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SIX PROBABLE FOR STRUB A field of six, including the first four finishers in the GII San Fernando S., are on schedule for Sunday's GI \$500,000 Strub S. to be run over 1 1/4-miles at Santa Anita. Strodes Creek (Halo) worked five furlongs under regular rider Eddie Delahoussaye in :58 4/5 at Santa Anita yesterday. "It was a nice workout," said trainer Charlie Whittingham. "This distance didn't bother him in the Kentucky Derby, or in the Belmont either." Trainer Rodney Rash announced Tuesday that Colonel Collins (El Gran Senor), a stakes-winner in England last year, "is ready to roll. He's running. He'll blow out tomorrow, maybe Thursday." Colonel Collins, who will be making his debut on the dirt, has not raced since finishing eighth, beaten 2 1/2-lengths, in the GI Secretariat S. at Arlington August 28. Grant Hofmans, assistant to trainer David Hofmans, reported that Dramatic Gold (Slew o' Gold) "probably will breeze again Thursday, most likely an easy half-mile." The probable field also includes Wekiva Springs (Runaway Groom), Desormeaux; Dare and Go (Alydar), no rider; College Town (Snow Chief), no rider.

KEY PHRASE DOUBTFUL FOR SANTA

MARIA Trainer Ron McAnally reported both champion Paseana (ARG) (Ahmad) and GII San Gorgonio winner Queens Court Queen (Lyphard) on target for Sunday's GI \$150,000-added Santa Maria H., to be run over 1 1/16-miles at Santa Anita. Trainer Ron Ellis, however, was contemplating the weights before deciding whether to run Martin and Pam Wygod's undefeated Key Phrase (Flying Paster). "I prefer not to run," said Ellis after being advised that Key Phrase was assigned 117 pounds to Paseana's highweight of 123. "But I'll talk it over with Marty (owner Wygod) and then we'll decide. I just feel a filly (Key Phrase) who's never been two turns should get more weight from mares like Paseana and Corrazona (El Gran Senor) (assigned 120 pounds)." Key Phrase, winner of the GI Santa Monica H. at Santa Anita Jan. 16, drilled seven furlongs Tuesday in 1:27 1/5. "She relaxed perfectly," said Ellis, "although she went a little faster than I wanted." Corrazona also worked Tuesday, going five-eighths in 1:00 1/5. Bill Spawr, meanwhile, confirmed that Exchange (Explodent) will pass the race and ship to Florida to run in either the Rampart H. (Feb. 26) or the Orchid H. (March 12).

Today, Gulfstream Park:

THE SABIN H.-GIII, \$75,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70yds JOCKEY PP HORSE TRAINER Odds 1 Recognizable McGaughey Smith 9-2 Velasquez 12-1 2 My Momma's Jolene Buxton Samyn 20-1 3 Star Jolie McKenzie 6-1 Santos 4 Imah Galluscio Castillo Jr. 4-1 Wolfson 5 Sambacarioca 20-1 Brittain Douglas 6 Clean Wager Penna 5-2 Bates 7 Regal Joy Bravo 3-1 8 Jade Flush Zito

Ogden Mills Phipps' four-year-old filly Recognizable (Seattle Slew) stepped up from allowance company to take the GIII First Lady H. at Gulfstream in her last start Jan. 11. "She does have a chance to be a very good filly," said Roger Edwards, assistant to trainer Shug McGaughey. "If you look back at her record, she has only been at the races for nine months. She didn't make her first start until June of 1994. You see how far she has progressed since then and you have to think that she has a chance." Diane H. Flowers' Clean Wager (Bet Big) was fifth in the GIII Joe Namath H. at Gulfstream Jan. 18 after laying close to the pace, but trainer Jacqueline Brittain expects a change in the Sabin. "Last time out she laid too close," said Brittain. "I believe her style is changing. She won a stakes at Hialeah as a frontrunner, but I believe she'll do better now coming from off the pace." Team Valor's Sambacarioca (Irish Tower) was assigned highweight of 118 pounds. The six-year-old mare won two straight, including the Coral Gables H. at Calder, before finishing second to Sabin entrant Regal Joy (Regal and Royal) in the Joe Namath.

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THISTLEDOWN JOCKEY RECEIVES

JAPANESE LICENSE The National Association of Racing (NAR) announced Thursday, Jan. 26 that American jockey Scott Saito has been issued a short-term license for two months, valid February 1. He will ride at NAR's Ohi Racetrack and Funabashi Racetrack. Saito, born Feb. 17, 1964 in Tokyo, was raised in Washington state. He regularly rides at Thistledown Racetrack in Cleveland, Ohio.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PHA, \$17,120, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:44 4/5, ft.

STIRLING GAL (f, 4, Huckster--Silver Special, by Silver Buck) Lifetime Record: 24-4-4-5, \$37,858. O/T-Norman C. Doolin. B-Diane Dodge (FL).

7th-PHA, \$15,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. BOYCE (g, 4, Lord Avie--True Charmer {SW, \$142,514}, by His Majesty) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$23,230. O/B-Hazel B. Marsh (VA). T-John H. Forbes.

MAIDEN WINNER:

Every Michelle, f, 4, Every Intent--Ask Michelle, by Ethnarch. PHA, 1-31, 7f, 1:27 1/5. B-Marlynn Singleton (Pa).

FRESHMAN SIRES OF 1995:

Academy Award (Secretariat) Active Wear (Naskra) Bar (Private Account) Black Tie Affair (IRE) (Miswaki) Blue Buckaroo (Buckaroo) Boulder Dam (Seattle Slew) Burnt Hills (Conquistador Cielo) Cahill Road (Fappiano) Cefis (Caveat) Corporate Report (Private Account) Daily Review (Damascus) Dancing Minstrel (The Minstrel) Deposit Ticket (Northern Baby) Din's Dancer (Sovereign Dancer) Dispersal (Sunny's Halo) Doc's Leader (Mr. Leader) Double Negative (Mr. Prospector) Expensive Decision (Explosive Bid) Farma Way (Marfa) Festin (ARG) (Mat-Boy {ARG}) Festive (Damascus) First Patriot (Salutely) Flow Technology (Super Concorde) Generous (Caerleon) Glomar (Halo) Go and Go (IRE) (Be My Guest) Grand Jette (Timeless Moment) Hadif (Clever Trick) Hansel (Woodman) Here We Come (Mr. Prospector) Home at Last (Quadratic) Housebuster (Mt. Livermore) lam The Iceman (Pirate's Bounty) Kentucky Jazz (Dixieland Band) Kyle's Our Man (In Reality) Lazaz (Blushing Groom {FR}) Le Voyageur (Seattle Slew) Loyal Pal (Caro {IRE}) Magic Prospect (Mr. Prospector) Mane Minister (Deputy Minister) Mercedes Won (Air Forbes One) Metfield (Seattle Slew) Mister Frisky (Marsayas) Mr. Prosperous (Mr. Prospector) Nicholas (Danzig) Ocala Slew (Seattle Slew) Open Dream (Deputy Minister) Opening Verse (The Minstrel) Opposite Abstract (Alydar) Overpeer (Overskate) Owens Troupe (For The Moment) Polish Numbers (Danzig) Polish Patriot (Danzig) Prized (Kris S.) Purdue King (Dimaggio) Quiet American (Fappiano) Quinton (Damascus) Raykour (IRE) (Dalsaan) Roanoke (Pleasant Colony) Seattle Knight (Seattle Slew) Secret Hello (Private Account) Slewvescent (Seattle Slew) Smelly (Judge Smells) Sovereign Romance (Sovereign Dancer) Storm Brewing (Storm Bird) Summer Squall (Storm Bird) Texas City (Mr. Prospector) The Gifted One (Time for a Change) Thirty Six Red (Slew o' Gold) Tong Po (Private Account) Tricky Creek (Clever Trick) Unbridled (Fappiano) Unzipped (Naked Sky) Walesa (Danzig) Whadiathink (Seattle Song)

FOALING NEWS:

ARAGON, 8, Raconteur--Isobella (Bold Ruler)
Foal born 1-20-95, a filly by Conquistador Cielo.
Will be bred back to Hansel.
Boarded at Glenmore Farm in Lexington, Ky.
Accomplishments: Dam of Peruvian (GIII winner of \$150,015, to 1995, by Conquistador Cielo).