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MIKE DOWNEY, JAY HOVDEY WIN ECLIPSE AWARDS FOR WRITING Mike

Downey won the 1994 Eclipse Award for Outstanding Achievement in Newspaper Writing, it was announced vesterday. Downey won for his story, "When One Teardrop Is A Torrent Of Hope," which dealt with the recovery of trainer Jeff Lukas from his nearly fatal accident. The story appeared in the Jan. 9 edition of the Los Angeles Times. Downey's winning entry traced the early stages of Lukas' recovery, climaxed by his first visible reaction, a teardrop, to his son Brady's tape-recorded voice. A panel of judges representing the Thoroughbred Racing Associations, the National Turf Writers Association and Daily Racing Form voted on the award. The 1994 Eclipse Award for Outstanding Achievement in Magazine Writing went to Jay Hovdey for his work in The Blood-Horse. This is the second Eclipse for Hovdey, who also won in 1982. Hovdey was honored for his coverage of the three Triple Crown events. His stories captured Nick Zito's emotions following Go For Gin's victory in the Derby, as well as the impact on the Lukas family of Tabasco Cat's wins in the Preakness and Belmont.

HOLLYWOOD FALL MEET POSTS RECORD DAILY HANDLE Increases in on-track business helped generate a record daily average handle of more than \$8.3 million at the 1994 Autumn Festival meeting concluded Sat., Dec. 24 at Hollywood Park. Stimulated by Friday night racing, full-card simulcasting from Northern Calif., the introduction of simulcasting from Hong Kong and the new Hollywood Park Casino, the on-track attendance average of 9,575 was up 1.2 percent, while the on-track average handle of \$2.2 million was up 7.4 percent from a year ago. The daily average handle for the 34-day meeting was up 17.5 percent from the previous Hollywood fall meeting record of \$7.1 million, set a year ago. While attendance was up on-track, the satellite average of 13,919 was down 4.9 percent. Combined attendance declined slightly, as the 23,493 daily average was down 2.5 percent from a year ago. Gary Stevens rode 36 winners to capture his third Autumn Festival riding title, and Ron McAnally was leading trainer with 13 wins.

Sunday, Santa Anita:

SAN CARLOS H.-GII, \$150,000a, 4yo/up, 7f Glen Hill Farm's Concept Win (Manila), who turned in an uncharacteristically dull performance while finishing sixth in the GIII Vernon Underwood Breeders' Cup H. last month at Hollywood Park, will attempt to bounce back in the San Carlos. The five-year-old has done his best racing at Santa Anita, where he took the GIII Palos Verdes H. last Jan. 30. Trainer W.L. Proctor said the only thing he knows for sure is Concept Win wasn't himself prior to the Underwood. "He didn't handle the paddock over there (at Hollywood) at all, and I don't know why," Proctor said. "And then he went nuts at the gate; he didn't want to load. He raced there twice as a three-year-old and was fine both times, so I guess you'd have to ask the horse what bothered him." Trainer Gary Jones said Ray Dilbeck's Kingdom Found (The Bart) is "on course for the race, but he won't run if it's wet." And Rodney Rash, conditioner of Powis Castle (Rare Brick), said the Malibu S. winner will be entered in the San Carlos, but whether he runs will depend on the track condition. Probables for the GII event also include Cardmania (Cox's Ridge), Delahoussaye, 120 pounds; D'Hallevant (Ogygian), Nakatani, 117; Polar Route (Naskra), Black, 114; and Softshoe Sure Shot (Bolger), Solis, 113. Diazo (Jade Hunter) and Individual Style (Something Lucky), also among those being considered for the race, were entered in a classified allowance race for Saturday.

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JIMMY CROLL SELECTED AS "BIG SPORT" OF TURFDOM Trainer Warren A. "Jimmy" Croll Jr., 74, who guided the charismatic Holy Bull (Great Above) to eight victories at five different racetracks and earnings of over \$2 million in 1994, has been named the 1994 winner of the Big Sport of Turfdom award by the Turf Publicists of America (TPA), it was announced vesterday by Karl Schmitt Jr., president of the TPA. The award, given annually by racing publicists and marketing executives to an individual whose cooperation with the media has enhanced coverage of the sport, will be presented at a luncheon Friday, Jan. 27 at the National Press Club in Washington D.C. "In the past year, Jimmy Croll has been besieged with requests and he never failed to make himself or Holy Bull accessible to the media and the colt's countless fans," Schmitt said. "His graciousness has been duly recognized by the turf publicists who voted him the winner of this award."

ATTENDANCE, HANDLE DOWN AT NYRA IN

'94 Daily on-track attendance was down 7.3% and daily on-track handle dropped 6.4% at New York Racing Association tracks in 1994. Average attendance fell from 11,535 in 1993 to 10,692 in '94, while daily average on-track handle of \$2,417,987 was down from \$2,582,494 in '93. Daily average total handle was also off, dropping to \$6,847,844, a decline of 5.7% from 1993's \$7,261,086. Figures do not include handle of \$39,166,490 wagered on Florida simulcasting presented at Aqueduct from Jan. to March of last year, and NYRA officials point out that seven, rather than nine, live races a day were presented during that time.

TABASCO CAT HAS MINOR FOOT PROBLEM

Tabasco Cat (Storm Cat), who breezed five furlongs from the gate in 1:01 1/5 over Santa Anita's fast main track Monday morning, "caught his quarter, but that's going to be okay," trainer D. Wayne Lukas said Thursday morning. "The crack didn't materialize. At least I hope it doesn't develop into that (quarter crack)....you never know about these things. But it should be okay." Lukas said he hoped the problem wouldn't cost Tabasco Cat any training time.

KEENELAND'S JANUARY HORSES OF ALL AGES SALE STARTS MONDAY Keeneland will ring in the new auction year Monday with the start of its January Horses of All Ages Sale. A total of 1,313 horses have been catalogued for the four-day auction. Officials catalogued 664 broodmares, 400 yearlings, 84 two-year-olds, six stallions and 159 horses of other ages. The total is the most since a record 1,829 were catalogued in 1991. Sales sessions start at 10 a.m. daily. Allen Paulson, who operates one of North America's largest breeding and racing operations, will sell 107 horses--65 broodmares and

broodmare prospects and 42 yearlings. Ted Carr, manager of Paulson's Brookside Farm, termed the sale a "major reduction." After the reduction, Paulson will have approximately 100 mares and 75 yearlings, according to Carr. Gross sales totaled \$15,027,900 for 849 horses during the 1994 January Sale, which spanned three days. Horses averaged \$17,701. Three stallion shares brought an additional \$9,400.

SOPHOMORE STARS NOMINATED TO BAY MEADOWS STAKES Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Timber Country (Woodman) heads a list of 17 three-vear-olds nominated to the GIII \$200,000 EI Camino Real Derby, to be run at Bay Meadows Saturday, Jan. 14. The colt, who was also victorious in the GI Champagne and GIII Balboa S., is expected to run. In addition to Timber Country, trainer D. Wayne Lukas has nominated GII Remsen winner Thunder Gulch (Gulch) to the race. Serena's Song (Rahy), a game winner of the GI Hollywood Starlet in her last outing, is among the 15 sophomore fillies nominated to the GIII \$100,000 Bay Meadows Oaks. The Oaks, run at 1 1/16-miles on the main track, is slated for Monday, January 16, the closing day of the 1994-95 Bay Meadows meeting. Owned by Robert and Beverly J. Lewis, Serena's Song, who lost a photo to favored Flanders in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies November 5, also took the GI Oak Leaf S. October 8.

SOUL OF THE MATTER'S CAMPAIGN ON

HOLD The combination of tender feet and stormy weather in Southern California has the racing agenda of Soul of the Matter (Private Terms) up in the air. "With his bad feet and the weather like it's been, I'm not going to push him," said trainer Richard Mandella of the Super Derby winner. "The San Fernando (Jan. 14) is out, and I'm not even sure he'll make the Big 'Cap (March 11). I'll take my time with him."



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Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:43 2/5, ft.

SEA DITTY (f, 4, Afleet--Stave {SW, \$117,448}, by Navajo), a SP runner who was 4th in a \$70,000 claimer at Aqueduct in her last, raced in mid-field until the top of the stretch, where she drew off for a 6 3/4-length triumph at 15-1 odds. 4-5 chalk ONE ACCOUNT (Private Account), stepping down from graded stakes company, finished 5th in the 6-horse field. Lifetime Record: 17-4-2-4, \$97,840. O-Arthur F Parent. B-Maid O' Gold Inc. (CAN). T-Charles Carlesimo Jr.

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9th-AQU, \$28,000, Msw, 4/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13, ft. LIMITED EDITION (f, 4, Exuberant--Bull Session, by Bull Vic), who led through the early fractions before settling for 2nd in her only 2 prior starts, tried a new tactic this time under regular jockey Richard Migliore. Sitting just off the leaders until mid-stretch, she took command late to win by 2 1/2 as the 7-5 favorite. Limited Edition was a \$5,700 OBS April 2yo and \$23,500 OBS June 2yo. Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, \$28,560.

O-Charles W. Frysinger. B-Vintage Acres (FL). T-Carl Domino.



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Yesterday's Results:

9th-GPX, \$40,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft.

1--PATTON, 119, c, 4, Lord At War (Arg)--Slew Me Down, by Seattle Slew. O-Scott C. Savin; B-Jomar, Inc (KY); T-Hubert Hine.

Lifetime Record: 11-5-2-1, \$108,000.

- 2--Evil Bear, 122, h, 5, Medieval Man--Bearer of Tidings, by Mongo.
- 3--Crafty Chris, 119, h, 5, Crafty Prospector--Key to My Dream, by Key to the Mint.
 Margins: 2 1/4, 3 3/4, 1 1/2. Odds: 2.10, 1.10,

Patton, winner of the William Thompson S. over a sloppy Meadowlands track in September, had been off since finishing 8th in his turf debut in the Nov. 4 Rushing Man S., also at The Meadowlands. He posted four bullet works at Gulfstream in preparation for his return. Sitting just off the flank of pacesetter and even-money favorite Evil Bear through the first 1/2-mile, Patton was then sent to the front where he remained the rest of the way, crossing the wire 2 1/4-lengths the best under Jose Santos.

8th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m (off the turf), 1:44 1/5, ft.

CARO'S SECRET (h, 6, Caro {Ire}--Infantes {SP}, by Exclusive Native), racing off the turf for the 1st time since his 3rd-place finish in the Bet Twice S. at Monmouth in June, moved fast four wide to take over before going 6 furlongs, then remained in front by 2 1/4 at the finish. 4-5 favorite CHIEF MASTER (Talc) was 2nd. The winner, sent off at 7-2 odds, is a full brother to Tejano (MGI, \$1,428,177). Lifetime Record: 21-5-3-3, \$86,265.

O/T-Lawrence Jennings Jr. B-Stone Ridge Partnership (NY).

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners and a + will denote winners who are first-time starters.

5th-GPX, \$28,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m (off the turf), 1:52 4/5, ad.

TRUE BY TWO (f, 4, Proud Truth--Avis Uno, by Soy Numero Uno), reserved early, moved 5 wide around the far turn, caught the leaders near the final furlong and outfinished 19-1 longshot LIZZIE OF LIVE OAK (Caveat) for the victory. 9-5 bettors' choice STRETCH DRIVE (Regal Classic), making her 1st start since finishing 2nd in the GIII Nijana S. August 3, set the early fractions before settling for 3rd. Lifetime Record: 17-3-5-3, \$65,595.

O-Treplow Stable, B-Alfred H. Nuckols Jr. (KY)

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1st-GPX, \$27,250, Alw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:48 4/5,

BOBBIE'S BEEP BEEP (f, 3, Prospector's Halo--B. B.'s Beep Beep, by Sunny Clime), 10 1/2-length winner of a maiden claimer at Calder last out, closed from off-the-pace for a 1 3/4-length victory at 4-1 odds. 2-5 favorite ASTRABI (Seattle Slew) showed speed for 6 furlongs then gave way to finish 4th of 5. Lifetime Record: 13-2-5-2, \$38,375.

O/B-Mr. & Mrs. Wayne Blackwell (FL). T-M. Buxton.

4th-GPX, \$26,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5, ad

MY MIKE (h, 5, Private Account--Girlfriend, by Tom Rolfe), 2nd in his last 2 allowance tries in Oct. and Nov., returned from a 2-month layoff and closed from mid-pack to win by 8 lengths as the 8-5 chalk. 28-1 outsider ALL ALIKE DANCE (Minshaanshu Amad) was 2nd. My Mike is 1/2 to Seriously (SW, \$227,069, by Believe It) and a full to Grand Girlfriend (MGSP, \$211,838). Lifetime Record: 7-2-4-0, \$51,150. O/B-E.A. Cox Jr. (KY). T-Frank L Brothers.



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Local News, Fair Grounds:

Wednesday, January 4, Fair Grounds and its OTB parlors simulcast their first full card from Florida's Gulfstream Park. Total wagering at all locations came to \$149,131.

Local News, Charles Town:

Representatives of the newly formed Charles Town Horsemen's Association met with Charles Town Races officials yesterday to begin drafting a legislative agenda aimed at reopening the Thoroughbred track. "We had a good, frank discussion with management and I believe we've come up with enough ideas to get this track running again," said Jim Palmer, president of the association. Palmer reported that membership in the Charles Town Horsemen's Association has grown to nearly 300 members.





SOUTHERN C.A.L.I.F.O.R.N.I.A REPORT

Yesterday's Results:

8th-SAX, \$50,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (off the turf), 1:39 2/5, my.

- 1--OUZO POWERED, 115, f, 4, Vigors--Diane's Lark, by Prince John. O-Kathryn H & Norman J Holmes; B-Rio Vista Rancho (CA); T-Jenine Sahadi. Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-2, \$78,343.
- 2--Fancy 'n Fabulous, 115, f, 4, Somethingfabulous--Luck's Fancy, by Lucky Fleet.
- 3--Justamente (Arg), 116, m, 7, Tough Critic-Exactamente, by Good Manners.
 Margins: 2, 3, 3. Odds: 10.60, 1.20, 3.50.
 Ouzo Powered, winner of an allowance at Hollywood in her last start Nov. 20, made it 2 in a row with a come-from-behind, 2-length victory over SW and 6-5 favorite Fancy 'n Fabulous. Justamente, who set the early pace, held on for third.
- 3rd-SAX, \$42,000, Alw, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 1/5, my.
 1--COLD N CALCULATING, 120, c, 3, It's Freezing-Evil Elaine (SW, \$119,729), by Medieval Man.
 O-Jan & Mace & Samantha Siegel; B-Mr. & Mrs.
 M.L. Wood (KY); T-Brian A Mayberry.
 Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$67,730.
- 2--Score Quick, 120, g, 3, Northern Score--Langlois, by Quack.
- 3--Fritz, 120, c, 3, Gulch--Blessings (Fr), by Floribunda.

Margins: 3, head, 1/2. Odds: 4.10, 6.70, 0.90CT. Stakes-placed Cold N Calculating, making his 2nd start back from a 2-month hiatus, settled off the rail down the backside, raced 4 wide on the turn and into the stretch, rallied outside under strong urging from Alex Solis to gain the lead in deep stretch, then pulled clear for the victory. 4-5 chalk Fritz broke a step slowly and trailed the field until the drive, where he finished well but was too late to catch the winner. Fritz, a 1/2 to five GSW's, ran the fastest 2yo race at the fall Hollywood meet. He was purchased by Earle Mack (major partner) yesterday, just hours before the race. The private purchase was negotiated by Global International.

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ALLOWANCE WINNERS:

7th-AQU, \$30,000, NY-Breds, 3yo, 6f, 1:13 2/5, ft. GIGGLES GALORE (g, 3, Scarlet Ibis--Smiling, by Honest Pleasure) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-0, \$25,200. O/B-Seymour Cohn & Dr. Lynwood O'Cain (NY). T-Richard A Destasio.

8th-LRL, \$23,520, 4/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:44 3/5, ft. SAUDI BRASS (m, 6, Marine Brass--Come On Cotton, by Anticipating) Lifetime Record: 30-12-3-2, \$180,395. O-E. Allen Murray Jr. B-Mr. & Mrs. E. Allen Murray Jr (MD). T-Linda L Albert. *2xSW.

7th-BMX, \$23,000, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39 2/5, sy. PIRATESLEADINGLADY (f, 3, Pirate's Bounty--Lillian Gish, by Lothario) Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-0, \$27,260. O-Curt & Lila Lanning. B-Rancho Jonata (CA). T-Ed Moger Jr. *1/2 to Kept His Cool (MSP, \$186,493, by Talc).

9th-FGX, \$20,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11, ft.

ABODE (c, 4, Greinton (GB)--In Heaven, by Great
Above) Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-1, \$28,420.

O-Machtudar Inc. B-Fred Seitz (KY). T-Isaac L. Bailey.

7th-FGX, \$19,500, 4yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, fm.

LADY LODGER (GB) (f, 4, Be My Guest--Eversince {SP-Fr}, by Foolish Pleasure) Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-1, \$27,469. O-Temple Webber Jr. B-The Overbury Stud (GB). T-Thomas Amoss.

5th-FGX, \$19,500, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. AMANDA'S SARAH SUE (f, 4, Schaufuss--Mel's Sister {MSW}, by Silver Badge) Lifetime Record: 20-2-10-0, \$78,489. O-Patrick Boylan. B-Racetime Inc. (KY). T-Nathan Broussard. *MSP.

8th-FGX, \$18,000, 3yo, c/g, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. GH'S PLEASURE (c, 3, Foolish Pleasure--Carrollton Zip, by Noble Table) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$25,165. O-G.H. Ray. B-Dr. & Mrs. John Montgomery Bauer (NC). T-Robert E Holthus.

7th-LRL, \$15,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. WINNING BRASS (c, 4, Marine Brass--Twice Boldly, by Anticipating) Lifetime Record: 12-2-1-3, \$22,784. O-Bayne Racing Stable & Holt. B-Kenneth Holt (MD). T-Carlos A Garcia.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

- + Lost Creek, g, 3, Lost Code--Elk Creek (MSW), by Hell Gate Canyon. FGX, 1-5, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Barbara Hunter (Ky). *\$19,000 wlng '92 KEENOV; \$38,000 yrl '93 FTKSEP;\$65,000 2yo '94 FTFFEB.
- Cordovan, g, 3, Peterhof--Express Success (SP), by Captain Courageous. SAX, 1-5, 7f, 1:26 2/5. B-Dan J. Agnew (Wa).
- + High Risk Rewards, c, 3, Shanekite--Stevens Pass, by Lt. Stevens. SAX, 1-5, 6 1/2f, 1:19 1/5. B-Brad Rucker (Ca).
- Marroquin, c, 3, Stutz Blackhawk--Zamora (Col), by Kabori. GPX, 1-5, 1 1/16m, 1:47. B-Haras Santa Lucia. Inc (FI).
- Beads, f, 3, Wild Again--Garfield Holme, by Deputy Minister. GPX, 1-5, 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Due Process Stable, Inc (Ky).