## FOUR GRADE 1 RACES SPICE UP FINAL WEEK OF NOVEMBER FOR STABLE, VISIONAIRE, SAILOR'S CAP, SHE'S ON FIRE & BECRUX AT RACING'S ACME, JOBURG, GOTHAM, LALALAND HIGHLIGHT VALOR'S INTERNATIONALISM



Team Valor International has live participants in four Grade 1 races in three of the world's racing centers next weekend, when Visionaire, Sailor's Cap, Becrux and She's on Fire essay four of the most important races on the calendar in a global array of contests that underline the international nature of the Kentucky-based racing enterprise.

Visionaire (I) will try to solidify a ranking as the top one-turn horses of his generation when he takes on his elders in New York at Aqueduct for the Hill 'n' Dale Cigar Mile worth \$350,000. He won the Grade 1 King's Bishop, considered the best one-turn race for a 3-year-old run in North America. A win in the Cigar Mile would make him one of the most

valuable stallion prospects in the world. *Thoroughbred Daily News* currently ranks him among the top 4 stallion prospects of his generation.

She's on Fire will try to become a Grade 1 winner and claim a position as Johannesburg's top older racehorse regardless of sex in the Grade 1 Summer Cup worth more than \$200,000 at Turffontein. She is seeking her first Grade 1 win, but she has an uphill fight, even though she is reunited with Weichong Marwing, because she must shoulder cohighweight of 132 pounds (making her the theoretical highweight if sex allowance is considered) and she is drawn 14 of 18. Wet ground would move her up considerably.





Sailor's Cap will hope enough rain falls in Los Angeles at Hollywood Park to allow him to run his best race in the \$500,000 Hollywood Derby. He has shown himself to be high class on wet ground and very good on firm ground. If it's wet next weekend, this homebred will be hard to deny in the Derby, a race for which he has been meticulously prepared by Jimmy Toner. The colt had a good recent prep, has trained brilliantly and is set for a huge effort.

Becrux will attempt to win his first Grade 1 in the United States Friday in the Citation Handicap at HollyPark. A Champion at 2 for Team Valor and Gary Barber in Italy, the 6yo became a Grade 1 winner when he took the \$1-million Bell Woodbine Mile in Canada. He prepped with gusto for the \$400,000 Citation with a scintillating triumph on Breeders' Cup day on the all-weather at Santa Anita.



Team Valor International this season at home and abroad has sent out 9 horses that have won or placed in Grade 1 races, including Grade 1 winners Visionaire, Stratos, On Her Toes and Russian Sage (Champion Colt at 3 in South Africa). Among those placing in Grade 1 races are Captain's Lover (Champion at 3 in South Africa), Tasha's Miracle, She's On Fire, Unbridled Belle and Collegiate.