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ECLIPSE AWARD FINALISTS ANNOUNCED

The finalists for the 35th annual Eclipse Awards were announced yesterday, with dual Classic winner **Afleet Alex** (Northern Afleet) and GI Breeders' Cup Classic



Afleet Alex Coady photo

winner **Saint Liam** (Saint Ballado) each receiving a nod in their respective divisions. After his dramatic win in the GI Preakness S., Afleet Alex captured the third leg of the Triple Crown, the GI Belmont S., with remarkable ease, and is heavily favored to walk away with the

hardware in the Three-Year-Old Male category. Saint Liam, meanwhile, made a strong case that he was the best in the Older Male division with a quartet of Grade I wins in 2005, including a tally over sophomore finalist **Flower Alley** (Distorted Humor) at the Breeders' Cup. As usual, finalists in the Horse of the Year category were not disclosed, and will be announced live at the Eclipse Awards. Many consider it to be a two-horse race, however, with Saint Liam perhaps holding an edge over the popular Afleet Alex.

Grass is Greener on This Side...

American grass horses are sometimes looked over come Eclipse time in favor of Europeans that, though lightly raced in the U.S., have Breeders' Cup wins to their credit. This year, American-based runners hold a strong hand in the Turf divisions. Last year, Kitten's Joy earned an Eclipse off a sterling 2004 campaign that ended with a runner-up finish in the Breeders' Cup, and **Leroidesanimaux (Brz)** (Candy Stripes) has similar credentials this term. He won three straight before running second in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile to **Artie Schiller** (El Prado {Ire}), who also must be given a strong chance with two other graded wins in 2005. In the Female Turf division, it's hard to look past **Intercontinental (GB)** (Danehill), as her five graded stakes victories in 2005 were highlighted by a win in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Turf. The Eclipse Awards ceremony will be held Jan. 23 at the Regent Beverly Wilshire in Beverly Hills, California. The Eclipse Awards are voted on by the National Thoroughbred Racing Association, National Turf Writers Association, and *Daily Racing Form*.

ECLIPSE FINALISTS

Two-Year-Old Male

First Samurai (Giant's Causeway) • **Henny Hughes** (Hennessy) • **Stevie Wonderboy** (Stephen Got Even)

Two-Year-Old Female

Adieu (El Corredor) • **Folklore** (Tiznow)
Wild Fit (Wild Wonder)

Three-Year-Old Male

Afleet Alex (Northern Afleet)
Flower Alley (Distorted Humor) • **Giacomo** (Holy Bull)

Three-Year-Old Female

Round Pond (Awesome again) • **Smuggler** (Unbridled)
Summerly (Summer Squall)

Older Male

Borrego (El Prado {Ire}) • **Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.)
Saint Liam (Saint Ballado)

Older Female

Ashado (Saint Ballado) • **Pleasant Home** (Seeking the Gold) • **Stellar Jayne** (Wild Rush)

Sprinter

Lost in the Fog (Lost Soldier) • **Saratoga County** (Valid Expectations) • **Silver Train** (Old Trieste)

Male Turf Horse

Artie Schiller (El Prado {Ire}) • **Leroidesanimaux (Brz)** (Candy Stripes) • **Shirocco (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger})

Female Turf Horse

Cesario (Jpn) (Special Week {Jpn})
• **Intercontinental (GB)** (Danehill)
• **Megahertz (GB)** (Pivotal {GB})

Steeplechase

Hirapour (Ire) (Kahyasi {Ire}) • **McDynamo** (Dynaformer) • **Sur La Tete** (Sky Classic)

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A 'Wonder'-ful Class

An exceptional male juvenile division emerged in 2005, and its class and talent are evident in the three



Stevie Wonderboy
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Eclipse Award finalists: **Stevie Wonderboy** (Stephen Got Even), **Henny Hughes** (Hennessy), and **First Samurai** (Giant's Causeway). It was Henny Hughes that emerged first, winning the Tremont S. and GII Saratoga Special S., before First Samurai burst onto the scene and bested him in the GI Hopeful S. and GI Champagne S. While those two were battling on the East Coast,

Stevie Wonderboy was showing 'em what's what out west, winning the GII Del Mar Futurity by five lengths. Few racing fans were let down when the three met up in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, with Stevie Wonderboy flying home late to secure the win--and possibly divisional honors--over runner-up Henny Hughes and the game First Samurai. On the girls' side, **Folklore** (Tiznow) took a bit of time to come around, but a 14-length romp in the GI Matron S. and a gritty win over the talented **Wild Fit** (Wild Wonder) in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies could tip the scales in her favor when the Eclipse Awards are handed out.

A Total Eclipse of the Fog...

For a good 10 months, the sprint division belonged almost solely to one horse--**Lost in the Fog** (Lost Soldier). The then-three-year-old, built like a dragster, became a crowd favorite by rattling off eight straight wins through the spring and summer of 2005, including tallies in the GII Carry Back S. and GI King's Bishop S. Heavily favored to win the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint, he lost his unbeaten record to the late-developing **Silver Train** (Old Trieste), and only time will tell if Eclipse voters held that against him. Though lacking the race record of his classmate, Silver Train gave notice that he had plenty of gas when he won a Belmont allowance in July in 1:07 flat. He then added the one-mile GII Jerome H. before his Breeders' Cup win.

☆ PREVIEW ☆

Saturday, Fair Grounds at Louisiana Downs

NEW ORLEANS H.-GII, \$400,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Brass Hat	Prized	Martinez	117
2	Dixie Meister	Holzmeister	Chapa	113
3	M B Sea	Alphabet Soup	Gonzalez	115
4	Silver Axe	Silver Ghost	Graham	114
5	Sanctuary's Omoon	Sanctuary	Burningham	110
6	Mr. Trieste	Old Trieste	Tohill	117
7	Alumni Hall	A.P. Indy	Albarado	116
8	West Virginia	Tomorrows Cat	Castro	115

Recent GIII Fayette S. winner **Alumni Hall** and GIII Iselin BC H. hero **West Virginia** will vie for favoritism,



Brass Hat *Pat Lang photo*

but, in a race named for the city of trilling trumpets and rollicking brass bands, the five-year-old **Brass Hat** could draw some attention, too. Owned and bred by Fred Bradley and trained by his son William Bradley, Brass Hat--a term that actually refers to a high-ranking official--has earned over \$650,000 and been first or

second in eight of 11 starts. But if his winning payoffs are anything to go by, he rarely gets the respect he deserves. As a sophomore, the gelding won the Rushaway S. at 38-1, the GII Ohio Derby at 21-1 and the GII Indiana Derby at 10-1. After missing most of 2005 with a fractured front ankle, he returned to be seventh in a grassy Churchill allowance Nov. 24, then was a convincing winner in Turfway's Prairie Bayou S. Dec. 17 (at healthy 9-2 odds). He breaks from the rail and should be able to sit just off the leaders, and a win here would bolster his credentials in the handicap division. The New Orleans H. is being contested at Louisiana Downs this year as Fair Grounds, heavily damaged by Hurricane Katrina, continues to stage its winter meet there.

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Saturday, Santa Anita Park

SAN PASQUAL H.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1 Bully Hayes	Sultry Song	Solis	115
2 Melanyhashepapers	Game Plan	T. Baze	113
3 Turnbolt	Deputy Minister	Nakatani	113
4 Spellbinder	Tale of the Cat	Pedroza	115
5 Buckland Manor	Bien Bien	Burningham	116
6 High Limit	Maria's Mon	Valenzuela	116
7 Sam Forli (Chi)	Sam M.	Valdivia Jr.	113

Turnbolt, who worked three furlongs in :39.80 over a 'good' track Thursday at Santa Anita, will attempt to stretch his form beyond 6 1/2 furlongs for the first time in Saturday's San Pasqual. "[Trainer Richard] Mandella had him nice and relaxed [for the work], so I don't see why he wouldn't step forward, being by Deputy Minister," said jockey Corey Nakatani, who gets the call on the five-year-old. "He should be able to go a route."

**PAST ECLIPSE AWARD WINNERS
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- 1993 Cardmania (7)
- 1994 Cherokee Run (4)
- 1995 Not Surprising (5)
- 1996 Lit de Justice (6)
- 1997 Smoke Glacken (3)
- 1998 Reraise (3)
- 1999 Artax (4)
- 2000 Kona Gold (6)
- 2001 Squirtle Squirt (3)
- 2002 Orientate (4)
- 2003 Aldebaran (5)
- 2004 Speightstown (6)

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2005 VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

Horse	Race
Adieu	GII Spinaway S.
Folklore	GI Matron S.
Wild Fit	GI Del Mar Debutante S.
First Samurai	GI Hopeful S.
Henny Hughes	GII Saratoga Special S.
Stevie Wonderboy	GII Del Mar Futurity
Round Pond	GI Acorn S.
Smuggler	GI Mother Goose S.
Summerly	GI Kentucky Oaks
Afleet Alex	GI Preakness S.
Flower Alley	GI Travers S.
Giacomo	GI Kentucky Derby
Ashado	GI Go for Wand H.
Pleasant Home	GIII Bed O' Roses H.
Stellar Jayne	GI Ruffian H.
Borrego	GI Jockey Club Gold Cup
Rock Hard Ten	GI Santa Anita H.
Saint Liam	GI Whitney H.
Lost in the Fog	GI King's Bishop S.
Saratoga County	GIII Mr. Prospector H.
Silver Train	GII Jerome H.
Artie Schiller	GII Bernard Baruch H.
Leroidesanimaux (Brz)	GI Atto Mile
Cesario (Jpn)	GI American Oaks
Intercontinental (GB)	GII Palomar H.
Megahertz (GB)	GI Yellow Ribbon

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2005 Leading Sires of 2-Y-O's in U.S.A.

RANK	STALLION (SIRE)	EARNINGS \$
1	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY (Storm Cat)	1,632,400
2	HENNESSY (Storm Cat)	1,352,540
3	Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy)	1,340,798
4	Stephen Got Even (A.P. Indy)	1,216,395
5	El Corredor (Mr. Greeley)	1,211,025
6	FUSAICHI PEGASUS (Mr. Prospector)	1,163,828
7	Songandaprayer (Unbridled's Song)	1,123,823
8	Storm Cat (Storm Bird)	1,065,035
9	THUNDER GULCH (Gulch)	1,038,715

Source: Thoroughbred Times, 31st Dec.

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$58,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), C, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 3/5, gd.

1--**BAHAMA JOHN, 118, h, 6, Saint Ballado--Rhythm of Life, by Deputy Minister.** O/B-Timber Bay Farm (KY); T-J A Jerkens. Lifetime Record: 11-5-1-2, \$163,435. * 1/2 to Sarava (Wild Again), GISW, \$772,620.

2--**Golden Man, 118, g, 4, Suave Prospect--Cozigoldi, by Cozzene.**

3--**Byanosejoe, 113, g, 4, Cherokee Run--Je Comprend, by Caerleon.** (\$80,000 yrl '03 KEESEP; \$190,000 2yo 2004 KEEAPR).

Margins: HF, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.05, 2.25, 2.25.

Bahama John, sidelined eight months after an eight-length optional claimer win at Aqueduct Apr. 3, returned to miss by just 1 1/4 lengths when third to Colita in a Dec. 16 optional claimer. After bobbling at the break, the chestnut set the pace, opened up a length on the field in the stretch and held sway late.

7th-AQU, \$45,000, Alw, NW2L, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, gd.

LUNAR RENDEZVOUS (m, 5, Migrating Moon--Give Me Raynal, by Give Me Strength), a \$5,000 OBSAUG yearling, had not been out since running third in a Louisiana Downs allowance while making her final start for trainer Cliff Haydel in August 2004. Off at 4-1 after the 17-month layoff, the bay mare contested the early pace, put a head in front in upper stretch and outlasted 4-5 favorite Mint Landing (Yarrow Brae) by a head. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-3, \$50,430.

O/B-Anne P Sleeman (FL). T-Niall M O'Callaghan.

Melnyk Resigns from NYRA Board:

Eugene Melnyk, who is a finalist for an Eclipse Award as outstanding owner of 2005, resigned from his position on the New York Racing Association's Board of Trustees yesterday. No reason was given for the resignation. The Barbados resident served on NYRA's board since August 2003. Chairman of the pharmaceutical firm Biovail, Melnyk campaigned 2004 champion sprinter Speightstown as well as Eclipse finalist Flower Alley.

★ **EAST** ★

Bravo Out With Cracked Vertebrae:

Jockey Joe Bravo will be out an unspecified amount of time after sustaining two cracked vertebrae in a spill Wednesday at Gulfstream Park. "He cracked the T8 and T9 vertebrae," said his agent Danny Mellul. "They plan to move him from Hollywood Memorial to Jackson Memorial for further evaluation. It looks like he'll be in the hospital at least a week to 10 days."

MJC Handle Over \$896 Million in '05:

All sources handle at Pimlico and Laurel Park soared to \$896.1 million in 2005, as compared to \$868.1 million in 2004. The daily average handle from all sources increased nearly 4 percent, from \$3.41 million to \$3.54 million. The highlight of the year was the Preakness S. A crowd of 115,318--the largest ever to witness a sport event in Maryland--packed historic Pimlico Race Course for the May 21 card. Preakness day wagering finished at more than \$91 million, breaking the record of nearly \$88 million set in 2004. A pool of \$63.2 million was bet on the Preakness itself.

OBS-Calder Catalog Available Online:

The catalog for the 2006 OBS Selected Sale of Two-year-olds, which will be held at Calder Race Course Feb. 7, is now available online at www.obssales.com. The hard copy will be mailed out next week. The sale's two under-tack shows--Jan. 30 and Feb. 5--start at 10:30 a.m. and video of the workouts will be available.

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

2:12p TRN 5th TAM, \$18K, 4yo/up, MSW, 1 1/16mT
JUNIPER KNIGHT (A.P. Indy), out of GI Del Mar Oaks heroine Sicy d'Alsace (Fr), should appreciate a switch to the lawn after finishing off the board in three prior attempts over the Monmouth main course. The \$510,000 KEESEP yearling shows only two moves on the worktab for his first start since Sept. 10. Brisnet.com pps

3:19p TVG 7th AQU, \$46K, 4yo/up, f/m, ALW, 1 1/16m
BAHIYE (Holy Bull) looks to stay perfect after posting a game six-furlong maiden win over this course Dec. 16. She takes on a seasoned group for her two-turn debut, including the speedy **South Wing** (Dixie Brass). Brisnet.com pps

5:37p TRN 4th SA, \$46K, 3yo, f, MSW, 1mT
RATHSALLAGH (Fusaichi Pegasus), a half sister to 1999 Wood Memorial S. victor Adonis, debuts on the grass for trainer Bobby Frankel. The \$110,000 EASMAY juvenile faces European import **Cheerily (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), who makes her U.S. debut after finishing second in a Tipperary maiden back in April. Brisnet.com pps

★ CENTRAL ★

Castleton Lyons Stallion Show Sunday:

Castleton Lyons will be holding a stallion open house and parade on Sunday, Jan. 8 from 1-3 p.m. at its stallion complex off Iron Works Pike in Lexington, Kentucky. All visitors are welcome to stop by and inspect any of the five stallions standing at Castleton Lyons for 2006, including Bernstein, who has recently returned from shuttling duties in South America; and this season's new addition, Wiseman's Ferry. In addition, a free draw for a no-guarantee season to both Bernstein and Wiseman's Ferry will be made during the afternoon. Breeders must be present at the draw in order to win. No appointment is necessary, and hot food and refreshments will be served.

CDI Begins Process to Find Successor to Meeker:

Churchill Downs Incorporated has initiated a formal succession-planning process for the position of president and chief executive officer, which is currently held by Thomas H. Meeker. Meeker, whose current employment contract with CDI expires in March 2007, intends to step down from his post upon the expiration of his employment contract, but indicated that he could retire sooner if a suitable candidate is found earlier in the process. "The position of president and chief executive officer for Churchill Downs Incorporated is one of vital importance to both our company and the horse racing industry," said Carl F. Pollard, chairman of CDI's board of directors. "For more than two decades, Tom Meeker has worked with the board of directors to grow CDI's holdings, develop its assets and increase shareholder value, while helping advance a number of crucial industry initiatives that will continue to benefit our sport." Meeker has served as the company's president and CEO since October 1984 and has been a member of the board since June 1995.

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Taylor Made Presents Stallion Show:

Taylor Made Stallion Division will host a Stallion Open House on Saturday Jan. 7 and Sunday, Jan. 8. The event will be conducted from noon to 5:00 p.m. at the Taylor Made Stallion Complex located on Union Mill Road in Nicholasville, Ky. Among stallions presented will be Taylor Made's newest additions, GISWs Forest Danger and Southern Image. For more information, call (859) 885-3345.

Yesterday's Results:

10th-LAD, \$41,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:47, ft.

DEVINE LAUGHTER (f, 3, Saint Ballado--French Ballerina, by French Deputy) scored a front-running three-length victory in a seven-furlong maiden at Keeneland Oct. 26. She tired to third when stretching out in a Dec. 16 track-and-trip optional claimer last time. Sent off at 5-2, the Padua homebred sat a stalking second through pedestrian fractions, took control after a half-mile and sailed home a two-length winner. Lemons Forever (Lemon Drop Kid) was second. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$55,746.

O/B-Padua Stables (FL). T-Steven M Asmussen.

5th-LAD, \$39,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:13 1/5, ft.

LEMONBUSTER (c, 3, Lemon Drop Kid--Poqito Polly, by Ogygian), fourth in his debut at Churchill Nov. 26, was the 4-5 favorite to graduate here. The bay colt moved into contention on the turn, gained control in upper stretch and won by 1 3/4 lengths over Gritty Gulch (Gulch). The \$135,000 KEESEP yearling and \$200,000 KEEAPR two-year-old is a half brother to Fiasty Countess (Count the Time, GSW, \$389,465). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,325.

O-Mike McCarty. B-Arthur I Appleton (FL). T-Steven M Asmussen.

A + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

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Borrego Works:

Borrego (El Prado {Ire}), winner of last year's GI Pacific Classic and GI Jockey Club Gold Cup, worked five panels in 1:00.2 at Hollywood Thursday. According to trainer Beau Greely, the chestnut will make his 2006 debut in the nine-furlong GII San Antonio H. Feb. 5 before a tilt at the GI Santa Anita H. Mar. 4.

Stevie Wonderboy Prepares for San Rafael:

Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner **Stevie Wonderboy (Stephen Got Even)** completed six furlongs in 1:12.60 at Hollywood Park Thursday while preparing for an upcoming start in the one-mile GII San Rafael S. at Santa Anita Park Jan. 14. "He worked Un-believable," said Dennis O'Neill, brother of trainer Doug O'Neill. "He went in 1:12 breezing and galloped out in 1:25 and 1:39." As for the colt's sophomore debut, O'Neill added, "We're good to go. He couldn't be doing any better." Also heading to the San Rafael, GI Hollywood Futurity hero **Brother Derek (Benchmark)** is likely to work five furlongs this weekend, according to trainer Dan Hendricks.

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

HIP#354 - C. BY FORESTRY OUT OF PURER THAN PURE

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Yesterday's Results:

KALOOKAN QUEEN H., \$93,330, SAX, 1-5, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:14 4/5, gd.

1--**WESTERN HEMISPHERE, 118, m, 5, General Meeting--Excellent Lady, by Smarten.** O-Golden Eagle Farm; B-Mr & Mrs John C Mabee (CA); T-Bob Baffert; J-V Espinoza; \$61,110. Lifetime Record: GSP, 12-4-4-1, \$357,575. *Full to General Challenge, MGISW, \$2,877,178; 3/4 to Notable Career (Avenue of Flags), GISW, \$327,855.

2--**Resplendency, 119, m, 5, Tale of the Cat--Doppio Espresso, by Java Gold.** (\$500,000 yrl '02 FTSAUG). O-Robert B & Beverly J Lewis. \$15,870.

3--**Nossa Cancao (Brz), 114, m, 6, Fast Gold--Flor Do Blitz (Brz), by Minstrel Glory.** O-L-Bo Racing, Lemalu Stable & Pyle Monte. \$9,522.

Margins: 2HF, 1, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.60, 1.00, 14.80.

Western Hemisphere returned from a 13-month absence to run fifth over the turf in the Nov. 6 California Cup Distaff H. before a runner-up effort behind House of Fortune over the main track in the Dec. 4 Cat's Cradle H. She tuned up for her third start off the layoff with a bullet six-furlong drill of 1:12 at Santa Anita Dec. 30 and was adding blinkers. Second choice in the field of six here, the chestnut stalked the pace before surging to the lead turning for home and pulling clear under a hand ride. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

7th-SAX, \$52,800, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5, wf.

SEAFREE (f, 4, Chief Seattle--Queen Randi, by Fly So Free) returned from almost a year on the sidelines to win for fun in a six-furlong Monmouth allowance Sept. 15 before coming up a half-length short in second at a similar level at Keeneland Oct. 15. A distant second going seven panels at Churchill Downs Nov. 25, the \$7,500 FTKOCT yearling purchase went off the 4-5 favorite to return to her winning ways here. Settled off the pace in second early, the four-year-old took over from early leader Mother (Lion Hearted) in deep stretch and held off stablemate Notre Dame (Brz) (Royal Academy) to score by a nose. Lifetime Record: 6-3-2-1, \$110,610.

O-Edmund A Gann. B-Steve C Snowden & William Caudill (KY). T-Robert J Frankel.

3rd-SAX, \$48,000, Msw, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35 3/5, gd.

BIG BOLD CAT (g, 4, Cat Thief--Cherry D'Or, by Cassaleria), a \$450,000 FTKJUL yearling, was never a threat in four main-track appearances last spring and summer, but improved with the switch to turf three back. Off since a fourth-place effort over the Santa Anita turf Oct. 30, the chestnut gelding contested the early pace, put a rival away in upper stretch and drew clear to score by 4 1/4 lengths. Kingofthenight (Brz) (Royal Academy) was second. The winner is a half brother to Western Echo (Eastern Echo, GSW, \$608,714) and to Cherry Pickings (Miner's Mark, SW-UAE, \$292,031). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 8-1-0-1, \$39,800.

O-Stan E Fulton. B-Bradyleigh Farms Inc (KY). T-Rafael Becerra.

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MICK MOVES ON Paul Dixon's **Milk it Mick (GB)** (Millkom {GB}), who sprang a 33-1 surprise when winning the 2003 G1 Dewhurst S., has joined the Jim Cassidy barn in California. According to *Racing Post*, the five-year-old has left the Lambourn base of Jamie Osborne and is to be prepared with an eye on the current Santa Anita meet. After Milk it Mick's disappointing run of defeats since that Newmarket high and a fracture of his near-fore cannon bone, his former conditioner explained the reasoning behind the transfer. "Paul Dixon, who owns the horse, and I put together a plan and agreed there would be more opportunities in California, where the fast turf courses will suit him," Osborne told the *Post*. "The horse traveled over the other day, and the idea was to have him ready for the start of the Santa Anita program. I believe Jim has a race penciled in, and I'll be speaking to him over the next day or two."

TDN TODAY

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★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

GULFSTREAM PARK

Good Reward (Storm Cat), 4f, :49.80, 14/20

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Borrego (El Prado {Ire}), 5f, 1:00.20, 4/42

Bushwacker (Outflanker), 6f, 1:11.00, 1/9

License to Run (Brz) (Exile King), 6f, 1:14.40, 7/9

Stevie Wonderboy (Stephen Got Even), 6f, 1:12.60, 2/9

Texcess (In Excess {Ire}), 6f, 1:14.20, 6/9

OAKLAWN PARK

Alumni Hall (A.P. Indy), 3f, :37.20, 5/14

PALM MEADOWS

Rebel Rebel (Ire) (Revoque {Ire}), 6f, 1:14.40, 3/5

SANTA ANITA

Congrats (A.P. Indy), 5f, 1:01.20, 6/24

Geronimo (Chi) (Gold Tribute), 6fT, 1:13.80, 1/11

Senor Swinger (El Prado {Ire}), 4fT, :47.40, 1/5

Shadow of Illinois (Illinois Storm), 5fT, 1:05.00, 5/5

Spellbinder (Tale of the Cat), 3f, :37.80, 8/14

Star Parade (Arg) (Parade Marshal), 4f (tr), :49.00, 1/3

Three Degrees (Ire) (Singspiel {Ire}), 6fT, 1:17.40, 11/11

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-LRL, \$40,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$45,000), NW3\$3MX, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 4/5, ft.

PRINCESS PELONA (m, 6, El Prado {Ire})--**Peachtree City**, by **Carson City**) Lifetime Record: SW, 26-8-6-1, \$271,215. O-Pope McLean. B-Robert Keck, Pope McLean & John Downs (KY). T-Michael J Trombetta.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

+ **Sunshine Alpine**, c, 3, **Gold Case**--Alpine Aster (SW), by Badger Land. AQU, 1-5, (C), 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Mr & Mrs Charles McGinnes (Md). *\$16,000 yrl '04 FTMOCT; \$30,000 2yo '05 FTMMAY.

Homerette, f, 3, **Grand Slam**--Bien Sucre (SP, \$124,206), by Ends Well. AQU, 1-5, (S), 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Fox Ridge Farm, Inc (NY). *3/4 to Dulce de Leche (Distant View), SW-US & SP-Fr, \$170,874.

Impeach Willie, c, 3, **Impeachment**--Willie Brook, by Montbrook. LRL, 1-5, (C), 7f, 1:27 4/5. B-Carlos Rafael (Fl).

Flash Bayou, g, 3, **Pulling Punches**--Pretty Peggy, by Summing. LAD, 1-5, 1 1/16m, 1:49 1/5. B-Roy Taylor (La).

Mr. Shea, c, 4, **Metfield**--Ashlyn's Devil, by Diablo. AQU, 1-5, (C), a1m70yd, 1:44 1/5. B-Lynn L Levatino (Fl). *\$13,000 yrl '03 OBSJAN; \$35,000 2yo '04 OBSAPR.

Special Hunter, f, 4, **Tuesday's Special**--Reign Hunter, by Jade Hunter. LAD, 1-5, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-L O R Stables Ltd (Tx). *\$22,000 2yo '04 OBSAPR.

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Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- AUSTINPOWER (JPN)** (Sunday Silence), Lou-Roe, \$3K, 18/0/0
2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Make Us Happy, \$35K EAS SEP yrl
BLACK MINNALOUSHE (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$15K, 163/17/1
9-TP, Msw, 6f, Get It Straight, \$27K KEE SEP yrl
CITY ZIP (Carson City), Lane's End, \$8K, 118/20/2
2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Zip City Dancer, \$22K EAS SEP yrl
2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Solid Gold Victory
FOREST CAMP (Deputy Minister), Airdrie, \$10K, 167/17/2
9-TP, Msw, 6f, Clever Selection, \$27K OBS MAR 2yo
LEXICON (Conquistador Cielo), Meadowbrook, \$5K, 51/3/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Sir Sexy Lexy, \$6K OBS JUN 2yo, 9-2
LUFTIKUS (Meadowlake), Taylor Mtn, \$3K, 78/8/2
9-CT, Alw, 6 1/2f, Lovetokiss, 5-1
POINT GIVEN (Thunder Gulch), Three Chimneys, \$125K, 151/2/0
9-LRL, Msw, 1m, Dastard Lee, \$10K EAS MAY 2yo, 30-1
PRIME TIMBER (Sultry Song), Sez Who, \$5K, 93/12/1
2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Prime Honor, \$60K OBS JUN 2yo
6-AQU, Msw, 6f, Pickett's Prime, \$25K EAS MAY 2yo
SNUCK IN (Montbrook), Cloverleaf, \$3K, 113/15/0
4-LAD, Msw, 1 1/16m, Big Courage, \$40K TEX MAR 2yo, 8-5

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Sands Crooner (Ire)**, c, 3, **Imperial Ballet (Ire)**--Kurfuffle (GB), by Bluebird. Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-5, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 20yds (AWT). B-Peter Molony. *Full to Kurlicue (Ire), SP-Ire & US. **21,000gns yrl '04 DONSEP.
Mambo King (Ire), c, 3, **King Charlemagne**--La Cerveza (Ire) (SP-Ity), by Lycius. Naples, Italy, 1-4, Mdn, 3yo, 7fT. B-Allevamento la Nuova Sbarra SRL.

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UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Jan. 7	GII New Orleans H.	FG@LA Downs
	GII San Pasqual H.	Santa Anita
	GIII Hal's Hope H.	Gulfstream
	GIII Mr. Prospector H.	Gulfstream
	GIII Santa Ysabel S. Aventura S.	Santa Anita Gulfstream
Jan. 8	GII San Gorgonio H.	Santa Anita
Jan. 14	GII San Rafael S.	Santa Anita
	GII San Fernando BC S.	Santa Anita
	GIII Risen Star S.	FG@LA Downs
	GIII Silverbulletday S. GIII Bayou BC H.	FG@LA Downs FG@LA Downs
Jan. 15	GII El Encino S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 16	GII Santa Ynez S.	Santa Anita
Jan. 21	GII Palos Verdes H.	Santa Anita
	GIII Aqueduct H.	Aqueduct
	GIII First Lady H.	Gulfstream
	GIII Fair Grounds BC H.	FG@LA Downs

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