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A field of seven fillies will get a last chance to earn Grade I honors against their peers in Wednesday's GI La Brea S., including **My Miss Aurelia** (Smart Strike), a leading candidate for Eclipse Award honors. The Stonestreet/George Bolton colorbearer sustained her first career defeat last out, but it was a valiant runner-up effort to champion Royal Delta (Empire Maker) in the GI Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic Nov. 2. "She should get it," said Scott Blasi, assistant to trainer Steve Asmussen. "She's doing great--she's a good-feeling filly." This cut-back to one turn is no lay-up, however. Trainer Bob Baffert fields the speedy pair of **Mamma Kimbo** (Discreet Cat) and **Candrea** (Trippi), who were separated by a neck in a 6 1/2-furlong allowance on the crosstown Cushion Track Nov. 29 ([video](#)). Peachtree's **"TDN Rising Star"** **Mamma Kimbo** was making her first start off a six-month hiatus. In her only previous Santa Anita appearance, the bay earned a 101 Beyer Speed Figure for a 5 1/4-length debut romp Feb. 18. Also in the field is **Reneesgotzip** (City Zip), who came back from a third in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint Nov. 3 to run down **Nechez Dawn** (Indian Charlie) in the Skillful Joy S. at Betfair Hollywood Dec. 1 ([video](#)). Field p4



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'SHIP' GETS GOLD IN ARIMA KINEN

While the year-ending G1 Arima Kinen at Nakayama Sunday was missing defending race champion and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe runner-up Orfevre (Jpn) (Stay Gold {Jpn}), 3-year-old **Gold Ship (Jpn)** (Stay Gold {Jpn}) stepped right up to provide the prestigious event with a worthy winner, capping an exacta for his sire over **Ocean Blue (Jpn)** (Stay Gold {Jpn}). The consistent Eiichi Kobayashi colobearer--out of the top two only once in his nine-race career--utilized his impressive turn-of-foot to annex the G1 Japanese 2000 Guineas in April, and was coming off back-to-back scores in the G2 Kobe Shimbun Hai Sept. 23 and G1 Japanese St. Leger S. Oct. 21. Content to lope along in last early, the grey tipped to the far outside for clear sailing on the home bend. He began to rapidly pick off horses nearing the straight, slipped through a seam in upper stretch and exploded past Ocean Blue to win going away by 1 1/2 lengths as the 17-10 favorite. **Rulership (Jpn)** (King Kamehameha {Jpn}) ran on late for third, while **Trailblazer (Jpn)** (Zenno Rob Roy {Jpn}), last seen finishing fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Turf, could do no better than 13th. "It was an amazing win and he really showed how tough he is," said winning trainer Naosuke Sugai. "He turned out to be Santa Claus for the fans [as the favorite] and I'm very happy. He will probably head for the [G1] Tenno Sho (Spring) in April, and the [G1] Takarazuka Kinen in June next season."



Gold Ship japanracing.jp

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REMINDER

Due to the Christmas holiday, the TDN office will be closed Mon., Dec. 24 and Tues., Dec. 25. There will be NO newsletter for Tues, Dec. 25 or Wed., Dec. 26. All news and results from Dec. 24 & 25 will appear in the Dec. 27 issue. **Have a wonderful holiday!**

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Men of Malibu



Adam Coglianese photo

Barry Schwartz (pictured left, heading to the Vosburgh winner's circle) has his homebred **The Lumber Guy** (Grand Slam) bedded down with Neil Drysdale in California for the winter. The grey colt is the morning-line favorite for Wednesday's GI Malibu S. at Santa Anita, but he'll have to be ready to deal with a tough group of speedy sophomores.

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Sounding Off on AI

Artificial insemination, the subject of a federal lawsuit in Australia last week, is the backbone of the Standardbred industry. Check out some of the reaction to a feature that ran in Saturday's *TDN*.

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ARIMA KINEN-G1, ¥384,920,000 (US\$4,569,000), Nakayama, 12-23, 3yo/up, 2500mT, 2:31.90, fm.
 1--**GOLD SHIP (JPN)**, 121, c, 3, by Stay Gold (Jpn)
 1st Dam: Point Flag (Jpn) (SP-Jpn, \$421,332), by Mejiro McQueen (Jpn)
 2nd Dam: Pastoralism (Jpn), by Pluralisme
 3rd Dam: Tokuno Eighty (Jpn), by Tribal Chief (GB)
 O-Eiichi Kobayashi; B-Deguchi Farm; T-Naosuke Sugai; J-Hiroyuki Uchida; ¥203,444,000. Lifetime Record: 10-7-2-0. **Werk Nick Rating: A + + + *Triple Plus***. **Click for the [eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree](#).**
 2--**Ocean Blue (Jpn)**, 126, c, 4, Stay Gold (Jpn)--Peu a Peu (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB). (¥21,500,000 wlnng '08 JRAJUL). O-Aoshiba Shoji Inc; B-Shadai Farm; ¥80,984,000.
 3--**Rulership (Jpn)**, 126, h, 5, King Kamehameha (Jpn)--Air Groove (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire). O-Sunday Racing; B-Northern Farm; ¥50,492,000.
 Margins: 1 1/2, NK, 1 1/2; Odds: 1.70, 26.60, 2.70
 Also ran: Eishin Flash (Jpn), Sky Dignity (Jpn), Dark Shadow (Jpn), Nakayama Knight (Jpn), Lelouch (Jpn), Beat Black (Jpn), Daiwa Falcon (Jpn), Earnestly (Jpn), Rose Kingdom (Jpn), Trailblazer (Jpn), Oken Bruce Lee (Jpn), Never Bouchon (Jpn), To the Glory (Jpn). **Click for the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Japan Racing chart and video](#).**

Gold Ship received the sixth-most votes for this "All-Star" event, whose field is mainly determined by a fan poll. He provided his sire (by Sunday Silence) with his third Arima Kinen in the past four years after Dream Journey (Jpn)'s score in 2009 and Orvefre's last year. "I'm just overjoyed to cap off the season with another amazing Group 1 victory with the colt who helped me make my come back this season," beamed pilot Hiroyuki Uchida. "As he was off slow, we had to chase the field from behind, but I tried not to push him in the early turns and settled him near the rear. I knew he would have the strength for the last run even if we took a wide trip in the last two corners. I had to steer him out wider than I hoped, but he's not the type to run out of steam easily and I had every faith in him. He proved himself a true winner and I'm very grateful."

RACETRACK ROUND-UP

Little Distorted Stakes-Bound...

Silverton Hill Farm's recently acquired **Little Distorted** (Distorted Humor) is set to make his stakes debut at Gulfstream Jan. 1, in either the Gulfstream Park Derby going a mile or the Spectacular Bid S. over six furlongs. The 2-year-old colt made a winning debut at Belmont Oct. 28 for Kuehne Racing and trainer Michael Mareina ([video](#)), and was subsequently purchased by Silverton Hill and turned over to trainer Darrin Miller. Little Distorted worked five furlongs in 1:02.00 Saturday at Miller's winter base at Payson Park.

"We plan on running him in either the Gulfstream Park Derby or the Spectacular Bid, but haven't decided which one just yet," Miller confirmed. "We think this is the next logical move. I haven't had him that long, but I like what I've seen so far."

ROAD TO THE KENTUCKY DERBY Prep Season Races

10-4-2-1 point system

| Race-Track | Winner (Sire) |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| G2 Royal Lodge S.-NMT | Steeler (Raven's Pass) |
| G1 FrontRunner S.-SA | Power Broker (Pulpit) |
| G1 Dixiana Breeders' Futurity-KEE | Joha (Johar) |
| G1 Champagne S.-BEL | Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday) |
| GIII Grey S.-WO | River Seven (Johannesburg) |
| G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile-SA | Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday) |
| GIII Delta Downs Jackpot-DED | Goldencents (Into Mischief) |
| GII Remsen-AQU | Overanalyze (Dixie Union) |
| GII Kentucky Jockey Club-CD | Uncaptured (Lion Heart) |
| G1 CashCall Futurity-BHP | Violence (Medaglia d'Oro) |
| GIII Sham S.-SA | |
| GIII Lecomte S.-FG | |
| Smarty Jones S.-OP | |
| GIII Holy Bull S.-GP | |
| GII Robert B. Lewis S.-SA | |
| GIII Sam F. Davis S.-TAM | |
| GIII Withers S.-AQU | |
| GIII El Camino Real Derby-GG | |
| GIII Southwest S.-OP | |

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Wednesday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 4:34 p.m. EST
 LA BREA S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, f, 7f

| PP HORSE | OWNER | BREEDER | TRAINER/JOCKEY | ML |
|---|---|---|-----------------|-------------|
| 1 Mamma Kimbo (K) | Peachtree Stable | W J Betz/Dr C Kidder/W Masterman-KY | Baffert | 9-2 |
| <i>(Discreet Cat--Bag Lady Jane, by Devil's Bag)</i> | | | | |
| 2 Nechez Dawn (K) | Ten Broeck Farm | B P Walden Jr & H & Sandra Sexton-KY | Bonde | 10-1 |
| <i>(Indian Charlie--Valid Annie, by Valid Appeal)</i> | | | | |
| 3 Reneesgotzip | Lanni Family Trust | John Liviakis-KY | Miller | 4-1 |
| <i>(City Zip--No Dress Code, by Distorted Humor)</i> | | | | |
| 4 Creditcardroulette (K) | Glen Hill Farm | Taylor Made Farm Inc-KY | Proctor | 20-1 |
| <i>(Northern Afleet--Mistress Martha, by Red Ransom)</i> | | | | |
| 5 My Miss Aurelia (K) | Bolton & Stonestreet Stables | Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC-KY | Asmussen | 4-5 |
| <i>(Smart Strike--My Miss Storm Cat, by Sea of Secrets)</i> | | | | |
| 6 Candrea | Pegram/Watson/Weitman | Ocala Stud-FL | Baffert | 12-1 |
| <i>(Trippi--Burn Brightly, by American Chance)</i> | | | | |
| 7 Book Review | Gary & Mary West | Gary & Mary West Stables Inc-KY | Baffert | 6-1 |
| <i>(Giant's Causeway--Clever Babe, by Distorted Humor)</i> | | | | |

All carry 118 pounds, except My Miss Aurelia, 123.



Mamma Kimbo
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Reneesgotzip (rail) edges Nechez Dawn
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Wigmore Hall

Northern Dancer Turf S.-Gr.1

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Champagne Stakes-Gr.2

HIGH CHAPARRAL

FEE:
€25,000

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Morandi

Criterium de Saint-Cloud-Gr.1 by 7 lengths

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2nd Irish 1,000 Guineas-Gr.1

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FEE:
€20,000

Samitar

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Empress Club Stakes-Gr.1

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FEE:
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Chachamaidee

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Canadian Stakes-Gr.2

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€10,000

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JIMMY CREED PRIMED FOR MALIBU TILT

Spendthrift Farm LLC's **Jimmy Creed** (Distorted Humor) has come far in just six career starts--all this year as a 3-year-old--and he looks to earn his first stakes victory in the GI Malibu S. on opening day at Santa Anita. The half-brother to multiple Grade I-winner Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet) signaled his readiness with a bullet seven furlong work in 1:24 4/5 here Dec. 19, a move that pleased trainer Richard Mandella. "He went really nice," Mandella said of the work, which was completed in tandem with stablemate Moulin de Mouglin (Curlin). "He went in company to keep it real." A \$900,000 Keeneland September purchase by his current connections, Jimmy Creed got off the mark in his second try July 4 at Betfair Hollywood Park, going gate-to-wire to win by 2 1/4 lengths in hand. He cleared his first allowance condition four weeks later over the Del Mar Polytrack before finishing second over that course to fellow Malibu entrant **Feb Biz** (Giant's Causeway) in the El Cajon S. Aug. 31. A short break ensued, but the chestnut came roaring back to finish third, beaten just three-quarters of a length, in the GI Santa Anita Sprint Championship S. in his dirt debut Oct. 6. That performance prompted his connections to try the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint at Santa Anita Nov. 3, but he failed to fire after traveling near the tail of the field and checking in ninth. The son of Grade I winner HookedontheFeelin (Citidancer) is 9-2 on the Malibu morning line, and he faces a host of formidable foes. **The Lumber Guy** (Grand Slam) is the 3-1 favorite, having bested older horses to take the GI Vosburgh S. at Belmont Sept. 29. The grey was most recently second, beaten 3/4 of a length by Trinniberg (Teuflesberg), in the Breeders' Cup Sprint. He makes his first start for trainer Neil Drysdale here after being handled by Mike Hushion in his seven prior starts. Bob Baffert saddles a quartet of runners, headed by Fed Biz, who turns back in distance after finishing eighth in the GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile last out, and **Drill** (Lawyer Ron), a Grade I-winning juvenile who has not been seen since taking the GIII Lazaro Barrera Memorial S. May 12. He scorched a bullet six furlongs in 1:10 1/5 here Dec. 21.

Wednesday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 6:37 p.m. EST

MALIBU S.-GI, \$300,000, 3yo, 7f

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|----|----------------------|------------------|-----------|----------|------|
| 1 | Fed Biz (K) | Giant's Causeway | Smith | Baffert | 9-2 |
| 2 | Jimmy Creed (K) | Distorted Humor | Gomez | Mandella | 9-2 |
| 3 | Drill (K) | Lawyer Ron | Garcia | Baffert | 8-1 |
| 4 | The Lumber Guy | Grand Slam | Velazquez | Drysdale | 3-1 |
| 5 | Politicallycorrect | Kitten's Joy | Rosario | Ward | 6-1 |
| 6 | Basmati (K) | Borrego | Gutierrez | O'Neill | 20-1 |
| 7 | Castaway (K) | Street Sense | Talamo | Baffert | 20-1 |
| 8 | Private Zone (K) | Macho Uno | Pedroza | O'Neill | 8-1 |
| 9 | Guilt Trip | Pulpit | Bejarano | Baffert | 15-1 |
| 10 | Unbridled's Note (K) | Unbridled's Song | Nakatani | Asmussen | 9-2 |

All carry 118 pounds, except The Lumber Guy, 123; and Private Zone, 120.

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THAT'S THE THEORY

Wednesday's GII Sir Beaufort S. boasts an intriguing cast of eight, and the lightly raced **Big Bane Theory** (Artie Schiller) will be looking to put a bad trip last out in the GI Hollywood Derby behind him. After graduating in a hillside test for Cal-breds in his second start Oct. 11, the Devereux/Gross flagbearer put in a four-wide run to annex an open allowance over this course Nov. 2 ([video](#)). He was deemed worthy of a sharp class jump at the Betfair Hollywood Turf Festival, but had a rough time of it in the stretch and wound up ninth ([video](#)). "I'm surprised he didn't fall," said jockey Joe Talamo. "I was following a horse--I don't even know what horse it was--and he clipped heels in front of me and I almost ran right over him." Making his stakes debut is **Silentio** (Silent Name {Jpn}), who returned from an 11-month hiatus to defeat his elders in a first-level allowance on Del Mar's closing day ([video](#)). The Wertheimer homebred lost his perfect record when third by 1 1/2 lengths in a nine-furlong affair over this surface Oct. 12 ([video](#)), but has been training smartly in the interim.

Wednesday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 5:05 p.m. EST

SIR BEAUFORT S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1mT

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | TRAINER | ML |
|----|------------------|-------------------|-----------|-----------|------|
| 1 | Fit to Rule (K) | Hard Spun | Maldonado | O'Neill | 8-1 |
| 2 | Press Baron (GB) | King's Best | Espinoza | Gallagher | 10-1 |
| 3 | Smart Ellis | Smarty Jones | Leparoux | Mandella | 6-1 |
| 4 | Big Bane Theory | Artie Schiller | Talamo | Gaines | 4-1 |
| 5 | Midnight Crooner | War Chant | Garcia | Baffert | 7-2 |
| 6 | Conspiracy | Giant's Causeway | Gomez | Baffert | 10-1 |
| 7 | Battle Force (K) | Giant's Causeway | Smith | Shirreffs | 3-1 |
| 8 | Silentio | Silent Name (Jpn) | Bejarano | Mandella | 9-2 |

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IN OTHER NEWS...

A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

[Pearson snubbed as newspaper names horse as Sportswoman of the Year](#)

"Sally Pearson--Olympic gold medallist and golden girl of Australian sport--has been pipped at the post for Sportswoman of the Year by a racehorse by Sydney's Daily Telegraph. Sportswriters Phil Rothfield and Darren Hadland named Black Caviar as the best female athlete this year as part of their annual top 50 moments of the year column."

Alana Schetzer, The Sydney Morning Herald.

[What to Look for in 2013](#)

"A snapshot from the album I carry around in my head: in the recently opened American Airlines Center, seated outside the locker room of the Dallas Mavericks, in the lounge area near the executive offices, with an ice pack on a knee and a large bottle of juice on a side table, Steve Nash explained why he loves to play basketball...Nash explained that discovery and curiosity--they were the foremost reasons he loved to play basketball...Isn't that what lies at the heart of intrigue; isn't that the essence of intriguing: the mysterious and fascinating possibility? I think so. And the standard applies most appropriately to horse racing."

Gary West, ESPN.com.

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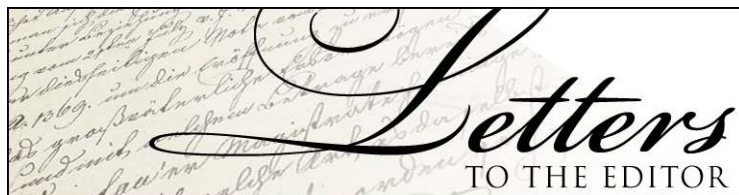
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In response to Dec. 23's [AI a Positive for the Standardbred Industry:](#)

1. The reason fertility has decreased in Standardbred stallions is probably not due to handling and shipping of semen, but to the reduced quality of sperm, because the effectiveness of sperm produced during a live cover is far superior to that generated for use in AI. I have witnessed this first hand with a stallion I managed in California, where a not-so-clever farm manager illegally used AI and the drop in sperm quality and effectiveness was startling. A reproductive vet from the University of California immediately recognized the problem, it was corrected and the stallion's fertility returned to normal.

2. Nobody knows whether Thoroughbreds are faster today than they were in the 1970s. After all, records of all kinds continue to be broken. The dramatic improvement made by Standardbred horses from that very same era to the present day is in all likelihood not attributable to improvement of the breed, but to the artificial external changes in equipment and racing surfaces. **Cont. p7**



Aerodynamic improvements to the buggy and wheels have a lot more to with the perceived improvement than a concentration of certain bloodlines in the narrowed gene pool. It is no different than in human athletics, where composite tracks and space-age shoes make a guy Jesse Owens seem like a slowpoke.

3. At the risk of overshadowing what I have written herein, it needs to be said that a study of final race times and speed figures as generated by experts such as Len Ragozin, Jerry Brown and Andy Beyer most likely would show a spike that occurred during a period of Thoroughbred racing in which even Hall of Fame trainers were seriously suspected of using various illegal methods to make their horses run faster by manipulating their oxygen intake (EPO) and buffering lactic acid (milkshaking). Runners in this era did things that had never been witnessed before and have not been seen since. This is exactly what occurred in the world of human athletics during the Cold War, when Soviet Bloc nations and North Americans experimented with many forms of performance enhancing drugs. There are records on the books from the 1980s generated by women that have never been approached by the current stars of international athletics. Also, finally, it must be said that athletic performance by both man and horse has been greatly impacted by steroids. Although steroids are illegal for both, it is still considered likely by those charged with policing international track and field that illegal steroid use is still practiced, especially by sprinters and throwers. The use of steroids appears to be mostly curtailed in horse racing, which also could account for a slowdown in times.

--Barry Irwin

Thank you for this timely follow-up to the Australian AI ruling.

I don't see how any thoughtful person can disagree that it seems primitive in this modern age to risk putting a mare and foal on a truck and waste gas and time to drive her someplace to get bred when we have the technology to get the semen from here to there lightning-quick.

Two questions occur to me:

1. Why wouldn't the result of the legal action brought by the US Trotting Association stand as precedent should The Jockey Club pursue a similar suit?

2. How can the Thoroughbred industry stand united on the subject of AI when its support for every other issue it faces seems so self-defeatingly fragmented?

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Florida

Yesterday's Results:

5th-GPX, \$46,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:15, fm.

ZHIVAGO (h, 5, **Thunder Gulch**--Bluebird Day {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells) was fifth in a 1 1/2-mile Gulfstream allowance in February 2011 before taking a year-long break. He returned with a win in an optional-claimer here Feb. 24 and has been off since. Back in action here, the gray sat a reserved second and bid for the lead entering the final turn. The 5-1 shot took control and dug in to hold off the rallying Capitan Futuro (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}) by a game 3/4 of a length. Sales history: \$180,000 yrl '08 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$90,089. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-William L Clifton Jr. B-Plantation Stud (KY). T-H James Bond.

7th-TAM, \$21,300, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW1X, 2yo, f, a1mT, 1:37 4/5, fm.

COTTON PICKIN (f, 2, **High Cotton**--Kats Golden Ways, by Golden Missile), a debut winner against \$40,000 claimers at Monmouth Aug. 31, rallied to be fifth in Calder's John Franks Juvenile Fillies Turf S. Nov. 10 and was fourth in an optional claimer at Tampa Dec. 1. The 2-1 favorite was held up in the rear early and steadily gained ground down the backstretch. She challenged Sea of Laughter (Distorted Humor) on the bend, dueled with that rival down the stretch and hit the wire a nose in front. Sales history: \$14,000 RNA yrl '11 OBSAUG; \$32,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$33,180. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O-Christine Vogt. B-Vogt Farms (FL). T-Derek S Ryan.

8th-GPX, \$42,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 3/5, fm.

GUSTAVIA (f, 2, **Pulpit**--Summer Rainbow {SW, \$246,417}, by Summer Squall) started her career with a second over the yielding Saratoga turf Aug. 12. She was a wide fifth going 1 1/16 miles on the Belmont sod Sept. 16 and rallied for second over that course and distance Oct. 28. The 5-2 chance stalked from the two path and shifted into gear exiting the backstretch. The homebred circled four wide and surged clear to finish under a hand ride. White Rose (Tapit) was 1 3/4 lengths behind in second. The winner is a half to Hard Mystery (Hard Spun), MSW, \$176,680. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$58,990. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

O/B-Alpha Delta Stables LLC (KY). T-Chad C Brown.

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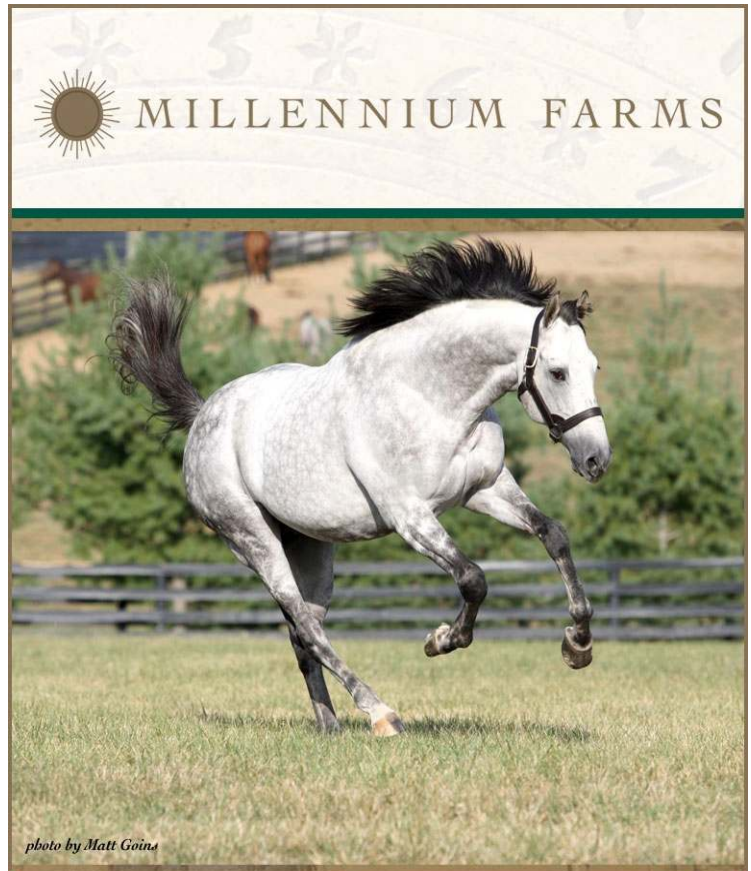


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3rd-GPX, \$42,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 2/5, fm.

MARKET SAVVY (f, 3, Street Sense--Cuyahoga {SW}, by Theatrical {Ire}) kicked off her career with a third over the Keeneland Polytrack Oct. 21. The 8-5 favorite rated in mid-pack early and tipped out three wide on the bend. The bay rallied down the lane and just got up in time to get a neck ahead of Flower Mart (Street Sense). Sales history: \$230,000 2yo '11 KEEAPR. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$30,200. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

O-Klaravich Stables Inc & William H Lawrence. B-Kinsman Farm (KY). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

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2nd-TAM, \$19,200, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW1X, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, fm.

LIGHTNING STONE (c, 2, Stonesider--Thunderella, by Thunder Gulch) was fourth in his first two starts: going a mile at Belmont Sept. 12 and covering 1 1/16 miles over the yielding sod there Sept. 30. He graduated by 7 3/4 lengths back in Elmont last time out Oct. 28. Up against winners for the first time here, Lightning Stone was last but one early. The 9-5 chance made his move exiting the backstretch, took the lead entering the lane and cleared to a 3 3/4-length win. Pyritedan (Gimmeawink) was second. Sales history: \$15,000 yrl '11 FTNAUG. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$51,420. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

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▶ Eastern U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

6th-PRX, \$61,400, Msw, 3,4,5yo, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18, ft.

+ **MARGIN TRADE (f, 3, [Exchange Rate](#)--Tina's Goal, by El Corredor)** was off the pace and wide through the early stages. The 5-1 shot swung three wide on the bend, asserted for the lead and drew away down the lane to finish 6 1/4 lengths clear of Evening Show (Master Command). Sales history: \$37,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$37,800. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

O-Overbrook Farm & Andrew Farm. B-Russell B Jones Jr (PA). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

▶ Central U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

4th-FGX, \$39,000, Msw, 3,4,5yo, f/m, 6f, 1:12, ft.

MS HOOCHIE COOCHIE (f, 3, Mr. Sekiguchi--Wild Ride, by Wild Again), third debuting in the Hoosier mud Oct. 5, finished runner-up in a \$50,000 maiden claimer over the Keeneland synthetic Oct. 27. The 3-1 chance was forwardly placed early, pressing the pace along the rail. The homebred took a narrow advantage entering the turn and kicked clear in the stretch to a 4 1/2-length win. Honey Hues (Henny Hughes) completed the exacta. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$31,400. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

O/B-Steven V Petit (KY). T-Jeffrey D Thornbury.

9th-FGX, \$39,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft.

GATOR ZONE (f, 2, Sharp Humor--May Gator {MSW & GSP, \$570,298}, by Green Alligator), half-sister to Miz Ida (Proud Citizen), GSW, \$303,985, was in the thick of things in her Nov. 15 career opener at Churchill before winding up third. Bet down to 3-5 here, the Klein homebred settled in second before taking over turning for home. She drifted out a bit as Anahauc (Henny Hughes) came up to challenge, but dug in gamely to take it by a neck, then galloped out strongly. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$28,400. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

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Saturday Night's Results:

5th-DED, \$30,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:21 1/5, ft.

IN STEP DANCER (f, 2, [Student Council](#)--Out of Step, by Affirmed) was last of eight in her debut over the Keeneland Polytrack Oct. 19. The 8-5 chalk stalked from the three path, challenged for the lead turning for home and drew clear down the stretch to finish three lengths ahead of Tap on This (Pleasant Tap). In Step Dancer becomes the eighth winner for her freshman sire (by Kingmambo). She is a half to Tangled Tango (Petitionville), MGSP, \$293,610. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$17,133. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

O/B-Millennium Farms (KY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

10th-RET, \$18,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, 1m, 1:44 3/5, ft.

+ **BUCK NINETY NINE (c, 2, Chatain--Bucks Choice, by Star Choice)**, a 3-1 chance, rated in midpack through the early stages. The homebred scraped paint to challenge on the bend, took a narrow advantage in the stretch and outdueled Even Match (Devil Pupil) by a nose. The Texas-bred colt is the fourth winner for his freshman sire (by Forest Wildcat). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,380. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)**

O/B-Brant Schafer (TX). T-Danny Pish.

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Western U.S.

Yesterday's Results:

RILEY ALLISON FUTURITY, \$106,000, SUN, 12-23, 2yo, 1m, 1:38, ft.

1--**#SHOW SOME MAGIC**, 120, c, 2, by [Any Given Saturday](#)

1st Dam: Whirlwind Charlott (GSP, \$107,553), by Real Quiet

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(\$70,000 yrl '11 KEESEP). O-J Kirk & Judy Robison; B-Woodford Thoroughbreds, LLC (KY); T-Henry Dominguez; J-Miguel Hernandez. \$63,600. Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$162,710.

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2--**Stormdriver**, 120, c, 2, [Discreet Cat](#)--Prom Date, by Take Me Out. (\$40,000 yrl '11 ARZOCT; \$36,000 yrl '11 OBSAUG). O-Mark D Breen. \$23,320.

3--**Stoneridge Gold**, 120, g, 2, Weather Warning--Gold Crystal (Aus), by Made of Gold. (C\$15,000 yrl '11 BRCSEP). O-Jeffrey Sengara. \$10,600.

Margins: HF, 3/4, 3HF. Odds: 1.30, 23.50, 4.80.

Show Some Magic graduated in his fourth start for trainer Steve Asmussen at Saratoga Aug. 16. Fifth behind likely champion Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday) in the Gil Three Chimneys Hopeful S. at that track on Labor Day, he threw in a pair of clunkers at Delta Downs, including a distant last-of-nine effort in the Gill Delta Jackpot S. Nov. 17, and was making his first start for Henry Dominguez here. The chestnut traveled strongly in third before making a wide move on the turn. He bore out a bit and carried Stormdriver out a few paths, but maintained a narrow advantage all the way to the wire. The stewards took a long look at the stretch run before allowing the original order of finish to stand. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made Sales.](#)

Italy

Yesterday's Result:

PREMIO U.N.I.R.E.-Listed, €34,200, Rome, 12-23, 3yo/up, 1 3/8m (AWT), 2:21.05, stn.

1--**DOGMA NOIR (IRE)**, 120, c, 3, by [Iffraaj \(GB\)](#)--

[Patruel \(GB\)](#), by [Rainbow Quest](#). (€9,000 RNA yrl '10 ITYSEP). O-Societa Agricola Sabina; B-Alberto Panetta; T-Fabrizio Roberto Camici; J-Andrea Atzeni; €19,000. Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-2, €38,607.

2--**Bacchelli (GB)**, 125, c, 4, [Mujahid](#)--Bugia (Ger), by [Kendor \(Fr\)](#). O/B-Scuderia Nordovest SRL; T-Stefano Botti; €8,360.

3--**Jack Boy (Ire)**, 120, c, 3, [Hawk Wing](#)--Sister Golightly (GB), by [Mtoto \(GB\)](#). (€28,000 yrl '10 ITYSEP). O-Lucilla Colella; B-Eugenia Farm SRL; T-Gianluca Bietolini; €4,560.

Margins: SHD, 5, NK. Odds: 7.20, 0.35, 5.60.

Also Ran: Regina Mundi (Ire), Figli Fanesi (Ire).

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$51,568, NW1X, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.

SUMMER SUNSET (g, 3, [Lawyer Ron](#)--Viva La Viva, by [Crafty Prospector](#)) Lifetime Record: 13-4-2-2, \$140,470. O-Richard Schulhoff. B-Liberation Farm & Stonewall Farm (KY). T-Bruce N Levine. *\$20,000 yrl '10 KEESEP.

9th-GPX, \$46,000, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2\$X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:35, fm.

BURN THE MORTGAGE (c, 3, [Kitten's Joy](#)--Mortgage the House, by [Chester House](#)) Lifetime Record: 14-4-3-1, \$156,778. O/B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (KY). T-Wayne M Catalano. *\$18,000 2yo '11 OBSAPR

6th-FGX, \$43,000, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, a1mT, 1:42 3/5, fm.

PAOLI (f, 3, [Silent Name {Jpn}](#)--Picata {SP, \$153,488}, by [Rizzi](#)) Lifetime Record: 14-6-3-0, \$111,529. O-Kenny D Desormeaux. B-Larry & Sammie Procell (LA). T-Randy J Granger. *\$9,000 yrl '10 KEESEP.

7th-FGX, \$43,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:44 2/5, ft.

GOSPEL LESSON (g, 4, [Pulpit](#)--Royal Bean {GSP-US, \$100,851}, by [Royal Academy](#)) Lifetime Record: 29-7-6-1, \$180,133. O-Vincent G Sprinkle, George & Lee Christie & Mike Parrish. B-Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC (KY). T-W Bret Calhoun. *\$100,000 yrl '09 KEESEP.

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8th-DED, \$41,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2f, 1:33 4/5, ft.

FRANCESCA DEL PORT (f, 4, Porto Foricos--B. Ablackcat, by Tactical Cat) Lifetime Record: 17-5-2-2, \$70,454. O-Wilson Racing LLC. B-Earl & Keith Hernandez & Jo Duvieilh (LA). T-Shane Wilson.

4th-HAW, \$35,000, NW2\$X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5, ft.

DIVA'S DIAMOND (f, 3, Crafty Shaw--Diamond Diva, by Glitterman) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-3-9-3, \$160,800. O/B-Asiel Stable LC (IL). T-Carlos H Silva.

8th-SUN, \$32,600, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW26M, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft.

CHUCHULUCO (g, 5, Devon Lane--Lady in Danger, by In Excess {Ire}) Lifetime Record: MSW, 23-9-3-3, \$528,217. O-West Texas Racing Partners. B-Johnny & Mary Paiz (NM). T-Todd W Fincher. *\$58,000 yrl '08 RUIJUL. **Full to Dangerous Devon, MSW, \$171,054.

9th-TPX, \$26,280, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW3\$X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10 3/5, ft.

DIXIE JACKPOT (f, 3, Bandini--Dixie Lass, by Misbah) Lifetime Record: SP, 14-4-2-2, \$76,387. O-Chandley Farms LLC & Tammy Freeman. B-Chandley Farm LLC (KY). T-Todd Freeman.

Graduate of Custom Care Equine LLC

8th-CTX, \$26,000, NW2LX, 3/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19 1/5, ft. MY SUCCESS STORY (c, 3, Southern Success--Anxiety Attack, by Private Account) Lifetime Record: 11-2-3-1, \$64,200. O-Jody Swartz. B-Xanthus Farms Inc (PA). T-Carl Doran.

7th-TPX, \$21,480, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 2yo, 1m (AWT), 1:39 3/5, ft.

MELLOW FELLOW (g, 2, The Cliff's Edge--Sanguinity, by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$47,906. O/B-Ripplewood Farm LLC (KY). T-Tim Richardson.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Shuttlecock, f, 2, Gottcha Gold--Unbridled Bliss, by Unbridled. CTX, 12-22, 4 1/2f, :53 1/5. B-Ocala Stud (FL). *10th winner for freshman sire (by Coronado's Quest).

Bold Kitten, f, 2, Kitten's Joy--I'll Do More, by More Than Ready. HAW, 12-23, (S), 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (IL).

Done in Love, f, 3, Smart Strike--Ender's Valentine, by Deputy Minister. CTX, 12-22, 6 1/2f, 1:20 1/5. B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY). *\$370,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. **Won by 9 1/2 lengths.

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Arch of Titus, c, 4, Arch--Nortena, by Mr. Prospector. TPX, 12-23, 1m (AWT), 1:40 3/5. B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton Sexton (KY). \$22,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP. *3/4 to Flower Forest (Kris S.), SW, \$107,891; 1/2 to Aldo (Red Ransom), GSP, \$193,096; Cherry Tree Hill (Red Ransom), SP, \$109,698; and Southern Flu (Dixie Union), GSP, \$136,374.



UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

| Date | Race | Track |
|---------|--------------------------|-------|
| Dec. 29 | Gill Mr. Prospector S. | GP |
| | Gill Daytona | SA |
| Dec. 30 | Gil Robert J. Frankel S. | SA |
| Jan. 1 | Gill Old Hat S. | GP |
| Jan. 5 | Gil Jerome S. | AQU |
| | Gil San Pasqual S. | SA |
| | Gill Marshua's River S. | GP |
| | Gill Sham S. | SA |



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| Zenyatta | Street Cry (IRE) | Machiavellian | Mr. Prospector |
| Dark Bay or Brown Mare | | Helen Street (GB) | Coup De Folie |
| Foaled 2004 | Vertigineux (1995) | Kris S. | =Troy (GB) |
| | | For The Flag | =Waterway (FR) |
| | | | Roberto |
| | | | Sharp Queen |
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| | | | In The Offing |

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1st Dam

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ZENYATTA (f, by Street Cry (IRE)). Champion, see records.

BALANCE (f, by Thunder Gulch). 6 wins, 2 to 4, \$1,048,491, in US. Won Santa Anita Oaks [G1], Santa Margarita Invitational Hcp. [G1], Las Virgenes S. [G1], La Canada S. [G2], Sharp Cat S. [L] (HOL, \$80,000), 2nd Hollywood Starlet S. [G1], Vanity Invitational Handicap [G1], 3rd Ashland S. [G1], La Brea S. [G1], Clement L. Hirsch Handicap [G2], Milady Breeders' Cup Handicap [G2], Hidden Light S. [OR] (OSA, \$8,000).

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