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N·E·W·S TODAY

SILVER CHARM TO DEFEND DUBAI TITLE Silver Charm (Silver Buck) will ship to Dubai on Mar. 17 to defend his title in the G1 World Cup on Mar. 28, trainer Bob Baffert confirmed yesterday. The grey champion ran third in Sunday's GI Santa Anita H., casting doubt on his participation in the World Cup. Also aiming for the \$5 million race at Nad al Sheba Racecourse are American-based Victory Gallop (Cryptoclearance) and Malek (Chi) (Mocito Guapo {Arg}). Starters from the Godolphin stable include, Epsom Derby winner High-Rise (Ire) (High Estate {Ire}), Group and Grade I winner Daylami (Ire) (Doyoun {Ire}), Italian Derby winner Central Park (Ire) (In the Wings (GB) and Almutawakel (GB) (Machiavellian). Running Stag (Cozzene) completes the probable line-up. "The race is taking shape, and the quality of the field is exceptional," said Dubai World Cup Committee Chairman Michael Osborne. "To have the defending champion Silver Charm, a past Kentucky Derby winner, return to Dubai is great news."

DERBY WAGER POOL TWO SET A field of 24 betting interests has been named for Pool Two of Churchill Downs' Kentucky Derby Future Wager. The second field includes six horses trained by Bob Baffert. Churchill Downs handicapper Mike Battaglia has installed Robert and Beverly Lewis' unbeaten Exploit (Storm Cat) and the mutuel field, which includes all three-year-old Thoroughbreds other than the 23 horses chosen for Pool Two, as 6-1 co-favorites for the pool. The other Baffert trainees in the field are, General Challenge (General Meeting), Silverbulletday (Silver Deputy), Excellent Meeting (General Meeting), Prime Timber (Sultry Song) and newcomer Straight Man (Saint Ballado). Wagering on Pool Two opens at outlets in Kentucky and 15 other states at noon (EST) Thursday, Mar. 11 and continues through 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Mar. 14. The third and final pool of the Kentucky Derby Future Wager is scheduled for Apr. 8-11. The strongest new entries in Battaglia's morning line are Desert Hero (Sea Hero), third choice at 10-1 and Straight Man at 15-1.

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CELTIC ARMS FATALLY INJURED Celtic Arms (Fr) (Comrade In Arms (GB)), brilliant winner of the 1994 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) when owned by Jean-Louis Bouchard and trained by Pascal Bary, was found dead in his stable at La Station d'Etalons, Haras de Chartreux in Normandy, France. The apparent cause of death has been attributed to a fractured skull suffered in the confines of his box. Celtic Arms had only covered two mares thus far this season, but he will be represented by his first crop of yearlings at public auction later this year. After his successful career in France, he was exported to America and was trained by the late Rodney Rash, winning the 1996 GII Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H. and the 1996 GII Pan American H., both at Gulfstream Park. He was also second in the 1995 GI Caesars International H. and third in the 1995 Gl Turf Classic Invitational.

YARROW BRAE RETIRED Graded stakes winner Yarrow Brae (Deputy Minister--Bally Five {Miswaki}) has been retired and will begin stud duties at Murmur Farm in Darlington, Md. The four-year-old won the 1998 GII Illinois Derby and finished second in last year's GII Jim Beam S., GIII Derby Trial and GIII Iroquois. He retires with four wins in 18 starts and earnings of \$571,580. Yarrow Brae is currently being syndicated by Mr. & Mrs. E. Allen Murray, Jr., owners of Murmur Farm. He stands the 1999 season for \$6,000 live foal.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10: 03-20 \$150,000 Santa Ana H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, 9fT, (150) 03-21 \$250,000 San Luis Rev-II, SA.

03-21 \$250,000 San Luis Rey-II, SA, 4yo/up, 12fT, (250)

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, MARCH 11:

03-13 \$750,000 Florida Derby-I, GP, 3yo, 9f, (25000s)

03-14 \$600,000a Louisiana Derby-II, FG, 3yo, 8.5f, (8500s)

03-21 \$100/100a Oaklawn Breeders' Cup H.-OP, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, (0)

03-21 \$100a/\$75,000 Pelleteri Breeders' Cup H.-FG, 4yo/up, 6f, (50)





◆ FOREIGN ◆

Jim and Tonic Hong Kong Bound:

Francois Doumen announced yesterday that Jim and Tonic (Fr) (Double Bed {Fr}), the leading prize money earner among older horses in France last year and outstanding winner of the G2 Hong Kong Bowl last December, has been officially invited by the Hong Kong Jockey Club to run in the G2 Queen Elizabeth II Cup over 1 1/4 miles at Sha Tin Apr. 18. Jim and Tonic is set to make his seasonal debut in this Saturday's G3 Prix Exbury over the same distance at Saint-Cloud.

◆ EAST ◆

Rocco Wins 3.000th:

Jockey Joseph Rocco scored his 3,000th career victory in yesterday's fourth race at Tampa Bay Downs. Among the riders surrounding Rocco in the winner's circle were his 16-year-old son Joe, Jr. who just began his riding career at Tampa Bay and already has three wins to his credit.

Yesterday's Results:

5th-TAM, \$11,200, Msw, 4yo/up, f/m, 5f, 1:00, ft. +HOP LIGHT (f, 4, Colony Light--Pocket of Truth, by Proud Truth), 8-5 in her debut, was always near the pace, took over at midstretch and drew off to a two-length win. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$7,280. O-T D Houghton. B-Regis Racing Stable (FI). T-John Guciardo.

FOALING NEWS:

EPITOME, 14, Summing--Honest and True (Mr. Leader) Foal born 3-7-99, a colt by Pulpit.

Will be bred back to Swain.

Boarded at Jonabell Farm, Ky.

Owned by Jonabell Farm, et al.

Accomplishments: Ch. 2yo Filly, GISW, \$631,755; dam of Faltaat (Mr. Prospector), Hwt Older Horse-UAE 5-7f, MSW-UAE; Danjur (Dayjur), SW.

HARBOUR CLUB, 12, Danzig--Over Your Shoulder (Graustark)

Foal born 2-4-99, a colt by Mr. Prospector.

Will be bred back to Gone West.

Boarded at Mill Ridge Farm, Ky.

Owned by Edward A. Seltzer.

Accomplishments: SW, \$344,426; dam of Holzmeister (Woodman), MSW, \$348,188.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-HAW, \$43,524, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41 3/5, ft. OAK ST. BEACH (c, 4, Cahill Road--Daughter of Wolf, by Wolf Power {SAf}) Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-1, \$93,903. O-Goldish Marc D & Savoy Stable. B-Baskin Sy (IL). T-Wayne M Catalano.

7th-HAW, \$27,000, 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.
UNDER PAR (g, 3, Shotiche--Crimean Rose, by
Sevastopol) Lifetime Record: SP, 10-2-2-3, \$57,807.
O-Joel Stable. B-Robert Weber & Patricia Weber (ON).
T-Thomas F Tomillo.

9th-HAW, \$27,000, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18 1/5, ft. MiGHTY JOE YOUNG (g, 4, Tajawa--Ms. Sunny B., by Sunny's Halo) Lifetime Record: 27-4-4-3, \$48,746. O-Hammer Susan. B-South River Ranch Inc. (II). T-Magana Hector.

9th-PHA, \$19,800, 4yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41 4/5, ft. SMART PILL (c, 4, Private Terms--Wise Up, by Smarten) Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-0, \$36,893. O-Lee A Rogalski. B-R. F. Blue Jr. & E. T. Mudge IV (MD). T-Luis Collazo.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ Hop Light, f, 4, Colony Light--Pocket of Truth, by Proud Truth. TAM, 3-9, 5f, 1:00. B-Regis Racing Stable (FI).

Brave Soldier, g, 4, Festive--Royal Approach, by Regal and Royal. TAM, 3-9, 1 1/16m, 1:48 2/5. B-Glaudell Sandra (FI).

Alto Reed, c, 4, Tejano--N. C. Goldust, by Gold Stage. HAW, 3-9, (S), a1m70yd, 1:43 3/5. B-Christine Jankarry Janes (II).

Sweet Demon, m, 5, Demons Begone--Hope She's Bold, by Bold Forbes. HAW, 3-9, a1m70yd, 1:43 4/5. B-Hancock Arthur B III (Ky). *\$27,000 yrl '95 KEESEP. **1/2 to She's a Lively One (Lively One), SW, \$243,760.

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES by Alan Porter

Saturday, Gulfstream Park:

PAN AMERICAN H.-GII, \$250,000, GPX, 3-6, 3yo/up,

1 1/2mT, 2:23, fm.

1--UNITE'S BIG RED, 114, h, 5, by Unite
1st Dam: Tropical Royalty, by Bold Tropic (SAf)
2nd Dam: His Lady Royal, by Native Royalty
3rd Dam: His Fair Lady, by Tom Fool
O-Breakaway Racing Stable; B-Double J Ranch, Inc
(FL); T-Randal Mills; J-M E Smith; \$150,000. Lifetime
Record: 28-9-4-2, \$603,055.

Saturday, Santa Anita:

ARCADIA H.-GII, \$150,000, SAX, 3-6, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:34 2/5, fm.

1--@LORD SMITH (GB), 116, g, 4, by Greensmith (GB) 1st Dam: Lady Longmead (GB), by Crimson Beau (GB) 2nd Dam: Jester's Girl (GB), by Will Somers (GB) 3rd Dam: Pretest (GB), by Premonition (GB) O-Boich, Kruse & Kruse; B-Mrs M S Teversham (GB); T-Bruce L Jackson; J-G K Gomez; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 18-10-1-1, \$301,646.

Good runners can come in virtually any shape and size, and that also applies to pedigrees. We have seen high-class performers resulting from matings which offer anything from a complete outcross at six generations to inbreeding as close as the couple of a son and daughter of the same stallion. Despite this, we remain convinced that there are few mating techniques that

are as powerful as the deliberate combination of genetic relatives.

There were two examples over the most recent weekend when graded stakes fell to two horses whose pedigrees are extremely modest in commercial terms, but are a pedigree analyst's delight.

The \$250,000 Pan American H., run at Gulfstream Park Saturday, fell to the hard-knocking Unite's Big Red. Unite's Big Red is a son of Unite (an unraced three-parts brother to Alydar), and is one of only two stakes winners sired by that horse. Tropical Royalty, the dam of Unite's Big Red, won one race and \$9,638 from eight starts, and--Unite's Big Red apart-neither she nor her dam have ever produced a stakes winner.

We would suggest that the key to the pedigree of Unite's Big Red is that he has the excellent Calumet matron, Plum Cake, 4x4 in his pedigree, the strains coming via the three-quarters related Sweet Tooth (granddam of Unite) and Plum Bold (paternal grandsire of Unite's Big Red's dam, Tropical Royalty). Plum Cake was herself a stakes winner; Sweet Tooth was stakes placed and produced Alydar and Champion Our Mims; and Plum Bold was a multiple stakes winning two-year-old and later a leading sire in South Africa, so these are very good strains to be duplicating.

Similar matings have produced stakes winners Albrannon (by Alydeed) and Lucky So n' So (by Alydar). Albrannon combines the very close relatives Alydar and Raise a Cup. Lucky So n' So, a graded stakes winning half brother to Raise a Cup, combined Sweet Tooth and her close relative Spring Sunshine. We note that Ashford Stud's first season stallion, Grand Slam, goes back to Sugar Plum Time, another three-parts sister to Sweet Tooth, so perhaps he would benefit from mares with Alydar, Raise a Cup or Plum Bold strains.

A few hours after Unite's Big Red's victory, English-bred Lord Smith narrowly defeated Hawksley Hill (Ire) to claim the GII Arcadia H. at Santa Anita. Lord Smith is a member of the first crop by Greensmith (by Known Fact), a sire who was standing at a fee of £650 (around \$1,100) at the time of Lord Smith's conception.

Lord Smith's pedigree has several notable features. The first we can note is that the three-quarters related Aureole and High Hat appear 4x4. While their names may not mean too much to North American readers, this pair were both top-class racehorses and influential sires (Aureole was grandsire of Vaguely Noble) and both were bred on the very successful cross of Hyperion over Donatello II mares. The combination of Aureole and High Hat has worked well in Europe, where it is found in group winners Master Willie, Nicholas Bill, Centrocon, Centroline and Tale Quale (all by High Hat's son, High Line) and Marble Maiden, who came from France to win a pair of graded stakes in the U.S. Cont. p. 4

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The second significant duplication in Lord Smith's pedigree is that of Red God (sire of Blushing Groom), who appears 5x4. Pedigree analysts frequently pay particular attention to what has become known as the "zig-zag"--the line of descent which traces a zig-zag course through the pedigree via the dam, the broodmare sire, the dam of the broodmare sire, and so on. Here Red God appears on the "zig-zag" of both Lord Smith's sire and dam (he is broodmare sire of Greensmith's broodmare sire, Laser Light, and of Crimson Beau, sire of Lord Smith's own dam). In both Laser Light and Crimson Beau, the Red God strain is combined with Aureole or High Hat, which means that Laser Light and Crimson Beau are themselves very close genetic relatives. Just to complete the story, Lord Smith's pedigree also carries Tom Fool, a three-quarters genetic relative to Red God's dam, Spring Run.

We are not suggesting that clever matings are a substitute for quality stock, and would always recommend breeding from the best material available. What we can't ignore, however, is the near certainty that inbreeding to genetic relatives is appearing in good winners far more often than it should by chance, especially in horses which appear to "outrun their pedigrees."

PEDIGREE SHORTS

Veteran Istidaad (h, 7, Chief's Crown--Mazzei Mood, by Roberto) recorded the biggest victory of his career when taking the G1 Australian Cup at Flemington Monday. Istidaad has an unusual pedigree as his third dam, Moaning Low, is by Loser Weeper, while his sire carries Loser Weeper's sister, Miss Disco, through her son, Bold Ruler. This is not the first time that combining Miss Disco and Loser Weeper has worked for this family, other stakes winners descending from Moaning Low and having Miss Disco/Loser Weeper including Star Standard (a Grade I winning millionaire and the best runner sired by Risen Star, a grandson of Bold Ruler), Mythical Hunter (by Gone West) and Corona Lake (by Storm Cat).

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.

Race fans in North America and Europe have had a long wait for another Triple Crown winner, but in Australia, Dignity Dancer (NZ) (g, 3, Zabeel {NZ}--Love That Style {Aus}, by Haulpak {Aus}) has swept the Australian Triple Crown for Three-Year-Old Colts and Geldings in only the second year since its inception. Dignity Dancer has Round Table 4x4 and Sir Gaylord 4x4 (the pair combined in his paternal grandsire, Sir Tristram). He also has a notable buildup of horses from the family of Sir Gaylord's grandsire Royal Charger, including three crosses of Royal Charger's three-parts brother, Nasrullah (two through daughters); one of Dodoma, a three-parts sister to Royal Charger's dam, Sun Princess; one of Perfume II, an extremely close genetic relative to Royal Charger; and one of Mahmoud, a three-parts brother to Mumtaz Begum, dam of Nasrullah and granddam of Royal Charger.

Winner of The Vid S. at Gulfstream Park last Friday was North East Bound (g, 3, D'Accord--North East Dancer, by Far North), a horse with a very clever pedigree. North East Bound's sire, D'Accord, was out of one of Northern Dancer's finest daughters, Fanfreluche. Note that Fanfreluche was out of Ciboulette (by Chop Chop out of a Windfields mare). Broodmare sire of North East Bound is Far North, a son of Northern Dancer. In turn, Far North was out of a mare by Victoria Park, who was by Chop Chop out of a Windfields mare and therefore three-quarters related to Ciboulette. As a result, North East Bound has Northern Dancer 3x3 through a daughter and a son, and the three-quarters related Ciboulette and Victoria Park 3x4.

FOALING NEWS:

GOLDEN PETAL, 18, Mr. Prospector--Hatton's Rose (Buckpasser)
Foal born 2-16-99, a colt by Mt. Livermore.
Will be bred back to A.P. Indy.
Owned/boarded at Silverleaf Farm, Fl.
Accomplishments: Dam of Lotus Pool (Spectacular Bid),
MGSW, \$698,145; Golden Larch (Slew o' Gold),
MGSP, \$604,633.

ZOONAQUA, 9, Silver Hawk--Made in America (Explodent)
Foal born 2-12-99, a filly by Holy Bull.
Will be bred back to Holy Bull.
Boarded at Mill Ridge Farm, Ky.
Owned by Mr. & Mrs. Jerome Moss.
Accomplishments: GISW, \$611,225.

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