

DERBYWATCH

HORSE SIRE	WATCHMAKER ODDS	POOL 1 & 2 ODDS	BEST BEYER	OWNER, TRAINER, AND JOCKEY	LAST RACE, RESULT, AND BEYER	NEXT LIKELY RACE, TRACK, AND DATE	JAY PRIVMAN AND MIKE WATCHMAKER'S COMMENTS
SUN KING <i>by Charismatic</i>	8-1	19-1 10-1	104	Tracy Farmer N. Zito/E. Prado	Tampa Bay Dby, 3/19 1st by 3 1/4, 91	Blue Grass, 1 1/8 m Keeneland, 4/16	Privman: Workmanlike victory at Tampa; think he's best running at a target. Watchmaker: That 13-point Beyer drop off his 2005 bow is troubling to me.
HIGH LIMIT <i>by Maria's Mon</i>	10-1	29-1 9-1	105	Gary & Mary West R. Frankel/R. Dominguez	Louisiana Dby, 3/12 1st by 4, 105	Blue Grass, 1 1/8 m Keeneland, 4/16	P: Still not sure how good he is – got an easy trip in La. Derby, and dominated. W: Louisiana Derby form is open to question after Vicarage's flop in Fla. Derby.
BANDINI <i>by Fusaichi Pegasus</i>	12-1	20-1 14-1	98	M. Tabor & D. Smith T. Pletcher/J. Velazquez	Ftn of Youth, 3/5 2nd by 3/4, 98	Blue Grass, 1 1/8 m Keeneland, 4/16	P: Had to bypass Fla. Derby with minor foot issue; Blue Grass next. W: It could work out; he will now have a start closer to the Kentucky Derby.
CONSOLIDATOR <i>by Storm Cat</i>	12-1	32-1 44-1	105	Robert & Beverly Lewis D.W. Lukas/R. Bejarano	San Felipe, 3/19 1st by 6 1/2, 105	Blue Grass, 1 1/8 m Keeneland, 4/16	P: Ran super in the San Felipe, but the track bias totally favored his style. W: He's going to have to run another big race to prove to me he's for real.
HIGH FLY <i>by Atticus</i>	12-1	28-1 19-1	102	Live Oak Plantation N. Zito/J. Bailey	Florida Derby, 4/2 1st by 1 1/2, 102	Kentucky Derby, 1 1/4 m Churchill, 5/7	P: Turned in another thoroughly professional performance in the Fla. Derby. W: Needles, in 1956, was the last to win Derby off a layoff of five weeks or more.
ROCKPORT HARBOR <i>by Unbridled's Song</i>	12-1	13-1 14-1	102	Fox Hill Farms Inc. J. Servis/S. Elliott	Rebel, 3/19 2nd by 1/2, 94	Ark. Derby, 1 1/8 m Oaklawn, 4/16	P: Keeps having nagging setbacks; hope the latest one won't deter him. W: You have to wonder if he has enough time to be at his best come Derby Day.
SWEET CATOMINE (F) <i>by Storm Cat</i>	12-1	21-1 16-1	102	Mr. & Mrs. M. Wygod J. Canani/C. Nakatani	SA Oaks, 3/13 1st by 3, 96	Santa Anita Dby, 1 1/8 m Santa Anita, 4/9	P: Trying to become first filly since Winning Colors to win SA and Ky. Derbies. W: It would be funny if a Juv. Fillies winner won the Derby before a Juvenile winner.
GOING WILD <i>by Golden Missile</i>	15-1	28-1 27-1	104s	Robert & Beverly Lewis D.W. Lukas/V. Espinoza	Santa Catalina, 3/5 2nd by 2, 93	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Improved sharply this winter at Santa Anita; one to catch in the Wood. W: It will be interesting to see if he can duplicate his sharp SA form at Aqu.
GREATER GOOD <i>by Intidab</i>	15-1	39-1 28-1	95	Lewis Lakin R. Holthus/J. McKee	Rebel, 3/19 1st by 1/2, 95	Ark. Derby, 1 1/8 m Oaklawn, 4/16	P: Has had a trouble-free schedule, unlike his main Ark. Derby rivals. W: I would like him more if he had at least one fast victory to his credit.
NOBLE CAUSEWAY <i>by Giant's Causeway</i>	15-1	2-1f 18-1	100	My Meadowview Farms N. Zito/E. Prado	Florida Derby, 4/2 2nd by 1 1/2, 100	Kentucky Derby, 1 1/4 m Churchill, 5/7	P: Couldn't catch stablemate High Fly, but continued to progress. W: Ran very well despite losing ground on the far turn; proved he's for real.
AFLEET ALEX <i>by Northern Afleet</i>	20-1	15-1 8-1	106s	Cash is King LLC T. Ritche/undecided	Rebel, 3/19 6th by 12 1/2, 74	Ark. Derby, 1 1/8 m Oaklawn, 4/16	P: Lung infection or not, that was one ugly performance in the Rebel. W: He couldn't have gotten anything out of that race, which is a concern.
DON'T GET MAD <i>by Stephen Got Even</i>	20-1	2-1f 21-1	92	B. Wayne Hughes R. Ellis/T. Baze	San Felipe, 3/19 3rd by 7, 92	Santa Anita Dby, 1 1/8 m Santa Anita, 4/9	P: Track was playing against his style in San Felipe; next start holds key. W: It's getting late in the game for a colt whose best Beyer is only a 92.
GIACOMO <i>by Holy Bull</i>	20-1	25-1 26-1	98	Mr. & Mrs. J. Moss J. Shirreffs/M. Smith	San Felipe, 3/19 2nd by 6 1/2, 93	Santa Anita Dby, 1 1/8 m Santa Anita, 4/9	P: Caught a speed-favoring track and ran on well for second. Like him. W: I have always liked him, but a big loss to Consolidator doesn't sit well.
WILKO <i>by Awesome Again</i>	20-1	23-1 21-1	98	J.P. Reddam & S. Roy C. Dollase/L. Dettori	San Felipe, 3/19 4th by 8, 91	Santa Anita Dby, 1 1/8 m Santa Anita, 4/9	P: Dettori rode him to BC Juvenile win, and is back aboard him this week. W: Now all Dettori has to do is get him to improve by about six lengths.
BELLAMY ROAD <i>by Concerto</i>	30-1	2-1f 6-1f	96	Kinsman Stable N. Zito/J. Castellano	GP Allowance, 3/12 1st by 15 3/4, 96	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Good karma here - Zito is on a roll, Yankees beat Sox in season opener. W: It had to happen that the Yankees would stop gagging and finally win a game.
BLUES AND ROYALS <i>by Honor and Glory</i>	30-1	2-1f 6-1f	n/a	Godolphin Racing S. bin Suroor/L. Dettori	UAE Derby, 3/26 1st by 12, 120(Tf)	Kentucky Derby, 1 1/4 m Churchill, 5/7	P: Won by a large margin, but it looked to me like no one else ran a jump. W: We've seen this one prep in Dubai stuff before, and it has always flopped.
FLOWER ALLEY <i>by Distorted Humor</i>	40-1	2-1f 6-1f	94	Melnyk Racing Stables T. Pletcher/J. Chavez	Lane's End, 3/26 1st by 1/2, 94	Blue Grass, or Ark. Derby, 4/16	P: Made jump from maiden to stakes, but I question quality of Lane's End field. W: A notch below the best, but he's improving, and should continue to develop.
GREELEY'S GALAXY <i>by Mr. Greeley</i>	40-1	2-1f 6-1f	95	B. Wayne Hughes W. Stute/K. Desormeaux	SA Allowance, 3/10 1st by 4, 95	Illinois Dby, 1 1/8 m Hawthorne, 4/9	P: Needs big effort in III. Derby to have enough graded stakes earnings. W: Needs to win the III. Derby to be supplemented to Ky. Derby for \$200K.
SURVIVALIST <i>by Danzig</i>	40-1	2-1f 6-1f	93	Phipps Stable C. McGaughey/R. Migliore	Gotham, 3/19 1st by 3/4, 92	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Needed length of the stretch to get up in Gotham; only got a 90 Beyer. W: Gotham couldn't have been much if unheralded Pavo was tons the best.
CLOSING ARGUMENT <i>by Successful Appeal</i>	50-1	53-1 6-1f	98	Philip & Marcia Cohen K. McLaughlin/C. Velasquez	Holy Bull, 2/5 1st by 1 1/2, 98	Blue Grass, 4/16, or Lexington, 4/23	P: Getting bad vibes; hasn't run in a while, and missed the Florida Derby. W: On top of that, he's been for sale for months, and no one has bought him.
GALLOPING GROCER <i>by A. P Jet</i>	50-1	39-1 44-1	102	Rosenthal & Waldbaum D. Schettino/M. Luzzi	Gotham, 3/19 3rd by 1, 90	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Instincts tell me that the Gotham will not prove to be a key race. W: Passing the easier spot in the III. Derby for the tougher race in the Wood.
NAUGHTY NEW YORKER <i>by Quiet American</i>	50-1	2-1f 6-1f	96	Fox Ridge Farm Inc. P. Kelly/J. Samyn	Gotham, 3/19 4th by 1 1/2, 89	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Gotham was probably too short for him; the Wood suits his style. W: Was in a position to win the Gotham, and simply wasn't good enough.
WILD DESERT <i>by Wild Rush</i>	50-1	2-1f 6-1f	93	Daniel Borislow K. McPeck/P. Valenzuela	Lane's End, 3/26 2nd by 1/2, 93	Ark. Derby, 1 1/8 m Oaklawn, 4/16	P: Ran decently in Lane's End, but not enamored of that group as a whole. W: Deep closers like him may be crowd-pleasers, but they need a lot of luck.
PAVO <i>by Marquetry</i>	60-1	2-1f 6-1f	91	Paraneck Stable J. Pedersen/J. Bailey	Gotham, 3/19 2nd by 3/4, 91	Wood Mem., 1 1/8 m Aqueduct, 4/9	P: Rider lost irons halfway through the Gotham, yet colt still nearly won. W: Can't disagree with those who take that as an indictment of this Gotham.
RUSH BAY <i>by Cozzene</i>	60-1	65-1 6-1f	89	Phoebe Mueller T. Amoss/E. Razo Jr.	FG O C/Alw, 3/14 1st by 2, 89	Blue Grass, or Ark. Derby, 4/16	P: Just doesn't seem to have made very much progress from 2 to 3. W: Trying to be positive, he did regain winning form last time with blinkers on.

Horses are listed in order of Watchmaker odds

Pool 1 & 2 closing odds for Churchill Future Wager rounded down; f-mutuel field

(F) filly; (s) Top Beyer Figure in a sprint; (Tf) Timeform rating