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“HALF” TIME

The 2006 Keeneland November sales topper at \$6.1 million, **Half Ours** (Unbridled's Song) will make his first start in 19 months in today's eighth race at Aqueduct, a six-furlong NW2X optional claimer. The grey, a \$625,000 KEESEP yearling, won his only two starts at two for the partnership of Aaron and Marie Jones and Barry Schwartz. A *TDN* Rising Star following his 10 3/4-length debut victory at



Half Ours in 2005 *Four Footed Foto*

Keeneland Apr. 17, 2005 ([video](#)), he pulled away from his rivals in the Three Chimneys Juvenile S. at Churchill Downs on the Kentucky Derby undercard. He was sidelined by a fractured hind cannon bone shortly thereafter, and plans to bring him back earlier in 2006 were scrapped when the fracture reopened, according to *Daily Racing Form*. The three-year-old was offered at Keeneland's mixed sale to dissolve the Jones/Schwartz partnership, and Jones wound up signing the ticket on his own behalf before returning the colt to his original trainer, Todd Pletcher. The hope is that Half Ours can get a Grade I win to his name before retiring to Taylor Made Farm in Kentucky. "Who knows what he could be worth at the end of the day if he comes back as well as he was when he left," Pletcher told *DRF*. Half Ours has posted several bullet drills over the Belmont training track in preparation for his return, including five furlongs in 1:01 3/5 in a Dec. 9 breeze. John Velazquez has the mount aboard the three-year-old, who will break from post seven in a field of 11.

“GOLDRUN” GOING TO GALILEO

Mrs. Noel O'Callaghan's MG1SW **Alexander Goldrun (Ire)** (Gold Away {Ire}--Renashaan {Fr}, by Darshaan {GB}) has been retired from racing and will be bred to Galileo (Ire) in 2007, according to *Racing Post*. In her final start, the five-year-old ran ninth to Pride (Fr) in Sunday's G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Cup; she triumphed in that race in 2004. A €40,000 GOFNOV weanling, the half-sister to GSW Medecis (GB) was a progressive three-year-old for trainer Jim Bolger, running second in the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas before earning her first top-level success in the G1 Prix de l'Opera in October and following up at Sha Tin in December. At four, she added the G1 Pretty Polly S. and G1 Nassau S. and also ran third in the G1 Irish Champion S. This season, the bay successfully defended her Pretty Polly title before running Ouija Board (GB) to a short head in the Nassau Aug. 5. She heads to the breeding shed with a record of 31-10-7-6 and earnings of £1,900,740.



HKJC photo

BELGRAVIA TOPS HOLLYWOOD FUTURITY

Belgravia (Mr. Greeley), a \$2 million FTFEB juvenile who followed his maiden win at Keeneland in October with a nose score in the Nov. 18 GIII Hollywood Prevue S., tops the field of 10 for Saturday's G1 Hollywood Futurity. The colt prepped for the race Tuesday, going five furlongs in 1:00 1/5.

Saturday, Hollywood Park

HOLLYWOOD FUTURITY-GI, \$250,000, 2yo, 1 1/16m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Silent Soul	Afternoon Deelites	Gomez	121
2	Notional	In Excess (Ire)	Nakatani	121
3	Unusual Suspect	Unusual Heat	Cohen	121
4	Stormello	Stormy Atlantic	Desormeaux	121
5	Whatsthescript (Ire)	Royal Applause (GB)	Enriquez	121
6	Liquidity	Tiznow	Flores	121
7	Roman Commander	Deputy Commander	Solis	121
8	Principle Secret	Sea of Secrets	Espinoza	121
9	Senior	Arch	Delgadoillo	121
10	Belgravia	Mr. Greeley	Leparoux	121

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

Date	Race	Track
Dec. 16	G1 Hollywood Futurity	Hollywood
	GII La Prevoyante	Calder
	GII W.L. McKnight	Calder
	GIII Fred W. Hooper	Calder
	GIII Kenny Noe Jr.	Calder

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SOVEREIGN AWARD FINALIST FOR STORMY ATLANTIC

Hill 'n' Dale Farms congratulates the Stavro Family on their Sovereign Award Nomination. Donato Lanni, Director of Bloodstock Services at Hill 'n' Dale, purchased Sovereign Award finalist Leonnatus Anteus for the late Steve Stavro, a consummate sportsman. Undefeated Leonnatus Anteus is from the first Kentucky crop of Storm Cat's impeccably-bred son Stormy Atlantic who currently ranks #2 on the Juvenile Sire List. Best wishes and continued success.



☆ PREVIEW ☆

Saturday, San Isidro, Argentina

GRAN PREMIO INTERNACIONAL CARLOS PELLEGRINI-G1, \$180,756, 3yo/up, 2400m

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Erdsain (Arg)	El Aventurado (Arg)	Zacarias	132
2	Potro Principe (Arg)	Potrillon (Arg)	Ioselli	132
3	Shock Plus (Arg)	Alpha Plus	SCR	SCR
4	Sixty Finder (Arg)	Silver Finder	Arreguy	135
5	Guill Advantage (Arg)	Tactical Advantage	Herrera	119
6	Shuaily (Per)	Shuailaan	Vargas	128
7	Gran Estreno (Arg)	Lucky Roberto	Ramella	119
8	Storm Mayor (Arg)	Bernstein	J C Mendez	132
9	Inminente (Arg)	Interprete (Arg)	L Mendez	135
10	Flag's Boy (Arg)	Flag Down	Leyes	135
11	Taconic (Arg)	Lode	Noriega	119
12	Cirque Du Soleil (Arg)	Lode	Falero	119
13	Mr. Fun (Arg)	Louis Quatorze	Coria	132
14	Northener (Arg)	Painter (Arg)	Robles	119
15	Aguafiestas (Uru)	Gulpha Gorge	Duarte	135
16	De Pizarra (Arg)	Mutakddim	Ricardo	135
17	Capo Pete (Arg)	Capo Total (Arg)	Hahn	119
18	Emotion Parade (Arg)	Parade Marshal	Corrales	115
19	Body Gold (Arg)	Body Glove (Arg)	Calvente	119

Storm Mayor returns to defend his title. The four-year-old bids for his third straight victory after taking the Oct. 7 G1 Gran Premio de Honor and Nov. 18 G1 Gran Premio Copa de Oro-Don Alfredo Lalor.

Saturday, Calder

LA PREVOYANTE H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Safari Queen (Arg)	Lode	Velazquez	117
2	Doryphar	Gone West	Cruz	111
3	Private Betty	Lost Soldier	Lezcano	111
4	Barancella (Fr)	Acatenango (Ger)	Castellano	118
5	Royal Highness (Ger)	Monsun (Ger)	Prado	120
6	Wait It Out	Swain (Ire)	Samyn	115

Saturday, Calder

W.L. MCKNIGHT H.-GII, \$200,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/2mT

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	Ramazutti	Honor Grades	Velazquez	117
2	Interpatation	Langfuhr	Turner	115
3	Devil's Preacher	Pulpit	Bejarano	113
4	Always First (GB)	Barathea (Ire)	Douglas	118
5	Dave	Ends Well	Prado (2)	114
6	Dreadnaught	Lac Ouimet	Samyn	117
7	Bob's Proud Moment	Proud and True	Cruz	115
8	Revved Up	Sultry Song	Castro	122
9	Spider Power (Ire)	Royal Applause (GB)	Bravo	114
10	Embossed (Ire)	Mark of Esteem (Ire)	Melancon	117
11	Big Prairie	Danzig	Castellano	115
12	Teofilo (Per)	Riyadian (GB)	Sanchez	115
AE	Bee Charmer (Ire)	Anabaa	Prado	112

☆ RESULTS ☆

Wednesday, Kawasaki, Japan

ZENNIHON NISAI YUSHUN-G1 (Listed), Kawasaki, 12-13, 2yo, 1600mT, 1:41.80, sf.

1-#**FURIOSO (JPN)**, 121, c, 2, by Brian's Time

1st Dam: Fursa, by Mr. Prospector

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3rd Dam: Barger, by Riverman

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2-**Tropical Light (Jpn)**, 121, c, 2, Mizzen Mast-Tropico Cielo (SP), by Secreto. O-H Usada; B-J Herbener Jr.

3-**Ampersand (Jpn)**, 121, c, 2, Figaro-A Bientot (Jpn), by Warning (GB). O-H Date; B-Sunshine Farm.

Margins: 2, NK, 3.

Pedigree expert Andrew Caulfield takes a look at Discreet Cat (Forestry), winner the GI Cigar Mile.
Check out the [Columnists Archive](#) to read the article!

SOVEREIGN AWARD NOMINEES



A.P. INDY
Catch the Thrill - 2yo f



LANGFUHR
Kimchi - 3yo f
Last Answer - Male Turf



LEMON DROP KID
Malakoff - 3yo c



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and Female Turf

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**AROUND
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 **NORTH AMERICA** 

STAR DABBLER TO RICHLAND HILLS *Star Dab-
bler* (Saint Ballado--Meadow Silk, by Meadowlake),
dead-heat winner of the GII Indiana Derby, will enter
stud at Nathan Fox's Richland Hills in Midway, Ken-
tucky in 2007. Trained by Mi-
chael Hushion for Barry K
Schwartz, the three-year-old hit
the board in all seven career
starts, with three wins and earn-
ings of \$319,936. Second be-
hind Henny Hughes in the GI
King's Bishop S., the bay is out
of a half sister to Canadian juve-
nile filly champion Silken Cat,
the dam of sprint champion
Speightstown. "Star Dab-
bler is
one of the best-looking young sire prospects that I have
seen," said Fox. "His female family could prove to be
very important when Speightstown's first foals reach
the races and Saint Ballado is proving to be a solid sire
of sires through Sweetsouthern saint and Straight Man
in Florida. All anyone has to do is watch this horse's
last four starts in order to see just how talented and
courageous a racehorse he was and stop by the farm to
see what a terrific individual he is." Star Dab-
bler will stand for \$7,500, live foal due Nov. 1.



**Star Dab-
bler**
Cindy Pierson Dulay

**NYRA ASKS COURT TO HALT FRANCHISE
AWARD** by Tom Precious, courtesy of
www.bloodhorse.com

The New York Racing Association is asking a federal
bankruptcy judge to halt the state's plan to turn Aque-
duct, Belmont Park and Saratoga over to the next Thor-
oughbred franchise-holder. NYRA, in a battle to hold
onto its franchise after a state panel recommended it be
replaced at the end of 2007 by Excelsior Racing Associ-
ates, also filed a motion with the United States Bank-
ruptcy Court in Manhattan to force the state to approve
a long-stalled video lottery terminal casino at Aqueduct.
The court action throws yet another wrinkle into the
state's franchise bidding process. An effort by some
officials to get the franchise issue resolved Dec. 13 in
the state legislature appears dead, legislators and state
officials said. The legislature is in town for a one-day
special session, and some backers of Excelsior were
trying to get lawmakers to accept a recent recommen-
dation by the Ad Hoc Committee on the Future of Rac-
ing that Excelsior get the next 20-year franchise. The
developments came as officials with an Australian
betting company Capital Play met with state officials to
discuss its interest in the NYRA franchise. Capital Play
was disqualified earlier in the fall by the Ad Hoc Com-
mittee for failing to produce certain documents. The
firm, sources said, is telling officials it will provide
\$1.8 billion to the state, including \$50 million a year,
for the franchise--about \$1 billion more than the
next-highest bidder. **For the complete story, click [here](#).**

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14:

12-17 \$400,000 *Hollywood Starlet-I, Hol, 2yo,*
f, 8.5f (10000s)

12-26 \$250,000 *Malibu-I, SA, 3yo, 7f (250)*

04-07 \$750,000 *Santa Anita Derby-I, SA, 9f (750)*

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Yesterday's Results:

8th-AQU, \$47,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, gd.

LITTLE MISS ZIP (f, 3, City Zip--Meadow Dream {SP}, by Meadowlake), a \$75,000 FTNAUG yearling, won the Lady Fingers S. for New York-breds in August of 2005 and was last victorious in a state-bred optional claimer at the Spa Aug. 14. Since then, she ran second at this level at Belmont Sept. 27 before a well-beaten ninth-place effort in the restricted Iroquois H. Oct. 21. Making her first start over Aqueduct's inner surface, the chestnut, a 9-1 shot, was part of the early pace scenario, but was forced to check a bit midway on the turn. Responding gamely, she dug back in and asserted to beat Pennyriple (Wagon Limit) by a half-length. Lifetime Record: SW, 13-4-2-2, \$222,962.

[Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Puglisi Stables and Steve Klesaris. B-Ralph Paticchio & Nick de Meric (NY). T-Steve Klesaris.

2nd-AQU, \$43,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 1/5, gd.

SINISTER DEANCE (f, 3, Pikepass--Sinister Victory, by Vice Regent) ran to her 29-1 odds in her debut sprinting over a sloppy Belmont track last July, finishing up the track, and was disregarded here at even longer 38-1 odds returning from the break. Showing a complete turnaround in form, the bay was hustled out to lead by as many as six lengths on the turn and kept on well to register the 3 1/2-length success under Chantal Sutherland. The winner is a half to Cativa (Sir Cat), GSW, \$377,832. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$26,660.

O-Sally I Tortora. B-Clarke Whitaker (PA). T-Eugene Reiff.



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8th-AQU (Alw) Little Miss Zip (City Zip) battles back for the win.

7th-HOL (Alw) Sekira (Holy Bull) goes gate to wire in her first try on turf.

BRIS Speed Ratings
Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Magna Graduate	Honor Grades	Queens County H.-G3	116
Marsh Side	Gone West	Valedictory S.	111
Boboman	Kingmambo	Hollywood Turf Cup S.-G1	108
Meteor Impact	Belek	Louisiana Champions Day Sprint S.	106
Easy Red	Charismatic	Jennings H.	101
Lawrence the Roman	Point Given	Damon Runyon S.	101
Silver Prospector	Silver Deputy	Don Rickles S.	100
Costa Rising	Royal Strand (Ire)	Louisiana Champions Day Classic S.	99
Tap Dancing Mauk	Louis Quatorze	Zia Park Distance Championship H.	99
Dream of Angels	Trippi	Inaugural S.	98
Saint Stephen	Saint Ballado	Native Diver H.-G3	97
Bend a Little	Benny the Dip	Winter S.	96
Half Heaven	Regal Classic	My Charmer S.	96
Captive Melody	Unbridled's Song	Cesario S.	95
Carl's Frosty Girl	Pulling Punches	Louisiana Champions Day Ladies Sprint S.	95
Desert Wheat	Wheaton	Louisiana Champions Day Turf S.	95
Tortuga Straits	Gold Tribute	Louisiana Champions Day Juvenile S.	94
Croton Road	Mr. Greeley	Mel's Hope S.	93
Fernando Po	Johannesburg	Kris S. S.	93
More Than Regal	More Than Ready	Zia Park Derby	92
Royal Kleven	Kleven	California Distaff Turf Championship H.	92
R Big Stuff	Chanate	Arizona Breeders Futurity	91
Blueyed Lass	Sky Classic	Louisiana Champions Day Ladies S.	90
Mocita	Boundary	Sonic Gray S.	90

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★ EAST ★

Change in Purse Structure at Philly Park:

Overall purses at Philadelphia Park will be boosted 40 percent in 2007, it was announced yesterday. The track will be able to offer the increase as their slot machines go on line next week. The current daily purse distribution is \$125,000; it will be raised to \$175,000 beginning in '07, and, for the first time, purses will be paid back to last. "While we're thrilled to take these initial steps in the advancement of Philadelphia Park, we also realize that this really is just the beginning of turning this track into one of the prominent players in East Coast racing," remarked Director of Racing Sal Sinatra. The track will also implement a state-bred program, offering restricted maiden special weight races, as well as NW1X and NW2X allowance events. The bottom price for some claiming divisions has been raised as well, with the bottom for maiden claimers at \$10,000 and for conditional claimers at \$5,000. "It's the best Christmas present our horsemen could receive," said Mike Ballezzi, executive director of the Pennsylvania Thoroughbred Horsemen's Association. "It will certainly change the face of Pennsylvania racing forever and be of great benefit to all Pennsylvania horsemen and their families."



East Report cont.

OBS Winter Mixed Catalogues Available:

The catalogue for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's 2007 Winter Mixed Sale, to be mailed later this month, is currently available at www.obssales.com. A total of 1,154 horses are slated to go under the hammer at the four-day auction, set for Jan. 16-19.

Yesterday's Results:

3rd-CRC, \$24,305, Alw, NW2L, 2yo, f, 1m, 1:42, ft. ALARMING ANYTIME (f, 2, Darn That Alarm--Your Place Anytime, by Out of Place) broke her maiden by three lengths in a \$16,000 maiden claimer going seven panels over this strip Nov. 6. A 5-1 shot in this small four-horse field, she was allowed an easy lead on the front end and was under a drive to hand Sweet Yamila (Quaker Ridge) the 2 3/4-length defeat. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$23,940. O-Ricko Racing Stable, Inc. B-Robert A Murphy & Dr Sandy Lynn Price-Murphy (FL). T-Aubrey A Maragh.

☆ **THAT'S A WRAP** ☆

WOODBINE - Toronto, Canada

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All-Sources Handle: \$333,489,534 (-8.6%)

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The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$41,000 Allowance, at Fair Grounds. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

★ **CENTRAL** ★

Leptospirosis Getting an Early Start this Year:

By Erin Ryder, courtesy of www.bloodhorse.com.

Researchers at the University of Kentucky's Livestock Disease Diagnostic Center have reported numerous early cases of leptospirosis, a bacterial disease that can cause a variety of equine problems, including abortion, a flu-like illness, and uveitis (moon blindness). Leptospirosis can spread from horses to humans. Craig Carter, DVM PhD, a professor of epidemiology at the university, said the center has seen 10 cases of leptospirosis in Kentucky since October, compared to zero cases in the same timeframe last year. With the upcoming Kentucky breeding and foaling season closing in, Carter said he believes there will be many more leptospirosis cases. "It feels like we're maybe shifting a little earlier, maybe a couple of months, of when we see cases," Carter said. "Whether that's due to the rainfall or not, who knows, but it looks like a shift." Carter said the Leptospira bacteria are particularly fond of wet weather, and are killed by drying or freezing, and as Kentucky transitions from a soggy fall into a wet winter, the conditions are just right for increased infection rates. Carter said that the infected horses brought in to the diagnostic center so far have been mostly mid-to late-term abortions, with one weak neonate, and one older horse that died and was confirmed to be a carrier. The Diagnostic Center has verified leptospirosis via a fluorescent antibody test performed on kidney and liver samples combined with pathology on the affected horses. **For the complete story, click [here](#).**

Meier Suffers Broken Wrist:

Veteran jockey Randy Meier suffered a broken wrist in a spill at the start of Sunday's eighth race at Hawthorne and will miss the remainder of the meet. Meier, 52, was thrown when his mount, Miss Classified, stumbled leaving the gate. The all-time leading rider at the track, he is expected to be back in action when the spring meet opens Feb. 23. Meier posted 12 victories at the current stand.

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Hawthorne Changes Holiday Schedule:

Hawthorne has received permission from the Illinois Racing Board to be dark on Christmas Eve, and instead run Tuesday, Dec. 26. The track will also be closed Christmas Day, as had been previously announced.

Centaur Gains Sole Ownership of Hoosier Park:

Centaur, already the owner of 38 percent of Hoosier Park in Anderson, Indiana, yesterday purchased the remaining 62-percent stake in the track from Churchill Downs Inc. The deal, subject to approval by the Indiana Racing Commission and the Anderson Department of Parks, also includes three OTBs in the state. The simulcast signal will continue to be offered on the Churchill Downs network.

★ **SO. CALIFORNIA** ★

Woolf Finalists Announced:

The five finalists for the 2006 Santa Anita George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award, created un 1950, were released yesterday. They are Jon Court, Victor Espinoza, Roberto Gonzalez, Aaron Gryder and Mario Pino. The award honors riders who "have withstood the personal and professional challenges inherent in Thoroughbred racing." The winner, decided by a vote of jockeys nationwide, will be announced in late March or early April.

7th-HOL, \$46,122, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), NW1X, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:09 1/5, fm.

SEKIRA (f, 2, Holy Bull--Kiss for a Penny, by Pentelicus) beat a total of three horses in her first two starts, tiring to be ninth behind Cash Included at Del Mar Sept. 2 and finishing 10th after a slow start at Oak Tree Oct. 1. Trying Cushion Track Nov. 25, the chestnut filly broke sharply and turned it around at 43-1 to win by 1 1/2 lengths. She was 5-1 to make it two in a row in her turf debut. Sent right to the lead, Sekira had things her own way on the front end and cruised down the lane for a 3 1/2-length score over 7-10 Shes Got Skills (Siphon {Brz}). The winner was a \$26,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$160,000 OBSAPR juvenile. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$50,600. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)
O-Thor-Bred Stable LLC. B-Mary Kaye Harrison (FL). T-Dan L Hendricks.

8th-HOL, \$40,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, f, 6.5f, 1:16 4/5, ft. + SUMMERTIME (f, 2, Siberian Summer--Native Wind Dancer, by Incinderator), a full to Summer Wind Dancer, MGSW & GISP, \$898,762, was let go at 19-1 at first asking. Allowed to settle off solid splits, she closed in tandem with Cathrine's Hope (In Excess {Ire}) at the top of the lane and outgamed that rival to the wire to take it by a half length. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,000.
O/B-Richard & Yvette Wira (CA). T-Jeff Mullins.



Committee Selection Process Underway

With Congress having adjourned, attention now turns to the selection of members for the 19 House and 17 Senate Committees that have jurisdiction over a wide range of issues. Key committees for horse racing include:

Committee	Issue(s)
Agriculture	Livestock, equine identification
Appropriations	Vehicles for other provisions
Banking/Financial Services	Internet gaming
Energy & Commerce	Interstate Horseracing Act
Finance	Taxes and trade
Homeland Security	Anti-terrorism measures affecting consumers
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★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

IN FRANCE:

Russian Range, g, 8, St. Jovite--Tereshkova (GSW-Fr, SW-UAE, G1SP-Ire & Fr, \$185,518-UK & Fr), by Mr. Prospector. Deauville, 12-13, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 3/16m (AWT). B-Gainsborough Farm Inc.

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Second-crop starters to Watch: Thursday, December 14 (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)

CAME HOME (Gone West), Lane's End, \$40K, 77/7/0
5-HOL, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Headed for Home, \$110K KEE SEP yrl



★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

ROAP To Unveil Evaluation Program for Stewards:

The Racing Officials Accreditation Program has developed an annual performance evaluation program for stewards and judges, as well as a list of points of emphasis for judging races, and that information will be disseminated to state racing commissions by the end of the year. "We have had several inquiries from racing commissions asking for suggestions on how to properly evaluate the job performance of their stewards and judges," said Stan Bowker, executive secretary of the Virginia Racing Commission and chairman of ROAP.

"With the help of executive directors John Wayne in Delaware, John Blakeney in Ontario and Bob Leitner in Washington, we have developed the key elements that should be included in a program to evaluate stewards and judges. The ROAP program envisions annual evaluations, and we believe the reviews will show that stewards and judges, by and large, are doing an outstanding job of enforcing the rules and regulations of each racing commission and maintaining the integrity of our sport. In situations where improvements are needed, the reviews will provide opportunities to discuss performance changes." The points of emphasis that ROAP has come up with are: the uniform posting of the inquiry sign; requiring jockeys to ride horses out to the wire; uniform review of race video before declaring a race official; and routine communications with all stakeholders, including owners, trainers, jockeys, track management, fans and other racing officials. "In today's age of simulcasting where 88 percent of handle originates off track, it is more important than ever to develop consistency in the way stewards and judges handle certain situations," Bowker said. "Consistency of officiating is characteristic of other professional sports, and we believe that horse racing's patrons will be better served if stewards and judges handle certain situations the same no matter where a track is located." ROAP was established in July of 2005 to improve the integrity of racing by accrediting all racing officials, stewards and judges.

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HOLLYWOOD

On Board Again (Awesome Again), 6f, 1:15.00, 10/14
Sacred Light (Holy Bull), 5f, 1:02.20, 34/42

PALM MEADOWS

Sir Greeley (Mr. Greeley), 5f, 1:01.40, 4/12

SANTA ANITA

Chief's Magic (Chief Seattle), 3f, :35.60, 2/21
Da Stoops (Distorted Humor), 7f, 1:25.60, 4/6
Pussycat Doll (Real Quiet), 4f, :47.00, 4/33

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-LRL, \$38,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000-\$35,000), C, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:39 4/5, ft.

MY DREAM (BRZ) (h, 5, **Royal Academy--Crossover Dreams, by Buckaroo**) Lifetime Record: SP, 18-5-3-3, \$125,267. O/B-Stud TNT (BRZ). T-Flint W Stites. *1/2 to Mr. McCartney (Brz) (Academy Award), Ch. Sprinter-Brz, G1SW-Brz.

8th-HAW, \$32,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 3/5, wf.

ALMAGNUS (c, 3, Albert the Great--Datsafact {SP}, by Known Fact) Lifetime Record: 11-4-2-1, \$69,420. O-Nancy A Vanier, Cartwright Thoroughbred II and GOB Racing Stable. B-Hargus & Sandra Sexton (KY). T-Brian Williamson. *\$35,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

7th-LRL, \$32,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 4/5, ft.

ONE TOUGH BIRDIE (m, 5, Roanoke--Something Precious, by Snar) Lifetime Record: 20-4-2-6, \$73,750. O-John Alecci Stable Inc. B-Brenda Gayle Legg (PA). T-John V Alecci.

8th-MNR, \$31,500, 12-12, NW2X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:13 3/5, ft.

MONTSTAR (g, 5, Montbrook--My Sharp Lady, by Sharpen Up {GB}) Lifetime Record: 31-11-3-2, \$178,685. O-Chris C Dunn and Rollin Fishback and Michael J Maker. B-Ocala Stud Farms (FL). T-Michael J Maker. *\$220,000 2yo 2003 OBSMAR. **1/2 to Sharp Appeal (World Appeal), MGSW, \$720,036.

10th-ZIA, \$31,200, 12-12, NW3L, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

ESPANTO AZUL (g, 3, Ghostly Moves--Geauga Lily, by Green Forest) Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$57,053. O-John W Rogers Jr. B-V J Callaway (NM). T-Henry Dominguez. *1/2 to Uno Numero (Numerous), MSW-PR, \$157,514.

6th-CRC, \$20,500, NW2L, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, 1:40 3/5, fm.

OUR CAT (h, 5, Storm Cat--Lady Lingafelter {MSP}, by Private Account) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-0, \$55,878. O/B-Alex G Campbell Jr & Overbrook Farm (KY). T-Robert J Reinacher, Jr.

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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Smart Cart, g, 2, **Cartwright**--Bob's Dorthy, by Miglietti. HAW, 12-13, (S), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-J B Stables Inc (IL).

Emerald Belle, f, 2, **Dixie Union**--Emeralino, by Tremolino. MNR, 12-12, 1 1/16m, 1:55. B-Hidden Lake Farm LLC, Barry R Ostrager & Richard K Gallagher (NY). * \$11,000 wlng '04 KEENOV.

Pressing Issue, g, 2, **Freud**--Vital Spark, by Miswaki. AQU, 12-13, (S), (C), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Thomas/Lakin (NY).

Lock Box, f, 2, **Jack Wilson**--Arizona Cactus, by Alwasmi. ZIA, 12-12, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07 3/5. B-Larry R Teague (NM).

Latin Fire, c, 2, **Petionville**--Salted With Fire, by Salt Lake. LRL, 12-13, (C), 1m, 1:43. B-Everest Stables Inc (KY).

Show Host, c, 3, **Gilded Time**--Bosha, by Blushing John. ZIA, 12-12, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Caldara Farm (KY). * \$75,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

Bullish Yield, g, 3, **High Yield**--Hansel's Star, by Hansel. HOL, 12-13, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:16 1/5. B-Christine & J & J Mamakos (KY). * \$57,000 yrl '04 KEESEP.

Valley Oak, g, 3, **Peaks and Valleys**--Merry Deputy (MSW, \$114,455), by Silver Deputy. HAW, 12-13, 1 1/16m, 1:47 2/5. B-Nicholas M Lotz & Diana L Hume (KY). * \$27,000 yrl '04 KEESEP. ** 1/2 to Merry Me In Spring (Wekiva Springs), SW, \$131,760.

Mighty Clever, f, 4, **Clever Trick**--Sea Jamie Win, by Dixieland Band. HOL, 12-13, 6 1/2f, 1:16. B-Paula Schechert Capestro (KY). * 1/2 to The Herc (Lord Carson), MSW, \$129,702.

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BREEDERS' EDITION

EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Deauville, 1.10, 12-13, €23,000, 2yo, f, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:19.00, stn.

ZALIANA (FR) (f, 2, Daliapour {Ire}--Gandelina {Fr}, by Ganges) Lifetime Record: 11 starts, 3 wins, 6 places, €48,350. O-Mme C Wingtans & P Vidal; B-Mme C Wingtans; T-Robert Collet. * 1/2 to Gandelina (Fr) (Ganges), MGSP-Fr, \$100,230.

FRANCE, Deauville, 12.45, 12-13, €23,000, 2yo, c/g, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17.60, stn.

PUNISHER (FR) (c, 2, Until Sundown--Fitness Queen, by Gilded Time) Lifetime Record: 13 starts, 3 wins, 6 places, €47,350. O-Dominique Guindon; B-SNC Regnier & San Gabriel Inv Inc; T-Sylvain Loeuillet. * €37,000 yrl '05 DEAAUG.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Putra Laju (Ire), c, 2, **Trans Island (GB)**--El Corazon (Ire), by Mujadil. Wolverhampton, Britain, 12-13, Mdn, 2yo, 7f 32yds (AWT). B-Rathasker Stud. * 22,000gns yrl '05 TATOCT.

Benny The Bat (GB), c, 2, **Victory Note**--Little Emily (GB), by Zafonic. Wolverhampton, Britain, 12-13, Mdn, 2yo, 1m 141yds (AWT). B-Ewar Stud Farms.

Alyscamp (Fr), c, 3, **Pennekamp**--Jurata (Ire), by Polish Precedent. Deauville, France, 12-13, Cond (Female Jockeys), 3yo, c/g, 1 3/16m (AWT). B-Dr Fernand Krief.

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