

# GLOBEFORM'S BREEDERS' CUP PREVIEWS

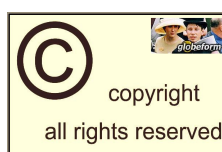
**DEL MAR SAT, 4 NOVEMBER 2017**



*Arrogate working under Martin Garcia. Photo: Benoit*

#### **Post times (Eastern)**

**3:00 Juvenile Fillies – 3:37 Turf Sprint – 4:14 F&M Sprint – 5:00 F&M Turf  
5:37 Sprint – 6:19 Mile – 6:58 Juvenile – 7:37 Turf – 8:35 Classic**



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### GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP TURF SPRINT (G1)

Del Mar 4 Nov 2017 – 5 furlongs turf

Runners presented with best Globeform Rating each horse achieved the past two seasons, jockey, trainer and GF ratings last three starts (left to right).  
Globeform Ratings are expressed in pounds. One length = 3lbs over this distance.

121	LADY AURELIA	J Velazquez	Wesley Ward	111+ / 121 / 119
120	MARSHA	L Morris	Mark Prescott	110 / 120 / 112
118	DISCO PARTNER	I Ortiz Jr	Christophe Clement	112+ / 98 / 118
117	PURE SENSATION	K Carmouche	Christophe Clement	117 / 95 / 112+
115	HOLDING GOLD	M Franco	Mark Casse	113 / 112 / 107
114p	STORMY LIBERAL	J Rosario	Peter Miller	114p / 111 / 86
114	HOGY	J L Ortiz	Michael Maker	93 / 106 / 109
114	WASHINGTON D C	R Moore	Aidan O'Brien	112 / 0 / 104
114	MONGOLIAN SATURDAY	F Geroux	Enebish Gambat	99 / 96 / 105
113	BUCCHERO	F De La Cruz	Tim Glyshaw	?p / ?p / 113
112	COTAI GLORY	O Murphy	Charles Hills	100 / 112 / 110
109	RICHARD'S BOY	F Prat	Peter Miller	101 / 109 / 109

#### Also eligible

109	GUNS LOADED	R Bejarano	Doug O'Neill	109 / 106 / 0
?	PAQUITA COQUETA	C Nakatani	Chad Summers	92 / 0 / ?

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2016 OBVIOUSLY

Globeform 116

Philip d'Amato

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### GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

**LADY AURELIA** will be very popular in this 5-furlong dash and the Wesley Ward trained filly will probably be hard to beat from stall 3. She has such pace from the gates making her possibly even better around a turn than what she has been over straight courses in Europe. Getting to the lead without too much effort, and then getting to the rail, will be a big advantage. Lady Aurelia will not start at appealing odds but it makes little sense to bet against her. If she has retained her form she will win. She ran a super race to win the King's Stand Stakes by 3 lengths from the smart sprinter Profitable at Royal Ascot in June and lost by just a nose when beaten by **MARSHA** in the Nunthorpe Stakes at York in August. The latter opposes her again and must be respected – though it's anybody's guess how she will cope with the turn. All of her big race wins have come over straight tracks.

**DISCO PARTNER** and **PURE SENSATION** form a good team for Christophe Clement, who is still in search of his first success at the Breeders' Cup. Pure Sensation may be the most natural speedball of the two, but Disco Partner is coming off a career best when beating Ready For Rye by 1 ¼ lengths in the Belmont Turf Sprint Invitational in October and has just as good a chance as his barnmate, who peaked when coming home almost six lengths clear of **MONGOLIAN SATURDAY** in the Parx Dash back in July. Disco Partner (stall 1) is very well drawn, while Pure Sensation (12) is badly drawn. Mongolian Saturday won the 2015 BSprint but nothing in his form this year suggests he can repeat.

**STORMY LIBERAL**, a fast sprinter who has yet to try this trip having won a couple of highly competitive 6.5-furlong events at Santa Anita, looks the value bet in the race. He drew well in post 4 and perhaps he is the one who can give Lady Aurelia most to think about. Forget his poor run in the Jaipur on Belmont day – his wins over Ambitious Brew proved his class – and he may improve again. Take out that trip to NY, and Stormy Liberal is 7-6-1 from 20 starts, giving him a 66% top three strike rate. Since joining Peter Miller in October 2016, this gelding has finished first or second in all but one of his seven runs. **He is 40-1 with several bookmakers and we simply must get on here.**

### GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 3 LADY AURELIA  
B: 4 STORMY LIBERAL  
C: 1 DISCO PARTNER

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### GLOBEFORM RATINGS BREEDERS' CUP MILE (G1)

Del Mar 4 Nov 2017 – 8 furlongs turf

Runners presented with best Globeform Rating each horse achieved the past two seasons, jockey, trainer and GF ratings last three starts (left to right). Globeform Ratings are expressed in pounds. One length = 2lbs over this distance.

124	RIBCHESTER	W Buick	Richard Fahey	114 / 122 / 118
123	WORLD APPROVAL	J Velazquez	Mark Casse	116 / 117+ / 123
119	HEART TO HEART	J Leparoux	Brian Lynch	111 / 119 / 115
116	ROLY POLY <i>filly</i>	R Moore	Aidan O'Brien	114 / 105 / 116
117	MIDNIGHT STORM	T Baze	Philip D'Amato	105 / 114 / 111
117	LANCASTER BOMBER	S Heffernan	Aidan O'Brien	117 / 106 / 109
117	ZELZAL (GF 117 in July '16)	G Benoist	Jan-Claude Rouget	114 / 109 / 112
116	SUEDOIS	D Tudhope	David O'Meara	113 / 116 / 116
116	HOME OF THE BRAVE	M Smith	Hugo Palmer	116 / 113 / 112
116	OM (GF 116 in Nov '16)	D Van Dyke	Dan Hendricks	105 / 113 / 107
114	BALLAGH ROCKS	J Lezcano	William Mott	111 / 108 / 114
114	KARAR	F Dettori	Francis-Henri Graffard	0 / 114 / 114
113	BLACKJACKCAT	K Desormeaux	Mark Glatt	112 / 113 / 107
109	MR. ROARY	T Connor	George Papaprodoumou	108 / 0 / 109

Roly Poly: 3lbs fillies' sex allowance. Add three pounds to her GF rating for comparison with males.

2016 TOURIST

Globeform 119

William Mott

### GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

**RIBCHESTER** wheels back quickly, just two weeks after his defeat against the filly Persuasive (who was coming off a second to **ROLY POLY**) in the Queen Elizabeth II Stakes over a straight mile (on testing ground) at Ascot, and this will be his last race before he's off to stud. Having won the Lockinge Stakes at Newbury, Queen Anne Stakes at Royal Ascot and Prix du Moulin at Chantilly, he is top rated going into the BC Mile, but he has also had hard season in Europe and looks potentially vulnerable here. Drawn in stall 10, Ribchester could be set for a wide trip – though with Godolphin's other horse, **HOME OF THE BRAVE**, right to his inside he should at least be guaranteed some space. However, Home Of The Brave is a horse that will go forward and **BALLAGH ROCKS**, in stall 11, might also want to be prominent. Something that might leave Ribchester a stride or two behind them. "Might" is the right word here – as tactics tactics may change if the two speed horses by the rail set off at a furious pace. How fast Midnight Storm and Heart to Heart go early will have a big impact on this BC Mile. Ribchester stays better than many of these, so he will probably be at an advantage if the race is strongly run. Then again, so will his main rival, World Approval.

This son of Iffraaj is a big, long striding colt who prefers firm ground – though going around two turns at Del Mar is a different ballgame. His two best runs to date, a 3 ¾-length win over Lightning Spear in the Lockinge and a 1 ¼-length win over Mutakayyef in the Queen Anne, were both over straight courses. He was beaten by 20-1 shot Here Comes When (a Group 3 / Listed performer) when the ground came up heavy in the Sussex Stakes at Goodwood, and testing ground played its part also when Persuasive beat him by a length at Ascot last month. In between, Ribchester beat the subsequent G2 winner Taareef by ¾ length to capture the Prix du Moulin at Deauville.



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**WORLD APPROVAL** looks the one to beat in the Breeders' Cup Mile. This Mark Casse trained gelding has found a new niche at age five. Dropping down to a mile, after having raced successfully over further last season, has made him an even better horse. His last race leading up to the Breeders' Cup was the Woodbine Mile in Toronto in September – a contest that has so often produced strong BC Mile contenders. Making his 23<sup>rd</sup> career start, World Approval improved to Globeform 123 to win by 2 ½ lengths from Lancaster Bomber, who was half a length better than Long On Value. Beating these two might not, at first glance, seem all that special but it was the way he did it, and more importantly at what weight terms he did it, that stamped World Approval as top class miler. True, he had the advantage of the inside post but he was also giving 12lbs to the three-year-old Lancaster Bomber and 7lbs to Long On Value. Even with these two running some three lengths below their previous best, World Approval comes out with a very high rating. Last year, he won the United Nations over 11 furlongs at Monmouth Park (beat Money Multiplier 1 ¼ lengths), having previously run second to Divisidero in the Turf Classic over 9 furlongs at Churchill Downs. His 2017 campaign began with two fine wins, in the 9-furlong Tampa Bay Turf Classic in April and the 8.5-furlong Dixie Stakes at Pimlico in May, when he ran to GF 119 to outclass Projected and Blacktype. A step up to 10 furlongs in the Manhattan Stakes at Belmont in June resulted in a respectable fifth place finish, 1 ¾ lengths behind upset winner Ascend. Casse gave the gray son of Northern Afleet a two-month break after this, and he tuned him up to the Woodbine Mile with an easy 2 ¼-length win over Time Test on the Fourstardave over a mile at Saratoga in August. That race was run of soft ground, though firm conditions suits World Approval best. He is so game and tough, he has speed and stamina, and he will be hard to deny on Saturday.

**HEART TO HEART** has been supplemented to the Breeders' Cup Mile and this is a miler that will be very well suited to the two-turn mile at Del Mar. He drew post 2, normally great, but perhaps not so good when another speed horse, **MIDNIGHT STORM** is in stall 1. These two could easily end up running each other into the ground. If they manage to set sensible fractions while racing in tandem, well then it will become interesting. It's a short stretch, remember. Can they both hang on for a place in the top four? This looks a typical 'either or' scenario. If one makes it, then so will the the other. Or they can both fail.

Heart to Heart has never raced at Del Mar but that's not a worry. He has won graded stakes at Saratoga, Gufstream Park, Belmont Park, Churchill Downs and Monmouth Park and such an experienced horse could be just what you want on your side in the BC Mile. He is a front-runner, dangerous indeed if he gets to a relaxing position on the lead. That did not happen last time out, when a no-hoper pressed him early on in the Shadwell Mile at Keeneland, making Heart to Heart to burn too much energy and tire in the last few strides, when **SUEDOIS** went by him to win by a half-length. Heart to Heart ran to GF 115 at Keeneland, having recorded a career best to win the Bernard Baruch over 8.5 furlongs at Saratoga on his preceding start. He won that event from gate to wire, returning Globeform 119 as he beat Forge easily by 1 ¼ lengths (while conceding 5lbs).

**ROLY POLY**, a small but very tough and durable filly, has enjoyed a fine season in Europe, with top level wins in the Falmouth Stakes (from F&M Turf contender Wuheida), Prix Rotschild (bit sub-standard this year, with Via Ravenna and Siyoushake close up in second and third) and most recently the Sun Chariot Stakes, where Roly Poly was superbly ridden in front by Ryan Moore. Getting to the favorable strip by the stands' side rail, she won the straight-course contest gamely by 1 ¾ lengths from Persuasive (who beat Ribchester in the 'QEII' at Ascot next time out). Whether Roly Poly can be as efficient around Del Mar is hard to say. She is the right size to handle a two-turn mile well, but she is also badly drawn in stall 12. On the plus side; if you back her you have Ryan Moore on your side.

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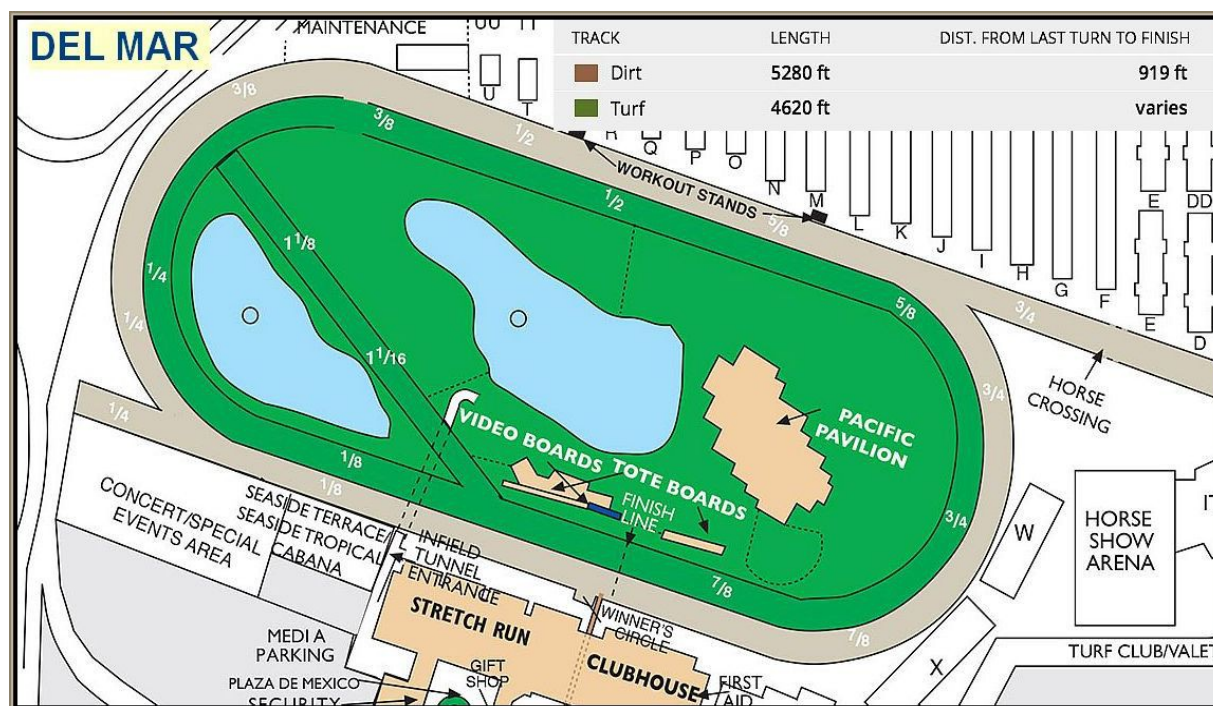
### GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

- A: 5 WORLD APPROVAL
- B: 10 RIBCHESTER
- C: 2 HEART TO HEART

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### BREEDERS' CUP NOTES

**BOB BAFFERT**, who will try to repeat the feat with **DREFONG**, is the only trainer to have won back-to-back editions of the Breeders' Cup Sprint – a race he captured twice with Midnight Lute. Baffert also saddled Secret Circle to win in 2013 and finish second a year later, and he has trained the Breeders' Cup Sprint winner five times.

**OVER THE LAST THREE YEARS**, just 5 of the 39 Breeders' Cup races have been won by Europeans.

**EUROPEANS** have an excellent record in two races though, the **Turf and the Juvenile Turf**.

The last 10 editions of the Turf:  
7 European winners (34 runners) 3 US based winners (67 runners).

The last 10 editions of Juvenile Turf:  
6 European winners (34 runners) 4 US based winners (97 runners).

**The Juvenile Fillies Turf** has been run six times in California – and four of the winners came out of the Miss Grillo Stakes, won this year by **Significant Form**, who defeated fellow Juvenile Fillies Turf contenders **Best Performance** and **Orbolution**.



**GLOBEFORM'S BREEDERS' CUP PREVIEWS**

**FRIDAY, 3 NOVEMBER 2017**

**GLOBEFORM RATINGS**

**BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE FILLIES TURF (G1)**

Del Mar 3 Nov 2017 – 8 furlongs turf

*Runners presented with best Globeform Rating each horse achieved the past two seasons, jockey, trainer and GF ratings last three starts (left to right). Globeform Ratings are expressed in pounds. One length = 2lbs over this distance.*

113p	HAPPILY	R Moore	Aidan O'Brien	105p / 111p / 113p
111	SEPTEMBER	S Heffernan	Aidan O'Brien	101 / 103 / 111
108	JULIET CAPULET	F Dettori	John Gosden	?p / 103 / 108
106p	RUSHING FALL	J Castellano	Chad Brown	97p / 106p
104p	CAPLA TEMPTRESS	J Rosario	William Mott	?p / 101p / 104p
103	DIXIE MOON	E R Da Silva	Catherine Day-Phillips	?p / 101p / 103
102p	ORBOLUTION	J Velazquez	Todd Pletcher	?p / 101p / 102p
102p	BEST PERFORMANCE	J L ortiz	Christophe Clement	86p / 97p / 102p
102	MADELINE	A Atzeni	Roger Varian	98p / 102 / 102
102	NOW YOU'RE TALKING	W Lordan	Joseph O'Brien	95 / ? / 102
101p	SIGNIFICANT FORM	Irado Ortiz	Chad Brown	96p / 101p
99p	FATALE BERE	K Desormeaux	Leonard Powell	?p / 94p / 99p
99p	MOON DASH	M Smith	Michael Stidham	?p / 99p
98	ULTIMA D	T Gaffalione	Wesley Ward	? / 86p / 98

Also eligible

96p	RETRO	F Prat	Richard Mandella	81p / 96p
95	GOODTHINGSTAKETIME	F Geroux	James Stack	?p / 95 / 0

2016	NEW MONEY HONEY	Globeform 110p	Chad Brown
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**THE JUVENILE FILLIES TURF** has been run 9 times, with US based runners winning 6 editions and European visitors winning 3 times.



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## GLOBEFORM ANALYSIS

**HAPPILY** is a clear number one in this field, having landed two prestigious Group Ones in Europe on her most recent starts, the latest even against colts in France. She was a game and impressive winner of the one-mile Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere at Chantilly four weeks ago. Staying on strongly from just off the pace, Happily beat Olmedo (considered the best juvenile colt in France) readily by 1 ¼ lengths. **MASAR**, a live contender for the BC Juvenile Turf, was third. This form is markedly better than what any of her rivals can show in their records and Happily will probably be hard to beat. She beat her stable companion Magical by short head to win the Moyglare Stud Stakes over 7 furlongs at The Curragh back in September, when she showed good early speed. Magical had beaten Happily by 1 ¼ lengths when they filled first and second also in the Debutante Stakes three weeks earlier. Happily's last two wins have been on heavy and soft ground but she has also won well on good ground. She is sister to the high lass miler Gleneagles (who won the 2,000 Guineas on good to firm, the Irish 2,000 Guineas on good to soft and the St. James's Palace Stakes on good to firm).

**SEPTEMBER** may not be quite as classy as Happily but her most recent run – when she lost by just a nose to Laurens in the Fillies' Mile at Newmarket, earned her Globeform 111, making her the second highest rated contender and a nice back-up for Aidan O'Brien. Strange as it might sound, the Irish champion trainer has yet to win a Juvenile Fillies Turf. September, a daughter of the Japanese champion Deep Impact and thus bred to thrive on firm ground, won the 7-furlong Chesham Stakes at Royal Ascot on her second start in June (staying-on well to beat Nyaleti and **MASAR** by 2 ¼ lengths). She went on to run fourth behind Magical, **HAPPILY** and Mary Tudor in the Debutante Stakes over 7 furlongs at The Curragh two months later, then took third behind Happily and Magical in the Moyglare Stud Stakes over the same course and distance in September. Beaten 3 ¼ lengths that day, she moved up to a mile at Newmarket in October, when cam with a good kick from the middle of an 11-runner field, but was short of room a furlong out and had to switch lanes. Laurens was a game winner but perhaps a bit lucky too, as September just failed to catch her. Out of the Danehill mare Peeping Fawn, who won the Irish Oaks and three other Group Ones, September is bred to stay much further than a mile in due course.

**JULIET CAPULET**, the only Breeders' Cup runner representing John Gosden this year, is coming off a narrow win in the Rockfel Stakes over 7 furlongs at Newmarket in September. Ridden by Frankie Dettori – who has been better than ever over the past two years – she was committed three furlongs out, and rane on really gamely in front, to hold an attack from Nyaleti at bay. Juliet Capulet won by a decisive head, with 1 ½ lengths back to Gavota, who was beaten a neck by Altyn Orda in the Oh So Sharp Stakes two weeks later. The Rockfel was Juliet Capulet's second win from six starts. She had previously won a Novice Stakes at lowly Thirsk and finished second to Tajaanus in the Sweet Solera Stakes at Newmarket (when **CAPLA TEMPTRESS** was a length behind her in third). Juliet Capulet made her debut over 6.5 furlongs and all of her subsequent starts have been over seven. She was ridden for stamina in the Rockfel and a mile at Del Mar will be no problem. Whether she will be as effective on firm ground as she has been on soft, is another matter – though Gosden is a most reliable trainer and would not send her to California is she's unlikely to handle the conditions.



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**RUSHING FALL** looked potentially high class when winning the Jessamine Stakes at Keeneland (Photo by Jeff Coady), and she is the strongest of two cards played by Chad Brown – who has won this race three times (with Maram in 2008, Lady Eli in 2014 and New Money Honey last year). Rushing Falls could easily give Brown yet another win in this mile contest. Coming from way back – in a seemingly impossible position – she quickened impressively to glide past her rivals in the home straight and win the Jessamine comfortably by 3 ¼ lengths from Stainless. Rushing Fall ran to GF 106p in the process and she is almost certainly capable of higher than 110, which is often good enough to win the Juvenile Fillies Turf. **She was recommended at 8-1 as one of our early value bets three weeks prior to the big day.** She will be nowhere near that price at the off, and could be hard to beat.



**CAPLA TEMPTRESS** was trained by Marco Botti when winning the Natalma Stakes over a mile at Woodbine in September. She has since joined Bill Mott. The rather small, but obviously talented, daughter of Lope de Vega, came from off the pace to sweep home for a game 3/4-length win over **DIXIE MOON**, with subsequent Mazarine Stakes winner Wonder Gadot (who is set for the Juvenile Fillies). Capla Temptress had smart form in England, where she won at Chelmsford (all weather track) and Newmarket before finishing third behind Tajaanus and **JULIET CAPULET** in the 7-furlong Sweet Solera Stakes (also at Newmarket). She is just the type to go well around turns and it's easy to see why her connections decided to ship her across the pond.

**DIXIE MOON** did her bit for the Natalma form by winning the Cup and Saucer Stakes over 8.5 furlongs at Woodbine in October. Catherine Day-Phillips has yet another nice performer in this daughter of Curlin, who landed the odds by a length from Strike Me Down in the Cup and Saucer. She had raced just once, winning a maiden on the all weather track, before meeting Capla Temptress, and could well find more improvement than the latter in races to come.

**SIGNIFICANT FORM** was favored by the weights when beating **BEST PERFORMANCE** by a length to win the Miss Grillo Stakes over 8.5 furlongs at Belmont Park in October. Significant Form, like Rushing Fall trained by Chad Brown, raced prominently throughout, and was carrying 3lbs less than Best Performance, who finished well from off the pace. **ORBOLUTION** checked in third and she was giving 6lbs to the winner and 3lbs to the runner-up, making her every bit as good on ratings. Orbolution was the most experience of the three, so perhaps she doesn't have as much improvement as the twice raced Significant Form, but note that the Pletcher filly raced a bit too freely through the first half of the Miss Grillo – and she looked a bit classy when beating Wild N Ready by almost five lengths to land the odds in the P G Johnson at Saratoga back in August.

**This race** has been run six times in California – with four of the winners came out of the Miss Grillo Stakes.

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### GLOBEFORM SELECTIONS

A: 2 HAPPILY  
B: 11 RUSHING FALL  
C: 10 SEPTEMBER



## BREEDERS' CUP NOTES



**AIDAN O'BRIEN** has yet to win a Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies' Turf, but he has an excellent record in the Breeders' Cup **JUVENILE TURF**, a race he has won three times. The Irish trainer has had 14 runners in this race and 7 of them finished in the first two.

**THE JUVENILE FILLIES TURF** has been run nine times, with US based runners win six editions and European visitors winning three times.

**NOTE THAT** only two California based horses have managed to finish in the first three in the **JUVENILE TURF** over the years.

**UNIQUE BELLA** would be the first 3-year-old to win the Breeders' Cup Filly & mare Sprint if successful in the 7-furlong contest on Saturday. However, no 3yo filly of her quality has lined up for the event, so perhaps it is a statistic to ignore. In the early years, when the fillies did not have their own sprint race, 3-year-old fillies did well against the boys in the Sprint. Very Subtle won the Sprint for this age / sex group back in 1987 (beat Groovy by 4 lengths), Safely Kept (who came back to win the Sprint at four) lost by just a neck against Dancing Spree in 1989, and Meafara was the same margin behind Thirty Slews in '92 (she ran second also in '93).

**DISCO PARTNER**, a supplementary entry to the B Cup Turf Sprint, gives trainer **CHRISTOPHE CLEMENT** two shots at the prize – as he will also saddle **PURE SENSATION**. But note that this handler has yet to win at the Breeders' Cup. His B Cup record to date is 0-for-32.

**THE HOME STRAIGHT** at Del Mar is shorter than at most other high profile courses. Del Mar's main track finish is just 71 feet (21 metres) shorter than Santa Anita's but as much as 315 feet (96 metres) shorter than the home stretch at Churchill Downs. Looking at the turf course, it's interesting to compare the finishing straight with those at Chantilly (where the 'Arc' meeting was run this year) and Ascot.

HOME STRAIGHT	FEET	METRES
Churchill Downs:	1234	376
Keeneland	1174	357
Saratoga	1144	348
Belmont Park	1097	334
Santa Anita	990	301
Del Mar	919	280
<i>Del Mar turf course</i>	<i>817</i>	<i>249</i>
<i>Ascot turf</i>	<i>1650</i>	<i>503</i>
<i>Chantilly turf</i>	<i>1968</i>	<i>600</i>

