



**Iron Maidens Thoroughbreds
Silverbulletday Stakes
1 Mile 40 Yards, 3 YO Fillies
January 22, 2011**



This year's edition of the Silverbulletday Stakes for three year old fillies is stronger than the male counterpart LeComte Stakes. Past heroines include Champion Indian Blessing, Kentucky Oaks winner Summerly, and the multiple graded stakes winners Take Charge Lady, Shadow Cast and Appealing Zophie. The race is held at 1 mile 40 yards over the Fairgrounds Dirt and will go off as the eighth race.



Indian Blessing – Photo: Coglianese

Michael Stidham sends out two fillies in an attempt to steal the Silverbulletday. The stronger of the two is [AMBIENT](#) (Rockport Harbor – Vickey's Echo, by Clever Trick), who switches back to dirt after a five length score in an allowance race over the lawn. She's a half-sister to a couple of stakes winners and her dam is a full sister to a Canadian multiple stakes winner. This distaff family is sprinkled with blacktype and produced the Canadian Champion Giboulee. The pretty gray filly's speed figures have improved in every outing, but the Stidham barn is only 9% with the turf to dirt angle.

[WAHOO BABE](#) (Jump Start – Glory Bea Trix, by Atticus) has improved in every start and won her maiden in her third try. Meanwhile, she was whipped six lengths by Little Miss Holly in her second start. Wahoo Babe has inbreeding on her dam's side to Special, the dam of Nureyev. Despite this, the distaff family has no blacktype within three generations. Her breezes have been a tick slower than her stable mates.

[LITTLE MISS HOLLY](#) (Marias Mon – Common Hope, by Storm Cat) took six attempts to win her maiden, and even was on the wrong end of a nose bob to Aide, but got the job done last time out when getting distance at the Fairgrounds. She's a half-sister to a stakes placed runner and her dam is a half-sister to Santa Monica Handicap (G-1) winner Key Phrase, the dam of sire Yankee Gentleman, and grand-dam of the speedy Half Ours. Little Miss Holly's works are strong, indicating she has room for improvement.

[SEANS SILVERDANCER](#) (Narjan – Slamdancer, by El Mayaguezano) danced away with the restricted Debutante Stakes at Hawthorne by nine lengths last time out to remain unbeaten. Her sire is a world record setting miler, and his best progeny to date is the stakes winning turf mare Wasted Tears. Seans Silverdancer's damsire won eight of 22 starts and is a grandson of the great Ribot. Her second damsire is the Champion turf horse Hawaii. Seans Silverdancer's distaff family is light on blacktype but very durable. Her dam made 42 starts and that one's sibling made 80 starts. The pretty gray filly has a trio of quick breezes under her girth.



Bouquet Booth - Photo: Coady

The heroine of the Delta Princess, [BOUQUET BOOTH](#) (Flower Alley – Toll Order, by Loup Sauvage) has been working strongly for the Silverbulletday. She should enjoy the extra distance and has a pedigree filled with class. Her dam is a half-sister to The Bink, dam of the wonderful multiple graded stakes mare Riskaverse and she's also a half-sister to the dam of tenacious Havre De Grace.

Two for two at the Fairgrounds, [DAISY DEVINE](#) (Kafwain – Devil’s Dispute, by Devil’s Bag) is stepping up in company. Her speed figures have been improving, but she’s recorded only one breeze in the last three weeks. She’s a half-sister to Bertram F. Bongard Stakes winner Patent Pending and her dam is a half-sister to the Grade 1 winner Bankers Lady, dam of Tom Fool hero Banker’s Gold. She’s also a half-sister to the dam of sire Ecton Park.

Raced by the connections of Blame, [AIDE](#) (Arch – Attache, by Seeking The Gold) bounced to the moon in the Golden Rod Stakes (G-2), winding up over 12 lengths behind the winner. She got some time off and her works back have been decent. Aide was produced of the Claiborne family breeding program, but this branch of the family is very light on blacktype.

Selections:

How the track is playing: One run closers are at a disadvantage getting only 11% of the pot. 33% of the front runners get to the wire first and mid-pack runners also do well. No rain is expected and the track should be fast.

On paper, this race sets up like a drag race and I’m not talking about guys in high heels. Most of these fillies can sit just off the pace, but the early pace may be set by Seans **Silverdancer** and **Bouquet Booth**. Most of them are improving and coming off of wins, and they all have a shot at winning. The ones with the best works are **Seans Silverdancer**, **Little Miss Holly** and **Bouquet Booth**. **Aide** has been running with some classy fillies but will have to win this off of the layoff.

Bouquet Booth

Aide

Little Miss Holly

Seans Silverdancer Longshot selection