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## S • T • A • K • E • S RESULTS

**VICTORY GALLOPS IN RETURN** GI Belmont S. winner Victory Gallop (Cryptoclearance) easily handled four foes to win yesterday's third race at Gulfstream. It was the four-year-old's first race since finishing fourth in last year's Breeders' Cup Classic. Victory Gallop was the first horse to finish in front of 1997 Horse of the Year Favorite Trick while winning the GII Arkansas Derby and went on to run second to Real Quiet in both the Kentucky Derby and the Preakness before turning the tables on that rival with a narrow win in the Belmont. The bay Canadian-bred trailed the field in yesterday's 1 1/16-mile allowance, angled out four wide entering the backstretch and, after taking charge at the top of the stretch, drew off under a hand ride to win by 2 3/4 lengths. "You always worry a little bit when a horse is coming off a layoff," explained trainer Elliott Walden after the win. "This is not his best distance, but he has always run well for me." Walden said Victory Gallop would ship to Dubai on Mar. 14 in anticipation of the Mar. 28 G1 Dubai World Cup.

### FLAMINGO HIGHLIGHTS HIALEAH SEASON

The \$250,000 GIII Flamingo S. is among seven graded events which decorate Hialeah Park's \$1.655 million 1999 stakes schedule. The 68th renewal of the Flamingo is scheduled for Apr. 3 and the race will be broadcast live on ABC Sports. The 1998 juvenile champion Answer Lively (Lively One), Breeders' Cup runner-up Aly's Alley (Alwuhush) and GI Champagne S. victor The Groom is Red (Runaway Groom) are among the 56 early nominations for the nine-furlong Flamingo. The \$100,000 GIII Everglades S. will be run Mar. 20 and the \$200,000 GII Hialeah Turf Cup will be run Apr. 17. The remaining graded stakes are, the Apr. 10 \$200,000 GII Black Helen H., the Mar. 20 \$200,000 GIII Widener H., the Mar. 28 \$100,000 GIII Bougainvillea H. and the May 1 \$75,000 Royal Palm H. The Florida track's 60-day racing season runs from Mar. 17 through May 22.

Wednesday, Santa Anita:

**BALDWIN S.-GIII**, \$115,500, SAX, 3-3, 3yo, a6 1/2fT, 1:13 4/5, fm.

1--**AMERICAN SPIRIT**, 114, c, 3, Storm Boot

1st Dam: Pillow Dancer, by Northern Jove

2nd Dam: Nervous Pet, by Nervous Energy

3rd Dam: Fathers Pillow, by Father John

(\$12,000 yrl '97 FTKJUL; \$110,000 2yo 1998 OBSMAR). O-Dizney Donald R; B-Melody Lopossa & Dan Mallory (KY); T-Bob Baffert; J-E Ramsammy; \$69,300. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-2, \$117,275.

2--**Chomper (Ire)**, 115, Mujtahid--Maculatus, by Sharpen Up (GB). (\$7,750 wnlg '96 TADEF; \$16,632 yrl '97 TISEP; \$24,600 2yo '98 DNMAR). O-Charles Ronald L & Clear Valley Stables; B-Tony Butler (Ire); \$23,100.

3--**Impressive Grades**, 119, c, 3, Honor Grades--You'll Be Impressed, by Valid Appeal. (\$14,000 wlng '96 OBSOCT; \$110,000 yrl '97 OBSAUG). O-Grether Carl T; B-Kevin & Brian Hartigan (FL); \$13,860.

Margins: NK, HD, 1. Odds: 14.60, 30.90, 3.60.

Also Ran: Diggitt (Ire), National Saint, Sea Twister, Mujadene (Ire), Outstanding Hero, Admire the Flag, Actin Time, Queensland Star (Ire), Thunder Dragon (Ire), Valley Don.

American Spirit, third in the GIII Hollywood Prevue S. last November, finished second in his turf debut in the Feb. 19 Pirate Cove S. last time out. Rated in third while racing along the hedge, the colt began challenging for the lead from the inside at midstretch and held on determinedly for a narrow victory. "He broke sharply, but the two speed horses ran away from us early and it set up very nicely for us," explained winning rider Emile Ramsammy. "We had a chance to sit and wait until we crossed the dirt and then pick it up from there. Approaching the stretch, I was contemplating going out and around them, but when those two horses went out, it was perfect and my horse just dived right in there, and from there he was very game to the wire." Winning trainer Bob Baffert added, "I've been here 10 years and that's the first stakes I've won down this hill. At least we've found out he likes the turf."

### STAKES CLOSINGS

**TOMORROW, FRIDAY, MARCH 5:**

06-13 \$250/100,000a Shoemaker BC Mile-II,  
Hol, 3yo/up, 8fT, (500)

06-27 \$1,000,000 Hollywood Gold Cup-I,  
Hol, 3yo/up, 10f, (1000)

07-18 \$500,000 Swaps-I, Hol, 3yo, 9f, (300)





**HERECOMESTHEBRIDE S.-GIII**, \$75,000, GPX, 3-3, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 4/5, fm.

1--**PICO TENERIFFE**, 118, f, 3, by Red Ransom

1st Dam: **Ballerina Princess**, by Mr. Prospector

2nd Dam: **Aladancer**, by Northern Dancer

3rd Dam: **Mock Orange**, by Dedicate

(\$340,000 yrl '97 KEESEP). O-Melnyk E N; B-R N & A G Clay (KY); T-T Pletcher; J-J D Bailey; \$45,000.

Lifetime Record: 8-4-0-3, \$216,776. \*1/2 to Salmon Ladder (Bering {GB}), GSW-Eng, \$241,015; Capote's Prospect (Capote), SW, \$132,237.

2--**European Rose**, 112, f, 3, Nureyev--Lakab, by Manila. (\$125,000 wlng '96 KEENOV; \$285,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL). O-Hutson D W; B-Jones/Fahlgren, Roncon & Rhydian Morgan-Jones (KY); \$15,000.

3--**Wild Heart Dancing**, 114, f, 3, Farma Way--Star of Wicklow, by Fast Play. O-Lee Stable; B-Cavanaugh J R (FL); \$8,250.

Margins: 1 1/4, 1 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.00, 4.10, 23.80. Also Ran: **Seducer**, **Maasai Dance** (Ire), **Tres Coronas**, **Starship Lillian**, **Princess Franny**.

Pico Teneriffe won the GIC Natalma S. last fall over the Woodbine turf before finishing third over the main track in the GI Frizette S. at Belmont in October. The filly was heavily favored here off a 5 3/4-length victory in the Jan. 18 GIII Sweetest Chant S. Unhurried early, she took command at the top of the stretch and held European Rose at bay to the wire. "She got closer to the lead a little soon, but she still finished them off," said winning rider Jerry Bailey. "She was pretty much in command. No one was going to catch her." Trainer Todd Pletcher said the winner would likely go next in the Mar. 21 Patricia S. at Hialeah.

**CHANGES AT VINERY** As of Jan. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Ben P. Walden, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. George Hofmeister's Vinery officially became known as Vinery Kentucky, LLC while Stone Lodge Farm in New South Wales has been renamed Vinery Australia, LTD PTY. Both farms will continue to operate as commercial breeding and stallion operations. Kiwa Fisher, previously director of stallion nominations and bloodstock sales at Vinery Kentucky, is now general manager of Vinery Australia. Jamie LaMonica takes over Fisher's previous position. Five Vinery stallions will shuttle to Australia after the North American breeding season: Langfuhr, Red Ransom, Gilded Time, Loup Sauvage and Sandpit. In a departure from Vinery's past policy of selling almost all of its yearling crop at the Keeneland September Yearling Sale, the farm will now also consign yearlings to the Keeneland July Select Sale and the Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Select Sale.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

**SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY SHUTTLE STALLIONS:**

**Dethere (Aus)**, c, 2, **Dehere--Borne Aloft (Aus)**, by Bluebird. Newcastle (New South Wales), 3-3, Daracan Group H., 2yo, 6fT, \$9,435 to winner. B-Marant Group Pty Ltd; T-Max Lees.

**AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN HONG KONG:**

**Beautiful Day**, c, 4, **Septieme Ciel--Buck's Dame**, by Damascus. Sha Tin, 3-3, 9f. O-Michael Au Sai Chak; B-Eamon Cleary; T-P. Biancone. \*1/2 to Dictator's Song (Seattle Song), Hwt. 3yo-Ger & lty at 5-7f, GSW-Ity & Ger.

◆ FLORIDA ◆

**Kelly Kip Returns Friday:**

**Kelly Kip** (Kipper Kelly) will make his first start since finishing fifth in the GI Vosburgh last September in Friday's third race at Gulfstream Park. The five-year-old won five graded stakes last year, including the GII Frank J. Defrancis Memorial Dash. He has won 12 of 24 starts for earnings of \$990,842. Kelly Kip faces four others in Friday's six-furlong allowance contest.

**Florida Derby Hopefuls Work:**

GI Fountain of Youth winner **Vicar** (Wild Again) drilled five furlongs Wednesday at Gulfstream in :59 2/5 and galloped out six furlongs in 1:12 1/5. "It was a good work," trainer Carl Nafzger said. "He's a pretty happy horse right now. The only one that got tired today was his rider. We're real happy with him." Nick Zito sent out three Florida Derby hopefuls to work Monday at Hialeah. The Groom is **Red** (Runaway Groom) breezed five furlongs in 1:01 2/5. **Doneraille Court** (Seattle Slew) went the same distance in 1:02 2/5. **Adonis** (Kris S.), winner of two Gulfstream allowance tests in his most recent starts, went a bullet five furlongs in 1:00 3/5... GIII Spectacular Bid winner **Texas Glitter** (Glitterman) went five furlongs in 1:01, also Monday at Hialeah.

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.

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**Gulfstream Work Tab:**

Three Ring (Notebook) breezed an easy five furlongs in 1:03 yesterday at Calder. "She wasn't even breathing hard," said trainer Eddie Plesa, Jr. "She was well within herself and it was an excellent workout." As to whether his filly would take on colts in the GI Florida Derby Mar. 13 or stick with the fillies in the Mar. 16 GI Bonnie Miss S., Plesa said, "At this time, it's 90-10 that I will run her in the Bonnie Miss on closing day. I don't like to run fillies against colts, but I also never like to say never."

**Yesterday's Results:**

3rd-GPX, \$44,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:43 4/5, ft.

1--VICTORY GALLOP, 119, c, 4, Cryptoclearance--Victorious Lil (SW, \$170,334), by Vice Regent. O-Prestonwood Farm Inc; B-Tall Oaks Farm (CAN); T-W Elliott Walden. Lifetime Record: GISW, 14-7-5-0, \$2,133,000.

2--Delay of Game, 119, g, 6, Summer Squall--Wimbledon, by Blushing Groom (Fr).

3--Dancing Guy, 115, g, 4, Robyn Dancer--Dancing Myrrh, by Gold and Myrrh.

Margins: 2 3/4, 3/4, 5 3/4. Odds: 0.30, 3.60, 12.20.

The 1998 Belmont S. champ Victory Gallop was making his first start here since rallying strongly to finish fourth in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic at Churchill Downs Nov. 7. The bay colt prepped well for his return from the four-month layoff with a pair of bullet works at Florida's Payson Park in February. Sent off the overwhelming 1-5 chalk, the Canadian-bred colt was allowed to trail the five-horse field early by new jockey Jerry Bailey before advancing four wide around the far turn, assuming command from early pacesetter Delay of Game at the top of the stretch and drawing clear under a hand ride. Victory Gallop is slated to start next in the Dubai World Cup March 28, with Bailey again in the irons.

9th-GPX, \$34,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft. WITH ANTICIPATION (g, 4, Relaunch--Fran's Valentine {MGISW, \$1,375,465}, by Saros {GB}) returned from a three-month layoff to finish second, beaten only 3/4-length, in a similar event at Gulfstream in his last start Feb. 8. Moving forward off that effort here, the 6-5 favorite posted a frontrunning, 8 3/4-length romp under a hand ride from jockey Richard Migliore. The winner is 1/2 to With Fascination (Dayjur), GSW-Fr, \$174,978. Lifetime Record: SP, 9-3-1-2, \$69,837. O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge Jr. (PA). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

8th-GPX, \$32,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 4/5, fm.

SKY RAVEN (c, 4, Sky Classic--Tammy Two, by Two Punch), winless in seven trips to the post since breaking his maiden by 13 lengths over a sloppy Gulfstream track in March, 1998, showed life when switched to the turf for his most recent effort Jan. 30, finishing second. Trying grass again here, the 3-1 third choice chased the pace into the stretch, rallied to gain command at the eighth pole and held off a late challenge from READY TO ROLL (IRE) (Priolo) to win by a length. Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-0, \$53,745. O-Dogwood Stable. B-Thomas Bosch (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

◆ NEW YORK ◆

**Yesterday's Results:**

8th-AQU, \$44,000, Alw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft.

1--BOLD JEB, 114, g, 5, Jeblar--Leveraged Buyout, by Spectacular Bid. O-Outlaw Biker Stable; B-Vinery & Hargus Sexton (KY); T-Juan Serey. Lifetime Record: 27-5-4-3, \$109,650. \*1/2 to Rosa Eterna (Eternal Prince), GSW-Per.

2--Handel, 109, g, 6, Hansel--Secretarial Queen, by Secretariat.

3--Felarof, 114, h, 7, With Approval--Hoist the Banner, by Hoist the Flag.

Margins: 1 1/4, HD, NK. Odds: 8.70, 7.40, 3.65a.

Bold Jeb, second in a \$45,000 claimer over this course and distance in his last start Feb. 13, stepped up in class here and pressed the pace throughout before taking command and drawing clear in deep stretch.

7th-AQU, \$41,000, Alw, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.

1--BACK IN SHAPE, 121, f, 3, Wild Again--Fit to Scout (GISW, \$767,600), by Fit to Fight. O-Evans Edward P; B-Hill 'n Dale Farm & John Franks (KY); T-Mark Hennig. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$49,140.

2--We're Jamin, 114, f, 3, Marine Patrol--Tangerine Dream, by Chicago.

3--Greatballsoffire, 116, f, 3, Is It True--Stage Performance, by Stage Door Johnny.

Margins: 1 1/4, 2, 3/4. Odds: 6.50, 10.40, 30.50.

Back in Shape went two turns for the first time over the Aqueduct inner track Jan. 31, and responded with a 7 1/2-length maiden special weight victory. Going long once again here, the dark bay put wins back to back with an off-the-pace tally.

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◆ MIDWEST ◆

**Owner/Trainer Randi Smith Dies**

Randi Smith, an owner/trainer at Thistledown for over 25 years, passed away Monday morning. She was 66. The mother of Thistledown jockey Tammy Trujillo, Smith sent out over 100 winners at the Ohio track in the 1990s. Services will be held today beginning at 1:30 p.m. at Green Funeral Home in Mantua, Ohio.

**Yesterday's Results:**

9th-OPX, \$25,000, Alw, 3yo, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.  
**ETBAUER** (c, 3, Silver Deputy--Insurprise, by Greinton {GB}) opened his career with two runner-up finishes sprinting at Churchill last November and squashed the competition going 1 1/16 miles last time out in his Feb. 10 local bow. Favored at 1-2, the bay colt pressed the pacesetter, asserted control at the top of the lane and held on for a one-length triumph. Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$43,920.  
 O-Biggs Karen & Hays M. B-Sugar Knoll Farms (Ky).  
 T-Wren Steve.

**Valenzuela Arrested for Robbery:**

Former jockey Patrick Valenzuela was charged Tuesday with robbing a cab driver of \$150 at gunpoint, according to the *Associated Press*. Valenzuela, 36, who currently lives in El Monte, California, was arrested by Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies Friday, two days after he allegedly held up a taxi driver in Rosemead, the *AP* reports. If convicted, he faces a maximum of 16 years in prison, six for the robbery and 10 for the handgun-use allegation, the report stated. In 1989, Valenzuela tested positive for cocaine. The following year, he was suspended for six months by the California Horse Racing Board for refusing to take a drug test. He also underwent substance abuse rehabilitation as a condition of returning to racing in 1991. He was arrested in October, 1997 for investigation of spousal abuse against his third wife, and has not ridden since 1997.

**Yesterday's Results:**

6th-SAX, \$62,000, Alw/Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:35 4/5, ft.  
 1--**KLINSMAN** (IRE), 120, h, 5, Danehill--Faakhirah (GB), by Dragonara Palace. O-Henry E Pabst; B-Denis Brosnan (Ire); T-Patrick Gallagher. Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-1, \$125,136.  
 2--**Bold Words**, 118, h, 5, Bold Ruckus--Trillium Woods, by Briartic.  
 3--**River Keen** (Ire), 118, h, 7, Keen (GB)--Immediate Impact (Ire), by Caerleon.  
 Margins: HF, 4HF, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.00, 4.60, 1.50.

Klinsman made his third start off a layoff and only his second on the main track in his last, a wire-to-wire, 10-length destruction of optional claiming foes at this trip Jan. 27. Employing the same tactics in this spot, Klinsman, after bobbling slightly at the outset, shot through strong early fractions, was tackled and briefly headed by race favorite River Keen approaching the quarter pole, but put that rival away and withstood the late charge of Bold Words to record his second straight victory.

◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

**Big 'Cap Works:**

**Malek** (Chi) (Mocito Guapo {Arg}) worked four furlongs in :49 1/5 over a fast Santa Anita track yesterday. Trainer Richard Mandella said a decision regarding the defending champ's status for Saturday's GI Santa Anita H. would be made Wednesday night...**Sidon** (Chi) (Sayaret) went five furlongs in 1:00 2/5.

**On the Santa Anita Backstretch:**

**Hawksley Hill** (Ire) (Rahy) blew out a half mile in :51 2/5 on the turf course (dogs up) Wednesday and makes his '99 debut in Saturday's GII Arcadia H...Unbeaten **General Challenge** (General Meeting) breezed six furlongs in a bullet 1:11 2/5 under jockey Gary Stevens. The three-year-old starts next in the Mar. 27 GII Gallery Furniture.com S. at Turfway Park...**Classic Cat** (Mountain Cat) went seven furlongs in a bullet 1:25 1/5... **Champion Fiji** (GB) (Rainbow Quest) worked seven furlongs on turf (dogs up) in 1:32 2/5 and tentatively makes her 1999 debut in the Mar. 20 GII Santa Ana H...**Mud Route** (Strawberry Road {Aus}) worked six furlongs on the main track in 1:12 4/5.

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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**6th-BMX, \$44,297, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:36, ft.**  
**QUISTAMIRA** (f, 4, Batonnier--Conquista, by Conquistador Cielo) Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, \$72,582.  
 O/B-Walter Family Trust (CA). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

**6th-AQU, \$42,000, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft.**  
**DOUBLICIOUS** (f, 3, Double Negative--Devilicious, by Devil's Bag) Lifetime Record: 9-3-0-1, \$80,115.  
 O-Stock Michael L. B-Edward Kaercher (NY). T-Joseph Aquilino.

**5th-AQU, \$40,000, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.**  
**LOVE SEDONA** (g, 4, Pleasant Colony--Meteor Ally, by Alydar) Lifetime Record: 13-2-4-1, \$75,400. O-Cohen Philip & Marsha. B-Evans T M (KY). T-Steve Klesaris.

**8th-LRL, \$32,000, Alw (Opt. Clm. \$50-45,000), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:52, ft.**  
**CROSSPATCH** (g, 5, Waquoit--Hatched {MSP}, by Hatchet Man) Lifetime Record: 12-5-1-0, \$85,810.  
 O/B-Frank A Bonsal Jr (MD). T-Berkley W Kern Jr.

**8th-OPX, \$27,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.**  
**PEPITA RAMOJE** (f, 4, Capote--Charming Ballerina {Ire} {MSW, \$138,383}, by Caerleon) Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-0, \$59,463. O-Carl F Pollard. B-Albert G. Clay (KY). T-David R Vance.

**4th-OPX, \$25,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 2/5, ft.**  
**DUST ON THE BOTTLE** (c, 4, Temperence Hill--Princely Proof {MSW, \$594,287}, by Princely Pleasure) Lifetime Record: 14-2-3-3, \$55,220. O/B-Sharon L Hild (Ar). T-Glenn L Hild.

**7th-LRL, \$24,300, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.**  
**FLYING MAX** (g, 4, Jade Hunter--Flying Cloud, by Roberto) Lifetime Record: 21-5-3-1, \$68,727.  
 O-Raymond Dweck. B-Bloodstock Leasing Inc. (KY). T-Ben W Perkins Jr.

**4th-LRL, \$22,500, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:46 4/5, ft.**  
**LITTLE DIPPER** (f, 3, Thirty Eight Paces--Bardip {SP}, by Barrera) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$26,425. O-Alan H Anthony Jr. B-Alan H. Anthony (MD). T-A Ferris Allen III. \*Full to Faster and Farther, SW, \$173,436; Hot Salsa, SW, \$190,787.

**MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ **Giblets n' Groovy**, f, 3, Groovy--Thanksgiving, by Waquoit. SUF, 3-3, 6f, 1:14 4/5. B-Prestonwood Farm, Inc (Ky). \*\$11,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.

**Miss Kelly Pie**, f, 3, Major Moran--Cherokee Ace, by Cherokee Fellow. GPX, 3-3, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:49 4/5. B-Bee Bee Stables, Inc & Equitor, Inc (Fl). \*Full to Boots 'n Buck, MSW, \$317,167; Boots 'n Jackie, GSW, \$647,580.

+ **Toga Mania**, f, 3, Saratoga Six--Rainbank, by Water Bank. SAX, 3-3, (C), 6f, 1:10 2/5. B-Petrosian Brothers Racing Stables (Ky). \*\$40,000 2yo '98 BESMAY.  
**Naughty Alex**, g, 3, Vermont--Access Alex, by Aloma's Ruler. GPX, 3-3, 7f, 1:26. B-The Awk Sprinkling and Spray Trust (Fl). \*\$2,800 wlng '96 OBSOCT; \$8,500 yrl '97 OBSAUG; \$25,000 2yo 1998 FTMMAY.

**Nadia**, f, 4, Batonnier--Sheri's Pretense, by Pretense. BMX, 3-3, 1 1/16mT, 1:50. B-Mike & Jeanette Larson (Ca).

**My Man Jeeves**, c, 4, Broad Brush--A Private Matter, by Private Account. AQU, 3-3, (C), 6f, 1:12. B-Burning Daylight Farms, Inc (Ky). \*\$170,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$11,500 HRA 1998 FTNNOV.

**Darby Doctor**, g, 4, Darby Creek Lance--Doctor Linda G., by Kirby Lane. SUF, 3-3, 1m, 1:43 3/5. B-Krakower Lawrence J (Ky). \*Won by DQ.

**Kendra**, f, 4, Dynaformer--Gwen's Birthday, by Dance Bid. SAX, 3-3, 1mT, 1:37 4/5. B-Ron & Fran Stolich, Et Al (Ky). \*\$8,000 yrl '96 CALAUG; \$22,000 2yo 1997 BESMAY.

**Sir Dennis**, g, 4, General Meeting--Private Meeting, by \*Golden Eagle II. SAX, 3-3, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5. B-Mabee John C Mr & Mrs (Ca). \*\$29,000 2yo 1997 BESJUN.

**FOALING NEWS:**

**WOODYUBELIEVEIT**, 6, Woodman--Tricky Fingers (Clever Trick)

Foal born 2-9-99, a colt by French Deputy.

Will be bred back to Touch Gold.

Boarded at Pegasus Stud, Ky.

Owned by Havana Horse (U.K.) Ltd.

Accomplishments: SW.

**ASTRO BEAUTY**, 9, Bold Laddie--Above the Stars (Pia Star)

Foal born 2-12-99, a colt by West by West.

Will be bred back to Gentlemen (Arg).

Boarded at Denail Stud, Paris, Ky.

Owned by Barry Weisbord & S.D. Brillie Ltd.

Accomplishments: MSW, \$364,078.



**BREEDERS' CUP NATIONAL STAKES RACE CLOSINGS**

<u>CLOSERS</u>	<u>TRACK</u>	<u>RACE</u>	<u>CONDITIONS</u>	<u>PURSE</u>	<u>RUNS</u>
3-5	HOL	Shoemaker Breeders' Cup Mile (GII)	3yo/up, 1mT	\$350,000	6-13
3-11	FG	Pelleteri Breeders' Cup H.	3yo/up, 6f	\$150,000	3-21
3-11	OP	Oaklawn Breeders' Cup H.	3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m	\$200,000	3-21

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## WRITERS UP

### HANDING OVER THE REINS?

By Bill Handleman

Herb McCauley is not kidding himself. He's watching all the big three-year-old races, he's seeing other riders come back from injuries, he's getting antsy, he's feeling the tug. But he's not kidding himself.

McCauley turns 42 the day after the Kentucky Derby this year. Not old, but not young either, not for a guy in his line of work.

Seven months ago, on July 10, the filly he was riding in the fourth race at Monmouth Park got cut off going into the clubhouse turn. McCauley could see it coming. He tried to warn the apprentice on the other filly, the one who was cutting him off, but she kept angling in, taking away his path. Soon it was too late. His filly stumbled, pitching him forward, sending him flying through the air, tumbling and twisting, until finally he came crashing down to earth, landing in a whole new world of pain.

This can happen to 110-pound men who ride 1,000-pound horses. Even men who've been in the business for 25 years, like Herb McCauley, men who've ridden in over 23,000 races and won more than 3,000 of them. One day an apprentice loses control of her mount, the next day an old pro is lying in the hospital, his leg smashed from knee to ankle, his body battered and bruised beyond anything he had ever known.

"I got beat up pretty good at Aqueduct in 1991, broke nine ribs and punctured a lung," he recalled a few days later from his hospital bed at Monmouth Medical Center. "This just updated me on how much pain you could be in."

Meanwhile, the orthopedic surgeon who operated on him, Dr. Chris Johnson, called this "the type of injury that can sometimes result in the loss of a leg."

Now, seven months later, after 2 1/2 months of intense rehabilitation, McCauley "can walk around without hardly any limp at all...that was a major concern of mine, that I might not be able to walk properly again."

The old flexibility is no longer there, though. He's back to 70-75 percent, he says, but that's not good enough to even begin thinking about race riding.

Then there's the weight problem. McCauley got up to 150 during his recovery. After 2 1/2 months of rehab he's down to 135. But most of the added weight remains in his legs. Therein lies the dilemma: If he loses the weight in his legs, he can't compensate for the loss of flexibility, which would mean he could no longer walk properly.

"When I weighed 110 I was nothing but a stack of bones, basically," he says. "To be 5-6 and weigh 110, you have to be nutritionally deprived, that's all there is to it."

Yet that's how it has to be on the racetrack, where the slightest slip-up by an apprentice can put a man in the hospital. On the racetrack you have to have it both ways, strength and flexibility.

The last couple of weeks, for the first time in 25 years, McCauley has been thinking about what it might be like, not being a jockey anymore. He is a natural for racetrack management, being one of those rare modern athletes who always understood the importance of public relations. That's one fall-back position. Another is the course he's taking in April, out in California, to get his certification to become a steward.

But he still has to get through all those Derby preps, watching Gary Stevens return after knee surgery, hearing about Nick Santagata coming back from a broken leg.

All the while remembering how he got Coax Me Chad up for second behind Swale in the 1984 Derby...how War, who got put up in the Blue Grass, had such a horrible trip in the 1987 Derby, Alysheba's year...how Lost Mountain, making his move, was forced into the rail in the 1991 Derby, the year Strike the Gold ran them all down.

Herb McCauley's not kidding himself, though.

"When you have a true love for what you do, it's hard to think about never doing it again," he says. "But right now I'd have to say there's more chance that I won't be riding again than there is a chance that I will be."

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