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### CHALKS NO SURE THING IN LEXINGTON

A field of 10 is scheduled to go postward in today's GII Coolmore Lexington S. and **Showing Up** (Strategic Mission) will attempt to give his owners, the Lael Stables of Roy and Gretchen Jackson, an unprecedented second undefeated starter in the GI Kentucky Derby in two weeks. "I don't even know if we belong with these horses, but you sure hope you do," trainer Barclay Tagg told *Daily Racing Form*. On paper, the chestnut appears a perfect fit, but as one of many in the field with



**Showing Up** Equi-Photo

speed, he'll need to relax a bit and will have to deal

with the inside part of the soggy racetrack, not the place to be in recent days. Along with GIII Transylvania S. winner **Chin High** (Smart Strike), New York invader **Like Now** (Jules) is the other graded stakes winner in the field, having won the GIII Gotham S. over the Aqueduct inner track Mar. 18. A homebred for John Dillon, the Florida-bred wired a pair of sprints over the winterized surface before outlasting Keyed Entry in the Gotham. "Barclay has a nice horse, but I think the Keeneland track will be to Like Now's liking," said Neal McLaughlin, brother of trainer Kiaran. He is another that has shown just one gear and could help set things up for the late runners.

**Saturday, Keeneland, post time: 5:20 p.m. EDT**  
**COOLMORE LEXINGTON S.-GII**, \$325,000, 3yo,  
1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Gone Prospecting	Way West (Fr)	McLaughlin	15-1
2	Showing Up	Strategic Mission	Tagg	3-1
3	More Than Regal	More Than Ready	Asmussen	8-1
4	Hemingway's Key	Notebook	Zito	6-1
5	Bear Character	Dixie Union	Baker	15-1
6	Special Interest	Stravinsky	Lukas	30-1
7	Chin High	Smart Strike	Pessin	20-1
8	Like Now	Jules	McLaughlin	5-2
9	Fast Parade	Delineator	Padgett	4-1
10	Greeley's Legacy	Mr. Greeley	Weaver	8-1

### LOST IN THE FOG RETURNS

Eclipse Award winning sprinter **Lost in the Fog** (Lost Soldier) makes his four-year-old debut in this afternoon's Oakland *Tribune* Golden Gate Sprint S. Trained by Greg Gilchrist for owner Harry Aleo, the dark bay



**Lost in the Fog** S Sherack

colt was perfect in the first 10 starts of his career, before suffering his only defeat when seventh as the 7-10 favorite in last year's GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. With much bigger fish to fry later on down the road, jockey Russell Baze will try to win the race, but not at the expense of the rest of the year. "I'll try to save some for the

finish," the perennial leading rider told *DRF*. "The one thing I won't do is abuse him in the lane. He has a lot of tough races coming up." The dark bay will carry 125 pounds while his four rivals will tote 116 in the six-furlong event.

### CHANGES IN BC NOMINATION PROGRAM

The Board of Directors of Breeders' Cup Limited yesterday approved new rules which will allow horses to be nominated to the Breeders' Cup at any point during their racing careers. Currently, horses not nominated in their year of foaling must be supplemented to the Breeders' Cup at various percentages of the purse money. The new rules allow for owners of a non-nominated horse by a Breeders' Cup, EBF or Common Fund stallion to pay a one-time fee of \$150,000 to make their horse eligible for the rest of their career. Connections of non-nominated horses by non-nominated stallions can make their horses eligible by a one-time payment of \$250,000. "The action taken by the Board will benefit participating horsemen and racetracks and will lead to a more inclusive program and improved racing product that will resonate with fans," said D.G. Van Clief, Jr., Breeders' Cup president and NTRA commissioner. "In particular, I would like to thank Bob Manfuso, chairman of the Breeders' Cup Racing and Nominations Committee, and Pam Blatz-Murff, senior vice president of Breeders' Cup operations, for their efforts in devising these important changes."

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10:50a	<b>Lane's End Greenham S.-G3</b> , Nby	<a href="#">TVG PPs</a>	TVG
3:52p	<b>Fort Marcy H.-GIII</b> , Aqu	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	TVG
4:21p	<b>Bed o' Roses BC H.-GIII</b> , Aqu	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	TVG
4:30p	<b>Nat'l Jockey Club H.-GIII</b> , Haw	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	TVG
5:20p	<b>Coolmore Lexington S.-GII</b> , Kee	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	ESPN2
5:26p	<b>Sixty Sails H.-GIII</b> , Haw	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	TVG
5:30p	<b>Santa Barbara H.-GII</b> , SA	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	HRTV
6:30p	<b>San Simeon H.-GIII</b> , SA	<a href="#">brisnet.com PPs</a>	HRTV

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☆ **PREVIEWS** ☆

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 2:36 p.m. PDT**

**SANTA BARBARA H.-GII**, \$200,000, 4yo/up, f/m,

1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Cissy (Arg)	Acceptable	Vienna	12-1
2	Sharp Lisa	Dixieland Band	O'Neill	4-1
3a	Hallowed Dream (Ire)	Alhaarth (Ire)	Cecil	5-2
4	Eternal Melody (NZ)	Shinko King (Ire)	Frankel	4-1
5	Theater R.N.	Theatrical (Ire)	Harrington	10-1
6	Argentina (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	Frankel	7-5
7a	Aubonne (Ger)	Monsun (Ger)	Drysdale	5-2

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**Santa Barbara H. cont.**

**Aubonne**, a close sixth in the GI Beverly D. S. in 2004, made just two starts last year, a ninth in French listed company and an eighth in this track's GII Las Palmas H. in November. The chestnut posted her first U.S. success in the Jan. 27 La Zanzara H. going this distance, but was eighth versus the boys in the GII San Luis Obispo H. Feb. 26. She is coupled in the wagering with Hallowed Dream, a course-and-distance allowance winner over **Cissy Mar.** 17. **Argentina**, runner-up to Divine Proportions in last year's G1 French Oaks, made an auspicious U.S. bow Mar. 26, running Silver Cup (Ire) to a half-length in the GII Santa Ana H. Mar. 26.

**Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 4:21 p.m. EDT**

**BED O'ROSES BREEDERS' CUP H.-GII**, \$150,000,

3yo/up, f/m, 7f

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	ODDS
1	Annika Lass	Mister Jolie	Asmussen	8-1
2	Trickle of Gold	Formal Gold	Gorham	3-1
3	Magnolia Jackson	Cape Canaveral	Contessa	7-2
4	Slew Motion	Slew Gin Fizz	Dutrow	12-1
5	Grecian Lover	Friendly Lover	H Jerkens	6-1
6	Great Intentions	Cat Thief	Hushion	6-1
7	Smuggler	Unbridled	McGaughey	5-2

**Trickle of Gold** looks to be the fastest of this bunch and will try to lead them on a merry chase. The dark bay dominated things in the Midlantic region last summer with six consecutive victories by open lengths, including the GIII Safely Kept Breeders' Cup S. Oct. 16. Eighth at 5-1 in the GI La Brea S. at Santa Anita Dec. 31, she faced a tough customer in Smokey Glacken in the GIII First Lady H. at Gulfstream Jan. 21 and was fifth. The dark bay has been tearing up the Delaware main track in the morning and gets seven pounds from favored **Smuggler**. The Phipps filly has five wins from her seven career starts, among those her back-to-back scores in the GI Mother Goose S. and GI CCA Oaks. This looks like prep city, but she could pick up the pieces late.

**CORRECTION:** The broodmare sire of lot 280, who sold at Inglis Easter for A\$1.1 million, should be Dayjur.



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**Saturday, Hawthorne, post time: 3:30 p.m. CDT**  
**NATIONAL JOCKEY CLUB H.-GIII, \$250,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Courthouse	Doneraile Court	Gorham	110
2	Nkosi Reigns	Out of Place	Janks	113
3	Summer Book	Notebook	O'Callaghan	112
4	Colita	Grindstone	Pletcher	114
5	Three Hour Nap	Afternoon Deelites	Robertson	113
6	Evening Attire	Black Tie Affair (Ire)	Kelly	114

**Saturday, Hawthorne, post time: 4:26 p.m. CDT**  
**SIXTY SAILS H.-GIII, \$250,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Platinum Ballet	Skip Away	Von Hemel	115
2	Eyes on Eddy	Touch Gold	McGee	115
3	Fleet Indian	Indian Charlie	Pletcher	116
4	Culinary	El Amante	Stidham	113
5	Silver Highlight	Silver Charm	Freeman	113
6	Tappin For Gold	Pleasant Tap	Cox	113
7	Sunset Kisses	Sky Classic	Janks	113
8	For Gillian	Gold Fever	Janks	113

**Saturday, Aqueduct, post time: 3:52 p.m. EDT**  
**FORT MARCY H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Foreverness	Island Whirl	Sacco	112
2	Pa Pa Da	Incurable Optimist	Donk	114
3	Sabre d'Argent	Kris S.	Albertrani	115
4	Charimount	Charismatic	Dupps	112
5	Ecclesiastic	Pulpit	H Jerkens	115
6	Big Booster	Accelerator	Kimmel	115

**Main Track Only:**

7	Watchmon	Maria's Mon	Reynolds	118
8	Bailero (Arg)	Roy	Dutrow	120
9	Happy Hunting	Seeking the Gold	McGaughey	123
10	Kennel Up	Joyeux Danseur	H Jerkens	120
11	Bahama John	Saint Ballado	J Jerkens	120

**Saturday, Santa Anita, post time: 3:39 p.m. PDT**  
**SAN SIMEON H.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, a 6 1/2fT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	Pure As Gold	Stolen Gold	O'Neill	114
2	Grafton	Rahy	Mullins	113
3	Siren Lure	Joyeux Danseur	Sherman	122
4	Diamond Fury	Sea of Secrets	Baffert	113
5	Margaritalosflores	Artax	Knapp	111
6	We All Love Aleyna	Nines Wild	Sadler	117
7	Seattle Buddy	Seattle Slew	Frousiakis	112
8	Moth Ball (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	Cassidy	113
9	Saint Buddy	Saint Ballado	Becerra	114

**Saturday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 3:15 p.m.**  
**DUBAI DUTY FREE S. (REGISTERED AS THE FRED**

**DARLING S.)-G3, £50,000, 3yo, f, 7fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	9	After You (GB)	Pursuit Of Love (GB)	B Hills
2	2	Arrivee (Fr)	Anabaa	Fabre
3	1	Cantabria (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Stoute
4	10	Culture Queen (GB)	King's Best	Tregoning
5	8	Dictatrix (GB)	Diktat (GB)	Eustace
6	7	In The Fashion (Ire)	In The Wings (GB)	Nosedá
7	5	My Amalie (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	C Brittain
8	6	Nasheej	Swain (Ire)	Hannon
9	4	Short Dance	Hennessy	B Hills
10	3	Song Of Silence	Unbridled's Song	E Dunlop
11	11	Strut (GB)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Charlton

All carry 126 pounds.

**Nasheej** did little wrong during a profitable juvenile season, annexing the G3 Sweet Solera S. over Newmarket's July Course in August and the G2 May Hill S. at Doncaster in early September. She was far from disgraced when filling the third spot in the G1 Fillies' Mile on the Rowley Mile at Newmarket later that month and represents the Richard Hannon stable who was successful in 1998 with Daunting Lady (Ire). Barry Hills has his team in flying form and looks to **Short Dance** to double his tally in this after the exploits of Tante Rose (Ire) three years ago. Fourth behind Race for the Stars in the Listed Oh So Sharp S. at Newmarket at the start of October, she beat **Cantabria** in the Listed Radley S. over course and distance later that month.

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Saturday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 3:50 p.m.

LANE'S END GREENHAM S.-G3, £50,000, 3yo, c/g, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	4	Assertive (GB)	Bold Edge (GB)	Hannon
2	5	Marcus Andronicus	Danehill	A O'Brien
3	2	Red Clubs (Ire)	Red Ransom	B Hills
4	1	Reve Luneaire	Hennessy	Fabre
5	3	Zato (Ire)	Zafonic	Channon

All carry 126 pounds.

Last year's G2 Coventry S. hero **Red Clubs** looks to hold the aces in this traditional prep for Newmarket's G1 2000 Guineas May 6. Despite not adding to that success in the Royal Ascot heat at York in June, he held his form throughout the campaign, finishing third in the G1 Phoenix S. at The Curragh and second in the G2 Gimcrack S. at York in August before again filling the runner-up spot in the G1 Middle Park S. at Newmarket in early October. Only fourth when tried over this trip back on the Rowley Mile in the G1 Dewhurst S. later that month, he needs to defy stamina concerns on his return. Trainer Barry Hills, who won this in 2001 with Muqbil, is hopeful. "He's a laid-back colt, so he gives himself every chance of staying," he commented. "On form he ought to win it and although he has worked together at home with [Thursday's G3 Craven S. scorer] Killybegs, he wouldn't tell you much." Aidan O'Brien has missed with the colts he has sent out so far in 2006 and relies on **Marcus Andronicus**, who was hampered when fourth on his last start in the Listed totesport.com S. at Doncaster in October.

Saturday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 2:10 p.m.

DUBAI TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS S. (REGISTERED AS THE JOHN PORTER S.)-G3, £50,000, 4yo/up, 12f 5ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	6	Compton Bolter (Ire)	Red Sunset (Ire)	Butler	127
2	11	Mubtaker	Silver Hawk	Tregoning	127
3	3	Sri Diamond (GB)	Sri Pekan	Kirk	127
4	9	Frank Sonata (GB)	Opening Verse	Quinlan	124
5	2	Gulf (Ire)	Persian Bold (Ire)	Elsworth	124
6	4	Maraahel (Ire)	Alzao	Stoute	124
7	10	Sergeant Cecil (GB)	King's Signet	Millman	124
8	7	Swift Sailor (GB)	Slip Anchor (GB)	G Moore	124
9	1	The Whistling Teal (GB)	Rudimentary	Wragg	124
10	5	Munsef (GB)	Zafonic	J Dunlop	123
11	8	Allexina (GB)	Barathea (Ire)	Oxx	120

Sunday, Santa Anita

SAN JUAN CAPISTRANO INVITATIONAL H.-GII, \$250,000, 4yo/up, a 1 3/4mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Misto Quente (Brz)	Royal Academy	Valdivia	113
2	Quinquin the King (Fr)	Take Risks (Fr)	Nakatani	114
3	Golden Rahy	Rahy	Valenzuela	114
4	Balustrade	Green Dancer	Garcia	110
5	Totally Platinum	Dynaformer	Flores	112
6	Mino Ona (Arg)	Flag Down	Cayo	107
7	Sort It Out	Out of Place	Espinoza	112
8	One Off (GB)	Barathea (Ire)	Gomez	114
9	Wild Buddy	Line in the Sand	M Baze	113
10	Capitano	Belong to Me	Court	113
11	T.H. Approval	With Approval	Solis	117
12	Bullistic	Holy Bull	Pedroza	112
13	Modern Era (Aus)	Marscay (Aus)	Garcia	109

Sunday, Rome, Italy

PREMIO PARIOLI ANTONVENETA ABN AMRO BANK (ITALIAN 2000 GUINEAS)-G2, €191,250, 3yo, c, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY
1	6	Adorable Fong (GB)	Dr Fong	Spanu
2	7	Carlomagno (Ire)	King Charlemagne	Mulas
3	8	Great Uncle Ted	Running Stag	Vargiu
4	1	Magic Box (Ity)	Namid (GB)	Demuro
5	2	Margine Rosso (Ire)	Night Shift	Pasquale
6	10	Mr Hicks (Ire)	Desert Prince (Ire)	Branca
7	5	Rattle and Hum (Ity)	Celtic Swing (GB)	Landi
8	11	Re Barolo (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	E Botti
9	9	Royal Power (Ire)	Xaar (GB)	Durcan
10	3	Sgiaff (GB)	Spinning World	Monteriso
11	4	Thinking Robins (Ire)	Plumbird (GB)	Aragoni

All carry 128 pounds.

FOALING NEWS:

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# Thoro-Graph Race of the Week

*by Jerry Brown*

**Saturday, Aqueduct**

**BED O'ROSES BREEDERS' CUP H.-GII, \$150,000,**  
3yo/up, f/m, 7f

<b>PP HORSE</b>	<b>SIRE</b>	<b>ODDS</b>
<b>1 Annika Lass</b>	<b>Mister Jolie</b>	<b>8-1</b>

Got good late in her sophomore season, and last year started throwing graded-level figures in the Delaware Valley, while running in lesser races. She was then bought on our recommendation, and in her seasonal debut became graded-stakes placed, despite running well off her top. We expect her to fire her best shot this time or next, making her a contender here.

<b>2 Trickle Of Gold</b>	<b>Formal Gold</b>	<b>3-1</b>
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Got steadily better last summer, and exploded last fall with two huge figures in 15 days, the better of which would win this easily. She was then terribly mismanaged. They ran her back again on less than three weeks rest, then shipped her to California in the winter. She ran awful, then was sent back across country to run in Florida on three weeks rest, where she didn't run much better. Now she's finally had time to recover from all that, and is working up a storm. The fastest filly going in and the one to beat.

<b>3 Magnolia Jackson</b>	<b>Cape Canaveral</b>	<b>7-2</b>
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Moved up a great deal over the winter, along with the rest of the Contessa barn. But her last looked better than it was because of a rail trip. She would need to improve further to contend in this tougher race, and there's no reason to expect that to happen.

<b>4 Slew Motion</b>	<b>Slew Gin Fizz</b>	<b>12-1</b>
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Didn't improve at all from two to three, but did run a new top this year after a brief freshening. That effort is more likely to cause a bounce than to be a prelude to yet another top, and a repeat would only make her a contender for a minor share.

<b>5 Grecian Lover</b>	<b>Friendly Lover</b>	<b>6-1</b>
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Wasn't much when she was younger, but started developing late last year, and jumped quite a bit when Jerkens got hold of her two starts back. But those efforts still leave her well short of being competitive here, and there's no reason for more short-term improvement.

<b>6 Great Intentions</b>	<b>Cat Thief</b>	<b>6-1</b>
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Showed a lot of ability in three straight starts last fall, before her connections made the same mistake Trickle Of Gold's did in trying to ship from winter weather to California. She returned and has run three times since that debacle, finding trouble in two of them. This filly has a lot of good figures, and if she gets clear sailing and runs her race, she's a big threat.

<b>7 Smuggler</b>	<b>Unbridled</b>	<b>5-2</b>
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Raced for less than three months last year, but did enough in that time to win an Eclipse award. Her figures were good, but not spectacular, and today she spots serious weight to every other filly in the race--five pounds of weight is worth one point on the Thoro-Graph scale. Smuggler would need an enormous new top to have any chance here, and though Shug is a good layoff trainer, it's unlikely she's even cranked up for her best in this sprint.

**Bottom Line** – Smuggler is a bet-against. Trickle of Gold is the most likely winner, with Annika Lass and Great Intentions the ones to use in exotics.

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 **NORTH AMERICA** 

**VELAZQUEZ OUT A MINIMUM OF 3 MONTHS**

Jockey John Velazquez will be out of action for at least 12 weeks and as much as six months after suffering a fractured shoulder blade and other injuries in a Thursday accident at Keeneland.



*Horsephotos*

Velazquez was aboard Up an Octave, who crossed the line a half-length winner of the Fore-runner S., but broke down in his left fore a sixteenth of a mile past the finish. The Puerto Rican native was thrown to the turf and was subsequently rolled over by the prone horse. In addition to his broken shoulder and ribs, the 34-year-old bruised his sternum and air was leaking from his injured right lung.

The first-call rider for trainer Todd Pletcher, Velazquez was having a successful Keeneland meet and was tied atop the standings with Julien Lejaroux going into yesterday's program. Velazquez was released yesterday from the University of Kentucky's Chandler Medical Center, but Angel Cordero, Velazquez' agent, indicated that future surgery has not been ruled out. The injury leaves Pletcher's main Derby contenders, including **Bluegrass Cat** (Storm Cat) and possibly **Sunriver** (Saint Ballado), without a rider. Elliott Walden, the former trainer and vice president for WinStar Farm, told the *Blood-Horse* that among the riders they are considering is Ramon Dominguez.

**FIRST TRF GRADUATION AT WATEREE** Five inmates have graduated from the "Second Chances" program at the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation's farm at the Wateree River Correctional Institution in Rembert, South Carolina. The five are the first to complete the program, which aims to turn former inmates into productive citizens who can find work on area horse farms when they are released from prison. Graduation ceremonies were held at the facility and each student was presented with a Groom Elite certificate. "This is the key to the future of your life," former warden John Carmichael said at the ceremonies. "You did it yourself and I congratulate you on that." Sgt. Tim Amerson, who runs the program, said that he saw a difference in his students once they began working with the retired race horses. "Many of the guys have told me, 'For a moment, I forgot where I was,'" Amerson said. "It gives them a peace working with these animals. Regardless of whether or not they'll ever use it, it does wonders for them serving their time here." Several of the inmates in the program have said they hope to find work in the equine industry after leaving Wateree. Said graduate Ernest Marino, "Being responsible and maintaining a schedule is paramount to this career and its success. This course has definitely opened new doors in career opportunities for me, some I am sure to act upon. Being with the TRF has been a blessing that I will cherish always." The program at Wateree was made possible by Carmichael, Columbia, S.C. attorney John S. Rainey, TRF-South Carolina President Kip Elser and TRF-South Carolina Vice President Donna Freyer. Those involved in the Second Chances program will work to help the graduates find jobs on South Carolina horse farms. The Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation is the nation's oldest and largest horse rescue operation and currently cares for about 1,300 retired race horses. Founded in 1982, its dual goals are to save as many retired race horses as possible from slaughter while helping to better the lives and futures of prison inmates.

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**RAISED AND GRAZED AT CASTLETON LYONS.**

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News cont.

**SIR SHACKLETON RETIRED** Tracy Farmer's **Sir Shackleton** (Miswaki--Naskra Colors, by Star de Naskra) has been retired from racing after suffering a sesamoid injury. Winner of the GIII Derby Trial S. and the GIII West Virginia Derby at three, the durable chestnut posted a solid four-year-old season, winning the GII Richter Scale Breeders' Cup Sprint Championship H. He was second to Horse of the Year Saint Liam in the GI Woodward S. and was third in both the GI Metropolitan H.--to Ghostzapper--and the GI Whitney H. In two starts this season, the homebred set a new track record in winning the Super S. at Tampa Feb. 11. "He is a very talented horse who has run in top-class company throughout his career," said his trainer Nick Zito. "This year should have brought him the Grade I success he so thoroughly deserved." Sir Shackleton retires with a record of 20-7-2-3 and earnings of \$1,051,500. No definite decisions for his stud career have been made.

## ★ KEENELAND ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**6th-KEE, \$63,970, Alw, NW3\$YX, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12, sy.**

1--**SILVER CROWN, 118, m, 5, Distorted Humor--Silvery Honey (MSW, \$220,503), by Silver Series.** O-Russell L Reineman Stable Inc; B-Charles Nuckols Jr & Sons (KY); T-Frank R Springer. Lifetime Record: SW, 22-6-3-5, \$263,283. \* 1/2 to Silvery Topping (Damascus), MSW, \$150,540; Powerful Punch (Danzig Connection), MGSW & GISP, \$873,379; and Powerful Goer (Easy Goer), GSP, \$394,983.

2--**Born to Dance, 118, m, 7, Service Stripe--Guard Dance, by Fools Dance.**

3--**Eccellenza (Chi), 113, m, 5, Edgy Diplomat--Carezza (Chi), by Card Game (Ire).**

Margins: 3/4, NK, 6 1/4. Odds: 2.50, 3.90, 2.70.

Silver Crown was beaten in 12 straight before breaking the losing streak with a win in the Leggio Memorial Breeders' Cup S. at Louisiana Downs Dec. 3. She was the 5-2 second chance to start a different kind of streak in her 2006 opener. Caught wide while tracking Born to Dance through five furlongs in :58.91, the gray mare was able to edge towards the rail on the turn, then drove past the pacesetter on the outside for the narrow score. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

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2:45p 4th-KEE, \$50K, Msw, 3yo, 6f

TVG **BOND STREET (Unbridled's Song)**, a half to graded winners Royal Haven and Belterra, brought \$2.8M as a KEESEP yearling. He makes his first start for owners Smith and Tabor and low-profile trainer Derek Galvin. Also debuting is \$200K KEESEP yearling **Fly Now (Tiznow)**, a half to G1SW Dr Fong and GSW Lucky Story who has been working steadily for Nick Zito. [brisnet.com pps](#)

4:30p 3rd-SAX, \$66K, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT

HRTV **CHARM THE GIANT (IRE) (Giant's Causeway)**, beaten just once, bids for her fourth straight victory in her first start since August. She stopped the clock in 1:32 4/5 when winning an optional claimer at Del Mar last out. [brisnet.com pps](#)

7:30p 9th-SAX, \$62K, Alw, 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT

HRTV **FEARLESS FLYER (IRE) (Brave Act {GB})** makes her first start in more than 17 months. The four-year-old filly captured the GIII Natalma S. in her North American bow at Woodbine in September of 2004, but has not been out since finishing 8th when trying the dirt for the first time in the GII Oak Leaf S. Trainer Ben Cecil does win at a 25-percent clip with horses off extended layoffs. [brisnet.com pps](#)

8:30p 11th-SAX, \$50K, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT

**TOLERANCE (Seeking the Gold)**, out of MGSW Toussaud, made her belated debut Mar. 9, finishing third going 6 1/2f on the grass. The half to GISW Honest Lady (Seattle Slew) and Classic hero Empire Maker (Unbridled), and 3/4 to GISWs Chester House (Mr. Prospector), Chiselling (Woodman) and MGSW Decarchy (Distant View) stretches out off solid works. Firster **Rational (Sharp Victor)**, a full to MGSW Marvin's Faith & GSW Sonja's Faith, must overcome post 10. [brisnet.com pps](#)

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**Keeneland Report cont.**

**4th-KEE, \$56,260, Alw, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47 1/5, sy.**

**RITZY (f, 4, Storm Boot--Princeton Lady, by Time for a Change)** suffered through a seven-race losing streak after breaking her maiden at Arlington last July. The \$170,000 KEESEP yearling was coming off a fourth-place finish behind GII Bed O'Roses hopeful Grecian Lover in a Gulfstream allowance Mar. 24. The 6-5 chalk against four rivals here, she went right to the front, set sensible splits and held on despite drifting out to best Wendy's On to Me (Avenue of Flags) by a length and a half. Lifetime Record: 22-3-4-3, \$122,710.

O-James B Tafel LLC. B-K David Schwartz & Golden Orb Farm (KY). T-Carl A Nafzger.

**8th-KEE, \$54,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:47 3/5, sy.**

**AVALON PLACE (f, 3, Fusaichi Pegasus--Twilight Ridge {GISW, \$743,083}, by Cox's Ridge)** came out running, breaking her maiden in her Feb. 5 debut at Gulfstream, but failed to fire in a one-mile allowance test at that track Mar. 5, finishing eighth. Given a break after that sub-par performance, she returned here at odds of 3-1. The bay settled in fourth while saving ground early, then made her way to the outside for the stretch drive and drove home a 2 3/4-length winner over Runner's High (El Corredor). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$53,253.

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O/B-Mike G Rutherford (KY). T-Frank L Brothers.

**3rd-KEE, \$50,000, Msw, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46, sy. JONATHAN QUICK (g, 4, Unbridled's Song--Clever Tide, by Clever Trick)** hit the board just once in two starts at two and three outings at three, but returned after an 8 1/2-month layoff to be third in a Keeneland maiden sprint Apr. 13. Stretching out to two turns for the first time in his career here, he was bet down to even-money and did not disappoint. The dark bay gelding broke on top and was never headed, cruising to a three-length tally over 5-2 Twenty One Dollars (Mt. Livermore). A \$360,000 KEESEP yearling, the winner is a 1/2 to Moon Over Prospect (Crafty Prospector), GSP, \$242,786; and Interest Only (Crafty Prospector), SW, \$168,780. Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-2, \$44,650. O-My Meadowview Farm. B-Farfellow Farms Ltd (KY). T-Nicholas P Zito.

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**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, SATURDAY, APRIL 22:**

05-06 \$200,000 Nassau County Breeders' Cup-II, Bel, 3yo, f, 7f (150)

05-07 \$400,000 San Francisco Breeders' Cup Mile-II, GG, 3yo/up, 8fT (50)

05-07 \$150,000 Yerba Buena Breeders' Cup H.-III, GG, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT (50)

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- 4th AQU (Msw) Comanche Dawn** (War Chant) gets the job done in her turf debut.
- 7th KEE (Alw) Silver Crown** (Distorted Humor) drives to a 3/4-length score in her '06 opener.
- 8th KEE (Alw) Avalon Place** (Fusaichi Pegasus) runs her record to two-for-three.

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**7th-KEE, \$49,625, Msw, 3yo, f, a7f, 1:29, sy.**

**HUMOROUS GAL (f, 3, [Distorted Humor](#)--Essen of Roy, by Roy)** had trouble at the start in her Feb. 5 debut at Gulfstream, finishing fifth, and was steadied in the stretch last time out, but still managed to get up for third in that Mar. 13 test. Adding Lasix this time, she was tucked in behind horses down the backstretch. The dark bay was once again caught in traffic after they straightened for home, but managed to ease her way to the outside and finished full of run to best the speedy Violent Beauty (Gone West) by 2 1/4 lengths at 4-1 odds. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$34,425.

O/B-Phil Milner & Randy Bloch (KY). T-Ian R Wilkes.

**4th-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:45, fm.**

**COMANCHE DAWN (f, 3, [War Chant](#)--Good Morning Smile {GSP, \$263,476}, by Morning Bob)** had been out just once before, trailing the field in a maiden special weight test on the Big A inner track Feb. 25, but turned it around in her turf debut. Bet down to 3-1, the homebred battled on the front end for six furlongs, took control in the stretch and was not threatened as Oilily (Mt. Livermore) closed for second, taking it by a handy 2 3/4 lengths. The winner is a 1/2 to Pearly White (Holy Bull), MSP, \$177,684; and Wake Up Kiss (Cure the Blues), MSW, \$248,997. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,312. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Akindale Farm. B-John Hettinger (NY). T-K M Feron.

★ NEW YORK ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**3rd-AQU, \$48,020, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18, ft.**

**1--GOLD LIKE U, 123, m, 5, Gold Token--Wee Like U, by Great Above.** (\$6,000 wIng '01 OBSOCT).

O-Vincent S Scuderi & Sullivan Lane Stable;

B-Questroyal Crusader LLC (NY); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr. Lifetime Record: 16-7-0-4, \$211,220.

**2--Seattle Lake, 113, m, 7, Salt Lake--Chicken Slew, by Seattle Slew.**

**3--Allens Blessing, 118, m, 6, Allen's Prospect--Capote's Blessing, by Capote.** (\$1,700 yrl '01 FTMOCT).

Margins: 3 1/4, 3 1/4, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.65, 2.55, 24.50.

Gold Like U won two of her four starts last year, then came back after a 10-month layoff to score by a length in an optional claimer at Aqueduct Mar. 10. The third choice in this five-horse field, the bay mare was taken in hand as Seattle Lake set a solid pace. Jockey Eibar Coa guided her to the outside in the stretch and she hit the gas, rallying to win going away.

**7th-AQU, \$44,000, Alw, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 2/5, fm.**

**GLORY FOR GOLD (c, 3, [Honour and Glory](#)--Thelma Jean {MSP}, by Green Dancer)** tried turf for the first time at Aqueduct in November and came home a 1 1/4-length winner. The dark bay returned to the dirt to be sixth in an entry-level allowance on New Year's Eve, then took the rest of the winter off. Off at 3-1 with the switch back to the grass, he spent the opening six panels at the back of the pack. The TriStar homebred closed ground on the final bend and outfinished Couth (Polish Numbers) in a game effort to win it by a head. Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-0, \$62,070.

O-Team Tristar Stable. B-Tri Star Farms (NY). T-Joseph A Lostritto.

★ GULFSTREAM ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**4th-GPX, \$32,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11, ft.**

**YOLIE'S CHOICE (f, 3, [Silver Deputy](#)--Old Star {Arg} {MGSW & G1SP-Arg}, by Southern Halo)** picked up

checks in two starts over the Aqueduct main track last fall, but tired badly over the inner strip Dec. 11 and was beaten more than 40 lengths. Adding blinkers in her 2006 opener, the chestnut filly closed from just off a fast pace to take the lead in deep stretch, hitting the line a length and a half ahead of Almonsoon (Giant's Causeway). The winner was a \$110,000 FTKJUL yearling and a \$120,000 BESMAR juvenile.

Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$32,376.

O-D Narlinger. B-Elmlawn Stable (KY). T-Kelly J Breen.

★ EAST ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**10th-PIM, \$30,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:07 4/5, ft.**

**+ MY MISTY'S ECHO (f, 3, Eastern Echo--Mistress Montague {SW, \$136,783}, by Gallant Romeo),** off at 5-1 in her career opener, pressed the pace, took over in deep stretch and pulled away to a two-length tally. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$17,100.

O/B-Hartner Family Trust (MD). T-Damon R Dilodovico.

**Owners of Regal Heir Farms Killed in Crash:**

Dennis G. Madonna, 48, and J. Bradley Jones, 68, the owners of Regal Heir Farms near Grantville, Pennsylvania, were killed Thursday afternoon in a helicopter crash as they tried to land on the farm. The accident occurred about two miles from Penn National Race Course. Madonna and Jones purchased the farm last September from Tom and Ann Reigle, when it was called Reigle Heir Farm, and immediately expanded the property by 155 acres and added 65 new stalls. The farm is home to eight stallions, including Kentucky Derby winner Real Quiet, Mazel Trick and Siphon (Brz).

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East Report cont.

**Turf Course Complete at Monmouth Park:**

Installation of the brand new turf course at Monmouth Park in Oceanport, New Jersey, has been completed and is set to make its debut Saturday, June 24. The new surface, at a cost of \$4.5 million, replaces



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the original turf course which had been in place since 1950. At a width of 90 feet, it allows for four rail settings--at the hedge, 12 feet, 24 feet and 36 feet. There are also two chutes, each 100 feet

wide. "It's a big project that will yield even bigger rewards," commented Dennis Dowd, senior vice president of racing for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority. "Top-quality turf racing always attracts top runners and bigger fields which translates into more competitive racing and larger wagering pools." The construction, one of several improvements slated to be completed before Monmouth hosts the 2007 Breeders' Cup, took eight months. In absence of turf racing during the first part of the meet, the Meadowlands will conduct racing on its turf course on Mondays in June on the 5th, 12th and 19th.

★ CENTRAL ★

**Thursday Night's Results:**

**3rd-LSX, \$25,000, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52 1/5, sy.**  
**MISS ABAJO (f, 2, Abajo--Lucky Missy, by Belek),** a 4-1 chance to win at first asking, dueled for early command and drew clear late to score by 1 1/4 lengths over Rate Rise (High Yield). This marks the first winner for her freshman sire (by Robyn Dancer). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$15,000.  
 O-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable. B-Donna Reyes (LA). T-Steven M Asmussen.

**1st-LSX, \$25,000, Msw, 3/4yo, 1m (off turf), 1:39 4/5, sy.**

**MIGHTY MAMBO (c, 3, Kingmambo--Geisha Girl {GB} {MSP-Ire}, by Nashwan)** was the beneficiary of a disqualification in his last start, moving up a notch after finishing sixth on the grass at Gulfstream Mar. 13, but reaped even bigger rewards courtesy of the stewards here. Sent off the 8-5 favorite in this off-the-turf affair, the chestnut fought for the lead while between rivals early. He was bumped by Sing Baby Sing (Unbridled's Song) at the top of the stretch and chased him under the wire by 1 1/4 lengths, but the order of finish was reversed after a review, leaving Mighty Mambo in the winner's circle. The winner was a \$75,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-1, \$20,468.  
 O-Tom R Durant. B-ClassicStar (KY). T-Jack A Bruner.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

**Thursday Night's Results:**

**7th-SAX, \$59,200, Alw, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:33 3/5, fm.**  
**MR. WOLVERINE (g, 4, Last Lion--April Mom, by L'Enjoleur)** took his debut over the Hollywood lawn May 26, then was third in an entry-level allowance June 25. The dark bay resurfaced in the Crystal Water H. at Santa Anita Mar. 19, and came within a nose of getting the victory at odds of 62-1. Favored at 6-5 here, the \$1,700 BESNOV yearling stayed within striking distance, took over in the stretch and reported home a half-length winner. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-1, \$90,280.  
 O-Fast Lane Farms, Ed Begue & Bill Dreyfys. B-Elmer Ramos (CA). T-Jorge Gutierrez.

**Andujar Retired:**

J. Paul Reddam and Mark Schlesinger's **Andujar** (Quiet American--Nureyev's Best, by Nureyev) has been retired from racing and will be offered as a broodmare prospect during the fall mixed sales season. Winless in five starts over European turf courses, the bay won three of her first four starts in this country, including a seven-length romp over Hollywood Story and Star Parade (Arg) in the GII Milady Breeders' Cup H. She concluded her career with third-place finishes in the GI Vanity H. and the GI Go For Wand H. Andujar retires with a career record of 11-3-1-3 and earnings of \$258,715.

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IN BRITAIN:

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 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

Starters to Watch: Saturday, April 22

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2002 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW

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

- [APTITUDE](#) (A.P. Indy), Juddmonte, \$25K, 189/18/0  
8-DEL, Stk, 6f, Amandatude, \$75K EAS MAY 2yo, 8-1
- [CITY ZIP](#) (Carson City), Lane's End, \$8K, 119/29/3  
8-DEL, Stk, 6f, Celestial Legend, \$47K OBS MAR 2yo, 7-5
- [ECTON PARK](#) (Forty Niner), Wintergreen, \$15K, 119/16/3  
9-PRM, Stk, 6f, Kingsfield, \$32K OBS APR 2yo, 2-1
- [EL CORREDOR](#) (Mr. Greeley), Hill N Dale, \$20K, 190/28/5  
8-DEL, Stk, 6f, Lady of Summer, \$150K EAS MAY 2yo, 8-1
- [EXCHANGE RATE](#) (Danzig), Padua, \$10K, 85/17/3  
9-PRM, Stk, 6f, Yourmoneysnogood, \$27K EAS MAY 2yo, 8-1
- [FOREST CAMP](#) (Deputy Minister), Airdrie, \$10K, 167/21/2  
8-DEL, Stk, 6f, Hello Liberty, \$75K KEE SEP yrl, 4-1
- [MOJAVE MOON](#) (Mr. Prospector), Bonita, \$8K, 84/10/0  
6-PIM, Stk, 1 1/16m, Mariah's Moon, \$13K EAS SUM 2yo, 20-1
- [MONARCHOS](#) (Maria's Mon), Claiborne, \$25K, 131/11/2  
2-KEE, Msw, 6f, +Multiplier, \$145K FTK JUL yrl, 2-1
- [STRATEGIC MISSION](#) (Mr. Prospector), Liberty Stud, \$8K, 19/4/1  
9-KEE, Stk, 1 1/16m, Showing Up, \$60K EAS MAY 2yo, 3-1
- [TIZNOW](#) (Cee's Tizzy), WinStar, \$30K, 190/16/1  
4-KEE, Msw, 6f, +Fly Now, \$170K KEE APR 2yo, 7-2
- [TRIPPI](#) (End Sweep), Ocala, \$8K, 143/29/0  
9-PRM, Stk, 6f, Cab, \$100K FTK JUL yrl, 9-5
- [VISION AND VERSE](#) (Storm Cat), Hill N Dale, \$8K, 110/12/0  
7-HST, Stk, 6 1/2f, Mount Cavell, \$17K KEE SEP yrl, 8-5



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Recent alumni in a sale that saw increases in average and aggregate last year include **Grand Couturier (GB)** (Grand Lodge), who looked unlucky when third in Saturday's G2 Prix Noailles at Longchamp. Among the stallions represented are Alhaarth (Ire), Baratheia (Ire), Cadeaux Genereux (GB), Grand Lodge, Highest Honor (Fr), Marju (Ire), Peintre Celebre and Tiger Hill (Ire), as well as freshmen Beat Hollow (GB), Invincible Spirit (Ire), Noverre and Sakhee.

**Goffs France cont.**

With the Breeze-Up regulars Mark Dwyer, Willie Browne and Con Marnane all represented, there is every chance that the returns at Doncaster and Newmarket will have a knock-on effect here. Dwyer's Oaks Farm Stables, who consigned a son of Tiger Hill (Ire) to top the sale at €68,000 12 months ago, supply an eye-catcher in hip [79](#), a Grand Lodge half-brother to the G3 Prix de Flore winner **Australie (GB)** from the family of G1 Breeders' Cup Classic hero Arcangues and top-class racemare Aquarelliste (Fr). Browne's Mocklershill Stables aim to capitalize on a highly successful week at Tattersalls with a select team. Their draft is highlighted by hip [97](#), a filly by Compton Place (GB) out of a sister to stakes winner **Ultimo Imperatore (GB)** and a half to the stallion **Sugarfoot (GB)** from the family of Teenoso. Hip [50](#), a filly by Tiger Hill out of a half-sibling to the G1 Ramona H. heroine **See You Soon (Fr)**, is a notable entry from Marnane's Bansha House Stables. Grove Stud consigns hip [56](#), a Marju (Ire) filly out of the listed winner **Splendida Idea (Ire)** from the family of Law Society. Following the Breeze-Up session, the Horses in Training auction gets underway and there is bound to be interest in last year's Listed Criterium du Languedoc winning sophomore colt **Precious Bunny (Fr)** (Peintre Celebre), consigned by trainer Richard Chotard as hip [163](#). Amongst the prized draft of His Highness the Aga Khan is hip [157](#), the unraced three-year-old filly **Sharbasia (Ire)** (King's Best), a half to the group and graded winner **Sharbayan (Ire)** from the family of Shergar (GB). Breezing begins on the Saint-Cloud race-course at 10 a.m., and selling starts at 2 p.m. The catalogue and updates can be viewed on [www.goffs.fr](http://www.goffs.fr).

★ CLASSIC CORNER ★

**PERCY PUT THROUGH HIS PACES** Anthony Pakenham's G1 Dewhurst S. winner **Sir Percy (GB)** (Mark of Esteem {Ire}) came through a strong piece of work at Newbury racecourse yesterday, leaving connections in a confident mood ahead of the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket May 6. Trainer Marcus Tregoning proclaimed himself "very pleased" with the unbeaten colt, who tracked his stable companion, the maiden Nahaar (Ire), into the home straight before quickening past and drawing clear under Martin Dwyer. "I thought he'd go well and I was very pleased," Tregoning said. "It was essential to do it, as we're not going to have a run before the Guineas, and Martin was very pleased with him. The object of the exercise was to take him at a good clip to about three-parts of the way and then let [him] do what Martin wanted." Tregoning revealed that the official trials had never been on the agenda for the three-year-old. "I just feel that the trials come close enough to the Guineas and this horse is very clean-winded," he said. "The whole thing was to get him used to the crowds again and the buzz and there were plenty of people there watching him, so it was all good."



## ★ BRITAIN ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**Newbury, 3.45, Cond, £12,000, 3yo, 10f 6ydsT, 2:08.77, gd.**

**HAZEYMM (IRE) (c, 3, Marju {Ire}--Shimna {GB}, by Mr. Prospector),** successful going a mile here Oct. 7, was keen in the early stages of this seasonal bow. Pushed to the lead with three furlongs remaining, the 13-8 choice required a forceful drive inside the final quarter mile to hold Rumsfeld (Ity) (Martino Alonso {Ire}) by a neck. The 105,000gns TATOCT yearling acquisition hails from the family of champion Oh So Sharp (Ire) (Kris {GB}). Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, £18,561.

O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Mick Channon.



**5.30p Naas, Mdn, €11,892, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT**  
**GRAFTON STREET (IRE), c, 3, by Danehill,** whose dam is a half-sister to Unbridled's Song, is an unraced sophomore to receive favorable mention at Aidan O'Brien's press day. This Susan Magnier-owned colt holds a G1 Epsom Derby entry.

**5.55p Newbury, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, 1mT.**  
**PURPLE MOON (IRE), c, 3, by Galileo (Ire)** cost Demi O'Byrne €550,000 at Deauville August by virtue of his relations, which include his half-brother, the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and G1 Prix Jean Prat winner Vespone (Ire); and group-scoring half-sister La Sylphide (Swi). Owned by Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith and Susan Magnier, this Sir Michael Stoute-trained colt also hails from the family of the classy Vetheuil and Verveine.

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**Thirsk, 2.30, Cond, £12,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:02.56, gd/sf.**  
**+ LOVELACE (GB) (c, 2, Royal Applause {GB}--Loveleaves {GB}, by Polar Falcon)** broke well and stalked the experienced 8-11 pick Spoofer Master (Ire) (Invincible Spirit {GB}) throughout the early stages. Exhibiting greenness when asked to quicken passing the quarter pole, the 11-2 second favorite veered left across the track, but had enough in reserve to get to the long-time leader in the final eighth and score by a length. The winner was a 16,000gns TATDEC weanling and 76,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £7,772.  
 O-Hamad Suhail; B-Mary Taylor; T-Mark Johnston.

**Newbury, 4.20, Mdn, £9,500, 3yo, f, 10f 6ydsT, 2:09.74, gd.**  
**+ DIVINE RIVER (GB) (f, 3, Lujain--Berliese {Ire}, by High Estate {Ire}),** a 14,000gns DONSEP yearling, found cover in midfield until sent in pursuit of the leaders with 2 1/2 furlongs to go. Inching ever closer from there, the 11-1 chance responded to a power drive to deny Distinctive Look (Ire) (Danehill) by a half-length nearing the line. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £6,153.  
 O-Mrs Ann Jarvis; B-Mrs D Brown & Mrs P Barclay; T-Alan Jarvis.

### ★ "TDN Rising Star" ★

**Newbury, 1.40, Mdn, £9,000, 2yo, 5f 34ydsT, 1:01.18, gd.**

**+ CAV OKAY (IRE), c, 2, by Fasliyev**  
**1st Dam: Dane's Lane (Ire), by Danehill**  
**2nd Dam: Kizzy (Ire), by Noors Image**  
**3rd Dam: Dialora (Fr), by Diatome (GB)**

Cav Okay went into every notebook for the Royal Ascot meet with an explosive debut performance. Out of the traps like lightning, the 3-1 pick took instant command and increased his advantage throughout, dipping under the wire an impressive five lengths ahead of See In The Dark (Ire) (Night Shift). "I've never known one to leave the gate like him," enthused handler Richard Hannon. "He flies out--I told [jockey] Richard [Hughes] to watch it or he might leave you behind. He's done everything right at home and it'll take a good one to lower him this year." The colt was a €22,000 GOFNOV weanling and €35,000 GOFORB yearling. **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,829.  
 O-Mrs John Lee; B-Moygaddy Stud; T-Richard Hannon.

**Newbury, 4.50, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:25.76, gd.**  
**+ SILVER TOUCH (IRE) (f, 3, Dansili {GB}--Sanpala {GB}, by Sanglmore)** soon tracked the leaders in fifth and was coaxed along to close with two furlongs to run. Ridden into a slight lead passing the eighth pole, the well-backed 6-5 favorite stretched clear from there to best Ghost Story (Jpn) (Dance In the Dark {Jpn}) by 2 1/2 lengths. She was a €60,000 DEAAUG yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,182.  
 O-Jaber Abdullah; B-Kildaragh Stud; T-Mick Channon.





British Report cont.

★ "TDN Rising Star" ★

**Newbury, 5.25, Mdn, £8,000, 3yo, 11f 5ydsT, 2:21.33, gd.**

**+ HALA BEK (IRE), c, 3, by Halling**

**1st Dam: Place de l'Opera (GB) (SP-GB), by Sadler's Wells**

**2nd Dam: Madame Dubois (GB), by Legend of France**

**3rd Dam: Shadywood (GB), by Habitat**

Michael Jarvis unleashed subsequent G1 Oaks winner Eswarah (GB) to win at this traditional meet last year and he might have another Epsom-bound incumbent after Hala Bek posted a commanding debut victory in this contest. It was no secret the trainer held this G1 Derby entry in high regard, and the bay's ante-post odds for racing's Blue Riband tumbled to as low as 16-1 following this success. Travelling sweetly under cover for much of the heat, the 6-5 favorite arrived at the two-furlong pole full of run. He was allowed his head approaching the final eighth and sealed victory in an instant, bursting clear before gearing down late to score by an impressive 1 1/4 lengths from Dragon Dancer (GB) (Sadler's Wells). "He was very backward last year and we didn't really do a lot with him," explained the winning trainer, adding, "He's a well-bred horse, has worked nicely this year and has got all the attributes of being quite a decent horse, I think. It's a long way from a maiden to the Derby, so we'll speak to the owner and [racing] manager to see where we go. He will probably run in one of the trials, which one it's too early to say yet." The winner, a half-brother to High Pitched (GB) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), GSW-GB, \$126,177; and Imperial Stride (GB) (Indian Ridge {Ire}), MGSW-GB, \$257,851, was a 130,000gns TATOCT yearling. **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £5,182. O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Cliveden Stud Ltd; T-Michael Jarvis.

**Newbury, 2.10, Mdn, £9,500, 3yo, f, 10f 6ydsT, 2:09.86, gd.**

**CORTESIA (IRE) (f, 3, Courteous {GB}--Cecina {Ire} {SW-US & GSP-Ire, \$113,541}, by Welsh Saint {GB})** went postward as a 10-1 chance returning from a once-out ninth at Newmarket last October. Settled behind the leaders until beyond halfway here, she was driven along to take part at the two pole and responded to a vigorous drive inside the closing panel to deny Safqa (GB) (Singspiel {Ire}) by a short head in the bobber. Cortesia sold twice as a yearling for 12,000gns, at TATFEB and TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £6,153.

O-Hintlesham Racing; B-Islanmore Stud; T-Peter Chapple-Hyam.

★ ITALY ★

**Saturday, Milan, post time: 4:25 p.m.**

**PREMIO SEREGNO-Listed, €56,700, 3yo, f, 1mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	5	Fresh Bread	Mr. Greeley	Menichetti
2	2	Isarnixe (Ger)	Banyumanik (Ire)	Hofer
3	7	La Bandera (GB)	Bahhare	B Grizzetti
4	4	My Sea of Love (GB)	King's Best	A & G Botti
5	1	Percristina (Ire)	Orpen	B Grizzetti
6	6	Questionable (Ger)	Dashing Blade (GB)	Feligioni
7	8	Sabana Perdida (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Feligioni
8	3	Salar Violet (Ire)	Orpen	B Grizzetti

All carry 123 pounds, bar Salar Violet, 128.

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STAKES RESULTS:

**ROYAL CHASE FOR THE SPORT OF KINGS HURDLE**

**S.-GI, \$145,429, KEE, 4-21, 4/up, 2 1/2mT, 4:56 1/5, sf.**

- 1--**SUR LA TETE, 158, g, 8, [Sky Classic](#)--Rutledge Place, by Caro (Ire).** O-Kinross Farm; B-Rutledge Farm (KY); T-Neil R Morris; J-C Read; \$93,825. Lifetime Record: 21-9-4-3, \$554,820.
  - 2--**Mauritania, 138, g, 9, Trempolino--Chinguetti (Fr), by Green Dancer.** \$28,148.
  - 3--**Feeling So Pretty, 135, m, 12, Nordic Legend--Just Us Girls, by Stage Door Johnny.** \$15,638.
- Margins: 10, NK, 11HF. Odds: 1.60, 16.90, 13.90.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

- 1st-**WOX, \$55,446, NW2L, (S), 3yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:05 4/5, ft.**
- EXECUTIVE FLIGHT (f, 3, [Bold Executive](#)--[Harvest the Sky, by Skywalker](#))** Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$69,813. O-William A Sorokolit Jr. B-William A Sorokolit (ON). T-Darwin D Banach.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

AQUEDUCT

**Mass Media (Touch Gold), 4f, :52.83, 9/9**

BELMONT

**Jazil (Seeking the Gold), 4f, :50.62, 27/36**

CHURCHILL DOWNS

**Itty Bitty Pretty (El Corredor), 4f, :49.20, 6/15**

KEENELAND

**Bushfire (Louis Quatorze), 4f, :50.60, 3/14**

PAYSON PARK

**Angara (GB) (Alzao), 4f, :52.40, 17/19**

**My Typhoon (Ire) (Giant's Causeway), 4f, :50.60, 11/19**

**Silver Tree (Hennessy), 4f, :48.60, 1/19**

SANTA ANITA

**Spellbinder (Tale of the Cat), 7f, 1:30.60, 1/1**



**Missed Andrew Caulfield's take on GI Blue Grass hero Sinister Minister? Catch up [here](#).**



**9th-AQU, \$44,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 2/5, fm.**

**IRVING'S DOERS (h, 5, Labeeb {GB}--Irving's Girl {SW & MGSP, \$272,076}, by Badger Land) Lifetime Record:** 4-2-1-1, \$45,930. O-Anstu Stables Inc. B-Anstu Farm LLC (NY). T-Robert Barbara. \* 1/2 to Irving's Baby (Quiet American), GSW & GISP, \$763,022; and Deeliteful Irving (Afternoon Deelites), GSW & GISP, \$479,472.

**8th-AQU, \$43,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. IT'S THE RITZ (g, 3, Rizzi--Wagering Willow, by Valid Wager) Lifetime Record:** 9-3-1-3, \$54,760. O-Sanford J Goldfarb, Michael Dubb & Bunch of Characters. B-Jaime Carrion (NY). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

**7th-GPX, \$35,000, NW2X, 4yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5, fm.**

**SABRE BABY (g, 5, Kissin Kris--Ballachulish, by Norquestor) Lifetime Record:** 30-7-5-5, \$204,640. O-Michael Dubb. B-John Franks (FL). T-Richard E Dutrow Jr. \* \$50,000 yrl '02 OBSAUG; \$6,000 yrl '02 OBSJAN.

**9th-EVD, \$34,000, 4-20, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 4/5, ft.**

**BABY R (f, 4, Wire Me Collect--Paulette R., by Secret Claim) Lifetime Record:** 15-2-4-4, \$59,416. O-A Philip Henderson. B-Will Meaux (LA). T-Anthony Agilar.

**1st-EVD, \$33,200, 4-20, NW4L, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05 2/5, ft.**

**ROSECOLOREDGLASSES (g, 7, Pistols and Roses--E. M. Barbie Doll, by Vicksburg) Lifetime Record:** SW, 15-4-2-2, \$104,445. O/B-James W Green (LA). T-Keith L Bourgeois. \* \$60,000 2yo 2001 OBSJUN.

**9th-CTX, \$33,000, 4-20, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 4 1/2f, :52, ft.**

**LOVE THE DAWN (f, 4, Not for Love--Wassilla {SP}, by Waquoit) Lifetime Record:** 19-4-5-4, \$107,510. O/B-Mrs Frank P Wright (MD). T-Timothy J Tullock Jr.

**6th-CTX, \$30,000, 4-20, NW3L, 3yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52 4/5, ft.**

**ROYALACTGO (f, 3, General Royal--Disappearing Act, by Criminal Type) Lifetime Record:** 5-2-2-0, \$46,590. O-Glen M Orrison & Thomas Zapf. B-Mt Joy Stables Inc, Dan Dressel & Pope McLean (KY). T-Ron E Santmyer. \* \$16,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

**6th-HAW, \$29,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12, ft. RUCKER (g, 5, Spanish Drummer--Supah Star, by Blue Ensign) Lifetime Record:** 29-4-6-3, \$107,384. O-K Ranch Circle. B-Joseph W O'Brien (IL). T-Donna L Dupuy. \* \$3,500 2yo 2003 ILLJUN.

**7th-PIM, \$28,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5fT, :56 4/5, fm. SANDBAGGER JONES (g, 5, Forest Wildcat--Two Ninety Jones {SW, \$347,438}, by Sir Harry Lewis) \$150,000 yrl '02 FTSAUG. Lifetime Record:** 10-2-2-2, \$51,150. O/T-A E Cefalo. B-Matecumbe Stable (KY).

**8th-LSX, \$28,000, 4-20, NW2X, 4yo/up, 1m (off turf), 1:38 1/5, my.**

**LEON'S BEST (c, 4, Storm and a Half--Twining Terry, by Twining) Lifetime Record:** MSP, 14-4-2-4, \$91,390. O-Lucky Ladies Stable. B-Millsap Stables Inc (AR). T-Donnie K Von Hemel.

**7th-LSX, \$27,000, 4-20, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39 1/5, my.**

**P. L. GOLD (c, 4, Banker's Gold--Bea Silver {SP}, by Silver Buck) Lifetime Record:** 17-2-2-2, \$45,140. O-David Albert. B-Brereton C Jones (KY). T-Pedro Lope. \* \$5,000 yrl '03 TEXAUG.

**7th-EVD, \$25,432, 4-20, NW3L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. SHIMMERING SUNSET (f, 3, Exchange Rate--Shimmering Night, by Meadowlake) Lifetime Record:** SP, 7-3-1-0, \$67,700. O/B-Padua Stables (FL). T-Sтивен M Asmussen.

**8th-FLX, \$20,100, NW2BX, (S), 3yo/up, 5f, :59 4/5, ft. H. M. S. MAJESTIC (g, 5, Premiership--Majestic Nellie, by Nelson) Lifetime Record:** SP, 22-5-6-4, \$84,085. O-Oakwood Stable. B-John Franks (NY). T-Daniel H Conway Jr. \* \$3,000 yrl '02 OBSAUG.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Wallstreet Whisper, c, 3, Catienu--Tricky Partners, by Phone Trick. KEE, 4-21, (C), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (Ky).**

**Tough Trojan, f, 3, Good and Tough--Oh Jay, by Capote. FLX, 4-21, (S), 4 1/2f, :53 4/5. B-H Teshar & Indian Hill Farm (NY). \* \$26,000 2yo 2005 OBSAPR.**

**Paradise Cat, f, 3, Perigee Moon--Bring Me Sunshine, by Sunshine Forever. WOX, 4-21, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05 4/5. B-Stephen H Birks (On). \* \$12,430 yrl '04 ONTSEP; \$7,434 wlng '03 ONTDEC.**

**Prince o' Pranks, g, 3, Phone Trick--Unbridled Princess, by Unbridled's Song. CTX, 4-20, 4 1/2f, :52. B-Robert Losey, Milfer Farm Inc & Paul McGinty (NY).**

**Outrageous Limit, c, 3, Tiznow--Cinemine (GSW, \$506,681), by Mining. SAX, 4-21, (C), 1m, 1:39 2/5. B-Winstar Farm (Ky). \* \$195,000 2yo '05 BESMAY.**

**Tea Tax, c, 4, Boston Harbor--A Number One (MSP, \$175,697), by Star Choice. HAW, 4-21, 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-John & Ivetta Kerber (Ky).**

**Mysterious Legend, g, 4, Miswaki--Mythical Mystery, by Rahy. KEE, 4-21, (C), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Overbrook Farm (Ky).**

**Pay Your Taxes, g, 4, Storm Broker--Rite of Spring (SP), by Feel the Power. CTX, 4-20, (S), 7f, 1:29 1/5. B-O'Sullivan Farms (WV).**





## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

### HANDICAP RESULTS:

**BRITAIN, Newbury, 3.15**, 4-21, £20,000, 4yo/up, 5f 34ydsT, 1:00.29, gd.

**GREEN MANALISHI (GB)** (g, 5, **Green Desert--Silca-Cisa {GB} {SP-GB}**, by **Hallgate {GB}**) Lifetime Record: 35-7-5-1, £89,954. O-Derrick C Broomfield; B-E Aldridge; T-David Arbuthnot. \*105,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT. \*\*1/2 to Golden Silca (GB) (Inchinor {GB}), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ger, 2x Hwt. Older Mare-GB at 7-9.5f, Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 7-9.5f, GSW & G1SP-GB, GSW & G1SP-Ire, G1SP-Fr, GSW-Ger, \$557,714; Silca Legend (GB) (Efisio {GB}), SP-Ger, Swe & Den; Silca's Sister (GB) (Inchinor {GB}), G1SW-Fr, \$252,707.

**BRITAIN, Newbury, 2.45**, 4-21, £16,000, 3yo, 1mT, 1:37.67, gd.

**NIGHT CRESCENDO** (c, 3, **Diesis {GB}**--Night Fax {GSW-US, \$242,485}, by **Known Fact**) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, £14,515. O-John Connolly; B-Audley Farm Inc; T-Amanda Perrett. \*\$65,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

**FRANCE, Chateaubriant, 2.20**, 4-21, €24,000, 3yo, 9f 165ydsT, 2:02.60, gd.

**ISOBEL BAILLIE (GB)** (f, 3, **Lomitas {GB}**--Dubai Soprano {GB}, by **Zafonic**) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €24,500. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Darley Stud Management Company Ltd; T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

### CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**FRANCE, Chateaubriant, 2.50**, 4-21, €24,000, 4yo/up, 9f 165ydsT, 2:02.90, gd.

**BLIP (GB)** (c, 4, **Zafonic--Birdlip**, by **Sanglamore**) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €34,050. O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-David Smaga.

**ITALY, Rome, 4.15**, 4-21, €22,500, 3yo, 5fT, :57.10, gd.

**GOLDEN WEST (IRE)** (c, 3, **Cape Cross {Ire}**--Westside Girl, by **Way West {Fr}**) Lifetime Record: 20 starts, 4 wins, 9 places, €56,440. O/B-Scuderia Golden Horse SRL; T-Marco & Giuliani Fratini.

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## WRITERS UP

### HIDDEN BROOK'S SUCCESS NOT SO DISCREET

by Lucas Marquardt

So a New Yorker, a Brazilian, a Kentuckian, a Floridian and a Canadian walk into a barn and...

No, this is not the beginning of a joke your Uncle Lou might tell, but if it was, the punchline--Discreet Cat--would have them laughing all the way to the bank.

That is especially true if you're part of the Hidden Brook Farm team, which foaled and raised the talented three-year-old, winner of the \$2-million G2 UAE Derby



**Discreet Cat**  
*A Coglianese*

last month. Then you'd be all smiles, knowing you had a hand in a horse with seemingly limitless potential, a horse that ran the best two-year-old BRIS figure of 2005 (a 109 in his debut, which equaled Lost in the Fog's GI King's Bishop S. figure on the same card), and who went off the 9-1 co-third choice in

the third and final Kentucky Derby future pool. Even knowing that Discreet Cat has been removed from consideration for the Derby to focus on the year's later sophomore events, you'd still be grinning.

Discreet Cat is the latest success story for Hidden Brook, a relatively new operation that's based in Paris, Kentucky. Founded in 2002, Hidden Brook is owned by Jack Brothers (the New Yorker), Sergio de Sousa (the Brazilian), Dan Hall (the Kentuckian), Mark Roberts (the Floridian), and Danny Vella (the Canadian). Set on 600 acres in Bourbon Country, Hidden Brook, the farm, is primarily a boarding business, with about 150 broodmares, 50 foals and 40 yearlings. Hidden Brook, the operation, is much more than that, however, with a hand in many aspects of the Thoroughbred industry.

First, there's the pinhooking venture. Over the past three years, Hidden Brook has purchased between four and 15 weanlings with the majority pointed toward the following season's yearling sales. Last fall, Hidden Brook bought seven weanlings, most in the \$50,000-\$70,000 range, that will be resold. That lot includes a \$210,000 Yankee Gentleman colt, a half to stakes-winner Spring Rush, that is being aimed toward Keeneland's September sale. Hidden Brook consigns under its own name.

"We're very satisfied with the group that we have this year," said Sergio de Sousa, who acts as Hidden Brook's farm manager. "Most of them will go to September, and we'll find out then how successful we'll be."

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**Hidden Brook cont.**

Hidden Brook is also active at the yearling sales, buying to race and occasionally to pinhook, and also



**Watchmon**  
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for outside clients. They typically purchase between five and 10 yearlings. In just a short time and with the eldest of their purchases now four, Hidden Brook already sports an impressive resume in this area, especially considering their price constraints. Watchmon (Maria's Mon), a \$165,000 yearling buy for client Paul Pompa, Jr., won

the GIII Jamaica H. last year and has earnings of nearly \$300,000. Carminooch, acquired for Three Amigos Stable for just \$5,000 as a Fasig-Tipton October yearling, has become one of the better statebreds on the New York circuit. The son of Tomorrows Cat has won two stakes and placed in five others, and has bankrolled \$250,000.

One of Hidden Brook's most successful yearling purchases, last year's Canadian two-year-old filly champion Knights

Templar, is also one of the first bought primarily for themselves (de Sousa is the lone principal that doesn't own a piece of the filly, who is also co-owned by Krista Seltzer).



**Michael Burns**

An \$80,000 Keeneland September yearling in 2004, Knights Templar won Woodbine's Ontario Debutante S. and the GIII Mazarine Breeders' Cup S. last year, the latter by 13 1/4 lengths, for Seltzer and Clover IV Stables--the nom de course of Brothers, Hall, Roberts and Vella's racing operation. Knights Templar, who is trained by Vella, ended her 2005 season with a somewhat disappointing sixth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, but had done enough to earn a Sovereign Award in her division, making her price tag look like quite a bargain.

"When you're buying to pinhook, you give up certain things because of the marketplace," said Mark Roberts when asked about the decision to race Knights Templar. "She was by Exploit, who has not been overly popular. She was an exceptional individual, but was by a sire who was not very hot, so we were able to afford to buy her. She's got a very good pedigree.

It worked out real well."

Off the board in her sophomore debut in the Sunshine Millions Oaks at Gulfstream in January, Knights Templar returns Sunday to her preferred track--Woodbine--to contest the \$125,000 Star Shoot S.

Despite their success in the sales ring, Hidden Brook is first and foremost a boarding farm, and that's how it was envisaged when it was begun four years ago. At



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the time, de Sousa was working at Indian Creek Farm in Paris, but was friends with Brothers, Hall, Roberts and Vella--who already raced a string under the Clover IV banner--from his days at Adena Springs in Kentucky. De Sousa had

been Adena's yearling manager for several years, while Vella, a Sovereign Award-winning conditioner, trained for Adena owner Frank Stronach (Vella won the 1994 Queen's Plate with Stronach's Basqueian). Brothers and Hall worked alongside de Sousa at Adena's Kentucky division, and Roberts was the manager of Adena Springs South near Ocala, Florida. The group couldn't help but notice the business being turned away by Adena in Kentucky and, sensing opportunity, launched Hidden Brook.

"Adena was getting more and more stallions, and they were referring a lot of mares to other farms," explained de Sousa. "So we said, 'Why don't we just start a boarding farm?' We had been talking about it for a while, and finally the opportunity came up to buy a farm. At that point I felt I was ready to try it."

The fivesome purchased a tract of about 300 acres in Paris and, with the others in the group retaining their jobs, de Sousa was installed as Hidden Brook's farm manager. Hidden Brook has since doubled the size of the property. Included on the farm is a 50-stall yearling barn, with an indoor ring and indoor walker for sales prep.

With established ties in the business, Hidden Brook was able to attract major clients from the start. Joyce Robsham and her now-deceased husband, Einar Paul Robsham, were among the first to board mares there. One of the Robsham's horses was Pretty Discreet, a daughter of Private Account who won the GI Alabama S. in 1995.

In 2003, Pretty Discreet dropped her first foal at Hidden Brook, a colt by the young sire Forestry. The bay, later named Discreet Cat, was handsome, if not an obvious superstar.

"I'd like to say that we knew he was going to be a Derby winner, but I don't think I can," laughed de Sousa, who has had a hand in the raising and breaking of such top horses as Awesome Again, Wild Rush, Touch Gold and Congaree. "He was a nice colt, kind of elegant-looking. We sent him down to Michael O'Farrell's Ocala Stud to be broken, and until they start working, you just never know."

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**Hidden Brook cont.**

Discreet Cat debuted at Saratoga last August, romping by daylight in a maiden special weight while wearing the Robsham's maroon and gold colors. The colt was sold privately to Sheikh Mohammed's Darley operation shortly thereafter and shipped to the deserts of Dubai. There he won both of his starts at Nad Al Sheba, a conditions event and the UAE Derby Mar. 25, and is slated to return to the States soon.

For de Sousa, Discreet Cat's success has been especially meaningful.

"It was pretty special for me, because Mr. Robsham gave me an opportunity many years ago, even before Discreet Cat was born," said the 39-year-old. "He let me pinhook some horses for him. I did okay with some, not so well with some, but he really helped me out. So it would be pretty awesome for Discreet Cat do well, because the mare was so special to both him and Mrs. Robsham."



**Sergio de Sousa**  
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Pretty Discreet, still owned by Joyce Robsham, foaled an Empire Maker filly this year the night before Discreet Cat won the UAE Derby. Robsham has three other mares at Hidden Brook, including a daughter of Pretty Discreet, plus MGSW and GISP Feline Story (Tale of the Cat) and SW Broadway Gold (Seeking the Gold).

Hidden Brook's client list also includes Ed Seltzer, Sandy Goldfarb, Michael Dubb, Eugene Melnyk, North Wales and Sovereign Stables.

"It's a pretty diverse group, between people that race and people that sell," said de Sousa.

With solid backing from influential members of the racing industry and with its runners enjoying success on the track, the future looks bright for Hidden Brook. The farm's principals are quick to acknowledge its hard-working staff in Kentucky--assistant farm managers Jaime Corbett and Chris Brothers, maintenance manager James Abner, and office administrator Mary Lawlor--and point to a "We're-in-it-together" attitude as the reason for much of Hidden Brook's good fortunes.

"I think, collectively, we each bring something to the table," said Jack Brothers, who, along with Dan Hall, still works in an advisory position at Adena. "We network fairly well in different markets, plus the combined experience we have is important. And there's something to be said for doing things as a team. When we're all out there working the sales, or doing anything else, you pretty much have to check your egos at the door. We've got a good clientele right now, and it's continuing to grow. We just try to do the best job we can, and I think that's where our strength is."

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**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Hucking Hill (Ire)**, c, 2, **City on a Hill**--Con Dancer (GB), by Shareef Dancer. Kempton Park, Britain, 4-21, Mdn, 2yo, 5f (AWT). B-Ballyhane Stud. \*15,000gns yrl '05 DONSEP.

+ **Hyssovitch (Fr)**, c, 2, **Ski Chief**--Hysop (Fr), by Bering (GB). Marseille-Borely, France, 4-19, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-Ralph Alfandari.

**Explora (Fr)**, f, 3, **Bering (GB)**--Poli Knight (GB), by Polish Precedent. Marseille-Borely, France, 4-19, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4mT. B-Derek Clee. \*€70,000 yrl '04 DEAAUG.

**She's Minnie (GB)**, f, 3, **Bertolini**--Wintzig (GB), by Piccolo (GB). Kempton Park, Britain, 4-21, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-Stewart Martin & Alan Purvis.

**Stage Gift (Ire)**, g, 3, **Cadeaux Genereux (GB)**--Stage Struck (Ire), by Sadler's Wells. Kempton Park, Britain, 4-21, Hcp, 3yo, 1 1/4m (AWT). B-Ballymacoll Stud Farm Ltd.

**Buachaill Dona (Ire)**, c, 3, **Namid (GB)**--Serious Contender (Ire), by Tenby (GB). Thirsk, Britain, 4-21, Mdn, 3-4yo, 6fT. B-John O Browne. \*€17,000 wnl '03 GOFNOV; €28,000 yrl '04 GOFORB.

**Queenly Bearing (GB)**, f, 3, **Night Shift**--Queen of Warsaw (Fr), by Assert (Ire). Chateaubriant, France, 4-21, Mdn, 3yo, 9f 165ydsT. B-H Malard. \*1/2 to Queen of Persia (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}), GSP-Fr.

**Rondo (GB)**, g, 3, **Piccolo (GB)**--Flourish (GB), by Selkirk. Thirsk, Britain, 4-21, Mdn, 3-4, 6fT. B-Wyck Hall Stud Ltd. \*12,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT.

**Donlivia (Ire)**, f, 3, **Titus Livius (Fr)**--Donleole (Ire) (GSP-Ity), by Grimesgill (GB). Florence, Italy, 4-20, Mdn, 3yo, 5fT. B-G Raponi.



## FOALING NEWS

**HARLAN HONEY**, 16, Silver Hawk--Dancing Lt., by San Feliou (Fr)

Foal born Mar. 2, a filly by Friends Lake.

Will be bred back to Friends Lake.

Owned by Brereton C Jones.

Boarded at Airdrie Stud, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW of \$103,702. Dam of Impending Bear (Farma Way), SW & MGSP, \$255,751; Siphon Honey (Siphon {Brz}), GSP, \$129,040.

**ELLIE'S MOMENT**, 8, Kris S.--Kelley's Day, by Graustark

Foal born Mar. 12, a colt by Storm Cat.

Will be bred back to Pulpit.

Owned by Phillips Racing Partnership.

Boarded at Darby Dan Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW & MGSP, \$291,241.