



## MONTJEU DEAD

**Montjeu (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells--Floripedes {Fr}, by Top Ville {Ire}), a champion on the racecourse who went on to become an influential stallion, died Thursday morning at Coolmore Stud following a short illness due to complications from septicaemia. He was 16. Campaigned by Michael Tabor and trained by John Hammond, the bay captured the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club, G1 Irish Derby and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe during his 3-year-old campaign in 1999. He added a facile score in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth S.



**Montjeu (1996-2012)**  
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at four, and retired to Coolmore with a record of 11 wins from 16 starts. From his first crop, Montjeu sired G1 Epsom Derby hero Motivator (GB) and G1 Irish Derby hero Hurricane Run (Ire). He has since sired two other winners of the Epsom Classic in Authorized (Ire) and Pour Moi (Ire), and was represented in 2011 by GI Breeders' Cup Turf hero St Nicholas Abbey (Ire).

"Montjeu, the highest-rated racehorse ever by the great Sadler's Wells, has died this morning at Coolmore Stud after a short illness which was due to complications from an overwhelming septicaemia," read a statement from Coolmore. "Montjeu was one of the best stallions in the world and in 2011 he sired 15 individual group/graded winners in the Northern Hemisphere, which was the equal of Galileo. Montjeu will best be remembered for his incredible wins in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. as well as his runaway victories in the French and Irish Derbies."



**St Nicholas Abbey**  
*Horsephotos*

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## SHACKLEFORD TO DARBY DAN

Michael Lauffer and W. D Cubbedge's **Shackleford** (Forestry--Oatsee, by Unbridled), hero of last year's GI Preakness S., will take up stud duty at John Phillips' Darby Dan Farm in Lexington, Kentucky, following the 2012 racing season. The GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile runner-up is currently being aimed at the GI Carter H. at Aqueduct Apr. 7. "Shackleford possesses all of the qualities needed to be a top stallion, and we're delighted that he will start his much-anticipated stallion career at Darby Dan next season," Darby Dan General Manager Robert Hammond commented. "He's an impressive physical specimen from a great female family, and if you look at recent winners of the Preakness, no other American Classic has produced more champions and successful stallions in the modern era than the Preakness." The handsome chestnut, out of the stakes-placed mare Oatsee, is a half-brother to GI Alabama S. heroine Lady Joanne (Orientate) and the multiple graded stakes winner Baghdaria (Royal Academy). "Shackleford is a special horse," trainer Dale Romans added. "It's rare to find a horse with true sprinter speed that has the ability to carry that speed a classic distance and have the success he's had. My favorite thing about him is that he's tough as nails and a true pro. He was durable and genuine enough to dance all of the big dances last year and earn more money than any other 3-year-old." Darby Dan will also be a minority owner in Shackleford for the remainder of his racing career. A stud fee will be announced upon his retirement. **Cont. p6**

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**Montjeu on the Track...**

Bred by the Late Sir James Goldsmith, Montjeu--who was named after the family's chateau--started out in September 1998 with an easy win at Chantilly before toying with the subsequent G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud



**Montjeu and Kinane take the King George and Queen Elizabeth Diamond S.**  
*Racing Post/E Whitaker*

hero Spadoun (Fr) (Kaldoun {Fr}) in the Listed Prix Isonomy at Saint-Cloud the following month. It was then that Michael Tabor snapped up the John Hammond trainee, who returned at three to record a length success from the subsequent top-class miler Sendawar (Ire) (Priolo) in Longchamp's G2 Prix Greffulhe. Surprisingly beaten next time up in the G1 Prix Lupin back at that venue, he proved that reversal to be an

aberration when taking Chantilly by storm with an emphatic display in winning the G1 Prix du Jockey Club by four lengths. Even more impressive when scoring by five from the subsequent dual Group 1 winner Daliapour (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) in the G1 Irish Derby at The Curragh, he was rested afterwards with a typical French preparation for the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe on the agenda.

Mick Kinane had taken over from Cash Asmussen ahead of his warm-up in the G2 Prix Niel and a cozy steering job in that course-and-distance Arc trial preceded a masterclass in coolness from the notoriously nerveless Irishman in the main event itself. At the top of the home straight, the Arc appeared all but lost as the enterprisingly-ridden El Condor Pasa (Kingmambo) was still several lengths clear on what had become deep ground after days of endless rain. Momentary despair for favorite backers turned to elation in less than two furlongs as Montjeu's dynamic acceleration carried him past the Japanese challenger and onto a half-length victory. That huge effort may have taken its toll, as he was only fourth in the G1 Japan Cup on his final 3-year-old start in November, but any doubts that defeat raised were quickly quashed on his 4-year-old return.

That came in the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup back at The Curragh, where he scythed between the top-level performers Greek Dance (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and Mutafaweq (Silver Hawk) while still hard on the steel. Asmussen was back on board deputising for the injured Kinane for the G1 Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud, after which the American famously commented, "The last time I went so fast, I was landing in a Concorde at New York. Horses of this quality don't come around very often."

Taken to Ascot for his crowning moment in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. in July 2000, he put up arguably his greatest performance--and visually his most stunning--when winning unextended and doing what Kinane classed as "three-quarters' speed." His unextended 1 3/4-length defeat of Fantastic Light (Rahy), who would lower the colors of Galileo (Ire) a year later, in the 50th renewal of that midsummer feature, was a rare moment for the *turfistes*. For Kinane, the feel the great horse gave him that sun-kissed afternoon left him in no doubt as to his standing among the best he had ridden. "He knows how good he is," he commented at the time. "That's why he comes at them with such power. I would have liked to have held on to him a bit longer, but a furlong and a half out he just wanted them and I had to let him go."

Most of the rest of the summer was spent in contemplation of a staged match race with Dubai Millennium (GB), but that failed to materialise due to the latter's career-ending injury. Ironically, Montjeu's fortunes were also soon to take a reverse turn despite a straightforward win in the G2 Prix Foy in September as he was geared towards a repeat bid in the Arc. With the ground unseasonably quick that fall, he flopped in the highlight when seven-lengths fourth behind Sinndar (Ire) (Grand Lodge) and left the Parisians aghast. Just as the great Nijinsky had 30 years previously, Montjeu attempted to put a shock defeat behind him less than two weeks later in the G1 Champion S., but like that monarch of the turf, found one too good at Newmarket. Most of the old elan was there that day, but in Kalanisi (Ire) (Doyoun {Ire}), he met an up-and-comer of substance and it was that rival who he trailed when only seventh on his curtain call in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf.

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His faithful and adoring lad Didier Follop--who often had to ride him into the paddock before his races--and his understated but shrewd trainer John Hammond took care of nurturing his quirks and mighty ego, while his pilots Cash Asmussen and Mick Kinane imparted more than a share of their justified self-belief in the saddle. Together, they brought a brilliant talent to its peak and were touched by magic as a result.

"He was a really outstanding racehorse--one of the few outstanding racehorses I've ridden," Kinane told *PA Sport*. "That King George win was pretty good all right. He treated them with contempt that day and it was just a privilege to be on board. He had some other good performances in the Irish Derby and the Arc, and he's obviously going to be sadly missed. He had an aura about him and a few issues, and the great horses he's sired have all had that as well--that's what's made them great. His fillies have been much better of late as well and I think he's going to end up being an outstanding broodmare stallion. He's going to leave a big hole in racing."

"It's really sad news," Hammond told *PA Sport*. "He provided us with some magic moments. I was just very fortunate that he turned up at our place. The two days that stick out are obviously his wins in the King George and the Arc. He was fairly amazing at Ascot and the Arc win was special because I didn't think he was going to win when the other horse got away from us. I think he showed his brilliance at Ascot and his courage at Longchamp. If he was a human being I'd describe him as an eccentric genius."

**Classic Source...**

When Montjeu entered stud in 2001, the jury was still out as to whether the all-conquering Sadler's Wells would have a son that could approach his sire's achievements in the breeding shed. However, his first crop indicated that Montjeu would be a force to be reckoned with. Motivator, hero of the G1 Racing Post Trophy at two, added the G1 Epsom Derby in 2005. Hurricane Run (Ire) captured the G1 Irish Derby and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe that season, while Scorpion (Ire) added victories in the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G1 St Leger S. Two years later, Authorized (Ire) also completed the Racing Post Trophy/Epsom Derby double. Fame and Glory (GB), hero of the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud in 2008, went on to capture the Irish Derby the following year, the G1 Coronation Cup at four, and added the G1 Gold Cup at Royal Ascot last season for good measure. St Nicholas Abbey, winner of the Racing Post Trophy in 2009, missed out on the major races as a 3-year-old, but returned at four in 2011 to secure the Coronation Cup and the Breeders' Cup Turf. French-based Pour Moi (Ire) came with a furious late rush to take Epsom honors last June in what would be his final career start, and will now attempt to take his sire's place at Coolmore. Montjeu was represented by another Racing Post Trophy winner last season in Camelot (Ire), and that colt is the current favorite for the June Classic at Epsom.



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| Authorized (Ire)          | '04 | Saumarez (GB)        |
| Camelot (GB)              | '09 | Kingmambo            |
| Corre Caminos             | '02 | Kendor (Fr)          |
| Fame and Glory (GB)       | '06 | Shirley Heights (GB) |
| Frozen Fire (Ger)         | '05 | Woodman              |
| Hurricane Run (Ire)       | '02 | Surumu (Ger)         |
| Jan Vermeer (Ire)         | '07 | Pennekamp            |
| Joshua Tree (Ire)         | '07 | Grand Lodge          |
| Jukebox Jury (Ire)        | '06 | Kenmare (Fr)         |
| Masked Marvel             | '08 | Mark of Esteem (Ire) |
| Miss Keller (Ire)         | '06 | Warning (GB)         |
| Montare (Ire)             | '02 | Shirley Heights (GB) |
| Montmartre (Fr)           | '05 | Linamix (Fr)         |
| Motivator (GB)            | '02 | Gone West            |
| Nom du Jeu (NZ)           | '04 | Prized               |
| Pour Moi (Ire)            | '08 | Darshaan (GB)        |
| Recital (Fr)              | '08 | Kendor (Fr)          |
| Roman Emperor (NZ)        | '05 | Last Tycoon (Ire)    |
| Sarah Lynx (Ire)          | '07 | Danehill             |
| Scorpion (Ire)            | '02 | Law Society          |
| Sharvasti (NZ)            | '02 | Kreisler (Ire)       |
| Speed Gifted (GB)         | '04 | Distant View         |
| St Nicholas Abbey (Ire)   | '07 | Sure Blade           |
| Tavistock (NZ)            | '05 | Quest for Fame (GB)  |
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FROM THE DESK OF...  
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**MONTJEU'S LEGACY**

When Danehill died midway through the season in 2003, Rock of Gibraltar, then in his first year at stud, inherited much of a great book of mares; though he's proven a lot better sire than many thought initially, he proved not to be the next Danehill. Not until now, nine years after his death, has Fastnet Rock emerged as maybe the best of Danehill's sons--although many Australians will argue that son has already appeared in Redoute's Choice. We can save that debate for another day; today's issue is Montjeu's legacy.

Though Montjeu did have some success in the Southern Hemisphere, it is really from his Northern Hemisphere crops that his legacy will emerge. While Galileo has the advantage in that Teofilo, New Approach, and Frankel were all champion 2-year-olds, as a sire of 12-furlong colts, Montjeu is arguably an even better sire in that sphere than Galileo. This is a statistic we've cited before, but here it is again: with seven crops of 3-year-olds through 2011 (foals of 2002-2008), Montjeu has sired eight individual winners of Europe's top 'Derby' races for 3-year-old colts. I put 'Derby' in quotes because, as you know, France shortened their G1 Prix du Jockey-Club to 10 1/2 furlongs (2100 meters) in 2005, and extended the G1 Grand Prix de Paris, now run on Bastille Day (July 14) to 1 1/2 miles (2400 meters).

There were 21 runnings of the three 12-furlong Derby races or equivalent (G1 Epsom Derby, G1 Irish Derby, G1 GP de Paris) between 2005, when Montjeu had his first 3-year-olds, through 2011. Eight of those--38%--were won by eight different sons of Montjeu. That is an astonishing record for 38% of the top races for 3-year-olds at historically the most important distance to be won by colts by one sire; if it's happened before, it hasn't happened very often.

His roll of honor reads: G1 Epsom Derby: Motivator 2005, Authorized 2007, Pour Moi 2011; G1 Irish Derby: Hurricane Run 2005, Frozen Fire 2008, Fame And Glory 2009; G1 GP de Paris: Scorpion 2005, Montmartre 2008.

Of those eight, seven are at stud in Europe, of which three have runners. Motivator (1st Foals 2007, APEX A Runner Index 1.48) is proving a useful enough sire without achieving star status. Hurricane Run (1st Foals 2008, A Index 2.08) shows signs of being more than useful; and Authorized (1st Foals 2009) has his first 3-year-olds this year. Scorpion is in the Coolmore camp as a jumps sire. Montmartre was sold by the Aga Khan and stands at one of the French National Studs; he has his first yearlings in 2011. **Cont. p6**

*From the Owner/Breeder of*  
**Animal Kingdom**  
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# This Year's Derby Colts...

**Went the Day Well**  
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**Vinery Racing Spiral S.-G3** by 3 1/2 lengths, **WENT THE DAY WELL** has won or placed in 4 of 5 starts.

**Lucky Chappy (IRE)**  
*Runner-up by only a nose in the*  
**El Camino Real Derby-G3**, **LUCKY CHAPPY** also placed in the *Kitten's Joy S. this year.*

**State of Play**  
*Winner of the*  
**John Battaglia Memorial S.**, **STATE OF PLAY** has 3 wins in 5 starts, including the *With Anticipation S.-G2.*

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#### Montjeu cont.

Frozen Fire was sold to join a multiple Group 2-winning son of Montjeu Papal Bull at Coolagawn Stud in Ireland, where he is standing his first season. Pour Moi is covering his first mares at Coolmore (and likely he and Hurricane Run are going to cover a lot of mares which weren't in the plan a couple of months ago); and Fame And Glory, who spent much of his 3-year-old year chasing around Sea The Stars, has added three more Group 1 wins to his Irish Derby victory, including last year's G1 Ascot Gold Cup, and is still in training.

And still to come: four more full crops (2009-2012), including this year's 3-year-olds, plus what will obviously be a smaller crop in 2013. The 2009 crop includes Camelot, unbeaten winner of the G1 Racing Post Trophy, last year's Champion 2-year-old of Europe, and favorite to become Montjeu's fourth winner of the G1 Epsom Derby. So far the only other group winner from this crop is the filly Wading, also trained by Aidan O'Brien, impressive winner of the G2 Rockfel S. at Newmarket. But this time last year Pour Moi had only won one race. There are likely to be several more top Group 1-winning colts by Montjeu to go to stud from his remaining crops. We have no real idea yet whether Montjeu will or won't, really, make a sire of sires, but we do know one thing: to paraphrase one of my great mentors, John Ed Anthony of Loblolly (later Shortleaf) Stable, at least he has some bullets. You cannot hit the target without the bullets, so there is at least a fighting chance that Montjeu's legacy will be as an important sire of sires as well as an absolutely top-class sire of 12-furlong colts.

#### Shackleford cont.

"I commend Darby Dan on securing Shackleford for stud duty," commented *TDN* columnist Bill Oppenheim. "We're forever going on about soundness, and here is a real class horse who has displayed toughness in spades: he ran 10 times last year, the last nine all in Grade I or Grade II races. He defeated Animal Kingdom in the G1 Preakness S., ran second in the G1 Florida Derby (by a head), the G1 Haskell (by a neck), the GII Indiana Derby (to Wilburn; Caleb's Posse third), and the G1 Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile (to Caleb's Posse), and was fourth in the G1 Kentucky Derby after setting the pace. In fact, he led or made the lead at some point in all of those Grade I races. He convinced me when he made the lead in the Dirt Mile, even though Caleb's Posse ran him down. That was a very impressive performance, and in his 10th start of the year. He's also got a nice pedigree, being by Storm Cat's son Forestry (also sire of top-five 2012 second-crop sire Discreet Cat) from the accomplished sire family of Known Fact and Tentam. Darby Dan has a long and storied tradition of finding top-class sires, and it's great to see them get a horse with these credentials. I think it's a great move, and will unhesitatingly recommend people to breed to him when he does go to stud."



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**Morning at the Oasis...**

Thursday morning saw "Breakfast With the Stars" held on the apron beneath the epically proportioned Meydan grandstand. The Godolphin team of jockeys--Frankie Dettori, Mickael Barzalona, Ahmed Ajtebi, Silvestre de Sousa and Kerrin McEvoy--posed for the cameras, as several of Saturday's runners went through their paces on the racetrack.

Bernie Schiappa, co-owner of G1 Dubai World Cup contender **Game On Dude** (Awesome Again), stepped up to the podium to give a few comments and an upbeat bulletin on trainer Bob Baffert's condition.

Schiappa likened Wednesday's post position draw to the NFL draft with having just the rail or far outside left for his stable star.

"He's a guy that makes a decision like a quarterback," Schiappa said about Baffert. "He takes the ball, steps back, looks at the field, and then makes the decision about what he wants to do. It's the same thing at work in the morning--he'll look at the horse on the track; maybe the horse was supposed to go five [furlongs], and he'll tell the jock to go six instead. That's the way he is, that's the way he operates, and that's why he's in the Hall of Fame."



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Shortly after breakfast, Godolphin trainers Saeed bin Suroor and Mahmood Al Zarooni held court at a press conference. All the horses are in good form, but bin Suroor was especially confident about the chances of **African Story (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) in the \$1-million G2 Godolphin Mile.

There will be a trio of Godolphin runners in the \$10-million G1 Dubai World Cup and, as luck would have it, they'll be occupying stalls 11 through 13.

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# 2012

Siring simply sensational first foals and mares already scanned in foal to him include **Lotta Kim**, the dam of 2009 Horse of the Year **Rachel Alexandra** (pictured winning the Haskell Invitational Stakes-Gr.1 by 6 lengths)

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Al Zarooni's **Capponi (Ire)** (Medicean {GB}) stepped up from a pair of handicap victories to post an upset in the G1 Maktoum Challenge - Round 3 over the World Cup distance Mar. 10, and he has post 11.

"He really improved to win the Maktoum Challenge," Al Zarooni stated. "He's a frontrunner, and that's why I put Ahmed [Ajtebi] on the horse, because I believe Ahmed is good riding from the front. Mickael [Barzalona]'s style is to sit behind and wait."

Both conditioners, however, didn't hesitate when asked which horse was the main danger.

"So You Think," they replied in unison. "He is the best horse in the race."

Al Zarooni added, "To be honest, I prefer being an outsider--there is no pressure. When you have the favorite, it's very difficult. You have to win."


Chantal Sutherland, bidding to become the first female jockey to win on World Cup night, took the microphone a short time later. The Canadian native slugged it out with Game On Dude to prevail in a rough running of the GI Santa Anita H. in 2011, and the two will take on a tough group in an effort to give Baffert the best of all get-well presents. Sutherland was coy about how she thought the race would unfold, given that they'll be breaking from the outside, but her 5-year-old mount has had his best moments when racing on the front end.

"Whatever happens, the Dude and I just have a way of getting along," Sutherland said. "I know that I'll be able to deal with any situation, and I'm lucky have a tactical horse. I've ridden some fast horses--sprinters that would just blow your mind--but he has such a great heart. I've never seen a horse try so hard in my entire life."

Game on, dude. --MK



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**Killer Graces, heroine of the 2011 Starlet**  
*Benoit Photo*

who support the 2-year-old program during the Spring/Summer meet," Hollywood Park's Racing Secretary Martin Panza commented. "We've doubled the purses for two of our four stakes during the Spring/Summer and we have eight stakes for 2-year-olds--at different distances on two surfaces--during the Autumn season."



## Classic Corner

### Godolphin Prepare Duo for Guineas...

Godolphin are set to be doubly represented with the unbeaten **Discourse** (Street Cry {Ire}) and **Lyric of Light (GB)** (Street Cry {Ire}) in the May 6 G1 Qipco 1000 Guineas, it was announced yesterday. Speaking at the annual Breakfast With the Stars event at Meydan, Racing Manager Simon Crisford provided positive bulletins on the pair. "I imagine both Lyric of Light and Discourse will go straight to the Guineas," he said. "We will know better when they get into faster work a bit more, but now is too early to make definite decisions. They are both doing well and in good form. Lyric of Light had plenty of experience last year, was a course-and-distance winner at Newmarket and did not need to race or train out here, so she stayed in England. Discourse had a niggly problem after her second race, which kept her off the track and, because of that, we did not move her either."

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# 2010

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- 1<sup>ST</sup> Haskell Invitational Stakes-Gr.1 defeating the best 3yo's in America by 4 lengths (PICTURED)
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Rebel Stakes-Gr.2
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Indiana Derby-Gr.2

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**Classic Corner cont.**

Mahmood Al Zarooni trains the fillies. ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ Discourse was an impressive winner of the G3 Sweet Solera S. on the July Course at Newmarket in August and Lyric of Light was successful in Doncaster's G2 May Hill S. and G1 Fillies' Mile on the Rowley Mile in September.

**Dabirsim on Course for Return...**

**Dabirsim (Fr)** (Hat Trick {Jpn}) will defend his perfect record in the G3 Prix de Fontainebleau at Longchamp, it was confirmed yesterday. Simon Springer's G1 Prix Morny and G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere hero will trial for the May 13 G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains in the course-and-distance prep at Longchamp Apr. 15, according to trainer Christophe Ferland. "He is going well and the plan is to go to Longchamp for the Prix de Fontainebleau before going for the French Guineas," the conditioner told *PA Sport*. "He will go for his first run as fit as you would expect a horse to be for the first run of the year, but I expect he will improve after the race. The plan is that Frankie Dettori will ride him again and I am very happy with the horse. He has grown a little bit, he has put on some weight of course and looks stronger."

**BLACK-TYPE PREVIEWS**

**SLIPPER PREP FOR ALL TOO HARD?**

He currently sits on the second line of G1 Golden Slipper S. favoritism at odds of 5-1, but a start in next Saturday's A\$3.5 million feature is not a given for the undefeated **All Too Hard (Aus)** (Casino Prince {Aus}). The half-brother to wondermare Black Caviar (Aus) (Bel Esprit {Aus}), who topped last year's Inglis Easter Yearling Sale on a bid of A\$1.025 million from Nathan Tinkler's Patinack Farm, has options beyond the Slipper, but a victory today could turn up the pressure on his connections. **Limes (Aus)** (Commands {Aus}) is one of two in the race for Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum and trainer Peter Snowden and will be running with blinkers off as he looks for his first career victory in his third start. "It was actually my recommendation to take them off," jockey Josh Parr told *AAP*. "I think I'd rather him having no blinkers on and relaxing and having a chance to finish the race off, rather than overracing and having nothing to give the last 200 metres."

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**2009 Eclipse Champion 2yo**

- 1<sup>ST</sup> Cashcall Futurity Stakes-Gr.1
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Norfolk Stakes-Gr.1 (PICTURED)
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Del Mar Futurity-Gr.1
- 1<sup>ST</sup> Best Pal Stakes-Gr.2
- 2<sup>ND</sup> Breeders' Cup Juvenile-Gr.1

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**Friday night, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 9:50 p.m. EDT**  
**BOWERMANS OFFICE FURNITURE PAGO PAGO S.-G2, A\$175,000**  
 (\$181,233), 2yo, 1200mT

| SC | PP | HORSE              | SIRE                 | JOCKEY   | TRAINER  |
|----|----|--------------------|----------------------|----------|----------|
| 1  | 8  | All Too Hard (Aus) | Casino Prince (Aus)  | Dunn     | Hawkses  |
| 2  | 6  | Pure Hustle (Aus)  | Purrealist (Aus)     | Rawiller | Wtrhouse |
| 3  | 9  | Narcissus (Aus)    | Exceed & Excel (Aus) | Reith    | Snowden  |
| 4  | 7  | Collect (Aus)      | Fastnet Rock (Aus)   | Oliver   | Moses    |
| 5  | 2  | Smart Man (Aus)    | Stratum (Aus)        | Boss     | Waller   |
| 6  | 5  | Le Cap (Aus)       | Exceed & Excel (Aus) | Brown    | Martin   |
| 7  | 3  | Limes (Aus)        | Commands (Aus)       | Parr     | Snowden  |
| 8  | 4  | Strength (Aus)     | Casino Prince (Aus)  | Rodd     | Thompson |
| 9  | 10 | Hard Marker (Aus)  | Fastnet Rock (Aus)   | Shinn    | A Cumngs |
| 10 | 1  | Fob Dubai (Aus)    | Charge Forward (Aus) | Bowman   | Waller   |

All carry 122 pounds.

**Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 1:10 a.m. EDT**  
**FLINDERS LANE ROSEHILL GUINEAS-G1, A\$500,000 (\$518,012)**  
 3yo, 2000mT

| SC | PP | HORSE                    | SIRE                | JOCKEY   | TRAINER  |
|----|----|--------------------------|---------------------|----------|----------|
| 1  | 7  | Sangster (NZ)            | Savabeel (Aus)      | Nikolic  | Busuttin |
| 2  | 3  | Induna (Aus)             | Elusive Quality     | Reith    | Snowden  |
| 3  | 10 | Rock 'n' Pop (Aus)       | Fastnet Rock (Aus)  | Cassidy  | Bridgman |
| 4  | 16 | Doctor Doom (Aus)        | Domesday (Aus)      | Quinn    | Walter   |
| 5  | 2  | Galah (Aus)              | Redte's Chce (Aus)  | Parr     | Snowden  |
| 6  | 4  | Strike the Stars (NZ)    | Savabeel (Aus)      | Shinn    | A Cumngs |
| 7  | 15 | Darci Be Good (NZ)       | Darci Brahma (NZ)   | Robl     | Murray   |
| 8  | 12 | Sabrage (Aus)            | Chrg Frwrd (Aus)    | Oliver   | Moroney  |
| 9  | 6  | Highly Recommended (Aus) | Fastnet Rock (Aus)  | Nolen    | Moody    |
| 10 | 20 | Said Com (NZ)            | O'Reilly (NZ)       | Dunn     | Waller   |
| 11 | 13 | Proliferate (Aus)        | More Than Ready     | Walker   | Price    |
| 12 | 8  | Ambidexter (Aus)         | Commands (Aus)      | Zahra    | Snowden  |
| 13 | 9  | Laser Hawk (Aus)         | Artie Schiller      | Rawiller | Wtrhouse |
| 14 | 19 | Merlin Mustang (Aus)     | Nthn' Lca Dne (Aus) | Avdulla  | Murphy   |
| 15 | 5  | Big Time (Aus)           | Danewin (Aus)       | Brown    | Waller   |
| 16 | 11 | Oceam Park (NZ)          | Thorn Park (Aus)    | Boss     | Hennessy |
| 17 | 18 | Hoylonny (Aus)           | Lonhro (Aus)        | Rodd     | Waller   |
| 18 | 17 | Silent Achiever (NZ)     | O'Reilly (NZ)       | Bowman   | James    |

Also Eligible

|    |    |                      |                      |        |        |
|----|----|----------------------|----------------------|--------|--------|
| 19 | 14 | Ethiopia (Aus)       | Helenus (Aus)        | McLeod | Carey  |
| 20 | 1  | On Every Level (Aus) | Outback Prince (Aus) | Ford   | Aspery |

All carry 125 pounds, bar Silent Achiever, 120.

**Saturday, Manawatu, New Zealand**  
**THE OAKS STUD MANAWATU SIRES' PRODUCE S.-G1,**  
 NZ\$225,000 (\$183,594), 2yo, 1200mT

| SC | PP | HORSE                    | SIRE               | JOCKEY   | TRAINER   | WT  |
|----|----|--------------------------|--------------------|----------|-----------|-----|
| 1  | 2  | Warhorse (NZ)            | Gnrl Nediym (Aus)  | Bullard  | Bridgman  | 125 |
| 2  | 3  | Choice Bro (Aus)         | Choisir (Aus)      | Riddell  | Sargent   | 125 |
| 3  | 8  | Magic Shaft (Aus)        | Shaft (Aus)        | Coleman  | Sargent   | 125 |
| 4  | 6  | Travino (Aus)            | Gnrl Nediym (Aus)  | Waddell  | McKay     | 125 |
| 5  | 5  | Irish Rebel (NZ)         | Dnhll Dancer (Ire) | Cameron  | Bridgman  | 125 |
| 6  | 9  | Lumiere Blue (NZ)        | Cecconi (Aus)      | Tinsley  | Wheeler   | 125 |
| 7  | 1  | Mai Guru (NZ)            | Ishiguru           | Spratt   | Hghs/Wlts | 125 |
| 8  | 7  | Rollout the Carpet (Aus) | Hly Rmn Empr (Ire) | McDonald | McVn/Bme  | 120 |
| 9  | 4  | Seleno (NZ)              | Thorn Park (Aus)   | Scr      | Scr       | Scr |
| 10 | 10 | Fix (NZ)                 | Iffraaj (GB)       | Allpress | Kelsos    | 120 |
| 11 | 13 | Liberating (NZ)          | Iffraaj (GB)       | Myers    | Bothwells | 120 |
| 12 | 12 | Soriano (NZ)             | Savabeel (Aus)     | Innes    | Rogesons  | 120 |
| 13 | 11 | Lady de Chine (Aus)      | Fastnet Rock (Aus) | Myers    | Latta     | 120 |



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**Saturday, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 5:10 a.m. EDT**  
**AUSDRIIL-KARRAKATTA PLATE-G2, A\$500,000 (\$518,012), 2yo,**  
 1200mT

| SC | PP | HORSE                   | SIRE               | JOCKEY    | TRAINER   | WT  |
|----|----|-------------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----|
| 1  | 3  | El Rijes (Aus)          | Eternity Range     | Hall      | Mcauliffe | 125 |
| 2  | 13 | Luke's Luck (Aus)       | Shw a Heart (Aus)  | McGruddy  | Andrews   | 125 |
| 3  | 1  | Miami Horror (Aus)      | Excd & Excl (Aus)  | Turner    | Riordan   | 125 |
| 4  | 17 | Detection (Aus)         | Shamardal          | Parnham   | Daly      | 125 |
| 5  | 15 | Our Maxy Boy (Aus)      | Cape North (NZ)    | McCallum  | Morton    | 125 |
| 6  | 14 | Alezan Thunder (Aus)    | Wrtn Tycoon (Aus)  | Baster    | Kavanagh  | 120 |
| 7  | 4  | Darlington Abbey (Aus)  | Stratum (Aus)      | Harvey    | Miller    | 120 |
| 8  | 18 | Miss Solis (Aus)        | Oratorio (Ire)     | Carbery   | Miller    | 120 |
| 9  | 5  | Fuddle Dee Duddle (Aus) | Red Ransom         | Knuckey   | Smith     | 120 |
| 10 | 11 | Keeper Quiet (Aus)      | Scandal Keeper     | Harvey    | Pearce    | 120 |
| 11 | 2  | Looking Ahead (Aus)     | Consolidator       | O'Donnell | Grantham  | 120 |
| 12 | 9  | The Danehill Rose (Aus) | Dnhll Exprss (Aus) | Meeres    | McPhrson  | 120 |
| 13 | 7  | Keep Fath (Aus)         | Fath               | Parnham   | Parnham   | 120 |
| 14 | 6  | Secret Scandal (Aus)    | Scandal Keeper     | Pike      | Morton    | 120 |
| 15 | 10 | Spice Again (Aus)       | Nt a Sgl Dbt (Aus) | Whiting   | Miller    | 120 |
| 16 | 16 | Fine Copper (Aus)       | Soldier's Tale     | Staples   | Edwards   | 120 |

Also Eligible

|    |    |                        |              |          |         |     |
|----|----|------------------------|--------------|----------|---------|-----|
| 17 | 8  | Nothing Personal (Aus) | Lonhro (Aus) | No Rider | Gangemi | 125 |
| 18 | 12 | Korolenko (Aus)        | Balmont      | Brown    | Wolfe   | 125 |

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★ Watch Out for "TDN Rising Stars" ★

Stars of tomorrow grabbing the spotlight today...



Friday night, Rosehill, Australia, post time: 9:10 p.m. EDT  
**MONDIAL PINK DIAMOND MAGIC NIGHT S-G2, A\$175,000**  
 (\$181,233), 2yo, 1200mT

| SC | PP | HORSE                | SIRE                   | JOCKEY   | TRAINER  |
|----|----|----------------------|------------------------|----------|----------|
| 1  | 1  | Doubtfully (Aus)     | Not a Sgl Doubt (Aus)  | Oliver   | Kendrick |
| 2  | 7  | Cavalry Rose (Aus)   | Charge Forward (Aus)   | Cassidy  | Ryan     |
| 3  | 4  | Ichihara (Aus)       | General Nediym (Aus)   | Brown    | Denham   |
| 4  | 14 | Agueda (Aus)         | General Nediym (Aus)   | Shinn    | A Cumngs |
| 5  | 6  | Later Gator (NZ)     | More Than Ready        | Rawiller | Wtrhouse |
| 6  | 10 | Valerio (Aus)        | Strategic (Aus)        | Berry    | Wtrhouse |
| 7  | 5  | Flying Snitzel (Aus) | Snitzel (Aus)          | Bowman   | Ryan     |
| 8  | 13 | Mrs Gray (Aus)       | Husson Lightning (Aus) | Nikolic  | Hayes    |
| 9  | 11 | Kyria (Aus)          | Encosta de Lago (Aus)  | Avdulla  | Begg     |
| 10 | 12 | Catkins (Aus)        | Dubawi (Ire)           | Rodd     | Waller   |
| 11 | 3  | She's a Fox (Aus)    | Fastnet Rock (Aus)     | Robl     | A Cumngs |
| 12 | 2  | Coins (Aus)          | Hard Spun              | Zahra    | Snowden  |
| 13 | 9  | Omniscient (Aus)     | Exceed & Excel (Aus)   | Reith    | Snowden  |
| 14 | 8  | Varanasi (Aus)       | Encosta de Lago (Aus)  | Dunn     | Thompson |

All carry 122 pounds.

Most would say it is The Jockey Club's job to protect the breed. Of course they maintain the breed registry and affirm parentage, but they don't protect the breed in North America, because they have no role in racing.

Thoroughbreds are performance-based. Breeding theories must be proven on the racetrack; around the world it is done with the best 2-year-old and 3-year-old races.

When I started out at the Thoroughbred Record in 1972, the saying of the day was, "We are trying to improve the breed". That conversation is still going on in other countries, but I haven't heard it here in a very long time.

This isn't about our past. This is about our future.

The series of articles in the New York Times will bring intense scrutiny and perhaps Federal intervention to stop performance enhancing drugs in racing. As the Times points out, the greatest abuse is in states with Racinos at the lowest levels in various horse breeds.

A Federal ban on performance enhancing drugs would go far in cleaning up racing, but would it go far enough to "protect the breed"? In the sausage making of legislation, would bleeding meds be allowed as therapeutic?

The NY Times has additional pieces in this series. With the Kentucky Derby on the horizon, publicity and politicians will merge on the issue and there will be a degree of chaos in the industry.

In the midst of the coming storm, TOBA and its American Graded Stakes Committee, will meet in a couple weeks and discuss whether alternative strategies should be used this year to ban all meds and peds in 2-year-old graded stakes.

Last week, I made my case for a new TOBA strategy (click [here](#)) that could do the unthinkable. It could bypass state regulatory approval, by requiring the racehorse owners make their 2-year-olds eligible to receive graded status. Sanctioning would be between only TOBA and the racehorse owner.

When they meet, TOBA Trustees will discuss many issues. Without question they will be caught in the swirl of emotion and media coverage around the NY Times series and the efforts for Federal legislation to ban drugs from racing. **Cont. p13**



# op/ed

by fred pope

## PROTECTING THE BREED

This is a tough time for Oliver Wills. He can't sleep. His annual review is approaching and he will be asked to grade his own job performance last year, then to present his plan for the next two to five years.

Oliver Wills's job is to protect the Thoroughbred breed in North America.

Most people don't know Ollie. He is an industry veteran who works in the background. His performance isn't easy to judge, it plays out over generations.

For the past three decades, Ollie's job has been increasingly difficult. With the legalization of Bute, then Lasix and other meds, the ability to "prove the breed" has been clouded, if not completely blurred.

There is no Oliver Wills, is there? There is no job to protect the Thoroughbred breed in North America.

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**Fred Pope Op/Ed cont.**

Although it is a theory, I believe the TOBA Trustees can walk and chew gum at the same time. They can meet the deadline, fast approaching, of the first 2-year-old graded stakes with a new strategy that achieves the drug-free objective AND they can start discussing and working on a future in all racing without drugs.

To walk the talk, how about every TOBA Trustee that continues as a Trustee, make their 2-year-olds eligible for graded status in 2012? That sends a clear message that TOBA is stepping up to protect the breed.

So, in the absence of anyone already having the job to protect the Thoroughbred breed in North America, I nominate TOBA's American Graded Stakes Committee (AGSC).

If you agree, then please contact the six TOBA members on the eleven member AGSC, because if they vote to require racehorse owners make their 2-year-olds eligible for graded status, which means they will be Super-tested, then it is a done deal for 2012.

The AGSC will have achieved their objective: Every 2-year-old in North America earning graded status in 2012 was free of medication and performance enhancing substances.

Breeders will start the process of proving the breed by culling out bleeding traits and open our market to international standards. We will not only be in harmony with the other countries, but in addition, the 2012 graded stakes will be apples to apples with the 2-year-old Breeders' Cup races.

Then in 2013, the AGSC will lead the way in protecting the breed through all the 3-year-old graded stakes leading to our Classic races.

The job performance of TOBA and the AGSC will be reviewed annually and like everyone with accountability knows, they may have some sleepless nights.

It will take all of our wills to change racing in a way that is meaningful for breeders.

Let's mark 2012 on the calendar as the year TOBA and its AGSC did move to protect the Thoroughbred breed. And once again in North America, have a conversation about improving the breed.

The six members of TOBA on the American Graded Stakes Committee are:

- David Richardson, M.D., Chairman
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*Racing should react more swiftly and forcefully to these assaults on its very existence and do a better job of explaining the efforts it is making to improve the sport and take care of its horses. It's pretty clear that if racing doesn't stand up for itself, nobody else will.*

**Steven Crist, Daily Racing Form**

**For Triple Crown series to remain popular, a star must emerge soon**

*Thoroughbred racing badly needs a 3-year-old star. The sport's popularity --as everybody knows--has been declining for years. Racing gets minimal attention on network television and it has disappeared from most sports pages during most of the year.*

**Andy Beyer, Washington Post**

**Turf Paradise vows changes following investigation**

*The Times' story prompted [general manager] Francia to contact the director of the State Racing Department to discuss more stringent regulation of illegal doping of the horses.*

**Stacey Delikat, AZFamily.com**

**Doping and death are dark side of horse racing**

*I don't shock easily, but here was a sentence to shock me out of my early-morning languor: 'On average, 24 horses die each week at racetracks across America.'*

**Fred Grimm, Miami Herald**

**Md. Senate approves casino bill**

*A bill that would allow a full-fledged casino in Prince George's County and add Las Vegas-style table games at Maryland's five other slots venues was approved Tuesday by the state Senate, providing late-session momentum for the controversial measure.*

**John Wagner, Washington Post**

**NH lawmakers kill gambling bill**

*Local officials are frustrated that legislation to allow a casino at Rockingham Park was defeated by lawmakers yesterday.*

**Doug Ireland, Eagle-Tribune**

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will indicate first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

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**OBITUARIES**

**DR. MICHAEL COLTERJOHN, 55**

Dr. Michael Colterjohn, long-time president of Gardiner Farms in Ontario, passed away Wednesday morning following a battle with brain cancer. He was 55. Born in Scotland, Colterjohn lived in England, Malaysia and Zambia before emigrating to Canada with his family at the age of 11. A doctor of veterinary medicine who specialized in equine reproduction, he joined Gardiner Farms in 1987, and was a major force in the farm's rise to prominence in the region. Gardiner, which stands Trajectory, Old Forester and Philanthropist and stood successful Ontario sire Bold Executive until his death last year, is a 2011 Sovereign Award finalist for outstanding breeder. The operation was responsible for 2011 Prince of Wales S. and Breeders' S. winner Pender Harbour (Philanthropist), and bred many stakes horses under Colterjohn's leadership. Colterjohn also operated nearby Paradox Farm along with his wife Dr. Moira Gunn and Farm Manager Sherry McLean. He co-owned last year's Franfreluche S. and Victorian Queen S. winner Kitty's Got Class (Old Forester) with Denny Andrews. "He was a great vet and horseman," Jeff Begg, friend and owner of Windways Farm, said of Colterjohn. "In the last 10 years he probably brought more stallions and did a better job keeping the breeding industry going in Ontario than anyone else." Begg continued, "He's one of those guys who would help anyone out--anyone who had a problem with a mare or anything he was free to give advice or lend a helping hand. There are a lot of people in the industry up here that probably started [at Gardiner Farms] and worked under Mike and he helped them along the way to get going. He had his hand on a lot more than would meet the eye, so it's a very big loss to our industry here for sure." Colterjohn is survived by his wife, son Duncan and his mother Libby. Visiting hours will take place at Egan Funeral Home in Bolton from 2-4 p.m. Sunday and 6-8 p.m. Monday. The funeral service will be held Tuesday at 4 p.m. at the Egan Chapel followed by a reception in Woodbine's Northern Dancer room from 6-8 p.m. The family asks that, in lieu of flowers, donations be sent to [Juravinski Cancer Centre](#).

**TELL IT TO THE TDN...**

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**Yesterday's Results:**

**9th-AQU, \$55,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43, fm.**  
**ELUSIVE RUMOUR (f, 3, [Elusive Quality](#)--Quiet Rumour, by Alleged)** was a solid second on debut sprinting over the inner track Dec. 18, but faltered next time to be a distant seventh Jan. 25. The homebred improved to third while trying two turns for the first time Feb. 29 and was the 19-10 chalk to handle this surface switch. In front within a few strides, Elusive Rumour engaged in a midrace duel with Stock Fund (Stonesider) and the duo raced headlong into the stretch. That battle was short-lived, as the favorite accelerated smartly and left Stock Fund some 5 1/2 lengths behind at the finish. The winner is a 3/4-sister to Beebe Lake (Grand Slam), SW, \$195,375. Sales history: \$57,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP; \$97,500 RNA 2yo '11 FTMMAY. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$46,700. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

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**Rood and Riddle Satellite Practice to Open in NY:**  
*Edited Press Release*

Rood & Riddle Equine Hospital will open a satellite ambulatory division in upstate New York, Sequel Stallions co-owner Becky Thomas announced Thursday. Dr. Scott Ahlschwede, DVM, a partner in Rood & Riddle, will initiate the practice as attending veterinarian at Sequel Stallions New York beginning Apr. 1 and will be working in a close professional association with Rhinebeck Equine Hospital. "This is an excellent opportunity for Rood And Riddle to continue to serve our clients participating in the rich New York breeding program," said Dr. Tom Riddle. Thomas added, "We are so excited to be able to offer our clients the best of both worlds. Now we can provide our clients from Kentucky continuity, as a large number of them are already Rood & Riddle clients."

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## Keeneland to Offer Fractional Wagering:

*Edited Press Release*

Keeneland will be introducing both fractional wagering and decimal odds display at the upcoming Spring Meeting, it was announced yesterday. Available on all pools from win, place and show bets to complex serial wagers, fractional wagering allows bettors to include more horses in their wagers while keeping the price of the wager affordable. The minimum wager must match the minimum for each individual pool--10 cents for superfectas, .50 cents for trifectas, and \$1 for pick wagers. "Every bettor has a story about how he or she didn't include a horse in their wager because it cost too much and that horse ended up being the one they needed to cash a ticket," said Vince Gabbert, Keeneland's Chief Operating Officer. "Fractional wagering is a solution that allows you to get the maximum benefit of your bet at the minimum investment. And for casual fans, this is a great way to take a chance on some advanced wagers to sharpen your handicapping skills." Decimal odds differ from traditional fixed odds in that they display the actual winning amount that would be paid out to the bettor. "We expect this to be very popular with fans, especially our less experienced players," Gabbert said. "We will continue to show the traditional odds as well. By fall, we hope to offer decimal odds on our toteboard and simulcast signal."

# CENTRAL U.S.

## Yesterday's Results:

**10th-FGX, \$43,240, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$40,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 4/5, gd.

**BLOEMER GIRL (f, 4, Bertrando--Rio Tejo, by Tsunami Slew)** won two of her three California starts for Jedd Josephson, graduating at second asking last January before registering a 13-1 upset in the Sweet Life S. down the hill at Santa Anita Jan. 22. Off for 55 weeks thereafter, the Cal-bred resurfaced with a third in her first go for this barn in an off-turf allowance in the slop Feb. 10 and was exiting a fourth over this course and distance Mar. 3. Quickly on the engine here as a 5-2 chance, Bloemer Girl went along under a snug hold, drifted away from the fence in the waning yards, but found the line a half-length better than Notassharpasuthink (Sharp Humor). The victress is a half to Rio Oro (Oraibi), MSW & GSP, \$341,854; Giovannetti (Memo {Chi}), MSW & GSP, \$335,575; and Guillermo (Memo {Chi}), SW, \$182,403. Lifetime Record: SW, 6-3-0-2, \$122,600. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Andrew & Christa Arthur. B-Rick M & Michael V Arthur (CA). T-Michael Stidham.



## First-crop starters to watch: Friday, March 30

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**AFTER MARKET** (Storm Cat), Lane's End, \$30K, 165/23/2  
9-GP, Aoc, 5fT, Peggy Joyce, \$27K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1  
**DISCREET CAT** (Forestry), Darley, \$30K, 215/34/1  
9-GP, Aoc, 5fT, Medieval Cat, \$85K FTK JUL yrl, 15-1  
**ECCLESIASTIC** (Pulpit), Regal Heir, \$5K, 73/7/0  
5-PIM, Alw, 1mT, Deacon Furr, \$3K EAS SEP yrl, 10-1  
**ENGLISH CHANNEL** (Smart Strike), Lane's End, \$25K, 161/23/0  
7-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Queen of England, \$10K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 6-1  
**EXCESS DANGER** (In Excess {Ire}), 4/0/0  
8-SA, Msw, 6f, +Warren's Internet, 6-1  
**FLASHY BULL** (Holy Bull), Airdrie, \$10K, 153/24/3  
16-FG, Msw, 6f, Ferdinanddie, \$50K FTK JUL yrl, 12-1  
8-AQU, Aoc, 6f, Born Bullish, \$185K OBS MAR 2yo, 8-1  
**LATENT HEAT** (Maria's Mon), Woods Edge, \$15K, 157/22/1  
8-AQU, Aoc, 6f, True Feelings, \$150K KEE SEP yrl, 5-2  
**LAWYER RON** (Langfuhr), Stonewall, \$30K, 144/24/4  
7-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Lovely Counselor, \$32K RNA OBS AUG yrl, 8-1  
**MASTER COMMAND** (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made, \$15K, 179/22/1  
7-SUN, Msw, 6f, Chilling Command, \$18K RNA BAR OCT yrl, 3-1  
**PRIMARY SUSPECT** (Hennessy), McDowell, \$2K, 56/5/1  
8-FG, Aoc, 6f, Primary Soldier, 4-1  
**SILENT NAME (JPN)** (Sunday Silence), Adena KY, \$8K, 116/12/0  
8-FG, Aoc, 6f, Silent Legacy, 8-1  
**STEVIE WONDERBOY** (Stephen Got Even), Airdrie, \$18K, 111/19/2  
9-MNR, Alw, 1m, My Friend Steve, 6-1  
**UTOPIA (JPN)** (Forty Niner), McMahon, \$8K, 151/13/0  
5-AQU, Alw, 6f, My Jopia, 12-1

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# FLORIDA

## Yesterday's Results:

**8th-GPX, \$46,600, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 3/5, fm.**

**LEFT A MESSAGE (f, 3, Mr. Greeley--Chief Secretary, by Deputy Minister)** ran too good to lose her Feb. 16 bow over the Tampa turf course, getting fairly far back off no tempo whatsoever before rattling home to miss by a half-length. She was never going to offer as much as her 10-1 morning line here and was dispatched at less than half of that number. Close up from the second flight of horses, she bided her time in upper stretch and responded when asked to outfinish Irish Mission (Giant's Causeway) for a half-length victory at odds of 9-2. Sales history: \$240,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$31,020. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)  
O-Glen Hill Farm. B-Kinsman Farm (KY). T-Thomas F Proctor.



# CALIFORNIA

**7th-SAX, \$71,850, Alw, NW2\$X, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:46 4/5, fm.**

**HOLLADAY ROAD (g, 7, [Street Cry {Ire}](#)--Blending Element {Ire} {GSW, \$449,008}, by Great Commotion),** claimed for \$25,000 off Warren Williamson and Carla Gaines out of a winning effort at Del Mar last July, continues to produce. A close third in the grassy California Cup Classic S. in October, he added a win in the Crystal Water S. over the Santa Anita dirt Jan. 28 and most recently placed a respectable fourth in the GI Santa Anita H. Mar. 3. Favored at 4-5 here, he was settled in fifth through a half mile in :48.33 and came alive in the stretch to get up for a neck victory over Fire With Fire (Distorted Humor). The winner is a half to Tiz Elemental (Cee's Tizzy), GSW, \$483,740; Tiz A Blend (Cee's Tizzy), SW, \$186,354; Excessive Blend (In Excess {Ire}), MSW, \$173,175; and War Element (War Chant), GSP, \$124,049. Lifetime Record: SW, 15-7-1-2, \$323,620. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)  
O-G & W Broad. B-Williamson Racing LLC (CA). T-J Canani.

**2nd-SAX, \$56,000, Msw, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 1/5, ft. ENDLESS FANCY (f, 4, [Ghostzapper](#)--Lasting Appeal, by A.P. Indy) ran to debut odds of 22-1 and was a well-beaten eighth in her career debut over this track last Feb. 19, but went missing thereafter. She returned 348 days later with a much-improved performance, missing by a nose over 6 1/2 furlongs of this strip Feb. 2, and was 1-2 to get it done this time around. Content to take a sit off 26-1 With a Miracle (With Distinction), Endless Fancy looked to be in trouble as the pacesetter opened daylight past the eighth pole. It looked like she might just spring the upset, but Endless Fancy was up in the nick of time to score by a nose. Sales history: \$310,000 yrl '09 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$45,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)  
O-Lanni Family Trust. B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-B Baffert.**

**5th-SAX, \$57,400, Msw, 3yo, f, a6.5fT, 1:13 2/5, fm. NIHILIST (f, 3, [Latent Heat](#)--Ever Imelda, by Personal Hope) showed excellent debut speed and made most of the running in her Sept. 3 bow over the Del Mar Poly, but surrendered late to finish a narrowly beaten second. Gone almost five months, the bay resumed with a fourth as the favorite in a main-track maiden Jan. 27, was runner-up at odds-on Feb. 26 and was trying the infield for the first time here. Ridden for speed by Joel Rosario, Nihilist ambled along on the front end, opened a bit of daylight crossing the dirt course and was never in serious danger, scoring by 1 1/4 lengths. Swingaway (Tapit) was second, while Verdula (Mizzen Mast) was eighth. The winner is a half to Green Suede Shoes (Meadow Monster), SW, \$253,760; and Cosmo Girl (City Zip), SW, \$152,661. Sales history: \$60,000 yrl '10 KEESEP; \$95,000 2yo '11 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$60,760. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)  
O-Doubledown Stables Inc. B-Ellen B Kill Kelley (KY). T-John W Sadler.**

# WESTERN U.S.

## Yesterday's Results:

**1st-GGX, \$30,480, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW1\$X, 3yo, f, 1m (AWT), 1:40, ft.**

**MILANIA (f, 3, [Bernardini](#)--Keeper Hill {MGISW, \$1,661,281}, by Deputy Minister),** a maiden winner going two turns at Hollywood Park Nov. 17, cut back to a sprint and was third at this venue Feb. 5. She was exiting a distant sixth against tougher Santa Anita allowance rivals Mar. 9 and was the 11-10 second choice in a scratched-down field of three. Milania bided her time from last for the opening three-quarters of a mile and rolled past odds-on and stablemate Light Up the Sky (Speightstown) late for a five-length victory. Sales history: \$190,000 wlng '09 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, \$64,850. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)  
O-Olympia Star Inc. B-John A Chandler, Jamm Ltd, C R McGaughey III & Mill Ridge Farm (KY). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

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### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**9th-GPX, \$61,788, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:15, ft.**

**LADY OF GREATNESS (m, 6, Greatness--elong to Rita, by Belong to Me) Lifetime Record: 35-9-10-4, \$213,464.** O-Midwest Thoroughbreds Inc. B-Marilyn Fazio Seltzer (FL). T-Jamie Ness. \* \$7,500 RNA yrl '07 OBSAUG; \$67,000 RNA 2yo '08 OBSAPR. \*\*In for the claiming tag.

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**7th-OPX, \$55,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft.**  
**DRYDEN (h, 6, Double Honor--Suave Lady, by Line In The Sand)** Lifetime Record: 33-6-7-4, \$188,624.  
 O-MGRT Ventures LLC. B-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable (FL).  
 T-Timothy F Ritchey.

**8th-OPX, \$54,000, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10, ft.**  
**NURSE GOODNIGHT (f, 3, Fire Slam--Sweet Jackie Jo, by Stormy Atlantic)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$48,660.  
 O-Jeanette Hughes. B-4 M Ranch (TX). T-Allen Milligan.  
 \* \$5,500 yrl '10 TEXAUG.

**8th-FGX, \$45,000, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), C, 4yo/up, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 1/5, gd.**  
**ZEB (g, 5, Military--Dare to Mambo, by Kingmambo)**  
 Lifetime Record: 12-4-0-2, \$113,440. O/B-John Eaton & Steve Laymon (KY). T-Gregory D Foley.

**9th-FGX, \$41,000, Opt. Clm. (\$12,500), NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft.**  
**MY ORTHODOC (g, 4, Gilded Time--Tactical Info, by Tactical Advantage)** Lifetime Record: 11-4-1-0, \$74,736.  
 O-Stephan H Smoot. B-Dr Nicholas A Plaisance (LA). T-Wesley E Hawley. \* 1/2 to Country Diva (Songandaprayer), MSW, \$328,727.

**3rd-PEN, \$40,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.**  
**BECCA'S RUN (c, 3, Forest Wildcat--Gac's Tomboy, by Unbridled's Song)** Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$61,560.  
 O-Michael Cascio. B-Mr & Mrs Michael Joseph Cascio (PA). T-Norman R Pointer.

**8th-CTX, \$26,000, 3-28, C, 3yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 4/5, ft.**  
**AIX EN PROVENCE (f, 4, Rock Slide--Parisiana, by Mutakddim)** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$37,900.  
 O/B-James H Falk Sr (VA). T-Simon Hobson.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Flea Flicker, f, 3, Hook and Ladder--Savasana, by Scatmandu.** AQU, 3-29, (S), 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-John C & Caesar P Kimmel (NY). \* \$9,500 RNA yrl '10 OBSAUG; \$120,000 2yo '11 OBSAPR.

**Half a Kiss, f, 4, Storm and a Half--Kissmelikeumeanit, by Kissin Kris.** OPX, 3-29, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:49. B-Jack & Christine Henry (AR).

**It's Time to Laugh, g, 4, Irish Road--Out of Laughs, by Out of Place.** GPX, 3-29, 5fT, :55 3/5. B-Larry Fogle (FL).



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