

GLOBEFORM PREVIEWS BREEDERS' CUP SATURDAY



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RACE 4

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE FILLIES (G1) Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

1 1/16 miles dirt

Runners presented with best Globeform, sire, trainer, likely rider, post position Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. 1 length = 2lb over this distance

113 110p 2P 104p 103 102p 100p 99p 98p 2p	ANGELA RENEE (Bernardini) CONQUEST ECLIPSE (Malibu Moon) BY THE MOON (Indian Charlie) PUCA (Big Brown) WONDER GAL (Tiz Wonderful) DANETTE (Curlin) FEATHERED (Indian Charlie) CRISTINA'S JOURNEY (Any Given Saturday) TOP DECILE (Congrats) MAJESTIC PRESENCE (Majestic Warrior) HENNYTHELOVEPENNY (Henny Hughes)	T Pletcher M Casse M Nevin W Mott L Gyarmati K Desormeaux T Pletcher D Romans A Stall Jr J Hollendorfer P Miller	J Castellano M Mena R Napravnik E Trujillo F Perez
85	TAKE CHARGE BRANDI (Giant's Causeway)	D W Lukas	V Espinoza

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

ANGELA RENEE has been steadily improving through her races, and she is coming off a solid win in the Chandelier Stakes over this course and distance (formerly the Oak Leaf). Racing over the same distance as the Juvenile Fillies, Angela Renee was prominent all the way, led down the stretch and ran out a 1 1/2-length winner from **CONQUEST ECLIPSE** (third in G1 at Del Mar previous start) and **DANETTE** (a head second in a maiden previous start). Angela Renee had previously been a well beaten third in the Spinaway at Saratoga, behind Condo Commando and **BY THE MOON** – who went on to win the Frizette Stakes in good style next time out. The latter is clearly improving, but the Spinaway was run over a sloppy track, something that did not suit Angela Renee. It will be insetting to see them clash again.

CONQUEST ECLIPSE was staying on from the back in the Chandelier, and she could well get much closer to, perhaps even past, Angela Renee this time – especially if the early pace is very hot. Two starts back, she was beaten just a length into third in the Del Mar Debutante (G1) – won by Sunset Glow, who runs in the Juvenile Fillies Turf on Friday.

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BY THE MOON handled a sloppy track when runner-up in the Spinaway, and encountered wet conditions once more in the Frizette, which she won by beating **WONDER GAL** quite easily by 2 ¼ lengths. **FEATHERED** was a length further adrift in third. Wonder Gal had previously finished third in the Adirondack at Saratoga, behind Cavorting and **ANGELA RENEE**. Globeform's top three are closely matched here, in what looks quite an open affair.

PUCA, a deeply impressive Belmont maiden winner on her third start, is not far off these stakes experienced fillies, and she makes a lot of appeal. This daughter of Kentucky Derby winner Big Brown won hard held by 16 lengths in New York, where she could be called the winner a long way from home. She just cruised to the lead entering the stretch, and kept on extending her lead with every stride – without herself being extended in any way. With the useful pair Cover Up and Caroline's Spirit humiliated in second and third, Puca's performance was certainly value for GF 105p, perhaps even GF 110p. She has a serious chance here, and note that she ran third to Juvenile Fillies' contender Lady Eli on her preceding start (on turf). A double bet on these two fillies makes a lot of sense. UK bookmakers are way out regarding Puca, offering between 10-1 and 14-1. Her morning line at Santa Anita is 6-1.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 8 PUCA B: 2 ANGELA RENEE, 4 CONQUEST ECLIPSE, 12 BY THE MOON

SATURDAY SCHEDULE AND WAGERING MENU – SANTA ANITA

- 4. \$2 million Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (gr. I) 12:04 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD PICK 4
- 5. \$2 million Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf (gr. I) 12:43 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD
- 6. \$1 million DraftKings Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Sprint (gr. I) 1:21 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD
- 7. \$1 million Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint (gr. I) 2:05 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD PICK 6
- 8. \$2 million Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I) 2:44 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD
- 9. \$3 million Longines Breeders' Cup Turf (gr. I) 3:23 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD PICK 4
- 10. \$1.5 million Xpressbet Breeders' Cup Sprint (gr. I) 4:02 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER PICK 3 DD
- 11. \$2 million Breeders' Cup Mile (gr. I) 4:45 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER DD
- 12. \$5 million Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I) 5:35 pm WPS EX TRI SUPER Sup Hi 5

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP FILLY & MARE TURF (G1) Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

1 ¹/₄ miles turf

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119	DANK (Dansili)	Sir M Stoute	R Moore	3
117	STEPHANIE'S KITTEN (Kitten's Joy)	C Brown	J Velazquez	10
117	DAYATTHESPA (City Zip)	C Brown	J Castellano	4
116	EMOLLIENT (Empire Maker)	W Mott	R Napravnik	7
115	JUST THE JUDGE (Lawman)	C Hills	J Spencer	2
115	FIESOLANA (Aussie Rules)	W McCreery	B Lee	6
114	ABACO (Giant's Causeway)	C McGaughey	J L Ortiz	1
112	IRISH MISSION (Giant's Causeway)	C Clement	J Rosario	8
111	PARRANDA (English Channel)	J Hollendorfer	E Trujillo	9
110	SECRET GESTURE (Galileo)	R Beckett	P Smullen	5
108	RUSTY SLIPPER (Lemon Drop Kid)	G Motion	A Gryder	11

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

DANK was coming off two other impressive wins, the most valuable in the Beverly D Stakes (G1) at Arlington, when taking the F&M Turf last year. Her 2013 season was as smooth as one can possibly hope for in this game. She improved with every run and capped her campaign off with a solid win over Romantica and Emollient here at Santa Anita. This year has been anything but smooth. Dank has had just two runs, been below her best on both occasions, and not been seen in action since Royal Ascot in June, when she checked in fifth in the Prince Of Wales's Stakes (G1), more than ten lengths behind The Fugue. Her third to Japanese champion Just A Way in Dubai in March was better form, though she was beaten 8 lengths at Meydan. Based on last year's form, Dank is the one to beat, though it may be a gamble not in tune with the odds to back her for a repeat. The layoff is a worry. That said, her trainer Sir Michael Stoute is a master at these things so, who knows, perhaps he can pull it off again.

STEPHANIE'S KITTEN is a better proposition, however, as she is coming off three really impressive performances – with more luck they could all have been winning performances. She finally had a clean trip last time out, when gaining a comfortable 1 1/4-length win over **ABACO** in the Flower Bowl at Belmont Park. Stephanie's Kitten – like she will be here partnered by John Velazquez – sat just a few lengths off the pace, advanced smoothly on the home turn, and proved much the best down the stretch. She had previously been fast-finisng runner-up both in the Diana at Saratoga (neck behind Somali Lemonade while conceding 4lb) and Beverly D Stakes at Arlington (three parts of a length behind Euro Charline, with **JUST THE JUDGE** a neck behind in third). Stephanie's Kitten is in top form, she likes this distance, and she is consistent (14-for-18 in the first three; 8 wins). She has never raced at Santa Anita but has shown smart form over four quite different venue in the past, and is adaptable.

DAYATTHESPA is also coming off three strong runs and a G1 win, as she landed the First Lady at Keeneland last time out, beating F&M Sprint contender Better Lucky by 1 ¹/₄ lengths after having raced in the first two throughout. That was her 10th career win, from 17 starts, but she worry is that she has yet to race over further than 9 furlongs (G1 winner over that trip at Keeneland in 2012). >>>

R5 / B CUP FILLY & MARE TURF continued

EMOLLIENT finished a very game third in this event twelve months ago, when beaten a length by Dank after having set the early pace. This daughter of Empire Maker is every bit as good this year, if not a bit better, and she is an interesting longshot. 12-1 on the morning line, Emollient comes off a nice win in the Rodeo Drive Stakes over this course and distance, when she was held up for a late run that resulted in a comfortable half-length verdict over **PARRANDA**, with **RUSTY SLIPPER** and **IRISH MISSION** running a dead heat for third. Well proven over this course, Emollient should run a good race on Saturday.

JUST THE JUDGE came back to winning form in the E P Taylor Stakes (G1) at Woodbine, where the sweeping turf course was more to her liking than Arlington, where she arrived to late on the scene to threaten Euro Charline and **STEPHANIE'S KTTEN** in the Beverly D Stakes (G1), still made it up to third place. A mile and a quarter is right up her street, she is in top form, but coming from well off the pace will not be easy in the F&M Turf at Santa Anita, where she also meets tougher opposition.

FIESOLANA is a tough and consistent miler (also with good sprint form) shipping in from Ireland. Fiesolana won the Matron Stakes (G1) over a mile at Leopardstown in September, beating dual G1 winner Rizeena by half a length, with 40-1 shot Tobann a close third. Most of the fillies' and mares' Group Ones in Europe, many introduced a few years ago, fall well short of the 'proper' Group One contests across the pond. The Matron may not have been amongst the weakest, but Rizeena was below form on the day, and it certainly wasn't oneof the strongest such events. Fiesolana next went for the Prix de la Foret (G1) over 7 furlongs at Longchamp, where she was seen in the middle of the field throughout and finished seventh.She is as happy ridden prominently as she is when held up for a late run. Her lead-horse on the gallops, Kanes Pass, won a Listed race in Ireland on Sunday.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

- A: 10 STEPHANIE'S KITTEN
- **B: 3 DANK, 7 EMOLLIENT**
- C: 2 JUST THE JUDGE, 4 DAYATTHESPA

Saturday Betting Plans will be posted

on the website and sent out via emails by

7am ET / 11am UK time on Saturday morning

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP FILLY & MARE SPRINT (G1)

Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

7 fur. dirt

Horses presented with best Globeform, sire, trainer, rider, post position Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. 1 length = 2lb over this distance

123p	ARTEMIS AGROTERA (Roman Ruler)	M Hushion	J L Ortiz	5
118	SWEET REASON (Street Sense)	L Gyamati	l Ortiz Jr	1
118	JUDY THE BEAUTY (Ghostzapper)	W Ward	M Smith	7
117	BETTER LUCKY (Ghostzapper)	T Albertrani	J Castellano	8
114	STONEASTIC (Mizzen Mast)	K Breen	P Lopez	3
114	LEIGH COURT (Grand Slam)	J Carroll	G Boulanger	6
110p	LITTLE ALEXIS (Mr Greeley)	C Vaccarezza	J Rosario	2
107	THANK YOU MARYLOU (Birdstone)	M Maker	J Velazquez	4
106	SOUTHERN HONEY (Colonel John)	G Arnold II	J Leparoux	10
104	LIVING THE LIFE (Footstepsinthesand)	G Mandella	R Bejarano	9

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

ARTEMIS AGROTERA has been most impressive this year and will be hard to beat. She returned to racing action at Saratoga in July, powering home by over ten lengths over 7 furlongs in allowance company. The course and distance was the same as she made her second start of the season, but the opposition quite different. Artemis Agrotera stepped up to the Ballerina Stakes, and treated her rivals much the same there. After racing up with the pace, she kicked away for an easy 6 1/2-length win from fellow G1 winner My Miss Aurelia. Her next task was the Gallant Bloom over 6.5 furlongs at Belmont Park – where at the halfway stage she looked like a horse who would be lucky to hit the board. She was far back with a seemingly impossible task, only to quicken in the straight and pass them all for another win, this time by only a head. She got up in the last stride to beat La Verdad, who franked the form with a stakes win next time out. 7 furlongs is ideal, Artemis Agrotera has the best form in the book, she as game as she is vertsatile, and she is impossible to oppose.

SWEET REASON is also likely to run a big race, having the 7-furlong Test Stakes at Saratoga (running about 2 lengths slower than Artemis Agrotera's Ballerina time), and run another soloid race to take second behind Untapable in the Cotillon over 8.5 furlongs at Parx.

JUDY THE BEAUTY is the next danger, and she will also take plenty of betting action. Second in this race last year, half a length behind Groupie Doll, she has retained all her ability this term and she is coming off a strong 1 1/4-length win of a G3 over 6.5-furlongs at Del Mar in August. Judy the Beauty has won three times after a layoff so the long break is not a worry.

BETTER LUCKY was 2 ½ lengths behind Judy the Beauty when they filled the exacta in the Madison over this distance at Keeneland in April, and she was over eight lengths behind Artemis Agrotera in the Ballerina (when running below form to finish fourth).

LITTLE ALEXIS is the possible improver in this bunch. She was making only her third start when finishing well for third behind Sweet Reason in the Test (with a 6lb weight pull) and shaped with promise again in the Cotillon, where she took fourth.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 5 ARTEMIS AGROTERA

- B: 1 SWEET REASON, 7 JUDY THE BEAUTY
- C: 8 BETTER LUCKY

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP TURF SPRINT (G1) Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

6.5 fur. turf

Horses presented with best Globeform, sire, trainer, rider, post position Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. 1 length = 3b over this distance

116 118 114p 114 113 113 113 113 110 112 111p 111 110 110	RENEESGOTZIP (City Zip) <i>m</i> SILENTIO (Silent Name) NO NAY NEVER (Scat Daddy) TIGHTENED TOUCHDOWN (Pure Precise UNDRAFTED (Purim) BOBBY'S KITTEN (Kitten's Joy) MARCHMAN (Sharp Humor) SOMETHING EXTRA (Indian Charlie) AGELESS (Successful Appeal) <i>m</i> AMBITIOUS BREW (Tizbud) HOME RUN KITTEN (Kitten's Joy) DIMENSION (Medicean) CASPAR NETSCHER (Dutch Art) SWEET SWAP (Candy Ride) <i>FREE AS A BIRD (Hard Spun)</i>	P Miller G Mandella W Ward on) J Servis W Ward C Brown K Desormeaux G Cox A Delacourt M F Jones D Hofmans C Murphy D Simcock J Sadler	E Maldonado V Espinoza F Dettori J Castellano J Velazquez J Rosario K Desormeaux E R Da Silva J Leparoux M Smith J Talamo R Moore P Smullen C Nakatani	1 24 4 11 6 7 8 15 5 10 12 13 3 9
Also eligible				
117	ZA APPROVAL (Ghostzapper)	C Clement	R Bejarano	16

Globeform rating codes

m = mares, 3lb sex weight allowance. Add 3lb to ratings for direct comparison with the males.

p = attached to rating denotes "plus"; improvement expected

A sprint course for specialists

Good results over this unique 'downhill' turf course previously has proved to be a big advantage in 6.5-furlong races at Santa Anita over the years.

These have that;

Reenesgotzip, Tightened Touchdown, Sweet Swap (runs almost exclusively over this trip), Ambitious Brew, Home Run Kitten, Dimension (5th last year).

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GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

RENEESGOTZIP has been placed in the last two editions of this event, and she proved that she is as good as ever with an easy 5 1/4-length win in a restricted stakes sprint at Del Mar in early September. She comes here off a long layoff, just like she did a year ago, when she took second, a placing she shared in a dead=heat with **TIGHTENED TOUCHDOWN**. These both have strong claims again. Tightened Touchdown's best form this term came when he was beaten only a nose under a tough weight in the Parx Dash in July. He has since had just one run, third in a G3 at the same track in September.

SILENTIO is, despite his lack of experience over this course, the selection. Milers have done well over this sprint course in the past, and he trains at Santa Anita so probably comes well prepared to this challenge. Silentio ran third to Wise Dan in the BC Mile a year ago, beaten just 1 1/2 lengths, and this year he has been third in two of the best turf races at Santa Anita, on both occasions behind Mile contender Obviously. Silentio's third to red hot Dirt Mile favorite Goldencents in the 7-furlong Pat O'Brien (G2) at Del Mar last time out was also a fine effort. He has yet to race over the unique 'downhill' turf course - but the Turf Sprint might suit him really well. Stakes races over this distance are normally won by a strong closers - not blasting speed horses, and Silentio will be one of those kicking in from off the pace as they enter the home straight. He has more class than any of his rivals.

NO NAY NEVER came back to winning form (after a lengthy absence) in the 5.5-furlong Woodford Stakes at Keeneland a month ago. He showed his usual early speed and was half a length too good for Mongol Bullet. Not sensational form, but an indication that he is on his way back. He won a top class sprint for juveniles in France last year, when he was also successful at Royal Ascot.

UNDRAFTED is another who has been to England, and he did not disgrace himself over there, as he was beaten less than two lengths in fourth behind Slade Power (one of the best sprinters in Europe) in the July Cup at Newmarket (6 furlongs straight, climbing course). Undrafted was giving the winner four pounds when four pounds when finishing a close third behind **DIMENSION** and **SOMETHING EXTRA** at Kentucky Downs in September.

HOME RUN KITTEN, potentially a big improver, is worth a look. He came with a storming run from well off the pace when just getting up to beat course specialist **AMBITIOUS BREW** (who is very game and consistent) in a G3 over this course and distance five weeks ago. That was Home Run Kitten's stakes sprint début and improvement can be expected.

ZA APPROVAL must be considered *if he draws into the field*. How this classy miler was not found worthy by the panel of handicappers is difficult to understand. He is in the same mould as Silentio, having been second, splitting Wise Dan and Silentio, in last year's BC Mile. ZA Approval ran close to his best when making all to win the 7-furlong Real Courage Stakes at Belmont Park in September. He really deserves to take his chance here.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 2 SILENTIO B: 1 RENEESGOTZIP, 16 ZA APPROVAL C: 4 TIGHTENED TOUCHDOWN, 5 AMBITIOUS BREW, 10 HOME RUN KITTEN, 14 NO NAY NEVER

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116p 113p	DAREDEVIL (More Than Ready) CARPE DIEM (Giant's Causeway)	T Pletcher T Pletcher	J Castellano J Velazquez
112p	SOUPER COLOSSAL (War Front)	E Plesa Jr	P Lopez
110p	UPSTART (Flatter)	R Violetta Jr	J L Ortiz
108	CALCULATOR (In Summation)	P Miller	E Trujillo
105p	TEXAS RED (Afleet Alex)	K Desormeaux	K Desormeaux
?p	ONE LUCKY DANE (Lookin At Lucky)	B Baffert	R Bejarano
101	PRIVATE PROSPECT (Discreet Cat)	M Campbell	J Campbell
101	LUCKY PLAYER (Lookin At Lucky)	S Asmussen	R Santana Jr
99	MR Z (Malibu Moon)	D W Lukas	M Smith
99	THE GREAT WAR (War Front)	A P O'Brien	R Moore
?	BLUE DANCER (Bluegrass Cat)	G Tracy	R Walcott
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GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

DAREDEVIL has won both his races and he was most impressive in the Champagne Stakes at Belmont Park in early October, when he drew right off under a gentle ride to win by 2 ½ lengths from **UPSTART**, who had previously won a maiden and a restricted stakes event at Saratoga. Daredevil earned a provisional Globeform 116p for his Champagne win, gained on a sloppy track. The track was described as muddy when he won on his début, and the question is how effective he is on a fast track at Santa Anita. The Weather Channel predicts 10% chance of rain in Arcadia on Saturday.

CARPE DIEM, like Daredevil trained by Todd Pletcher, comes into this race with a similar profile, having won first time out and stepped successfully right up in class to take the Breeders Futurity at Keeneland. The Giant's Causeway colt was much too good for his rivals there, and won as he pleased by 6 ½ lengths from **MR Z** - who had been 5th, almost ten lengths behind **LUCKY PLAYER** in the Iroquois on his previous start. Mr Z was better when runner-up in the Saratoga Special and Carpe Diem appears to be a better horse than Lucky Player.

SOUPER COLOSSAL is a very, very tempting horse to use in an attempt at beating the Pletcher duo. A son of the high flying stallion War Front, he is unbeaten in three starts, and he looked very smart indeed when scooting home by 5 ½ lengths in the Sapling over a mile at Monmouth Park on August 31. Souper Colossal was value for more than the bare margin, as he was chased home by Wild Zambezi (maiden winner same distance previously and runs at Gulsftream on Friday) and Pride of Stride, who is one of three subsequent winners out of this race (of three starters since!). The Sapling form is solid, Souper Colossal has an impressive CV, having won over 4.5 furlongs, 5 furlongs and a mile, he is sure to improve again, he has the advantage of experience, and 12-1 is too big a price for this runner.

ONE LUCKY DANE is Bob Baffert's lone kid, after the unfortunate defection of American Pharaoh. One Lucky Dane is nowhere near as accomplished as that colt, but he moved up considerably on his third start (and first on dirt) to break his maiden by 9 ½ lengths. Baffert took this race with a maiden winner last year, when New Years Day came with a strong run to pass the favorite Havana, like Daredevil a Pletcher trainee coming off a win in the Champagne.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 8 SOUPER COLOSSAL B: 9 CARPE DIEM, 12 DAREDEVIL, 11 ONE LUCKY DANE

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1 ¹/₂ miles turf

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124	FLINTSHIRE (Dansili)	A Fabre	M Guyon	7
124	TELESCOPE (Galileo)	Sir M Stoute	R Moore	1
118	CHICQUITA (Montjeu) f	A P O'Brien	F Dettori	11
118	IMAGINING (Giant's Causeway)	C McGaughey	J Rosario	3
118	HARDEST CORE (Hard Spun)	E Graham	E Vaz	9
117	MAIN SEQUENCE (Aldebaran)	G Motion	R Maragh	12
117	BROWN PANTHER (Shirocco)	T Dascombe	R Kingscote	4
116	TWILIGHT ECLIPSE (Purim)	T Albertrani	J Castellano	2
112	HANGOVER KID (Lemon Drop Kid)	J Servis	J Lezcano	5
110	BIG JOHN B (Hard Spun)	P d'Amato	M Smith	13
108	FINNEGANS WAKE (Powerscourt)	P Miller	J Talamo	6
105	STARSPANGLED HEAT (Unusual Heat)	B Abrams	C Nakatani	10
	MAGICIAN (Galileo)	A P O'Brien	SCRATCHEE)

f = filly; gets a 4lb sex weight allowance, add 4lb to actual Globeform rating for direct comparison with males

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

FLINTSHIRE; trainer Andre Fabre's Breeders' Cup contenders have done remarkably well over the years - interestingly he never run a horse on medication when visiting North America. To nominate a handler as the world's best racehorse trainer would not make much sense, but any such short-list would have Fabre in the top three. He really is different class, he is most selective when shipping abroad, and this year he sends just one horse to the Breeders' Cup; Turf runner Flintshire. This classy four-year-old is coming off a game second to Treve in the 'Arc' on October 5, and he is the likely favorite. The son of Dansili won the Grand Prix de Paris (G1) last year, and early on this year he produced a strong seasonal debut when taking second to the mighty Cirrus des Aigles in the Coronation Cup (G1) at Epsom. The key to this horse is the ground. Flintshire is at his very best when it is good to firm or firm. A handy, well balanced performer, he should be well suited to Santa Anita.

TELESCOPE is taken to beat him though. He is the fresh horse. Always having shaped like a very talented colt, he finally delivered the five-star performance we had been expecting for well over twelve months when running away from his rivals for a most impressive win in the 12-furlong Harwicke Stakes (G2) at Royal Ascot in June. He looked top class that day, as he won by 7 lengths from his stable companion Hillstar (who had won a similar contest at Royal Ascot 2013 and took this year's Canadian International). Hillstar was still in search of proper form at the time and Telescope's performance was flattered by the wide margin, but he confirmed he belongs in G1 events by finishing second to Taghrooda in the King George VI & Queen Elizabeth II Stakes (G1) five weeks later. Telescope's next assignment was the Juddmonte International (G1) at York, where he had an off day. Cutting back to 10.5 furlongs may not have been ideal, but it was not as damaging as the fact that he got badly worked up in the

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preliminaries. He was a never threatening third behind Australia and The Grey Gatsby. Shortly afterwards, Sir Michael Stoute mapped out a plan to get Telescope in top shape to the Breeders' Cup, meaning that he bypassed the Arc. Stoute has won the BC Turf with four times, with Pilsudski, Kalanisi and twice with Conduit. A fifth success is well within his reach.

CHICQUITA is an intriguing runner here. Winner of the 2013 Irish Oaks (G1) – after having run second to Treve in the French version – Chicquita was sold from France to Ireland for €6 million last November (US\$ 7.6 mill.). She joined Aidan O'Brien – but has not been a success for the powerful Ballydoyle team. Chicquita veered badly left when winning the Irish Oaks, and she is still not a straightforward runner. She did the same again on her most recent start, and probably threw away a G1 win in the process, as she was passed by two inferior rivals in the closing stages of the British Champions Filly & Mare (G1) at Ascot. That race was run on very heavy ground, just two weeks after she had been unplaced in the 'Arc' in Paris, and just two weeks prior to the Breeders' Cup. Tough schedule. Is she hardy enough to run big at Santa Anita? What is it that causes her to jink under pressure? And, why is she here? Perhaps because she came out of her Ascot run in rude health. On the other hand, it may be a race taken in en-route to a US career or a date with one of Coolmore's North American based stallions. Either way, Chicquita's best level of form gives her a shot – and we can expect to see her race on medication.

IMAGINING (winner of the Man o'War at Belmont in May), **HARDEST CORE** (who produced a career best winning the Arlington Million, and may be on the upgrade) and the ex-European **MAIN SEQUENCE** (three straight G1 wins but up against tougher rivals this time) are closely matched on Globeform ratings. Main Sequence has beaten Imagining on his last two starts.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 1 TELESCOPE B: 7 FLINTSHIRE C: 11 CHICQUITA



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GLOBEFORM'S NEXT BIG MEET SPECIAL DUBAI WORLD CUP DAY 2015

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP SPRINT (G1)

Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

6 fur. dirt

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122p 122 120 120 117 117 116 114p 110P 114	SECRET CIRCLE (Eddington) PALACE (City Zip) PRIVATE ZONE (Macho Uno) RICH TAPESTRY (Holy Roman Emperor) WORK ALL WEEK (City Zip) BIG MACHER (Beau Genius) SALUTOS AMIGOS (Salute the Sarge) FAST ANNA (Medaglia d'Oro) INDIANAPOLIS (Medaglia d'Oro) BOURBON COURAGE (Lion Heart)	B Baffert L Rice A Velazquez C W Chang R Brueggeman R Baltas D Jacobson K Ritvo B Baffert K Gorder	M Garcia C Velazquez M Pedroza O Doleuze F Geroux T Baze J Castellano J Velazquez M Smith P Santana Jr	4 8 5 13 10 9 12 2
114	BOURBON COURAGE (Lion Heart)	K Gorder	R Santana Jr	14
111	SEEKING THE SHERIF (Officer)	R Ellis	E Maldonado	1
111	BAKKEN (Distorted Humor)	C Brown	G Stevens	11
109	MICO MARGARITA (Run Away And Hide)	S Asmussen	R Napravnik	7
107	WIND FIRE (Namid)	D Brown	J Spencer	3
Also eligible				

113BAHAMIAN SQUALL (Gone West)D FawkesR Bejarano103INDEXICAL (Latent Heat)B CecilM Gutierrez

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

SECRET CIRCLE produced Globeform 122p when winning the BC Sprint a year ago, when he had prepped with an allowance win after a layoff. This time, his prep – after a layoff – came in the Santa Anita Sprint Championship (G1). He didn't win but he ran a fine race. Tiring a bit in the closing stages (and not being given a hard ride), he finished third behind **RICH TAPESTRY** and Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile favorite Goldencents. Secret Circle was beaten 1 ½ lengths by the strong finishing Rich Tapestry, who he meets at two pounds better weight terms here. It should be close between the two.

PALACE has been a solid sprinter in New York this year, and comes off three good performances, though his last was not his best. He was a bit below par when third in the Vosburgh at Belmont, beaten 1 ³/₄ lengths by the speedy winner **PRIVATE ZONE**, who won that race also last year – but could manage only tenth in the BC Sprint. Palace's best came two starts back, when he outclassed Big Business and subsequent G2 winner Vyjack in the 7-furlong Forego at Saratoga. Perhaps six panels at Santa Anita will be a bit too sharp for him?

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R10 / B CUP SPRINT continued

FAST ANNA is a very interesting 3yo taking a shot at the older horses. The younger generation can win this event, we have seen that before, and as the older sprinters are not absolute top class, it is very possible this year. Fast Anna is a colt, don't be confused by his name. And he is fast, exceptionally fast. He was beaten by the distance when second in the 7-furlong King's Bishop at Saratoga in August (caught late by The Big Beast), and tried without blinkers when second to Favorite Tale in the Gallant Bob over 6 furlongs at Parx in September. Blinkers go back on, he has been flashing his speed in the mornings, and Santa Anita is sure to suit him.

INDIANAPOLIS is another 3yo, and with just three starts (over a period of 11 months) he is a bit of an unknown quantity. He looked classy when winning the 6.5-furlong San Pedro here in January, and he looked solid when making a winning comeback over the BC Sprint course and distance five weeks ago. Open to improvement? Almost certainly. In need of experience? Almost certainly.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

- A: 4 SECRET CIRCLE
- **B: 6 RICH TAPESTRY**
- C: 2 INDIANAPOLIS, 5 PRIVATE ZONE, 12 FAST ANNA



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1 mile turf

RACE 11

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP MILE (G1) Santa Anita, Nov 1, 2014

Breeders"

Runneres presented with best Globeform, sire, trainer, likely rider Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. 1 length = 2lb over this distance

124 120 116 119 117 117 117 117 116 114 113	TORONADO (High Chaparral) ANODIN (Anabaa) VEDA (Dansili) <i>f</i> OBVIOUSLY (Choisir) TRADE STORM (Trade Fair) KARAKONTIE (Bernstein) TOM'S TRIBUTE (Lion Heart) SEEK AGAIN (Speightstown) MUSTAJEEB (Nayef) SUMMER FRONT (War Front) GRAND ARCH (Arch) KAIGUN (Nortern Afleet)	R Hannon F Head A de Royer-Dupre P D'Arnato D Simcock J Pease J Cassidy W Mott D Weld C Clement B Lynch M Casse	R Hughes O Peslier C Soumillon J Talamo J Spencer S Pasquier M Smith J Rosario P Smullen J Castellano J Veazquez P Husbands	5 9 3 2 8 14 6 12 4 10 1 7
113 113	KAIGUN (Nortern Afleet) SAYAAD (Street Sense)	M Casse K McLaughlin	P Husbands J Leparoux	7 11
115	TOURIST (Tiznow)	W Mott	J Rosario	13
Also eligible 116 MR COMMONS (Artie Schiller) S Shirreffs C Nakatani 15				15

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f = filly, 4lb sex allowance, add 4lb to GF for direct comparison with the males

GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

TORONADO, representing England's champion trainer Richard Hannon Junior, deserves to be favourite for the Breeders' Cup Mile (G1), a role Wise Dan would have taken but he was sadly ruled out. Something that opens the race quite a bit, one would think, but not all that much. If Toronado has kept his form, he should prove too good here. Having won Group Ones at venues a different as Ascot and Goodwood, and been placed at the top level when racing at Longchamp, he is an adaptable miler. Handling Santa Anita should not be a problem. Toronado won the Queen Anne (G1) on his seasonal debut in June (beating Verrazano and Anodin), and he went on to run second to champion miler Kingman in the Sussex Stakes (G1) at Goodwood – a race he won back in 2013. Toronado should get his preferred ground at Santa Anita, he has good tactical speed, a thoroughly game attitude to the racing game, and he has a top jockey on his side.



Toronado (Photo: Steven Cargill)

R11 / B CUP MILE continued

ANODIN, a brother to the outstanding Goldikova, who won the BC Mile three years on the bounce, will get a lot of attention – but don't make the mistake of thinking it is his pedigree, rather than his form, that makes him interesting. This colt is very smart, and he may find improvement. Things did not at all work out for him last time out, when traffic problems more or less wiped him out of the Prix de la Foret (G1) at Longchamp four weeks prior to the Breeders' Cup. Anodin is best judged on his run in the Queen Anne (G1) at Royal Ascot and Prix Jacques le Marois (G1) at Deauville – both over a mile. Toronado proved too good at Ascot, winning by ³/₄ length from Verrazano, with Anodin 1 ¹/₄ lengths further back in third. Freddy Head's charge went one place better in the Marois, producing an excellent run to take second behind Kingman, Europe's top miler (possibly best horse full stop) this season. He was much the best, beating Anodin by 2 ¹/₂ lengths. With G1 winners Olympic Glory (who won the Foret) and Rizeena filling third and fourth, the form is rock solid.

VEDA is a French trained filly from astute trainer. All of her six races have come over a mile. The daughter of Dansili produced a taking performance behind the smart gelding Solow in the Prix Daniel Wildenstein (G2) at Longchamp in early October. After leading a furlong out she fought back well when headed, and lost by just half a length. She had previously been second to Avenir Certain (who is 6-for-7) in the Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (G1) - French 1,000 Guineas. Fillies with her type of profile have done well in the BC Mile over the years, and Veda is open to improvement.

OBVIOUSLY is the best hope for the locals and he is plenty good enough to make his presence felt in this race. He did not run up to his best when fifth in the BC Mile last year, 6 lengths beaten behind Wise Dan. Obviously, who has 8 wins from 12 starts over a mile and is 4-for-9 at Santa Anita, led every step of the way to win the Shoemaker Mile (G1) over this course and distance back in June (beating Summer Front and Tom's Tribute), and he may have needed the run when fourth behind **TOM'S TRIBUTE** in the Del Mar Mile (G2) in August. These two are very close in terms of ability. Tom's Tribute has enjoyed a fine season, having also won the Thunder Road over this mile and the prestigious Eddie Read (G1) at Del Mar.

KARAKONTIE was one of the best juveniles in Europe last year, and he was an honest winner of the Poule d'Essai des Poulains (G1) – French 2,000 Guineas - this spring, Karakontie is a Mile contender that it's a bit hard to place. He has the class to make an impact, and he may also be open to improvement, but his most recent runs have been below par. Just one of them came that recently, by the way, as he finished 11th to Olympic Glory in the Prix de la Foret (G1) on 'Arc' day. The drop to 7 furlongs may not have been ideal. He was coming off a four-month break since finishing eighth in the Prix du Jockey Club (G1) over 10.5 furlongs. His supporters will appreciate seeing Karakontie returning to a mile. Though will he return to form?

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R11 / B CUP MILE continued

SEEK AGAIN, an ex-European who has improved by several lengths since joining Bill Mott last year, has had the pleasure of racing with Horse of The Year Wise Dan on a couple of occasions, and he has run really well in defeat against the the big horse. His best performance came when he was just a head behind Wise Dan in the Turf Classic (G1) over 9 furlongs at Churchill Downs in May. Efficient also over a mile (he beat Grand Arch readily over that trip in the Fourstardave, G2), he is probably best over further – and this sharp mile could find him out.

MUSTAJEEB is a lightly raced, progressive 3yo who may well surprise at Santa Anita. He seemed to suffer a tactical defeat when second to Bow Creek in a G2 over a mile at Leopardstown in September. Perhaps he needed the run too, not having raced since winning the Jersey Stakes (G2) over 7 furlongs at Royal Ascot in June. He beat Muwaary by a length, while conceding three pounds, in that straight-course event. Muwaary was coming off a good fourth, 2 lengths behind Karakontie, in the 'French 2,000 Guineas' and went on to take third in the Prix Jean Prat (G1), 3 lengths behind Charm Spirit – who has since won the Prix du Moulin (G1) – from Toronado – and Queen Elizabeth II Stakes (G1). Mustajeeb grabbed the lead two furlongs out when winning at Royal Ascot.

TRADE STORM is coming off a nice win in the Woodbine Mile (G1) in Canada. He is an experienced, battle hardened miler who runs his best races when he gets a strong page to close into. He has also performed close to the very best level at Meydan in Dubai. Winning chance? If Toronado and Anodin are on song probably not – but recent form counts for a lot and Trade Storm is in with a chance of hitting the board.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

- A: 5 TORONADO
- B: 3 VEDA, 9 ANODIN
- C: 2 OBVIOUSLY, 4 MUSTAJEEB



GLOBEFORM PREVIEW BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC

RACE 12

GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC (G1) Santa Anita 1 Nov, 2014

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Horses presented with best Globeform, sire, trainer, rider, post position Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds. 1 length = 2lb over this distance

125p SHARED BELIEF (Candy Ride) J Hollendorfer M Smith C Clement 124p TONALIST (Tapit) J Rosario 124t BAYERN (Offlee Wild) B Baffert M Garcia CALIFORNIA CHROME (Lucky Pulpit) 124 A Sherman V Espinoza 121 V. E. DAY (English Channel) J Jerkens J Talamo 120 MORENO (Ghostzapper) E Guillot J Castellano C Brown J Lezcano 119 ZIVO (True Direction) 119 TOAST OF NEW YORK (Thewayyouare) J Osborne J Spencer 117 MAJESTIC HARBOR (Rockport Harbor) S McCarty T Baze 117 CIGAR STREET (Street Sense) W Mott J Velazquez 114 CANDY BOY (Candy Ride) J Sadler C Nakatani IMPERATIVE (Bernardini) G Papaprodromou F Dettori 114 112 FOOTBRIDGE (Street Cry) E Harty R Bejarano D Romans 111 PRAYER FOR RELIEF (Jump Start) I Ortiz Jr

Globeform Rating codes:

"p" = progressive / improving, likely to do better "t"= enjoyed favorable trip when rating was achieved



BC Classic: Shared Belief Photo: Benoit BC Filly & Mare Sprint: Artemis Agrotera Photo: Coglianese

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GLOBEFORM'S HORSE BY HORSE ANALYSIS BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC



SHARED BELIEF (Photo: Benoit) has won all of his six races and is the logical favorite for this year's BC Classic. Having performed to Globeform 125p at his best - when outclassing his opponents in the 10furlong Pacific Classic (G1) at Del Mar - he returned GF 122p in his final prep, winning the Awesome Again Stakes (G1) here at Santa Anita in September. That was a race supposed to answer three questions, but actually gave us even more new knowledge about this talented

gelding. Would he handle the dirt? Yes. Would he act well around the Santa Anita oval? Yes. Would he show stamina auguring well for the 10-furlong test on dirt in the Classic? Yes he would, and not just that, Shared Belief overcame a very wide and tough trip, caused by a rival floating him intentionally out, to win this contest. Another easy win was expected but this one was anything but.

Shared Belief had to dig deep to get past Fed Biz, who had enjoyed a plum trip hugging the rail all the way. Class told in the closing stages, and Shared Belief got up to win by a neck, with Footbridge 2 1/4 lengths further adrift in third place, followed by Majestic Harbor and Imperative. Shared Belief had a hard race, no doubt about that. Halfway through the home turn he looked like he would struggle to finish in the first three. Though the good thing was; we did learn that he can fight. Perhaps more importantly, he found out that he could fight.

Strolling from one easy win to another is not always a good way for a horse to prepare for the a championship race. Shared Belief needed to show grit, and he seemed to have plenty of it. That he ran to GF 122p indicates that he would have returned Globeform 125 at least with a normal, clean trip in the Awesome Again. Globeform ratings are expressed in pounds, and one length equals two pounds over this distance. It has been measured that Shared Belief covered about 60 feet more ground than Fed Biz. Considering these factors, we can assume he is capable of close to GF 130, which was also the impression he gave when gaining a comfortable 2 3/4-length win over Toast Of New York in the Pacific Classic (G1) back in August. In that contest, he quickened strongly to advance on the turn, then picked up even more speed to put the race to bed early in the straight.

> Shared Belief will probably be very hard to beat in the Breeders' Cup Classic. Globeform 125p

GLOBEFORM'S CLASSIC SELECTIONS

- A: 6 SHARED BELIEF
- B: 7 BAYERN, 11 TONALIST
- C: 5 V.E. DAY, 13 CALIFORNIA CHROME See conclusion on the last page





Tonalist after winning the Jockey Club Gold Cup (Coglianese Photos)

TONALIST looks the main danger to the favorite. Winner of the Belmont Stakes (G1) in June, he took another big step forward when winning the 10-furlong Jockey Club Gold Cup (G1) at the same venue five weeks prior to the Breeders' Cup. The son of Tapit was coming off a game third in the Travers Stakes (G1) at Saratoga, where he was compromisingly close to a very hot pace. That he went down by 2 1/2 lengths to V.E. Day, who came with a winning run from the back, was no mean feat. Trainer Christophe Clement decided to remove the blinkers – which the colt had worn in all his starts - for the Gold Cup. The change was a very positive one, as Tonalist relaxed nicely at the back, biding his time when Big Cazanova, then Moreno, cut out the early fractions. Tonalist began to roll around the bend, getting closer to the leaders with each and every stride. He had five rivals in front of him two furlongs out, but his stamina took him past them all at the finish. He led half a furlong out and kept on gamely to beat Zivo by 1 3/4 lengths. Long River filled third, ahead of Moreno (who was disgualified for having cause the interference that knocked Wicked Strong out of the race shortly after the halfway stage). Tonalist was clearly the best on the day, and - as was the case also in the Belmont - his stamina stood him in good stead. In between the Belmont and the Travers, he ran second to Wicked Strong in the Jim Dandy (G2) at Saratoga (looking unfit following his break). The Classic will be his first start on the west coast. Having raced at Gulfstream, Belmont Park and Saratoga, he will find Santa Anita somewhat different. An imposing colt, he is a progressive sort, and he is sure to stay the distance in the BC Classic.

A strong early pace would help Tonalist's chances greatly on the big day.

Globeform 124p



BAYERN (Coglianese Photos) went gate to wire when California Chrome failed to fire in the 9furlong Pennsylvania Derby (G2) at Parx in September, just like he had done also in the Haskell Invitational (G1) at Monmouth Park two months earlier. He hammered Albano not at all a G1 horse - by 7 lengths at Monmouth, and he gave Tapiture - a slightly better runner than Albano - a similar drubbing front-running at Parx. Two strona performances, both when covering nine panels, made him one of the best in the threeyear-old division. But what about his stamina? The answer may have seemed to be given in between these wins, when he flopped badly in the Travers Stakes (G1) over 10 furlongs at Saratoga, but don't jump to conclusions here; ves, he failed that day, but his run at the Spa was too bad to be true - and tackling the Classic distance at Saratoga is guite different to doing so at Santa Anita, where speed is a more valuable asset. Bayern has finished his races off really well when winning, and though 9 furlongs probably is his best trip, he could



well go close in the BC Classic. Especially if he gets loose on the lead. Don't forget that guy called Fort Larned. He was a 9-furlong runner full stop at any other venue, but as Santa Anita he made all to win the Classic over ten, beating Mucho Macho Man, who came back to win the race a year later. Bayern is not far behind those horses in ability, and he could well improve again in future races.

Now, whether such improvement will come over 10 furlongs or shorter, is of course debatable.

It is absolutely true that 'the pace makes the race' and everyone in Bayern's corner are fully aware of that. If he gets things his way, well then he may be the biggest threat to the favorite. If not, and the early pace gets too strong, the tables tilt in Tonalist's favor. Either way, Shared Belief appears to be in the best spot. **Globeform 124p**





CALIFORNIA CHROME. the Kentucky Derby (G1) winner who added the Preakness Stakes (G1) to his impressive resume but had to settle for fourth place in the Belmont Stakes (G1), is an intriguing Classic contender. He was faultless through the first half of the year, when he also captured the Santa Anita Derby (G1) in his final prep for Churchill Downs, but his time at the top of the podium may have passed. Then again, we should be careful with writing off previous champions. Look what happened with Treve in the Prix de 'Arc at Longchamp. Two dull efforts and her popularity faded to the extent that she went off at 15-1 at Longchamp. Only to hit back with a solid win. Might California Chrome pull off a similar trick? Not impossible. After all, Santa Anita is a track he likes, perhaps more than any other track he has raced over, and he does have the capacity to beat most of these rivals - if he is back to his best. His Derby win may have looked a bit better than it actually was at the time though, as runner-up Commanding Curve has done precious little to write home about since. Ride On Curlin got to within California Chrome in the Preakness, having been much further back at Churchill Downs. Ride On Curlin has been sidelined since he was eased in the Belmont, so we have little to go on through him. Anyway, California Chrome was visually most impressive when winning three Grade Ones on the bounce in the spring, and he should not be underestimated. Despite the fact that he looked rather one paced and nothing like his old self when finishing sixth of eight behind Bayern in the Pennsylvania Derby (G2) in September.

Home advantage counts for a lot in racing, something Chrome fans will appreciate. Globeform 124



California Chrome winning at Santa Anita (c) Benoit Photos



V.E. DAY was ruled out of the Breeders' Cup by his connections after his most recent run, but came back into the mix just over two weeks before the big meeting. A rethink meant he will be heading to Santa Anita, where his presence will make the three-year-old team even stronger. It must be long odds-on that a member of the classic generation wins this year's BC Classic. V. E. Day is not one of the favorites but he is far from an outsider in this race either. After switching from turf to dirt he progressed with giant strides through the summer months, and reached a high level in the 10-furlong Travers Stakes (G1) at Saratoga in August a race he captured by coming with a strong run from well off the pace. The pace definitely made the race that day, as they went too fast up front early – a speed duel that Tonalist hooked into. He did well to hang around for third but had no answer to Wicked Strong and V.E. Day, both trained by James Jerkens. V.E. Day proved the just strongest to win by a nose. Tonalist, who gained revenge when these three met again in the Jockey Club Gold Cup (G1), at Belmont, was 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ lengths behind, with Kid Cruz well beaten in fourth place. V.E. Day



was nowhere near as good in the Jockey Club, finishing sixth to Tonalist (promoted to fifth upon Moreno's disqualification).

> Based on that run, you would be hard pressed to fancy V.E. Day, but the Travers <u>did</u> happen and there may be a lot of speed in this Breeders' Cup Classic, something that suits V.E. Day. **Globeform 121**

MORENO has enjoyed a lucrative season, winning the Whitney Handicap (G1) and running second both in the Suburban Handicap (G2) and Woodward Stakes (G1). After having run second, beaten 3 lengths by Zivo, in the 10-furlong Suburban at Belmont, Moreno dropped down to 9 furlongs in the Whitney at Saratoga, where he led every step of the way and kept on well at the finish to beat Itsmuluckyday by just over a length. Itsmuluckyday turned the tables on him when these two filled the exacta also in the Woodward, another top notch race over nine panels. Moreo went down by half a length. Moreno carried 2lb more than Itsmuluckyday in the Woodward, while in the Whitney he was receiving 2lb from his arch rival. The four-year-old son of BC Classic winner Ghostzapper came back to Belmont, and contested the Jockey Club Gold Cup (G1) in September. Ten furlongs is a bit too far for him, but he ran a sound enough race to pass the post in fourth, 7 lengths behind Tonalist. Moreno had interfered with Wicked Strong, who almost went down and unshipped his rider at the halfway stage, and was therefore disqualified and placed last by the stewards.

His running style is all about speed, and that's okay at Santa Anita, but how far can he carry it over this distance?

Globeform 120





ZIVO is a solid, battle hardened older horse coming in from New York, where he has shown his best form at Belmont Park – twice running big over 10 furlongs at that venue. He landed the Suburban Handicap (G2) in July, outstaying Moreno to win by 3 lengths. His next task was the Woodward Stakes (G1) at Saratoga, where cutting back to 9 furlongs did not suit him. He came home in fourth place, behind Itsmyluckyday, Moreno and Prayer for Relief. A month later Zivo was back at 'big sandy' and returned to his best in the Jockey Club Gold Cup (G1). Like the winner, Tonalist, he stayed on from the back, and took second behind the Belmont winner, beaten a length and a half.

He will be staying on when others tire in the home stretch and looks a 'must include' horse for Trifecta and Superfecta players. *Globeform 119*

TOAST OF NEW YORK was second to Shared Belief in the Pacific Classic (G1), without doubt putting up his career best. He comes back from England to have another crack, and it will be interesting to see how he fares on the dirt. He showed good tactical speed when winning a sub-standard edition of the UAE Derby (G2) over nine at Meydan back in March, and raced prominently also in the Pacific Classic. This will be his fourth long haul trip of the year, as he also ran in the Belmont Derby (G1) on turf at Belmont Park in June, finishing rather a tame fifth behind Mr Speaker. The son of Thewayyouare was a bit under a cloud when returning home after that race.

His run behind Shared Belief in August gives him every right to join this field. Globeform 119





CIGAR STREET is handled by Bill Mott, trainer of the great Cigar, who passed away at the age of 24 a few weeks prior to this Breeders' Cup. Cigar Street is not in the same class as Cigar of course. Thus far no horse in this Classic field has shown form like Cigar's. And Cigar Street sits towards the middle on the ratings list. He performed to Globeform 117 when capturing the Skip Away (G3) at Gulfstream Park in March (beating subsequent G2 winner Take Charge Indy by 2 lengths) and ran just a length or two below such form when beating Departing by 1 ³/₄ lengths to win the Homecoming Classic at Churchill Downs in September.

Winner of 5 of his 8 races, Cigar Street is a lightly raced five-year-old, who could improve. He handled 10.5 furlongs well when winning the Skip Away. Globeform 117

MAJESTIC HARBOR has one piece of form in the book saying he is a genuine Grade One runner, but all his other races indicate that he is not. He served up quite a surprise when winning the Gold Cup at Santa Anita (G1) in June, beating Clubhouse Ride by over six lengths. Imperative was third and a way-below-form Game On Dude checked in fourth. Majestic Harbor has since twice met Shared Belief, and twice been beaten a long way by the top three-year-old.

> That his best form came at Santa Anita is a plus, his inconsistency a minus. **Globeform 117**

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IMPERATIVE was at his best when winning the Charles Town Classic (G2) over 9 furlongs back in April. Game On Dude was brilliant on occasions, and vulnerable on other days in his career. This was one of the latter days, and Imperative took full advantage to beat him by 1 ½ lengths while in receipt of 5lb. With Moreno third and Clubhouse Ride fourth, the form looks solid for a Grade 2, but Imperative has failed to follow up in four subsequent starts. He ran respectably when third, 5 lengths behind Shared Belief in the Pacific Classic (G1), and passed the winning post 6 ¼ lengths behind the same rival when fifth in the Awesome Again (G1).

Imperative gets world star Frankie Dettori in the saddle, but he is still a longshot. Globeform 114

CANDY BOY showed smart form here at Santa Anita back in the spring, when winning the Lewis Memorial (G2) and running third to California Chrome in the Santa Anita Derby (G1), and he has come back to form the past couple of months, though is really up against it against the best in the division here. He was 6 lengths third behind Bayern in the Pennsylvania Derby (G2) and beaten easily by over four lengths when second to Shared Belief at Los Alamitos in August. Candy Boy has also been second in a photo finish against Tapiture, when he failed by a nose in an attempt at giving that rival two pounds in the West Virginia Derby (G2) at Mountaineer Park.

Candy Boy is one of the outsiders in this field. Globeform 114

FOOTBRIDGE produced his best race to date when third behind Shared Belief and Fed Biz in the Awesome Again (G1) over this course and distance last month – it was an interesting performance from a horse that looked potentially smart early on as a three-year-old but failed to live up to expectations.

Perhaps he has turned a corner this autumn, though it's hard to see him rubbing shoulders with the heavyweights in this contest. **Globeform 112**

PRAYER FOR RELIEF, who landed the Super Derby (G2) three years ago (when he was trained by Bob Baffert and performed just a few lengths below the top sophomores), looks to be up against it in this company. He has returned Globeform 111 twice this season, when readily beaten in the Woodward (G1) at Saratoga and the Suburban (G2) at Belmont Park.



BREEDERS' CUP CLASSIC CONCLUSION

SHARED BELIEF is the logical choice – he has looked very classy in his races, and that he overcame a wide trip to win the Awesome Again, where he ran to GF 122p, was not a bad prep. The race will have taught him plenty. That he did return 122p that day suggests that he is capable of well over GF 125, perhaps even GF 130. His Pacific Classic win, when he made a huge move on the home turn, then kicked again early in the straight, was impressive – as was his win in the CashCall Futurity last year – a performance people tend to forget when discussing his credentials leading up to the BC Classic. He has been top class since day one.

BAYERN, who will most likely be part of the early speed – if not the speed himself – and the East Coast shipper **TONALIST** look the main dangers, in what might develop into a 3yo trifecta. Bayern's style is often very efficient here at Santa Anita, while Tonalist will be coming from off the pace. His team will be hoping for sharp early fractions. **CALIFORNIA CHROME** also has a good chance, if he is back to his best form. Don't forget how good he was here in California in the spring. There has been a lot of talk about how he could be the first Kentucky Derby winner to go on to win the BC Classic in the same year, but people seem to have short memories. Unbridled completed the double back in 1990. Can California Chrome emulate him? Perhaps, though his below par efforts on his two most recent starts may simply tell us that his spring campaign took its toll. **V.E. DAY** is a longshot worth considering – very much so for Trifecta and Superfecta players. He flopped last time but was seriously on the upgrade when winning the Travers. Like Tonalist, he will be best suited by a strong pace.

Bayern and Tonalist – they will not both get the ideal pace – one of them will be compromised. While Shared Belief, who likes to sit just off the leaders, will be able to run his race regardless of the pace scenario. Shared Belief is handy, he is uncomplicated, he is unbeaten, he is a true pro, he is proven over the course, and most likely he will win the BC Classic.

GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

- A: 6 SHARED BELIEF
- B: 7 BAYERN, 11 TONALIST
- C: 5 V.E. DAY, 13 CALIFORNIA CHROME

Good luck to all!

Saturday betting plans to be posted / sent out via emails Saturday morning (7am ET)

Globeform Rating codes:

- p = progressive / improving, likely to do better
- P = plenty of improvement expected, sure to do better
- t = enjoyed a favorable trip (normally soft lead)

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