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**BARBARO LOOKING PERFECT FROM THE SIX**

After dominating 19 rivals in the GI Kentucky Derby, **Barbaro** (Dynaformer) will take on eight foes while breaking from the six hole in Saturday's GI Preakness S.



**Barbaro**  
Horsephotos

The towering colt has yet to taste defeat in six career starts and has been installed the even-money favorite on the morning-line. "It'll probably be a cleaner run race, but nothing changes for me," trainer Michael Matz said. "We still have to beat the same horses we beat last time. I just hope it's a cleanly run race and the best horse wins." The

Lael Stables colorbearer will line up against only two familiar faces from the Derby, **Brother Derek** (Benchmark) and **Sweetnorthern**saint (Sweetnorthern saint). The former, who fought on gamely to dead-heat for fourth in the Run for the Roses, will break from the five post with regular rider Alex Solis aboard.

Sweetnorthern saint, who finished a troubled seventh in the Derby, has been assigned the seven slot.

"[In the Preakness] position is just as important as it is in the Derby," said his trainer, Mike Trombetta. "I think it's going to be a forwardly run race. I don't think anybody's going to go to sleep on the front end and just wait to see what happens. I'm going to give favoritism to the horses who went a mile and a quarter and are shortening up."

Since 1984, only one horse has won the Preakness after skipping the Derby. Red Bullet was the last to achieve that feat, when he upset Fusaichi Pegasus in 2000. Six newcomers will try and add their name to that list, including GIII Withers S. victor **Bernardini** (A.P. Indy) and GIII Gotham S. winner **Like Now** (Jules).



**Brother Derek**  
Horsephotos

**Saturday, Pimlico**

**PREAKNESS S.-GI**, \$1,000,000, 3yo, 1 3/16m  
PP HORSE SIRE ODDS  
1 **Like Now** **Jules** 12-1  
O/B-John Dillon (Fl); T-Kiaran McLaughlin; J-G Gomez. Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-0, \$278,932.

*Last Start--2nd Apr. 22 GII Coolmore Lexington S.*

2 **Platinum Couple** **Tale of the Cat** 50-1  
O/B-Team Tristar Stable (NY); T-Joseph Lostritto; J-J Espinoza. Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-2, \$125,457.

*Last Start--5th Apr. 8 GI Wood Memorial S.*

3 **Hemingway's Key** **Notebook** 30-1  
(\$210,000 2yo '05 OBSFEB)

O-Kinsman Stable; B-Ocala Stud Farm (Fl); T-Nick Zito; J-J Rose. Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-0, \$49,498.

*Last Start--8th Apr. 22 GII Coolmore Lexington S.*

4 **Greeley's Legacy** **Mr. Greeley** 20-1  
(\$120,000 2yo '05 OBSMAR)

O-Donald Flanagan; B-Select Broodmare Farm (Ky); T-George Weaver; J-R Migliore. Lifetime Record: 11-2-0-2, \$97,691.

*Last Start--4th Apr. 22 GII Coolmore Lexington S.*

5 **Brother Derek** **Benchmark** 3-1  
(\$150,000 yrl '04 KESEEP; \$275,000 2yo '05 BESMAR)

O-Cecil Peacock; B-Mary Caldwell (Ca); T-Dan Hendricks; J-A Solis. Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-1, \$1,242,080.

*Last Start--4th (DH) May 6 GI Kentucky Derby*

6 **Barbaro** **Dynaformer** 1-1  
O-Lael Stables; B-Mr & Mrs Roy Jackson (Ky); T-Michael Matz; J-Edgar Prado. Lifetime Record: 6-6-0-0, \$2,302,200.

*Last Start--1st May 6 GI Kentucky Derby*

7 **Sweetnorthern**saint **Sweetsouthern**saint 4-1  
O-Joseph Balsamo; B-Eduardo Azpurua (Fl); T-Michael Trombetta; J-K Desormeaux. Lifetime Record: 7-3-0-1, \$377,000.

*Last Start--7th May 6 GI Kentucky Derby*

8 **Bernardini** **A.P. Indy** 8-1  
O/B-Darley (Ky); T-Thomas Albertrani; J-J Castellano. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$110,480.

*Last Start--1st Apr. 29 GIII Withers S.*

9 **Diabolical** **Artax** 30-1  
(\$62,000 yrl '04 KESEEP; \$300,000 2yo '05 OBSFEB)

O-Puglisi Stables; B-Longleaf Pine Farm (Ky); T-Steve Klesaris; J-R Dominguez. Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-1, \$171,930.

*Last Start--1st Apr. 25 DEL allowance*

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Wednesday, York, Britain

**DUKE OF YORK S.-G2**, £100,000, York, 5-17, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:12.54, gd/sf.

1--**@STEENBERG (IRE)**, 128, g, 7, by Flying Spur (Aus)  
 1st Dam: Kip's Sister (GB), by Cawston's Clown (GB)  
 2nd Dam: Fast Asleep (GB), by Hotfoot (GB)  
 3rd Dam: Noddy Time (GB), by Gratitude (GB)  
 (£4,000 wnlg '99 TATIRE; 12,500gns yrl '00 TATOCT). O-Kenneth MacPherson; B-B Ryan; T-Mark Tompkins; J-Michael Hills; £56,780. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Ire, GSP-Fr, 36-4-6-3, £219,473.

2--**Quito (Ire)**, 128, r, 9, Machiavellian--Qirmazi, by Riverman. (3,500gns HIT '02 TATJUL). O-Michael Hill; B-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; T-David Chapman; £21,520.

3--**Somnus (GB)**, 128, g, 6, Pivotal (GB)--Midnight's Reward (GB), by Night Shift. (13,500gns yrl '01 DONSEP). O-Legard, Sidebottom & Sykes; B-Lady Legard; T-Tim Easterby; £10,770.

Margins: HF, 2, 1 3/4. Odds: 25-1, 10-1, 7-1.  
 Also Ran: Fayr Jag (Ire), Gift Horse (GB), Eisteddfod (GB), Philharmonic (GB), The Kiddykid (Ire), Mecca's Mate (GB), Fonthill Road (Ire), Moss Vale (Ire), Beckermet (Ire), Etlala (GB), Welsh Emperor (Ire), Balthazaar's Gift (Ire), Royal Millennium (Ire).

Steenberg is in love with this race and his ardor was finally rewarded with a deserved success and a career best at the fourth attempt. Sixth on his first try in 2003, he subsequently found only Monsieur Bond (Ire) and The Kiddykid (Ire) (Danetime {Ire}) too good in the next two renewals. His form had been hit-and-miss since that last effort and he offered little hope that he could capture a prize at this level when fifth in the Apr. 9 G3 Gladness S. at The Curragh on his latest start. In no hurry early, he was last initially out in the center of the track before easing into contention passing half-way. Full of run when committed inside the final quarter, he grabbed the lead at the eighth peg and was safely clear as fellow veteran Quito arrived with his customary late charge. [Click for the racingpost.co.uk chart](http://racingpost.co.uk/chart) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](http://free.brisnet.com/catalogue-style/pedigree).

Wednesday, York, Britain

**TATTERSALLS MUSIDORA S.-G3**, £60,000, York, 5-17, 3yo, f, 10f 88ydsT, 2:15.63, gd/sf.

1--**#@SHORT SKIRT (GB)**, 124, f, 3, by Diktat (GB)

1st Dam: Much Too Risky (GB), by Bustino (GB)  
 2nd Dam: Short Rations (GB), by Lorenzaccio (GB)  
 3rd Dam: Short Commons (GB), by Hard Tack (GB)

O/B-J M Greetham; T-Sir Michael Stoute; J-Michael Kinane; £34,068. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, £38,527. \*1/2 to Seductress (GB) (Known Fact), SW & GSP-Eng; Whitewater Affair (GB) (Machiavellian), Hwt. Older Mare-Eng & Ire at 11-14f, GSW-Eng & Fr, G1SP-Eng & Ire, \$256,733; and 3/4 to Little Rock (GB) (Warning {GB}), MGSW-Eng, G1SP-Ity, GSP-Fr, \$264,779.

2--**Alexandrova (Ire)**, 124, f, 3, Sadler's Wells--Shouk (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB). (420,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT). O-Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor & Derrick Smith; B-Quay Bloodstock; T-Aidan O'Brien; £12,912.

3--**Maroussies Wings (Ire)**, 124, f, 3, In The Wings (GB)--Maroussie (Fr), by Saumarez (GB). O-Mrs R J Jacobs; B-Newsells Park Stud Limited; T-Pat Haslam; £6,462. Margins: 1 1/4, 2HF, 9. Odds: 7-2, 8-15, 33-1. Also Ran: Lake Shabla, High Heel Sneakers (GB), Jabbara (Ire).

Impressive when successful on debut in a Newmarket maiden in August, Short Skirt went to the G2 Rockfel S. back at that circuit on Champions' Day in October, but flopped when only seventh. She had been showing plenty on the home slopes to warrant her place in this June 2 G1 Epsom Oaks trial and justified connections' faith with a convincing success. Racing towards the fore under Mick Kinane throughout the early stages, she was temporarily short of room as the field traveled over to the stands' rail in the straight. As Kieren Fallon took over on favored Alexandrova passing the quarter pole, the race looked settled, but Kinane had extricated Short Skirt and conjured a compelling run to roll past that rival in the final 100 yards.

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Wednesday, Naas, Ireland

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BLUE WIND S.-G3,**  
 €90,000, Naas, 5-17, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:18.26,  
 yf/sf.

1--@**GALATEE (FR), 121, f, 3, by Galileo (Ire)**

1st Dam: Altana, by Mountain Cat

2nd Dam: Albertine (Fr), by Irish River (Fr)

3rd Dam: Almyre (Fr), by Wild Risk (Fr)

(€400,000 yrl '04 DEAAUG). O-Mrs Claudia Jungo-Corpataux; B-Jean-Pierre Dubois; T-Jim Bolger; J-Kevin Manning; €58,500. Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, €112,362.

2--**Allexina (GB), 135, f, 4, Barathea (Ire)--Grecian Bride (Ire), by Groom Dancer.** O-J Higgins; B-Gerrardstown House Stud; T-John Oxx; €17,100.

3--**Gift Range (Ire), 135, f, 4, Spectrum (Ire)--Highland Gift (Ire), by Generous (Ire).** O/B-Ballymacoll Stud; T-John Oxx; €8,100.

Margins: 3HF, 3HF, 1HF. Odds: 11-4, 5-2, 16-1.

Also Ran: Chelsea Rose (Ire), Sacrosanct (Ire), Million Waves (Ire), Saintly Rachel (Ire).

Galatee is a filly going places in a hurry. She belied her inexperience to best her elders for the second time and take her record to a perfect three-for-three. Professional from the outset, she beat subsequent winner Medico (GB) by nine lengths in a course-and-distance maiden on debut Apr. 22 before following up in the Listed Victor McCalmont Memorial S. at Gowran Park last time May 7. Stalking Allexina throughout solid early fractions here, she passed that rival with three furlongs remaining before showing no mercy to grind out the success. Trainer Jim Bolger will now point the winner at the July 16 G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh.

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

**TOTESPORT DANTE S.-G2, £145,000, 3yo,**  
 10f 88ydsT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	5	Best Alibi (Ire)	King's Best	Stoute
2	2	Leningrad (Ire)	Montjeu (Ire)	Bell
3	6	Palace Episode	Machiavellian	bin Suroor
4	4	Septimus (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	A O'Brien
5	1	Snoqualmie Boy (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	Elsworth
6	3	The Last Drop (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	B Hills

All carry 126 pounds.

Godolphin have played a minor hand in proceedings since returning to Britain for the 2006 season, but are usually competitive at this meeting and saddle one of their big guns in **Palace Episode** here. Trained by Karl Burke last term, the colt beat Araafa (Ire) in the Listed Acomb S. at the Ebor meeting here in August before finishing third in the G2 Royal Lodge S. at Newmarket in September. Returned to that venue the following month to contest the G1 Dewhurst S., he was out of the frame for the first time when fifth, but rebounded to take the G1 Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster a week later. **Dante S. cont**



Dante S. cont

Palace Episode has been training well and bids to treble Godolphin's tally following the wins of Classic Cliche (Ire) in 1995 and Moon Ballad (Ire) in 2002. "He's going fine and I'm looking forward to riding him, but it's a tough race," jockey Frankie Dettori commented yesterday. Aidan O'Brien has not always targeted this race with his main Epsom Derby prospects and has a sole success to his name courtesy of Saratoga Springs in 1998. He relies on Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier and Michael Tabor's G2 Beresford S. winner **Septimus**, who has ground to make up on Palace Episode based on his third to that rival in the Racing Post Trophy. Gainsborough Stud's **Best Alibi** was fourth in that event, but connections are hopeful that there is more to come. "He's a horse I liked last year and I didn't quite get the run of the race on him in the Racing Post Trophy," jockey Michael Kinane said.

**Thursday, York, Britain, post time: 2:15 p.m.**  
**TOTEPOOL MIDDLETON S.-G3, £50,000, 4yo/up, 10f 88ydsT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	7	Red Bloom (GB)	Selkirk	Stoute	128
2	1	Mango Mischief (Ire)	Desert King (Ire)	J Dunlop	126
3	2	Ma' Am	Royal Anthem	Wood	124
4	3	Portrayal	Saint Ballado	bin Suroor	124
5	4	Strawberry Dale (Ire)	Bering (GB)	Bethell	124
6	6	Tarandot (Ire)	Singspiel (Ire)	Margarson	124
7	5	Umthoulah (Ire)	Unfuwain	Burke	124

**Saturday, Pimlico**  
**COMP USA DIXIE S.-GII, \$250,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1a	Shake the Bank	Sandpit (Brz)	Turner	118
2	Dreadnaught	Lac Ouimet	Solis	118
3a	Better Talk Now	Talkin Man	Dominguez	124
4	Dr Detroit	Wayne County (Ire)	Napravnik	118
5	Sabre d'Argent	Kris S.	J Castellano	118
6	Rebel Rebel (Ire)	Revoque (Ire)	Prado	118
7	Artie Schiller	El Prado (Ire)	Gomez	124



**BERNARDINI TURNS IN FINAL WORK**

**Bernardini** (A.P. Indy), winner of the GIII Withers S. Apr. 29, breezed five furlongs in 1:01.28 over a muddy



**Bernardini**  
*Adam Coglianese*

Belmont Park main oval Wednesday in preparation for Saturday's GI Preakness S. "The work was very nice," trainer Tom Albertrani said. "I caught him galloping out in 1:15 4/5. We were looking just for what he did. We know it's a big step up, but we did the same thing in the Withers. I know there were only three other horses in the With-

ers, but we had a lot of confidence in the way he won. It gave us enough of an indication that this horse is going to be a major player in the top three-year-old races. With the pedigree, this horse is going to have no problem handling distance." Albertrani added that GI Kentucky Derby eighth-place finisher **Deputy Glitters** (Deputy Commander) will point for the June 10 GI Belmont S.

**New Rider for Like Now...**

Garrett Gomez will replace 18-year-old Fernando Jara aboard **Like Now** (Jules) in the Preakness. The GIII Gotham S. winner was ridden by Jara in his previous seven starts, including a second-place finish in the GII Lexington S. last out Apr. 22. "The owner [John Dillon] wanted a more experienced rider," trainer Kiaran McLaughlin explained. "If we could get a top rider, he wanted him. There was no real reason to switch. The kid hadn't done anything wrong, in my opinion, but the owner wanted us to try and get a more experienced and better-known rider."

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	CLOSES	TRACK	RACE	CONDITIONS	PURSE	RUNS
	5/15	CLD	All Along Breeders' Cup S. (GIII)	3YO/UP, f/m, 1-1/8mT	\$200,000	6/24
	5/17	HOL	Gamely Breeders' Cup S. (GI)	3YO/UP, f/m, 1 1/8mT	\$325,000	5/29
	5/17	HOL	Shoemaker Breeders' Cup Mile (GI)	3YO/UP, 1mT	\$325,000	5/29
	5/20	BM	Bay Meadows Breeders' Cup Oaks	3YO, f, 1 1/16m	\$100,000	5/29
	5/20	CD	Aristides Breeders' Cup S. (GIII)	3YO/UP, 6f	\$150,000	6/03
	5/20	CD	Dogwood Breeders' Cup S. (GIII)	3YO, f, 1m	\$150,000	6/03
	5/24	HOL	Milady Breeders' Cup H. (GII)	3YO/UP, f/m, 1 1/16m	\$175,000	6/03
	5/24	HOL	Honeymoon Breeders' Cup H. (GII)	3YO, 1 1/8mT	\$175,000	6/04
	5/25	BM	Bay Meadows Breeders' Cup Sprint (GIII)	3YO/UP, 6f	\$125,000	6/04



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**BARRETTS MAY SETS RECORDS APLENTY**

Barretts held its one-day May Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training at the Hinds Pavilion in Pomona, California

Tuesday and at its conclusion more than one record had been soundly broken. New marks for session-topper, highest-priced filly, gross and average were set; some by a considerable amount. While the RNA rate was 27.5 percent, up from 20 percent last year, those horses that sold grossed \$10,514,500, surpassing the previous mark by 37 per-



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cent. The only other jump in aggregate sales that surpassed that was in '02 when the sale grossed 68 percent more than the year before. In '02 however, Barretts May was not exclusive to two-year-olds in training, and included yearlings as well as horses of racing age for the first time. Not only was the gross eye-catching, but individual numbers were high as well; the average was \$52,573, up 32 percent from last year. However, the median was \$27,000, just an eight percent increase from last year. Since '01, when the average price of a Barretts juvenile in training was \$27,198, the sale has made steady improvement and is establishing itself as a top-quality alternative for those two-year-olds who may not have been sale-ready earlier in the year. Another example of that was Hip 343, Jump On In (Jump Start), who set a sales record for a filly sold at Barretts May, going for \$410,000. Out of Lucky'n Loved (Fire Maker), from the family of the graded stakes winner Hop a Jet (Riva Ridge), she was consigned by Sequel Bloodstock and bought by John Sadler, agent. The bay filly was listed as sold at Calder's FTFFEB sale when she was also consigned by Sequel Bloodstock.

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TUESDAY - TOP 6 HIPs**

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price
<b>80</b>	c	<b>Red Bullet</b>	<b>Sookloozy</b>	<b>\$2,500,000</b>
(\$190,000 yrl '05 KEESEP)				
Consigned by Wavertree Stables Inc (Ciaran Dunne), Agent I				
Purchased by Darley Stable				
<b>343</b>	f	<b>Jump Start</b>	<b>Lucky'n Loved</b>	<b>\$410,000</b>
(\$25,000 wnl '04 KEENOV; \$45,000 yrl '05 FTKJUL; \$65,000 2yo '06 FTFFEB)				
Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock (Becky Thomas), agent				
Purchased by John W Sadler, agent				
<b>259</b>	f	<b>El Corredor</b>	<b>Enabru</b>	<b>\$270,000</b>
(\$205,000 yrl '05 KEESEP)				
Consigned by Wavertree Stables Inc (Ciaran Dunne), Agent II				
Purchased by Zayat Stables LLC				
<b>377</b>	f	<b>Millennium Wind</b>	<b>My Meggie Meg</b>	<b>\$260,000</b>
Consigned by Cashmark Farm (Cash Asmussen), agent				
Purchased by Bruno de Berdt, agent				
<b>103</b>	c	<b>Orientate</b>	<b>Swift Alliance</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
(\$400,000 yrl '05 KEESEP)				
Consigned by O & H Bloodstock (Terry Oliver & Bo Hunt), agent				
Purchased by Christopher Paasch, agent				
<b>305</b>	c	<b>Hennessy</b>	<b>Insomnie</b>	<b>\$200,000</b>
(\$180,000 yrl '05 KEESEP)				
Consigned by B.C.3. Thoroughbreds, agent for Timberline				
Purchased by Blue Grass Boys Farm				

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**Melhor Ainda on the Comeback Trail:**

**Melhor Ainda** (Pulpit), off since finishing seventh in the GI Flower Bowl Invitational S. Oct. 1, turned in a four-furlong workout over the Belmont main track yesterday in :47.07. "We took chips out of her ankles last fall," trainer Bobby Frankel said. "She had her second work back and she's doing great. I love that filly. She's so nice to be around. I'm pointing for the [GI] Diana [H., at Saratoga July 29]. I don't know if she'll have a race before that." Melhor Ainda began her career with four straight victories, including Belmont's GIII Sands Point S. The bay finished second as the 6-5 chalk in the GI American Oaks at Hollywood Park, then was a good third in Arlington's GI Beverly D. S. before her unplaced effort in the Flower Bowl. Frankel added that last season's GI Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup S. runner-up **Karen's Capar** (War Chant) will start in the GII Just a Game H. on the Belmont S. undercard. She has been on the sidelines since finishing ninth in the GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf Oct. 29. The Hall of Fame trainer also plans on running **Cacique (Ire)** (Danehill) in the GI Manhattan H. that day. The full brother to champions Banks Hill (GB) and Intercontinental (GB) was second best in the GI Woodford Reserve Turf Classic S. last time May 6.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**THIRTY FLAGS S.**, \$70,650, BEL, 5-17, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m (off turf), 1:37, ft.

1--**LA CHIFLOTA (CHI)**, 116, f, 4, **Hussonet--Single Bet (Arg) (MSW-Chi)**, by Lorenzoni. O-Lael Stables; B-Haras Santa Sara (CHI); T-Barclay Tagg; J-C H Velasquez; \$43,170. Lifetime Record: G1SW-Chi, 8-4-2-2, \$87,761.

2--**Carmandia**, 116, f, 4, Wild Rush--Her Secret, by Mining. O-Buckram Oak Farm. \$14,390.

3--**Samsincharge**, 116, f, 4, Dixie Brass--Wagers Delight (Chi), by Worldwatch. O-Robert B Cohen. \$7,265. Margins: 1, 8HF, 2 1/4. Odds: 4.70, 0.80, 3.00.

La Chiflota went three-for-five in her native Chile, concluding her tenure there with a victory in the G1 Tanteo de Potrancas. The bay was a non-threatening third in her U.S. bow, a six-furlong optional claimer at Gulfstream Feb. 22, and followed that with a similar effort in a one-mile optional claimer Mar. 20. Entered as main-track only here, the Chilean-bred settled into stride several lengths last down the backstretch, but shifted into gear in the lane and wore down the favorite to prevail.



3:45p **6th-CD, \$62K, Alw/Opt. Clm, 3yo/up, 5fT**  
TVG **GOING WILD (Golden Missile)** looked to be on the Triple Crown trail last year following wins in the San Miguel S. and the Sham S. as well as a 2nd to Declan's Moon in the GII Santa Catalina S. After failing to hit the board in the Classics, the \$600K FTFEB 2yo went back to sprinting and finished 2005 with a 3rd in the GIII Kentucky Cup Sprint Sept. 17. The D. Wayne Lukas trainee tries the turf here and has the pedigree on the distaff side to handle it, with a dam by Strawberry Road (Aus) and a second dam by Nureyev. [brisnet.com pps](http://brisnet.com pps)

4:08p **7th-BEL, \$46K, Alw, 3yo, 1 1/16mT**  
TVG **MYSTIC RULER (Fusaichi Pegasus)** makes his first start since taking his debut over the Saratoga lawn in August. A son of GSW Buffalo Berry (Ire) (Sri Pekan), the bay is a 1/2 to GSW Chattahoochee War (War Chant). He faces **Racketeer (Awesome Again)**, a close 4th in the GII San Felipe S. Mar 18 before finishing 6th in the GII Illinois Derby Apr. 8. [brisnet.com pps](http://brisnet.com pps)

4:26p **8th-PIM, \$30K, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f**  
HRTV **SEEKING AN ANGEL (Seeking the Gold)** debuts for owner/breeder Jayeff B Stables. The bay is a 3/4-sister to G1SW Hula Angel (Woodman) and a 1/2 to MSW Schedule (GB) (Brian's Time). [brisnet.com pps](http://brisnet.com pps)

5:53p **4th-HOL, \$58K, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT**  
TVG **CHARM THE GIANT (IRE) (Giant's Causeway)** won three straight last summer before being sidelined. The daughter of GSW Olympic Chamer (Olympio) came back to run 3rd to GSW Berbatim in an ALW at Santa Anita Apr. 22. Among her rivals is **Sweet Forty (Sweetsouthern saint)**, winner of the WinStar Oaks in her latest Apr. 1. The dark bay was sixth to Balance in her lone turf outing Nov. 2, the Hidden Lite S. at Santa Anita. [brisnet.com pps](http://brisnet.com pps)

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**New York Report cont.**

**8th-BEL, \$48,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:41 3/5, ft.**  
**SURVIVALIST** (c, 4, Danzig--Miner's Game, by Mr. Prospector), winner of last year's mile Gill Gotham S., was well-beaten by Bellamy Road next time out in the GI Wood Memorial. Unable to repeat his Gotham score with a fifth in the Gill Withers S., the dark bay concluded his 2006 campaign with a flat fourth in the Gill Riva Ridge Breeders' Cup S. at Belmont in June. Second in his 2005 debut in a mile allowance at Gulfstream Mar. 18, the full to Polish Miner, MGSP, \$344,646, weakened late to be fourth last time going seven panels at the Big A Apr. 29. Sent off the lukewarm 5-2 choice here, the Phipps homebred pressed the early pace, drove to the front after three quarters of a mile and remained tough late, winning by a 1/2-length over Backchat (Distorted Humor). Lifetime Record: GSW & GISP, 11-3-4-0, \$335,170.  
 O/B-Phipps Stable (KY). T-Claude R McGaughey III.

**7th-BEL, \$45,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (off turf), 1:10 3/5, ft.**  
**FASTER TAPPER** (f, 4, Pleasant Tap--Lawana Go Fast, by Once Wild) was haltered for \$30,000 when trying a one-mile claimer at Aqueduct Mar. 22, but had to settle for fourth when thrown into open allowance company over that track Apr. 7. Claimed again in his latest, this time when winning a \$35,000 test, the half to Dreams Go Bye (Twining), MSP, \$387,005, was given a 9-5 chance to make it two straight. On the engine early, the bay opened up heading for home and had enough left in reserve to score by 2 3/4 lengths over Kelly K's Pleasure (Kelly Kip). Lifetime Record: 10-4-1-1, \$89,660.  
 O-Hans Stable. B-Robert E & Lawana L Low (KY). T-Frank Labocetta Jr.

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**Ah Day to Sir Barton:**

**Ah Day** (Malibu Moon), who was considered for the Preakness, will instead try his luck in the Sir Barton S. on the undercard. He would have had to be supplemented for \$100,000 to contest the second jewel of the triple crown. "We're going to go in the easier spot," trainer King Leatherbury commented. "Basically, the money fell through." Ah Day was a 5 1/2-length winner of Pimlico's Federico Tesio S. Apr. 22.

★ CENTRAL ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-CDX, \$53,725, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7 1/2f, 1:29, ft.**

**CIRCLE THE WORLD** (c, 3, [Fusaichi Pegasus](#)--Circle of Life {GISW, \$268,925}, by [Belong to Me](#)) kicked off his career with a hard-fought win on the Florida Derby undercard Apr. 1 at Gulfstream. Sent off as the 4-5 chalk in his first try against winners, the bay stalked the pace while five wide, hit the front passing the eighth pole and went on to score by 1 3/4 lengths. Twilight Tap (Pleasant Tap) completed the exacta. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$59,010. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Michael B Tabor. B-Chelston Ireland Ltd (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.

**7th-CDX, \$53,450, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 3/5, fm.**

**WHOLE NINE YARDS** (c, 4, [Chief Seattle](#)--Continuity Counts, by [M. Double M.](#)) graduated on the turf at Santa Anita last February for trainer Bobby Frankel, but didn't face the starter again for 13 months. He resurfaced with a close sixth-place finish at Gulfstream Mar. 10 in his initial try for Dale Romans and followed up with a second at Keeneland Apr. 15. The 5-2 third choice, never too far from the front, commenced a five-wide move approaching the stretch and reeled in pace-setter Winsomemoneyhoney (Spinning World) to win by a half-length. He was a \$29,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$82,200.

O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey. B-J & J Mamakos Corporation (KY). T-Dale L Romans.

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Central Report cont.

**2nd-CDX, \$50,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m, 2:05, ft. DUBAI GOLD (c, 3, [Deputy Commander](#)--Silky Finish, by A.P. Indy)** came from well back to miss by a head in his career debut, a seven-furlong contest at Calder on Christmas Eve, but couldn't muster a similar rally over the same distance Jan. 14 at Gulfstream and finished fifth. The chestnut returned to action Apr. 7 at Keeneland, closing to be second in a nine-furlong maiden, and was even-money while stretching out even further. With leading rider Julien Leparoux in the irons, the Triple Crown nominee saved ground from his rail post, angled four wide in the lane and finished up strongly for a 2 1/2-length score over Twenty One Dollars (Mt. Livermore). The winner was a \$105,000 KEENOV weanling, a \$40,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$95,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 4-1-2-0, \$45,714.

O-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey. B-Rae & Bob Horton (KY). T-Robert J Frankel.

**9th-CDX, \$50,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37 2/5, fm.**

**PINE SHELTER (f, 3, Chester House--Jenny Lake, by Danzig)**, third in her debut on dirt at Calder Dec. 18, switched to the turf following a fifth over the Gulfstream main track Feb. 5. She ran eighth in her first venture over the sod Mar. 26, but overcame trouble to be second last out at Gulfstream Apr. 20 and was the 6-5 choice to go one better this time. The dark bay kept the leaders in her sights while racing a bit wide, then zoomed to the front on the far turn and held sway by a half-length over the rallying Minnehaha Chic (Exploit). Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$40,485.

O-G Watts Humphrey Jr. B-G Watts Humphrey Jr & Louise I Humphrey (KY). T-George R Arnold II.

**Wednesday Night's Results:**

**2nd-PRM, \$30,120, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :53 1/5, ft. + IRISH PARTY (f, 2, Twining--Bookaparty, by Mari's Book)** wasn't much of a secret at even-money in her career opener. The Iowa-bred chestnut assumed command at the outset and extended her advantage in the lane en route to a 5 1/2-length tally. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,720.

O-Cyclone Stables. B-Okoboji Racing Stables II (IA). T-Kelly R Von Hemel.

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

- EL CORREDOR** (Mr. Greeley), Hill N Dale, \$20K, 190/31/5 5-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +De Brandon Boy, \$240K BAR MAR 2yo
- FOREST CAMP** (Deputy Minister), Airdrie, \$10K, 167/27/4 4-BM, Msw, 4 1/2f, +French Forest, \$90K KEE SEP yrl
- MONARCHOS** (Maria's Mon), Claiborne, \$25K, 131/13/2 4-AP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Shift in Power, \$260K FTK JUL yrl, 7-2
- PIKEPASS** (Forty Niner), Margaux, \$8K, 116/13/0 1-PRM, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Ashpass, 2-1

**First-crop progeny to watch: Thursday, May 18**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2003 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- EXCITING STORY** (Diablo), dead, \$5K, 27/1/0 3-LS, Msw, 5f, +Hello Larry, \$10K TEX AUG yrl, 5-1
- LITTLEEXPECTATIONS** (Valid Appeal), Millennium, \$4K, 40/1/0 5-HOL, Msw, 4 1/2f, +King of the Roxy, \$8K KEE SEP yrl
- TRIBAL RULE** (Storm Cat), River Edge, \$5K, 54/2/0 4-BM, Msw, 4 1/2f, Tribal Trouble, \$24K BAR OCT yrl

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**5th-HOL, \$51,800, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 1/5, fm.**

**ZANN (c, 3, [Dynaformer](#)--Moments of Magic {SW & MGSP, \$232,164}, by Danzig)**, a \$100,000 KEESEP yearling and \$400,000 KEEAPR two-year-old, showed speed before tiring to be unplaced in a pair of starts on the dirt over the winter. The dark bay returned Mar. 26 for a go on the grass and responded with a rallying win at 10-1. He followed that with a close fourth in Santa Anita's La Puente S. Apr. 15 and was the 7-2 second choice this time around. After stalking the pace in the early stages, Zann made his move in midstretch and came home two lengths clear of 4-5 Lightning Hit (Ire) (Orpen). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#). Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-0, \$66,716.

O-Mr & Mrs William K Warren Jr. B-G Watts & Louise I Humphrey (KY). T-Michael Machowsky.



★ WEST ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

4th-BMX, \$30,675, Msw, 2yo, f, 4 1/2f, :52 2/5, ft.  
 + **FOREST HUNTRESS** (f, 2, Forestry--Chasseresse {SW, \$153,390}, by Jade Hunter), the 5-2 third choice, came away running and had a clear lead, but had to dig in to deny the late surge from favored Black Magic Girl (Artax) by a length. The winner was a \$110,000 KEESEP yearling. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$16,500.

O-Erik Amlie, Mark Dedomenico & Jerry Hollendorfer.  
 B-Donna P McLaughlin & Classic Oaks Farm (KY).  
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Breeders' Cup Limited has mailed ballots to current Breeders' Cup foal and stallion nominators for the election of 13 individuals to its Board of Trustees and Members. A total of 21 candidates are on the ballot, including 10 who are up for re-election. The results of the election will be announced at the July Board of Directors meeting.



**CONGRESSIONAL RECEPTION,  
 BILL MARKUP ON LEGISLATIVE AGENDA**

NTRA and its political action committee, Horse PAC, will host a Congressional reception on May 22 as part of Horse PAC's annual Washington, D.C. fly-in. Democratic and Republican legislative strategists will provide Congressional race analyses during the two-day event.

A scheduled markup of the Internet Gambling Prohibition Act (H.R. 4777) by the [House Judiciary Committee](#) has been postponed to next week. H.R. 4777 contains language that recognizes the horse industry's authority to continue to conduct online pari-mutuel wagering as allowed under the Interstate Horseracing Act.

The NTRA lobbying team has met with members of the Judiciary Committee and other allies in Congress to ensure that this important protection is retained.



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**★ ON THE WORKTAB ★**

**BELMONT**

**Melhor Ainda** (Pulpit), 4f, :47.07, 2/10  
**Bernardini** (A.P. Indy), 5f, 1:01.28, 7/12

**CHURCHILL DOWNS**

**Bending Strings** (American Chance), 4f, :49.60, 22/44  
**Senor Swinger** (El Prado {Ire}), 5f, 1:01.20, 5/18

**HOLLYWOOD PARK**

**King's Drama (Ire)** (King's Theatre {Ire}), :49.00, 24/42  
**Your Tent or Mine** (Forest Camp), 4f, :52.00, 41/42  
**Buzzards Bay** (Marco Bay), 6f, 1:12.20, 1/15  
**Memorette** (Memo {Chi}), 6f, 1:15.20, 10/15

**SANTA ANITA**

**Point of Impact** (Point Given), 4f, :47.40, 6/32  
**Preachinathebar** (Silver Charm), 6f, 1:12.60, 3/11



★ BRITAIN ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**BLUE SQUARE S. (REGISTERED AS THE MERRION S.)-**

Listed, £30,000, York, 5-17, 3yo, 7fT, 1:26.00, gd/sf.

1--#**LEVERA (GB)**, 125, c, 3, by **Groom Dancer**

1st Dam: **Prancing (GB) (MSP-Eng)**, by **Prince Sabo (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Valika (GB)**, by **Valiyar (Ire)**

3rd Dam: **Double Finesse (GB)**, by **Double Jump (GB)**

(28,000gns wnlg '03 TATDEC; 28,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT). O-Four Mile Racing; B-Cheveley Park Stud; T-Alan King; J-Jamie Spencer; £17,781. Lifetime Record: 6-4-1-0, £53,465.

2--**Antica (Ire)**, 119, f, 3, Raise a Grand (Ire)--Travel Tricks (Ire), by **Presidium (GB)**. (€3,500 wnlg '03 GOFNOV; €5,000 yrl '04 TATIRE). £6,723.

3--**Upper Hand (GB)**, 130, c, 3, Mark Of Esteem (Ire)--Pelagia (Ire), by **Lycius**. £3,360.

Margins: 5, 1, HF. Odds: 10-11, 13-2, 7-2.

Also Ran: **Guest Connections (GB)**, **South Cape (GB)**, **Critic (Ire)**.

Levera is bound for the G3 Jersey S. at Royal Ascot June 21 after this emphatic first step out of handicap company. Having beaten the smart **Aeroplane (GB)** in a Leicester maiden last July, he had a lengthy absence to overcome when taking in a Newmarket handicap at the Craven meeting Apr. 18. Overcoming that to make a winning return, he followed up in a similar event at the Guineas festival back there May 7 and led every step here under Jamie Spencer. "That was easy," his rider enthused. "He's a good horse and I'd be surprised if you don't hear a good bit more of him when he gets good ground. He has a massive action and just glides over the ground, is pretty chilled out and doesn't pull--he can travel at a strong pace for a long time and has big days in him."

York, 4.25, Cond, £13,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:01.60, gd/sf.

**CHIEF EDITOR (GB) (c, 2, Tomba {GB}--Princess Zara {GB}, by Reprimand {GB})**, third behind subsequent winner **Gilded (Ire)** in a conditions event at Newmarket last time Apr. 18, broke well and enjoyed a narrow advantage. Extending that lead in the final eighth, the 13-8 pick was driven out to best **Avertuoso (GB) (Averti {Ire})** by 1 1/2 lengths. 3-1-0-1, £12,209.

O-Mrs P Good; B-J R & Mrs P Good; T-Mark Wallace.

York, 4.55, Hcp, £12,500, 3yo, 10f 88ydsT, 2:16.95, gd/sf.

**REEM THREE (GB) (f, 3, Mark of Esteem {Ire}--Jumaireyah {GB}, by Fairy King)**, who graduated on Wolverhampton's Polytrack last time Apr. 22, was sent off at odds of 9-1 and raced keenly behind the leading group early. Easing to the front with 2 1/2 furlongs remaining, she stretched clear soon after before being kept up to her work to record a two-length success from **Quince (Ire) (Fruits of Love)**. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, £12,071.

O-Sheikh Mohammed Obaid Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Luca Cumani.

**OUIJA SET FOR CORONATION**

Lord Derby's **Ouija Board (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire})** will run in the June 2 G1 £250,000 Coronation Cup at Epsom, connections announced yesterday. Trainer Ed Dunlop confirmed the five-year-old on course for the mile-and-a-half contest, which will mark the return of the multiple Group 1-winning heroine to the venue at which she dominated the 2004 G1 Epsom Oaks. "Ouija Board is an intended runner in the Vodafone Coronation Cup, and will go for the race providing I am happy with her," he said. "She's been half way around the world twice for her two runs this year, in Dubai and Hong Kong, and a lot of horses will be having their first run back at Epsom Downs, but she has come out of her last race in very good condition and I am very happy with her. Although she hasn't run at Epsom Downs since her impressive Oaks victory, I'm sure she will handle the track again, and we are hoping for decent ground." Ouija Board, whose other successes include the G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh and G1 Breeders' Cup F/M Turf at Lone Star Park in 2004 and last year's G1 Hong Kong Vase at Sha Tin, was most recently second in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup at that venue Apr. 23. She will face a maximum of 17 rivals at Epsom headed by Baron Georg von Ullmann's G1 Breeders' Cup Turf hero **Shirocco (Ger) (Monsun {Ger})** after yesterday's forfeit stage.

**SOVIET GETS GREEN LIGHT FOR LOCKINGE**

Elite Racing Club's **Soviet Song (Ire) (Marju {Ire})** will run in Saturday's G1 Juddmonte Lockinge S. at Newbury, connections revealed yesterday. Off the track since finishing runner-up in the G1 Sussex S. at Goodwood in July, the multiple group one winner will contest the mile Classic after pleasing conditioner James Fanshawe in her latest work. "She had a spin this morning and James was happy with her," the syndicate's Racing Manager Matthew Budden told *PA Sport* yesterday. "He would have liked a bit more time but she's certainly ready for a run and he's more than happy to take her there now. We're happy to take her there, but I don't think we'll be expecting to see her right at the top of her form. It's the start of the season."

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## ★ FRANCE ★

**Thursday, Longchamp, post time: 3:50 p.m.**

**PRIX DU PONT-NEUF-Listed, €50,000, 3yo, 7fT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	2	Zariyan (Fr)	Anabaa	de Royer-Dupre	123
2	7	Spirito del Vento (Fr)	Indian Lodge (Ire)	Beguigne	123
3	5	Blue Damask	Rahy	Fabre	123
4	3	Marchand d'Or (Fr)	Marchand de Sable	F Head	123
5	4	Naxon (Ger)	Big Shuffle	Baltromei	123
6	1	Mednaya (Ire)	Anabaa	Gibson	120
7	6	Sabasha (Fr)	Xaar (GB)	Rohaut	120

**Yesterday's Results:**

**PRIX D'ANGERVILLE-Listed, €50,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 5-17, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:41.80, gd/sf.**

**1--#PHANTOM ROSE, 123, f, 3, by Danzig**

**1st Dam: Honest Lady (GISW, \$894,168), by Seattle Slew**

**2nd Dam: Toussaud, by El Gran Senor**

**3rd Dam: Image of Reality, by In Reality**

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Andre Fabre; J-Christophe Soumillon; €25,000. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €34,500.

**2--Heaven's Cause, 123, f, 3, Giant's Causeway--Heaven's Command, by Priolo. €10,000.**

**3--Blue Blue Sky (Ire), 128, f, 3, Anabaa--Blue Fern, by Woodman. €7,500.**

Margins: 1HF, 1, HD. Odds: 1.40, 12.00, 15.00. Also Ran: Galma (Fr), Folle Biche (Fr), Flor Y Nata, Drosia (Ire), Nantes (Ger), Indian Fun (GB), Beau Monde (GB).

Phantom Rose created a stir when opening her account in highly impressive fashion on debut at Chantilly Apr. 20 and doubled up with a dominant stretch run in this stakes bow. Ideally positioned in a close-up third after an even break, the crowd's choice stole a march on her rivals when seizing the initiative at the top of the home straight. She was safely in command at the fur-long pole and was afforded the luxury of gearing down late to comfortably hold the Skymarc Farm homebreds Heaven's Cause and Blue Blue Sky. Phantom Rose may now point to the G2 Prix de Sandringham back at Chantilly June 4.

**Maisons-Laffitte, 4.05, Cond, €33,000, 3yo, f, 1 5/16mT, 2:13.70, gd/sf.**

**PEARL SKY (FR) (f, 3, Kahyasi {Ire}--Patissima {Fr}, by Lightning {Fr})** ran sixth in the May 1 G3 Prix Cleopatre at Saint-Cloud, but was let go at 18-5 for this comeback. Reined back to a close fifth after a smart exit, she was pushed to the front inside the final quarter and found extra for forceful driving in the latter stages to hold off Tonic Star (Fr) (Enrique {GB}) by 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 1 win, 4 places, €36,150. O-Hugh Hogg; B-Mme P D Beck; T-Yves de Nicolay.

**Maisons-Laffitte, 3.05, Cond, €33,000, 3yo, c/g, 1 5/16mT, 2:15.20, gd/sf.**

**YOUNG POLI (FR) (c, 3, Poliglote {GB}--Yole {Fr}, by Dancing Spree)** won at Nantes last time Apr. 13 and went postward for this metropolitan debut as the 21-10 second choice. In front from the get-go, he came under pressure inside the final quarter and was ridden out to hold Brodimix (Ire) (Linamix {Fr}) by a diminishing neck. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 4 wins, 1 place, €40,100. O-Mme Patrick Papot; B-Ecurie di Tullio; T-Alain Couetil.

**Maisons-Laffitte, 2.35, Mdn, €19,000, 2yo, f, 5fT, :59.80, gd/sf.**

**NUMERIEUS (FR) (f, 2, Numerous--Northern Mixa {GB} {SP-Fr}, by Linamix {Fr})** went postward as the 6-4 pick returning from a debut second at Chantilly Apr. 20. Shadowing the leading pair in third through the early fractions, the diminutive homebred was ridden along at the distance and kept on well from there to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Katina (Fr) (Ski Chief). Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €13,300. O/B-Jean-Pierre-Joseph Dubois; T-Yves de Nicolay.

**Maisons-Laffitte, 2.05, Mdn, €19,000, 2yo, c/g, 5fT, :59.60, gd/sf.**

**PRIOMAR (FR) (c, 2, Priolo--Suave Marie {Ire}, by Suave Dancer),** a €13,000 DEAAUG yearling purchase, hit the board on debut at this track Apr. 4, and again at Chantilly Apr. 28, and broke his maiden in effortless style here. Prominent along the rail from the outset, the 11-5 chance was unextended inside the final quarter to secure a 1 1/2-length success from Chichi Jelois (Fr) (Chichicastenango {Fr}). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €16,150. O-Jacques Seror; B-Mme S Ringler & R Friehe; T-Patrick Tual.

## ★ IRELAND ★

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Naas, 8.50, Mdn, €16,847, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:44.80, yl/sf.**

**+ HOVERING (IRE) (f, 3, In the Wings {GB}--Orlena, by Gone West),** sent off the 9-2 joint-second favorite, was reserved in mid-division early and had to seek a way through the pack at the top of the straight. Switched inside for her challenge, she lengthened to lead with 150 yards remaining, and the post came in time for her to record a short-head success from the fast-finishing Shehira (Fr) (Sendawar {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €11,747.

O-Mrs J M Ryan; B-J M Ryan; T-Jim Bolger.

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★ "TDN Rising Star" ★

**Naas, 7.50, Mdn, €12,883, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/4mT, 2:21.90, yl/sf.**

+ **TALENTI (IRE) c, 3, by Sadlers Wells**

- 1st Dam: **Sumoto (GB), by Mtoto (GB)**
- 2nd Dam: **Soemba (GB), by General Assembly**
- 3rd Dam: **Seven Seas (Fr), by Riverman**

It was at this venue that Footstepsinthesand (GB) made his debut under Colm O'Donoghue in 2004 and, despite not attracting similar pre-race support to the subsequent Guineas winner, Talenti shaped like a colt with a bright future. Sent off at 10-1, he was the lesser-fancied of the Ballydoyle pair behind Magicalmysterytour (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) and was allowed to stride to the front after the first quarter to be stalked by his barn mate. Quickening to a decisive advantage at the top of the straight, he maintained the gallop to hand his foe a two-length defeat. The 580,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase is a full to Twyla Tharp (Ire), GSP-Eng and a half to Compton Admiral (GB) (Suave Dancer), Hwt 3yo at 9.5-11f, G1SW, \$351,096; and Summoner (GB) (Inchior {GB}), G1SW-Eng, SW-UAE, \$389,214. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, €8,983. [Click for the Racing Post chart.](#) O-Michael Tabor; B-Watership Down Stud; T-Aidan O'Brien.

★ ITALY ★

**Tuesday's Late Results:**

**Rome, 4.40, Cond, €27,000, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:10.90, gd. GOLDEN IRON (IRE) (f, 2, Iron Mask--Coral Golden {Ire}, by Rainbows For Life),** second here May 1, raced prominently from the outset this time. Pushed to the outright lead approaching the 200-meter pole, the 23-10 second favorite ran on strongly in the closing stages to best luturna (Intidab) by a comfortable two lengths. She becomes the second winner for her freshman sire (by Danzig). Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €18,360.

O/B-Scuderia Golden Horse SRL; T-Marco & Giuliano Fratini.

**Rome, 5.50, Mdn, €18,000, 2yo, 5fT, :58.20, gd. PALIN (GB) (c, 2, Averti {Ire}--Painter's Palet {GB}, by Royal Academy)** was coming off a course-and-distance second May 5. Positioned close to the pace from flagfall, the 11-10 choice eased to the fore approaching the last 400 meters and drew off late to account for Golden Dynamic (Ire) (Danetime {Ire}) by 3 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €12,240. O-Vittorio Folco; B-Azienda Agricola Rosati Colarieti; T-Francesca Folco.

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**Rome, 6.25, Cond, €18,000, 3yo, 5 1/2fT, 1:04.90, gd.**

**ELLE CRYSTAL (GB) (f, 3, Mozart {Ire}--Millazure, by Dayjur)** broke her maiden at this track and trip Mar. 23, but was looking to rebound from a last-out seventh at Milan Apr. 2. Leading along the rail from the bell, she was pushed clear inside the final 300 meters to score by 2 1/2 lengths from Stanislav (Stravinsky) as the 5-2 pick. The winner was a 15,000gns TATOCT yearling and an 11,000gns TATAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, €19,040.

O-Scuderia San Lorenzo; B-Meon Valley Stud; T-Vincenzo di Napoli.

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**2.20p Longchamp, Debutantes, €19,000, 2yo, 5fT**

**BETA (GB) (Selkirk)** has some rather large hoofprints to fill, being a half to multiple Group 1-winning champion Bago (Fr), and carries the Niarchos Family's shades of blue silks for this first at bat. The bay homebred arrives at the track with a tall reputation and is understood to be precocious enough to begin her career in winning vein.

**3.20p Longchamp, Mdn, €19,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/16mT**

**GRIGORIEVA (IRE) (Woodman)** is a half to G1 Dubai World Cup winner Electrocutonist and was scratched from an intended sophomore bow at this track Apr. 12, a race won by subsequent G1 Gainsborough Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1000 Guineas) runner-up Impressionante (GB), but is back on track for this lesser event. With Christophe Soumillon in the plate, she can top the exacta at the expense of Juddmonte Farms' **Around (GB) (Danehill)**, kin to a plethora of winners including stakes performers Prove (GB) and Vortex (GB).

**2.25p Salisbury, Mdn, £8,500, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f 198ydsT**

**JEWAAR (Diesis {GB})**, a G1 Epsom Oaks entry, will need to post a debut performance of note in order to confirm the racecourse whispers which have seen her ante-post odds tumble to 20-1 for that Classic. She was mooted as a possible for the May 19 Listed Swettenham Stud Fillies' Trial S. at Newbury, but Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum's \$450,000 purchase takes in this supposed lesser event instead. It will be no easy task, however, as the cast list also contains **Acts of Grace (Bahri)**, a half to hot freshman sire Invincible Spirit (Ire), and **Novellara (GB) (Sadler's Wells)**, a half to Elmaamul and Reams of Verse, among others.



★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

**IN HONG KONG:**

**Napa (GB), g, 4, Marju (Ire)**--Silent Love, by Hansel. Happy Valley, 5-17, Hcp., 1650mT. B-C R Mason. \*19,000gns yrl '03 DONSEP.

**Speeding Molly (Ire), g, 6, Indian Ridge (Ire)**--Shauna's Honey (Ire), by Danehill. Happy Valley, 5-17, Hcp., 1650mT. B-T Monaghan. \*Ir£150,000 yrl '01 GOFORB; HK\$1,100,000 2yo '02 HKIS.

**Nilometer (Fr), g, 6, Machiavellian--Zakota (Ire), by Polish Precedent.** Happy Valley, 5-17, Hcp., 1650mT. B-Eric Puerari. \*SP-Fr.

**Champ de Union (Ger), g, 9, Emarati--See Me Well (Ire) (SP-Ger), by Common Grounds (GB).** Happy Valley, 5-17, Hcp., 1200mT. B-Schwindibode AG. \*Hwt. 3yo-Ger at 5-7f. \*\*Formerly Sunderland (Ger). \*\*\*GSW-Ger, SP-Ity.



**HKIR GETS PURSE BOOST** Officials at the Hong Kong Jockey Club revealed yesterday that the purse money for this December's Cathay Pacific Hong Kong International Races has been boosted to HK\$62 million (nearly \$8 million). The 10-percent increase was accompanied by the additional news that the G1 Hong Kong Sprint will be contested over 1200 meters instead of the specialist distance of a straight 1000 meters. "The Cathay Pacific Hong Kong International Races Day has earned a reputation for prestige and excellence, but we cannot rest on our laurels," commented Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, executive director of racing for the HKJC. "To maintain its status as the Turf World Championships, it is our duty to upgrade prize money and amend the program where necessary." The G1 Hong Kong Cup maintains its status as the world's richest turf race over 2000 meters and sees its purse increase to HK\$20 million (\$2.58 million) while the G1 Hong Kong Mile gets a bump from HK\$14 million to HK\$16 million (\$2.06 million) and slips past the Breeders' Cup Mile and Yasuda Kinen as the world's most valuable race at the distance. The G1 Hong Kong Sprint, worth HK\$10 million in 2005, gets a hike to HK\$12 million (\$1.55 million). Purse money for the G1 Hong Kong Vase remains at HK\$14 million (\$1.81 million). "The world's leading owners and trainers have increasingly recognised the Cathay Pacific Hong Kong International Races as the end-of-year championship for the world's best turf thoroughbreds and it has helped place Hong Kong Jockey Club as one of the global leaders of international racing," Engelbrecht-Bresges added.



**DISTANT VIEW HEADING TO ARGENTINA**

Juddmonte Farms has sold an equal share in **Distant View** (Mr. Prospector) to Haras Vacacion SA in Argentina, according to a press release. The 15-year-old stallion, who stood for \$15,000 this year at Juddmonte's Kentucky location, will commence his stud duties at the Argentine stud during the upcoming Southern Hemisphere breeding season. It is not yet known whether the chestnut will shuttle back to Kentucky. "We are delighted to be in partnership with the renowned Haras Vacacion," said Garrett O'Rourke, Juddmonte's manager. "No final decision has been made on the horse regarding his future career in the Northern Hemisphere." A Group 1 winner for Juddmonte, Distant View has sired 16 stakes winners to date, including multiple Grade I-winning millionaire Sightseek as well as British stars Distant Music and Observatory.

**BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA**

**STAKES RESULTS:**

**HANCOCK COUNTY H.**, \$75,000, MNR, 5-16, 3yo/up, f/m, 5f, :57 1/5, sy.

1--**#SHE'S THAT CAT, 120, f, 4, American Chance--Palmbeachpussycat, by Storm Cat.** (\$12,000 yrl '03 KEESEP). O-Richard, Bertram & Elaine Klein; B-Walter B Mills (KY); T-Steven B Flint; J-D Whitney; \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 23-6-3-3, \$201,473.

2--**Rain Song, 122, m, 5, Intensity--Jerry's Punch, by Two Punch.** \$15,000.

3--**No Affair, 114, f, 4, Swain (Ire)--Princess Eloise, by Chief's Crown.** \$7,500.

Margins: 1HF, 5 1/4, 2 1/4. Odds: 2.90, 0.50, 19.90.

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**7th-PRM, \$32,238, 5-16, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 3/5, ft.**

**CHEER GIRL (f, 4, Blumin Affair--Sober Appeal {SW}, by Valid Appeal)** Lifetime Record: SP, 17-4-3-4, \$92,271. O-Maggi Moss. B-Cynthia Marie Johnson (IA). T-Suzanne G Evans. \*Full to Plum Sober, SW, \$190,738.

**4th-APX, \$31,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 4/5, sy.**

**CHEYENNE SPIRIT (f, 4, Richter Scale--Cheyenne River, by Northern Jove)** Lifetime Record: 10-3-3-0, \$76,818. O-Scott E Ricker & Richard S Kaster. B-Scott E & Carol M Ricker (IL). T-Ronny W Werner.



**8th-APX, \$29,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 7f, 1:23 4/5, sy.**  
**UPRIGHT (g, 4, Straight Man--Own It Outright, by Rahy)** Lifetime Record: 16-3-1-4, \$68,120. O-Owen Hulse. B-Farnsworth Farms (FL). T-Hugh H Robertson. \*\$53,000 2yo '04 OBSAPR. \*\*1/2 to Outright Buck (Kissin Kris), MSW, \$169,220.

**9th-PRM, \$25,000, 5-16, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.**  
**SIMPLE DAY (f, 3, Dayjur--Simple Statement, by Sharpen Up {GB})** Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-1, \$32,290. O-Cordis Brown. B-Jimmy Hawkins (KY). T-Dewayne C Gibson. \*\$2,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**General Tanguy, c, 3, Concerto--Pagan Ritual, by Wild Again.** BEL, 5-17, (C), 1m, 1:36 4/5. B-Tom McCrocklin (FI). \*\$65,000 2yo '05 OBSJUN.

**Here'soneforjimmy, f, 3, Deputy Slew--East River Miss (SP), by Far Out East.** PRM, 5-16, (S), 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Dennis & Jean Gotschall (Ia).

**Funny Connection, g, 3, Distorted Humor--Baltic Connection, by Danzig Connection.** BEL, 5-17, (S), 1m (off turf), 1:38 3/5. B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds LLC, Patrick & Elizabeth Everard (NY).

**+ Blowout, g, 3, Honour and Glory--Precious One, by Deputy Minister.** HOL, 5-17, (C), 6f, 1:10 2/5. B-Carolin Von Rosenberg DVM & Lazaro J Mata (FI). \*\$85,000 wlng '03 KEENOV; \$70,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

**Exclusive Secret, f, 3, Mutakddim--Speckled Guinea (SW), by Exclusive Era.** APX, 5-17, (S), 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Tom Dorris (II).

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05-22 150 Eclipse-III, Wo, 4/up, 8.5f (150), 05-03  
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	GII Black-Eyed Susan S.	Pimlico
	GIII Miss Preakness S.	Pimlico
	GIII Allaire duPont BC Distaff S.	Pimlico
May 20	GI Preakness S.	Pimlico
	GII Dixie S.	Pimlico
	GII Peter Pan S.	Belmont
	GII Laz Barrera Mem S.	Hollywood
	GIII Maryland BC Sprint	Pimlico
	GIII Gallorette H.	Pimlico
	GIII Hirsch Jacobs S.	Pimlico
	GIII WD Schaefer H.	Pimlico
May 21	GIII Marine S.	Woodbine
	GII Shuvee H.	Belmont
	GIII Will Rogers S.	Hollywood
May 22	GIII Selene S.	Woodbine
	GIII Eclipse S.	Woodbine