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ANOTHER BANNER DAY AT PREMIER SALE

The National Sale continued its ascension with across-the-board increases in gross receipts, average and median after yesterday's second session of the New Zealand Bloodstock Premier Sale in Karaka.

Leading the way was [Lot 393](#), a bay colt by Quest for Fame (GB) out of stakes winning and group placed Chimeara (Aus) (Danehill),



who brought a NZ \$750,000 final bid from Rob McAnulty.

Consigned by Pencarrow Stud, the colt is closely related to champion two-year-old Viscount (Aus). "Whilst we are thrilled to have three of today's lots exceeding the half-million

mark, we are also very pleased to see a strong interest in our middle market from home and overseas buyers," said NZB Marketing & PR Manager Petrea Vela. "Possibly one of the best indicators for us of a good sale is whether there is the demand for that middle part of the market." The Premier Sale concludes today and is followed by the Select Sale on Thursday and Friday. *(Stats cont. p6)*



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LA DERBY NEXT FOR FIRE SLAM

GIII Lecomte S. hero **Fire Slam** (Grand Slam) will make his next start in the Mar. 7 \$600,000 GII Louisiana Derby if the quarter crack in his left hind foot responds to treatment, according to trainer David Carroll. "The main goal is to get the foot well, so that he's comfortable," Carroll said. "He's still pretty sore, but the plan all along was to go into the Louisiana Derby off the [Lecomte]."



Fire Slam Lou Hodges photo

The three-year-old popped the quarter crack prior to last Saturday's race and was equipped with a bar shoe. He is scheduled to walk for seven to nine days before having the crack repatched and returning to the track.

**WEEKEND PEDIGREE
PERSPECTIVES**

by Alan Porter

Saturday, Santa Anita

BARRETT'S/CTBA CLASSIC S., \$1,000,000, SAX, 1-24, (R), 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:47 3/5, ft.

1--**SOUTHERN IMAGE, 120, c, 4, by Halo's Image**

1st Dam: Pleasant Dixie, by Dixieland Band

2nd Dam: Pleasant Jolie, by Pleasant Colony

3rd Dam: Jolie Jolie, by Sir Ivor

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Although it didn't carry graded status, Saturday's Barretts/CTBA Classic, with its \$1,000,000 purse, was by far the weekend's most valuable event. The race certainly drew a field worthy of its prize, the runners including Peace Rules, winner last year of the GI Haskell Invitational and GI Blue Grass S.; millionaires Grey Memo and Continental Red; Excessivepleasure, a graded-stakes winner of over \$900,000; The Judge Sez Who, a multiple graded-stakes winner of over \$750,000; Excess Summer, successful in four of his last five starts; and Southern Image. **Cont p2**

TOP LOTS -- TUESDAY

| Hip | Sex | Sire | Dam | Price (NZ\$) |
|---|-----|---------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| 393 | c | Quest for Fame (GB) | Chimeara (Aus) | 750,000 |
| Consigned by Pencarrow Stud Purchased by Rob McAnulty | | | | |
| 304 | f | Zabeel (NZ) | Waihora's Lass (NZ) | 600,000 |
| Consigned by Haunui Farm Purchased by DGR Thoroughbred Services | | | | |
| 389 | c | Danehill | Champagne (NZ) | 575,000 |
| Consigned by Cambridge Stud Purchased by Gai Waterhouse | | | | |
| 285 | f | Montjeu (Ire) | Tristachine (NZ) | 380,000 |
| Consigned by Windsor Park Stud Ltd Purchased by Mark Pilkington Bloodstock | | | | |
| 406 | c | Danehill | Court (NZ) | 375,000 |
| Consigned by Cambridge Stud Purchased by Dr Tsoi Wai Wang | | | | |

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Southern Image was the least experienced horse in the field, owning only four starts prior to the race. He had, however, emerged as the winner in three of those starts and had taken the GI Malibu S. over seven furlongs on his most recent outing. With this victory in his first attempt at nine furlongs, Southern Image now appears likely to be a real force to contend with in the handicap ranks this season.

Southern Image's sire Halo's Image also had good form over a range of distances. The son of Halo earned \$549,891 over five seasons, and won stakes events from six to nine furlongs. In all, he captured six stakes events, the most notable of which were the GIII Tropical Park Derby and the GIII Broward H., which he took at the expense of Wekiva Springs and Flying Chevron. Among Halo's Image's nine stakes placings were thirds in the GI Florida Derby (won by Holy Bull) and in the GII King's Bishop S. Southern Image is a member of the second crop sired by Halo's Image, and the stallion has another celebrity in his third crop in the shape of Sir Oscar, who is undefeated in six starts to date, including a sweep of the Florida Stallion Series. Another of Halo's Image's second crop to show high-class form is Cooperation, who took runner-up spot behind the formidable Lion Heart in the GIII Hollywood Prevue S.

Halo's Image stands at Arthur Appleton's Bridlewood Farm in Florida, and Southern Image was bred by Appleton from a family which has done very good service at Bridlewood. Southern Image is the second foal of his dam Pleasant Dixie. Although she was unraced, Pleasant Dixie owns a classy pedigree as she is by Dixieland Band out of Pleasant Jolie, a Pleasant Colony daughter who won three stakes events and was several times stakes placed, most notably when second in the GII Arlington Matron H. Pleasant Jolie's dam Jolie Jolie was another to be unraced, but she turned out of be something of a foundation mare. From nine starters, she produced eight winners, including the sometimes brilliant Jolie's Halo, winner of the GI Donn H., GI Gulfstream Park H. and GI Philip H. Iselin H. Jolie's Halo stood at Bridlewood prior to his export to Japan and did

well getting seven graded stakes winners, including millionaire Hal's Hope. In addition to Jolie's Halo and Pleasant Jolie, Jolie Jolie is also the dam of stakes winner Mister Jolie and GII Nashua S. victor Cougarized.

Jolie Jolie's dam Who's to Know was a stakes winner and is ancestress of more than a dozen other stakes winners, including another Halo-line Grade I winner, Yankee Victor, who has Who's to Know as his third dam. Who's to Know also stems from an illustrious family. Her fourth dam is the brilliantly fast Myrtlewood, also ancestress of Seattle Slew and Mr. Prospector, and Who's to Know is actually bred on very similar lines to the dam of Mr. Prospector.

Halo's Image is by Halo out of a Valid Appeal mare, and that must have given double appeal in the case of the mating with Pleasant Dixie. Not only did Halo sire Jolie's Halo out of Pleasant Dixie's second dam, but also, Valid Appeal was responsible for Mister Jolie out of the same mare. The mating represents a Halo/Northern Dancer cross, which gives inbreeding to the mare Almahmoud, granddam of both Halo and Northern Dancer. What is less obvious, but perhaps just as important, is the relationship between Halo and Sir Ivor, the sire of the third dam of Southern Image. Halo and Sir Ivor are both grandsons of Turn-to. And while the dam of Halo is by a son of Pharamond II out of a Mahmoud mare, the dam of Sir Ivor is by a son of Mahmoud out of a Pharamond II mare. As a result, three of their four great grandfathers are identical. The Halo/Sir Ivor combination is found in more than 30 stakes winners and at least 15 graded stakes winners, including other GISWs Jolie's Halo (from this family), Goodbye Halo, Almutawakel and Storming Home.

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FROM THE DESK OF...
 Bill Oppenheim 

THE NEW GUYS IN TOWN

Sires whose first three-year-olds raced in the season just finished are always very much still a work in progress. With such emphasis on rapid returns and instant results, the commercial market often overrates sires who get off to a fast start, and certainly underrates sires who get off to a slow start, but then keep improving. Cagey veteran analyst that I am, I've seen many occasions when sires even at this stage of the game appear to be nobodies, then their second crop of three-year-olds takes off during the year their first crop are four-year-olds, and suddenly they're worth millions; Our Emblem being the latest example.

So, the results I want to discuss today aren't cast in stone, but by now a good deal of the evidence is in, and there's plenty we can say with the support of numbers. I've been raving about this 'sire crop'--especially North American sires whose first foals were born in 2000--for most of the year. So how do they stack up?

There are 120 'Northern' stallions with first foals 2000 who met the basic requirement for being assigned APEX ratings, which is 10+ three-year-olds (foals of 2000) in the last racing year covered (2003); this includes stallions in North America, Britain, Ireland, France, Germany and Japan. Because just one or two good horses can still make a disproportionate difference to a young sire, I've decided to look at the combined 'A Runner' (top two percent--\$109,050 in North America in 2003) plus 'B Runner' (next two percent--\$76,294 in 2003) figures for this group of sires. This ordering is liable to provide a more reliable yardstick. Of the 120 sires who qualified, 44 had fewer than 40 'year-starters' by the end of 2003, and I have nothing to say about them except that one of them is Air Express, sire of Airwave: he had an 8.33 A Index from just 24 year-starters, it was for real, and had he not died before he ever had a runner he would undoubtedly now be regarded as a top young sire.

Of the 76 who have had 40+ year-starters, 29 of them--almost 40 percent, which I would say is pretty high--had combined A + B Runner indexes of 1.00 and above; two of the accompanying tables show the top 15 with 100+ year-starters, then with 40-99. For those 30 sires, information about their A and B indexes are listed, as well as their ratings for two-year-old and three-year-old 'ABC' runners--this shows us how the sire's runners have performed at each age. For the remaining 46, their C Runners and index, and combined ABC Runners and index, are shown, as well as their A and B Runner information.

Here's what I read in these tea leaves. First, yes, this is a serious group of young sires. In money terms, eight in North America and two in Europe stand out: Ashford's pair of [Grand Slam](#) and [Tale of the Cat](#); sprinters [Distorted Humor](#) and [Elusive Quality](#); Deputy Minister's sons Awesome Again, Touch Gold, and Deputy Commander; the U.S. number eight, Indian Charlie; and Europe's top two, [Peintre Celebre](#) and [Desert Prince](#). All 10 of these are among the 15 sires in Table 1 who had 100+ year-starters in their first two crops.

It's difficult to be dogmatic at this stage of the game, but I was particularly struck by the performance of three among this bountiful group of sires who especially stood out, by virtue of having combined A + B Runner indices of 2.75 (11 percent of runners) or above at the end of 2003. This means they are pretty consistently siring the right kinds of racehorses:

DISTORTED HUMOR (3.38) - 15 A/B Runners from 111 year-starters, of which a massive 11 were A Runners (4.95 A Index); he had seven individual A Runners among 16 ABC runners in 2003, including Derby and Preakness winner Funny Cide.

AWESOME AGAIN (2.83) - 12 A/B Runners from 106 year-starters, including Tocet in 2002, and six individual A Runners, including Ghostzapper, among 17 ABC Runners in 2003.


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GRAND SLAM (2.75) - 22 A/B Runners from a huge 200 year-starters, including the second-highest B Runner Index (3.25) of 781 sires. He had nine individual A Runners among a massive 31 ABC runners last year, including Cajun Beat, Strong Hope, Grand Hombre and Fire Slam. Incidentally, I have a couple of observations about Andrew Caulfield's comments yesterday about percentage of GSW/foals for these big-crop sires like Grand Slam: first, just as for many of us baby-boomers '50 is the new 40' (or is it '60 is the new 50'? I forget), so it is with these sires. A lot of observers would hope seven percent SW is the new 10 percent, but I'm afraid it's really six percent SW is the new 10 percent. I'm guessing, though. Second, the highest correlation between sire success and expensive stud fees and full books, unfortunately, is not to do with a percentage of SW: [Grand Lodge](#) proved that. A household name a year--Sinndar, Queen's Logic, Grandera--that's all you need to generate 5-million a year or so in stud fees. Reality bites, in spite of statisticians' best arguments.

Not to discount any of the others among the 'big eight,' or to suggest that these top three now will necessarily be the top three in a year's time, but these three have delivered standout performances in what is undoubtedly a 'vintage' sire crop. The top five in the '100+-starter' table are five of the 'Big Eight' from this group in North America; Elusive Quality and Tale of the Cat didn't quite match the top three's 2.75+ A/B indexes, but both also had 2.00+ C Runner indexes, as did Indian Charlie. They finished up 4-5-6 on ABC Index, with ratings of 2.04, 1.88 and 1.86, respectively. Touch Gold, in typical Buckpasser (his damsire) fashion sired a lot of class--GSWs Midas Eyes and Region of Merit, MGISW Composure--but wasn't terribly consistent: only one B Runner, and six C's. Like him, Deputy Commander's runners were significantly better at three (1.86) than at two (0.93), which bodes well for them for 2004. The same applies to quite a few of these, on both Top 15 lists.

One interesting aspect of this sire crop was that it included four sires, who notched up huge Beyer numbers on the racecourse, but went to stud with iffy pedigree credentials. The results so far suggest lower numbers and better pedigrees are a better pointer to sire success.
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TOP 15 SIRES (First foals 2000) ON A+B RUNNER INDEX, 100+ YEAR-STARTERS
(by ABNDX)

| Rank | Sire | State | Runners | A's | Andx | B's | Bndx | A's+B's | ABNDX | Abndx 2yo | Abndx 3yo |
|------|---------------------------------|-------|---------|-----|------|-----|------|---------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Distorted Humor | Ky | 111 | 11 | 4.95 | 4 | 1.80 | 15 | 3.38 | 2.67 | 2.80 |
| 2 | Awesome Again | Ky | 106 | 7 | 3.30 | 5 | 2.36 | 12 | 2.83 | 2.64 | 3.03 |
| 3 | Grand Slam | Ky | 200 | 9 | 2.25 | 13 | 3.25 | 22 | 2.75 | 2.67 | 2.55 |
| 4 | Elusive Quality | Ky | 141 | 7 | 2.48 | 4 | 1.42 | 11 | 1.95 | 2.54 | 2.21 |
| 5 | Tale of the Cat | Ky | 186 | 6 | 1.61 | 7 | 1.88 | 13 | 1.75 | 2.22 | 2.21 |
| 6 | Peintre Celebre | Ir | 115 | 5 | 2.17 | 3 | 1.30 | 8 | 1.74 | 2.16 | 1.56 |
| 7 | Indian Charlie | Ky | 121 | 3 | 1.24 | 5 | 2.07 | 8 | 1.65 | 1.53 | 2.38 |
| 8 | Formal Gold | Ky | 108 | 2 | 0.93 | 5 | 2.31 | 7 | 1.62 | 1.37 | 1.94 |
| 9 | Deputy Commander | Ky | 140 | 4 | 1.43 | 5 | 1.79 | 9 | 1.61 | 0.93 | 1.86 |
| 10 | Wild Rush | Jp | 129 | 5 | 1.94 | 3 | 1.16 | 8 | 1.55 | 1.68 | 1.17 |
| 11 | Compton Place | GB | 105 | 3 | 1.43 | 3 | 1.43 | 6 | 1.43 | 2.54 | 0.97 |
| 12 | Souvenir Copy | Ky | 151 | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 2.65 | 8 | 1.32 | 0.55 | 1.95 |
| 13 | Touch Gold | Ky | 121 | 5 | 2.07 | 1 | 0.41 | 6 | 1.24 | 1.13 | 1.53 |
| 14 | Desert Prince | Ir | 150 | 4 | 1.33 | 2 | 0.67 | 6 | 1.00 | 0.53 | 1.65 |
| 15 | Danetime | Ir | 102 | 3 | 1.47 | 1 | 0.49 | 4 | 0.98 | 1.50 | 1.79 |

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Formal Gold has done best of the four, with a 1.62 rating for A/B runners, and for C runners as well, plus his 1.94 three-year-old index is a good pointer for this year. Of the others, [Skip Away](#) has one A Runner (0.37) and an 0.83 ABC index; Will's Way does have two A Runners (1.23), but only an 0.62 ABC index; and [Gentlemen](#) has one A runner (0.59), and just an 0.44 ABC index.

And Another Thing...

I don't want you to think that I'm so caught up in stallion statistics that I'm not paying attention to anything else that's going on. Last weekend, for example, I stuck my head above the parapet to discover that those of us in Britain who have been able to watch Gulfstream and Santa Anita while our colleagues in Kentucky and Florida can't...well, now we can't watch them either. This really is too much. I blame the NTRA. I don't know if that's fair or not, but I blame them anyway. Now, I've never met Frank Stronach, and I don't think he's helping make it easier for me to watch Gulfstream and Santa Anita, but I don't really blame

him. But the NTRA, they are funded by the industry, they must pay pretty good salaries, and they do what? Presumably they make a difference in Washington and with governments, and that is important, but, you know what? To the extent their mandate is to make this industry more familiar and more user-friendly to the unsuspecting public, I reckon they're an abject failure. They cannot even manage to get all the good racing on one dedicated TV channel that thousands of industry professionals would happily pay to subscribe to. This industry flourishes in spite of these kinds of organizations, not because of them. The auction market the last six months has experienced explosive growth-- Keeneland January was just the latest example--and why? Because of the NTRA? Because of TVG? I don't think so. This industry has no real international organization, because these tinpot suits and sets of initials have no real mandate, no real vision, and therefore no real agenda. So what do we expect? They're riding the wave; but as long as we're funding them, I'd say we have the right, if not the obligation, to demand more. You know, it's just not that hard: if you have vision, you make the deal. So make the deal. **Cont. p. 6**

TOP 15 SIRES (First foals 2000) ON A+B RUNNERS INDEX, 40 - 99 YEAR-STARTERS

(By ABNDX)

| Rank | Sire | State | Runners | A's | Andx | B's | Bndx | A's+B's | ABNDX | ABndx 2yo | ABndx 3yo |
|------|---------------------------|-------|---------|-----|------|-----|------|---------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| 1 | Labeeb | Ky | 46 | 2 | 2.17 | 2 | 2.17 | 4 | 2.17 | 1.91 | 1.86 |
| 2 | Swiss Yodeler | Ca | 81 | 2 | 1.23 | 5 | 3.09 | 7 | 2.16 | 3.52 | 2.11 |
| 3 | Stormy Atlantic | Ky | 93 | 4 | 2.15 | 4 | 2.15 | 8 | 2.15 | 1.55 | 2.70 |
| 4 | Averti | GB | 47 | 1 | 1.06 | 3 | 3.19 | 4 | 2.13 | 2.54 | 1.02 |
| 5 | Northern Afleet | Fl | 59 | 2 | 1.69 | 3 | 2.54 | 5 | 2.12 | 0.76 | 2.82 |
| 6 | Kiridashi | On | 79 | 2 | 1.27 | 4 | 2.53 | 6 | 1.90 | 3.47 | 1.78 |
| 7 | Concerto | Fl | 70 | 3 | 2.14 | 2 | 1.43 | 5 | 1.79 | 1.09 | 1.82 |
| 8 | Benchmark | Ca | 72 | 2 | 1.39 | 3 | 2.08 | 5 | 1.74 | 3.01 | 1.50 |
| 9 | Lucky Lionel | Fl | 84 | 2 | 1.19 | 3 | 1.79 | 5 | 1.49 | 1.49 | 2.69 |
| 10 | In Excessive Bull | NM | 41 | 1 | 1.22 | 1 | 1.22 | 2 | 1.22 | 0.85 | 0.73 |
| 11 | Cape Town | Ky | 89 | 3 | 1.69 | 1 | 0.56 | 4 | 1.12 | 2.24 | 1.08 |
| 12 | Starborough | Fr | 90 | 3 | 1.67 | 1 | 0.56 | 4 | 1.11 | 0.93 | 2.09 |
| 13 | Swain | Ky | 69 | 3 | 2.17 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 1.09 | 0.62 | 1.65 |
| 14 | Yarrow Brae | Md | 49 | 2 | 2.04 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 1.02 | 0.00 | 1.28 |
| 15 | Arch | Ky | 74 | 2 | 1.35 | 1 | 0.68 | 3 | 1.01 | 0.52 | 1.70 |

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And another thing...sponsorship. Two announcements recently. Now I know, because Barry tells me so, that people (in the U.S.) really do not care about this jumping lark; fine. But this weekend there's a race at Doncaster which for years has been run as the Great Yorkshire Chase. This year its name is being changed to the Skybet.com Chase; not the Skybet.com Great Yorkshire Chase, because, as Skybet.com says, that's a long name, and if people have the choice they'll call it the Great Yorkshire Chase. So what happens when Skybet.com quits sponsoring it? Goodbye, Jim Beam; hello, Spiral S., which is what it once was and should have just stayed all along, sponsor's name added on the front if you must. Second announcement: this year we will be watching the ultimatebet.com 2000 Guineas. It's internet poker, I believe. Really, what's going on here...live racing is being sponsored by internet poker, in America it's being funded by slot machines and, in some cases, Indian tribes. Are those of us in the breeding and sales sector trying to operate a sane financial market in a chaotic maelstrom of competing interests, some of which have little or nothing to do with racing racehorses? Does anybody know? Does it matter? What does the NTRA have to say about it?

Additional Bill Oppenheim Table p. 7

|  New Zealand Premier Yearling Sale Tuesday, January 27, 2004 | | |
|---|--------------------|---------------|
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| SESSION: | 2004 | 2003 |
| No. Sold | 166 | 144 |
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| CUMULATIVE: | 2004 | 2003 |
| No. Sold | 330 | 206 |
| % RNA | 18% | 16% |
| Gross (NZ\$) | \$35,918,000 | *\$29,531,500 |
| Average (NZ\$) | \$108,842 (+ 14%) | *\$95,263 |
| Median (NZ\$) | \$72,500 (+ 7.4%) | *\$67,500 |
| *Statistics through 425 lots catalogued. | | |
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FOALING NEWS:

PEOPLE'S PRINCESS, 8, Meadowlake--Cassowary (Cormorant)

Foal born Jan. 15, a filly by Point Given.

Will be bred back to Forestry.

Owned by Frank & Jane Lyon.

Boarded at Summer Wind Farm, Kentucky.

Accomplishments: GSW of \$339,175.

DEBUTANT DANCER, 22, Noble Dancer (GB)--For a Lark (Quack)

Foal born Jan. 23, a filly by Exploit.

Owned by Glencrest Farm LLC & Quaestus.

Boarded at Glencrest Farm, Kentucky.

Accomplishments: SW & MGSP, \$202,550. Dam of

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| Sire | St | Runners | A's | Index | B's | Index | C's | Index | ABC's | Index |
|----------------------------|-----------|---------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|
| Acceptable | Ky | 45 | 1 | 1.11 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.56 | 2 | 0.56 |
| Among Men | S. Africa | 70 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.71 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.18 |
| Anet | Ky | 76 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.66 | 1 | 0.33 | 2 | 0.33 |
| Announce | In | 109 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0.92 | 2 | 0.46 | 4 | 0.46 |
| Awad | Md | 58 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.43 | 1 | 0.22 |
| Bahhare | Fr | 102 | 2 | 0.98 | 0 | 0.00 | 7 | 1.72 | 9 | 1.10 |
| Banker's Gold | Pa | 92 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 1.63 | 2 | 0.54 | 5 | 0.68 |
| Chief Bearheart | Jp | 55 | 1 | 0.91 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 1.36 | 4 | 0.91 |
| <u>Confide</u> | NM | 87 | 1 | 0.57 | 1 | 0.57 | 3 | 0.86 | 5 | 0.72 |
| Coronado's Quest | Jp | 90 | 3 | 1.67 | 0 | 0.00 | 8 | 2.22 | 11 | 1.53 |
| Dance Brightly | Ky | 131 | 2 | 0.76 | 3 | 1.15 | 7 | 1.34 | 12 | 1.15 |
| Dance Floor* | Ca | 40 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Desert Story | Jp | 85 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.59 | 3 | 0.88 | 4 | 0.59 |
| Diligence | Fl | 65 | 1 | 0.77 | 1 | 0.77 | 1 | 0.38 | 3 | 0.58 |
| Double Honor | Fl | 122 | 1 | 0.41 | 2 | 0.82 | 2 | 0.41 | 5 | 0.51 |
| <u>Favorite Trick</u> | Ky | 96 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 1.04 | 11 | 2.86 | 13 | 1.69 |
| Fleetwood | GB | 57 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.88 | 2 | 0.88 | 3 | 0.66 |
| <u>Gentlemen</u> | Ky | 85 | 1 | 0.59 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0.59 | 3 | 0.44 |
| Gold Token | NY | 55 | 1 | 0.91 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.45 | 2 | 0.45 |
| Halory Hunter | NY | 76 | 1 | 0.66 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.33 | 2 | 0.33 |
| Indy Mood | In | 41 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Joyeux Danseur | Ar | 70 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.71 | 2 | 0.71 | 3 | 0.54 |
| King of Kings | Jp | 150 | 1 | 0.33 | 1 | 0.33 | 3 | 0.50 | 5 | 0.42 |
| Loup Sauvage | Fr | 52 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 1.92 | 1 | 0.48 | 3 | 0.72 |
| Medaaly | Fr | 140 | 1 | 0.36 | 3 | 1.07 | 3 | 0.54 | 7 | 0.63 |
| Notable Cat | Ok | 42 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| Ordway | PR | 68 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 0.74 | 2 | 0.37 |
| Partner's Hero | Md | 89 | 1 | 0.56 | 1 | 0.56 | 5 | 1.40 | 7 | 0.98 |
| Proud and True | Fl | 63 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.79 | 2 | 0.79 | 3 | 0.60 |
| Rodeo | NY | 69 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.72 | 2 | 0.72 | 3 | 0.54 |
| Royal Touch | Jp | 51 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.49 | 1 | 0.25 |
| Semoran | Tx | 51 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.49 | 1 | 0.25 |
| Sesaro | Ir | 68 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.37 | 1 | 0.19 |
| <u>Skip Away</u> | Ky | 135 | 1 | 0.37 | 2 | 0.74 | 6 | 1.11 | 9 | 0.83 |
| Snowbound | Wa | 43 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 1.16 | 1 | 0.58 | 2 | 0.58 |
| Storm Broker | Md | 65 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.77 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.19 |
| Subordination | Ky | 66 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.76 | 1 | 0.38 | 2 | 0.38 |
| Taiki Shuttle | Jp | 147 | 2 | 0.68 | 2 | 0.68 | 6 | 1.02 | 10 | 0.85 |
| Titus Livius | Ir | 111 | 1 | 0.45 | 0 | 0.00 | 3 | 0.68 | 4 | 0.45 |
| Tomorrows Cat | NY | 95 | 2 | 1.05 | 1 | 0.53 | 6 | 1.58 | 9 | 1.18 |
| Traitor | Fl | 54 | 1 | 0.93 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.23 |
| Victory Note | Fr | 117 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.21 | 1 | 0.11 |
| Western Fame | Ca | 52 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.96 | 5 | 2.40 | 6 | 1.44 |
| Wild Deputy | NM | 52 | 1 | 0.96 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.24 |
| Will's Way | Ky | 81 | 2 | 1.23 | 1 | 0.62 | 1 | 0.31 | 4 | 0.62 |
| Wizard King | GB | 74 | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 0.34 | 1 | 0.17 |
| (Under 40 Runners): | | | | | | | | | | |
| Air Express | Dead | 24 | 4 | 8.33 | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 1.04 | 5 | 2.60 |

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| 1-28 | LRL | John B. Campbell Breeders' Cup H. | 4yo/up, 1 1/8m | \$150,000 | 2-14 |

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 **NORTH AMERICA** ★

TASTE OF PARADISE TOPS BARRETT'S

OPENER Taste Of Paradise (Conquistador Cielo--Tastetheteardrops, by What Luck), winner of the 2003 GII San Diego H., brought a final bid of \$425,000 to top the opening session of Barretts' January Mixed Sale in Pomono California Monday. The five-year-old horse was consigned by Berkey Bloodstock Services, agent, and was sold to dissolve the partnership of Keith Abrahams and Paul Bloom. He was purchased by David B. Bloom. Out of a half sister to GSW Scottish Monk (Duns Scotus) and GSW Wire Me Collect (Clever Trick) and SW Electric Shock (Cure the Blues), the dark bay was second in the 2002 El Cajon H. To date, he has three wins, two seconds and a third from 12 starts for earnings of \$280,360. **This N That** (Cryptoclearance--Zonda, by Deputy Minister), a four-year-old colt who broke his maiden by 10 1/2 lengths against \$40,000 maiden claimers at Hollywood Park Dec. 13, brought the second-highest price of \$160,000. Consigned by Kristin Mulhall, agent, the dark bay was bought by Louie Martinez. He is from the family of GI Arlington Million and G1 Japan Cup hero Golden Pheasant. Results for the final session, held yesterday, will appear in tomorrow's TDN. For complete results, go to <http://www.barretts.com/sresults/rs1jan04.htm>.

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|  | Barretts EQUINE LIMITED | |
| JANUARY MIXED SALE MONDAY, JAN. 26, 2004 | | |
| SESSION TOTALS | | |
| | 2004 | 2003 |
| No. Offered | 311 | 298 |
| No. Sold | 277 | 269 |
| RNAs | 34 | 29 |
| % RNA | 10.9% | 9.7% |
| Gross | \$2,473,800 | \$2,122,800 |
| Average (% change) | \$8,931 (+13%) | \$7,891 |
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★ **NEW YORK** ★

Aqueduct Cancels Wednesday's Card:

Due to the anticipated snow storm, racing has been canceled today at Aqueduct. Wednesday's scheduled races will be run Thursday. Forecasters predicted between six to 12 inches of snow and ice with high winds and frigid temperatures.

★ **EAST** ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-PHA, \$22,480, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17, ft. ROCKHEWN (c, 3, Formal Dinner--Loretta Irene, by Northern Prospect), a \$15,000 OBSAUG yearling and a \$30,000 FTMMAY two-year-old, won at first asking Dec. 26 and was given a 5-2 chance to remain unbeaten here. The dark bay colt sat close to the early lead, took the lead in the stretch and remained two lengths clear of 3-5 chalk Isle of Mirth (Roanoke) at the wire. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$23,400. O-Orlando Dirienzo. B-Kenneth H Davis & Sherry R Mansfield (FL). T-Robert E Reid Jr.

6th-PHA, \$19,836, Msw, 3yo, a1m70yd, 1:44, ft. HE'S MY MAN (c, 3, West Acre--Eliza's Ballerina {SW, \$105,780}, by Sword Dance {Ire}) ran second in his debut over this course Dec. 9, then disappointed with a third-place finish at 2-5 last out Dec. 26. Backed at 4-5 attempting a route for the first time here, he jumped out to the lead and drew away to a 5 1/4-length victory over Zach Slim and Eddy (El Prado {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-1, \$17,290. O/B-Gilbert G Campbell (FL). T-Edward T Allard.

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★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Liebau Resigns as Santa Anita Chief:

Jack Liebau has resigned from his position with Frank Stronach's Magna Entertainment and has told the *Los Angeles Times* that his successor will be Jack McDaniel. The 65-year-old Liebau has been president of Magna Entertainment's California tracks--Santa Anita, Bay Meadows and Golden Gate--since November 2001. He has been president of Bay Meadows since 1992. Liebau said he declined a post as vice chairman of Magna. "There was a difference of opinion in the way Frank wants to go with Santa Anita and the way I thought it should go," Liebau told the *L.A. Times*. "I just didn't buy into a lot of the plans he has for the track. The proposed new post with Magna--a promotion, if you will--didn't have any appeal to me." Liebau's resignation follows the departures of Santa Anita director of marketing and publicity Stuart Zanville and track ground's superintendent Leif Dickinson. Santa Anita has lost four chief executives since Magna purchased the track in December of 1998.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Attendance Up at Sunshine Millions:

Saturday's second annual Sunshine Millions, held concurrently at Gulfstream Park in Florida and Santa Anita Park in California, enjoyed solid increases compared with 2003's event. On-track attendance at both tracks rose by a combined 22 percent, with Gulfstream's attendance soaring 35 percent to 25,179. Santa Anita's attendance increased by 10 percent, up to 18,888, despite cool, overcast weather Saturday. "This was the second time and it was good," said Magna Entertainment Corp. Chairman Frank Stronach. "I think it's going to get better every year. I'd like to see a \$2-million race [Classic] race someday."

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Najaaba, f, 4, **Bahhare--Ashbilya**, by Nashwan.
Southwell, 1-6, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1m(AWT). B-Darley Stud Management LLC.

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★ BRITAIN ★

SAID DISPERSAL CONCLUDES AT DONCASTER

Doncaster Bloodstock Sales' January Sale witnessed the final part of Wafic Said's dispersal and it was [hip 107](#), a colt by Royal Applause (GB) from the draft of Trickle-down Stud, who achieved the top price of Monday's session. Oliver St Lawrence purchased the foal on behalf of Blue Chip Feeds for 17,000 guineas. Reporting the foal and weanling market to be "predictably strong for the really commercial types," Managing Director Henry Beeby was pleased with a "solid trade."

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-PHA, \$21,600, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47 2/5, ft.

BELLA SAVELLA (f, 4, **Gold Fever--Saratern**, by **Arctic Tern**) Lifetime Record: 24-4-5-6, \$68,070. O-Gianca Stable. B-Tony Evangelista (KY). T-Alfredo Velazquez.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE:

Dark Intrigue (Aus), m, 5, **Unbridled's Song--** Marscapone (Aus), by Marsday (Aus). Randwick (Sydney), 1-26, Hcp, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2fT.
B-Hybrook Pastoral Co., Dr P K Redman & Mrs S E Redman.
Consular (Aus), g, 7, **Royal Academy--**Miss Prospect (Aus), by Rory's Jester (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-26, Hcp, 3yo/up, 6f 165ydsT. B-Talwood Park.

DONCASTER JANUARY SALE

Tuesday, January 27, 2004

| <u>SESSION TOTALS</u> | <u>2004</u> | <u>2003</u> |
|-----------------------|---------------------|-------------|
| No. Offered | 246 | 237 |
| No. Sold | 173 | 157 |
| RNAs | 73 | 80 |
| % RNA (% change) | 30% (-11.8%) | 34% |
| Gross (% change) | 555,310gns (+17.6%) | 472,045gns |
| Average (% change) | 3,210gns (+6.8%) | 3,700gns |

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SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES:

French Bid (Aus), f, 3, **Anabaa**--My Crystal Star (Aus), by Copper Kingdom. Caulfield (Melbourne), 1-26, Kevin Hayes S.-Listed, 3yo, f, 6fT, A\$65,000 to winner. B-Heytesbury Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd & Mr G Pugh.

Danboss (Aus), g, 3, **Danehill**--Hayizah, by Woodman. Avondale (Auckland), 1-26, Mdn, 3yo, 6fT. B-Twin Pines Thoroughbreds.

Power And Gold (Aus), c, 3, **Piccolo (GB)**--Mighty Gold (NZ), by Mighty Grey (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-26, Hcp, 3yo, 6f 165ydsT. B-Mrs M J & Mr S Brosnan.

Kapai Sun (NZ), m, 5, **Desert Sun (GB)**--Kappadios (NZ), by Great Charmer. Avondale (Auckland), 1-26, Mdn, 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT. B-Mrs H Sadler.

SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Wednesday, Jan. 28

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

COMIC STRIP (Red Ransom), Special T, \$8K, 75/4/0 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16m, Five Elements, 20-1

DIAMOND (Mr. Prospector), Northview, \$5K, 93/7/1 4-CT, Alw, 4 1/2f, Red Velvet Cake, 4-1

1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Polished Gem, \$9K EAS OCT yrl, 10-1

EXPLOIT (Storm Cat), Taylor Made, \$25K, 159/18/1 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16m, My Allegiance, \$400K KEE JUL yrl, 3-1

LIL'S LAD (Pine Bluff), Lane's End, \$10K, 107/10/1 8-TP, Alw, 6f, Valida, \$4K KEE SEP yrl

MAZEL TRICK (Phone Trick), Airdrie, \$13K, 150/15/1 4-CT, Alw, 4 1/2f, Outcashem, \$50K OBS FEB 2yo, 10-1

3-SA, Msw, 1mT, Artic Dream, \$15K OBS MAR 2yo

STANDING ON EDGE (Deputy Minister), Beau Ridge, \$500, 21/2/0 1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Music's Edge, 4-1

STORMIN FEVER (Storm Cat), Airdrie, \$15K, 140/17/1 6-AQU, Msw, 1m, After the Tone

4-CT, Alw, 4 1/2f, To the Whistle, \$1,000 EAS DEC wnl, 15-1

STRAVINSKY (Nureyev), Ashford, \$18K, 181/28/2

3-SA, Msw, 1mT, Cryptovinsky, \$200K KEE APR 2yo

3-SA, Msw, 1mT, Geniusatwork, \$19K BAR MAY 2yo

TACTICAL CAT (Storm Cat), Overbrook, \$10K, 114/12/1 6-GP, Msw, 1 1/16m, Aztec, \$45K FTF FEB 2yo, 20-1

UPCOMING MAJOR U.S. STAKES

| <u>Date</u> | <u>Race</u> | <u>Track</u> |
|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|
| Jan. 31 | GII San Antonio H. | Santa Anita |
| | GIII Brown Bess H. | Golden Gate |
| | GIII Canadian Turf H. | Gulfstream |
| | GIII Suwannee River H. | Gulfstream |
| | GII Palos Verdes H. | Santa Anita |
| Feb. 1 | GIII Whirlaway H. | Fair Grounds |
| | GI Donn H. | Gulfstream |
| Feb. 7 | GII Davona Dale S. | Gulfstream |
| | GII San Vicente S. | Santa Anita |
| | GII Strub S. | Santa Anita |
| Feb. 8 | GIII Deputy Minister H. | Gulfstream |
| | GIII Shirley Jones H. | Gulfstream |
| Feb. 14 | GII Fountain of Youth S. | Gulfstream |
| | GII Hutcheson S. | Gulfstream |
| | GII La Canada S. | Santa Anita |
| | GIII Barbara Fritchie H. | Laurel |
| | GIII Silverbulletday S. | Fair Grounds |

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