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HORSE OF THE YEAR GOES TO MINESHAFT

Like father, like son. Back in 1992, A.P. Indy came home first in all but two starts and parlayed his near-perfect record into a Horse of the Year title. Last year, it was **Mineshaft** (A.P. Indy) who captured all but two of his races, a record that earned him honors as Horse of the Year and champion older horse for 2003. He becomes the second champion for his sire, who was also responsible for the Eclipse Award-winning juvenile filly of 2001, *Tempera*. At the Eclipse Awards Dinner at the Westin Diplomat Resort and Spa in Hollywood, Florida, last night, co-owner and co-breeder Ambassador Will Farish said that winning the Horse of the Year title was his most thrilling accomplishment in what has been a stellar career in racing. "This ranks absolutely at the top," Farish said. "To have a horse like this, where we've bred four generations on the sire and the dam's side, and to have him turn out to be Horse of the Year is the most exciting thing that has happened." He added, "The horse just kept getting better. I wish we could have run him another year." *How They Voted, p2*



Mineshaft *A Coglianese*

COMPLETE COVERAGE OF THE ECLIPSE AWARD WINNERS FOLLOWS "HEADLINE NEWS"

2003 Eclipse Award Winners

Award	Winner
Horse of the Year	Mineshaft (A.P.Indy)
Older Male	Mineshaft
Older Filly/Mare	Azeri (<i>Jade Hunter</i>)
3yo Colt/Gelding	Funny Cide (Distorted Humor)
3yo Filly	Bird Town (Cape Town)
2yo Colt/Gelding	Action This Day (Kris S.)
2yo Filly	Halfbridled (Unbridled)
Male Turf	High Chaparral (Ire) (Sadler's Wells)
Female Turf	Islington (Ire) (Sadler's Wells)
Sprinter	Aldebaran (Mr. Prospector)
Steeplechaser	McDynamo (Dynaformer)
Breeder	Juddmonte Farms
Owner	Juddmonte Farms
Trainer	Bobby Frankel
Jockey	Jerry Bailey
Apprentice Jockey	Eddie Castro

THREE TOP EXPERIMENTAL HANDICAP

Eclipse Award and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile champion **Action This Day** (Kris S.), GI Futurity winner **Cuvee** (Carson City) and **Ruler's Court** (Doneraile Court), who won the GI Norfolk S. by a resounding 14 lengths, each earned highweight of 126 pounds on the 2003 Experimental Free Handicap. It is the first time since 1946 that a trio of two-year-olds has topped the weights. The Experimental, which was established by The Jockey Club in 1933, weights the juveniles for a hypothetical race of a mile and a sixteenth on the dirt. To be eligible, a two-year-old must have finished in the top four in a graded stakes or an unrestricted stakes carrying a purse of at least \$75,000 in the U.S. This year's weighting committee was comprised of racing secretaries Frank Gabriel Jr. of Arlington Park, Mike Lakow of the New York Racing Association and Thomas Robbins of Del Mar. A total of 88 colts and geldings and 78 fillies were rated for 2003. Leading the fillies' division was champion **Halfbridled** (Unbridled), who capped her perfect campaign with a victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. She was weighted at 124 pounds, one more than the standard. For all of the weights, go to www.thejockeyclub.com. *Top Sires, p2*

2003 EXPERIMENTAL FREE HANDICAP

Freshman Sires

Stallion	Sire	Runners
Forestry	Storm Cat	7
Silver Charm	Silver Buck	3
Victory Gallop	Cryptoclearance	3
Doneraile Court	Seattle Slew	2
Stormin Fever	Storm Cat	2
Stravinsky	Nureyev	2
Exploit	Storm Cat	1
Free House	Smokester	1
Horse Chestnut (SAF)	Fort Wood	1
Lil's Lad	Pine Bluff	1
Malibu Moon	A.P. Indy	1
Military	Danzig	1
Old Trieste	A.P. Indy	1
Perfect Mandate	Gone West	1
Sea of Secrets	Storm Cat	1
Time Bandit	Time for a Change	1
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How They Voted...

The race for the top three-year-old filly was won by a nose, with **Bird Town** (Cape Town) getting 96 first-place votes, just two more than **Six Perfections (Fr)** (Celtic Swing {GB}). Owner Marylou Whitney said the award meant even more because the bay was a homebred. "To watch them foal, watch them as weanlings, watch them as yearlings, and then to have them come up and win great races is a great thrill," she said. Voting in the other divisions was not nearly as close. **Halfbridled** (Unbridled), one of two champs trained by Richard Mandella, took 247 of the 248 first-place votes for two-year-old filly, leading Bobby Frankel to quip, "They should take the vote away from whoever it was that didn't vote for her." **Ashado** (Saint Ballado) earned the other vote. Mandella was also responsible for juvenile champion **Action This Day** (Kris S.), who bested **Cuvee** (Carson City) 114-42. Kentucky Derby hero **Funny Cide** (Distorted Humor) came out ahead of Belmont hero **Empire Maker** (Unbridled), 150-92. **Mineshaft** (A.P. Indy) earned 221 top votes for champion older horse, with **Congaree** (Arazi) second at 11; and 209 for Horse of the Year. Congaree was the runner-up in that category as well at 11 votes. **Azeri** (Jade Hunter) beat out **Sightseek** (Seeking the Gold) for the older female Eclipse, 123 to 107. It was **High Chaparral (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) at 138 and **Storming Home (GB)** (Machiavellian) at 73 for turf male; and **Islington (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells), 90, and **Heat Haze (GB)** (Green Desert), 74, for turf female. **Aldebaran** (Mr. Prospector) took the sprint title with 137 number one votes, with GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner **Cajun Beat** (Grand Slam) finishing second with 74.

SIX-FIGURE COLT TOPS NZB OPENER A three-quarter brother to multiple European champion Rock of Gibraltar (Ire) attracted a final bid of NZ\$1 million to top yesterday's opening session of New Zealand Bloodstock Ltd.'s Premier Yearling Sales in Karaka. The son of Danehill, out of Push a Venture (GB) (Shirley Heights {GB}), was bought by Adrian Nicoll of the British Bloodstock Agency. He was consigned by Curraghmore Stud. After a day of brisk sales, the average of NZ\$108,049 was up 6.5 percent on last year. "Today was certainly one of the strongest opening sessions to our Premier Sale we have ever seen," said NZB general manager of bloodstock and marketing Julia Naismith. "Right from the outset, the buyers were ready for action. The bids flew thick and fast, creating great momentum that carried right throughout the session. It was very pleasing for us to see so many of the world's leading bloodstock buyers here at Karaka, with the strongest representation from Europe, in particular, that we have experienced." The Premier Sale runs through Wednesday. It is followed by the Select Sale on Thursday and Friday.

MONDAY'S TOP FIVE LOTS

Lot	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (NZ\$)
<u>159</u>	colt	Danehill	Push a Venture (GB)	\$1,000,000
Consigned by Curraghmore Stud Purchased by British Bloodstock Agency				
<u>138</u>	colt	Fusaichi Pegasus	Palia (Aus)	\$480,000
Consigned by Cambridge Stud Purchased by W Leung				
<u>090</u>	filly	Montjeu (Ire)	Mazarine (Ire)	\$460,000
Consigned by Ascot Farm Purchased by Cambridge Stud				
<u>047</u>	filly	Thunder Gulch	La Brillante (NZ)	\$420,000
Consigned by Windsor Park Stud Ltd Purchased by Kieran Moore Bloodstock				
<u>017</u>	filly	Zabeel (NZ)	Jacqwin (Aus)	\$410,000
Consigned by Waikato Stud Ltd Purchased by British Bloodstock Agency				

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Stallion	Sire	Exp. Runners
<u>Grand Slam</u>	Gone West	8
Forestry*	Storm Cat	7
El Prado (Ire)	Sadler's Wells	5
<u>Tale of the Cat</u>	Storm Cat	5
<u>A.P. Indy</u>	Seattle Slew	4
Unbridled's Song	Unbridled	4
Polish Numbers	Danzig	3
Saint Ballado	Halo	3
<u>Silver Charm</u> *	Silver Buck	3
Victory Gallop*	Cryptoclearance	3
Wild Rush	Wild Again	3

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

LECOMTE S.-GIII, \$100,000, FGX, 1-24, 3yo, 1m, 1:38 2/5, ft.

1--@#**FIRE SLAM**, 119, c, 3, by [Grand Slam](#)

1st Dam: Miss Firefly, by Salt Lake

2nd Dam: Glomo, by Copelan

3rd Dam: Realcraft Pleasure, by What a Pleasure (\$230,000 yrl '02 FTKJUL). O-Stan E Fulton; B-Julie Jones Mogge (KY); T-David M Carroll; J-S J Sellers; \$60,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$319,430.

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Looking at the report of mares bred in 2003, it's clear that not too many breeders were discouraged by the fairly run-of-the-mill start made by Grand Slam's first runners the previous year. Fortunately, the last six or seven months have shown that their continued faith in this handsome son of Gone West was fully justified.

Grand Slam, of course, had been many people's idea of the likely leader among 2002's freshman sires. He had, after all, won three of his first four juvenile starts, including the GI Champagne S. (prior to suffering the horrific injury in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile which surely affected his subsequent career).

Grand Slam's first youngsters had been very well received at the 2001 sales, selling for up to \$1.7 million and, with 124 two-year-olds to his name, he had considerably more fire power than any of his rivals.

I'll admit to being disappointed when Grand Slam managed to come up with only one stakes winner--Big Score--among his first 53 runners. Sure, he also had a handful of graded-placed winners, but I had expected a bit more. One lesson I have learned over the years, though, is not to read too much into a freshman sire's achievements--or lack of them--with his first juveniles. A knee-jerk reaction can be dangerous and, for once, the breeding community resisted the temptation.

Grand Slam's popularity hardly suffered from what I considered a rather slow start. Having covered 215 mares at a fee of \$25,000 in 2002, he drew a book of 197 at \$30,000 last year. No doubt he was helped by the sustained popularity of his yearlings in the fall of 2002, when they sold for up to \$900,000.

The 2003 covering season was over, though, before Grand Slam's first-crop three-year-olds finally hit a rich vein of form. First we saw Strong Hope begin to justify his \$1.7-million price tag with his win in the GII Dwyer S. in July, which was soon followed by his victory over Empire Maker in the GII Jim Dandy S. Then came Grand Hombre's win in the GIII Pennsylvania Derby; Cajun Beat became his third graded winner from his first crop thanks to victories in the GIII Kentucky Cup Sprint S. and GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. That last win was largely responsible for Grand Slam's fee for this year being raised to \$75,000, after initially being set at \$50,000.

If it took a while for Grand Slam's first crop to fulfil its promise, the same certainly can't be said of his second. It enjoyed its first graded success only minutes after Strong Hope had got its predecessor off the mark last July 6, when the precocious Limehouse had Cuvee back in third place in the GIII Bashford Manor S.

By the end of the year, Grand Slam held third place behind his fellow Ashford stallion Tale of the Cat and Kris S. on the juvenile sires' table. His tally of 15 winners (from a crop of 106 named foals) also featured the stakes winners Sweet Jo Jo and Grand Heritage, plus the graded-placed performers Cherish Destiny, Flushing Meadows, Grand Score and Master David.

But it was the \$200,000 earned by Fire Slam for his second in the Boyd Gaming's Delta Jackpot S. in December that elevated Grand Slam from fourth to third. Now Fire Game has improved his record to three wins and a second from four starts, thanks to his smooth success in the GIII Lecomte S. over a mile.

Fire Slam has to be regarded as a feather in Grand Slam's cap because none of the colt's first three dams was out of the ordinary on the track and none of them had produced a graded winner until Fire Slam came along (admittedly, from a limited number of foals).

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Pedigree Insights cont.

Fire Slam's main distinction is that his third dam, Realcraftpleasure, was a half-sister to that good stallion Crafty Prospector.

While I am encouraged by Grand Slam's ever-improving record, I would like to see it improve further (and expect it to do so). His five graded winners to date come from a total of 240 named foals--around 2 percent--which leaves him with some ground to make up on the established leading sires.

I suspect, though, that we are going to have to revise our expectations of modern-day stallions covering very large books of mares. The law of diminishing returns seems to apply, no doubt because the standard of the mares in these very large books must vary quite a lot. In the circumstances, you have to wonder whether any of the rising stars in today's stallion ranks will ever get close to Danzig's extraordinary figure of nearly 11 percent graded/group winners.

☆ RESULTS ☆

Sunday, Nakayama, Japan

AMERICAN JOCKEY CLUB CUP-G2-JRA,

¥123,100,000, Nakayama, 1-25, 4yo/up, 2200mT, 2:15.50, fm.

1--**DANTSU JUDGE (Jpn), 125, h, 5, by Warning (GB)**

1st Dam: **Loopsky Cross (Jpn), by Nasr El Arab**

2nd Dam: **Shibasky (Jpn), by Maruzensky (Jpn)**

3rd Dam: **Kuri Pussy (Jpn), by Arrow Express (Jpn)**

O-Tetsuji Yamamoto; B-Nojima Bokujo; T-Kenji Yamauchi; J-Shinji Fujita; ¥64,770,000. Lifetime Record: 33-6-5-4.

2--**Win Generale (Jpn), 123, c, 4, Tamamo Cross (Jpn)--Mayano Campanella (Jpn), by Yamaninsky (Jpn).**

O-Win Co. Ltd; B-Mitsuru Nakawaki; ¥26,220,000.

3--**Yukino Sun Royal (Jpn), 125, h, 7, Sunday Silence--Miami Gulch, by Gulch. O-Motoyuki Inoue; B-Etsuo Kawakami; ¥16,110,000.**

Margins: NO, 1, NK. Odds: 3.30, 3.50, 40.70.

Dantsu Judge, winner of last year's G3 Lord Derby Challenge Trophy, finished third in his seasonal debut in the G3 Nakayama Kim Pai Jan. 5 and was sent off the crowd's second choice to improve off that effort. Tracking a slow pace from a mid-pack position, he delivered his challenge at the top of the lane, forged to the front soon after and staved off Win Generale for his second graded tally. Favored World Scale (Spinning World) never got going and finished seventh.

Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

HEIAN S.-G3-JRA, ¥81,480,000, Kyoto, 1-25, 4yo/up, 1800m, 1:51.30, ft.

1--**@TIME PARADOX (JPN), 123, h, 6, by Brian's Time**

1st Dam: **Jolie Zaza (Ire) (SW), by Alzao**

2nd Dam: **Bold Lady (Fr), by Bold Lad**

3rd Dam: **Tredam (GB), by High Treason (GB)**

O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Shiraoui Farm; T-Hiroyoshi Matsuda; J-Mitsuaki Ando; ¥42,686,000. Lifetime Record: 21-8-3-2.

2--**Koolinger (Jpn), 125, h, 5, Forty Niner--Kool Arrival, by Relaunch. O-Susumu Hayashi; B-Urakawa Nissei Bokujo; ¥17,196,000.**

3--**Biwa Shinseiki (Jpn), 125, h, 6, Forty Niner--Oceana Northern Dancer. O-U Biwa; B-Hayata Farms; ¥11,098,000.**

Margins: HD, 1 3/4, 3/4 Odds: 11.20, 42.90, 2.70.

The six-year-old veteran secured his first graded victory with a determined effort here. The chestnut went through a nine-month winless spell before taking the Listed Topaz S. last November, then rounded out the bottom third of the trifecta in the Listed Galaxy S. before missing the board in the Listed Betelgeuse S. last out. Forwardly placed under jockey Mitsuaki Ando, who inherited the mount when his brother, Katsumi, was suspended, Time Paradox locked horns with Koolinger 100 meters out and dug in gamely to prevail.

CORRECTION: It was incorrectly reported in Monday's edition that the Santa Monica H. was **Island Fashion's** (Petionville) second Grade I win. In fact, the Santa Monica was her third Grade I, following wins in the GI Alabama and the GI La Brea. We regret the error.

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HE DID IT HIS WAY

A.P. Indy, third in the 1992 GI Jockey Club Gold Cup after stumbling at the start, needed a victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic to guarantee his coronation as



Mineshaft *A Coglianese*

Horse of the Year. But **Mineshaft** (A.P. Indy) did not have to follow in his father's hoofsteps to earn year-end honors. The dark bay won seven of his nine starts last season, capping the campaign with a 4 1/4-length score in the Gold Cup, and was retired due to a minor injury.

The Horse of the Year title could have been wrested from him had Medaglia d'Oro, Perfect Drift or Funny Cide managed a Classic win, but when Pleasantly Perfect came home in front on Breeders' Cup Day, the championship went to Mineshaft. "It means the world to win it," trainer Neil Howard said. "But to me, he was always a champion." Mineshaft started his career in England, but did not prove to be a proficient turf horse and managed only a maiden win in his seven overseas starts. The inauspicious beginning did not discourage his connections. "Nobody knew he'd go on and do what he did, but Mr. Farish always knew he was something special," Howard said. And, indeed, from his first step on a U.S. racetrack, he showed he belonged here. "The first day I sent him out to the track at Churchill Downs, I told the boy who got on him to let him have the chance to get used to his new surroundings," the trainer said. "But he walked out to the racetrack and galloped around there better than any horse in the barn. It was like he'd been there his whole life. It was amazing." He added, "I'm not sure what made him special. But he was different than any other horse I've ever been around. The word 'class' is thrown around a lot, but this horse had class. He acted always like a consummate professional."



A Coglianese

HORSE OF THE YEAR/CH. OLDER MALE MINESHAFT

(A.P. Indy—Prospectors Delite, by Mr. Prospector)

Owner: Farish, Elkins & Webber Jr.

Breeder: Farish, Elkins & Webber Jr.

Trainer: Neil Howard

2003 Record: 9-7-2-0, \$2,209,686

In his second start of the season, Mineshaft was sent off the second choice behind Balto Star in the Feb. 9 GIII Whirlaway H. at the Fair Grounds and, in fact, finished second, beaten 2 1/2 lengths while in receipt of two pounds from that rival. But the colt would be beaten just once more during 2003, and would end the season as racing's Horse of the Year and champion older horse.

Racing for the partnership of breeders Elkins Jr., Farish and Webber Jr., Mineshaft picked up his first graded score in the Mar. 2 GII New Orleans H. He came back to take the Apr. 25 GIII Ben Ali S. at Keeneland before moving into the Grade I ranks for the remainder of his career.

The May 16 Pimlico Special was Mineshaft's first foray into elite company, and he made short work of that field, pulling away to a 3 3/4-length tally. Sent off the 7-10 choice in the June 14 Stephen Foster H., he gave Perfect Drift an eight-pound advantage and missed by only a head. But he rebounded to reel off consecutive wins in the July 5 Suburban H., Sept. 6 Woodward S. and Sept. 27 Jockey Club Gold Cup.

After that effort, co-owner Will Farish said, "I don't think this horse has anything more to prove. We've laid our course and invited the other horses to come. In the last few races, they've gone the other direction."

Just six days later, Mineshaft was retired to stud at Lane's End. He stands for a fee of \$100,000 live foal. Click for the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](http://free.brisnet.com/catalogue-style/pedigree).

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**CH. 3YO COLT/GELDING
FUNNY CIDE**

(Distorted Humor--Belle's Good Cide, by Slewacide)

Owner: Sackatoga Stable

Breeder: WinStar Farm, LLC

Trainer: Barclay Tagg

2003 Record: 8-2-2-2, \$1,963,200

Empire Maker may have beaten Funny Cide two out of the three times they met, but Funny Cide won when it counted most, taking the 127th running of the Kentucky Derby by 1 3/4 lengths. The New York-bred gelding went on to take the Preakness by 9 3/4 lengths and, despite losing the last three starts of the campaign, earned the Eclipse as well.

He had a rough trip in his first start of '03, running fifth in the GIII Holy Bull S. He improved to cross the finish line third in the GII Louisiana Derby, then just missed in his final Derby prep, finishing a half-length runner-up to Empire Maker in the GI Wood Memorial.

But the \$22,000 FTSAUG yearling was ready for his best on the first Saturday in May. Always close to a solid pace, he put a head in front at midstretch and outfinished 5-2 choice Empire Maker to the wire to take the "Run for the Roses" as a 12-1 outsider.

His Preakness was a tour de force. Funny Cide dragged jockey Jose Santos up to join Peace Rules on the front end early, opened daylight on the field as they raced into the stretch and dashed away to an easy win.

But he was unable to get the final jewel for his Triple Crown, settling for third behind Empire Maker over a muddy strip in the Belmont S. He started twice more, finishing third behind Peace Rules in the GI Haskell Invitational H. and ending the year with a ninth in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic, but the memory of his Classic campaign moved voters to give him the Eclipse.

Before the Belmont, co-owner Jack Knowlton said, "I hope we get a perfect ending to the perfect story, and even if that doesn't happen, it's still a great story."

The story will continue. Funny Cide returned to post an impressive Gulfstream Park allowance score Jan. 10 and goes next in the Feb. 7 GI Donn H.

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**CH. 3YO FILLY
BIRD TOWN**

(Cape Town--Dear Birdie, by Storm Bird)

Owner: Marylou Whitney Stable

Breeder: Marylou Whitney Stable

Trainer: Nick Zito

2003 Record: 8-3-4-0, \$815,976

In a year in which no three-year-old filly stamped herself as clearly the best of her division, Bird Town's victories in the venerable GI Acorn S. and GI Kentucky Oaks proved enough to earn her an Eclipse Award. The Marylou Whitney homebred made eight starts in 2003, finishing worse than second just once, and closed out her career with a second to top older mare Sightseek in the GI Beldame H. Oct. 4.

After opening her campaign with a close second to Yell in a Gulfstream allowance, she romped home by 12 1/2 lengths in the Charon S. at the Florida oval. A second in Keeneland's GII Beaumont S. had her primed for the May 2 Kentucky Oaks, where she was taken out of her usual pressing game after stumbling at the start. Still, the bay regrouped and rallied six wide to defeat an outstanding group of sophomore fillies.

Bird Town wired her rivals, including Lady Tak, in the June 6 Acorn S., but couldn't handle that chestnut's tour de force in the GI Test S. July 26, finishing second as Lady Tak set a stakes record. That sapped her for the GI Alabama S. three weeks later, when she ran fifth in her worst effort of the year.

Bird Town made just one more start, checking out as the runner-up to Sightseek in the GI Beldame H. at Belmont. Mrs. Whitney and trainer Nick Zito opted to skip a trip to the Breeders' Cup and retired their charge instead, saying that Bird Town had "done enough."

The Cape Town filly has been booked to Empire Maker in his first year at stud this spring at Juddmonte.

Bird Town received a big pedigree boost when half brother Birdstone (Grindstone) took the GI Champagne S. on the same day as the Beldame. That colt rates as one of the top prospects for the Kentucky Derby.

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**CHAMPION SPRINTER
ALDEBARAN**

(Mr. Prospector—Chimes of Freedom, by Private Account)

Owner: Flaxman Holdings Ltd.

Breeder: Flaxman Holdings Ltd.

Trainer: Bobby Frankel

2003 Record: 8-5-1-1, \$1,110,606

The monkey is off his back once and for all. Aldebaran, who played the role of bridesmaid in five of his eight starts in 2002, had his picture taken on five separate occasions last season and was recognized last night as the champion sprinter of 2003.

"This is a great reward for a good and consistent performer at the highest level," commented Alan Cooper, racing manager to the Niarchos Family. "This is a fantastic accomplishment for the horse and all associated with him. To win the Eclipse is just wonderful."

Added trainer Bobby Frankel, "He deserves it, for sure. He was the most consistent horse."

The Flaxman homebred got the year off on a high note, earning his first Grade I victory in the San Carlos H. in March, before finishing a bang-up second to Eclipse finalist Congaree in the GI Carter H. the following month.

The bay bounced back to take the GII Churchill Downs H. on Derby Day, then registered the most important victory of his career, charging from the back of the pack to take the GI Metropolitan H. May 26.

Third to top handicappers Perfect Drift and Horse of the Year Mineshaft in the GI Stephen Foster H. the following month, Aldebaran returned to the sprint game to annex the GII Tom Fool H. on Independence Day and the GI Forego H. (with a divisonal best 122 Beyer) in September before ending his career with a sixth-place finish to Cajun Beat in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint.

Out of the Group 1-winning mare Chimes of Freedom (Private Account) and a half brother to GISW Good Journey (Nureyev) and GSW Sea of Showers (Seattle Slew), Aldebaran entered stud this season for \$50,000 at Darby Dan Farm in Lexington.

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**CHAMPION TRAINER
BOBBY FRANKEL**

2003 Stats: 413-114-79-57, \$19,143,289

Top Horses: Aldebaran, Denon, Empire Maker, Ghostzapper, Heat Haze (GB), Medaglia d'Oro, Megahertz (GB),

Milwaukee Brew, Peace Rules, Sightseek, Spoken Fur, Tates Creek, Wild Spirit (Chi).

Trainer Bobby Frankel picked up his fourth consecutive Eclipse Award, and his fifth overall, after setting a North American earnings record of \$19,143,289. Frankel becomes the second conditioner to earn four straight championships, following in the footsteps of Laz Barrera, who was honored from 1976 through 1979.

The 62-year-old horseman also saddled a record 25 Grade I winners last season, taking his first Classic with Empire Maker in the GI Belmont S.

"It was a great year, we broke a lot of records, but winning the Belmont was my most memorable moment," Frankel said.

The Brooklyn native has come a long way since his days as "King of the Claimers." Frankel, who saddled his first winner, Double Dash, at Aqueduct in 1966, moved his base of operations to Southern California in 1972 and won a record 60 races at Hollywood Park.

He upgraded his stable through the 1980s and conditioned his first champion, top older horse Bertrando, in 1993. He also earned his first Eclipse that year. In 1995, he sent out his first of three champion turf mares, Possibly Perfect, and was elected to racing's Hall of Fame. His Wandesta was the top turf mare of 1996, followed by Ryafan in 1997.

His clients include Eclipse finalist Edmund Gann and Juddmonte Farms, which was named champion owner and breeder of 2003.

Working for owners like Gann and Juddmonte is "the perfect job," according to Frankel. "There's not a lot of pressure. They let me do what's right. The only pressure is the pressure I put on myself."

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**CH. 2YO COLT
ACTION THIS DAY**

(Kris S.–Najecam, by Trempolino)

Owner: B. Wayne Hughes
Breeder: James S. Carrion, Trustee
Trainer: Richard Mandella
2003 Record: 3-2-0-0, \$817,200

In a competitive division that boasted a number of horses with legitimate claims to year-end honors, it was GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile hero Action This Day who walked away with the hardware. In doing so, the son of the late Kris S. provided Hall of Fame trainer Richard Mandella a second Eclipse Award of the evening.

"This worked out a lot like it did on Breeders' Cup Day," Mandella said. "I would have been very disappointed if Halfbridled had been beaten, because I thought she was much the best. But a lot of the colts [that were up for the Eclipse] looked good. We were just hoping and praying."

Action This Day made his belated debut at Del Mar Sept. 5, finishing a non-threatening second at a mile. Running the Juvenile distance of a mile and a sixteenth in his next, the B. Wayne Hughes colorbearer gave up a lot of ground at the break, falling back by as many as 12 lengths, but a powerful--and portentous--late kick propelled him to a nose victory at Santa Anita Sept. 28.

Stepping onto the Santa Anita oval on Breeders' Cup day with only a maiden win to his credit, Action This Day was sent off by skeptical handicappers as a 26-1 longshot, odds that looked stingy as the leggy bay caboosed the field through a half mile. But he began picking off foes with a methodical, sweeping move and, with a furlong to run, he emerged from a cluttered huddle of horseflesh and sprinted away for the victory.

"By the time we got to the eighth pole, it was all over," exclaimed winning jockey David Flores. "The horse was just covering so much ground, it made me so, so happy. It was just a great feeling."

The upset was no surprise to Mandella, who'd touted the horse's chances before the Breeders' Cup.

"Like I said all week, he's the man," he quipped. "He's was the ugly duckling this spring and now he is the swan."

Next up for Action This Day is the Sham S. Feb. 8.

"It's not a big race, but it's a good start," Mandella said. "I wasn't happy with the way he was coming up to the first race we had picked out for him, the Santa Catalina, but he has worked well and I think he's ready for whatever we put to him now."

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**CH. 2YO FILLY
HALFBRIDLED**

(Unbridled--Half Queen, by Deputy Minister)

Owner: Wertheimer Farm LLC
Breeder: Wertheimer & Frere
Trainer: Richard Mandella
2003 Record: 4-4-0-0, \$849,400

While most of the 2003 championships were a mystery until the envelopes were opened, the juvenile filly division was sewn up with Halfbridled's emphatic victory in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

In fact, the voting for the Eclipse Award for two-year-old filly was a virtual runaway, with Halfbridled garnering 247 out of 248 first-place votes.

That came as no surprise to trainer Richard Mandella, who has been full of praise for his star from the start.

"From the first day we saw her, I said that she was pretty special," he said. Special indeed.

Halfbridled, who was undefeated in four starts last year, won from 5 1/2 furlongs to 1 1/16 miles during a juvenile campaign that spanned from July to October. A 4 1/2-length winner in her debut at Del Mar July 27, the strapping filly showed everyone that the jump up to Grade I company was no problem, galloping away an easy five-length winner in the GI Del Mar Debutante Aug. 30.

With a pair of Grade I caliber fillies behind her--Hollywood Starlet victress Hollywood Story and Frizette runner-up Victory U.S.A--the Wertheimer homebred handled her route debut in the Sept. 28 GII Oak Leaf S. with consummate ease, scoring by 4 1/2 lengths as the piping hot 1-5 chalk.

That was three in the bag and one more start to go. Halfbridled established herself as the undisputed queen of her league when she came from off the pace to take the Juvenile Fillies, leaving another Grade I-winning filly, Spinaway heroine Ashado, in her wake.

"This mare is just so great," said Julie Krone, who became the first woman jockey to win a Breeders' Cup race in the Juvenile Fillies. "I can't say enough about her...she's just a phenomenal filly."

Halfbridled is slated to make her 2004 debut in the Feb. 15 GI Las Virgenes S. at Santa Anita Park, but Mandella said yesterday that the filly is battling a slight respiratory problem.

"We had a little trouble with her coughing last week," he said. "She seems to be coming out of it quickly, but we'll get home and see how she is."

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**OLDER FEMALE
AZERI**

(Jade Hunter–Zodiac Miss {Aus}, by Ahonoora {GB})

Owner: Allen Paulson Living Trust

Breeder: Allen Paulson (Ky)

Trainer: Laura De Seroux

2003 Record: 5-4-1-0, \$817,080

Azeri had a tough act to follow in 2003 after a blazing 2002 season in which she was named not only champion older mare, but also Horse of the Year, but the champ gave a pretty impressive encore.

She began the year with a repeat victory in the GI Apple Blossom, where she courageously collared Take Charge Lady in deep stretch for a narrow win. Retracing the steps that led her to year-end honors in 2002, Azeri added wins in the GI Milady Breeders' Cup H., GI Vanity and GI Clement Hirsch H.

The mare's 11-race win streak was interrupted with an uncharacteristically dull third in the GI Lady's Secret Breeders' Cup H. She was promoted to second via a disqualification, but was done for the year. Sidelined first by a viral infection and then by a tendon injury, the chestnut mare missed a return engagement in the Breeders' Cup Distaff, the race which cemented her 2002 Horse of the Year status.

Azeri won the hearts of racing fans through two championship seasons, and jockey Mike Smith and trainer Laura de Seroux are at the head of the fan club.

"She's just amazing," Smith enthused after Azeri's three-length win in the Milady. "As far as comparisons to last year, she is simply stronger this year. She's amazing and she likes it when they come after her. She just grabs a hold of me and, whoosh, she's gone."

De Seroux agreed that the ultra-consistent Azeri is in a class of her own.

"She's multi-multi dimensional," the trainer said after the Milady. "I just don't have words to describe her. You're seeing one of the greatest mares of all time."

Fans may get the chance to see Azeri race as six-year-old. She is expected to continue her racing career in 2004 with Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas.

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**CH. TURF FEMALE
ISLINGTON (IRE)**

(Sadler's Wells–Hellenic {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB})

Owner: Executors of Late Lord Weinstock

Breeder: Ballymacoll Stud Farm

Trainer: Sir Michael Stoute

2003 Record: 6-2-0-2, \$955,142

An Eclipse Award as the North American Champion Turf Female of 2003 is the crowning achievement in Islington's accomplished career. The Ballymacoll homebred, racing in the pale blue and yellow colors of the late Lord Weinstock, earned four Group/Grade 1 wins and competed with distinction against the best males of her generation.

Though she failed to win in two starts at two, Islington came to hand quickly at three, capturing her 2002 bow and following that up with a victory in the G3 Musidora S. The second choice in the G1 Epsom Oaks, she apparently didn't handle the ground while finishing eighth to Kazzia (Ger), but regained her luster with consecutive wins in the G1 Nassau S. and the G1 Yorkshire Oaks. She took on males for the first time in her next start and was a bang-up fifth, beaten a length, in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, then was a troubled third in the GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf at Arlington.

Islington opened 2003 with a third in the G1 Prince of Wales's S., then was sixth in the G1 Eclipse S. before successfully defending her title in the G1 Yorkshire Oaks. Back against the boys, she ran third, beaten a half length to High Chaparral (Ire) and Falbrav (Ire), in the G1 Irish Champion S. The company she kept saw her go postward as the favorite in the GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf Oct. 25, and the bay summoned all of her class to deny longshot L'Ancrese (Ire) in the Santa Anita sunshine. Islington ran into wretched ground in her career finale, the G1 Japan Cup in November, and came home ninth.

A daughter of fellow Yorkshire Oaks heroine Hellenic, Islington is also a full sister to German highweight and G1SW Greek Dance (Ire). The five-year-old heads to the breeding shed for a date with leading British sire Rainbow Quest. Click here for the [blue brisnet.com pedigree](http://www.brisnet.com/pedigree).

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**CHAMPION TURF MALE
HIGH CHAPARRAL (IRE)**

(Sadler's Wells-Kasora {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB})
Owner: Michael Tabor & Mrs. John Magnier
Breeder: Sean Coughlan
Trainer: Aidan O'Brien
2003 Record: 4-3-0-1, \$1,717,124

As he did in 2002, Michael Tabor and Mrs. John Magnier's High Chaparral (Ire) made the most of his lone U.S. appearance, dead-heating with Johar to win the Breeders' Cup Turf. He becomes the first horse since John Henry to win back-to-back Eclipse Awards as champion turf horse; the venerable John Henry was so honored in 1980-81 and again in 1983-84.

Bothered by a shoulder injury early in the season, High Chaparral made his belated 2003 bow with a win in the G2 Royal Whip S. in early August. In his next start, he hooked Falbrav (Ire) in the G1 Irish Champion S. Sept. 6 and came away with a controversial neck victory, with Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf winner Islington (Ire) a close third.

Following the same path as in 2002, the bay used a third-place finish in the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe as a springboard to his Breeders' Cup performance. Sent off no better than the 9-2 fourth choice for the World Thoroughbred Championships, High Chaparral was kept within easy striking distance through the opening furlongs, then swung out for the drive and finished on even terms with Johar. It was the first dead heat in the history of the Breeders' Cup.

Purchased as a Tattersalls Houghton yearling for 270,000 guineas, Epsom and Irish Derby hero High Chaparral won 10 times and was never worse than third in his 13-race career. A Group or Grade I winner at two, three and four, he stands at Coolmore Stud in Ireland for a fee of €35,000.

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High Chaparral's GI Breeders' Cup Turf:
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**CH. STEEPLECHASER
MCDYNAMO**

(Dynaformer-Rondonia, by Monteverdi {Ire})
Owner: Michael Moran
Breeder: R. & N. Fox, R. Kaster
Trainer: Sanna Hendricks
2003 Record: 3-3-0-0, \$252,025

Although McDynamo didn't rack up the air miles last year, facing the starter only three times, the veteran jumper made the most of those starts and ended his 2003 campaign undefeated. A facile 7 1/2-length winner in the GI Royal Chase H. at Keeneland Apr. 25, the gelding remained on the sidelines for the next six months before returning with a convincing score in the GI Breeders' Cup Steeplechase at Far Hills, New Jersey.

In front of a sellout crowd of 50,000, McDynamo tracked the early pace through five fences, took command after a mile and had things his own way for the rest of the \$175,000 contest to record a 15 1/4-length victory, which he accomplished in course record time of 5:24.12.

Well on his way to a championship with that win, the \$82,000 Keeneland September yearling purchase provided added insurance to his title claim with another impressive win, again breaking the course mark, in the 2 3/4-mile GI Colonial Cup at Camden Nov. 16.

A winner of 10 of 19 lifetime starts, over the flat and the jumps, the full brother to Grade III winner Old Chapel has bankrolled \$511,319 to date.

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O-B. Wayne Hughes; B-Jaime S. Carrion, Trustee (KY); T-Richard Mandella
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**CHAMPION OWNER/BREEDER
JUDDMONTE FARMS INC**

O-2003 Stats: 114-32-21-21, \$6,250,355
B-2003 Stats: 275-51-48-32, \$6,975,379
Top Horses: Empire Maker, Heat Haze (GB),
 Sightseek, Tates Creek.

Though none of its colorbearers took home an Eclipse statuette in 2003, Juddmonte Farms received its third consecutive (and fourth overall) Eclipse Award as North America's champion breeder, and also won a second award for champion owner. Khalid Abdullah's operation won 16 graded stakes in 2003, including 11 at Grade I level for earnings of nearly \$7 million.

Juddmonte's main flagbearer for 2003 was the aptly named **Empire Maker** (Unbridled), the fourth Grade I winner produced by Broodmare of the Year Toussaud (El Gran Senor). The handsome dark bay captured three Grade Is last year, winning the Florida Derby and the Wood Memorial before earning a Classic victory in the GI Belmont S. Though he turned the tables on Kentucky Derby/Preakness hero Funny Cide in the Belmont, Empire Maker missed out on the Eclipse Award to the New York-bred gelding as the nation's leading three-year-old.

Empire Maker was one of three Eclipse finalists for Juddmonte, joining **Heat Haze (GB)** (Green Desert) and **Sightseek** (Distant View) as a championship hopeful. Heat Haze, a 3/4-sister to 2001 Eclipse champion Banks Hill (GB), captured the GI Beverly D. S. and the GI Matriarch S., but was a runner-up in the voting for champion turf female. Stablemate Sightseek swept four straight Grade I races, but failed to handle Santa Anita in the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff and was deemed second best to defending champion Azeri in the champion older female category. Both Heat Haze and Sightseek remain in training as five-year-olds in 2004.

Sightseek's half sister **Tates Creek** (Rahy) was another multiple Grade I winner in Juddmonte's green and pink colors, tallying victories in the GI Yellow Ribbon S. and the GI Gamely Breeders' Cup H. while earning over \$700,000. Retired after the Breeders' Cup, she is booked to Empire Maker for 2004.

Juddmonte received its first Eclipse Award in 1992 as champion owner, and received additional Eclipses as champion breeder in 1995, 2001 and 2002. The operation also had an outstanding year overseas, campaigning European champion sprinter **Oasis Dream (GB)** (Green Desert) and French Classic heroine **Nebraska Tornado** (Storm Cat) as well as multiple Group 1-winning juvenile **American Post (GB)** (Bering {GB}).



**CHAMPION JOCKEY
JERRY BAILEY**

2003 Stats: 776-206-149-97, \$23,354,960
Top Horses: Aldebaran, Birdstone, Composure, Congaree, Cuvee, Denon, Dimitrova, Empire Maker, Lady Tak, Man From Wicklow, Medaglia d'Oro, Sightseek, Silver Wagon, Six Perfections (Fr), Spoken Fur, Sulamani (Ire), Wild Spirit (Chi).

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As he has for seven of the last nine years, and every year since 2000, Jerry Bailey was named the Eclipse Award-winning jockey for 2003.

Bailey was the regular rider for champion Aldebaran and also piloted Eclipse finalists Cuvee, Empire Maker, Medaglia d'Oro, Sightseek and Six Perfections (Fr). He picked up his sixth Triple Crown race score aboard Empire Maker in the GI Belmont S., and his 14th career Breeders' Cup tally with Six Perfections in the Mile.

But could 2004 be Bailey's last year in the saddle? "I've actually thought about retiring the last three years," the 46-year-old Hall of Famer said. "I am on the road a lot, away from my family, and I have missed a lot of my son's growing up.

"At the end of 2004, I'll take a look at the year, see how I feel, talk it over with my family and make a decision. But if I decide to ride in 2005, that will probably be it."



**CHAMPION
APPRENTICE JOCKEY
EDDIE CASTRO**

Jean Raftery

2003 Stats: 1065-216-220-147, \$3,472,267

A native of Panama, Eddie Castro went to jockey school in his native country and, after just four months in the saddle, was the leading apprentice there. But topping the standings at Hipodromo Presidente Remon was not enough for Castro.

"It's tough to get going in Panama," he said. "There are a lot of jockeys and the purses are no good."

The 18-year-old came to the U.S. in April last year. Based in Florida, he was the leading rider at Calder and, by the end of the season, led all apprentices in the U.S. in races won with 216 victories. The quick ride to the top earned him the Eclipse as champion apprentice over Pablo Fragoso and 2002 winner Ryan Fogelsonger.



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GILL TO PASS ON JUVENILE SALES AT CALDER

Owner Mike Gill, who led all buyers at the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Calder Auction in 2002 and 2003 as well as Calder's Fasig-Tipton juvenile sale last year, will not participate at either of those venues this year, reports *bloodhorse.com*. Gill, who ranked first among North American owners in 2003 with \$9,236,530 in earnings and 425 wins, has been embroiled in a dispute with Calder management, which has refused to grant Gill stalls at the Miami-area track. "I love the two-year-old sales," Gill told *bloodhorse.com*. "It's nothing against the consignors...Calder won't give me stalls and they've made it tough for me to race at other tracks. I can't see helping them." According to Gill, he may make a few purchases at Barretts in California and at Fasig-Tipton's Midlantic May Sale in Maryland.

★ **EAST** ★

Yesterday's Results:

6th-PHA, \$21,356, Msw, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 3/5, ft.
GRAM'S ADDICTION (c, 4, **Capote--She's Fine, by Private Account**) took plenty of play in his debut, going postward as the 6-5 pick, and ran a solid second sprinting over this oval Jan. 13. Made the 4-5 odds-on choice this time, the dark bay took command after a half mile and powered away to a five-length success over Johnny Corvette (Western Echo). The victor, a \$18,000 KESEF yearling, is a half to Southey (Broad Brush), GSP, \$125,846. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$15,200. O-Cheval Corporation. B-Holtsinger Inc (KY). T-Edward T Allard.

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Kinghaven to Phase Out Thoroughbred Operation:

Kinghaven Farms, who dominated the Canadian racing scene for much of the past two decades, will discontinue its Thoroughbred operations, according to *bloodhorse.com* yesterday. The pilot of the 185-acre operation, David Willmot, indicated that although the operation is no longer economically profitable, he will remain involved in the breeding industry. Willmot is currently president of the Woodbine Entertainment group. Willmot plans to board approximately 13 mares at Anderson Farms in St Thomas, Ontario. The leading North American owner in money won and stakes earnings in 1990, Kinghaven has bred and/or raced such stalwarts as champions Deputy Minister, Izvestia, With Approval, Play the King, and Alywow.

★ **CENTRAL** ★

Yesterday's Results:

9th-FGX, \$30,000, NW1X, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 4/5, ft.
COLONEL DAY (g, 3, **Hennessy--Concord Hymn {MSP, \$123,606}**, by Giboulee), third last out over track and trip Jan. 2, went off the even-money choice to win at this level. Close up early, the bay took command after three quarters and led until the wire, scoring by 1 1/2 lengths over El Galante (Fly So Free). The \$70,000 KEENOV weanling and \$100,000 FTKJUL yearling is a half to Black Jim (Timeless Moment), SP, \$196,503. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$34,940. O-Christopher Elser. B-John Ingleson (KY). T-D Carroll.

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TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28:

02-14 \$200,000 **Barbara Fritchie H.-II, Lrl, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (0)**

02-14 \$75/75,000a **John B. Campbell BC H., Lrl, 4yo/up, 9f (75)**

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IN JAPAN:

- Glory Blood**, f, 3, **Gone West**--Ski Dancer (MGSW & MGISP, \$578,344), by Baldski. Nakayama, 1-24, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-1, \$150,943. O-Koji Maeda; B-Summer Wind Farm; T-Masamichi Wada. *\$350,000 yrl '02 FTSAUG. **Tracked the pace before gaining command in upper stretch en route to an easy 1 3/4-length victory.
- Laurel Spark**, c, 3, **Tale of the Cat**--Stark Ballet, by Nureyev. Kokura, 1-24, Novice Race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$78,302 O-Laurel Racing; B-Cheveley Park Stud; T-Kazuya Nakatake. *\$45,000 wnlg '01 KEENOV. **Took the lead soon after the break and battled to the wire to earn a neck win.
- Quick Jive**, f, 4, **A. P. Indy**--Fabulously Fast (GISW, \$213,100), by Deputy Minister. Nakayama, 1-24, Plate Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 16-2-2-4, \$242,925. O-Kazuko Yoshida; B-Caesar O Kimmel, Phillip J Solondz & Heiligbrodt Racing Stables; T-Yokichi Okubo. *\$575,000 yrl '01 KEESEP.
- Le Mars Girl**, f, 4, **Defrere**--Timeless Twist, by Timeless Moment. Oi, 1-21, TCK Jo-Oh Hai, 9f. Lifetime Record: MSW-Jpn, 16-5-3-3, \$1,284,131. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Penn Farm; T-Saburo Yuasa. *\$260,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR. **Won by 1 1/2 lengths.
- Foundry World**, c, 4, **Mutakddim**--Ribbon Candi, by Candi's Gold. Kokura, 1-25, Dannoura Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 11-3-2-1, \$344,528. O-Tomio Mito; B-Elizabeth P & David J Whelan; T-Shigetada Takahashi. *\$35,000 yrl '01 OBSAUG; \$75,000 2yo '02 FTFEB. **Last early, showed an impressive late kick to just get up for a neck victory.

- Machikane Bateren**, g, 5, **Alphabet Soup**--Play Date, by Geiger Counter. Nakayama, 1-25, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$143,491. O-Masuo Hosokawa; B-Hermitage Farm LLC; T-Yoshiyasu Takahashi. *\$62,000 yrl '00 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '01 OBSMAR. **Won by 2 1/2 lengths.
- Aloha Spirits**, h, 5, **A. P. Indy**--Musicale (MGSW-Eng, \$143,553), by The Minstrel. Kokura, 1-25, Plate Race, 12f. Lifetime Record: 13-3-0-3, \$260,849. O-Keisho Kida; B-Swettenham Stud; T-Takemi Kaga. *1/2 to Belasco (Gone West), GSP-Eng & SP-US, \$120,059. **\$57,000 yrl '00 KEEJAN. ***Won by nine lengths.
- Many Award**, h, 8, **Gone West**--Pigeon Blood (Ire), by Thatching (Ire). Kokura, 1-24, Ganryujima Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 20-2-3-3, \$404,811. O-Masami Juni; B-Newgate Stud Farm, Inc.; T-Ryuji Okubo. *\$180,000 yrl '97 KEESEP. **Settled in mid-pack early, forged to the front in upper stretch and pulled clear to a 2 1/2-length victory.

JAPANESE WINNER BY AMERICAN SIRE:

- Crystal Violet (Jpn)**, f, 3, **Skip Away**--Cuteness, by Forty Niner. Nakayama, 1-24, Nonohana Sho, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-1, \$445,849. O/B-Ogifushi Hattori Farm; T-Masahiro Horii.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races and a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races.

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NO FAIRYTALE RETURN FOR CHAPPLE-HYAM

Trainer Peter Chapple-Hyam narrowly failed to get off the mark with his first runner after returning from Hong Kong to his new base in Newmarket. His first British representative in four seasons, Toronto Heights, beat all bar Mount Vettore (GB) in the six-furlong maiden on Wolverhampton's fibresand. Chapple-Hyam, who saddled Epsom Derby winner Dr Devious (Ire) and the top-class Rodrigo de Triano and Turtle Island (Ire) from his Manton base in the 1990s, has a team of four older horses and 26 juveniles at St Gatien Stables.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Cagnes sur Mer, 2.35, Cond, €21,000, 3yo, 6 ½ f (AWT), 1:21.60, std.

RADJASTAN (FR) (c, 3, Cape Cross {Ire}--Hollanda {Fr}, by Fabulous Dancer), who returned with a smooth conditions score at Pau last time Jan. 7, was sent off the 1-5 favorite to follow up. Soon in command under Ioritz Mendizabal, he quickened clear in the straight before being eased to record a facile three-length score from Nearque (Fr) (Lahint). Lifetime Record: 6 starts, wins, 3 places, €34,900. O-D Treves; B-Mme M Boucheron; T-J Rouget.

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MY BEST VALENTINE DIES

My Best Valentine (GB) (Try My Best--Pas de Calais {GB}, by Pas de Seul {GB}) died of a suspected heart attack at Allevamento Fattoria Renaccino, near Siena. The bay stallion won the 1998 G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp as an eight-year-old. He had been leased to stand at the Italian stud where he was found dead in his paddock on Saturday.

PRINCE TO SICILY

Prince of Birds (Storm Bird--Special Key, by Key to the Mint), Ireland's co-champion miler of 1988, will continue his stallion career in Italy. Purchased by Santo Spadaro from a Swedish syndicate, the 19-year-old will stand at Spadaro's Azienda Agricola Due Esse in Sicily after a deal was brokered by Stefan Uppstron and Amaranto Bloodstock. Prince of Birds, winner of the 1988 G1 Irish 2000 Guineas, is the sire of Japanese stakes winners Gifted Crown (Jpn) and Multimax (Jpn), as well as Australian stakes winner Terminus Prince (Aus). Spadaro, who owns 20 mares at Catania, will stand the only European-based son of Storm Bird at €3,000.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN HONG KONG:

Red Pepper (GB), g, 7, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Final Shot (Ire), by Dalsaan (GB). Sha Tin, 1-24, Centenary Vase H.-G3-HK, 2000mT. B-Whitsbury Manor Stud. * Formerly Sir Nicolas (GB). ** MGSP-Eng. *** 42,000gns yrl '98 TATOCT. **** 1/2 to Lipstick (GB) (Zamindar), SP-Eng. ***** Tenth, but beaten only four lengths in the G1 Hong Kong Vase Dec. 14, Red Pepper was the last away from the stalls in this one, but rallied from far back to register a half-length victory at odds of 20-1.



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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-GGX, \$42,653, 1-25, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

STAGE PLAYER (h, 5, Stage Colony--Ole' Sis, by Ole') Lifetime Record: 21-5-4-0, \$136,687. O-Robert D Bone. B-Brian Bartch, Barbara Dutton & Thomas R Capehart (CA). T-John F Martin. *1/2 to Elaine's Angel (T. U. Slew), GSP, \$350,216.

3rd-FGX, \$32,500, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, 5 1/2f, 1:03 1/5, ft.

TOBY'S SUCCESS (g, 4, Forty Won--Chad's Prospect {SW}, by Sutter's Prospect) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$38,830. O-Valene Farms. B-Toby Sheridan (LA). T-Troy Young. *\$16,000 yrl '01 LOUOCT.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Defy Logic, c, 4, **Saint Ballado--Clever Monique**, by Clever Trick. FGX, 1-26, 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Thomas-Lakin (Ky). *\$1,550,000 yrl '01 KEESEP. **1/2 to Yes It's True (Is It True), GISW, \$1,080,700; Honest Deceiver (Is It True), MSW, \$150,958.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Cagnes sur Mer, 3.35, Cond, €20,000, 4yo/up, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:05.70, std.

NIGHT BOKBEL (IRE) (h, 5, Night Shift--Liu {Ire}, by Top Ville {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Fr, 17 starts, 6 wins, 8 places, €120,877. O-R Bellaiche; B-Mme R Ades; T-David Smaga.

FRANCE, Cagnes sur Mer, 2.05, Cond, €15,000, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:42.90, std.

ROUND STONE (FR) (c, 4, Poliglote {GB}--Round Sister {Fr}, by Romildo {GB}) Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 21 starts, 5 wins, 13 places, €95,200. O-Maurice Schemoul; B-T Veron; T-Marc Pimbonnet.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mount Vettore (GB), g, 3, **Vettori (Ire)--Honeyspike (Ire)**, by Chief's Crown. Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-26, Mdn, 3yo, 6f (AWT). B-Jose Bonifacio C Nogueira. *10,000gns yrl '02 TATDEC.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES:

World Peace (Aus), f, 2, **Danehill--Light Up The World (Aus)**, by Rory's Jester (Aus). Caulfield (Melbourne), 1-26, Blue Diamond Preview, 2yo, f, 5fT, A\$81,250 to winner. B-G Harvey.

Sanziro (Aus), c, 2, **Danzero (Aus)--Will Fly (Aus)**, by Will Dancer (Fr). Caulfield (Melbourne), 1-26, Blue Diamond Preview, 2yo, c/g, 5fT, A\$81,250 to winner. B-Toorak Park Stud Pty Ltd.

SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Tuesday, Jan. 27

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1998 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- CHARISMATIC** (Summer Squall), Japan, \$, 156/11/0
7-MNR, Msw, 1m, Bela Carol, \$32K KEE SEP yrl
3-MNR, Msw, 1m, He Rose Again
- EPIC HONOR** (Honor Grades), Blooming Hill, \$2K, 36/4/0
7-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Honor R Share, \$4K RUI AUG yrl, 15-1
- EXPULSED** (Exploident), Albemarle, \$5K, 70/8/1
3-MNR, Msw, 1m, Buzzy O
- GENERAL ROYAL** (A.P. Indy), Crestwood, \$5K, 82/6/0
3-MNR, Msw, 1m, Crackmeup
- GUARANI** (Storm Bird), Blue Sky, \$3K, 15/0/0
7-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Guarani's Princess, \$3K AES JUN 2yo, 10-1
- HORSE CHESTNUT (SAF)** (Fort Wood), Claiborne, \$10K, 94/6/0
3-MNR, Msw, 1m, Elm
- MILITARY** (Danzig), Glencrest, \$5K, 62/9/2
10-SUN, Alw, 1m, Tin Can Sailor, \$27K FTK NOV wnl, 5-2
- PRECOCITY** (Aferd), Franks, \$3K, 60/10/1
3-MNR, Msw, 1m, Classic and Regal, \$3K OBS APR 2yo

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