turf races this year."

Tampa is reputed for carding a high number of open races, which appeals not only to bettors, but to the horsemen shipping in from all up the East Coast for the winter season as well. In addition, officials attempt to accommodate its own regional market by hosting days like the Apr. 9 Florida Cup, made up of six, \$75,000 guaranteed races that are restricted to Florida-breds.

"We have ample opportunities for trainers to come over here, and for those who are stabled here," offered Berube. "It gives a very diverse feel and a very good betting opportunity to our patrons."

In a market that offers numerous options to the racing fan, Tampa has managed to retain its footing alongside the other high-profile tracks of southern Florida, Gulfstream and Calder. While generous purses are always sure to draw horsemen, Berube noted that Tampa possesses other attributes that lure a wide array of racing operations to the track.

"They are drawn by the variety of races we write," said Berube. "Our proximity to the Ocala region also helps, because trainers will often opt to send their horses here rather than ship them all the way to Gulfstream. That certainly helps us keep field size up."

Down to Business...

High-quality racing always attracts the fans, but



Downs Golf Practice Facility

Tampa Bay Downs has also added innovations to bring in the crowds. In 2003, Tampa unveiled the Downs Golf Practice Facility, geared toward introducing the local population to racing and to drawing the general public to the oval. The fully lit property includes 270 yards of

open range for full swing shots, in addition to putting and short game areas. The Downs Golf Clubhouse features a pro shop, snack bar, wagering terminals and numerous television monitors to watch the day's races.

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"Our motivation was to get people out to use the facility," explained Berube. "Our philosophy was if we could get people into the door the first time, we are confident we can give them a pleasurable experience and get them to become returning customers."

Offering a similar rationale, Tampa also added a poker room, the Silks Card Room, with a 30-table capacity. Launched on a limited basis in 2004, Tampa was granted the permission to operate year-round in 2007.



Silks Card Room

"By law, 50% of what we generate in the card room goes to purses, so that supplements our purses by about 10% per year," confirmed Berube.

Increased purses make for stronger racing, and for more enthusiastic wagering. According to Berube, so far this year, live all-sources handle is up about 6%, averaging about \$4.4 million a day. In 2010, Tampa established a record in all sources handle with an average of \$4,186,691.

"We have a very good relationship with TVG, who has been promoting us heavily on their show," said Berube, further explaining the increase. "For the first time, we have gained access to the California market on a daily basis, when in the past we had only been in there sporadically." **Cont. p10**



Tampa Bay Downs cont.

While not new to Tampa, Advance Deposit Wagering has also had a positive impact on the bottom line.

"We've always provided our signal to ADW since the inception," Berube said. "That's always been there, but that is the growing part of our business these days, so that's where we've also seen some growth."



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Giving back to the bettors doesn't hurt either.

"Each year, we look at takeouts from various

pools, and in each of the last seven years, we have reduced takeout in some pools," stated Berube. "I believe that trend will continue."

He added, "Competition facing horse racing is getting very tough, especially when its coming from venues that have slot machines or have other ways to supplement purses. We are prohibited from offering gaming like slots and table games now, but we hope that will eventually change."

While many tracks across the country struggle for mere survival, Tampa continues to thrive by furthering its progress through improvement of its facilities and operation.--C Bossinakis

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Meet ending May	2010	2009	2008	2007	2006	2005	2004	2003	2002	2001
Number of Live Days	91	94	94	94	94	94	93	93	93	93
Live on track handle	19,749,273	23,923,163	26,686,586	29,666,853	30,192,981	28,249,856	27,338,223	22,615,827	23,600,356	22,616,996
Live ITW -in state handle	31,516,728	31,786,711	35,293,708	36,912,031	36,962,367	34,464,300	30,118,836	26,999,692	23,926,794	19,037,418
Live ITW-out of state handle	329,722,871	318,488,297	321,963,460	319,400,490	299,254,151	257,836,658	236,985,649	187,543,400	145,535,708	107,224,551
Total Live all sources handle	380,988,872	374,198,171	383,943,754	385,979,374	366,409,499	320,550,814	294,442,708	237,158,919	193,062,858	148,878,965
Avg. daily Live on track handle	217,025	254,502	283,900	315,605	321,202	300,530	293,959	243,181	253,767	243,194
Avg. daily Live ITW-in state handle	346,338	338,157	375,465	392,681	393,217	366,641	323,858	290,319	257,277	204,703
Avg daily ITW-out of state handle	3,623,328	3,388,173	3,425,143	3,397,878	3,183,555	2,742,943	2,548,233	2,016,596	1,564,900	1,152,952
Avg. Live all sources handle (new record)	4,186,691	3,980,832	4,084,508	4,106,164	3,897,973	3,410,115	3,166,051	2,550,096	2,075,945	1,600,849
Total on-track handle during meet	38,613,303	45,631,836	54,674,906	60,374,089	63,752,843	57,646,147	53,936,342	54,343,700	53,218,254	50,796,151
Total attendance	281,211	304,221	319,408	323,068	329,097	330,248	325,025	293,020	306,042	297,881
Avg. daily attendance	3,090	3,236	3,398	3,437	3,501	3,513	3,495	3,151	3,291	3,203
Total Thoroughbred purses paid	13,943,300	14,725,900	15,715,500	15,103,234	14,899,100	13,626,724	12,622,650	11,961,620	9,634,300	9,473,486
Avg. daily Thoroughbred purses paid	153,223	156,659	167,186	160,673	158,501	144,965	135,727	128,620	103,595	101,865
Avg. number of horses per race	8.95	9.32	9.41	8.85	9.57	9.34	9.94	9.29	9.22	8.59
Total number of races	946	987	995	1,005	1017	1,005	994	988	973	967
Total number of turf races	205	222	203	226	220	216	191	171	171	167

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JAPANESE FIXTURES LOST TO EARTHQUAKE

The massive earthquake that struck Japan Friday forced the cancellation of racing fixtures this weekend and into next week. All six Japan Racing Association meetings scheduled for this weekend, two each at Nakayama, Hanshin and Kokura, have been called off, resulting in the loss of four group races, including the G2 Hoshi Hai Fillies Revue, a prep for the Japanese 1000 Guineas. There was a partial roof collapse reported at Fukushima in the country's northeast, the closest of the JRA tracks to the epicenter of the quake, according to *Daily Racing Form*. Minor damage was also reported at Tokyo Racecourse. Racing was underway at the National Association of Racing track at Ohi when the temblor hit around 2:50 p.m. local time. Officials at that track canceled the day's final three races. NAR racing scheduled for next week at Funabashi has already been canceled, but NAR racing in western Japan will take place as planned. The track at Mizusawa in northeastern Japan was said to have suffered extensive damage. Japan's breeding industry on the island of Hokkaido appeared to be largely unaffected by the earthquake and subsequent tsunami. Sam Bullard, the director of stallions for Darley, told *Racing Post*, "The stud was involved in an earthquake, but there was no serious structural damage and all the horses are fine."



RACETRACK Round-Up

Hay List Scratched from Caviar Rematch...

Hay List (Aus) (Statue of Liberty), runner-up to the undefeated **Black Caviar (Aus)** (Bel Esprit {Aus}) in the G1 Coolmore Lightning S. Feb. 26, will miss his intended appearance in today's G1 Newmarket H. at Flemington, *Racing Post* reports. The six-year-old, trained by John McNair, was scratched upon veterinary advice with soreness in his off-side shoulder. Upon news of the withdrawal, **Black Caviar** has firmed into \$1.18 favoritism, or about 1-6 on TAB Sportsbet.



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Bluegrass Cat	26	18	2 5	7	2 3	3	17 20	1 1
Bernardini	24	19	4 5	5	4 5	5	18 21	3 4
Congrats	24	15	2 4	11	2 3	5	10 14	2 3
Sharp Humor	22	13	3 4	6	0 0	0	12 17	0 0
Silver Train	20	15	2 2	2	0 0	0	15 17	0 0
Henny Hughes	18	14	1 1	2	0 0	0	13 16	0 0
Rockport Harbor	18	14	2 3	4	1 1	1	14 16	0 0
First Samurai	16	10	1 1	3	0 0	0	9 13	0 0
Suave	16	10	0 0	3	0 0	1	10 12	0 0

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OBS MARCH

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'SCAT' SCOOTs TO BREEZE-SHOW BULLET

Good Friday came early for Albert Davis's Old South Farm. The South Carolina-based operation consigns [hip 137](#), who yesterday posted the fastest under-tack work during the first of two breeze shows at OBS March. A colt from the first crop of MGISW Scat Daddy (Johannesburg) out of the Tale of the Cat mare Madagascats, hip 137 zipped an eighth in :9 4/5 ([video](#)).

Old South is consigning the Scat Daddy colt on behalf of Carrie and Craig Brogden's Machmer Hall, which bred the handsome dark bay.

"He was actually supposed to sell at the [Fasig-Tipton] Saratoga Sale last year, but we opted to scratch him and instead sell him as a two-year-old,"



Carrie Brogden

said Carrie Brogden, on hand yesterday to watch the breezes. "He was such a strong yearling. We only had two guys on the farm who could handle him. Even as a yearling, he was that strong. After him, we sent two more mares to Scat Daddy, and I've told several clients that I thought he was going to be special stallion. Everyone we've had has had great minds and are so well put-together. Anyway, we've gotten to know Albert over the

years, and I've always been so impressed by his horsemanship. So when we decided to go to the two-year-old sales, I called and asked him if he'd take him. Albert doesn't have a lot of horses, which we like, but he said he'd take the colt sight unseen."

Asked if she expected a bullet from her horse, Brogden said, "Well, I wasn't expecting a bullet, but Albert said he was pretty special, so I knew he'd work well."

Old South also consigns [hip 157](#), a daughter of Unbridled's Song--Miss Gem (Exclusive Gem) who went the day's co-second-fastest breeze for an eighth at :10 flat ([video](#)).

That time was matched by:

- [Hip 16](#), a colt by **Indian Charlie**--Eva's Melody (Storm Creek) from McKathan Bros., agent ([video](#));
- [Hip 50](#), a colt by **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Glister Girl (Glitterman) from Harris Training Center LLC ([video](#));
- [Hip 82](#), a colt by **Mizzen Mast**--Im Cruising Dixie (Dixie Union) ([video](#)) from Paul Sharp;

- [Hip 148](#), a filly by **More Than Ready**--Marwood (Marlin) ([video](#)) from Jerry Bailey Sales Agency;
- [Hip 184](#), a filly by **Exclusive Quality**--On the Podium (Bold Executive) ([video](#)) from Kenneth Lejeune, agent;
- [Hip 221](#), a colt by **City Zip**--Receivership (End Sweep) ([video](#)) from Crupi's New Castle Farm; and
- [Hip 226](#), a colt by **Street Sense**--Regally Appealing (Valid Appeal) ([video](#)) from Classic Bloodstock (Danzel Brendemuehl).

Of the horses that breezed a quarter mile, two shared the bullet going :21 1/5. They were:

- [Hip 56](#), a filly by **Latent Heat**--Great Deep Bay (Mr. Greeley) ([video](#)) from Wavertree Stables, Inc. (Ciaran Dunne); and
- [Hip 182](#), a filly by **Forest Wildcat**--Nyanza (Montbrook) ([video](#)) from Eisaman Equine.

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BUYING AT THE TOP OF THE MARKET AT THE OBS MARCH SALE

There were eight 2yos purchased for \$300,000
or more at OBS March 2010
(down from 10 in 2009)

Buyer	\$300K+ '10	\$300K+ '09
Patrick Biancone, agent	0	1
Mark Casse, agent	1	0
Elite Racing/Silverton Hill	0	1
Grace Stables	0	1
Brian Koriner, agent	1	0
LRK Inc	1	0
Patrice Miller, EQB	1	0
Paul Pompa Jr	1	0
Robert Sahn	1	0
Kaleem Shah	1	1
Silverton Hills LLC	0	2
Stonestreet Stables	0	2
Steve Weizholz	0	1
Gary Young, agent	0	1
Steve Young, agent	1	0
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OBSMAR cont.

The day started out on the cool side, with temperatures in the mid-40s before the sun came up. But by noon, it had warmed considerably, and buyers got a bright, clear day to watch the workers. Despite the flux in temperatures, the tracked appeared to stay pretty consistent. "From what I saw, it seemed fair and even and it seemed like everybody had a good shot," said auctioneer Ryan Mahan. "There was a little bit of wind, but not too bad, and the sun was shining. So off we go. We'll try it again tomorrow."



Mike Machowsky

Bloodstock agent Pete Bradley agreed with the assessment. "I thought the track was fair throughout the day," he said. "The only thing was, after the first break, I thought the horses were maybe a tick slower, but only those horses in the second set."

The breeze show seemed well-attended. Coolmore rep Demi O'Byrne and a pair of associates stood at the turn, observing the horses as they galloped out. In the stands, trainer Mike Machowsky, fresh off a tough beat with Caracortado (Cat Dreams) in the GI Kilroe Mile Mar. 5, sat with fellow Californian Bob Feld. John Moynihan, whose clients include Stonestreet Stable's Jess Jackson, occupied the top row of the bleachers. Upstairs, meanwhile, West Point's Terry Finley huddled with bloodstock advisor Buzz Chace, with agent Tim Kegel and trainer Alan Goldberg nearby. David Ingordo stood with stopwatch in hand, clocking moves and gallop outs, as did Doug Cauthen and bloodstock agent Gary Young. Farther



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down the line, trainers Chad Brown and Dale Romans and European bloodstock agent John McCormack surveyed affairs.

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by david powell

I recently came across an article I wrote which was published in *Pacemaker* in February, 1997. On the one hand, I felt that it had been a bit prophetic; on the other hand, little has been done to correct the situation in the 14 years since.

Bill Finley's recent prize-winning article, "[Do We Need A Sturdier Racehorse?](#)" comes as a timely reminder, which inspires me to bounce off both my paper and his with some "updates" and comments. (Read the original article [here](#) and then read on.)

The drift between U.S. and European breeding has in fact continued, with the predictable deleterious repercussion on the market which Arthur Hancock points out in Bill's piece.

The intransigence, not to say obsession, of the French authorities to detect and punish the most infinitesimal residues of any medication, continues apace, resulting in a spate of positives for cortisone in 2010, involving several highly respected trainers and veterinarians, when France Galop lowered the allowable thresholds for positivity without warning. The point of this exercise, focused on residual amounts of medication which cannot possibly have an impact on the horse's organism on race day, is questionable, unless, as we wrote in 1997, you wish to impose a set of rules where any horse requiring medication for an ailment should never race again. As we said, while this ideology obeys its own logic, we are not sure it is applicable in the real world.

Yes, if you apply pure Darwinism, you could say that any treatment required by a horse reveals a weakness, and that correcting this alters the rules of selection, and perpetrates the weakness treated when that animal is allowed to reproduce.

(Of course that could apply to feeding oats, as well: if we were only allowed to race horses who were out at grass, we would in fact select those who metabolize the best under those conditions. You could also say that any newborn foal who needs postnatal assistance should be allowed to die, because otherwise he or she may breed weaklings later the list is endless, but we have come a long way from there today).

I understand the theory, but doubt its pertinence: somewhere on the vast scale between denying any human "help," and over 85% racing on Bute and Lasix, there must be a reasonable compromise.

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Op-Ed cont.

Bill Finley astutely writes "plenty of horses who may not have been successful on the racetrack without artificial assistance ... passed on their imperfections to future generations." I'd like to update the list of weaknesses recycled in the gene pool enumerated in the 1997 article by two major problems with which we are confronted daily: thanks to Gastrogard, many horses with ulcers have been able to perform at the highest level and have become stallions or broodmares whose progeny show the same inclination, and thanks to back medication, many with kissing spine lesions also: they would have been considered useless in the old days, but today their descendants need the same constant attention.

I have great respect for Dr. Bailey and Dr. MacLeod's work, but I beg to differ when they say that 40 to 50 years are not enough to modify the breed. In blind, random natural selection, yes, but in man-directed, accelerated selection, six or seven generations of reproducing a trait which was previously deleterious can count. If you change the rules of the game, you are creating the kind of situation which generates "evolutionary spurts" which we think occur when a natural catastrophe leads to mass extinctions and the expansion of new species.

On the fact that the average number of starts has fallen:

- Europeans traditionally considered training and racing at the U.S. tracks to be much harder on horses. Ironically, the two major sire influences of our time--Mr Prospector and Danzig--both "failed" the test of racing in the States. The former never won a graded race, and the latter ran only three times and is not even Black Type in a catalog due to unsoundness.

- On matter of year-round racing, I agree, a two- or three-month vacation once a year--and especially when there is less daylight--certainly prolongs a horse's usefulness. This just stands to reason and goes with Arthur Hancock's comment in Bill's piece about giving time rather than medication. A lot of subclinical pathologies will have time to repair naturally during this respite.

- On the matter of fractures, I think we are breeding more professionally than ever, and don't feel that bones are any brittle; however, we are getting close to the limit of speed which the equine frame can withstand (this goes for bleeding as well).

- Certainly, dehydrating horses with Lasix means they take longer to recover. That is obvious, and targeting specific races where they "give their all" likewise.

- I agree that a solid base on tracks is a negative; the natural sand tracks in the Sarthe area of France for example, are superlative because there is no resonance since there is no "base."

- I don't think one can equate speed with unsoundness, or stamina with soundness. There are plenty of very sound sprinters, and unsound stayers.

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Op-Ed cont.

- Yes, the number of starts can be very much a management decision, and this goes slightly with the clientele. When the Maktoum-fueled market took off in the 80s, "business" people with no horse background came into the game with the idea that racing, especially for breeding, could be profitable, and these guys look at the statistics, not at the horses. As Bill Finley writes, they "flock" to the same trainers, which creates a cycle: they go there because the man is winning with 25% of his runners, and the trainer knows that this is what they expect of him, especially since the job they want him to do is to make the animal valuable for breeding; i.e., increase his resale value which can be higher than his earnings potential on the track. And finally, since that trainer has many well-bred animals, he is "selecting" on their morning workouts the ones who are going to start, which makes for short fields because some of those would have taken their chance in that race if they had been with another trainer...

Michael Dickinson--and this is a tribute to his intellectual honesty--once said to me, when he was winning with 30% of his National Hunt runners, that when his strike rate rose above 25%, it was a sign he was not running his horses often enough .

There are two ways of judging a stable: from the outside, where a high strike rate looks good, and from the inside, when you actually own horses there and you know how much it is costing you. The clients of the Gary Contessas of this world are in fact making more money because of that strategy, on race earnings alone.

There is another factor: "a bad effort in a big race can cost an owner millions..." Yes, the traditional pioneering American, upbeat, optimistic view was to remember a horse's good days and what he had accomplished rather than to consider his defeats as a blemish. It seems that the country has gotten a bit older, and we are drifting toward an old-world, negative attitude, quicker to criticize a horse for his shortcomings, where British journalists will write that a horse "has blotted his copy book" when he loses a race. So yes, "putting the sport back into the sport" could help.

Having said all this, some time ago I got fed up with using first-season sires who turned out useless, and did a study on which of the traditional criteria to anticipate success at stud would stand up in court. The only one was this--there were fewer failures among horses who had won over half their starts. Perplexing, and I have an idea why this may be, but this is no place to develop it.

In *Sturdier Racehorse*, Dr. Bramlage says, "...a horse that races as a 2-year-old is likely to have a lengthier, healthier career." Yes, and it is true that training them early, while respecting their growth, fortifies their heart, lungs, bones and tendons at a crucial time. However, those horses that race at two are the best and sturdiest anyway; they are a select group, so this is just a self-fulfilling prophecy. A trainer will run at two those which are showing the most, and standing up to their work. The other group are, by and large, the weaklings anyway.

Bob Baffert tells Bill Finley they would have to shut down racing if there weren't Lasix. This is not true: a race is relative. To win you only have to run faster than the competition, and without Lasix they would all just be going a little slower, and maybe the same horses wouldn't win the race, but you can ban Bute and Lasix overnight and people will still need to run their horses to pay their keep.

I look forward to more feedback from people in the industry.

David Powell has been a breeder, owner, manager and trainer of racehorses in France since 1981, and was a longtime contributor of articles on racing and breeding, for several major racing publications in France, Britain and the United States. Feedback? Post it on the [TDN Forum](#), or send us a letter to suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com.

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SNOW PRINCESS (IRE), 19, Ela-Mana-Mou (Ire)--Karelia, by Sir Ivor

Foal born Mar. 6, a colt by Mount Nelson (GB). Will be bred back to Lawman (Fr).

Owned by and boarded at Newsells Park Stud. Accomplishments: Hwt. Older Mare-Ity & Fr at 14 + f, SW-Ity, G1SP-Fr, GSP-Eng, \$185,136. Dam of Snow Ridge (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), GSW & G1SP-Eng, \$223,004; Snow Gretel (Ire) (Green Desert), SW-Ger.

GOLDEN ATTRACTION, 18, Mr. Prospector--Seaside Attraction, by Seattle Slew

Foal born Feb. 14, a colt by English Channel. Will be bred back to A.P. Indy.

Owned by Bluegrass Hall, LLC. Boarded at Hurricane Hall Farms. Accomplishments: Ch. 2yo Filly, MGISW, \$911,507. Dam of Gold Trader (Storm Cat), SW; Swift Attraction (Storm Cat), GSP; Big Top Cat (Storm Cat), GSP.

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 **NORTH AMERICA** 

MI DEVELOPMENTS REPORTS \$52M LOSS IN 2010 MI Developments, which owns Santa Anita Park, Gulfstream Park, the Maryland Jockey Club and other racing interests, posted a net loss of \$52 million in 2010, according to financial reports released late Thursday. A loss of \$76.7 million was attributed to their racing interests, with a \$47.3-million loss for the final quarter. MI Developments took over Magna Entertainment's racing properties on Apr. 30 of last year after Magna had declared bankruptcy the previous year. A statement issued by MID Thursday reported that the absence of revenue from Gulfstream Park and Santa Anita during the first part of the year contributed to the strong losses. "Our racing operations historically operate at a loss in the second half of the year, with the first quarter of the year being the most profitable," the statement explained. At a meeting scheduled for Mar. 29 in Toronto, MID shareholders will vote on, and are expected to approve, a proposal by chairman Frank Stronach, in which he will give up his controlling shares in MID in exchange for ownership of all of the company's racing interests. Former Breeders' Cup CEO Greg Avioli was appointed by Stronach last week to oversee MID's racing interests, and Avioli is expected to continue overseeing those interests after any future restructuring.



Yesterday's Results:
4th-GPX, \$65,100, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), C, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:50 1/5, ft.
 1--**AMAZING, 119, m, 6, Greatness--Total Wonder, by Awesome Again.** (\$145,000 2yo '07 OBSAPR). O-Farnsworth Stables LLC; B-Marilyn Fazio Seltzer (FL); T-Martin D Wolfson. Lifetime Record: MSW & MGSP, 28-6-7-2, \$453,087.
 2--**Successful Song, 119, f, 4, Successful Appeal--Song for Annie, by Sultry Song.**
 3--**Belle Watling (Chi), 119, m, 5, Dushyantor--Biala (Chi), by The Great Shark.**
 Margins: 2 1/4, 9, 4. Odds: 1.30, 11.80, 1.10.
 Belle Watling was favored to recover her outstanding Chilean form here, but was left toiling in Amazing's wake. The Farnsworth colorbearer was most recently second by a half-length to Evening Jewel (Northern Afleet) in the Sunshine Millions Distaff at Santa Anita Jan. 29, and had the lead heading into the first turn. She dispensed with Belle Watling on the backstretch and was never seriously threatened the remainder of the race. Tesoro de Amor (Medaglia d'Oro) leapt in the air when the gates opened and dumped rider Rajiv Maragh. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

 **NEW YORK** 

Yesterday's Results:
PROUD PUPPY S., \$60,000, AQU, 3-11, (S), 3yo, f, 1m70y, 1:45, gd.
 1--**#AVA K., 120, f, 3, Dixie Union--Bedside Manner (SW, \$262,223), by Dr. Blum.** (\$190,000 RNA yrl '09 FTSAUG). O/B-Sugar Maple Farm & H Lewis Rapaport (NY); T-Michael E Hushion; J-Ramon A Dominguez; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$82,800.
 2--**Hot Danger, 118, f, 3, Forest Danger--Hottentot, by Mr. Greeley.** (\$7,500 yrl '09 KESEP; \$50,000 2yo '10 FTMMAY). O-Steven Wecker & William Achenbaum. \$12,000.

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3--**Midnight Visit, 120, f, 3, Henny Hughes--Open Window, by Trempolino.** (\$160,000 yrl '09 FTKJUL; \$275,000 2yo '10 FTFEB). O-Thoroughbred Futures Racing. \$6,000.

ANOTHER NBS PROGRAM GRADUATE

Margins: 3, HD, 7HF. Odds: 0.75, 23.00, 2.05.
 Ava K. aired by 10 1/4 when unveiled in New York-bred company in a sprint over this surface Jan. 9, and added a comfortable, off-the-pace success in a state-bred allowance heat Feb. 16. Stretching out for the first time here, the bay filly assumed command soon after the start. Midnight Visit turned up the heat on the far turn, but the favorite responded to rider Ramon Dominguez's reminders, shook loose inside the final furlong and strode clear late. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

 **EAST** 

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 4:50 p.m. EST
SUNCOAST S., \$75,000, 3yo, f, 1m40yds

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Miss Smarty Pants	Smarty Jones	Dominguez	Benzel	4-1
2 Daddy's Honor	The Daddy	Martinez	Navarro	15-1
3 My Pal Chrisy	Alex's Pal	Villa-Gomez	Lutchman	20-1
4 Wyomia	Vindication	Lenclud	Garrison	8-1
5 Blue Eyed Sweetie	West Acre	Goncalves	O'Connell	12-1
6 Niji's Grand Girl	Candy Ride (Arg)	No Rider	McPeek	3-1
7 Third Chance	Kafwain	No Rider	DiVito	8-1
8 Royal Delta	Empire Maker	Solis	Mott	7-2
9 Her Smile	Include	L Garcia	Delacour	10-1
10 Devilish Lady	Sweetsouthmsnt	Centeno	Sano	8-1
AE Marion Ravenwood	A.P. Indy	A Garcia	Motion	5-1
AE Isabelle's Thunder	Mineshaft	McFadden	Kohnhorst	5-1



Suncoast S. cont.

Palides Investments' homebred **Royal Delta**, who was tabbed a 🍀 **"TDN Rising Star"** 🍀 for her jaw-dropping 12-length debut score at Belmont Oct. 12 ([video](#)), makes her much-anticipated return for Bill Mott. GIII Mazarine S. winner **Wyomia**, sixth last out in the GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf, makes her first start on conventional dirt while switching from Daniel Vella to the Curtis Garrison barn.

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

5:00p HR/TVG 9th-AQU, Kings Point S., \$65K, 3yo/up, (S), 1 1/8m
Steel Your Face Stables' homebred **YAWANNA TWIST** (Yonaguska), runner-up here in last year's GIII Gotham S. and a close-up fourth in the 2010 GI Preakness S., returns to stakes company following a solid 1 1/2-length optional claimer score at Gulfstream Feb. 5. **Inherit the Gold** (Gold Token), who took the Jan. 26 Mr. International S. last time, appears the main danger. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

3:55p HRTV 7th-GP, \$52K, Msw, 3yo, 6f
Darley's \$360,000 KEESEP yearling **BAYAMO (Bernardini)** looks to give conditioner Tom Albertrani his first victory of the meet. The newcomer is a half to 1998 champion 3-year-old filly Banshee Breeze (Unbridled). **Police Chatter (Tale of the Cat)** makes his sophomore debut after finishing a distant second to subsequent GI Hopeful S. winner Boys At Tosconova (Officer) when unveiled at Belmont July 2. The son of GSW Charm A Gendarme (Batonnier) is a half to MGISW Tout Charmant (Slewescent) and GSW Forest Grove (Forestry). **Fifth Street (Street Cry {Ire})** goes out for owner/breeder Jim Tafel and Hall of Fame conditioner Carl Nafzger--the same team that campaigned GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile and GI Kentucky Derby winner Street Sense (Street Cry {Ire}). The son of GSW Softly (Binalong) may need a race to show his best, as his trainer is winless with 35 firsters over the past five years according to *DRF Formulator*. Windmill Manor Farm's **Ninja Blade (Johannesburg)** has run second to GIII Holy Bull S. winner Dialed In (Mineshaft), GII Hutcheson S. runner-up Travelin Man (Trippi) and well-regarded Arch Traveler (Sky Mesa) in his first three spins. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

3:20p HR/TVG 7th-TAM, \$30K, Alw, 3yo, 1mT
Team Valor and Vinery's GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf hero **PLUCK (More Than Ready)** will use this spot as a springboard to the GIII Transylvania S. at Keeneland Apr. 8. Juvenile Turf runner-up Soldat (War Front) has since flattered Pluck's troubled-trip score with back-to-back victories at Gulfstream, most recently in the GII Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 26. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

DID YOU KNOW...

The last 3-year-old to be champion without winning a Triple Crown race was TIZNOW in 2000.

Insights cont.

5:33p HR/TVG 8th-OP, Msw, \$40K, 3yo, 1 1/16m
Dr. K K and Dr. V Devi Jayaraman unveil their homebred **SUMMER FUN HOUSE (Johar)**, a half to 2009 champion 3-year-old colt Summer Bird (Birdstone), who broke his maiden second out here when sent routing for the first time. Unsung conditioner Benard Chatters, who has been winning at greater than a 40% clip for the meet, hits at 17% with firsters according to *DRF Formulator* over the past five years, but all six of his first-out winners scored in sprints. [Brisnet.com PPs](#)

5:34p HRTV 5th-SA, Msw, \$54K, 3yo, 6 1/2ft
GUEST STAR (Storm Cat) debuts in the colors of his breeder, George Krikorian. The son of MGISW millionairess Starrer (Dynaformer), who was also campaigned by Krikorian and Guest Star's trainer John Shirreffs, enters this first go with a bullet five-furlong drill over the Hollywood synth Mar. 2. Shirreffs, one-for-five with firsters down the hill at Santa Anita in the past five seasons, also unveils **Cloud Man (Thunder Gulch)** for Jerry and Ann Moss. Wertheimer and Frere homebred **Just Meteor (Forestry)** will make his first start for Richard Mandella. The bay is a half to GII La Jolla H. victor Meteore (Pulpit). [Brisnet.com PPs](#)



Yesterday's Results:

8th-FGX, \$41,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m70y (off turf), 1:45 4/5, ft.

CLASSY TOUCH (f, 3, Maria's Mon--Flute {MGISW, \$1,101,504}, by Seattle Slew) faded badly in her first two appearances at Saratoga--one on dirt, one on turf--but improved to finish third in a Polytrack test at Keeneland Oct. 29, and closed out 2010 with a fourth over the Fair Grounds sod Dec. 2. With leading Rosie Napravnik in the irons for this initial dirt route, the Juddmonte homebred came away well and settled in fourth. The 2-1 second choice ranged up three wide turning for home and quickly hit the front, and was kept busy late to secure a 1 1/2-length graduation. Main-track-only-entrant Oil Empress (Empire Maker) was second best. [Click for the brisnet.com chart. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, \$32,224.

O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (KY). T-William I Mott.

7th-FGX, \$41,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m70y, 1:44 3/5, ft. (DH)--AWESOME BET (c, 3, Awesome Again--Ellie's Moment {SW & MGSP, \$291,241}, by Kris S.) Lifetime Record: 6-1-2-1, \$45,204. O-Mike McCarty. B-Phillips Racing Partnership (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen. *\$210,000 2yo '10 KEEAPR.

(DH)--STRONG APPEAL (g, 3, Strong Contender--Appealing Jewel, by Saint Ballado) Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$25,878. O/B-Windwoods Farm (KY). T-Jeffrey D Thornbury. *\$19,000 RNA yr1 '09 KEESEP; \$42,000 RNA 2yo '10 OBSMAR.



7th-FG cont.

Awesome Bet and Strong Appeal, who broke from adjoining stalls, were inseparable under the wire. Both sophomores were coming out of a Feb. 12 maiden over this track and trip, with Awesome Bet sent off as the 3-1 second choice off his runner-up effort, and Strong Appeal dismissed at 13-1 following a fifth-place finish. The pair was unhurried early, and Strong Appeal ranged up in the center of the track to take the lead in the lane. Meanwhile, Awesome Bet was full of run, but had nowhere to go before diving through a seam to share the win honors. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#).**

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 5:46 p.m. EST

GRINDSTONE S., \$60,000, 3yo, 7 1/2fT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Aces N Kings	Jet Phone	Martin Jr	Barnett	4-1
2	Willcox Inn	Harlan's Holiday	Napravnik	Stidham	2-1
3	Great Mills	War Front	Sellers	Asmussen	5-1
4	Tragic Magic	Royal Academy	St Julien	Scherer	15-1
5	Action Ready	More Than Ready	Mena	Calhoun	6-1
6	Moonbie	Malibu Moon	Graham	Amoss	6-1
7	Mavericking	Empire Maker	Bridgmohan	Pessin	6-1
8	Close Ally	Giant's Causeway	Lanerie	Howard	10-1

Willcox Inn makes his first start since finishing third in the Nov. 6 GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf a week after this race was postponed due to severe weather. The dark bay also filled the show spot in the GI Dixiana Breeders' Futurity on the Keeneland Poly last October. Trainer Mike Stidham knows how to get 'em ready off the layoff, scoring at a 29-percent clip after 61-180 days on the sidelines. **Click for the [brisnet.com PPs](#).**

BLACK-TYPE STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, SATURDAY, MARCH 12:

- 03-26 \$1,000,000 *Louisiana Derby-II, FG, 3yo, 9f (1000)*
 - 03-26 \$400,000 *Fair Grounds Oaks-II, FG, 3yo, f, 8.5f (400)*
 - 03-26 \$300,000 *New Orleans H.-II, FG, 4yo/up, 9f (300)*
 - 03-26 \$300,000 *Mervin H. Muniz Mem'l H.-II, FG, 4yo/up, a9fT (300)*
 - 03-26 \$150,000 *Pan American-III, GP, 4yo/up, 12fT (0)*
 - 03-26 \$125,000 *Duncan F. Kenner, FG, 3yo/up, 6f (125)*
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Three New Members Added to FG Hall of Fame:

Trainer Steve Asmussen, Horse of the Year and Fair Grounds Oaks winner Rachel Alexandra (Medaglia' d'Oro) and 2003 Louisiana Derby hero Peace Rules (Jules) are the newest members of the Fair Grounds Hall of Fame, it was announced yesterday. The second-leading trainer at the New Orleans oval, behind only Jack Van Berg, Asmussen has nine Fair Grounds training titles to his credit. The trio are the first to be elected to the Hall since 2005. The induction ceremony will be held Mar. 24, from 6-8 p.m. in the Fair Grounds clubhouse. Tickets are \$25, and include a buffet dinner and a cash bar. For more information, call the Fair Grounds Group Sales department at (504) 948-1285.

Silver Goblin Dead:

Silver Goblin (Silver Ghost), who won 16 of his 26 career starts and earned \$1,083,895, died Monday of a suspected heart attack at owner Al Horton's Farm in Oklahoma. He was 20. The winner of the GII Razorback H., GIII Fairmount Derby and GIII Omaha Gold Cup, the gelding was also second to Cigar in the 1995 G I Oaklawn H. "He was definitely a competitor, a real warrior," said Silver Goblin's trainer, Kenny Smith. "His race against Cigar was a great race--I think they called it the race of the year--but the race I remember most is when I ran him around two turns for the first time [in the 1994 Great West S. at Remington] and won by 10 1/2 lengths. Concern was in that race. There were just a lot of great memories with this horse. He gave 100% every time he ran." Silver Goblin was buried on the farm.

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

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- [Proud Puppy S. \(AQU\)](#)** Ava K. (Dixie Union) maintains her perfect record.
- [7th-FG \(Msw\)](#)** Awesome Bet (Awesome Again) and Strong Appeal (Strong Contender) hit the wire together.
- [8th-FG \(Msw\)](#)** Juddmonte homebred **Classy Touch** (Maria's Mon--Flute) gets it done in her fifth start.



Yesterday's Results:

4th-SAX, \$67,180, Alw, NW3\$X, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:46 1/5, fm.

1--RYEHILL DREAMER (IRE), 119, g, 5, Catcher in the Rye (Ire)--No Way (Ire), by Rainbows for Life.

(€26,000 wlng '06 GOFNOV; 41,000gns yrl '07 DONAUG). O-Marsha Naify; B-Kilfrush Stud (IRE); T-Julio C Canani. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Ire, GSP-US, 10-4-2-1, \$188,953.

2--Mobilized, 119, h, 5, Soul of the Matter--Valleyofthebells, by Red Ransom.

3--Big Shot Syd, 119, g, 5, Chapel Royal--Mighty Fine Music, by Pleasant Tap. (\$125,000 yrl '07 FTKJUL).

Margins: 4HF, 1, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.80, 10.10, 2.10.

Ryehill Dreamer closed out his tenure under trainer Tommy Stack and IRS Syndicates in Ireland with a second in the G2 Futurity S. at The Curragh in September 2008. After changing hands privately, the bay made an auspicious stateside bow when finishing third to The Pamplemousse (Kafwain) in the GIII San Rafael S. the following February, but he wound up heading to the sidelines. He prevailed in his comeback, an optional claimer on the Hollywood turf Oct. 8, only to finish an overmatched ninth in the GII Citation H. over the same course Nov. 27, and came into this contest off a dismal last-of-six in the GII San Pasqual H. on the Santa Anita dirt Jan. 8. Back on the weeds here, the Irish-bred gamboled along on the front end and opened up through the stretch en route to a facile success. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

Santa Anita to Return to Five-Day Race Week:

Santa Anita announced yesterday that, beginning Mar. 23, the track will race five days a week, with live cards Wednesday through Sunday. First post will remain at 1 p.m. PDT.

Hi Card Ranch Owner Passes Away:

Keith Card, whose Hi Card Ranch campaigned homebred California Flag (Avenue of Flags) to victory in the 2009 Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint, passed away Tuesday. The 83-year-old had suffered a stroke about three years ago. Card, a former president of the California Thoroughbred Breeders Association, is a member of the Golden State's Racing Hall of Fame. "He was a great man, good to everybody, strong-willed, it's just a terrible loss," said Brian Koriner, trainer of California Flag. "I only got to know him for about four years. He helped me live my dream and we got to live a dream together and it was a great thing." Koriner added, "He's a man who did what he loved with the horses. He loved the animals, he loved people. He was good to everybody, and I think the Breeders' Cup was the exclamation point. His health deteriorated, which was terrible, but he enjoyed racing. He loved it. That's all he lived for was that horse, coming to the track." There will be a memorial service for Card at 2 p.m. Friday, Mar. 19, at Hi Card Ranch in Murrietta. Originally from Montana, Card was a World War II veteran. He was involved in racing for more than 50 years.



Suarez Named to NTRA Board of Directors:

(Edited press release)

Following a meeting Friday of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association Board of Directors, the NTRA announced that California horse owner Pablo Suarez has been selected by the Thoroughbred Owners of California to fill its NTRA Board seat. Suarez fills the seat previously occupied by Marsha Naify. Suarez, the founder and president of Nectar Pharmaceuticals, Inc., a wholesale distributor of prescription medications, has been a member of the TOC Board of Directors since 2007. He also serves as that organization's secretary, and as chairman of its Medication and Integrity Committee. He is a member of the TOC's ADW/Simulcast and Owner Relations/Marketing committees. "We are delighted to have Pablo join the NTRA Board of Directors," said Alex Waldrop, president and CEO of the NTRA. "While we will miss Marsha greatly, Pablo's passion and his experience in so many aspects of Thoroughbred racing will undoubtedly make him a very important and valued Board member."

APPOINTMENTS

ALAN K. TSE

- Appointed to the post of executive vice president and general counsel for Churchill Downs Inc.
- Will oversee all legal, corporate governance and compliance matters for CDI, reporting directly to President and Chief Executive Officer Robert L. Evans. "Alan's impressive background in business development and corporate law and governance make him an ideal fit for our executive team at a time when we are actively pursuing a number of growth opportunities," said Evans. "His unique combination of professional experiences and his remarkable work ethic will be invaluable to us as we move forward with CDI's strategic plan."
- Effective Mar. 22, 2011.
- Previously serving as vice president and general counsel for LG Electronics Mobilecomm U.S.A. Inc. in San Diego, where he managed all legal affairs for the No. 2 cell phone manufacturer in the country.



AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UAE:

Hajjaan, c, 4, **Mr. Greeley**--Danzig Island, by Danzig. Jebel Ali, 3-11, Hcp., 1200m. B-Phillip & Brenda Robertson. * 1/2 to High Strike Zone (Smart Strike), GSW, \$709,000. ** \$400,000 yrl '08 KEESEP.

AMERICA'S BEST SELLERS...TAYLOR MADE

Al Farahida, g, 4, **Seeking the Gold**--Banksia (GB) (SW-Fr), by Marju (Ire). Jebel Ali, 3-11, Hcp., 1600m. B-Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd.

Escape Route, g, 7, **Elusive Quality**--Away (SW & MGSP, \$277,550), by Dixieland Band. Jebel Ali, 3-11, Cond., 1400m. B-Robert N Clay & Serengeti Stable. *MSP-UAE. ** 1/2 to Eight Belles (Unbridled's Song), MGSW & GISP, \$708,650. *** \$170,000 yrl '05 KEESEP.

IN FRANCE:

War Pact, g, 3, **War Front**. See "Breeders' Edition Europe."



First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, Mar. 12

Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2007 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

A. P. WARRIOR (A.P. Indy), Stonewall Farm FL, \$20K, 92/5/1 2-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Warrior Nation, \$14K EAS MAY 2yo, 15-1 7-TAM, Alw, 1mT, Enable, \$3K OBS OPN 2yo, 30-1

ANDROMEDA'S HERO (Fusaichi Pegasus), Questroyal at Dutchess Views Farm, \$13K, 52/2/0

4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Fast Grievance, \$75K OBS APR 2yo, 5-1

ARAGORN (IRE) (Giant's Causeway), Lane's End, \$30K, 141/16/0

5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Celtic Heir

ARTIE SCHILLER (El Prado {Ire}), Pauls Mill, \$15K, 176/18/1

9-GP, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Artful Run, \$25K KEE SEP yrl, 12-1

BELLAMY ROAD (Concerto), Paul Mill, \$13K, 144/16/4

2-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Ryegrass Road, 5-1

8-OP, Msw, 1 1/16m, Zoebear, \$30K FTK OCT yrl

2-AQU, Msw, 1m, Appian Way, \$24K SAR AUG yrl, 5-1

BERNARDINI (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$100K, 219/22/5

8-GP, Stk, 1m, Gallant Dreams, 12-1

7-GP, Msw, 6f, +Bayamo, \$360K KEE NOV wnl, 10-1

2-GP, Msw, 1 1/8m, Ocelli, 8-1

BLUEGRASS CAT (Storm Cat), WinStar Farm, \$50K, 207/27/2

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, Uncle Carm, \$90K KEE APR 2yo, 5-2

BORREGO (El Prado {Ire}), Wintergreen Stallion Stn, \$20K, 107/13/0

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, Riverview Road, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, +Self, \$14K KEE NOV wnl, 6-1

DA STOOPS (Distorted Humor), Stonewall Farm FL, \$10K, 46/14/0

1-SA, Msw, 5 1/2f, Pink Blanket, \$49K OBS APR 2yo

FIRE SLAM (Grand Slam), Elite Thoroughbreds, \$6K, 32/5/1

5-FG, Alw, 6f, Tyme for Willard, \$42K OBS APR 2yo, 5-2

FLOWER ALLEY (Distorted Humor), Three Chimneys, \$25K, 160/14/2 8-OP, Msw, 1 1/16m, +Forgotten Knot, \$55K KEE SEP yrl

12-TP, Msw, 1m, Barry Dale, \$1,000 FTK OCT yrl

FOREST GROVE (Forestry), Canmor Farms, \$8K, 93/18/1

2-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Rio Samba, 6-1

GREELEY'S GALAXY (Mr. Greeley), Sugar Maple Farm, \$8K, 60/10/0

2-AQU, Msw, 1m, Greeley's Law, \$7K SAR AUG yrl, 10-1

HENNY HUGHES (Hennessy), Darley, \$40K, 215/26/1

1-GG, Alw, 6f, Wealthy Aviator, \$275K BAR MAR 2yo

IMPERIALISM (Langfuhr), Get Away Farm, \$5K, 94/10/1

9-GP, Stk, 1 1/8mT, Master Dunker, \$39K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1

IT'S NO JOKE (Distorted Humor), Stonewall Farm FL, \$10K, 40/5/0

5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Joker Face, \$50K OBS MAR 2yo

LION TAMER (Will's Way), Clear Creek Stud LLC, \$5K, 42/5/0

5-FG, Alw, 6f, Burning Valor, 4-1

MASS MEDIA (Touch Gold), Journeyman Stud, \$5K, 71/15/1

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, Runsliearockstar, \$16K OBS AUG yrl, 30-1

PASS RUSH (Crown Ambassador), Swifty Farms Inc, \$3K, 22/1/0

4-HAW, Msw, 6f, Facey's Spirit, 12-1

POMEROY (Boundary), Vinery Ltd, \$13K, 150/30/4

7-GP, Msw, 6f, My Valentino, \$95K OBS APR 2yo, 12-1

ROCKPORT HARBOR (Unbridled's Song), Darley, \$20K, 215/29/2

7-GP, Msw, 6f, Show Me the Way, \$65K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1

2-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Daddyroe, \$25K EAS SEP yrl, 6-1

6-PRX, Alw, 6f, Parvenu, 10-1

5-CT, Alw, 4 1/2f, Annapolis Harbor, \$40K EAS SEP yrl, 7-2

12-TP, Msw, 1m, Rocky Bear, \$17K KEE APR 2yo

SHARP HUMOR (Distorted Humor), WinStar Farm LLC, \$13K, 202/32/3

8-FG, Msw, 1mT, Humor's Punch, 12-1

SILVER TRAIN (Old Trieste), Vinery, \$25K, 203/33/2

7-GP, Msw, 6f, +Eastside Train, \$115K OBS FEB 2yo, 12-1

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, Adirondack Express, \$140K EAS MAY 2yo, 2-1

4-HAW, Msw, 6f, +Antique Silver, 7-2

STRONG CONTENDER (Maria's Mon), Stonewall Farm FL, \$10K, 90/6/0

4-TAM, Msw, 1m, Strong Hold, \$30K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1

SUAVE (A.P. Indy), Vinery, \$18K, 152/19/1

12-TP, Msw, 1m, Courteous Intent, \$6K OBS APR 2yo

THE DADDY (Valid Expectations), Airdrie Stud, \$5K, 85/12/1

10-TAM, Stk, 1m, Daddy's Honor, \$6K OBS AUG yrl, 15-1

UNBRIDLED ENERGY (Unbridled's Song), Crestwood, \$10K, 129/11/0

12-TP, Msw, 1m, No Rain No Rainbow

WAR FRONT (Danzig), Claiborne Farm, \$13K, 138/25/4

10-FG, Stk, 7 1/2fT, Great Mills, \$3K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1

2-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Gordonryan, \$17K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1

7-OP, Stk, 1 1/16m, Summer Soiree, \$72K FTK JUL yrl



EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN UAE:

Five Cents (GB), c, 4, **Exceed and Excel (Aus)**--Native Nickel (Ire), by Be My Guest. Jebel Ali, 3-11, Hcp., 1800m. B-Brook Stud Bloodstock Ltd. *92,000gns 2yo '09 TATAPR.

Spice Souk (GB), c, 4, **Tiger Hill (Ire)**--Zanzibar (Ire) (G1SW-Ity), by In The Wings (GB). Jebel Ali, 3-11, Mdn., 1600m. B-Usk Valley Stud. * 1/2 to Spice Route (GB) (King's Best), MGSW & GISP-NA, GSP-Eng, \$958,341. ** 190,000gns yrl '08 TATOCT.



RIP VAN WINKLE TO SHUTTLE TO WINDSOR PARK

Rip Van Winkle (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}--Looking Back {Ire}, by Stravinsky), the top-rated three-year-old miler in England and Ireland in 2009, will stand the Southern Hemisphere breeding season at Windsor Park Stud in New Zealand in association with Coolmore Stud. "It's a privilege to be able to offer Australasian breeders a



Rip Van Winkle *Horsephotos*

stallion of this calibre," commented Windsor Park's Nelson Schick. "When you analyse Rip Van Winkle, you understand how special he is to have consistently achieved such a high level of performance." Fourth to Sea the Stars (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Epsom Derby and runner-up to the

champion in the G1 Eclipse S., Rip Van Winkle stamped himself among Europe's top milers with wins in the G1 Sussex S. and G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. at three. He made five starts as a four-year-old, all at Group 1 level, besting Twice Over (GB) (Observatory) in the Juddmonte International S. over 10 furlongs and placing second in the Sussex, the Irish Champion S. and the QE II in 2010. In support of the victims of the Christchurch earthquake disaster, Coolmore head John Magnier has offered to contribute nominations to the three Coolmore stallions standing at Windsor Park. The proceeds from these nominations will go towards the industry relief fundraiser being held by the Auckland Racing Club.

ONLINE BIDDERS BOLSTER INGLIS SALE

Prominent Australasian bloodstock agent Vin Cox went to A\$60,000 for [lot 128](#), an unraced 3-year-old gelding by top sire High Chaparral (Ire) to top Friday's Inglis Autumn Thoroughbred Sale. The bay is a son of Myself (GB) (Nashwan), victorious in the G3 Nell Gwyn S., and is a 3/4-brother to GSP Ghayth (GB) (Sadler's Wells) and a half to MSP Ego (GB) (Green Desert). Of the 125 horses reported as sold, 23% percent went to online bidders, with nearly half the offerings attracting at least one online bid. Overall, just 7% of those offered failed to find new homes. "These figures just go to show how important online bidding has become at these type of sales and it certainly helped us in achieving today's strong clearance rate," Inglis Bloodstock Director Jonathan D'Arcy said.

Yesterday's Results:

JEBEL ALI SPRINT-Listed, Dhs500,000, Jebel Ali, 3-11, NH/SH3yo/up, 1000m, :58.55, ft.

- 1--**SPIN CYCLE (IRE)**, 123, h, 5, [Exceed and Excel \(Aus\)](#)--**Spinamix (GB)**, by **Spinning World**. (50,000gns wnlg '06 TATDEC; 84,000gns yrl '07 DONAUG). O-Zabeel International Racing Corp; B-Lisa Kelly; T-Satish Seemar; J-Lanfranco Dettori; Dhs300,000. Lifetime Record: SW-Eng, 24-5-2-0. *1/2 to Codeword (GB) (Dansili {GB}), GSP-US, \$203,418; and San Sicharia (Ire) (Daggers Drawn), GSW-Eng, GSP-Ire, SP-Fr, \$153,917.
 - 2--**Force Freeze**, 123, g, 6, Forest Camp--Antifreeze, by It's Freezing. (\$70,000 RNA yrl '06 KEESEP). O-Saeed Naser al Romaihi. Dhs100,000.
 - 3--**Terrific Challenge**, 123, h, 9, Royal Academy--Clever Empress (GB), by Crafty Prospector. (\$73,000 2yo '04 FTMMAY). O-Zabeel International Racing Corp. Dhs50,000.
- Margins: 1HF, 1 1/4, 1.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

- 7th-SAX**, \$61,924, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:34 4/5, ft.
- EL MARTILLO (h, 6, [Tiznow](#)--Mountain Dawn {GSP, \$272,457}, by Mountain Cat)** Lifetime Record: SP, 23-4-2-5, \$181,700. O-Maria C Gomez. B-Stonestreet Mares LLC (KY). T-Bob Baffert. *\$40,000 yrl '06 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '07 BESMAR.
- 9th-FGX**, \$45,080, Opt. Clm. (\$17,500), NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.
- ELUSIVE TEMPER (f, 4, [Elusive Quality](#)--Schedule {GB} {MSW, \$207,880}, by Brian's Time)** Lifetime Record: SP, 9-2-3-1, \$91,830. O-Mark H Stanley. B-Colts Neck Stables LLC (KY). T-Ronny W Werner. *\$75,000 yrl '08 KEESEP.
- 9th-SUN**, \$35,000, NW2X, (S), 4yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, ft.
- KINGS LEGACY (g, 5, Bay Head King--Fabulous Goer, by Easy Goer)** Lifetime Record: 17-5-0-2, \$72,085. O-Samuel R Natera. B-Quad Owen Family Trust (NM). T-Jaime Aldavaz. *\$23,000 yrl '07 RUIAUG.



7th-HAW, \$27,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

KITTY CITY (m, 6, [Salt Lake](#)--Holy Kitten, by Forest Wildcat) Lifetime Record: 27-6-7-2, \$103,658. O-Midwest Thoroughbreds. B-S D Brilie (IL). T-J Ness.

6th-HAW, \$27,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 4/5, ft.

SHESA TOUGH KITTY (m, 5, He's a Tough Cat--Jeannies Surprise, by Imperial Guard) Lifetime Record: 29-4-6-4, \$82,524. O-Terry Young & Sue Crooks. B-Dennis R & Sue Crooks (IL). T-Terry R Young.

5th-TAM, \$21,200, NW1X, 3yo, f, 5f (off turf), :58 1/5, ft.

BROADWAY MARQUEE (f, 3, Put It Back--Reflected Image, by Farma Way) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$34,916. O/T-Lynne M Scace. B-Lynne M Scace, Michael J Clare & Jake Micengendler (FL).

3rd-OPX, \$20,000, Opt. Clm. (\$12,500), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 2/5, ft.

HEAVENLY APPEAL (f, 4, [Successful Appeal](#)--Beauty Halo {Arg} {GSW-Arg & GSP-US}, by Southern Halo) Lifetime Record: 9-5-1-0, \$41,315. O-Ted's Stables. B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY). T-Sam J Feldpausch. *\$4,000 yrl '08 FTKFEB; \$3,500 yrl '08 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Grace Alley, f, 3, [Flower Alley](#)--Heart of Grace, by Exploit. PEN, 3-11, 1m70y, 1:45 4/5. B-Destiny Oaks of Ocala (FL). *\$100,000 yrl '09 FTKJUL; \$50,000 2yo '10 FTMMAY.

Broken & Sold by Crupi's New Castle Farm

+ **Shezabigbroad**, f, 3, **Mr. Broad Blade**--Zeanne, by Trail City. SAX, 3-11, (S), 6f, 1:09 4/5. B-Richard Allen Kritzski (CA).

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FAIR GROUNDS

COOL BULLET (Red Bullet), 4f, :48.00, 3/69
LOU BRISSIE (Limehouse), 4f, :51.60, 59/69

GULFSTREAM

ALL DUE RESPECT (Value Plus), 6f, 1:15.20, 2/2

HOLLYWOOD PARK

COMPARI (Redattore {Brz}), 5f, 1:01.40, 11/15
CRISP (El Corredor), 6f, 1:10.80, 1/8
DAVE IN DIXIE (Dixie Union), 3f, :36.00, 3/11

PALM MEADOWS

GYPSY'S WARNING (SAF) (Mogok), 5f, 1:01.90, 8/17
HIBAAYEB (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}), 5f, 1:00.40, 2/17
SLEEPLESS KNIGHT (War Chant), 4f, :47.60, 2/27
TELL A KELLY (Tapit), 3f, :36.00, 1/3
WINTER MEMORIES (El Prado {Ire}), 4f, :48.70, 13/27

SANTA ANITA

AWESOME GEM (Awesome Again), 5f, 1:01.00, 19/41
SIDNEY'S CANDY (Candy Ride {Arg}), 4f, :49.00, 14/26

Hidatsa, f, 3, [Proud Citizen](#)--Buffalo Bird Woman (MSP, \$162,013), by Slew City Slew. OPX, 3-11, 1m, 1:38 1/5. B-Elizabeth L Jones & Brownell A Clark (KY). *\$22,000 yrl '09 KEESEP. **Full to Motovato, GSW, \$324,179.

Old Exchange, g, 3, **Put It Back**--Lovely Living, by Wagon Limit. HAW, 3-11, 6f, 1:11. B-Elizabeth R Jerkens (NY).

Lock N Lola, f, 3, **Pvt. Lynch**--Fancy Locket, by Woodman. HAW, 3-11, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5. B-Myron M Gomulak DVM & Earl Goldenberg (TX).

Tribal Beauty, f, 3, **Tribal Rule**--Rochambeaux, by Clever Trick. SAX, 3-11, (S), a6 1/2fT, 1:14 2/5. B-Kenneth L Spencer (CA). *\$35,000 2yo '10 BESMAY.

Secondtimelove, f, 3, **Trippi**--Backtothebooks, by Notebook. CTX, 3-10, 4 1/2f, :54 1/5. B-Ocala Stud, J Michael O'Farrell Jr & Edward Wiest DVM (FL). *\$25,000 2yo '10 OBSAPR.

+ **Leap of Will**, c, 3, **Trippi**--Will I Do (SP), by Will's Way. TAM, 3-11, 5 1/2f, 1:06. B-Kim Poole & Mrs Gail F Lewis (FL).

Stormetta, f, 4, **Distant View**--Miss Blue Grass, by St. Jovite. GGX, 3-10, 6f (AWT), 1:12. B-Ann Marie Farm (KY).

+ **Boreal Forest**, g, 5, **Forest Camp**--Green Heights, by Miswaki. LRL, 3-11, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-Bruce Smart (MD). *\$40,000 2yo '08 FTMMAY.

BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Deauville, 13.15, €34,000, 3yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:29.40, stn.

WAR PACT (g, 3, [War Front](#)--Tempo West, by Rahy) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €30,000. O/B-Joseph Allen; T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *1/2 to Vertiformer (Dynaformer), SW-Fr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Cerveza (GB), f, 3, **Medicean** (GB)--Kalindi (GB) (SW-Eng), by Efisio (GB). Deauville, France, 3-11, Cond, 3yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-Barry Taylor. *70,000gns yrl '09 TATOCT. **Full to Abigail Pett (GB), GSW-Eng, SW & MGSP-Ire, \$189,391.



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