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S·T·A·K·E·S PREVIEW

OATH INJURED G1 Vodafone Epsom Derby winner Oath (Ire) (Fairy King) has a cracked bone in his left front leg, trainer Henry Cecil revealed last night. Oath disappointed when seventh of eight in Saturday's G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. after starting as the favorite. A statement from Cecil's yard said, "A veterinary examination on Monday revealed that Oath was slightly sore on his near-fore leg, the opposite leg to that which he had a splint. X-rays revealed a small crack in the leg on the third carpal bone. It is very disappointing, but it does explain his poor performance at Ascot on Saturday." A stable spokeswoman added, "He will stay at the stable and needs plenty of box rest, but it is not career-threatening."

IT'S OFFICIAL: FREE HOUSE TO STUD The Daily Racing Form reports that Free House (Smokester--Fountain Lake {Vigors}) officially has been retired and that owner/breeders John Toffan and Trudy McCaffery are now trying to decide where the five-year-old will begin his stud career next year. "He won't run again," McCaffery told the Form, adding, "I hope we can stand him in California." Free House captured eight graded stakes, including the GI Pacific Classic, GI Santa Anita H. and GI Santa Anita Derby. He compiled a record of 22-9-5-3 and earnings of \$3,178,971.

#### RECORD HANDLE FOR LONE STAR'S THIRD

SEASON Lone Star Park in Grand Prairie, Texas, ended its third season Sunday with a record daily average handle of \$3,386,734, up 4.5 percent from last year. While the on-track handle on live racing was off 1.5 percent, on-track handle on simulcast programs was up 6.4 percent and off-track handle on the live Lone Star races was up 6.2 percent. The total handle over the 72day season was a record \$243,844,867, up 3.1 percent from 1998. "It was a sensational year," Vice President and General Manager Corey Johnsen said. Ontrack attendance at Lone Star averaged 9,374 a day, down 4.4 percent from '98. Heritage Of Gold (Gold Legend) was named the Horse of the Meet after winning three stakes. Her trainer, Steve Asmussen, led the standings with 48 wins. Corey Lanerie won the riding title with 102 victories. Both Asmussen and Lanerie set single-season win and earnings records at the track.

Today, Goodwood, England KING GEORGE GROSVENOR CASINOS S.-G3, \$78,186, 3yo/up, 5fT

PΡ	HORSE (Sire)	TRAINER	WT		
1	Cortachy Castle (Ire) (Pips Pride {GB})	Meehan	126		
2	Flanders (Ire) (Common Grounds {GB})	Easterby	119		
3	Imperial Beauty (Imperial Ballet {Ire})	Makin	119		
4	Red Prairie (El Prado {Ire})	Bell	122		
5	Lord Kintyre (GB) (Makbul {GB})	Millman	126		
6	Averti (Ire) (Warning {GB})	Muir	126		
7	Rambling Bear (GB) (Sharrood)	Blanshard	131		
8	Repertory (GB) (Anshan {GB})	Saunders	126		
9	Inya Lake (GB) (Whittingham {Ire})	Channon	119		
10	Rudi's Pet (Ire) (Don't Forget Me {Ire})	Nicholls	126		
11	To The Roof (Ire) (Thatching {Ire})	Harris	126		
12	Tipsy Creek (Dayjur)	Hanbury	134		
13	Timote (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire})	Weld	119		
14	Bold Edge (GB) (Beveled)	Hannon	134		
15	Dashing Blue (GB) (Dashing Blade {GB})	Balding	126		
Ladbrokes' Odds: 6-1: Rudy's Pet Timote: 7-1:					

Ladbrokes' Odds: 6-1: Rudy's Pet, Timote; 7-1: Cortachy Castle, Dashing Blue, Flanders; 8-1: Imperial Beauty; 9-1: Rambling Bear, To The Roof; 10-1: Bold Edge; 12-1: Tipsy Creek; 20-1: Red Prairie; 25-1: Averti; 33-1: Inya Lake, Repertory; 40-1: Lord Kintyre.

#### Today, Goodwood, England

PEUGEOT GORDON S.-G3, \$78,186, 3yo, 1 1/2mT
PP HORSE (Sire)
TRAINER
1 Zarfoot (GB) (Zafonic)
Cumani
2 Compton Ace (GB) (Pharly {Fr})
Butler
3 Red Sea (Ire) (Barathea {Ire})
4 Adnaan (Ire) (Nashwan)
Dunlop
5 Time Zone (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB})
King Adam (Ire) (Fairy King)
Stoute

Ladbrokes' Odds: 1-1: King Adam; 4-1: Adnaan; 5-1: Zarfoot; 6-1: Red Sea; 10-1: Compton Ace; 14-1: Time Zone.

#### STAKES CLOSINGS

All carry 122 pounds.

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, JULY 28:

08-07 \$250,000a **San Diego H.-II, Dmr**, 3yo/up, 8.5f, (250)

08-07 \$100,000a **Sorrento-II, Dmr**, 2yo, f, 6.5f, (100)

08-08 \$300,000 **Chula Vista H.-II, Dmr**, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, (300)





#### Stakes Previews cont.

Today, Chantilly, France

PRIX DAPHNIS-G3, \$56,654, 3yo, 1 1/8mT

PP	HORSE (Sire)	TRAINER
1	Alrassaam (GB) (Zafonic)	Jarvis
2	Chelsea Manor (GB) (Grand Lodge)	Bary
3	Emerald Park (Zilzal)	Head
4	Lymargo (Fr) (Lycius)	Chappet
5	The Mask (Fr) (Saint Estephe (Fr))	Fabre
6	Irish Prize (Irish River {Fr})	Head
7	Val Royal (Fr) (Royal Academy)	Fabre

### All carry 121 pounds except Val Royal (125).

Wednesday, Saratoga Race Course SCHUYLERVILLE S.-GII, \$100,000, 2vo, f, 6f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	WT
1	Gilded Diablo	Diablo	119
2	Regally Appealing	Valid Appeal	114
3	Circle of Life	Belong to Me	114
4	Cecilia's Crown	Chief's Crown	114
5	Finder's Fee	Storm Cat	119
6	Magicalmysterycat	Storm Cat	122
7	Silk Sails	Ocean Crest	114

# ◆ EAST ◆

#### Yesterday's Result:

JACKIE WACKIE H., \$30,050, CRC, 7-26, 3yo/up,

- 1 1/16mT, 1:40 4/5, fm. 1--BORN MIGHTY, 114, h,
- 1--BORN MIGHTY, 114, h, 5, Demons Begone--Costly Doll, by Key to the Mint. (\$20,000 yrl '95 KEESEP). O-Van Worp Judd; B-Thompson Robert G (KY); T-Judson Van Worp; J-J A Rivera II; \$18,030. Lifetime Record: GSW, 30-9-6-5, \$224,315.
- 2--Flash of Joy, 114, c, 4, Cryptoclearance--Pompoes (Den), by \*Belmont. \$6,010.
- 3--Auroral, 115, g, 7, Cormorant--Polestar (GB), by Northfields. \$3,306.

Margins: HD, NK, 3/4. Odds: 5.70, 10.10, 1.00.

Born Mighty was victorious in back-to-back stakes last spring, including the GIII Royal Palm H. over the Hialeah turf, but had been held winless in five subsequent efforts. He was most recently sixth in the July 11 Americana H., which was taken off the turf, but appreciated the return to the lawn in this spot. The dark bay stalked the pace from the rear, came three wide into the stretch before collaring favored Auroral late and then holding off Flash of Joy for the victory.

# ◆ MIDWEST

Yesterday's Result:

9th-ELP, \$24,300, Alw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:39, ft. COSA LUCINANTE (f, 3, Capote--Above the Stars {MSP}, by Pia Star), a winner at 19-1 in her May 29 debut at Churchill Downs, found herself on a sloppy Churchill strip in her latest June 27 and finished fourth at 16-1. The 13-10 chalk back on a fast track, the 1/2 to Astro Beauty (Bold Laddie) MSW, \$364,078; Katilac Ofthestars (Katowice), GSW, \$121,825; and Astro Force (Katowice), MSW, \$227,380, closed from third to take command in the stretch and strode away to a 4 1/2-length tally. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$41,890. O-6C Racing Limited. B-Jawl Brothers (KY). T-W I Mott.

### ◆ FOREIGN

**European Stakes Result:** 

**PRIX JACQUES DE BREMONT-Listed,** \$40,467, Vichy, France, 7-26, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:39.30, gd.

- 1--SAND FALCON (GB), 123, g, 4, Polar Falcon--Sand Grouse, by Arctic Tern. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Pascal Bary; J-Thierry Jarnet; \$21,790. \*MGSP-Fr.
- 2--Sole Che Sorgi (GB), 127, h, 5, Dancing Dissident--Dawn Is Breaking (GB), by Import (GB). \$7,471.
- 3--King Country (Ire), 123, g, 6, Fairy King--Miss Persia (Ire), by Persian Bold (Ire). \$5,603. Margins: SNK, 2HF, NK. Odds: 0.60, 4.10, 5.80.

#### AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

Nicholas Dudley, c, 2, Caerleon--Flood, by Riverman. Ayr, Scotland, 7-26, EBF Maiden S., 2yo, 6fT, \$5,798 to winner. O-Faisal Salman; B-Belgrave Bloodstock; T-Sir Mark Prescott. \*Full to King Sound, G1SP-Fr, GSP-GB.

- + Differential, c, 2, Known Fact--Talk About Home (SW), by Elocutionist. Windsor, 7-26, Pertemps Maiden S., 2yo, 5f 10ydsT, \$5,704 to winner. O-Peter Nelson & Partners; B-Wafare Farm; T-Bryan Smart. \* \$18,000 yrl '98 KEESEP.
- Rajwhan, g, 3, Lear Fan--Samra, by Solford. Folkestone, 7-26, Express Racing Week H., 3yo, 9f 149ydsT, \$4,711 to winner. O-M Jaber; B-Palides Investments NV Inc; T-Clive Brittain. \*\$30,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.
- Alhesn, g, 4, Woodman--Deceit Princess, by Vice Regent. Yarmouth, 7-26, EDP What's On H., 3yo/up, 2mT, \$5,281 to winner. O-J T B Racing; B-Nursery Place; T-Conrad Allen. \*\$135,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV.

STELLAR BRUSH wins Ohio Derby (G2) & BRUSHED HALORY the Delaware Oaks (G3)

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# **BROAD BRUSH**

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Foreign Report cont.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN IRELAND:

Umpqua Eagle, c, 3, Ghazi--Upatsix, by Mr Leader. Galway, 7-26, GPT Cork H., 3yo, 8f 100ydsT, \$5,568 to winner. O-Kenneth L Ramsey; B-Jeffrey & Patricia Ramsey; T-Dermot Weld.

#### Blues Traveller Dies in Quarantine:

Blues Traveller (Ire) (Bluebird), who finished third to Commander In Chief (GB) in the 1993 G1 Epsom Derby, died after suffering a severe reaction to an injection of vitamins while in quarantine in New Zealand last Wednesday. The nine-year-old was due to spend his fifth Southern Hemisphere season at Ashwell Farm after spending the Northern Hemisphere season at Tally-Ho Stud in Ireland. His first crop of European two-year-olds have made their mark this year, with five winners to date. Blues Traveller, who started his racing career in Britain, went on to win the GII American H. at Hollywood Park, GII Bay Meadows H. and GIII Rolling Green H. at Golden Gate Fields. Overall, the Irish-bred won six of his 23 starts for earnings of \$742,132.

#### **Japanese Stakes Result:**

TV NINSHINIPPON CORP. SHO KITAKYUSHU KINEN-G3-Jpn, \$708,193, Kokura Racecourse, 7-25, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:45 3/5, fm.

- 1--#@EISHIN VINCENNES, 119, h, 5, Relaunch--Telescopica (Arg), by Table Play. (\$95,000 wnlg '94 KEENOV). O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-David's Farm (Ky); T-Akira Nomoto; J-Akiyoshi Nomoto; \$373,384. Lifetime Record: 19-6-4-2. \*1/2 to Ms. Aerosmith (Skywalker), MSW & GSP, \$240,566.
- 2--Embrasser Moi (Jpn), 125, h, 5, Russian Bond--Crystal Dew (Jpn), by Amber Shadai (Jpn). O-Hagimoto Kikaku Co. Ltd; B-Nakagawa Bokujo; \$147,130.
- 3--Tsurumaru Tsuyoshi (Jpn), 112, c, 4, Symboli Rudolf (Jpn)--Sweet Cielo, by Conquistador Cielo. O-Takao Tsuruta; B-Symboli Stud; \$95,015.

Margins: 1, 1 1/4, HF. Odds: 31.40, 5.60, 5.90.

Eishin Vincennes was second in the Higashioji S. last Sept. 5 before going to the sidelines and resurfaced for the first time since to be second in the Tarumizu S. July 10. Well placed in fifth position early on, the chestnut was asked to take up the running in the stretch and collared front-running Embrasser Moi late to win going away. Favored Kikuno Scarlet finished seventh.

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#### AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

- + Gaily Funky, f, 2, Theatrical (Ire)--A Little Kiss (NZ) (G1SW-Aus), by Sackford. Niigata, 7-24, maiden race, 7fT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$50,000. O-Tokyo Thoroughbred Bureau; B-Green Gates Farm; T-Michifumi Kono. \*Broke alertly and set the pace to win at first asking by five lengths.
- Mission Girl, f, 3, Deputy Minister--Triple Strike (GISP), by Secretariat. Hakodate, 7-25, plate race, 5f. Lifetime Record: 7-2-1-1, \$146,000. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Domino Stud of Lexington Inc; T-Tadashi Kayo. \*1/2 to Swing And Miss (Housebuster), GSW, \$163,677. \*\*\$700,000 yrl '97 KEESEP. \*\*\*After getting her to rate kindly in the early stages, jockey Hirofumi Shii shot the bay filly through a hole along the rail and got up in time to score by a 1/2 length.
- Takano Miffy, f, 3, Seattle Slew--Very Confidential, by Fappiano. Kokura, 7-25, novice race, 1 1/8mT. Lifetime Record: 6-1-1-1, \$67,750. O-Kosho Farm; B-Calumet Farm; T-Akihiro lida. \*\$300,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL. \*\*Was sent for the lead from her outside post and led throughout en route to a 1 3/4-length maiden-breaking victory.
- Toyo Caesar, c, 3, Summer Squall--Nice Assay (GSW, \$409,260), by Clever Trick. Kokura, 7-24, novice race, 5fT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$53,000. O-Toyo Club; B-John A Toffan & Trudy McCaffery; T-Yoshiharu Matsunaga. \*1/2 to A.P. Assay (A.P. Indy), GSW, \$363,550. \*\*\$265,000 yrl '97 KEEJUL; \$400,000 yrl '97 KEESEP. \*\*\*Third in his July 11 debut, the brown colt made amends in this race, showing good speed to score by 1 3/4 lengths.
- Gain Fullmark, g, 4, Kingmambo--Skeeb, by Topsider. Hakodate, 7-25, Nanaehama Takubetsu, 5f. Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-0, \$347,000. O-Shinji Maeda; B-John R Gaines Thoroughbreds Inc; T-Yoshio Oki. \*1/2 to Innishowen (Arctic Tern), SW-GB, G1SP-Ity. \*\*\$140,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV; \$150,000 yrl '96 FTSAUG. \*\*\*Settled in third early on, the gelding caught the pacesetter in the shadow of the wire to win by a head.
- Hi Friend Code, f, 4, Tunerup--Just a Trick, by King's Bishop. Niigata, 7-25, Tochio Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-3, \$420,000. O-Kensuke Takahashi; B-Norman E Casse & Harry Katz; T-Toshifumi Nakajima. \*Full to Justfortherecord, SW, \$192,230. \*\*\$48,000 2yo '97 OBSFEB. \*\*\*Breaking cleanly from the nine hole, the bay responded when asked and drew off to win by 1 3/4 lengths.



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Yesterday's Result:

**7th-DMR**, **\$58,000**, **Alw**, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:49 1/5, fm.

ANDOYA (FR) (f, 4, Exit to Nowhere--Clear Sound {GB}, by Bellypha {Ire}), third in a Group 3 test in Italy at two, was winless in six starts at three, but managed a second-place finish in a Listed stakes in Italy. She made her U.S. bow in the GI Del Mar Oaks last August, finishing fourth, then reeled off four straight secondplace efforts in allowance company before picking up her first American score in a Golden Gate allowance going 1 1/16 miles on the turf May 28. In her most recent try, she was sent off the 6-5 favorite and ran third in a Hollywood allowance at 1 3/16 miles June 23. The 2-1 chalk this time, the bay rated in fourth from the outside down the backstretch, came with a three-wide bid into the lane and just got up to edge Miss Fleet Diablo (Diablo) by a nose. Lifetime Record: GSP-lty, 18-3-7-3, \$193,799.

O-Cheng & Seidler. B-Henty Christian (Fr). T-B D A Cecil.

# ♦ WEST ◆

Yesterday's Result:

9th-SOL, \$34,840, Alw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:37 4/5, ft. PRECIOUS CAT (f, 3, Storm Cat--Nurse Lulu, by Jacinto) wasn't close in two Hollywood maiden races sprinting, but came to life when she tried two turns, winning by nine lengths at Pleasanton July 9. The 1-2 choice to make it two in a row, the 1/2 to Dr. Carrington (Mari's Book), SW & GISP, \$595,736, led every step en route to a 4 1/2-length score. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$33,190.

O-The Thoroughbred Corporation The. B-Murty Farm & Maxine Ferraro (KY). T-Jeff Bonde.

# B·R·E·E·D·E·R·S EDITION

**ALLOWANCE RESULT:** 

7th-CRC, \$22,500, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42, fm. RUN WHAT YOU BRUNG (g, 4, Eskimo--Order Point, by Graustark) Lifetime Record: 15-2-0-2, \$39,735. O/B/T-Paul Hefner (FI).

#### **MAIDEN WINNERS:**

+ Sunshine Jean, f, 2, Diablo--Sugar Too (SP), by London Company. DEL, 7-26, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:06. B-Domenick Zanni (FI).

Tiffish, f, 2, Mountain Cat--Acting Brave (SW), by Naskra. PHA, 7-26, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-Mike & Susan Harris (Ky). \*\$20,000 yrl '98 KEESEP. \*\*1/2 to Doubledippindebbie (Carson City), SW, \$142,435.

Repentent, c, 2, Pentelicus--Prayerangel, by Lucky North. CRC, 7-26, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:07. B-Herman Heinlein (FI).

Lost in Paradise, c, 2, Shuailaan--Lost Silver, by Lost Code. DMR, 7-26, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05. B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton (Ky). \*\$12,000 yrl '98 KEESEP. \*\*Third winner for freshman sire (by Roberto).

Ifineedyaillcallya, c, 3, Al Sabin--Allegro Brillante, by Caro (Ire). TDN, 7-26, (S), a1m70yd, 1:45. B-Double D Farm Corp (Oh).

Am a Dancer, g, 3, Brogan--Am An Eagle (SP), by Amber Eagle. DEL, 7-26, 9fT, 1:53 2/5. B-R Legg (Pa).

Crowning Glory, f, 3, Caller I. D.--Crown and Sceptre, by Affirmed. TDN, 7-26, 6f, 1:12. B-Pin Oak Stud (Ky). \*1/2 to Highest Yield (Settlement Day), MSW, \$139,569.

Cielo Rose, f, 3, Conquistador Cielo--Rosie's Way (SW, \$101,931), by Diplomat Way. ELP, 7-26, (C), 1m, 1:41 2/5. B-Foxfield (Ky). \*\$35,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.

Mysunshinecaroline, f, 3, Miner's Mark--Dance O'My Life (MGSW, \$281,948), by Sovereign Dancer. ELP, 7-26, 1 1/16mT, 1:42. B-Darby Dan Stables Ltd (Ky).

In Contempt, g, 3, Native Uproar--Champagne Lady, by Ole Bob Bowers. TDN, 7-26, (S), a1m70yd, 1:44 3/5. B-Grine Robert J (Oh).

Allie North, f, 3, Northern Baby--Allie's Key, by Key to the Mint. ELP, 7-26, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 2/5. B-Mereworth Farm (Ky).

Brodrick, c, 3, Olympic Native--Splendid Treasure, by Bicker. DMR, 7-26, (C), 8.5f, 1:44 4/5. B-H Smith (Ca).

Diamond Pete, c, 3, Sprizzo--Brenda's Pleasure, by General Pleasure. CTX, 7-26, 4 1/2f, :53 2/5. B-Lewis P Close (Wv).

Jane's Hurricane, f, 3, Tsunami Slew--Silver Duckling (SW, \$110,451), by Copelan. CRC, 7-26, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 4/5. B-Vaughan Jane B (FI).

Diablo's Express, c, 4, Diablo--Appealing Es, by Valid Appeal. DMR, 7-26, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5. B-H T Mangurian, Jr. (FI). \*\$115,000 yrl '96 OBSAUG. \*\*1/2 to Sword Appeal (Crusader Sword), SP, \$151,088.

Turn to Angel, m, 5, Avies Copy--Kelly's Turn, by Turn to Mars. FEX, 7-26, 1 1/16mT, 1:47 1/5. B-Pike Gerald (On).

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# ◆ PEDIGREE INSIGHTS ◆ BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

Saturday, Belmont Park COACHING CLUB AMERICAN OAKS-GI, \$350,000, BEL, 7-24, 3yo, f, 1 1/2m, 2:29 1/5, ft.

1--#@ON A SOAPBOX, 121, f, 3, by Mi Cielo
1st Dam: Makin a Statement, by Stage Door Johnny
2nd Dam: Halcyon Queen, by Hail to Reason
3rd Dam: Queen of the Sky, by Bold Ruler
O-Leslie R Grimm & Gene Voss; B-Brereton C Jones
(KY); T-Niall M O'Callaghan; J-J D Bailey; \$210,000.
Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-1, \$303,871.

Unfortunately, many of today's American Thoroughbreds have about as much chance of staying 1 1/2 miles as they have of developing Mister Ed's powers of speech. Consequently, there had to be doubts about the stamina of some of the leading contenders for last Saturday's Coaching Club American Oaks.

For example Dreams Gallore, second as the hot favorite, had to overcome the fact that she is by a fast son of Mr. Prospector, and the prospects of the ultimate winner, On a Soapbox, weren't enhanced by her being a daughter of Mi Cielo.

Mi Čielo retired to Airdrie Stud in 1995 after a 17-race career which produced one win over nine furlongs and another six over a mile or less. He was arguably seen at his best in the GII King's Bishop S. over seven furlongs in 1993, when he defeated a strong field headed by Williamstown, Schossberg and Mountain Cat. Mi Cielo's sire Conquistador Cielo did stay 1 1/2 miles, as he showed when he ventured beyond his normal distance range to take the 1982 GI Belmont S., but Mi Cielo's dam was by Thatch, a top sprinter-miler in Europe.

Fortunately for On a Soapbox, her dam Makin A Statement is a daughter of Stage Door Johnny, winner of the Belmont S. back in 1968. Just how much stamina coursed through the bloodlines of this Greentree homebred is highlighted by the average winning distance of over 1 5/8 miles established by Stage Door Johnny's numerous runners in Britain and Ireland.

One of his British-based sons, John Cherry, won the G3 Prix Gladiateur over 2 1/2 miles and the Queen Alexandra S. over 2 1/4 miles. Nearer to home Stage Door Johnny was represented by winners of such good staying prizes as the San Juan Capistrano Invitational H., Washington D.C. International, Rothmans International S., Hollywood Invitational H., Sword Dancer S. and, significantly, the CCA Oaks thanks to Class Play in 1984.

Makin A Statement was conceived in 1989, when Stage Door Johnny was 24 years old and beginning to fall out of favor with breeders. However, she has to be described as a very well-bred mare despite selling for \$6,200 as a yearling and despite her \$23,000 price tag at Keeneland's 1997 November Sales.

Stage Door Johnny was responsible for a couple of champions and Makin A Statement's first two dams, the stakes-placed Halcyon Queen and the unraced Queen of the Sky, were respectively daughters of the outstanding Hail To Reason and the brilliant Bold Ruler.

Halcyon Queen produced Sea of Serenity, a stakesplaced winner of nearly \$300,000, to Mi Cielo's sire Conquistador Cielo, and Queen of the Sky had the considerable distinction of being a daughter of the legendary Misty Morn.

A champion at three, when she won nine of her 22 starts, Misty Morn helped establish Bold Ruler's greatness by producing stakes winners from four of his first five crops, including the champions Bold Lad and Successor. Misty Morn's dam, Grey Flight, also played a significant part in Bold Ruler's sensational career, notably producing the champion sire What A Pleasure. As Bold Ruler also appears in the pedigree of Mi Cielo, On a Soapbox is inbred 5x4 to this great stallion.

On a Soapbox is the latest in a long line of very good winners out of daughters of Stage Door Johnny, with Open Mind, Go For Gin, Pleasant Stage, Pleasant Tap, Corrazona, Ends Well, Red Roses Story and Thirty Six Red among the best of them. Until On a Soapbox came along, Stage Door Johnny mares had not produced a major winner to a Mr. Prospector line stallion, but Mi Cielo has changed that with a member of the first of his four American crops. He was sold to Japan late last year.

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