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NYRA ANNOUNCES 2007 STAKES SCHEDULE

A total of 38 Grade I races will top the 2007 New York Racing Association stakes schedule, which will offer nearly \$33 million in purses. In order to accommodate the inaugural Breeders' Cup Challenge, the \$750,000 GI Whitney H. was moved from its traditional date on the first Saturday in August to the opening weekend at Saratoga. That Saturday, July 28, will also feature the \$500,000 GI Diana H., the \$250,000 Go for Wand S. and the \$200,000 GII Alfred G. Vanderbilt S. in addition to the Whitney. The winners of each of those races will automatically qualify for their respective Breeders' Cup contests. "NYRA's participation in the newly created Breeders' Cup Challenge is certain to gain regional and national interest in many of our premier races," said Bill Nader, NYRA senior vice president and chief operating officer. "This will provide Saratoga with the strongest opening week in its history since we expanded the race meet to a six-week season and give the city of Saratoga and the high quality racing of Saratoga Race Course extraordinary exposure on national television. We will provide additional support of the Breeders' Cup Challenge by making a scheduling accommodation from Saturday to Sunday for four major fall stakes on Sept. 30 at Belmont Park for live ESPN coverage." That change affects the \$750,000 GI Jockey Club Gold Cup, which will be run as an invitational for the first time Sunday, Sept. 30. "The Breeders' Cup will be run a week earlier [Oct. 27, 2007 at Monmouth Park] than it was this year," said Andrew Byrnes, NYRA's stakes coordinator. "So, we moved the Jockey Club Gold Cup up on the schedule. We also made it an invitational because it gives us a bit more control. For instance, if we know the field may be limited to four or five horses, it gives us a chance to maybe get a few others to run. And because it is an invitational, there are not all the additional fees for horsemen to pay in order to run." NYRA also announced the elimination of the GII Genuine Risk Breeders' Cup H. and the GIII Floral Park H., both sprints for distaffers.



Invasor (Arg) - winner of the Whitney and likely Horse of the Year
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Taking Sha Tin By Storm...

Of all the foreign-based hopefuls for this weekend's International Races, none has been in Hong Kong longer than **Takeover Target (Aus)** (Celtic Swing {GB}). And none seems to have thrived as much as the stout seven-year-old, who continues to impress in his morning trackwork. Just two days after capping off a 1200-meter move with a final quarter mile in :22.5 seconds, the bay got his final sharpener for Sunday's G1 Hong Kong Sprint yesterday, covering 800 meters in :47.5 while clocking a remarkable :21.4 for his



Takeover Target *HKJC.com*

last two furlongs. All systems are go, according to game-day jockey Jay Ford. "The horse is in good shape," he commented. "He's put on a little condition here, but his work has been good. My one slight concern is that it will have been over two months since his last run in Japan and it would have been ideal to get a race into him. But that hasn't been possible and I hope he'll be sharp enough anyways." Trained by former taxi driver Joe Janiak, Takeover Target has already locked up the Global Sprint Challenge championship by virtue of his wins in the G1 Lightning S. in Australia, the G1 King's Stand S. in England and the Sprinters' S. in Japan. He stands to earn his connections a bonus of \$1 million with a victory Sunday. **Hong Kong notes cont. p3**

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

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Wednesday, Avondale, New Zealand

AVONDALE GOLD CUP-G1, NZ\$150,000, Avondale, 12-6, 3yo/up, 1 3/8mT, 2:14.15, gd.

1--▲@SHARVASTI (NZ), 118, f, 4, by **Montjeu (Ire)**

1st Dam: Vedodara (NZ) (SW & G1SP-NZ, G1SP-Aus), by Kreisler (Ire)

2nd Dam: Vedo Bay (GB), by Orange Bay (GB)

3rd Dam: Clouded Lamp (GB), by Nimbus (GB)

O/B-Barlow Thoroughbred Ltd; T-John Sargent; J-Noel Harris; NZ\$93,750. *1/2 to Shastri (NZ) (Stravinsky), GSW-NZ; and Bhandara (NZ) (Zabeel {NZ}), MGSW-NZ & SW-Aus.

(DH)--2--Aftershock (NZ), 115, g, 5, Tabasco (Aus)--Delph (NZ), by Blue Razor. O-Mrs P A Dunell & C C Mackie; B-Mrs P A Dunell; T-Donna and Dean Logan and Chris Gibbs; NZ\$22,500.

(DH)--2--Upstaged (Aus), 118, f, 4, In the Wings (GB)--Tambara, by Thunder Gulch. O-Karreman Racing Pty Ltd; B-D B & A M Shadboult & T E Luke; T-Peter Moody; NZ\$22,500.

Margins: HF, DH. Odds: 4.40, 7.80, 8.60.

Wednesday, Funabashi, Japan

QUEEN SHO-G3-NAR (Listed), ¥51,000,000, Funabashi, 12-6, 3yo/up, 1800m, 1:52.20, yl.

1--LE MARS GIRLS, 115, m, 6, by Defrere

1st Dam: Timeless Twist, by Timeless Moment

2nd Dam: Quajenn, by Clever Trick

3rd Dam: Twist Her, by Nativo

(¥260,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR). O-Toyomatsu Hiran; B-Penn Farm; T-Saburo Yuasa; J-Yasunari Iwata; ¥30,000,000. Lifetime Record: 44-11-9-8, \$3,750,452.

2--Tosen Jo-O (Jpn), 115, m, 5, Timber Country--Annus Mirabilis (Jpn), by Real Shadai. O-Takaya Shimaka; B-Hisai Farm; T-Masayuki Kawashima; ¥10,500,000.

3--Grace Tiara (Jpn), 113, f, 3, Fuji Kiseki (Jpn)--Royal Tiara (Jpn), by Northern Taste. O/B-Shimokobe Farm; T-Takahisa Tezuka; ¥6,000,000.

Margins: 6, NO, 3/4. Odds: 4.50, 14.10, 3.20.

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

RICHARDSON WINS BIG SPORT OF TURFDOM AWARD

Equine veterinarian Dean Richardson, who gained fame as the surgeon for Kentucky Derby winner Barbaro, has been chosen as the 2006 winner of the Turf Publicists of America's Big Sport of Turfdom award. The award is presented annually to a person who enhances coverage of Thoroughbred racing through cooperation with the media and Thoroughbred racing publicists. "In good times and bad, Dr. Richardson stood front and center to graciously provide enormous hordes of media with up-to-the-minute developments about Barbaro in the weeks and months following the colt's life-threatening injury in the Preakness S. and during a nearly fatal bout with laminitis a few weeks later," explained TPA president John Lee. "He patiently explained, in layman's terms, every aspect of the treatment and procedures he and his colleagues were employing to save the colt's life. He made himself very accessible and he is a most deserving winner of the Big Sport award." Richardson, the Charles W. Raker Professor of Equine Surgery and the Chief of Large Animal Surgery at the University of Pennsylvania's George D. Widener Hospital at New Bolton Center, has also received the Pfizer Award for Excellence in Research and the Norden Distinguished Teaching Award during his career. He will receive the Big Sport of Turfdom award at the 41st annual Big Sport of Turfdom luncheon, sponsored by Scientific Games Racing, Hollywood Park and the Keeneland Association, at Mastro's Steakhouse in Beverly Hills, California on Jan. 22, a few hours before the Eclipse Awards. Previous winners include Joe Hirsch, Penny Chenery, Jack Klugman, Jim McKay, Laffit Pincay Jr., Tim Conway, Carl Nafzger, Chris McCarron, Laura Hillenbrand, Sackatoga Stable, John Servis and Pat Day.



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Hong Kong notes cont.

'Ouija' Still the Vase Heavy...

British bookmakers have installed **Ouija Board (GB)** (Cape Cross {Ire}) the early 13-8 favorite for her career finale in Sunday's G1 Hong Kong Vase, but despite



Ouija Board HKJC photo

being pronounced "fit as a fiddle" by Robin Trevor-Jones, traveling head lad to trainer Ed Dunlop, the seven-time Group/Grade I winner has some work to do before the weekend. "She's thriving out here, if anything she's doing a little too well in this climate," he commented.

"She's putting on weight and is around 472 kilos, which is about six more than her racing weight in Japan and at Churchill Downs for the Breeders' Cup." However, the barn is wasting little time concerning themselves with the issue. "That's not a problem," Trevor-Jones continued. "[Jockey] Frankie [Dettori] will ride her on the turf [today] and that'll be it."

Scorpion Rounding Into Form...

For all of their worldwide accomplishments, Coolmore has yet to break through at the International Races meeting, but that could change this weekend should **Scorpion (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) come up with his best effort. Winner of the 2005 G1 St Leger S., the



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€260,000 Goffs Orby yearling purchase was 10th in the G1 Arc de Triomphe, but went missing for over a year thereafter. He was in need of the run when he finished runner-up effort in the 12-furlong Finale S. at The Curragh Oct. 8 and comes into the Vase off a midpack fifth-place finish in the G1 Breeders' Cup

Turf Nov. 4. He has impressed onlookers during his morning tours of Sha Tin, including his rider Seamus Heffernan. "It's a very nice ride to have and I'm looking forward to it," he commented. "His run in the Breeders' Cup Turf was good, and the lads say he has come on since then. He will work on the turf [today] or Friday." Trainer Aidan O'Brien will be able to make the trip to Hong Kong after securing a return flight to Ireland which will allow him to arrive in time for Monday night's Irish Flat Awards.

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SYMPOSIUM PANEL ADDRESSES QUESTION OF KEEPING STAR HORSES IN TRAINING

by Ryan Conley *courtesy www.bloodhorse.com*

The loss of star racehorses in training and the negative effect it has on the sport was a hot topic during a panel discussion Dec. 5 at the 33rd Symposium on Racing & Gaming in Tucson, Ariz. A panel that included Eclipse Award-winning trainer Todd Pletcher and track executives Martin Panza of Hollywood Park and Georgeanne Hale of the Maryland Jockey Club fielded questions on a variety of topics from moderator Randy Moss, as well as those from a crowd of about 100 gathered for the session at the Westin-La Paloma Resort. Panza, who is the vice president of racing at Hollywood Park, recalled that he and other racing officials jokingly kicked around the idea of a graduated age-based purse scale to try and keep horses in training longer. "We got talking about a \$250,000 cap for two-year-old races, \$500,000 for three-year-old races, and bigger money in races for older horses," he said of a recent whimsical dinner-time discussion with colleagues. "We knew it would never work. The economics of purses in America are kind of out of whack. But can you put a salary cap on Keeneland sales? It's got to be hard. You got all of these million-dollar horses, and you have to win multiple Grade I to try and recoup the money, and there aren't enough [races] to go around." A questioner then asked how likely it would be for a horse to win the Triple Crown, and then continue racing beyond his three-year-old campaign. He was told that the horse would probably never race again. "The economics are not going away," said Pletcher, a 1989 graduate of the University of Arizona's Race Track Program, which sponsored the symposium. "We'd all be happy to see the racing continue, but we'd be foolish to think that horse is going to run much longer."

As a simple lesson of equine economics, Pletcher noted the case of one of his trainees, Flower Alley, who came back this year to race as a four-year-old after a sophomore campaign that included a victory in the GI Travers S. and a runner-up in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. After winning his first start in June, the GIII Salvatore Mile, Flower Alley finished well off the board in his final three starts of 2006, including a 10th in the Classic won by Invasor. "He was probably worth \$14 million to \$16 million after the Breeders' Cup last year," said Pletcher of Flower Alley, who was raced by Eugene and Laura Melnyk. "But Mr. Melnyk is a sporting man, and wanted to give it a shot. This is a time when it didn't work out." [Click here to continue.](#)

★ **NEW YORK** ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$46,000, Alw, NW2L, 3/up, 9f, 1:49 4/5, ft. BARCOLA (c, 3, Old Trieste--Myrtle Beach, by Kingmambo) returned from a seven-month absence to finish ninth in a Saratoga turf sprint Aug. 28 and was a well-beaten in an 8 1/2-furlong allowance on the Belmont main track Sept. 29. In his most recent start, the chesnut set a fast pace for six furlongs and held for a second-place effort at this track Nov. 11. The 5-2 second choice was allowed an easy time of it on the front end and got his opening six panels in 1:12.27. He had plenty in reserve and opened up for a 16 1/2-length success. Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-0, \$56,877. O-Winning Move Stable, Medico Stable & Mitchell Klafter. B-Stonerside Stable (KY). T-Gary C Contessa.

3rd-AQU, \$45,080, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$100,000), NW1X, 2yo, 1m70y, 1:42 1/5, ft.

BELIEVEINMENOW (g, 2, Tiznow--Expect Becky, by Valid Expectations) showed some early foot in his Sept. 2 bow at Saratoga, but gave way to finish a distant eighth. Dipped in for a \$50,000 going a one-turn mile at this track Nov. 10, the homebred rolled to a six-length score. Trying two bends for the first time, the bay sped to the early advantage, set a reasonable pace along the inside and drew off to win by six lengths as the 13-1 longest shot on the board. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$44,035. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O/B-Joseph & Helen Barbazon (FL). T-H James Bond.

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6th-AQU, \$43,000, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. MASS CHARLES (g, 3, Allen's Prospect--Continental Divide, by Deputy Minister) finished runner-up in a Belmont maiden May 20, but was promptly shelved. The bay had not been a factor in his two most recent efforts, checking in seventh in a Saratoga maiden Aug. 11 and a similar event at Woodbine Oct. 20. An 11-1 chance in his return to the Big Apple, the \$9,500 FTMOCT yearling purchase moved into contention on the turn, overtook The Red Prince (Carson City) at the eighth pole and outfought that one for a half-length victory. Lifetime Record: 10-1-4-1, \$65,455. O/T-Charlton Baker. B-Dr & Mrs Thomas Bowman & Allen's Prospect Syndicate (MD).

★ EAST ★

MJC to Host South American Racing:

The Maryland Jockey Club held a news conference at the Symposium on Racing and Gaming to announce that Maryland tracks will host South American races seven days a week, beginning Dec. 29. As of Dec. 9, Maryland tracks will offer live South American racing on Saturdays, Sundays and Wednesdays for three weeks preceding Christmas. Since 2005, Laurel and Pimlico have been the North American hub for live races from Maroñas in Uruguay, the track that featured Invasor (Arg)'s rise to stardom. The agreement between the Magna Entertainment Corp.--the majority owner of the Maryland Jockey Club--and Latin American Racing Channel Inc will include races from Maroñas and seven additional racetracks in three other countries: Argentina, Chile and Peru. "Invasor's stunning victory in the Breeders' Cup Classic underscores the quality of the racing that is taking place right now in South America," said Joe De Francis, chief executive officer of the Maryland Jockey Club. "We have been very proud to present, over the course of the last year, selected races from Maroñas, Invasor's home track, where he won the Uruguayan Triple Crown. We are now excited and extremely enthusiastic to be able to broaden that product to include not just Maroñas, but also races from all the other premier tracks in South America, especially San Isidro and Palermo in Buenos Aries. This is an untapped market, and the added exposure adds more value to our signal." On live racing days, the first South American race will begin after the last race is official in Maryland and. The schedule will be set on a month-to-month basis. "It is very exciting for us to bring to the American market the best of the Latinoamerican races," said Pablo Kavulakian, president of the LARC. "This is the beginning of a new time of cooperation between North and South America. Maroñas and Invasor were the first steps, now the American market has the possibility to see the best races from the most famous tracks in South America."

- 2:15p TVG 5th-CRC, \$26,500, OC 25k, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT CASSYDORA (GB) (Darshaan {GB})**, second behind Alexander Goldrun (Ire) in the 2005 G1 Nassau S., shipped to North America for an 11th-place effort in last year's GI E P Taylor S. It was the filly's only start for Christophe Clement and she makes her first outing since here for trainer Todd Pletcher.
- 2:27p TVG 3rd-FGX, \$42K, MSW, (S), 2yo, 6f** Debuting **GRANDE RADE (Tirade)** is the first foal of the speedy Hallowed Dreams, who began her career with 16 consecutive victories. The dark bay has been training smartly at Evangeline training center for trainer Abel Blanchard.
- 5:18p TVG 4th-BMX, \$36K, OC 80k, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT PRESS CAMP (Comic Strip)**, a two-time front-running stakes winner at Golden Gate earlier in the year, has not been out since running second to Wildcat Bettie B in the May 19 GIII Miss Preakness S. The bay filly is trying the turf for the first time.

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-LRL, \$32,000, Alw, NW1X, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5, ft.
LEONARDO (g, 2, Smoke Glacken--Amaday, by Dayjur) debuted the 8-5 favorite in a Canterbury maiden Sept. 3 and charged through the mud for a 9 1/4-length win. Stepped up to the big leagues in his first start for this barn at Aqueduct Nov. 10, the Florida-bred was second by a head. The 2-5 chalk in this softer spot forced the early pace outside 76-1 Heezafrequentflyer (Aaron's Concorde), took over approaching the stretch and ran away to score by 10 3/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$36,240. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Wachtel Stable, Double S Stable, Brous Stable & Jujugen Stable. B-Padua Stables (FL). T-John M De Stefano Jr.

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★ CENTRAL ★

Sam Houston to Host Cirque de Soleil in 2007:



Scene from *Corteo*
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Sam Houston Race Park has announced that it will host the latest touring production from the famed Cirque du Soleil, *Corteo*, beginning Mar. 22, 2007 through Apr. 15. Bringing together 55 performers from 16 countries, *Corteo* will tell the story of a clown imagining his funeral taking place at a carnival. The show debuted in 2005 in Montreal, Canada. For ticket information, please go to www.cirquedusoleil.com.

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Yesterday's Results:

WINTER S., \$56,350, HOL, 12-6, (R), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/4mT, 2:00 2/5, fm.

1--**BEND A LITTLE**, 122, m, 5, Benny the Dip--Little May (MSP, \$292,746), by Air Forbes Won.

O/B-Cynthia Knight (KY); T-Christophe Clement; J-J Valdivia Jr; \$33,810. Lifetime Record: 18-7-2-4, \$228,665.

2--**Lasika (GB)**, 118, f, 4, Pursuit of Love (GB)--Lovina (Ity), by Love the Groom. O-Michele Boghossian. \$11,270.

3--**Aubonne (Ger)**, 118, m, 6, Monsun (Ger)--Anna Maria (Ger), by Night Shift. (DM30,000 yrl '01 BBASEP). O-Gary A Tanaka. \$6,762.

Margins: HD, HD, 3HF. Odds: 3.40, 25.70, 2.10.

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3rd-AQU (Alw \$45K) Believeinmenow (Tiznow) takes his two-turn debut.

8th-LRL (Alw \$32K) Leonardo (Smoke Glacken) blows them away.

Winter S. cont.

Bend a Little captured a one-mile optional claimer on the Delaware turf Aug. 27 before concluding her Eastern tenure with a fifth in the Omnibus S. at Monmouth Sept. 23. Sent West by trainer Christophe Clement, the Cynthia Knight homebred rallied to win the 12-furlong Hermosa Beach H. over this course Nov. 11 and was the second choice here. The dark bay settled into an easy rhythm in fifth as Lasika showed the way. Drawing closer on the far turn, Bend a Little came after the pacesetter in the lane and inched ahead late under a confident Jose Valdivia for her second straight stakes win. Favored Aubonne put in a belated rally for third.

2nd-HOL, \$49,560, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:41 3/5, ft.

CANTABRIA (GB) (f, 3, Dansili {GB}--Valencia {GB}, by Kenmare {Fr}), previously trained by Sir Michael Stoute, was second in the G3 Fred Darling S. in April and third in the G3 Oak Tree S. in August, but was off the board in three subsequent listed appearances, including an 11th in the Sept. 24 October S. at Ascot. The 9-5 chalk in her U.S. debut, the half to Irish Vale (GB) (Wolfhound), SW-Eng; and Deportivo (GB) (Night Shift), GSW-Ire, SW-Eng, \$249,449, settled along the inside, came out on the far turn, gained four wide into the stretch and pulled away late for a professional 4 1/4-length victory. Fun Logic (Miesque's Son) was second best. Lifetime Record: MGSP-Eng, 11-2-4-1, \$98,057.

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O/B-Juddmonte Farms Inc (GB). T-Robert J Frankel.

1st-HOL, \$40,400, Msw, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:08 4/5, fm.

GEM PROOF (g, 3, Porto Foricos--Southern Cat, by Storm Cat) never lifted a hoof in a pair of starts on the Santa Anita main track last winter, losing those two appearances by a combined 32 1/4 lengths. Off for nine months, the bay tried a course-and-distance maiden in his latest and nearly completely righted the ship, missing by a neck Nov. 10. Bet into 5-2 second favoritism, the gelding argued the pace from between rivals, gained a short lead into the stretch and went on to a 3/4-length victory over odds-on Seastate (Stravinsky). Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, \$33,280.

O/B-C A Luke, Michael Riordan & Aaron Sones, et al (KY). T-Patrick Gallagher.

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IN BRITAIN:

Happy as Larry, g, 4, **Yes It's True**--Don't Be Blue, by Henbane. Wolverhampton, Britain, 12-6, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1m 141yds (AWT). B-C H Kitchen and Jeffrey Cook. * \$155,000 yrl '03 FTKJUL; \$525,000 2yo '04 FTFFEB.

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- CIVILISATION** (Gone West), Naylee, \$4K, 38/1/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Nick's Ransom, 15-1
- 5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, I Venture to Say, 20-1
- E DUBAI** (Mr. Prospector), Darley, \$15K, 47/9/2
3-AQU, Aoc, 1m, Gin Picnic, \$90K FTF FEB 2yo
- HAP** (Theatrical {Ire}), Darby Dan, \$5K, 26/2/0
7-HOL, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Jump Rope Girl, \$40K BAR MAY 2yo
- HONOR GLIDE** (Honor Grades), Bridlewood, \$4K, 44/2/1
6-BM, Msw, 1mT, Gustavo, \$50K EAS MAY 2yo
- KIMBERLITE PIPE** (Take Me Out), Clear Creek Stud, \$1000, 22/1/0
3-FG, Msw, 6f, One Bravo Five, 20-1
- MALABAR GOLD** (Unbridled), Highclere, \$8K, 62/4/0
3-FG, Msw, 6f, +Overlayered, \$10K EVA MAR 2yo, 9-2
- OUR SHINING HOUR** (Gilded Time), Fairview Farms, \$1K, 17/1/0
3-DED, Msw, 5f, +Late Hour, \$2K EVA MAR 2yo, 10-1
- STORM DAY** (Storm Cat), Clear Creek Stud, \$3K, 64/2/0
3-FG, Msw, 6f, Connor's Call, \$20K LOU OCT yrl, 4-1

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 9th Race, \$42,000 Allowance at Fair Grounds. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

- THUNDERELLO** (Montbrook), Walmac, \$5K, 55/12/0
7-CRC, Str, 5f, Talkin Thunder, \$8K OBS APR 2yo, 6-1
- TOP VENTURE** (Storm Cat) 22/1/0
3-DED, Msw, 5f, Salti Colton, 5-2
- TRIBAL RULE** (Storm Cat), River Edge, \$5K, 54/9/0
1-HOL, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Indian Ashton, \$105K BAR MAY 2yo
- WELL NOTED** (Notebook), Monhill, \$3K, 16/0/0
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Villa's Well Noted, 3-1

Second-crop starters to Watch: Thursday, December 7 (1st-time starters and stakes runners)

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

- LUFTIKUS** (Meadowlake), Taylor Mtn, \$3K, 79/30/2
5-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Shivering Sissy, 10-1

RTIP SYMPOSIUM ON RACING
Thursday, Dec. 7 -

- 8:30-10 a.m. - The Blog: New Media Monster?**
Moderator: Bob Wolff, Vice President - Public Relations, Robert Brandt & Associates
- 9:30-11:30 a.m. - Race Track Industry Program Reports**
- 10:15-11:15 a.m. - Build It and They Will Come, or Will They? Should a Racino be a Resort?**
Moderator: Denis Finigan, President, Urban Systems Associates
- 10:15-11:15 a.m. - Safe and Sound**
Moderator/Speaker: Dr. Rick Arthur, Equine Medical Director, California Horse Racing Board
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Regulatory Reform for a Changing Environment**
Moderator: Andy Bryant, President, Horse Racing Alberta
- 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. - Alternative Financing Sources in Racing and Gaming** *Moderator:* Matt Sodl, Co-Founder and Managing Director, Innovation Capital
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. - Marketing 101 - Develop a Marketing Plan that Works!** *Speaker:* Joe Witterschein, Vice President, Marketing Services, The Innovation Group
- 1:30-2:30 p.m. - Medication, Doping and the Level Playing Field** *Moderator/Speaker:* Dr. Scot Waterman, Executive Director, Racing Medication & Testing Consortium
- 4-5 p.m. - And Now for the Second Commercial Break** *MC:* Santa Anita VP Allen Gutterman

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★ EUROPE ★

SOVIET SONG BOOKED TO MONTJEU The popular **Soviet Song (Ire)** (Marju {Ire}--Kalinka {Ire}, by Soviet Star) will be bred to leading young sire Montjeu (Ire) in 2007, according to Racing Post. Montjeu stands at Coolmore in Ireland for €125,000. A multiple Group 1 winner during a five-season career, the six-year-old Soviet Song was retired following a second in the G1 Sun Chariot S. Sept. 30. "We're thrilled as Montjeu has made a fantastic start to his stud career, and was obviously a very high-class racehorse," said Matthew Budden, racing and breeding manager for Elite Racing Club, told the *Post*. "Similarly, Soviet Song produced some memorable performances on the racecourse and this looks to be a very exciting match between two horses of the highest caliber." Bred and owned by Elite Racing Club, Soviet Song captured the G1 Fillies Mile at two in 2002 and ran second in the G1 Coronation S. at three. Her best campaign came in 2004, when she captured the G1 Sussex S., G1 Falmouth S., G1 Matron S. and G2 Ridgewood Pearl S. She successfully defended her Falmouth title in 2005 and added the G2 Windsor Forest S. at Royal Ascot this year. In compiling a record of 24-9-6-2, the bay earned £1,168,370.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN HONG KONG:

Windicator (Ire), g, 3, **Monashee Mountain--Zoya (Ire)**, by Thatching (Ire). Happy Valley, 12-6, Hcp., 1200mT. B-Laura Byrne. *Formerly Champara (Ire). **€14,000 wnlg '03 GOFNOV; €15,000 yrl '04 TATIRE.

STAKES CLOSINGS



TODAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7:

SUNSHINE MILLIONS PRE-ENTRIES (100)

- 01-27 \$1,000,000 **Sunshine Millions Classic, GP, 3yo/up, [R], 9f**
- 01-27 \$500,000 **Sunshine Millions Turf, SA, 4yo/up, [R], 9fT**
- 01-27 \$500,000 **Sunshine Millions Distaff, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, [R], 9f**
- 01-27 \$500,000 **Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Turf, GP, 3yo/up, f/m, [R], 9fT**
- 01-27 \$300,000 **Sunshine Millions Sprint, SA, 3yo/up, [R], 6f**
- 01-27 \$300,000 **Sunshine Millions Filly & Mare Sprint, GP, 3yo/up, f/m, [R], 6f**
- 01-27 \$250,000 **Sunshine Millions Dash, GP, 3yo, [R], 6f**
- 01-27 \$250,000 **Sunshine Millions Oaks, SA, 3yo, f, [R], 6f**

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★ AUSTRALASIA ★

SO. HEMISPHERE GROUP WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE:

Beauty Watch (Aus), f, 4, **Belong to Me**—Rush for Gold (MSP-US), by Quack. Hawkesbury (New South Wales), 12-6, Hawkesbury Gold Cup-G3, 3yo/up, 1mT, A\$97,500 to winner. B-Gooree Park Stud Pty Ltd; T-Gai Waterhouse. *3/4 to Precious Glitter (Aus) (Danehill), GSW-Aus. **MG1SP-Aus.

★ ASIA ★

PESLIER TAKES JOCKEYS CHAMPIONSHIP

Despite being left without a ride in the final leg of the series, Frenchman Olivier Peslier posted a total of 14 points to win the Cathay Pacific International Jockeys' Championship last night at Happy Valley Racecourse in Hong Kong. It was his second victory in the event,



Olivier Peslier *HKJC.com*

having taken the inaugural Championship in 1998. The four-time champion rider in his native country, Peslier was fifth in the first leg of the series, but did manage to squeeze out an important two points in the process. He bounced back in the middle leg, guiding Classa Supreme (NZ) to a pillar-to-post victory in the 1650-meter event and earned an additional 12 points. He lost the opportunity to add to his total in the third and final race when his mount was scratched on the advice of the track veterinarian, but his nearest pursuers failed to make up any ground and Peslier took down the first prize of HK\$200,000. "It was hard to sit out the last race, but luckily, the jockeys behind didn't do well," said the 33-year-old. "It's great to have my name on this trophy again, and for sure, I will be back to defend my title." Australia's Glen Boss and Germany's Andreas Suborics, fresh off his win in the Japan Jockeys' Championship last weekend, tied for second with 12 points and one victory each. Suborics's win in the last race was marred by a spill for Chinese rider Eddy Lai, who was unseated and lay motionless on the turf for a short time. He was conscious when he was removed from the track and suffered only bumps and bruises. Javier Castellano finished no better than ninth with any of his three rides and was one of two riders to not tally a point.

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BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

1st-AQU, \$46,000, Opt. Clm. (\$30,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 1m70y, 1:43 2/5, ft.
DRIZZLY (g, 4, **Summer Squall--Cherokee Chill {SW, \$244,032}**, by **Cherokee Fellow**) Lifetime Record: 22-4-4-3, \$177,849. O-Sanford J Goldfarb. B-Raymond A Roncari & Leslie Roncari-Marconi (NY). T-Anthony W Dutrow. *\$40,000 yrl '03 FTNAUG. **1/2 to Winloc's Glorious (Anjiz), SW, \$246,061.

7th-LRL, \$32,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:54, ft.
HAPPY SURPRISE (g, 3, **Crowd Pleaser--Abovehawaii, by Great Above**) Lifetime Record: 7-2-2-0, \$47,700. O/B-Mrs Raymond H Burnette (MD). T-Gary Capuano. *1/2 to Tropical Punch (Two Punch), MSW & MGSP, \$404,376.

6th-HAW, \$30,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$40,000), NW1X, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:08 3/5, ft.
DANCING DUDETE (f, 2, **Crafty Dude--Get Up and Dance, by Festive**) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$27,000. O-Darrell & Evelyn Yates. B-Rocking Double B Farm (TX). T-Michael L Reavis.

8th-MNR, \$27,800, 12-5, NW2L, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:14 4/5, ft.
COFFEE SHOP (f, 3, **Silver Ghost--Cappucino Queen, by Java Gold**) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$31,720. O-Penny S Lauer, Barry & Terry Ward & J Danehy. B-M Lauer, J Danehy, B & T Ward, C Visse & D Walchirk (KY). T-Michael S Lauer. *Won by 11 3/4 lengths. **Full to Ghost Queen, SW, \$178,323; and 1/2 to Mocha Queen (Cozzene), MSW, \$365,583.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

AQUEDUCT

Chita Tycoon (Cat Thief), 3f, :36.69, 5/6

CALDER

Miesque's Approval (Miesque's Son), 4f, :51.40, 14/16
Rehoboth (Wagon Limit), 5f, 1:02.60, 4/13

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Molengao (Brz) (Royal Academy), 4f, :48.00, 6/34

PAYSON PARK

Defer (Danzig), 4f, :50.80, 4/11
Revved Up (With Approval), 4f, :51.00, 5/11

SANTA ANITA

Mea Domina (Dance Brightly), 4f, :49.60, 27/38
Wanna Runner (El Corredor), 3f, :37.40, 20/25

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Rosie's Attitude, f, 2, **Aptitude**--Irving's Baby (GSW, \$763,062), by Quiet American. AQU, 12-6, (S), 1m, 1:40. B-Anstu Farm LLC (NY).

Meadowlanding, f, 2, **Meadowlake**--Poage's Landing, by Herat. TPX, 12-6, 1m, 1:39 2/5. B-Whisper Hill Farm (KY). *1/2 to Epic Honor (Honor Grades), GSW, \$341,960.

Lainey Lu, f, 2, **Unusual Heat**--Spanish Beam, by El Gran Senor. HOL, 12-6, (S), (C), 6f, 1:10. B-Brahm, Dibernardo, Nakkashian & Roberts (CA). *\$30,000 2yo '06 BESMAY.

Carnival King, g, 3, **Cryptoclearance**--Ivory Perfection, by Sir Ivor. MNR, 12-5, 6f, 1:15 2/5. B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton & Tsa-La-Gi Inc (KY). *\$13,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV; \$14,000 yrl '04 FTKOCT.

Another Punch, f, 3, **Two Punch**--Twin Bet (SW-US & Fr, \$173,458), by Bet Twice. LRL, 12-6, 7f, 1:27. B-Foxcroft Farm (VA). *1/2 to Rahy's Chance (Rahy), SW, \$192,462.

Lady Bett, f, 4, **Exploit**--Caspian Tern (SP-Eng), by Arctic Tern. MNR, 12-5, 5 1/2f, 1:09 2/5. B-Russell S Davis (KY). *\$55,000 yrl '03 KEEJAN; \$21,000 2yo '04 KEEJAN.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Marseille-Borely, 1.55, 12-6, €22,000, 2:14.31, 1 1/4mT, 2:14.31, hy.

ROYALETTO (FR) (c, 3, Kendor {Fr}--Royal Lights {Fr}, by Royal Academy) Lifetime Record: 13 starts, 2 wins, 8 places, €47,847. O/B-SCEA Ecurie Bader; T-Philippe Demercastel.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Eau Good (GB), g, 2, **Cadeaux Genereux (GB)**--Girl's Best Friend (GB), by Nicolotte (GB). Wolverhampton, Britain, 12-6, Mdn, 2yo, 5f 216yds (AWT). B-Baydon House Stud. *32,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT.

Swiss Note (Fr), g, 2, **Victory Note**--Swiss Risk (Fr), by Last Tycoon (Ire). Marseille-Borely, France, 12-6, Cond, 2yo, 1 1/4mT. B-SCEA Ecurie Bader. *1/2 to Grey Risk (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}), GSW-Fr, \$161,376.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Dec. 16	GI Hollywood Futurity	Hollywood
	GII La Prevoyante	Calder
	GII W.L. McKnight	Calder
	GIII Fred W. Hooper	Calder
Dec. 17	GIII Kenny Noe Jr.	Calder
	GI Hollywood Starlet	Hollywood
	GIII Gravesend	Aqueduct