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A RECORD-SETTING WEDNESDAY

Tattersalls saw an incredible day of trading yesterday during the third breeding stock session of the December Sales which was headed by the record 1.7 million guineas sale of Brocatelle (GB) (Green Desert), a half-sister to Barathea (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). The four-year-old, in foal by Machiavellian, was bought by Irish agent Eddie O'Leary, who saw off Charlie Gordon-Watson, acting for Tom Wilson. Consigned by her breeder Gerald Leigh, the bay was bought for Shane Ryan of Kilboy Stud in Co. Tipperary, whose father paid \$4.7 million for Catchascatchcan at the Keeneland November Sale. "They are trying to build up a high-class broodmare band," said O'Leary. "I didn't think she would cost so much, but these good mares are hard to come by. This is a rare chance to buy into this family, as Gerald Leigh has most of it." The filly surpassed the European mare record of 1.6 million guineas paid for Reine Mathilde in 1988. Leigh also holds the distinction of having sold Korveya, in whom he had a part share, for a world-record \$7 million at Keeneland November in 1998. Leigh said, "This was an unexpected windfall and shows our strategy of raising the quality of our bloodstock year on year--and it has been going for 30 years--is a success. It's a tribute to my team at home and we currently have about 20 mares, but would like to cut that down to 16 or 18." A couple of hours later, Michael Poland's part-dispersal continued an incredible day. The G3 Lancashire Oaks winner State Crystal (Ire) (High Estate {Ire}) headed the draft and was bought for an undisclosed American owner by Reiley McDonald of Eaton Sales for 850,000gns. The underbidder was Newsells Park Stud manager Robert Acton. After dropping a Peintre Celebre foal in April, she will visit Giant's Causeway next season. "I have a number of American clients who were well impressed by his [Giant's Causeway's] performance in the Breeders' Cup and want to send mares to him," said McDonald. Coolmore boss John Magnier paid 870,000gns through Horse France for the 16-year-old mare Mona Stella (Nureyev). She is carrying a full brother or sister to Special Quest, the G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud winner. One lot before, McDonald, acting for Betty Moran's Brushwood Stable, got another mate for Giant's Causeway in the 520,000gns well-connected Listed winner Lypink (Lyphard), covered by Barathea (Ire).

TATTERSALLS WEDNESDAY

TOP TEN LOTS

Hip	Name	Covering Stallion	Price (gns)
2006	Brocatelle (GB)	Machiavellian	1,700,000
	<i>(4, Green Desert--Brocade {GB}, by Habitat)</i>		
	Consigned by Eydon Hall Farm		
	Purchased by Kilboy Estates		
2085	Mona Stella	Rainbow Quest	870,000
	<i>(16, Nureyev--Morana {Fr}, by *Val de Loir)</i>		
	Consigned by Haras de Saint Leonard, France		
	Purchased by Horse France		
2075	State Crystal (Ire)	Peintre Celebre	850,000
	<i>(9, High Estate {Ire}--Crystal Spray {GB}, by Beldale Flutter)</i>		
	Consigned by Swettenham Stud, agent		
	Purchased by Eaton Sales		
2077	Royal Show (Ire)	Danehill	700,000
	<i>(5, Sadler's Wells--Regal Beauty, by Princely Native)</i>		
	Consigned by Swettenham Stud, agent		
	Purchased by Kilboy Estates		
2080	Animatrice	Danehill	700,000
	<i>(15, Alleged--Alexandrie, by Val de L'Orne {Fr})</i>		
	Consigned by Haras de Saint Leonard, France		
	Purchased by Hugo Lascelles Bloodstock		
2079	True Crystal (Ire)	Horse in training	675,000
	<i>(f, 3, Sadler's Wells--State Crystal {Ire}, by High Estate {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by Warren Place Stables		
	Purchased by Anthony Stroud Bloodstock		
2084	Lypink	Barathea (Ire)	520,000
	<i>(7, Lyphard--Pink Valley, by Never Bend)</i>		
	Consigned by Haras de Saint Leonard, France		
	Purchased by Brushwood Stables		
2013	Sahara Breeze (Ire)	Green Desert	500,000
	<i>(14, Ela-Mana-Mou {Ire}--Diamond Land {GB}, by Sparkler {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by Islanmore Stud, Ireland		
	Purchased by BBA (Ireland), Ltd.		
2076	Solar Crystal (Ire)	Danehill	450,000
	<i>(7, Alzao--Crystal Spray {GB}, by Beldale Flutter)</i>		
	Consigned by Swettenham Stud, agent		
	Purchased by Charlie Gordon-Watson Bloodstock		
2007	Winsome (GB)	Kris (GB)	300,000
	<i>(5, Kris {GB}--Ahead {GB}, by Shirley Heights {GB})</i>		
	Consigned by Eydon Hall Farm		
	Purchased by Vinery Australia		

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FRENCH DEPUTY SOLD TO SHADAI Leading second-crop sire French Deputy (Deputy Minister--Mitterand, by Hold Your Peace) has been purchased by Japan's Shadai Corporation of Hokkaido for an undisclosed sum. The eight-year-old is the sire of 39 winners from 66 to race, including five stakes winners, and progeny earnings of \$2,696,891. He is represented this year by GIII Discovery H. hero Left Bank as well as G3 Prestige S. winner Freefouracing. The chestnut is also the sire of Nobo Jack, a multiple stakes-placed performer in Japan. Travel plans for French Deputy are not complete as yet. He stood his first five seasons at stud at Three Chimneys Farm near Midway, Kentucky. His stud fee for 2000 was \$17,500.

CRIMPLENE RETIRED Crimplene (Ire) (Lion Cavern--Crimson Conquest, by Diesis {GB}), has been retired and will be bred to Danzig next year, according to *Racing Post* online. Trained by Clive Brittain, the three-year-old scored three consecutive Group 1s this summer, encompassing the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas, the G1 Coronation S. and G1 Vodafone Nassau S. in convincing fashion. In her final racetrack appearance, Crimplene was fourth, beaten less than four lengths, in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff. "To my mind, she was undoubtedly the best three-year-old filly this year and her class really showed, over what I think was her best trip of a mile, in the Coronation S. at Royal Ascot," jockey Philip Robinson told *Racing Post*. "Over a mile you could use her speed. She galloped the opposition into the ground and was never happier than when in front." Owned by Sheikh Marwan al Maktoum, the chestnut retires with a record of 6-1-4 from 15 starts with total earnings of \$762,469. Added her trainer, "Crimplene was one of the toughest fillies I have trained, and ranks alongside Pebbles (GB) and Sayyedati (GB) as one of the best."

CURRENCY CONVERSIONS

	Unit/US\$	Unit/GB£
U.S. dollar	1.00	0.6950
British pound	1.4388	1.00
Brazilian real	0.5102	0.3546
Japanese yen	0.009073	0.006288

TDN TODAY

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☆ RESULTS ☆

Saturday, Dec. 2, Nakayama, Japan
SPORTS NIPPON SHO STAYERS' S.-G2-Jpn, ¥123,180,000, Nakayama Racecourse, 12-2, 3yo/up, 3600mT, 3:45.6, fm.
 1--#**@HOT SECRET (JPN)**, 125, g, 4, by Hunting Hawk
 1st Dam: Suda Nadeshiko (Jpn), by Tai Tehm (Jpn)
 2nd Dam: Suda Yamato (Jpn), by Chateaugay
 3rd Dam: Yamato Tessen (Jpn), by Moutiers (Fr)
 O-Makoto Kaneko; B-Hatakeyama Stud Farm; T-Yoshiyuki Goto; J-Yoshitomi Shibata; ¥64,826,000.
 2--**Tagajo Noble (Jpn)**, 125, h, 6, Dancing Brave--Save On Ice, by Iceca Noble. O-Yuichi Fukunaga; B-Torii Bokujo; ¥26,236,000.
 3--**San M.X. (Jpn)**, 125, c, 4, Biwa Hayahide (Jpn)--Miss Marushige (Jpn), by Dancer's Image. O-H Matsumoto; B-Okada Bokujo; ¥16,118,000.
 Margins: HF, HF, HF. Odds: 72.40, 13.00, 7.70.

Sunday, Sao Paulo, Brazil
GP JOSÉ GUATHEMOZIN NOGUEIRA-G1, \$25,000, Hipódromo Cidade Jardim, 12-3, f, 3yo, 2400mT, 2:29.2, sf.
 1--**▲ZABUMBA (BRZ)**, 126, f, 3, by Only Once
 1st Dam : Rhana (Brz), by Sharannpour (Ire)
 2nd Dam : Guava (Brz), by Isaton (Brz)
 3rd Dam : Arcaica (Brz), by Coaralde (Brz)
 O/B-Haras Louveira; T-Edemir Garcia; J-Fausto Durso.
 2--**Viernes (Brz)**, 126, f, 3, Roy--La Belle Celina (Brz), by Ghadeer. O-Stud Birimac; B-Fazenda Mondesir.
 3--**Xou de Arumba (Brz)**, 126, f, 3, Legal Case--Marumba (Brz), by Executioner. O/B-Hs Sao Quirino.
 Margins: 1, 1, 1. Winner's Odds: 4.10.



TATTERSALLS DECEMBER SALE
 WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2000

<u>SESSION TOTALS</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
No. Sold	214	213
Gross	15,484,200gns	10,235,000gns
Average	72,356gns	48,474gns
Median	25,000gns	23,000gns
<u>CUMULATIVE TOTALS</u>	<u>2000</u>	<u>1999</u>
No. Sold	608	650
Gross	33,380,600gns	28,411,400gns
Average	54,902gns	43,710gns

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FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



END OF TERM

At Tattersalls yesterday, Gerald Leigh sold a half sister to Barathea, carrying her first foal, for \$2.5 million, and at least five other fillies or mares brought over \$1 million. Tuesday, one mare and one filly brought nearly \$1.5 million each. Though they also sell today, and there are sales upcoming next week, yesterday was surely the last big day of selling in the 2000 Thoroughbred auction calendar. What have we learned?

Beginning at Keeneland in July, and just including the major sale circuit in Lexington, Saratoga, Newmarket, Goffs, and Deauville--with a dash of Doncaster and the like thrown in--my unofficial count is that somewhere in the neighborhood of 12,000 horses have sold at auction for somewhere in the neighborhood of one billion dollars. Yep, that's what I said, one BILLION. That is a whole lot of zeroes racked up in under six months.

So the first thing we've learned is that all this running around we're doing, all the travelling, all the plotting and conniving, all the making and losing money--we're all part of a billion-dollar sector of the entertainment business. And that's just horses sold at auction in major sales in the Northern Hemisphere. What must the whole Thoroughbred industry actually be worth, if over a billion dollars changes hands at auctions? It's a grueling old circus at times; it sure is worth a lot of zeroes.

We've seen two really significant developments this year. The first is that we're enjoying record prosperity at the moment, both within the industry and in the global economy at large. I've no doubt the two are tied together. Prices are at their highest levels since 1983-85, and even though some records are still intact (Seattle Dancer for \$13.1-million, 1985, for example), plenty of others have been broken. There has never been a billion-dollar auction year before.

Opinion is divided as to whether this record prosperity can be sustained. It's been an eight-year run since the market bottomed out in 1992. Almost all of us know it can't go on forever, but is a downturn imminent? I suspect that depends on the global economy. One plus is that, whatever hiccups may be coming up,

the dotcom revolution is here to stay. It may lurch forward in fits and starts for a while, but huge new wealth has been created, and, for the most part, it's not going to disappear.

The second development I've alluded to has to do with pedigree, and I've been referring to it pretty frequently all this year, and at the major mixed sales in particular. The art and science of developing great families does seem to be in decline; though certain great families (*Rough Shod II, for example, responsible for the 3/4 brothers Nureyev and Sadler's Wells) are 'grandfathered' in, new value is being created not so much by broodmare bands, but by Group race form. Those bold G's really do define class as we now know it; the closer up in the family, the better. We can quibble about this, but the fact is that the value in pedigrees now is created by G's.

The tea leaves tell me that this point, if correct, has far-reaching implications. It doesn't suddenly mean that great 'families' are suddenly losing their value; quite the reverse. And there are still breeders, even commercial breeders, who are trying to, and succeeding in, developing families. The art may be fading, but it is not yet extinct. One good mare with three good daughters can carry an operation for fifteen years, and therefore just about constitutes a family. But not quite, I don't think, not really. I think the trend is more to try and develop that one good mare who has the three good daughters. A lot of us were around 15 years ago; if we're fortunate enough to still be on the scene in another 15 years, will the value of pedigrees be constructed through families? I suspect not.

The thing is, though, you are the tea leaves. The kind of analysis I try and do is inductive rather than deductive, because I try to be a pragmatist, not an ideologue. What I mean is, the players in this billion-dollar market--you, the readers--define the market as you go along. Certain attributes of it (the value of the top stallions, for example, in relation to the rest of the market) haven't changed; other aspects of it seem to be undergoing significant transitions, such as the relative values of families and Group race form I've been talking about. But it's not like anybody's written a script. Yesterday, I'm almost certain, the Thoroughbred auction market capped off its first billion-dollar year. Quite a milestone. It's certainly more zeroes than we've ever had before.

The year to breed is 2001.



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KEENELAND SUES BORISLOW In a lawsuit filed in Fayette Circuit Court in Lexington, Kentucky, the Keeneland Association has charged Daniel Borislow with non-payment of more than \$1.6 million for yearlings purchased at the company's September Yearling Sale, according to *Thoroughbred Times*. Keeneland is seeking a total of \$1,654,000, plus interest and additional costs for eight yearlings, including a full brother to graded stakes winner Old Trieste, that he purchased in September. The 39-year-old Borislow founded and then sold Tel-Save, a communications company.

☆ EAST ☆

Stronach to Develop Florida Training Center:

Frank Stronach's Magna Entertainment, Inc. purchased 480 acres of land in Palm Beach County as a training center for Gulfstream Park. The agricultural acreage, which is currently planted with tomatoes and other crops, will become the site of a 2,200 horse training center. The property is currently undergoing approval by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Palm Beach County Zoning Board. The 480 acres is located two miles from the Boynton Beach exit of the Florida Turnpike and 50 miles from Gulfstream Park. The property was sold for \$23 million.

Yesterday's Results:

4th-LRL, \$30,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$50-45,000), 2yo, 7f, 1:24, ft.

MASTER PLANNER (c, 2, A.P. Indy--Potridee {Arg} {Ch. 2yo Filly-Arg, MG1SW-Arg, GISW-US, \$379,000-US}, by Potrillazo {Arg}) rallied to break his maiden by a neck in his June 11 unveiling at Belmont. Bet down to 4-5 for his return, the chestnut colt raced at the head of affairs and drew off under his own steam in the stretch, crossing the line 9 1/4 lengths clear. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$41,700. O-Jayeff B Stables. B-W S Kilroy (KY). T-Alan E Goldberg.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8:
04-07 \$750,000 *Santa Anita Derby-I, SA*,
3yo, 9f, (250)



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Yesterday's Results:

7th-AQU, \$47,000, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.

1--**MY DEAR ABBY**, 120, f, 4, Horatius--Miss

Americana (SP), by Honest Bullet. O-R Kay Stables; B-Joseph Imbesi & Angelo Chinnici (NJ); T-Rene A Araya. Lifetime Record: 32-9-9-4, \$282,440.

2--**En Caliente**, 112, f, 3, Festin (Arg)--Linen Lady, by Rolfson.

3--**Shine Again**, 119, f, 3, Wild Again--Shiner, by Two Punch.

Margins: 2 3/4, NK, 1. Odds: 5.60, 26.75, 0.60.

My Dear Abby prevailed by a nose two back and came back to finish third in this condition over the Aqueduct main Nov. 9. Never far from the front here, the dark bay angled out for room at the quarter pole and pulled clear in the stretch.



FRESHMAN FOCUS

First-crop progeny to watch: Thursday, Dec. 7

AFTERNOON DEELITES (Private Terms)

5th-HOL, \$39,000, Msw, 1mT - Little Hottie

GOLD FEVER (Forty Niner)

2nd-GGX, \$28,000, Msw, 1m - Gold Connection (Fr)

GOODBYE DOENY (Storm Cat)

6th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, a1mT - Firmly Done

HENNESSY (Storm Cat)

1st-TPX, \$24,300, Msw, 1m - Cognac Gal

ISLEFAXYOU (Storm Bird)

2nd-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 1m70yd - Theres Trouble

JUDGE T C (Judge Smells)

1st-TPX, \$24,300, Msw, 1m - Cielito de Beya

MIGHTY MAGEE (Cormorant)

4th-AQU, \$42,000, Msw, (S), 1m70yd - Mighty Dawn

STORM CREEK (Storm Cat)

5th-HOL, \$39,000, Msw, 1mT - Miss River Storm

WEKIVA SPRINGS (Runaway Groom)

5th-HOL, \$39,000, Msw, 1mT - Rodeo Springs

WESTERN CAT (Storm Cat)

6th-FGX, \$31,000, Alw, a1mT - Western Novel

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AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN BRITAIN:

Fife And Drum, g, 3, Rahy--Fife (Ire) (SP-GB), by Lomond. Lingfield, England, 12-6, Architon H., 3yo/up, 1 1/4m(AWT), \$5,588 to winner. O-Last Order's Partnership; B-Gainsborough Farm Inc; T-J Akehurst. \$22,728 HRA '00 TAJUL.

BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-AQU, \$47,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:48, fm. CHINE (GB) (m, 5, Inchinor {GB}--Tweedling, by Sir Ivor) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 20-3-1-5, \$127,234. O-Gary A Tanaka. B-The Duke of Marlborough (GB). T-William I Mott.

9th-AQU, \$44,000, (S), 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, ft. GOLDEN FOIL (c, 3, Strike the Gold--L' Epee {MSW & GSP, \$332,781}, by Hatchet Man) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$61,260. O/B-William J Condren (NY). T-Nicholas P Zito.

3rd-HOL, \$43,000, (S), Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 1/5, gd. AERIAL MEETING (f, 3, General Meeting--Aerial Spirit, by Nureyev) Lifetime Record: 8-2-4-1, \$91,450. O-Golden Eagle Farm. B-Mr & Mrs John Mabee (CA). T-Vladimir Cerin.

6th-LRL, \$28,000, 2yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:48 2/5, ft. GHAZA RUN (f, 2, Ghazi--French Doe, by Spend a Buck) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-2, \$44,250. O-Elana Magana. B-Kelly & Lisa Ramsey (KY). T-Marvin H Kuhn.

8th-MNR, \$21,600, 12-5, 2&3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:07, ft. WINLOC'S GRAMIE (f, 3, Belong to Me--Debie's Daughter, by Loose Cannon) Lifetime Record: 9-2-1-0, \$25,972. O-Script R Farm Raymond Roncari. B-Raymond A Roncari & Leslie Roncari-Marconi (NY). T-James M Pettine.

9th-CRC, \$20,500, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:19 2/5, ft. GREAT FUTURE (c, 3, Rubiano--Future Starlet {GSP, \$111,229}, by Theatrical {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 17-3-4-4, \$61,570. O-Russell L Reineman. B-Charles Nuckols Jr & Sons (KY). T-Philip A Gleaves.

8th-CRC, \$19,500, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:34, fm. COASTAL ACCOUNT (c, 3, Peteski--Coastal Minister, by Deputy Minister) Lifetime Record: 6-3-0-1, \$74,832. O-T Van Meter & M Mayer. B-Ron McDonald (KY). T-Philip J Oliver.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Anjiz Kid, c, 2, Anjiz--Reinvesting Ada, by Reinvested. AQU, 12-6, (S), 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Ralph Bianculli (NY). **Sunshine Jack**, c, 2, Dawn Quixote--Pauletty, by Sr. Diplomat. MNR, 12-5, 5 1/2f, 1:07. B-Rancho Grande Farms Inc (FI). *\$18,000 yrl '99 OBSJAN; \$8,500 2yo 2000 OBSAPR.

Political Wife, f, 2, Dehere--Prospective Wife, by Mr. Prospector. CRC, 12-6, (C), 6 1/2f, 1:20. B-Edward P Evans (Ky). *\$5,000 yrl '99 KEESEP. **Won by nine lengths.

+ **Hezacatseye**, c, 2, Fly Till Dawn--Terakat, by Storm Cat. HOL, 12-6, (C), 6f, 1:12 2/5. B-Josephine T Gleis (Ky).

Stop for Schnapps, f, 2, Go for Gin--Genuine Beauty, by Flying Paster. AQU, 12-6, (C), a1m70yd, 1:44 4/5. B-Jonabell Farm Inc, J Cornacchia, Eswyer & T McGinn (Ky). *\$15,000 wlng '98 KEENOV. **Won by 20 1/4 lengths.

Proper Quest, f, 2, Norquestor--Quite Proper (MSW, \$204,550), by Waquoit. LRL, 12-6, 7f, 1:28 1/5. B-Barracuda Stable (Md).

Mocha Miss, f, 2, Prenup--Chocolate Hugs, by Sir Naskra. HAW, 12-6, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Brothers II Stable (Ky). *Fourth winner for freshman sire (by Smarten).

Fairly Well Tuned, f, 2, Seattle Sleet--Our Girl Joyce (SP), by Tunerup. AQU, 12-6, (C), a1m70yd, 1:48 1/5. B-John O'Meara (Ky). *\$20,000 wlng '98 FTKNOV. **1/2 to Found Code (Lost Code), SW, \$209,371.

Our Sharon Stone, f, 3, Flying Victor--Wendy's Star, by Track Barron. HOL, 12-6, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:47 1/5. B-Fran & Stan Hodge (Ca). *\$42,000 2yo 1999 BESMAY.

Miner's Son, c, 3, Miner's Mark--Sunny Peak, by Alydar. AQU, 12-6, 1 1/16m, 1:48 2/5. B-Crown Colony Farm (Ky). *\$30,000 wlng '97 KEENOV; \$30,000 yrl '98 KEESEP. **Won by 5 1/2 lengths.

CORRECTION: In yesterday's TDN, Bill Casner's name was misspelled. We regret the error.

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Yesterday's Result:

2.40 Lingfield, Lynhurst Press Conditions S. (Class D), £5,635, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:05.60, stn.
CRIMSON TIDE (IRE) (h, 6, Sadler's Wells {USA}--
Sharata {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB}), sent off the 11-10
 on favourite, stepped outside of stakes company for
 the first time since August 1998 here. The half brother
 to Pharatta (Ire) (Fairy King {USA}), GSW-Fr & US,
 \$226,513, sat in fourth early as Nadour Al Bahr (Ire)
 (Be My Guest {USA}) rushed to the front. Always trav-
 eling easily, he took up the running with five furlongs
 remaining before comfortably holding Ferzao (Ire) (Alzao
 {USA}) from there to win by 1 1/2 lengths, with eight
 lengths back to third. Lifetime Record: GSW-GB, Ger &
 Ity, 24-6-3-6, £136,192.
 O-Mr C Wright & Partners; B-Barronstown Stud & Ron
 Con Ltd; T-John Hills; J-Michael Hills.

NAYEF EASES BACK INTO ROUTINE

Nayef (USA) (Gulch {USA}), generally quoted as the
 4-1 favourite for next year's G1 2000 Guineas at
 Newmarket, is enjoying life at trainer Marcus
 Tregoning's Kingwood House Stables in Lambourn.
 Angus Gold, racing manager to owner Sheikh Hamdan
 bin Rashid al Maktoum, said at the Beech House Stud
 media day on Tuesday, "Everything is going great so far
 and when I saw him 10 days ago he was trotting and
 cantering. Marcus is just easing him back into the rou-
 tine with three weeks' trotting. He's a great big horse,
 as are the whole of the family, but he's got depth and
 he needs to develop. There is a long way to go yet and
 I haven't spoken to Sheikh Hamdan as yet, so it's too
 early to talk of his early season targets." The colt, who
 is a half brother to Nashwan (USA) and Unfuwain
 (USA), impressed in this year's Listed Autumn S. at
 Ascot where he defied heavy ground to win by six
 lengths from Hill Country (Ire), with subsequent G1
 Gran Criterium winner Count Dubois (GB) back in third.
 Gold said of that run, "We were worried about the
 ground, as he was a great big weak horse, and he's a
 lovely mover, but it was a brave decision by the trainer
 to run."

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JOCKEY CLUB ACT TO ENSURE INTEGRITY

The Jockey Club yesterday revealed plans to estab-
 lish a Security and Investigations Committee to review
 and monitor the work of its Security Department. The
 action concerns the deterring of malpractice in racing in
 order to strengthen public confidence in the integrity of
 the sport. The ranges of measures revolve around the
 passing on of information, the relationship between
 jockeys and betting organisations, the introduction of
 Codes of Conduct for trainers and jockeys to report
 malpractice and the denial of obstruction to Jockey
 Club enquiries. The measures follow the recent collapse
 of the court case brought about by Roger Buffham,
 which centred around enquiries into the activities of
 several high-profile names in the sport accused of dop-
 ing. Christopher Spence, senior steward of the Jockey
 Club, said, "The recommendations of the Integrity
 Review Committee and the changes to the way in
 which the Security Department operates will enable us
 to regulate racing better. It is vital that the public has
 confidence in the integrity of the sport and equally
 important that the industry has confidence in our ability
 to regulate it."

A VINTAGE CROP: A REVIEW OF THE BRITISH SEASON

Ask anybody in Britain which race is the most impor-
 tant of the season and the majority will be split be-
 tween the Epsom Derby and the King George VI and
 Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. Both take place over a mile
 and a half, over the wildly differing terrains of Epsom
 and Ascot, yet year after year they are the defining
 moments of the racing season. This year the Epsom
 Classic was taken by the unassuming entourage of
Sinndar (Ire) (Grand Lodge {USA}), John Oxx and
 Johnny Murtagh. The King George was the showcase
 for the larger-than-life **Montjeu (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells
 {USA}), John Hammond and Michael Kinane. Both
 races were unforgettable for their own reasons; Sinndar
 was embarking on his journey there, whereas, surpris-
 ingly, Montjeu was winning his last race at the top
 level.

Before all this, Guineas weekend at Newmarket held
 its own with two performances alike in manner. First
 there was **Kings Best (USA)** (Kingmambo {USA}) in the
 G1 2000 Guineas and then a day later **Lahan (GB)**
 (Unfuwain {USA}). Both would be cruelly robbed of the
 chance to build on their formidable successes by injury.
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Neither would be able to defy the challenge to their supremacy by British-based **Crimplene (Ire)** (Lion Cavern {USA}) and **Bachir (Ire)** (Desert Style {Ire}), who were doing their winning elsewhere.

That was the case for Godolphin's **Dubai Millennium (USA)** (Seeking the Gold {USA}) also, who was unleashed at the end of March at Nad al Sheba where he produced an unforgettable display in the G1 Dubai World Cup. On his return, Newmarket was transfixed with his presence. Then he delivered a performance worthy of any superlative at Royal Ascot in the G1 Prince Of Wales' S. under Jerry Bailey, deputising for Frankie Dettori. That ancient British tradition of the 'match' was dusted off as connections of Montjeu and Dubai Millennium looked for a way to give everybody what they wanted. When the brilliant Godolphin colt suffered a career-ending injury in Newmarket, it was denied and a million hearts dropped.

Although it did not seem it at the time, the G1 St James' Palace S., run just under an hour after the Prince of Wales S., was a highly significant moment in the racing year. The finish was close and intense, and the winner was **Giant's Causeway (USA)** (Storm Cat {USA}). That would also be the way of the four Group 1 races, the G1 Eclipse S. at Sandown in July, G1 Sussex S. at Goodwood, G1 Juddmonte International S. in August and G1 Irish Champion S. at Leopardstown a month later. Twice, at Sandown and York, he proved tougher than **Kalanisi (Ire)** (Doyoun {Ire}). That four-year-old would eventually make his own name on other stages, but first he had to acquiesce to the newly titled 'iron horse'. Trainer Aidan O'Brien sent that amazing colt into battle again in Ascot's G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. He was as brilliant as ever, but **Observatory (USA)** (Distant View {USA}), ridden with unerring skill by eventual champion jockey Kevin Darley, arrived out of view and earshot of the 'iron horse'.

It was an unforgettable year for the fairer sex, too. The Epsom Oaks was taken once again by trainer Henry Cecil with **Love Divine (GB)** (Diesis {GB}), who, like most of her stable companions, was ill only precious days previously with the virus that visited and re-visited Warren Place throughout the spring and summer. Yet it was Sir Michael Stoute's **Petrushka (Ire)** (Unfuwain {USA}) who stole the honours as she swept past Love Divine to win the G1 Yorkshire Oaks, a success that came either side of her successes in the G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh July 16 and the G1 Prix de l'Opera at Longchamp Oct. 1.

Both she and Crimplene arrived at Churchill Downs in November and, although they ran well, neither could transform their dominance in Europe to that arena, as they finished fourth in the G1 Breeders' Cup Distaff and fifth in the G1 Breeders' Cup Fillies' and Mares' Turf, respectively.

In the sprinting division, **Agnes World (USA)** (Danzig {USA}) battled to Japan's first British success in the G1 July Cup. While this event enriched the sprinting season, it was **Nuclear Debate (USA)** (Geiger Counter {USA}) who established himself at the top of the tree, shaken only by **Namid (Ire)** (Indian Ridge {Ire}) in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp. Nuclear Debate collected the G2 King's Stand S. at Royal Ascot June 20 and G1 Nunthorpe S. at York Aug. 24, displaying electric speed in both contests. **Kayf Tara (GB)** (Sadler's Wells {USA}) resumed his ongoing domination of the staying division, if only briefly, as he again took the G1 Ascot Gold Cup June 22. Retired shortly after, he left a hole that David Elsworth's game **Persian Punch (Ire)** (Persian Heights {GB}) and Andre Fabre's **Amilynx (Fr)** (Linamix {Fr}) tried their best to fill. Doncaster provided a renewal of the G1 St Leger to match the exciting finish of 12 months previously, as **Millenary (GB)** (Rainbow Quest {USA}) denied Stoute his first St Leger success with **Air Marshall (Ire)** (In The Wings {GB}).

As Sinnidar ousted Montjeu from the pedestal on which he had been placed in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe at Longchamp, Kalanisi was making news in his gallops on the Newmarket Heath as he prepared for the G1 Dubai Champion S. As connections of Montjeu boldly aimed their horse at the 10-furlong event, memories of Nijinsky II (Can) were busily being revisited, as that great horse had failed in his attempt to follow defeat in the Arc with one more triumph. Montjeu was to go the same way, looking at the furlong marker to have Stoute's warrior safely in his sights before losing the battle. For Murtagh it was Group 1-win number nine, followed swiftly a week later by the 10th on **Dilshaan (GB)** (Darshaan {GB}) in the G1 Racing Post Trophy at Doncaster Oct. 21. Kalanisi would provide the jockey with his 11th in the G1 Breeders' Cup Turf at Churchill Downs Nov. 4, marking his own territory near the top of the middle-distance order.

While Murtagh consolidated his position as the success story of the year, so too did the champion trainer who provided a large amount of those chances, Stoute. Yet it was jockey Kieren Fallon who lost out, missing the season from Royal Ascot onwards after a horrific fall nearly took away the use of his right arm.

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Pat Eddery was blighted by suspensions and bans in his bid for a 12th jockey's championship, while Richard Quinn suffered from the misfortune of the stable of Henry Cecil. Meanwhile Darley marched his way to the prize, becoming the first northern-based jockey to win the championship for 95 years. Craig Williams ventured from Australia to enjoy dual Group 1 success on **Tobougg (Ire)** (Barathea {Ire}) and his character left an enduring mark on the 2000 season.

It was Nayef who imposed himself at the top of the ante-post lists for the G1 2000 Guineas in May. That colt, a half brother to Nashwan and Unfuwain, looked the real thing in the Listed Autumn S. at Ascot in October where he left Group 1 and 2 performers far behind. Mick Channon, who enjoyed a sensational season with his juveniles, helped Tobougg to G1 Dewhurst S. success, while the G1 Middle Park S. fell to Aidan O'Brien's **Minardi (USA)** (Boundary {USA}). Of the juvenile fillies, Stoute will have a right to be disappointed if his triumvirate of **Regal Rose (GB)** (Danehill {USA}), **Karasta (Ire)** (Lake Coniston {Ire}), and **Enthusud (USA)** (Seeking the Gold {USA}) do not live up to the endless promise shown last year. Between them they secured one Group 1, a Group 2, and two Group 3 successes. There may not have been an obvious type in the mould of Distant Music (USA) to enjoy this year, but the usual promise was thick in the air.

BRITISH STATISTICS

<u>OWNERS</u>	<u>RNRS/WINS/PLACES</u>	<u>EARNINGS</u>
His Highness The Aga Khan	92 25 21	£1,694,280
Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum	445 80 107	£1,486,217
Khalid Abdullah	336 74 101	£1,387,395
Godolphin	105 17 32	£1,361,035
Mrs Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor	25 6 8	£1,004,630
Michael Tabor	37 9 5	£685,388
Sheikh Maktoum bin Rashid al Maktoum	248 45 63	£580,403
Cheveley Park Stud	168 39 49	£560,939

<u>TRAINERS</u>	<u>RNRS/ WINS/ PLACES</u>	<u>EARNINGS</u>
Sir Michael Stoute	469 91 135	£2,963,712
John Dunlop	562 98 134	£1,701,938
Richard Hannon	1,062 121 254	£1,681,580
Mark Johnston	807 128 226	£1,655,150
Aidan O'Brien	61 10 16	£1,597,199
John Gosden	430 79 126	£1,543,363
Saeed bin Suroor	105 17 32	£1,361,035
Mick Channon	792 89 185	£1,178,056

<u>JOCKEYS</u>	<u>RIDES/ WINS/ PLACES</u>	<u>EARNINGS</u>
Kevin Darley	997 155 257	£2,305,101
Richard Quinn	781 139 212	£2,408,540
Pat Eddery	818 127 170	£1,904,283
Richard Hughes	787 103 179	£1,445,310
Jimmy Fortune	697 93 146	£1,162,768
Tony Culhane	843 82 183	£603,339
Richard Hills	459 81 105	£1,602,288
Seb Sanders	727 79 153	£675,477

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Result:

2.40 Marseille-Borely, Prix des Glaieuls (Cond) (Class E), FF100,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 2:00.90, vsf.

AXEL DES FIEFFES (FR) (g, 3, True Brave {USA}--Aprilca {Fr}, by April Axe {USA}) Lifetime Record: 17 starts, 2 wins, 6 places, FF159,000. O-Ecurie Grand Bleu; B-Rene & Evelyne Boulland; T-Christian Scandella; J-Guillaume Millet.

★ ITALY ★

Yesterday's Result:

2.55 Grosseto, Premio Sant'Antimo (Cond), L12,240,000, 2yo, 1m 165ydsT, time: n/a, gd.

NICOL LOVE (ITY) (f, 2, Nicolotte {GB}--Eros Love {Ity}, by Love The Groom {USA}) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 2 wins, 1 place, L25,160,000. O/B-Razza dell'Olmo; T-R Menichetti; J-D Porcu.

★ MAIDEN WINNER ★

Beau Warr (Fr), c, 3, Warrshan (USA)--Belladone (USA), by Slew O'Gold (USA). Marseille-Borely, France, 12-6, Prix de la Cascade (Cond) (Class E), 3yo, 1 5/8mT, FF50,000 to winner. B-Societe d'Elevage des Chartreux.

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1 DANEHILL	(b. 1986)			Danzig		
	52 22 31	491426	48	173176	664602	
2 MUKADDAMAH	(b. 1988)			Storm Bird		
	27 10 23	326186	64	146039	472225	
3 DISTINCTLY NORTH	(b. 1988)			Minshaanshu Amad		
	40 14 26	297435	76	156602	454037	
4 MUJADIL	(b. 1988)			Storm Bird		
	55 31 53	288872	106	148016	436888	
5 ZAFONIC	(b. 1990)			Gone West		
	27 16 24	229953	36	183497	413450	
6 COMMON GROUNDS	(b. 1985)			Kris		
	51 21 35	292879	72	116508	409387	
7 SADLER'S WELLS	(b. 1981)			Northern Dancer		
	46 16 18	225078	48	165313	390391	
8 EAGLE EYED	(b. 1991)			Danzig		
	60 19 28	300139	57	65556	365695	
9 BARATHEA	(b. 1990)			Sadler's Wells		
	40 12 18	247653	55	93393	341046	
10 COLLEGE CHAPEL	(b. 1990)			Sharpo		
	44 13 21	206231	75	127612	333843	

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