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SUN SHINES ON OBS

After a weekend of torrential rain in the Miami area, the sun has come out for the first two-year-old sale of the new year as the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company conducts its Selected Sale at Calder Race Course, beginning at noon. Always a good source of solid performers and popularly termed a buyer's sale, the auction is coming off a year which yielded three of the best juveniles of 2003.



Chapel Royal
A Coglianese

Chapel Royal (Montbrook), who set an OBS record when selling for \$1.2 million at last year's sale, went on to capture a pair of graded stakes and place in three Grade I races, including the Breeders' Cup Juvenile. He also ran second in the GI Hopeful S. to another OBSFEB graduate, **Silver**

Wagon (Wagon Limit), who sold for

\$120,000 in 2003. They are joined by **Ruler's Court** (Doneraile Court), a \$400,000 purchase a year ago who put up one of 2003's most brilliant performances in winning the GI Norfolk S. by 14 lengths. "I expect this sale to be as good or better than last year," said Tom Ventura, director of sales for OBS. "I think [2003] was a very solid sale, and the horses that sold there turned out to be nice horses, including the sale topper, Chapel Royal. I think the way the yearling sales and the mixed sales went in the fall and the winter were good signs for the horse industry in general, and I think the fact that this sale has been so successful at producing racehorses; people pay attention to this sort of things. There's a study that just came out that this sale has produced 11.7 percent stakes winners over a 10-year period, and those are phenomenal numbers, really." Ventura is quietly confident that the overall upward trend at recent sales will continue today. "Our buy-back rate historically has been very good at this sale, in comparison with other selected sales," he said. "We were below 30 percent last year, which, in these times, is very good. I would like to see our average go above the \$110K mark." *Coverage cont. p2-4*



Ruler's Court
Benoit

ANGEL FEVER, DAM OF FUPEG, DEAD

Angel Fever (Danzig--Rowdy Angel, by Halo), the dam of Kentucky Derby hero Fusaichi Pegasus and a full sister to Classic winner Pine Bluff, died Jan. 30 after suffering injuries in a paddock accident at Arthur B. Hancock III's Stone Farm in Paris, Kentucky. A farm spokesperson said the 14-year-old mare fractured her pelvis, severing a major artery. She was carrying a three-parts sibling to Fusaichi Pegasus by Seeking the Gold. "From the beginning, Angel Fever was a very special mare to me," said Hancock. "This is a tragedy, but we were blessed to have been a part of her life." By Danzig out of the Halo mare Rowdy Angel, Angel Fever made just two starts as a two-year-old--breaking her maiden by 11 lengths and placing second in the Colleen S.--before an injury ended her racing career. Purchased by Hancock and partner Robert McNair for \$525,000 at the 1994 Keeneland November Sale from the Loblolly Stable dispersal, the bay began paying immediate dividends when her daughter, Blissful, by Mr. Prospector, went for \$1 million at the 1996 Keeneland September Sale. The real fireworks would occur two years later, however, when a full brother to Blissful was knocked down for \$4 million to Fusao Sekiguchi. That colt, named Fusaichi Pegasus, would go on to win the Derby and become one of the most sought-after stud prospects in recent years. The heroics of Fusaichi Pegasus, now a stallion at Ashford Stud, ensured further success in the ring for the offspring of Angel Fever. Blissful, selling in foal to Deputy Minister, elicited a bid of \$4 million at the 2000 November Sale, while Bless, another by Mr. Prospector, would equal that \$4-million tag at the 2002 November Sale while in foal to Storm Cat. To date, the offspring of Angel Fever have grossed over \$14.3 million at various sales.



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High Expectations...

With a high standard set by the results of last year's graduates, how will the 2004 group compare? "I think we've got a good group of horses this year," Tom Ventura, director of sales for OBS, explained. "I don't know if we've got a horse that's going to break the million-dollar mark. [But] I don't know if you asked me that same question last year, if we had a million-dollar horse at this point. We do have the players here that can spend that kind of money. If there's a horse of that quality, with the pedigree, the physical, and all of the aspects that they desire, that more than two of them land on, it could happen, but it's hard to say."

Buyers Becoming Aware...

By providing a consistent amount of quality performers from year to year, the OBS Calder Sale has carved a niche for itself and is popular with many trainers and buyers. But new faces are making the journey to Miami as well. "We've had some new credit requests from people that haven't been buying here in the past," said Tom Ventura. "We haven't had the Japanese interest compared to some of the other sales, but there are [a few] Japanese groups walking around with some interest. A lot of the high-profile buyers are here, and I think we have enough horses for them." Consignor Becky Thomas, who sold the world-record \$2.7 million colt at Barretts last year, said, "A lot of people come here looking for a good horse without having to [spend a lot of money]. People think they can't buy at a Fasig or a Barretts, even though that's not the case. But they're afraid they can't, so a lot of people come here for the mid-market horse. There are a lot of trainers here; for example, Steve Asmussen is here, and Steve Flint, and Bernie Flint." Another consignor, Donna Wormser, summed up the appeal of the OBS February Sales. "This is a buyer's place, this is a buyer's heaven," she said. "Dollar for dollar, more runners come out of this sale than any other sale. There are a lot of buyers here looking for a top horse. This sale is hard for a lot of owners to focus on because the pedigrees aren't as strong, maybe, as some of the other sales. We had 11-percent stakes winners last year, and all you heard was that there wasn't that much pedigree, there wasn't that outstanding individual. But this sale produces winners, runners, stakes winners."

Where's Gill?

At last year's sale, controversial owner and 2003 Eclipse Award finalist Mike Gill signed the ticket on 32 horses for over \$2.9 million. But Gill recently stated that he would not be buying horses at the Calder sales (OBS and Fasig-Tipton), citing the fact that the track has denied him stalls. What sort of an effect will that have on this sales? "I think that if you lose a buyer who bought 30 of your horses, that's got to have an impact," said Tom Ventura. "He was bidding on a lot of horses. But he's a competitive person. I'm hoping he has a change of heart; some of the horses that he bought out of here have turned out to be successful." What level of the market will be most affected by Gill's absence? "He was bidding on horses at all ranges," Ventura said. "I don't think we're going to have any trouble in the upper end, but he was bidding on horses from \$50K on up to half a million. I'm hoping that some of the new interest we've been getting will fill in some of those gaps."

What's Really Important?

Consignor Donna Wormser hasn't focused on paper in offering young horses at auction. "For some reason, people want expensive pedigrees," she said. "It confuses me, because I've made a good living for 30 years selling runners. I think we could keep owners in the business more if they could win more races. So let's try to buy them runners and winners, more of an athletic horse. Because if an owner has winners, they'll stay in the business." Though Wormser is not expecting the board to light up, she is confident about her horses' potential. "I know I have some nice horses here," she continued. "They may not bring a lot of money, but they'll all run. There's some sharp, good people down here selling horses. They probably prepare their horses better than I do, and they're more ready to run



Wormser and Hip 103
M Kizenko

than mine are." The downpours which struck the area, and have caused the cancellation of racing at Gulfstream for the past two days, weren't much of a concern for Wormser in sending her two-year-olds out to breeze Sunday. "Everybody stayed off the bad spot, which was down at the rail," she explained. "It was wet, but it wasn't a dangerous track at all. This track can take a lot of water and still be safe. If it rained this much at Keeneland, New York or Gulfstream, it would be a dangerous track. [Calder] gets fast when it gets wet."



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A Glamorous Group...

Last year's graduates Silver Wagon and Ruler's Court were from the first crops of their respective sires, and this year's sale features some very promising freshman sires. Three of the best three-year-olds of 2000--Kentucky Derby hero [Fusaichi Pegasus](#) (Mr. Prospector), European stalwart [Giant's Causeway](#) (Storm Cat) and Breeders' Cup Mile hero [War Chant](#) (Danzig)--took impeccable pedigrees to stud and have had their first youngsters sell well as weanlings and yearlings. All three are represented at this auction: Fusaichi Pegasus has [hip 202](#), Giant's Causeway has [hip 56](#) and War Chant is the sire of [hip 120](#). Other first-crop sires include a pair of Grade I-winning millionaires by A.P. Indy, **Golden Missile** and [Stephen Got Even](#); champion [Lemon Drop Kid](#) (Kingmambo); two Florida-based sons of the late Saint Ballado, **Straight Man** and **Sweetsouthern**; Met Mile hero **Yankee Victor** (Saint Ballado); and top performers such as [Cape Canaveral](#) (Mr. Prospector), **Chief Seattle** (Seattle Slew), [Commendable](#) (Gone West), [Dixie Union](#) (Dixieland Band), **K One King** (Apalachee), **More Than Ready** (Southern Halo), **Precise End** (End Sweep), **Successful Appeal** (Valid Appeal), [Vicar](#) (Wild Again) and **Yes It's True** (Is It True).

What They're Saying At The Sales...

Becky Thomas...



M Kizenko

I have a nice, useful group. I don't think that I have a breakout horse, but I definitely think they're very nice. I'm really high on the New York program. I've got four New York-breds in this consignment, of which I'm very happy with all of the them, especially the Precise End filly [[hip 200](#)]. I definitely like More Than Ready. I've got one here and one at the farm that I really like.

☆ HIP HAPPENINGS ☆

Hip 3 Deputy Minister--Innocently Astray, by Gone West
Consigned by Cleveland Wheeler, agent for Straightaway Farm

The only Deputy Minister in the sale, this Kentucky-bred bay is a 3/4-sister to last year's GIII Tampa Bay Derby winner Region of Merit (Touch Gold). Her stakes-placed dam is a daughter of MSW and SP Syncopating Lady (In Reality). She breezed in 10 3/5 at the first under-tack show.

Hip 20 Sir Cat--Limestone Landing, by Red Ryder
Consigned by Equine Legacy Farm, agent

Despite a May 23 birthday, this bay colt has posted two of the sharpest works for this sale, going in 10 2/5 at the first show and sizzling in :21 1/5 Sunday. He is a half brother to stakes winner It'sallinthechase (Take Me Out).

Hip 27 Siphon (Brz)--Master Print, by Mt. Livermore
Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight


This chestnut posted the fastest time at the first under-tack show, covering a quarter in :21 3/5. He is out of a stakes-placed half sister to GSW Farmonthefreeway and SWs Scarlet Rage and Wardrobe Test.

Hip 39 Broad Brush--My Jenny, by Valid Appeal
Consigned by Moonshadow Farm, agent


This registered Canadian-bred breezed a quarter in :22 1/5 Jan. 26. Her first three dams are all stakes winners, and she is from the family of numerous stakes winners, including Precise End.

Hip 61 Yankee Victor--Rare Ruby, by Rare Brick
Consigned by Wavertree Stables, agent

Putting up the co-fastest time (10 1/5) at Sunday's show isn't the only new thing on this filly's page. Her three-year-old half brother Tin Can Sailor (Military) recently captured the Riley Allison Futurity at Sunland.

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☆ HIP HAPPENINGS CONT. ☆

Hip 106 Yankee Victor--Victorian Village, by L'Emigrant
Consigned by Solitary Oak Farm

From the first crop of Met Mile hero Yankee Victor, himself an OBS graduate, this bay colt if a half brother to a pair of talented campaigners. Half sister Yearly Tour (Half a Year) captured the GII Palomar H. and placed in three Grade I contests on the Southern California circuit, while half brother Victor Avenue (Avenue of Flags) proved to be a consistent sprinter, taking the GII Fall Highweight H. and the GIII Gravesend H. He breezed in 10 3/5 Jan. 26.

Hip 164 Notebook--Cut Class Leanne, by Cutlass
Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms

Ocala Stud is offering a half sister to none other than last year's record sale topper, MGSW Chapel Royal. This bay filly, a Feb. 28 foal, is by the recently deceased Notebook, who was perennially among the leading sires in Florida.

Hip 195 Wild Rush--Freudenau, by Meadowlake
Consigned by W. D. North, agent

This colt is from the third crop of Wild Rush, who came up with five juvenile stakes winners in 2003, including Canadian champion Judith's Wild Rush. The bay is from the Darby Dan family of Roberto.

Hip 196 Skip Trial--Front Page News, by Caller I. D.
Consigned by Moonshadow Farm

A registered New York-bred, this bay is a 3/4-sister to recently retired local hero Best of the Rest, who earned over \$1.3 million while based at Calder. She is also from the family of Mooji Moo, who captured last week's Sunshine Millions Distaff Sprint. She breezed in :22 on Sunday.

UPCOMING MAJOR U.S. STAKES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Track</u>
Feb. 7	GI Donn H.	Gulfstream
	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

☆ RESULTS ☆

Sunday, Chile

CLASICO EL DERBY-G1, Valparaíso Sporting Club, 2-1, 2400m, 3yo, 2:26 2/5, gd.

1--@▲**MOCITO FRESCOLIN (Chi)**, c, 3, by Hidden Source

1st Dam: Flor y Canela (Chi), by Gallantsky
Frufu Game (Chi)

2nd Dam: Frufu Game (Chi), by Saratoga Game

3rd Dam: Francesa (Chi), by Francesco (Arg)

O-Stud Guzo; B-Haras Santa Olga; J-A Rivera; T-E Quiroga; C40,000,000Ps. Lifetime Record: 18-3-3-3; C59,524,000Ps.

2--**Sol Vital (Chi)**, f, 3, Jaded Dancer--Shammar (Chi), by Inchwood.

3--**Río Lobo (Chi)**, c, 3, Dancing Groom--Labrada (Chi), by Laguardia.

Margins: 2 1/4, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 4.20; 2.0; 4.40.

Sunday, Tokyo, Japan

THE TOKYO SHIMBUN HAI-G3-JRA, ¥82,720,000, Tokyo, 2-1, 4yo/up, 1600mT, 1:33.00, fm.

1--@**WIN RADIUS (Jpn)**, 119, h, 6, by Sunday Silence

1st Dam: Jono Matiere (Jpn), by Maruzensky (Jpn)

2nd Dam: Umeno Silver (Jpn), by *Silver Shark

3rd Dam: Strong Baby (Jpn), by Sedan (Fr)

O-Win Co. Ltd; B-Sanjo Bokujō; T-Kazuo Fujisawa; J-Katsuharu Tanaka; ¥43,644,000. Lifetime Record: 17-6-2-2.

2--**Craft Work (Jpn)**, 117, c, 4, Pentire (GB)--Working Girl (Jpn), by Pas de Seul (GB). O-Sunday Racing Co. Ltd; B-Shiraoi Farm; ¥17,184,000.

3--**Kiss Me Tender (Jpn)**, 123, h, 8, Sunday Silence--Letkiss, by Lyphard. O-Katsumi Yoshida; B-Northern Farm; ¥11,092,000.

Margins: 2, HD, 1 1/4. Odds: 13.70, 10.30, 13.40.

Win Radius, offered a breather after taking an upper-class stakes race in November, made a triumphant return to the track and won his initial graded stakes. The brown horse was hard held through the early stages before being given the go-ahead by jockey Katsuharu Tanaka. The pair surged to a two-length advantage and maintained that margin to the wire. "Breaking from the outside, I just tried to hold him back," explained Tanaka. "Finally, I couldn't hold him any longer, so I just let him go." Up next for the son of Sunday Silence could be tilts in the May 16 G2 Keio Hai Spring Cup and the June 6 G1 Yasuda Kinen.

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Saturday, Tokyo, Japan

THE NEGISHI STAKES-G3-JRA, ¥81,410,000, Tokyo, 1-31, 4yo/up, 1400m, 1:24.00, ft.

1--@**SHADOW SCAPE (JPN)**, 123, h, 5, by **Forty Niner**
1st Dam: **She's Grace (Jpn)** (MSP-Jpn, \$989,112),
by **Sunday Silence**

2nd Dam: **Zambesi (Jpn)**, by **Northern Taste**

3rd Dam: **Yodo Senryo (Jpn)**, by ***El Centauro II**

O-Tomokazu Iizuka; B-Sanjo Bokujo; T-Hideyuki Mori;
J-Teruo Eda; ¥42,637,000. Lifetime Record:
29-4-5-2.

2--**Hyuma (Ire)**, 121, c, 4, Polish Precedent--Gaily
Grecian (Ire), by **Ela-Mana-Mou (Ire)**. (130,000gns
2yo '02 TATAPR). O-Tetsu Takashima; B-Mrs Belinda
Strudwick; ¥17,182,000.

3--**Nobo True**, 130, h, 8, Broad Brush--Nastique, by
Naskra. (\$110,000 yrl '97 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo
'98 FTFEB). O-Ikebata Co. Ltd; B-Mr & Mrs J S
Moss; ¥11,091,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, NO, 3/4. Odds: 14.50, 44.20, 8.20.

Sunday, Kyoto, Japan

KYOTO HIMBA S.-G3-JRA, ¥81,350,000, 2-1, Kyoto, 4yo/up, 1600mT, 1:34.10, fm.

1--@**CHEERS MESSAGE (JPN)**, 117, f, 4, by **Sunday Silence**

1st Dam: **Cheers Dancer (Jpn)**, by **Amber Shadai (Jpn)**

2nd Dam: **Chateau Formosa (Jpn)**, by **Chateaugay**

3rd Dam: **Nellori (Fr)**, by **Dan Cupid**

O-Kiyoko Kitamura; B-Kon Bokujo; T-M Ryoke;
J-Masaru Honda; ¥42,595,000. *Full to Cheers
Brightly (Jpn), GSW-Jpn, \$1,425,489.

2--**Meine Isle**, 121, m, 6, Candy Stripes--Ocean Bay, by
Groovy. (\$55,000 yrl '99 FTKJUL). O-K Thorough-
bred Club Ruffian; Prestonwood Farm & Mike
Cadotte. ¥17,170,000.

3--**Happy Path (Jpn)**, 125, m, 6, Sunday Silence--Happy
Trails (Ire), by **Posse**. O-Shadai Race Horse.; B-North-
ern Farm. ¥11,091,000.

Margins: 1/2, 1, HD. Odds: 25.10, 14.30, 5.50.

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

The Influence of El Gran Senor...

During the dark days of this winter, the Racing Post has stimulated memories of some much brighter times by asking readers to nominate their favorite racehorses of all time. One thing this poll has revealed is the enormous affection that British and Irish racegoers have for the top hurdlers and steeplechasers: no fewer than 59 of the horses which fill the top 100 places were jumpers, including 13 of the top 20. The explanation for this phenomenon is that, unlike many of Europe's top flat performers, these durable jumpers are often around for six or seven years and, by the time they retire, they are regarded as old friends.

Unfortunately, one of my personal favorites, El Gran Senor, did not enjoy a full innings, with his eight starts and seven wins spanning just 11 months. No doubt the shortness of his career contributed to his figuring no higher than 62nd among the top 100.

El Gran Senor's career may have been on the short side, but it was certainly very sweet. His first visit to England saw him start favorite for the 1983 Dewhurst S. on the strength of three wins in Ireland, including the G1 National S. He duly turned in a performance which secured him the title of Europe's champion two-year-old. In defeating the future Arc winner Rainbow Quest by half a length in the Dewhurst, the pair drew six lengths clear of the French raider Siberian Express, whose previous ventures into Group 1 company had produced a victory in the Prix Morny and a close second in the Prix de la Salamandre.

El Gran Senor's reappearance at three saw him matched against Sadler's Wells, another of Vincent O'Brien's unbeaten sons of Northern Dancer, in the Gladness S. over seven furlongs. The result--a two-length victory for El Gran Senor--confirmed O'Brien's comment that "Sadler's Wells is a good horse, but El Gran Senor is exceptional." *Cont. p6*

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Just how exceptional we were to find out when El Gran Senor made his next start in the 2000 Guineas, when the opposition included the unbeaten Lear Fan, the richly talented Rainbow Quest and Chief Singer. Chief Singer's next three starts after the Guineas were to produce an eight-length win in the St James's Palace S., a victory over some outstanding sprinters in the G1 July Cup and a win in the G1 Sussex S., but El Gran Senor treated him with disdain, quickening away to score by two and a half lengths. The winning time supported the view that El Gran Senor had achieved something truly out of the ordinary and the compilers of the International Classifications rated his performance 138. This remains the standard by which all other performances over a mile are still judged, and no other miler has matched it in the 27-year history of the Classifications.

I always had doubts about whether El Gran Senor would prove as brilliant over a mile and a half. I haven't changed my mind even though he won the Irish Derby in style, having narrowly lost the Derby through pilot error. The official handicappers couldn't rate his form over a mile and a half within eight pounds of his Guineas display, but he was clearly blessed with an enviable mix of stamina and speed. Add in an excellent pedigree (his second dam, Best in Show, had been voted Broodmare of the Year in 1982) and a fine physique and it's no wonder that El Gran Senor was regarded as Northern Dancer's rightful heir when he joined his sire at Windfields.

Of course, El Gran Senor's perpetual fertility problems left those dreams in tatters, but he still enjoyed tremendous success. His tally of 14 percent stakes winners and roughly 7.5 percent graded winners always leaves me wondering what might have been. After all, his fertility figures must have deterred many breeders from sending him their very best mares. His AEI stood at 2.74 last fall, against a CI of 2.21, so he generally upgraded his mares. In the circumstances, it is disappointing that none of his sons has proved capable of carrying on his good work. Fortunately, El Gran Senor's broodmare daughters are making sure his name lives on

(following in the footsteps of the daughters of El Gran Senor's broodmare sire Buckpasser).

Last year was a particularly successful time for El Gran Senor's daughters, who were represented by the Grade/Group I winners Empire Maker, Leadership (in Italy), Le Vie Dei Colori (Italy) and Grand Vitesse (Argentina), plus their fellow graded winners Olmodavor, Conroy (in UAE), Willa on the Move and Aynthia (in Italy).

Of course, last year also saw El Gran Senor's extraordinary daughter Toussaud voted Broodmare of the Year, thanks to the cumulative efforts of Chester House, Honest Lady, Decarchy, Chiselling and Empire Maker.

And last year also saw Grand Slam--one of the first Grade I winners out of an El Gran Senor mare--make a sizeable impact with his first three-year-olds, which included Strong Hope, a colt inbred 4x3 to El Gran Senor's dam Sex Appeal.

El Gran Senor's daughters have built up an impressive record of around eight percent stakes winners among their foals, and have achieved 16 percent with sons of Mr. Prospector. They are also doing very well with the Seattle Slew line. They so far have only seven foals of racing age by Seattle Slew, but they include the excellent Honest Lady and Grand Slam's Grade III-winning half-brother Leestown. Their first two foals by Seattle Slew's son A.P. Indy are the Grade III winners Indygo Shiner and Olmodavor, the latter looking as though there is still plenty to come when he took the Whirlaway H. two days ago. Hopefully this bodes well for Toussaud's 2003 covering by A.P. Indy.

Corey Lanerie, who partnered Olmodavor to victory at the Fair Grounds, predicts that the five-year-old will improve with distance. This seems likely, as both his sire and broodmare sire were major winners over a mile and a half. His dam, Corrazona, also possessed a measure of stamina, as she showed by becoming a Grade I winner over a mile and an eighth. Stamina is also implied by the fact that Corrazona is a half-sister to the Belmont S. second Thirty Six Red (who, like Olmodavor, was sired by a son of Seattle Slew) and is out of a daughter of the Belmont winner Stage Door Johnny.

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GULFSTREAM CANCELS AGAIN For the second day in a row, Gulfstream Park in Hallandale, Florida was forced to abandon its race card because of unsafe track conditions. Heavy rains over the weekend left the track uneven, prompting jockeys to opt off their mounts. "The jockeys rode their mounts to the starting gate with the intention of riding, but they decided the track was not safe," said Scott Savin, Gulfstream Park's President and General Manager. "The Gulfstream management appreciates their attempt to resume racing." Following its regularly scheduled dark day Tuesday, racing will resume at Gulfstream Wednesday. Post time for the first race is at 1:30 p.m.

FIGURES UP AT FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC The good times continued Monday for Fasig-Tipton following substantial increases in gross, average and median figures at the Midlantic Winter Mixed Sale, held at the Maryland State Fairgrounds in Timonium. The dispersals of the Hazel T. Roe (Litz Bloodstock Services, agent) and the John Franks estates (Chanceland Farm, agent) buoyed figures to record heights. With 132 head sold from 168 hips on offer, up from 107 sold from 130 offered last year, the single-day session enjoyed a whopping 175-percent increase in gross revenue. Top price of the day was secured by [Hip 72](#), a stakes-placed daughter of El Prado (Ire) out of Clearthedancefloor (Cryptoclearance). The five-year-old, who was purchased by M-2 LLC for \$59,000, was consigned by Mr. and Mrs. Rick Abbott's Charlton. Leading the juvenile division was [Hip 161](#), a bay filly by Two Punch out of the Halo mare Starrett. Part of the Roe dispersal, the New Jersey-bred was secured by Derek Ryan for \$26,000. The April 14 filly is a half sister to graded stakes winner Femma (Full Pocket).

 FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2004		
SESSION TOTALS	2004	2003
No. Offered	168	130
No. Sold	132	107
RNAs	36	23
% RNA (% change)	21% (18.6%)	17.7%
Gross	\$1,303,000	\$474,400
Average (% change)	\$9,871 (+122%)	\$4,434
Median (% change)	\$5,000 (+66.7%)	\$3,000

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2004 STALLION SEASONS include:

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BROODMARES / BROODMARE PROSPECTS include:

ABOVE THE LIGHT – Her 3YO Cape Town colt **Hockey Jock**, a \$75,000 yearling purchase, broke his maiden at Gulfstream Park Jan. 21! This young mare is a Multiple Stakes Winner and Graded Stakes Placed and is in foal to **MR. GREELEY**.

BRUSH OVER – Multiple Stakes Winner in foal to **WAR CHANT**. First two foals are fillies by **OLD TRIESTE**.

MAMA DEAN – MGSP **WOODMAN** mare. Her yearlings have sold for an average of **\$372,000**; first foal sold for **\$900,000**. This half-sister to **MGI** winner **VICAR** is in foal to **WAR CHANT**.

MY VENGEANCE – Young maiden mare from the family of **VICTORY U.S.A.** and the 2003 **GI** Spinaway S. winner **ASHADO**.

YEARLINGS include:

Yearling colt by Belong to Me – Pierce Arrow. Half-brother to **MEGOMAN**, Stakes Winner of \$184,600 to date and 2nd in the \$250,000 Hawthorne Derby-**G3**.

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★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-FGX, \$28,000, Msw, 4&5yo, f/m, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:49, gd.

BAVIERA (GB) (f, 4, Seattle Slew--Phone Booth, by Phone Trick) ran third in her two latest, including a 5 1/2-furlong turf event, her final race for trainer Vincent Depalo, at Laurel Oct. 13. Sent off at hefty 10-1 odds for her first start for Neil Howard, the bay settled in a stalking fourth through three quarters, moved up to take command a furlong out and drew clear late to score by 3 1/2 lengths over Wear (Arch). Lifetime Record: 7-1-0-3, \$24,786.

O-Bolton G Honour R & Khoshaba D. B-Chevington Stud (GB). T-Neil J Howard.

 SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

First-time starters/stakes runners: Tuesday, Feb. 3

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

BUGATTI REEF (IRE) (Danzig), Walnford, \$1000, 35/1/0 7-PHA, Msw, 6f, Ojibway, 4-1

CHARISMATIC (Summer Squall), Japan, \$, 156/11/0 3-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, He Rose Again

CRAFTY FRIEND (Crafty Prospector), Hopewell, \$8K, 170/12/2 3-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, My Friend Forever, \$29K EAS OCT yrl

EXPELLED (Explodent), Albemarle, \$5K, 70/10/1 3-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, Buzzy O

GENERAL ROYAL (A.P. Indy), Crestwood, \$5K, 82/6/0 3-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, Crackmeup

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 10th Race at Sunland Park, \$25,300 allowance. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

In Japan:

Yuwa Matrix, c, 3, Danehill--Ivy Leaf (Ire), by Nureyev. Tokyo, 2-1, Novice Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$66,038. O-Yuwa Inc.; B-Eleanor Drake Rose Trust, Jack G Jones Jr., Trustee, et al; T-Masahiro Horii.

Phantom Mask, c, 3, French Deputy--Tappanee (MSP, \$160,159), by Bet Big. Kyoto, 2-1, Novice Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, \$73,585. O-Yasue Yoshida; B-Lothenbach Stables, Inc.; T-Hideyuki Mori. *\$215,000 2yo '03 BESMAR.

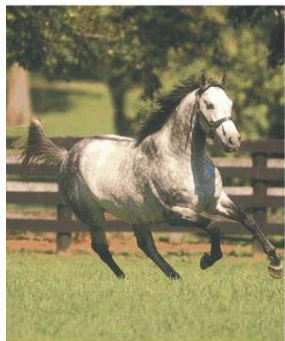
Antonio Magnum, c, 3, Sea of Secrets--Sparring, by Fit to Fight. Kyoto, 2-1, Plate Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$132,075. O-Yasue Yoshida; B-Pinetree Farm Thoroughbreds, Inc.; T-Yukihiko Kato. *\$28,000 wnlg '01 KEENOV; \$85,000 2yo '03 BESMAR.

Seeking the Dia, c, 3, Storm Cat--Seeking the Pearl (Hwt Older Mare-Fr at 5-7f, G1SW-Fr & MGSW-Jpn, \$4,022,066), by Seeking the Gold. Tokyo, 1-31, Crocus S., 7fT. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$235,189. O-Yoichi Aoyama; B-Jayeff "B" Stables; T-Hideyuki Mori. *Led wire to wire, scoring by 1 1/2 lengths.

Taiki Dynasty, h, 5, Kingmambo--Villa Rose, by Key to the Mint. Tokyo, 2-1, Plate Race, 10.5f. Lifetime Record: 18-3-3-2, \$407,925. O/B-Taiki Farm; T-Minoru Tsuchida. *1/2 to Taiki Sherlock (Jpn) (Jade Robbery), MGSW-Jpn, \$2,454,344.

Cafe Rainbow, h, 5, Saint Ballado--Interpretive Mood, by Nureyev. Tokyo, 1-31, Plate Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 20-3-4-3, \$394,811. O-Kiyoshi Nishikawa; B-G Watts Humphrey; T-Yasuhisa Matsuyama. *\$190,000 wnlg '99 KEENOV; \$450,000 yrl '00 KEESEP.

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AUSTRALASIA



VICTORY DANCE COLT TOPS NZB FINALE A

bay colt by Victory Dance (Ire) out of the Truly Vain (NZ) mare Gain (NZ) brought top price of NZ\$46,000 at yesterday's final session of the Festival Sale, hosted by New Zealand Bloodstock Ltd in Karaka. Consigned by Poplar Lodge, [Lot 1516](#) was purchased by David Chapman. The Festival Session of the Sales Series concluded with an impressive 83 percent clearance rate, up 16 percent from 67 percent last year while the average increased by 32 percent from NZ\$7,954 last year to NZ\$10,484 this term. The Festival Sale aggregate almost doubled, growing by 90 percent from NZ\$1,622,700 in 2003 to NZ\$3,082,150 this year.

GROUP WINNER BY EURO SIRE:

Starcraft (NZ), c, 3, **Soviet Star**--Flying Floozie (NZ), by Pompeii Court. Flemington (Melbourne), 1-31, The Debonair-G3, 3yo, 7fT, A\$130,000 to winner. B-G J Chittick; T-Garry Newham. *1/2 to Forum Floozie (NZ) (Danasinga {Aus}), SW & G1SP-Aus.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-FGX, \$34,500, NW2X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:06 3/5, gd.

AUTUMN PROSPECT (f, 4, Prospect Bay--Northern Gold Mine, by Mining) Lifetime Record: 10-3-6-0, \$69,750. O/B-Autumn Hill Stables LLC (LA). T-Edward J Johnston.

7th-FGX, \$30,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:11 1/5, gd.

SMOOTH AS SILVER (g, 4, Eltish--Your Approval, by With Approval) Lifetime Record: 15-3-4-4, \$72,938. O-Pegasus Stable LLC. B-Clem Miller & Steve Zabrosky (FL). T-Edward J Johnston. *\$52,000 2yo 2002 OBSMAR.

9th-FGX, \$30,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 4/5, gd.

INTRINSIC WORTH (c, 3, Red Ransom--Valid Affect {SW & GSP, \$181,607}, by Valid Appeal) Lifetime Record: 7-2-0-3, \$51,700. O/B-Pin Oak Stable LLC (KY). T-Michael Stidham.

9th-PHA, \$20,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23 4/5, gd.

FORTHEGOODGUYS (m, 7, Ghazi--Press Bet {SW}, by Bet Twice) Lifetime Record: 51-5-6-12, \$65,079. O/B-Philip C Chuck (NY). T-William D Anderson.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS

BRITAIN, Wolverhampton, 1.30, 2-2, £2,335, 3yo/up, 9f 79yds (AWT), 2:06.72, stn.

RED STORM (GB) (m, 5, Dancing Spree--Dam Certain {Ire}, by Damister) Lifetime Record: 21-3-1-0, £8,970. O-B McAtavey; B-949 Racing Partnership; T-J R Boyle.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Zabo (Fr), g, 4, **Epervier Bleu (GB)**--Reine Isabelle (Fr), Comrade In Arms (GB). Pau, France, 2-2, Cond, 4yo, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-A Gilibert.

Iamback (GB), f, 4, **Perugino**--Smouldering (Ire), Caerleon. Wolverhampton, Britain, 2-2, Mdn, 3-5yo, 1m 100yds (AWT). B-Mrs J M F Dibben.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EURO SIRE:

Extagonal (Aus), g, 3, **Octagonal (NZ)**--Majestic Dawn (Aus), by Scenic (Ire). Rosehill (Sydney), 1-31, 3yo, hcp, 7 1/2fT. B-Milburn Creek Thoroughbred Stud.

Octanee (Aus), c, 3, **Octagonal (NZ)**--Pride of Tahnee (Aus), by Best Western (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-30, 3yo/up, c/g, mdn, 5f 120ydsT. B-I V & Mrs A Millard.

Miss Em (Aus), f, 3, **Peintre Celebre**--Designer Award (Aus), by Marscay (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-30, 3yo, hcp, 6f 165ydsT. B-Mrs L B L Rea.

Great Anna (Aus), f, 4, **Anabaa**--Great Vintage (NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Rosehill (Sydney), 1-31, 4yo/up, f/m, hcp, 7fT. B-Dr G Tsoi.

Dash on Ruby (Aus), f, 4, **Anabaa**--Lady Brackley (Aus), by Rubiton (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-30, 3yo/up, hcp, 1m 2f 55ydsT. B-Classic Thoroughbreds Ltd.

Delaine (Aus), f, 4, **Barathea (Ire)**--Jamine, by Monteverdi (Ire). Moonee Valley (Melbourne), 1-30, 4yo/up, f/m, hcp, 6fT. B-Augusta Breeding Partnership.

Gold Wells (Aus), g, 4, **Barathea (Ire)**--Olympic Aim (NZ), by Zamazaan (Fr). Flemington (Melbourne), 1-31, Kensington S.-Listed, 3yo/up, hcap, 6fT, A\$65,000 to winner. B-Widden Stud Pty Ltd; T-Dan O'Brien. *1/2 to Circles of Gold (Aus) (Marscay {Aus}), G1SW-Aus; and Rings of Gold (Aus) (Marscay {Aus}), SP-Aus.

Star of Gibraltar (Aus), f, 4, **Danehill**--Push A Venture (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB). Rosehill (Sydney), 1-31, 4yo/up, f/m, hcp, 5 1/2fT. B-Goldendale.

Desert Folly (Aus), f, 4, **Desert Sun (GB)**--Bay Folly (NZ), by Kingdom Bay (NZ). Te Rapa (Auckland), 1-31, 3yo/up, hcp, 6fT. B-Mrs N J Hopson.

Tudor Quest (Aus), c, 4, **Spectrum (Ire)**--Dolly Will Do (Aus), by Rubiton (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 1-30, 3yo/up, hcp, 6f 165ydsT. B-H J Mitchell & H G & M G Cope Pty Ltd.