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TATTERSALLS TURNOVER HIGHEST SINCE

1989 Tattersalls' seven Thoroughbred sales in 1995 produced a turnover of \$123,572,865, the highest figure since the record year of 1989. All of the seven sales held at the Newmarket-based firm's Park Paddocks complex recorded rises in the average price including a 33 percent rise at the prestigious Houghton Yearling Sale and a 39 percent rise at the October Yearling Sale. Tattersalls Chairman Edmond Mahony said, "Obviously we are thrilled to have achieved price rises across the board. The team here has worked very hard, but it is also a marvelous tribute to the tremendous support we have received from vendors and purchasers alike." During Tattersalls' seven 1995 auctions, a total of 4,472 lots were offered (up 4.1 percent from last year), with 3,864 sold (up 1.4 percent). The aggregate of \$123,572,865 represented an 18.9 percent increase from 1994; and 1995's average price of \$31,980 was up 17.3 percent.

SPECTRUM TO COOLMORE IN 1997

Spectrum (Ire) (Rainbow Quest), winner of this year's Irish 2000 Guineas and the Champion S. at Newmarket, will stand at Ireland's Coolmore Stud from 1997. The stallion was favored to take this season's Epsom Derby. But he pulled some muscles during the classic and finished down the field behind Lammtarra. He was nursed back to full fitness by trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam and was most impressive when beating Riyadian (GB) two lengths for the G1 Champion S. in his final appearance of 1995. Bab Lanigan, general manager at Coolmore, confirmed that Spectrum would be retiring to Ireland when his racing career is over. He said, "It is very exciting to have such a good horse already booked for 1997." Spectrum will compete in Europe's top middle distance events next season. But Chapple-Hyam revealed, "There's just a possibility that his first race could be the Lockinge over a mile at Newbury. I need to talk to his owners before mapping out any definite plans -- and we'll probably firm things up after Christmas -- but reverting to a mile is one thing I have in the back of my mind."

Today, Aqueduct:

PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Big Blue	Hough	Cordova	8-1
2	Iron Gavel	Moschera	Chavez	10-1
3	Aztec Empire	Jerkens	Samyn	10-1
4a	Kristen's Baby	Moschera	Luzzi	5-2
5	Beware The Quest	Donk	Perez	20-1
6	Mighty Magee	Blusiewicz	Hutton	3-1
7a	More To Tell	Moschera	Migliore	5-2
8	Free Agent	M. Kelly	Velazquez	9-2
9	Michael's Star	Preciado	McCarthy	5-1
10	Jed Forest	Callejas	Castillo Jr.	30-1

Originally slated to be run last Saturday, the Queens County was rescheduled for today after heavy snow and rain forced the cancellation of Aqueduct's Saturday card.

The consistent **Free Agent** (Ogygian), first or second in six of his last seven starts, returned from an eight month layoff to finish second by a nose in a 1 1/8-mile Aqueduct allowance Nov. 24. **Big Blue** (Gone West) will be making his stakes debut in the Queens County. The three-year-old has started only three times with two wins--a 6 1/2-length maiden victory at Belmont in May and an eight-length score in a one-mile Aqueduct allowance Nov. 18. **Mighty Magee** (Cormorant) comes into this event off a two-race winning streak; the Kentucky-bred took the Broad Brush S. at Pimlico and the Annapolis S. at Laurel in his last two starts.

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STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13:

12-26 \$150,000a **Malibu S.-G1, SA, 3yo, 7f (\$50)**

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14:

12-16 \$250,000g **Hollywood Starlet-G1, Hol, 2yo, f, 8.5f, (\$6250-sup)**



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NOW LISTEN TO NEW YORK Pleasant Valley Farm in Goshen, New York announced yesterday that **Now Listen** (Miswaki) has been moved to the farm from Wafare Farm in Midway, Kentucky. Owned by a partnership headed by Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Moelis' Candy Land Farm of Middletown, Delaware, Now Listen will stand for a 1996 fee of \$2,000 live foal. His first foals, conceived in Maryland, are yearlings of 1996. Bred and originally owned by Khaled Abdullah's Juddmonte Farms, Now Listen was purchased just prior to the 1993 Breeders' Cup Sprint by a group which included the Moelis partners. Though unplaced in that race, he was coming off a string of victories which included a track record 1:20 4/5 for seven furlongs in the GIII Triple Bend H. at Hollywood Park. Just prior to that race, he won the \$100,000 Louisiana Downs Breeders' Cup at six furlongs for the second year in a row. The previous year, Now Listen set a new 1 1/16-mile course record over the Gulfstream turf in taking the Fort Lauderdale H., and went wire-to-wire at a mile in the GIII Daryl's Joy at Saratoga. Overall, Now Listen won nine of 24 career starts, including five stakes, for earnings of \$582,786.

WINGED LOVE TO GERMANY **Winged Love (Ire)** (In the Wings), winner of this year's Irish Derby, is to stand at stud in Germany next year. The stallion, whose classic success was achieved in the colors of Sheikh Mohammed, has been leased by Bruno Faust and will cover mares at Gestut Karishof outside Frankfurt. His fee will be approximately \$15,000. Winged Love, trained by Andre Fabre, also placed in the Prix du Jockey-Club and the King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. A tendon problem cut short a career in which the three-year-old started nine times, with three wins, two seconds and two thirds and earnings of \$762,720. He finished third in the G2 Prix Neil in France in his final start.

STRAWBRIDGE INVESTS IN ZIETEN George Strawbridge has bought a major share holding in **Zieten** (Danzig), the 1992 G1 Middle Park S. winner. The stallion, a full brother to this year's star two-year-old filly Blue Duster, will stand at the Irish National Stud, also a new share-owner, from 1996. Zieten, whose racing career was spent in France with Andre Fabre, in Dubai under the care of owner Sheikh Mohammed's team, and in Newmarket with John Gosden, is currently at stud in New Zealand. But he will move to Ireland shortly and take up stallion duties at a fee of about \$12,000. Zieten retired in 1994 with four graded stakes wins in England and France and earnings of \$329,355.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

American-Bred Winners in Japan:

Stone Stepper, c, 2, **Crafty Prospector**--Cassadaga, by Cassalera. Chukyo, 12-10, maiden race, 5fT. Lifetime Earnings: \$58,037. O-Isao Ogawa; B-M Little; T-Tetsuya Meno. *\$45,000 yrl '94 KEESEP; \$110,000 2yo '95 KEEAPR.

Eishin Orian, f, 2, **Devil's Bag**--Copious, by In Reality. Hanshin, 12-9, maiden race, 7f (dirt). Lifetime Earnings: \$58,037. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-P E Blum; T-Masanori Sakaguchi.

Sugino Hayakaze, c, 2, **Diesis (GB)**--Chaleur (SW), by Rouge Sang. Chukyo, 12-9, Mominoki Sho, 6fT. Lifetime Earnings: \$164,273. O-Yoshio Sugie; B-Dr & Mrs. Emler A. Neuman; T-Yukibaru Shikato. *½ to Ice Trick (Icecapade), MSW, \$121,045; Bog Trotter (Irish River {Fr}), MGSW-Eng, \$264,484. **\$75,000 yrl '94 KEEJUL; \$200,000 2yo '95 BESMAR.

Cheerful Master, c, 2, **Dixieland Band**--Island Escape (SW), by Slew o' Gold. Nakayama, 12-10, maiden race, 6f (dirt). Lifetime Earnings: \$58,037. O-Hiroyoshi Usuda; B-W S Farish; T-Hiroyuki Uehara. *\$300,000 yrl '94 KEEJUL.

Daiwa Alamo, c, 2, **Houston**--Has No Mercy, by Raise A Native. Nakayama, 12-9, Kuromatsu Sho, 6fT. Lifetime Earnings: \$270,510. O-Daiwa Shoji Inc; B-John T L Jones, Jr; T-Sueo Masuzawa. *\$28,000 yrl '94 KEESEP; \$220,000 2yo '95 FTFEB.

+ **Eishin Santa Fe**, f, 2, **Known Fact**--Anointed, by Sir Ivor. Hanshin, 12-9, novice race, 2yo, 6f (dirt). Lifetime Earnings: \$89,514. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Geri Forrester; T-Masanori Sakaguchi. *\$31,000 yrl '94 KEEJAN.

Juno Pentagon, c, 2, **Red Ransom**--Torsion Belle, by Torsion. Hanshin, 12-9, Senryo Sho, 8fT. Lifetime Earnings: \$272,477. O-Yukiko Hosokawa; B-Donald Baldwin; T-Hidekazu Asami. *½ to That Lady (Trust A Native), MSW, \$131,037; Crafty Belle (Crafty Prospector), MSP, \$195,735; Crafty Dude (Crafty Prospector), MSW, \$180,260. **\$18,000 wnlg '93 BESNOV; \$130,000 2yo '95 BESMAR.

Eyes of You, f, 3, **Blushing John**--Bouffant, by Alydar. Chukyo, 12-9, plate race, 10fT. Lifetime Earnings: \$282,314. O-Grand Farm; B-Hill 'n' Dale Farms; T-Kenji Hieda. *\$47,000 wnlg '92 KEENOV.

K.S. Mira, f, 3, **Miswaki**--Crown of Smoke, by Sovereign Dancer. Hanshin, 12-9, plate race, 9f (dirt). Lifetime Earnings: \$418,946. O/B-Kiyoshi Takada; T-Shigetada Takahashi.

American-Bred Winners in Japan Continued, p. 3.

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**American-Bred Winners in Japan, Continued.**

Ragar Wells, c, 3, **Sadler's Wells--Buck's Dame**, by Damascus. Chukyo, 12-9, plate race, 8.5f (dirt). Lifetime Earnings: \$178,536. O-Keiji Okumura; B-John T. Jones, Jr; T-Keuji Yamauchi. *½ to Dictator's Song (Seattle Song), Hwt at 3-lty, Ger at 5-7 furlongs, GSW-lty, Ger, \$107,002. **\$230,000 yrl '93 KEESEP.

◆ **E A S T** ◆

Yesterday's Result:

6th-LRL, \$17,500, Alw, 2yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17, ft.
SILVER DOLLAR KIDS (c, 2, **Meadowlake--Baltic Sea**, by **Danzig**) broke his maiden at first asking Oct. 24 at Philadelphia Park, but finished seventh in an Aqueduct allowance in his second and latest outing. The Canadian-bred colt was sent off the 8-5 favorite in this effort and took command at the top of the stretch to draw off and win by nine lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$18,375.
 O-Dun Roamin Farms & Silver Dollar St. B-Windfields Farm (CAN). T-Guadalupe Preciado.

◆ **M I D W E S T** ◆

Local News, Texas:

Bandera Downs in Bandera, Texas, which closed this past June due to poor attendance and handle figures, will be sold at auction February 10, 1996.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-CRC, \$21,000, 3yo/up, f/m, a5fT, :57 1/5, fm.
VERY VERY BRIGHT (f, 3, **High Brite--Loveswept**, by **Clever Trick**) Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-0, \$50,640.
 O-Bluestem Farm Inc. B-Hurstland Farm, Inc. (KY). T-Steve W. Standridge.

8th-LRL, \$19,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.
SIX TIMES (f, 3, **Oh Say--Sixes and Sevens**, by **Drone**) Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$27,360. O-Ronald C. Cartwright. B/T-Ronald Cartwright (MD).

4th-CRC, \$17,700, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m, 2:08 4/5, ft.
FASHIONABLE LIES (g, 4, **Political Coverup--Stephens' Grad {SW}**, by ***Sensitivo**) Lifetime Record: SP, 17-2-5-4, \$40,872. O-Robert P. Dello Russo & Jane Heard. B-Mayfair Farm (FL). T-Thomas H. Heard Jr.

9th-CRC, \$17,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:48 3/5, ft.
HOLLANDIA (f, 3, **Strawberry Road {Aus}--Semilleta {Arg} {G1SW-Arg}**, by **Farmer {Arg}**) Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-1, \$38,170. O/B-Allen E. Paulson (KY). T-Frank Gomez.

9th-PHA, \$15,000, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:36 1/5, ft.
ADVENTURISTIC (g, 4, **Exclusive Era--Dancing On**, by **Dancer's Image**) Lifetime Record: 27-2-2-1, \$29,811. O-Home Team Stables. B-Harbor View Farm (KY). T-Scott A. Lake. *½ to Festivity (Spectacular Bid), GSW, \$297,123.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Aper, c, 2, **Clever Trick--Matinee Mimic**, by Silent Screen. CRC, 12-12, 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Eaglestone Farm, Inc. (Ky). *½ to Turkomatic (Turkoman), GSP, \$137,751.

Herecomesthewinner, c, 2, **Melodisk--Why Jan** (MSW, \$308,440), by Noble Title. PHA, 12-12, 1m70yd, 1:41 1/5. B-Donald P. Saville (Md). *½ to Wonderlan (Copelan), GSP, \$100,896.

Easy Does It, c, 3, **Easy Goer--Infinite** (SW, \$122,979), by Majestic Light. LRL, 12-12, 1 1/8m, 1:54 4/5. B-Ogden Mills Phipps (Ky). *\$23,000 HRA 1995 CDMAY. **1/2 to Ultimate Goal (SP, \$121,910, by Cox's Ridge) and Polish Treaty (SW, \$160,221, by Danzig).

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MECKE-RACING'S NEWEST PINUP BOY by: Bill Leggett

This Saturday the first 10,000 paying customers to enter Calder Race Course will be given a four-color poster of **Mecke** (Maudlin), the favorite for the \$150,000 W.L. McKnight H. that afternoon.

Much of the country might wonder why, but there are several compelling reasons which have gone virtually unnoticed by many racing people. The first of those, of course, is that Calder has always shown an avuncular interest in the horses that have been developed there, a custom that traces back to the days when many denigrated Calder as the least of Florida's racetracks.

Should Mecke, owned by 72-year-old James R. Lewis, win the 1 1/2-mile McKnight, he will become one of nine runners to surpass \$1 million in earnings in 1995 and the fourth three-year-old. The others: Thunder Gulch (\$2.5 million), Serena's Song (\$1.5) and Peaks and Valleys (\$1.3).

Thunder Gulch is retired; Serena's Song will spend most of 1996 racing against fillies and mares; and Peaks and Valleys, who was injured in the Breeders' Cup, will not return to racing until deep spring or early summer and, as Canada's Horse of the Year, will be pointed at the Breeders' Cup Classic at his home track of Woodbine.

That leaves Mecke -- named for Tom Mecke, an employee of Lewis in the Marine Supply business in Ft. Lauderdale -- as the leading active graduate of 1995. It's his earnings and from whence they come that makes him far more intriguing than most three-year-olds turning into four-year-olds.

Mecke is the "multi-dimensional" horse that trainers are always talking about, but never truly find.

"Horses like Mecke," said Bob Umphrey, the racing secretary at Calder and director of racing at Gulfstream Park, "are very very rare. If you go back through the years you will not find many that are equally as good on the grass as they are in the dirt. But somehow Mecke is."

Asked to weigh Mecke in the three-year-old division on both dirt and turf, Umphrey said, "You would put Thunder Gulch at 126 on dirt. Mecke would probably come next at 123. Different people might come up with different figures, but if you look at Florida racing for the end of this year and the start of 1996, it looks like Mecke tops the graduating class. Manny Tortora could be in for one heck of a year."

Tortora, one of Florida's premier trainers, bought Mecke for \$40,000 at the March 1994 Ocala Breeders' Sales. The son of Maudlin has subsequently earned a total of \$1,139,320 overall. Maudlin, by the way is now standing for a stud fee of \$2,909 at the

Flying Horse Farm in Westbank, British Columbia.

Mecke's career shows 23 starts with six victories and 10 seconds and thirds. He has been first or second in five grass races from seven starts on it; on dirt he has been first or second in six of 16 races. His earnings on grass, \$403,850, make up 35 percent of his bankroll, but it easily could have been much more than that because he lost the \$400,000 Secretariat at Arlington International by a head and the \$1 million Rothman's Invitational at Woodbine by a half-length.

He also got zilch out of two fifth-place finishes in the Kentucky Derby and Preakness under the bizarre rules not utilized in any other stakes in the country, but invoked during the Triple Crown. By winning the Tropical Derby back on Jan. 2 and the Super Derby on Sept. 20, Mecke went a stunning 261 days without a victory while still becoming only the third horse since 1984 to win a Derby on both dirt and grass.

Olympio won the Arkansas, American and Minnesota Derbys for Verne Winchell on dirt in 1991 as well as the Hollywood Derby on turf. Vernon Castle took the California Derby (dirt) and the Del Mar Derby (turf) with Allen Paulson as the lessee in 1986.

Secretariat, Tentam, Creme Fraiche, Exchange, Bien Bien, Vanlandingham, Lure, Hollywood Wildcat, Soviet Problem, Slew Of Damascus, You'd Be Surprised, Greinton, Videogenic, Ends Well and One Dreamer have all been versatile enough to win over both surfaces.

When it comes to winning major money over them though, only three runners have stood out from the crowd. Round Table, Horse of the Year in 1958, was Turf Champion that year as well as in 1957 and 1959 and he picked up just about every turf race around even though racing on grass had yet to come into prominence.

Only two horses have ever earned \$1 million on both turf and dirt. Of John Henry's \$6,597,947 overall bankroll, \$5,352,010 came on grass (81 percent). The second horse to win \$1 million over both surfaces oddly enough, came out of the Tropical Derby. Prized ran third in the 1989 running back when it was a dirt race. He subsequently won the Swaps on dirt as well as the Molson Million, then returned to Florida to take the \$2 million Breeders' Cup Turf at Gulfstream Park.

That race helped push his earnings to \$2,157,305 overall with \$1,010,305 on dirt. Tortora and Mecke will probably encounter some problems with the McKnight because it is a three-turn race, but he should love the 1 1/2-mile distance. What lies ahead after that? Oh, there's the Cigar-less \$500,000 Gulfstream Park H. on dirt on March 2 or the \$300,000 Pan American on turf a week later.

With Cigar seemingly headed for a long stay in California in 1996, the east and a lot of money could belong to its newest poster boy.