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SAN RAFAEL SHOWDOWN

It's just two weeks into the New Year, but Santa Anita will feature a clash between the two most accomplished West Coast-based colts of 2005 in today's GII San Rafael S. Eclipse favorite **Stevie Wonderboy** (Stephen Got Even), off since winning the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile at Belmont Oct. 29, will make his three-year-old debut here while facing a tough competitor in **Brother Derek** (Benchmark). The California-bred bay followed his game victory in the GII Norfolk S. Oct. 2



Stevie Wonderboy
Sherackatthetrack photo



Brother Derek
Benoit Photo

with a fourth at 56-1 in the Breeders' Cup. He rebounded with a tenacious triumph in the GI Hollywood Futurity Dec. 17. While Brother Derek hasn't had any downtime, trainer Dan Hendricks has a healthy respect for the favorite. "I don't know if we have an edge," he admitted. "The only edge I know is I've been two turns twice, and he hasn't. If he's a better horse, he is a better horse;

he beats me...it's not the ultimate goal for either horse, but it would be a nice, fun race to win." Though Brother Derek's natural speed will almost certainly have him leading the way, he'll have to deal with the blaze-faced chestnut in the stretch. "I'm going to ride him like I'm on the best horse," said Stevie Wonderboy's jockey Garrett Gomez. "I can do pretty much what I want with him and hopefully he's there."

Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 3:08 p.m. PST

SAN RAFAEL S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, 1m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER | ODDS |
|----|------------------|------------------|-----------|------|
| 1 | Woody Be Quick | Woodman | DeLeon | 30-1 |
| 2 | Brother Derek | Benchmark | Hendricks | 7-5 |
| 3 | M. J. Pkay | Gold Knuckles | Monroe | 30-1 |
| 4 | Wanna Runner | El Corredor | Baffert | 5-1 |
| 5 | Stevie Wonderboy | Stephen Got Even | O'Neill | 4-5 |
| 6 | Sailors Sunset | Petionville | Polanco | 15-1 |

RETRACTION

The Thoroughbred Daily News made an egregious error in Friday's edition when publishing information from a press release from CTBAboardwatch. According to industry insiders, the source of the information included in the press release has been convicted of a misdemeanor charge of theft of personal property in a case involving a Thoroughbred and is currently the subject of a restraining order. John Harris, a long-time CTBA board member, stated, "I believe this is the misguided and evil approach of one person, Michael Power. He has been criminally convicted of theft in a horse transaction, and has financial liens against him by numerous parties. I don't know why he hates me so much, but I am alarmed that TDN would publish this garbage." Contacted by the TDN, a CTBAboardwatch spokesman refused to identify himself, and refused to reveal any officers or directors of CTBAboardwatch. Their press release contained material that was totally inappropriate for inclusion in the TDN. By publishing it, we gave credibility to information that had no business in our publication. It was a mistake to print it, and we extend our profuse apologies to John Harris, the CTBA directors and its employees.

--Barry Weisbord, Publisher

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ENCOSTA DE LAGO COLT MM TOPS DAY TWO

Victorian trainer Robbie Laing secured the top-priced yearling from a consistently strong second session of the Conrad Jupiters Magic Millions yearling sale when he gave A\$725,000 for a colt by Encosta de Lago (Aus) out of MSW Millrich (Aus) (Rubiton {Aus}). Sold as Lot 314 from the consignment of Eliza Park Stud, the colt is a half-brother to GSW Danerich (Aus), who is trained by Laing. Eliza Park principal Lee Fleming will retain a share in the colt. "This colt is similar to Danerich and I like him very much," said Laing, who selected Danerich for A\$500,000 in 2004. Millrich was an outstanding filly, winning the G3 Sweet Embrace S. before placing third to Flying Spur (Aus) and Octagonal (NZ) in vintage 1996 Golden Slipper. The purchase confirmed two distinct trends at the sale: a trainer-led buying bench and solid demand for proven stallions.



Lot 314 - A\$725,000
Eliza Park Stud photo

Record Average for Session Two...

The second session concluded with a record average of A\$142,210 and receipts of A\$23,322,500 for 164 yearlings sold. "When you get a clearance at 90 per cent it is as good as it gets," said Magic Millions managing director David Chester. "I cannot remember ever having a better session here. We did have better horses than yesterday, but the buyers have got their values set. It always takes a while for that to happen as we are the first sale of the season. The sales always seem to get dearer and people look back at this sale and think they should have bought more here. It was good to see the bottom end of the market pick up as it was a bit sticky yesterday." Chester has foreshadowed a brand new sale complex for the fast-growing Gold Coast sale company, saying the January sale had outgrown its present location. Magic Millions has spent more than A\$3 million on new stabling and air conditioning for the large barn in which the sale is held. "We have outgrown this venue, and I cannot think of a larger sale auditorium in the world than ours," said Chester. "I think it is a fantastic idea to provide new facilities and a world-class racetrack and sale complex."

Danehill Dancer Colt Second Highest on the Day...

Later in the afternoon, leading buyer Charles Laird went to A\$720,000 for a flashy Danehill Dancer (Ire) colt from the stakes winning mare Piper Star (Aus) (Kaaestad {NZ}) on behalf of owner/breeder Markus Jooste. Coolmore's Demi O'Byrne was underbidder on the colt offered by Kitchwin Hills. "I thought he was the best colt in the sale and he could have a stallion's pedigree," Laird said of Lot 400. "Personally I thought that he would be a A\$400-\$500,000 colt, but I liked him and Markus said if he was my choice to 'just buy him'." Kitchwin Hills manager Mick Malone said the colt had a A\$350,000 reserve. "He was a cracker of a colt and there was a lot of interest in him, but in the end the sale exceeded our expectations and it is a great result for a young stud such as ourselves," Malone said.

**MAGIC MILLIONS
FRIDAY - TOP 7 LOTS**

| Hip | Sex | Sire | Dam | Price (A\$) |
|--|-----|-------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| <u>314</u> | c | <u>Encosta de Lago (Aus)</u> | <u>Millrich (Aus)</u> | \$725,000 |
| Consigned by Eliza Park Stud Purchased by Robbie Laing | | | | |
| <u>400</u> | c | <u>Danehill Dancer (Ire)</u> | <u>Piper Star (Aus)</u> | \$720,000 |
| Consigned by Kitchwin Hills Purchased by Laird Racing Stables | | | | |
| <u>388</u> | c | <u>Redoute's Choice (Aus)</u> | <u>Patagonia (Aus)</u> | \$470,000 |
| Consigned by Yarraman Park Purchased by Tim Martin | | | | |
| <u>245</u> | f | <u>Encosta de Lago (Aus)</u> | <u>La Fleur (Aus)</u> | \$450,000 |
| Consigned by Broadwater Farm Purchased by John O'Shea | | | | |
| <u>295</u> | c | <u>Choisir</u> | <u>Markka (Aus)</u> | \$400,000 |
| Consigned by Yallabee Stud Purchased by Gai Waterhouse | | | | |
| <u>306</u> | c | <u>Hussonet</u> | <u>Messenger Miss</u> | \$360,000 |
| Consigned by Arrowfield Stud Purchased by Tim Stakemire | | | | |
| <u>232</u> | f | <u>Hussonet</u> | <u>Lace Wing (GB)</u> | \$350,000 |
| Consigned by Arrowfield Stud Purchased by Shigeki Gotto | | | | |

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What They're Saying At Magic Millions...

"The sale is tough and hard. There are some very good quality yearlings and hopefully we will come away with next year's Magic Millions winners. It is a sale you have to do your homework on. I've bought fewer this year, but I have paid a little bit more for them."
 --Trainer Gai Waterhouse

"The quality of horse is outstanding, the best I have seen here. The average is up because the quality is up, and the top end of the market is reasonable. I was surprised Lot 41 made A\$900,000, but because the stallion market is so strong, if he wins a Group 1 he is worth millions. I bid to A\$700,000 on him and it wasn't enough."
 --Trainer Tim Martin

"I don't think I have been at a sale where we have tried to buy and not had enough money so many times. There are well credentialed first-season sires and they are selling well. As a buyer, I would say they are very expensive!"
 --Trainer David Hayes

MAGIC MILLIONS PREMIER SALE
 Friday, January 13, 2006

| <u>SESSION TOTALS</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2005</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| No. Offered | 188 | 201 |
| No. Sold | 164 | 172 |
| RNAs | 24 | 29 |
| % RNA | 12.8% | 14.4% |
| Gross | A\$23,322,500 | A\$19,081,500 |
| Avg (% Change) | A\$142,210 (+28.2%) | A\$110,939 |

| <u>CUMULATIVE</u> | <u>2006</u> | <u>2005</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| No. Offered | 381 | 400 |
| No. Sold | 323 | 329 |
| RNAs | 58 | 71 |
| % RNA | 15.2% | 17.8% |
| Gross | A\$44,245,000 | A\$36,431,500 |
| Avg (%Change) | A\$136,981 (+23.7%) | A\$110,734 |

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| 5:09p | Risen Star S.-GIII, LAD | brisnet.com PPs | TVG |
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P R E V I E W S



Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 4:10 p.m. PST
SAN FERNANDO BREEDERS' CUP S.-GII, \$200,000,

| 4yo, 1 1/16m | PP HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER | ODDS |
|--------------|--------------------|------------------|-----------|------|
| 1 | Swiss Lad | Phone Saga | Jones | 15-1 |
| 2a | Canteen | Fusaichi Pegasus | Drysdale | 5-1 |
| 3b | Osidy | Storm Cat | Mandella | 9-5 |
| 4b | Greeley's Galaxy | Mr. Greeley | W Stute | 9-5 |
| 5 | Unbridled Energy | Unbridled's Song | Mandella | 7-2 |
| 6 | Swing Your Partner | Wheaton | Yakteen | 15-1 |
| 7a | Sort It Out | Out of Place | Baffert | 5-1 |
| 8 | Distorted | Distorted Humor | Gallagher | 5-2 |
| 9 | Brecon Beacon (GB) | Spectrum (Ire) | O'Neill | 8-1 |

All carry 116 pounds except Greeley's Galaxy, 120.

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San Fernando preview cont.

Distorted makes his stakes debut after a five-race sequence of improving efforts. The bay returned from a seven-month layoff to finish a close third at Bay Meadows on Labor Day, then posted a second and third, respectively, in Santa Anita allowance contests Sept. 30 and Oct. 22. He won going this distance at Hollywood Nov. 13 and added another victory in an optional claimer Dec. 19 at the Inglewood oval. **Greeley's Galaxy** looked like a world-beater in winning the GI Illinois Derby by 9 1/2 lengths, earning a Beyer Speed Figure of 106, but was sidelined following a seventh in the GI Preakness S. He returned to finish in the same position in the seven-furlong GI Malibu S. Dec. 26 and should improve with that effort under his belt.

Saturday, Louisiana Downs, post time: 4:09 p.m. CST

RISEN STAR S.-GIII, \$250,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER | WT |
|----|-----------------|---------------|-----------|-----|
| 1 | Red Bordeaux | Gulch | Nicks | 116 |
| 2 | Mark of Success | Mt. Livermore | Stewart | 116 |
| 3 | Hyte Regency | Diligence | Trosclair | 116 |
| 4 | Lawyer Ron | Langfuhr | Holthus | 118 |
| 5 | Malameeze | Saint Ballado | Barnett | 116 |
| 6 | Midway Man | Awesome Again | Asmussen | 116 |
| 7 | Saint Augustus | Saint Ballado | Pletcher | 118 |

Saint Augustus ships in from trainer Todd Pletcher's red-hot Florida barn on the strength of a sharp win in the What a Pleasure S. at Calder Dec. 3. The flashy chestnut made a sweeping move that day and shouldn't be inconvenienced by this outside post. **Lawyer Ron** broke his maiden on the dirt at Keeneland Oct. 21 and, after two losses on grass, added a 10 3/4-length victory in an off-the-turf optional claimer at this track Dec. 9. He posted a front-running, 8 1/2-length win in the Diamond Jo S. at Evangeline Downs on New Year's Eve with a 97 Beyer Speed Figure, but will have more company on the lead here in the form of unbeaten **Mark of Success** and **Hyte Regency**. The latter comes in off a third, beaten four lengths, to Private Vow in the GI Kentucky Jockey Club S. Nov. 26 at Churchill Downs.



Saint Augustus
Jim Lisa photo

More From Magic Millions...

"It is going very well, the average is up about 10 percent. Apart from yesterday's top horse, there are not huge million-dollar horses, but there is good, strong selling everybody would be happy with it. I would expect [Inglis] Easter to follow suit and be up about 10 percent as well." --*Jim Fleming, Tyreel Stud*

"It is a strong sale for the right horses, which is typical of sales all over the world. The right horses probably make overs. The good horses are selling well and I was surprised, there are more fillies than I thought there would be." --*Adrian Nicoll, BBA Ireland*



RACE RECORD

- 1ST GRAND CRITERIUM [G1]DEFEATING INTERCONTINENTAL.
- 1ST RAILWAY STAKES [G3]DEFEATING NEWFOUNDLAND.
- 2ND WOODWARD STAKES [G1]TO MINESHAFT (PICTURED).
- 3RD BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE [G1]FIRST START ON DIRT.

Like his 3/4 brother **HENNESSY** (FEE: \$75,000) & his paternal half-brother **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY** (FEE: \$300,000), he is a Gr.1 winning 2-Y-O by **STORM CAT** (FEE: \$500,000).

2005 LEADING Sires OF 2-YEAR-OLDS IN U.S.A.

| Rank | Stallion (Sire) | Standing Farm | Earnings |
|------|------------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| 1 | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY (Storm Cat) | Ashford Stud | \$1,609,388 |
| 2 | HENNESSY (Storm Cat) | Ashford Stud | \$1,352,540 |

Source: www.bloodhorse.com, 31st Dec.

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Saturday, Louisiana Downs, post time: 3:09 p.m. CST
SILVERBULLETDAY S.-GIII, \$250,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER |
|----|-----------------|---------------|----------|
| 1 | Wild Tonight | Wild Again | Holthus |
| 2 | Cintarosa | Grand Slam | Asmussen |
| 3 | Hoochie Glide | High Yield | Jones |
| 4 | Seen Dancing | Souvenir Copy | B Flint |
| 5 | French Park | Ecton Park | Pitts |
| 6 | Baghdaria | Royal Academy | Calhoun |
| 7 | Capozzene | Capote | Pletcher |
| 8 | Devine Laughter | Saint Ballado | Asmussen |

All carry 116 pounds except French Park, 122.

French Park fulfilled the promise of her 12 1/4-length debut win at Keeneland in October with a pair of graded stakes victories. After taking the GIII Pocahontas S. at a one-turn mile at Churchill Nov. 5, the grey filly overcame trouble on the first turn to land the GII Golden Rod S. under the Twin Spires Nov. 26 and looms the one to beat. Stakes winner **Capozzene** returned from a two-month break to run second by a length in the Three Ring S. at Calder Dec. 3 and adds blinkers this time.



French Park
Four Footed Foto

Sunday, Santa Anita

EL ENCINO S.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo, f, 1 1/16m

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | JOCKEY | WT |
|----|---------------------|-----------------|------------|-----|
| 1 | Somethinaboutlaura | Dance Floor | Gryder | 117 |
| 2 | Skipping Court | Doneraile Court | Desormeaux | 115 |
| 3 | Cream Donut Keith | Lion Hearted | Nakatani | 115 |
| 4 | Proposed | Benchmark | Valenzuela | 117 |
| 5 | Shimmer | Pulpit | V Espinoza | 117 |
| 6 | Three Degrees (Ire) | Singspiel (Ire) | Solis | 117 |
| 7 | Play Ballado | Saint Ballado | Prado | 117 |

Saturday, Louisiana Downs, post time: 3:39 p.m. CST

BAYOU BREEDERS' CUP H.-GIII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT

| PP | HORSE | SIRE | TRAINER | WT |
|----|------------------------|--------------|----------|-----|
| 1 | Lenatarese | Broad Brush | Carroll | 115 |
| 2 | Where's Bailey | Aljabr | Vance | 114 |
| 3 | La Reason | Labeeb (GB) | Vance | 115 |
| 4 | Freei | Honor Grades | Nicks | 114 |
| 5 | Pad the Wallet | Skip Away | Smith | 113 |
| 6 | Voz de Colegiala (Chi) | Sayaret | Asmussen | 115 |
| 7 | Snowdrops (GB) | Gulch | Clement | 119 |
| 8 | Black Rock Road | Bertrando | Stall | 115 |

☆ SALES NEWS ☆

KEENELAND ROLLS TO RECORD GROSS Continued demand for broodmare prospects bolstered Keeneland's January Horses of All Ages Sale once again as the auction set a new record gross of \$68,174,000 during Friday's session; the mark included stallion shares and a breeding right. The previous record of \$66,694,900 had been recorded during the 1988 January Sale, when the Nelson Bunker Hunt dispersal was conducted. "The strength of the sale is reflected in the fact that we surpassed the record January gross with a solid, middle-market catalog. The previous record sale included the Hunt dispersal," said Geoffrey Russell, Keeneland's director of sales. "The dynamics of the January sale have changed; the perception is totally different. This is a major international sale, considered to be a continuation of the November sale." **Cont. p6**

KEENELAND JANUARY - TOP 4 LOTS

| Hip | Name | Status | Price |
|--|----------------------|-------------------------------|------------------|
| 1486 | Secret Forest | b'mare prospect | \$600,000 |
| <i>(5, Forestry--Half Secret, by Upper Nile)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent LXXI Purchased by Robert E Courtney Sr | | | |
| 1651 | Divine Lady | racing/b'mare prospect | \$575,000 |
| <i>(5, Kris S.--Divine Dixie, by Dixieland Band)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXXIX Purchased by Blackjack Stables | | | |
| 1572 | Air Marshall | b'mare prospect | \$285,000 |
| <i>(6, Silver Deputy--Sky Blue Pink, by Strawberry Road {Aus})</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXI Purchased by Eurowest | | | |
| 1812 | Paris Return | racing/b'mare prospect | \$260,000 |
| <i>(3, Cozzene--Marseille Express, by Caerleon)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Vinery Ltd Purchased by Newmarket International | | | |



KEENELAND JANUARY STATISTICS

FRIDAY, JAN. 13, 2006

| KEENELAND CUMULATIVE | 2006 | 2005 |
|----------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| No. Offered | 1557 | 1555 |
| No. Sold | 1213 | 1196 |
| RNAs | 344 | 359 |
| % RNA | 22.1% | 23.1% |
| Gross | \$68,174,900 | \$52,220,600 |
| Average (% change) | \$56,076 (+28.4%) | \$43,663 |
| Median (% change) | \$25,000 (+56.3%) | \$16,000 |

| Life | 8 | 6 | 1 | 1 | \$1,843,750 | 118 |
|------|---|---|---|---|-------------|-----|
| | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | \$1,612,150 | 118 |
| | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 | \$202,800 | 108 |

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|-------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----|----|-------|-------|-------|---------|-------|--------------|--------|-------|
| 12Jun04-9CD sly 1 1/8 | :47 3 1:12 2 1:37 2 1:50 3 3 | S Foster H-G1 | 110 | 3 | 3 1/2 | 2 1/2 | 4 1/4 | 1 1/4 | 2 1/2 | Espinoza V | L122 f | *1.50 |
| 14May04-11Pm fst 1 3/8 | :47 2 1:14 1:36 1:55 4 4 | Pim Spl H-G1 | 118 | 4 | 2 1/2 | 2 1/2 | 2 1/2 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/4 | Espinoza V | L120 | 1.90 |
| 6Mar04-10SA fst 1 1/4 | :46 1 1:10 1:35 1:2 0 1 3 | 4+ SAH-G1 | 113 | 2 | 4 1/4 | 3 1/4 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/2 | 1 1/4 | Espinoza V | LB118 | *1.00 |
| 24Jan04-6SA fst 1 1/8 | :45 3 1:09 2 1:34 2 1:47 3 4 | 4+ RISM Classic 1000k | 107 | 8 | 5 2/4 | 3 2 | 3 1 | 1 1/2 | 1 3 | Espinoza V | LB120 | 3.10 |
| 26Dec03-8SA fst 7f | :22 :45 1:09 1:22 3 | Malibu-G1 | 108 | 10 | 7 | 3 1/2 | 5 2/4 | 3 2 1/2 | 1 1/4 | Espinoza V | LB115 | 13.70 |
| 2Aug03-7Dmr fst 1 1/8 | :22 :46 1:11 1:42 4 3 | Alw 61480m1x | 96 | 4 | 6 4 | 4 2 | 4 1/4 | 1 3 | 1 1 | Espinoza V | LB115 | *1.70 |
| 1Feb03-4SA fst 7f | :22 :44 1:08 1:21 | Sn Vicnte-G2 | 102 | 3 | 5 | 2 1/2 | 3 1/2 | 3 4 | 3 6 | Nakatani C S | LB117 | 2.50 |
| 26Dec02-9SA fst 6 1/2 f | :22 :45 1:08 3 1:15 | Md Sp Wt 48k | 97 | 2 | 5 | 1 1/2 | 1 1 | 1 3 | 1 3 | Nakatani C S | LB120 | 2.50 |

Whose Past Performances are these?
(answer pg.8)



Keeneland January cont.
Not Much of a Secret...

Friday's session topper was **Secret Forest** (Forestry), a winning five-year-old filly out of Half Secret (Upper Nile) who attracted a \$600,000 bid from Robert E. Courtney, Sr. Taylor Made consigned the bay, who is a half-sister to MGSW Top Secret (Afleet), MSW Tate (Afleet), SW West's Secret (West by West) and Bigger Half (Megaturn), the dam of GSW Megascap. Not too far behind her was five-year-old **Divine Lady** (Kris S.), who sold for \$575,000 to Blackjack Stables. The dark bay, a half-sister to GI Blue Grass S. hero Bandini, broke her maiden at Belmont last May. Her second dam is GISW Hail Atlantis (Seattle Slew). Selling for \$285,000 to Eurowest was **Air Marshall** (Silver Deputy), a stakes-placed six-year-old broodmare prospect. From the Taylor Made consignment, she is out of a half-sister to the dam of MGISW First Samurai (Giant's Causeway). The sale continues today at 10 a.m.

Goodbye Charlie...

The highest-priced yearling at yesterday's session was hip 1679, a bay colt by Indian Charlie who was acquired for \$75,000 by Hill 'n' Dale Bloodstock from the consignment of Parrish Hill Farm. He is the first foal from the Tale of the Cat mare Feminine, who hails from the family of Horse of the Year Charismatic as well as GISW Millennium Wind.

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

MASS MEDIA BACK IN TRAINING **Mass Media** (Touch Gold--Sultry Allure, by Forty Niner), who was retired to Hill 'n' Dale Farm in Lexington, Kentucky.



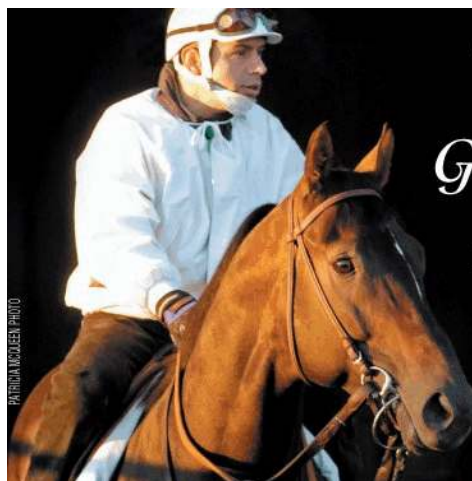
Mass Media at Saratoga
Adam Coglianese photo

after finishing second in the GI Hill 'n' Dale Cigar Mile, will resume training, it was announced yesterday. "I am thrilled that Mass Media will return to training," trainer Bobby Frankel commented. "He retired sound and he should be a major force to be reckoned with in the sprinter/miler division." The GI Forego S. victor's main goal

for 2006 will be the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint at Churchill Downs Nov. 4, according to Ben Glass, racing manager for Gary and Mary West. "We had mixed emotions regarding the retirement of Mass Media," Glass said. "He is a proven Grade I winner and we feel he can win important races this year. Gary West enjoys watching his horses run and there is plenty of time to resume a stallion career. In retrospect, our decision to retire Mass Media was probably done in haste. Looking at his division, we think he can win important races this year and enhance his value as a future stallion."

'SHE SAYS' ADDED TO FASIG-TIPTON **She Says It Best** (Stormy Atlantic--Bestsayes, by Marsayas), who was retired Thursday with a knee injury, will be offered as a broodmare prospect at Fasig-Tipton's Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale in Lexington, Kentucky. Feb. 12 and 13. The 2005 GII Darley Alcibiades S. victress bankrolled \$382,918, while winning four of eight career starts. Carl Bowling, representing the racing partnership which campaigned She Says It Best, has also entered the stakes-placed sophomore filly **Special Heritage** (Gone West--Heritage of Gold, by Gold Legend). The duo will be consigned by Eaton Sales, agent.

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|--|--------------------|-------------|--|
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| KEENELAND. | | | |
| SESSION TOTALS | 2006 | 2005 | |
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| RNAs | 70 | 68 | |
| % RNA | 23% | 26.7% | |
| Gross | \$5,378,500 | \$1,489,800 | |
| Average (% change) | \$22,985 (+188.5%) | \$7,967 | |
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| PP HORSE | SIRE | ODDS |
| 1 Swiss Lad | Phone Saga | 15-1 |

Established a decent level early in his career, but ran two stinkers when he returned, before exploding two back. He backed up a little last time, and the Thoro-Pattern shows this is a weak short-term pattern. We think his chances are even worse than that because the top was so extreme, and the sire profile isn't encouraging in his first try at a route.

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| 2 Canteen | <u>Fusaichi Pegasus</u> | 5-1 |
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Has a much stronger Thoro-Pattern, but again, a look at his long-term development (or lack of it, in this case), makes us downgrade his chances. He hasn't developed a step in almost a year. He could finally break through now, but he's not that fast with these anyway, which overall makes him an underlay. Note that like Frankel and Pletcher, Drysdale gets a very high percentage of paired tops. But that's misleading, because so many of his starts are on grass, where horses run figures in a tight range. The profile shows his runners are much more volatile on dirt.

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| 3 Osidy | <u>Storm Cat</u> | 9-5 |
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Is by sire of early developers Storm Cat, which means he's unlikely to improve much more, and has never run fast enough on grass or dirt to threaten here.

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| 4 Greeley's Galaxy | <u>Mr. Greeley</u> | 9-5 |
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Marched straight down to a huge number to win the Illinois Derby, and running back to that effort would almost certainly be good enough here. When a horse moves forward quickly without bouncing or leveling off, it's a sign of increasing fitness, not development. Stute is one of the few trainers left who race horses into shape the old-fashioned way. Note that his profile shows much poorer results in the first three starts off a layoff than overall, in percentage of both wins and tops. This colt should go forward today, but he's still probably a race or two away from a really big one.

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| 5 Unbridled Energy | Unbridled's Song | 7-2 |
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Ran a couple of good ones last spring before bouncing on short rest, then took a few months off. He was four wide in his return, and Mandella is good both second off a layoff and stretching out. This lightly raced colt is perhaps the only horse in the field that has not established a ceiling, so he has the most upside, and this race should tell us a lot about him. Since just a return to a figure he hit as a March three-year-old would probably be good enough, he's strong here.

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| 6 Swing Your Partner | Wheaton | 15-1 |
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Shows the healthiest pattern of development in the field, and has improved to the point where his figures are borderline competitive with these. But he has to deal now with the effects of two big efforts, and Wheaton's sire profile leans towards sprints.

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| 7 Sort It Out | Out of Place | 5-1 |
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Improved dramatically practically overnight when he turned three, but hasn't been able to maintain that level since, let alone develop in a healthy fashion. Baffert's horses are running very well recently, but this one has a very weak pattern.

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| 8 Distorted | <u>Distorted Humor</u> | 5-2 |
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Came back from a layoff in a new barn and showed improvement. The extreme amount of previous development is a negative, and in conflict with the good short-term pattern, but it wouldn't be a shock to see a small new top, and he could get a piece of this.

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| 9 Brecon Beacon (GB) | Spectrum (Ire) | 8-1 |
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Has never run fast enough on turf to contend here, and the few North American runners his sire has had have been much better on that surface. This marks only his second try for O'Neill, but he's still tough to like.

Overview: Greeley's Galaxy's big back number is intimidating, but Unbridled Energy looks like the play today.

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| Rank | Sire | FYR | ***** 2005 In-foal Mares ***** | | | | | *** 2005 Yearlings *** | | |
|------|--------------------|-----|--------------------------------|------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| | | | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopMare | Sold | Average | Median |
| 1 | STORM CAT | F89 | 3 | 3 | \$2,116,667 | \$2,000,000 | \$3,700,000 | 28 | \$1,763,750 | \$812,500 |
| 2 | A.P. INDY | F94 | 10 | 8 | 1,465,625 | 1,100,000 | 2,400,000 | 22 | 925,773 | 487,500 |
| 3 | PIVOTAL | F98 | 7 | 6 | 999,291 | 931,490 | 2,341,112 | 40 | 238,493 | 171,513 |
| 4 | UNBRIDLED'S SONG | F98 | 16 | 14 | 987,857 | 625,000 | 3,600,000 | 45 | 393,222 | 250,000 |
| 5 | EL PRADO | F94 | 6 | 5 | 836,000 | 600,000 | 2,100,000 | 9 | 81,667 | 90,000 |
| 6 | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | F02 | 27 | 22 | 629,237 | 537,500 | 2,200,000 | 55 | 410,059 | 336,212 |
| 7 | ELUSIVE QUALITY | F00 | 11 | 8 | 591,875 | 220,000 | 2,400,000 | 43 | 199,348 | 130,000 |
| 8 | GONE WEST | F89 | 13 | 12 | 577,917 | 500,000 | 1,400,000 | 31 | 384,516 | 325,000 |
| 9 | FUSAICHI PEGASUS | F02 | 29 | 25 | 533,000 | 500,000 | 2,000,000 | 36 | 391,027 | 245,000 |
| 10 | EMPIRE MAKER | F05 | 12 | 7 | 489,286 | 400,000 | 1,050,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 11 | PLEASANTLY PERFECT | F06 | 11 | 8 | 475,625 | 92,500 | 3,000,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 12 | SEEKING THE GOLD | F91 | 3 | 3 | 461,667 | 475,000 | 600,000 | 17 | 273,529 | 250,000 |
| 13 | MONTJEU | F02 | 16 | 12 | 417,080 | 378,180 | 925,000 | 75 | 234,987 | 120,410 |
| 14 | MINESHAFT | F05 | 11 | 10 | 413,500 | 325,000 | 1,250,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 15 | SPEIGHTSTOWN | F06 | 22 | 20 | 386,500 | 315,000 | 700,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 16 | HIGH CHAPARRAL | F05 | 11 | 5 | 384,254 | 156,674 | 1,440,684 | *** | *** | *** |
| 17 | RAINBOW QUEST | F87 | 2 | 2 | 379,595 | 379,595 | 629,528 | 6 | 143,285 | 157,188 |
| 18 | FORESTRY | F01 | 19 | 16 | 370,000 | 320,000 | 750,000 | 27 | 296,741 | 250,000 |
| 19 | SMARTY JONES | F06 | 25 | 18 | 364,444 | 365,000 | 950,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 20 | PULPIT | F99 | 6 | 4 | 342,500 | 255,000 | 740,000 | 25 | 230,480 | 215,000 |
| 21 | VINDICATION | F05 | 30 | 21 | 333,571 | 280,000 | 1,100,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 22 | DISTORTED HUMOR | F00 | 23 | 20 | 333,000 | 252,500 | 725,000 | 73 | 194,420 | 145,000 |
| 23 | REFUSE TO BEND | F06 | 16 | 13 | 324,200 | 76,505 | 2,971,411 | *** | *** | *** |
| 24 | WAR CHANT | F02 | 16 | 6 | 320,000 | 340,000 | 525,000 | 34 | 151,522 | 130,820 |
| 25 | SADLER'S WELLS | F86 | 2 | 2 | 265,370 | 265,370 | 413,690 | 43 | 349,874 | 280,177 |
| 26 | DALAKHANI | F05 | 3 | 3 | 257,247 | 261,124 | 468,222 | *** | *** | *** |
| 27 | DYNAFORMER | F91 | 8 | 8 | 237,500 | 245,000 | 400,000 | 33 | 188,252 | 175,000 |
| 28 | KING'S BEST | F02 | 10 | 9 | 226,677 | 179,865 | 765,363 | 46 | 120,853 | 81,413 |
| 29 | RED RANSOM | F92 | 4 | 4 | 222,496 | 119,437 | 575,568 | 35 | 128,507 | 80,000 |
| 30 | TALE OF THE CAT | F00 | 27 | 17 | 207,059 | 150,000 | 500,000 | 66 | 146,519 | 98,500 |
| 31 | ANABAA | F98 | 8 | 4 | 205,479 | 104,830 | 576,240 | 11 | 89,887 | 54,738 |
| 32 | GRAND SLAM | F00 | 18 | 12 | 204,167 | 195,000 | 350,000 | 74 | 99,968 | 70,000 |
| 33 | DIESIS | F85 | 7 | 5 | 202,706 | 140,000 | 490,000 | 17 | 95,038 | 65,375 |
| 34 | STRONG HOPE | F06 | 16 | 13 | 199,615 | 200,000 | 330,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 35 | ALHAARTH | F99 | 10 | 10 | 196,919 | 71,947 | 1,177,000 | 40 | 121,257 | 67,158 |
| 36 | DIXIE UNION | F02 | 18 | 15 | 186,000 | 140,000 | 575,000 | 50 | 142,510 | 100,000 |
| 37 | MONSUN | F96 | 1 | 1 | 179,865 | 179,865 | 179,865 | 10 | 98,406 | 58,339 |
| 38 | DANEHILL DANCER | F98 | 15 | 12 | 175,573 | 153,003 | 342,162 | 86 | 127,441 | 94,553 |
| 39 | HAWK WING | F05 | 16 | 9 | 174,091 | 111,815 | 504,239 | *** | *** | *** |
| 40 | COZZENE | F87 | 3 | 3 | 171,733 | 200,000 | 310,000 | 18 | 88,639 | 70,000 |

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|------|-------------------|-----|--------------------------------|------|-----------|----------|-------------|------------------------|---------|---------|
| Rank | Sire | FYR | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopMare | Sold | Average | Median |
| 41 | THEATRICAL | F89 | 7 | 3 | 171,167 | 27,000 | 485,000 | 15 | 113,198 | 84,287 |
| 42 | INDIAN RIDGE | F91 | 4 | 3 | 168,196 | 94,160 | 342,162 | 23 | 241,905 | 249,764 |
| 43 | ROCK OF GIBRALTAR | F04 | 19 | 14 | 166,595 | 112,554 | 467,649 | 59 | 183,090 | 123,957 |
| 44 | OASIS DREAM | F05 | 7 | 6 | 156,672 | 118,854 | 360,171 | *** | *** | *** |
| 45 | CANADIAN FRONTIER | F06 | 1 | 1 | 155,000 | 155,000 | 155,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 46 | ONE COOL CAT | F06 | 16 | 11 | 151,147 | 90,000 | 540,225 | *** | *** | *** |
| 47 | CADEAUX GENEREUX | F91 | 2 | 1 | 147,670 | 147,670 | 147,670 | 25 | 77,600 | 59,005 |
| 48 | MEDAGLIA D'ORO | F06 | 39 | 26 | 145,115 | 100,000 | 750,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 49 | GALILEO | F03 | 15 | 8 | 144,264 | 116,082 | 360,171 | 30 | 253,065 | 150,569 |
| 50 | YES IT'S TRUE | F02 | 24 | 19 | 143,421 | 110,000 | 360,000 | 50 | 82,720 | 75,000 |
| 51 | BIRDSTONE | F06 | 13 | 10 | \$142,500 | \$30,000 | \$1,100,000 | *** | \$*** | \$*** |
| 52 | GULCH | F90 | 17 | 13 | 142,165 | 85,000 | 500,000 | 36 | 83,328 | 56,000 |
| 53 | MR. GREELEY | F97 | 25 | 20 | 139,700 | 97,500 | 625,000 | 68 | 200,219 | 110,000 |
| 54 | SMART STRIKE | F98 | 24 | 19 | 137,053 | 97,000 | 420,000 | 48 | 97,054 | 56,000 |
| 55 | ALDEBARAN | F05 | 15 | 10 | 136,700 | 117,500 | 250,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 56 | JOHANNESBURG | F04 | 40 | 31 | 132,935 | 93,639 | 350,000 | 76 | 104,269 | 67,500 |
| 57 | SKY MESA | F05 | 19 | 12 | 131,250 | 120,000 | 330,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 58 | FALBRAV | F06 | 8 | 8 | 130,987 | 86,377 | 432,205 | *** | *** | *** |
| 59 | SUCCESSFUL APPEAL | F02 | 9 | 7 | 129,286 | 80,000 | 360,000 | 21 | 81,462 | 62,000 |
| 60 | SELKIRK | F94 | 7 | 7 | 123,203 | 81,034 | 270,128 | 22 | 113,870 | 95,992 |

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| | | ***** 2005 In-foal Mares ***** | | | | |
|------|--------------------|--------------------------------|------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Rank | Sire | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopMare |
| 1 | PLEASANTLY PERFECT | 11 | 8 | \$475,625 | \$92,500 | \$3,000,000 |
| 2 | SPEIGHTSTOWN | 22 | 20 | 386,500 | 315,000 | 700,000 |
| 3 | SMARTY JONES | 25 | 18 | 364,444 | 365,000 | 950,000 |
| 4 | REFUSE TO BEND | 16 | 13 | 324,200 | 76,505 | 2,971,411 |
| 5 | STRONG HOPE | 16 | 13 | 199,615 | 200,000 | 330,000 |
| 6 | CANADIAN FRONTIER | 1 | 1 | 155,000 | 155,000 | 155,000 |
| 7 | ONE COOL CAT | 16 | 11 | 151,147 | 90,000 | 540,225 |
| 8 | MEDAGLIA D'ORO | 39 | 26 | 145,115 | 100,000 | 750,000 |
| 9 | BIRDSTONE | 13 | 10 | 142,500 | 30,000 | 1,100,000 |
| 10 | FALBRAV | 8 | 8 | 130,987 | 86,377 | 432,205 |
| 11 | LION HEART | 42 | 33 | 109,818 | 85,000 | 320,000 |
| 12 | HAAFHD | 4 | 4 | 104,399 | 100,769 | 180,086 |
| 13 | CONGAREE | 21 | 15 | 79,467 | 65,000 | 155,000 |
| 14 | THE CLIFF'S EDGE | 22 | 16 | 69,813 | 51,000 | 250,000 |
| 15 | BACHELOR DUKE | 8 | 5 | 63,769 | 57,627 | 117,700 |
| 16 | TOCCE | 23 | 18 | 61,778 | 41,000 | 225,000 |
| 17 | JOHAR | 15 | 12 | 61,083 | 42,500 | 210,000 |
| 18 | EXCEED AND EXCEL | 16 | 13 | 57,379 | 36,017 | 198,083 |
| 19 | ELUSIVE CITY | 12 | 11 | 54,177 | 53,960 | 107,919 |
| 20 | TAPIT | 20 | 15 | 51,600 | 31,000 | 290,000 |

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| Rank | Sire | FYR | ***** 2005 Weanlings ***** | | | | | | ***** 2005 Yearlings ***** | | |
|------|-------------------|-----|----------------------------|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------------|----------------------------|-------------|-----------|
| | | | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopColt | TopFilly | Sold | Average | Median |
| 1 | STORM CAT | F89 | 2 | 2 | \$995,000 | \$995,000 | \$290,000 | \$1,700,000 | 28 | \$1,763,750 | \$812,500 |
| 2 | SADLER'S WELLS | F86 | 2 | 2 | 581,030 | 581,029 | *** | 850,498 | 43 | 349,874 | 280,177 |
| 3 | UNBRIDLED'S SONG | F98 | 9 | 8 | 525,000 | 317,500 | 1,700,000 | 260,000 | 45 | 393,222 | 250,000 |
| 4 | GREEN DESERT | F88 | 3 | 1 | 380,010 | 380,010 | 380,010 | *** | 20 | 221,235 | 183,244 |
| 5 | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | F02 | 20 | 16 | 279,818 | 226,016 | 500,000 | 750,000 | 55 | 410,059 | 336,212 |
| 6 | FUSAICHI PEGASUS | F02 | 15 | 11 | 256,364 | 240,000 | 685,000 | 260,000 | 36 | 391,027 | 245,000 |
| 7 | DYNAFORMER | F91 | 4 | 4 | 227,000 | 215,000 | 120,000 | 475,000 | 33 | 188,252 | 175,000 |
| 8 | FORESTRY | F01 | 7 | 5 | 219,000 | 200,000 | 525,000 | 60,000 | 27 | 296,741 | 250,000 |
| 9 | EL PRADO | F94 | 3 | 3 | 212,333 | 215,000 | 215,000 | 410,000 | 9 | 81,667 | 90,000 |
| 10 | DISTORTED HUMOR | F00 | 14 | 14 | 209,643 | 195,000 | 450,000 | 310,000 | 73 | 194,420 | 145,000 |
| 11 | VINDICATION | F05 | 10 | 9 | 209,111 | 200,000 | 400,000 | 345,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 12 | DEPUTY MINISTER | F85 | 2 | 2 | 205,000 | 205,000 | 340,000 | *** | 29 | 180,862 | 150,000 |
| 13 | ELUSIVE QUALITY | F00 | 7 | 6 | 203,525 | 102,076 | 620,000 | 110,000 | 43 | 199,348 | 130,000 |
| 14 | OASIS DREAM | F05 | 23 | 21 | 188,431 | 153,813 | 468,059 | 360,045 | *** | *** | *** |
| 15 | MINESHAFT | F05 | 6 | 6 | 188,167 | 180,000 | 350,000 | 200,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 16 | PULPIT | F99 | 15 | 12 | 185,333 | 172,500 | 480,000 | 370,000 | 25 | 230,480 | 215,000 |
| 17 | PIVOTAL | F98 | 7 | 6 | 178,712 | 160,650 | 199,053 | 361,914 | 40 | 238,493 | 171,513 |
| 18 | ALDEBARAN | F05 | 6 | 5 | 177,000 | 105,000 | 485,000 | 125,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 19 | DALAKHANI | F05 | 4 | 3 | 159,316 | 171,021 | 171,021 | 171,909 | *** | *** | *** |
| 20 | SKY MESA | F05 | 15 | 11 | 156,364 | 125,000 | 270,000 | 320,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 21 | GONE WEST | F89 | 5 | 3 | 145,000 | 150,000 | *** | 210,000 | 31 | 384,516 | 325,000 |
| 22 | GALILEO | F03 | 12 | 8 | 133,653 | 60,743 | 542,871 | 59,961 | 30 | 253,065 | 150,569 |
| 23 | TALE OF THE CAT | F00 | 17 | 16 | 133,375 | 115,000 | 390,000 | 150,000 | 66 | 146,519 | 98,500 |
| 24 | FOREST WILDCAT | F98 | 9 | 7 | 133,000 | 120,000 | 250,000 | 250,000 | 34 | 165,971 | 127,500 |
| 25 | MONTJEU | F02 | 34 | 26 | 125,045 | 107,248 | 352,710 | 180,957 | 75 | 234,987 | 120,410 |
| 26 | GULCH | F90 | 2 | 2 | 122,500 | 122,500 | 145,000 | *** | 36 | 83,328 | 56,000 |
| 27 | DIXIELAND BAND | F86 | 6 | 3 | 118,333 | 155,000 | 185,000 | *** | 24 | 161,344 | 83,500 |
| 28 | DUBAI DESTINATION | F05 | 25 | 21 | 115,773 | 103,205 | 243,030 | 126,016 | *** | *** | *** |
| 29 | BROAD BRUSH | F89 | 1 | 1 | 115,000 | 115,000 | 115,000 | *** | 10 | 126,200 | 115,000 |
| 30 | GRAND SLAM | F00 | 16 | 14 | 113,786 | 92,500 | 200,000 | 240,000 | 74 | 99,968 | 70,000 |
| 31 | INDIAN RIDGE | F91 | 3 | 2 | 109,340 | 109,340 | 129,327 | *** | 23 | 241,905 | 249,764 |
| 32 | HENNESSY | F98 | 18 | 17 | 106,462 | 80,000 | 320,000 | 110,000 | 31 | 145,129 | 130,000 |
| 33 | TIZNOW | F03 | 17 | 14 | 106,357 | 112,500 | 230,000 | 175,000 | 47 | 138,586 | 95,000 |
| 34 | ROCK OF GIBRALTAR | F04 | 23 | 22 | 104,089 | 73,814 | 340,953 | 279,035 | 59 | 183,090 | 123,957 |
| 35 | SONGANDAPRAYER | F03 | 19 | 15 | 97,533 | 70,000 | 300,000 | 70,000 | 26 | 118,154 | 92,500 |
| 36 | HAWK WING | F05 | 34 | 25 | 95,977 | 81,431 | 199,869 | 325,723 | *** | *** | *** |
| 37 | DANEHILL DANCER | F98 | 29 | 26 | 95,859 | 88,669 | 252,032 | 235,140 | 86 | 127,441 | 94,553 |
| 38 | CAPE CROSS | F01 | 23 | 20 | 94,072 | 66,767 | 244,292 | 235,140 | 47 | 72,540 | 51,615 |
| 39 | HARLAN'S HOLIDAY | F05 | 29 | 20 | 92,350 | 63,500 | 250,000 | 160,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 40 | YANKEE GENTLEMAN | F05 | 17 | 9 | 90,667 | 72,000 | 210,000 | 100,000 | *** | *** | *** |
| 41 | WAR CHANT | F02 | 1 | 1 | 90,000 | 90,000 | 90,000 | *** | 34 | 151,522 | 130,820 |
| 42 | CHEROKEE RUN | F97 | 15 | 13 | 87,615 | 80,000 | 150,000 | 260,000 | 50 | 106,830 | 80,000 |
| 43 | MALIBU MOON | F01 | 26 | 16 | 86,063 | 57,500 | 300,000 | 205,000 | 13 | 31,038 | 15,000 |
| 44 | KING'S BEST | F02 | 21 | 20 | 86,026 | 64,240 | 360,000 | 94,056 | 46 | 120,853 | 81,413 |
| 45 | NAYEF | F05 | 10 | 7 | 83,363 | 47,076 | 207,026 | 26,219 | *** | *** | *** |
| 46 | MR. GREELEY | F97 | 20 | 17 | 83,294 | 75,000 | 200,000 | 100,000 | 68 | 200,219 | 110,000 |
| 47 | SMART STRIKE | F98 | 12 | 11 | 81,727 | 67,000 | 290,000 | 140,000 | 48 | 97,054 | 56,000 |
| 48 | DIESIS | F85 | 3 | 3 | 81,667 | 90,000 | 140,000 | 90,000 | 17 | 95,038 | 65,375 |
| 49 | HIGH CHAPARRAL | F05 | 20 | 17 | 79,313 | 61,136 | 223,383 | 180,023 | *** | *** | *** |
| 50 | STREET CRY | F04 | 20 | 16 | 79,219 | 75,000 | 165,000 | 100,000 | 47 | 102,736 | 55,000 |



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| | | ***** 2005 Weanlings ***** | | | | | | | **** 2005 Yearlings **** | | |
|------|-----------------|----------------------------|------|------|----------|----------|---------|-----------|--------------------------|----------|----------|
| Rank | Sire | FYR | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopColt | TopFilly | Sold | Average | Median |
| 51 | COZZENE | F87 | 3 | 2 | \$77,500 | \$77,500 | \$*** | \$100,000 | 18 | \$88,639 | \$70,000 |
| 52 | BOOKLET | F05 | 1 | 1 | 77,000 | 77,000 | 77,000 | *** | *** | *** | *** |
| 52 | RAHY | F91 | 9 | 9 | 77,000 | 65,000 | 95,000 | 160,000 | 14 | 112,340 | 70,000 |
| 54 | FRENCHMANS BAY | | 2 | 1 | 76,018 | 76,018 | *** | 76,018 | *** | *** | *** |
| 55 | LEAR FAN | F86 | 2 | 2 | 74,269 | 74,269 | *** | 125,000 | 12 | 27,077 | 15,500 |
| 56 | RED RANSOM | F92 | 16 | 13 | 73,853 | 54,287 | 190,115 | 36,005 | 35 | 128,507 | 80,000 |
| 57 | SINGSPIEL | F99 | 14 | 13 | 71,991 | 60,705 | 180,023 | 60,705 | 31 | 228,478 | 193,610 |
| 58 | SELKIRK | F94 | 3 | 3 | 71,783 | 65,182 | 5,401 | 144,766 | 22 | 113,870 | 95,992 |
| 59 | JOHANNESBURG | F04 | 28 | 18 | 68,842 | 53,500 | 275,000 | 105,000 | 76 | 104,269 | 67,500 |
| 60 | FANTASTIC LIGHT | F03 | 22 | 21 | 68,242 | 57,940 | 217,274 | 104,955 | 30 | 82,642 | 68,138 |

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| | | ***** 2005 Weanlings ***** | | | | | |
|------|-------------------|----------------------------|------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Rank | Sire | Ring | Sold | Average | Median | TopColt | TopFilly |
| 1 | VINDICATION | 10 | 9 | \$209,111 | \$200,000 | \$400,000 | \$345,000 |
| 2 | OASIS DREAM | 23 | 21 | 188,431 | 153,813 | 468,059 | 360,045 |
| 3 | MINESHAFT | 6 | 6 | 188,167 | 180,000 | 350,000 | 200,000 |
| 4 | ALDEBARAN | 6 | 5 | 177,000 | 105,000 | 485,000 | 125,000 |
| 5 | DALAKHANI | 4 | 3 | 159,316 | 171,021 | 171,021 | 171,909 |
| 6 | SKY MESA | 15 | 11 | 156,364 | 125,000 | 270,000 | 320,000 |
| 7 | DUBAI DESTINATION | 25 | 21 | 115,773 | 103,205 | 243,030 | 126,016 |
| 8 | HAWK WING | 34 | 25 | 95,977 | 81,431 | 199,869 | 325,723 |
| 9 | HARLAN'S HOLIDAY | 29 | 20 | 92,350 | 63,500 | 250,000 | 160,000 |
| 10 | YANKEE GENTLEMAN | 17 | 9 | 90,667 | 72,000 | 210,000 | 100,000 |
| 11 | NAYEF | 10 | 7 | 83,363 | 47,076 | 207,026 | 26,219 |
| 12 | HIGH CHAPARRAL | 20 | 17 | 79,313 | 61,136 | 223,383 | 180,023 |
| 13 | BOOKLET | 1 | 1 | 77,000 | 77,000 | 77,000 | *** |
| 14 | PROUD CITIZEN | 31 | 20 | 64,450 | 45,000 | 195,000 | 100,000 |
| 15 | ZAVATA | 21 | 14 | 58,036 | 34,000 | 240,000 | 55,000 |
| 16 | POSSE | 26 | 20 | 55,225 | 43,500 | 150,000 | 90,000 |
| 17 | KAFWAIN | 32 | 27 | 52,741 | 40,000 | 85,000 | 130,000 |
| 18 | DAVID COPPERFIELD | 4 | 2 | 47,500 | 47,500 | 45,000 | 50,000 |
| 19 | D'WILDCAT | 9 | 8 | 46,268 | 38,500 | 2,146 | 125,000 |
| 20 | CACTUS RIDGE | 12 | 8 | 43,650 | 37,500 | 100,000 | 40,000 |



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SECOND HORSE EUTHANIZED AT PIMLICO

Maryland Jockey Club officials issued a press release yesterday stating that a second horse on the grounds at Pimlico had been euthanized due to a suspected case of equine herpesvirus (EHV-1). "[Friday] morning in Barn 6 one horse who had been previously healthy became very sick and demonstrated neurologic signs to a point where it was unable to rise even with assistance," said Maryland State Veterinarian Guy Hohenhaus. "The owners opted, after discussions with their veterinarians, to euthanize the animal and submit it for post-mortem examination at the [University of Maryland] College Park laboratory." The Maryland Department of Agriculture has placed a "Hold Order" on Barn 6, where the afflicted horse was stabled; it follows the Hold Order on Barn 5, where the first euthanized horse, News Reporter, resided. The gelding was put down 11 days ago after showing neurological signs of EHV-1; tests released Tuesday confirmed the disease. Last week, Pimlico officials moved horses showing signs of the virus into the detention barn. Of the six horses currently in isolation, five have screened positive for the viral presence in their blood. The second Hold Order affects a total of 43 horses trained by Simon Purdy, Henry Walters, Judith DiNatale, Joseph Ayres Sr. and Joseph Ayres Jr. Their trainees will not be allowed to race until further notice, but will be allowed to train from 10-11 a.m.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, SATURDAY, JANUARY 14:

SUNSHINE MILLIONS (500)

01-28 \$1,000,000 *Classic*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, 9f

01-28 \$500,000 *Turf*, GP, [R], 4yo/up, 9fT

01-28 \$500,000 *Distaff*, GP, [R], 4yo/up, f/m, 9f

01-28 \$500,000 *Filly/Mare Turf*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, f/m, 9fT

01-28 \$300,000 *Sprint*, GP, [R], 3yo/up, 6f

01-28 \$300,000 *Filly/Mare Sprint*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, f/m, 6f

01-28 \$250,000 *Dash*, SA, [R], 3yo, 6f

01-28 \$250,000 *Oaks*, GP, [R], 3yo, f, 6f

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McMahon Hosting Stallion Show:

McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds has announced their annual stallion show will be held Sunday, Jan. 22 from 1 to 4 p.m. The resident stallions at the Saratoga Springs, New York are Desert Warrior, Wheelaway, Regal Classic, Judge T C, Millions, Let Goodtimes Roll and Peruvian. There will be a drawing for a free season to Regal Classic. RSVP to (518) 587-3426 by Jan. 19. For directions, go to www.mcmahonthoroughbreds.com.


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**TODAY'S
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- 2:14p 4th GPX, \$35K, NW2X, 3yo, 6 1/2f
FABLED (Tale of the Cat), a \$325K FTSAUG yearling, broke his maiden at Saratoga and came back to take a Churchill allowance test in November. Looking to make it 3-for-3, he faced undefeated **Tropical Play (Editor's Note)**.
Brisnet.com pps
- 3:14p 6th GPX, \$32K, MSW, 3yo, 7f
TALL STORY (Quiet American), a full to GISW Cara Rafaela and a half to GSW Abaginone, makes his debut. The Darley homebred will take on a half to GISW High Fly by Giant's Causeway that faltered in the mud at Saratoga in his lone start and a Saint Ballado colt that was 3rd in his Dec. 24 debut at Calder. Brisnet.com pps
- 4:14p 8th GPX, \$33K, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6 1/2f
BEHOLDEN (Cat Thief), a \$700K, went gate to wire in her Saratoga debut. **Yachats (Forest Camp)**, **Mutakaway (Mutakddim)** and **Elusive Sugar (Elusive Quality)** were also maiden winners in their lone prior starts.
Brisnet.com pps
- 5:36p 5th SAX, \$44K, MSW, 3yo, 6f
Trainer Richard Mandella unveils **Rowan Charm (Seeking the Gold)**, the first foal from the speedy MSW Jena Jena. The bay has demonstrated his dam's zip in the a.m. with several bullet works. Also in the field are firsters by Tale of the Cat and Yes It's True. Brisnet.com pps

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Yesterday's Results:

4th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 3/5, ft.

YES PLEASE (f, 4, Crowd Pleaser--Why the Wind, by Miswaki) made five of her first six starts on turf, hitting the board twice, but finally broke her maiden in a race taken off the grass at Aqueduct Nov. 23. An even third in an allowance test over the Big A inner track Dec. 18, she was the 8-5 chalk to get the job done on the Gulfstream dirt. The bay showed good speed to track Extent (Pulpit) through three-quarters in 1:11.15, then had to dig down deep to catch the pacesetter in the final strides, winning it by a nose. Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-2, \$75,326.

O-Hardwicke Stable. B-Mrs R Dupont (MD). T-H Jerkens.

9th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:36 4/5, ft.

BUSHFIRE (f, 3, Louis Quatorze--Traki Traki {SW}, by Mo Power) made every post a winning one in her second start, a two-turn maiden test at Churchill Nov. 25. Trying a one-turn mile in her third outing, she once again showed the way from the start and held on gamely to best Teammate (A.P. Indy) by a head. The winner is a 1/2 to Frosty's Girl (Frosty The Snowman), SW, \$157,701; Maracaibo (Skip Trial), SW, \$222,917; and Frosty's On Track (Frosty The Snowman), SW, \$111,890. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$48,240.

O-Ron & Ricki Rashinski. B-Moreau Bloodstock International & Mandolynn Hill Farm (FL). T-Eddie Kenneally.

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

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7th-LRL (MSW) For Kisses (Not for Love) romps by daylight in her second start.

6th-SAX (MSW) Point Determined (Point Given) cruises by 5 1/2 lengths in his two-turn bow.

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-LRL, \$26,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:40 1/5, ft.

FOR KISSES (f, 3, Not for Love--Palliser Bay {GSW, \$248,623}, by Frosty the Snowman) rallied for fourth in her career opener at Laurel Dec. 31. The bay changed tactics second time around, sitting second through moderate fractions before taking control in the stretch en route to an impressive 12 3/4-length victory as the 13-10 favorite. The winner is a full to He Loves Me, MSW, \$355,698. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$16,380. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O/B-Buckingham Farm (MD). T-Richard W Small.

★ CENTRAL ★

Thursday Night's Results:

5th-EVD, \$25,340, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13, ft.

+ **YES IT'S STORMIN** (f, 3, [Yes It's True](#)--Stormin' In, by Storm Bird) was the 5-2 chalk in her debut. The bay battled on the front end early and drew clear in the stretch to break her maiden by two lengths. The winner was an \$11,000 KEESEP yearling and an \$18,000 OBSJUN juvenile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$14,100. O-D H Saunders. B-C Cantrell (FL). T-H B Johnson Jr.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results:

1st-SAX, \$70,800, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 1/5, fm.

1--**SUPER STRUT**, 118, h, 6, Lil Tyler--Miss Chez Cheveaux, by Torsion. O-Class Racing Stable & Tom & Lynn Miller; B-Madera Thoroughbreds (CA); T-Craig Dollase. Lifetime Record: 18-5-4-1, \$260,582.

2--**Masarin (Chi)**, 118, h, 6, Golden Voyager--Marina Bay (Chi), by Roy.

3--**Special Matter**, 118, h, 8, River Special--Appealing Look, by Valid Appeal.

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, HF. Odds: 2.30, 14.80, 17.10.

Winless since taking an allowance test going a mile on the Santa Anita turf last March, Super Strut was coming off a second-place finish in an optional claimer at Golden Gate Dec. 4. The second choice to start the new year on a winning note, he was on the heels of pacesetter Special Matter through the opening six furlongs, drove past that rival in the stretch and held on.



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6th-SAX, \$47,600, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:44, ft. POINT DETERMINED (c, 3, [Point Given](#)--Merengue {[GSW, \\$334,070](#)}, by [Broad Brush](#)) closed ground late when going 6 1/2 furlongs in his Dec. 26 debut and finished a solid third. Trying two turns at second asking, the bay settled in second as stablemate Royal Legacy (Monarchos) cut out the fractions. He collared that rival as they raced down the lane and pulled away to beat him by 5 1/2 lengths. The entry was sent off at 7-10. The winner was a \$290,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$750,000 BESMAR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$32,880.

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O-Robert B & Beverly J Lewis. B-Bowman & Higgins Stable & Robert N Clay (MD). T-Bob Baffert.

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

Stakes/First-time Starters to Watch: Saturday, Jan. 14

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2002 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

[ALBERT THE GREAT](#) (Go for Gin), Three Chimneys, \$10K, 124/15/0 2-AQU, Msw, 1m, Don's Topdog, \$15K FTK OCT yrl

[BRAHMS](#) (Danzig), Vinery, \$13K, 166/14/2

5-SA, Msw, 6f, Arson Squad, \$100K FTK JUL yrl

[BROKEN VOW](#) (Unbridled), Pin Oak, \$10K, 187/14/1

3-GP, Msw, 7f, Act of Contrition, \$75K KEE SEP yrl

12-TP, Msw, 1m, No Fault, \$225K OBS FEB 2yo

[CITY ZIP](#) (Carson City), Lane's End, \$8K, 118/20/2

8-GP, Alw, 6 1/2f, Deadwood Dame

[ECTON PARK](#) (Forty Niner), Wintergreen, \$15K, 118/13/2

7-LAD, Stk, 1 1/16m, French Park, \$75K FTK JUL yrl, 2-1

[EL CORREDOR](#) (Mr. Greeley), Hill N Dale, \$20K, 190/17/4

6-SA, Stk, 1m, Wanna Runner, \$80K FTK JUL yrl

[FLAME THROWER](#) (Saint Ballado), Cloverleaf, \$7K, 67/7/0

6-AQU, Msw, 1m, Firemist, \$125K OBS MAR 2yo

[FOREST CAMP](#) (Deputy Minister), Airdrie, \$10K, 167/18/2

5-SA, Msw, 6f, Paddy Murphy, \$190K OBS MAR 2yo

8-GP, Alw, 6 1/2f, Yachats, \$125K FTK NOV wnl

3-GP, Msw, 7f, Ocean Forest, \$130K FTF FEB 2yo

[MOJAVE MOON](#) (Mr. Prospector), Bonita, \$8K, 82/8/0

4-LRL, Msw, 7f, Mojave Princess, \$12K EAS SEP yrl, 20-1

4-LRL, Msw, 7f, Betweenunandmoon, \$2K EAS SEP yrl, 6-1

[PIKEPASS](#) (Forty Niner), Spendthrift, \$8K, 114/6/0

5-SUN, Msw, 6 1/2f, Ross Hossler, \$5K TEX MAR 2yo, 6-1

[SONGANDAPRAYER](#) (Unbridled's Song), Walmac, \$10K, 109/20/3

8-GP, Alw, 6 1/2f, Reason to Rejoice, \$9K OBS JUN 2yo

[TALK IS MONEY](#) (Deputy Minister), Millennium, \$5K, 83/9/0

3-GP, Msw, 7f, +High Finance, \$120K FTK JUL yrl

[TRIPPI](#) (End Sweep), Ocala, \$8K, 143/18/0

6-GP, Msw, 7f, Trippi's Storm

[VALID BELFAST](#) (Valid Appeal), Judice, \$1000, 82/1/0

3-EVD, Msw, 5f, L. S. Fast Jack, 10-1

[VISION AND VERSE](#) (Storm Cat), Hill N Dale, \$8K, 108/9/0

2-LAD, Msw, 6f, American Cade, \$18K LOU OCT yrl, 3-1

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FAVORITE OUT OF J&B MET

Winter Solstice (SAf) (Western Winter), the recent winner of the G1 Queen's Plate and South Africa's reigning Horse of the Year, has been scratched from the Jan. 28 G1 J&B Met S. after suffering a strained tendon in a routine gallop, *SAHorseracing.com* reports. Trained by Joey Ramsden, the five-year-old gelding was third at 5-2 in last year's Met, but was coming into this renewal in peak form, having won six of his last seven starts. The final field for the 2000-meter event, which carries purse money of R1.75 million (\$291,539), will be announced this coming Monday. Winter Solstice has a record of 12 wins from 20 career starts and earnings in excess of R2.2 million.

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STAKES RESULTS:

LIL LIZA JAYNE S., \$75,000, EVD, 1-13, (S), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:06, ft.
 1--**#CUTIE SABRINA**, 116, f, 3, **Toolighttoquit--Blue Bracelet**, by **Blue Buckaroo**. O-Joe Hackler; B-Ryder River Ridge Farm (LA); T-Abel J Blanchard; J-K D Clark; \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$63,384.
 2--**Halo Humor**, 118, f, 3, **Distorted Humor--Gilded Halo**, by **Gilded Time**. \$15,000.
 3--**Sixteen Grand**, 121, f, 3, **Festive--Joycee Poo**, by **Defiance**. (\$10,000 yrl '04 TEXAUG; \$16,000 2yo '05 TEXMAR). \$8,250.
 Margins: NO, 8 1/4, 4HF. Odds: 7.70, 0.20, 8.20.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-SAX, \$50,000, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:12 4/5, fm.
SEMINOLE NATIVE (g, 4, **Lil Tyler--Lake Okeechobee {SP}**), by **Magic Prospect** Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$56,620. O-E Z Eight Racing Stable, Richard Henig & Madera Thoroughbreds. B-Madera Thoroughbreds (CA). T-Jorge Gutierrez.
10th-LAD, \$41,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:04 2/5, gd.
WESTWARD MISS (m, 5, **West By West--Hatta Tab {SP}**), by **Al Hattab** Lifetime Record: SP, 23-3-6-2, \$71,389. O-Stephen L Jolissaint. B-Mr & Mrs G David Shashura & Walmac Int'l (OH). T-Larry A Mayo.
8th-EVD, \$36,800, 1-12, NW2L, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42, ft.
SOOKSKI (m, 5, **Gilded Time--Proud Crusader {MSP}**), by **Crusader Sword** Lifetime Record: 13-2-2-3, \$64,335. O-Riceland Racing Stables LLC. B-R Bar S Thoroughbreds LP (LA). T-Enis Mouton.
7th-BMX, \$33,840, NW1X, 4/up, 1m (off turf), 1:36, ft.
MEGABYTE (c, 4, **Chief Seattle--Bright Royal**, by **Cure the Blues**) Lifetime Record: 13-2-2-3, \$88,020. O-Mercedes Stables LLC. B-C F Newman (AR). T-Angelo Tekos Jr. *\$16,000 wlng '02 KEENOV; \$67,000 yrl '03 KEESEP.

9th-CTX, \$32,000, 1-12, NW3L, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:56 1/5, gd.
ROCHIOLI (h, 5, **Dixieland Band--Gracious Living**, by **Pleasant Colony**) Lifetime Record: 11-3-3-2, \$80,924. O-Gregory Mangino. B-Jon Kelly (KY). T-Jeff C Runco.

8th-CTX, \$31,000, 1-12, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5, gd.
S K'S REGENT (m, 5, **Gold Regent--S K's Secret**, by **Northern Jove**) Lifetime Record: 19-5-3-3, \$78,110. O-D A S L Stable. B-Kari Will (TX). T-David J Wells.

8th-TPX, \$29,000, 1-12, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW3\$X, 4yo/up, a6f, 1:12 2/5, ft.
EYEFORGLORY (g, 4, **Honour and Glory--Vacacionada {Arg} {G1SW-Arg}**), by **Southern Halo** Lifetime Record: SP, 14-6-3-1, \$107,416. O-C D M Racing Stable LLC, et al. B-Craig L Wheeler (KY). T-Robert J Pincins.

8th-LRL, \$28,000, NW1X, 4/up, f/m, 1m, 1:42 1/5, ft.
HAVIN' A MOAN (f, 4, **Ride the Storm--Likearone**, by **Grey Adorn**) Lifetime Record: 16-6-2-1, \$92,420. O/B-Franklin G Smith Sr (SC). T-Hamilton A Smith. *1/2 to **Intelligent Male** (Ride the Storm), MSW, \$308,339.

5th-TPX, \$24,300, 1-12, NW1\$X, 4yo/up, f/m, a1m, 1:41 1/5, ft.
REITO PEITO (m, 5, **Unaccounted For--Spring in My Step**, by **L'Emigrant**) Lifetime Record: 26-4-4-5, \$91,088. O-G L Kelley & T Watson. B-Penn Farm & W S Farish (KY). T-Brad H Cox. *\$26,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

E Looe, f, 3, **Lure--Star White** (SP), by **Naevus**. LAD, 1-13, (C), 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-Fred Mehew (Ky).
 + **Valid Notebook**, c, 3, **Notebook--Silk Appeal**, by **Valid Appeal**. GPX, 1-13, (C), 6f, 1:10 1/5. B-E Paul Robsham (FI). *1/2 to **Silk Concorde** (Concorde's Tune), MSW, \$271,184.
Baby Gray, f, 3, **Precise End--Radon Dancer**, by **Robyn Dancer**. AQU, 1-13, (S), a1m70yd, 1:46. B-Sez Who Thoroughbreds (NY). *\$80,000 2yo '05 OBSAPR.
 + **Runaway Cozzene**, f, 3, **Runaway Groom--Monina**, by **Cozzene**. SAX, 1-13, (C), 6f, 1:12. B-Gallagher's Stud (NY). *\$27,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.
In the Mood, f, 3, **Siphon (Brz)--Sophisticatedcielo** (MSW & GSP, \$290,299), by **Conquistador Cielo**. LRL, 1-13, (C), 1m, 1:44 4/5. B-Mace & Samantha Siegel (Ky).
Strip in Wager, f, 3, **Valid Wager--Sunset Strip**, by **Academy Award**. SAX, 1-12, (S), (C), 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Tommy Town Thoroughbreds LLC (Ca).
Win Early, f, 4, **Danzatore--Calculated Risk**, by **Talc**. AQU, 1-13, (S), a1m70yd, 1:49 3/5. B-Paraneck Stallions (NY).
Honorable Sis, f, 4, **Double Honor--Groucho's Sis**, by **Septieme Ciel**. CTX, 1-13, 4 1/2f, :53 3/5. B-Mary Ann Hockensmith, Johnness Wood, Kenneth H Davis & Sherry Mansfield (FI). *\$1,700 yrl '03 OBSAUG.
 + **Mop Man**, c, 4, **Malagra--Miss Peach Cake**, by **l'ma Hell Raiser**. EVD, 1-12, (S), 6f, 1:14 3/5. B-Phyllis Wood (La).
Rev Me Up, g, 4, **Royal Academy--Indy Power**, by **A.P.** Indy. LRL, 1-13, 7f, 1:27 3/5. B-Sondra & Howard M Bender (Md).



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Keel (Ire), g, 3, **Carrowkeel (Ire)**--First Degree (GB), by Sabrehill. Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-13, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Oak Lodge Bloodstock. *58,000gns yrl '04 DONSEP; €85,000 wnlg '03 GOFNOV.

Chief Commander (Fr), c, 3, **Commands (Aus)**--Neeran, by Fast Play. Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-13, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Vinery Stud Pty Ltd. *€22,000 yrl '04 DEAAUG.

Miss Nosybe (Fr), f, 3, **Millkom (GB)**--Miss Mimi (Fr), by Genereux Genie (Ire). Deauville, France, 1-13, Mdn, 3yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-A J P David. *€1,500 wnlg '03 DEADEC.

Camacho (Fr), c, 4, **Inchinor (GB)**--Zapping (Ire), by Lycius. Deauville, France, 1-13, Cond, 4yo, 6 1/2f (AWT). B-Indivision Zapping. *SP-Fr.



WRITERS UP

Coming off one of the most successful meets in track history in which all sources handle was up by 37.7 percent at the recently concluded Holiday Meet, Turfway Park President and CEO Robert Elliston sat down with TDN and discussed the state of his track and the wonders of Polytrack.

TDN: How much of the gains that you had at the Holiday Meet have to do with Polytrack?

RE: We have asked ourselves that. We asked what has been different this December to create such incredible numbers? What can we confirm that is different? We went back into New York OTB for this meet. We had had a dispute with them about what we thought our signal was worth and what they wanted to pay. We ironed that out. Then we knew that we commingled for this meet with Canada for the first time. That had to be taken into consideration. We took those things and we aggregated them and we said, 'That accounts for about 35 or 36 percent of our growth number.' So, then we started saying, 'What else happened?' Fair Grounds isn't running. We have some of their horses. Did we get some help because there wasn't a normal meet at Fair Grounds? We don't know yet because they haven't concluded that meet. Then we started looking at same store sales, like what happened at the Illinois hubs or in Indiana and all the other places where nothing changed. They were up that other 60 percent. The only thing that changed was Polytrack, and Polytrack meant we averaged 10.5 horses a race.

We were up about half a horse a race. We were also writing races that were of higher quality, like straight maidens and allowance races. We had more of those races with big fields than we had in the past. That was a function of Polytrack. We are seeing on any given card 10 to 15 turf-oriented horses that we wouldn't have had with the old surface. This is a common ground where turf and dirt horses can compete together. Turf horses are on a level playing field on Polytrack.

TDN: Why has the inception of Polytrack led to larger fields?

RE: Like I said, part of it is the ability of turf-oriented horses to compete on this surface. Otherwise, they would have been turned out or shipped south. It provided an option for those horses to run here. The other part of it is, we are seeing, from what our trainers tell us, horses running back much quicker. These horses seem to recover off this surface in a much more rapid fashion, which allows them to enter more rapidly. Over the course of a 30-day meet, instead of getting two starts from a horse you might get three. When you look at a population of horses on the grounds of 900, plus what we get from Louisville and Lexington, you can see how this builds up when it comes to field size.

TDN: Why is a horse less likely to be injured when running over a Polytrack surface?

RE: There are two reasons that we hear. One is clearly concussion. There is far less concussion when a horse's hoof hits this surface than there is on a regular dirt surface. And it doesn't matter if it is the best dirt surface in the country. This surface simply reduces that concussion. The other one is the consistency of the surface. What you find too often, particularly at winter racetracks, is that changing weather causes changing conditions in the surface. Day in and day out, in terms of depth, hardness, those kind of things, this track doesn't change. Too often what causes injuries with a horse is that they hit a deep pocket in the surface or they get a hard-as-a-rock surface. Winter racing and wet-weather states compound that. This surface is the same as it was four days ago when we had three inches of rain and the surface was fast then and it will be fast tonight. If it snowed three inches and we got rid of the snow it would be the same surface.

TDN: What is it about the make-up of Polytrack that makes it less jarring?

RE: Clearly, the rubber in the surface has to have an affect on that. It, in concert with the carpet-fiber material, which is called polypropylene fibers, makes the track different than a sand track. The sand in our track is a little harder grain than we would normally use, but if it were pure sand it wouldn't be any different. It's the rubber and fiber mixed with the sand that creates a cushion effect.



Q & A cont.

TDN: How much did it cost to install Polytrack and has it been worth it?

RE: We did some other improvements. We also did a paddock renovation. If we were going to have the best racetrack in America we wanted a quality paddock to go with it. The total project was \$5 million to \$6 million. The lion's share of that was Polytrack. We think within a year, we will save upwards of \$600,000 on maintenance expenses. We are not a rich racetrack. We are fortunate to be owned by people who have some money in Keeneland and Harrah's Entertainment. Harrah's is a publicly traded company and demands a return on their investment, which they would with any property they invested in. When we thought about this, we had to make sure that there was a business case to support this type of investment. We are all for the welfare of the animal. We hate to see breakdowns. So there has been a benefit there. But at the end of the day this had to make business sense for us. We went through it and looked at maintenance savings and the savings from not losing so many racing days. Normally, we would lose eight to 10 race days during the winter. With the reduction in maintenance costs and the reduction in the number of lost racing days, we thought Polytrack would pay for itself in about four or five years. When we went into that model we didn't think at all about a growth in business. With what happened at the last race meet and with what has happened during the first few days in January, we have real optimism that this surface is going to be a business-builder for us, in addition to saving racing days and reducing operating expenses. I am now very hopeful that the return on investment is sooner than the time frame I just gave you.

TDN: Of the 8 to 10 days you talked about typically losing to inclement weather, how many of those days can be salvaged due to Polytrack?

RE: If we lost 10 days, there will be three or four days we will lose anyway, like when it is five degrees or there is a lot of snow. We had to cancel the other day when it snowed five inches because it would have been unsafe to try to get horses or patrons here. There were two, three, four days over the course of the winter where we will have to cancel no matter how good the surface is. But that leaves four, five, six days that we can pick up. The reason we lost those days in the past is that the surface wouldn't recover in a timely fashion. The biggest problem we had was that we couldn't get the moisture out of the surface.

TDN: What tracks have inquired about Polytrack or have come here to see firsthand what is going on?

RE: I don't feel comfortable answering that in specifics because some of these folks might not be comfortable with me talking about them, but I cannot think of one racing jurisdiction that we have not heard from.

I got three calls just this week from people about coming down to take a look at it. We've also heard from people in England, France, Australia and Japan. Del Mar and Woodbine are on the front burner and are, I believe, seriously considering it.

TDN: Will there be a domino effect to the point where a non-Polytrack track is a rarity?

RE: It depends on what a track's motive is and what difficulty they are having with their surface. People ask me why Del Mar is thinking about it. I won't put words in their mouth, but I think they are concerned about the number of injuries they have over that surface. It obviously has nothing to do with weather. Del Mar has a deep-seated belief in the welfare of the animal. I am sure they perceive this as a benefit when it comes to the welfare of the animal. Woodbine has winter racing like we do. And David Wilmot is a standard-bearer in our industry for the welfare of the animal. It doesn't surprise me that a first-class outfit like Woodbine Entertainment is concerned about weather issues and the welfare of the animal. As you go around and look at these tracks and look at what their needs are and how they invest their dollars, I think the answer is, yes, this surface might become the norm, not the exception.

TDN: You've given us anecdotal evidence that Polytrack is safer, do you have any concrete evidence?

RE: Combined between the fall meet and the Holiday Meet, which is, combined, 46 days of racing, we have had one catastrophic breakdown. One horse broke down and had to be euthanized. We have had other horses that have had soft tissue problems, but, as far as catastrophic breakdowns, we have had just one. We had three in the Holiday Meet alone last year, so that's three times as many in half the race days.

TDN: Racing is having such problems with keeping its stars in training because so many are retired prematurely due to injuries. If Polytrack tracks become the norm can they put a stop to this problem?

RE: It's not the be all and end all. We do have horses that get injured, most typically soft tissue injuries. But that's an injury, after rest, from which they can come back and resume racing. A horse that breaks down cannot come back. So, in that regard, I think it does offer promise to horses running longer careers. It's a question we all need to be concerned about. As with any sport, the stars have so much to do with the notoriety of the sport and the excitement of the sport. If we can extend the lives of great horses when they come here for the Lane's End Stakes or the Kentucky Cup card or if Del Mar can do the same, that has to have an extended effect on keeping horses in training. You might even have a situation where someone with a \$40-million asset might want to keep the horse in training longer. The likelihood of a breakdown is significantly reduced on this surface. If you know that, you might let him continue to be the hero he might be.