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Who is the Sire of the second leading juvenile filly money earner in 2011?

FEATURE PRESENTATION • G1 CATHAY PACIFIC HONG KONG VASE

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Trailblazer Lives Up to His Name...

No horse based outside of Europe has been able to succeed in the G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Vase since 2001, when Stay Gold (Jpn) (Sunday Silence) and Yutaka Take struck for the Land of the Rising Sun.



Trailblazer HKJC.com

While the European contingent looks as tough as ever for this year's running, **Trailblazer (Jpn)** (Zenno Rob Roy {Jpn}) will do his level best to loosen the stranglehold. The 4-year-old turned heads in a Thursday morning gallop at Sha Tin, working over 1200

meters and clocking a deceptively fast 1:18.9, with a final quarter mile in :11.44. "The Hong Kong Vase has been on our schedule and is the final target this season," commented trainer Yasutoshi Ikee, whose father Yasuo conditioned the aforementioned Stay Gold. "He is in good form both mentally and physically after three starts in two months in this autumn campaign. He does not have any problem with his gait this morning after the breeze [Thursday]." A Group 2 winner over 2500 meters at Tokyo Nov. 6, Trailblazer was most recently a long-odds fourth in the G1 Japan Cup Nov. 27.

Females have compiled an outstanding record in the Vase against their male counterparts, with victories by Borgia (Ger) (1999), Vallee Enchantee (Fr) (2003), Ouija Board (GB) (2005) and Daryakana (Ire) (2009), whose connections are represented in this year's event by the 3-year-old **Vadamar (Fr)** (Dalakhani {Ire}). **Sarah Lynx (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) is the lone filly in this year's event and is not without her chances. Winner of the G2 Prix de Pomone at Deauville Aug. 14, she was a well-beaten fourth to Goldikova (Ire) (Anabaa)'s half-sister Galikova (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) in the G1 Prix Vermeille on Arc preview day Sept. 11. **Cont. p2**

CAN'T 'MISS'

Weemissfrankie shoots for her third win at the highest level in today's G1 Hollywood Starlet S. A distant third behind soon-to-be-crowned My Miss Aurelia (Smart Strike) in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Churchill Nov. 4, the chestnut previously annexed the G1 Del Mar Debutante S. Sept. 3 and G1 Oak Leaf S. Oct. 2. "There is not much we can accomplish, other than win all three Grade 1s in California," trainer Peter Eurton *told Daily Racing Form*. "It's not like we're running for ribbons." Eurton continued, "I don't want to just assume she'll be a better 3-year-old. I think she will be. If you sit on them and give them a break, all of a sudden there are six or seven that are better than you." **Charm the Maker**, a close third behind Weemissfrankie in the Oak Leaf, looks to turn the tables following a win over track and trip in the Sharp Cat S. Nov. 13. "That was only our filly's second race, and we'd never been a distance," trainer Ron McAnally *told DRF* of his charge's effort in the Oak Leaf. "Off that race, I feel she has a chance. She looks good and is eating good. It's amazing how easy she does it." **Field p8**



Weemissfrankie
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Rank	Sire	Fee	Total Progeny Earnings
1.	Giant's Causeway	\$85,000	\$11,551,279
2.	Distorted Humor	\$100,000	\$10,266,977
3.	Tapit	\$125,000	\$10,117,483
4.	Smart Strike	\$85,000	\$9,193,108
5.	More Than Ready	\$60,000	\$8,675,578
6.	Malibu Moon	\$70,000	\$8,008,893
7.	Medaglia D'Oro	\$100,000	\$7,950,977
8.	Tale Of The Cat	\$30,000	\$7,776,348
9.	Speightstown	\$50,000	\$7,685,795
10.	Unbridled's Song	\$85,000	\$7,435,564
11.	Fusaichi Pegasus	\$15,000	\$6,937,897

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Feature Presentation cont.

She belied odds of 23-1 to upset the GI Canadian International S. over yielding Woodbine turf Oct. 16, but enters this off a 12th in the Japan Cup. "She's in good shape, but we need some more luck than we have had with some races here in Hong Kong before," said trainer John Hammond, who sent out Red Bishop to win the 1994 Vase, but whose Nuclear Debate was unplaced in three tries in the Sprint. "I think the French will win it, but I'm not sure with which one, though I definitely respect **Silver Pond (Fr)** (Act One {GB})."

Cirrus in Full Flight in Turf Spin...

Cirrus des Aigles (Fr) (Even Top {Ire}), who will vie for G1 Hong Kong Cup favoritism, got to stretch his legs through the Sha Tin stretch yesterday morning, and by all accounts, the 5-year-old knows raceday is near.



Cirrus des Aigles HKJC.com

"Fred Spanu took him to the turf course today," trainer Corine Barande-Barbe explained. "He's in charge of the fine tuning when it comes to big races. It was a good piece of work." It's all systems go now, Barande-Barbe says. "Cirrus des Aigles is enjoying himself

and that is what counts," she stated. "He is as playful as ever. I have always said that he was easy to train because he is willing to do well. Our task is to restrain him rather than anything. Our main concern was to get him back to the stables in full order because the turf course was quite busy today and he is so playful that he could do foolish things when other horses pass by!"

Not Exactly in His Father's Footsteps...

Swept Overboard spent his career as a successful sprinter/miler allowing others to do the dirty work on the front end before storming home late to scoop such prizes as the GI Metropolitan Mile H. and the GI Ancient Title Breeders' Cup H. The son of End Sweep was ultimately purchased by the Yoshida family to stand stud at Shadai Stallion Station, where his sire stood prior to his death in the summer of 2002. Swept Overboard's



Pas de Trois HKJC.com

son **Pas de Trois (Jpn)** did not inherit his dad's more patient running style, and instead punishes his rivals with blinding speed. He employed front-running tactics and nearly upset **Curren Chan (Jpn)** (Kurofune) when a neck third behind that filly in the G3 Keeneland S. at Sapporo Aug. 28, and tried in vain to lead throughout the G1 Sprinters' S. last time out. He failed to last, finishing 1 3/4 lengths behind Curren Chan, but has the advantage Sunday breaking from the inside. **Cont. p3**

BADGE OF SILVER
Silver Deputy - Silveroo, by Silver Hawk
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SILVER MEDALLION takes the GIII Tropical Turf H. on 12/2.



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South American Sensation **FLY LEXIS FLY**, a 10-length GI Derby winner against his elders, is on the GI Florida and Kentucky Derby trail.

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Hong Kong coverage cont.

“The track on the rail is in very good condition, which is good for us with our inside draw,” confirmed trainer Ippo Sameshima, who adds that Pas de Trois is handling things well in Hong Kong. “Even after he had a tough breeze on Wednesday with [G1 Hong Kong Mile candidate] Apapane (Jpn) (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) and Curren Chan, which was clocked at :22.1 for the last 400 meters, he is still in a good condition, maybe better than he is back home.”

Society Rock (Ire) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), runner-up in the 2010 G1 Golden Jubilee S. and winner of that Royal Ascot test this past June, was allowed to open up a little at the end of his work yesterday, coming home his final 400 meters in :25.8. Big-race rider John Murtagh was in the irons. “He’s nice and relaxed here and that was just what I wanted,” said trainer James Fanshawe. “He’s done well out here, put on a little weight and I’m happy with how he is.”



Society Rock *HKJC.com*



CATHAY PACIFIC HONG KONG INTERNATIONAL RACES		Winners by country				
	Cup	Vase	Sprint	Mile	Tot	
Hong Kong	5	1	9	8	23	
France	3	8	0	1	12	
Great Britain	3	6	0	2	11	
Australia	1	0	2	3	6	
Japan	3	1	0	2	6	
New Zealand	3	0	0	1	4	
UAE	2	1	0	1	4	
Ireland	1	0	0	1	2	
United States	1	0	0	1	2	
South Africa	1	0	1	0	2	





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TDN Q&A

Bill Nader, the former vice president and chief operating officer of the New York Racing Association, left the organization in 2007 to take on the role of executive director of racing for the Hong Kong Jockey Club. Nader, who will preside over his fifth International Races meeting, this weekend, was gracious enough to take time out of a busy week to respond to a series of questions from the *TDN*:



TDN: How have you adapted to life in Hong Kong? What are the similarities/differences to life in the U.S.?

BN: Adapting to life in Hong Kong is relatively easy. The majority of the population here speak very good English, and it is easy to fit in. Authentic Chinese food is much different than the American version, and it takes a little time to make the adjustment. There is no such thing as a pu pu platter or a fortune cookie and a set lunch is not a) soup b) chicken, pork or beef and c) American-Chinese fried rice. Steamed fish is popular here and, clearly, the food is much better once you shock the American imitation out of your system. I am learning how to cook with my Susie Wong wok and it is fun because you can get a bit creative and add your own touch to any recipe. Any type of Western cuisine, from McDonald's to Morton's is available. Driving an automobile is a bit of a challenge, as you must learn to deal with roundabouts, heavy traffic and tricky double-white lines that restrict lane-changing on the roads. And, of course, everything is on the other side. Luxury and fashion are always on full display here and it is a lot like New York City, minus Broadway and professional sports.

TDN: What is your favorite thing about Hong Kong?

BN: My favourite thing about Hong Kong is the horse racing, I absolutely love it.

TDN: How often do you make it back to the States?

BN: Not as often as I should. My youngest son gave me a great wake-up call last week and told me that I need to make more of an effort. He gave me a good kick in the ass, so I will be home for Christmas for the first time since 2007. I generally come home for the Breeders' Cup, though I did miss it this year, but that was a one-off miss.

I will try to get back one more time in April to see my Mom, which would also be something new for me. My three kids and I get together for a bit of a family reunion every summer, but this year we might take that show on the road to Turkey and Lebanon.

TDN: What special racing challenges do you face in Hong Kong?

BN: The job is a killer, but I mean that in a good way. My portfolio is huge and the responsibilities mirror that. We license, operate, regulate--the whole enchilada. In business terms, our racing in this small place of 7 million people and 1200 horses is as big or bigger than America. Average wagering is US\$135 million per day. In addition, the Jockey Club is a leader in the Asian racing region, and I serve as Chairman of the Asian Pattern Committee. People here work extremely hard and if you do not have passion for your work, you will fail or simply not survive.

TDN: To what do you attribute the popularity of the local racing product?

BN: The racing product here is the complete package. It offers quality as illustrated last season with 19 Hong Kong horses included in the World Thoroughbred Rankings and great depth at the top level. We have quantity with average field size at 12.7 per race and rarely have a single-digit field of runners. We have the highest level of integrity and transparency. And, we have incredible liquidity in our wagering pools, which is the 'x' factor in making our offering the best racing and betting product in the world. **Cont. p5**



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	2 nd Prix Maurice de Gheest-Gr.1
SEA OF HEARTBREAK	1 st Prix de Royallieu-Gr.2
TRES ROCK DANON	1 st Oleander-Rennen-Gr.3
	2 nd Prix du Cadran-Gr.1
SOFAST (2YO)	1 st Prix La Rochette-Gr.3
	2 nd Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere-Gr.1
SAMITAR (2YO)	1 st Albany Stakes-Gr.3
	2 nd Fillies' Mile-Gr.1
CORAL WAVE (2YO)	1 st C.L. Weld Park Stakes-Gr.3
ROCKINANTE (2YO)	1 st Autumn Stakes-Gr.3
ROCK ME BABY (2YO)	1 st Criterium du Languedoc-L.R.



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TDN: Is there anything, in your view, that can be done or changed to increase interest in horse racing in this part of the world?

BN: To change or increase interest in horse racing in America, you first must be open to change and that is the most difficult part. You have to make the racing more attractive. Reducing the number of races, creating more situations where the good horses come together in competitive races, becoming more customer-centric in strategic thinking, trying to find ways to introduce racing to engage a new audience without using dollar beers and concerts as the only trigger--these are challenging tasks to influence change and increase interest.

TDN: Some might view the racing in Hong Kong, even at the top handicap and local stakes level, as second rate. How would you address that?

BN: I think that is complete rubbish. Group 3 horses in Europe are imported here and can struggle to win a Class 2 race in Hong Kong and may never make it into our top echelon of races. Hong Kong turf sprinters have been the best in the world over the last decade. The racing here at every level is anything but second rate. Pound for pound, the racing here is among the best in the world. A Class 1 race in Hong Kong is a Group/Grade 3 race almost anywhere else.

TDN: What local horse or horses have impressed you the most, current or in the past?

BN: Ambitious Dragon is a superstar--the Cup will be a great showdown with Cirrus des Aigles. Silent Witness was arguably the greatest turf sprinter in history when he won 17 in a row, though Australia's Black Caviar will now enter that debate as the all-time best. Good Ba Ba, a Keeneland graduate, was the world's best turf miler during my early days here, and his ability to accelerate when called upon was lethal. Viva Pataca was our version of Forego, the ability to perform at a high level over a long career. He was amazing. [The late] Vengeance Of Rain was great, the list goes on and on.

TDN: The Hong Kong International Races are referred to as the "World Turf Championships." Do you think that designation is merited?

BN: The designation of "World Turf Championships" fits here for two reasons. We have four Group 1 events at 1200, 1600, 2000 and 2400 [meters], so every distance is covered. We get horses from all over the world, usually between 10 and 12 countries represented.

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Sire	Total Listings	Unique Progeny	BTWnrs BTWins	Black-type Horses	GSWnrs GSWins	Graded Stakes Horses	Winners Wins	G1-G2SWnrs G1-G2SWins
Dubawi (Ire)	42	34	11 11	21	4 4	9	26 28	1 1
Kitten's Joy	33	22	8 9	13	2 3	9	19 22	2 3
Ghostzapper	32	26	3 4	9	3 4	4	20 25	1 1
Shamardal	32	28	7 8	10	5 5	7	25 26	2 2
Oratorio (Ire)	26	21	2 3	8	1 1	2	17 19	0 0
Motivator (GB)	25	20	2 4	7	1 1	3	16 19	0 0
Wildcat Heir	22	19	4 4	5	1 1	2	19 19	1 1
Afleet Alex	21	15	3 3	6	2 2	4	13 14	1 1
Roman Ruler	16	13	2 2	4	0 0	1	11 13	0 0
Closing Argument	15	12	0 0	5	0 0	1	8 9	0 0

TDN Progeny PP Counts are designed to let you identify at a glance the stallions with the greatest number of significant progeny over a user-defined timeframe. Progeny PPs include winners covered in the TDN (click here for specific race criteria).



TDN: The purse of the Mile has been increased to HK\$20 million this year, making it the world's richest race at the distance. With purse money on the rise for the World Cup meeting and to a lesser extent at the Breeders' Cup, what changes, if any, do you foresee for the International Races purse structure?

BN: We will not compete with Dubai on prize money. On the other hand, we try to motivate our local owners to purchase quality horses and by offering rich prize money in our top races, and I am sure it helps the cause. Hong Kong is noted as a home for some of the world's best sprinters and milers. We increased the prize money for the Mile to be equal to the Cup (2000m) at HK\$20 million. The Sprint and the Vase (2400m) are each at HK\$14 million. We will continue to monitor the increasingly competitive international landscape before making any future decisions. But, I am convinced that the complete experience is the major driver in recruiting top horses, and prize money is part of that package. When it comes to other part of that equation, we do a terrific job here, and those are the intangibles that I hope will sustain and improve our position going forward.

TDN: In the past few years, the distance of the Sprint was changed from a straight five furlongs to a 1200-meter event around a bend. Given that some of the best stayers, such as Americain or Westerner, excel over slightly longer, is there any chance the distance of the Vase could be increased?

BN: No, the Vase would never be run at a distance longer than 2400 meters. No chance. Americain finished third last year and we have Dunaden and Red Cadeaux, the first and second in the Melbourne Cup, in the Vase this year, but there is no chance we will go beyond 2400 during my lifetime.

TDN: Is there anything that can be done to spur participation from American-based horses?

BN: It would be a great day for America if a horse could come here and win and I promise, for those who can do it, it would be a mind-blowing experience. The key to spur participation is advance planning. The second Sunday in December has to be in the long-range plan.

TDN : This year, there was no simulcast wagering on the Breeders' Cup races. Can you address that and whether anything can be done going forward?

BN: We have limited simulcasting opportunities. When I first came to Hong Kong, the government restricted us to 10 races per year and those races had to occur on local race days. We now have an additional 15 simulcast days, where we can take about six races per day. Unfortunately, the Breeders' Cup fell out of the mix this year, as our concentration is on Australia and England, but we are working with three divisions of the government to make our case for further expansion of simulcasting. If successful, the Breeders' Cup will be the first that we bring back.

TDN: The Dubai World Cup program begins in the early morning hours (on the U.S. East coast), enabling bettors to watch and bet on the races. Would the HKJC ever entertain the idea of a nighttime program for the HKIR to facilitate a simulcast in the U.S.?

BN: No chance. The business case to do so is very weak and it would be wrong on many counts to do that to our local customers.

TDN: Looking now a bit from the outside and with a total ban on raceday medication in Hong Kong, how do you view the current situation in the U.S. as it relates to the Lasix issue?

BN: Medication-free racing works well in Hong Kong. Our vets, all employed by the Jockey Club, and our lab work with trainers to help them understand what is acceptable and what is recommended within the rules. There is a complete ban on Lasix. Yet, our horses race more times per season than those in America and they are more likely to return to the races within two to three weeks of their prior race. America has to step back and recall what Lasix was intended to do for the breed and for racing, and then objectively evaluate the results.



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Each December, the world's top turf horses descend upon Hong Kong for the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong International Meeting. As it is the final international meeting of the year, Hong Kong offers racing fans and punters alike a mouth-watering array of the year's top Group 1 winners from across the globe, as well as a number of old favourites and rising stars. The 2011 edition, set for Sunday at Sha Tin Racecourse, is no exception, with representatives of nine different countries set to fill the starting gates for four Group 1 turf events worth a collective HK\$68 million: the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Cup (2000m); the Mile (1600m), the Vase (2400m), and the Sprint (1200m). Returning champions include local favorite Beauty Flash and two-time sprint champion Sacred Kingdom. Some of this year's newest stars include French heavyweight Cirrus des Aigles, New Zealander Jimmy Choux, and global sprint star Rocket Man. The Vase will feature an intriguing rematch between Melbourne Cup 1-2 Dunaden and Red Cadeaux, who were separated by less than a nostril last out in Australia's premier race.

Having just finished the Australian phase of the Darley Flying Start program, I couldn't resist jetting across to Hong Kong for a few days to get in on all the action. After 17 hours of travelling I landed in Hong Kong first thing Thursday morning. After refueling with a genuine Hong Kong breakfast (Starbucks), I was well caffeinated and ready to explore the city. The first stop was Happy Valley Racecourse and the headquarters of the Hong Kong Jockey Club, conveniently located across the street from my hotel. On my drive in from the airport it had become quickly apparent to me that every bit of land seems to be well utilized in Hong Kong, and this holds true for Happy Valley.

It is a neat and very well-manicured track surrounded by high rise buildings with sports fields in the infield. It is a racetrack right in the middle of a city if I ever saw one. I also took a few minutes to explore the Hong Kong Jockey Club museum, which provided great detail on the growth of racing in Hong Kong.

My next stop was a visit to The Peak, one of Hong Kong's most popular tourist attractions. The Peak is a shopping and dining center located atop the highest mountain on Hong Kong Island. It therefore lends itself to incredible views, so there are numerous picturesque viewing decks and terraces. I would recommend anyone visiting Hong Kong take some time to scale the mountain (don't worry, there are buses and trams to help you out) and take in some spectacular views of a truly beautiful city.

My first day in Hong Kong has given me an excellent first impression, and the best is yet to come. The next few days will include Breakfast with the Stars at Sha Tin, and the big day at the International races tomorrow. I have had the great fortune of attending many important race meetings during the past 18 months with Darley Flying Start, including the Arc, the Kentucky Derby, Preakness, and Belmont, and the Melbourne Cup, and I am truly looking forward to seeing what Hong Kong International day has to offer.

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HOLLYWOOD STARLET S.-GI, \$402,000, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Weemissfrankie	Sunriver	Bejarano	Eurton	7-5
2	Charm the Maker	Empire Maker	Gomez	McAnally	9-5
3	Lady Pecan	Concerto	Garcia	Baffert	8-1
4	Killer Graces	Congaree	Talamo	Hollendorfer	5-1
5	Mi Vida	Distorted Humor	Flores	Guillot	15-1
6	Self Preservation	Lion Heart	Rosario	Cecil	5-1

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 4:45 p.m. EST

SUGAR SWIRL S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Pomeroy's Pistol	Pomeroy	Castellano	Tarrant	5-2
2	Pica Slew	Pico Central (Brz)	Contreras	Lynch	8-1
3	Roman Treasure	Roman Ruler	Bravo	Iwinski	4-1
4	Catch a Thief	Flatter	Lopez	Hills	8-1
5	Indulgence	Macho Uno	Leparoux	Wolfson	6-1
6	Strike the Moon	Malibu Moon	Prado	Trombetta	10-1
7	Moontune Missy	Forest Wildcat	Cruz	Harty	15-1
8	Third Chance	Kafwain	Santana	DiVito	3-1

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Keeneland	Polytrack
Turfway Park	Polytrack
Woodbine	Polytrack
Hollywood	Cushion Track
Golden Gate	Tapeta Footings
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'AROME' FAVORED IN JUVENILE FILLIES

With two wins in three starts, including a first group tally in the G3 Kokura Nisai S. in her latest Sept. 4, Epice Arome (Jpn) (Daiwa Major {Jpn}) has been made the tepid 3-1



Epice Arome JRA photo

morning-line choice for Sunday's G1 Hanshin Juvenile Fillies S. She breaks from the 16 hole under Suguru Hamanaka. The liver chestnut was second on debut over course and distance in June, then came back to win a Kyoto maiden over the metric mile July 23.

She dropped in trip to annex the 1200-meter Kokura Nisai in a sharp 1:08.80, and while the resulting layoff was by design, her three-month absence from the track has to be a concern for her backers. Trainer Sei Ishizaka, however, is confident in his charge. "She's not in bad condition," he said. "Since coming back to the stable, she's been able to train without building up too much stress. She won the [sprint] race in Kokura, but I don't regard her as a quarter horse. I like to think the time off will have had made her forget about the distance, that she ran 1200 meters last time. I don't even think she was at her best in the last race. She's grown up a little, put on some good weight for this race. She'll be fine with the distance." Fine Choice (Jpn) (Admire Moon {Jpn}) is second choice on the morning line at 4-1, and, in addition to tackling Epice Arome for the first time,



Fine Choice JRA photo

re-opposes rival I'm Yours (Jpn) (Falbrav {Ire}) for the third. Fine Choice beat the 17-1 longshot I'm Yours by a neck in the G3 Hakodate Nisai S. in August, then fell by that margin to I'm Yours--at 19-1 this time--in the G3 KBS Kyoto Sho Fantasy S. Nov. 5. Fine Choice's jockey Yasunari Iwata thinks a better trip this time around will help settle the rubber match in their favor. "She just didn't get a break last time, kind of stumbling out of the gate," he said. "If she can make a clean start this time, she'll be OK. When she switches on, she's pretty incredible. Basically, it comes down to me doing my job. If I ride a good race, the rest will take care of itself."

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Sunday, Hanshin, Japan, post time: 1:40 a.m. EST

HANSHIN JUVENILE FILLIES-G1, ¥125,260,000, 2yo, f, 1600mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Anchuras (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Kawada	Yasuda	14-1
2	Eishin Kincsem (Jpn)	Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)	Wada	Takano	20-1
3	Arafune (Jpn)	Kurofune	Yoshida	Takahashi	30-1
4	Meine Bonheur (Jpn)	Roses in May	Sakai	Miya	99-1
5	Fine Choice (Jpn)	Admire Moon (Jpn)	Iwata	Ryoke	4-1
6	Sweet Suzuran (Jpn)	Symboli Kris S	Kawshima	Arakawa	70-1
7	Lady Magnate (Jpn)	Fasliyev	Y lida	A lida	40-1
8	Ichiokuno Hoshi (Jpn)	Zenno Rob Roy (Jpn)	Demuro	Yano	16-1
9	Naomino Yume (Jpn)	Jungle Pocket (Jpn)	Kitamura	Yoshida	99-1
10	Anastasia Blue (Jpn)	Falbrav (Ire)	Fujioka	Matsuda	18-1
11	I'm Yours (Jpn)	Falbrav (Ire)	Mendizabal	Tezuka	5-1
12	La Scintillante (Jpn)	Agnes Tachyon (Jpn)	Fujioka	Tomomichi	10-1
13	Joie de Vivre (Jpn)	Deep Impact (Jpn)	Fukunaga	Matsuda	6-1
14	Prenotato (Jpn)	Jungle Pocket (Jpn)	Sato	Makiura	50-1
15	Tosen Benizakura (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Fujita	Shibasaki	12-1
16	Epice Arome (Jpn)	Daiwa Major (Jpn)	Hamanaka	Ishizaka	3-1
17	Garnet Charm (Jpn)	Falbrav (Ire)	Kitamura	Shikato	60-1
18	Sound of Heart (Jpn)	Agnes Tachyon (Jpn)	Take	Matsuyama	8-1

All carry 119 pounds.

Ebony Flyer Heads to the Beach...

Ebony Flyer (SAf) (Jet Master {SAf}) took a little time off for her preparations for one of South Africa's biggest prizes--the G1 Jan. 7 L'Ormarins Queen's



Ebony Flyer

Plate--to take a swim in the waters off Cape Town Friday morning. Trainer Justin Snaith, also an avid polo player, takes some of his charges to the beach every week or so for a freshener and was aboard for the ride. Ebony Flyer makes her next start next Sat., Dec. 17, in the six-furlong

Diadem S. at Kenilworth on the straight. "We're using this to sharpen her up for the Queen's Plate," said Barry Irwin, who owns the filly in partnership with Gaynor Rupert and Anant Singh. "We thought it was a good idea to drop her down to a sprint." The mare, who stands 17.1 hands, is six-for-seven lifetime, losing her only start in last year's Queen's Plate, where she was third against older males.



Ebony Flyer in action



RACETRACK ROUND-UP

Hammers Terror to the Lecomte...

Terry Hamilton's promising juvenile **Hammers Terror** (Artie Schiller) punched his ticket to the Jan. 21 GIII Lecomte S. with an easy two-turn win in a \$50,000 optional claimer at Fair Grounds Dec. 8. The dark bay, trained by Michael Stidham, previously graduated at Keeneland Oct. 20. He was defeated by the unbeaten Luke of York (Put It Back) by a nose in his Arlington debut Sept. 24. "That's the plan right now, to shoot for the Lecomte," Stidham confirmed. "Hammers Terror came out of his race in good order, and as long as he continues to do well, [the Lecomte] would seem to be a good spot for him." Revealing some background information on Hammers Terror's owner, he continued, "He's a Canadian guy and I've had horses for him for about a year and a half now. I believe he's had horses up there in Canada for a number of years, including some harness horses, but he seems to be getting more involved with Thoroughbreds lately."

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PVAL RETIRES

Jockey Patrick Valenzuela is retiring from the saddle, *Daily Racing Form* reports. The 49-year-old, a winner of more than 4,000 races in a career that dates back to 1978, told the publication that a recent gall bladder surgery and a struggle to maintain his riding weight forced his hand. "This operation has opened my eyes to the abuse my body has taken over the years," he told *DRF*. "I'm not young anymore. I think my health is more



Benoit photo

important than getting out there and making the weight every day. I have to reduce every day. It's a constant battle. I would ride at 120 [pounds], but the struggle to do that has taken its toll." Despite battling well-documented substance abuse problems throughout his career, Valenzuela still ranked among the top jockeys in the sport when on top of his game, most notably guiding Sunday Silence to wins in the 1989 GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. He

also rode seven Breeders' Cup winners, including 1991 Juvenile hero Arazi. More recently, Valenzuela steered Acclamation to a memorable win in this summer's GI Pacific Classic at Del Mar. "It's been a blessing, the opportunity that God has given me," Valenzuela told *DRF*. "It's hard to walk away. It's emotional right now. There is a certain time when you know what's in your mind. It's time to do something else."

REPORTS OF POSSIBLE 'REDUX' RECORD

INCORRECT Published reports claiming that Robert Cole, Jr.'s **Rapid Redux** (Pleasantly Perfect) would tie the record for wins in a year in the continental U.S. post 19th-century with a victory at Laurel Park Tuesday are incorrect, confirmed Shannon Luce of The Jockey Club Friday. While Citation and Roseben each won 19 races in 1948 and 1905 respectively, Donald Macdonald won 22 times in 1913 from 36 starts. The son of Sombrero earned \$16,080 during his 7-year-old campaign that season, recording victories in South Carolina, Maryland and New York. Donald Macdonald's record was first brought to the *TDN's* attention by Doug Salvatore of the *Eerie Times-News*. Luce confirmed the information in the 1914 American Racing Manual.

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FLORIDA

Yesterday's Results:

5th-GPX, \$48,750, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44, fm.

1--**DESERT SAGE (GB), 119, f, 4, Selkirk--Prairie Flower (Ire) (SP-Fr), by Zieten.** O/B-J H Richmond-Watson (GB); T-Chad C Brown. Lifetime Record: GSP-US, 13-4-2-1, \$120,744.

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2--**Dyani, 119, m, 5, Dynaformer--Richer by Love, by Clever Trick.**

3--**Unbridled Essence, 119, m, 5, Essence of Dubai--Unbridled Waters, by Unbridled.**

Margins: HD, 1 1/4, NK. Odds: 0.60, 4.40, 7.20.

Desert Sage surfaced stateside here Mar. 18 with a one-for-seven record in her native Great Britain, turning in an impressive late rally to take a course-and-distance first-level allowance before annexing an optional claimer going a sixteenth farther Apr. 24. She stepped up to contest Pimlico's GII Galorette H. on the Preakness undercard May 21, and checked in second. Desert Sage's form tailed off slightly after that--she was a headstrong fourth in Parx's Dr. James Penny Memorial H. July 4 and was last seen reporting home sixth in Saratoga's Aug. 27 GII Ballston Spa H. Hard to handle while tracking slow splits in third on the outside, the prohibitive favorite asserted at the head of the lane and held on late from a fast-closing Dyani. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [video replay](#).

3rd-GPX, \$42,500, Alw, C, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.

LAVA GIRL, (f, 4, Purge--Li'l Ms. Leonard, by Nostalgia's Star) returning from over a year off with a strong series of works for new trainer Todd Pletcher yesterday. A half-sister to handicap hero Lava Man (Slew City Slew), MGISW, \$5,268,706; and Enriched (High Brite), GSW, \$535,656, the 4-year old was making her first start on the east coast since finishing fifth at Hollywood Park last November for trainer Doug O'Neill. Given a 2-1 shot in the evenly matched field, Lava Girl chased the early leaders through an opening half-mile of 46:96. Racing three-wide into the stretch and asked to pick it up by jockey Javier Castellano, Lava Girl wore down a tiring Last Word (Empire Maker) to prevail by a half-length. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$52,520. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [video replay](#).

O-Arindel Farm. B-Ocala Horses LLC (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

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Florida Report cont.

9th-GPX, \$40,500, Msw, 2yo, f, 7 1/2fT, 1:30 3/5, fm. GAME FAIR (f, 2, Quiet American--Passing Shot {GISW, \$633,857}, by A.P. Indy) was a debut second over the Keeneland Polytrack Oct. 8, and had several preps over the Palm Meadows turf in the interim, including a second-best of 11 five furlongs in 1:01 3/5 Nov. 25. The daughter of 2003 GI Personal Ensign H. heroine Passing Shot was backed down to 7-5 favoritism from a 4-1 morning line, and saved ground after breaking from the rail to track in a distant fifth behind a runaway leader. She tipped out for clear sailing in the lane, and outkicked firster Beijoca (Dynaformer) to earn her diploma by 3/4 of a length. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$34,300. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or video replay.](#)

O/B-J V Shields Jr (KY). T-H Graham Motion.

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 2:46 p.m. EST

INAUGURAL S., \$75,000, 2yo, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Pete Distinction	With Distinction	Delgado	Meastre	15-1
2	Wildcat Creek	Wildcat Heir	Serpa	Plesa Jr	4-1
3	Winningsgood	Winninginexcess	Argeuta	O'Connell	5-1
4	Straight Fax	Halifax	Aguilar	Rosas-Canessa	9-2
5	Dangerous Trick	Forest Danger	Centeno	Pompay	3-1
6	Luke of York	Put It Back	Lenclud	DiVito	2-1
7	Angelofdistinction	With Distinction	Morales	Pita	12-1

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Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs, post time: 4:10 p.m. EST

SANDPIPER S., \$75,000, 2yo, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	All American Star	Quiet American	J Garcia	Fawkes	15-1
2	Given Enchantment	Point Given	Jurado	DaCosta	4-1
3	Silver Arch	Silver Wagon	Guidry	Girten-Drake	12-1
4	Live Every Day	Lion Heart	Centeno	Fawkes	3-1
5	Blue Forty	D'wildcat	Serpa	DiVito	6-1
6	Venetian Sonata	Bernardini	Allen Jr	Helmbrecht	6-1
7	Grand Entry	Grand Reward	Cintron	Griffith	8-1
8	Quick Flip	Speightstown	Cotto Jr	Pompay	8-1
9	Endless Date	Intimidator	Figuroa	Werneth	30-1
10	Red Hot Doll	Officer	Lynch	Homeister	8-1
11	Vicarious Won	Elusive Quality	Lenclud	Clement	12-1

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CLARIFICATION: The trainer of impressive Gulfstream maiden winner One Sock Down (Dehere) was incorrectly listed as Edward Coletti, Jr. in Friday's *TDN*--it should have said Edward Coletti, Sr.

Today's Video Highlights

8th-GP (Msw) Game Fair (Quiet American) runs to the action.

5th-GP (Alw) Desert Sage (GB) returns to winning ways where North American career began.

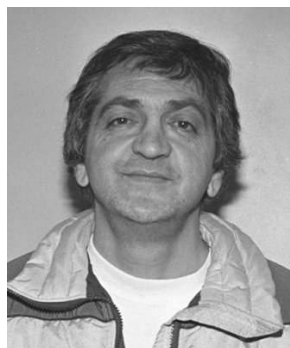
NEW YORK



Former NY Leading Trainer Pete Ferriola Dies:

Edited Press Release

Peter Ferriola, a three-time leading trainer on the New York Racing Association circuit, passed away Friday at



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the age of 69. He died from complications of a stroke and chronic diabetes. In a career that spanned between 1978-2001, Ferriola recorded 1,129 wins, 999 seconds, and 900 thirds from 6,085 starts and \$26,292,286 in purse earnings. Ferriola's biggest victory came in 1979 when Koluctoo Bay captured the GI Young America S. at the Meadowlands. He also trained graded stakes winners Argyle Lake, Groovy Feeling,

Nome, Shots Are Ringing and Tarantara. "He was a good horseman," trainer Bruce Levine said. "He was the first one who was running with turndowns. He was ahead of his time. Then everybody started using them. His horses always looked well and ran well." Ferriola is survived by his wife, Ingrid, daughter, Veronica, son, Peter, Jr., and granddaughters Bella and Holly. Ferriola will be cremated in Florida. Memorial service plans are pending. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation.

Yesterday's Results:

6th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:43 3/5, ft.

ALPHABET JAMERICA (f, 3, [Alphabet Soup](#)--Halo Jamerica {SP}, by Halo's Image) romped home by five lengths in the slop at Parx Nov. 22, and was backed down to 4-5 to remain unbeaten on the stretch-out. She obliged, controlling the pace through splits of :23.94, :48.08 and 1:12.99 before drawing off to a 2 1/4-length success. Guyana Princess (Midas Eyes) came from last to complete the exacta. Sales history: \$14,000 RNA yrl '09 FTNAUG. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$52,800. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or video replay.](#)

O/T-Peter Kazamias. B-Kaz Hill Farm (NY).

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Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 3:37 p.m. EST

QUEENS COUNTY S., \$65,000, 3yo/up, 1 3/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Ron the Greek	Full Mandate	Alvarado	Mott	6-5
2	Fonda Ronda Won	Teton Forest	Garcia	Shuman	10-1
3	Inherit the Gold	Gold Token	Velasquez	Hooper	5-2
4	Arson Squad	Brahms	Curatolo	Dutrow Jr	4-1
5	Ea	Dynaformer	Dominguez	Dutrow Jr	4-1

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EASTERN U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-LRL, \$31,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW1X, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:40 3/5, ft.

OFFICER'S HOLIDAY (f, 2, Officer--Illeria {GSW, \$392,692}, by Stop the Music) broke through in start number four over this muddy surface Nov. 17, and was the 14-1 longest shot on the board to pair up victories here. Settled off the pace early, the homebred rallied wide late to best Her Way (Service Stripe) by 3/4 of a length. The winner is a half to Magic Broad (Broad Brush), GSW, \$216,120; Include (Broad Brush), GISW, \$1,659,560; Loaded Brush (Broad Brush), MSP, \$212,390; Invent (Concern), MSP; Implicit (Broad Brush), MSP, \$260,636; Magical Broad (Broad Brush), SW, \$155,470; Encaustic (Broad Brush), MSW & GSP, \$645,330; and Broad Rule (Dixie Union), MSP. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$38,130. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [video replay](#).

O/B-Fitzhugh LLC (MD). T-Richard W Small.

CENTRAL U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

8th-FGX, \$38,000, Msw, 2yo, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 3/5, fm.

ICON IKE (c, 2, Yes It's True--Robbie's Gal {SW & MGSP, \$195,365}, by Straight Man) was third two back at Keeneland Oct. 13 in his best finish from three main track sprint tries. Ninth here Nov. 26, the homebred was given a 7-1 chance to turn things around on the lawn. Icon Ike pressed hot splits of :22.88, :47.40 and :59.30, but had just enough in reserve to hold off a late bid from Mojo Workin (English Channel) and score by a nose despite growing legweary in the long Fair Grounds stretch. Sales history: \$65,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP; \$39,500 RNA 2yo '11 FTMMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$28,888. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [video replay](#).

O/B-Fletcher & Carolyn Gray (KY). T-J Larry Jones.

Saturday, Remington Park, post time: 11:14 p.m. EST

REMINGTON SPRINGBOARD MILE S., \$300,000, 2yo, 1m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Reckless Jerry	Cactus Ridge	Laviolette	Smith	20-1
2	Pee H Dee	Tale of the Cat	McNeil	Richard	20-1
3	Flashy Kid	Flashy Bull	Madrid	Arias	15-1
4a	Seeker	Hard Spun	Nakatani	Asmussen	2-1
5a	Basalt	Giant's Causeway	L Quinonez	Asmussen	2-1
6	Fire Alarm	Fusaichi Pegsus	Berry	Calhoun	15-1
7	Mr Bluegrass Music	Bluegrass Cat	Landeros	Jackson	6-1
8	Alternative	Limehouse	B Quinonez	Petalino	20-1
9	Strong Resolve	Elusive Quality	Wade	D K Von Hemel	20-1
10	Ted's Folly	Wild Tale	Medina	Brown	5-1
11	Pleasant Closing	Closing Argument	Birzer	Asmussen	15-1
12	No Spin	Johannesburg	Rosier	Ice	4-1

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HIGH STAKES:

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Remington Springboard Mile S. - This well-funded event is headlined by Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sprint fourth-place finisher Seeker (Hard Spun), who is a major play against at a short number on the stretch-out. It certainly wouldn't be a shocker if he could stretch his ability to a mile, but the GII Nashua S. show horse hails from a solid family of runners who all excelled going short. The dark bay adds blinkers as well for his first route try, and should find himself with plenty of company on the front end. If **Mr Bluegrass Music** (Bluegrass Cat) was given the same ride he received last time when third in the seven-furlong Clever Trevor S. here Nov. 11, he would be another pace casualty. He'll be reunited with Chris Landeros, however, who piloted him in his Oct. 5 debut, and he should rate comfortably. The grey relaxed well when unveiled here Oct. 5, displaying a nice kick to score by two lengths despite being kept out very wide and without cover throughout ([video](#)). Mr Bluegrass Music drew the rail in the Clever Trevor when the two horses entered to his inside scratched, and while he broke in midpack, things got a bit tight for him early, and rider Terry Thompson opted to hit the gas rather than take back and bide his time ([video](#)). He was forced to travel through splits of :21.65 and :21.89 while pressing a half set by the even-money favorite that was 13 Moss Pace Figure points above par. The chalk faded at the top of the lane, eventually finishing fifth, but Mr Bluegrass Music took the lead and only yielded it in the final strides, coming up just 3/4 of a length short. With a better-timed ride, he should have no trouble with an extra furlong, and should be right there at the wire at a decent price.

CALIFORNIA

Yesterday's Results:

6th-HOL, \$59,006, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1\$X, 2yo, 6fT, 1:09 4/5, fm.

CHAMPIONS GATE (g, 2, Pure Prize--Amadamprez, by Northern Afleet) was a sharp debut winner against Cal-breds at Del Mar Aug. 7, and returned at that oceanside oval to finish second in the I'm Smokin S. Sept. 5. He was fifth when stretched out to a route on dirt in Santa Anita's Cal Cup Juvenile S. Oct. 29, and was backed down to 7-10 this time. With Baby Blake (Lion Heart) in tow, the chalk carved out a half in :46.17 and refused to allow his shadow to get by, holding his persistent pursuer safe by a half-length at the line. Sweet Swap (Candy Ride {Arg}) was scratched. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-0, \$97,240. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [video replay](#).

O/B-Donald R Dizney (CA). T-Michael Machowsky.



First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, Dec. 10

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2008 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- ANY GIVEN SATURDAY** (Distorted Humor), Darley, \$40K, 89/7/0
7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Super Saturday, \$75K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Saturday Classic, \$180K OBS MAR 2yo, 8-1
10-TP, Msw, 1m, Saturday Romp, \$25K OBS MAR 2yo
7-FG, Stk, 6f, Sunday's Child, 7-5
- CANYON DE ORO** (Canyon Creek {Ire}), 2/0/0
5-HAW, Msw, 6f, +Honey Be Oro, 8-1
- CORINTHIAN** (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$40K, 135/17/1
3-AQU, Msw, 1m, Knock Rock, \$40K OBS APR 2yo, 7-2
- DISCREET CAT** (Forestry), Darley, \$30K, 118/17/0
7-HOL, Msw, 7f, Out of Bounds
- EL NINO** (Storm Cat), Martin Stbls, \$5K, 28/3/0
2-TAM, Aoc, 6 1/2f, My Tee Time, 8-1
- EXCLUSIVE QUALITY** (Elusive Quality), Journeyman, \$4K, 76/12/1
7-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Howelling Wind, 5-2
2-TAM, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Backstage Magic, \$12K OBS APR 2yo, 4-1
- FLASHY BULL** (Holy Bull), Airdrie, \$10K, 97/18/2
3-GG, Stk, 1m, Blacky the Bull, \$55K EAS MAY 2yo
9-RP, Stk, 1m, Flashy Kid, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
8-PRX, Stk, 7f, Runnin Bull, \$5K EAS SEP yrl, 5-1
8-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Dancing Flashy, \$13K OBS OCT wnl, 10-1
- GENUINE TALENT** (Gibson County), 5/1/0
7-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Talented Whiz, \$4K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1
- HARD SPUN** (Danzig), Darley, \$50K, 143/24/3
9-RP, Stk, 1m, Seeker, 2-1
- LATENT HEAT** (Maria's Mon), Woods Edge, \$15K, 96/11/1
8-HAW, Stk, 1 1/16m, Lakota Wolf, 12-1
- LAWYER RON** (Langfuhr), Stonewall, \$30K, 80/12/3
8-TAM, Msw, 1mT, +Ess E Cee, \$62K RNA FTK JUL yrl, 8-1
7-PRX, Msw, 6f, Winiliscious, \$15K KEE SEP yrl, 2-1
- MASTER COMMAND** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made, \$15K, 82/13/1
8-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Commander Sue, \$62K KEE NOV wnl, 10-1
1-RP, Msw, 1m, Precocious Command, \$12K FTK JUL yrl, 30-1
- PATRIOT ACT** (A.P. Indy), Questroyal, \$6K, 38/2/0
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Patriotic Dream, 6-1
- PURIM** (Dynaformer), Richland Hills, \$10K, 74/6/0
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Horvat Clan, \$27K RNA OBS AUG yrl, 5-1
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Purincat, 3-1
7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Godard, \$75K FTK JUL yrl, 6-1
- SAINT ANDDAN** (A.P. Indy), Journeyman, \$7K, 63/15/1
7-FG, Stk, 6f, Bleu Darling, 7-5
- SCIPION** (A.P. Indy), Murmur, \$6K, 30/9/0
7-TAM, Aoc, 6f, Flipion, 5-1
- SILVER WAGON** (Wagon Limit), Hurricane Hall, \$5K, 26/6/0
9-TAM, Stk, 6f, Silver Arch, \$5K RNA EAS SEP yrl, 12-1
- STEVIE WONDERBOY** (Stephen Got Even), Airdrie, \$18K, 74/10/2
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Whereintheworld, \$11K OBS AUG yrl, 15-1
- STREET SENSE** (Street Cry {Ire}), Darley, \$75K, 114/11/1
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Plausibly, 12-1
- SUNRIVER** (Saint Ballado), Empire Stud, \$15K, 64/2/1
9-HOL, Stk, 1 1/16m, Weemissfrankie, \$175K OBS APR 2yo
- TEUFLESBERG** (Johannesburg), Hurricane Hall, \$10K, 30/5/0
13-FG, Msw, 6f, +Brockberg, \$8K BSC YRL yrl, 20-1
- URBAN WARRIOR** (Cape Town), 5/0/0
3-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Q Urban Dawn, \$1K MIC AUG yrl, 15-1

- UTOPIA (JPN)** (Forty Niner), McMahon, \$8K, 78/5/0
2-AQU, Msw, 1m, Saxophone Len, \$40K SAR AUG yrl, 5-1
- WILD TALE** (Tale of the Cat), Mighty Acres, \$2K, 20/3/2
9-RP, Stk, 1m, Ted's Folly, \$1K HER NOV yrl, 5-1

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Saturday, Dec. 10

*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 Ocala, \$20K, 92/28/2
7-HOL, Msw, 7f, +A. P. Corsair, \$20K KEE SEP yrl
- BELLAMY ROAD** (Concerto), WinStar, \$13K, 145/47/8
8-PRX, Stk, 7f, Bellamy Xpress, 7-2
- BERNARDINI** (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$100K, 219/55/10
9-TAM, Stk, 6f, Venetian Sonata, 6-1
- BLUEGRASS CAT** (Storm Cat), WinStar Farm LLC, \$50K, 207/73/5
9-RP, Stk, 1m, Mr Bluegrass Music, \$30K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- DON'T GET MAD** (Stephen Got Even), Spendthrift Farm, \$3K, 97/24/2
11-FG, Stk, 1 1/8m, Populist Politics, \$70K OBS APR 2yo, 7-5
- FIRST SAMURAI** (Giant's Causeway), Claiborne Farm, \$40K, 161/43/5
3-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Plethora, 5-2
- FLOWER ALLEY** (Distorted Humor), Three Chimneys Farm, \$25K, 161/53/3
10-SUN, Stk, 5 1/2f, Jam'n Jackson, 8-1
- 3-AQU, Msw, 1m, +Ruthless Alley, \$42K OBS APR 2yo, 15-1
- LION TAMER** (Will's Way), Clear Creek Stud LLC, \$5K, 42/15/0
12-FG, Stk, 6f, Southern Dude, \$27K TEX AUG yrl, 6-1
- LUCKY PULPIT** (Pulpit), 50/18/2
3-GG, Stk, 1m, Lucky Culprit, \$12K NCA SEP yrl
- POMEROY** (Boundary), Vinery Ltd., \$13K, 154/54/5
10-GP, Stk, 6f, Pomeroy's Pistol, \$22K RNA OBS AUG yrl, 5-2
- 8-PRX, Stk, 7f, Noifswathsorbut, \$10K EAS SEP yrl, 5-1
- PRIZE CAT** (Storm Cat), Charlton Ranch, \$2K, 28/3/0
7-RP, Stk, 7f, Misguidedobsession, 10-1
- SILVER TRAIN** (Old Trieste), Vinery, \$25K, 204/83/6
7-HOL, Msw, 7f, +Rocket Train, \$62K RNA OBS MAR 2yo
5-TAM, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Blue Highway, \$20K OBS APR 2yo, 4-1
- WAR FRONT** (Danzig), Claiborne Farm, \$13K, 140/55/10
7-FG, Stk, 6f, Carmen's Mystery, \$25K EVA MAR 2yo, 12-1
- WITH DISTINCTION** (Storm Cat), Hartley, 223/76/3
6-TAM, Stk, 6f, Pete Distinction, \$10K OBS AUG yrl, 15-1
1-TAM, Msw, 6f, +Distinct Thriller, 12-1
2-GP, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Ms Bloomfield High, 8-1
6-TAM, Stk, 6f, Angelofdistinction, \$8K OBS AUG yrl, 12-1

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BLACK-TYPE RESULTS:

WINTER DASH S., \$50,000, RPX, 12-8, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:02 2/5, ft.

1--**#SOLAR CHARGE, 123, g, 4, Authenticate--Another Sunlit, by Orbit Dancer.** O-H and H Ranch; B-Carolyn R Barnett (TX); T-Karl Broberg; J-Glen Murphy; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 20-8-3-4, \$167,844.

2--**Flat Black, 120, g, 3, Flatter--Trailena, by Trail Dancer.** (\$11,000 RNA wlng '08 KEENOV). O-Tony Jones & Tim Williams. \$10,000.

3--**Banner Cat, 123, g, 4, Wildcat Heir--Devil's Banner, by Devil's Bag.** (\$42,000 yrl '08 KEEJAN; \$7,000 RNA yrl '08 KEESEP). O-Maggi Moss. \$5,500.

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Margins: 2 1/4, 3, 3 1/4. Odds: 2.80, 20.80, 7.40.

NON-BLACK-TYPE RESULTS:

KUDZU JUVENILE S., \$35,000, FGX, 12-9, (R), 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5, ft.

1--**#CRIMSON PRIDE, 119, c, 2, Olmodavor --Elle's Reign, by Smart Strike.** O-Walnut Hill Stable LLC; B-James A Nunley (AL); T-Jonas Gibson; J-Miguel Mena; \$22,400. Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-1, \$40,700.

2--**abama Light, 113, f, 2, Phantom Light--Chelsea's Bloomers, by Storm Brewing.** O-Hackett Brothers Thoroughbreds, Inc. \$7,000.

3--**Gray Streak, 113, f, 2, Deputy Chief--Broad Breadth, by Captain Bodgit.** O-Marty Long. \$3,850.

Margins: 12 1/4, HF, 1. Odds: 0.10, 4.80, 13.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-AQU, \$55,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:40 3/5, ft.

JOAN'S CHOICE (g, 4, Alphabet Soup--Roaring Twenties {GISW, \$375,709}, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-3, \$85,145. O-Samuel Saccardo. B-Adena Springs (KY). T-Richard A Violette Jr. *\$45,000 2yo '09 ADNMR. **1/2 to Salomea (Milwaukee Brew), SP, \$178,270.

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4th-HAW, \$44,640, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000-\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

SIGNEALNDELIVER (g, 5, Private Terms--Apreciada {MSW & GSP, \$216,491}, by Pirate's Bounty) Lifetime Record: 17-6-3-2, \$129,681. O-Midwest Thoroughbreds Inc. B-Ben Barnow (IL). T-Roger A Brueggemann.

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8th-DED, \$43,000, 12-8, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:34 4/5, ft.

SWEETTALKIN HOTTIE (f, 3, Oratory--Blue Broad, by Cure the Blues) Lifetime Record: 16-3-2-3, \$92,029. O-Allen J & Darlene Peterson. B-J Adcock (LA). T-Chad Hassenpflug. *\$5,000 yrl '09 LOUAUG.

7th-FGX, \$43,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:43 3/5, ft.

GHOSTWALKING (g, 4, Ghostzapper--Two Trail Sioux {GSW & GISP, \$664,960}, by Indian Charlie) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-2, \$112,434. O-Home Run Stable & Vickie L Foley. B-W S Farish & Steve Mooney (KY). T-Vickie L Foley. *\$300,000 yrl '08 KEESEP.

6th-FGX, \$41,720, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, a5 1/2fT, 1:05, fm.

EXTRAVAGANZA (f, 4, Elusive Quality--Shoppingwithbetty, by Danzig) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$69,766. O-Stone Farm. B-Oak Cliff Breeders Inc & Stone Farm (KY). T-Michael Stidham. *\$35,000 RNA yrl '08 FTKJUL.

8th-CTX, \$31,000, 12-8, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), C, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19 2/5, ft.

WINK AT THE GIRLS (g, 6, Halo's Image--Coloring Book, by Mari's Book) Lifetime Record: SW & GSP, 46-13-12-7, \$535,656. O-R J G Racing Management LLC. B-Dee-Ellen Cook (FL). T-Murray L Rojas. *\$3,000 yrl '06 OBSAUG; \$30,000 2yo '07 OBSAPR. **1/2 to Northern Ace (Northern Prospect), SW, \$121,045.

7th-RPX, \$30,000, 12-8, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

BOGALUSA (f, 3, Closing Argument--Kelly's Lake, by Salt Lake) Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$48,945. O-Rusty Roberts. B-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable (LA). T-Roger F Engel. *\$8,500 HRA '11 FTTHRS2.

9th-TAM, \$21,400, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 5fT, :55 4/5, fm.

GIBSON (g, 3, Gibson County--Megan's Cracker, by Slew the Slewor) Lifetime Record: SW, 13-5-2-1, \$143,545. O-Sundance Thoroughbreds. B-Laurie D Hall & Ron Woody (FL). T-Gerald S Bennett.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Medolina, f, 2, Aragorn (Ire)--Melody Maiden (SP), by Saint Ballado.** GPX, 12-9, (C), 1mT, 1:36 1/5. B-Wertheimer et Frere (KY).

Culpepper Colonel, c, 2, Medallist--Oh, by Afternoon Deelites. LRL, 12-9, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5. B-Hamilton Smith (MD).



Medaglia's Image, c, 3, Medaglia d'Oro--Golden Image, by Strike the Gold. PEN, 12-8, (S), 6f, 1:12 3/5.

B-Victor Marano (PA). *\$100,000 yrl '09 FTMOCT.

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Additional Maiden Winners cont.

Sanchise, c, 3, Unbridled Energy--Jewel of the North (MSP), by Polish Numbers. AQU, 12-9, 1m70y, 1:41 4/5. B-Robert D Nash (KY). *\$14,000 RNA yrl '09 KEEJAN; \$30,000 yrl '09FTKJUL.

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Wigram's Turn, g, 6, Hussonet--Stacey's Relic, by Houston. Wolverhampton, 12-9, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Lone Cedar Thoroughbred Holdings LLC *\$28,000 wnlg '05 KEENOV; \$25,000 yrl '06 KEESEP; 410,000gns HIT '08 TATHIT; 17,500gns RNA HIT '10 TATJUL.

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ITALY, Siracusa, 14.40, 12-8, €10,825, 3yo, 1mT,
time: n/a, gd.

NOIR LUMIERE (IRE) (c, 3, One Cool Cat--Splendid Sight {Ire}, by Fayruz {GB}) Lifetime Record: SP-Ity, 25-5-6-3, €67,248. O-Antonino Bosco; B-Marino Bandini; T-Sebastiano Cannavo. *€27,000 yrl '09 ITYSEP.

ITALY, Siracusa, 19.00, 12-8, €9,180, 2yo, 1 1/4mT,
time: n/a, gd.

SUPER ALESSANDRO (IRE) (c, 2, Oratorio {Ire}--Casablanca Jewel {Ire}, by Kalanisi {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-1, €21,182. O-Scuderia Bosco Srl Unipersonale; B-Dr Dean Harron; T-Sebastiano Cannavo. *€52,000 wnlg '09 GOFNOV; £9,000 RNA yrl '10 DONAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Beat the Ballot (Ire), g, 2, Big Bad Bob (Ire)--Cosmic Speed Queen (MSP), by On To Glory. Dundalk, Ireland, 12-9, Mdn, 2yo, 1m (AWT). B-Anamoine Ltd *€1,200 RNA yrl '10 TATIRD.

Fistful of Dollars (Ire), g, 2, Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)--Taking Liberties (Ire), by Royal Academy. Southwell, Britain, 12-9, Mdn, 2yo, 7f (AWT). B-Swettenham Stud. *42,000gns yrl '10 TATOCT. **3/4 to Troubadour (Ire) (Danehill), SW-Ire, SP-Eng, \$156,898.

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December 10, 1999...Jockey **Laffit Pincay, Jr.** piloted **Irish Nip** to a two-length victory at Hollywood Park to become the all-time wins leader. It was career score #8,834 for the native of Panama, who took the record from **Bill Shoemaker**.

December 11, 1983...**John Henry** became the first racehorse to surpass \$4 million in career earnings when he won the Hollywood Turf Cup.

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