

# THOROUGHBRED DAILY NEWS\* \$\text{stinternational \$\frac{1}{2}}

Thursday, September 16, 1999

WHITE STRIKES GOLD... Henry White

has made his living in the horse business forever. But, for the life of him, he had never sold a horse at public auction for \$1 million or more. Not until Wednesday and the third day of the 1999 Keeneland September Yearling Sale. White, acting as agent for the Estate of Paul Mellon, sold an attractive and athletic Seeking the Gold filly for \$1 million to Eugene Melnyk. It was the top price of the day in a sale that has already broken the record books. "This is the first time I've ever sold a horse at public auction for \$1 million," said White, a few minutes after the Seeking the Gold filly went through the sales ring. "It's a great feeling. It really is." The bay filly is by Seeking the Gold, one of the world's top young sires and a popular son of the late, great Mr. Prospector. Out of the graded-stakes placed mare Key Witness, she is a half sister to GISWs Key Contender and You'd Be Surprised. The entire package was enough to impress bloodstock agent Mike Ryan, who signed the sales slip for Melnyk, one of the top buyers at this year's sale. "I thought she was exceptional," said Ryan. "Obviously, the pedigree is as strong as it can be. I told Mr. Melynk that if she can jump up and win a stake then she is worth something around \$7 million or more. She is from one of the best Rokeby families. It is so solid. You just don't get a chance to buy into families like this at the top very often. I thought this was a great opportunity. This filly, I think, will get better with age. She is like a lot of the Seeking the Golds, she will keep improving and will get better and better, I think."

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#### KEENELAND SEPTEMBER STATISTICS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1999 KEENELAND. **SESSION TOTALS** 1999 1998 271 284 No. Sold \$27,996,500 \$18,802,000 Gross \$98,579 Average \$69,380 Median \$67,500 \$51,000 **CUMULATIVE TOTALS** <u>1999</u> 1998 794 No. Sold 755 \$148,885,500 \$108,818,000 Gross Average \$197,199 \$137,050 \$110,000 \$87,000 Median

# KEENELAND SEPTEMBER WEDNESDAY'S TOP FIVE FILLIES

HIP# SIRE DAM PRICE

824 Seeking the Gold Key Witness \$1,000,000

Consigned by Henry White, agent for estate of P Mellon

Purchased by Eugene Melnyk

1016 Silver Deputy Wild Seven \$575,000
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency,
agent for White Fox Farm

Purchased by John C. Oxley

893 Unbridled's Song October Beauty \$450,000 (\$135,000 in utero '98 KEEJAN)

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent for BryLynn Farm, Inc. Purchased by Overbrook Farm

885 Jade Hunter Northern Aspen \$330,000
Consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, agent
Purchased by Lance Robinson

834 Gulch Larking \$280,000
Consigned by Chance Farm LLC, agent for E Connor

Purchased by D L O'Byrne

### WEDNESDAY'S TOP FIVE COLTS

HIP# SIRE DAM PRICE

692 Unbridled's Song Buzz Me Miss Blue \$525,000

Consigned by John Williams, agent

Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock

803 Theatrical (Ire) I'm No Pussycat \$425,000
Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency,
agent for Bridlewood Farm

Purchased by Narvick International

1045 Conquistador Cielo Anthem \$340,000 (\$49,000 yrl '99 KEEEJAN)

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, agent Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis

838 Private Terms Le Grand Epic \$310,000
Consigned by Calumet Farm

Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis

806 Roar I Owe Silver \$300,000

(\$72,000 yrl '99 KEEJAN)
Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent
Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis

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### ...Oxley Settles On Silver

The second highest price on Wednesday was reserved for another filly. A Silver Deputy filly, out of the Wild Again mare Wild Seven, was purchased for \$575,000 by John C. Oxley. Silver Deputy is the sire of Silverbulletday, the top filly in North America. The underbidder was Maurice Miller, who has become a regular seller at the annual Keeneland Two-Year-Old In Training Sale.

### Day's Top Colt to Sheikh Mohammed

The top selling colt of the day was Hip 692, a bay colt by the popular young sire Unbridled's Song and out of the Secretariat mare Buzz Me Miss Blue, a half sister to 1996 Kentucky Derby winner Grindstone. After a fierce bidding session, the colt was purchased for \$525,000 by Sheikh Mohammed al Maktoum and his Godolphin Racing stable. Bloodstock agent John Ferguson, who regularly purchases for Sheikh Mohammed, signed the sales slip. "We think that he is a very nice individual," said Ferguson, who has been on a buying spree so far this week. "He looks like he could have a lot of class."

### Day 3....By The Figs

While there was a noticeable drop-off at yesterday's third session, overall numbers continue to skyrocket. Wednesday's average of \$98,579 and median of \$67,500 represented increases of 42.1 and 32.4 percent respectively against the figures from one year ago. Through the first three days of this year's sale, the cumulative average is running 43.9 percent higher than last year, while the median is up an impressive 26.4 percent. Day three was ladies' day in the sales pavilion, as three of the session's top four sellers were fillies, including the afternoon's topper from the Paul Mellon dispersal. Interestingly, a filly which sold for \$420,000 accounted for the top figure from session three a year ago. Not to be outdone, there was plenty of interest in the colts as well, with five selling in excess of \$300,000. The sale continues this morning at 10 a.m.

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# WRITERS UP

### AT THE SALES ... with Bill Oppenheim

Let's do some summarizing from Book 1...with 50 fewer horses sold, the gross was up a third, from \$90-million last year to \$120-million, and the average was up 49 percent, from \$172,115 to \$256,665. Even the median was up 43 percent, from \$105,000 to \$150,000. That's pretty impressive, to have nearly 500 listed sales in twenty hours of selling, and for every one that went through for under \$150,000, one went through for over \$150,000 ...

I mentioned in yesterday's column how Sheikh Mohammed had come down from the Big Room and was in the thick of the action...and how John Ferguson Bloodstock was the name on the ticket 25 times, at prices ranging from \$17,000 to \$3.9-million. The total was \$15,437,000, the average \$617,480. Sheikh Hamdan bought 13 more, totalling \$8,295,000, and averaging \$638,076. Between them, the brothers bought 38 yearlings in Book 1, for \$23,732,000 (a hair under 20 percent of the total), and averaged just under \$625,000. They bought six of the sale's 21 seven-figure (\$1-million plus) yearlings. Sheikh Mohammed is trying his level best to make this a truly global business, and the advent of global betting technology (which also has the potential to create real purse money for owners in Britain, which would double the price of European racehorses because people could afford to keep them instead of racing to value them for export) moves things in that direction as well. (Cont. p3)

### **UPCOMING WORLDWIDE SALES**

Sept. 13-23	Keeneland September Yearlings
Sept. 21-22	Tattersalls (Ire) September Yearlings
Sept. 27-28	Canadian Breeders Sales Mixed Sale
Sept. 28-30	Tattersalls Houghton Yearlings
Oct. 5-6	Goffs Orby Yearlings
Oct. 7	Goffs Challenge Yearlings
Oct. 11-16	Tattersalls October Yearlings
Oct. 18-20	Deauville Yearlings
Oct. 19-20	Doncaster October Sale
Oct. 21-23	Doncaster October Yearlings
Nov. 7-18	Keeneland Breeding Stock

All horses in the International *TDN* were bred in North America unless otherwise indicated.

# **BELONG TO ME**

A Grade I Winner From Each Of His 1st Three Crops Jersey Girl, Lucky Roberto, Circle of Life



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### Oppenheim cont.

By contrast, Demi O'Byrne and the Coolmore crowd bought but six--five colts and the sale's top filly at \$2-million--but Canadian Eugene Melnyk bought 17 yearlings for more than \$6.8-million, and Bob and Beverly Lewis were the buyers of another twelve. Narvick Interntaional also bought 12, probably mostly for Japanese clients.

We have to think about what this all means, besides a few more spikes in stud fees. It never has felt like the Eighties, but this 50 percent hike in the average is getting closer, especially when we start to hear rumors (as yet unconfirmed) of big farms biting the dust. One thing we have to remember about the September sale, though... since the early 80s it has never stopped growing. This sale has been the true auction market (and therefore industry) barometer, because of the volume of quality. It could just still be growing. On the other hand, one can't help feeling if the Dow Jones suddenly dropped to 9,000, or wherever you like, the money might not flow so freely. We can say this: as long as the Dow Jones is at 11,000, this market can keep rolling right on...but what's that really saying?

### ☆ PREVIEW ☆

### Sunday, Woodbine

ATTO MILE-GI, \$1,000,000, 3vo/up, 1mT

Docksider (Diesis {GB}), second to Aljabr in the G1 Lanson Champagne Vintage S. in his last start, will not start in Sunday's GI \$1,000,000 Atto Mile at Woodbine in Toronto. "He bruised his left front foot about 10 days ago, lost about three days of training, then a couple of more getting back," said trainer John Hills. He will instead run in the Sept. 25 G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. at Ascot. Other European-based runners bound for the Mile are Cape Cross (Ire) (Green Desert), Charge D'Affaires (GB) (Kendor {Fr}) and \$50,000 supplemental entry Lonesome Dude (With Approval).

Olivier Peslier has been named to ride the François Doumen-trained Jim And Tonic (Fr) (Double Bed {Fr}), replacing Gerald Mosse, who has a prior engagement to ride for the Aga Khan. Peslier was third in last year's mile aboard Poteen. Jim And Tonic was second, beaten a head by Labeeb. Pat Day will replace Alex Solis on Hawksley Hill (Ire) (Rahy) for trainer Neil Drysdale. The chestnut six-year-old was a tough-luck runner up in the 1998 Breeders' Cup Mile, but is winless in his last seven starts dating back to the 1998 GIII Oak Tree Breeders' Cup Mile.

### 1999 SIRE RANKINGS IN JAPAN (Through Aug. 29)

SIRE SUNDAY SILENCE (by Halo)	<b>RNRS</b> 197	WNRS 82	<b>EARNINGS</b> \$28,046,000
TONY BIN (IRE)	153	50	\$9,364,675
(byKampala) BRIAN'S TIME (by Roberto)	97	36	\$8,845,000
JADE ROBBERY	116	37	\$7,055,000
(by Mr. Prospector) SAKURA YUTAKA-0H (JPN) (by Tesco Boy)	69	29	\$6,945,000
COMMANDER IN CHIEF (GB)	86	32	\$6,932,650
(by Dancing Brave) HECTOR PROTECTOR	115	34	\$6,584,000
(by Woodman) DANCING BRAVE	47	25	\$5,816,000
(by Lyphard) AFLEET	73	35	\$5,731,200
(by Mr. Prospector) NORTHERN TASTE (by Northern Dancer)	86	27	\$4,689,000

# 1999 LEADING SIRES OF 2YOs IN JAPAN (through August 29)

SIRE STAR OF COZZENE (by Cozzene)	RNRS 10	WNRS 4	<b>EARNINGS</b> \$669,000
FUJI KISEKI (JPN)	10	4	\$372,250
(by Sunday Silence) + CARNEGIE (IRE) (by Sadler's Wells)	7	2	\$355,800
SUNDAY SILENCE (by Halo)	13	5	\$339,000
SAKURA BAKUSHIN-OH (JPN)	7	4	\$319,000
(by Sakura Yutaka-Oh { MEJIRO RYAN (JPN)	Jpn}) 4	1	\$243,750
(Amber Shadai) MARKOFDISTINCTION	9	3	\$238,000
(by Known Fact) COMMANDER IN CHIEF (GB)	8	1	\$234,000
(Dancing Brave) SOVIET STAR	3	1	\$220,000
(by Nureyev) AFLEET (by Mr. Prospector)	8	2	\$202,000

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# THOROUGHBRED DAILY NEWS

### **☆ AMERICAN EDITION ☆**

Thursday, September 16, 1999

WALDEN SELLS VINERY SHARE Vinery founder Ben Walden, Jr. has sold his remaining 10-percent interest in the 12-year-old Midway, Kentucky farm, according to *Daily Racing Form*. Walden will stay on as a consultant to his former partner George Hofmeister who purchased 90 percent of Vinery last summer. Walden told the *Form* that none of the 28 stallions based at Vinery is scheduled to move. The operation includes a farm in Australia and two American divisions.

# **NEWYORK** ☆

Yesterday's Results:

**8th-BEL**, **\$60,000**, **Alw**, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 3/5, gd.

- 1--PROSPECTRESS, 114, f, 4, Mining--Seductive Smile, by Silver Hawk. O-Thomas Soo; B-Griggs J K Dr (KY); T-Thomas J Skiffington. Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-1, \$87,543.
- 2--Siberian Mirage, 114, m, 5, Siberian Express--Miroswava (Fr), by In Fijar.
- 3--Uanme, 114, f, 4, Marquetry--Archimillionnaire, by Medaille d'Or.

Margins: 3 1/4, 1 1/4, NO. Odds: 8.30, 4.50A, 3.35. Prospectress broke her maiden in her second start at three last year at Lingfield, England, her only win in five starts overseas. Repatriated this spring, the chestnut filly captured her first two starts and finished well Aug. 9 for fourth in her last out to Khumba Mela (Fr) (Hero's Honor). Largely ignored by the bettors here, she raced close up early, rallied three wide approaching the stretch and drew clear steadily for her third stateside victory.

### **STAKES CLOSINGS**

TODAY, THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 16: 09-25 \$75/75,000a River Cities Breeders' Cup, LaD, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5fT, (0)



TOMORROW, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:

09-19 \$1,000,000 **Atto Mile-I, Wo**, 3yo/up, 1mT, (50000s)

10-01 \$150,000 Cliff Hanger H.-III, Med, 3yo/up, 8.5fT, (100)

10-02 \$200/100,000a Miami Mile Breeders' Cup H., Crc, 3yo/up, 8fT, (200) 6th-BEL, \$44,000, Alw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. DREAM SUPREME (f, 2, Seeking the Gold--Spinning Round {GISW, \$639,221}, by Dixieland Band) scored one of the most impressive debuts at Saratoga Aug. 29, rallying from seventh to equal the track record for five furlongs (1:03 2/5). Sent off as the 2-5 public choice, the bay filly did not disappoint her backers as she stalked the pace, hit the front in midstretch and drew clear by a length over Lucky Livi (Mr. Greeley). Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$50,400.

O-Kinsman Stable. B-Kinsman Farm (KY). T-Linda Rice.

# **⇔** EAST **⇔**

**New Jersey Tracks Closed Today:** 

The Meadowlands and Monmouth Park will be closed today for live and simulcast racing due to the anticipated arrival of Tropical Storm Floyd. Live racing is expected to resume at The Meadowlands tomorrow evening.

# **☆ MIDWEST** ☆

Yesterday's Results:

**NEW COLONY S.**, \$48,250, HAW, 9-15, 3yo,

1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, fm.

- 1--#ALISIOS, 117, c, 3, Kris S.--Aurora (SW & GSP, \$285,236), by Danzig. O-Helen Alexander & H Groves; B-H Alexander & H Groves (KY); T-David Carroll; J-L Melancon; \$28,950. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-1, \$103,695. \*Full to Arch, GISW, \$480,990.
- 2--Warhead, 117, g, 3, River Special--Her Grace (GB), by Great Nephew. (\$27,000 2yo '98 TEXMAR). \$9,650.
- 3--Air Rocket, 122, c, 3, El Prado (lre)--Runaway Royalty, by Runaway Groom. (\$30,000 yrl '97 KEESEP; \$97,000 2yo '98 OBSFEB). \$5,307.

Margins: 3/4, 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 4.80, 34.60, 1.30.

Alisios broke his maiden in his third career start at Keeneland Apr. 2, which marked his first start around two turns. The bay colt captured a Churchill allowance May 28 before running sixth to Ecton Park (Forty Niner) at Churchill June 23. Off since then, the homebred colt made his turf debut a winning one, rallying in the stretch for his first black-type win. "This is the first time he set foot on it (the grass), but with the way he ran, we're very happy," said winning trainer Dave Carroll. "If we were going to try the Hawthorne Derby (GIII, \$250,000, Oct. 10, 9fT), this was the spot to be in."

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Midwest report cont.

1st-TPX, \$25,100, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:14, ft.

FRENCH BAYOU (c, 2, French Deputy--Wedding Jitters {SP}, by Runaway Groom) was given a five-wide debut trip and finished third by six lengths at Ellis Park Aug. 28. The \$40,000 OBSAUG yearling reared at the start and trailed, but rallied late to win by a head as the 9-5 favorite. The bay represents the fifth winner for his freshman sire (by Deputy Minister). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$17,790.

O-Gene Selig. B-Bobby & Toni Jones (Ky). T-Joe Petalino.

## **⇔** WEST **⇔**

Tuesday's Late Results:

**BUSTLES AND BOWS S.**, \$50,000, FPX, 9-14, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:16 3/5, ft.

- 1--#SHE'S CLASSY, 114, f, 2, Boundary--Stately Dance, by Stately Don. (\$47,000 wlng '97 KEENOV; \$73,000 2yo '99 OBSMAR). O-Birnbaum, O'Shea, Walski et al; B-Taker Bloodstock (KY); T-Caesar F Dominguez; J-V Espinoza; \$27,500. Lifetime Record: GISP, 5-2-1-2, \$148,880.
- 2--Simply Fantastic, 114, f, 2, Cee's Tizzy--Planet Queen, by Flying Paster. \$8,500.
- 3--Ivory Bowl, 122, f, 2, Falstaff--Conquista, by Conquistador Cielo. \$6,000.

Margins: 3HF, 1HF, NK. Odds: 1.00, 2.60, 3.80.

She's Classy scored gamely in her June 12 debut at Hollywood, then went toe-to-toe with divisional stars Chilukki and Magicalmysterycat in her next three starts. Most recently third to Chilukki in the GI Vinery Del Mar Debutante S. Aug. 29, the even-money choice broke neatly and set the pace en route to a handy daylight win.

6th-BMX, \$31,850, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 2/5, ft. + MONTHLY MEETING (f, 3, General Meeting--Avilion {GSP}, by Cornish Prince), a 1/2 to Diablo (Devil's Bag), MGSW & GISP, \$482,050, ran to her solid morning drills to score at first asking. The homebred, part of an entry at 6-1, stalked the early pace, was shuffled back on the turn, but charged home three wided down the lane to score by a neck. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,250.

O-Golden Eagle Farm. B-Mr & Mrs John C Mabee (Ca). T-Jerry Hollendorfer.

# **☆ FOREIGN ☆**

### AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN BRITAIN:

Decarchy, c, 2, Distant View--Toussaud (GISW-US & GSW-GB, \$552,751), by El Gran Senor. Yarmouth, 9-15, EBF Fleggborough Maiden S., 2yo, 7f 3ydsT, \$6,014 to winner. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Henry Cecil. \*1/2 to Chester House (Mr. Prospector), GSW & MGISP-GB, \$311,814; and Honest Lady (Seattle Slew), GSW. \*\*Fifth winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector).

Adilabad, c, 2, Gulch--Adaiyka (Ire) (GSW-Ire), by Doyoun (Ire). Sandown, 9-15, Cannons Group EBF Novice S., 2yo, 7f 16ydsT, \$6,577 to winner. O-H H the Aga Khan; B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Sir Michael Stoute.

### SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. STALLIONS:

Southern Crown (Aus), c, 3, Chief's Crown--Demetia (Aus), by Bletchingly (Aus). Bendigo (Victoria), 9-14, Peter Popke Maiden, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, \$3,415 to winner. B-Dr P & Mrs E Byrne; T-Pat Hyland.

Pontevedra (Aus), c, 3, Dehere--My Smooth Choice, by Apalachee. Bendigo (Victoria), 9-14, Mike Kostos H., 3yo/up, c/g, 5 1/2fT, \$3,415 to winner. B-Gooree Pastoral Co; T-Lee Freedman.

Crystal Academy (Aus), c, 4, Royal Academy--Crystal Century (Aus), by Century (Aus). Bendigo (Victoria), 9-14, Brian Dunn H., 3yo/up, 7fT, \$3,415 to winner. B-Contract Racing Pty Ltd; T-Mathew Ellerton. \*1/2 to Crystal Hawk (Aus) (Amyntor {Fr}), SW-Aus.

# BREEDERS' EDITION

#### **STAKES RESULTS:**

**APRISA H.**, \$50,000, FPX, 9-14, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft

- 1--EMAILIT, 118, h, 5, Timeless Native--Butterbean, by Buckaroo. (\$37,000 2yo '96 OBSAPR). O-Gary W & Timothy R Burke; B-J R Cavanaugh (FL); T-Clifford Sise Jr; J-G F Almeida; \$27,500. Lifetime Record: 34-8-7-8, \$351,224.
- 2--F J's Pace, 114, g, 4, Gallant Prospector--All My Promises, by \*Hawaii. \$8,500.
- 3--Windstrike, 115, h, 5, Retsina Run--Wind Warning, by Don B.. \$6,000.

Margins: NO, NK, 1HF. Odds: 5.00, 9.20, 5.60.

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### BREEDERS' CUP NATIONAL STAKES RACE CLOSINGS

CLOSES 9-16 9-16 9-20 9-20 9-22		RACE River Cities Breeders' Cup S. (GIII) Matron Breeders' Cup Indiana Breeders' Cup Oaks Miami Breeders' Cup H. Grey Breeders' Cup S. (GIII)	CONDITIONS 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m 3yo, f, 1 1/16m 3yo/up, 1mT 2yo, 1 1/16m	PURSE \$150,000 \$ 60,000 \$200,000 \$200,000 \$175,000	RUNS 9-25 9-26 10-1 10-2 10-11
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#### **ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

7th-BEL, \$48,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:43 2/5, ft. HANSEL'S GIRL (f, 4, Hansel--Dancing Mahmoud, by Topsider) O-Chester & Mary Broman Sr. B-Woodlynn Farm Inc (KY). T-Ramon M Hernandez. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 24-4-3-5, \$184,349.

5th-BEL, \$46,000, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 2/5, ft. PERSONAL TRAINER (c, 4, Personal Flag--Lyuba, by D'Accord) Lifetime Record: 15-3-2-1, \$98,559. O/B-William B Hettinger (NY). T-Ramon M Hernandez.

1st-WOX, \$41,700, Opt. Clm. (\$50-45,000), 3yo/f/m, 6fT, 1:09 3/5, fm.

AHEAD BY A CENTURY (f, 3, Slew City Slew-Aromalight, by Majestic Light) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-2, \$143,747. O-F DiGiulio & F DiGiulio Jr. B-William H Tite III (Ky). T-Robert P Tiller.

**1st-HAW**, **\$38,016**, Opt. Clm. (\$40-35,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 4/5, fm.

MUSICAL HALO (m, 5, Jolie's Halo--Screen Melody, by Northern Jove) Lifetime Record: 26-6-4-6, \$124,505. O/B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). T-Mickey A Goldfine.

6th-HOO, \$33,100, 9-14, (S), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 1/5, ft.

VIC'S REBEL (h, 5, Lac Ouimet--Vic's Radar, by Happy Road) Lifetime Record: SW, 21-6-3-4, \$168,606.

O-James E & Vicki J Riddle. B-James E Riddle (IN).

T-Vickie Riddle.

### NTRA THOROUGHBRED POLL

Through September 12, 1999

### **TOP 10**

- 1. BEHRENS
- 2. SILVERBULLETDAY
- 3. LEMON DROP KID
- 4. BANSHEE BREEZE
- 5. MORE THAN READY
- 6. CHILUKKI
- 7. GENERAL CHALLENGE
- 8. CHARISMATIC
- 9. RUNNING STAG
- 10. VICTORY GALLOP

4th-DEL, \$32,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 3/5, ad

MARFISA (f, 3, Chief's Crown--Cuidado, by Damascus)
Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-1, \$24,300. O-Henrietta A
George. B-Henrietta Alexander (KY). T-George Laird.
\*Broke maiden in allowance race.

7th-DEL, \$32,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:45 1/5, ad.

GIMMEAKISSEE (f, 3, Doc's Leader--Carats Please, by Schaufuss) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-2-6-0, \$76,850. O-Hurst Leigh Stable. B-Hurstland Farm Inc & Michelle Mullins (KY). T-Robert W Leonard.

7th-HAW, \$30,800, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, ft. QUEEN OF WELLINGTON (f, 4, Major Luck--Kentucky Mist, by Drone) Lifetime Record: SP, 17-3-3-6, \$84,989. O-Prime Thoroughbreds. B-Brandon Kutrovacz (IL). T-Jere R Smith Sr.

8th-MED, \$30,000, 9-14, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09, ft. NIKO THE GREEK (g, 4, Future Storm--Artistic One, by Copelan) Lifetime Record: SP, 11-4-3-1, \$65,560. O/B/T-Charles Assimakopoulos (FL).

6th-MED, \$28,000, 9-14, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. HILL TOP JENNIE (f, 4, Corporate Report--Jennie the Vet, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 15-3-6-2, \$87,750. O-Thomas J Terry. B-William A Carl (KY). T-Todd M Beattie.

**7th-MED**, **\$26,000**, 9-14, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:42 3/5, fm.

YOUR HAWK (c, 4, Silver Hawk--By Your Leave {SW}, by Private Account) Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-3, \$46,354. O-Sondra D Bender. B-Helen Groves & Henrietta Alexander Revocable Trust (KY). T-Lawrence E Murray. \*1/2 to Exeat (Dayjur), MGSP-GB & GISP-Fr.

9th-HOO, \$23,800, 9-14, 3/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42 1/5, ft. STRIKE A ROSE (f, 3, Strike the Gold--Oviedo Swing, by Buckaroo) Lifetime Record: 17-3-4-3, \$35,887. O/T-Robert L Watkins. B-Farnsworth Farms (FL).

#### **MAIDEN WINNERS:**

My Intelligent Gal, f, 2, Beau Genius--Motel Lady, by Bates Motel. HAW, 9-15, (S), 6f, 1:14 2/5. B-R 'N R Breeders (II). \*\$30,000 yrl '98 KEESEP.

Life's An E Ticket, f, 2, Deposit Ticket--Ginny's Slewpy, by Slewpy. HOO, 9-14, 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Martin Stables Inc (Ky).

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Winter Dreams, f, 2, Distinctive Pro--Final Accord, by D'Accord. BEL, 9-15, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:19 3/5. B-Patricia Calandro (NY). \*\$70,000 yrl '98 FTNAUG. \*\*1/2 to Try N Sue (Sir Harry Lewis), MSW & GSP, \$219,920.

Minnesota Shuffle, c, 2, Mr. Procrastinator--Tipsy Crown (SP), by Hooched. FPX, 9-14, (S), (C), 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Curtis C & Lila L Lanning (Ca).

Jayne's Rocket Man, c, 2, Orbit Dancer--My Girl Jayne (SW), by Pachuto. HAW, 9-15, (C), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Edna Landreth (Tx).

Majestic Ghost, c, 2, Silver Ghost--Pretty Place, by Pleasant Colony. DEL, 9-15, (C), a1m70yd, 1:44 2/5. B-Edward P Evans (Ky). \*\$30,000 yrl '98 KEESEP; \$80,000 2yo '99 OBSFEB.

The Great Flora, f, 2, Unaccounted For--Off Shore Breeze (MSP), by Coastal. BEL, 9-15, (S), 6 1/2f, 1:18. B-McMahon Thoroughbreds (NY). \*\$50,000 yrl '98 FTNAUG; \$125,000 2yo '99 OBSFEB. \*\*Fourth winner for freshman sire (by Private Account). \*\*\*Won by 8 1/2 lengths.

French Bayou, c, 2, French Deputy--Wedding Jitters (SP), by Runaway Groom. TPX, 9-15, 6f, 1:14. B-Bobby Jones & Toni Jones (Ky). \*\$40,000 yrl '98 OBSAUG. \*\*Fifth winner for freshman sire (by Deputy Minister).

Glengarriff, c, 3, Dispersal--Romantique, by Romantic Lead. MED, 9-14, 6f, 1:11. B-Jocelyn McKathan (FI). \*\$9,000 wing '96 KEENOV; \$57,000 2yo '98 FTMMAY.

+ Monthly Meeting, f, 3, General Meeting--Avilion (GSP), by Cornish Prince. BMX, 9-15, 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Mr & Mrs John C Mabee (Ca). \*1/2 to Diablo (Devil's Bag), MGSW & GISP, \$482,050.

Annuzzi, c, 3, Majestic Light-Baby Beluga, by Buckaroo. FPX, 9-15, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:44 3/5. B-Wakefield Farm (Ky). \*\$47,000 yrl '97 KEESEP.

Litta, f, 3, Memo (Chi)--Lee Azucar (SP), by Dixieland Band. FPX, 9-14, 6f, 1:10 2/5. B-Juan Garcia (Ca).

No Ears, c, 3, Naevus-Aerobatics, by Caro (Ire). BEL, 9-15, (C), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Paraneck Stables (Ky).

Out of Sweets, f, 3, Out of Place--Sweet Side, by Topsider. DEL, 9-15, 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Arlene M Powell (FI). \*\$65,000 2yo '98 FTMMAY.

Mianna, f, 3, Raj Waki--Polite Lass, by Nodouble. WOX, 9-15, (C), 7fT, 1:24 1/5. B-James E Day (On).

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Robyn Dancer (Crafty Prospector) FI 5
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Salt Lake (Deputy Minister) Ky 5
Sky Classic (Nijinsky II) Ky 5
Woodman (Mr. Prospector) Ky 5
Bertrando (Skywalker) Ca 4
Broad Brush (Ack Ack) Ky 4
Cahill Road (Fappiano) Ky 4
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Seattle Dancer (Nijinsky II) Jpn 4
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CATALOGUE UPDATES FOR KEENELAND SEPTEMBER - FRIDAY, 9/17

1477

f, Hennessy--Ceron 2nd dam: 97 c Commendable (Gone West)

Now winner

Won 8-14 Dmr Msw by 4 lengths in debut

Earnings now \$42,600

Double D Farm Corp, Barn 46

1521

c, Miner's Mark-Divinail

1st dam: **96 c Divinail's Hope**Now graded stakes placed
2nd 8-28 NP G3 \$150K Canadian Derby
2nd 8-13 NP \$35K Count Lathum H.
Earnings now \$61,811

Tom Hinkle, Agent, Barn 7

1532

c, Cozzene-Empress Club (Arg)

1st dam: 96 c Azouz Pasha

Now stakes winner

Won 9-10 Listed Terex Troy S. at Doncaster, England at

1 1/2mT

Gainesway, Agent, Barn 7

1547

c, Lord Carson-Frigidette

1st dam: 96 f North Coast Ltd.

3rd 8-14 Bmf \$36K Floral Fiesta S.

Earnings now \$56,998

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1570

f, Distant View-Halley's Comeback

1st dam: 96 f Rubies And Gems

Now 2 wins at 3

Won 8-13 Lad

Earnings now \$16,000

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1572

f, Cryptoclearance-Halo Silver

2nd dam: 96 f Promise Me Magic (Pentelicus)

Now winner, multiple placed, at 3

Won 5-7 Hia Msw by 8 1/2

Earnings \$21,510

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1606

c, Lord Carson-Lana's Relic

1st dam: 94 m Lost Relic (Lost Code)

3 wins to 5

Earnings \$33,760

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1648

f, Southern Halo-Nalees Pin

1st dam: 97 f Teleology (Halo)

Now placed at 2

3rd 8-10 RD Msw in debut

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1747

c, Pleasant Tap-Sprinkle Dollars

1st dam: 97 c Highest Praise

Now placed in both starts at 2

3rd 9-5 Sar Msw

3rd 8-7 Sar Msw (to G1 Hopeful winner High Yield)

Earnings \$8,800

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1766

c, Royal Academy-Tashjir

2nd dam: **97 c Thaghr (Bahri)** Now placed at 2 in France

3rd 9-5 \$28K Alw at Longchamp, France in career debut

Vinery Kentucky, Agent, Barn 9

1821

f, Roy-Apalgaffey

1st dam: 94 c Pioneer Spirit

Now 8 wins, stakes win

Won 9-1 Mth \$35K Alw by 3 1/2 lengths

Won 8-7 Cby \$60K Express S.

Earnings now \$132,461

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# THOROUGHBRED DAILY NEWS

### **★ EUROPEAN EDITION ★**

### Thursday, September 16, 1999

AGA KHAN HORSE TESTS POSITIVE According to the Daily Racing Form, the Aga Khan's Zalal (Ire) (Darshaan {GB}), trained by Luca Cumani, tested positive for the banned substance phenylbutazone after winning an allowance race at Goodwood June 27. This is the second such incident for Cumani involving one of the Aga Khan's horses. The Italian horseman also trained Sharera (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}), who came up positive for the same medication after finishing second in a race at Newmarket last October. This second positive could cost Cumani the Aga Khan string, which numbers 20. The Aga had removed all of his horses from Britain after his filly Alivsa (Ire) was disqualified from her win in the 1989 Epsom Oaks following a positive test for camphor, but returned to British racing in 1994. He was quoted by The Press Association as saying, "You can make a mistake once, that's all I have to say." Cumani will appear at a Jockey Club hearing Sept. 23.

# **★ PREVIEW ★**

Today, Ayr, Scotland, post time: 3:05 p.m. SUN LIFE OF CANADA HARRY ROSEBERRY S.-Listed, f17.000, 2vo. 5fT

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SC	(PP)	HORSE	SIRE	<b>TRAINER</b>	WT
1	(1)	Coco De Mer (GB)	Prince Sabo (GB)	Jarvis	123
2	(6)	Labrett (GB)	Tragic Role (USA)	Meehan	123
3	(4)	Nifty Major (GB)	Be My Chief (USA)	Berry	123
4	(7)	Selking (Ire)	Selkirk (USA)	Burke	123
5	(5)	Seven No Trumps (GB)	Pips Pride (GB)	Hills	123
6	(10)	Tara's Girl (Ire)	Fayruz (GB)	Quinn	123
7	(9)	Iyavaya (USA)	Valiant Nature (USA)	Channon	118
8	(8)	Khasayl (Ire)	Lycius (USA)	Walwyn	118
9	(2)	Savannah Belle (GB)	Green Desert (USA)	Glover	118
10	(3)	Total Love (GB)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Dunlop	118

# **★** BRITAIN ★

### Yesterday's Results:

3.10 Yarmouth, Holborn Studios Conditions S. (Class C), 9-15, £10,650, 3yo/up, 6f 3ydsT, 1:14.50, gd/sf. SAKHA (GB) (f, 3, Wolfhound {USA}--Harmless Albatross {Ire} {GSW & G1SP-Fr}, by Pas De Seul {GB}) led soon after the start from Wax Lyrical (GB) (Safawan {Ire}). She was ridden approaching the final quarter, but always held control for an easy two-length victory. The winner is a 1/2 to Volochine (Ire) (Soviet Star), GSW & GISP-US, MSW & G1SP-Fr, \$993,145. Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, £15,420.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-John Dunlop; J-Richard Hills.

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3.50 Sandown, Cannons Group EBF Novice S. (Class D) (Cond.), 9-15, £6,240, 2yo, 7f 16ydsT, 1:34.24, gd/sf. + ADILABAD (USA) (c, 2, Gulch {USA}--Adaiyka {Ire} {GSW-Fr}, by Doyoun {Ire}), the 11-4 second choice, raced last of the five runners some six lengths off the pace set by Nicobar (GB) (Indian Ridge {Ire}). An imposing deep-girthed individual, he made stealthy headway from the quarter-mile marker and ran on strongly to lead inside the last half furlong for an encouraging 1 1/2-length debut victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,104. O-H H the Aga Khan; B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Sir Michael Stoute: J-Kieren Fallon.

**5.30 Sandown, Seeability Classified S. (Class D)** (Cond.), 9-15, £5,800, 3yo/up, 7f 16ydsT, 1:33.79, ad/sf.

SCHNITZEL (IRE) (f, 3, Tirol {Ire}--Good Reference {Ire}, by Reference Point {GB}), a 13-2 chance, was soon in front advance of Temeraire (USA) (Dayjur {USA}). He was two lengths clear at the quarter-mile marker, was ridden soon after and kept on well to hold the renewed challenge of Temeraire by a half length. Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-0. £20,879.

O-Mrs G Rowland-Clark; B-Mount Coote Stud; T-Michael Bell; J-Michael Fenton.

**5.05** Beverley, Battle Of Britain Maiden S. (Class D), 9-15, £6,155, 2yo, 5fT, 1:06.30, gd.

ROYAL ROMEO (GB) (g, 2, Timeless Times {USA}--Farinara {GB}, by Dragonara Palace {USA}) raced prominently as Sounds Special (GB) (Savahra Sound {GB}) and Rum Lass (GB) (Distant Relative {Ire}) disputed the lead. The 16,000gns DNSLY yearling was brought through to lead at the furlong marker and kept on well against the standside rail for a well earned 1 1/2-length win at odds of 10-1. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-1, £4,427. O-Peter C Bourke; B-J C Coombes; T-Tim Easterby; J-Darryll Holland.

5.40 Beverley, Spurn Point Maiden S. (Class D), 9-15, £5,950, 3yo/up, 5fT, 1:05.40, gd. PALVIC LADY (GB) (f, 3, Cotation {GB}--Palvic Grey {Ire}, by Kampala {GB}) was settled in midfield as Palawan (GB) (Polar Falcon {USA}) and Colonel Sam (GB) (Puissance {GB}) dueled for the lead. She made progress to challenge at the distance, led inside the last half furlong and kept on dourly for a two-length win at odds of 20-1. Lifetime Record: 12-1-0-2, £5,070. O/B-Alan Pickard; T-C Smith; J-Robbie Fitzpatrick.

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4.00 Beverley, EBF Garrowby Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 9-15, £5,735, 2yo, f, 7f 100ydsT, 1:35.70, gd. KIND REGARDS (IRE) (f, 2, Unfuwain {USA}--Barari {USA}, by Blushing Groom {Fr}) raced in fifth as Ashjaan (USA) (Silver Hawk {USA}) led. She moved into a challenging second at the quarter-mile marker, quickened clear at the distance and ran on strongly for an impressive five-length win as the 7-4 joint-favorite. The winner is a 1/2 to White Heart (GB) (Green Desert), GSW-Ger & SW-Eng, \$203,096. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, £4,834.

O-Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd; T-Mark Johnston; J-Darryll Holland.

4.45 Yarmouth, EBF Fleggborough Maiden S. (Class D), 9-15, £5,650, 2yo, 7f 3ydsT, 1:31.80, gd/sf. + DECARCHY (USA) (c, 2, Distant View {USA}-- Toussaud {USA} {GISW-US & GSW-GB, \$552,751}, by EI Gran Senor {USA}), the 6-5 favorite, disputed the early running with Infotec (Ire) (Shalford {Ire}). He held a definite lead at halfway, quickened superbly approaching the final quarter and ran on well for a highly impressive seven-length debut success. The winner, the fifth for his freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector), is a 1/2 to Chester House (Mr. Prospector), GSW & MGISP-GB, £194,572; and Honest Lady (Seattle Slew), GSW-US. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,753.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Henry Cecil; J-Willie Ryan.

3.40 Yarmouth, EBF Halvergate Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 9-15, £5,500, 2yo, f, 6f 3ydsT, 1:16.40, gd/sf. KAMAREYAH (IRE) (f, 2, Hamas {Ire}--Nur {USA}, by Diesis {GB}), the 5-6 favorite, broke well to lead from Springs Eternal (GB) (Salse {USA}). She was ridden 1 1/2 furlongs from the wire, but only had to be pushed out to record a comfortable one-length win from the running on Bethesda (GB) (Distant Relative {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, £5,309.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum: B-Shadwell

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-Robert Armstrong; J-Richard Hills.

**2.45** Sandown, Wates Group EBF Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 9-15, £5,275, 2yo, f, 1m 14ydsT, 1:45.86, gd/sf.

WHITEFOOT (GB) (f, 2, Be My Chief {USA}--Kelimutu {GB}, by Top Ville {Ire}) raced in midfield as Whenwilliemetharry (GB) (Sabrehill {USA}) held a clear lead. She moved into third at the two-furlong marker and was ridden strongly from the furlong pole as Clog Dance (GB) (Pursuit Of Love {GB}) and Britannia (USA) (Sea Hero {USA}) vied for the lead. Under an inspired Gary Bardwell ride she managed one last thrust to lead in the dying strides for a head win at odds of 40-1. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,469.

O/B-James Furlong; T-Jeff Pearce; J-Gary Bardwell.

### John Reid Retained by Sheikh Maktoum?

Sheikh Maktoum Al Maktoum is on the verge of signing John Reid as his retained rider to partner all his horses other than those trained by Sir Michael Stoute. The news is a fillip for Reid, 44, who was replaced as first-choice rider to Robert Sangster last year and has missed most of this season with a broken leg. His agent Peter Shoemark said yesterday: "Nothing's been confirmed--John hasn't signed on the dotted line yet. He needs to have further discussions with the owner's racing manager Joe Mercer, but it should be all sorted out soon. It looks like he will ride all of them apart from the Stoute ones, as Kieren Fallon will be in for those."

### Wolverhampton to Improve All-Weather Track:

Wolverhampton racecourse will make improvements to its Fibresand all-weather surface and, as a result, visiting horses will not be able to work out at the facilities from Sept. 19 to Oct. 1. This will allow a major analysis of the all-weather track and its foundation prior to any renovation. No racing fixtures will be affected. Michael Prosser, Wolverhampton's clerk of the course, explained: "During the last 12 months we have noticed that some areas have been retaining moisture for longer periods of time than others. This clearly needs to be investigated thoroughly and any underlying problems need to be addressed immediately before the weather deteriorates and our busy period of winter racing begins."

### **Aussie Group 1 Winner to Plantation Stud:**

Plantation Stud in Newmarket has announced the addition of Dracula (Aus) (Quest For Fame {GB}--Awards Ceremony (Aus) (Kaoru Star (Aus)) to its stallion roster for next year, standing at a fee of £4,000, Oct. 1 terms. The four-year-old has been standing at Woodlands Stud in Australia. A champion in Australia at two, Dracula won seven races, including the G1 Moet et Chandon Champagne S., G1 Sires' Produce S. and G1 George Main S. Leslie Harrison, the Plantation Stud manager, said: "We are very pleased to make Dracula available to European breeders and look forward to supporting him ourselves. His speed and class, coupled with his excellent conformation, must recommend him to many breeders in Europe." Luke Lillingston of the Kern/Lillingston Association initiated the agreement with Trevor Lobb to send Dracula to Europe.

### Alborada Headed to Champion S.

Alborada (GB) (Alzao {USA}), who finished fifth in the G1 Vodafone Nassau S. last month, is reported to be on course to try and win the G1 Dubai Champion S. at Newmarket for a second year. Trainer Sir Mark Prescott said yesterday: "She had a corn after the Nassau. In itself it is nothing but it took me a long time to get it right. She is all right now and in good form, and after the Champion she will go abroad for some of those funny races in America with which I am unfamiliar!"



### **Cheltenham News:**

The 2000 Cheltenham Festival, the most successful jump racing meeting in the world, will be all-ticket in all three enclosures for the first time, it was announced yesterday. For the past two years, the Thursday of the meeting--Tote Cheltenham Gold Cup day--has been all ticket, but record attendances this year on the first two days has prompted this move.

Cheltenham racecourse will establish a Breeders' Club open to all National Hunt breeders who are members of the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association. The club aims to reward breeders whose involvement in the sport is often overlooked and will offer badges and a private facility on three specific racedays, including Smurfit Champion Hurdle day, at a cost of £125 plus VAT. Also new at Cheltenham this season will be the introduction of owners' premiums for British-bred horses in all novices' chases and National Hunt Flat races to a value of 25 percent of the minimum prize money. Further initiatives for British breeders are promised, including the development of a special breeders' raceday in April.

# **★** U.S. PREMIERES

8th-Meadowlands, \$28,000, Alw, 3yo/up, 1m 70ydsT PEDRO (IRE) (g, 4, Brief Truce (USA)--Mrs. Fisher {Ire}, by Salmon Leap {USA}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$16,685. O-Carliwood Farm; B-G D Waters; T-Todd Pletcher.

Lightly raced Pedro broke his maiden over the all-weather surface at Wolverhampton in September of 1997 for Sir Mark Prescott and won his only start of 1998 at Thirsk going a flat mile. He was tried twice this year over jumps without success, but returns to the flat with a series of outstanding works for a top trainer on the New York circuit.

# **★** AUSTRALIA ★

- SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EUROPEAN STALLIONS: Spectactor (Aus), f, 3, Danehill (USA)--Iwan (NZ) (GSP-Aus), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Cranbourne (Victoria), 9-15, Cranbourne Auto Market Daihutsu Maiden, 3yo, 5fT, A\$6,500 to winner. B-Mr J M Ryan; T-Lee Freedman.
- The Golden Dane (Aus), f, 3, Danehill (USA)--Yeatsina (USA), by Yeats (USA). Bendigo (Victoria), 9-14, Great Western Maiden, 3yo, f, 7fT, A\$5,200 to winner. B-Dr P Dunbar; T-Lee Freedman. \*1/2 to Seto Flowerian (Aus) (Bellotto), GSW & G1SP-Aus; and Presina (Aus), MSW-Aus.
- Night Folly (Aus), f, 3, Night Shift (USA)--Cardiff Princess (Aus), by The Carpenter (USA). Strathalbyn (South Australia), 9-15, Galipo Food C. Maiden, 3yo/up, 6f 165ydsT, A\$4,140 to winner. B-Mr J E Langlands, Mr D A Diggins & Mrs D M Somerville; T-Karen Fox.

- Germaine (Aus), f, 4, Magic Ring (Ire)--True Rebel (Aus) (SP-Aus), by Whiskey Road (USA). Port Macquarie (New South Wales), 9-13, Wauchope Saddleworld H., 3yo/up, 7fT, A\$3,250 to winner. B-Mr J D Sommerville; T-Neil Godbolt.
- Soffitta (Aus), f, 4, Night Shift (USA)--Camellia Haven (NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Cranbourne (Victoria), 9-15, Abassi H., 3yo/up, 6 1/2fT, A\$6,500 to winner. B-Mr P Aughey; T-Mathew Hyland.
- We Shall Dance (Aus), g, 4, Shalford (Ire)--Bubble
  Dancer (Aus), by Faremont (Fr). Ipswich (Queensland),
  9-15, Ron Ashdown H., 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT, A\$4,065 to
  winner. B-Mrs H Dalton; T-Barry Baldwin.

# **★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★**

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- Whitefoot (GB), f, 2, Be My Chief (USA)--Kelimutu (GB), by Top Ville (Ire). Sandown, England, 9-15, Wates Group EBF Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 2yo, f, 1m 14ydsT, £3,469 to winner. B-James Furlong.
- + Decarchy (USA), c, 2, Distant View (USA)--Toussaud (USA) (GISW-US & GSW-GB, \$552,751), by El Gran Senor (USA). Yarmouth, England, 9-15, EBF Fleggborough Maiden S. (Class D), 2yo, 7f 3ydsT, £3,753 to winner. B-Juddmonte Farms. \*1/2 to Chester House (Mr. Prospector), GSW & MGISP-GB, £194,572; and Honest Lady (Seattle Slew), GSW-US. \*\*Fifth winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector).
- + Adilabad (USA), c, 2, Gulch (USA)--Adaiyka (Ire) (GSW-Ire), by Doyoun (Ire). Sandown, England, 9-15, Cannons Group EBF Novice S. (Class D), 2yo, 7f 16ydsT, £4,104 to winner. B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC.
- Kamareyah (Ire), f, 2, Hamas (Ire)--Nur (USA), by Diesis (GB). Yarmouth, England, 9-15, EBF Halvergate Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 2yo, 6f 3ydsT, £3,655 to winner. B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd.
- Royal Romeo (GB), g, 2, Timeless Times (USA)--Farinara (GB), by Dragonara Palace (USA). Beverley, England, 9-15, Battle Of Britain Maiden S. (Class D), 2yo, 5fT, £4,057 to winner. B-J C Coombes. \*16,000gns yrl '98 DNSLY.
- Kind Regards (Ire), f, 2, Unfuwain (USA).-Barari (USA), by Blushing Groom (Fr). Beverley, England, 9-15, EBF Garrowby Maiden Fillies' S. (Class D), 2yo, f, 7f 100ydsT, £3,784 to winner. B-Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd. \*1/2 to White Heart (GB) (Green Desert), GSW-Ger & SW-Eng, \$203,096.
- Rimbaud (Ire), c, 3, College Chapel (GB)--Arcade (GB), by Rousillon (USA). Fairyhouse, Ireland, 9-15, Dunboyne Maiden, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT, Ir£3,036 to winner. B-Baronrath Stud.
- Palvic Lady (GB), f, 3, Cotation (GB)--Palvic Grey (Ire), by Kampala (GB). Beverley, England, 9-15, Spurn Point Maiden S. (Class D), 2yo, 5fT, £3,924 to winner. B-Alan Pickard.
- Optional (GB), f, 3, Prince Sabo (GB)--My Polished Corner (Ire), by Tate Gallery (USA). Fairyhouse, Ireland, 9-15, Kilmoon Maiden, 3yo/up, 6fT, Ir£3,036 to winner. B-Wyck Hall Stud Ltd.