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QUICK DEFENCE (First Defence) 3 b c

An interesting 3yo trained by Sir Michael Stoute (pic), Quick Defence made two racecourse appearances in his first season, both in over 7 furlongs in September; he ran fifth of nine behind Dancetrack at Leicester and second of ten behind American Artist at Goodwood, when this handsome son of First Defence was spotted as one to follow in 2015.

His Premier Service Raceday Report entry:

"Very shiny. Fit. 2nd start. Relaxed (just a bit on his toes) pre-parade ring, relaxed / alert paddock.
Attractive, bit leggy colt with scope. Growing. Went down last and cantered down with zest. Ran as if soft ground would suit him better. Blowing hard (3) after the race.
Very promising colt."

Quick Defence is probably going to be best at up to a mile as a three-year-old. His sire possessed a lot of speed and his dam, Quickfire (Dubai Millennium), captured a 7-furlong maiden at two, and produced her best UK form when runner-up in a G3

over the same distance at three.

She won a 6.5-furlong allowance race over the downhill turf course at Santa Anita as a 4yo.





Kentucky Derby winners; California Chrome and Victor Espinoza

Photo: Reed Palmer

CALIFORNIA CHROME

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Trainer: Art Sherman

North American Horse of The Year in 2014, California Chrome is living proof that 'the American dream' is still very much possible. This incredible colt was bred by two friends who were having fun with horses in the lower divisions, from a cheap mare nobody else wanted - and the sire was a stallion not many had even heard of Until California Chrome began strutting his stuff. He worked his way up the ranks, ran away with the Santa Anita Derby (G1), ended up as the Kentucky Derby (G1) favourite, won the Derby impressively, went on to grab the second leg of the US Triple Crown too, with another dominating performance in the Preakness Stakes (G1), and become a possible Triple Crown winner. Sweeping the Kentucky Derby / Preakness / Belmont Stakes, three tough events within the space of five week, had not been done since Affirmed managed the feat back in 1978. A new Triple Crown winner was long overdue and the general belief was that California Chrome could do it, but the Belmont Stakes (G1) was not to be a crowing moment for 'Chrome', which was by now his most used name. He picked

up a hoof injury when leaving the starting gate at Belmont Park though still ran a fine race, finishing fourth, 2 lengths behind Tonalist. California Chrome is a better horse than Tonalist, that much has always been clear. This just wasn't his day. He won the Derby by 1 ¾ lengths from Commanding Curve, after having opened up a commanding lead early in the long Churchill Downs straight, and in the Preakness he was a solid length-anda-half winner from Ride On Curlin, who

had been a troubled seventh at Churchill Downs. Three weeks later came the Belmont, where Chrome fans were grounded. What about the horse? Was he burnt out, after having run his heart out six times already in the first half of 2014? Taking in all three legs of the Triple Crown has proved costly to so many horses over the years, many have done well in the series, only to fade dramatically in the autumn. Trainer Art Sherman gave the son of Lucky Pulpit, by know a household name amongst breeders of course, a break after the Belmont.

Chrome needed a rest. It would take 15 weeks before his name appeared in another racing programme. The chosen comeback race was the Pennsylvania Derby (G1) in late September, and what a disappointment it turned out be. While Bayern, a fresh colt who had missed the Triple Crown races, ran a superb race in front for a near six-length success, Chrome was labouring back in sixth place. Had we seen the best of him?

Would he ever come back to form? The answers were no and yes. A month and a half later, Bayern and Chrome met once more, this time in the Breeders' Cup Classic (G1) at Santa Anita Park, a course they had both thrived on in the past.

Bayern won again, though this time by no more than a nose, beating English raider Toast Of New York in a thrilling finish. California Chrome was just a neck behind in third place. He was back. No doubt about that, and when his connections too the unusual route to a top level turf race to round off his campaign, it was a shrewd move in securing votes for Horse of The Year. It worked out to perfection. Chrome had no problems with the surface switch, as he won the Hollywood Derby (G1) with ease - and in January he was on the top of the podium at the annual Awards. Retirement and Eclipse lucrative stud career was never even discussed. After all, his team have been having fun all along this fantastic journey, and his mother's name was Love The Chase. That's exactly what he appears to be doing.



Passing the winning post at Churchill Downs Photo: Reed Palmer

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ALMERZEM - WON 13-2 (3 runs)

ARAB DAWN - 3 WINS, 11-2, 3-1 and 9-4

CHATEZ - 2 WINS, 10-1 and 7-2

CANNOCK CHASE - 3-for-3; 3-1, 7-4, 6-4

KARAKONTIE - 30-1 Breeders' Cup winner

KINGSTON HILL - St Leger winner 10-1 a/post

MANGE ALL - WON 10-1, Ascot handicap

MISS FRANCE - 1,000 Guineas winner 10-1

REEDCUTTER - 2 WINS, 7-1 and 9-2

SUDDEN WONDER - 2 WINS, 8-1 and 7-1

TERCEL - WON 9-2 first time out

VENT DE FORCE - 3 WINS, 16-1, 4-1 and 2-1

VOLUME - WON 4-1, 2nd Oaks 40-1 a/post

plus several other winners through the season

WAHGAH - 2 WINS, 8-1 and 6-1



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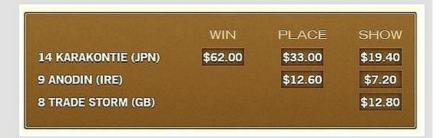
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Breeders' Cup Mile: Globeform's Notebook horse Karakontie wins at 30-1 Photo: Breeders' Cup Inc.





GLOBEFORM RATINGS THE DONN HANDICAP (G1)

Gulfstream Park Feb 7, 2015 - 9 furlongs dirt (sunny / dry f'cast / firm ground expected)

Top ranked horse on 100, with others ranked down in pounds (2lb = 1 length over this distance)

Horses presented with sire, best Globeform, last placings, jockey, post position

100	LEA (First Samurai)	GF 118p	345111	J Rosario	4
100	CONSTITUTION (Tapit)	GF 116p	11143	J Castellano	1
100	PROTONICO (Giant's Causeway)	GF 115	131712	J Bravo	8
100	EAST HALL (Graeme Hall)	GF 114	219112	L Saez	3
99	COMMISSIONER (A.P. Indy)	GF 114	636223	J Velazquez	2
99	SLOANE AVENUE (Candy Ride)	GF 110p	15181	J Lezcano	7
98	PRAYER FOR RELIEF (Jump Start)	GF 111	343063	E Zayas	10
97	BLUE TONE (Birdstone)	GF 110	411423	C Lanerie	9
96	ELNAAWI (Street Sense)	GF 108	943161	J Leparoux	5
92	CATHOLIC COWBOY (Heatseeker)	GF 104	116713	P Lopez	6

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

FOUR HORSES are inseparable on GF ratings, but this does look like a good opportunity for back-to-back Donn wins for Bill Mott's lightly raced six-year-old **LEA**, who made an impressive come back here last month. Lea was in all sorts of trouble as the field entered the home straight in the Hal's Hope Stakes (G3), but overcame it for a stylish win. He was blocked behind a wall of horses, forced to pull wide, and looked like running out of both time and ground as he delivered his challenge. Confidently ridden by Joel Rosario, he quickened up like a top class horse to sort it all out in a matter of strides. He got up for a cheeky half-length win over Bold Ruler (G3) runner-up Confrontation, with **PRAYER FOR RELIEF** a head further back in third place and Valid another length back in fourth. The latter was coming off a half-length second in the Harlan's Holiday (LR), where he failed narrowly in his attempt at giving Liam's Map five pounds.

Lea performed to Globeform 114p in the Hal's Hope, which was his first start back since being sidelined after last year's Donn, where he produced Globeform 118p to beat multiple Grade One winner Will Take Charge in course record time (1.46.86). The way he performed that day suggested he was capable of GF 120 plus, and a clear run in the Hal's Hope last time out would probably have resulted in around GF 117p. He will be a lot sharper here, he is ideally suited by this course and the distance (3-for-3 at GP), he has one of the best riders in the land on his back and his trainer boasts a tremendous record in Graded stakes. Lea may be a short price, and he has to concede a few pounds to his rivals, but he is hard to oppose. Another win on Saturday is likely to set him up for a trip to Meydan for the Dubai World Cup (G1) on March 28.

Todd Pletcher's **CONSTITUTION** ran his best race to date when beating Wildcat Red by a neck to capture the Florida Derby (G1) last March, but was out of action up to mid-October, when he finished fourth to Easter Gift in a minor event at Belmont Park. He ran respectably, though seemed one paced at the finish, when third to Hoppertunity in the Clark Handicap (G1) over 9 furlongs at Churchill Downs in November. **PROTONICO**, also representing Pletcher, outstayed Constitution to take second that day, half a length behind Hoppertunity and 1 ½ lengths in front of Constitution. They carried the same weight and Constitution now has a pound more. The Clark form was given a boost when Hoppertunity impressed in the San Pasqual (G2) at Santa Anita in January – he takes his chance against California Chrome and Shared Belief in the San Antonio (G2) on Saturday.

COMMISSIONER, the third Pletcher horse, ran well below his best when only third behind Ulanbator in an allowance race over 8.5 furlongs here at Gulfstream Park last month. The trip was too short for last year's Belmont (G1) runner-up but he is still hard to fancy after such a dull prep run.

EAST HALL was at his best two starts back, winning the Millions Classic Prevue, but failed to reproduced the form in the Sunshine Millions Classic three weeks ago, when he went down by half a length to longshot Sr. Quisqueyano.

SLOANE AVENUE's most recent form, a narrow Listed win over Cladocera at Kempton Park in November, was given a boost as the latter gained a smooth win in the Cape Verdi (G2) at Meydan last month.

DUBAI WORLD CUP DAY THE MOST INTERESTING NAMES

Nominations to the valuable races at Meydan on Dubai World Cup day (March 28) are free of charge, and the lists of horses possible for the World Cup, Dubai Turf, Sheema Classic etc. thus a very long one. Over 1,000 horses have been nominated – and studying the form of all would be waste of time. There are supplementary deadlines on February 11, March 9 and March 23

Listed below are the most interesting horses nominated to each thoroughbred contest.



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AFRICAN STORY CALIFORNIA CHROME * CANDY BOY CIGAR STREET COMMISSIONER CONSTITUTION **DARWIN EPIPHANIEA*** FAULKNER * FOOTBRIDGE * **HOPPERTUNITY** * KID CRUZ * LEA* **ROMANSH* SLOANE AVENUE * SURFER* TELETEXT *** TOAST OF NEW YORK **TONALIST** WICKED STRONG

DUBAI SHEEMA CLASSIC

DESIGNS ON ROME
DIVINE OATH
EPIPHANEIA *
FLINTSHIRE
GOLD SHIP
HARP STAR *
MAIN SEQUENCE
MILITARY ATTACK *
MSHAWISH *
ROMSDAL
SKY HUNTER
TELETEXT *
THE GREY GATSBY *

DUBAI TURF

CALIFORNIA CHROME *
DARWIN *
DIVINE OATH *
EPIPHANEIA *
EURO CHARLINE
FINTRY *
HARP STAR *
JUST THE JUDGE *
MILITARY ATTACK *
MSHAWISH *
THE GREY GATSBY *
TRUE STORY
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BOURBON COURAGE *
FAST ANNA *
LUCKY KRISTALE *
LUCKY NINE
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PALACE
REYNALDOTHEWIZARD
RICH TAPESTRY
SALUTOS AMIGOS
SECRET CIRCLE

AL QUOZ SPRINT

AHTOUG
AMBER SKY
FAST ANNA *
HAPPY VALENTINE
HOME RUN KITTEN
LUCKY KRISTALE *
MUHTMIR *
RECKLESS ABANDON
REYNALDOTHEWIZARD *
SOLE POWER
VIA AFRICA

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AVANTI BELLO BAD READ SANCHEZ BATTLE OF MARATHON GALICADO MAFTOOL MASTERMIND REN ENGLAND ROYAL NAVY SHIP SIR FEVER SMUGGLER'S COVE STORMY LIBERAL TANSEI LAVISH **TANNAAF** TAP THAT THE MANAGEMENT WAR DISPATCH WAR ENVOY



Main Sequence (12) and Flintshire, 1-2 in the Breeders' Cup Turf, may meet again in the Sheema.
Photo: Breeders' Cup Inc.

DUBAI GOLD CUP

AHZEEMAH **BROWN PANTHER CAVALRYMAN DIVINE OATH*** FAME GAME **HAVANA BEAT KINGFISHER MARZOCCO MICKDAAM MUSHREQ PINZOLO RED RIFLE** SECRET NUMBER **SHEIKHZAYEDROAD** SKY HUNTER * SONGCRAFT STELLAR WIND UNITARIAN

GODOLPHIN MILE

BOURBON COURAGE * CONSTITUTION * DARWIN * **FAULKNER** * FINTRY * FOOTBRIDGE * **HOPPERTUNITY** * KID CRUZ LEA* MUSIC THEORY **PARBOLD REYNALDOTHEWIZARD* ROMANSH*** SAFETY CHECK SLOANE AVENUE * SURFER *

* = cross nominated

SHARED BELIEF, ABLE FRIEND both ruled out

Shared Belief, who was nominated to the Dubai World Cup (G1) and Godolphin Mile (G2), will not be sent to Dubai, his trainer Jerry Hollendorfer told the media during an NTRA Teleconference on Tuesday. Winner of the Malibu Stakes (G1) at Santa Anita on his most recent start, Shared Belief is set to meet California Chrome and Hoppertunity in a mouthwatering renewal of the San Antonio Stakes (G2) at the same venue this Saturday. His connections are probably having an eye on the Santa Anita Handicap (G1) in April.

Hong Kong champion **Able Friend** has also been ruled out of a trip to Meydan, where he would have been a hot favourite for the Dubai Turf (G1). The top miler will instead get a preparation aiming for Royal Ascot.

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