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ADENA SALE EARNING A NAME FOR ITSELF

Adena Springs will stage its Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale this evening starting at 6:00 p.m. at the Adena Springs South location, with 114 lots cataloged for the



event. Begun just five years ago, the sale has already carved out a reputation among buyers as a place to find good bang for the buck. But the sale isn't just about selling horses; it's about selling a certain type of two-year-old sale, according to Adena South farm

manager Mark Roberts. "We're basically trying to push our program," said Roberts. "Our aim is to sell as many as we can sell, without having to do a whole lot to them. What I mean by that, is that they're not pushed hard. The program is a completely different program than most two-year-old venues." Comprised entirely of Adena-bred horses, most by their own stallions, the sale differs from others in that the horses' workout times are not published, and the juveniles generally work much slower than at other sales. Horses usually go an eighth in :12 to :13 seconds, said Roberts, but, as he admits with a chuckle, "Not all of the riders have clocks in their heads." He added, "The point is to let people get a look at the way they move and get across the ground, but with them doing it well within themselves. Some are going to go faster than that, some slower. You can't help that." Another interesting aspect of the sale is that every horse entered works over Adena's 7/8-mile turf course. "I like the idea, because we do have horses that are perceived as turf sires, even though they've shown a lot of versatility," said Roberts. "But we all know that some do better over the grass, and a horse that you may not like over the dirt, may go way nicer on the grass. It gives buyers that much more information." Adena cont. p2

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WEDDING MARCH

Aunt Henny (Hennessy) continued her love affair with grass by achieving her first stakes victory in the GIII Herecomesthebride S. at Gulfstream yesterday afternoon. The chestnut had hit the board in three of her

four starts last year, all on the main track, but graduated in her grass bow over this course Jan. 26. She just missed by a neck in her latest, an allowance Feb. 13, and was the 7-5 favorite here when J'ray (Distant View) was scratched. After breaking alertly from the rail, Aunt Henny was ea-



Aunt Henny Equi-Photo

ger to get things under way, but Javier Castellano kept a big hold on her and convinced her to race in second until the far turn. She took over from there and had enough to fend off **Diamond Spirit** (Holy Bull). The gamble of running the lightly raced filly paid off for trainer Michael Matz. "[My assistant Peter Brett] said it was coming up a little light, so we thought it might be a chance to get a stakes win," said Matz. "We thought she might be just a sprinter, but now it looks like we can get some distance with her on the turf." Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.

Sunday, Gulfstream

HERECOMESTHEBRIDE S.-GIII, \$100,000, GPX, 3-19, 3yo, f, 1 1/8mT, 1:46 4/5, fm.

- 1--@#AUNT HENNY, 118, f, 3, by Hennessy
 1st Dam: Ms. Patty B., by *Grey Dawn II
 2nd Dam: Apalachee Princess, by Apalachee
 3rd Dam: Sinouj, by Bold Bidder
 (\$28,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$285,000 2yo '05
 FTFFEB). O-Erdenheim Farm; B-Patricia & Christopher
 Elia (KY); T-Michael R Matz; J-J Castellano; \$60,000.
 Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-2, \$103,710.
- 2--Diamond Spirit, 118, f, 3, Holy Bull--Ransom Dance, by Red Ransom. (\$13,000 yrl '04 KEESEP). O-Joseph Allen; B-Edward P Evans (VA); T-H Jerkens; \$20,000.
- 3--Miss Shop, 118, f, 3, Deputy Minister--Shopping, by Private Account. O-Hobeau Farm; B-Hobeau Farm Ltd (FL); T-H H Jerkens; \$11,000.

Margins: HF, 3 3/4, 4 1/4. Odds: 1.30, 2.20, 2.20. Also Ran: Musical Charm, Lake Alice. Scratched: J'Ray, Walklikeanegyptian.



MAGNOLIA JACKSON, from the first crop of CAPE CANAVERAL, posts a game victory in Aqueduct's Broadway H. on 3/11 for her second consecutive stakes win.

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Adena Sale Springs to Life...

The Adena Springs Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale, and its alternate philosophy of preparing juveniles for the marketplace, is the brainchild of Adena founder Frank Stronach, who also stages a bloodstock sale in November that's made up entirely of Adena-owned horses. "My background is in two-year-old in training sales, for the last 15 or 16 years before I went to work for Frank, and I loved the idea," commented Adena's Mark Roberts. So far, the sale has been a success, with each sale's figures improving on the previous year's. Part of the success could be attributed to Adena's liberal return policy. "There's not a sale in the country that has a better policy," said Roberts. "Bottom line, you buy a horse here, you've got 48 hours; if you don't like 'em, bring 'em back. I think that's helped draw people." All for naught, of course, if the quality isn't there, but with juveniles by the likes of Awesome Again, El Prado (Ire) and Touch Gold, the sale sports some enviable pedigrees. "I couldn't give you four or five horses I'm excited about here," said Roberts. "I could give you 40, 45."

All in For Juvenile Sale...

Choosing what juveniles will go through ring at the Adena Sale is a relatively simple process: pretty much the entirety of Adena's two-year-old crop will be entered. "We do buy yearlings, primarily fillies to get into certain families, and those don't sell, but most of the homebreds sell," said Roberts. "The only ones that we don't sell are generally the ones with problems; the ones we stopped on prior to the sale." If a horse does fail to draw significant action in the ring, in Adena's eyes, the operation will not shy away from buying the horse back. "Frank's not in a situation where most twoyear-old guys are, where this is his main livelihood," explained Roberts. "The revenue from our sale does help support the farm, and we do want to sell, but we do like to race, too. So if we don't get one sold at a value we think is reasonable, we have no problem racing." An example of this is Racketeer, a \$150,000 RNA of last year's renewal who ran in Saturday's GII Felipe S., finishing fourth to A.P. Warrior.

☆ RESULTS ☆

Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

HANSHIN DAISHOTEN-G2-JRA (Listed), ¥138,250,000, Hanshin, 3-19, 4yo/up, 3000mT, 3:08.80, gd.

- 1--DEEP IMPACT (JPN), 128, c, 4, by Sunday Silence 1st Dam: Wind in Her Hair (Ire) (Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 11-14f, G1SW-Ger, MSW & MG1SP-GB, \$311,770), by Alzao
 - 2nd Dam: Burghclere (GB), by Busted (GB)
 3rd Dam: Highclere (GB), by Queen's Hussar (GB)
 (¥70,000,000 fl '02 JPNJUL). O-Kaneko Makoto
 Holdings Co Ltd; B-Northern Farm; T-Y Ikee; J-Y Take;
 ¥65,644,000. Lifetime Record: 9-8-1-0,
 ¥748,707,000. *1/2 to Veil of Avalon (Thunder
 Gulch), GSW-US, MSP-GB, \$286,468; and full to
 Black Tide (Jpn), SW-Jpn, \$970,096.
- 2--Tokai Trick (Jpn), 123, c, 4, El Condor Pasa--Zoonaqua, by Silver Hawk. O-M Uchimura; B-Ms Fumiko Tsuchida; T-S Matsumoto.
- 3--Delta Blues (Jpn), 128, h, 5, Dance in the Dark (Jpn)--Dixie Splash, by Dixieland Band. O-Sunday Racing Co Ltd; B-Northern Farm; T-K Sumii. Margins: 3 1/2, 4, 4. Odds: 1.10, 25.50, 7.40.

Deep Impact was undefeated when he completed his sweep of the Japanese Triple Crown with a two-length tally in the country's St. Leger, the Oct. 23 Kikuka Sho. Freshened for a couple of months after that effort, the bay returned for the Arima Kinen Grand Prix on Christmas Day, but suffered his first loss in that event, running second by a half-length to Heart's Cry (Jpn). Looking to get back to his winning ways in this marathon test, he settled at the back of the pack as Tokai Trick set the pace. Deep Impact was still 15 lengths behind the leader as they raced down the backstretch for the second time, but he swept to the front on the final turn and pulled away late to win handily.

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Sunday, Hanshin, Japan FUJI TV SHO SPRING S.-G2-JRA (Listed),
¥105,320,000, Hanshin, 3-19, 3yo, 1800mT, 1:48.90, gd.

- 1--#MEISHO SAMSON (JPN), 125, c, 3, by Opera House (GB)
 1st Dam: My Vivien (Jpn), by Dancing Brave (GB)
 2nd Dam: Will Princess (Jpn), by Sun Prince (Ire)
 3rd Dam: Yell (Jpn), by Fortino (Fr)
 - O-Yoshio Matsumoto; B-Koki Hayashi; T-Tsutomu Setoguchi; J-M Ishibashi; ¥17,126,000. Lifetime Record: 9-4-3-1.
- 2--Fusaichi Richard (Jpn), 125, c, 3, Kurofune--Fusaichi Airedale (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. (¥99,000,000 fl '03 JPNJUL). O-Fusaro Sekiguchi; B-Northern Farm; T-Kunihide Matsuda.
- 3--Dream Passport (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)--Graceland (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire). O-Joy Race Horse K; B-Shiraoi Farm; T-Hiroyoshi Matsuda.

Margins: NK, NO, 3.

Saturday, Nakayama, Japan FLOWER CUP-G3-JRA (Listed), ¥76,840,000, Nakayama, 3-18, 3yo, f, 1800mT, 1:48.90, fm.

- 1--#KISS TO HEAVEN (JPN), 119, f, 3, by Admire Vega (Jpn)
 1st Dam: Long Virgin (Jpn), by Northern Taste
 2nd Dam: Suibu (Jpn), by Tudor Period (GB)
 3rd Dam: Golden Dragon (Jpn), by Hindostan (GB)
 O-Kazuko Yoshida; B-Showa Yamamoto Bokujo; T-H
- Toda; J-K Ando. Lifetime Record: 5-2-3-0. 2--Fusaichi Pandora (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Sunday Silence--Lotta Lace, by Nureyev. (¥87,000,000 fl '03 JPNJUL).

O-Fusaro Sekiguchi; B-Northern Farm; T-T Shirai.

3--Blumenblatt (Jpn), 119, f, 3, Admire Vega (Jpn)--My Wild Flower, by Topsider. O-U Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-M Ando.

Margins: 1 1/2, 1/2, 3/4.

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Triple Threats

GOTHAM AFTERMATH Achilles of Troy (Notebook) finished fifth as the favorite in Saturday's GIII Gotham S., but was vanned off afterwards. The grey walked the shedrow yesterday morning and had his right foreleg x-rayed. He is scheduled to undergo an ultrasound today. "He looks fine," said trainer Frank Amonte Jr. "He's comfortable." The first four finishers in the Gotham were separated by just over a length, and it looks as though they'll get another crack for bragging rights in the \$750,000 GI Wood Memorial S. Apr. 8. Gotham winner Like Now (Jules) cooled out well and answered any questions his trainer had. "He's bright, happy and we're all excited," said Kiaran McLaughlin, who came within a half-length of the roses last year with Closing Argument in the GI Kentucky Derby. "It was a great result...he did everything right first time going long. He's really improved the last few weeks." The Gotham was the first defeat for Keyed Entry (Honour and Glory), who wound up second yesterday. He had previously set a track record at Gulfstream in the GII Hutcheson S. Feb. 4. "He got a lot accomplished in the race," explained Seth Benzel, trainer Todd Pletcher's New York assistant. "He'll really benefit from [Saturday]...now he'll be able to go into the Wood with three weeks rest." Third-place finisher Sweetnorthernsaint (Sweetsouthernsaint) could also reappear in the Wood. "That was the first time he really had to lay his body down and fight, and I was impressed with his race," said trainer Michael Trombetta. "We've got some options now." Back in fourth was Greeley's Legacy (Mr. Greeley). "We wanted to see how he stacked up against that kind of competition," commented trainer George Weaver, "I think he is a Kentucky Derby horse, and while there may be an outside chance that he will run in the Blue Grass [Apr. 15], I would say the Wood Memorial is definitely on his schedule."



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Triple Threats cont.

While Saturday's GII San Felipe S. hero A.P. Warrior (A.P. Indy) "looks good" and will be pointed for the GI Santa Anita Derby Apr. 8, plans for the Bob Baffert-trained second- and third-place finishers Point Determined (Point Given) and Bob and John (Seeking the



A.P. Warrior (lime green) defeats Point Determined (inside, blinkers), with Bob and John (outside, blinkers) third Benoit Photo

Gold) are a bit more fluid. "They're both fine and I'm happy with their efforts, but I'll have to see what's next," said Baffert. The out-of-town preps Apr. 8 are the GI Wood Memorial at Aqueduct and the GII Illinois Derby at Hawthorne; the following Saturday, Keeneland will host the GI Toyota Blue Grass S., while Oaklawn will contest the GII Arkansas Derby. Meanwhile, multiple Grade I winner Balance (Thunder Gulch) could take her show on the road before the GI Kentucky Oaks May 5. Trainer David Hofmans is considering the GI Ashland S. at Keeneland Apr. 8 for the Amerman colorbearer. "We're thinking about it," he said. "We'll see how she trains in the next couple of weeks and make a decision." The three-year-old was a sharp winner of her latest, the GI Santa Anita Oaks Mar. 12.



FOALING NEWS

CRUISING HAVEN, 18, Shelter Half--Sailing Leader, by Mr. Leader

Foal born Feb. 25, a filly by Unbridled's Song.

Will be bred back to Elusive Quality.

Owned by Twin Creeks Farm, Gaines-Gentry, Rancho San Miguel.

Boarded at Twin Creeks Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: Dam of Royal Haven (Hail Emperor), MGSW, \$891,500; Belterra (Unbridled), GSW & GISP, \$324,859.

NAVARRA, 18, El Gran Senor--Image of Reality, by In Reality

Foal born Feb. 27, a colt by Mineshaft.

Will be bred back to Pulpit.

Owned by Jane & Frank Lyon, Jr.

Boarded at Summer Wind Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$224,859. Dam of Indygo Shiner (A.P. Indy), GSW & GISP, \$444,066.

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Yesterday's Results:

10th-GPX, **\$37,000**, **Alw**, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:22 3/5, ft.

GULFSTREAM

MIRACLE MAN (c, 4, Yankee Victor--Broadway Boogie, by Fappiano) won the first three starts of his career, then finished a well-beaten fourth behind Don't Get Mad in the Derby Trial last May. He shipped to Monmouth after that effort and hit the board in the May 21 Select S., June 11 Coronado's Quest S. and July 9 Spend a Buck S., but finished a lackluster fifth in the Aug. 14 Rumson S. and disappeared. Making his return after a seven-month layoff as a 5-1 shot, the bay rated off the pace, came three wide around the turn and finished well to get up for a neck score over Honolua Storm (Old Trieste). The winner is a 1/2 to Princess Willow (Silver Deputy), MSW, \$189,253. Lifetime Record: MSP, 9-4-1-2, \$139,957. O/B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-John K Hennig.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, MONDAY, MARCH 20:

03-25 \$6,000,000 **Dubai World Cup-G1**, **Nad**, 3yo/up, 2000m (600000s)

03-25 \$5,000,000 **Dubai Duty Free-G1, Nad**, 3yo/up, 1777mT (500000s)

03-25 \$5,000,000 **Dubai Sheema Classic-G1**, **Nad**, 3yo/up, 2400mT (500000s)

03-25 \$2,000,000 **Dubai Golden Shaheen-G1**, **Nad**, 3yo/up, 1200m (200000s)

03-25 \$2,000,000 **UAE Derby-G2**, **Nad**, 3yo, 1800m (200000s)

03-25 \$1,000,000 Godolphin Mile-G2, Nad, 3yo/up, 1600m (100000s)

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11th-GPX, \$33,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 1mT, 1:34 2/5, fm. BLACK SNAKE (c, 3, More Than Ready--Susan Jean, by Cahill Road) tried the turf for the first time in his third start and, sent off at 7-10 in that maiden test at Colonial Downs July 4, closed to win by 3/4 of a length. The \$260,000 KEESEP yearling followed up with a third-place finish in the July 31 Chenery S., but had not been out since. Always prominent, the 6-1 chance drove to the front in deep stretch and held off Noble Deeds (Old Trieste) in the final yards for a neck victory. Lifetime Record: SP, 5-2-0-2, \$47,450. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.

O-Vinery Stables LLC. B-Kim & Rodney Nardelli (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

8th-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 3yo, 1m, 1:35, ft. ULTIMATE GOAL (c, 3, Storm Cat--Sister Act {GISW, \$579,394}, by Saint Ballado) was bet down to 7-2 in his debut at Gulfstream Feb. 25, but was never in the hunt after a wide trip and finished ninth. A 9-2 chance stretching out to a mile at second asking, the WinStar homebred this time went right to the front and opened it up late to take it by 4 3/4 lengths over Swept 'Em (Grand Slam). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$19,520. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.

O/B-WinStar Farm LLC (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

6th-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. + HOW TRUE IT IS (f, 3, Yes It's True--Future Question, by Copelan), overlooked at 11-1 here, took command from the start and rolled home an easy seven-length winner. The bay was a \$170,000 OBSAUG yearling and a \$450,000 FTFFEB juvenile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$19,200. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.

O-Never Tell Farm & Richard & Audrey Haisfield.

B-Richard E Wilson (FL). T-Joseph F Orseno.

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★ NEW YORK ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$46,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:51 4/5, ft.

MARCO'S TALE (c, 3, Tale of the Cat--Azarba {SP, \$118,780}, by Strawberry Road {Aus}), in the money in four starts for trainer Rene Araya, galloped by nine lengths most recently in an optional claimer over track and trip Feb. 11. Sent off the 3-1 third choice here, the \$120,000 KEESEP yearling was rated just off the early pace, moved up to take command after three-quarters of a mile and drew off in the late stages to post a 2 3/4-length victory over Rob'em Blind (Robyn Dancer). Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-2, \$70,990.

O-Paul P Pompa Jr. B-Lynn B Schiff (KY). T-R A Araya.

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6th-GPX (\$32K Msw) How True It Is (Yes It's True) graduates by daylight.

8th-GPX (\$32K Msw) Ultimate Goal (Storm Cat) draws off to a 4 3/4-length score at second asking.

11th-GPX (\$33K Alw) Black Snake (More Than Ready) strikes in his first start off the layoff.

3rd-SAX (\$46K Msw) Fan Time (Grand Slam) battles back to take her career debut.

4th-SAX (\$48K Msw) Fear No Darkness (Horse Chestnut {Saf}) bests Three Points (Point Given).

3rd-AQU, \$45,000, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12, ft

SUNRISE AT SIX (f, 4, Salt Lake--Sunriseonsaratoga, by Saratoga Six) came home a respectable second last June going six panels in the slop at Monmouth, then went to the sidelines. Making her return here, the \$25,000 KEESEP yearling settled off the early pace, found a seam on the rail in the stretch and rolled right on through, winning by 1 1/4 lengths over Spanning (Prospect Bay). Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-1, \$72,818. O-Diamond Pride LLC, Gabrielle Farm & Carmen Jo Gargano. B-Meadowdale Farm (KY). T-R E Dutrow Jr.

* EAST *

Yesterday's Results:

11th-TAM, \$18,000, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:13, ft. + KATWILLDU (c, 3, Scatmandu--My Heiress {MSW, \$178,710}, by Mr. Redoy) was overlooked at 26-1 in his first start, but rallied from the middle of the pack to best For Appeal (Successful Appeal) by a half-length. The winner was a \$40,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,800.

O/T-Robert G Smith. B-Robert & Saronda Smith & Marilyn Lewis (FL).

* WEST *

Yesterday's Results:

1st-GGX, \$30,600, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft. + NORTHERN SOLDIER (c, 3, Yankee Victor--Adorable Lydia, by Carson City), sent off the 3-1 second choice, broke a step slow, but recovered quickly and hustled to the front, covering the opening quarter mile in :21 2/5. Passed momentarily by favored Firebough (Flame Thrower) with a furlong left to run, the bay battled back and was a nose ahead of that foe at the wire. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,500.

O-Berta E Racing.Com & Wind River Stable. B-Pegasus Stud & Ledgelands, LLC (KY). T-Brian J Koriner.



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★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Yesterday's Results: CRYSTAL WATER H., \$113,000, SAX, 3-19, (S), 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:35, fm.

- 1--#SUPER STRUT, 119, h, 6, Lil Tyler--Miss Chez Cheveaux, by Torsion. O-A & R Stables LLC, Class Racing Stable & Miller, et al; B-Madera Thoroughbreds (CA); T-Craig Dollase; J-T Baze; \$67,800. Lifetime Record: 20-6-4-1, \$328,382.
- 2--Mr. Wolverine, 116, g, 4, Last Lion--April Mom, by L'Enjoleur. (\$1,700 yrl '03 BESNOV). O-Fast Lane Farms, Begue & Dreyfys. \$22,600.
- 3--Uncle Denny, 118, c, 4, In Excess (Ire)--Gift to the World, by His Majesty. (\$140,000 yrl '03 CALAUG). O-Stan E Fulton. \$13,560.

Margins: NO, NO, 2. Odds: 8.50, 62.20, 1.50. Super Strut finished fourth in this event last year, but fought off the front-running favorite Uncle Denny and rank outsider Mr. Wolverine to take the three-way photo in a thrilling finish here. The dark bay was shelved after the 2005 Crystal Water, returning to be third in an allowance test on the Santa Anita main track in October, Sixth in the Nov. 6 Cal Cup Mile, he ended the season with a second-place finish in an optional claimer on the grass at Golden Gate Dec. 4. The Calbred bested open company in an optional claimer on the lawn at Santa Anita Jan. 13, but threw in a clunker when switched back to the dirt for the Jan. 28 Sunshine Millions Classic, running 10th. Looking to improve on that showing on his preferred surface, Super Strut saved ground while rating off the reasonable fractions set by Uncle Denny. He angled wide around the bend and it looked like he would blow right by the leaders, but the pacesetter dug in gamely and 62-1 Mr. Wolverine burst through from the rail to make it a battle royale

1st-SAX, **\$51,560**, **Alw**, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:16 2/5, gd.

MY DREAM (BRZ) (h, 5, Royal Academy--Crossover Dreams, by Buckaroo) was a closing fourth over course and trip Feb. 4, his first start back from a seven-month respite. Given a 4-1 chance here, the half to Mr. McCartney (Brz) (Academy Award), MGSW & G1SP-Brz, tracked the early pace, advanced three wide leaving the turn and drew clear to win by 3 1/4 lengths over Common Trust (Bertrando). Lifetime Record: 9-3-1-2, \$53,817.

O/B-TNT Stud (BRZ). T-Paulo H Lobo.

to the wire.

4th-SAX, \$48,800, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft. FEAR NO DARKNESS (c, 3, Horse Chestnut {SAf}--Dr. Redoubtable, by Storm Cat), an \$85,000 KEENOV weanling and a \$170,000 KEESEP yearling, finished a solid second going 6 1/2 panels in his Mar. 4 bow; he was the 19-10 chalk to go one better at a route. Rated along in fifth through six furlongs, the bay went after 2-1 Three Points (Point Given) as they raced down the lane and just got by him in the waning yards to take it by a neck. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$41,000.

O-Sunset Stables. B-J Phillip Mote (KY). T-Bob Baffert.

3rd-SAX, \$46,800, Msw, 3yo, f, 6 1/2fT, 1:17 1/5, ft. + FAN TIME (f, 3, Grand Slam--Azelna {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Tropular) was sent off the 17-10 chalk in her career opener and did not let her backers down. The dark bay went right to the front and set a solid pace while pressed by Blushing Cat (Cat Thief). That rival got a head in front at midstretch, but Fan Time came back to regain the lead and pulled away late to win by 2 1/2 lengths. First-time starter Coming Alive (Aptitude) closed ground late to get second as Blushing Cat faded to third. Video, sponsored by Taylor Made. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$27,600.

O/T-Wesley Ward. B-Rankin, Cummings, Drake & Grant (KY).



SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

Stakes/First-time Starters to Watch: Monday, Mar. 20

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

COASTAL STORM (Storm Cat), Pin Oak Lane, \$3K, 62/4/0 6-PHA, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Godsaid, 12-1

DELAWARE TOWNSHIP (Notebook), Padua, \$7K, 84/18/3 1-OTC, Stk, 6f, Lizzy's Township, \$75K OBS APR 2yo ECTON PARK (Forty Niner), Wintergreen, \$15K, 119/14/2 5-OTC, Stk, 1 1/16m, Saffronista, \$15K OBS APR 2yo EL CORREDOR (Mr. Greeley), Hill N Dale, \$20K, 190/25/4 6-OTC, Stk, 1 1/16m, El Lobo, \$125K OBS APR 2yo EXCHANGE RATE (Danzig), Padua, \$10K, 85/16/1 5-OTC, Stk, 1 1/16m, Bereba, \$40K OBS AUG yrl FIVE STAR DAY (Carson City), Wintergreen, \$10K, 126/17/3 2-OTC, Stk, 6f, Starforaday, \$19K OBS MAR 2yo MONARCHOS (Maria's Mon), Claiborne, \$25K, 131/8/2 6-OTC, Stk, 1 1/16m, Harborage, \$165K OBS MAR 2yo PUT IT BACK (Honour and Glory), Bridlewood, \$5K, 79/15/1 2-OTC, Stk, 6f, Keep It, \$80K OBS MAR 2yo SONGANDAPRAYER (Unbridled's Song), Walmac, \$10K, 109/25/3 1-OTC, Stk, 6f, Reason to Rejoice, \$9K OBS JUN 2yo

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LITTMODEN NAMED ALL-WEATHER CHAMPION

Nick Littmoden received the honors as top trainer at the Bet Direct Annual All-Weather Awards after racing at Lingfield Saturday. Littmoden secured the title with 27 winners over the season. The leading owner was Nigel Shields, whose stable boasted a number of smart handicappers, led by Bravo Maestro. Eddie Ahern was named champion jockey, and James Doyle was champion apprentice.



Yesterday's Results:

PREMIO FEDERICO REGOLI-Listed, €56,700, Pisa, 3-19, 4yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:29.60, gd.

- 1--CEPRIN (IRE), 128, h, 5, Desert Prince (Ire)--Black Wood, by Woodman. O/B-Scuderia Siba SPA; T-Alduino & Giuseppe Botti; J-Edmondo Botti; €31,500. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ity, 23 starts, 11 wins, 8 places, €311,031.
- 2--Mister Pennekamp (Ire), 128, c, 4, Pennekamp--My-O-My (Ire), by Waajib (Ire). €13,860.
- 3--Muleta (Ire), 128, c, 4, Daggers Drawn--Undercover (GB), by Grand Lodge. €7,560.

Margins: 3/4, SHD, HF. Odds: 1.48, 7.59, 3.44. Also ran: Kill Cat (Ire), Gazza Ladra (Ire), Slapper (Ity).

TDN Euro is:

England: Sean Cronin (CAFE Racing)

Tom Frary (CAFE Racing)

France: Claude Beniada
Germany: Christa Riebel
Ireland: Dave Keena
Italy: Giorgio Barsotti

PREMIO ANDRED-TROFEO SGA-Listed, €56,700, Pisa, 3-19, 4yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:06.70, gd.

- 1--BENING (FR), 128, h, 6, Shantou-Bessie Bennett (Ire), by Be My Guest. O/B-Razza Dormello Olgiata; T-Ovidio Pessi; J-Claudio Colombi; €31,500. Lifetime Record: G1SP-Ity, 27 starts, 10 wins, 8 places, €252,296.
- 2--Clasem di San Jore (Ire), 128, h, 5, Second Empire (Ire)-Claw (Ire), by Law Society. (€42,000 yrl '02 ITYSEP). €13,860.
- 3--Los Bonitos (Ger), 128, c, 4, Waky Nao (GB)-La Dolores (Ger), by Surumu (Ger). (€6,000 yrl '03 BBASEP). €7,560.

Margins: 1, 4 1/4, SNK. Odds: 0.71, 3.98, 5.34.

Saturday's Late Results:

Milan, 4.00, Cond, €22,500, 4/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:09.50, gd. NORDHAL (GB) (h, 7, Halling--Nord's Lucy {Ire} {MSW-Ity}, by Nordico), third at Rome Feb. 26, was afforded a soft lead from the outset. Pressed from the top of the straight, the 11-5 chance was ridden out inside the final eighth to hold Absolut Taft (Ire) (King's Theatre {Ire}) by a short head in the bobber. The winner is a 1/2 to Onice Nero (GB) (Primo Dominie {GB}), SW & MGSP-Ity, \$258,641. Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, 46 starts, 13 wins, 17 places, €457,569.

O/B-Scuderia Blueberry SRL; T-Bruno Grizzetti.

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BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

STAKE RESULTS:

HOT SPRINGS S., \$50,000, OPX, 3-19, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, sy.

- 1--THAT TAT, 116, g, 8, Faltaat--Oh Boy Valoy, by Bates Motel. O-Ken Murphy Thoroughbreds Ltd; B-Richter Family Trust (OK); T-C Norman; J-M Berry; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: GSP, 51-17-15-8, \$592,485. *1/2 to High Timer (High Brite), SW, \$229,996; and Dynaboy (Dynaformer), SP, \$199,352.
- 2--Level Playingfield, 117, g, 5, Level Sands--Chao Praya, by Gold Legend. (\$15,000 2yo 2003 OBSAPR). \$10,000.
- 3--Rodeo's Castle, 122, h, 5, Rodeo--David's Castle, by Sezyou. (\$5,000 yrl '02 OBSAUG). \$5,000. Margins: NK, HF, 3 3/4. Odds: 10.10, 4.20, 2.40.

SPRING S., \$40,000, HOU, 3-18, (S), 4yo/up, 7f, 1:24 2/5, ft.

- 1--#ANDANIGHT, 118, c, 4, Night Beat--Andaluce, by Don Daniello. O/B-Nelco Farms (TX); T-Juan R Rivera; J-O Rodriguez; \$24,000. Lifetime Record: 18-3-6-3, \$65,430.
- 2--Dreamsandvisions, 118, g, 4, Kipling--Nurse Linda K., by Dr. Adagio. \$8,000.
- 3--Senor Amigo, 118, h, 6, Distorted Humor--Senora Anne, by Conquistador Cielo. (\$22,000 yrl '01 TEXAUG). \$4,400.

Margins: NK, 2, 1. Odds: 30.40, 0.80, 18.40.

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GULFSTREAM PARK

Smuggler (Unbridled), 3f, :37.20, 4/6 **Funny Cide** (Distorted Humor), 6f, 1:13.20, 1/4

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Cacique (Ire) (Danehill), 4f. :48.80, 14/41

Katdogawn (GB) (Bahhare), 5f, 1:01.20, 20/43

King's Drama (Ire) (King's Theatre), 6f, 1:13.60, 5/19

PALM MEADOWS

Harlington (Unbridled), 4f, :49.40, 14/29

Vicarage (Vicar), 4f, :49.40, 14/29

Bandini (Fusaichi Pegasus), 5f, 1:03.40, 22/28

High Cotton (Dixie Union), 5f, 1:02.00, 13/28

Sun Boat (GB) (Machiavellian), 5f, 1:03.00, 18/28

West Virginia (Tomorrows Cat), 5f, 1:01.80, 11/28

Yachats (Forest Camp), 5f, 1:02.40, 15/28

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-EVD, \$44,300, 3-18, NW3L, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07, ft.

LIL CREAM PUFF (f, 4, Lil's Lad--Dark Escar, by Rich Cream) Lifetime Record: MSP, 12-3-5-1, \$96,511.

O-B B B & G Racing. B-J Adcock (LA). T-Keith L Bourgeois. *\$9,000 yrl '03 LOUSEP; \$12,000 2yo 2004 LOUMAR. **1/2 to Brick Works (Rare Brick), SW, \$180,960.

5th-AQU, **\$44,000**, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:45 1/5, ft.

MISS WEST (f, 4, Western Expression--Douce Carotte, by Caro {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 8-2-0-2, \$61,133. O-Merrylegs Farm. B-Seymour Cohn (NY). T-John O Hertler. *1/2 to Kashatreya (Daring Groom), MGSW, \$541,589.

2nd-GGX, **\$38,590**, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

CUT THE MUSTARD (f, 4, Double Honor--Cuthershort, by Fortunate Prospect) Lifetime Record: MSP, 13-4-3-0, \$128,670. O-Eplin Brothers. B-Farnsworth Farms & Joel Sainer (FL). T-O A Jauregui. *\$100,000 2yo 2004 OBSAPR.

9th-CTX, **\$36,000**, 3-18, NW3L, (S), 3yo, 4 1/2f, :53 3/5, ft.

PICK AND ROLL (c, 3, Kokand--Overlay, by Al Nasr {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 4-2-2-0, \$44,620. O-Arnold A Heft. B-Janet W Hoke DVM (WV). T-Rodney Jenkins. *\$30,000 yrl '04 FTMOCT.

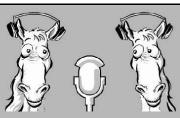
8th-LRL, \$33,000, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000-\$28,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39 1/5, ft. SUN SAPPHIRE (m, 5, Jules--Solar Annie, by Sejm) Lifetime Record: 22-11-4-3, \$153,975. O-John E Jordan. B-Scott Dance (FL). T-William A Campbell.

8th-EVD, **\$30,688**, 3-18, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

SPACE CRUISE (f, 4, <u>Cape Canaveral</u>--Engaging, by Private Account) Lifetime Record: 15-5-2-3, \$98,780. O-S B Seelig. B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-P Mouton.

8th-CTX, \$30,000, 3-18, NW3L, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :54, ft.

BIG CITY GIRL (f, 4, My Boy Adam--Citi Siren, by Citidancer) Lifetime Record: 10-3-1-2, \$58,810. O/T-Timothy C Grams. B-Tim & Robin Grams (WV).



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7th-LRL, \$28,000, NW1X, 3yo, 7f, 1:24 4/5, ft. SHAMSS (g, 3, Exploit--Jazzitup, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 12-4-4-0, \$74,250. O-Karen Grynovicki. B-Margaret Nigrelle (KY). T-Howard E Wolfendale. *\$55,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

8th-MNR, \$27,800, NW2L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40 2/5, ft. SKIPPY DUE (g, 4, Devil His Due-Hazy Prospect, by Fortunate Prospect) Lifetime Record: 12-2-3-1, \$69,988. O-Nelson McMakin. B-Westwind Farm (KY). T-James A Dodgen. *\$27,000 yrl '03 KEESEP.

6th-HAW, **\$27,000**, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:50 2/5, ft.

MANDA'S ALASKAN (f, 4, Alaskan Frost--Solar Apple, by Solar City) Lifetime Record: 13-3-1-1, \$38,250. O/B-George & Anita Manda (IL). T-Darrell A Lunsford.

8th-HAW, \$27,000, NW1X, 3/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 2/5, ft. LOVE DIVINE (f, 4, Sandpit {Brz}--Preppyluv, by Parade of Stars) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$32,420. O/B-Virginia Inman (KY). T-Charles Livesay. *1/2 to Bionic Lover (Bionic Light), SW, \$223,321.

8th-PHA, \$24,150, NW1X, 3yo, a1m70yd, 1:44 1/5, ft. KELLERS CHURCH RD. (c, 3, Pioneering--Truth and Nobility {MSW, \$255,594}, by Proud Truth) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$34,250. O-Briter Stable. B-Briter Farm (PA). T-Francis A Meares.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Lahnstein, c, 3, Digamist--Calafia, by Marquetry. PHA, 3-19, a1m70yd, 1:44 3/5. B-Lexco Services, Inc (Pa).
- **B Whiz**, f, 3, **Digging In**--Z Whiz, by Zarbyev. SUN, 3-19, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Freddie Howard & Billie Lavern Howard (NM).
- Bella Dorato, f, 3, Goldminers Gold--Witchkin, by Salem. AQU, 3-19, (S), 6f, 1:12. B-J M Stables, Inc (NY).
- Victory Style, c, 3, More Style--Crossed Arrows, by Lydian (Fr). SAX, 3-18, (S), (C), 6f, 1:11. B-Robert A & Joann Wiles (Ca).
- Shuffling Maddnes, c, 3, Real Quiet--Splashing Fancy (MSW, \$119,430), by Bucksplasher. AQU, 3-19, (S), a1m70yd, 1:44 4/5. B-Joe Gioia (NY).
- Sierra Perdida, f, 3, Sadler Slew--Pins and Dreams, by Robin Des Pins. SUN, 3-19, (S), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Boyd Clement DVM (NM).
- Samba Jones, g, 3, Seneca Jones--Samba Storm, by Storm Bird. OPX, 3-19, 6f, 1:12. B-K Asmussen (Tx).
- She's Excellent, f, 3, Senor Speedy--Cupe Sister, by Secreto. AQU, 3-19, (S), 1m, 1:41 4/5. B-Robert Perez (NY).

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$29,000 Allowance, at Hawthorne. For pps and a complete race analysis, click here.

- Chazal, f, 4, A. P Jet--Ogy's Threat, by Ogygian. MNR, 3-18, 6f, 1:15 3/5. B-Sugar Maple Farm (NY). *\$42,000 yrl '03 FTNAUG; \$19,500 HRA 2006 FTKFEB.
- Country Digger, g, 4, Country Store--Bloomin Lady (MSP), by Gold Blend. OPX, 3-19, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:50 2/5. B-Eugene & Linda Branum (Ar).
- Highest Grade, g, 4, High Yield--Szarotka, by Rahy. HAW, 3-19, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:49. B-Hank Rokicki (II).
- Tori's Pride, f, 4, Proud Giant--Clara Belle's Gal (SP), by Elbow Grease. EVD, 3-18, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06 4/5. B-Rolling Segura (La).

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Lyon, 4.30, 3-19, €24,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:44.99, sf.

AUZI (FR) (g, 3, Commands {Aus}--Time for Romance {Ire}, by Cure the Blues) Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, 32,300. O-MIle M Head; B-Mme Martine Head; T-X Thomas Demeaulte. *€8,000 yrl '04 DEAAUG.

FRANCE, Cholet, 2.30, 3-19, €14,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/16mT, time: n/a, sf.

YOUNG POLI (FR) (c, 3, Poliglote {GB}--Yole {Fr}, by Dancing Spree) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, 12,600. O-Mme P Papot; B-S.C.E.A. Ecurie Di Tullio; T-A Couetil.

ITALY, Milan, 2.50, 3-18, €22,500, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:53.40, gd.

POWER ON DEMAND (GB) (c, 3, Nashwan--Queen Cake {Ire}, by Sandhurst Prince {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €28,390. O-Scuderia Mack Ferrer; B-Chevington Stud; T-Bruno Grizzetti. *1/2 to Bashaayeash (Ire) (Fairy King), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$164,393. **€55,000 yrl '04 DEAAUG.

GERMANY, Neuss, 4.40, 3-19, €10,000, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:37.72, stn.

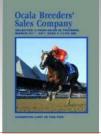
SIGNUM (GER) (c, 3, Kalatos {Ger}--Southern Bird {Ger}, by Law Society) Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 2 wins, 0 places. O-Stall Lore; B-Knut Kaufmann; T-Angelika Glodde.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Scipione Borghese (GB), c, 3, Anabaa--Sharenara, by Vaguely Noble (Ire). Milan, Italy, 3-18, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1mT. B-Horse AG. *1/2 to Sharekann (Ire) (Be My Guest), MSW & MGSP, \$411,333.
- + Stella Celtica (Ity), f, 3, Celtic Swing (GB)--Kanun (GB), by Dancing Brave. Milan, Italy, 3-18, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1mT. B-Stefano Luciani.

TDN AT THE TWO-YEAR-OLD SALES **OBS MARCH SALE**

March 21-22, 2006



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OBS RETURNS HOME

With the juvenile sales season well under way, the action once again returns to Florida after last week's Barretts March sale. This time, Ocala is the place to be, with consignors and buyers alike readying for two days



Lucas Marquardt

of the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's March Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training, beginning tomorrow at the OBS complex at 11:00 a.m. OBS is coming off a solid February sale in Miami that saw a colt by Forest Camp top the event at \$650,000. Save for one horse now named The

Green Monkey, 'solid' would be the word to characterize the majority of the two-year-old market in 2006. The OBS February and the Fasig-Tipton Calder sales, leaving out the latter's \$16-million world-record Forestry colt, were reasonably even in terms of average and gross. Likewise at the Barretts Sale in Pomona, California. With a bigger catalog that features a broader range of middle-

market horses, OBS officials are curious to find out how the March Sale fits in. "I think we have very good horses at the top end here, but this will be a test of how the middle of the market is." said OBS Director of Sales Tom Ventura. "Our first sale had less than 200 [hips].



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Barretts had less than 200, and those types of sales aren't good gauges of the entire market, and I think this sale will be a good test. Based on the interest, I'm very confident that we'll have a very good sale."

Foggy Memory...

It was two years ago that Greg and Karen Dodd's Southern Chase Farm consigned a muscular, racy son of Lost Soldier to the OBS March Sale. They had pur-



chased him seven months earlier at the OBS August Sale, making a last-minute decision after laying eyes on the colt for the first time in the back walking ring just minutes before he went under the hammer.

"We had tried to look at all the Lost in the Fog A Coglianese horses, but we didn't get a chance to and didn't see this

horse," explained Greg Dodd. "But he was our kind of horse, physically. I told my wife when I saw him, 'I'm buying him.' The horses we normally do best with, it's that instant attraction. It's like some beautiful woman walking past here and you go, 'Wow.'" Fog cont. p2

OBS MARCH 2005 - TOP FOUR LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price		
264	С	Sire Yes It's True	Kit Kat Kitty	\$900,000		
		Consigned by Eisaman Equine, agent				
		Purchased by Darley				
152	C	Silver Charm	Ensign's Wine	\$360,000		

(\$150,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) Consigned by Hartley/de Renzo Thoroughbreds, agent

Purchased by Buzz Chace, agent for West Point TB 236 f Siphon (Brz) Jaded \$350,000

(\$85,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) Consigned by Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), Agent XI Purchased by Gary Young

309 c **Touch Gold** Marked Well \$350,000 (\$85,000 yrl '04 KEESEP)

Consigned by Solitary Oak, Agent III Purchased by D.J. Stable, LLC



Smokin'



Hip 305 - TEXAS GLITTER Colt Shoots Down the Lane at Saturday's **OBS March Preview, Working** a Quarter in a Bullet :21.10! (video)

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Fog cont.

At OBS March, the colt, already named Lost in the Fog, breezed a good eighth in :10 3/5, and the Dodds entered the sale with high expectations. Bidding stalled out on Lost in the Fog approaching the \$200,000 mark, however--the mark at which the Dodds were prepared to part with him--and he was led out of the ring unsold at \$195,000.

A week later, Greg Dodd called up Northern



Lost in the Fog Sherackatthetrack

California-based conditioner Greg Gilchrist to see if he'd be interested in buying the colt privately.

"We had sold him horses before," said Dodd. "He had been here and looked at the horse, loved the horse and bid on him. He said, 'Well, let me talk to Harry [Aleo, Gilchrist's principal owner] about it.' He called me back about 45 minutes later and

said, 'All right, we'll take him.'

At that point, the price tag had dropped to \$140,000.

Fast forward to 2005, and the dark bay with the crooked blaze had become nothing short of a racing sensation, carrying an unbeaten 10-for-10 record into the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. Lost in the Fog didn't win that day, but he'd done more than enough to deserve an Eclipse Award in the sprint division.

For the Dodds, there are no regrets.

"In my opinion, any time you can take \$48,000 and turn it into \$140,000, you do it every time," said Greg Dodd. "When I sell a horse, I wish they'd all go on to be great. It gives you a lot of attention when you have a horse like that."

Perhaps the sale was made easier, too, by the fact that the horse had gone to a good friend in Gilchrist. As Lost in the Fog blossomed into a superstar, his new connections were quick to include the Dodds as part of team.

"We went to a lot of his races," said Greg Dodd. "We went to the Breeders' Cup, and they invited us to the Eclipse Awards. So we went out there and went with them, and that was a lot of fun. It couldn't have been any more exciting for us if we'd still owned him. And for Mr. Aleo, being 85 years old, to see somebody getting the pleasure out of it that he did makes it all worth while."

After the Breeders' Cup, the Dodds and Lost in the Fog enjoyed a reunion of sorts. Also sent the colt down to their farm in Ocala for a little R & R for 60 days.

"We were real proud that they'd even ask us to do that," said Greg Dodd. "When he got down here, he looked great. He didn't look like a horse that had been shipped all across the country."

Looking back at it all, Greg Dodd has to smile when he recalls a conversation he had with a gentleman just after Lost in the Fog had RNA'd at OBS March.

"When I bought him back for \$195,000, I had one guy come up to me and say, 'Man, that was really stupid,'" related Dodd, his friend perhaps questioning his faith in the horse.

"I said, 'Everybody's entitled to their own opinion. I just like him; I think he's a nice horse.' Later on, after he'd won a couple of races, I saw the same guy at another sale. By that time, I'd forgot all about. He walked up and said, 'I owe you an apology.' I said, 'For what?' He said, 'For telling you how stupid you were. Well, you're not looking so stupid now.'"

OBS MARCH PREVIEW FRIDAY, MARCH 17				
Hip #	Sex	Sire	Distance	Time
18	f	Johannesburg	1/8m	:10 1/5
18 45 227 243	C	Doneraile Court	1/8m	:10 1/5
22 7	С	West Acre	1/8m	:10 1/5
243	С	Straight Man	1/8m	:10 1/5
264	C	Five Star Day	1/8m	:10 1/5
122	f	Officer	1/4m	:21 1/5
<u>240</u>	C	<u>Include</u>	3/8m	:35 1/5

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Two-Year-Olds Selling at OBS March 21 & 22

Colts: 49 & 359 • Filly: 314



Closing Argument, from Successful Appeal's first crop.



'Field' of Dreams...

Ask Wesfield Sales' Robert Smith how he got into consigning, and he'll dryly respond: "Real simple: I just



Robert Smith and an employee with hip 315 Lucas Marquardt

started dating my wife in high school." With the pedigree Saronda Smith (nee Lewis) boasts, Smith is probably right that his career path was chosen the moment the two hit it off on that first double date back in the early '80s.

Saronda's dad was Wesley Lewis, a twoyear-old consignor in the

1980s and a longtime employee of Ocala Stud. Her grandfather, Henry Lewis, managed Bonnie Heath Farm during the time the farm co-owned Needles, the first Florida-bred to win the Kentucky Derby. Marion Lewis, Saronda's uncle, managed Farnsworth Farm for some 30 years, and another uncle, Larry Lewis, is currently the stallion manager at Ocala Stud.

Needless to say, Robert, who grew up with a background in show and quarter horses, was soon immersed in the business. He worked alongside his wife (they married in 1984 after high school), learning from his father-in-law, and about 15 years ago the couple struck out on their own.

The operation, at that point, involved racing young horses at Fort Erie in Canada, then selling them on track once they broke their maidens.

OBS MARCH PREVIEW FRIDAY, MARCH 10					
<u>Hip #</u>	<u>Sex</u>	Sire	Distance	<u>Time</u>	
28	f	Songandaprayer	1/8m	:10	
37	f	Cherokee Run	1/8m	:10	
101	С	Salt Lake	1/4m	:21 1/5	
28 37 101 129	f	Rizzi	1/4m	:21 1/5	
174	С	Trippi	1/4m	:21 1/5	

Family life, however, soon spurred a change.

"We had kids, and it got too much staying away from home six months of the year," explained Robert Smith. "So we decided to go back into the two-year-old sales." The Smiths have two children; Drake, 16, and Rhett, 11.

During the '90s, the Smiths worked for Becky Thomas' Sequel Bloodstock, then did a stint at Eisaman Equine. Robert Smith credits both Thomas and Barry Eisaman for assisting the young couple. After Saronda spent two years managing Hart Farm, the Smiths again felt they were ready for their own business, launching Wesfield Sales about eight years ago. Beginning primarily with horses they bred and raised, the Smiths, as business picked up, began taking trips to the yearling sales. They now often partner with others when buying yearlings.

"We've been real fortunate that the people who have supported us have been real good people to deal with," said Robert Smith. "We've gotten lucky in the last few years with some good horses. We're just lucky."

Despite his modesty, luck has little to do with what

the Smiths have accomplished, and the OBS March sale has been the venue for much of that success. Two years ago, a Chief Seattle colt they'd purchased for \$22,000 as a yearling at Keeneland was resold for \$260,000. In 2005, they scored a similarly lucrative pinhook, getting \$320,000



Smith and hip 29
Lucas Marquardt

for a Siphon (Brz) filly that was originally a \$17,000 buy at Keeneland.

Wesfield will send a total of seven juveniles through the ring tomorrow and Wednesday, including hip 315, a filly by Delaware Township that recorded a smart :10 1/5 work going an eighth during the Mar. 11 breeze show (video). Also working in :10 1/5 at the Mar. 10 show (video) was hip 29, a colt by Indian Charlie that's drawn plenty of looks at barn 5.





Time For Monkey Business? Nah, Just Back to Work...

Question: how do you top yourself after selling an unraced juvenile for \$16 million? The answer, obvi-



The Green Monkey

ously, is that you don't. You just go back to doing what got you there in the first place, raising and training young horses the best way you know how. That's the attitude Dean De Renzo and Randy Hartley have taken a month after selling a Forestry colt, subsequently named The

Green Monkey, to Coolmore's Demi O'Byrne for \$16 million, a world record for a horse at auction.

OBS MARCH 2006 TOP 10 BY YEARLING PRICE

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<u>Hip</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Price</u>	Sale	
<u>54</u>	<u>Orientate</u>	\$270,000	KEESEP	
Co	onsigned byTony Bow	ling & Bobby Dod	ld, agent	
<u>361</u>	Silver Deputy	\$170,000	KEESEP	
	Consigned by	Eisaman Equine		
<u>111</u>	Smoke Glacken	\$160,000	KEESEP	
	Consigned by	Eisaman Equine		
<u>405</u>	Tale of the Cat	\$155,000	KEESEP	
С	onsigned by Niall Brei	nnan Stables, Age	nt XVIII	
<u>49</u>	Successful Appeal	\$150,000	OBSAUG	
Cons	signed by Hartley/De	Renzo Thoroughbi	reds, agent	
<u> 264</u>	Five Star Day	\$150,000	FTSAUG	
	signed by Hartley/De	_	_	
<u>384</u>	Forest Wildcat	\$150,000	FTKJUL	
Consigned by Robert Scanlon Training Center, Agent IV				
<u>84</u>	Distorted Humor	\$145,000	KEESEP	
Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I				
<u>96</u>	Yes It's True	\$140,000	KEESEP	
Consigned by Eisaman Equine				
		\$135,000		
Consigned by Wesfield Sales (Robert & Saronda Smith), Agent I				
Source: The Blood-Horse Auction Edge				

"We just came back here and got back to work," laughed Hartley when asked what the post-sale celebration entailed. "I love getting up in the mornings and being with the horses."

The record sale prompted plenty of attention for De Renzo and Hartley, and not just in the racing world.

"NBC's called, MSNBC, CNN; I think it's great for the whole horse industry," said Hartley. "It just shows that it can happen to anyone."

Hartley added that he'd yet to make a major purchase since The Big Score. "I've just bought gas for my truck," he said. "I had everything I needed before we sold the horse."

Hartley also maintains that he and De Renzo will stick to the same pinhooking strategy that they've adhered to in the past few years, namely, stressing quality over quantity.

"No, I don't think so," Hartley said on whether they planned on boosting the number of yearlings they purchased. "I like where we're at now. If you look at the group here, it's a small but very good group of horses. A lot of them we could have brought down to Miami, but we wanted to give them a chance to shine here."

The H/D Team is especially excited about hip 357, a handsome colt by Songandaprayer. Purchased for



Hip 357

L Marquardt

\$105,000 out of the OBS August sale last season, the chestnut, named Mess'n Around, sped through an eighth in :10 1/5 at the Mar. 11 under-tack show (video).

"All year, I've said I've been very excited about four horses: The Green Monkey, the Unbridled's Song colt John Ferguson

bought for \$900,000 [at Fasig-Tipton], the Storm Cat that went to Dale Romans [for \$2.2 million at Fasig], and this colt," said Hartley. "I told one guy, 'Buy him, take him home, if you don't like him, just give him back.' I feel that good about him. And it's nice to be in a position where you can do that."

In 2006: 7 Two-Year-Olds have averaged \$317,857 including individuals for \$1,200,000 • \$400,000 • \$200,000

Check out his 2yos selling at OBS Tuesday and Wednesday, including:

Hip #29 - breezed an eighth in :10.1

Hip #368 - blazed a quarter in :21.1

INDIAN CHARLIE







Colt Could Be Cloverleaf's Good-Luck Charm...

Orphaned when his mother died just a month after



Fernung cloverleaffarms2.com

giving birth to him, hip 376, a son of Johannesburg, grew up big and strong regardless under the care of his adopted family at CloverLeaf Farms II in Ocala and is poised to bring the operation a bit of belated St. Patrick's Day cheer when he sells Wednesday.

"He's been such a terrific colt, even from day one," said CloverLeaf's general manager, Brent Fernung. "Despite everything, he just grew like a weed. At this point, he's just under 16 hands;

he's a man now."

Out of the stakes-placed General Assembly mare
Whenourshipcomesin, who had to be put down after
colicking shortly after foaling, hip 376 dashed off an
eighth in :10 1/5 at the Mar. 11 breeze show (video).

While the time was noteworthy, it was the way he came out of the work that impressed his connections



CloverLeaf's Keith Sargent and hip 376 Lucas Marquardt

most. "He was a little bit tired the next day, just like all the horses are, but the day after that he was feeling so good, he was like, 'Guys, you gotta do something more with me,'" said CloverLeaf's Allyson Santo.

Hip 376, whose dam is a half to three stakes winners, is himself a half to stakes-winner Cleaning House (End Sweep) and

to the stakes-placed filly Amybdancing (Diablo). CloverLeaf consigned the colt to last year's Fasig-Tipton July sale, but bought him back for \$120,000.

OBS MARCH PREVIEW SATURDAY, MARCH 11, 2006 Distance Hip # Sex Time 290 Songandaprayer 1/8m :10 481 **Belong to Me** 1/8m :10 497 Songandaprayer c 1/8m :10 362 **Belong to Me** 1/4m :21 C 348 **Cherokee Run** 1/4m :21 1/5 C **Indian Charlie** 368 1/4m :21 1/5 286 Anees 3/8m :35

OBS MARCH PREVIEW						
	SATURDAY, MARCH 18					
Hip #	Sex	Sire	Distance	<u>Time</u>		
334	f	B L's Appeal	1/8m	:10 2/5		
388	C	<u>Include</u>	1/8m	:10 2/5		
293	f	Salt Lake	1/8m	:10 3/5		
310	f	Distorted Humor	1/8m	:10 3/5		
347	C	Runaway Groom	1/8m	:10 3/5		
506	C	Mazel Trick	1/8m	:10 3/5		
535	С	Exchange Rate	1/8m	:10 3/5		
305	C	Texas Glitter	1/4m	:21 1/5		
440	f	Golden Missile	1/4m	:21 1/5		
306	C	High Yield	3/8m	:35 2/5		



HIP 205 A.P. INDY colt o/o MGSW mare



*Went in :22.0 on 3/10 *Galloped out in :34.0 Click here to see the video

DRAGON WELDS, half brother by **DYNAFORMER**, has 2 wins from 3 starts at 2 and 3, 2006, in Japan. Next start Japanese **GROUP II**.

Selling March 21 at OBS – Barn 11. Contact W.D. North for further details (813) 714-0477

Also selling March 21 – **HIP 89** – A registered New York bred colt by **PRIME TIMBER** o/o **SP** mare. Worked a sharp 10.2 on 3/10. Click here to see the video. **MAGNOLIA JACKSON**, half sister by Cape Canaveral, is 3 for 3 in 2006, including wins in The Correction and Broadway Stakes since the catalogue. Her connections are considering **The Distaff Breeders' Cup-GII** for her next start. Available for inspection at the Rohan Stable consignment - Barn 11. Contact Neal Simms for further details (302) 293-9678.