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MAXZENE RETIRED Trainer Tom Skiffington announced that Fusaro Sekiguchi's Maxzene (Cozzene--Jacky Max, by Sexton Blake) has been retired and will head to Kentucky to be bred to Mr. Prospector. She is one of three finalists in the running for a 1998 Eclipse Award in the older female turf category. The six-year-old mare won 11 races from 23 career starts and earned \$1,228,898. Her most notable victories came in the 1997 and 1998 runnings of the GII Sheepshead Bay H. and the 1997 GII New York H. She also finished second in the GI Beverly D H., GI Flower Bowl H. and GI Matriarch in '97. The gray most recently ran fifth in the G1 Japan Cup Nov. 29.

FOX TO INTRODUCE "VIRTUAL FINISH LINE"

According to the Daily Racing Form, the Fox Sports television network will use a "virtual finish line" in its inaugural telecast of the National Thoroughbred Racing Association's Champions on Fox series, the Jan. 30 GI Donn H. from Gulfstream Park. Similar to the "virtual first-down marker" now used in pro football telecasts on ESPN and CBS, the virtual finish line will be displayed as a wide stripe running across the racetrack from the photo-finish camera to the inside rail. "Everyone is looking for things that are more innovative and more engaging in sports broadcasting," Brown Williams, founder and chairman of Princeton Video Images, which developed the virtual finish line for Fox, told the Form. "I think this will be one of those things that people will see and wonder how they got along without it."

FOUL WEATHER FORCES CANCELLATIONS

Yesterday's cards at Philadelphia Park, Suffolk Downs and Turfway Park were canceled because of poor track conditions caused by inclement weather. Racing is expected to resume at Philly Park and Suffolk today, but Turfway has also scrapped its live program for Sunday, its eighth cancellation this year. The track is set to be back in action Wednesday evening. The \$50,000 Wishing Well S. for older filles and mares going six furlongs, which was scheduled to be run yesterday at Turfway, has been moved to Jan. 24. Nominations have been reopened and will close Wednesday, Jan. 20.

Saturday, Santa Anita

SAN FERNANDO BREEDERS' CUP S.-GII, \$316,000, SAX, 1-16, 4yo, 1 1/16m, 1:41, ft.

- 1--@DIXIE DOT COM, 116, c, 4, by Dixieland Band
 1st Dam: Sky Meadows, by Conquistador Cielo
 2nd Dam: Pride's Crossing, by Riva Ridge
 3rd Dam: Prides Promise, by Crozier
 (\$9,500 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$21,000 2yo 1997
 BESMAY). O-Chaiken Chaiken & Heller, et al;
 B-Buckner Martha (KY); T-William J Morey Jr; J-D R
 Flores; \$190,800. Lifetime Record: 9-5-3-0,
 \$482,775.
- 2--Event of the Year, 122, c, 4, Seattle Slew--Classic Event, by Mr. Prospector. O-Golden Eagle Farm;
 B-Mabee John C Mr & Mrs (KY); \$63,600.
- 3--Old Topper, 118, c, 4, Gilded Time--Shy Trick, by Phone Trick. O-Hunter Barbara; B-Jelks Frances B (KY); \$38,160.

Margins: 4HF, 4HF, HF. Odds: 5.20, 1.20, 34.90. Also Ran: Run Man Run, Mail Coach (Chi), Yarrow Brae, Artax, Hanuman Highway (Ire).

Dixie Dot Com had been the bridesmaid in his last three starts, filling that role in the Oct. 3 Indiana Derby, Nov. 14 GIII Laz Barrera H. and Nov. 29 GI Early Times Hollywood Derby on the grass last out. Back on the main track for his four-year-old debut, the bay sat just off moderate fractions while four wide, sprinted to a clear lead on the final turn and pulled away while drifting in down the stretch for a decisive victory. "We've had some tough seconds and finally, today, we put it together," said trainer Bill Morey, Jr. "I think this is his best race. He looks the best he has physically. I think our horse developed more the past year than Event of the Year did." Talking about the injury that kept his colt on the bench from February to September last year, Morey said, "He had a hairline fracture of the left cannon bone. It wasn't big enough to warrant a screw. We let Mother Nature take its course, there was no operation. It was just a time deal. Our owners are very patient." The colt's next start will come in the GII Strub S. Feb. 6. Favored Event of the Year was making his second start since suffering a slab fracture of the knee after winning the GII Jim Beam last March. Third in the Dec. 26 GI Malibu for his first career defeat, the dark bay closed from fifth to be second while no match for the winner. "It's not that he's not good enough, but it just looks like he's got to get a little seasoning," said trainer Richard Mandella.



Saturday, Santa Anita

SAN GORGONIO H.-GII, \$150,000, SAX, 1-16, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:49, fm.

- 1--SEE YOU SOON (FR), 118, m, 5, by Kaldoun (Fr)
 1st Dam: Source D'Orezza (Fr), by Akarad (Fr)
 2nd Dam: Source d'Or (Ire), by Miami Springs (Ire)
 3rd Dam: Golden Moss (GB), by Sheshoon (GB)
 O-Kenis Charles; B-Wattinne Michel & Fils (Fr);
 T-Robert Frankel; J-K J Desormeaux; \$90,000.
 Lifetime Record: 14-5-3-1, \$426,823.
- 2--Sonja's Faith (Ire), 118, m, 5, Sharp Victor--Good Faith Woman, by Syncopate. O/B-Malmuth Marvin; (Ire); \$30,000.
- 3--Verinha (Brz), 115, m, 5, Baronius (Brz)--Foix (Brz), by Karabas (Ire). O-Padua Stables; B-Haras Sao Jose & Expedictus (Brz); \$18,000.

Margins: NK, 4, NK. Odds: 1.40, 1.40, 11.90.

Also Ran: India Divina (Chi), Palme D'Or (Ire), Champagne Royal.

See You Soon had taken two of her eight starts since arriving from France, returning after a nine-month layoff to win a Hollywood allowance last May and adding the GI Ramona H. over the Del Mar turf Aug. 1. Sidelined for another 2 1/2 months after that test, the bay came back to be second in the GII Las Palmas H. and GI Yellow Ribbon, but didn't handle the yielding course for the Nov. 29 GI Matriarch and came home eighth. Looking to rebound in her first start this season, the Frenchbred broke a step slowly, but rallied from just off the pace to edge the front-running Sonja's Faith at the wire. "Going into the first turn, I thought Sonja's Faith was a cinch," said winning trainer Bobby Frankel. "She got away with some easy fractions. We were back six or seven lengths at the time, but I guess Kent (Desormeaux) knew what he was doing. We'll probably run in the Santa Ana (GII, Mar. 20) next." Slight choice Sonja's Faith will go next in the GII Buena Vista H. Feb. 27. "She ran her heart out," said trainer lan Jory.

♦ PREVIEW ♦

Today, Santa Anita, post time 1:32 p.m. PST

EL ENCINO SGII, \$150,000, 4yo, f, 1 1/16m				
PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Gourmet Girl	Perdomo	Desormeaux	20-1
2	Tranquility Lake	Canani	Delahoussaye	20-1
3	Manistique	Shireffs	Stevens	2-5
4	Bella Chiarra	Whittingham	Gomez	30-1
5	Magical Allure	Baffert	Flores	7-5

El Encino S. cont.

Manistique (Unbridled) has won four of five in her short career and was most recently a two-length winner of the GII Bayakoa H. at Hollywood Dec. 6. Although she will be a heavy favorite here, she could get a challenge from Golden Eagle Farm's Magical Allure (General Meeting), who won the GII Lady's Secret Breeders' Cup over this track Oct. 11 and most recently took the Dec. 27 GI La Brea S. by a half-length.

Today, Gulfstream Park, post time 5:01 p.m. EST HALLANDALE H.-GIII, \$75,000, 3yo/up, 6f

The field, from the rail out (with trainers), is: Good and Tough (Carson City), Alexander, 115; Cowboy Cop (Silver Deputy), Byrne, 114; Mint (Runaway Groom), Moubarak, 115; Heckofaralph (Young Ralph), Cesare, 117; Thrillin Discovery (Alaskan Frost), Olivares, 117; Oro de Mexico (Well Decorated), Serpe, 114; Punch Line (Two Punch), Turner, 121.

Monday, Santa Anita

SAN MARCOS H.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT The field, from the rail out, will be: Ferrari (Ger) (Alkalde {Ger}), 117; Native Desert (Desert Classic), 115; Butler On Duty (Wheatly Hall), 112; Kessem Power (NZ) (Kessem {NZ}), 116; Fragrant Mix (Ire) (Linamix {Fr}), 120; River Bay (Irish River {Fr}), 121;
Special Quest (Fr) (Rainbow Quest), 117; and Brave Act (GB) (Persian Bold {Ire}), 120.



Yesterday's Results:

HOLY BULL S.-GIII, \$100,000, GPX, 1-16, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45 1/5, gd.

- 1--#@GRITS'N HARD TOAST, 114, g, 3, by Bates Motel 1st Dam: Glory Spell (MSP, \$123,378), by Torsion 2nd Dam: Trippy Sue, by Jet Man 3rd Dam: Culebra Road, by Curandero O/B-T V Smith & R A Anderson (KY); T-Thomas V Smith; J-R G Davis; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-2, \$137,547. *1/2 to Glory's Ghost (Silver Ghost), MSW & GSP, \$246,513.
- 2--Doneraile Court, 119, c, 3, Seattle Slew--Sophisticated Girl, by Stop the Music. (\$1,000,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL). O-Tabor Michael & Magnier Mrs John; B-Mr & Mrs John C Mabee (KY); \$20,000.
- 3--Mountain Range, 119, c, 3, Mountain Cat--Proper Form, by Deputy Minister. O/B-Overbrook Farm (KY); \$11,000.
- Margins: 1 3/4, NO, 1 3/4. Odds: 14.60, 2.00, 5.80.

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Also Ran: Pineaff, Vicar, Throwthebookatem, Stone Bridge. Scratched: Senor Fizz.

Two-for-three on the dirt with a third-place finish in the Nov. 29 GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. as a twoyear-old, Grits'n Hard Toast was overlooked making his three-year-old bow, perhaps because of his name. The sixth choice in this seven-horse field, the gelding was checked on the first turn, sat fifth down the backstretch, swung out four wide on the final bend, but finished with good energy to catch pacesetter Doneraile Court in deep stretch and draw clear. "We didn't know what to expect when we got all the rain this morning," said co-owner/breeder and trainer T.V. Smith. "He has never been on a muddy track, but his mother, who l raised and raced, was a very good mud horse." As for the future, Smith said, "If everything goes right, we'll be right here for the Fountain Of Youth (GI, Feb. 20) and I guess the Florida Derby (GI, Mar. 13). I wanted a race once a month and so far we are on track." Added jockey Robbie Davis, "The longer he goes, the better he'll get. He's got me a little excited right now. I've never had a potential Kentucky Derby horse. I've had some nice three-year-olds, but this one here looks like the one." The 6-5 favorite Vicar (Wild Again), runner-up in the Kentucky Jockey Club S. last out, pressed the pace after being bumped at the break and caught in traffic on the clubhouse turn, then tired in the stretch drive to be fifth.

9th-GPX, \$32,000, Alw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, gd. CASANOVA STAR (c, 3, A.P. Indy--Minstrella {Ch. 2yo-Ire, MG1SW-Ire, G1SW-Eng, \$358,429}, by The Minstrel), a 1/2 to Minidar (Alydar), GSW, \$350,900; and Colonial Minstrel (Pleasant Colony), MGSW & GISP, \$482,867, was getting Lasix and blinkers for the first time in his first start of the season. An easy maiden winner at Aqueduct Nov. 5, he had ended his juvenile season with an eighth-place finish in the GII Remsen S. Nov. 29, but had been working sharply at Gulfstream. The 6-5 favorite, fifth early, swept to the front on the far turn and held sway to the wire to take it by a length. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$50,200. O/B-Edward P Evans (VA). T-Mark Hennig.

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. 6th-GPX, \$36,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m (off turf), 1:51 3/5, gd.

FLAX JACKET (c, 4, Fit to Fight--Cushion Cut {SW}, by Raise a Man) drew into this off the also-eligibles. An Aqueduct allowance winner Nov. 21, he was most recently fifth in the Dec. 12 Winter Quarters S. at the Meadowlands. The 5-2 favorite made an easy lead and set moderate fractions to wire the field by 1 1/4 lengths. He is a 1/2 to Lost Pan (Lost Code), MSW, \$388,529. Lifetime Record: 12-4-3-0, \$119,446. O-Point East Stable. B-Lavin Bloodstock Services (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

3rd-GPX, **\$32,000**, Alw, 3yo, 6f, 1:11, sy. **SEPTEMBER DESERT (c, 3, Septieme Ciel--Desert Holly {GB}, by Vain)**, a very impressive 11½-length maiden winner in her debut at Calder Dec. 17, most recently finished third after a front-end duel going two turns on the turf for the first time at Calder Jan. 1. Back on the main track at a sprint distance, the 5-1 fourth choice gunned to the front soon after the break, set solid fractions of :22 and :44 4/5, then drew clear to a 3 1/4-length victory. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$27,534. O-S P Arnold. B-J T L Jones Jr (Ky). T-R P Arnold Jr.

4th-GPX, \$32,000, Alw, 4/up, 1 1/16m, 1:47 3/5, sy. RORYS ROLLS ROYCE (g, 4, A.P. Indy--Dance Troupe {MSP, \$166,887}, by Native Charger) won by eight in his last going a mile at Calder versus \$25,000 claimers on Christmas Eve. The 9-1 shot stalked the pacesetters down the backside, ranged four wide on the far turn, took command in midstretch and was all out to defeat 4-5 favorite Private Call (Private Account) by 3/4 of a length. The winner is a half-brother to Dance Floor (Star de Naskra), MGSW, \$863,299. Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-2, \$42,930.

O-Beatrice Oxenberg. B-Sam & Jo Pollock, et al (Ky). T-Edward Plesa Jr.

7th-GPX, \$30,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:12 1/5, gd. +TIGHTLIES (c, 3, Conquistador Cielo--Broken Peace {SW-Fr}, by Devil's Bag) was let go at odds of nearly 21-1 in his debut, despite his sire's propensity for producing excellent off-track performers. Unhurried early, the bay colt angled out five wide entering the stretch and closed strongly to get up by a neck over 5-2 favorite Short Go (Irish Open). He was purchased for \$72,000 as a KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,000.

O-James B Tafel. B-Jay Bligh & David Kruse (KY). T-Carl A Nafzger.





Florida Report cont.

11th-GPX, \$30,000, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:47, gd. VISION AND VERSE (c, 3, Storm Cat--Bunting {GISP, \$171,774}, by Private Account) finished fourth in a Nov. 15 Aqueduct sprint maiden and was fourth again, beaten 21 lengths, in a Jan. 4 Gulfstream Park maiden. The 7-1 shot was well placed in fifth early, angled out to make a three-wide rally in the stretch and won by 1 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$21,780. O/B-B Lunsford (KY). T-William I Mott.

New York

Yesterday's Results:

AQUEDUCT H.-GIII, \$82,225, AQU, 1-16, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43, my.

- 1--MR. SINATRA, 118, h, 5, by Mining
 1st Dam: Midnight Stroll (MSP), by Private Account
 2nd Dam: Night Rounds, by Round Table
 3rd Dam: Levee Night (SW, \$111,804), by Royal Levee
 (\$15,000 yrl '95 KEEJAN; \$17,000 yrl '95 KEESEP).
 O-Davis Barbara J; B-Lazy Lane Stables, Inc (VA);
 T-Gasper S Moschera; J-A T Gryder; \$49,335.
 Lifetime Record: 31-11-4-5, \$558,744.
- 2--Brushing Up, 112, h, 6, Broad Brush--Sweet Bunny, by Deputed Testamony. (\$13,000 2yo '95 SARTWO). O-Simone Victor & Phyllis M; B-Roland Farm (MD); \$16,445.
- 3--Wouldn't We All, 117, h, 5, Woodman--Dream Launch, by Relaunch. (\$160,000 2yo 1996 FTFFEB).
 O-Kimmel Caesar P & Solondz Philip J; B-Jayeff B Stables (KY); \$9,045.

Margins: 5 3/4, NO, 2. Odds: 1.45, 14.80, 1.40. Also Ran: Holzmeister, Running Copelan.

Mr. Sinatra, a winner of the GIII Stuyvesant H. at Aqueduct Nov. 11, had been second versus allowance company two back and most recently ran third in the GIII Queens County H. on the inner dirt Dec. 12. The second choice in a scratch-depleted field of five, Mr. Sinatra sat off a fast early pace while racing on the fence, made his move three wide on the second turn, took over at the top of the lane and drew off late to a 5 3/4-length victory. "We had a nice stalking trip," said jockey Aaron Gryder. "Mr. Sinatra made a good move around the turn. I think that's what won it for him; he got his momentum going out of the turn." Trainer Gasper Moschera said, "He's just a tough horse. I knew there was plenty of speed in the race, so I really wasn't worried and he relishes a muddy track." Mr. Sinatra will probably run back in the GIII Stymie H. going nine furlongs at Aqueduct Feb. 7.

7th-AQU, \$44,000, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 3/5, sy.

- 1--REBOOT, 122, f, 4, Rubiano--Launch Light Tek (MSW, \$173,752), by Relaunch. O-Nicholson Patricia & Ronald & Seelbinder Arthur; B-John Toffan & Trudy McCaffery (KY); T-James J Toner. Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-2, \$115,680.
- 2--Ruby Rubles, 122, f, 4, Scarlet Ibis--Granite Island, by Say I'm Smart.
- 3--Hope Chest, 119, m, 5, Honor Grades--Universal Hope, by Saratoga Six.

Margins: 7, 1HF, 3 1/4. Odds: 6.20, 4.10, 1.10. Reboot broke a seven-race losing skid when she took an Aqueduct inner-dirt allowance by 2 1/4 lengths Dec. 13. Let go at 6-1 against seven others, the bay filly was hustled to the front, set good splits and strolled to a seven-length score.

4th-AQU, \$40,000, Alw, 4γo/up, 6f, 1:12 4/5, sy. **PROSPER'S PRINCE (g, 5, Prosper Fager--Sovereignly, by Sovereign Dancer)** beat \$35,000 maiden claimers last time at Aqueduct Dec. 31. Let go at 13-1 here, the bay gelding pressed the pace, drew clear entering the stretch and won by four lengths. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$44,130. O-Equilete Stable. B-Billings Partnership (FL).

T-Robert P Klesaris.

3rd-AQU, \$38,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12 4/5, sy. **VALID DOROTHY (f, 3, Valid Appeal--One for Doro-thy, by Gate Dancer)**, a \$50,000 OBSAUG yearling, finished a pace pressing fourth in her debut at Aqueduct Jan. 1. The 7-10 favorite dueled for the lead from the outside, gained command on the turn and cruised home to a 3 1/4-length win. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,080.

O-Phillip J Torsney. B-H T Mangurian Jr (FL). T-Gary C Contessa.

6th-AQU, \$38,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 2/5, sy. CARLEAVILLE (f, 3, Carson City--Lea Carter {MSW, \$148,389}, by Dr. Carter), never out of the money in three previous tries, came into this off a wide-trip second, beaten a half-length, last time sprinting at Aqueduct Jan. 1. The 1-2 chalk opened a clear lead early and demolished a field of eight by 10 1/4 widening lengths. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-1, \$42,180. O-Grace E Ritzenberg. B-Milton Ritzenberg (KY). T-James A Jerkens.

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ANOTHER SPECTACULAR STAKES WINNER! TEXAS GLITTER, purchased by Mike Ryan, won the GIII Spectacular Bid S. at Gulfstream Park Jan. 3 by an impressive 5 lengths! His 114 Beyer figure is 9 points higher than any Beyer posted by the current crop of 3-year-olds. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$116,564. You can experience the same success ... CALL TODAY!



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Yesterday's Result:

MARYLAND RACING WRITERS H., \$78,100, LRL,

- 1-16, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:50 2/5, ft.
- 1--MERÉNGUE, 120, f, 4, Broad Brush--Sentimental Tango (SW), by Sentimental Slew. O-M P Higgins III B-Dickens G C (MD); T-D Barr; J-R Wilson; \$47,310. Lifetime Record: GSW, 14-7-0-1, \$250,955.
- 2--Proud Run, 116, m, 5, Proud Truth--Run Spot, by North Sea. \$15,770.
- 3--Hot Salsa, 115, m, 5, Thirty Eight Paces--Bardip, by Barrera. \$8,674.
- Margins: HD, 2 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 0.80, 10.10, 21.30. Habitual front-runner Merengue, the only speed in

this field, had been a wire-to-wire winner of the GIII Anne Arundel S. two back and the Nellie Morse H. at Laurel Dec. 20. The favorite broke sharply, hugged the rail while maintaining a clear lead to the stretch, endured a bumping incident with Proud Run late and still hung on to get her third stakes victory in a row. "That was the first time she was really tested," said trainer Donald Barr. "She was pressed early and still won. She ran a heck of a race today. We'll give her some time off and then point for the Snow Goose H. in March."

Friday's Late Result:

4th-HOU, **\$11,500**, **Msw**, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. **A P RULER (c, 4, A.P. Indy--Beauty Cream {MGSW, \$711,647}, by Rich Cream**), bought for \$150,000 as a KEESEP yearling, finished fourth and seventh in a pair of Gulfstream maidens last year before being laid off. Back to the track for the first time in 11 months, the 7-10 favorite raced with the pace on the outside, came with his bid on the turn and closed well to get up for a nose victory. The winner is a 1/2 to Aggie Southpaw (Forty Niner), GSP, \$139,617. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$8,480.

O-James & Linda McIngvale. B-Christine Moore (Ky). T-Michael Natale.

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Another Purse Increase at Turfway:

For the second time in two weeks, Turfway Park officials have announced a purse increase. Effective today, claiming races will be raised 5 percent and allowance and maiden special weight races will be boosted 10 percent. "Unfortunately we've had to cancel quite a few days already this year due to inclement weather," said Turfway President Mark Simendinger. "But we've been able to accrue a good amount of purse money from simulcasting during those days and with the level of our existing purse account, we're in good position to raise purses again."

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-SAX, \$62,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:36 4/5, fm.

- 1--SELF FEEDER (IRE), 119, h, 5, Lycius--Last Drama (Ire) (MSP-Fr), by Last Tycoon (Ire). O-Richard Straus & Ward Williford; B-Kilfrush Stud Ltd (Ire); T-Patrick Gallagher. Lifetime Record: 9-4-3-0, \$113,072.
- 2--Lucayan Indian (Ire), 115, c, 4, Indian Ridge (Ire)--Eleanor Antoinette (Ire), by Double Schwartz (Ire).
- 3--Fabulous Guy (Ire), 117, h, 5, Sharp Victor--Fabuleaux Gal, by *Le Fabuleux.

Margins: 2HF, HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 6.00, 1.80, 1.50.

Self Feeder, coming off a narrow score in a Hollywood allowance Dec. 16, took his second straight and fourth in his last six with a five-wide move around the final turn to prevail by 2 1/2 lengths under jockey Eddie Delahoussaye.

3rd-SAX, **\$54,810**, **Alw**, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), 4yo/up, 7f, 1:21 4/5, ft.

QUAKE (c, 4, Capote--Pirate's Glow {GISP, \$179,005}, by Pirate's Bounty), an allowance winner over the Churchill turf last June, returned after a 6 1/2-month absence to finish a rallying third in an optional claiming allowance over the Santa Anita dirt Dec. 27. Making his second start back, the bay rated just off the early pace, drove to the front on the turn and edged away to a 1 1/4-length score as the 1-2 chalk. The winner is a 1/2 to Amorously (Roberto), GSP, \$185,575. Lifetime Record: 9-3-2-2, \$138,510.

O/B-Sarkowsky & Wygod (Ky). T-Richard E Mandella.







So. Cal Report cont.

5th-SAX, **\$54,000**, **Alw**, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44, ft. **MR. BROAD BLADE (c, 3, Broad Brush--Miss High Blade {GSW, \$508,241}, by Highland Blade**), disqualified from third to fourth in his first try at this level Dec. 31, was squeezed back at the start, split horses on the first turn to gain position, bid three deep on the second turn and held on gamely to win by a head at 7-2. He is a half-brother to Miss Hot Salsa (Houston), SW, \$178,593. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$64,020. O-Brown, Brown & Brown, et al. B-Mr & Mrs Wayne Brown. T-Mike Mitchell.

1st-SAX, \$54,050, Msw, 4/up, f/m, 9fT, 1:52 1/5, fm. CIRCA (f, 4, Nijinsky's Table--Exploding Dutch, by Time to Explode), a \$10,000 BESJAN Horses of Racing Age acquisition, had made five starts on dirt that had resulted in four third-place finishes, including a third last time at Santa Anita Jan. 1. Trying turf for the first time, the 6-1 shot led through moderate fractions, shook off a challenge on the second turn and came home a 1 1/2length winner. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-4, \$59,136. O-Cuccio & Mally. B-Dinesh Maniar (CA). T-F Olivares.

6th-SAX, \$45,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft. +LETHAL INSTRUMENT (c, 3, Gulch--Running Redhead, by Storm Bird), a \$60,000 KEENOV weanling, \$150,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$525,000 KEEAPR two-year-old, was off at 9-2 getting Lasix in his career opener. Reserved early, the bay came with his challenge on the far turn, took over in the stretch and galloped away to a five-length victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,000.

O-505 Farms. B-Starstruck Farms (KY). T-John Shirreffs.

On the California Backstretch:

Old Trieste (A.P. Indy), off since a five-length score in the Sept. 6 GII Del Mar Breeders' Cup H., is suffering from a foot abscess and is only walking under talk. "We'll wait two weeks to cut the foot out, then we'll see what happens," said trainer Mike Puype. "I don't think he'll be race-ready until May or June."...trainer Richard Mandella reports that 1997 Argentine Triple Crown winner Chullo (Arg) (Equalize) has recovered from a bout of pneumonia and could make his U.S. debut this summer...another Mandella import, undefeated Virginie (Brz) (Legal Case {Ire}), a three-time Group 1 winner in her native country, could make her first stateside appearance at the end of the current Santa Anita meet.

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So. Cal Work Tab:

Kentucky Derby and Preakness hero Real Quiet (Quiet American) zipped five furlongs in a bullet :58 4/5 Saturday morning...MGSW Belle's Flag (Avenue Of Flags), pointing for the GI Santa Monica H. next Saturday, put in a bullet work as well, going six furlongs in 1:11 3/5...Son of a Pistol (Big Pistol), the seven-year-old who has only started 13 times but has eight wins, including three graded stakes, to his credit, worked a half-mile in :51 yesterday. He could go next in the Jan. 30 Gll Potrero Grande Breeders' Cup H., which he won last year... undefeated Cal-bred General Challenge (General Meeting), who will take on open company and try two turns for the first time in his next outing, the Jan. 31 GII Santa Catalina S., worked a mile and an eighth in 1:51 3/5 for trainer Bob Baffert...Dr Fong (Kris S.), a Group 1 winner in England last season and runner-up in the GII Oak Tree Derby, worked six furlongs in 1:14 1/5 at Hollywood. He is possible for the Feb. 6 Gll Strub S...GSW Sea of Secrets (Storm Cat), a disappointing fifth in the GI Malibu S. last out, worked a mile in 1:44 3/5 at Hollywood.



Yesterday's Result:

GOLDEN GATE DERBY-GIII, \$150,000, GGX, 1-16, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5, my.

- 1--#@EPIC HONOR, 120, c, 3, by Honor Grades
 1st Dam: Poage's Landing, by Herat
 2nd Dam: Meander, by Little Current
 3rd Dam: Trotta Sue, by Promised Land
 (\$30,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG; \$62,000 2yo 1998
 FTMMAY). O-Dodd Mikel Lebherz Phil & Meister
 Richard; B-Bonnie Heath Farm (FL); T-Jeff Bonde; J-L
 J Meche; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-3,
 \$139,850.
- 2-Blue Tune, 120, c, 3, Prospector's Music--Color Me Softly, by Bates Motel. (\$42,000 yrl '97 KEESEP).
 O-Bonde Jeff Cox Carl & Wallace Glen; B-Vinery & Millard Seldin (KY); \$30,000.
- 3--Brave Gun, 120, g, 3, Boundary--Regal Heights, by *Forli. (\$32,000 yrl '97 KEESEP). O-Stachler Trust, Sciarra, Zamarripa, et al; B-Jayeff B Stables (KY); \$18,000.

Margins: 1HF, 2HF, NK. Odds: 3.50B, 3.50B, 13.80. Also Ran: The Chang, Absolute Harmony, Company Approval, Voice of Destiny, Halo Romeo. **Golden Gate Derby cont. p7**

Record breaking Preakness Stakes winner! LOUIS QUATORZE Remember

He defeated Skip Away by 3 lengths in the Preakness Stakes in race record time!



Golden Gate Derby cont.

Epic Honor came into this event with six races under his belt and, although he had never finished out of the money, he only had a maiden win to his credit. The chestnut colt had been third in the GIII California Juvenile two back and was most recently third over a sloppy Golden Gate track in allowance company Nov. 29. Sent off the 7-2 third choice as part of an entry with runnerup Blue Tune, Epic Honor settled along the rail behind the dueling leaders in third place. After advancing inside on the far turn, he angled out to challenge the front runners at the top of the stretch, gained command a sixteenth out and rolled to a 1 1/2-length score. Said Jeff Bonde, trainer of the top two, "The El Camino Real Derby (Mar. 6 at Bay Meadows) is possible for both horses."

♦ FOREIGN ♦

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

- Fields Of Omagh, g, 4, Pleasant Tap--Brave And True, by Fappiano. Lingfield Park, 1-16, Keith And Kate Loads Wedding Day Amateur Riders H., 4yo/up, 12f (AWT), \$3,393 to winner. O/B-P Mellon; T-I Balding.
- Java Shrine, g, 8, Java Gold--Ivory Idol, by Alydar. Lingfield Park, 1-16, Munnings Classified S., 3yo/up, 10f (AWT), \$4,238 to winner. O-A Reid; B-P Mellon; T-A Reid.

Horse Chestnut Dominates South African Guineas:

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Oppenheimer's three-year-old colt Horse Chestnut (SAf) (Fort Wood {Ire}) lived up to his pre-race hype with a total annihilation of the field in yesterday's \$85,324 G1 Cape Argus Guineas over a mile at Kenilworth in The Cape, South Africa. The win gave his sire, Fort Wood (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), his second Grade 1 winner in a week, following the three-year-old filly Dog Wood (SAf) in the Arc-En-Ciel Paddock S. at the same track. Trained and ridden, like Dog Wood, by Mike De Kock and Weichong Mawing, the Oppenheimers' homebred tracked the pace into the straight, guickened smoothly to grab the lead at the three-sixteenths pole and drew clear of the field to win by a widening 10 lengths. He was chased home by Pablo Zeta (Arg) (Candy Stripes). Ninety-year-old Harry Oppenheimer and his wife Bridget, who stand Fort Wood at their own stud in The Cape, were both on hand to lead in South Africa's new equine star.

AUSTRALIAN WINNERS BY AMERICAN-BASED SIRES:

- Kristofferson (Aus), g, 3, Royal Academy--Pasha's Honor, by Hero's Honor. Newcastle (New South Wales), 1-16, Soldiers Point Bowling Club Maiden, 3yo/up, 7fT, \$3,067 to winner. B-V J Peters Holding Pty Ltd; T-Bill Mitchell.
- Ernesto (NZ), g, 8, Alleged--Ishra (Arg), by Cipayo (Arg). Sandown (Melbourne), 1-16, Gaine Carrington H., 3yo/up, 10f 110ydT, \$14,754 to winner. B-not known; T-Ollie Cox.

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STAKES RESULTS:

COLONEL POWER S., \$50,000, FGX, 1-16, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft.

- 1--FROSTY PLEDGE, 115, h, 5, Sharp Frosty--Viking's Pledge, by Pledge Allegiance. O/B-Wallace Marjorie N (La); T-Donald Cormier; J-G Melancon; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 23-13-6-1, \$259,176.
- 2--Golden Oriental, 119, h, 5, Glitterman--Oriental Silk, by Far Out East. (\$15,000 wlng '94 OBSOCT; \$11,000 yrl '95 OBSAUG). \$10,000.
- 3--Crucible, 115, c, 4, Conquistador Cielo--Sound the Fanfare, by Vice Regent. \$5,500.
- Margins: NO, NO, 1HF. Odds: 2.30, 3.30, 1.70.

MINARET S., \$28,375, TAM, 1-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.

- 1--#LOLABELL, 119, f, 4, Phone Trick--Private Dish, by Private Account. (\$105,000 yrl '96 KEESEP). O-Malcolm Mrs J B; B-Jones Brereton C (KY); T-John K Hennig; J-W T Henry; \$17,025. Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-2, \$127,553. *1/2 to Cliffty Falls (Naevus), SP, \$206,769.
- 2--Make Me Conquer, 114, m, 7, Ruler's Conquest--Make Happen, by Anticipating. \$5,675.
- 3--Kipper Quila, 116, m, 5, Kipper Kelly--Tequila's Lady, by Far East Sun. \$2,838.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1, NK. Odds: 3.00, 3.50, 19.00.

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SUN DEVIL S., \$25,000, TUP, 1-16, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:37 2/5, ft.

- 1--**#WHATS THE HUSH, 115, f, 3, Calumar--Silent Suprise, by Silent Screen**. O/B-Robert A Canning (KY); T-Jodi L Davis; J-M F Ortiz Jr; \$15,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-1, \$20,640. *1/2 to Ropersandwranglers (Endow), MSW, \$246,825.
- 2--Ralsy, 117, f, 3, Well Decorated--Turbulent Hill, by Super Concorde. (\$7,500 yrl '97 KEESEP). \$5,000.
- 3--Riband, 117, f, 3, Lord of the Apes--To Allaged, by Sweet Pete. (\$3,200 yrl '97 ARZNOV). \$2,500.
 Margins: HD, 5, 3HF. Odds: 10.00, 1.40*, 1.40B.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-AQU, **\$41,000**, (S), 4yo/up, 8.5f, 1:44 1/5, my. **STORM MAGEST (c, 4, Magesterial--Secretell, by Secretariat)** Lifetime Record: 14-2-5-0, \$89,580. O-Roberts Bea & Robert H. B-Farrell Dennis W (NY). T-S M Hough.

5th-AQU, \$40,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, sy. **SHOTGUN MAN (g, 4, Buckaroo--Box Supper, by In Reality)** Lifetime Record: 23-2-3-2, \$59,580. O-Beecher Aaron. B-Federico Gino (FL). T-Gary P Gullo.

8th-GGX, \$38,400, 4/up, 8.5f (off turf), 1:44 2/5, my. CINCINNATI REB (h, 5, Candi's Gold--Rebby, by Drouilly {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 12-3-3-2, \$45,405. O-R & F Stolich. B-Probert D Mr. & Mrs. (CA). T-C Jenda.

4th-GGX, **\$36,125**, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, my.

ROJO LADRON (g, 4, Housebuster--Ivy Coast, by Fappiano) Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-2, \$82,800. O-Hogan, Reid, Wolfsohn & Young. B-W S Farish & Muirfield Ventures (Ky). T-B McLean.

8th-FGX, \$29,500, 4yo/up, f/m, a1 1/16mT, 1:48, gd. AVIES MISS (m, 5, Lord Avie--Ambria, by Mr. Prospector) Lifetime Record: 11-3-0-2, \$49,262. O-Corrado Alfred & Mark. B-Robert Masterson (KY). T-C Bowman.

8th-TPX, \$28,900, 1-15, 4/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 3/5, ft. TITLE TO THE MINT (f, 4, Key to the Mint--Title Victory {MSW, \$154,403}, by Title Game) Lifetime Record: SP, 19-5-4-2, \$106,108. O-Spendthrift Farm Inc, Ted & Leah Taylor. B-Ted Taylor (Ky). T-Bernard S Flint.

7th-FGX, \$27,500, (S), 4yo, f, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft. GEIGER GEISHA (f, 4, Geiger Counter--Jerold's Princess {MSW, \$149,616}, by Zuppardo's Prince) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$26,700. O/B-William B Baggett & Val C Murrell (LA). T-Michael Stidham. 9th-TPX, \$26,310, 1-15, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. REDOY'S DRIVE (m, 5, Mr. Redoy--And the Winner Is, by Inverness Drive) Lifetime Record: 27-9-5-1, \$154,733. O-Thomas Musselman. B-Roger & Debra Lee Johnson (MO). T-Vickie L Foley.

8th-LRL, \$23,814, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:51 3/5, ft. MISS POCKET PICKER (f, 4, Compelling Sound--Feather Bob, by Desert Wine) Lifetime Record: SP, 16-3-2-3, \$67,574. O-Merton Adrian L & Dovel Elmer. B-Adrian L Merton (MD). T-Roy M Peacock Jr.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Dr. Big, c, 3, Bet Big--Kali Dearest, by Dearest Doctor. GPX, 1-16, (C), 7f, 1:27 2/5. B-Hovanec Linda (FI). *\$10,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG.
- Carleaville, f, 3, Carson City--Lea Carter (MSW, \$148,389), by Dr. Carter. AQU, 1-16, 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Milton Ritzenberg (Ky).
- + Slew's Success, c, 3, Cien Fuegos--Theatrical Success, by Theatrical (Ire). HOU, 1-15, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05 3/5. B-Johnson Nat L (Tx).
- + Tightlies, c, 3, Conquistador Cielo--Broken Peace (SW-Fr), by Devil's Bag. GPX, 1-16, 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-J Bligh & D Kruse (Ky). *\$72,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.
- Sly Dancer, f, 3, Crafty Prospector--Colonial Meteor, by Pleasant Colony. FGX, 1-16, (C), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Ronald K Kirk (Ky). *\$28,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.
- + Lethal Instrument, c, 3, Gulch--Running Redhead, by Storm Bird. SAX, 1-16, 6f, 1:09 2/5. B-Starstruck Farms (Ky). *\$60,000 wlng '96 KEENOV; \$150,000 yrl '97 KEESEP; \$525,000 2yo 1998 KEEAPR.
- Vision and Verse, c, 3, Storm Cat--Bunting, Private Account. GPX, 1-16, 8.5f, 1:47. B-B Lunsford (Ky).
- Northern Call, c, 3, Thorn Dance--Skoblikova (SP), by Phone Trick. SAX, (C), 1-16, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5. B-Ruth M Smart (Ky). *\$15,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.
- Valid Dorothy, f, 3, Valid Appeal--One for Dorothy, by Gate Dancer. AQU, 1-16, 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Harry T Mangurian Jr (FI). *\$50,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG.
- Belabor, g, 3, Well Decorated--Ivy Marina, by Badger Land. AQU, 1-16, (S), a1m70yd, 1:44 4/5. B-Harvey Liebeskind & D Dreyfuss (Ny). *\$18,000 yrl '97 FTMFEB.
- A P Ruler, c, 4, A.P. Indy--Beauty Cream (MGSW, \$711,647), by Rich Cream. HOU, 1-15, 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Moore C (Ky). *\$150,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. **1/2 to Aggie Southpaw (Forty Niner), GSP, \$139,617.
- My Dividend, g, 4, Manila--Clever Trip, by Clever Trick. GGX, 1-16, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:44 3/5. B-Farish William S (Ky). *\$25,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. Additional Maidens in tomorrow's TDN.

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