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## N • E • W • S T O D A Y

**PULPIT DRILLS STRONG HALF-MILE** GII Fountain of Youth winner Pulpit (A.P. Indy), one of the early favorites for the 1997 Kentucky Derby, drilled a half-mile in :47 3/5 yesterday morning at the Derby site--Churchill Downs. "Most horses don't necessarily breeze that well in their first trip over this track," said trainer Frank Brothers. "The fact that he breezed well is a big plus--but he trained well last fall here and I expected him to work well here today." With regular jockey Shane Sellers aboard, Pulpit completed the first quarter in :24 2/5 and galloped out five furlongs in 1:00 3/5. The three-year-old's work was the fastest of 15 at the distance. Brothers admitted the strong work came as a relief following Pulpit's runner-up performance to **Captain Bodgit** (Saint Ballado) in the March 15 Florida Derby, the colt's first defeat in four career starts. "It was a very nice work coming off what I would call a poor race," Brothers said. "You always like to see them come back and work good. The biggest thing is mentally he seemed to want to do it and was well within himself." The Claiborne Farm runner is expected to race next in the GII Toyota Blue Grass at Keeneland April 12. Brothers added that his other Kentucky Derby candidate, GIII Louisiana Derby runner-up **Stop Watch** (Lord at War {Arg}), is likely to start next in the GII Arkansas Derby at Oaklawn April 12.

### STAKES CLOSINGS

#### TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 26:

4-5 \$100/100,000 **Potrero Grande Breeders' Cup H.-GII, SA, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f (\$50)**

4-5 \$150,000 **Miss America H.-GIII, GG, 3yo/up, f/m, 8fT (\$150)**

4-5 \$125,000 **El Rincon H.-GII, SA, 4yo/up, 8fT (\$50)**

4-6 \$150,000 **San Bernardino H.-GII, SA, 4yo/up, 9f (\$50)**

#### TOMORROW, THURSDAY, MARCH 27:

3-29 \$600,000 **Jim Beam-GII, TP, 3yo, 9f (\$30,000s)**



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Saturday, Nad al Sheba, Dubai:

**DUBAI WORLD CUP, \$4,000,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m**

The field for the Dubai World Cup was drawn yesterday, with the 13 starters lining up in the following order: **Even Top (Ire)** (Topanoora {Ire}), **Singspiel (Ire)** (In The Wings {GB}), **Formal Gold (Black Tie Affair {Ire})**, **Helissio (Fr)** (Fairy King), **Bijou d'Inde (GB)** (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}), **Flemensfirth (Alleged)**, **Luso (GB)** (Salse), **Hokuto Vega (Jpn)** (Nagurski), **Juggler (Aus)** (Jugah), **Siphon (Brz)** (Itajara {Brz}), **Kammtarra (Zilzal)**, **Sandpit (Brz)** (Baynoun {Ire}) and **Key of Luck** (Chief's Crown). The World Cup is scheduled to go off at 11:15 a.m. EST. The participants gathered yesterday in Dubai for a press conference and trainer Dick Mandella, who finished second last year with Soul of the Matter and is sending out Siphon and Sandpit in this year's race, said that the 'comfort level' is greater having been through the experience once. "Before we left last year, we didn't know if we were crazy to even try it," said Mandella, "but all three (American starters) came back well, and now we don't feel like we're discovering something this year, we're just trying to duplicate it." Mandella said that the track surface at Nad Al Sheba Racecourse appeared to be faster than last year. "It looks like there is a little less surface," said Mandella. "I haven't done enough on it to know, but from the workouts here it seems faster." Kieran McLaughlin, who sends out last year's Dubai Duty Free winner Key of Luck, confirmed that there had been changes to the track surface. "Last year was 4 1/2 inches on race night," said McLaughlin. "This year it's closer to 3 1/2 inches, so it's a little faster, but it's very safe." McLaughlin said he thought the American imports were at an advantage in the race. "The surface favors the Americans, and (so do) the left-handed turns. Key of Luck won the Dubai Duty Free last year, and I've tightened the screws on him, but he may need a little more time. Kammtarra has handled the surface very well and has improved on the dirt, but the chances of the Europeans winning are very similar to last year." Even without the presence of last year's superstar winner Cigar, Mandella said the enthusiasm for the race was great. "I see more excitement here this year and a bigger reception," said Mandella. "If you look down the list, it's an awfully deep list of quality, so it's a terrific race all the way down." He added, "It has rained here today and I may want to breeze Siphon tomorrow. We may work in the morning, but we may hold off until evening." All starters carry 126, with the exception of Hokuto Vega, who carries 123.



News cont.

**CARSON CITY COLT TOPS OBS MARCH**

**OPENER** Rising City (Carson City), out of the Secret mare Arising, topped yesterday's opening session of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March Open Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training sale in Ocala, Florida. The chestnut colt, the second foal for his dam, was consigned by Double Diamond Farm, agent, and brought a final bid of \$140,000 from Joseph Allen. One hundred thirty-one horses were sold yesterday for a gross of \$5,940,000, compared to last year's opening session when 132 horses sold for \$4,676,500. The average of \$45,343 was up 28 percent over last year's average of \$35,428. "Of course we're delighted with the first day of the sale," said OBS Director of Sales Tom Ventura. "We surpassed last year's performance by every imaginable yardstick. The strength you normally find at the top of the market carried over to all levels, especially in the \$50-60,000 range. It was by no means a top-heavy market." The second and final session of the March Sale begins today at 11 a.m.

**OBS MARCH--TOP FIVE TWO-YEAR-OLDS**

HIP#	SEX	SIRE	DAM	PRICE
026	colt	Carson City	Arising	\$140,000
		(\$25,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV)		
		Consigned by Double Diamond Farm, agent Purchased by Joseph Allen		
141	colt	Gold Spring	Haliburton Ruckus	\$120,000
		Consigned by Sunrise Stable South, agent Purchased by Awaytheygo Stable (\$36,000 yrl '96 KEESEP)		
165	colt	Cryptoclearance	Jacolina	\$120,000
		(\$60,000 yrl '96 KEESEP)		
		Consigned by Hartley/De Renzo, agent Purchased by Nolan Hajal		
065	colt	Valid Appeal	Company Girl	\$115,000
		Consigned by Mark Casse, agent Purchased by Mellon Patch, Inc.		
013	filly	Meadowlake	Aly's Jul	\$100,000
		Consigned by Nick de Meric, agent Purchased by M & P Levine, Meadowridge Stable		

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**SHOEMAKER CASE SETTLED** Trainer Bill Shoemaker has reached an out-of-court settlement in his malpractice suit against Glendora Community Hospital and the physicians who treated him immediately after the April 8, 1991 car accident that left him a quadriplegic, according to yesterday's *Los Angeles Times*. The *Times* reported that Shoemaker would collect approximately \$2.5 million from the Ford Motor Company, the manufacturers of the Bronco II he was driving at the time of the accident, but would receive no money from any other defendants. Shoemaker previously collected \$1 million from Ford in a 1993 settlement, and was guaranteed another \$1.5 million from the auto manufacturer should he be unable to collect the amount from other parties. "I'm happy that it's all over," Shoemaker told the *Times*. "This is the way it should be. I don't think I wanted this to go all the way to a jury verdict." Shoemaker had a blood-alcohol level of .13 at the time of the accident, well over California's legal limit of .08.

Weekend Stakes Previews cont.

**Saturday, Turfway Park:****JIM BEAM S.-GII, \$600,000, 3yo, 9f**

**Concerto** (Chief's Crown), the likely favorite in the race, worked a leisurely seven furlongs in 1:32 2/5 with jockey Carlos Marquez Jr. in the irons. "It was just what I wanted," trainer John Tammara said. "Everyone knows he's got speed. There's no sense burning it early." **Night in Reno** (Bet Big) has been declared from the race after developing soreness in his right front foot. Trainer Larry Kelly said he is hopeful the colt will be ready for the April 12 Blue Grass S. at Keeneland. Possible Jim Beam starter **In C C's Honor** (Allen's Prospect) worked five furlongs in :59 1/5 at Laurel.

**Saturday, Nad al Sheba, Dubai:****DUBAI DUTY FREE, \$500,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m**

The field, from the rail out, will be: **Learmont** (Lear Fan), **Tropicool** (Carr de Naskra), **Balal** (Wadood), **Carling (Fr)** (Garde Royale {Ire}), **Needle Gun (Ire)** (Sure Blade), **Doreg (Ire)** (Fools Holme), **Tamayaz** (Gone West), **Desert Shot (GB)** (Green Desert), **Gothenberg (Ire)** (Polish Patriot), **Tamhid** (Gulch), **Fatefully** (Private Account), **Maggellan** (Hansel), and **Kalabo** (Tremolino).

**Sunday, Hialeah Park:****BOUGAINVILLEA H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

**MGSW Ok By Me** (With Approval), making his 1997 debut Sunday, worked a bullet six furlongs over the Payson Park track Monday in 1:16 2/5. **MGISW Diplomatic Jet** (Roman Diplomat) breezed six furlongs at Hialeah Tuesday in 1:15 4/5. **Joker** (Gentleman Gene) went five furlongs Tuesday in 1:01 2/5.

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### Local News, Hialeah:

GI Travers S. winner **Will's Way** (Easy Goer), unraced since an off-the-board finish in the Breeders' Cup Classic, is training at Payson Park for his return to competition. "He's coming back super," said trainer H. James Bond. "I think giving him some extra time this winter will pay off later in the season. Right now, we're looking at the Mass'Cap (May 31) as his first goal, if all goes well. He would have one start someplace before then down there (Hialeah)."

### Yesterday's Result:

**4th-HIA, \$15,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:48 4/5, ft. + CIRCLING (f, 3, Irish River {Fr}--Magic Circle {SW, \$131,314}, by Alydar), sent off at 9-2 odds in her career debut, raced near the back of the pack early, then circled the field to take command in midstretch and draw off for a 1 1/2-length tally. Pacesetter ELLA B GOOD (Cure the Blues) held on for second, while 6-5 favorite THENAME OF THEGAME (Unbridled), also a first-time starter, had to settle for third. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,000.**

O-Pamela Firman & G. Watts Humphrey Jr. B-G W Humphrey & L I Humphrey (KY). T-George R. Arnold II.

## ◆ MIDWEST ◆

### Local News, Keeneland:

The 1996 champion two-year-old filly **Storm Song** (Summer Squall) worked six furlongs in 1:13 on a fast track Tuesday. Her fractions were :25 2/5 and :49 4/5. With jockey Craig Perret up, she galloped out seven furlongs in 1:26 2/5. The filly disappointed in two Gulfstream starts this year and is pointing toward the April 5 GI Ashland S...**Acceptable** (Capote) worked five furlongs in 1:02 2/5 Tuesday. He went the first quarter in :26 and the last three-eighths in :36 2/5 and is scheduled to make his next start in the April 12 GII Toyota Blue Grass S...**Southern Playgirl** (Western Playboy), winner of last year's GII Alcibiades and second in this year's GII Bonnie Miss S., worked six furlongs in 1:15 1/5 and should start next in the Ashland S.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a + will denote winners who are first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races, and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

### Local News, Kentucky:

The winners of the 1996 Kentucky Thoroughbred Media Awards, presented in conjunction with The Jockey Club Information Systems, have been announced. The KTM Awards were first presented in 1990 to honor the jockey, trainer and owner who win the most races in Kentucky during the calendar year. In 1996, the honorees were jockey Pat Day, trainer D. Wayne Lukas and owner Ray Cottrell Sr. The awards will be presented this Saturday, Jim Beam Day, at Turfway Park.

### Local News, Texas:

The Texas Thoroughbred HBPA, one of the partners in the Texas Horsemen's Partnership L.L.P., has elected Stanley Beard as its new president to fill out the unexpired one-year term of Bill Heiligbrodt, who resigned earlier this month.

## B • R • E • E • D • E • R • S E D I T I O N

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**8th-SPT, \$27,144, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft. MR. GHOSTBUSTER (g, 5, Silver Ghost--Overdue, by Turn to Reason) Lifetime Record: 24-6-5-6, \$111,905. O-William Werner. B-Larry Johnson (MD). T-M Johnson.**

**9th-SPT, \$23,000, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 4/5, ft. MAX A DOODLE (g, 5, Lucky Prospect--Nodoubtalady, by Nodouble) Lifetime Record: 26-3-4-3, \$39,809. O/B-Billy M. Bowers (IL). T-Joseph P. McKellar. \*1/2 to Nodoubtaspy (Gill, \$156,599, by Spy Signal).**

**9th-PHA, \$20,800, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5, ft. ROYAL DIVORCE (m, 6, Sovereign Don--Awfully Awesome, by Plugged Nickle) Lifetime Record: SP, 76-5-12-9, \$132,493. O-St Martin Stables. B-Stanley I Joselson (PA). T-St Lewis Uriah.**

**7th-HIA, \$18,600, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. WILLOW SKIPS TRIAL (c, 3, Skip Trial--Drouth Willow {SW, \$117,600}, by Premiership) Lifetime Record: 13-6-3-1, \$87,435. O-Foxcroft Farms. B-Alfred T. Eldredge Jr. (FL). T-Glenn M Stanchfield.**

**8th-HIA, \$17,500, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft. KTWOSBUCKAROO (c, 4, Buckaroo--Rolfissima, by Tom Rolfe) Lifetime Record: 37-4-6-2, \$53,760. O-Silvanna Stable. B-John & Susan Evans (FL). T-Carlos J Morales.**

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## WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

### PEDIGREE SHORTS...

A couple of weeks ago, we mentioned some recent success achieved by inbreeding to In Reality. We also mentioned that In Reality is inbred 3 x 3 to War Relic (himself a very inbred horse) and noted some successes which had been achieved by inbreeding to War Relic and his sisters. The latter club gained two more members this past weekend through **Vegas Prospector (f, 3, Crafty Prospector--Hill Billy Dancer by Never Down Hill)**, who took the GIII Cicada S. at Aqueduct, and **Alpine Express (c, 3, Green Forest--Daydream, by Believe It)**, winner of the Tempe H. at Turf Paradise.

Vegas Prospector, a three-parts sister to Robyn Dancer, has In Reality as the broodmare sire of her sire (giving two crosses of War Relic). Vegas Prospector's dam (a half-sister to Robyn Dancer) is out of a mare by Sword Dancer, and Sword Dancer goes back to Speed Boat, one of the sisters to War Relic. Alpine Express also has In Reality, who appears in this instance through Believe It, the broodmare sire of Alpine Express. Green Forest, the sire of Alpine Express, has a second dam by Count of Honor, whose granddam is another sister to War Relic, Anchors Ahead.

The Tour d'Or success story continued with the victory of **Phantom On Tour (c, 3, Tour d'Or--White Wool Socks by Whitesburg)** in the GII Rebel S. From decidedly limited opportunities, Tour d'Or has previously sired Cat On Tour, Tour's Big Red, and Foxy d'Or. Phantom On Tour owns what is virtually an outcross pedigree, but it is interesting that Tour d'Or is by Medaille d'Or, a son of Secretariat, and that his broodmare sire, Whitesburg, is a son of Crimson Satan. Lion d'Or, a minor winning brother to Medaille d'Or, sired a stakes winner out of a Crimson Satan mare, and of course the brilliantly speedy Terlingua (dam of Storm Cat) and her brother Pancho Villa were both by Secretariat out of Crimson Satan mares. Housebuster, whose sire, Mt. Livermore, is out of a Crimson Satan mare has also sired to stakes winners out of daughters of Secretariat. It's interesting to note that Crimson Stan is by Spy Song, a horse who was inbred 3 x 3 to that great horse of yesterday, Peter Pan. Secretariat's granddam, Imperatrice, was inbred to the English 1,000 Guineas winner Briar-Root, and the dams of Peter Pan and Briar-Root just happen to be three-parts sisters.

Tour d'Or's sire, Medaille d'Or, is out of Fanfreluche, and it was also a good weekend for daughters of Fanfreluche. L'On Vite, an unraced sister to Medaille d'Or, was represented by a stakes winner when her son **Heart of Oak (h, 5, Woodman--L'On Vite,**

by Secretariat), took the Toto-Lotto-Sprint-Preis at Dusseldorf in Germany. Meanwhile at Turfway, the four-year-old filly **Scads (f, 4, Forty Niner--Slew and Easy, by Slew o'Gold)** romped home by seven lengths in her debut. Slew and Easy is another daughter of Fanfreluche.

We have previously mentioned the up-and-coming California sire **Avenue of Flags (h, 9, Seattle Slew--Beautiful Glass by Pass the Glass)**. This past weekend, Avenue of Flags continued his progress, with **Really Happy (f, 3, Avenue of Flags--Dear Laura, by Youth)** winning the GIII Bay Meadows Oaks to become Avenue of Flags' third graded stakes winner from a little more than 30 starters. Like the other two--Belle's Flag and Victor Avenue--Really Happy has Northern Dancer in her pedigree, this time as the sire of her second dam. This predilection for the Northern Dancer strain is not surprising as Pass the Glass, the broodmare sire of Avenue of Flags, is out of Amerigo Lady. She has close genetic relationships to Nearctic (sire of Northern Dancer) through both her sire, Amerigo, and dam Lady Sybil.

### Allowance Results cont.

**9th-HIA, \$17,000, 4/up, f/m, a1 1/8mT, 1:49 2/5, fm. QUEST FOR LADIES (GB) (f, 4, Rainbow Quest--Savoureuse Lady {GB} {G3-Fr}, by Caerleon)** Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$49,060. O-Haras de Mezeray. B-Haras du Mezeray (GB). T-Christophe Clement.

**8th-PHA, \$15,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5, ft. CITY SHACK (f, 4, Carson City--What a Shack, by Al Hattab)** Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$24,440. O-Michael Parisi. B-Shari Eisaman (FL). T-A Quartarolo. \*1/2 to Udidthebestyoucan (SW, \$131,361, by Nodouble).

**9th-BEU, \$15,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. WHITEWATER RUSH (m, 5, Knight--Profit Island {SW, \$204,047}, by Ack Ack)** Lifetime Record: 8-5-1-0, \$37,729. O-Town Street Stable. B-Larry Byer (OH). T-Luis A Palacios.

### MAIDEN WINNER:

+ **Circling, f, 3, Irish River (Fr)--Magic Circle (SW, \$131,314), by Alydar.** HIA, 3-25, 1 1/16m, 1:48 4/5. B-G W Humphrey & L I Humphrey (Ky).

### FOALING NEWS:

**MINETONIGHTSFIRST, 6, D'Accord--Mine Tonight (Upper Nile)**

Foal born 3-14-97, a filly by Personal Flag.

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