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FANFRELUCHE DEAD Champion Fanfreluche (Northern Dancer) was euthanized last week due to the infirmities of old age, according to *The Blood-Horse*. The 32-year-old mare was named Canadian Horse of the Year and Eclipse and Canadian champion three-year-old filly in 1970. Fanfreluche produced champions L'Enjoleur (Buckpasser), La Voyageuse (Tentam) and Medaille D'or (Secretariat). The mare gained notoriety when she was stolen from Claiborne Farm in 1977 while in foal to Secretariat. Returned unharmed, she produced a foal named Sain et Souf (French for Safe and Sound). She had been pensioned at Big Sink Farm in Kentucky since 1991.

☆ TRACK OPENING ☆

SARATOGA RACE COURSE - Saratoga Springs, NY

Opens: Wednesday, July 28

Closes: Monday, Sept. 6

Racing Days: Wednesday through Monday

Post Time: 1 p.m.

Stakes Schedule: 35 stakes worth \$7.6 million

Highlights: \$600,000 GI Whitney H.-Aug. 1, \$400,000 GI Sword Dancer Invitational H.-Aug. 15, \$400,000 GI Alabama S.-Aug. 21, \$1 million GI Travers-Aug. 28, \$200,000 GI Spinaway S.-Sept. 3, \$200,000 GI Hopeful S.-Sept. 4

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, 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)

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, JULY 29:

08-08 \$75/75,000a Thistledown Breeders' Cup H.-III, Tdn, 3yo/up, 9f, (0)



Today, Goodwood, England

CHAMPAGNE LANSON SUSSEX S.-G1, \$390,930, 3yo/up, 1mT

PP	HORSE (Sire)	TRAINER	WT
1	Enrique (GB) (Barathea {Ire})	Cecil	125
2	Jim And Tonic (Fr) (Double Bed {Fr})	Doumen	133
3	Balisada (GB) (Kris {GB})	Wragg	122
4	Raise A Grand (Ire) (Grand Lodge)	Payne	125
5	Almushtarak (Ire) (Fairy King)	Mahdi	133
6	Aljabr (Storm Cat)	bin Suroor	125
7	Gold Academy (Ire) (Royal Academy)	Hannon	125
8	Docksider (Diesis {GB})	J Hills	133

Aljabr will start as favorite and rightly so, having finished an excellent second to Sendawar in the G1 St James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot June 15. In his only start this year, Gold Academy was five lengths back in third that day. Earlier this season, Aljabr was being pointed towards the Kentucky Derby, but that trip was cut short by injury. The globetrotting Jim And Tonic won the G2 Queen Elizabeth Cup at Sha Tin, Hong Kong Apr. 18, and was then second to Fly To The Stars in the G1 Lockinge S. at Newbury May 15. Balisada, a good winner of the G1 Coronation S. at Royal Ascot June 16, was second in the G2 Fal-mouth S. at Newmarket July 7. She will be suited by a fast pace.

Today, Saratoga, post time: 5:15 p.m. EDT

SCHUYLERVILLE S.-GII, \$100,000, 2yo, f, 6f

PP	HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Gilded Diablo	Hennig	Velazquez	6-1
2	Regally Appealing	Kimmel	Prado	10-1
3	Circle of Life	Pletcher	Bailey	7-2
4	Cecilia's Crown	Stall	Sellers	6-1
5	Finder's Fee	McGaughey	Smith	2-1
6	Magicalmysterycat	Lukas	Day	5-2
7	Silk Sails	Romans	Chavez	20-1

Circle of Life (Belong to Me) scored an impressive 8 3/4-length victory against state-bred foes in her July 8 debut, but the \$700,000 FTFEB juvenile purchase faces several black-type winners in this Spa opener. Finder's Fee (Storm Cat) finished determinedly to win the July 2 Astoria S. by a head in her most recent start and will be flying late. Regally Appealing (Valid Appeal) led from start to finish in her July 1 debut, but looks to have some company on the front end for this start.



Stakes Previews cont.

Today, Goodwood, England:

RICHMOND S.-G2, \$66,458, 2yo, c/g, 6fT

PP HORSE (Sire)	TRAINER
1 Far Mount (GB) (Bluebird)	Prescott
2 Our Ambition (Ire) (Great Commotion)	Meehan
3 Ginola's Magic (Ire) (Perugino)	Hannon
4 Hunting Lion (Ire) (Piccolo {GB})	Channon
5 Bachir (Ire) (Desert Style {Ire})	Gosden
6 Bee Eight (GB) (Mujtahid)	Elsworth
7 Bally Pride (Ire) (Pips Pride {GB})	T Easterby

All carry 123 pounds.

Bally Pride, trained by the shrewd Tim Easterby, was an impressive winner of the Goffs Challenge S. at The Curragh June 25, and has the necessary scope to record his first pattern victory. **Ginola's Magic** was favorite to win the Listed Rose Bowl S. at Newbury July 17, but suffered an overreach to his off-fore and finished last of six. That run should be ignored and he is better judged on his easy win in a Class D novice event at Epsom June 30 on his previous run. **Bachir** won a Class E maiden at Chepstow July 3, on his only start to date.

Thursday, Saratoga Race Course

SANFORD S.-GII, \$100,000, 2yo, 6f

PP HORSE	SIRE	WT
1 Bulling	Holy Bull	114
2 Mighty	Lord at War (Arg)	114
3 Gone Super	All Gone	117
4 More Than Ready	Southern Halo	122
5 Dance Master	Gone West	119

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Asmussen Hurt in Spill:

Cash Asmussen suffered a possible broken shoulder in a nasty spill at Chantilly yesterday. He was riding the Niarchos Family's **Obscura** (Mr. Prospector) in the second race of the day, when the two-year-old filly jinked violently to her left at approximately the one-furlong marker. **Obscura** had just taken the lead and looked set for victory before unseating Asmussen. The jockey was also kicked in the head and right hand by a passing horse. Asmussen, taken to The American Hospital in Paris for X-rays, said: "It feels like I have broken my shoulder blade, not my collarbone, but I will have to see for sure when I get X-rayed at the hospital."

European Stakes Results:

KING GEORGE GROSVENOR CASINOS S.-G3, \$75,684, Goodwood, England, 7-27, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56.01 (NTR), gd/fm.

1--#**@RUDI'S PET (IRE), 126, g, 5, by Don't Forget Me (Ire)**
 1st Dam: Pink Fondant (Ire), by Northfields
 2nd Dam: Sheelin Rose (Ire), by Bold Lad (Ire)
 3rd Dam: Motacilla (GB), by Relko (GB)
 (\$30,420 yrl '95 TAOCT). O-G H Leatham; B-Declan MacPartlin; T-David Nicholls; J-S Sanders; \$46,286.

2--**Imperial Beauty, 119, f, 3, Imperial Ballet (Ire)--**
 Multimara, by Arctic Tern. O-Dr Carlos E Stelling; B-C E S Racing Ltd (Ky); \$17,357.


3--**Dashing Blue (GB), 126, g, 6, Dashing Blade (GB)--**
 Blubella (GB), by Balidar (GB). O-Mrs Duncan Allen; B-Mrs I A Balding; \$8,366.

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, SHD. Odds: 6-1, 15-2, 9-1.
 Also ran: Timote (Ire), Flanders (Ire), Topsy Creek, Averti (Ire), Rambling Bear (GB), Bold Edge (GB), To The Roof (Ire), Cortachy Castle (Ire), Red Prairie, Repertory (GB), Inya Lake (GB), Lord Kintyre (GB).

Since joining trainer David Nicholls' stable this season, Rudi's Pet's rise to prominence has been nothing less than sensational, progressing from modest handicaps to this first stakes and Group victory, which came only four days after an impressive score in an Ascot handicap. Smartly away from the starting gate, Rudi's Pet raced in fourth until halfway, where he quickened into the lead and ran on strongly to score comfortably in new track record time over the filly Imperial Beauty. It was Nicholls' 52nd winner of the season. "All the horses seem to be running well," he said. "When Rudi's Pet came to me, he was badly handicapped and he came down in the weights early in the season. We also gelded him and this made a big difference, changing his attitude dramatically. He'll have to stay in Group races now and his handicap days are over. He is not entered in either the (G1) Nunthorpe S. or the (G1) Haydock Park Sprint Cup, but the (G1) Prix de l'Abbaye at Longchamp (Oct. 3) is a possibility." Imperial Beauty's rider Gary Stevens said the filly was an unlucky loser. "She clipped the heels of another horse coming out of the stalls and lost at least four lengths," said trainer Peter Makin. "She was so unlucky, but she will now go to Deauville for the (G3) Prix de Meautry at the end of August (Aug. 29)."

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, an (R) will be used for other restricted races. Purses for Canadian races are in Canadian dollars.

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PEUGEOT GORDON S.-G3, \$73,964, Goodwood, England, 7-27, 3yo, 1 1/2mT, 2:34.17, gd/fm.

1--#**@COMPTON ACE (GB)**, 122, c, 3, by Pharly (Fr)
1st Dam: Mountain Lodge (GB) (G1SW-Ire, SW & GSP-GB, \$142,447), by Blakeney (GB)

2nd Dam: Fiddlededee (GB), by Acropolis (GB)

3rd Dam: Eyewash (GB), by Blue Peter (GB)

(\$30,240 yrl '97 TAOCT). O-Erik Penser; B-Lord Halifax; T-Gerard Butler; J-Kieren Fallon; \$44,644.

2--**Time Zone (GB)**, 122, c, 3, Shirley Heights (GB)--Forthwith (GB), by Midyan. O/B-Wyck Hall Stud; \$16,497.

3--**Adnaan (Ire)**, 122, c, 3, Nashwan--Whakilyric, by Miswaki. (\$1,497,030 yrl '97 GOOC1). O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Stavros Niarchos.; \$7,897.

Margins: 1HF, 2HF, HF. Odds: 12-1, 14-1, 6-1.

Also ran: Red Sea (GB), Zarfoot (GB), King Adam (Ire).

Owner Erik Penser and trainer Gerard Butler enjoyed the most important victory of their lives when their Compton Admiral (GB) won the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. at Sandown July 3 but they now have a 'live' G1 Doncaster St Leger contender in Compton Ace, whose only previous win came on his last start in a Newbury handicap May 26 and who started the outsider of the field here but who was the only runner who quickened in the closing stages. Settled at the back of the field as Time Zone led from Adnaan, Compton Ace still occupied that position with a half-mile to run. Adnaan briefly grabbed the lead with 2 1/2 furlongs to run, but Compton Ace quickly came to join issue and then quickened well inside the final furlong to score a convincing victory. Butler said: "This colt has always shown speed at home and he did some work last year with Compton Admiral. Kieren (Fallon) wondered if we should make the running, but I said he should take his time and use the speed at the most opportune moment in the race. The St Leger has been his target for quite some time now. He may run in the (G2) Great Voltigeur S. at York (Aug. 17) before the St Leger (Sept. 11)."

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PRIX DAPHNIS-G3, \$56,664, Chantilly, France, 7-27, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/8mT, 1:48.90, gd/fm.

1--#**@ALPASSAAM (GB)**, 121, c, 3, by Zafonic

1st Dam: Lady Blackfoot (GB) (SW & GSP-Ire), by Prince Tenderfoot

2nd Dam: Indian Graduate, by Chieftain

3rd Dam: Cap and Gown, by *Alibhai

(\$445,200 yrl '97 TAHOU). O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Brick Kiln Stud & Lariston Apartments Ltd; T-Michael Jarvis; J-Philip Robinson; \$34,241. *1/2 to Fanmore (Lear Fan), MGSW & GISP-USA, GSW-Fr, \$904,736; Madame L'enjoleur (L'Enjoleur), MSW & GISP, \$188,363; Labeeb (GB) (Lear Fan), GISW-USA, G1SP-Fr, \$1,464,099.

2--**Val Royal (Fr)**, 125, c, 3, Royal Academy--Vadlava (Fr), by Bikala (Ire). O-Jean-Luc Lagardere; B-SNC Lagardere Elevage; \$12,451.

3--**The Mask (Fr)**, 121, c, 3, Saint Estephe (Fr)--Mare Aux Fees (GB), by Kenmare (Fr). O/B-Mrs Odile Houvet; \$6,226.

Margins: 3/4, 1, SNK. Odds: 8.00, 0.60, 9.00.

Also ran: Chelsea Manor (GB), Irish Prize, Emerald Park, Lymargo (Fr).

Noted for his defeat of the much-touted Killer Instinct in his seasonal debut at Newbury Apr. 17, Alrassaam found the opposition a bit hot in the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket May 1 and the St James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot June 15. The drop into Group 3 company proved the ideal tonic as he galloped his rivals into submission once grabbing the lead in the straight. Emerald Park (Zilzal) proceeded to set a strong pace from Alrassaam, Val Royal and Chelsea Manor (GB) (Grand Lodge). Alrassaam took over at the head of affairs 2 1/2 furlongs from the finish and quickly put daylight between himself and the rest of the field while Val Royal gave vain chase throughout the final quarter. Winning jockey Philip Robinson explained: "My horse was very relaxed and I knew he would pick up when I asked. Once I got to the front I knew it would take a good horse to beat me. He is a big strong horse who will do better over 1 1/4 miles and will improve with age."

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

Alhufoof, f, 2, Dayjur--Cheval Volant (MGISW, \$527,912), by Kris S. Goodwood, 7-27, Lord George Bentinck Maiden Fillies' S., 2yo, f, 6fT, \$10,797 to winner. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Farm, Inc; T-Marcus Tregoning.

Mowbray, g, 4, Opening Verse--Peppy Raja (SP), by Raja Baba. Goodwood, 7-27, Governor's Casino Cup H., 1 3/4mT, \$50,430 to winner. O-George Meyrick; B-Helen C Alexander; T-Paul Cole. *G1SP-Ity.

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Foreign Report cont.

South American Stakes Results:

G.P IGNACIO E IGNACIO F. CORREAS-G1, \$34,000, Hipódromo Argentino De Palermo, Argentina, 7-24, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 9/16m, 2:37 1/5, ft.

1--WARLLON (ARG), 132, f, 4, Potrillón (Arg)--Warlock (Arg), by Moraes Tinto (Arg). O-Stud El Tori; B-Haras La Madrugada; T-Diego Peña; J-Jacinto R Herrera; \$25,000. *1/2 to Sweet War (Arg) (Sweet Forli), MGSW-Arg.

2--Personal Right (Arg), 135, m, 5, Lode--Perusa (Arg), by *Pardallo. O/B-Haras Santa María De Araras. \$ 5,000.

3--Bianca Ragazza (Arg), 132, f, 4, Firery Ensign--Bianca María (Arg), by Saint Sever (Fr). O-Stud Identico; B-Hs Ojo De Agua. \$2,750.

Margins: 5, HD. Winner's Odds: 2.00.

CORRECTION...Tuesday's *TDN* reported that the stallion **Blues Traveller** died while in quarantine in New Zealand. In fact, the Irish-bred MGSW died in quarantine in Newmarket, England. We regret the error.

◆ NEW YORK ◆

Saratoga Offers Equibase Fan-Friendly Page:

During the Saratoga meeting, the New York Racing Association will include a fan-friendly page in the daily program. The page, produced and designed by Equibase Company, will include a variety of easy-to-use statistics, bar graphs and pie charts geared toward new and casual racing fans.

◆ So. CALIFORNIA ◆

Tricky Creek to JZ Stock Farm:

Tricky Creek (Clever Trick--Battle Creek Girl {His Majesty}) will relocate to JZ Stock Farm in Temecula, California for the 2000 breeding season after John Zamora purchased a majority interest in the multiple graded stakes winner, bloodstock agent Scott Riona announced yesterday. The 13-year-old stallion had been standing at Wafare Farm in Kentucky. He has sired stakes winners Leslie's Lady, Inlet Creek, Tricky Move and Tricky Mocha. Tricky Creek will stand for an introductory fee of \$3,000.

◆ EAST ◆

Evelyn Murphy Dies:

Evelyn Murphy, owner of Early Morning Farm in Ocala, Florida, died last Tuesday. She was 63. Murphy owned the filly Z. Flash Gun who won the 1990 Florida Stallion S., Susan's Girl Division. Her family has started a foundation to fund college tuition for graduates from her alma mater, Miami High. The address is P.O. Box 1600, Miami, FL 33143.

Yesterday's Results:

1st-PHA, \$16,880, Msw, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5, ft. + APRIL GIRL (c, 2, A Change for April--Cowgirl Ashlee, by Who's Fleet) may have misled some people with his name, but left no doubts as to his quality in recording an authoritative debut victory. The chestnut colt raced near the back of the pack early, rallied wide on the turn to reach contention and drew off for a 7 1/4-length win at odds of 7-1. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,600. O/T-Patricia L Bosley. B-Tod Wojciechowski & Elmer Carter (Tx).

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Lone Star 2000 Dates Approved:

The Texas Racing Commission approved a total of 107 live racing dates at Lone Star Park for 2000 at its bi-monthly meeting Tuesday in Austin, Texas. The track will offer 73 days of live Thoroughbred racing in a meet that will run from Apr. 13 through July 23.

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STAKES RESULTS:

ANN DEAR S., \$54,350, DEL, 7-27, (R), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

1--#STACEY TRACEY, 119, f, 4, Trick Me--Concorde's Beauty, by Concorde Bound. O/B-Patricia A Generazio (FL); T-Frank Generazio Jr; J-R E Colton; \$32,250. Lifetime Record: 23-6-4-4, \$170,520.

2--Polish the Cup, 115, f, 4, Polish Numbers--Someday's Cup, by Raise a Cup. \$10,750.

3--Copelan's Piano, 119, f, 4, Copelan--Piano Affect, by Fappiano. (\$22,000 yrl '96 OBSAUG). \$5,913. Margins: 3 3/4, 2HF, HF. Odds: 2.00, 7.10, 21.50.

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PLYMOUTH S., \$50,000, GLD, 7-26, (S), 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:50 2/5, ft.

1--SCHMOOPY, 122, f, 3, Matchlite--Quick Kill, by Regal Search. (\$13,750 yrl '97 MUTAUG). O-Peter G Verbanic & Phillip R Ober; B-Tracks-N-Time & Stonewood Farm (MI); T-Michael J Falzone; J-T D Houghton; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: MSW, 10-7-2-1, \$113,827.

2--Rosea Ice, 122, f, 3, Matchlite--Blue Claret, by Tom Rolfe. (\$9,250 yrl '97 MUTAUG). \$10,000.

3--Mi Cie Lu, 122, f, 3, Mi Cielo--Lucie's Bower, by Ole Bob Bowers. \$5,500.

Margins: 16 1/4, 9HF, 3. Odds: 0.40, 3.70, 19.20.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-DEL, \$33,900, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:41 3/5, ft.

BUDDHA'S DELIGHT (g, 4, Prized--Dynanita, by Gummo) Lifetime Record: GSP, 17-3-3-1, \$105,005. O-J Buckley & R Durante Jr. B-Mrs Harold Cole (CA). T-R P Klesaris.

2nd-PRM, \$26,372, (S), 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5, ft.

I Z GOLD (h, 7, Royal Pavilion--Ramona Kay, by Our Native) Lifetime Record: 40-11-4-6, \$216,266.

O-Carroll Konecne & Terri Stalker. B-Don Max Clark (IA). T-Dick R Clark. *Full to I Z Gold, MSW, \$200,306; 1/2 to Chief Three Sox (Chief Honcho), MSW & GSP, \$179,490.

8th-PHA, \$18,990, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.

STAR ONE ONE (f, 3, Caller I. D.--Majestic Karen, by His Majesty) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-4-5-3, \$87,038. O-A & D Madonna. B-Hart Farm Inc (FL). T-R Vega.

9th-PHA, \$18,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5fT, 1:44 1/5, fm.

SKY WING (f, 4, Septieme Ciel--Wings of Hope, by Silent Screen) Lifetime Record: 15-4-0-1, \$50,670. O-James M Hill. B-Eamon Cleary (Ky). T-J E Sheppard.

MATCH Series

Current Standings - July 26

Three-year-old Long/Dirt Div.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
STELLAR BRUSH	13 pts
GHOST STORY	6 pts
LEAD EM HOME	6 pts
RAIRE STANDARD	6 pts
SMART GUY	6 pts
TALKS CHEAP	6 pts

Next Race: Vincent Moscarelli Mem'l S.-DEL, 8-14

Three-Year-Old Sprint/Dirt Div.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
ERLTON	13 pts
SEARCH FOR LUV	12 pts
JOVIAL BRUSH	10 pts

Next Race: Rumson S.-MTH, 8-22

Three-year-old & Up Sprint/Dirt Div.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
WIRE ME COLLECT	7 pts
YES IT'S TRUE	6 pts
MY JEFF'S MOMBO	6 pts

Next Race: Longfellow S. (Gill), MTH, 8-28

Three-year-old & Up, f/m, Long/Turf Div.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
EARTH TO JACKIE	7 pts
WINFAMA	7 pts
NATALIE TOO	6 pts
TAMPICO	6 pts
THE UNFORGIVEN	6 pts

Next Race: New Castle H., DEL, 8-22

Three-year-old & Up, f/m, Sprint/Dirt Div.

<u>HORSE</u>	<u>POINTS</u>
CRAB GRASS	15 pts
BOURBON BELLE	9 pts
HURRICANE BERTIE	6 pts

Next Race: Straight Deal BC S., LRL, 8-14

The Mid-Atlantic Thoroughbred Championship is a series of seven races in five divisions which awards a bonus to the horse which accumulates the most points in each division.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Speedy Heels, c, 2, Acaroid--Silly Heels, by Mr. Leader. PRM, 7-27, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07 3/5. B-Timber Creek Farm (Ia).

+ April Girl, c, 2, A Change for April--Cowgirl Ashlee, by Who's Fleet. PHA, 7-27, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-Tod Wojciechowski & Elmer Carter (Tx).

Stanley's Prospect, c, 2, Big Stanley--Concorde's Info (SW), by Concorde Bound. DEL, 7-27, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05 4/5. B-Patricia Generazio (Fl).

Oldfields, g, 3, Carnivalay--Sandy Haven, by Gilded Age. DEL, 7-27, (C), 1mT, 1:38 3/5. B-Virginia Dupont Suarez (Pa).

Jack Red, c, 4, Red Ransom--Happy Result, by Diesis (GB). FEX, 7-27, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 1/5. B-Walter Armitage (Ky). *\$9,000 yrl '96 KEESEP; \$23,000 2yo '97 FTFFEB.

FOALING NEWS:

MAKE CHANGE, 14, Roberto--Equal Change (Arts and Letters)

Foal born 6-3-99, a colt by Danzig.

Will not be bred in 1999.

Owned by Darley Stud Management, LLC

Boarded at Shadwell Farm, LLC in Ky.

Accomplishments: SW & MGISP, \$506,338.

ALBERTINE (Fr), 18, Irish River (Fr)--Almyre (Fr) (Wild Risk {Fr})

Foal born 6-11-99, a filly by Atticus.

Will be bred back to Loup Sauvage.

Owned by Allez France Stables.

Boarded at Clovelly Farms in Ky.

Accomplishments: GSP-Fr. Dam of Arcangues (Sagace {Fr}), MGISW-US, Fr, \$1,979,631; Agathe (Manila), GSW & MG1SP-Fr, \$235,740; Alamo Bay (Nureyev), SW & GSP-Fr, \$172,211.



WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

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.

Most breeders realize by now that if a stallion dies or is exported he will soon be represented by a major winner. Of course this is often because a young stallion has been exported prematurely and Mi Cielo, whose first-crop daughter On A Soapbox took the GI Coaching Club American Oaks by over four lengths on Saturday, might just be such a stallion. Mi Cielo ended 1998 as 11th leading freshman sire. He was represented by 10 winners from 29 starters, but no black-type scorers. Still this wasn't a bad achievement considering that Mi Cielo had stood for \$2,500 in the previous season, his fee rising to \$4,000 for 1998 following some promising sales statistics for his first-crop yearlings.

At those kind of stud fees, Mi Cielo (Conquistador Cielo--My Inheritance, by Thatch) had plenty of credentials which made him look to be very good value. A very consistent and pretty versatile runner, he came within a neck of taking the GIII Brown & Williamson Kentucky Jockey Club S. at two and the following year captured the GII King's Bishop S. at seven furlongs, the GII Jamaica H. at a mile and the GIII Clark H. at nine furlongs. Mi Cielo's sire Conquistador Cielo isn't a horse who would be the most sought after sire of sires, but his sons which have been given the opportunity have not done badly at all at stud: Mi Cielo has a Grade I winner in his first crop, Marquetry has Grade I winner Artax and graded stakes winner Uanme in his first crop and Norquestor was doing an excellent job in Maryland before his death earlier this year.

Conquistador Cielo (Mr. Prospector--K. D. Princess, by Bold Commander) has something in common with On A Soapbox's maternal grandsire Stage Door Johnny as both won the Belmont S. running the same 1 1/2 miles over which the Coaching Club American Oaks is contested. The distaff side of the pedigree is well up to classic standard aside from Stage Door Johnny as the second dam Halcyon Queen (Hail to Reason--Queen of the Sky, by Bold Ruler) is a full sister to champions Bold Lad and Successor.

K. D. Princess and Halcyon Queen provide an interesting pedigree twist. K. D. Princess is by a son of Bold Ruler out of a *Turn-To mare and Halcyon Queen reverses this as she is by a son of Turn-To out of a Bold Ruler mare. Turn-to is by *Royal Charger and Bold Ruler is by *Nasrullah, so K. D. Princess and Halcyon Queen have those three-quarters brothers 3x3 in their pedigree.

Between them the pair also supply *Ambiorix, a half brother to Turn-To's dam *Source Sucree, and *Mahmoud, a three-quarters brother to Mumtaz Begum, dam of Nasrullah and granddam of Royal Charger.

PEDIGREE SHORTS

No horse enjoyed a better weekend than Broad Brush, who was represented by a trio of stakes-winning three-year-olds. **Stellar Brush (c, 3, Broad Brush--Dynamic Star, by Silent Screen)** earned his first graded-stakes triumph with a win in the GII Ohio Derby, **Brushed Halory (f, 3, Broad Brush--Halory, by Halo)** took the GIII Delaware Oaks and **Magic Broad (f, 3, Broad Brush--Illeria, by Stop the Music)** captured the Cleveland Oaks. Stellar Brush has combinations of Revoked and Royal Charger at the top and bottom of the pedigree. Royal Charger also plays a part in the pedigrees of Brushed Halory and Magic Broad. Broad Brush is inbred 3x3 to Royal Charger's son Turn-To, both strains coming through daughters, and both Brushed Halory and Magic Broad are out of mares descending from the Turn-To male line.

Rossini (c, 2, Miswaki--Touch of Greatness, by Hero's Honor), who showed himself to be one of Europe's best juveniles with a five-length win in the G2 Prix Robert Papin has both La Troienne linebreeding and a double of the Nasrullah/Princequillo cross working for him. He has the three-quarters sisters Busanda and Searching (both by War Admiral out of daughters of La Troienne) 4x5, and while Miswaki's granddam Rose Bower is by Princequillo out of a Nasrullah mare, Rossini's own third dam Natashka is by a son of Princequillo out of a Nasrullah mare.

We noted a very clever pedigree pattern behind **Sophisticated Man (c, 4, Cure the Blues--Sophisticated Sam by Eskimo)**, who broke his stakes maiden in the Evan Shipman H. at Belmont over the weekend. To start with, Sophisticated Sam's sire and broodmare sire are both out of mares by Dr. Fager. Then, Sophisticated Sam's second dam is by Sir Gaylord, a grandson of Imperatrice, the third dam of Cure the Blues. To cap it off, Sophisticated Man's paternal grandsire Stop the Music and Sophisticated Man's granddam Flapping are by sons of Turn-to out of a Tom Fool mares.

Having been a sensation in the Southern Hemisphere, Southern Halo is now making a fabulous start with his first Northern Hemisphere crop. His son More Than Ready is currently the leading two-year-old colt in North America and with a win in the G3 Princess Margaret S. at Ascot his daughter **Saintly Speech (f, 2, Southern Halo--Eloquent Minister, by Deputy Minister)** moved to the head of the juvenile fillies division in England. Southern Halo is out of a Northern Dancer mare and Saintly Speech is out of a mare by a grandson of Northern Dancer, which makes her another example of the pattern of inbreeding to the broodmare sire of a sire. Note also that Saintly Speech is another good winner who combines Halo and Prince John, giving a double of the outstanding broodmare Banish Fear.