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CASINO REFERENDUM FOR ARLINGTON The

destiny of Arlington International Racecourse may be determined by an advisory referendum on the election ballot Tuesday in Arlington Heights, Illinois, where the track is located. Voters are being asked: "Should casino gambling be permitted at Arlington International Racecourse?" Arlington owner Dick Duchossois has repeatedly emphasized that he needs a "racing industry" riverboat casino to provide the capital to ensure that his track is financially viable. A "no" vote in the Arlington Heights referendum would probably do irreparable damage to Duchossois' hopes of persuading the legislature to allow him to put a riverboat in a man-made lake he has promised to build on track property. A "yes" vote possibly could prompt the legislature to include track-operated casinos in the racetrack reform bill that is expected to emerge when Governor Jim Edgar's Racing Task Force completes its hearings and makes recommendations. Audited figures released by Arlington show the track has lost a total of \$62 million since being rebuilt and reopened in 1989 following the 1985 fire which destroyed the clubhouse and grandstand at the old Arlington Park. Last year, the track recorded a profit for the first time, \$2.5 million. A consumer watchdog organization, the Better Government Association, and church leaders have been among the most vocal anti-casino voices. Arlington has countered with a series of open-houses, a party for election judges and heavy direct-mail advertising.

WEST VIRGINIA BREEDERS CLASSICS TO MOUNTAINEER The West Virginia Breeders Classics, scheduled for its ninth renewal September 8, will move from Charles Town to the newly renovated Mountaneer Park for 1995. The event will be televised on ESPN September 10 at 1:00 p.m. EDT.

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THIS WEEK'S TRIPLE CROWN PREPS Saturday, Santa Anita SANTA ANITA DERBY-GI, \$700,000, 9f

Last year's two-year-old champ Timber Country (Woodman) worked five furlongs in :59 3/5 over a fast main track at Santa Anita vesterday. "It was just what we wanted," said trainer D. Wayne Lukas. Undefeated Petionville (Seeking the Gold) went the same distance at Hollywood in 1:01 4/5. "The work was dynamite," said his conditioner, Randy Bradshaw. "He went the last eighth in:11 1/5 and the last quarter in :22 3/5." Lake George (Vice Regent) was set down a half-mile in a bullet :46 4/5 at Santa Anita. Said his trainer, Mike Orman, "He worked up a storm. He came home in :11." Larry The Legend (Local Talent) and Jumron (GB) (Sharpo {GB}) will work today. Bally's Las Vegas has posted Kentucky future book odds on six of the seven Santa Anita hopefuls; they are: Afternoon Deelites (Private Terms), 5-2; Timber Country, 3-1; Jumron, 12-1; Larry The Legend, 15-1, Petionville, 18-1; In Character (GB) (Never Say Die), 20-1; Lake George, 75-1.

Saturday, Remington Park REMINGTON PARK DERBY, \$300,000, 8.5f

Great West S. winner **Our Gatsby** (Strike Gold) heads the field; also listed as possible for the race are Great West runner-up **Dazzling Falls** (Taylor's Falls); Californians **Capote's Promise** (Capote), winner of two of his three starts, and **Huge Gator** (Slewdledo), third in the GIII Baldwin S. last out; and **Only Cash** (Top Cash), third in the Great West S.

LAST WEEK ON THE TRIPLE CROWN TRAIL

Making his first start around two turns, **Pyramid Peak** (Mt. Livermore) showed an ability to rate and to get a distance with a just off-the-pace victory in the GIII Flamingo S. at a mile and an eighth. Donna Ward, wife of trainer John Ward and the colt's exercise rider, said Sunday, "He came out of the race great. I think he can and will go further without any problems. He is a very courageous horse--when he sees a horse coming to him, he digs down and goes back at it." While the three-year-old could run for the roses without another prep, John Ward said after the race, "The next logical step if we want to try and make (the Derby) is the Wood or the Blue Grass." **Triple Threats cont. p2**



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While the Flamingo winner is now considered a Triple Threat, the race favorite Flitch (Demons Begone) may leave the trail. Said trainer Bill Badgett after the Loblolly homebred's fourth-place finish, "He ran okay, but I'm not happy. I thought I was out of the race going into the first turn. We were too far out of it. I thought he was going to be five lengths off the lead--instead he was 15. Everything seems to be fine. I don't know what's next."

Flamingo runner-up Royal Mitch (Homebuilder) will go next in the GII Lexington S. at Keeneland April 23.

In Kentucky, Serena's Song (Rahy) bested the boys in the Jim Beam S. but is unlikely to continue on to the Kentucky Derby. Trainer D. Wayne Lukas, citing the fact that the filly's owners. Robert and Beverly Lewis, already hold an interest in Derby prospect Timber Country (Woodman), said Sunday that the May 5 Kentucky Oaks will her main objective, with a start in the Ashland S. April 22 also possible.

But Jim Beam runner-up Tejano Run (Tejano), recovered from a lung infection, pleased trainer Kenneth McPeek with his performance and will make his next start in the Blue Grass. "We're right on schedule," said McPeek. "We know he can get the distance. I had him work out an extra sixteenth after the wire (in the Beam). I didn't really squeeze him for that race."

Beam third-place finisher Mecke (Maudlin) will return to Calder, but could be back for the Derby. Mighty Magee (Cormorant), fourth, will head to Maryland for the April 22 Federico Tesio S. and a possible return to the trail in the Preakness. Celestial Star (Risen Star), fifth, will ship back to Oaklawn and point for the Arkansas Derby April 22. Car Dealer (Carborundum), sixth, bled during the race and is suffering from a mild lung infection; his next start will depend on how quickly he responds to treatment, but trainer Marcia Lee Butler hopes to have her charge back on track for the Derby Trial April 29.

The first two finishers from Oaklawn's Rebel S., Mystery Storm (Storm Bird) and Rich Man's Gold (Forty Niner), are expected to meet again in the GII Arkansas Derby. The two finished just a nose apart Saturday.

TRIPLE THREAT NOTES

According to a report in yesterday's Racing Post, the connections of Eltish (Cox's Ridge), second in last year's Breeders' Cup Juvenile, will try to obtain the services of jockey Corey Nakatani for the Kentucky Derby. The colt is scheduled to make his three-yearold debut in the nine-furlong Feilden S. at Newmarket

Florida Derby winner Thunder Gulch (Gulch), pointing for the Blue Grass S. April 15, worked seven furlongs in 1:27 at Santa Anita Monday.

Gotham victor Talkin Man (With Approval) worked five furlongs in 1:00 4/5 at Keeneland yesterday, galloping out the six furlongs in 1:14 4/5; he will ship back to New York for the Wood Memorial April 15.

Knockadoon (Dixieland Band), who suffered his first career loss when fourth in the Louisiana Derby, is likely to make his next start in the Wood.

Trainer Cliff Sise Jr., who had been planning to send Paying Dues (Cure the Blues) to the Wood Memorial, was unhappy with the colt's mile work in 1:40 1/5 Sunday at Santa Anita and will now skip the ninefurlong Wood in favor of the GIII seven-furlong Bay Shore S. at Aqueduct the same day.



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Weekend Results:

SANKEI OSAKA HAI-GII Jpn, \$1,349,427, Kyoto Racecourse, Japan, 4-2, 4yo/up, 10fT, 1:59.30, fm.

- 1--#INTER MY WAY, h, 5, Nippo Teio--Sweet Forte, by Mogami. O-Tomee Matsuoka; B-Osuka Bokujo (Jpn); T-H Nakamura; J-M Matsunaga; \$710,847.
- 2--Dancing Surpass (Ire), h, 5, Dancing Brave--Exclusive Order, by Exclusive Native. \$287,362.
- 3--Abe Again, c, 4, Wild Again--Mims Fantasy, by Roberto. \$176,450.

Margins: 3, 3/4, NO.

LORD DERBY CHALLENGE TROPHY-GIII Jpn, \$901,147, Nakayama, Japan, 4-2, 4yo/up, 6fT, 1:10,

- 1--#OGI TIFFANY, f, 4, Smackover Creek--Tee Up, by So Blessed. O-Ogifushi Bokujo Racing Club Co. Ltd.; B-Ogifushi Bokujo (Jpn); T-R Tomita; J-K Sakamoto: \$475,040.
- 2--Eishin Missouri (CAN), c, 4, Bold Ruckus--Celebutante, by Nasty and Bold. (\$24,849 yrl '92 CBSSEP; \$100,000 2yo '93 KEEAPR). \$187,220.
- 3--Biko Alpha, h, 5, Rivlia--Kuri Lemon, by Indiana. \$120,918.

Margins: 3/4, 3/4, 1 3/4.

BLOODSTONE S., \$481,486, Nakayama Racecourse, Japan, 4-1, 4yo/up, 16fT, 3:27.50, sf.

- 1--#DAIICHI JOYFUL, h, 6, Real Shadai--Dyna Candy, by Faberge. O-Haruo Tsujimoto; B-Shadai Farm (Jpn); T-Y Ito; J-M Roberts; \$253,370.
- 2--Yuwa Teio, h, 7, Real Shadai--Flags Staff, by Northern Taste. \$101,103.
- 3--Kashino Eternity, h. 6, Gay Mecene--Happy Tesco, by Tesco Boy. \$63,659.

Margins: 3/4, 2 1/2, 1 1/2.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN EUROPE

France:

Poignard, c, 3, Diesis (GB)--Fager's Glory, by Mr. Prospector. Longchamp, 4-2, Prix de Solferino, 7fT, \$12,075 to the winner. O/T-Haras du Tribury; B-Iron County Farms Inc.

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England:

El Supremo, c, 3, Storm Bird--Sharmila (Fr), by Blakeney (GB). Warwick, 4-1, April Fool's H., 8fT, \$14,901 to the winner. O-Wafie Said; B-Miss K Rausing; T-D Loder.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

- Cinerea, f, 3, Sunshine Forever--Love of Ireland, by Irish River (Fr). Nakayama, 4-2, Novice race, 8fT, \$50,000 to the winner. O-Hideo Yokoyama; B-Galbreath/Phillips Racing; T-Y Munakata.

 *\$57,000 yrl '93 KEESEP; \$55,000 2yo '94 BESMAR.
- + Ray Curtsey, c, 3, Woodman--Dawn's Curtsey, by Far North. Kyoto, 4-2, Maiden race, 9f, \$50,000 to the winner. O-Susumu Hayashi; B-Galbreath/Phillips Racing; T-H Tani.
- A.P. Party, h, 5, Charging Falls--Party's On Me, by Stevedore. Kyoto, 4-1, Plate race, 6f, \$74,000 to the winner. O-Del Mar Club; B-John Franks; T-I Yasuda. *\$40,000 wnl '90 KEENOV; \$55,000 yrl '91 KEESEP; \$135,000 2yo '92 BESMAR.



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Local News: Keeneland

Last year's Kentucky Derby winner **Go for Gin** (Cormorant), second in his '95 debut at Gulfstream, worked five furlongs in 1:01 Monday and will make his next start at the Keeneland spring meet.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-SPT, \$23,100, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:43 2/5, ft. NEVER WAS LUCKY (f, 4, Major Luck--Never Treed, by Never Tabled) Lifetime Record: 20-3-4-8, \$59,381. O-Prime Thoroughbreds. B-Natasha N. Kutrovacz (IL). T-Jere R Smith Sr.

6th-SPT, \$20,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft. DAPPER DUDE (c, 3, Elocutionist--Dixie Echo, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-1, \$42,716. O-David R Block. B-Connie & Bruce Brown, et al. (KY). T-Chris M Block.

6th-PHA, \$19,260, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37 1/5, ft. LIGHTNING SHOW (c, 4, Show Dancer--Golden Streaker, by Tonkaton) Lifetime Record: 36-8-7-1, \$95,265. O-Kenline Stables. B-Robert & Helen L. Noble (FL). T-Linda L Manchio.

4th-SPT, \$19,000, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13, ft.

NORTH BY SOUTH (f, 3, Northern Flagship--Dancing Dido, by Fairway Phantom) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$15,840. O-Robert H Shoenberg. B-Gene Rose (KY). T-Michael L Reavis.

9th-HIA, \$17,000, 4yo/up, a1 1/8mT, 1:46, fm. GURU (CHI) (h, 6, Lake Erie {Ire}--Gubia {Chi}, by Par de Ases) Lifetime Record: GISP-Chi, 16-4-3-1, \$33,419. O-South Bage Farm. B-Haras Matancilla (Chi). T-Edson Alexandre.

7th-SUF, \$16,660, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:43 3/5,

FORMATIC (f, 4, Forsythe Boy--Artmatic, by Tri Jet) Lifetime Record: SW, 15-8-3-0, \$85,300. O-Yasou Stable. B-F. W. Hooper (FL). T-C Assimakopoulos.

7th-PHA, \$15,500, 4yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41 4/5, ft. SENOR JOVE (c, 4, Northern Jove--Talking in Silence, by Elocutionist) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-0, \$27,050. O-Vista View Stable. B-Ric-Deg Farm (FL). T-John V Alecci.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Karaoke, f, 3, Glitterman--Courageous Heart, by Brave Bidder. DET, 4-2, 5f, 1:00 3/5. B-J V & Margaret Sanders (Mi).

Full and Fancy, f, 3, Marfa--Full Twirl, by Full Out. HIA, 4-3, 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Gerri Kennedy (Ky). *\$25,000 yrl '93 FTKJUL; \$10,500 yrl '93 KEEJAN; \$60,000 2yo 1994 FTFFEB.

Supreme Order, f, 3, Sovereign Dancer--Chieftan's Command (MGSW, \$363,219), by Turn and Count. HIA, 4-3, 1 1/16m, 1:46 4/5. B-Miller Thoroughbred Farm (FI). *\$155,000 yrl '93 KEESEP. **1/2 to Secretly (Secretariat), GSP, \$184,949.

Request a Star, c, 4, Cherokee Fellow--Herbiscay, by Herbalist. HIA, 4-3, 7f, 1:24 3/5. B-Wiseman Larry W (FI). *\$2,200 yrl '92 OBSOCT.

- + Cedar Street, c, 4, Don't Hesitate--Spiegler (SW), by Clem Pac. SPT, 4-3, 6f, 1:12. B-Gaudreau & Wieland (II).
- I'll Be So Quick, f, 4, Loft--Garyville, by Dust Commander. DET, 4-2, 5f, 1:01 4/5. B-Trine Bonnie L (Mi).

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