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RED BULLET COLT BRINGS \$2.5 MILLION

Unbridled Slew (Red Bullet) caused a sensation when working a record eighth-of-a-mile in :9 3/5 ([video](#)) and backed up the frenzy with a sale-record price of \$2.5 million at yesterday's Barretts May Sale of Two-Year-



Red Bullet
Adena Springs

Olds in Training in Pomona, California. Sheikh Mohammed's Darley Stable made the winning bid. The underbidder was trainer Patrick Biancone, bidding on behalf of Ahmed Zayat, according to *The Blood-Horse*. Sold as [hip 80](#), Unbridled Slew is out of Sookloozy (Avenue of Flags) and was consigned by Ciaran Dunne's Wavertree Stables, agent. The juvenile was purchased

for \$190,000 by Mike Akers's Dapple Bloodstock and David Greathouse at last year's Keeneland September Yearling Sale. As for yesterday's \$2.5-million price tag, Akers said, "He was a man among boys. This horse walked into the back walking ring and it was like he owned the place. He'd been like that since he got here. Mentally and physically, he was just the real deal--he did everything right."

Akers talks about his pinhooking success, p2

WORLD RECORD SET AT HOLLYPARK

Scottsbluff (Siberian Summer) set a world record of 1:00.26 for 5 1/2 furlongs while winning Monday's Bullet S. on the Lakeside Turf Course at Hollywood Park. The four-year-old gelding, who carried 120 pounds, rallied from fourth at the top of the stretch, catching favored **Taikun (Aus)** (Anabaa) in the final strides to win by a half-length. It was Scottsbluff's first start on the turf. Pembroke established the previous record of 1:00.46 at



Scottsbluff *Benoit*

Hollywood Park on July 15, 1995. Scottsbluff is trained by Jeff Mullins for Dennis Weir of Phoenix, Arizona. The Bullet S. was the gelding's fourth win in 12 starts, but his first victory in Southern California.



Triple Threats

GREELEY'S LEGACY JOINS PREAKNESS CAST

Trainer George Weaver confirmed yesterday that **Greeley's Legacy** (Mr. Greeley) will be entered for Saturday's GI Preakness S. "We have a lot of respect for Barbaro, Brother Derek and a couple of the other horses in there, but we want to take a shot," explained Weaver. "We've got to step up to have a chance to win it, but we think he's ready to win a big one." Greeley's Legacy was fourth in the GIII Gotham S., seventh in the GI Wood Memorial and fourth in the GII Coolmore Lexington S. "We had intended, back when he ran so well in the Gotham, to try to make the Derby, and things didn't work out for us," Weaver explained. "I thought his race in the Lexington was better than it looked. The Preakness was one of the races that has been in the back of my mind. It was just a matter of how the horse was training." Also confirmed yesterday for the Preakness was **Platinum Couple** (Tale of the Cat). Winner of a restricted stake at Aqueduct last December, the colt is coming off a fifth-place effort over a sloppy track in the Wood. "We had high hopes for him in the Wood, but the track was so sloppy," said co-owner Glenn Lostritto. "We feel like we've got to take a chance." Trainer King Leatherbury remains on the Preakness fence with Federico Tesio S. winner **Ah Day** (Malibu Moon). The gelding would have to be supplemented into the Preakness for \$100,000.

Pimlico Racing Secretary Georganne Hale and Mike Hopkins, executive director of the Maryland Racing Commission, will conduct the draw for post position order Wednesday at noon in the racing office. The order will not be announced until the ESPN SportsCenter at the Preakness Draw from 5-6 p.m.

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Barretts Success for Akers (cont. from p1)

“When you have a horse by a young stallion with that stud fee and he brings \$190,000, you know we weren’t the only guys that liked him,” Mike Akers said yesterday of his 2005 investment which turned into a



Akers
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\$2.5-million juvenile at the Barretts May sale. “He was a super physical. He was a Cal-bred, which we don’t hardly ever look at--you’ve got to have the individual to start out with. For us to spend that kind of money on a yearling of any kind to resell, he jumped through all the hoops vet-wise and physically and he met all the criteria we have. We were thinking \$125,000 or \$150,000, but Ciaran made me go the extra mile to get him. It’s a real tribute

to him and his staff.” The original plan was to sell Unbridled Slew at the Barretts March Sale, but the colt was withdrawn. “It’s \$4,200 to fly one out here from Florida and another \$4,200 to go back if you don’t get what you want,” Akers explained. “He had just a hint of a shin and we were afraid that if we came out here, we weren’t going to get to show him in his best light. We backed off and regrouped for this sale.” Akers thinks Unbridled Slew is a horse with a big future. “This is a two-turn horse with a ton of acceleration,” he said. “He’s a big, strong, good-looking horse and stands over a lot of ground. He looks like he can carry his speed. We’ve got to have those breakout horses in order to cover the ones that don’t get here and in this case we were very fortunate. Ciaran had told every buyer that he’d seen at the previous sales in Florida and here in March that he was bringing a top horse [to the May sale]. Of course, after he breezed, there wasn’t anybody that doubted it. Ciaran has loved this horse all along. He’s trained super and I really think this is a good horse. I hope he’s the one that Sheikh Mohammed has been looking for.” Akers and Dunne also collaborated on the \$1.8-million *Belong to Me* colt which sold at OBS March. **Complete results of the Barretts May sale will be included in tomorrow’s TDN.**

★ CLASSIC CORNER ★

‘RULES’ TO CHANTILLY

Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor and Faisal Salman’s **Aussie Rules** (Danehill) is on course for the June 4 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club at Chantilly. Having taken Sunday’s G1 Poule d’Essai des Poulains at Longchamp, the colt will return to France for the 1 5/16-mile Classic, and jockey Kieren Fallon was looking forward to renewing the association. “Aussie has just kept improving, like all of [trainer] Aidan [O’Brien]’s,” Fallon said yesterday. “He’s going the right way and if he continues like this, there’s no end to what he can win.”

APPEAL PLANNED FOR PRICE TAG

Khalid Abdullah’s Juddmonte operation are to appeal against the disqualification of **Price Tag (GB)** (Dansili {GB}) from first place in Sunday’s G1 Poule d’Essai des Pouliches at Longchamp, racing manager Teddy Grimthorpe confirmed yesterday. Despite her 1 1/2-length success in the fillies’ Classic, she was judged to have interfered with *Impressionnante* (GB) in the closing stages and was duly demoted to third behind *Tie Black (Ire)* and that rival by the stewards.

Today’s Graded Stakes
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- 9:45a **Musidora S.-G3, Yrk**
- 10:15a **Duke of York S.-G2, Yrk**
- 2:20p **Blue Wind S.-G3, Naas**

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Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3:15 p.m.
DUKE OF YORK HEARTHSTEAD HOMES S.-G2,
 £100,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	10	Beckermet (Ire)	Second Empire (Ire)	Fisher	128
2	6	Eisteddfod (GB)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Cole	128
3	5	Etlaala (GB)	Selkirk	B Hills	128
4	3	Fayr Jag (Ire)	Fayruz (GB)	T Easterby	128
5	15	Fonthill Road (Ire)	Royal Abjar	Fahey	128
6	7	Gift Horse (GB)	Cadeaux Genereux (GB)	Nicholls	128
7	11	Moss Vale (Ire)	Shinko Forest (Ire)	Nicholls	128
8	4	Philharmonic (GB)	Victory Note	Fahey	128
9	13	Quito (Ire)	Machiavellian	Chapman	128
10	8	Royal Millennium (Ire)	Royal Academy	Channon	128
11	9	Somnus (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	T Easterby	128
12	2	Steenberg (Ire)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Tompkins	128
13	1	The Kiddykid (Ire)	Danetime (Ire)	Evans	128
14	16	Welsh Emperor (Ire)	Emperor Jones	Tate	128
15	14	Mecca's Mate (GB)	Paris House (GB)	Barker	125
16	12	Balthazaar's Gift (Ire)	Xaar (GB)	K Ryan	123

The **Kiddykid** returns to the scene of his finest hour which saw him take this race 12 months ago. Since his defeat of **Steenberg**, **Welsh Emperor** and **Somnus** on that occasion, the bay has tailed off in form, and he was running out of the frame for the seventh consecutive time when eighth in the Listed Cammidge Trophy at Redcar on his latest outing Mar. 25. **Etlaala** promised to become one of Britain's premier sprinters last term, but stayed winless despite fine efforts when third in the G1 July Cup and sixth in the G1 Haydock Sprint Cup in September. However, he is already two-for-two this season after confidence boosters at Warwick Apr. 17 and in the Listed Leicestershire S. at Leicester 12 days later. Three-time Group 1 winner **Somnus** races without his usual penalty in this renewal and returns from a fifth in the G2 Challenge S. at Newmarket in October, but may need further than this trip now. Of the sophomores, **Balthazaar's Gift** is interesting on his form from the fall when taking the Listed Rockingham S. over course and distance in October and the G2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte the following month.

DUKE OF YORK S. preview cont.

Trainer Karl Burke, who has Amadeus Wolf (GB) as a yardstick, thinks highly of this colt. "He's in good form and he will love the ground," he told *PA Sport*. "It's a tall order taking on the older horses at this stage, but there's not a lot of options for him. Whatever he does now is a bonus, as he will be closer to the older horses in the second half of the year, but he is a classy horse."

Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 2:45 p.m.

TATTERSALLS MUSIDORA S.-G3, £60,000, 3yo, f, 10f 88ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	5	Alexandrova (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	A O'Brien
2	6	High Heel Sneakers (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Cole
3	1	Jabbara (Ire)	Kingmambo	C Brittain
4	3	Lake Shabla	Silver Hawk	E Dunlop
5	2	Maroussies Wings (Ire)	In the Wings (GB)	Haslam
6	4	Short Skirt (GB)	Diktat (GB)	Stoute

All carry 124 pounds.

Last year's G1 Fillies' Mile runner-up **Alexandrova** warms up for her June 2 G1 Epsom Oaks bid for the in-form team of Aidan O'Brien and Kieren Fallon. After opening her account by 10 lengths in a Tralee maiden in August, she was beaten a short-head by Nannina (GB) in the Fillies' Mile at Newmarket the following month and sets the standard on that form. Sir Michael Stoute, who has won this three times since 1994, puts forward **Short Skirt**. A debut winner in August, the brown filly has not been out since running seventh to Speciosa (Ire) in the G2 Rockfel S. at Newmarket in October.

Wednesday, Naas, Ireland, post time: 7:20 p.m.

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BLUE WIND S.-G3, €90,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Allexina (GB)	Barathea (Ire)	Oxx	135
2	1	Chelsea Rose (Ire)	Desert King (Ire)	C Collins	135
3	3	Gift Range (Ire)	Spectrum (Ire)	Oxx	135
4	7	Saintly Rachel (Ire)	Religiously	Swan	135
5	6	Galatee (Fr)	Galileo (Ire)	Bolger	121
6	4	Million Waves (Ire)	Mull of Kintyre	K Prendergast	121
7	2	Sacrosanct (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	A O'Brien	121

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Unbridled Slew, by RED BULLET

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

JIM MURRAY MEMORIAL H.-GII, \$250,000, HOL, 5-13, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT, 2:27 1/5, fm.

1--**GREY SWALLOW (IRE)**, 121, h, 5, by Daylami (Ire)

1st Dam: **Style of Life**, by The Minstrel

2nd Dam: **Bubinka**, by Nashua

3rd Dam: **Stolen Date**, by Sadair

(150,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT). O-Vega FZE & Weld; B-Mrs C L Weld (IRE); T-Dermot K Weld; J-A O Solis; \$150,000. Lifetime Record: Hwt 2yo Colt-Ire, MG1SW-Ire, 13-6-0-1, \$1,596,275. * 1/2 to Central Lobby (Ire) (Kenmare {Fr}), GSP-Fr, \$232,027; and Moonlight Dance (Ire) (Sinndar {Ire}), GSW-Ire.

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Daylami was a European classic winner who proved to be a tough prospect in his races in the U.S., winning the GI Man o' War S. and GI Breeders' Cup Turf. Now it seems as if he might have sired a chip off the old block in the shape of Grey Swallow, who romped away with the GII Jim Murray Memorial H. at Hollywood Park on Saturday.

GREY SWALLOW (IRE), h, 2001

Daylami (Ire)	Doyoun (Ire)	Mill Reef	Never Bend Milan Mill
		Dumka (Fr)	Kashmir (Ire) Faizebad (Fr)
	Daltawa (Ire)	Miswaki	Mr. Prospector Hopespringseternal
		Damana (Fr)	Crystal Palace (Fr) Denia (Fr)
Style of Life 10-2-1-3, \$20,632 11Fls, 2GSW, 3GSP	The Minstrel	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
		Fleur	Victoria Park Flaming Page
	Bubinka GSW-Ity 11Fls, 1SW, 1GSP	Nashua	Nasrullah Segula
		Stolen Date	Sadair Stolen Hour

The Jim Murray Memorial was a first U.S. start for Grey Swallow, who will now probably point towards the GI Manhattan H., and the race also represented a return to form for the 2004 G1 Irish Derby winner. Conqueror of G1 English Derby winner North Light in that race, Grey Swallow finished fourth in the G1 Irish Champion S. and unplaced in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe in his only other starts that year.

At four, Grey Swallow made a very promising start to his campaign, defeating Arc winner Bago by half a length for the G1 Tattersalls Gold Cup. Surprisingly, however, he failed to tally again that season, finishing seventh in the G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S., sixth in the G1 Irish Champion S. and fourth in GI Canadian International. It's very probable that Grey Swallow will show more consistent form in the U.S., where he can run on Lasix (which is not permitted in Europe), as he has reportedly bled on occasion.

For the Manhattan H., Grey Swallow will drop back to 10 furlongs from the 1 1/2 miles of the Jim Murray Memorial, but that is apparently not a concern for his connections, who regard him as equally effective at either distance, and it's worth noting that Grey Swallow had enough speed to take fourth in the G1 English 2000 Guineas and third in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas, both at a mile.

Grey Swallow's sire, Daylami, was also very versatile. He won the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains, the French 2000 Guineas equivalent; took the G1 Eclipse S., G1 Irish Champion S. and, G2 Tattersalls Gold Cup at 10 furlongs; the GI Man o' War S. at 11 furlongs; and the G1 Coronation Cup, G1 King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. and GI Breeders' Cup Classic at 1 1/2 miles.

Daylami's sire, Doyoun, a son of Mill Reef, also showed high level form over a range of distance, as he won the G1 English 2000 Guineas, and was beaten only three lengths when third in the G1 English Derby.

Grey Swallow is a member of Daylami's first crop, and is the only group or graded scorer from that crop, although it's also yielded the Listed-winning fillies La Persiana, Hidden Hope and Bay Tree. The only stakes winner from Daylami's second crop to date is Whazzat, who took the Listed Chesham S. at Royal Ascot as a two-year-old in 2004. **Cont. p5**

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14/05, MTH **Slam Bammy** won **Open Mind H. (L)**
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(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p4)

Grey Swallow's dam Style of Life, a daughter of The Minstrel, has been a very successful producer, with five other black-type performers to her credit. Oddly enough, she saved the best until last, foaling Grey Swallow when she was 16 years old, and Moonlight Dance (by Sinndar), winner last year of the G3 International S., when she was 17. Style of Life's black-type placed Law Society daughter Style for Life has also become a producer of note.

She is dam of the French listed scorer Maid of Dawkins, and of Night Style, winner of the G1 Gran Criterium in Italy. In passing, we should note that Night Style has a particularly intriguing pedigree. He is by the Northern Dancer horse Night Shift, which means he has Northern Dancer 2x4 through Night Shift and The Minstrel, and this pair is closely related, as Night Shift's dam Ciboulette is a three-quarters genetic relative to Victoria Park, the broodmare sire of The Minstrel.

Style of Life was only a minor winner in Europe, but her sister Seasonal Pickup won four black-type sprints in Ireland and was placed in four group events. Seasonal Pickup never produced a stakes winner, but she is granddam of two U.S. graded scorers in Simple Exchange and Where We Left Off. Simple Exchange, a son of Danehill, won the GII American Derby, while Where We Left Off, a filly by Dr. Devious, earned a graded victory in the GIII Matchmaker S. Seasonal Pickup was also granddam of the English group winner Sights on Gold, a half-brother to Simple Exchange.

CORRECTION: Tuesday's TDN incorrectly lists the sire of Smart N Pretty, who is by Elusive Quality. We regret the error.

Style of Life's dam Bubinka won the G3 Premio Buontalenta in Italy, and was a sister to French listed winner Stoshka, both being by Nashua, out of the Sadair mare, Stolen Date. Successful as the descendants of Stolen Date have been, there is actually an even more distinguished branch of this female line, as Stolen Date is half-sister to Comely S. heroine Best in Show, the dam of Irish champion two-year-old Malinowski, and Grade I winner Blush With Pride, and ancestress of numerous other notable performers, including El Gran Senor, Try My Best, Domedriver, Aviance, Chimes of Freedom, Aldebaran, Good Journey, Spinning World, Denon, Xaar, Bahamian Pirate, Redoute's Choice and Strong Hope.

The pedigree of Grey Swallow is an outcross at five generations, but like Barbaro, the subject of last week's column, he does have two crosses of Nashua, who appears through Mr. Prospector (sire of Daylami's broodmare sire, Miswaki) as well as through Grey Swallow's granddam, Bubinka. Nashua has something of a pedigree link to another Nasrullah son in Grey Swallow's pedigree, this being Grey Swallow's male line ancestor, Never Bend. Both Nashua and Never Bend have French strains in the distaff side of the pedigree, and Johnstown (broodmare sire of Nashua) and Djeddah (broodmare sire of Never Bend) are out of mares by sons of Teddy, out of mares by Durbar II. The La Troienne strain involves itself here too. Never Bend has a second dam by La Troienne's son Bimelech, Nashua combines with Busanda (out of a daughter of La Troienne) in the pedigree of Miswaki, and with Mr. Busher (three-parts brother to Busanda) in the pedigree of Bubinka. **Alan Porter may be contacted at portrpedigree@msn.com. Please cc TDN management at suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com.**



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FROM THE DESK OF...
Bill Oppenheim



TURFWAY POLYTRACK: SIRES, SIRE LINES AND BRANCHES

Since Turfway Park became the first racetrack in America to go all-Polytrack last September, there have been 114 racing days, with 1,138 races (that's almost exactly 10 a day--or night, as the case may be) run over the new surface. While we can't be sure what to compare the statistics to, we thought it would surely be useful to compile some statistics about the results, and see what we learn from them. Using the *Daily Racing Form's* Weekly Charts Edition (which lists winning Beyers), we compiled some key information about the winners: age; distance at which won (this is only included in the 'Sire of 5+ Individual Winners' table); winning Beyer number; and Sire Line or Branch. The information was compiled manually by Lisa-Jane Moeran, Darley Flying Start graduate and freelance researcher, so apologies from us both for any errors, and my grateful thanks to 'L-J' for a great job on this.

The first thing of great interest we discovered is that the average winning Beyer figure for all 1,138 races was almost exactly 64.5, which translates to about a Timeform 77, in European terms. Though I've never compiled comparative figures for other racetracks, my assumption is that bigger racetracks with higher purses would surely have higher average-winning Beyers, though that should be tempered by saying any meet with a

high percentage of two-year-old races will have naturally lower figures (since two-year-olds generally run lower figures, in raw terms), and Turfway has a relatively low percentage of two-year-old races compared with (I'm guessing) tracks like Keeneland and Churchill Downs. That's a good thing, in analytical terms, because it means there is less of a 'discount' to the overall averages because a track has a lot of two-year-old racing.

Perhaps because we are looking at 1,138 winners of not such high-class races, there is conceivably less variation among sire lines, for example, than there might be among winners at better tracks; as I say, we have no idea, because we have nothing with which to compare these results. Of the about 45 sire lines and branches which figure in the sires and damsires of A Runners since 1983, there were 32 lines or branches which produced Turfway winners, though seven of them had fewer than 10 winners. Of the 25 lines or branches which had 10+ Turfway winners, the lowest winning average Beyer was Blushing Groom (58.40), and the highest was the newest line we are in the process of identifying, Gone West, which is emerging as a new branch of Mr. Prospector (surprisingly, he is only the second horse we say has actually branched off from Mr. Prospector, the first having been Fappiano. In contrast, we identify nine different branches of Nearco/Northern Dancer). The 38 winners from the Gone West branch of Mr. Prospector had an average winning Beyer of 68.79. There is not even a 20-percent difference between the lowest and the highest in that respect, neither as much as 10 percent higher or lower than the overall average. **Cont. p7**

Sire Lines, Turfway Park, September 2005-April 2006

Line	Sires	Wins	%Wins	Ave. Age	Ave. Beyer	Win 80-89	Wins % Wins	Wins 90+	% Wins	Wins 80+	% Wins
Native Dancer +	134	383	33.6	4.2	65.4	39	10.2	14	3.7	53	13.8
Northern Dancer +	122	378	33.2	4.0	65.8	39	10.3	18	4.8	57	15
Nasrullah	65	160	14.1	4.2	61.8	14	8.6	1	0.6	15	9.4
Royal Charger	31	98	8.6	4.1	62.3	3	3.1	2	2	5	5.1
Non - Phalaris	55	119	10.5	4.3	62.8	12	10.1	0	0	12	10.1
All Sires	407	1138	100	4.1	64.5	107	9.4	35	3.1	142	12.5
The Dancers +		761	66.9	4.1	65.6	78	10.2	32	4.2	110	14.5
All Other Lines		377	33.1	4.2	62.2	29	7.7	3	0.8	32	8.5



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(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p6)

Most likely, this is a reflection of the level of racing; the higher you get up the scale, the more the separation, while the lower down the scale you are, the less difference it makes.

Nonetheless, within those parameters there are still interesting observations to be made, especially when we factored in two small distinctions which identify class, at least in the Turfway Polytrack context. These were: (1) the percentage of winners whose winning Beyers were 80-89; and (2) the percentage of winners whose winning Beyers were 90+ (these correspond roughly to Timeform 92-101, and Timeform 102+). Then we combine the two columns to produce one figure, which is: percentage of winners whose winning Beyers were 80+ (Timeform 92+).

Of the 1,138 races, a total of 107 (9.4 percent) were won with Beyers of 80-89, and 35 (3.1 percent) were won with Beyers of 90+; combined, there were 142 races with winning Beyers of 80+, almost exactly 12.5 percent of the races. As you'll see from the Sire Lines/Branches Table, we have highlighted five branches in red, indicating we consider they have consistently good figures in the two key categories: average winning Beyer, and percentage of 80+ wins. I have required a lower standard for highlighting from the two branches with over 30 percent of the wins between them (Mr. Prospector 224; Storm Bird 139) than from the three branches with fewer than 40 wins: Gone West, Nearctic, and 'miscellaneous Northern Dancer' (i.e. Dixieland Band, The Minstrel, etc.). I should make this distinction: what I classify as sire lines are: Native Dancer+ (basically, all non-Nearco Phalaris); Northern Dancer+ (including Nearctic, i.e. Icecapade, Wild Again, Clever Trick, etc.); Nasrullah; Royal Charger; and then all the non-Phalaris lines, grouped together. I consider Mr. Prospector to be a branch of Native Dancer, and since Fappiano and now Gone West are themselves branches of Mr. Prospector, when I refer to the 'Mr. Prospector' branch, to be absolutely precise I would say 'Mr. Prospector, except for Fappiano and Gone West.' Convolved, I know, but what can I tell you, it works.

It's easy to see that the three smaller branches identified above do score higher than the average: the Gone West branch's winners averaged 68.79, and 18.42 percent of them were at 80+, in contrast to the overall averages of 64.49 and 12.48 percent. Nearctic averaged 67.00, with 21.43 percent at 80+; and 'Miscellaneous Northern Dancer' averaged 66.30, with a whopping 34.78 percent at 80+. But the fewer the cases, the easier it is to average higher, which is why Storm Bird (67.42 and 13.57 percent) and 'Mr. Prospector' (65.52 and 15.19 percent), in my mind, also merit inclusion. On the whole, though, you could also conclude that there is not a hugely significant difference among these lines and branches because moderate horses can come from all lines.

The Sire Line summary table, which shows the five broader 'lines' (here counting non-Phalaris as one 'line,' though it is actually a group of several different lines) does actually reveal some quite significant information. There are 16 branches of either Native Dancer+ or Northern Dancer+, and 16 branches not. The 16 'Dancer' branches, if I can call them that for the purposes of this illustration, account for almost exactly two-thirds of the winners. That probably reflects about the ratio in the thoroughbred population as a whole (again guessing here). But they then account for 77 percent of the 80+ winners, and 91 percent of the winners with 90+ winning Beyers. These are, generally, the 'newer' lines, of course; looking back at the table of Branches, Seattle Slew is really the only 'non-Dancer' branch which is actually flourishing in America (you could argue Roberto in Europe, and certainly Halo in Japan, through Sunday Silence). On Polytrack at Turfway so far, the Seattle Slew branch of Nasrullah (as distinct from other Bold Ruler) has 58 winners, with averages right at the overall average (64.78 average winning Beyer, 12.07 percent with 80+ winning Beyers). Interestingly, another 'all-American' branch, Fappiano, has 75 winners, but is below the averages, with figures of 62.69 and 5.33 percent, respectively.

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YET MORE NEW STAKES WINNERS!

EBONY ROSE won the \$82,250 Hilltop Breeders' Cup Stakes at Pimlico.

In 2005, Bernstein was Storm Cat's Leading 2nd Crop Sire, with 13 individual Stakes Winners.

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INDIVIDUAL SIRES (*Oppenheim cont.*)

With the sire line and branch information as a background, it's quite instructive to then look at the individual sires of winners at Turfway Polytrack. A total of 407 different stallions sired winners, of which 36 (Table 3) sired five or more winners each. Leading sire of individual winners was Catienus (13), whose first crop have just turned four, so had only two crops (aged three and up in 2006) which could have run at Turfway. The 13 winners must represent, to some extent, the Ramsey's breeding operation, whether they raced the horses or sold them, but we didn't look at the statistics, in this pass through, for individual owners or breeders; interesting, though, that the average age of Catienus's winners was just 2.78, so (given the bias against two-year-olds I referred to earlier) he probably did well to have an average winning Beyer of 64.56, dead on the overall average. Catienus now stands in New York.

Tied for second, with 10 winners each, are the statistically inseparable Coolmore pair of Grand Slam and Tale of the Cat. Though their characteristics do differ somewhat in certain respects, by many measurements the two horses, who both went to stud at Ashford in 1999 and had their first foals in 2000, are remarkably similar. In these statistics, for example, Grand Slam's average winning distance was 6.83, Tale Of the Cat's 6.73; average winning purse—Grand Slam \$20,005, Tale Of the Cat \$21,759; average winning age—Grand Slam 3.67, Tale Of the Cat 3.46; and average winning Beyer—Grand Slam 70.83, Tale Of the Cat 69.62. No wonder they stand for similar stud fees!

Mt. Livermore's son Peaks and Valleys, who was transferred to Ontario this year after standing at Pin Oak in Kentucky, ranks fourth with nine individual winners, but his average-winning Beyer was just over 55. Three sires had eight winners each: Elusive Quality's average winning Beyer was 71.08, his average distance just 6.29, and average age 3.67. Maria's Mon had an average winning Beyer of 67, but the average distance was 7.63, and average age 4.88—so there was quite a contrast between the two. The third sire of eight winners was Sefapiano, a son of Fappiano who began his career in Michigan, where he was very successful, then

was transferred to Kentucky, and has now been moved on again, to Louisiana. His average winning Beyer was just 58.27, suggesting he's siring lower-class winners, relatively speaking. Two horses had seven winners each, Slew City Slew (average Beyer 57), and—the horse with the highest average Beyer among these 36 top Turfway sires of winners—would you believe it's Favorite Trick, whose average winning Beyer in eight races, with seven separate winners, was 75.88. It would send you heading straight to the Polytrack with every Favorite Trick you could find, if you were looking for practical applications of this information.

One final observation: you'll see that 16 of the 36 sires on this Leading Sires list are highlighted in red, because they all had average winning Beyers of 68 + . A total of 81 sires from the Mr. Prospector 'branch' had winners at Turfway, and I would be pretty impressed by the seven from that branch which averaged 69 + , and would be equally interested in getting them on Polytrack if I were an owner—especially the stock of young sires like Chester House (73.56, but unfortunately died) and Lemon Drop Kid (70.33). There are also three sires on this list from the new Gone West branch; I've already mentioned Grand Slam and Elusive Quality, and Mr. Greeley (69.83) also makes the list of 16. So 10 of the 16 highlighted sires are either Mr. Prospector or Gone West. Five are Northern Dancer + : Tale of the Cat and Storm Boot (70.78), by Storm Cat; Boundary (71.13, retired), and Military (68.13), by Danzig; and, as mentioned, Favorite Trick, who descends from Nearctic through Icecapade, Clever Trick, and Phone Trick. So, on this list, 15 of the 16 (93 percent) are 'Dancers'; the only exception is Honour and Glory (by Relaunch, by In Reality).

The Polytrack revolution in North American racing will result in much bigger sample sizes for analysis within a very few years; when we have 10,000 races to analyze, we'll know more than we can know now. Though we are handicapped by a lack of models to use for comparison, nonetheless interesting trends in sires and sire lines may be emerging. These are certainly ongoing developments worth following, and we will be hoping to do just that. **Bill Oppenheim may be contacted at bopp@erb.com.**

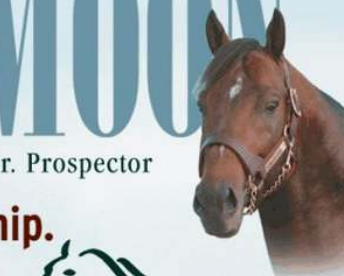
YET MORE NEW STAKES WINNERS!

MALIBU MOON

A.P. Indy—G1-winner Macoumba, by Mr. Prospector

POCOMOONSHINE won the \$56,000 Lyman Sprint Championship.

In 2005, Malibu Moon was A.P. Indy's Leading 3rd Crop Sire, with 10 individual Stakes Winners.



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Sire Lines/Branches, Turfway Park, September 2005 - April 2006

Branch	Sires	Wins	%Wins	Ave Age	Ave Win Beyer	Wins 80-89	% wins	Wins 90+	% Wins	Wins 80+	% Wins
Fappiano	20	75	6.59	4.11	62.69	3	4.00	1	1.33	4	5.33
Gone West	9	38	3.34	4.05	68.79	5	13.16	2	5.26	7	18.42
Mr. Prospector	81	224	19.68	4.11	65.52	24	10.71	10	4.46	34	15.18
Raise A Native	5	12	1.05	4.67	64.42	1	8.33	0	0.00	1	8.33
Alydar	8	16	1.41	4.25	66.38	2	12.50	0	0.00	2	12.50
Pharamond	8	14	1.23	3.93	66.43	2	14.29	1	7.14	3	21.43
Fair Trial	3	4	0.35	7.00	76.50	2	50.00	0	0.00	2	50.00
Native Dancer +	134	383	33.66	4.15	65.44	39	10.18	14	3.66	53	13.84
Misc No Dancer	9	23	2.02	3.87	66.30	7	30.43	1	4.35	8	34.78
Nijinsky	7	17	1.49	4.59	65.18	3	17.65	0	0.00	3	17.65
Nearctic	14	28	2.46	4.18	67.00	4	14.29	2	7.14	6	21.43
Danzig	20	87	7.64	4.60	65.51	7	8.05	3	3.45	10	11.49
Lyphard	2	2	0.18	3.50	48.50	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Nureyev	11	23	2.02	4.61	63.91	2	8.70	1	4.35	3	13.04
Storm Bird	36	139	12.21	3.63	67.42	11	7.91	8	5.76	19	13.67
Sadler's Wells	5	10	0.88	3.90	59.10	1	10.00	0	0.00	1	10.00
Vice Regent	18	49	4.31	4.08	63.82	4	8.16	3	6.12	7	14.29
Northern Dancer +	122	378	33.22	4.08	65.78	39	10.32	18	4.76	57	15.08
Misc Nasrullah	2	5	0.44	3.20	57.80	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Bold Ruler	12	30	2.64	4.60	61.87	3	10	0	0.00	3	10.00
Grey Sovereign	6	17	1.49	3.71	61	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Blushing Groom	17	43	3.78	4.19	58.40	5	11.63	0	0.00	5	11.63
Riverman	4	7	0.62	4.29	62.14	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Seattle Slew	24	58	5.10	4.09	64.78	6	10.34	1	1.72	7	12.07
Nasrullah	65	160	14.06	4.15	61.78	14	8.75	1	0.62	15	9.38
Turn-to	7	15	1.32	4.07	59.07	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Hail To Reason	11	40	3.51	3.88	61.52	1	2.50	1	2.50	2	5.00
Roberto	13	43	3.78	4.23	64.12	2	4.65	1	2.33	3	6.98
Royal Charger	31	98	8.61	4.06	62.29	3	3.06	2	2.04	5	5.10
Miscellaneous	9	18	1.58	4.56	61.50	3	16.67	0	0.00	3	16.67
Domino	3	4	0.35	4.50	65.25	1	25.00	0	0.00	1	25.00
In Reality	12	24	2.11	4.75	65.67	3	12.50	0	0.00	3	12.50
Ribot	13	31	2.72	4.48	62.13	2	6.45	0	0.00	2	6.45
Blandford	2	6	0.53	4.50	77.33	3	50.00	0	0.00	3	50.00
Damascus	13	29	2.55	4.00	60.66	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Prince Rose	3	7	0.62	3.00	55.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Non - Phalaris	55	119	10.46	4.34	62.84	12	10.08	0	0.00	12	10.08
All Sires	407	1138	#####	4.14	64.49	107	9.40	35	3.08	142	12.48

Red = Best Lines

These two tables compile information about the 1,138 winners at Turfway Park since Polytrack was installed, organized by sire line & branch. A key to the column headers: Sires: number of individual sires to have sired one or more winners

Wins: Total number of races won by this line/branch

Pct of Wins: Pct of the 1,138 total races won by the sire line/branch

Wins 80-89: Number of wins in which the winning Beyer was 80-89

Pct of Wins: Pct of this line/branch's wins with a winning Beyer of 80-89

Wins 90+: Number of wins in which the winning Beyer was 90+

Pct of Wins: Pct of this line/branch's wins with a winning Beyer of 90+

Wins 90+: Number of wins in which the winning Beyer was 80+ (2 columns combined)

Pct of Wins: Pct of this line/branch's wins with a winning Beyer of 80+.



LEADING SIRES OF WINNERS, TURFWAY PARK SEPT 2005 - APRIL 2006

Sire	Sire Line/Branch	Wnrs	Wins	Avg Win Dist.	Avg Win Purse	Avg Age	Avg Win Beyer
CATIENUS	NoD Storm Bird	13	18	7.17	14440	2.78	64.56
GRAND SLAM	NaD Gone West	10	12	6.83	20005	3.67	70.83
TALE OF THE CAT	NoD Storm Bird	10	13	6.73	21759	3.46	69.62
PEAKS AND VALLEYS	Nas Blushing Groom	9	11	7.27	9823	3.64	55.09
SEFAPIANO	NaD Fappiano	8	11	6.68	9455	3.36	58.27
ELUSIVE QUALITY	NaD Gone West	8	12	6.29	16820	3.67	71.08
MARIA'S MON	NaD Raise A Native	8	8	7.63	9975	4.88	67.00
FAVORITE TRICK	NoD Nearctic	7	8	6.50	18363	3.75	75.88
SLEW CITY SLEW	Nas Seattle Slew	7	10	7.00	8880	3.90	57.00
REAL QUIET	NaD Fappiano	6	10	7.85	7755	3.90	61.30
RUBIANO	NaD Fappiano	6	13	6.85	9250	5.23	59.46
CHESTER HOUSE	NaD Mr. Prospector	6	9	6.95	23289	3.22	73.56
SOUVENIR COPY	NaD Mr. Prospector	6	8	6.69	33686	2.88	71.13
LORD CARSON	NaD Mr. Prospector	6	7	6.43	18864	3.14	65.86
COUNT THE TIME	NaD Mr. Prospector	6	6	7.08	13183	3.17	59.17
DEVIL HIS DUE	RoC Hail to Reason	6	7	6.50	10200	3.57	54.00
LOUIS QUATORZE	NoD Misc No Dancer	6	9	7.39	16967	3.89	64.11
BOUNDARY	NoD Danzig	6	8	7.06	21925	4.00	71.13
STORM BOOT	NoD Storm Bird	6	9	6.61	19989	4.22	70.78
CHARISMATIC	NoD Storm Bird	6	7	7.79	9299	4.00	59.86
SERVICE STRIPE	NoD Vice Regent	6	7	6.71	15338	4.00	62.43
HONOUR AND GLORY	XPh In Reality	5	7	6.86	13270	4.14	69.86
MR. GREELEY	NaD Gone West	5	6	7.75	19416	5.17	69.83
CRAFTY PROSPECTOR	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	7	6.86	15886	3.86	72.86
CAT'S CAREER	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	8	6.50	12170	4.50	72.50
CARSON CITY	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	6	7.17	21733	3.83	72.17
LEMON DROP KID	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	6	7.08	20891	3.00	70.33
PETIONVILLE	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	5	6.70	12828	3.80	69.40
SMOKE GLACKEN	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	6	7.00	18833	3.33	66.50
GOLD CASE	NaD Mr. Prospector	5	7	6.86	18671	3.29	65.29
MILITARY	NoD Danzig	5	8	7.50	25697	3.50	68.13
GHAZI	NoD Danzig	5	8	6.38	8650	5.25	65.25
JOYEUX DANSEUR	NoN Nureyev	5	5	7.00	7780	4.80	53.00
CAT THIEF	NoD Storm Bird	5	6	6.58	15283	2.33	58.50
SALT LAKE	NoD Vice Regent	5	5	6.60	17200	4.00	67.60
FIT TO FIGHT	Nas Bold Ruler	5	8	6.19	7999	4.38	52.38

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Yesterday's Results:

6th-DEL, \$40,600, Alw, NW2X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 4/5, wf.

DAZZLING DOT (f, 3, Hazaam--Dazzling Dixie, by Dixieland Band) won her first two, including a five-furlong test over track and trip last August, before fading late to finish eighth when moved for the Sorority S. at Monmouth Sep. 3. Off since, the bay was sent off the 2-1 second choice in this drop to more manageable company. On the engine early, the filly rolled home an easy 2 1/2-length winner over Defiant Maid (Lion Hearted). The \$20,000 OBSOCT weanling and \$105,000 OBSAPR juvenile is a half to Rubia (Rubiano), SP, \$217,431 and Dazzling Dr. Cevin (Cutlass Fax), MSW, \$277,590. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-0, \$73,000. O-Puglisi Stables & Steve Klesaris. B-Luis de Hechavarria (FL). T-Steve Klesaris.

8th-DEL, \$38,900, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.

LES RY LEIGH (f, 3, Broken Vow--Azusa {MSW, \$189,272}, by Flying Paster), third in her latest going a sixteenth shorter here May 2, was given a 5-1 chance to win her first since her graduation in February. Never far behind a solid early pace, the dark bay took over at the head of the stretch and drove clear to hand favorite Pretty Appealing (Trippi) a 2 3/4-length defeat. The \$12,000 KEESEP yearling is a half to Najjm (Dynaformer), SW-Stp, \$146,321-UK & US; and Unforgettable Too (You And I), MSP, \$207,777. Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$47,584.

O-Michael Pressley. B-Bittersweet Farm (MD). T-J Larry Jones.

4th-FLX, \$18,000, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:06 3/5, my.

+ **CLASSIC RENEE (f, 4, Regal Classic--Around the Corner, by Distinctive Pro)**, sent off the 7-2 third choice, kept favored Light Heart (Lite the Fuse) in her sights through early splits of :22.57 and :46.42, forged past that rival in deep stretch and inched clear to post a one-length victory. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,800. O-David Sepler. B-Philip Pettine (NY). T-Linda Rice.

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Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Race	BRIS Speed
Surf Cat	Mervyn LeRoy H.-G2	107
Tiger	Bold Ruler H.-G3	106
Pocomoonshine	Lyman Sprint Championship H.	105
Slam Bammy	Decathlon S.	104
Fabulous Strike	Romano Gucci S.	103
Rich Fantasy	Ribbon H.	103
Contrast	Red Cross S.	101
Wanna Runner	Walmac Lone Star Derby-G3	101
Siren Lure	Los Angeles H.-G3	101
Grey Swallow (Ire)	Jim Murray Memorial H.-G2	100
Main Executive	New Providence S.	100
Hottamolly	Fantasia S.	98
Spirit to Spare	Vancouver Sun H.	98
High Button Shoes	Hendrie S.-G3	97
Nothing But Fun	Mil Kilates S.	97
Sandra's Rose	Tuzla S.	96
Dave	Kingston H.	95
Amandatude	Polly's Jet S.	95
Miss Shop	Beru S.	95
More Than Pretty	Open Mind S.	94
Roll On Retsina	Lineage New Mexico Bred S.	94
Blazing Sunset	Alydar S.	93
A Sea Trippi	Harmony Lodge S.	93

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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

3:36p TVG 6th-BEL, \$65K, Thirty Flags S., 4yo/up, f/m, 1mT
BRUNILDA (Mutakddim) was second by a length to the talented Wend in the Mar. 4 GIII Honey Fox H. at Gulfstream, then was third in a contentious renewal of the GIII Beaugay H. over Aqueduct's sod Apr. 29. She gets an easier spot here, but has to overcome a wide draw. **Laurafina (Cozzene)**, eighth in the Beaugay, is two-for-three racing on the green at Belmont. **Ozone Bere (Fr) (Verglas {Ire})** gets Edgar Prado in her American debut. brisnet.com pps

4:46p TVG 8th-CDX, \$54K, Alw, 3yo/up, 7 1/2f
CIRCLE THE WORLD (Fusaichi Pegasus) debuted at the tough seven-furlong distance at Gulfstream on Apr. 1, but was nobody's fool in a smart 3/4-length tally completed in 1:22 3/5. The Todd Pletcher trainee, who breaks widest of all from the eight hole, gets the services of Rafael Bejarano as he adds a bit of ground in his second start. brisnet.com pps

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3-LS, Msw, 5f, +Foolish Girl, \$4K TEX AUG yrl, 10-1

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CHRB Waives Coupling for Current Meets:

The California Horse Racing Board voted Monday to temporarily waive rules requiring the coupling of horses for the two current Thoroughbreds meetings at Bay Meadows and Hollywood Park on condition that there at least five separate wagering interests prior to any uncoupling. The waiver was passed unanimously by five racing commissioners after a 40-minute discussion. Commissioner Jerry Moss, who chairs the CHRB Pari-Mutuel Operations Committee and led discussions of this issue before referring it to the full board, said one of the primary motivations for uncoupling horses is to make sure that bettors do not get stuck with the less desirable part of an entry if the horse on which they based their wagers is a late scratch. The matter will be placed back on the agenda for the May 25 board meeting at Los Alamitos to consider placing additional conditions on the waiver.

STAKES CLOSINGS



TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 17:

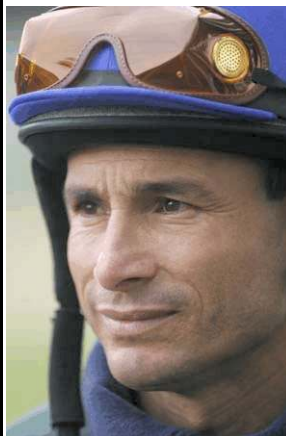
- 05-20 \$1,000,000 *Preakness-I, Pim, 3yo, 9.5f (100000s)*
- 05-27 \$100,000 *Hanshin H.-III, AP, 3yo/up, 8f (75)*
- 05-29 \$300,000a *Shoemaker Breeders' Cup Mile-I, Hol, 3yo/up, 8fT (500)*
- 05-29 \$300,000a *Gamely Breeders' Cup H.-I, Hol, 3yo/up, f/m, 9fT (500)*
- 05-29 \$400,000 *Lone Star Park H.-III, LS, 3yo/up, 8.5f (0)*
- 05-29 \$200,000 *WinStar Distaff-III, LS, 3yo/up, f/m, 8fT (0)*
- 06-03 \$300,000 *Nassau-II, Wo, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5fT (300)*

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This week's accomplishment: Solis will be riding GI Kentucky Derby fourth Brother Derek (Benchmark) in the GI Preakness S. Saturday. Solis has been aboard for all of Brother Derek's starts, including wins in the GI Santa Anita Derby, GII Santa Catalina S. and the GII San Rafael S., where he defeated Champion 2yo Stevie Wonderboy (Stephen Got Even).

Birthdate: 3/25/64

Birthplace: Panama City, Panama

Family: Wife, Sheila; sons Alex Jr., Andrew, Austin; daughter Tiffany.

Of all the horses you have been around, which has had the best personality? I've ridden a lot of good horses – Kona Gold, Pleasantly Perfect, Megahertz, Snow Chief, Brother Derek – can't forget him! They all have incredible personalities.

If you could change one thing about our sport, what would it be? I wish racetracks would have a little more respect for jockeys and for what we do. There are a few tracks that don't seem to respect what we do. We're not trying to overtake racing or anything; we're just doing as much as we can in the sport that we love.

What do you have in your CD player right now?

Luciano Pavarotti and Andrea Bocelli. I love merengue and salsa; the Three Tenors are my favorite, though.

What are your favorite vacation spots?

Cabo San Lucas, Napa Valley and, of course, Panama.

Childhood Ambition? I wanted to be a boxer. I was on the boxing team at school but when I was 13 my father took me to the racetrack and I completely changed my mind.

What's the last thing that you bought? An iPod Nano, because they stole my big one. Somebody took it out of my locker (*laughs*). We're still investigating who did it.

Do you have a strategy for Saturday's race?

If I tell you then everybody will know, so I can't say.

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★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Cloned Equines to Compete:

The University of Idaho's two mule clones will become the first cloned equines to compete when they go postward at Winnemucca, Nevada, June 3 and 4 for the first leg of mule racing's triple crown. After Winnemucca, Idaho Gem and Idaho Star are expected to race at the San Joaquin Fair in Stockton in late June and may continue racing on the California fair circuit throughout the summer. Idaho Gem, born in May, 2003, is the world's first clone born to the horse family. The mules are leased by two mule-racing businessmen, Don Jacklin and Roger Downey. Cloned from mule fetal skin cells, the pair's dam is quarter horse Mesmerizer and the sire is Spanish jack donkey Coalee McGee. That mating has already produced world champion Taz. Project Idaho, a six-year collaborative project involving the University of Idaho animal and veterinary science Professors Gordon Woods and Dirk Vanderwall and Utah State University animal science Professor Dr. Ken White, has produced three mules to date.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Adraaj, f, 3, [Sahm](#). See "Britain."



ROYAL AIM FOR RIVER? Ecurie Mister Ess AS's **Stormy River (Fr)** (Verglas {Ire}) may be aimed at the June 20 G1 St James's Palace S. at Royal Ascot, connections announced yesterday. Trainer Nicolas Clement reported the Apr. 23 G3 Prix de Fontainebleau winner to have bounced back nicely from his third placing in Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Longchamp. "He appears to have come out of his race in good form," Clement told *Racing Post*. "We have three options now. We could wait and go for the G1 Prix Jean Prat [at Chantilly July 9] or send him for the G1 St James's Palace S. at Ascot, or we could take in the two."

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JULY CUP DRAWS BIG NAMES A total of 66 entries has been received for the £360,000 G1 Darley July Cup, the richest sprint race in Europe. Among them are a pair of Australian hopefuls, the Group 1 winners **Takeover Target (Aus)** (Celtic Swing {GB}) and **Falkirk (NZ)** (Tale of the Cat). Also entered is Hong Kong-based **Cape of Good Hope (GB)** (Inchiner {GB}), who annexed the G1 Golden Jubilee S. at the Royal Meeting at York last year. There are a number of prominent three-year-olds entered, including the G1 2000 Guineas hero **George Washington (Ire)** (Danehill); **Amadeus Wolf (GB)** (Mozart {Ire}), winner of the G1 Middle Park S. last fall; and Godolphin's **Silca's Sister (GB)** (Inchiner {GB}), who defeated colts in the G1 Prix Morny. Michael Prosser, clerk of the course at Newmarket, commented: "Newmarket is proud to be staging Europe's richest sprint, the £360,000 Darley July Cup, and we are over the moon to have received such high quality entries for our summer racing highlight. "We look forward to welcoming runners from around the world to Newmarket on Friday, July 14. With Agnes World winning for Japan in 2000, Choisir (Aus) going very close for Australia in 2003 and Cape of Good Hope coming fourth in 2003, the Darley July Cup has always been at the forefront of international competition and we look forward to that trend developing even further this year."

★ BRITAIN ★

COLLINS SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE IN JUNE

Two places are available for the third annual Joss Collins Scholarship; the application deadline is June 12. The one-year program was established following the death in 2004 of the famed bloodstock agent. Supported by donations from Collins' family and friends, the fund was started to ensure his legacy of helping young people--aged 18-25--get a foothold in the industry. Placements will be altered to suit individual ambitions, allowing applicants to have the chance to work on leading studs in Australia, Britain, Ireland, South Africa, New Zealand or America as well as an opportunity to work with some of the world's top bloodstock operations. Applications for this year's program, which begins in September, should be made in writing to:

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DESERT PRINCE

Another talented juvenile from the sire of 3 Group 1 winning 2yo's

TURBAN DESTROY'S RIVALS IN GOLDEN STAKES

Randwick trainer Bob Thomsen struck winning winter form early when talented colt Turban destroyed his rivals in the \$75,000 Listed Jacob's Creek Golden Stakes at Doomben. Thomsen hinted at other big races such as the Gr.1 Sires' Produce Stakes and the Gr.1 TJ Smith Stakes as possible targets. www.thoroughbrednews.co.nz



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Wednesday, York, post time: 2:15 p.m.
BLUE SQUARE H. (REGISTERED AS THE MERRION S.)-Listed, £30,000, 3yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Upper Hand (GB)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Channon	130
2	4	South Cape (GB)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Channon	127
3	3	Guest Connections (GB)	Zafonic	Channon	127
4	2	Levera (GB)	Groom Dancer	King	125
5	6	Antica (Ire)	Raise a Grand (Ire)	Tompkins	119
6	1	Critic (Ire)	Fasliyev	Bell	116

Yesterday's Results:

Newcastle, 3.50, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo, 10f 32ydsT, 2:16.43, gd.

ADRAAJ (f, 3, Sahm--Hachiyah {Ire}), by **Generous {Ire}** ran fourth on debut at Nottingham May 3 and acted mischevously before loading in this return. Perfectly behaved in front once let go, the 9-2 chance was pushed along when pressed by Moonlight Music (Rossini) with 2 1/2 furlongs remaining and proved determined for a forceful drive thereafter to repel that rival by 3 1/2 lengths. The winner, a Shadwell homebred, is a half-sister to Nasij (Elusive Quality), SW & MGSP-GB. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £2,912. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Farm LLC; T-Ed Dunlop.

★ FRANCE ★

Wednesday, Maisons-Laffitte, post time: 3:35 p.m.
PRIX D'ANGERVILLE-Listed, €50,000, 3yo, f, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	10	Blue Blue Sky (Ire)	Anabaa	de Nicolay
2	6	Indian Fun (GB)	Poliglote (GB)	F Head
3	8	Phantom Rose	Danzig	Fabre
4	7	Beau Monde (GB)	Agnes World	Pantall
5	5	Galma (Fr)	Goldneyev	Lellouche
6	1	Heaven's Cause	Giant's Causeway	Clement
7	9	Folle Biche (Fr)	Take Risks (Fr)	Rossio
8	4	Drosia (Ire)	King's Best	Laffon-Parias
9	3	Flor Y Nata	Fusaichi Pegasus	Prescott
10	2	Nantes (Ger)	Night Shift	Fabre

All carry 123 pounds bar Blue Blue Sky & Indian Fun, 128.



CORRECTION:

Bahama Mama, a 17,000gns TATDEC weanling and a 40,000gns TATOCT yearling, became the **sixth winner** for her freshman sire (by Green Desert).

Results from Saturday, May 13

Newmarket, 1.55, Mdn, £7,000, 2yo, f, 5fT, 1:00.15, gd.

+ **BAHAMA MAMA (IRE) (f, 2, Invincible Spirit {Ire}--Nassma {Ire} {SW-Eng})**, by **Sadler's Wells** Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,534. O-Lucayan Stud; B-C J Foy; T-Jeremy Nosedo.

BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

WILLIAM HENRY HARRISON S., \$40,000, IND, 5-15, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, my.

1--**INDY ENERGY, 116, h, 7, Presidential Order--Kadija, by Procida**. O-Rolf Obrecht; B-Can-American Thoroughbreds & Dave Martin (IN); T-Arthur J Zeis; J-I Diego; \$24,000. Lifetime Record: 69-18-11-11, \$229,406. *1/2 to Salutee (Lil E. Tee), SW, \$178,626.

2--**Pass Rush, 123, h, 7, Crown Ambassador--Profitable Knight**, by Knight. \$8,000.

3--**Hoosierholic, 117, g, 4, Bedivere--Just Having Fun**, by Liberty Lane. \$4,400.

Margins: 3/4, 3 1/4, 1. Odds: 3.10, 1.00, 11.50.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-DEL, \$42,000, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:40 2/5, ft.

MIGHTY MECKE (c, 4, Mecke--So Cheerful, by Fortunate Prospect) Lifetime Record: MSW, 10-4-0-2, \$188,770. O-Puglisi Stables. B-Lynne Dek Russo (FL). T-Save Klesaris. *\$5,200 yrl '03 OBSJAN; \$130,000 2yo 2004 OBSAPR.

5th-CRC, \$28,000, NW3L, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:51, sy.

RED RUFFLE (f, 4, Montreal Red--Riccio's Best, by Pappa Riccio) Lifetime Record: 18-3-4-1, \$72,846. O-Lisselan Farm & A & W Murphy. B-William F & Annabel Murphy (FL). T-Michael K McDonald.

8th-CRC, \$28,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:47, sy.

HOW'S YOUR HALO (c, 3, Halo's Image--Say How You Feel {SW}), by **Little Current** Lifetime Record: 7-3-3-0, \$43,250. O/T-Brian Prichard. B-White Cross Farm (FL).

8th-MNR, \$27,800, 5-15, NW2L, 3yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:05, my.

GLOBAL CRISIS (g, 4, Seeking the Gold--Dispute {MGISW, \$1,106,906}), by **Danzig** Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-3, \$47,128. O-Well-Being Stable. B-Ogden Mills Phipps (KY). T-Ron G Potts Jr. *\$16,500 HRA 2005 KEEJAN.

8th-PHA, \$25,200, NW1X, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:43, gd.

HOLD HARD (g, 5, Halory Hunter--Chanson de Roland, by Classic) Lifetime Record: 56-8-3-7, \$106,301. O-Michael H McMahon. B-E & D Enterprises & W S Farish (PA). T-Ronald J Dandy. *\$4,200 wlng '01 OBSOCT; \$7,500 yrl '02 OBSAUG; \$4,000 2yo 2003 OBSAPR.



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9th-PHA, \$23,632, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:22 3/5, gd.

WHISPERED WARNING (g, 6, Outflanker--Neveroutoftune, by Tunerup) Lifetime Record: SP, 20-7-3-4, \$206,551. O-Plumstead Stables. B-Whisper Hill Farm (FL). T-Robert J Seeger. *\$20,000 2yo 2002 OBSJUN.

8th-FLX, \$20,100, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, gd.

SWEET SWEET MOLLY (f, 4, A.P. Jet--Eastern Connection, by Danzig Connection) Lifetime Record: 10-6-1-0, \$64,264. O-Betty Jean Murphy. B-Country Life Farm & Eastern Connection (NY). T-James Wright.




Observations
on today's European
racing scene
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6.50p Naas, Cond, €19,820, 2yo, 6fT

Eagle Mountain (GB), c, 2, by Rock of Gibraltar (Ire), the first progeny of the "Rock" to be saddled by Aidan O'Brien, debuts against previous winners in this competitive contest. Derrick Smith's colorbearer is a half to the 2001 G1 Prix Marcel Boussac heroine Sulk (Ire) with roots in one of His Highness the Aga Khan's families, so he should stay further in time. The bay was a 220,000gns TATOCT yearling.

7.50p Naas, Mdn, €12,883, 3yo/up, c/g, 1 1/4mT.

Magicalmysterytour (Ire), c, 3, by Sadler's Wells, who holds an entry for the G1 Epsom Derby, was one of a number of unraced sophomores who came in for a mention at Aidan O'Brien's press day last month. Susan Magnier's full brother to the high-class Ballydoyle fillies Quarter Moon (Ire) and Yesterday (Ire) hails from the Kirsten Rausing family of Last Second (Ire), the dam of Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains victor Aussie Rules (Ire).



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Feeling Joy, f, 2, Smokester--Feeling Topsy, by Bailjumper. HOL, 5-15, (C), 4 1/2f, :52 1/5. B-Irene E Robocker (Ca). *\$27,000 yrl '05 BESOCT. **1/2 to Baby Shea (Native Prospector), MSP, \$190,475.

Wise Beauty, f, 2, Wised Up--Doones Beauty, by Doonesbury. CRC, 5-16, (C), 2f, :22. B-J D Farms (FI). *\$6,000 wlng '04 OBSOCT.

Two West, g, 3, City Zip--Evening's All Star, by Stalwart. FLX, 5-16, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Dr Lance G Bell & L Brown (NY). *\$2,500 yrl '04 FTNAUG. **1/2 to Mr. Devious (Devious Course), SW, \$104,575.

Ancient Fleet, c, 3, Northern Afleet--Hanging Fire, by Gallapiat. DEL, 5-16, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5. B-David McKathan (FI). *\$20,000 2yo 2005 OBSAPR.

Folk Festival (GB), c, 3, Saint Ballado--Gretel (GB) (GSP-Eng), by Hansel. CRC, 5-16, a1m70yd, 1:46 1/5. B-Darley (GB).

Biggs Behavior, c, 3, Silver Charm--Frances in the Sky (SW), by Sky Classic. MNR, 5-15, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5. B-Echo Valley Horse Farm, Inc (Ky). *\$70,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$50,000 2yo 2005 OBSMAR.

Dolleewood, f, 4, Voyeur One--Command Sunset, by Sunshine Forever. GLD, 5-15, (S), 4f, :48 1/5. B-Susan Schnettler (Mi).

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULT:

FRANCE, Salon-de-Provence, 2.35, 5-16, €18,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/4mT, 2:05.73, gd/sf.

TIZINA (GER) (f, 3, Night Shift--Tizia {Ire} {SP-Ger}, by Linamix {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 14 starts, 2 wins, 11 places, €36,450. O-A Capozzi; B-Gestut Brummerhof; T-Julie Laurent-Joye Rossi. *€64,000 yrl '04 BBASEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNER:

Perfect Treasure (Ire), f, 3, Night Shift--Pitrizza (Ire), by Machiavellian. Brighton, Britain, 5-16, Mdn, 3yo/up, 5f 213ydsT. B-Patrick F Kelly. *36,000gns wnl '03 TATDEC; 32,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT; 18,000gns 2yo '05 TATAPR.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

BELMONT

Indian Vale (A.P. Indy), 5f, 1:00.40, 1/4

CHURCHILL DOWNS

He's Got Grit (Songandaprayer), 4f, :50.20, 31/44

Katdogawn (GB) (Bahhare), 6f, 1:13.60, 1/1

HOLLYWOOD PARK

A. P. Warrior (A.P. Indy), 4f, :52.40, 18/19

SANTA ANITA

The Tin Man (Affirmed), 4f, :48.60, 17/34