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T•R•I•P•L•E THREATS

THUNDER GULCH SHARP FOR FLORIDA

DERBY Fountain of Youth winner **Thunder Gulch** (Gulch) breezed five furlongs in 1:01 1/5 at Gulfstream yesterday in preparation for Saturday's GI Florida Derby. "It was exactly what we wanted," said Todd Pletcher, assistant to trainer D. Wayne Lukas. "I caught his last quarter in :24 1/5, and he was in hand. He came back and cooled out great." Lukas is scheduled to arrive in Florida Thursday. Also working for the \$500,000 event, **Cinch** (Temperence Hill), fourth in the Fountain of Youth, went six furlongs in 1:15 2/5 under jockey Craig Perret. "He came off the ground good, he relaxed good and he finished good. I was happy with it," said his trainer, Carl Nafzger.

SAVINIO OUT OF QUEEN ELIZABETH CUP

Savinio (The Minstrel), third in the GI San Marcos H. in his lone start of '95, has been withdrawn from Hong Kong's Queen Elizabeth II Cup, set for Saturday, April 1. As both North American reserves, **River Majesty** (Majestic Light) and **Abigailthewife** (Affirmed), have also been withdrawn, Savinio's place in the line-up will be taken by **Revere (GB)** (Dancing Brave), a Group III winner in Italy last year.

KRONE BACK IN ACTION FRIDAY

Jockey Julie Krone, out since breaking the pinkie finger of her left hand in a spill at Gulfstream January 13, will resume riding Friday at the south Florida oval. Gulfstream's leading rider in 1992 and 1993, Krone has two mounts on the card; she could come back Saturday to pilot Mr. Greeley in the GI Swale S.

SERENA'S SONG PREPS FOR OAKS

Serena's Song (Rahy), undefeated since missing by a head in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, worked five furlongs in 1:02 over a muddy Santa Anita training track Monday, prepping for Sunday's GI Santa Anita Oaks.

LAST WEEK ON THE TRIPLE CROWN TRAIL

Last year's Eclipse Award-winning juvenile **Timber Country** (Woodman) made his three-year-old debut in Santa Anita's GI San Rafael S. at a mile Saturday and finished well to be third after angling out for running room at the top of the stretch. "When we had to come back and go around and make that big run, I think it was just too much on this particular track against this field," said his trainer, D. Wayne Lukas. "He's not the kind of horse that you can stop and start. The thing that was encouraging was that past the wire he was running well." The colt will be pointed for the GI San Felipe S. at Santa Anita March 19.

San Rafael winner **Larry The Legend** (Local Talent) joined the Triple Crown fray with his first start in graded stakes company. The \$2,500 Barrett's two-year-old could come back in the Louisiana Derby March 19, or await the GI Santa Anita Derby April 8. Said his owner/trainer Craig Lewis of the colt's popularity, "I've never seen anything like this. He has an unbelievable following. It's just exciting to be a part of something like this."

Runner-up in the San Rafael at 21-1 after setting a slow pace, **Fandarel Dancer** (Marshua's Dancer) will be back for the Santa Anita Derby. "This is a real horse," said his owner, Pedor Perez. "The track wasn't favoring speed, but he still ran strong."

New York has **Da Hoss** (Gone West) right here--the undefeated colt made his first start under new silks and his first outside of Arizona and wired the field in Saturday's GI Best Turn S. at Aqueduct going six furlongs. The Prestonwood Farm runner will try to stretch his speed over a mile in the GI Gotham S. March 25. Best Turn favorite **Angle Of Pursuit** (Northern Prospect) suffered his first loss, finishing fourth, and is likely to make his next start in the Bay Shore S. April 15.

A Preakness possible emerged in Maryland, as **He's Got Gall** (Marine Brass), the even-money choice in the nine-furlong Herat S. at Laurel Saturday, came from just off the pace to post his first career stakes win; the full to MGSW Brilliant Brass is now three-for-five lifetime. "We'll probably run him next in the Private Terms S. (April 1), then onto the Federico Tesio at Pimlico (April 22). If he continues to run well, then we'll think about the Preakness," said his trainer, Carlos Garcia.

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THIS WEEK'S TRIPLE CROWN PREPS

Saturday, March 11

Gulfstream: GI \$500,000 Florida Derby, 9f

A field of 11 is expected, with Fountain of Youth winner **Thunder Gulch** (Gulch) the early favorite. "We were concerned that the Fountain of Youth was tough on him because he hadn't been out in a while and he had shipped across the country, but he appears to have bounced right back," said Todd Pletcher, assistant to trainer D. Wayne Lukas. "He is eating good, his weight is good. He is showing all the signs to say that the race was not real stressful for him. He had not run in 60 days coming up to his last race, so hopefully he will step forward off of that."

Trainer Nick Zito will send out a trio of three-year-olds for the race, including Fountain of Youth runner-up **Suave Prospect** (Fortunate Prospect). "That was a monster race last time out," said Zito. "I just hope he stays the same. He doesn't need to move up off of that--I want him to peak later on." On his three-horse entry, which also includes **Star Standard** (Risen Star) and **Kresa** (Blushing John), the New Yorker said, "I just want to know where we are. We are getting down to the nitty gritty. This is an important step. If all of them qualify and if all of them have a chance, you've got to go with all of them."

Also pointing for the race is **Jambalaya Jazz** (Dixie-land Band), third as the choice in the Fountain of Youth. "He was very tired after that race," said his trainer, John Ward. "I think he looks better since I lightened up on his training. He has bounced back and freshened up. This next race is an important start. If he runs good--and he doesn't have to win--he'll have five weeks before the Blue Grass."

Trainer Carl Nafzger is looking for improvement from his Florida Derby starter **Cinch** (Temperance Hill), fourth in the Fountain of Youth. "You'll see a fitter, sharper horse this trip that you did the last trip," he said. "He has only run one bad race and that was the Breeders' Cup (seventh, beaten 12 lengths)."

Trainer Bruce Jackson may ship the lightly raced **In Character** (GB) (Never So Bold {Ire}) in from California; the European import finished second to Larry The Legend in the Santa Catalina S., his U.S. debut. "He hadn't run in quite a while," said Jackson. "It would be a little ambitious, but he has worked well and has done everything we have asked him to do."

Also probable for the race are **Fritch** (Demons Begone), **Oliver's Twist** (Horatius), **King's Fiction** (Believe The Queen) and **Mecke** (Maudlin).

Oaklawn: GIII \$100,000 Southwest S., 8f

Mystery Storm (Storm Bird) heads the list of hopefuls; the Larry Robideaux trainee has won both his '95 outings, a pair of Oaklawn allowance races, by a combined 20 lengths with the addition of blinkers and Lasix. He will face another with a perfect record at three: **Hyroglyphic** (High Brite) has a pair of Oaklawn sprint stakes wins under his belt this year.



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Yesterday's Results:

8th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:42, fm.

JIFFENER (m, 5, Derby Wish--Table Runner {SW}, by Tilt Top), off the board in two previous Gulfstream starts this year, set the pace but tired to finish seventh at this level last time out. Again sent right to the front, the grey mare held a clear lead to the stretch, where she was headed by **CRAZY HORSE LIL** (Medieval Man), but came on again to edge past that rival for a three-quarter length victory at 3-1. Lifetime Record: 21-5-3-0, \$84,815.

O/B-John Franks (FL). T-David R Bell.

9th-GPX, \$35,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22 4/5, ft.

APRIL CHRISTMAS (c, 4, Wild Again--Garfield Holme, by Deputy Minister) picked up his third straight victory, pressing even-money **CANAVERAL** (Relaunch) from the start before driving past for a head victory as the 8-5 second choice. The favorite was making his second start off a 10-month layoff. Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-1, \$70,450.

O/B-Due Process Stable, Inc. (KY). T-R H Nobles.

6th-GPX, \$30,000, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 1/5, ft.

CRIMSON GUARD (c, 3, Danzig--Wedding Reception, by Round Table), second in his three-year-old debut, came back as the 9-5 choice and closed from just off the pace to score by two and a half lengths. The winner is a 1/2 to **Savina** (*Nijinsky II), GSW, \$100,860; and full to **Lech**, MGSW, \$398,607. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-0, \$30,720.

O-Calumet Farm. B-Kennelot Stables Ltd (KY). T-William I Mott.

3rd-GPX, \$29,000, Msw, 4yo, f, 7f, 1:25 4/5, ft.

SHE'S FINE (f, 4, Private Account--Contredance {GISW, \$492,700}, by Danzig) ended her two-year-old season with a third-place finish on the grass at Aqueduct November 25. Making her three-year-old bow on dirt as the 9-5 choice, the bay filly was pinched back at the start and trailed early but overcame her troubles and finished full of run to nose out **MAJOR MOMMA** (Major Moran) at the wire. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$21,000. O-Heidi Doubleday. B-Kennelot Stables Ltd (KY). T-Claude McGaughey III.

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Weekend Results:

YOMURI MILERS CUP-GII Jpn, \$1,150,570, Kyoto Racecourse, Japan, 3-5, 4yo/up, 8fT, 1:35.40, fm.
 1--**#BIG SHORI**, c, 4, Northern Taste--Crafty Wife (MSW, \$235,920), by Crafty Prospector. O-Big Co., Ltd.; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); T-T Nakao; J-K Shiomura; \$607,439.
 2--**Inazuma Takao**, c, 4, Icy Groom--Yukiwari Zakura, by Satingo. \$242,112.
 3--**L-Way Win (Ire)**, h, 5, Caerleon--Rustic Lace, by Rusticar. \$151,050.
 Margins: 3/4, NK, NK.

HOCHI HAI YAYOI SHO-GII Jpn, \$1,045,590, Nakayama Racecourse, Japan, 3-5, 3yo, 10fT, 2:03.70, yld.
 1--**FUJI KISEKI**, c, 3, Sunday Silence--Millracer, by *Le Fabuleux. O-Yomoji Saito; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); T-S Watanabe; J-K Tsunoda; \$547,450.
 *Ch. 2yo Colt-Japan.
 2--**Hokkai Rousseau**, c, 3, Markofdistinction--Hokkai Lovely, by Hokkai Dia. \$222,116.
 3--**Hashino Taiyu**, c, 3, Brian's Time--Hashino Pendant, by Mogami. \$141,052.
 Margins: 2 1/2, 2, NO.

CHUNICHI SHIMBUN HAI-GIII Jpn, \$778,844, Chuyko Racecourse, Japan, 3-4, 4yo/up, 9fT, 1:47.20, fm.
 1--**GO GO Z.**, c, 4, Soccer Boy--Queen Z, by Nichido Taro. O-Yoshinobu Hayashi; B-Hiroshi Takayama (Jpn); T-H Arai; J-Y Take; \$414,117.
 2--**Agnes Parade**, f, 4, Bamboo Atlas--Agnes Charade, by Targowice. \$161,168.
 3--**Memory Taiyo**, h, 6, Erimo Taiyo--Hashi Basset, by Coined Silver. \$100,580.
 Margins: 1 3/4, NO, 1 1/2.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-GPX, \$32,000, 4/up, f/m, abt. 11fT, 2:15, fm.
DANCE OF SUNSHINE (f, 4, Sunshine Forever--Barbs Dancer, by Northern Dancer) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-3, \$57,000. O-J W Phillips. B-D M Galbreath (Ky). T-T J Skiffington. *1/2 to Ruler's Dance (Irish Ruler), SW, \$125,840; and Eillo (Mr. Prospector), Ch. Sprinter, GISW, \$657,670.

1st-GPX, \$31,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:12, ft.
DANCE MAJOR (c, 4, Fire Dancer--November Love, by Hold Your Peace) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-0, \$30,483. O/B-Stella F Thayer (FL). T-William P White.

4th-SPT, \$24,200, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 3/5, ft.
(DH)--QUEEN OF SAVOY (m, 5, Conquistador Cielo--Jill of All Trades {MSP}, by Codex) Lifetime Record: 28-4-9-4, \$95,258. O-Goldish Marc & Savoy Stable. B-Mr. & Mrs. R S Kaster (IL). T-P S Mitchell.
(DH)--QUEENS LUCK (m, 5, Lucky Prospect--Queen Ange, by Son Ange) Lifetime Record: 28-4-9-4, \$88,482. O/T-Robert D Irwin. B-C & G Craft (IL).
 *1/2 to Royal Gardener (Landscaper), SW, \$194,074.

7th-SPT, \$23,100, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40 3/5, ft.
FOUR CEES STYLE (c, 4, Temperence Hill--Rianoor {SW}, by No Robbery) Lifetime Record: 18-3-3-1, \$52,586. O/B-Robert J. Cummings Jr. (IL). T-T Hoop.

8th-PHA, \$22,470, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.
ANNA'S GAL (m, 5, Goldlust--Misco Wire, by Mr. Howard) Lifetime Record: 18-6-3-1, \$79,425. O/B-Dr. Robert F. Behlow (NC). T-William M Sire.

9th-FGX, \$19,000, 4/up, 8.5f (off turf), 1:45 2/5, ft.
CHANGING BREEZE (c, 4, Time for a Change--Breeze Me, by Best Turn) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-1, \$38,620. O-Away They Go Stable. B-Shirley N. Lathrop (KY). T-Gene A Cilio.

7th-PHA, \$18,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 3/5, ft.
BUDDING ACCOUNT (m, 5, Pass the Tab--Rare Bloom, by Protanto) Lifetime Record: 47-13-6-7, \$81,100. O/T-R Madrigal. B-G Schickedanz (CAN).
 *1/2 to P.J. Ruckus (Bold Ruckus), SW, \$102,103.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Great Harbour, f, 3, Bet Big--Maniweta, by Cherokee Fellow. GPX, 3-6, 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Campanile M (Fl).
Pockeytoes, f, 3, Bob's Dusty--Anytime Honey, by Full Out. SPT, 3-6, 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Foley William H (Ill).
Baranduis Relic, f, 3, Bold Relic--Baranduin, by On the Road. PHA, 3-6, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Eigleson Charles R (Pa).
Tuxachanie, c, 3, Dansons--Hopeico, by Americo. FGX, 3-6, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-Adkins J R (La). *SP.
Crimson Guard, c, 3, Danzig--Wedding Reception, by Round Table. GPX, 3-6, 8.5f, 1:46 1/5. B-Kennelot Stables Ltd (Ky). *1/2 to Savina (*Nijinsky II), GSW, \$100,860; full to Lech, MGSW, \$398,607.
Run and Run (Ire), f, 3, Royal Academy--Foolish Passion, by Secretariat. FGX, 3-6, 1m (off the turf), 1:39 3/5. B-Forenaghts Stud (Ire).
Beyond All Reason, c, 4, D'Accord--Beyond Reasoning (SW, \$282,189), by Hurry to Market. SUF, 3-6, a1m70yd, 1:47. B-Mihovich Matt (Ny).
She's Fine, f, 4, Private Account--Contredance (GISW, \$492,700), by Danzig. GPX, 3-6, 7f, 1:25 4/5. B-Kennelot Stables Ltd (Ky).