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SKIP AWAY GARNERS HORSE OF THE YEAR

TITLE Skip Away (Skip Trial), who earned Eclipse Awards for divisional honors in 1996 and 1997, finally took home the gold Eclipse last night when he was officially named 1998 Horse of the Year at the Eclipse Awards Dinner in Bal Harbour, Florida. "To have a horse of such greatness is plenty," said trainer Sonny Hine. "But he really deserved to receive all the accolades he got." Owner Carolyn Hine said, "I'd have been numb if he wouldn't have won." The big grey was the Champion Three-Year-Old of 1996 after ending his campaign with a gallant victory over Cigar in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup. In 1997, a dominant win in the Breeders' Cup Classic earned him Champion Older Horse honors. Seeking the final jewel in his Eclipse portfolio, Skip Away raced nine times in 1998, all in graded stakes company, and made seven trips to the winner's circle. Among his victories last year were the GI Hollywood Gold Cup Invitational, GI Pimlico Special, GI Gulfstream Park H., GI Woodward S. and GI Donn H. The Eclipse Award for Champion Older Horse also went to Skip Away. Breeders' Cup winners dominated the rest of the Eclipse balloting. Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner **Answer Lively** (Lively One) was named Champion Two-Year-Old and Juvenile Fillies winner **Silverbulletday** (Silver Deputy) was named the Champion Two-Year-Old Filly. Breeders' Cup Distaff winner **Escena** (Strawberry Road {Aus}) was Champion Older Filly or Mare while **Reraise** (Danzatore) parlayed a win in the Sprint into an Eclipse Award as the country's best sprinter. Turf victor **Buck's Boy** (Bucksplasher) was named Champion Turf Horse. Kentucky Derby and Preakness winner **Real Quiet** (Quiet American) earned three-year-old championship honors for his Triple Crown heroics. **Banshee Breeze** (Unbridled), a three-time Grade I winner in 1998 and runner-up in the Breeder's Cup Distaff, was named Champion Three-Year-Old Filly. GI Yellow Ribbon S. winner **Fiji** (GB) (Rainbow Quest), beaten only once in seven starts last year, was named the country's top female turf horse. Frank Stronach, whose **Awesome Again** (Deputy Minister) won the Breeders' Cup Classic, was named Outstanding Owner. Bob Baffert was named Outstanding Trainer while Hall of Fame jockey Gary Stevens was rewarded with his first Eclipse Award.

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END SWEEP TO ARROWFIELD End Sweep (Forty Niner--Broom Dance {Dance Spell}), last year's leading freshman sire in the United States, has been acquired by the Arrowfield Group. In 1998, the eight-year-old stallion sired a record 33 two-year-old winners. End Sweep will serve out the current Northern Hemisphere season at Mockingbird Farm in Florida, where he has stood since his retirement in 1994, before shuttling to Arrowfield in Australia in August, 1999. His Northern Hemisphere base for 2000 has not been determined. "End Sweep will bring a proven new strain of precocious speed to the Australian industry," said John Messara, chairman of Arrowfield Group. "His two-year-olds really fly and like him, they should train on."

KRONE WINS 3,500 Julie Krone became the first female jockey to win 3,500 races with a victory in yesterday's third race at Fair Grounds. The milestone capped a productive week for the effervescent jockey, who rode three winners at the New Orleans track Saturday and four Sunday. Krone went into Tuesday with 3,498 career wins and quickly reached the 3,500 plateau by coming home victorious in her first two mounts of the day. She continued her hot streak with wins in the seventh, ninth and 10th races. Krone celebrated the milestone with a round-off back handspring on the track and added, "Fair Grounds has been very good for me. I got back to the basics and all the people have been great here." Win number 3,500 comes almost 18 years to the day after Krone rode her first winner, on Feb. 12, 1981 at Tampa Bay Downs.

STALLION ACCESS RESULTS A 1999 no guarantee nomination to Kris S. brought a final bid of \$60,000 to top Monday's Stallion Access Sale of Selected Seasons and Shares in Kentucky. The sale's highest-priced bid for a share was the \$43,000 paid for Crafty Prospector. In all, 37 seasons sold for \$499,400. Six shares sold for \$90,700. The seasons average was \$13,497.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 17:

02-27 \$350,000 *Gulfstream Park H.-I, GP, 3yo/up, 10f, (350)*

02-28 \$200,000 *Rampart H.-II, GP, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, (250)*

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 18:

02-27 \$150,000 *Buena Vista H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 8fT, (150)*

02-28 \$200,000 *San Rafael-II, SA, 3yo, 8f, (200)*





Eclipse Awards cont.

"Tonight, I was more nervous for Gary than myself," said Baffert, who was winning for his second straight year. Stevens, who gave much of the credit to the horses he rode and Ron Anderson, the agent who got him his mounts, said, "I was proud of the year I've had, but 1998 is over with and we're working this year for an Eclipse Award." Mr. and Mrs. John C. Mabee's Golden Eagle Farm was the nation's top breeder for the second straight year.

ECLIPSE CHAMPIONS

2yo Colt...Answer Lively	Female Turf...Fiji (GB)
2yo Filly...Silverbulletday	Steeplechase...Flat Top
3yo Colt...Real Quiet	Owner...Frank Stronach
3yo Filly...Banshee Breeze	Trainer...Bob Baffert
Older Horse...Skip Away	Jockey...Gary Stevens
Older Filly...Escena	Apprentice...S Bridghmohan
Sprinter...Reraise	Breeder...Golden Eagle
Male Turf...Buck's Boy	Horse/Year...Skip Away

THAYER NAMED TRA PRESIDENT Stella Thayer, President and Director of Tampa Bay Downs, Inc., was elected the 29th President of the Thoroughbred Racing Associations. Thayer is the first woman to hold the title in the organization's 58-year history. In 1980, Thayer became part-owner of Tampa Bay Downs and acquired sole ownership by 1986. The TRA Board of Directors also elected two new vice presidents, Bryan Krantz and William Greely. Krantz is President and General Manager of Fair Grounds and Greely is President and Chief Executive Officer of the Keeneland Association, Inc. The board re-elected Robert Bork, secretary, Charles Colgan, treasurer and Christopher Scherf, executive vice president.

KENTUCKY DERBY FUTURE BOOK FIELD SET

The field for the first pool of Churchill Downs' Kentucky Derby Future Book Wager is set after undergoing one change over the weekend. Bob Baffert trainee **Finder's Gold** (Seeking the Gold) was taken off the list after finishing last of five in a Santa Anita allowance Feb. 14. Replacing him is **Epic Honor** (Honor Grades), the three-length winner of the Golden State Mile at Bay Meadows Feb. 15. The field is as follows:

<u>Horse (Sire)</u>	<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Odds</u>
Aly's Alley (Alwuhush)	Tammaro	15-1
Answer Lively (Lively One)	Barnett	15-1
Cape Canaveral (Mr. Prospector)	Lukas	15-1
Cat Thief (Storm Cat)	Lukas	20-1
Certain (Out of Place)	L Azpurua	20-1
Comeonmom (Jolie's Halo)	bin Suroor	30-1
Doneraile Court (Seattle Slew)	Zito	20-1
Epic Honor (Honor Grades)	Bonde	50-1
Excellent Meeting (General Meeting)	Baffert	15-1
Exploit (Storm Cat)	Baffert	8-1
General Challenge (General Meeting)	Baffert	12-1
Grits'n Hard Toast (Bates Motel)	Smith	15-1
Honest Lady (Seattle Slew)	Frankel	30-1
Kettle Won (Colonial Affair)	Pletcher	50-1
Legal Street (Cahill Road)	Schulhofer	50-1
Lemon Drop Kid (Kingmambo)	Schulhofer	15-1
Menifee (Harlan)	Walden	30-1
Millions (Dehere)	Blusiewicz	30-1
Prime Timber (Sultry Song)	Baffert	20-1
Silverbulletday (Silver Deputy)	Baffert	10-1
The Groom Is Red (Runaway Groom)	Zito	12-1
Vicar (Wild Again)	Nafzger	20-1
Worldly Manner (Riverman)	bin Suroor	15-1
Field		6-1

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Ground-breaking ceremonies for the new wing to the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Feb. 26. The ceremonies will take place on the lot at 191 Union Avenue in Saratoga Springs, NY.

◆ EAST ◆

Yesterday's Result:

11th-TAM, \$10,100, Msw, 3yo, f, 5f, :59 4/5, ft. + SMART N' CHAR (f, 3, Colony Light--Smart and Charming, by Northern Smartee) wired the field in a 5 1/2-length tally, rewarding her backers with a \$23 payoff in her debut. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$6,580.

O/T-Desouza Easton. B-JD Farm (Fl).

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Yesterday's Result:

6th-FGX, \$28,500, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. + RUNAWAY VENUS (f, 3, Runaway Groom--Idle Hope, by Valdez), 8-1 in her debut, was always near the front, took charge with a furlong to run and powered home to a 7 1/2-length romp. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$17,100.

O-Franks John. B-Emerald Pastures Corp. Inc. (Fl). T-Barnett Bobby.

BREEDERS EDITION

STAKES RESULTS:

MARDI GRAS H., \$60,000, FGX, 2-16, 4yo/up, a7 1/2fT, 1:31 4/5, fm.

1--LETTERHEAD, 115, g, 5, Manzotti--Millers Stationery (MSW, \$218,475), by Quadratic. (\$8,000 yrl '95 HOUSEP). O-Mt. Brilliant Stable; B-Goodman Harold V (TX); T-Michael Stidham; J-J A Krone; \$36,000. Lifetime Record: 22-6-4-4, \$202,001.

2--Northcote Road, 116, c, 4, Conquistador Cielo--Border, by Spectacular Bid. (\$42,000 yrl '96 KEESEP). \$12,000.

3--Red Shadow, 114, g, 6, Sovereign Dancer--Arabian Miss, by Damascus. (\$50,000 yrl '94 KEESEP). \$6,600.

Margins: HD, HF, 1. Odds: 10.20, 8.50, 71.20.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-FGX, \$33,000, 4yo/up, f/m, a5 1/2fT, 1:05 2/5, fm.

MESABU (m, 6, Fred Astaire--Hit It Rich {MSW, \$221,911}, by Search for Gold) Lifetime Record: SP, 12-3-4-1, \$90,300. O-Highclere Stables. B-Highclere (KY). T-Alton H Quanbeck. *1/2 to Turfah (Czaravich), GSW, \$258,087.

7th-FGX, \$33,000, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft.

GEIGER GEISHA (f, 4, Geiger Counter--Jerold's Princess {MSW, \$149,656}, by Zuppardo's Prince) Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$46,500. O/B-Baggett William & Murrell Val (LA). T-Michael Stidham.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ Smart n' Char, f, 3, Colony Light--Smart and Charming, by Northern Smartee. TAM, 2-16, 5f, :59 4/5. B-J D Farm (Fl). *\$1,400 wlng '96 OBSOCT.

Fob, f, 3, The Prime Minister--Watch the Time, by Timeless Moment. HOU, 2-14, 1mT, 1:39 4/5. B-Claiborne Farm (Ky). *1/2 to War Thief (Lord At War {Arg}), GSW, \$608,912; Stop Watch (Lord At War {Arg}), SW & GSP, \$348,813; Full to Prime Meridian, GSW, \$228,667.

+ Runaway Venus, f, 3, Runaway Groom--Idle Hope, by Valdez. FGX, 2-16, 6f, 1:10 4/5. B-Emerald Pastures Corp, Inc (Fl). *\$37,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG; \$15,000 yrl '97 OBSJAN; \$195,000 2yo 1998 FTFFEB.

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FOALING NEWS

ROLL OVER BABY, 10, Rollin On Over--Sweet Praise (Honey Jay)

Foal born 1-30-99, a colt by Unbridled's Song.

Will be bred back to Hennessy.

Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Nicholasville, Kentucky.

Owned by Kenneth and Brenda Roberts.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$180,806; dam of

Majorbigtimesheet (Carson City), SW, \$124,240.

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Key West Appeal, f, 3, **Valid Appeal--Northwest Key** (SW), by Northrop. GPX, 2-15, (C), 7f, 1:26 1/5. B-Harry T Mangurian Jr (Fl). *\$35,000 2yo 1998 OBSAPR.

Dream Counter, g, 4, **Geiger Counter--Dream Regally**, by Vice Regent. SAX, 2-15, (C), 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Kent C Wright DVM & Alec South (Ky). *\$10,000 2yo 1997 BESMAY.

Irish Oz, f, 4, **Irish Tower--On a Moon Shot**, by Majestic Light. AQU, 2-15, a1m70yd, 1:44 4/5. B-Thornton Carter (Ky). *\$11,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$14,500 2yo 1997 FTMMAY.

+ **Bright Birdie**, f, 4, **Northern Birdie--Bright Water**, by Sirlad (Ire). TAM, 2-16, 5f, 1:00 3/5. B-Surrency Ivey S (Fl).

Formal Consent, c, 4, **Silver Hawk--Confirm** (SP), by Proudest Roman. FGX, 2-15, a1 1/16mT, 1:46 1/5. B-Groves Carolyn T (Ky). *\$270,000 yrl '96 KEESEP. **1/2 to Autumn Glitter (Exceller), GSW, 295,359; Ron Bon (Halo), SW, \$226,562; Confirmed Dancer (Green Dancer), GSW, \$172,723; Saratoga Sizzle (Saratoga Six), SW & GISP, \$137,818.

Lewis's Bid, c, 4, **Sir Richard Lewis--Mestiza's Bid**, by Raise a Bid. FGX, 2-16, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5. B-Daigle Iris A (La).



FOALING NEWS

ENGLISH CHARM, 13, Dr. Blum--Charmin' Dixie (For The Moment)

Foal born 1-30-99, a filly by Sky Classic.

Will be bred back to Sea Hero.

Boarded at Drumkenny Farm, Lexington, KY.

Owned by Frannie Stewart.

Accomplishments: GSP, \$249,450.

SERENA (SAF), 21, Jan Ekels (GB)--Miss Forsythe (SAf) (Preamble {GB})

Foal born 1-31-99, a colt by Honor Grades.

Will be bred back to Gentlemen (Arg).

Boarded at Stonereath Farms, Inc., Paris, Ky.

Owned by Gary Player & Stonereath Farms, Inc.

Accomplishments: GISW-SAF; dam of Alaqua (Peterhof), MSP, \$182,473; and Broadway Flyer (Theatrical {Ire}), GISW-U.S., MGSW & G1SP-Eng, G1SP-Ity, \$602,758.

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

SANTA MARIA H.-GI, \$200,000, SAX, 2-14, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:42 3/5, ft.

1--**INDIA DIVINA (CHI)**, 114, m, 5, by Roy--

1st Dam: Santalina (Chi), by Carral (Fr)

2nd Dam: Consentida (Chi), by Polymero

3rd Dam: La Yapa (Chi), by Quemarropa (Chi)

O-Schwartz Barry K; B-Haras Figuron (Chi); T-Eduardo Inda; J-G K Gomez; \$120,000. Lifetime Record:

21-4-8-4, \$276,163.

In the last few years, Fappiano has been making something of a name for himself as a sire of sires, principally through the offspring of Unbridled, Quiet American and Cryptoclearance. However, the first son of Fappiano to enjoy outstanding success was Roy (Fappiano--Adlibber, by Never Bend).

At two, Roy looked a potential world-beater when winning a six-furlong maiden at Belmont Park by 17 lengths. That promise was never quite fulfilled on the racetrack, although Roy did come within a neck of capturing the Gil Sanford S. at two and, at three, took a pair of allowance contests at Aqueduct and finished third in the Gill Jaipur S.

Retired to stud in Chile in 1987, Roy made a sensational start to his career, his first crop including Chilean Champion Two-Year-Old Turf Colt Campo Marzio (Chi) (subsequently a stakes winner in North America), Champion Two-Year-Old Turf Filly Porta Pia (Chi) and other Chilean Group 1 winners Fortissima (Chi) and Tuscolana (Chi). The stakes winners have continued to flow, and Roy is now sire of at least 25 Group/Grade I winners, including the recent Chilean Derby winner Val Gardena (Chi).

Roy's success did not go unnoticed in his native land and in 1996 he was purchased by John Stuart of Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, John Phillips of Darby Dan Farm and Jose De Camargo to stand at Darby Dan Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Roy's first North American-bred foals are two-year-olds of 1999, but on Sunday his Chilean-bred daughter India Divina gave a glimpse of what might be to come with a victory in the GI Santa Maria H.

Most of the names in India Divina's pedigree will be unfamiliar to North American breeders, but the pedigree pattern which is the most likely source of India Divina's ability is far from an unusual one.

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Roy has a pedigree which is almost unique in the number of ancestors tracing to that great tap-root mare, Frizette. To begin with, Frizette is in the tail-female line of his grandsire, Mr. Prospector. Then, we come to the pedigree of Roy's dam, the multiple stakes winner Adlibber. Adlibber is a daughter of Never Bend, who, in turn, is out of a mare by Djeddah (inbred 3 x 2 to the sisters Durban {Fr} and Heldifann {Fr}, both granddaughters of Frizette). Adlibber's dam, Ivy Hackett, is by Mr. Brick, who goes tail-female to Frizette via his granddam, Gallawood, a genetic sister to Miss Dogwood, the third dam of Mr. Prospector. Finally, Roy himself goes tail-female to Frizette, his fourth dam, Meadow Flower, being another very close relative to Miss Dogwood.

India Divina's broodmare sire, is the French-born Carral, a son of Sir Ivor, bred by Marcel Boussac, the breeder who developed the European branch of the Frizette family, and was responsible for the mating which created Djeddah. Carral didn't cut much ice on the racecourse, but he is a very important factor in this mating. Roy's broodmare sire Never Bend is by Nasrullah, out of a mare by Djeddah, a Djebel/Teddy cross. Carral is by a great-grandson of Royal Charger (three-parts brother to Nasrullah), out of Dalama, a daughter of Djebel out of a daughter of a Teddy mare. So, not only does the Djebel strain add to the Frizette background in Roy's pedigree, but Carral is also bred on very similar lines to Never Bend.

This pedigree pattern is far from an isolated occurrence. Carral is also the broodmare sire of South American Group 1 winner Cristalline (Chi) (Northair). She is by Northair, and in turn, Northair's broodmare sire is Bold Reason, a great-grandson of Royal Charger, and a half brother to Never Bend. Carral's dam Dalama is a three-parts sister to Abdos (by a son of Djebel), and the cross of Never Bend's grandson, Shirley Heights (GB) with an Abdos mare produced French Derby winner Darshaan. Clearly pedigree patterns have no awareness of international boundaries.

Incidentally, Roy has a close relative retiring to stud in 1999 who will be attempting to follow his example. Rodeo, who retires to Contemporary Stallions in New York for 1999, is by Gone West, a son of Mr. Prospector, out of a half sister to Roy and also shares a very similar build-up of the Frizette family. Rodeo also scored a wide margin victory in a maiden at Belmont Park at two, but suffered an injury in the GI Futurity.

PEDIGREE SHORTS

Potomac Bend (f, 3, Polish Numbers--Gravina, by Sir Ivor), who took her record to three-for-three with a win in the Marshua S. at Laurel appears to be developing into another nice filly for her sire. Her pedigree is notable for featuring the three-parts brother and sister Menow and Athenia (granddam of Sir Ivor), a combination which frequently works well when Sir Ivor is in the pedigree.

The lightly raced Swamp (c, 3, Slew City Slew--Stalique, by Stalwart), who was winning for the second time in three starts when capturing the GIII Palm Beach S., owns the first stakes-winning pedigree we can recall which has three crosses of the major tap-root mare Uvira II. Swamp's dam Stalique has Uvira II 5 x 4. His sire, Slew City Slew, carries Uvira II through Rash Prince, who is grandsire of Slew City Slew's dam, Webber City Miss. Note that Rash Prince and the dam of Stalwart (broodmare sire of Swamp) have reverse Uvira II/Prince John combinations.

We have written recently about the success of Unbridled with mares giving inbreeding to In Reality and Rough 'n Tumble. Now Unbridled's brother Cahill Road is getting in on the act. His daughter Sister Hazel (f, 3, Cahill Road--My Girl, by In Reality), winner of Monday's Yankee Fashion S. at Suffolk Downs, has In Reality 4 x 2 and Rough 'n Tumble 5 x 6 x 4.

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