



HIGH HOPES FOR OBS MARCH

There are plenty of positive indicators heading into the OBS March Sale of Selected 2-Year-Olds, which kicks off a two-day stand today in Ocala at 11 a.m. The economy is picking up, the sale is coming off a strong 2012 renewal, and the first juvenile auction of the year, last week's Barretts March Sale, was up 31.1% in average and 17.6% in median. Those positives have translated into plenty of shoppers at OBS in the last few days.



"There are a lot of people here and a lot of horses out being looked at--the activity pre-sale is promising," said OBS Director of Sales Tod

Wojciechowski.

Consignor Eddie Woods put a finer point on it: "We've been busy as hell," he said. "That's good."

If the aforementioned factors give reason for optimism, none has affected buyer and seller confidence more than the continued success of OBS March grads.

Last year's sale alone has produced no fewer than 11 black-type winners, including a few GI Kentucky Derby prospects in GIII Holy Bull S. winner **Itsmyluckyday** (Lawyer Ron) (a \$110,000 grad from Eisaman Equine); GIII Gotham S. winner **Revolutionary** (War Pass) (\$235,000, Niall Brennan Stables), and recent John Battaglia Memorial S. winner **General Election** (Harlan's Holiday) (\$150,000, Wavertree Stable).

There are a couple of GI Kentucky Oaks hopefuls, too, in GI Darley Alcibiades S. winner **Spring in the Air** (Spring at Last) (\$130,000, Eddie Woods) and **Unlimited Budget** (Street Sense) (\$475,000, Ocala Stud), heroine of this year's GIII Rachel Alexandra S. and last year's GII Demoiselle S.

Breeders' Cup Juvenile Sprint winner **Hightail** (Mineshaft) (\$345,000, Wavertree) was another grad from a year ago, as were the black-type winners **Amarish** (Scat Daddy) (\$200,000, Crupi's New Castle), **Cor Cor** (Smoke Glacken) (\$92,000 RNA, Southern Chase), **Leinan** (Ready's Image) (\$150,000 RNA, Wavertree), **Miss Empire** (Empire Maker) (\$165,000, Eddie Woods), and **Outside Nashville** (Broken Vow) (\$115,000, Eisaman Equine).

Buyers and consignors alike point to the sale's size as another key factor in March's ascendancy. Of the first four major sales of the year, March is the only sale to have catalogued more than 140 horses. **cont. p3**

NO CHANGE IN PLANS FOR ROMANS RUNNERS

Trainer Dale Romans confirmed Monday that **Little Mike** (Spanish Steps) and **Dullahan** (Even the Score) exited their races at Meydan Saturday in fine order and remain on course for starts on the G1 Dubai World Cup card Mar. 30. "Both horses came out of their races in good shape," said the conditioner. "We're sticking with our plans."



Little Mike

Horsephotos

Priscilla Vaccarezza's Little Mike, winner of the GI Breeders' Cup Turf in his previous start Nov. 3, could do no better than eighth in his synthetic debut in the G1 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 3. He will return to the lawn for either the G1 Dubai Duty Free at 1800 meters (about 1 1/8 miles) or the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic at 2410 meters (about 1 1/2 miles). Compromised by a rough start and forced to make a premature move in the 1600-meter G3 Burj Nahaar S., Donegal Racing's three-time Grade I winner Dullahan settled for 11th. Citing Dullahan's rough trip, Romans said, "Our goal was just to get a race over the track. Now we've got three weeks until the big one. He'll be ready." A winner of last year's GI Pacific Classic S. over Game On Dude (Awesome Again), Dullahan will run in the \$10-million World Cup over the same 10-furlong distance.

FAST 2-YEAR-OLDS AT OBS MARCH

include:

Artie Schiller filly
10 flat

Hip 264 consigned by
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Bellamy Road filly
10 flat

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Cowtown Cat filly
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Hip 59 consigned by
Consigned by Niall Brennan, Agent

Harlan's Holiday colt
9⁴/₅ - co-fastest

Hip 191 consigned by
Halcyon Hammock Farm, Agent

Kodiak Kowboy filly
10 flat

Hip 341 consigned by
All In Sales, Agent

Pioneerof the Nile filly
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Hip 148 consigned by
Sequel Bloodstock, Agent

Speightstown colt
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Hip 132 consigned by
Wavertree Stables, Agent

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The OBS grounds saw the return of some of last year's graduates as they competed in the OBS Day of Champions Stakes.

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Pedigree Insights

Andrew Caulfield studies the pedigree of GII Tampa Bay Derby winner **Verrazano** (More Than Ready) and determines whether the dam's side of his pedigree will help him achieve the Classic distance.

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High Hopes for OBS March (cont. from p1)

A total of 345 horses are catalogued for the March sale, down slightly from last year's 362, but a number that makes buyers feel like they may still unearth a gem at a reasonable price, and sellers feel like there's enough product to attract those buyers. "That's the key," said consignor Nick de Meric. "These boutique sales have gotten so rarified now that it's hard to make case for leaving Japan or Europe or even California to come look at horses in a sale that's going to see 75 horses sell."

Said, Wojciechowski, "We've been able to maintain a critical mass of horses for buyers, which is a testament to the consignors and their confidence in bringing a quality horse here. And buyers are recognizing that quality more and more."

Last year, a total of 180 horses sold at March for \$24,739,500. The resulting average of \$137,442 was up 31.2%. The median of \$100,000, meanwhile, was up 42.6%. Today's session features Hips 1-172, while tomorrow's session has Hips 173-345. For catalogue, outs and results, or to watch the sale live, visit www.obssales.com.

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23, f, Medaglia d'Oro--Promenade Colony, by Pleasant Colony
Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent VIII

Both the sire and dam of this filly, a :10 3/5 breezer, have excelled at turning out top fillies. Medaglia d'Oro, of course, can claim Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra, GI Kentucky Oaks winner Plum Pretty, et al, while Promenade Colony is the dam of the Grade II winner and MGISP Promenade Girl (Carson City) and SW Dattts Awesome (Awesome Again).

28, c, D'wildcat--Rabiadella, by Dynaformer
Consigned by Eisaman Equine, agent

From a mare who has done right by these connections, this colt is a half to three black-type winners, including Grade II winner Diadella (Diesis {GB}), MSW & MGSP Say a Novena (Songandaprayer) and MSW & GSP El Kingdom (El Prado {Ire}). He's also a half to a pair of stakes producers, including the dam of the multiple Grade I-performing juvenile Riveting Reason (Fusaichi Pegasus). He breezed an eighth in :10 flat.

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Tapit: 75, 342

Afleet Alex: 53, 214

Corinthian: 245

Birdstone: 140, 331





OBS Hip Happenings cont.

31, c, Colonel John--Rainbow Girl, by Conquistador Cielo

Consigned by Eddie Woods, Agent XXXIII

From the first crop of Tiznow's GI Travers S. and GI Santa Anita Derby winner, this colt, produced by a 3/4-sister to SW Mighty Martha (Chester House), breezed an eighth in :10 1/5 at the under-tack show. "He's a very good-looking, nicely balanced horse," said consignor Eddie Woods. "He's a good walker and has a lot of class."

42, c, Scat Daddy--Rockin On, by Swiss Yodeler

Consigned by de Meric Sales, Agent II

Scat Daddy is one of the leading lights of his sire crop, with horses like Grade I winner Lady of Shamrock flying his flag in 2012. This colt was produced by a stakes-winning half-sister to successful regional sire Rocky Bar (In Excess {Ire}) and to the dam of Grade II winner Uh Oh Bango (Top Hit). He breezed an eighth in :10 1/5. "He had an awesome breeze with a huge gallop-out," said consignor Nick de Meric. "He's been well-received at the barn, and he's by a sire that has everything going for him."

139, c, Kitten's Joy--Waki Affair, by Miswaki

Consigned by Eisaman Equine, agent

Bred roughly on the same Sadler's Wells/Miswaki cross that produced Galileo (Ire), this colt is a full-sibling to SP Kitten Love and to Diplomat, twice a winner in Ireland last year as a 3-year-old. The Mar. 8-foaled youngster breezed an eighth in :10 2/5.

143, c, Flatter--Well, by Well Decorated

Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent VII

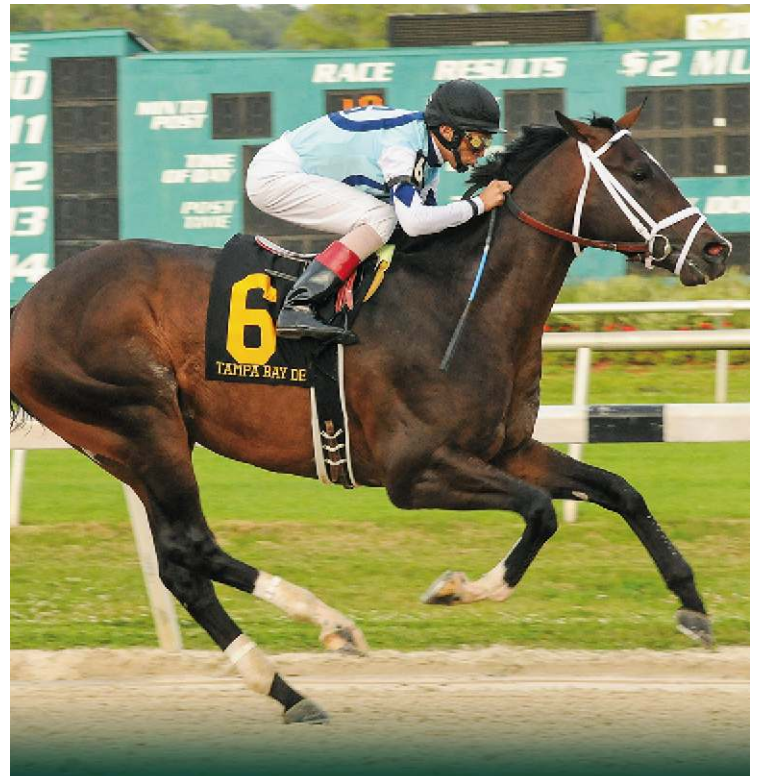
This colt, a \$60,000 FTKOCT yearling, is a half to last year's talented sprint sophomore Well Spelled (Spellbinder), whose wins included the Gill Jersey Shore S. and the Gallant Bob S. at Parx, a victory that came over GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Trinniberg (Teuflesberg). The gray showed he's got plenty of zip, as well, when he dashed off an eighth in :10 1/5.

148, f, Pioneerof the Nile--Wild Catseye, by Forest Wildcat

Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock Inc. (Becky Thomas), agent

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This filly is from the first crop of the talented dual Grade I winner and GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Pioneerof the Nile (Empire Maker). Out of a stakes winner, she belied her stout tail-male breeding with a flashy :9 4/5 breeze at the under-tack show. **cont. p5**



KEENELAND GRAD VERRAZANO
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After a convincing win in the Grade 2 Tampa Bay Derby, Keeneland September grad Verrazano now sets his sights on the Kentucky Derby.

On the west coast, Keeneland September grad Hear the Ghost stormed to the lead in deep stretch for a half-length victory in the Grade 2 San Felipe Stakes.

Congratulations to the connections.



OBS MARCH -- OUTS

Tuesday: 3, 6, 7, 12, 13, 16, 19, 32, 37, 39, 43, 55, 56, 70, 87, 89, 92, 94, 96, 101, 103, 104, 107, 121, 122, 127, 129, 130, 134, 138, 149, 153, 160, 166, 167

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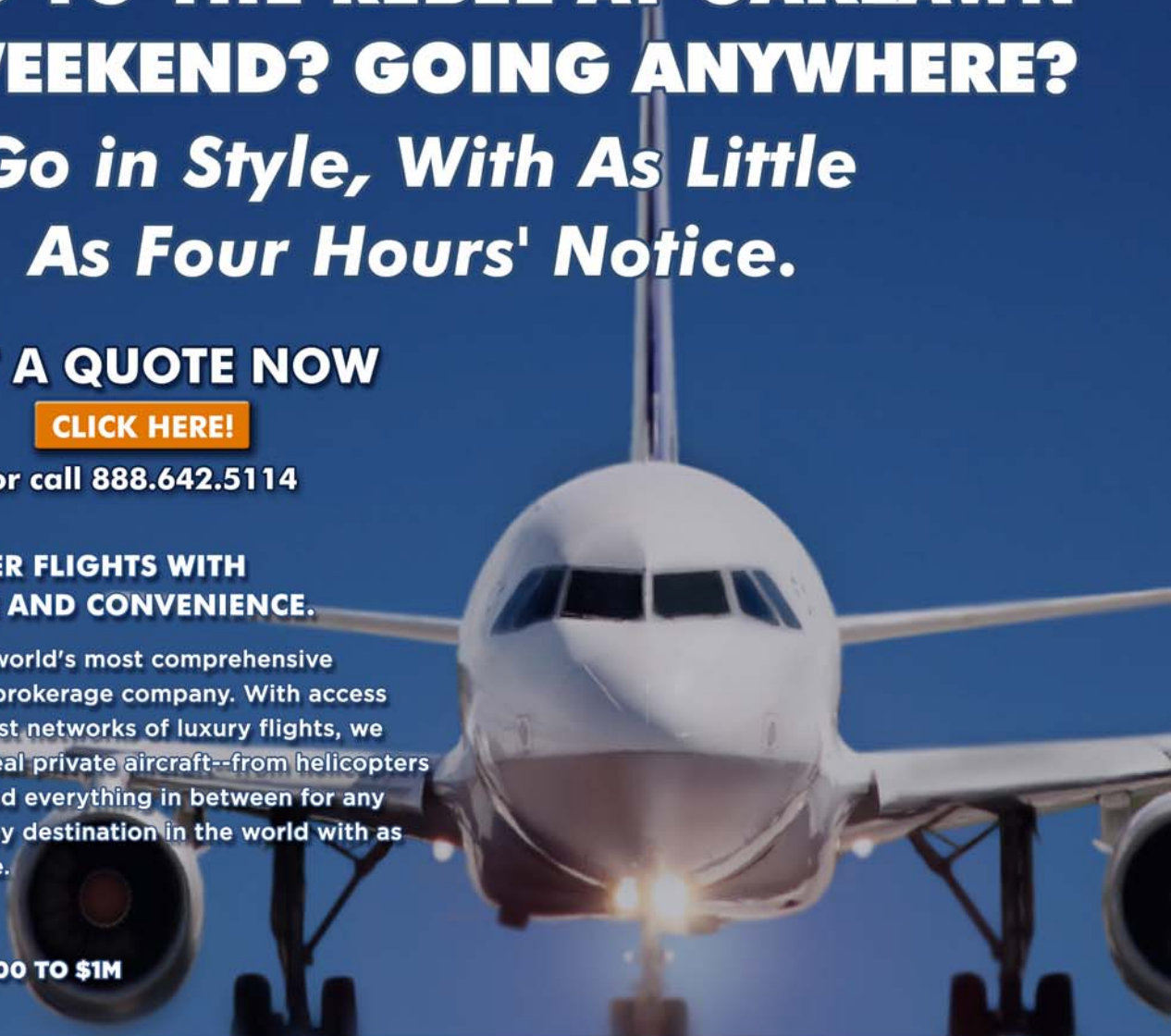
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152, c, Dixie Union--Yolie's Choice, by Silver Deputy
Consigned by de Meric, Agent I

This colt, who breezed in :10 1/5, was produced by a winning daughter of MGSW & G1SP Old Star (Arg) (Southern Halo), also the dam of MGSP Upcoming Story (Tale of the Cat). "He's a tough, aggressive, good-moving colt," said consignor Nick de Meric. "He's going to be a competitor, and I just love this colt. He's fast, sound, and is balanced. He has all the parts."

156, f, Harlan's Holiday--Affirmed Bel, by Affirmed
Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock Inc. (Becky Thomas), agent
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Harlan's Holiday is a proven source of quality stock, but had a particularly strong 2012, when he was the leading sire of 2-year-olds in the country, led by GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile S. winner and Eclipse Champion Shanghai Bobby. This filly, who breezed in :10 1/5, is a half to SW Go Ask Daisy (Mutakddim) and descends from the female family of Alysheba.

171, f, Old Fashioned--Baby Betty, by El Corredor
Consigned by Eddie Woods, IX

The first yearlings from the talented Unbridled's Song runner Old Fashioned were well received last year. This daughter of the Taylor Made stallion breezed an eighth in :10 1/5 and has drawn praise from her consignor. "She's a fabulous filly," said Eddie Woods. "She's got great shape and great lines to her. The Old Fashioneds are an attractive bunch." Hip 171 was produced by a half to two SWs: Heida Maria (Rockport Harbor) and Doc's Doll (Out of Place).



OBS MARCH SALE

<u>CUMULATIVE</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2011</u>
Catalogued	362	490
No. Offered	244	321
No. Sold	180	237
RNAs	64	84
% RNA	26.2%	26.2%
No. Over \$400K	9	5
High Price	\$800,000	\$925,000
Gross	\$24,739,500	\$24,711,000
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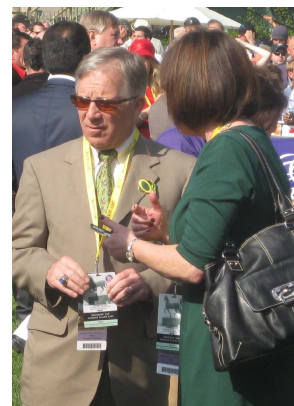


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Ready for the Big Dance...

The up-and-coming Bona Venture Stables is quickly making a name for itself by acquiring stakes-caliber horses without extending to six figures at the Ocala juvenile sales.

Summer of Fun (Include), a \$95,000 OBS March purchase in 2012, outran her 43-1 odds to place a strong third in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf at Santa Anita Nov. 2 ([video](#)). Trained by George Weaver, the dark bay also completed the trifecta in Keeneland's Gill Jessamine S. last fall. She is expected to kick off her sophomore campaign in a Gulfstream allowance Mar. 23.



Dan Collins

Last term's Damon Runyon S. ([video](#)) hero **Smooth Bert** (Smooth Jazz) was picked up for \$60,000 at the 2012 OBS April sale. The promising New York-bred, most recently sixth when stretched to two turns in the Gill Withers S. Feb. 2, is conditioned by Leah Gyarmati.

Royal Bonnie (Yankee Gentleman), DQ'd from second and placed fourth for interference in the 2011 Gill Miss Grillo S. at Belmont Park, held her own on the big stage by coming within six lengths of Stephanie's Kitten (Kitten's Joy) in the 2011 Gill Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf at Churchill Downs. **cont. p6**



Ready for the Big Dance cont.

Subsequently sidelined with a knee chip and tendon injury, the \$38,000 OBSAPR buy has recently returned to training with Weaver, and is aiming for a return during Belmont's spring meeting.

Enter Bona Venture frontman Dan Collins.

The native of Glens Falls, New York, grew up within striking distance of historic Saratoga Racecourse, and, after graduating from St. Bonaventure University with a degree in Journalism in 1973, immediately caught on as a reporter/editor with the *Saratogian* after several internships with the paper each summer. Collins eventually shifted gears a bit and took a job in Chicago in public relations--he is currently the Vice President of Corporate Communications at Corning Incorporated--but remained in close touch with the game as a fan courtesy frequent visits to Arlington Park. After relocating back to the East Coast with his family in 1995, Collins made his first foray into Thoroughbred ownership as a partner through several West Point horses. Nearly 10 years later, he decided that it was high time to form his own group with some of his old buddies from college.

"It started off with just a group of former St. Bonaventure graduates," Collins explained. "Five of us used to go to the track and we decided to put together our little bit of money and claim a cheap claimer at Aqueduct. We raced the horse for a few years at Finger Lakes and didn't make a dime, but we had a ball just thinking that we were owners. And from there, it just kept building."

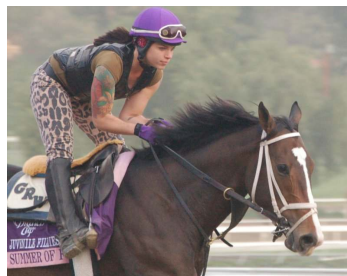
Collins prefers to keep Bona Venture as a part-time enterprise, and has targeted a total stable size at 10 head or less. Each Bona Venture horse is treated as an individual LLC, with some having as many as 45-50 partners. The initial investment cost for each LLC includes training/upkeep for a year. Collins stays in for a 20-30% stake on each horse, and pays his full share of the bills as well.

"We're not paying any salaries, so our overhead is pretty limited and we don't mark the horses up, either," Collins said. "The reward that I get is if the horse earns money for us."

It's not just about winning races for Collins. He is equally as passionate about recruiting some new blood into the business, and in this case, it too traces back through his alma mater.

"We produced a television commercial for the first time recently and we run it during St. Bonaventure's men's and women's basketball broadcasts," he explained. "It really helped generate some interest, and it has helped us set up some exciting groups. The first

one consists of 20-somethings and they are all first-time owners. There's a total of 11 people involved, and as a group, they collectively own 20% in Smooth Bert."



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He continued, "They reached out to me, and set up their group of 11 on their own. Because they're young and can't really afford to take out a stake on their own, it's a great way to get them involved in the industry."

An overseas business conflict will force Collins to sit out today's OBS March Sale.



Jockey Ramon Dominguez (middle) with Bona Venture Stables' partners Sheri & Greg Scicchitano, Brad Graham & Heather Waugh

However, he has deputized Weaver, Gyarmati, and bloodstock agent Steve Venosa to help land the next runner to carry Bona Venture's green-and-yellow silks.

"Our intent is to pick up a quality 2-year-old at OBS March to join Leah, and that would get us to our max of 10 horses," Collins commented. "We have to be smart with what we do because we don't have the budget like a lot of the others do. Steve Venosa understands completely what our budget is, and what we really appreciate from him is that he knows how to manage within it."

Back-to-back trips to the Breeders' Cup have certainly helped propel Bona Venture to the next level and generate some excitement amongst its partners.

"Simply by going to the Breeders' Cup for the first time with Royal Bonnie changed the whole attitude of all of our investors," Collins revealed. "It didn't matter if they were owners on her or not. Each year we creep up our budget a little bit and it's worked to help us get Smooth Bert and Summer of Fun."

Collins concluded, "Standing up there in that box and watching Summer of Fun charge down the stretch and suddenly start passing horses--it was a surreal experience."

The quest for Bona Venture's third straight trip to the Breeders' Cup begins in Ocala today at 11 a.m. -*Steve Sherack*

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1--**SPRING VENTURE**, 120, f, 3, [Spring at Last](#)--

Zahwah (GSP), by Rahy. (\$320,000 2yo '12 OBSJUN). O-Gary Barber & Stoneway Farm LLC; B-Stoneway Farm (KY); T-Mark E Casse; J-Jermaine V Bridgmohan. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: MGSW, 6-4-0-0, \$376,821.

Purchased as a 2-year-old by Justin Casse

2--**Spring in the Air**, 120, f, 3, [Spring at Last](#)--Unbridled Run, by Unbridled. (\$50,000 yrl '11 FTKOCT; \$130,000 2yo '12 OBSMAR). O-John C Oxley. \$20,000.

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3--**Toasting**, 120, f, 3, [Congrats](#)--Ponderway, by Prized. (\$47,000 yrl '11 FTKOCT; \$175,000 2yo '12 OBSMAR). O-West Point Thoroughbreds. \$10,000. Margins: 3/4, 4, 6 3/4.

Part of a formidable Mark Casse-trained pair, Spring Venture was looking to bounce back from a fifth-place run in Gulfstream's GII Forward Gal S. Jan. 26. The chestnut kicked off her career with three victories, including the GII Natalma S. and GIII Mazarine S. at Woodbine, but could do no better than 13th in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf. Stablemate Spring in the Air, meanwhile, winner of last term's GI Darley Alcibiades S., was making her first start since checking in fifth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Nov. 2. Prompting the pace before taking over on the far turn, Spring Venture was game in the lane to repel challenges from Spring in the Air and Toasting. Casse took this race two years ago with Delightful Mary (Limehouse). [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#)



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1--**#MICHAEL WITH US**, 122, c, 3, [Bluegrass Cat](#)--
Unbridled Melody, by Unbridled's Song. (\$50,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$57,000 2yo '12 OBSMAR).

O-Kenwood Racing LLC; B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY); T-Stephen L DiMauro; J-Edgar S Prado. \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-2, \$80,320.

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2--**Brazilian Court**, 122, c, 3, [Harlan's Holiday](#)--
Devotedness, by Anet. (\$67,000 RNA 2yo '12 OBSMAR). O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey. \$20,000.

3--**Brown Almighty**, 122, c, 3, [Big Brown](#)--Gone Goodbye,
by Gone for Real. (\$50,000 wng '10 KEENOV; \$47,000 RNA yrl '11 KEESEP; \$22,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR). O-Tri-Star Racing LLC, Denson & Gasaway. \$10,000.

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Margins: HF, 4 3/4, 2 3/4.

Never off the board, but never in the winner's circle in four previous starts, Michael With Us picked a lucrative spot to break his maiden. He most recently came with a flying finish to be second going six panels at Tampa Feb. 17, and appreciated the added ground this time. The bay tracked from midpack early, came with a sweeping move in the lane and kicked home powerfully to grab the lead in the waning stages. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#)



OBS SPRINT (COLT AND GELDING DIVISION) S., \$50,000, OTC, 3-11, (R), 3yo, c/g, 6f (AWT), 1:11, ft. 1--**#CONQUESTOR, 122, c, 3, Broken Vow--Runaway in Love (SP), by Runaway Groom.** (\$32,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$475,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR). O-John C Oxley; B-Sheltowee Farm & Pin Oak Stud LLC (KY); T-Mark E Casse; J-Gary Boulanger. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$39,644.

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2--**King Solomon, 122, c, 3, Double Honor--Tricky Thunder,** by Favorite Trick. (\$27,000 RNA 2yo '12 OBSJUN). O-Rancho Grande Farm Inc & Ideas Medical Inc. \$10,000.
 3--**Mind Spell, 122, g, 3, Proud Accolade--I'm a Love Bug,** by Lyphard. (\$6,000 yrl '11 OBSJAN; \$50,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR). O-Amaty Racing Stables Inc & Sterling Stables Inc. \$5,000.
 Margins: 3, NK, 1HF.

Third behind well-regarded My Name Is Michael (Awesome Again) on debut at Woodbine Oct. 14, Conquestor was fourth in a blanket finish back at that venue Nov. 4. Looking to become the third next-out winner from that heat, Conquestor caboosed the field early before blowing by his foes on the far outside to graduate comfortably. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#).**

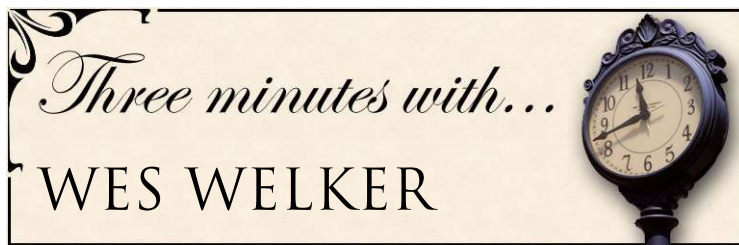
OBS SPRINT (FILLY DIVISION) S., \$50,000, OTC, 3-11, (R), 3yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:09 3/5 (ETR), ft. 1--**COR COR, 120, f, 3, Smoke Glacken--Babe's Flair, by Capote.** (\$42,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$92,000 RNA 2yo '12 OBSMAR; \$40,000 2yo '12 OBSJUN). O-Save Ballou & Harriet Waldron; B-A Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck (FL); T-Joan Scott; J-Scott Spieth. \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 5-4-1-0, \$165,800.

Recommended 2YO purchase by Murette Farrell

2--**Over the Counter, 120, f, 3, Majestic Warrior--Pontook,** by French Deputy. (\$130,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR). O-Klaravich Stables Inc & William H Lawrence. \$10,000.
 3--**Leinan, 120, f, 3, Ready's Image--Golden Mirage (Ire),** by Green Desert. (\$39,000 wIng '10 KEENOV; \$80,000 yrl '11 FTKJUL; \$150,000 RNA 2yo '12 OBSMAR). O-James & Alice Sapara. \$5,000.

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Margins: 4 3/4, 1HF, 6.
 A debut winner over the Keeneland Polytrack in October, the speedy Cor Cor took Tampa's Sandpiper S. Dec. 1. She was no match for ☆ **"TDN Rising Star"** ☆ Kauai Katie (Malibu Moon) when second in Gulfstream's GIII Old Hat S. Jan. 1, but handled the turf while adding to her frequent flyer miles last time in Fair Grounds's Battle of New Orleans S. Feb. 2. The bay went right to the front as expected here and glided home to an easy score in track record-tying time. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#).**



Wes Welker is trying to make his mark in two sports. Already one of the most successful players in the NFL, the free agent wide receiver would love to add a champion racehorse to his roster of achievements. That may not be easy, but he does have a stakes-caliber horse in his small stable. Welker is the owner of Undrafted (Purim), who has finished third this year in the Gulfstream Park Derby, the Grade II Hutcheson and the Grade III Swale. Prior to the Swale, the TDN caught up with Welker.

TDN: How did you come up with the name Undrafted?
 WW: I was undrafted coming out of college, and that's



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how we got the name. It's been pretty cool. My twitter followers actually helped me name the horse.

TDN: How did you get involved in horse racing?

WW: I always kind of liked horse racing. I have

some friends who are involved with the sport. I got started four or five years ago on a small scale and gradually started to get where I owned my own horses. Undrafted is one of the first I own on my own and it's been a lot of fun. He's a great horse. There's nothing more exhilarating than seeing your horse run. I definitely enjoy it.

TDN: When did you start out as an owner?

WW: The first horse I owned, and the first winner I ever had, was Nina Fever (Borrego), who broke her maiden at Keeneland in 2010. I had partners with her. Wesley [Ward] has done a great job training these horses.

TD: How did you become associated with Wesley Ward?

WW: Through a mutual friend named Gatewood Bell who buys my horses for me. He hooked me up with Wesley and it has worked out really well. Wesley will call me up and fill me in after the horse works. We think Undrafted is a turf horse, but he keeps running so well on the dirt that it's hard not to keep running on the dirt.

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RACETRACK ROUND-UP

West Point, St. Elias Buy Into Ground Transport...

West Point Thoroughbreds and St. Elias Stable have purchased an interest in 3-year-old **Ground Transport** (Big Brown) from Jeffrey Yingling, Martin Nixon, Frank and Carl Calabrese and Murette Farrell. The Mike Stidham-trained colt was second on debut behind undefeated Departing (War Front) at the Fair Grounds Dec. 22 and returned to win there Jan. 19. He then tallied another score going two turns in an extended mile optional-claimer in New Orleans Feb. 23 and is probable for the GII Louisiana Derby Mar. 30. "It's very exciting for us to be involved with a colt who has a legitimate chance to step onto the Kentucky Derby radar," said West Point Thoroughbreds president Terry Finley. "He's in great hands, has improved in every start, and is proven around two turns." Ground Transport, bred by River Bend Farm, was purchased by E.J. Sipus Jr Ltd for \$40,000 at Keeneland September as a yearling and RNA'd for \$75,000 as a 2-year-old at Keeneland April.

IN OTHER NEWS...

A Daily Roundup of Racing Articles in Other Media

So how fast did Fort Larned Run? *A collective gasp came from the American racing community when 2012 Breeders' Cup Classic winner Fort Larned stumbled and parted ways with jockey Brian Hernandez at the start of Saturday's Gulfstream Park Handicap. Making his 2013 debut, the Ian Wilkes-trainee gathered himself, free of a 125-pound impost, and took off. It is incredibly fortunate we can take a look at the data from his rider-less performance knowing both horse and rider walked away without significant injury. Pat Cummings, America's Best Racing blog*

Racing's True Return *On the last Saturday of his life, my father watched a horse race. It was Saturday, Aug. 2, 2008. He was in the hospital after barely surviving one of the last surgeries of his life. But there on television, defying the odds of household ratings, NBC was covering live the Hambletonian, harness racing's greatest contest. The race is beloved by only a few hundred thousand North American fanatics of Standardbreds, a breed of horses that either trot or "pace" while pulling a driver in a buggy, called a sulky. Andrew Cohen, Barron's*

NEWS FROM THE GAMING WORLD:

Congress in a race with states to pass online gambling law *States racing to legalize online gambling may soon be overtaken by the federal government, as efforts to pass a national bill begin to come together. Legislation in the House is likely to be introduced this spring. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-Nevada), whose long-advocated federal legislation never got introduced last year, is working behind the scenes to form a coalition to support the measure. Sue Zeidler, Reuters*

The GIII \$150,000 Providencia S., originally planned for Apr. 7, has been rescheduled to run Apr. 6 at Santa Anita Park. The Providencia S. will join the GI Santa Anita Oaks and GII Potrero Grande S. on the GI Santa Anita Derby undercard.

NEWS TODAY

DUAL CLASSIC WINNER KAZZIA DEAD

Classic heroine **Kazzia (Ger)** (Zinaad {GB}--Khoruna {Ger}, by Lagunas {GB}), winner of the 2002 G1 1000 Guineas and G1 Epsom Oaks, has died from post-foaling complications after delivering a Dubawi (Ire) filly at Dalham Hall Stud. She was the first German-bred to win a British Group 1 race and added Belmont's GI Flower Bowl Invitational to her portfolio during a banner sophomore campaign. Kazzia subsequently enjoyed a successful paddocks career, with her first foal being the 2009 G1 Dubai Sheema Classic hero **Eastern Anthem (Ire)** (Singspiel {Ire}). She is also the dam of the 2009 G3 Prix de Conde winner **Zeitoper (GB)** (Singspiel {Ire}) and last term's Listed Pretty Polly S. victress **Kailani (GB)** (Monsun {Ger}). In addition to her Dubawi foal, Kazzia has a 2-year-old colt by Shamardal. "Kazzia was a wonderful racehorse, and an excellent mother, with a delightful temperament," commented Darley's Liam O'Rourke. "She's the kind of mare you dream of; a Guineas and Oaks winner, and the dam of a Group 1 winner. We'll miss her, but are grateful her foal has survived."



Kazzia
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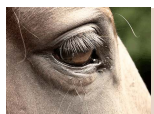
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TIFONICA (ARG), 15, Equalize--Telemetrica (Arg), by Cipayo (Arg)
Foal born Feb. 12, a colt by Hat Trick (Jpn).
Will be bred back to Elusive Quality.
Owned by Tifonica Partners.
Boarded at Valkyre Stud.
Accomplishments: SP, \$140,381; Dam of Hamish Hy (Ecton Park), GISW, \$360,988.

DOWRY, 13, Belong to Me--Sea Jamie Win, by Dixieland Band
Foal born Feb. 12, a filly by Medaglia d'Oro.
Will be bred back to Smart Strike.
Owned by The Neuman Group.
Boarded at Royal Oak Farm.
Accomplishments: Dam of MGISW, Nereid (Rock Hard Ten), GISW, \$303,800.



PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

Saturday, Tampa Bay Downs

TAMPA BAY DERBY-GII, \$350,000, TAM, 3-9, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:43 4/5, ft.

1--#**@VERRAZANO, 118, c, 3**, by [More Than Ready](#)

1st Dam: **Enchanted Rock**, by **Giant's Causeway**

2nd Dam: **Chic Shirine**, by **Mr. Prospector**

3rd Dam: **Too Chic**, by **Blushing Groom (Fr)**

(\$250,000 yrl '11 KEESEP). O-Let's Go Stable, Michael B Tabor, Mrs John Magnier, Derrick Smith; B-Emory A Hamilton (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-John R Velazquez. \$210,000. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$261,300. * 1/2 to El Padrino (Pulpit), GSW, \$326,770. **Werk Nick Rating: A. Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.**



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Much as I admire More Than Ready as a racehorse and a sire, I pointed out towards the end of 2010 that his record lacked a Grade I winner in the Northern Hemisphere. I'm pleased to say that he didn't take long to correct that omission. Buster's Ready took the Mother Goose S. in June 2011 and then Regally Ready won the Nearctic S. a few months later.

Now we have the exciting prospect that More Than Ready's unbeaten son Verrazano is going to become one of the stars of the 2013 Classic generation. But will this colt--inbred 4x3 to Mr. Prospector and untried as yet beyond 1 1/16 miles--stay well enough for the Kentucky Derby?

One of my lasting memories of the Kentucky Derby of 2000 was More Than Ready's game effort. Bearing in mind that he had sprung to prominence with a sequence of sprint victories in the spring and summer of his juvenile career, it was hard to envisage his winning over a mile and a quarter at the highest level. To his credit, he sneaked through on the inside to vie for the lead entering the stretch and he was still there approaching the final eighth. But then, as Fusaichi Pegasus swept by, More Than Ready's stamina evaporated and he only just managed to hang on to fourth place.

To this can be added the fact that More Than Ready's only Northern Hemisphere performers to have won a graded stakes beyond a mile and an eighth is More Than A Reason, who took the GIII Queen's County S. over 1 3/16 miles as a mature horse.

Perhaps there's some encouragement to be found from the record of More Than Ready's daughter Hungry Island, a Grade II-winning filly whose dam Flying Passage (A.P. Indy) is a half-sister to Verrazano's dam Enchanted Rock. Hungry Island won the GII Lake Placid S. over a mile and an eighth, no doubt helped by having an A.P. Indy mare as her dam. **Caulfield cont. p12**

- ✓ **Champion Sire...** for the third time in four years in 2012.
- ✓ **Sire of Sires...** **First Samurai, Shamardal & FootstepsInTheSand** all sired G1 winners in 2012.
- ✓ **Broodmare Sire...** **Verrazano** won the Tampa Bay Derby-G2 on Saturday by 3 lengths to remain unbeaten.
- ✓ **Very fertile in 2013...** top mares already in foal include **Blind Luck** (6 x G1 wnr), **Awesome Maria** (G1 wnr), **Bit of Whimsy** (G1 wnr), and **Spunoutacontrol** (dam of Giant's Causeway's G2 wnr **Fed Biz**), while **Tarfah**, the dam of **Camelot** (2,000 Guineas-G1, Epsom Derby-G1 & Irish Derby-G1 in 2012), was covered yesterday.



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Incidentally, another of Enchanted Rock's half-sisters, Tara Rome, stayed a mile and a quarter well enough to win the GII Ladies H. Tara Rome then visited the Triple Crown winner Seattle Slew to produce Serra Lake. When this late-developing filly won the GI Go For Wand H. over a mile and an eighth, her trainer Shug McGaughey commented that it was a case of "the farther, the better," and he joked that two miles would bring out the best in her.

I think the best approach with Verrazano is to see how well he settles and finishes when he steps up to a mile and an eighth, a trip which should present no problems.

Verrazano's female line brings back pleasant memories of Monade, a top French filly at around the time I was becoming interested in racing. She built up one of those racing records which nowadays read like fantasy fiction. Fast enough to win the prestigious Prix des Foals over five furlongs in the summer of her juvenile season, Monade displayed another facet of her talents over a mile and a half at three. Having won the 1962 Oaks at Epsom by the narrowest of margins, she progressed to win the Prix Vermeille before finishing an excellent second of 24 in the Arc.

Kept in training at four, she added further victories over 1 5/8 miles and 1 1/4 miles, in addition to running the brilliant Hula Dancer to a length in the Prix Jacques le Marois over a mile. Even at five, when less successful than previously, Monade was good enough to divide the excellent colts Relko and Nasram in the Prix Ganay.

Timeform's assessment was that Monade was "a top-class filly at any distance from a mile to a mile and a half. She is also a very game one, and she acts on any going." Clearly she was also very sound, so what more could anyone ask for?

The obvious answer to that question would be that Monade became similarly successful as a broodmare.

Here, though, Monade didn't live up to expectations for her new American owners, King Ranch. The list of stallions she was bred to read like a who's who of American stallions during the 1960s, '70s and '80s. Yet, despite having foals by Ribot (2), Dr. Fager (2), Nijinsky (2), Never Bend, Blushing Groom, Vaguely Noble, Roberto and Damascus, she failed to produce a graded stakes winner. Admittedly, she went close with her Never Bend filly Pressing Date, who was second in the Test S. and Delaware Oaks.

Even so, Monade's story acts as a very valuable reminder that the daughters of outstanding racemares often prove to be better producers than their dams.

Monade left nine daughters and as many as four of them--Que Mona (Ribot), Remedía (Dr. Fager), Miss Mazepah (Nijinsky II) and Elect (Vaguely Noble)--produced graded/group winners, with Miss Mazepah producing the top long-distance horse Sadeem. Pressing Date had the type of breeding record which could easily drive a breeder to drink, but her only daughter, Winds Aloft, has four Grade III winners descending from her. Similarly, Monade's Roberto filly Mariella is the second dam of a Group 2 winner and third dam of a Grade III scorer.

Altogether, there are nearly 30 graded winners descending from this family, with Verrazano coming from the excellent branch descending from Monade's Dr Fager filly Remedía. This four-time winner hit it off with Blushing Groom, her first foal by him being Too Chic, whose Grade I efforts included a win in the one-mile Maskette S. and a second in the Alabama S.

Too Chic, who occupies the position of third dam in Verrazano's pedigree, donated generously to the family fortunes. Her first foal, Verrazano's second dam Chic Shirine won the GI Ashland S. over 1 1/16 miles. This daughter of Mr. Prospector was tough enough to race a total of 16 times at the ages of two and three, but her younger sister Queena proved less precocious. Unraced at two and three, Queena made up for lost time by winning 10 of her 17 starts. Her trio of Grade I victories at five earned her the title of champion older female in 1991, when her graded wins were gained from seven furlongs to 1 1/16 miles.

Of the two sisters, Queena has the finer record as a broodmare, notably producing the GI Hollywood Derby winner Brahms to Danzig and the Group 3 2-year-old winner La Reina to A.P. Indy. That's not to say that Chic Shirine didn't have her moments. Her visits to Lyphard resulted in two differing types. The first was the previously mentioned Ladies H. winner Tara Roma, whereas the second, Waldoboro, was fast enough to win the GI True North H. over six furlongs.

Verrazano's dam Enchanted Rock was the final foal of Chic Shirine. Unfortunately, this daughter of Giant's Causeway managed only one start, at three, but she is inbred 4x3 to the brilliant Blushing Groom through two of his best American dirt performers, Rahy and Too Chic. It's worth mentioning that Shanghai Bobby (Harlan's Holiday) is another with a dam inbred to Blushing Groom.

VERRAZANO, c, 2010

More Than Ready	Southern Halo	Halo	Hail to Reason Cosmah
		Northern Sea	Northern Dancer Sea Saga
	Woodman's Girl	Woodman	Mr. Prospector Playmate
		Becky Be Good	Naskra Good Landing
Enchanted Rock 1-0-0-0 4Fls, 2GSW	Giant's Causeway	Storm Cat	Storm Bird Terlingua
		Mariah's Storm	Rahy Immense
	Chic Shirine 16-3-2-3 11Fls, 2GSW	Mr. Prospector	Raise a Native Gold Digger
		Too Chic 11Fls, 2GSW	Blushing Groom (Fr) Remedia



Caulfield cont.

Enchanted Rock has made an ideal start to her broodmare career. Her first foal is El Padrino, a Pulpit colt who earned a tilt at last year's Kentucky Derby with his victory in the GII Risen Star S. and his fourth in the GI Florida Derby. Her current 2-year-old, the Tapit filly La Madrina, is a three-parts-sister to El Padrino and she also has a yearling sister to



Verrazano
Courtney Heeney

El Padrino, so her future looks particularly rosy.

Enchanted Rock might have stayed as far as a mile and a quarter, given the chance. With Giant's Causeway as her sire and a Mr. Prospector mare as her dam, Enchanted Rock is bred to the same pattern as three group/graded winners. The best stayer among them was Primary, winner of the G3 Classic Trial over 1 1/4 miles before finishing third in the GI Secretariat S. One of the others, Aragorn, was a high-class turf miler who also took a pair of graded stakes over a mile and an eighth. The third group winner, Ghanaati, ran away with the 1,000 Guineas and Coronation S. over a mile.

Of course, Giant's Causeway owes a great deal of his success to mares from the Mr. Prospector line. He has sired Grade I winners at around a mile and a quarter from daughters of Machiavellian (Shamardal), Kingmambo (Red Giant) and Gone West (Frost Giant), plus the likes of Swift Temper from a Seeking The Gold mare and Giant Oak from a daughter of Crafty Prospector.

From a stamina viewpoint, there are also a few straws to be clutched at in Giant's Causeway's record as a very promising broodmare sire. One of his daughters produced Planteur, a high-class performer at up to a mile and a half, to the speedy Danehill Dancer, and Loch Garman, another of their Grade I winners, looks likely to stay pretty well at three this year.

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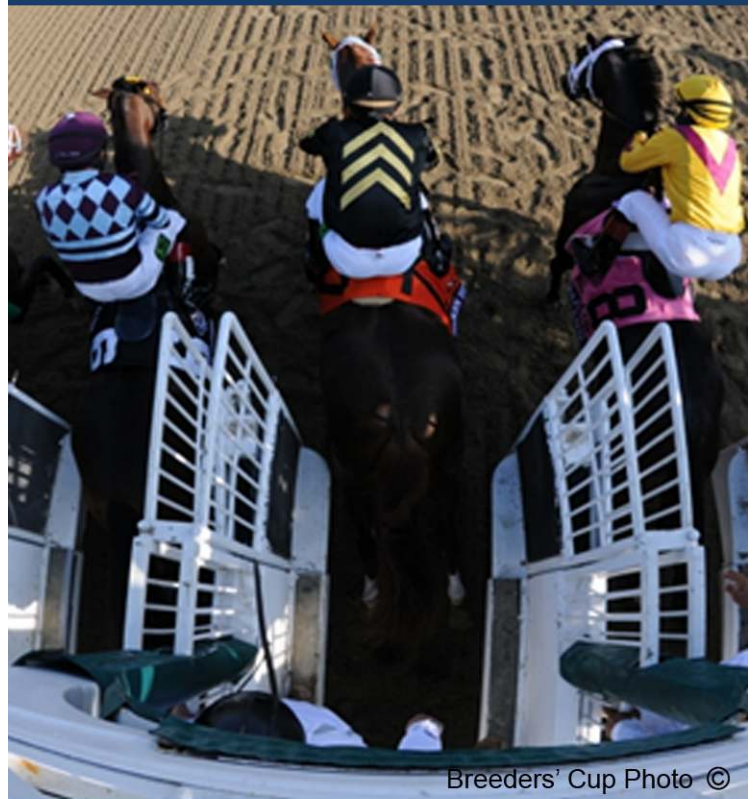


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Yesterday's Results:

8th-PRX, \$65,200, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, ft.

MISS D'ORO (f, 4, [Medaglia d'Oro](#)--Princess Legacy, by Saint Ballado), a five-length debut graduate at Penn National last March, was third in Belmont's Inside Information S. the following month before annexing the Wonder Delight S. against fellow Keystone State-breds back in Grantville June 1. She was third beaten a neck at that oval in a Dec. 20 allowance, and was coming off a local 2 3/4-length tally Jan. 26. Favored at 3-5 to clear another condition, the dark bay was hard-held and out wide while just off the pace. She swept up ominously along the bend and cruised effortlessly to the lead at the top of the stretch, lengthening her edge to four lengths at the wire. Be My Candy (Candy Ride {Arg}) was second. Sales history: \$45,000 yrl '10 FTMOCT; \$50,000 2yo '11 OBSMAR. Lifetime Record: SW, 6-4-0-2, \$163,632. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or VIDEO.](#)

O-Mr Amore Stable. B-Chain Bridge Stable (PA).

T-Jason Servis.

▶ Central U.S.

Sunday Night's Results:

6th-MNR, \$19,400, Msw, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:08 4/5, gd. + STERLINA (f, 3, Silver Train--Stormy Society {SP, \$284,152}, by Storm Creek), a 3-1 shot, zipped right to the front en route to a 1 1/4-length score from Karola's Dance (Johar). Sales history: \$9,500 wlng '10 KEENOV. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,834. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#)

O-Kelly Wallingford. B-Kim & Rodney Nardelli & Lewis Lakin (KY). T-Juan Ruvalcaba.

▶ Kentucky

Hunter Simms Becomes Partner at Warrendale Sales:

Hunter Simms has bought into Warrendale Sales in Lexington, and is now partner with owner and founder Kitty Taylor. Simms has been with Warrendale Sales for four years. "I'm very pleased that Hunter has become a partner in Warrendale Sales," commented Taylor. "He's been an integral part of the company since coming on board and I'm looking forward to a long and successful partnership with him."

Road to the Roses Fantasy Game Registration to Open:

Registration for Churchill Downs's online fantasy racing game "Road to the Roses Presented by TwinSpires.com" will open at noon on Friday, Mar. 22 and will run until 5 p.m. Mar. 28 at www.KentuckyDerby.com.

Participants can select six Kentucky Derby-nominated horses and earn points for each top-four finish in each of the 10 "Road to the Roses" races leading up to the Derby.

"We're excited to offer fans the opportunity to play our 2013 version of Road to the Roses Presented by TwinSpires.com, and hope our Kentucky Derby online fantasy game will add excitement and fun for its players in the weeks leading up to Kentucky Derby 139," said Churchill Downs General Manager Ryan Jordan. "We believe this free fantasy game, structured along the lines of the new 'Road to the Kentucky Derby' points system for Derby eligibility, will intrigue both veteran players, who relish the challenge of building strong and competitive stables, and newcomers, who will enjoy a game format that is somewhat simpler than in previous years."

The stable that finishes with the most points will win an expenses-paid trip for two to the 2014 Kentucky Oaks and Kentucky Derby.

OBITUARIES

Equine Sculptor Newmark Passes Away:

Marilyn Newmark Meisel, 84, an equine sculptor and horsewoman passed away Friday from pneumonia. Her sculptures can be seen on permanent display at the National Museum of Racing in Saratoga and the International Museum of the Horse in Lexington. Newmark also created pieces for the New York Racing Association, Professional Horsemen's Association of America, the Thoroughbred Breeders of Kentucky, and the Thoroughbred Racing Associations. Newmark and husband Leonard Meiselman were founding members of the Nassau-Suffolk Horsemen's Association, and she was an active member of the Old Westbury Horsemen's Association. "She was considered by her peers one of the top equine sculptors in the world," said her daughter Mindy, who noted that her mother's work won more than 12 gold medals and 100 awards at national and international exhibitions. Predeceased by her husband, Newmark Miesel is survived by her daughter and a grandson.

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IN JAPAN:

Re Avventure, c, 3, **Unbridled's Song**--Ocean Drive (MGSW & GISP, \$803,986), by *Belong to Me*. Hanshin, 3-10, Plate Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$138,542. O-Yoshio Oda; B-SyBon Racing Stable LLC; T-Hideyuki Mori. *1/2 to West Ocean (Elusive Quality), MSW, \$355,840. **\$225,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

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Air Khalifa, c, 4, **Discreet Cat**--Chez la Femme, by *Afternoon Deelites*. Hanshin, 3-10, Konan S., 9f. Lifetime Record: 10-4-4-2, \$784,538. O-Lucky Field Inc; B-Winchester Farm; T-Katsuhiko Sumii.

A Shin Central, h, 5, **Arch**--Lan Kwai Fong (Aus) (GSW & G1SP-Aus), by *Bluebird*. Sonoda, 3-6, Ichikawa Tokubetsu, 7f. Lifetime Record: 7-1-1-0, \$26,875. O-Eishindo Inc; B-Forging Oaks LLC; T-Yoshio Oki. *\$140,000 yrl '09 KEESEP.

IN PERU:

Amidala, f, 3, **Include**--Raisa, by *Aldebaran*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-8, Cond., 1600m, 1:42.00. B-Fitzhugh LLC. *\$6,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

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Manilow, c, 3, **Mineshaft**--Pleine Lune (Ire), by *Alzao*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-7, Cond., 1000m, :59 3/5. B-Clovelly Farms (Ky). *\$5,500 wnlng '10 KEENOV; \$10,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

Esttefania's Town, f, 3, **Speightstown**--Fresh Tracks (MSP, \$171,418), by *Silver Deputy*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-7, Cond., 1:12 4/5. B-Fares Farm Inc. (Ky). *1/2 to Mr. Tremendo (Henny Hughes), SP-Per. **\$20,000 yrl '11 KEESEP.

B Mating by Shannon White B

Furia de Invasor, c, 4, **Invasor (Arg)**--Unbridled Temper, by *Unbridled*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-7, Cond., 1200m, 1:12.00. B-Stonewall Farm Stallions (Ky). *\$22,000 yrl '10 KEESEP.

Zaitzev, c, 4, **Malibu Moon**--Colonna Traiana (Chi) (SW-Chi), by *Roy*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-8, Hcp., 1300m, 1:21.00. B-Brookdale (Ky). *1/2 to Host (Chi) (Hussonet), Ch. 2yo & 3yo Colt & Horse of the Year-Chi, GISW-US & G1SW-Chi, \$1,092,019. **\$22,000 yrl '10 KEESEP.

Fun Stealer, m, 5, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Quintessa, by *Touch Gold*. Hipodromo de Monterrico, 3-8, Cond., 1600m, 1:39 4/5. B-Jerry Jamgotchian LLC (Ky). *1/2 to Gallant (Aptitude), SW, \$371,729. **\$28,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP; \$3,700 HRA '12 KEEJAN.

Australasia

TESTA ROSSA COLT TOPS ADELAIDE OPENER

A colt by Testa Rossa brought top price of A\$100,000 (US\$102,613) during Monday's first session of the Magic Millions Adelaide Yearling Sale at Morphettville. The chestnut, **lot 14**, was consigned by Baramul Stud and was purchased by trainer David Jolly. He is the second foal out of the unraced Rose of Pania (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}), a full-sister to Group 1 winner and G1 Cox Plate runner-up Lotteria (Aus). A total of 58 yearlings sold for A\$1,963,500 during Monday's session. The average was A\$33,853 and the median was A\$30,000. The buy-back rate was 24%. "It's been a very good start to the sale," said Magic Millions Managing Director Vin Cox. "Business is being conducted and we have a very good opening session clearance rate. The vendors have been realistic and the buyers have participated in some spirited bidding during the night." The sale's second session gets underway today at 10 a.m. local time.

Yesterday's Results:

MAGIC MILLIONS 2YO CLASSIC (COND), A\$100,000, Morphettville (Adelaide), 3-11, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.14, gd.

1--**CHARLES IN CHARGE (AUS)**, 125, g, 2, by *Myboycharlie (Ire)*

1st Dam: **Gloravega (Aus) (SP-Aus)**, by *Honour and Glory*

2nd Dam: **Terevega (Aus)**, by *Laranto (Aus)*

3rd Dam: **Vegahoney (Aus)**, by *Todvega (Aus)*

O-R Jacques, B S Wilson, D P Azzopardi, Mrs S A Wilson, Miss S D Puddy, G Karisson, F Goodwin, W Hoghton, T Thwaites, B Zoga, C Boribon, Dream Thoroughbreds Charlie Synd, The Boyish Racing Synd & The Wild West Synd; B-C Anderson; T-Anthony Freedman; J-Craig Williams; A\$63,000. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, A\$87,095.

2--**The Voice (Aus)**, 125, g, 2, Northern Meteor (Aus)--Ceol Na Sraide (Ire), by *King's Theatre (Ire)*.

O-Pipeliner Bloodstock Pty Ltd, D J Lomas, S M George & W Von Bibra; B-Stud Consultants Pty Ltd & Cap Jaluca Pty Ltd; T-Tony McEvoy; A\$15,000.

3--**Tikitour (Aus)**, 125, g, 2, Dane Shadow (Aus)--Gone Wild (Aus), by *Viscount (Aus)*. O-Pipeliner Bloodstock Pty Ltd; B-Kitchwin Hills; T-Tony McEvoy; A\$7,500.

Margins: LNK, 1 1/4. Odds: 9-10, 8-1, 9-1.

Also Ran: *Gearstick (Aus)*, *Commanding Star (Aus)*, *Al Farafir (Aus)*, *Abba (Aus)*, *Excites Zelady (Aus)*, *Soldier's Image (Aus)*, *Talbina (Aus)*, *Bergeron (Aus)*. Scratched: *Lord Langham (Aus)*.

BLACK-TYPE WINNERS BY AMERICAN SIRE:

@**Lonhspresso (Aus)**, f, 3, **Lonhro (Aus)**--As Simple As That (Aus), by *Grand Lodge*. Morphettville (Adelaide), 3-11, Centrebet Classic-G2, 3yo, 6fT, A\$159,000 to winner. B-Ruane Menangle; T-Darren Weir.



ROOKIES

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, March 12

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

LEWIS MICHAEL (Rahy), Three Chimneys, \$13K, 59/8/1

7-MNR, Msw, 6f, Mickey Dan, 20-1

SMOOTH BID (Rubiano), 26/1/0

5-CT, Msw, 7f, First Blush, 6-1

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-HOU, \$24,500, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), C, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m70y, 1:43 2/5, ft.

TEMPARNILLO (m, 5, **Borrego--Crystal Sea {MSW & MGSP, \$367,108}**, by Sea Hero) Lifetime Record: 33-8-8-1, \$149,599. O-Ralls & Foster LLC. B-Dennis Foster (KY). T-Danny Pish. *Won by seven lengths.

8th-WRD, \$24,000, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40 2/5, gd.

JOHNNY WHIP (g, 4, **Stephen Got Even--Paradisa**, by Seeking the Gold) Lifetime Record: MSP, 18-6-4-3, \$115,506. O-George W Straw Jr. B-Robert H Zoellner (OK). T-Jody Pruitt.

8th-MNR, \$22,200, 3-10, Opt. Clm. (\$15,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 3/5, gd.

FIGHTING XENA (f, 4, **Noble Causeway--Fight Girl {SW, \$111,544}**, by Fit to Fight) Lifetime Record: 12-3-2-1, \$57,051. O/B-Robert J Hunt (KY). T-Donald F Hunt.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

PALM MEADOWS

Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), 7fT, 1:26.77, 1/1
 Dayatthespa (City Zip), 4f, :50.08, 22/36
 Hierro (Hard Spun), 5f, 1:01.93, 7/14
 Premier Steps (Ire) (Footstepsinthesand {GB}), 4f, :48.66, 5/36
 Samitar (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), 4f, :49.98, 15/36
 Watsdachances (Ire) (Diamond Green {Fr}), 4f, :50.68, 30/36

PAYSON PARK

Data Link (War Front), 4f, :47.30, 1/15
 Orb (Malibu Moon), 4f, :48.40, 2/15
 Point of Entry (Dynaformer), 4f, :51.20, 14/15

SANTA ANITA PARK

Amazombie (Northern Afleet), 5f (tr. t), 1:01.00, 2/4
 Bourbon Bay (Sligo Bay {Ire}), 6fT, 1:14.40, 2/6
 Code West (Lemon Drop Kid), 4f, :48.20, 14/78
 Dhaamer (Ire) (Dubai Destination), 6f, 1:13.40, 1/6
 Jimmy Creed (Distorted Humor), 5f, 1:01.60, 41/81
 Obviously (Ire) (Choisir {Aus}), 3f, :37.00, 11/25
 Paynter (Awesome Again), 4f, :48.40, 18/78
 Quiet Oasis (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), 5fT, :59.60, 3/13
 Unbridled's Note (Unbridled's Song), 5f, 1:00.00, 11/81

9th-HOU, \$21,500, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:45 1/5, fm.

ZAPTITUDE (g, 4, **Zap--Expressive Word**, by Hopeful Word) Lifetime Record: 21-4-1-2, \$45,223. O-Mr & Mrs Lonnie Bates & Mr & Mrs Michael Danapas. B-Mr & Mrs Michael Chance Danapas (TX). T-Danny Pish.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Awesome Force, g, 3, **Wilko**--Distinguished Lady, by Smart Strike. WRD, 3-11, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Aryan Family Trust (OK). *\$10,700 yrl '11 TEXAUG; \$45,000 2yo '12 TEXMAR.

Paladin's Fury, g, 4, **Discreet Cat**--Looking for a Win (SW & GSP, \$126,164), by Crafty Prospector. HOU, 3-11, 5fT, 1:00. B-Liberation Farm & Oratis Thoroughbreds (KY). *\$85,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. **1/2 to Mandarin Marsh (Sea Hero), GSP, \$174,786.



WINNERS BY AMERICAN SIRES

IN JAPAN:

Wild Flapper (Jpn), f, 4, **Ghostzapper**--Smok'n Frolic (MGSW, \$1,534,720), by Smoke Glacken. Hanshin, 3-9, Plate Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, \$286,458. O-Teruya Yoshida; B-Shadai Farm; T-Kunihide Matsuda. *Full to Hunters Bay, MGSW & GISP, \$609,147. **\$750,000 i/u '08 KEENOV.

IN AUSTRALASIA:

Exodus (Aus), g, 2, **Bernardini**--St Trinians (Aus), by Black Hawk (GB). Morphettville (Adelaide), 3-9, Hcp, 2yo, 5fT. B-D Peacock.

Respected (Aus), f, 2, **Street Cry (Ire)**--Virago (Aus), by Danehill. Canterbury (Sydney), 3-8, Mdn, 2yo, f, 6fT. B-Darley.

Whittington (Aus), c, 2, **Tale of the Cat**--Maha Chakri (Aus), by Beautiful Crown. Warwick Farm (Sydney), 3-9, Cond, 2yo, 5 1/2fT. B-Patinack Farm.

Crystal Web (Aus), g, 3, **Hard Spun**--Crystal Snip (Aus), by Snippets (Aus). Flemington (Melbourne), 3-9, MSS Security S.-Listed, 3yo, 5 1/2fT, A\$72,000 to winner. B-D Moodie & Mrs J Moodie.

Lennie's Choice (Aus), g, 3, **Hard Spun**--Evening Jester (Aus), by Tabkir. Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 5fT. B-Emerald Thoroughbreds.

Moreish (Aus), f, 3, **More Than Ready**--Pink City (Aus), by Danehill. Ascot (Perth), 3-9, West Australian 1000 Guineas-Listed, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, A\$52,000 to winner. B-G Harvey.

Court Connection (Aus), g, 6, **Lonhro** (Aus)--Imperatrix (Aus), by Strategic (Aus). Canberra (Australian Capital Territory), 3-10, Canberra Cup-Listed, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, A\$120,000 to winner. B-Tareena Bloodstock, Mrs P Powles, T R Lobb & Mrs F M Lobb.

More Colors, g, 6, **More Than Ready**--Cosmic Colors, by Broad Brush. Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 3-6, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5fT. B-Empire Equines LLC.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- + **Pampero (Fr)**, c, 3, **Librettist**--Cabulera (Per) (Ch. Grass Mare-Per, MG1SW-Per), by Prospector's Cap. Toulouse, France, 3-11, Mdn, unraced 3yo, 1 5/16mT. B-Mario Rodolfo Marrero.
- Lady Melior (Fr)**, f, 3, **Multiplex (GB)**--Lady Oriande (GB), by Makbul (Ire). Toulouse, France, 3-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Lord Huntingdon. *€30,000 RNA yrl '11 ARQOCT. **1/2 to My Name is Bond (Fr) (Monsieur Bond {Ire}), GSW-Fr, \$105,494.



WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRE

IN JAPAN:

- + **Approaching (Aus)**, c, 3, **New Approach (Ire)**--Lute (NZ), by Stravinsky. Hanshin, 3-9, Maiden Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$62,500. O-Yasushi Kubota; B-Stud Consultants Pty Ltd; T-Toshiaki Shirai.

IN AUSTRALASIA:

- Spurrendous (Aus)**, f, 2, **Shamardal**--Spurcent (Aus), by Flying Spur (Aus). Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-6, Hcp, 2yo, 6fT. B-Patinack Farm.
- Secret's Only (Aus)**, f, 3, **Choisir (Aus)**--Royal Wannabe (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Ellerslie (Auckland), 3-6, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1mT. B-J Murdoch.
- Sireeze (Aus)**, g, 3, **Choisir (Aus)**--Westerly Breeze (Aus), by Dr Johnson. Ascot (Perth), 3-9, T J Smith Trophy-Listed, 3yo, 1mT, A\$52,000 to winner. B-L N Piper & Ritchie Green.
- Skyway (Aus)**, c, 3, **Choisir (Aus)**--Forcibly (Aus), by Marauding (NZ). Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo, c/g, 7fT. B-Superhorse Trust.
- Luen Yat Miracle (Aus)**, g, 3, **Dylan Thomas (Ire)**--Chetwynd South (Aus), by High Yield. Otaki (New Zealand), 3-8, Mdn, 3yo, 7fT. B-N J Turnbull.
- Kaiaua King (NZ)**, g, 3, **Elusive City**--Hot Elle (NZ), by Al Akbar (Aus). Riccarton (Christchurch), 3-7, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6fT. B-Northern Ceilings (NZ) Ltd.
- Hoybell (Aus)**, f, 3, **Encosta de Lago (Aus)**--Satinka (NZ), by Stravinsky. Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-6, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1mT. B-Jynnbrook Pty Ltd.
- Ninth Legion (Aus)**, c, 3, **Fastnet Rock (Aus)**--Xaar's Jewel (Aus), by Xaar (GB). Sandown (Melbourne), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7fT. B-Davilora Lodge.
- Percy Possum (Aus)**, g, 3, **Holy Roman Emperor (Ire)**--Arboretum (Aus), by Woodman. Riccarton (Christchurch), 3-7, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7fT. B-Best Western Group Pty Ltd.
- Countessofdelgatie (NZ)**, f, 3, **One Cool Cat**--Delgatie Queen (NZ), by Spectacular Love. Otaki (New Zealand), 3-8, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6fT. B-N J & Mrs K A Auret.

- Gerontius (Aus)**, g, 3, **Oratorio (Ire)**--Bunda Grande (Aus), by Victory Prince (Aus). Sandown (Melbourne), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo, 1 1/8mT. B-R G Seldon.
- Twilight Dragon (NZ)**, g, 3, **Spartacus (Ire)**--Our Shinia (NZ), by Marju (Ire). Ellerslie (Auckland), 3-6, Mdn, 3yo, 6fT. B-R W E Moore.
- Segue (Aus)**, f, 4, **Ad Valorem**--Antwerp (NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Canterbury (Sydney), 3-8, Hcp, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f 55ydsT. B-Darley.
- Uppland (NZ)**, g, 4, **Bachelor Duke**--Cinquilla (GB), by Mark of Esteem (Ire). Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, c/g, 7 1/2fT. B-L V Pearson.
- Prince Cheri (Fr)**, c, 4, **Lando (Ger)**--Princess Cheri (Ger), by Mondrian (Ger). Canterbury (Sydney), 3-8, Hcp, 4yo/up, 7f 165ydsT. B-Ecurie Haras des Marais.
- Speech Craft (Aus)**, g, 4, **Oratorio (Ire)**--Chaleur (NZ), by Stravinsky. Ellerslie (Auckland), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 7fT. B-R A Emery.
- Lunayir (Fr)**, c, 4, **Sinndar (Ire)**--Luna Caerla (Ire), by Caerleon. Warwick Farm (Sydney), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1mT. B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC.
- Rich'n Unhitched (NZ)**, g, 5, **Bachelor Duke**--Enchant (NZ), by Pentire (GB). Ellerslie (Auckland), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 6fT. B-S K K Goh.
- Skysoblu (NZ)**, m, 5, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Stever House, by El Gran Senor. Ellerslie (Auckland), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 5/16mT. B-Karreman Bloodstock Ltd.
- Steps in Time (Aus)**, m, 5, **Danehill Dancer (Ire)**--Rare Insight (NZ), by O'Reilly (NZ). Warwick Farm (Sydney), 3-9, Wiggle S.-Listed, 4yo/up, f/m, 7fT, A\$60,000 to winner. B-N Hoar.
- Award Season (Ire)**, g, 5, **Dansili (GB)**--Alice Town (GB), by Darshaan (GB). Warwick Farm (Sydney), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 3/8mT. B-George Strawbridge.
- Senta de Noche (Aus)**, g, 5, **Encosta de Lago (Aus)**--Dama de Noche (Aus), by Snippets (Aus). Canterbury (Sydney), 3-8, Hcp, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT. B-B T Agnew & Peter Hawks.
- Above All (GB)**, g, 5, **Nayef**--Anyas (Ire), by Green Desert. Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1 7/16mT. B-Hadi Al Tajir.
- Mr Monopolize (GB)**, g, 5, **Oasis Dream (GB)**--Modesta (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-9, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT. B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd.
- Niblick (Aus)**, g, 6, **Encosta de Lago (Aus)**--Leica Vista (Aus), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Canberra (Australian Capital Territory), 3-10, National Sprint-Listed, 3yo/up, 7fT, A\$60,000 to winner. B-Swettenham Stud.
- Word Gets Around (Aus)**, g, 6, **Encosta de Lago (Aus)**--Only Words (Aus), by End Sweep. Sandown (Melbourne), 3-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT. B-Canning Downs Pty Ltd.
- Triskele (Aus)**, g, 7, **King's Best**--Lady Isabella (Aus), by Hatta's Mill (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 3-9, Hcp, 4yo/up, 6fT. B-S Kirkham.

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