

Race 1 News

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes



CAL EXPO HARNESS

Viva Canonero! Part 2

by Steve Haskin

As the Kentucky Derby hoopla began to quiet down, a stunned racing world was still trying to recover from the bombshell that had fallen on Churchill Downs. An obscurely bred, crooked legged, harlequin of a horse from Venezuela, who had been ridiculed by the press and local horsemen, had just concluded the most bizarre journey and adventure in the history of the Kentucky Derby. Like Clark Kent turning into Superman, Canonero II had turned into the "Caracas Cannonball," a term by which he became known.

With all of Venezuela still celebrating this unlikely victory, Canonero, trainer Juan Arias, and groom Juan Quintero arrived in Baltimore for the Preakness Stakes, the second leg of the Triple Crown.

But, once again, trouble awaited them. Shortly after arriving, Canonero refused to eat. Veterinarian Ralph Yergey was called in to look at the colt, with an interpreter needed for Yergey and Arias to communicate with each other. Canonero had developed a case of thrush, a foot infection usually caused by a horse standing in its own urine.

Not only did Canonero have foot problems, he was also cutting his tongue on a loose baby tooth, and had contracted a low-grade fever. Six days before the Preakness, Dr.

WHY ASK WHY

Left under urging, settled in to far turn, gapped round the final bend. Rail again, class relief. Soft trip lands part?

LIL ORPHAN ELMER

Sped from gate, 2nd quarter breather, went for air far turn, some stretch urging, wow. Reached pinnacle, now steps way up. Respect.

ARMY OF ONE

Out past half, cover into far turn, kept coming, urged to get there. Also sharp. Also steps up. Rene returns.

ALMOST CUT MY HAIR

Reserved to half, came up 3rd over, angled to the drive, urged. Drops. Mooney's choice.

Yet another must use.

BETTORS PROMISE

Sped from gate, yielded to winner quarter, chased rest of mile, never fully free. Okay form. Adds James. Fires out?

PANCETTA

Rode cones to lane, cleared traffic, urged while still in a bit tight. Luke returns. Hikes, plan from outside?

1st Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	WHY ASK WHY
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	BETTORS PROMISE
Fastest time last race	BETTORS PROMISE
Fastest win time this year	ALMOST CUT MY HAIR
Fastest win time last year	PANCETTA
Fastest last '1/4' last race	PANCETTA
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	LIL ORPHAN ELMER (W) ALMOST CUT MY HAIR (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	LIL ORPHAN ELMER
Blocked or in trouble last race	BETTORS PROMISE PANCETTA
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	BETTORS PROMISE PANCETTA

PICK 5 (16% Takeout) - 50¢ WAGER COMBINATIONS

50 Cent Wagers	Your Cost		
1 x 1 x 1 x 1 x 1	\$.50	2 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$16.00
1 x 1 x 1 x 1 x 2	\$1.00	2 x 2 x 2 x 3 x 3	\$36.00
1 x 1 x 1 x 2 x 2	\$2.00	2 x 2 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$54.00
1 x 1 x 1 x 2 x 2	\$4.00	1 x 2 x 3 x 4 x 5	\$60.00
1 x 1 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$8.00	2 x 3 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$81.00
1 x 2 x 2 x 2 x 2	\$13.50	3 x 3 x 3 x 3 x 3	\$121.50
1 x 1 x 3 x 3 x 3		2 x 3 x 4 x 5 x 6	\$360.00

Race 2 News

Yergey switched his medication from pen-strep, a standard antibiotic mixture, to ampicillin because the lidocaine in the pen-strep would have shown up in a urine test.

Despite Canonero's powerful victory in the Derby, most people were convinced the race was a fluke. The final time was a slow 2:03 1/5, and Canonero's running style of coming from 20 lengths back was hardly suitable to the Preakness, which was run at a shorter distance and over a speed-favoring track with tighter turns. It was the fast Calumet Farm colt Eastern Fleet who looked to be the perfect Preakness-type horse, and many of the "experts" seemed to favor him over Canonero.

Disdain for the Derby winner grew after Canonero worked an agonizingly slow five furlongs in 1:06. One trainer commented afterward, "That was about a fifth of a second faster than might have been expected of a plow horse." Another said, "If I had that horse and he worked that slow, I'd put him on the first slow boat to South America."

Arias, however, was thrilled with the work. "Perfecto," he said. "He's ready for Saturday." He later told the Baltimore Sun, "They laughed at us in Louisville, and they're laughing at us in Baltimore. But it is we who will be laughing at the whole racing world!"

What people didn't realize was that there was a lot more to Canonero than what appeared on the surface. When a Baltimore radiologist, Dr.

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GLAD TO MEET YA

Settled in for soft trip behind top pair, tipped out into lane, urged, missed 2nd in photo. Extra week off. Rail. Gimmick must.

RHYTHM

Off gate pair, at back whole trip, some stretch urging. Appears to have work cut out again.

GOTURNUMBER

Sent hard, braked to lane, some urging, no doubt, hw15.

Should have no trouble controlling the pace again. Obvious.

BRIGITTE BORDEAUX

Tucked at once, stalked winner to far turn, pulled out, didn't gain, driven. Looks like a gimmick user. Underneath.

LUCKY SEVEN OF LODI

Left, tucked, chased, tired. Longshot. Tough spot especially from outside.



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2nd Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	GOTURNUMBER
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	GOTURNUMBER
Fastest time last race	GOTURNUMBER
Fastest win time this year	GOTURNUMBER
Fastest win time last year	
Fastest last '1/4' last race	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	BRIGITTE BORDEAUX
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	GOTURNUMBER (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	GOTURNUMBER

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Race 3 News

George Burke, took an electrocardiogram of the horse, he discovered his heartbeat was only 30 beats per minute, which was five less than the average horse. "Fantastic," Burke said. "That's as low as a horse will go."

Canonero and Jim French shared favoritism at 3-1, with Eastern Fleet, the main danger to steal the race on the front end, bet down to 6-1. This time Baptista came for the race. What he and everyone else witnessed was in many ways more remarkable than what had transpired in the Derby. The mindset going into the race was that Canonero, breaking from the disadvantageous 9-post, would again have to drop far out of it and make his big late run over the speed-conducive track. But they forgot that this was no ordinary horse, and that he never did anything by the rules.

Eastern Fleet, as expected, shot to the lead, but as shocked as everyone was when Canonero unleashed his 18th to first move in the Derby, they were even more shocked to see him burst out of the gate and go right after Eastern Fleet. How could a horse who came from 20 lengths back in the Derby and then worked a dawdling five furlongs in 1:06 at Pimlico show that much speed?

Canonero sat right off Eastern Fleet and then moved in for the kill as they turned up the backstretch. For the next five-eighths of a mile the two were at each other's throat. After a half in :47, they sizzled the

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NEVER ONEBADCHANGE

Bumpy gaited at various points of the mile. Likely relegated to the undercard again.

INDIO AZTECA

Settled early. Tracked to the top of the lane. Rallied away from tiring/breaking rivals. Another undercard user.

LODI JAZZ PLAYER

Led early, yielded, lugged wide far turn, faded. Adds to the speed equation but stamina is lacking.

JK JOURNEY

Broke near start and again last turn, failed to get involved. Back down at a level where he is a major contender. Prime threat to Stanley.

MANLEY STANLEY

Out past quarter, checked, broke, lost 10-12, out far turn, carried wide into str, still almost reached. Obviously the one to beat at a low price.



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3rd Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	MANLEY STANLEY
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	INDIO AZTECA
Fastest time last race	MANLEY STANLEY
Fastest win time this year	JK JOURNEY
Fastest win time last year	MANLEY STANLEY
Fastest last '1/4' last race	MANLEY STANLEY
Closed Strongly last race	MANLEY STANLEY
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	LODI JAZZ PLAYER JK JOURNEY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	MANLEY STANLEY (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	MANLEY STANLEY

CAL EXPO PICK 3 RULES

1. Any scratch in the first leg of a Pick Three is now a refund.
2. A wager with a scratch in the second leg creates a consolation pool.
3. A wager with a scratch in the third leg creates another consolation pool.
4. A wager with scratches in the second and third leg creates another consolation pool.
5. A consolation pool is the sum of all wagers that include the scratch(es) for that leg or legs. The winning combination for the consolation pool is a wager with the winner or winners of the non-scratch leg(s).

Race 4 News

next quarter in :23 2/5, while opening up five lengths on the rest of the field. The farther they went the more they opened up.

No one could believe what they were seeing, as the pair went the opening six furlongs in a sizzling 1:10 2/5 and the mile in 1:35. Someone had to crack, and it was Eastern Fleet. Canonero, despite running his six furlongs four and two-fifths seconds (or 22 lengths) faster than he had in the Derby, was showing no signs of tiring. He pulled away from Eastern Fleet inside the eighth pole, again still on his wrong lead, and crossed the wire 1 1/2 lengths in front, with Eastern Fleet 4 1/2 lengths ahead of Jim French. The horse people had laughed at as being as slow as a "plow horse" had just run the 1 3/16 miles in 1:54 flat, breaking Nashua's track record by three-fifths of a second.

Back in Venezuela, five million people watched the race on television, and once again the country erupted in celebration. Baptista rushed to the winner's circle pumping his fist, then pointing it up to the sky, shouting, "Belmont! Belmont! Belmont!"

When asked how he felt, Baptista said, "We have come up here – two Indians (he and Avila) and a black man (Arias) with a horse that nobody believed in, and we are destroying 200 years of American racing tradition, dominated by the cream of your society. This is a monumental event for international relations. You cannot imagine the

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BE MY LUCKY LADY

Broke into turn, lost too much ground to recover. Rail again, undercard shot in here.

CHILMA

Flew to top, yielded, stalked to str, found a seam along cones, urged to get up. Tackling tougher. Confidence builder?

ROCKIN REPEAT

Left well, back out near half, unable to make much headway on the rim, faded. Odds should drift considerably now.

WIZZEL STIX

Out midfar turn, wide around stalled flow, rallied fast, easy 2nd best. Gerry returns. Another gimmick thought.

MYSTERY DRAGON

Rode cones whole trip, driven, failed to advance. James choice. Enough class relief to merit a long look.

HARRY FREDRICK

Far back, failed to get into it. Adds Chip Lackey. Also gets into a softer spot. Price thought?

LAISSEZMOIPICOLER

Looped leaving, parked full uncovered, faded from the skirmish. Willie's choice. Another dropper. One more in the mix.



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4th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	MYSTERY DRAGON LAISSEZMOIPICOLER
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	MYSTERY DRAGON
Fastest time last race	MYSTERY DRAGON LAISSEZMOIPICOLER
Fastest win time this year	LAISSEZMOIPICOLER
Fastest win time last year	ROCKIN REPEAT
Fastest last '1/4' last race	CHILMA
Closed Strongly last race	CHILMA
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	CHILMA (W)
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	WIZZEL STIX LAISSEZMOIPICOLER
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	LAISSEZMOIPICOLER

PYLON RULE

(For Horses Racing Without Interference)

1. Going inside two (2) pylons and lapped-on at the finish: The offending horse will be disqualified and placed behind any lapped-on horses at the wire.
2. Going inside three (3) or more consecutive pylons: The offending horse will be disqualified and placed last.
3. If an unfair advantage is gained by going inside, over, or in-between one or more pylons in order to pass another competitor: The offending horse will be disqualified.

The steward's discretion applies to all placement.

Race 5 News

impact this has had in Venezuela. Canonero is truly a horse of the people."

When Arias was asked how he got Canonero to run so fast off such a slow work, all he said was, "They could not hold back destiny."

Before vanning to Belmont, Canonero was honored at Pimlico between races. He was led onto the track to the playing of the Venezuelan national anthem, as the applause began to build from those in attendance. In the winner's circle, Maryland Governor Marvin Mandel signed a document proclaiming the members of the Canonero team honorary citizens of Maryland. Arias, Baptista, and Avila, dressed in suits and ties, stood with their arms locked together. Canonero wore four orange bandages and a white cooler, and when Quintero removed his cooler, the horse strutted proudly on the turf course with his ears straight up. But at one point Canonero became spooked and nearly got loose from Quintero who had to hang on for dear life.

When Canonero arrived at Belmont Park, a circus replaced the freak show of Churchill Downs. Between veterinarians and countless advisors to Baptista all trying to run the show, Arias had to deal with new physical problems that were plaguing Canonero, as well as some of the old ones. The colt was still suffering from thrush, and now his right hock had become swollen. He burned his heels while galloping at Belmont, and then came down with

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O COME ON NOW

Sped to top, moderated clip to str, sped home, solid tuner. Pretty good spot for her return. Gimmick must.

FOX VALLEY RUBY

Left well, soft trip to lane, cleared, no close. Drops a slot. Inside again. Finds her kind of field.

DOUBLE MYSTERY

Reserved to lane, cleared traffic, urged only fair. So-so form. But must be given a look among these.

SHEZ A SWIFT

Parked quarter, forced back by winner, pocket chased balance, driven. Adds to the speed equation. One more usable in exotics.

LIL MISS KNUCKLES

No hurry leaving, out past 5/8s, covered up, not good flow, swung wide, urged. Has had excuses since returning. Another maybe.

LUST

First over from last into far turn, soon had excess cover, poor flow, followed 3wide, driven. Outside again. But right trip puts her into it.



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5th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	FOX VALLEY RUBY
Fastest time last race	DOUBLE MYSTERY
Fastest win time this year	
Fastest win time last year	SHEZ A SWIFT
Fastest last '1/4' last race	DOUBLE MYSTERY LUST
Closed Strongly last race	N/A
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	LIL MISS KNUCKLES LUST
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	DOUBLE MYSTERY LUST

CHRB Rule No. 1699

(b) A horse shall not interfere with or cause any other horse to lose stride, ground or position in a part of the race where the horse loses the opportunity to place where it might be reasonably expected to finish.

(c) A horse which interferes with another and thereby causes any other horse to lose stride, ground or position, when such other horse is not at fault and when such interference occurs in a part of the race where the horse interfered with loses the opportunity to place where it might, in the opinion of the Stewards, be reasonably expected to finish, may be disqualified and placed behind the horse so interfered with.

Race 6 News

a severe skin disease that covered a good portion of his body.

Security was posted at his barn 24 hours a day. He even appeared on the Today Show when former major league baseball player and author Joe Garagiola came out to the barn to "interview" him. Canonero was brought out, and Garagiola stuck a microphone in his face and began asking him questions, such as, "Where'd you get that haircut?"

Canonero's physical problems forced him to miss several days of training. Like at Churchill Downs and Pimlico, the cynics were out in full force. There was no way a horse in this condition could win the Belmont. "They still think we're a bunch of crazy Indians," Arias said.

But deep down Arias knew that this time Canonero would not be at his best. Veterinarian Dr. William O. Reed examined the colt and told Arias he was only 75% ready to go a mile and a half. Even Sports Illustrated tried to convince Arias and Baptista not to run. An editorial that appeared in the magazine a week before the Belmont read: "Perhaps sometime before the Belmont this Saturday, Canonero's handlers will forego false national pride and scratch the horse. We hope so. He is in bad shape and has been for a week."

Arias knew in his heart that Canonero probably shouldn't run, but there was too much at stake, and the trainer still believed the horse could win. After all, this was a horse of destiny and how can you stand in the way of destiny?

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CENALTA ECLIPSE

Looped leaving, tucked, soft trip to lane, driven to save place. Rail, slight hike. Small shot to share.

CANTHOLDMEBACKMACK

Looped, parked quarter to top, released to winner near half, chased rest of way, caught for 2nd. Inside. Fits well in here.

JUMP THE SHARK

Moved out far turn, good lead up trip, closed well near wire. Enough class relief to make him very dangerous.

PAYDAZE A ROCKIN

Parked hard eighth plus, pushed before yielding to winner past half, tracked to lane, faded from the skirmish. Steve's choice over 2 others. Also moves inside.

BARBOSA

Parked half turn, yielded, chased to lane, urged, back up for 2nd. Fair form. Tough to leave him off the ticket.

GENE EUGENE

Sent from gate. brushed back near quarter, braked to far turn, shook off attacker, gave way grudgingly. Third start for Hernandez barn, thought.

RICHELLU COWBOY

Tracked to midfar turn, tipped out on rim, angled into lane, driven to narrow gap. Back outside. Obvious tactical issues.

RUSTY CARTER

Moved out from last far turn, loose 3rd over cover, failed to get into it. Debuts for Nathalie, adds Mooney, pretty good spot to take a stab.



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6th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	JUMP THE SHARK
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	JUMP THE SHARK
Fastest time last race	JUMP THE SHARK
Fastest win time this year	JUMP THE SHARK
Fastest win time last year	RUSTY CARTER
Fastest last '1/4' last race	JUMP THE SHARK RICHELLU COWBOY
Closed Strongly last race	JUMP THE SHARK
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	JUMP THE SHARK

THE 50¢ CAL EXPO PICK 6

Winning tickets with six correct selections will share in 75% of the daily net pool, and 100% of the carryover. Ticket holders with five correct selections share in 25% of the daily net pool.

If there are no tickets with six winners, all ticket holders with the greatest number of winners share in 25% of the daily net pool, with the remainder of the net pool carried over to the next racing day.

There is a mandatory payout of the entire net pool on the last night of the race meet. (.50 cent minimum)

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All of Venezuela had embraced the horse as a national hero, and throughout the country came the cries of "Viva Canonero!" Plans were in the works to erect a statue of him at La Rinconada. Songs about Canonero were being played on the radio. At one civil registry office in Venezuela, a couple submitted the name Canonero Segundo (Canonero the second) for their newborn son. At Belmont, a film was made called "The Ballad of Canonero," featuring a song of the same name. It was later shown on television and was named best sports film of the year at the 15th "Annual International Film and TV Festival of New York."

It was too late to turn back now.

A group of about 2,000 Venezuelans made the trip for the Belmont Stakes, many wearing T-shirts reading: "Viva Canonero!" and "Viva Venezuela!" New York's Puerto Rican community adopted Canonero, and Puerto Ricans and other Hispanics poured into Belmont Park by the thousands. The official crowd of 82,694 destroyed the previous record of 67,961. The new mark would stand for 28 years.

Hours before the race, radio broadcasters in Venezuela asked the people to honk their car horns and churches to peal their bells at the precise same moment. Right before the race the city of Caracas was like a ghost town, with its citizens glued to their televisions.

As it turned out, Canonero's many maladies proved much stronger

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BETTOR LADY

Rode cones whole trip, heavy traffic into lane, tough to gauge. James choice over 2 others. Post relief noted.

NO GUARANTEES

Away well, easy run to the lane, useful tuner. Mooney chose over 2 others. Drops, tighter now?

SMASH

Moved from last with lots of cover, angled wide, driven to narrow gap. Chip returns. A better post too.

TOTALLY RACY

Parked eighth plus, braked to half, sped up last bend, urged to fend off pocketeer, tough. Steps up off confidence builder?

PLACE AT THE BEACH

Sent under urging, yielded mid turn, stalked balance, some late urging to get up. Also might be braver now.

BLUE NOTE

Sped to midturn lead, yielded past quarter, popped back out late final bend, caught, ouch. Luke's choice over 3 others. Gimmick must.

WINDSONG LINDSEY

Parked eighth plus, yielded to winner, tracked balance, faded from the chase. Class relief, Tony hops aboard.

POORLITTLERICHGIRL

Came from last, followed winner into turn, failed to keep up round the bend. Extra week off. Drops a level. Plan?

NIGHTTRAINTOVEGAS

Cover into far turn, good lead up trip, urged, many vying for 3rd slot. Ricky returns. Tough spot from 9.

FIRE DANCE

Left, no tucks, parked past quarter, attacked by fav midlast bend, held tough till deep str. killer post. Not worst stab tho.



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7th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	POORLITTLERICHGIRL
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	BLUE NOTE
Fastest time last race	BLUE NOTE
Fastest win time this year	WINDSONG LINDSEY
Fastest win time last year	SMASH WINDSONG LINDSEY
Fastest last '1/4' last race	NO GUARANTEES
Closed Strongly last race	SMASH PLACE AT THE BEACH
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	TOTALLY RACY WINDSONG LINDSEY
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	BLUE NOTE (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	BETTOR LADY SMASH
Blocked or in trouble last race	BETTOR LADY
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	SMASH BLUE NOTE WINDSONG LINDSEY

STARTER'S RULES

1728. Starter's Control. The starter shall have control over the horses from the formation of the parade until he gives the word 'go.' The starter shall report to the stewards any misconduct or violation on the part of the driver and may order any unmanageable or disabled horse declared (scratched) from the race with the concurrence of the stewards.

1729. Starting the race. The starter shall bring the horses to the starting gate as near one-quarter of a mile from the starting point as the track may permit, and shall endeavor to get all horses away in position and on gait. If a horse refuses to come to the gate, is unmanageable or liable to cause an accident or injury to any other horse or driver, it may be declared and all monies wagered on that horse shall be refunded.

1730. Recalls. The starter may sound a recall for only the following reasons: 1-A horse scored ahead of the gate; 2- There is interference prior to the word 'go' being given; 3-A horse has broken equipment; 4-A horse falls prior to the word 'go' being given. There shall be no recall after the word 'go' is given and any horse, regardless of his position or an accident, shall be deemed a starter from the time he entered into the starter's control unless dismissed.

Race 8 News

than destiny. The colt went to the front and ran as far and as fast as his battle-weary legs and body could take him. He tried gallantly, but could finish no better than fourth, beaten only 4 1/2 lengths by longshot Pass Catcher. Even as the Derby and Preakness winner began to tire turning for home, cries of "Canonero!" resounded throughout the huge grandstand. Jim French and Bold Reason, two colts Canonero had already manhandled, finished second and third, respectively.

The morning after the race, Dr. Reed examined Canonero and said the colt still was showing signs of extreme fatigue. Baptista looked at the defeat philosophically and told those close to the horse not to hold their heads down. "Be cheerful," he said. "We have become rich and famous, the horse is all right, and the future is ahead of us."

Baptista had turned down several lucrative offers for Canonero, but felt the time was now right to sell. Shortly after the Belmont, he sold Canonero to Robert Kleberg, owner of King Ranch, for \$1.5 million.

Canonero did not run again until the following May, finishing second in the Carter Handicap, but proceeded to lose his next five races as well, with only a second in an allowance race to his credit. It was obvious he was no longer the same horse. His new trainer, Buddy Hirsch, tried blinkers, but that didn't help. As a last resort, he summoned Canonero's old jockey, Gustavo Avila, to come up from Venezuela to

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MUSICIAN

Left, had to take back, 2nd over near half, burst 3wide near 3/4s, caught by one he led up. Finally inside. Must use. REGINA BEACH

2nd over into far turn, came wide for the drive, driven to save 3rd check. Luke's choice over 2 others. Drops in for 3k. WESTERN FORTUNE

Sent hard, blazed clip to lane, broke briefly under urging, tried to fight back. Steve's choice. Another user.

CRUSIN FOR YOU

Left well, pocketed behind strong winner, asked to keep up far turn, faded from the chase. Another trying 3k here. Adds Richard.

ALLAMERICAN SOLO

Parked turn, yielded to fave's retake, chased to lane, urged, back up wire. James choice. Confidence builder?

CR ARTISTIC

Scratched 3/30, paperwork issue, nothing wrong with horse. Segues back to claimers. Tony returns.

PL JALAPENO

1st out well before half, long uncovered grind, kept marching, held okay. Adds chip. Tough post though.

LUCKY IVAN

Left 3wide to midturn drop, followed to lane, urged, stalled a bit. Outside again. Tough spot.

SANTANNA SAM

Left 3wide, parked quarter, attacked midfar turn, stalled out once passed. Back in for 3k. Outside though.



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8th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	ALLAMERICAN SOLO
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	MUSICIAN
Fastest time last race	REGINA BEACH
Fastest win time this year	WESTERN FORTUNE
Fastest win time last year	P L JALAPENO
Fastest last '1/4' last race	ALLAMERICAN SOLO
Closed Strongly last race	ALLAMERICAN SOLO CR ARTISTIC
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	MUSICIAN CRUSIN FOR YOU
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	WESTERN FORTUNE (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	MUSICIAN
Blocked or in trouble last race	MUSICIAN LUCKY IVAN SANTANNA SAM
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	MUSICIAN

Pick Four (16%) - \$50,000 Guaranteed Pool

To win the **Pick Four**, you must select the winners of the four (4) races designated as the pick four races. Otherwise, pursuant to (CHRB 1976.9): **If no ticket correctly selects all four winners, 10% of the net pool will be paid to the winner(s) correctly selecting the most winners, 90% of the net pool will CARRYOVER to the next Pick Four Pool.**

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ride the horse in a 1 1/16-mile allowance race at Belmont. The colt showed some of his old spark, dashing to the lead and cutting out blazing fractions of :45 1/5 and 1:09 1/5 before tiring to finish a respectable fifth.

With the sleeping giant now showing signs of awakening, Hirsch and Avila agreed that a return to blinkers would help his concentration. Hirsch entered Canonero in the 1 1/8-mile Stymie Handicap on Sept. 20, 1972, where he would be facing that year's Kentucky Derby and Belmont winner Riva Ridge, who was conceding 13 pounds to Canonero. Around the far turn, it was apparent that this was the Canonero of old, as he hooked up with Riva Ridge in a battle of Kentucky Derby winners. As he did with Eastern Fleet, Canonero locked horns with Riva Ridge all the way to the eighth and ran him into the ground, drawing off to a five-length victory. His time of 1:46 1/5 broke the track record by three-fifths of a second and equaled the American record.

There was still greatness in Canonero, who proved his spectacular Derby and Preakness victories were no fluke. But the Stymie was to be his final hurrah. Still plagued by various physical problems, he finished second in an allowance race in the mud and was retired to Gainesway Farm in Lexington, Ky.

Baptista managed to straighten out his business, but died in 1984 at age 57. Arias, despite the fame he achieved with Canonero, never was able to build up his stable, and his

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DONTOUBTTHELAKERS
Left well, yielded, burst out middle last bend, unable to sustain the move. tries Willie tonight.

BETTOR IN THE BANK
1st over into last bend, cover midturn, advanced to striking position, stalled late. James takes the drive.

BLUE STAR MAVERICK
Stuck last while middle half was slowed, no chance into 27 panel. Post and class relief.

JULERICA
Sent to midturn lead, braked to last bend, found off first attacker, caught by pocket fave. Might be dangerous if left alone again.

RAGINS FLIGHT
Left under urging, brushed back past quarter, went for air far turn, sped home on own. Sharp, steps back up.

CENALTA DIESEL
Settled early, cones to the lane, cleared bit late, flew along rail, ran out of ground. Tony in the bike.

JAZZMANIAN DEVIL
Moved from last to be 3rd on rail, weaved way thru traffic, closed fast too late. Mooney's choice over 3 others. Plan?

MINT TO CRUISE
Sent with many, 2nd over far turn, followed the fave, urged, almost. Luke returns. Can he fire out?

PRODIGAL
Took cover into far turn, gapped the flow a bit, urged to rally on late. Tries Terry. Tough post though.

HIHOS LITTLE REV
Rode cones the whole trip, urged in lane, no rally. Chip returns. Rugged post to overcome.



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9th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	JULERICA
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	JULERICA
Fastest time last race	JAZZMANIAN DEVIL MINT TO CRUISE
Fastest win time this year	JULERICA
Fastest win time last year	DONTOUBTTHELAKERS JULERICA JAZZMANIAN DEVIL
Fastest last '1/4' last race	BLUE STAR MAVERICK PRODIGAL
Closed Strongly last race	CENALTA DIESEL JAZZMANIAN DEVIL MINT TO CRUISE
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	JULERICA
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	RAGIN'S FLIGHT (W) CENALTA DIESEL (B)
Favorable post position change from last race	BLUE STAR MAVERICK
Blocked or in trouble last race	BLUE STAR MAVERICK CENALTA DIESEL
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	JULERICA

HI-FIVE - .20¢ WAGER COMBINATIONS

10 Cent Wagers	Your Cost		
1 with 23 with 23 with 45 with 45	\$.80	1 with 234 with 2345 with 23456 with 234567.....	\$16.20
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career plummeted to the point where he barely was able to eke out a living training one or two horses. Married with two children, he was forced to retire from training and took a government job, working as a technician for Consejo Nacional Electoral. But horses were still in his blood, and on weekends he'd go to La Rinconada to visit with friends and occasionally work with the horses just to be around them, as he had a youngster. Avila, known in Venezuela as "The Monster," continued to ride successfully for several years and also rode for a while in the United States. After retiring, he became involved with real estate investments, and then was hired as a steward at La Rinconada. Arias also became a steward, and the two became a team once again. Avila retired, and at age 70, leads a private life. Arias also retired and can be found most days at the track.

Canonero never made it as a stallion and was sent back to Venezuela in Feb. 1981 to stand at Haras Tamanaco. The only stakes horse he sired there was the group II-placed El Tejano, who was ridden by none other than Avila.

Arias was always saddened that Canonero never made it as a stallion, feeling he wasn't given the opportunity. "The quality of mares he was bred to was not appropriate for a horse they expected so much from," he said.

Even after all these years, Arias admits his eyes still tear up whenever he thinks back on Canonero's

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COWBOYS DIRTYBOOTS

Far back early, rail rider to the lane, driven, just fair. Mooney's choice. Player from the pole.

HOLLA AT UR BOY

Away to tuck, tracked to lane, urged, photo'd for 3rd slot. Best of the rest. Willie returns. Undercard thoughts.

OH YEAH

Left with many, took back cover near half, followed 3wide late last bend, urged, up. Hikes, better post. Can't rule out among these.

WALKER MEISTER

Rode cones whole trip, no rally in the blazing mile. Adds Chip. Racing on consecutive weeks for the first time in a month.

LINCOLN

Looped leaving, tucked, back on rim far turn, kept marching under urging, solid 2nd best. Decent form. Versatile. One of many.

A BAY BAY

Sped to top, yielded quarter, stalked, urged to fend off flying fave. Returns to claimers now. Confidence builder?



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10th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	OH YEAH
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	WALKER MEISTER
Fastest time last race	LINCOLN
Fastest win time this year	WALKER MEISTER
Fastest win time last year	WALKER MEISTER
Fastest last '1/4' last race	COWBOYS DIRTYBOOTS A BAY BAY
Closed Strongly last race	OH YEAH A BAY BAY
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	OH YEAH
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	OH YEAH
Blocked or in trouble last race	N/A
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	OH YEAH

C.H.R.B. BREAKING RULES

1722. Breaking. Should any horse break from its gait in either trotting or pacing, the driver shall:

(a) Where clearance exists, take such horse to the outside.

(b) Attempt to pull the horse to its gait.

(c) Lose ground.

1723. Lapped-on Break. The driver of a horse which has broken from its gait who has complied with the breaking rule shall not be set back unless a contending horse on his gait is lapped on the hind quarter of the breaking horse at the finish.

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magical journey. "He was a giant in the United States, even though no one believed in him," he said. "When we arrived in Kentucky, there were nothing but jokes. But Canonero was a battler and had such a big heart.

On Nov. 11, 1981, that big heart gave out, as Canonero was found dead in his stall. By then, the magnificent decade of the seventies was history, with Secretariat, Forego, Seattle Slew, Affirmed, Alydar, and Spectacular Bid all stamping their place in the record books. But few remembered that it was Canonero who paved the way for these media stars and the resurgence of the sport.

By the time of his death, the cries of "Viva Canonero" had faded to a mere whisper, and the horse who had electrified the racing world had slipped quietly back into the obscurity from which came.

Canonero's Derby and Preakness trophies were given to La Rinconada, but they were not exhibited anywhere. The statue of him was never built. As the years pass by and new generations of racing fans emerge, the name of Canonero drifts deeper into memory, as do his amazing feats.

But after nearly four decades, it is time to remember Canonero, and a special time in racing when the entire sport was set ablaze by a horse they called the "Caracas Cannonball."

Individual Recap Last Race Footnotes

SPEAK ENGLISH

2nd over near half, not a great flow, but still failed to rally much. Inside post for the first time in ages.

WINDOW WIPER

1st over past half, advanced on strong winner, held okay into fastest quarter of the mile. Steve returns. Fits well here.

LA MADAWNA DE ROSA

Tracked to midfar turn, followed fave out on rim, urged to save runnerup. Another getting post relief. And Ryan returns.

LUCKY JEWEL

Rode cones whole trip, urged, fair off no use. Luke's choice. Does get some class relief too.

ROCKINAROUNDHEAVEN

Rode cones whole trip, urged in the lane to save show slot. Been tossing hints. Midpriced stab.

HI FIDELITY

Out mid turn to get top, braked to half, sped up last bend, urged to hold on. Rene returns. May fire out here.

MAGNIIFIQUE

Sent from gate, forced rival back, braked to far turn, sped home, no doubt. Steps back up. Possible confidence builder for her.



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11th Race Computer Analysis

Highest Win %	WINDOW WIPER LUCKY JEWEL
Highest Average Earnings Per Start	LUCKY JEWEL
Fastest time last race	LUCKY JEWEL
Fastest win time this year	HI FIDELITY
Fastest win time last year	MAGNIIFIQUE
Fastest last '1/4' last race	LA MADAWNA DE ROSA
Closed Strongly last race	LA MADAWNA DE ROSA
Big improvement last race	N/A
Consistent early speed	N/A
Favorite last race (B) Beaten (W) Winning	N/A
Favorable post position change from last race	N/A
Blocked or in trouble last race	SPEAK ENGLISH
Computer Choices Multiple picks rated equal	LUCKY JEWEL

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