

DELTA DAWNING AT MEYDAN

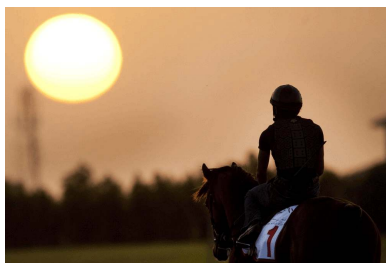
Not many of the fairer sex have tried their luck in the world's richest horse race, but in Besilu Stables' **Royal Delta** (Empire Maker), the female persuasion looks well represented in today's \$10-million G1 Dubai World Cup over the Tapeta track at Meydan Racecourse. On the equine side of things, the 2011 Eclipse Award-winning 3-year-old filly seems built for the task at hand and has impressed just about every onlooker in the week leading up to today's 2000-meter



Royal Delta
Liesl King/ThoroughbredNews

affair. She turned in yet another powerful gallop Friday morning, and it was only because of her exercise rider that she didn't do a bit more. Trainer Bill Mott considered letting his charge gather a head of steam to finish off her work, but Leana Willaford elected to just keep Royal Delta in a slightly lower gear.

Mott, who helped cement the reputation of the World Cup with Cigar's win in the inaugural running in 1996, could not be more effusive in his praise. "You couldn't ask a horse to look any better than that," Mott



World Cup hopeful Transcend
Racing Post photo

said after watching Royal Delta prance away from the track yesterday morning. "She went great." The G1 Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic winner prepped for Dubai with a useful runner-up effort in the GIII Sabin S. at Gulfstream Feb. 25. She has enough tactical speed to be close to the pace and the stamina to outstay the majority of her male rivals. **Cont. p3**

UNION RAGS V. EL PADRINO IN FLA DERBY

A pair of early G1 Kentucky Derby favorites do battle in today's nine-furlong G1 Florida Derby at Gulfstream, with the horse many consider to be the best sophomore in the country, **Union Rags** (Dixie Union), matching up against **El Padrino** (Pulpit). The former left players no choice but to send him off as the even-money choice in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile last November after the undefeated colt won the GII Saratoga Special S. and G1 Champagne S. by a combined 12 1/2 lengths. Phyllis



Union Rags
A Coglianese

Wyeth's colorbearer was hung wide throughout, however, and while he looked to have dead aim on Hansen (Tapit) in upper stretch, came up a head short. When he made his return, in the GII Fasig-Tipton Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream Feb. 26, much had changed. Hansen had lost his unbeaten record in the GIII Holy Bull S., the BC Juvenile third Creative Cause (Giant's Causeway) ran third in the GII San Vicente S. at 1-2, and subsequently Union Rags didn't even go off favored. (That honor went to the allowance winner Discreet Dancer [Discreet Cat]; it's possible that Union Rags wouldn't have even gone off the second choice had morning-line choice



El Padrino
A Coglianese

Algorithms [Bernardini] not scratched.) In any case, Union Rags set everything right in the race, drawing off to a four-length decision over longshot **News Pending** (Harlan's Holiday), and after Hansen and Creative Cause returned to win big in their next starts, the Juvenile looks like one of the most formful in memory. **Cont. p13**

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3	Speightstown	2	-	\$1,585,403
4	Malibu Moon	2	2	\$1,543,325
5	City Zip	4	3	\$1,527,814
6	Tiznow	2	2	\$1,481,407

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Just a couple of weeks after the devastating earthquake and subsequent tsunami that ravaged Japan, Victoire Pisa (Jpn) (Neo Univese {Jpn}) and **Transcend (Jpn)** (Wild Rush) bagged 80% of last year's \$10-million pot. In **Smart Falcon (Jpn)** (Gold Allure {Jpn}), the Land of the Rising Sun has a very sneaky contender this evening. The 7-year-old, a winner in 23 of his 33 career starts for earnings north of \$11 million, has not tasted defeat since October 2010. Though the bulk of dirt racing in Japan takes place on the lesser NAR circuit, Smart Falcon's class cannot be called into question based on his defeat of Transcend in the JBC Classic in November and of Testa Matta (Tapit) in the Toyko Daishoten in December. The form of that race was flattered when Testa Matta returned to win the G1 February S. last month with Transcend, coming off a win in the G1 Japan Cup Dirt, only seventh. *Cont. p4*

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PP HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ML
1 Master of Hounds <i>(c, 4, Kingmambo--Silk and Scarlet {GB}, by Sadler's Wells)</i>	Sh Mohd bin Khalifa Al Maktoum	Silk and Scarlet Syndicate-KY	de Kock Soumillon	12-1
2 Eishen Flash (Jpn) <i>(h, 5, King's Best--Moonlady {Ger}, by Platini {Ger})</i>	Toyomitsu Hirai	Shadai Farm-JPN	Fujiwara Lemaire	10-1
3 Zazou (Ger) <i>(h, 5, Shamardal--Zaza Top {Ger}, by Lomitas {GB})</i>	Ramzan Kadyrov	Stiftung Gestut Fahrhof-GER	Hickst Peslier	15-1
4 So You Think (NZ) <i>(h, 5, High Chaparral {Ire}--Triassic {NZ}, by Tights)</i>	D Smith/S Magnier/M Tabor/D Tan/T Yahaya	M J Moran & Piper Farm Ltd-NZ	A O'Brien J O'Brien	5-1
5 Smart Falcon (Jpn) <i>(h, 7, Gold Allure {Jpn}--Keishu Herb {Jpn} by Mississippian)</i>	Toru Okawa	Okada Stud-JPN	Kozaki Take	10-1
6 Planteur (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Danehill Dancer {Ire}--Plante Rare {Ire}, by Giant's Causeway)</i>	Ahmad Al Falasi	Dayton Investments Ltd-IRE	Botti Moore	20-1
7 Royal Delta Ⓜ <i>(f, 4, Empire Maker--Delta Princess, by A.P. Indy)</i>	Besilu Stables LLC	Palides Investments NV Inc-KY	Mott Lezcano	8-1
8 Monterosso (GB) <i>(h, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--Porto Roca {Aus}, by Baratheia {Ire})</i>	Godolphin	Darley-GB	Al Zarooni Barzalona	10-1
9 Silver Pond (Fr) <i>(h, 5, Act One {GB}--Silver Fame, by Quest for Fame {GB})</i>	Saeed Naser Al Romaithi	EARL Haras du Quesnay-FR	Watson Murtagh	20-1
10 Transcend (Jpn) <i>(h, 6, Wild Rush--Cinema Scope {Jpn}, by Tony Bin {Ire})</i>	Koji Maeda	North Hills Management-JPN	Yasuda Fujita	8-1
11 Capponi (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Medicean {GB}--Nawaiet, by Zilzal)</i>	Godolphin	Darley-IRE	Al Zarooni Ajtebi	15-1
12 Prince Bishop (Ire) <i>(g, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--North East Bay, by Prospect Bay)</i>	Godolphin	Thurso Ltd-IRE	bin Suroor Dettori	15-1
13 Mendip Ⓜ <i>(h, 5, Harlan's Holiday--Well Spring, by Coronado's Quest)</i>	Godolphin	Jayeff B Stables-KY	bin Suroor de Sousa	3-1
14 Game On Dude Ⓜ <i>(g, 5, Awesome Again--Worldly Pleasure, by Devil His Due)</i>	Schiappa/Diamond Pride/Lanni Family Trust	Adena Springs-KY	Baffert Sutherland	3-1

All carry 126 pounds, bar Royal Delta, 121.



You Better Think...

Aidan O'Brien sends out six runners at tonight's meeting, none more accomplished than **So You Think (NZ)** (High Chaparral {Ire}). The two-time G1 Cox Plate winner took Europe by storm last season, with Group 1 scores in the Tattersalls Gold Cup, the Coral-Eclise S. and Irish Champion S. His season closed on a less successful note, with defeats in the G1 Champion S. and in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, his dirt debut, in which he was well positioned to strike, but was a bit one-paced late and came home sixth. So You Think has a couple of lengths to find with America's **Game On Dude** (Awesome Again), whose trainer Bob Baffert seeks a third World Cup success. Owned in part by Joe Torre's Diamond Pride and the Lanni Family Trust, the consistent 5-year-old made an outstanding seasonal debut, running out a 5 1/4-length winner of the GII San Antonio S. Feb. 5. The question facing handicappers is what to do with a wide draw in 14, though given the presence of typically slow-starting foreigners, he may not have to work unduly hard to cross and clear.



So You Think
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SHEEMA CLASSIC: PRIX DE L'ABBEY?

Aidan O'Brien is descending on Dubai with a purpose this year and backing up So You Think (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}) in the main event is **St Nicholas Abbey (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic. Maligned by some for failing to live up to his 2-year-old brilliance when an anti-climactic sixth as the even-money favorite in the 2010 G1 2000 Guineas, he returned last term to answer the critics in style. After relighting the fire with a scintillating performance in the G3 Ormonde S. at Chester in May and earning new fans with a gutsy follow-up in Epsom's G1 Coronation Cup the next month, the former boy wonder was back in some bad books after missing the target in the G1 King George and G1 Arc. All that was put behind him as Joseph O'Brien conjured the magic once more during that deadly stretch run beneath the Twin Spires in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf. He is entrusted with the ride again here. "He's been going well and doing everything right," the budding young talent said this week," O'Brien said. *Cont. p5*

Saturday, Meydan, post time: 1:00 p.m. EDT

DUBAI SHEEMA CLASSIC-G1, \$5,000,000, NH4yo/up & SH3yo/up, 2410mT

PP HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ML
1 Songcraft (Ire) <i>(g, 4, Singspiel {Ire}--Baya, by Nureyev)</i>	Godolphin	Darley-IRE	bin Suroor de Sousa	8-1
2 Bold Silvano (SAF) <i>(h, 5, Silvano {Ger}--Bold Saffron {SAF}, by Al Mufti)</i>	Sh Mohd Khalifa Al Maktoum/Thompson	Ascot Stud (Pty) Ltd-SAF	de Kock Soumillon	15-1
3 Beaten Up (GB) <i>(g, 4, Beat Hollow {GB}--Frog {GB}, by Akarad {Fr})</i>	B Haggas/B Mathieson/R Smith	J B Haggas-GB	Haggas Murtagh	20-1
4 Mahbooba (Aus) <i>(f, 4, Galileo {Ire}--Sogha {Aus}, by Red Ransom)</i>	Sh Mohd Khalifa Al Maktoum	Sh Mohd Khalifa Al Maktoum-AUS	de Kock Shea	6-1
5 Cavalryman (GB) <i>(h, 6, Halling--Silversword {Fr}, by Highest Honor {Fr})</i>	Godolphin	Darley-GB	bin Suroor Dettori	10-1
6 Treasure Beach (GB) <i>(c, 4, Galileo {Ire}--Honorine {Ire}, by Mark of Esteem {Ire})</i>	F Hay/D Smith/S Magnier/M Tabor	Ashley House Stud-IRE	A O'Brien Spencer	20-1
7 Jakkalberry (Ire) <i>(h, 6, Storming Home {GB}--Claba di San Jore {Ire}, by {Ire})</i>	Effeve SNC di Villa Felice & Co	Azienda Agricola Allevamento Deni-IRE	Botti Moore	20-1
8 Cirrus des Aigles (Fr) <i>(g, 6, Even Top {Ire}--Taille de Guepe {Fr}, by Septieme Ciel)</i>	Jean Claude Alain Dupuoy/Xavier Niel	Yvon Lelimoizin/Benoit Deschamps-FR	Barande-Barne Peslier	3-1
9 St Nicholas Abbey (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Montjeu {Ire}--Leaping Water {GB}, by Sure Blade)</i>	D Smith/S Magnier/M Tabor	Barton Bloodstock/Villiers Synd-IRE	A O'Brien J O'Brien	2-1
10 Shimraan (Fr) <i>(g, 5, Rainbow Quest--Shemriyna {Ire}, by King of Kings {Ire})</i>	Godolphin	HH The Aga Khan's Studs SC-FR	Al Zarooni Barzalona	20-1

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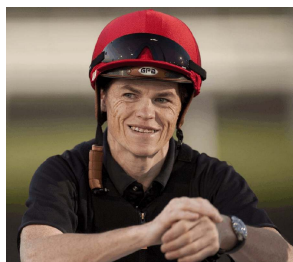
“He’s not a horse who takes an awful lot of work, so we’ll play it by ear and see how it goes,” Joseph O’Brien continued. “Hopefully, he’ll be in the same form as he was at Churchill Downs.” **Cirrus des Aigles (Fr)** (Even Top {Ire}) maintained an admirable rate of progression last year and emerged from the shadows of some of his country’s finest performers to upset So You Think (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}) in Ascot’s G1 Champion S. in October. Subsequently fifth in the G1 Hong Kong Cup and runner-up to World Cup hopeful Zazou (Ger) (Shamardal) on his 2012 debut in a conditions event on Chantilly’s Polytrack Mar. 3, the apple of trainer Corine Barande-Barbe’s eye is poised to provide his usual game effort. **Beaten Up (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB}) is the unexposed dark horse of the race and he holds an unbeaten record and Pattern-race form after a latest authoritative success in Newbury’s G3 St Simon S. in October. **Treasure Beach (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) makes up a formidable duo for Ballydoyle, and if he is in the same form as when winning last year’s G1 Irish Derby and G1 Secretariat S., he will be a force to be reckoned with.



Cirrus des Aigles
A Watkins

HONG KONG TRIPLE THREAT IN DUTY FREE

It’s been more famine than feast for Hong Kong horses at the World Cup meeting, though Vengeance of Rain (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}) and Joy and Fun (NZ) (Cullen {Aus}) emerged victorious from their local efforts in the 2007 Sheema Classic and 2010 Al Quoz, respectively. The little country nearly broke through in the 2001 Dubai Duty Free S., but Fairy King Prawn (Aus) (Danehill) was narrowly beaten by Jim and Tonic (Fr) (Double Bed {Fr}) in the race’s most dramatic renewal. Three of the top horses from Hong Kong line up in today’s Duty Free, and a case can be made for any one of them, despite the international competition. On his day, **Ambitious Dragon (NZ)** (Pins {Aus}) is as serious as any horse in the world. Despite something of an off day when fourth as the heavy favorite behind **California Memory** (Highest Honor {Fr}) (*referred to as Portus Blendium in the Daily Racing Form*) in the G1 Hong Kong Cup, he has won his last two outings with condescending ease and drops back to this 1800 meters off a defeat of **Xtension (Ire)** (Xaar {GB}) in the Hong Kong Gold Cup Feb. 26. Beverly Milliard, exercise rider for her husband Tony, said it’s all systems go with Ambitious Dragon. “Everything has gone to plan,” said the trainer’s wife. “We are very happy with him and we’re looking forward to [today],” she said. **Musir (Aus)** (Redoute’s Choice {Aus}) has won his last two starts on turf, including a handy score over the in-form **City Style** (City Zip) in the G2 Al Rashidiya S. Jan. 26. He’ll try to give trainer Mike de Kock his third Duty Free victory. **Field p6**



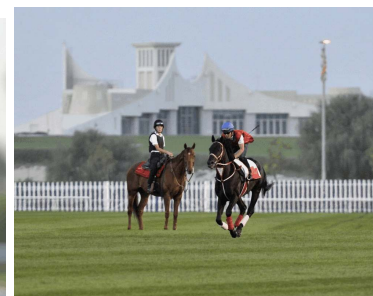
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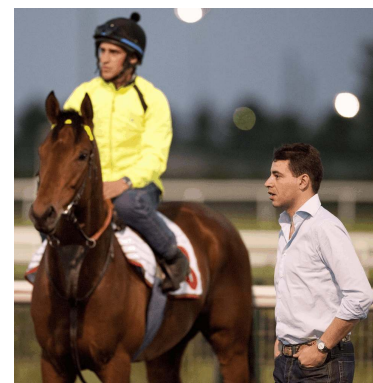
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1 Green Destiny (Ire) <i>(g, 5, Marju {Ire}--Mubkera {Ire}, by Nashwan)</i>	Ramzan Kadyrov	Mubkera Syndicate-IRE	Brown Schofield	20-1
2 Await the Dawn <i>(h, 5, Giant's Causeway--Valentine Band, by Dixieland Band)</i>	D Smith, Mrs J Magnier & M Tabor	Juddmont Farms Inc-KY	A O'Brien J O'Brien	6-1
3 Rajsaman (Fr) <i>(h, 5, Linamix {Fr}--Rose Quartz {GB}, by Lammtarra)</i>	Saeed Nasser al Romaithi	Haras de SA Aga Khan SCEA-FR	Al Raihe Ffrench	30-1
4 Ambitious Dragon (NZ) <i>(g, 5, Pins {Aus}--Golden Gamble {NZ}, by Oregon)</i>	Johnson Lam Pui Hung & Anderson Lam	E P Lowry-NZ	Whyte Millard	4-1
5 Musir (Aus) <i>(h, 5, Redoute's Choice {Aus}--Dizzy de Lago {Aus}, by Encosta de Lago {Aus})</i>	Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum	Sh Mohd bin Khalifa al Maktoum-AUS	De Kock Shea	10-1
6 Delegator (GB) <i>(h, 5, Dansili {GB}--Indian Love Bird {GB}, by Efisio {GB})</i>	Godolphin	Mrs P Good-GB	Dettori Bin Suroor	8-1
7 Dark Shadow (Jpn) <i>(h, 5, Dance in the Dark {Jpn}--Matikanehatusimada, by Private Account)</i>	Tomokazu Iizuka	Yukiko Hosokawa-JPN	Hori Fukunaga	10-1
8 California Memory © <i>(g, 6, Highest Honor {Fr}--Kalpita, by Spinning World)</i>	Howard Liang Yum Shing	Fred Seitz-KY	A Cruz Chadwick	20-1
9 Xtension (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Xaar {GB}--Great Joy {Ire}, by Grand Lodge)</i>	Mr & Mrs Steven Lo Kit Sing	Paul McCartan-IRE	Moore Lloyd	20-1
10 Mutahadee (Ire) <i>(c, 4, Encosta de Lago {Aus}--Mosaïque Bleue {GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB})</i>	Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa al Maktoum	Epona Bloodstock Ltd-IRE	De Kock Soumillon	10-1
11 Cityscape (GB) <i>(h, 6, Selkirk--Tantina, by Distant View)</i>	Khalid Abdullah	Juddmonte Farms Ltd-GB	Charlton Doyle	12-1
12 Presvis (GB) <i>(g, 8, Sakhee--Forest Fire {Swe}, by Never So Bold {Ire})</i>	L Marinopolous	Mrs M Campbell-Andenaes-GB	Cumani Moore	15-1
13 City Style <i>(g, 6, City Zip--Brattpthecore, by Katahoola County)</i>	Godolphin	Stonerside Stable-KY	Al Zarooni Barazalona	8-1
14 Rio de la Plata © <i>(h, 7, Rahy--Express Way {Arg}, by Ahmad {Arg})</i>	Godolphin	J de Camargo, R Clay, Gainsborough-KY	Bin Suroor de Sousa	20-1
15 Wigmore Hall (Ire) <i>(g, 5, High Chaparral {Ire}--Love and Laughter {Ire}, by Theatrical {Ire})</i>	Mark B Hawtin	K & Mrs Cullen-IRE	Bell Spencer	12-1
16 Dubawi Gold (Ire) <i>(c, 4, Dubawi {Ire}--Savannah Belle {GB}, by Green Desert)</i>	Andrew Tinkler	A H Bennett-IRE	R Hannon Murtagh	20-1
Also Eligible				
17 Albaasil (Ire) <i>(g, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--North East Bay, by Prospect Bay)</i>	Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum	Castlemartin Stud & Skymarc Farm	Watson No Rider	30-1

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Singapore's **Rocket Man (Aus)** (Viscount {Aus}) will look to join Caller One (Phone Trick) as the only horses to record multiple victories in the G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen. While Caller One accomplished the feat when the race was conducted on the old straight dirt course at Nad al Sheba, Rocket Man plies his trade best on the synthetic tracks, both here and at home at Kranji Racecourse. Fourth to top Japanese sprinter Curren Chan (Jpn) (Kurofune) in the G1 Sprinters S. in October, he could not overcome a wide draw in the G1 Hong Kong Sprint and came home 12th behind **Lucky Nine (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}). He was put back into training a few months later and was the handy winner of a Mar. 4 conditions test at Kranji. "I am very happy with the horse," trainer Patrick Shaw commented. "He is coming here off a nice win in his prep race, just as he did last year. His trip to Japan last year knocked him about, he met typhoons, his weight wasn't right, and things didn't go his way. And then in Hong Kong the draw did him no favours. But I believe he is the same horse and still as good as ever." Trainer Bob Baffert sent out Euroears (Langfuhr) to be runner-up in 2011 and relies on **The Factor** (War Front) today. The 4-year-old exits a front-running score in the GII San Carlos S. at Santa Anita Feb. 25, but is also a Grade I winner on Polytrack, having landed last year's Pat O'Brien S. at Del Mar. Lucky Nine drew poorly in 12, but is reportedly over a foot ailment and trialed well on the Sha Tin all-weather prior to shipping out to Dubai.



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War Artist

Saturday, Meydan, post time: 11:35 a.m. EDT

DUBAI GOLDEN SHAHEEN-G1, \$2,000,000, NH/SH 3yo/up, 1200m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ML
1	Rocket Man (Aus) <i>(h, 6, Viscount {Aus}--Macrosa {NZ}, by McGinty {NZ})</i>	Alfredo Leonardo Arnaldo Crabbia	D R Fleming-AUS	Shaw Coetzee	9-2
2	Happy Dubai (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Indian Ridge {Ire}--Gentle Wind, by Gentlemen {Arg})</i>	Ahmad Al Falasi	Waterford Hall Stud-IRE	Al Raihe Murtagh	12-1
3	Giant Ryan <i>(h, 6, Freud--Kheyrah, by Dayjur)</i>	Shivananda Racing LLC	Thomas/Lakin-NY	Parboo Martinez	8-1
4	Russian Rock (Ire) <i>(h, 5, Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}--Mala Mala {Ire}, by Brief Truce)</i>	Fathi Esaed Mohd Egziama	Barronstown Stud/Mrs T Stack	Al Muhairi W Smith	20-1
5	Krypton Factor (GB) <i>(g, 4, Kyllachy {GB}--Cool Question {GB}, by Polar Falcon)</i>	Fawzi Abdulla Nass	Lady Fairhaven-GB	Nass Fallon	10-1
6	Hitchens (Ire) <i>(g, 7, Acclamation {GB}--Royal Fizz {Ire}, by Royal Academy)</i>	Laurence O'Kane/Paul Murphy	Curragh Bloodstock Agency-IRE	Barron deSousa	12-1
7	The Factor © <i>(c, 4, War Front--Greyciousness, by Miswaki)</i>	George Bolton/Fog City Stables	H & W Thoroughbreds-KY	Baffert Bejarano	3-1
8	Iver Bridge Lad (GB) <i>(h, 5, Avonbridge {GB}--Fittonia {Fr}, by Ashkalani {Ire})</i>	The Iver Lads	JCS Wilson Bloodstock-GB	Ryan O'Connell	30-1
9	Sepoy (Aus) <i>(c, 3, Elusive Quality--Watchful {Aus}, by Danehill)</i>	Godolphin	Darley-AUS	Snowden McEvoy	4-1
10	Inxile (Ire) <i>(g, 7, Fayruz {GB}--Grandel {GB}, by Owington {GB})</i>	Jackie Love/David Nicholls	Denis & Teresa Bergin-IRE	D Nicholls A Nicholls	20-1
11	Soul (Aus) <i>(g, 4, Commands {Aus}--Marvilha {Aus}, by Night Shift)</i>	Godolphin	Woodlands Stud-AUS	bin Suroor Dettori	8-1
12	Lucky Nine (Ire) <i>(g, 5, Dubawi {Ire}--Birjand {GB}, by Green Desert)</i>	Dr Chang Fuk To/Maria Chang Lee	Darley-IRE	Fownes Prebble	12-1

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STRAIGHT COURSE SPECIALISTS COLLIDE

Margot Did (Ire) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) bids to return to winning ways in today's G1 Al Quoz Sprint after off-the-board efforts in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp in October and Mar. 10 Meydan Sprint Conditions S. Previously, she had conquered York's G1 Nunthorpe S., and trainer Michael Bell is hoping she can regain the thread here. "She needed the run in her trial race and was only beaten just over four lengths [in eighth]," he told *PA Sport*. "I am sure she has improved, but it is a question whether she has improved enough to win the race. She is in very good form and I am very bullish of a really good run. I am happy with stall 16, as she doesn't like being crowded so she can get out and do her own thing from there." Last year's GI Nearctic S. and GII BC Turf Sprint winner **Regally Ready** (More Than Ready) beat only two home in the aforementioned Meydan Sprint, but along with the Jan. 15 Centenary Sprint Cup scorer **Eagle Regiment (Aus)** (El Moxie), Feb. 5 Chairman's Sprint Prize and 2010 Al Quoz winner **Joy and Fun (NZ)** (Cullen {Aus}) and the Nov. 19 G1 Winterbottom S. heroine **Ortensia (Aus)** (Testa Rossa {Aus}) brings serious international sprinting form to the table. The 2010 Nunthorpe hero **Sole Power (GB)** (Kyllachy {GB}) has already performed well over this track and trip and bids to reverse a short-head defeat by **Invincible Ash (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) in the Meydan Sprint. "It was the first time I'd got him off a plane to run well after a break and I think that shows he's that bit more mature nowadays," Sole Power's trainer Eddie Lynam told *PA Sport*. "Last year he ran in this race and it was his first run for nearly eight months. He tanked along for about two furlongs and then cut out. He has always performed better with the benefit of the run, and I feel that race recently has brought him on nicely."

Saturday, Meydan Racecourse, post time: 11 a.m.

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ML
1	Monsieur Joe (Ire)	Choisir (Aus)	Cowell	20-1
2	Addictive Dream (Ire)	Kheleyf	Nicholls	20-1
3	Regally Ready	More Than Ready	Asmussen	6-1
4	A Shin Virgo (Jpn)	Falbrav (Ire)	Kozaki	20-1
5	Nocturnal Affair (SAf)	Victory Moon (SAf)	Marnane	20-1
6	Joy and Fun (NZ)	Cullen (Aus)	Cruz	4-1
7	Invincible Ash (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Halford	10-1
8	August Rush (SAf)	Var	H Brown	10-1
9	War Artist (Aus)	Orpen	de Kock	20-1
10	Ortensia (Aus)	Testa Rossa (Aus)	Messara	8-1
11	Eagle Regiment (Aus)	El Moxie	Man Ka Leung	8-1
12	Prohibit (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Cowell	10-1
13	Better Be the One (Aus)	More Than Ready	Freedman	20-1
14	Secret Asset (Ire)	Clodovil (Ire)	J Chpple-Hym	10-1
15	Sole Power (GB)	Kyllachy (GB)	Lynam	10-1
16	Margot Did (GB)	Exceed and Excel (Aus)	Bell	10-1



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GO-ING FOR FOURTH CONSECUTIVE MILE

Godolphin will be hoping that **African Story (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}) can provide a fitting launch to World Cup night in the G2 Godolphin Mile, and the chestnut is in pole position to make it four straight wins in a row for the 'Boys in Blue.' He enters on the back of a win in the G3 Burj Nahaar, the course-and-distance prep Mar. 10. Trained by Andre Fabre until this term, he looked to be progressing fast when fourth in the G3 Prix du Palais-Royal and second in the G3 Prix de la Porte Maillot over seven furlongs last summer. "African Story loves the surface and has done very well in Dubai this winter," trainer Saeed bin Suroor commented. "I like him a lot and am happy with his condition going into the Godolphin Mile." Heading the all-powerful Mike de Kock offensive is **Viscount Nelson** (Giant's Causeway), who started to live up to his early promise when annexing the Feb. 16 G2 Al Fahidi Fort on turf. Unplaced in both the Mar. 1 G2 Zabeel Mile and G2 Dubai City of Gold when tried over 12 furlongs nine days later, he has questions to answer. **Western Aristocrat** (Mr. Greeley) beat the subsequent GI Breeders' Cup Turf third Brilliant Speed (Dynaformer) in the GI Jamaica H. in October before finishing third in the GI Hollywood Derby. "Western Aristocrat travelled to Dubai well," trainer Jeremy Nosedo commented. "Looking at the race, I've been pleased with the horse at home and feel that he has the form which entitles him to be very competitive."



Godolphin Mile preview cont.

Red Jazz (Johannesburg) warrants respect on the form of his third in the 2010 G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. and success in that year's G2 Challenge S. at Newmarket. Third in this 12 months ago, he has been off since earning a silver medal behind Strong Suit (Rahy) in the G2 Lennox S. at Goodwood in July. "He sustained a nasty injury last summer, however, he has wintered really well and has been going well on the gallops at home," trainer Charlie Hills explained.

Saturday, Meydan Racecourse, post time: 9:11 a.m. EDT

GODOLPHIN MILE-G2, \$1,000,000, NH4yo+&SH 3yo+, 1600m (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Richard's Kid	Lemon Drop Kid	Seemar	Mullen	12-1
2	Barbecue Eddie	Stormy Atlantic	Watson	Dobbs	SCR
3	Sandagiy (Fr)	Dr Fong	bin Suroor	Barzalona	6-1
4	African Story (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	bin Suroor	Dettori	7-2
5	First City (GB)	Diktat (GB)	Al Raihe	Ffrench	20-1
6	Shamalgan (Fr)	Footstepsinthesand (GB)	Nakkachdji	Benoist	20-1
7	Derbaas	Seeking the Gold	Al Raihe	R Hills	10-1
8	Western Aristocrat	Mr Greeley	Nosedad	Moore	6-1
9	Red Jazz	Johannesburg	C Hills	M Hills	20-1
10	Dux Scholar (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Brown	Schofield	30-1
11	Do It All	Distorted Humor	bin Suroor	De Sousa	4-1
12	Snaafy	Kingmambo	Al Muhairi	W Smith	20-1
13	Viscount Nelson	Giant's Causeway	de Kock	K Shea	8-1
14	Haatheq	Seeking the Gold	Al Raihe	T O'Shea	15-1

DERBY TO DERBY? WE'LL SEE

The first winner of the UAE Derby, 2000 hero China Visit (Red Ransom), subsequently made the trip to Churchill for Kentucky's esteemed counterpart, finishing a respectable sixth to Fusaichi Pegasus (Mr. Prospector). The next two winners also sojourned-- Express Tour (Tour d'Or) ran eighth and Essence of Dubai (Pulpit) ran ninth--but since then, only the 2009 winner Regal Ransom (Distorted Humor) has reappeared in the Bluegrass five weeks later (He ran eighth in Mine That Bird's Derby). Whether the 2012 edition yields a Kentucky Derby starter remains to be seen, but it wouldn't be a surprise, given the race's depth.

Now a Group 2, the UAE Derby finds an overflow field of 14 line up. America pins its hopes to Team Valor's **Lucky Chappy (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}), who lost by a flared nostril to subsequent GIII Sunland Derby hero Daddy Nose Best (Scat Daddy) in the GIII El Camino Real S. in his latest at Golden Gate Feb. 18. Canada has a rooting interest in **Maritimer** (Stormy Atlantic), hero of the Coronation Futurity and Display S. at Woodbine last season before being purchased privately by controversial Chechen leader Ramzan Kadyrov. Coolmore's **Wrote (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) makes his first start since winning the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf, and is joined by G2 Royal Lodge S. hero **Daddy Long Legs** (Scat Daddy), 12th in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile attempting dirt in his last. (cont. p10)

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Henny Hughes	29	20	1 1	6	0 0	1	19 22	0 0
Bluegrass Cat	28	19	2 3	6	1 1	2	18 22	0 0
War Front	26	19	5 7	10	2 3	5	16 19	2 3
Silver Train	24	16	2 2	3	0 0	0	15 22	0 0
Rockport Harbor	23	18	0 0	4	0 0	1	15 18	0 0
Congrats	22	16	2 2	4	0 0	0	16 19	0 0
Badge of Silver	21	15	2 3	4	1 2	1	14 18	0 0
Bandini	20	13	2 2	3	0 0	1	13 15	0 0
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UAE Derby preview cont.

Godolphin's Khawlah (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) became the first filly to win the UAE Derby last year, and **Balada Sale (Arg)** (Not For Sale {Arg}) gives the gals a big chance here. A winner of five of six, including the 2011 renewals of the G1 Argentine 1000 Guineas and G1 Argentine Oaks, she is now owned by Katsumi Yoshida. **Falls of Lora (Ire)** (Street Cry {Ire}), another of the fairer sex, won the local G3 UAE Oaks and attempts to give Godolphin the double. From the far outside goes **Helmet (Aus)** (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). The colt is a player if he can bounce back to the form that saw him win the G1 Caulfield Guineas last October.

Saturday, Meydan Racecourse, post time: 10:25 a.m. EDT
UAE DERBY-G2, \$2,000,000, NH&SH 3yo+, 1900mT (AWT)

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Lucky Chappy (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	Motion	Garcia	6-1
2	Burano (Ire)	Dalakhani (Ire)	Meehan	Fallon	20-1
3	Maritimer	Stormy Atlantic	Brown	Schofield	10-1
4	Balada Sale (Arg)	Not For Sale (Arg)	Bary	Lemaire	8-1
5	Genten	Bernardini	Yahagi	Williams	12-1
6	Mickdaam (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	de Kock	Soumillon	8-1
7	Daddy Long Legs	Scat Daddy	O'Brien	O'Donoghue	10-1
8	Yang Tse Kiang (Fr)	Kahyasi (Ire)	Chotard	Jarnet	20-1
9	Kinglet	Kingmambo	Al Zarooni	Dettori	12-1
10	Falls of Lora (Ire)	Street Cry (Ire)	Al Zarooni	Barzalona	12-1
11	Entifaadha (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Haggas	Hills	20-1
12	Red Duke	Hard Spun	Quinn	Queally	20-1
13	Wrote (Ire)	High Chaparral (Ire)	O'Brien	Moore	4-1
14	Helmet (Aus)	Exceed And Excel (Aus)	Snowden	McEvoy	10-1
Reserves:					
15	Mehdi (Ire)	Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)	Meehan	n/a	30-1
16	Surfer	Distorted Humor	Seemar	n/a	30-1
17	Counterglow (Ire)	Echo of Light (GB)	Al Zarooni	n/a	30-1

GOLD CUP ATTRACTS DIVERSE GROUP

This represents another ideal opportunity for the Godolphin squad, with the admirably consistent **Opinion Poll (Ire)** (Halling) looking to hammer home his European superiority in the inaugural running of the two-mile G3 Dubai Gold Cup. Runner-up in the G1 Gold Cup at Royal Ascot in June, he registered wins in the G2 Goodwood Cup and G2 Lonsdale Cup before runner-up placings in the G2 Doncaster Cup and G3 Long Distance Cup. Again second on his seasonal bow behind stable companion **Fox Hunt (Ire)** (Dubawi {Ire}) in the Mar. 1 G3 Nad Al Sheba Trophy over 14 furlongs, he should be helped by the extra distance here. "Opinion Poll needed his first run of the year," trainer Mahmood Al Zarooni commented. "He has improved for that and we're looking forward to him running up to his best. Fox Hunt is a very consistent sort and has performed very well in Dubai this year. He is tough and durable and was at the top of his form when winning earlier this month."

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Joshua Tree (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}), who has won and finished second in the last two renewals of the G1 Canadian International, tries a marathon after three unplaced efforts during this year's carnival, including a latest sixth behind the positively ridden **Mikhail Glinka (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) in the Mar. 10 G2 Dubai City of Gold over 12 furlongs.

Saturday, Meydan Racecourse, 9:45 a.m. EDT

DUBAI GOLD CUP-G3, \$1,000,000, NH4yo+&SH 3yo+, 3200mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ML
1	Makani Bisty (Jpn)	Zenno Rob Roy (Jpn)	Yahagi	Komaki	20-1
2	Barbican (GB)	Hurricane Run (Ire)	Bailey	Moore	20-1
3	Unusual Suspect	Unusual Heat	Kent	Nakatani	6-1
4	Averroes (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	Oertel	Cosgrove	20-1
5	Joshua Tree (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	M Botti	Murtagh	8-1
6	Irish Flame (SAf)	Dynasty (SAf)	de Kock	Shea	20-1
7	Bronze Cannon	Lemon Drop Kid	H Brown	Ulubaev	30-1
8	Mikhail Glinka (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	H Brown	Schofield	8-1
9	Grant Vent (Ire)	Scirocco (Ger)	bin Suroor	Barzalona	20-1
10	Opinion Poll (Ire)	Halling	Al Zarooni	Dettori	3-1
11	Fox Hunt (Ire)	Dubawi (Ire)	Al Zarooni	DeSousa	5-2
12	Zanzamar (SAf)	Fort Wood	de Kock	Hills	20-1
13	Kasbah Bliss (Fr)	Kahyasi (Ire)	Doumen	Mosse	10-1



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FROM DUBAI...
with Marie Kizenko

Lucky Chappy Takes Long Road to Dubai

The \$2-million G2 UAE Derby is one of the deepest events on World Cup night, with a full, competitive field ready to break from the gates. It will also feature a rare U.S.-based runner in the form of **Lucky Chappy (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}). The spunky bay has plenty of frequent flyer miles under his belt already. Bred in Ireland, he made his way to Italy and sold as a yearling at the SGA Sale for €16,000. He developed into a listed winner last season and was acquired by Team Valor, and made his way to Graham Motion in the U.S. Lucky Chappy hasn't actually had his picture taken in the States, but he's been knocking on the door. After finishing second to highly regarded stablemate Howe Great (Hat Trick {Jpn}) in the Kitten's Joy S. on the grass at Gulfstream Jan. 21, he traveled to Golden Gate and missed by a whisker to Daddy Nose Best (Scat Daddy)--subsequent winner of the GIII Sunland Derby--in the GIII El Camino Real Derby on the Tapeta Feb. 18.



Graham Motion
Liesl King/ThoroughbredNews

"He hasn't done too much wrong since his Golden Gate race, and the form has held up pretty well," said Motion. "Daddy Nose Best came back to win a serious Derby prep last weekend, and we were a bit unlucky not to have won at Golden Gate."

With a deep group of sophomores back home, Motion admitted that shipping to Dubai involved some creative thinking.

"Everything in the States now is geared to the Kentucky Derby," he explained. "It's hard to imagine him being a dirt horse--he's by High Chaparral, he certainly looks like a turf horse, and he handles the synthetic very well. Fortunately enough for Team Valor, they have several really nice 3-year-olds pointing to the other preps. So we had an opportunity with this horse to do something different--this is his Derby, his \$2-million race."

Lucky Chappy seems to have handled the trip well, if his exuberant morning gallops are any indication.



Lucky Chappy
Liesl King/ThoroughbredNews

"It's a little bit uninspiring to him watch train in the morning," Motion said drily. "I'm glad he could entertain you. At home, he's used to going out with 10 or 12 horses, so he's quite manageable. It's quite different here. It's very intimidating, the whole facility, I think, for horses that are unfamiliar with it."

Luckily, we've had Royal Delta to train with, which is kind of a mismatch--it's like 'Little and Large,' but it's worked out well for both horses."

Motion had long been planning this journey to Meydan, but, up until a month ago, the main focus had been on getting Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}) to Saturday's main event. However, the 2011 G1 Kentucky Derby winner was sidelined a few weeks ago with a stress fracture.

"It was extremely disappointing," he said. "The horse was doing so well up until three weeks ago. This had been our goal since October. He would have had a very realistic shot: he's a mile-and-a-quarter specialist, and the synthetic is a very good surface for him. The frustration is that he won the Kentucky Derby, and I wanted him to have a chance to prove that wasn't a fluke. He's a really good horse. He's certainly the best horse I've ever trained. To have the opportunity to be one of the favorites in a \$10-million race and then not [be able to run]--that's a tough pill to swallow."

Winning the "Run for the Roses" last May made Motion a household name back home.

"It's definitely life-changing," he confirmed. "In America, it's everyone's holy grail. Being English, it wasn't what I set out to do when I started training, but that doesn't diminish the magnitude once you get there, to win a race of that stature. After you win the Derby, everyone focuses on your horse for the next three or four weeks. It was a bit overwhelming at the time, but a great experience to look back on now."

"It's kind of amusing, really," Motion added, "I think that before people never considered me to be a 'Derby trainer.' I had two disastrous experiences in the race before. People may now expect you to get there again, but it hasn't changed my philosophy about getting there. I want the horse to be good enough to run, and I think that's important."

Animal Kingdom captured Turfway's GIII Vinery Spiral S. on his way to Churchill glory, and Motion is following the same path with Team Valor's Went the Day Well (Proud Citizen), who overcame greenness to take the Spiral last weekend. The colt is expected to make his next start on the first Saturday in May.

"Barry [Irwin] and I talked about it," said Motion. "His initial reaction was that the horse was a little immature, and would possibly benefit from another race, but in analyzing, it I reminded Barry that he had mentioned that to me last year after Animal Kingdom won the race, and that worked out okay. Barry and I decided that he ran such a big race [the other day]. I myself would prefer to go into the Derby with a fresh horse."



I Think It's Going to Be a Long, Long Time

Alfredo Leonardo Arnaldo Crabbia's **Rocket Man (Aus)** (Viscount {Aus}) is back to defend his title in the



Rocket Man

Liesl King/ThoroughbredNews

\$2-million G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen. The 6-year-old has been on the muscle in the mornings, and trainer Patrick Shaw was confident about his charge's chances.

"It's so far, so good with him," said Shaw. "He's very well. The first morning here he was a bit fresh, but he settled in."

The conditioner maintains that the aptly named runner is a pet at the barn.

"He's completely different," said Shaw. "You can walk him around on one rein. But he's a showman--when he's out in the parade ring and sees all the people, then he turns it on."

The Singapore-based runner defeated the Bob Baffert-trained Euroears (Langfuhr) 12 months ago, and faces another speedster from that stable in the form of The Factor (War Front).

"It's a very tough race," Shaw acknowledged. "Bob's horse obviously seems like a very nice horse, and he's got stamina, which helps on this track. Of course, Bob learned a lot from last year. Sepoy (Arg) (Elusive Quality), too, looks very good, and he's young."

Though Rocket Man handled the Meydan Tapeta perfectly in 2011, Shaw confirmed that the footing isn't exactly the same this time around.

"The surface seems a bit stickier," Shaw said. "I've been speaking to Felix [Coetzee] and to other jockeys. But that could be from the heat, because our Polytrack is the same way at home. I think last year it was a lot cooler, and when it's cooler, you don't get that amount of wax buildup, and that's what makes it stickier."

Purchased for just A\$60,000 at Magic Millions National Select Yearling Sale in 2007, Rocket Man has bankrolled over \$4.3 million to date, and has shown no signs of stopping.

"As long as his legs stay sound and he's well, then we'll keep him around," Shaw said. --MK

Did You Know? *When Rocket Man won the 2011 Golden Shaheen, he broke the streak of 12 straight victories by U.S.-bred runners in the prestigious sprint.*

Strength in Numbers

A year ago, Aidan O'Brien saddled a pair of runners on World Cup night, with Master of Hounds (Kingmambo) running a gallant second in the G2 UAE Derby, and Cape Blanco (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}) beaten just a length when fourth in the G1 Dubai World Cup itself. Flash forward 12 months, and a strong sextet from Ballydoyle is expected to make its presence felt tonight.

So You Think (NZ) (High Chaparral {Ire}) will take his place in the World Cup, while **Await the Dawn** (Giant's Causeway) will tackle the G1 Dubai Duty Free. **St Nicholas Abbey (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) and **Treasure Beach (GB)** (Galileo {Ire}) are a formidable pair in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, and **Wrote (Ire)** (High Chaparral {Ire}) and **Daddy Long Legs** (Scat Daddy) are another strong duo for the UAE Derby. All six are having their first run of the year, with St Nicholas Abbey and Wrote coming off Breeders' Cup victories in the Turf and Juvenile Turf, respectively.

"We decided earlier this year that if the horses were well and forward enough to run, that we would let them take their chance," trainer Aidan O'Brien said via email. "It's very early in the season for us, but we think they are in good form, and we hope they will run well. Meydan is a fantastic, world-class track. We were very impressed with it last year and we were happy with the way our horses handled it. The facilities here are excellent, and our horses have settled in nicely since they arrived."

Both Wrote and Daddy Long Legs have been nominated to the Triple Crown, and there's a chance that one or both may end up in the U.S. later this spring.

"They both hold entries in the Kentucky Derby, so it's a possibility at this stage," O'Brien added. "We'll see how they get on at Meydan first, and then make a decision closer to the time. Last year, Master of Hounds ran a good fifth in the Kentucky Derby after a second-place finish in the UAE Derby, so it's definitely an option."

Master of Hounds was subsequently sold to Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa Al Maktoum and turned over to trainer Mike de Kock, for whom he captured the G1 Jebel Hatta on the Meydan turf Mar. 10. He'll take on former stablemate So You Think in the World Cup. So You Think, a two-time G1 Cox Plate hero, captured the G1 Coral Eclipse S. and G1 Irish Champion S. in 2011, and a victory tonight would be a feather in his cap.

"The World Cup looks like a pretty strong race, so, at the moment, we're just focusing on Saturday," O'Brien summed up. "So You Think has a huge following in Australia and New Zealand. Obviously, while no decision has been made, he could possibly go to stud for the Southern Hemisphere season later in the year."



So You Think leads the Ballydoyle string

Andrew Watkins/DRC photo



Union Rags Vs. El Padrino in Fla Derby (cont. from p1)

One horse that did not make the Breeders' Cup last year was El Padrino. A close-up third in the GII Remsen S. in late November off a maiden win, the colt raised eyebrows with a two-length win in a sealed-track optional claiming win at Gulfstream Jan. 29, then lived up to his 4-5 favoritism when nosing out Mark Valeski (Proud Citizen) in the GII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds Feb. 25. Many expected connections--owner Let's Go Stable and trainer Todd Pletcher--to chose a return trip to New Orleans for tomorrow's GII Louisiana Derby, but they chose to stay close to home. "We certainly could have gone other places where it probably would have been a little easier, but we felt it was more a case of managing our horse the way we want to, as opposed to handicapping the race," said Pletcher. "It's a daunting task running against Union Rags, who looked awesome the other day, but we feel like the Florida Derby is the right spot for our horse. It takes out the shipping factor and things like that, but [also] the Florida Derby is a significant race--a Grade I with a big purse." Pletcher said he was also encouraged by El Padrino's Risen Star effort. "He certainly showed he's willing to fight," Pletcher said. "He ran down a nice horse that got the lead off comfortable fractions, and had the advantage of being at home, so it was a gutsy effort." **Take Charge Indy** (A.P. Indy), fifth in the Juvenile last year, makes his first start since running second to El Padrino in that aforementioned optional claimer. "He's doing good," said trainer Pat Byrne. "He still has to step up, and I think we'll find out a lot more after this race. Each race is a small step in the learning process."

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🌟 **Watch Out for "TDN Rising Stars"** 🌟

Stars of tomorrow grabbing the spotlight today...

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:40 p.m. EDT				
FLORIDA DERBY-GI, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 1/8m				
PP HORSE	OWNER	BREEDER	TRAINER/JOCKEY	ML
1 Fort Loudon <i>(c, Awesome of Course--Lottsia Talc, by Talc)</i>	Jacks or Better Farm Inc	Jacks or Better Farm Inc-FL	Gold Jurado	20-1
2 News Pending Ⓜ <i>(c, Harlan's Holiday--Motivated Sreva, by Lear Fan)</i>	Klaravich Stables Inc & W Lawrence	Jayde Inc-KY	Romans Maragh	8-1
3 Take Charge Indy Ⓜ <i>(c, A.P. Indy--Take Charge Lady, by Dehere)</i>	Charles & Maribeth Sandford LLC	Eaton Sales-KY	Byrne Borel	5-1
4 Neck 'n Neck <i>(c, Flower Alley--Bootery, by Storm Boot)</i>	A Stevens Miles Jr	A Stevens Miles Jr-KY	Wilkes Prado	20-1
5 Z Camelot Ⓜ <i>(c, Smart Strike--Madame Thor, by Deputy Minister)</i>	Zayat Stables LLC	Gainesway T'breds Ltd & Corinthian Mares-KY	Romans Bravo	50-1
6 Union Rags <i>(c, Dixie Union--Tempo, by Gone West)</i>	Chadds Ford Stable	Phyllis M Wyeth-KY	Matz Leparoux	6-5
7 Bartolome Ⓜ <i>(c, Toccet--Competition, by Dixie Union)</i>	ARS Racing Stable	Robert B Tillyer & Martin J Keogh-KY	Garoffalo Castanon	30-1
8 El Padrino Ⓜ <i>(c, Pulpit--Enchanted Rock, by Giant's Causeway)</i>	Lets Go Stable	Emory A Hamilton-KY	Pletcher Castellano	2-1
9 Reveron Ⓜ <i>(c, Songandaprayer--Carolina Sunrise, by Awesome Again)</i>	Stipa Racing Stable Inc	Cabotaba Partnership-KY	Bezara Trujillo	12-1

All carry 122 pounds.



BLACK-TYPE PREVIEWS

'MOON' COULD MAKE STATEMENT IN OAKS

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ **Eden Moon** (Malibu Moon) faces only four others in today's 1 1/16-mile GI Santa Anita Oaks, but a big effort by the Kaleem Shah-owned miss could help solidify her status as one of the nation's best 3-year-old fillies. A \$390,000 FTFMAY juvenile, the bay ran second to **Reneesgotzip** (City Zip) on debut in a six-furlong maiden special at Hollywood Dec. 18, then dominated by 11 1/2 lengths when making her route and conventional dirt debut in a one-mile Santa Anita event Jan. 8. She took her revenge on Reneesgotzip making the big step up in her latest, the one-mile GI Las Virgenes S. Mar. 3, leading every step and beating that foe by 3 1/4 lengths. Reneesgotzip followed her maiden victory with a 7 3/4-length score in the GII Santa Ynez S. over 6 1/2 furlongs at Santa Anita Jan. 15, and tries to show she's not just a sprint specialist. **Willa B Awesome** (Awesome Gambler) won the 1 1/16-mile GIII Santa Ysabel S. at Santa Anita Jan. 24 before a non-threatening fourth in the Las Virgenes.

Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:03p.m. EDT

SANTA ANITA OAKS-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16 mile

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Eden's Moon	Malibu Moon	Garcia	Baffert	3-5
2 Reneesgotzip	City Zip	Gomez	Miller	6-5
3 Willa B Awesome	Awesome Gambler	Pedroza	Solis	8-1
4 Bella's Fantasy (K)	Hard Spun	Smith	Baffert	15-1
5 Conjure the Spirit (K)	Lawyer Ron	Rosario	Barba	15-1

SUMMER APPLAUSE READY FOR ENCORE

Summer Applause (Harlan's Holiday) rebounded from a runner-up effort to **Believe You Can** (Proud Citizen) in the Jan. 21 Silverbulletday S. with a resounding victory in the Feb. 25 GIII Rachel Alexandra S. and will look to double up in today's GII Fair Grounds Oaks. **Small Kitchen** (Corinthian), tabbed a ★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ after a front-running 7 1/4-length triumph in a Mar. 4 allowance. The Gainesway homebred is now two-for-two in her career, with both wins coming over six furlongs of the Fair Grounds oval, and stretches out for her stakes debut. Brereton Jones's Believe You Can, winner of last year's Tempted S., returned from her win in the Silverbulletday with a fourth-place effort as the favorite in the Rachel Alexandra. She drilled for this effort with a bullet five-furlong work in 1:00 2/5 Mar. 26.

Saturday, Fair Grounds, post time: 5:58 p.m. EDT

FAIR GROUNDS OAKS-GII, \$500,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Believe You Can (K)	Proud Citizen	Napravnik	Jones	3-1
2 Inny Minnie (K)	Hard Spun	Bridgmohan	Margolis	4-1
3 Colonial Empress (K)	Empire Maker	Lanerie	Lukas	20-1
4 Summer Applause	Harlan's Holiday	Albarado	Calhoun	8-5
5 Disposablepleasure	Giacomo	Graham	Pletcher	5-1
6 Small Kitchen	Corinthian	Dominguez	Maker	9-2

GRACE HALL LOOKS TO MAKE AMENDS

Grace Hall (Empire Maker) came up a neck short in the GII Davona Dale S. at Gulfstream Feb. 25 in her 2012 unveiling, disappointing the backers who sent her off at 4-5. Last year's GI Spinaway S. heroine and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies runner-up will get a chance to regain their trust in today's GII Gulfstream Park Oaks, where she re-opposes the filly who upset her that day at 64-1, the Florida-bred **Yara** (Put It Back). "She has trained really well since the Davona Dale," said trainer Anthony Dutrow. "We have her right where we want her to be for the Oaks. The only disappointment [in losing the Davona Dale] was she was a big favorite and she lost to a longshot. In the big picture, winning was the only thing she didn't do, but that race was not the main objective. I think she ran great." Yara, meanwhile, attempts to show her upset was no fluke. Previously, she had won the Joe O'Farrell Juvenile Fillies S. for state-breds at Calder in November before a well-beaten fourth in a sloppy renewal of the GII Forward Gal S. at Gulfstream Jan. 29. Her trainer, Jose Garaffalo, thinks she might actually move forward off the Davona Dale. "She worked good last Saturday [five furlongs in 1:02 at Calder] and will be much better for this race than she was for the last one," said the Venezuelan-born conditioner, who was scoring his first graded stakes victory in the U.S. with Yara. "She will like the extra half-furlong and the likely slower pace this time going a mile and an eighth." **Zo Impressive** (Hard Spun) has lived up to her name in her first two starts. She won off by 6 1/4 lengths on debut going six panels on this track Jan. 22, and aired by 4 1/2 lengths stretching to a mile Feb. 26 over GIII Bourbonette Oaks In Lingerie (Empire Maker). She now goes two turns for the first time for trainer Tom Albertrani.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 5:03 p.m. EDT

GULFSTREAM PARK OAKS-GII, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/8m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Yara	Put It Back	Castanon	Garaffalo	6-1
2 Zo Impressive	Hard Spun	Maragh	Albertrani	3-1
3 Hearts of Red (K)	Lion Heart	Prado	Nicks	10-1
4 Captivating Lass	A.P. Indy	Velazquez	McLghlin	6-1
5 Grace Hall (K)	Empire Maker	Castellano	Dutrow	2-1
6 The Cat's All That (K)	Discreet Cat	Trujillo	Peery	12-1
7 And Why Not	Street Cry (Ire)	Leparoux	Matz	4-1
8 Emma's Encore (K)	Congrats	Bravo	A Jerkens	20-1

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A 'BRILLIANT' SEASONAL BOW IN APPLETON

Live Oak homebred **Brilliant Speed** (Dynaformer) gets back to work in the GIII Appleton S. going a mile over Gulfstream's sod today. The dark bay, trained by Tom Albertrani, booked his ticket to last year's GI Kentucky Derby with a 19-1 upset of the GI Toyota Blue Grass. A solid seventh in the Derby and then third to Ruler On Ice (Roman Ruler) in the GI Belmont S. five weeks later, he returned to the grass for his final 2011 starts. After a smart daylight win in the GIII Saranac S. at Saratoga in September, he ran second in the nine-furlong GI Jamaica H. at Belmont in October and concluded his year with a strong third in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf at Churchill in November. "He's been training very well," Albertrani said. "If you remember him from last year, he was always a little light framed. He's matured and more muscled up as an older horse. He's been training very forwardly."

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 3:55 p.m. EDT

APPLETON S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Monument Hill	Royal Academy	Maragh	Weaver	7-2
2	Corporate Jungle	Giant's Causeway	Castellano	Brown	4-1
3	Street Game	Street Cry (Ire)	Curatolo	Serpe	6-1
4	Brilliant Speed	Dynaformer	Velazquez	Albertrani	5-2
5	El Commodore	El Prado (Ire)	D Coa	Griffith	10-1
6	Decisive Moment	With Distinction	Madrid	Arias	15-1
7	Beau Choix	Elusive Quality	Prado	Tagg	8-1
8	Trend	Sligo Bay (Ire)	Leparoux	Frostad	5-1

AWESOME MARIA BACK IN RAMPART

Robsham Stable homebred **Awesome Maria** (Maria's Mon) saw her 2011 season interrupted by injury, but the Todd Pletcher-trained mare came roaring back to relevance with a sparkling eight-length win over champion Royal Delta (Empire Maker) in the GIII Sabin S. at Gulfstream Feb. 25. She won the Sabin last year, too, before adding the GIII Rampart S. in Hallandale, and now she attempts to defend the her dual title in this afternoon's Rampart. "Her first start back was encouraging; she certainly hasn't lost a step," Pletcher said of the 5-year-old, who is riding a five-race winning skein. "We were really pleased with that effort. She was coming off a long layoff. She might even improve for the Rampart." The Sabin was Awesome Maria's first start since winning the GII Shuvee S. and GI Ogden Phipps H. at Belmont last May and June, respectively. She suffered a condylar fracture at Saratoga in July.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 1:26 p.m. EDT

RAMPART S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Beloveda	Ghostzapper	Castellano	Wolfson	3-1
2	Go Unbridled	Unbridled Jet	Leparoux	A Jerkens	12-1
3	Lacie Slew	Mineshaft	Rocco Jr	Walder	6-1
4	Canadian Mistress	Canadian Frontier	Trujillo	Wolfson	8-1
5	Awesome Maria	Maria's Mon	Velazquez	Pletcher	3-5
6	My Pal Chrissy	Alex's Pal	Panici	Lutchman	15-1

AQSSAM GETS FIRST STAKES TEST IN ORCHID

"TDN Rising Star" **Aqsaam** (Dynaformer) makes her stakes debut in today's grassy GIII Orchid S. over 12 furlongs at Gulfstream. In her belated career debut, the Shadwell-owned, Kieran McLaughlin-trained 4-year-old closed from well back to win a seven-furlong off-the-turf maiden in the Saratoga slop last September. She earned her Rising Star badge with a rallying score in her turf and route bow going a mile at Gulfstream Jan. 8 before a re-rallying tally in a 1 7/16-mile optional claimer Jan. 28. "It's a step up obviously from an allowance race to a graded stakes, but we know she can get the distance," said McLaughlin, who added of race tactics, "We'd prefer to keep her covered up and not have her on the lead like she was the last time. Hopefully, we can keep her covered up and have her run like she did the first two times." Yardsticks don't come much more reliable than **Keertana** (Johar), who hasn't missed the board since October of 2010. The 6-year-old, runner-up in the 1 3/8-mile GIII The Very One S. here Feb. 25, is two-for-two at today's 1 1/2-mile distance.

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 1:26 p.m. EDT

ORCHID S.-GIII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Zapparation	Ghostzapper	Trujillo	Romans	8-1
2	Aqsaam	Dynaformer	Maragh	McLghlin	4-1
3	Clarinet	Giant's Causeway	Velazquez	Motion	20-1
4	Woodford Belle	Arch	Castanon	Nihe	12-1
5	Shimmering Moment	Afleet Alex	Rocco Jr	Abbott	6-1
6	Happy Clapper	Awesome Again	Saez	Wolfson	15-1
7	Senada	Pulpit	Prado	Tagg	8-1
8	Hit It Rich	Smart Strike	Castellano	McGghy	3-1
9	Keertana	Johar	Leparoux	Proctor	5-2

Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 2:23 p.m. EDT

SKIP AWAY S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1	Where's Sterling	Northern Afleet	Rocco Jr	Canani	5-2
2	Uptowncharlybrown	Limehouse	Trujillo	Coletti	12-1
3	Numb Lips	Olmodavor	Jurado	Bezara	20-1
4	Alma d'Oro	Medaglia d'Oro	Castellano	Pletcher	3-1
5	Praetereo	Giant's Causeway	Prado	Domino	10-1
6	Dixie Emperor	Purge	Saez	Wolfson	12-1
7	Fort Larned	E Dubai	Leparoux	Wilkes	6-1
8	Self Control	Lemon Drop Kid	Bravo	Brown	4-1
9	Malibu Glow	Malibu Moon	Velazquez	Weaver	8-1

Sunday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX EDMOND BLANC-G3, 80,000, 4yo/up, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	2	Zinabaa (Fr)	Anabaa Blue (GB)	Letondeur	Mace	126
2	7	Moonwalk in Paris (Fr)	Oratorio (Ire)	Soumillon	Rouget	123
3	5	No Risk at All (Fr)	My Risk (Fr)	Masure	Gallorini	123
4	3	Quentindemontargis (Fr)	Enrique (GB)	Ruis	C Boutin	123
5	6	Celebrissime (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	Peslier	Head	123
6	4	Sandy's Charm (Fr)	Ftspsinthesnd (GB)	Bertras	Rohaut	122
7	1	Evaporation (Fr)	Red Ransom	Prat	Lffn-Pras	120



NEWS TODAY

JOCKEY CLUB UPDATES RULES, CALLS FOR STRICTER PENALTIES

With the racing industry under fire recently for permissive medication rules and lax penalties for violators, The Jockey Club announced Friday updates to the Reformed Racing Medication Rules that includes "a new categorization of medications, more clearly defined regulatory limits and dramatically remodeled penalties," and reiterated its call for the sport to eliminate race-day medication. The organization doesn't have the authority to implement the rules, but hopes to encourage racing jurisdictions to do so "in order to improve the integrity of the sport and enhance the safety of its athletes."

Officials at The Jockey Club said the updates to the Reformed Racing Medication Rules, originally announced by The Jockey Club Thoroughbred Safety Committee during the Round Table Conference in Saratoga last August, were in the works and not in direct response to a recent *New York Times* article that blasted the sport for policies it said mortally endangered horses and jockeys.

"We have been refining this document since [August], and the result is a dramatically streamlined set of regulations that is on par with international standards," said James L. Gagliano, president and chief operating officer of The Jockey Club. "It creates a new enforcement scheme with far stiffer penalties and deterrents for repeat offenders. We look forward to continuing our collaboration with industry organizations and national, state and local regulatory agencies to see these rules adopted."

The updated rules feature two main areas of change. First, the list of controlled therapeutic medications has been pared down, and second, The Jockey Club has suggested a points-based cumulative penalty system to deal with repeat offenders. Fines, disqualifications and even lifetime suspensions would be possible "for those persistently operating outside regulatory limits."

The Jockey Club said it devised the Reformed Racing Medication Rules in consultation and collaboration with representatives of the Racing Medication & Testing Consortium, the Association of Racing Commissioners International and the International Federations of Horseracing Authorities.

Among the main tenets of the Reformed Racing Medication Rules:

- Horses should be allowed to compete only when free from the influences of medication
- Medications permitted in the race horse are subjected to stricter regulatory thresholds with increased recommended withdrawal times
- Furosemide is currently prohibited although this may be effected through a transitional process

- Only RMTC-accredited laboratories are permitted to test samples, with results available to the public
- Medication violations result in points that accumulate to trigger stronger sanctions for repeat violations; up to lifetime suspensions
- Medication histories for all horses available for review
- Contact with a horse within 24 hours of post time of the race shall be subject to surveillance; certain regulations and track ship-in policies may be subject to adjustment
- Reciprocal enforcement of uniform mandatory rest periods among racing regulatory authorities for horses with symptoms of exercise induced pulmonary hemorrhage
- Expansion of regulatory authority to include all jurisdictions where official "workouts" are conducted
- Administration and withdrawal guidelines are published for all approved therapeutic medication subject to regulatory control
- Best practices for improved security and monitoring of "in today" horses are provided for guidance to racing associations

"As we have said many times before, The Jockey Club believes that the overuse of medication endangers our human and equine athletes, threatens the integrity of our sport and erodes consumer confidence in our game," Gagliano said. "Horses should compete only when they are free from the influence of medication, and these reformed rules represent a giant step toward achieving that goal."

Craig Fravel, president and chief executive officer of Breeders' Cup Limited, said, "Safety and integrity are values that are paramount to the viability of Thoroughbred racing. We must dedicate our efforts to adopting uniform national rules that ensure a level playing field and that ensure those who do not wish to abide by those rules can no longer compete against those who do."

Dan Metzger, the president of the Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Association, added, "The Reformed Racing Medication Rules provide a reasonable and common sense approach to achieve uniformity and impose severe penalties on those who repeatedly violate rules. Adoption of these revised rules will provide our industry with necessary, responsible and positive reform." **To view the new updated Reformed Racing Medication Rules, click [here](#).**

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AUSTRALIAN RACING INDUSTRY HAILS HIGH COURT DECISION

The High Court in the Australian capital of Canberra ruled Friday that there is no constitutional conflict in Racing New South Wales's collecting a 1.5% tax on turnover from bookmakers Sportsbet and the betting exchange Betfair in exchange for their use of raceday information. The ruling means that the over A\$120 million that Racing NSW collected in fees from the companies since July 2008 will be released, with an increase in prize money the immediate objective. In the works is a A\$150 million redevelopment of Randwick Racecourse and A\$24 million worth of upgrades at Rosehill. "The result is not just a victory for Racing NSW, but a victory for the 50,000 participants in Thoroughbred racing in New South Wales whose hard work puts on the fantastic show which is Thoroughbred racing," commented Peter V'landys, chief executive of Racing NSW. "Racing NSW can now utilize the fees collected for the benefit of all those participants." Added John Messara, chairman of Racing NSW, "After four years of uncertainty, the High Court's dismissal of the appeals by Sportsbet and Betfair unlocks immediate and future funding that will flow directly to the people who work and invest in NSW racing. But today is only the beginning for New South Wales, as we set our sights on becoming a leading jurisdiction in world racing. There is much to be done to improve the viability of our participants and to assist race clubs with track and infrastructure improvements, especially in country areas." The betting operators argued that the 1.5% charge was in violation of the constitution and instead advocated for a 10% share of gross profits, similar to the model which exists in the states of Victoria and Queensland. "We're obviously disappointed with the decision," stated Betfair Australasia CEO Giles Thompson. "We maintain our belief that a gross-revenue model is the fairest basis on which to tax wagering operators. However the High Court has made its decision, and when the dust settles, we hope to sit down with the NSW racing bodies and endeavour to reach a commercially viable arrangement for the future. This finding essentially means that it is six-times more expensive for Betfair to offer New South Wales racing to customers compared to offering racing from any other state in Australia. A turnover fee will place extreme pressure on our ability to continue to offer our customers what we believe is the best product in the market." Racing Victoria Chief Executive Rob Hines also lauded the decision, and indicated that the body would pursue a similar course as Racing NSW when current agreements expire this coming August. "A report will now be provided to the Racing Victoria Board that will determine the structure and timing of any changes to our product fee regime," Hines commented. Under the current gross-revenue structure in the state, RV expects to bring in A\$53 million in race field fees. Under the 1.5% of turnover model, that number would be A\$54 million.



WOOD HOPEFULS WORK

Gill Withers S. winner **Alpha** (Bernardini) worked a half-mile at Palm Meadows yesterday in :49.17 before boarding a plane for New York ahead of the Apr. 7 GI Resorts World Casino New York City Wood Memorial. "He breezed great, galloped out in 1:02 3/5," reported trainer Kieran McLaughlin. "It was just what we were looking for, and he hopped right on the plane."



Alpha
A Coglianese

Also working for the Wood, **My Adonis** (Pleasantly Perfect), runner-up in the Gill Gotham S.

and Gill Holy Bull S., shipped in from Belmont to Aqueduct for a four-furlong drill in a bullet :47.12. "The horse worked great, and he came out of it great," trainer Kelly Breen said by phone from Florida. "He'll tell us his story in the Wood. If he jumps up and runs a big race, I wouldn't be surprised."

I'LL HAVE ANOTHER WORKS FOR SA DERBY

J. Paul Reddam's **I'll Have Another** (Flower Alley), coming off a 2 3/4-length victory in the Feb. 4 Gill Robert B. Lewis S., tuned up for the Apr. 7 GI Santa Anita Derby with a seven-furlong work at Hollywood Park in 1:26. "It was exactly what we wanted," reported trainer Doug O'Neill. "He galloped out a mile in 1:39 and change and cooled out fine. We're excited about running next Saturday." Also prepping for the Santa Anita Derby, San Pedro S. winner **Midnight Transfer** (Hard Spun) worked a bullet six furlongs in 1:11.80 at Santa Anita. Mike Smith was aboard for trainer Carla Gaines. Midnight Transfer is coming off a third-place effort behind Creative Cause (Giant's Causeway) in the Mar. 10 Gill San Felipe S.

NAJJAAR PREPS FOR ARKANSAS DERBY

Shadwell Stable's **Najjaar** (Jazil), coming off a sixth-place effort in the Mar. 17 Gill Rebel S., worked five furlongs at Oaklawn yesterday in 1:01 3/5 in preparation for the GI Arkansas Derby. Calvin Borel was aboard for the drill. "I told Calvin I was looking for about 1:01 with about :37 in the first part and come home in :24 for the second part," explained trainer Danny Peitz. "He didn't quite hit those, but close enough and he galloped out really strong. You always like to see that. So pretty much it was exactly what we asked for."



Classic Corner

Watch Running Out of Time...

Trainer Richard Hannon yesterday all but ruled **Harbour Watch (Ire)** (Acclamation {GB}) out of the May 5 G1 Qipco 2000 Guineas, rating the unbeaten colt as “unlikely” to make the Newmarket Classic. Having suffered a recent setback as he was being brought back from injury, Qatar Bloodstock and Robin Geffen’s G2 Richmond S. winner still has the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas on his agenda three weeks after the English Classic. “We have never made any secret of the fact that Harbour Watch faced a race against time to make Newmarket, and, following his most recent setback, you would have to say that it is unlikely that he will make it,” Hannon explained. “One thing is certain-- Harbour Watch won’t be running anywhere until we are happy that he is 100%. He is a very valuable racehorse and the Irish 2000 Guineas and the G1 St James’s Palace S. at Royal Ascot are both possibles, but we are no making no concrete plans until he is right again.”

RACETRACK ROUND-UP

Frankel Set for Newbury Spin...

Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) looks set to emerge from winter quarters for a racecourse gallop at Newbury next month, trainer Henry Cecil revealed yesterday. The Warren Place conditioner is looking at the Berkshire venue’s Greenham S. meeting Apr. 20-21 for the public workout ahead of the Juddmonte star’s first run of 2012 in the May 19 G1 Lockinge S. “I shall ask permission to work him, probably at Newbury at the Spring meeting,” Cecil said. “I’ll take him down there for the night--it will do him good, then he’ll have a racecourse gallop to give him an excuse to have a quiet week after that. He has wintered very well--he’s grown a bit and he’s strengthened a lot. He seems to have grown up mentally, which will help me a lot more.”

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DREAM OF SUMMER, 13, Siberian Summer--Mary’s Dream, by Skywalker
Foal born Mar. 28, a filly by Eskendereya.
Will be bred back to Giant’s Causeway.
Owned by James C Weigel.
Boarded at Taylor Made.
Accomplishments: MGISW of \$1,191,150. Dam of Creative Cause (Giant’s Causeway), GISW, \$719,000.

SATULAGI, 8, Officer--Shawgatny,
by Danzig Connection
Foal born Mar. 5, a filly by Fastnet Rock (Aus).
Owned by/boarded at Parrish Hill Farm, KY.
Accomplishments: SW & GSP-GB.

BONNIE BLUE FLAG, 5, Mineshaft--Tap Your Feet, by Dixieland Band
Foal born Mar. 7, a colt by Medaglia d’Oro.
Will be bred back to Distorted Humor.
Owned by Aaron and Marie Jones.
Boarded at Taylor Made.
Accomplishments: SW & MGISP, \$259,270.



Dream of Summer and her Eskendereya filly, a 3/4 sister to Kentucky Derby hopeful Creative Cause
Taylor Made/Laura Donnell

FLORIDA

Yesterday's Results:

7th-GPX, \$54,600, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW3&X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:35 4/5, fm.

1--PINCH PIE, 119, f, 4, Victory Gallop--Romp and Stomp, by Olympio. (\$65,000 yrl '09 KEESEP).

O-Michael Dubb, Bethlehem Stables LLC & Stuart Grant; B-Runnymede Farm Inc & Catesby W Clay Investment LLC (KY); T-Anthony W Dutrow. Lifetime Record: SW & GISP, 11-4-1-2, \$193,939. *Full to Rogue Victory, SP, \$251,724; and 3/4 to One In A Romp (Cryptoclearance), SP, \$220,497

2--Gitchee Goomie, 119, m, 5, City Zip--Riotous Miss, by Brief Ruckus.

3--Sassy's Dream, 119, f, 4, Flower Alley--Model Performer, by Theatrical (Ire). (\$45,000 wlng '08 KEENOV; \$50,000 yrl '09 KEESEP).

Margins: 3/4, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.90, 2.00, 14.90.

Pinch Pie entered last summer's GI Alabama S. at Saratoga off a win in Monmouth's grassy Desert Vixen S., and held her own to be third behind subsequent champion Royal Delta (Empire Maker) and MGISW It's Tricky (Mineshaft) at more than triple the price of the next-longest shot of six. She returned to the sod to be seventh in the GI Garden City S. at Belmont in September, and completed 2011 with a fifth-place effort in the GIII Valley View S. at Keeneland in October. Steadied along the rail early as she stalked from third, the public's narrow choice swung four wide at the top of the home bend. She took a few strides to get going, but leveled off in midstretch to seize command, holding off a late bid from fellow GISP miss Gitchee Goomie. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

9th-GPX, \$51,750, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 5fT, :55, fm.

SWEET CAT (f, 3, [Kitten's Joy](#)--Claire's Smile, by Carson City), a \$95,000 KEESEP yearling, broke her maiden in a turf sprint second out at the Spa last September while owned by her trainer. Subsequently scooped up by Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners, but kept in the capable hands of Todd Pletcher, the dark bay ran second in the 8 1/2-furlong GIII Jessamine S. at Keeneland behind Somali Lemonade (Lemon Drop Kid). She finished off her juvenile campaign with a third-place run behind paternal sibling Stephanie's Kitten (Kitten's Joy) and stablemate Stopshoppingmaria (More Than Ready) in the GII Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf under the Twin Spires Nov. 4. Looking to atone for a fifth-place return effort routing here at 1-2 Feb. 26, Sweet Cat remained in the public's good graces and was backed down to 6-5. She chased recent Madcap Escapade S. winner Serena's Dance (Werblin) through hot splits of :21.59 and :43.44, wrestled the lead from that foe at the sixteenth pole and increased the gap between herself and the pacesetter to two lengths under the wire. The winner is a half-sister to Loose Leaf (Notebook), SW, \$231,770. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 6-2-2-1, \$198,825. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Eclipse Thoroughbred Partners. B-Runnymede Farm Inc & Catesby W Clay (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

7th-TAM, \$20,500, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m40y (off turf), 1:42 2/5, ft.

ZAHRAH (f, 3, [Kitten's Joy](#)--Word o' Ransom {MSW, \$115,550}, by Red Ransom), a \$12,000 KEESEP yearling, had been off the board in two turf tries here in December and January, and was let go at 13-1 in this forced switch to the main track. Traveling in the second flight behind a free-wheeling leader, Zahrah seemed to be dropping out of it entering the turn for home, but she soon kicked it into another gear to blow by her rivals and open up a clear advantage entering the straight. The dark bay reported home a six-length victoress at the wire from Magnifica (Mizzen Mast). The winner is a half to Witten (Fusaichi Pegasus), SW-Fr; Captive Melody (Unbridled's Song), SW, \$117,117; and Polonius (Broken Vow), GSW, \$173,231. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$13,840. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#) O-Ryan Hanigan. B-Mr & Mrs Samuel H Rogers Jr (FL). T-Eric R Reed.

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7th-GP (Alw) Pinch Pie (Victory Gallop) tops exacta of GISP runners.

9th-GP (Alw) Sweet Cat (Kitten's Joy) obliges on the turnback.

8th-OP (Msw) Runaway Chase (Victory Gallop) graduates in a strangely run race.

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Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 12:58 p.m. EDT

SIR SHACKLETON S., \$70,000, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	ML
1 Brethren	Distorted Humor	Castellano	Pletcher	8-1
2 Dixie Slam	Grand Slam	Madrid	Cioffi	20-1
3 Zero Rate Policy	Trippi	Trujillo	Pompay	6-1
4a Soaring Stocks	Trippi	Velazquez	Pletcher	5-2
5 Action Andy	Gators N Bears	D Coa	Garcia	5-1
6 Will's Wildcat	Eurosilver	Leparoux	Baker	4-1
7 Nathan's H Q	Yonaguska	Maragh	Farro	12-1
8 Jersey Town	Speightstown	Prado	Tagg	3-1
9a Travelin Man	Trippi	Velazquez	Pletcher	5-2

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

3:25 HRTV 7th-GPX, \$57K, Msw, 3yo, 7f

Mill House's **EZ EFFORT (In Excess {Ire})** makes his first start for the Todd Pletcher barn. The Arizona-bred colt was acquired privately after a strong runner-up effort facing Cal-sired horses in his debut at Santa Anita Jan. 7 for trainer Kory Owens. There are all kinds of well-bred firsters opposing. Darley homebred **Present Course (Bernardini)** is a three-parts sibling to MGSW Telling (A.P. Indy), while **Street Thug (Street Sense)**, purchased by Eric Fein for \$400K at FTFEB, is a half to GSW Richwoman (Successful Appeal). John Gunther's homebred **Bocelli (Mr. Greeley)** is a half to GI Travers S. hero Stay Thirsty (Bernardini) and GI Belmont runner-up Andromeda's Hero (Fusaichi Pegasus), and breaks to the outside of **North Ocean (Street Cry {Ire})**, a son of champ Beautiful Pleasure (Maudlin). Trainer Nick Zito's **Spin Out (Hard Spun)** gets another crack after running fourth and then second in his first two starts. [Brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) PPs

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8th-OPX, \$51,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.

RUNAWAY CHASE (c, 4, Victory Gallop--Jilted, by Runaway Groom), a half to the precocious Run Away and Hide (City Zip), MGSW, \$224,684, got an educational debut when fifth here Mar. 2, and was given a 3-1 chance to earn his diploma this time. Into the race early, the grey tracked from the pocket behind splits of :23.19, :46.24 and 1:12.04. Shut off while attempting to tip out for his stretch run, Runaway Chase regained his composure and continued to plug along for what looked like second behind 3-5 shot Last Gunfighter (First Samurai). The leader sharply and inexplicably veered out with a furlong remaining, however, and Runaway Chase inherited the victory, but not without an impressive rebuttal from the erratic favorite to cut the winning margin to just a neck. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$31,980. Click for the [brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) chart or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](http://www.brisnet.com)

O-R Kirk, M Riordan, D Scanlon, G McDonald & Joint Ventures. B-Ron Kirk, Joint Ventures & Michael Riordan (KY). T-Donnie K Von Hemel.

16th-FGX, \$38,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

IRISH EXCHANGE (f, 3, Exchange Rate--Silver N Satin, by Silver Deputy) had not been seen since clipping heels and falling in an Oct. 15 maiden special weight at Keeneland last year and carried a pair of local bullet works into this return. Sent off the 6-5 favorite and adding blinkers, the dark bay filly contested the opening quarter in :21.69, but soon asserted control through fractions of :45.59 and :57.27. She had just enough left to hold off her late-charging stablemate Totally Tucker (Elusive Quality) by a neck. The winner is a half-sister to Sterling Vow (Broken Vow, SW, \$157,128). Sales history: \$40,000 wIng '09 KEENOV; \$160,000 2yo '11 FTMMAY. Click [brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) chart or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](http://www.brisnet.com) Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$28,256. O-Limestone Racing. B-At Last Farm (MD). T-L Jones.

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CALIFORNIA

Yesterday's Results:

3rd-SAX, \$69,834, Alw, NW1\$X, 4yo/up, f/m, a6 1/2fT, 1:12 3/5, fm.

BENCH GLORY (m, 5, Benchmark--Image of Glory {MSW, \$300,031}, by Skywalker) had shown an affinity for this downhill turf course with a runner-up effort Jan. 1 and a narrow third-place finish last out Mar. 4 in similar spots. Those tries book-ended a fifth-place run in the Valentine Dancer S. for Cal-breds at a mile Jan. 28. Given a 3-1 chance to do more than just knock on the door this time, the homebred came from mid-pack to snatch the top spot from front-running favorite Deity (GB) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) and score by a half-length. Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-2, \$149,272. Click for the [brisnet.com](http://www.brisnet.com) chart or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](http://www.brisnet.com) O/B-Harris Farms Inc (CA). T-Sean McCarthy.



First-crop starters to watch: Saturday, March 31

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2009 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

ANY GIVEN SATURDAY (Distorted Humor), Darley, \$40K, 193/13/2
6-GP, Msw, 1mT, Saturday's for Fun, \$22K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 7-2
8-FG, Stk, 1m, Sunday's Child, 9-5

6-FG, Msw, 6f, Just Jan, \$35K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
AWESOME GAMBLER (Coronado's Quest), Lovacres, \$3K, 84/6/1
4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Willa B Awesome, \$18K BAR JAN 2yo, 8-1
8-SA, Stk, 6 1/2f, River Kiss, 20-1

BOB AND JOHN (Seeking the Gold), Pin Oak, \$13K, 135/27/1
7-AQU, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Mike and Rob, \$70K SAR AUG yrl, 5-2
7-AQU, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Pearl of Wisdom, \$45K SAR AUG yrl, 2-1

Rookies cont.

COMMANDER'S SHOES (Deputy Commander), 20/2/0
7-OP, Stk, 6f, Beautiful Shoes

CORINTHIAN (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$40K, 241/29/2
10-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Small Kitchen, 9-2
7-SA, Msw, 1mT, Light of Life, \$35K OBS APR 2yo, 15-1

DEFER (Danzig), Empire Stud, \$7K, 38/6/0
8-AQU, Alw, 6 1/2f, Readytodefer, 6-1

DISCREET CAT (Forestry), Darley, \$30K, 215/34/1
7-GP, Msw, 7f, Bulldog Legend, \$235K FTK JUL yrl, 15-1
9-FG, Msw, 1mT, Sharilyn Jean, \$30K KEE SEP yrl, 20-1
10-GP, Stk, 1 1/8m, The Cat's All That, \$60K RNA KEE APR 2yo, 12-1

ENGLISH CHANNEL (Smart Strike), Lane's End, \$25K, 161/23/0
9-GP, Aoc, 1 1/8mT, Easy Crossing, \$4K FTK OCT yrl, 5-2
7-SA, Msw, 1mT, English Puddin, \$10K BAR OCT yrl, 30-1

FLASHY BULL (Holy Bull), Airdrie, \$10K, 153/25/3
7-PEN, Msw, 6f, Faulty Process, 10-1
1-PEN, Msw, 1m, Ittai, 2-1

GADDIS (Broad Brush), 3/1/0
7-OP, Stk, 6f, Harmony Hills

GREEK SUN (Danzig), Maryland Stallion Stn, \$4K, 26/1/0
11-PIM, Msw, 1mT, Orithyia, 12-1

HALF OURS (Unbridled's Song), Taylor Made, \$15K, 121/28/2
7-PIM, Alw, 5fT, Our Half, \$3K EAS MAY 2yo, 12-1

HARD SPUN (Danzig), Darley, \$50K, 244/39/7
7-GP, Msw, 7f, +Easter Gift, \$90K KEE SEP yrl, 4-1
7-GP, Msw, 7f, Spin Out, \$250K KEE SEP yrl, 4-1
10-FG, Stk, 1 1/16m, Inny Minnie, \$240K KEE APR 2yo, 4-1
10-GP, Stk, 1 1/8m, Zo Impressive, 3-1

6-PIM, Aoc, 6f, Spinning Lady, \$35K OBS MAR 2yo, 20-1
4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Bella's Fantasy, \$37K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
HAT TRICK (JPN) (Sunday Silence), Gainseway, \$15K, 114/10/2
7-PEN, Msw, 6f, +Trick My Hat, 10-1

ISTAN (Gone West), Airdrie, \$10K, 60/11/1
6-HAW, Alw, 1 1/16m, Beyya, \$1,000 RNA KEE JAN yrl, 6-1
LATENT HEAT (Maria's Mon), Woods Edge, \$15K, 157/22/1

6-FG, Msw, 6f, Play Soleil, \$65K FTK OCT yrl, 4-1
LAWYER RON (Langfuhr), Stonewall, \$30K, 144/24/4
4-SA, Stk, 1 1/16m, Conjure the Spirit, \$10K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1

MASTER COMMAND (A.P. Indy), Taylor Made, \$15K, 179/22/1
7-SA, Msw, 1mT, Miss Pippa, \$140K OBS MAR 2yo, 8-1
MY GOLDEN SONG (Unbridled's Song), Valor Farm, \$2K, 47/9/1
9-FG, Msw, 1mT, Lindsays Song, \$6K TEX AUG yrl, 12-1

PARK AVENUE BALL (Citidancer), 25/0/0
3-PEN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Rosie's Ball, 4-1

PRIMARY SUSPECT (Hennessy), McDowell, \$2K, 56/5/1
9-OP, Stk, 6f, Primetime Dreamer
7-OP, Stk, 6f, Random Suspect

PURIM (Dynaformer), Richland Hills, \$10K, 124/17/0
11-PIM, Msw, 1mT, Theatricality, \$8K EAS SEP yrl, 9-2
6-TAM, Msw, 1mT, +Broxbourne, \$72K FTK JUL yrl, 6-1

RUSH BAY (Cozzene), 16/0/0
9-FG, Msw, 1mT, Pearl Bay, 8-1

SAINT ANDDAN (A.P. Indy), Journeyman, \$5K, 79/21/1
6-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Hyarima, \$12K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1
6-GP, Msw, 1mT, Jamie's Boy, \$33K OBS OPN 2yo, 8-1
8-FG, Stk, 1m, Bleu Darling, 9-5

SCAT DADDY (Johannesburg), Ashford, \$30K, 180/39/6
2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Redemption Road, \$150K KEE SEP yrl, 6-5

SEÑOR SWINGER (El Prado {Ire}), Maui Meadow, \$4K, 48/3/0
7-PEN, Msw, 6f, Viva Del Prado, \$2K EAS SEP yrl, 15-1

SILENT NAME (JPN) (Sunday Silence), Adena KY, \$8K, 116/12/0
4-FG, Msw, 6f, Zopedo, 30-1

STREET SENSE (Street Cry {Ire}), Darley, \$75K, 210/26/3
6-TAM, Msw, 1mT, Plausibly, 12-1

6-GP, Msw, 1mT, +Upkeep, \$55K RNA KEE SEP yrl, 4-1
7-GP, Msw, 7f, +Street Thug, \$400K FTF FEB 2yo, 6-1

STREET THEATRE (Theatrical {Ire}), 3/1/0
10-SA, Stk, 6 1/2f, G'night, 30-1

SUN KING (Charismatic), Darby Dan, \$10K, 176/11/0
7-OP, Stk, 6f, Corner the Sun

8-WRD, Msw, 1m, N C C Troubador, 7-2

SUNRIVER (Saint Ballado), Empire Stud, \$15K, 114/7/1
7-AQU, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Suilleabhain, \$20K SAR AUG yrl, 15-1

UTOPIA (JPN) (Forty Niner), McMahan, \$8K, 151/13/0
7-AQU, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Suspicious U, \$6K RNA EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1

WILL HE SHINE (Silver Deputy), Millennium, \$7K, 56/7/0
9-OP, Stk, 6f, So Shiny
7-OP, Stk, 6f, Shining Grace

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IN BRITAIN:

Ashva, g, 4, **Quiet American**--Pondicherry, by Sir Wimborne. Kempton Park, 3-29, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT). B-Brook Stud Bloodstock Ltd. * 1/2 to Teresa Balbi (GB) (Master Willie {GB}), SW-Fr.



Yesterday's Results:

Lingfield, 16.00, Mdn, £3,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:06.39, stn.

DANUBE RIVER (GB) (f, 3, Teofilo {Ire})--Last Rhapsody {Ire}, by Kris {GB}, fifth on debut over a mile here a fortnight previously, bounced out to enjoy an easy lead. Despite drifting out into the centre of the track off the final bend, the 9-4 second choice had plenty in hand and overcame greenness to score by four lengths from Lady Romanza (Ire) (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £2,386. Video, courtesy attheraces.com.

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



IRELAND



Yesterday's Results:

Dundalk, 18.15, Mdn, €12,500, 2yo, 5f (AWT), 1:01.43, stn.
 + **VERBAL HONESTY (IRE)** (f, 2, **Elusive City--Tus Maith {Ire} {SP-Ire}**, by **Entrepreneur {GB}**), a bargain €2,000 TATIRE yearling, broke smartly and raced towards the fore early. Committed approaching the furlong marker, the 9-2 shot held on to win by a head from Angela's Dream (Ire) (Chineur {Fr}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,625. [Video, courtesy attheraces.com.](#)
 O-Mrs J S Bolger; B-D H W Dobson; T-Jim Bolger.

FRANCE



OSARUS TO HOST BREEZE-UP

Osarus Sales company have announced that they are to stage France's first breeze-up on an all-weather surface. Unveiling a catalogue of 48 2-year-olds for the Apr. 25 auction, the organization have set the location as Pornichet on the C"te d'Amour. Full details can be viewed on www.osarus.com.

Yesterday's Results:

PRIX COR DE CHASSE-Listed, €52,000, Fontainebleau, 3-30, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:02.50, sf.
 1-#**SABRATAH (GB)**, 129, f, 4, **Oasis Dream {GB}--Marika (GB)** (SW-Eng), by **Marju (Ire)**. (85,000gns wnlg '08 TATDEC). O-Guy Heald; B-Shutford Stud; T-Henri-Alex Pantall; J-Fabrice Veron; €26,000. Lifetime Record: 14 starts, 5 wins, 4 places, €86,900.
 2--**Fred Lalloupet (GB)**, 135, h, 5, **Elusive City--Firm Friend (Ire)**, by **Affirmed**. (€100,000 RNA HIT '10 ARQARC). O-Maurice Lagasse; B-Maurice Lagasse & Pontchartrain Stud; T-David Smaga; €10,400.
 3--**Myasun (Fr)**, 132, g, 5, **Panis--Spain (Fr)**, by **Bering (GB)**. O/B-Ecurie Jarlan; T-Christian-Bernard Baillet; €7,800.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, HF. Odds: 24.00, 3.50, 3.30. Also Ran: **Captain Chop (Fr)**, **Chopouest (Fr)**, **Mariol (Fr)**, **Ixgan (Fr)**, **Walero (Ger)**, **Smooth Operator (Ger)**, **Le Valentin (Fr)**, **Waitress**.

Sabratah had been tried four times previously in black-type company to no avail and offered little evidence that she was capable of bucking that trend with a latest sixth in a course-and-distance conditions event Mar. 7. Racing close up to the early tempo near the far rail, the bay sliced through a gap to lead approaching the furlong marker and asserted from the penalized Fred Lalloupet.

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AUSTRALASIA



DICK TURPIN TO SHUTTLE Multiple Group 1 winner **Dick Turpin (Ire)** (Arakan--Merrily {GB}, by Sharrod) will stand the upcoming Southern Hemisphere breeding season at Mungrup Stud in Western Australia, it was announced yesterday.



Dick Turpin *National Stud photo*

Winner of the G1 Prix Jean Prat S. and runner-up in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains in 2010 at age three, Dick Turpin was among the elite milers in Europe last season, taking the G2 bet365 Mile at Sandown and the G2 Summer Mile at Ascot before recording a career-best in the G1 Premio Vittoria di Capua in Milan last September. "The Western Australian market is saturated with Danehill line mares so being able to help provide an interesting out crossing opportunity for Australian breeders is very exciting," commented Ben Sangster of The National Stud, Dick Turpin's Northern Hemisphere home.



ASIA



SUPER EASY LIVES UP TO NAME, REMAINS PERFECT LOCALLY Trainer Michael Freedman is in Dubai to saddle Better Be the One (Aus) (More Than Ready) in today's G1 Al Quoz Sprint, but back at home, a sophomore colt gave notice that he may be ready for a desert adventure 12 months from now. In Freedman's absence, it was the stable's exercise rider Aimee Barnes who saddled **Super Easy (NZ)** (Darci Brahma {NZ}) to a



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victory in the S\$250,000 (\$198,752) Singapore 3-Year-Old Challenge Friday night at Kranji. It was the eighth win in as many local starts for Super Easy, who was a winner and just missed in Group 3

company as a 2-year-old in New Zealand prior to his export. Sent off the 4-5 favorite, the bay sat off the early pace in fourth while racing one off the inside. Leading rider Joao Moreira popped the question in the stretch and Super Easy swept in front 200 meters out before being geared down late. The final margin of victory of 1 1/2 lengths belied the ease with which it was accomplished ([video](#)). "If he's not the best horse that I have ridden then I'm sure by the time he has finished he will be," said Moreira. "I've won Derby races and Cup races on some very good horses in other countries but this horse is something special. Right from day one he has given me that special feel and sitting on top of him in a race is such a pleasure. He puts himself in such a nice position and travels so well in his races and today he showed me that he will handle more ground without any worry." He continued, "He's got a great sprint when he lets go but he can also switch off when he thinks his work is finished. I didn't pick up the whip to him but I had it ready to show him just in case." Next up in the series is the Singapore 3-Year-Old Classic Apr. 22 followed by the local 2000 Guineas May 18.

TDN CRITERIA

The races covered in the TDN are as follows:

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- Maiden Claiming Races** - purses of \$18,000/up and a minimum claiming price of \$40,000

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-SAX, \$75,418, NW3\$X, 4yo/up, a6 1/2fT, 1:12 2/5, fm.

MOBILIZED (h, 6, Soul of the Matter--Valleyofthebells, by Red Ransom) Lifetime Record: GSP, 21-5-1-6, \$288,829. O-Double JH Stables Inc & Estate of Robert E Reseigne; B-Robert Reseigne (CA). T-Gary Mandella. *1/2 to Bellsblad (Mr. Broad Blade), SW.

8th-AQU, \$62,000, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.

ODE TO SAMI (f, 3, Lion Heart--Kombat Lake, by Meadowlake) Lifetime Record: 10-4-2-1, \$111,255. O-John A Damico. B-Luis de Hechavarria (FL). T-Gary C Contessa. *\$42,000 RNA 2yo '11 OBSMAR. **In for the tag.



Consigned by Nick de Meric



6th-AQU, \$62,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

PERCUSSION (g, 4, Bluegrass Cat--Cradlesong, by Pine Bluff) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-2, \$107,944. O-Casner Racing, LP. B-B P Walden & Bluegrass Farm Partners (KY). T-Bob G Dunham. *\$200,000 wlng '08 KEENOV; \$190,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP; \$65,000 2yo '10 KEENOV.

9th-OPX, \$53,000, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft.

INDIARA (m, 5, Indian Charlie--Lady Doms Tiara, by Conquistador Cielo) Lifetime Record: 25-5-4-7, \$121,430. O-Maggi Moss. B-John J Carey (KY). T-Chris Richard. *\$25,000 2yo '09 BESMAR.

5th-AQU, \$52,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft.

EASY ENDING (f, 4, Chief Seattle--Wild Ending, by Cloud Hopping) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$62,295. O-Entourage Stable. B-Joe Soave (NY). T-Rudy R Rodriguez.

3rd-PEN, \$41,760, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, ft.

PRIZE WINNER (f, 4, Pure Prize--Marine Odyssey, by Mr. Greeley) Lifetime Record: SW, 10-4-0-3, \$141,940. O-Penny S Lauer. B/T-Michael E & Penny S Lauer (PA). \$12,000 RNA yrl '09 KEEJAN.

8th-FGX, \$41,000, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11, ft.

BONITA SALEETA (f, 3, Porto Foricos--Saleeta, by Seattle Sleet) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$58,382. O/B-William T Reed (LA). T-W Bret Calhoun.



5th-PEN, \$38,000, 3-29, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

MY ITALIAN EX (c, 4, [Bernardini](#)--Exing {Chi} {MSP-Chi}, by [Exceller](#)) Lifetime Record: 15-7-3-2, \$141,812. O-Mat Stables LLC. B-Jayeff B Stables & Denali Stud & Partners (KY). T-Patricia Farro. *\$50,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP. **1/2 to Exhortada (Chi), G1SW-Chi; Mash One (Chi) (Mashkour), MGISW-US & G1SW-Chi, \$549,213; Reciclada (Rictorious), MGSW-US, GSW & G1SP-Chi, \$384,474; Gran Mujer (Chi) (Single Dawn), GSW-Chi & SW-US, \$113,561; and 3/4 to A.P. Xcellent (A.P. Indy), G1SP-US, \$363,360; and Exotic Indy (A.P. Indy), SW, \$101,760.

3rd-HAW, \$37,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, ft.

(DH)--**COSTILLA RANGE (g, 4, [Indy Snow](#) {GB}--Perpetual, by [Timeless Moment](#))** Lifetime Record: 19-5-3-4, \$100,020. O-Irma Moss Yates. B-Hondo Ranch (IL). T-Roger A Brueggemann. *1/2 to Turbulent Thinking (Classified Facts), SW, \$368,779.

(DH)--**MASTMAN (c, 4, [Mizzen Mast](#)--Aurora Sol, by [Chester House](#))** Lifetime Record: 18-4-2-2, \$92,791. O-Danalisa Racing Stable Inc. B-George A Smith, MCB Enterprises Inc & Chase Stables (IL). T-Rusty A Hellman. *\$15,000 yrl '09 KEESEP.

Sheltowee Graduate

8th-HAW, \$36,000, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000-\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.

FACEY'S SPIRIT (f, 4, [Pass Rush](#)--Runnin N the Wind, by [Sefapiano](#)) Lifetime Record: SW, 14-5-1-3, \$168,283. O-Paul H Adkins LLC. B-Paul H LLC (IN). T-Chris Dorris.

11th-SUN, \$35,000, NW1X, (S), 4/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

D J'S DIAMOND (g, 4, [Quinton's Gold](#)--Karonlittlediamond, by [Darn That Alarm](#)) Lifetime Record: 20-6-6-1, \$124,880. O-Debra & Joseph D Meridyth Jr. B-Steve Prather (NM). T-Jon G Arnett.

7th-PIM, \$33,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:39, fm.

GREAT HARBOUR (h, 5, [Johannesburg](#)--Golden Image, by [Strike the Gold](#)) Lifetime Record: 14-3-0-2, \$62,688. O-PTK LLC. B-Timber Bay Farm (KY). T-Dane Kobiskie.

5th-PIM, \$33,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:39 4/5, fm.

CADRE (g, 6, [Go for Gin](#)--Tettau, by [Allen's Prospect](#)) Lifetime Record: 30-6-3-3, \$100,965. O/B-Bonita Farm & Andrew Eisenberg (MD). T-Kevin C Boniface. *1/2 to Move Those Chains (Polish Numbers), SW, \$298,122.

8th-SUN, \$30,000, NW2L, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:03 3/5, ft.

OL WINEDRINKER WHO (g, 3, [Sligo Bay](#) {Ire}--Silverup, by [Prenup](#)) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$38,162. O/B-Sam E Stevens & Sammy L Stevens (TX). T-Joel H Marr.

7th-CT, \$27,100, 3-29, NW3X, (S), 3yo, 1:19 3/5, ft. (DH)--**RAVENS TERMS (g, 3, [Dance With Ravens](#)--City Terms, by [Carson City](#))** Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$32,520. O/B-Karen E Steele (WV). T-Timothy Grams. (DH)--**PRIMARY ACCOUNT (g, 3, [Mutakddim](#)--Holly's Promise, by [Corporate Report](#))** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-2, \$32,320. O/B-Francis W Daniel (WV). T-Crystal G Pickett.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Party Ties, g, 3, [Art Museum](#)--Inside Affair (MSW, \$431,392), by [Black Tie Affair](#) (Ire). FGX, 3-30, (S), (C), a1mT, 1:42 3/5. B-Southern Equine Stables (LA). *\$7,000 yrl '10 TEXAUG.

Insincerely Yours, f, 3, [Flutter](#)--Alicantina (Arg), by [Mutakddim](#). FGX, 3-30, (S), 1m70y, 1:42 4/5. B-G James Phelps (LA).

Harlan's Crown, f, 3, [Harlan's Holiday](#)--Let's Coast, by [Cozzene](#). CTX, 3-29, 7f, 1:27 2/5. B-Bohemia Stable (MD). *\$37,000 yrl '10 KEEJAN. **1/2 to Wild Jacob (Eurosilver), MSW, \$159,444.



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Really Bullish, f, 3, [Holy Bull](#)--Really A Meadowstar, by [Meadowlake](#). AQU, 3-30, (C), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Lisa McGreevy (KY). *\$35,000 RNA 2yo '11 OBSMAR.

Chilling Command, f, 3, [Master Command](#)--Chilling Effect (SP, \$196,433), by [Gold Fever](#). SUN, 3-30, 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Wolverton Mountain Farm LLC, Steve Avery & Kevin Hyde (KY). *\$30,000 wlng '09 KEENOV; \$18,000 RNA yrl '10 BESOCT.



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Mary Contrary, f, 3, [Mizzen Mast](#)--Aspen Gal (MSW & GSP, \$150,936), by [Talkin Man](#). SAX, 3-30, (S), 6f, 1:10 1/5. B-Harris Farms (CA).

New Hire, c, 3, [Our New Recruit](#)--Wise Investor (SP), by [Belong to Me](#). SAX, 3-29, (S), (C), 6f, 1:10 2/5. B-Lee & Susan Searing (CA). *\$2,000 2yo '11 BESJAN.

Finish Rich in Nyc, m, 5, [Gotham City](#)--Golden Josselin, by [Candi's Gold](#). GGX, 3-30, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:05 1/5. B-Applebite Farms (CA). *1/2 to Golden K K (Western Fame), SP, \$159,014; Family Guy (Western Fame), MSW, \$211,921; and Famous Gal (Western Fame), MSW, \$121,304.



AMERICAN-SIRED WINNERS

IN AUSTRALASIA:

Cornell (Aus), g, 3, [Elusive Quality](#)--Ivy League (Ire), by [Doyoun](#) (Ire). Sandown, Australia, 3-28, Hcp, 3yo, 7fT. B-Darley.

Valhussle (Aus), m, 5, [Hussonet](#)--Ribe (Aus), by [Danehill](#). Canterbury, Australia, 3-28, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1550mT. B-Jungle Pocket Pty Ltd.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Fontainebleau, 13.45, €34,000, 3yo, 6fT, 1:10.00, sf.

HUMA BIRD (GB) (f, 3, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Persian Secret {Fr} {SW-Fr, MSP-Eng}, by Persian Heights {GB}) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €21,023. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Henri-Alex Pantall. *1/2 to Do the Honours (Ire) (Highest Honor {Fr}), GSW-Fr; and Seba (GB) (Alzao), SW-Eng, GISP-US, \$112,552.

FRANCE, Fontainebleau, 15.55, €20,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:06.30, sf.

SAN MARTIN (GB) (g, 5, Oasis Dream {GB}--Suedoise {GB}, by Kris {GB}) Lifetime Record: SW-Fr, 16 starts, 5 wins, 10 places, €95,700. O-Bertrand Bellinguiet & Philippe Martin; B-M3 Elevage & Haras d'Etreham; T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *€80,000 RNA yrl '08 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Blue Spinnaker (Ire) (Bluebird), SP-Eng, \$286,200; 3/4 to Ballast (Ire) (Desert Prince {Ire}), MGSW-US, \$575,150.

HANDICAP RESULTS:

FRANCE, Fontainebleau, 17.25, €30,000, 3yo, 6fT, 1:09.70, sf.

KERASONA (FR) (f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Kerasha {Fr}, by Daylami {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €37,600. O-His Highness The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget. *3/4 to Kermiyan (Fr) (Green Desert), SP-Fr, \$117,269; and Keratiya (Fr) (Iron Mask), GSW-Fr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Two Days In Paris (Fr), f, 3, Authorized (Ire)--Isalou (Fr), by Unfuwain. Fontainebleau, France, 3-30, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 5/8mT. B-Sarl Ecurie J L Tepper.

Suehail (GB), c, 3, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Why Dubai, by Kris S.. Dundalk, Ireland, 3-30, Mdn, 3yo, 7f (AWT). B-Malih Al Basti.

Danceur Bresilien (Fr), c, 3, Irish Wells (Fr)--Fille du Bresil (Fr), by Smadoun (Fr). Fontainebleau, France, 3-30, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/8mT. B-Yannick Fouin & Bernard Sivadier.

Cinco Boy (Fr), c, 3, Layman--Cinco Baidy (Fr), by Lure. Salon-de-Provence, France, 3-30, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT. B-P Talvard & Jean-Claude Seroul. *€75,000 yrl '10 ARQAUG.

Indriya (Fr), f, 3, Stormy River (Fr)--Killgra (Ire), by Grand Lodge. Salon-de-Provence, France, 3-30, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1 1/2mT. B-Allevamento Pietro. *€60,000 yrl '10 ARQAUG. **1/2 to Kilcoona (GB) (Ransom O'War), Ch. 2yo Filly-Scan, SP-Swe.

Elshabakiya (Ire), f, 4, Diktat (GB)--Amalie (Ire), by Fasliyev. Wolverhampton, Britain, 3-30, Mdn, 3-5yo, 5f 216yds (AWT). B-Rabbah Bloodstock Ltd. *9,000gns RNA yrl '09 TATOCT. **MSP-Eng.

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IN AUSTRALASIA:

Berrimilla (Aus), f, 3, Fastnet Rock (Aus)--Purrfection (NZ), by Tale of the Cat. Canterbury, Australia, 3-28, Hcp, 3yo, 5 1/2fT. B-Northern Lodge Stud.

Speeler (Aus), g, 4, Dubai Destination--Topswan (Aus), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Geelong, Australia, 3-29, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT. B-J Carvill.

Word Gets Around (Aus), g, 5, Encosta de Lago (Aus)--Only Words (Aus), by End Sweep. Sandown, Australia, 3-28, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT. B-Canning Downs Pty Ltd.

Eight Cards (Aus), g, 5, Footstepsinthesand (GB)--Trumps (Aus), by Catrail. Sandown, Australia, 3-28, Hcp, 3yo/up, 6 1/2fT. B-J & J Todd.

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