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WILD FINISH AT OBS SALE

Jimmy Bell, standing at the entrance to the walking ring and on the phone with John Ferguson, survived a lengthy bidding war to take home the top prize during yesterday's OBS Selected Two-Year-Olds In Training Sale at Calder Race Course. Bell outstayed John Oxley to land hip 195, an attractive bay colt by expatriated GI



Jimmy Bell
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Metropolitan Mile H. winner Wild Rush. At \$1.6 million, the winning bid easily surpassed the previous record \$1.2 million paid last year for subsequent GSW & GISP Chapel Royal. "I don't know how high they would have gone," Bell admitted. "John [Ferguson] saw him at the first breeze. He couldn't have like liked him better." The leggy bay, liberally marked with white, moved effortlessly through a furlong in :10 2/5 at the first show. "He's an athletic horse; he

looks like he could do it all, at any time," Bell continued. "He looks like he can perform at the highest level. He's a May foal and look what he can do already, and he still has some filling out to do." Ferguson is no stranger to success at this sale, having picked out subsequent GI Norfolk S. winner Ruler's Court for \$400,000 during last year's event.


Rags To Riches...

Originally just a \$6,200 purchase out of the 2002 Keeneland November Sale, the colt was bought by W.D. North for \$45,000, as agent for fellow consignor Ricky Leppala, at last year's OBS August Yearling Sale. "We had high hopes, but this was beyond our wildest dreams," said Linda Adams, who, with her husband Norman, are equal partners in the colt with North. According to Mr. Adams, North has been in the business for four or five years and had previously been involved with Quarter Horses. The Adamases met Ricky and Stacy Lappala 10 years ago when they were building a house. "We had a Forestry sell last year for \$900,000, but this is different. It's what keeps you in the business." (OBS coverage cont. p2)

OBS CALDER TWO-YEAR OLDS IN TRAINING

TOP SIX COLTS

| Hip | Sire | Dam | Price |
|--|----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| <u>195</u> | Wild Rush | Freudenau | \$1,600,000 |
| (\$6,200 wnlg '02 KEENOV; \$45,000 yrl '03 OBSAUG) | | | |
| <i>B-Ryder's River Ridge Farm Inc. (Ky)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by W.D. North, agent | | | |
| Purchased by John Ferguson | | | |
| <u>138</u> | Horse Chestnut (SAf) | Baby Rabbit | \$500,000 |
| <i>B-Don R Graham & Ocala Oaks (Fl)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Don R Graham & Ocala Oaks | | | |
| Purchased by Demi O'Byrne | | | |
| <u>147</u> | Siphon (Brz) | Carsona | \$500,000 |
| (\$35,000 wnlg '02 KEENOV; \$62,000 yrl '03 KEESEP) | | | |
| <i>B-Brereton C Jones (Ky)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Cleveland Wheeler for Straightaway Farm | | | |
| Purchased by Demi O'Byrne | | | |
| <u>020</u> | Sir Cat | Limestone Landing | \$425,000 |
| (\$65,000 yrl '03 KEESEP) | | | |
| <i>B-Walter B Mills (Ky)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Equine Legacy (T & R Hendrix), agent | | | |
| Purchased by Todd Pletcher, agent | | | |
| <u>027</u> | Siphon (Brz) | Master Print | \$325,000 |
| (\$45,000 yrl '03 OBSAUG) | | | |
| <i>B-Nancy C Shuford (Ky)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Hoby and Layna Kight, Agent I | | | |
| Purchased by Lael Stable | | | |
| <u>155</u> | Forest Wildcat | Cloisonne | \$325,000 |
| (\$32,000 in utero '01 KEENOV) | | | |
| <i>B-Aron Yagoda & Stacy Leppala (Fl)</i> | | | |
| Consigned by Ricky Leppala, agent | | | |
| Purchased by Klaravich Stables | | | |

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OBS Calder cont.

Six-Figure Success...

A record 20 horses eclipsed the \$200,000 level during yesterday's proceedings (compared to 11 last year), including a pair which touched the half-million dollar mark. Both were purchased by bloodstock advisor Demi O'Byrne on behalf of Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith, who bought Chapel Royal last year. The first of those



Hip 138 Horsephotos

to go through the ring was hip 138, a handsome colt by Claiborne Farm's Horse Chestnut (SAf). Bred by and consigned to the sale by Don Graham and Ocala Oaks, the March 16 foal is the second from the stakes-winning Baby Rabbit (No Sale George) and was one of three horses to work a furlong in :10 1/5 during the

Jan. 26 breeze-up show. "He breezed very well. He's very good-looking and we'll just wait and see,"

O'Byrne commented. "We had good luck here last year and I hope it continues. Horse Chestnut was a very good racehorse. He was a brilliant two-year-old himself."

The Irish veterinarian was back at it just a few hips later, signing the winning ticket on hip 147. Bred by Brereton C. Jones and by Airdrie stallion Siphon (Brz), the chestnut, named Siphon City, is out of the Illinois-bred mare Carsona (Carson City), multiple stakes-



Hip 147 Horsephotos

placed and third in the 1995 GI Hollywood Oaks. Siphon City was consigned by Cleveland Wheeler, acting as agent for Straightaway Farm, and represented another pinhooking success, one of many on the afternoon. A \$35,000 weanling purchase, the Feb. 10 foal was purchased by Straightaway Farm for \$62,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale.

There's A First Time for Everything...

Trainer Todd Pletcher was faced yesterday with the enviable task of selecting and buying horses for the first time for Bob and Beverly Lewis, and took home the top-selling filly for the California couple. From the first crop of Spendthrift Farm's **Chief Seattle** (Seattle Slew), hip 175 is out of Don't Ring Me (Carson City), herself a three-parts sister to GII Schuylerville S. winner Call Me Up (Miner's Mark) as well as a half sister to MSW Clan-destine Caller. The dark bay filly also zipped an eighth of a mile in :10 1/5 during the Jan. 26 preview. "I thought she had the best breeze at the first show," Pletcher commented. "I told Mr. Lewis that she was difficult to appraise because she was small and she was by a first-crop sire. Mr. Lewis said that Serena's Song was small, so he didn't really have a problem with small fillies." The filly had other attributes which appealed to Pletcher. "Even though she's not big, she was well balanced, a nice mover and had a good mind. She showed very well," he said.

TOP FOUR FILLIES

| Hip | Sire | Dam | Price |
|------------|--|-------------------|-----------|
| <u>175</u> | Chief Seattle | Don't Ring Me | \$400,000 |
| | (\$40,000 yrl '03 KEESEP) | | |
| | <i>B-Liberation Farm, Oratis T'breeds & Trakside Farm (Ky)</i> | | |
| | Consigned by Crupi's New Castle Farm, agent | | |
| | Purchased by Todd Pletcher, agent | | |
| <u>132</u> | Scatmandu | Anelda | \$395,000 |
| | (\$35,000 yrl '03 OBSAUG) | | |
| | <i>B-Marliee Farms (Fl)</i> | | |
| | Consigned by Murray Smith | | |
| | Purchased by Ernie Oare | | |
| <u>170</u> | Notebook | Deputy's Mistress | \$310,000 |
| | <i>B-Ocala Stud Farm (Fl)</i> | | |
| | Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms | | |
| | Purchased by John Ferguson | | |
| <u>094</u> | Petionville | Ticket to Houston | \$260,000 |
| | (\$75,000 yrl '03 KEESEP) | | |
| | <i>B-Everest Stables (Ky)</i> | | |
| | Consigned by Nick de Meric, agent VIII | | |
| | Purchased by Bernard Flint, agent | | |



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Think We're Going to Scatmandu...

Consignor Murray Smith certainly knows her way around two-year-old sales. Last year, she scored a major coup at the Keeneland April sale, turning a profit of over \$900,000 on her sales-topping Menifee colt. But while she wasn't represented at the very top of yesterday's auction, she again made her presence felt, selling a filly from the second crop of **Scatmandu** for \$395,000. Allan Jenkins purchased the flashy filly on behalf of Ernie Oare. Rodney Jenkins will train the chestnut, who is already named **Princess Anelda**. "We thought she would bring 350 [thousand], but we decided we'll see what happens," said Jenkins. "We got outbid on the ones we liked; they all became expensive. She was fast...balanced." Standing alongside Jenkins was Smith, who purchased the filly at last year's OBS August sale for \$35,000. "The knock on her then was that she would stay small," the consignor explained. "She was built like a dragster, with a big engine. But she's thrived down here. She's got a great attitude, she's absolutely delightful. I think she's got a higher IQ than most horses." Oare, of Warrenton, Virginia, owns jumpers as well as racehorses, which complements Smith's show horse background. "We like the same things," she said. "A pretty horse who's a good mover."

Tagg.... You're It....

Trainer Barclay Tagg signed a \$325,000 ticket on behalf of Roy and Gretchen Jackson's Lael Stables for a speedy son of Siphon (Brz), hip **27**, who zipped through a quarter in :21 3/5 at the Jan. 26 preview. "They called me from Pennsylvania and asked me to buy him," said Tagg. "I didn't really have anything to do with it. But he certainly is a lovely colt." Tagg was unsure who would be training the chestnut, who is a half brother to stakes winner Skip the Print and was produced by a half sister to graded stakes winner Farmonthefreeway as well as stakes winners Scarlet Rage and Wardrobe Test.

Pletcher Strikes Early for the Lewises...

The day's first big price came when Todd Pletcher emerged as the successful bidder for hip **20**, signing the ticket for \$425,000 on behalf of Robert and Beverly Lewis. "Mr. Lewis told me that if I saw something that I really liked, to give him a call," the conditioner commented. "He worked very well." That was a bit of an understatement, considering the son of Sir Cat posted a second-fastest eighth in :10 2/5 at the Jan. 26 preview before posting a bullet :21 1/5 over the wet track Sunday. "He's a late foal [May 23], but he looks good," Pletcher continued. "He vetted well. We won't push him too hard." The colt is the fifth foal from his dam Limestone Landing (Red Ryder), who has produced three winners from three to race, including stakes winner It'sallinthechase (Take Me Out), who was also second in the GIII Arlington-Washington Futurity. "The dam has already produced a solid stakes horse," Pletcher added. As for training for the Eclipse Award-winning owners, Pletcher said, "They've won some big races, so it will be hard to live up to." A grandson of Storm Cat, hip 20 represented a solid pinhooking success, as he was acquired for \$65,000 at Keeneland September.

By The Numbers...

By all accounts, officials at OBS were overjoyed with yesterday's outcome. The average of \$136,304 represented a better-than 25-percent gain from last year and crushed the previous record of \$114,395 set two years ago. The middle market also held up well, with a 16.7-percent improvement in the median. Buybacks were slightly up on last year. "It was a fantastic sale," said OBS Director of Sales Tom Ventura. "The \$1.6-million colt tops last year's \$1.2-million record. We had a lot of good horses and all the right people were here. The success of the sale keeps building. It shows that the buyers are happy with their past sale results."

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

PALOS VERDES H.-GII, \$150,000, SAX, 2-1, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:08, ft.

1--**BLUESTHESTANDARD**, 117, g, 7, by American Standard

1st Dam: **Bob's Blue**, by **Bob's Dusty**

2nd Dam: **Swirlin Sue**, by **Amber Morn**

3rd Dam: **T. V. Nice**, by **T. V. Lark**

(\$4,200 wlng '97 OBSOCT; \$20,000 2yo '99 OBSAPR). O-Jeffrey Sengara; B-Terry Brown (GA); T-Ted H West; J-M Smith; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: MGISP, 28-15-6-3, \$897,184. *1/2 to Arrive Alive (Broad Brush), SW, \$173,904.

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It's been a long time between graded stakes scorers for American Standard. Back in 1991 he became something of a hot item when American Royale, a filly from his second crop, won all three of her starts, including the Colleen S. and GII Adirondack S. American Royale, who added the Blue Norther S. and GII Prioress S. the following year, was one of four stakes winners sired by American Standard in that crop. Combined with another black-type scorer from the 12 named foals in his first crop, this gave American Standard the enviable record of having sired five stakes winners from just 52 foals of racing age. Although he was only a minor stakes winner--he took the nine-furlong Orange County H. as a four-year-old--American Standard also possessed an exciting pedigree. A son of In Reality, he was out of Broodmare of the Year Too Bald, also the dam of champion two-year-old Capote; Exceller, an outstanding runner on both sides of the Atlantic; and Baldski, a minor stakes winner by Nijinsky II, who became an excellent sire in Florida. This combination of early success and a spectacular pedigree earned American Standard a move to Kentucky. Unfortunately, like many inexpensive sires who make a bright start, American Standard didn't have the ammunition to follow through. In his case, his third, fourth and fifth crops totaled only 49 named foals, and none of these won a stakes event.

American Standard did have three stakes winners from his first Kentucky crop, and two from his second, but by then it was too little, too late. Since then, American Standard--who now stands at Metropolitan Stud, Pine Plains, New York--has sired just three more stakes winners from seven subsequent crops. It's one of that trio, however, which has brought his name back into the limelight. This is the seven-year-old gelding, Bluesthestandard, winner at the weekend of the GII Palos Verdes H. Bluesthestandard, who must be one of the best horses ever foaled in his home state of Georgia, enjoyed a stellar year in 2003. Early in the year he captured the GII Potrero Grande Breeders' Cup H. (from Grade I winners Joey Franco, Kona Gold, Debonair Joe and D'wildcat) and the GIII Texas Mile S., and he finished in the first three in five of six subsequent starts, ending the year with a second in the GI Breeders' Cup Sprint. This is a pretty remarkable record given that Bluesthestandard's current connections claimed him for \$50,000, and that he had previously been haltered for \$22,500 and \$10,000. Bluesthestandard's dam, Bob's Blue, had been traded at an even lower price. She realized \$17,000 when in foal to Broad Brush at the 1992 Keeneland November Sales, and just \$4,000 at the same venue four years later, carrying Bluesthestandard. Oddly enough, both times she was carrying a stakes winner, as the Broad Brush foal turned out to be Arrive Alive, a black-type winner of \$173,904, and like Bluesthestandard, a late-maturer, gaining her stakes victory at the age of six. We can note something of a similarity between the pedigrees of Arrive Alive and Bluesthestandard, as American Standard's granddam, Hidden Talent, is also third dam of Broad Brush. Bob's Blue, the dam of Bluesthestandard, won three of 36 starts, and was a sister to the stakes placed Badger Bob. She was a son of Bob's Dusty, a name not frequently seen in pedigrees these days, but a horse who was a high-class handicap performer, and was son of the Bold Ruler stallion Bold Commander, best known as the sire of the 1970 Kentucky Derby victor, Dust Commander. Bob's Dusty was a very logical choice of mate for Bob's Blue's dam, the Cleveland Oaks winner, Swirlin Sue. (*Porter cont. p9*)

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FROM THE DESK OF...
Bill Oppenheim



CONSISTENCY IS ITS OWN REWARD

That's sure the case in the world of APEX ratings. To begin with this week, we've listed 18 sires (Table 1, p6) who have very strong 'across-the-board' ratings for 'ABC Runners.' These are sires--some among the Top 50 we featured a couple of weeks ago, some not--who have combined ABC indices of around 2.00, or even higher. A 2.00 ABC Index means that 16 percent of a sire's starters earn enough to be counted as an A, B or C Runner; that is, about one out of six. That's a right result, and means that buyers and breeders can assume with more confidence that using that sire will get them a runner which can at least pay its way.

Basically, these 18 sires have a fairly similar profile as far as hitting around the 2.00 mark at all three class levels, and siring about 16 percent (2.00) ABC Runners to starters. The figures are sometimes a little higher (2.50 range--20 percent ABC Runners) for younger sires, but they do tend to drift down as the number of crops increase. Especially noteworthy is when you see a young sire with a relatively high number of 2003 ABC Runners, compared to some of the older sires with more crops to represent them. Alphabet Soup (29 ABC Runners in 2003 with three crops racing) and [Grand Slam](#) (a total of 31 ABC Runners with just two admittedly huge crops racing) certainly merit a mention in that regard. Interesting, too, that the two sires who battled out second and third on the General Sire List, El Prado and [Dynaformer](#), both figure among this list of 18. That shows this is pretty good company, which in itself must be a bit of a tip for the 'low five-figure' sires on this list: [Boundary](#) (\$10,000), though clearly stronger for Bs than As; Mutakddim (\$10,000), another successful sire son of Seeking the Gold--and very much a filly sire himself, so far; Alphabet Soup; and [Valid Expectations](#) (\$12,500, what's he still doing in Texas?...though his first crops were sired at Mockingbird in Florida).

WHO SIRED THE MOST CLASS LAST YEAR?

Sunday Silence's dominance of Japanese racing has assumed mythic proportions now--he has had 2,202 year-starters and 155 A Runners since 1997--so I somewhat discount the fact that he leads the list of sires of new 2003 A Runners (Table 2, p7), with 23; I just don't know what it means in an international context. [A.P. Indy](#), who won his first sire championship by topping the North American General Sire List, led North American and European sires with 15 new A Runners, followed by deceased Danehill (14) and Saint Ballado (13). [Sadler's Wells](#) and [Storm Cat](#) each had 11 new A Runners, followed by El Prado--champion sire of 2002 in North America, and second last year--with 10. Cadeaux Genereux had maybe his best year yet, with nine new A Runners. He now has an A Runner index of 1.99, and an ABC index of 1.75 (14 percent of runners). 'Cadeaux' was tied with young gun Grand Slam with nine new A Runners, and the latter had 31 ABC runners in all last year; his name keeps getting called. Five sires had eight new A Runners each, including Anabaa, who had a big year in 2003 when he needed it, with his first five-year-olds racing; he now has a 2.56 A Runner index. Kris S. had eight also, three of them two-year-olds, including Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Action This Day, as well as Epsom Derby winner Kris Kin. And there's that Valid Expectations again ... you know, every time his name comes up, I have to ask the same question...what is this guy still doing in Texas? Do I have to spell it out, Lane's End? Hello? Oh, and he's by Valid Appeal, too. Maybe breeders would like to be able to use a little In Reality in Kentucky?

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11 DIRT CHEAP SIRES, OFTEN AT LOW 4-DIGIT FEES

Finally this week, a list which does not include Valid Expectations; he's too expensive. As I've had a chance to go through the numbers in more detail (and these will all be available in the *Blood-Horse's Sires of 2003*, as well as on a couple of sites, quite soon), I ran across 11 American stallions, all standing at four-digit fees, who I thought each had something quite good to recommend them (Table 3, p8). In alphabetical order:

All horses in the *TDN* are bred in North America, unless otherwise indicated

AFTERNOON DELITES:

Boasts quite respectable, well-above average figures from four Kentucky crops, and therefore looks the second really good buy out of Kentucky by Louisiana's Clear Creek Stud; they landed Ide last year. Not too many people remember this correspondent worked out of Clear Creek Stud in 1976-78, for the late Jack Lohman, before going to Kentucky, and I'm glad to see Val Murrell continuing to do a great job there.

More Oppenheim p7

TABLE 1 - 18 ULTRA-CONSISTENT SIRES (ABC INDEX AROUND 2.00+ (alphabetically))

Sires with 5yo's + '03

| <u>Sire, 1st Foals, Stands</u> | <u>Yr/Strtrs</u> | <u>A Index</u> | <u>B Index</u> | <u>C Index</u> | <u>ABC Index</u> | <u>'03 ABC Rnrs</u> | <u>'04 Fee</u> |
|--|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Big Shuffle, 1991, GER | 723 | 2.49 | 1.94 | 1.80 | 2.01 | 24 | €9,000 |
| Boundary , 1996, KY | 461 | 1.41 | 2.49 | 2.01 | 1.98 | 19 | \$10,000 |
| Carson City , 1992, KY | 1142 | 1.97 | 2.10 | 1.86 | 1.95 | 28 | \$35,000 |
| Cozzene, 1980, KY | 767 | 2.80 | 1.83 | 1.79 | 2.05 | 12 | \$60,000 |
| Dynaformer , 1991, KY | 1118 | 2.37 | 1.57 | 2.06 | 2.01 | 31 | \$75,000 |
| El Prado, 1994, KY | 945 | 2.33 | 1.75 | 2.09 | 2.06 | 38 | \$75,000 |
| General Meeting, 1993, CA | 526 | 2.85 | 2.57 | 1.57 | 2.14 | 10 | \$20,000 |
| Mutakddim, 1998, KY | 229 | 2.18 | 2.78 | 1.86 | 2.02 | 16 | \$10,000 |
| Not For Love, 1997, MD | 476 | 2.42 | 2.94 | 1.68 | 2.18 | 32 | \$20,000 |
| Selkirk , 1994, GB | 625 | 2.72 | 1.60 | 1.96 | 2.06 | 23 | £30,000 |
| Silver Deputy, 1990, KY | 1038 | 2.36 | 2.17 | 1.95 | 2.11 | 36 | \$40,000 |

Sires with 1st 4yo's '03

| <u>Sire, 1st Foals, Stands</u> | <u>Yr/Strtrs</u> | <u>A Index</u> | <u>B Index</u> | <u>C Index</u> | <u>ABC Index</u> | <u>'03 ABC Rnrs</u> | <u>'04 Fee</u> |
|---|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Alphabet Soup, 1999, KY | 256 | 2.93 | 1.95 | 2.19 | 2.29 | 28 | \$10,000 |
| Pulpit , 1999, KY | 180 | 2.22 | 2.22 | 1.81 | 2.01 | 16 | \$35,000 |
| Smoke Glacken, 1999, KY | 256 | 2.54 | 1.37 | 2.35 | 2.15 | 24 | \$25,000 |
| Valid Expectations , 1999, TX | 250 | 3.00 | 2.00 | 2.50 | 2.50 | 25 | \$12,500 |

Sires with 1st 3yo's '03

| <u>Sire, 1st Foals, Stands</u> | <u>Yr/Strtrs</u> | <u>A Index</u> | <u>B Index</u> | <u>C Index</u> | <u>ABC Index</u> | <u>'03 ABC Rnrs</u> | <u>'04 Fee</u> |
|--|------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|---------------------|----------------|
| Awesome Again, 2000, KY | 106 | 3.30 | 2.36 | 2.36 | 2.59 | 17 | \$75,000 |
| Elusive Quality , 2000, KY | 141 | 2.48 | 1.42 | 2.13 | 2.04 | 14 | \$50,000 |
| Grand Slam , 2000, KY | 200 | 2.25 | 3.25 | 1.75 | 2.25 | 31 | \$75,000 |



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He was showing a lot of goose-eggs at the end of 2002, but quietly moved up the ladder with his first three-year-olds in 2003, just as his stud fee was plummeting to \$5,000. His second crop of yearlings sold huge in 2002, and will be his second crop of three-year-olds this year. He's got off the mat to look average by end 2003, but his age ratings tell the story: two-year-olds--0.52; three-year-olds--1.70. That \$5,000 stud fee could look a gift a few months from now.

BENCHMARK

A triple eight-to-nine furlong Grade II winner as a six-year-old by Alydar, Benchmark's biggest asset may be that he was owned by Marty Wygod and showed up about the time Pirate's Bounty was finishing off. He's very well-bred, also, being out of a Danzig half-sister to Caveat, and has registered some very respectable numbers so far, including a couple of two-year-old stakes winners in his second crop, so has a two-year-old ABC index of 3.01...for the moment. But he's trading around the 1.75 level, so \$4,000 in California looks good.

DAYJUR

Mentioned earlier in an unusual context--he's tailed off very considerably as a sire, but his daughters from his early crops, when he was bred to terrific mares, have made sparkling producers already. By the end of 2003, he had six three-year-old (foals of 2000) A Runners as a broodmare sire. He does still have a 2.35 two-year-old ABC index, too, so for \$5,000 there are maybe still a few reasons to breed to this horse.

GRINDSTONE

This was a surprise, though maybe it's just part of this surge of Unbridled which is threatening to make him Number Two in impact in American breeding right now, after A.P. Indy. Of course, I knew Grindstone had sired a seriously good horse in Birdstone, but considering the mare had also produced Bird Town, it seemed entirely possible this was just a case of a really good mare. Not so: Grindstone sired seven individual A Runners in 2003 to put himself right back on the map. Mind you, his B and C Runner figures could use some improvement, but that's Unbridled for you. Can get you a good horse for \$5,000--good deal.

IDE

Only an average sire of A and B Runners (and don't ask about his two-year-olds--0.26 from his Kentucky crops), but 2.51 for C Runners (that was \$51,000 last year, thank you), and 2.12 for three-year-old ABC's (mostly C's, in his case). Val Murrell and Clear Creek's first good buy out of Kentucky, and a great sire for Louisiana at \$2,500--even though they've been much better older so far.

LABEEB

It isn't a lot to go on, but as you saw in last week's column, Labeeb has done quite well with limited fanfare or opportunity--he only averaged 32 foals in his first two crops. He's interesting for two reasons: he's a son of Lear Fan, which makes him a viable Roberto grandson to use--these are few and far between, unfortunately (Arch may be another)--but also because he really was a seriously good horse in his own right. As a six-year-old, in 1998, he went into the Breeders' Cup Mile off a 3-for-3 season, including an impressive win in the Woodbine Mile, and I think he'd have won the race instead of finishing third to Da Hoss if he hadn't been drawn in the parking lot. He seems a pretty fair deal to me at his \$7,500 fee.

TABLE 2 - '03 LEADING SIRES OF NEW 'A RUNNERS'

| <u>Sire, 1st Foals, Stands</u> | <u>New 2003 A Runners</u> |
|---|---------------------------|
| Sunday Silence, 1992, dead | 23 |
| A.P.Indy , 1994, Ky | 15 |
| Danehill, 1991, Dead | 14 |
| Saint Ballado, Dead | 13 |
| Sadler's Wells , 1986, Ir | 11 |
| Storm Cat , 1989, Ky | 11 |
| El Prado, 1994, Ky | 10 |
| Cadeaux Genereux, 1991, GB | 9 |
| Grand Slam , 2000, Ky | 9 |
| Anabaa, 1998, Fr | 8 |
| Green Desert, 1988, GB | 8 |
| Kris S., 1983, Dead | 8 |
| Seeking the Gold , 1991, Ky | 8 |
| Valid Expectations , 1999, Tx | 8 |

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LIT DE JUSTICE

In Andrew Caulfield's homage to El Gran Senor yesterday, he bemoaned the lack of successful sire sons by El Gran Senor, whereas as a broodmare sire the likes of Empire Glory and Grand Slam tell us all we need to know ... but wait! News flash ... surprising me, too, the 1996 Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Lit de Justice, already banished to California, sprang back to life with a big-time 2003. He sired seven A Runners last year, among 18 total ABC Runners and the earners of over \$3.2-million in 2003. He finished 63rd on the General Sire List, and, generally speaking, made Magali's \$5,000 offer in Santa Ynez look well worth looking at a lot more seriously for California breeders.

SIR CAT

Gainesway's Michael Hernon has been touting Sir Cat's prospects ever since he retired to stud after a six-length win in the G2 Appleton H. at Gulfstream early in 1998. He's been proved right: though he only had two six-figure earners in 2003, Sir Cat had no fewer than 17 ABC Runners, including 12 from his second crop, three-year-olds last year--no wonder his three-year-old ABC index is 2.19. Though he did break his maiden over 6 1/2 furlongs at Saratoga, all of Sir Cat's subsequent form was at 8 1/2 furlongs-plus, so you mustn't expect precocious two-year-olds. The ticket is \$6,500, and this looks like a stallion ready to have a big 2004.

SLEW CITY SLEW

Not surprisingly, there are a lot of new flavors-of-the-month, but if you want a reliable \$5,000 stallion who figures to get you a well above average racehorse (his 1.71 ABC index is a fair description), especially as three-year-olds and up, here's your man. He sires an average of one \$300,000-earner, and nearly three stakes winner, per crop. He's well worth the money.

UNUSUAL HEAT

This little-known California son of Nureyev sired six A Runners last year, three of them three-year-olds, and three four-year-olds from his first crop. But, it being California, only two of them were stakes winners; the rest were just making money. On that account, he scores 4.62 for A Runners (having gone from zero to six), 3.19 for three-year-olds, and 4.71 for those first four-year-olds. There's a Nureyev revival, you know, what with [Fasliyev](#), [Peintre Celebre](#), and [Stravinsky](#) all leading their respective sire groups last year, and I'm thinking Unusual Heat must be part of it ... maybe he's the Fraam of California (he's by Lead on Time, I know, but it's still Nureyev). Unusual Heat is listed at \$5,000 at Old English Rancho.

TABLE 3 - 11 SIRE'S 'WORTH THE MONEY' @ \$7,500 & UNDER

| <u>Sire, 1st Foals, Stands (2004 Fee)</u> | <u>Year-Starts</u> | <u>A Index</u> | <u>B Index</u> | <u>C Index</u> | <u>ABC Index</u> |
|---|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|
| Afternoon Delites, 1998, LA (\$4,000) | 344 | 1.31 | 1.74 | 1.38 | 1.45 |
| Arch, 2000, KY (\$5,000) | 74 | 1.35 | 0.68 | 1.01 | 1.01 |
| Benchmark, 2000, CA (\$4,000) | 72 | 1.39 | 2.08 | 1.74 | 1.74 |
| Dayjur, 1992, KY (\$5,000) | 500 | 0.90 | 1.30 | 1.55 | 1.33 |
| Grindstone, 1998, KY (\$5,000) | 241 | 2.28 | 0.62 | 0.83 | 1.14 |
| Ide, 1998, LA (\$2,500) | 309 | 1.13 | 0.97 | 2.51 | 1.78 |
| Labeeb, 2000, KY (\$7,500) | 46 | 2.17 | 2.17 | 1.09 | 1.63 |
| Lit de Justice, 1998, CA (\$5,000) | 317 | 1.42 | 1.74 | 1.42 | 1.50 |
| Sir Cat, 1999, KY (\$6,500) | 201 | 1.00 | 1.49 | 1.87 | 1.55 |
| Slew City Slew, 1991, KY (\$5,000) | 724 | 1.38 | 1.52 | 1.97 | 1.71 |
| Unusual Heat, 1999, CA (\$5,000) | 65 | 4.62 | 1.54 | 3.08 | 3.08 |



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Swirlin Sue's sister, Brunswick Dawn, had already had an assignation with Bob's Dusty, the result being the prolific stake winner Let's Go Blue, who was voted a Sovereign Award as champion Canadian older horse in 1985. Let's Go Blue and Bob's Blue--a brother and sister "in-blood"--are a result of "Parallel Pattern" inbreeding as their grandsire, Bold Commander, is by a son of Nasrullah out of a mare by Ambiorix, and their dams are by a son of Ambiorix out of a mare by a grandson of Nasrullah. This might have some relevance when we look at the pedigree of Bald Eagle, the broodmare sire of American Standard. He's by Nasrullah and from the family of Tourbillon, the sire of Ambiorix. The importance of this connection is underlined when we find that American Standard's third highest earner--after Bluesthestandard and American Royale--is Bulabusta, a filly whose dam is by another son of Bold Commander. The Bald Eagle/Bold Commander connection has also worked for American Standard's half-brothers Baldski, Capote and Exceller. Baldski sired one of his best representatives, multiple grade stakes winner Ski Dancer, out of a mare by a grandson of Bold Commander, and the cross of Capote over mares by Conquistador Cielo, a horse who is out of a Bold Commander mare, has been responsible for four stakes winners, including grade one scorer, Agincourt. Exceller never sired a stakes winner out of a mare carrying Bold Commander, but he is broodmare sire of the GI Top Flight H. and GIII Eatontown S. heroine Reciclada, who is by a son of Conquistador Cielo.

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

SANTA CATARINA RETIRED Robert and Beverly Lewis' **Santa Catarina** (Unbridled--Purrfectly, by Storm Cat) has been retired from racing due to an injury sustained in training. Although her injury was not career ending, a lengthy recovery period would have resulted in her missing a large part of the upcoming season, therefore the decision was made to retire the filly. An earner of \$645,620, Santa Catarina, who recently arrived at Denali Stud, will be bred to A.P. Indy in 2004. Plans call for the four-year-old to be offered at Keeneland's November Breeding Stock Sale, where her dam, Purrfectly, recently sold at for \$3.15 million. Second in the GI Frizette S. and GI Del Mar Debutante at two, bay scored in the GII Hollywood Breeders' Cup Oaks and finished second in the GI Kentucky Oaks during her sophomore season.

VANCE HORSES TO BE SOLD AT KEENELAND The Thoroughbred holdings of the estate of Jeanne G. Vance will be dispersed at Keeneland's Two-year-old in Training Sale, scheduled for Apr. 13. The initial offering of 11 juveniles, which will be consigned by Eaton Sales, will be conditioned for the sale by Kevin Hartigan's Cashel Stud and trainer Bill Mott. The April dispersal includes horses by Lemon Drop Kid, Deputy Minister, Storm Cat, Fusaichi Pegasus, Danzig, A.P. Indy and Kingmambo. Vance, along with her late husband Milton J. 'Laddie' Dance, campaigned numerous graded stakes winners, including Belmont S. winner and 2000 champion older male, Lemon Drop Kid. "Jinny Vance loved Thoroughbred racing as much as anybody I have ever known," said Reiley McDonald, partner in Eaton Sales with Dr. Tom VanMeter. "She and Laddie were known for buying top yearlings, and many of those purchased over the past three years will be offered as racing prospects at the April Sale fit and ready to run."

| 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 |
| | GIII Deputy Minister H. | Gulfstream |
| Feb. 8 | 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 |
| Feb. 15 | GI Las Virgenes S. | Santa Anita |
| | GIII Risen Star S. | Fair Grounds |
| | GIII Sabin H. | Gulfstream |

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GERALD NIELSEN, NYTB PRESIDENT, DIES

Gerald Anton Nielsen, president of the New York Thoroughbred Breeders, Inc., died on Monday, Feb. 2. He was 69. Born in Stamford, CT, in 1934, Nielsen began his career managing the family florist shop in Darien, CT, before founding The Nielsen Company, a commercial and residential real estate development company. His passion for Thoroughbreds led to his ownership of Sunnyfield Farm, in Bedford, NY, where he and his wife of 44 years, Joanne, raised horses. The Nielsen's were named New York Thoroughbred Breeders of the Year in 1991 and 2002. Dennis Brida, executive director of NYTB, Inc., said in a statement released yesterday, "The officers, directors and staff of New York Thoroughbred Breeders mourn the sudden and untimely death of our president, Jerry Nielsen. Just one month into his second term as our elected leader, Jerry was well-known and respected throughout the Thoroughbred community. Always a gracious and considerate man, Jerry was instrumental in the growth and maturation of the breeders' organization. Our heartfelt condolences go out to his wife and all the members of their family." Gerald Nielsen is survived by Joanne, four children and seven grandchildren. Friends may call at the Edward Lawrence Funeral Home, 2119 Post Road in Darien on Thursday, Feb. 5 from 4-8:00 p.m. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at St. John R.C. Church, 1986 Post Road, Darien, the following morning at 10:00 a.m. Interment will follow at Spring Grove Cemetery.

Funny Cide Headlines Busy Palm Meadows Worktab:

Tuesday proved to be a busy day at Palm Meadows training center with a substantial number of horses hitting the track following several days of soggy weather. Leading the fray was three-year-old champ **Funny Cide** (Distorted Humor), who covered five furlongs in :59.60, the fastest of 67 works at the distance. Trainer Barclay Tagg said that the Eclipse champion was "doing very well." He is scheduled to start in Saturday's GI Donn H. "I'm planning on running him," said Tagg, "unless it's too hot." Also headlining the morning worktab was GIII Nashua S. and GII Remsen S. winner **Read the Footnotes** (Smoke Glacken), who carved out a sharp 1:12.20 time, topping six others over three quarters of a mile. Trainer Todd Pletcher sent out a large contingent, including five-furlong workers **Chapel Royal** (Montbrook) (1:02.00), **Balto Star** (Glitterman) (1:02.60) and **Value Plus** (Unbridled's Song) (1:02.00). The trainer also put a pair of Grade I winning fillies, **Ashado** (Saint Ballado) and **Marylebone** (Unbridled's Song), through their paces. The former worked four furlongs in :49.80 and the latter covered the same distance in :49 flat. Nick Zito was also well represented with GI Champagne S. hero **Birdstone** (Grindstone) and GIII Iroquois and GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. victor **The Cliff's Edge** (Gulch). The former, a half brother to sophomore filly champion Bird Town, required 1:15.40 to negotiate six furlongs, while his stablemate breezed five panels in 1:02.00.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races. Purses for Canadian races are in Canadian dollars.

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Gulfstream Report cont.

Harmony Lodge To Golden Shaheen:

Harmony Lodge (Hennessy), winner of three consecutive stakes events, including the GIII First Lady H. at Gulfstream Park Jan. 11, is being readied for a start in the richest sprint race in the world, the \$2-million G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen at Nad al Sheba Racecourse Mar. 27. The five-year-old, who took the GI Ballerina H. at Saratoga last summer, breezed a half mile in :48 4/5 at Palm Meadows on Monday. "She breezed well," trainer Todd Pletcher told *Thoroughbred Times*. "We are pointing both her and **Host (Chi)** (Hussonet) to Dubai." The latter, the reigning Chilean Horse of the Year, is on course to his first start for Pletcher in the G1 Dubai World Cup. He was last seen when taking the G1 Chilean 2000 Guineas by 6 3/4 lengths Sept. 6.

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

7th-PHA, \$20,520, Msw, 3yo, 6f, 1:12 4/5, sy.
OJIBWAY (g, 3, Bugatti Reef {Ire}--Loan Officer, by Deposit Ticket) ran fourth in his debut at the Meadowlands Oct. 31 and had been waiting on the shelf since. Sent off at 6-1 here, the bay gelding sat in second early, took the lead on the far turn and drew away to post a 5 1/4-length victory over Wayward Will (Will's Way). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$12,750.
 O/B-Brien Combs (NJ). T-Douglas Nunn.

Capac Makes Sophomore Bow:

Capac (Deputy Minister) could hardly have been more impressive in breaking his maiden by over five lengths in the Churchill slop Nov. 28 and the chestnut colt is likely to encounter similar underfoot conditions when he makes his three-year-old bow in this afternoon's eighth race at Laurel Park. A strong third after a poor break in his racetrack debut at Keeneland Oct. 23, he splashed home an easy winner beneath the Twin Spires, attracting the attention of trainers Bob Baffert and Bobby Frankel. Owner John Fike of Ohio initially turned down those big-money offers, but decided to sell a quarter interest in the colt to Richard Santulli for a sum reported to be in the "mid-six figures." Capac, the lone Triple Crown nominee in the field, faces a field of seven colts and geldings in the seven-furlong allowance test.

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

First-time starters/stakes runners: Wednesday, Feb. 4

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

- ARTAX** (Marquetry), Taylor Made, \$15K, 142/3/0
 1-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Pound the Mound, \$20K EAS OCT yrl
- DONERAILE COURT** (Seattle Slew), Hill 'n' Dale, \$8K, 121/22/3
 9-TP, Msw, 1m, Done Slew's Way, \$6K FTK OCT yrl
- EVENT OF THE YEAR** (Seattle Slew), Golden Eagle, \$10K, 136/4/0
 2-GP, Msw, 1 1/8mT, +Charmer Jim, 6-1
- GENERAL ROYAL** (A.P. Indy), Crestwood, \$5K, 82/6/0
 7-GP, Msw, 1 1/8mT, Chippewa Trail, 2-1
- GOOD AND TOUGH** (Carson City), Lakland, \$6K, 82/11/0
 1-AQU, Msw, 6f, Pisgah, \$110K EAS MAY 2yo
- LIL'S LAD** (Pine Bluff), Lane's End, \$10K, 107/10/1
 2-GP, Msw, 1 1/8mT, Lad's Sunshine, \$43K OBS MAR 2yo, 4-1
- QUAKER RIDGE** (Forty Niner), Walmac, \$3K, 47/7/0
 8-LRL, Alw, 7f, Quakerism, \$10K EAS JUL 2yo, 15-1
- REAL QUIET** (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 126/9/0
 7-GP, Msw, 1 1/8mT, +Short Stack, \$19K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- SEA OF SECRETS** (Storm Cat), Walmac, \$5K, 79/12/1
 9-DED, Alw, 7f, Road to Mandalay, \$10K KEE SEP yrl, 2-1
- STORMIN FEVER** (Storm Cat), Airdrie, \$15K, 140/17/1
 3-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Minifever, \$11K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

- Bressbee**, g, 6, **Twining--Bressay** (SP-US), by Nureyev. Southwell, 2-3, Hcp, 4yo/up, 1 3/8m (AWT). B-Janus Bloodstock Inc & Kan Wong Tam. *\$75,000 wnlng '98 KEENOV; Ir£28,000 yrl '99 GOFORB; 12,000gns 2yo '00 TATAUT. **SW.
- Redoubtable**, h, 13, **Grey Dawn II (Fr)**--Seattle Rockette, by Seattle Slew. Lingfield, 2-3, Cond (Amateurs), 4yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-Wooden Horse Investments Inc. & Post Time Syndicate. *\$32,000 yrl '92 KEESEP; 5,500gns HRA '97 TATJUL. **SW & G1SP-Eng.

IN FRANCE:

Terrazzo, g, 9, **Nureyev**. See "European Breeders' Edition."

IN HONG KONG:

Bullish Luck, g, 5, **Royal Academy**--Wild Vintage, by Alysheba. Sha Tin, 2-1, Hcp., 1600mT. B-Max & Isabel Morris. *50,000gns yrl '00 TATOCT.

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★ BRITAIN ★

CHAMPION JOCK FALLON RETURNS

Champion jockey Kieren Fallon returns to the fold today when he takes his first domestic rides of the year on the polytrack surface at Lingfield. "I have been off a month now and, as you know, I don't like sitting around," Fallon told *Racing Post*. "I have the mortgage to pay and this is the ideal opportunity to get started again. [Trainer] Mark Wallace sent me a text and said his seven-pound claimer Karl Bowman was struggling with his weight and would I ride. I have to start somewhere so I thought it may as well be at Lingfield." Fallon has rides booked aboard **Big Bad Burt (GB)** (Efisio {GB}) in the seven-furlong handicap, **Limit Down (Ire)** (Desert Story {Ire}), both for Wallace, in the five-furlong seller and **Hip Hop Harry (GB)** (First Trump {GB}) for Ed Dunlop in the 12-furlong handicap.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN HONG KONG:

Speeding Molly (Ire), g, 4, **Indian Ridge (Ire)**--Shauna's Honey (Ire), by Danehill. Sha Tin, 2-1, Hcp., 1600mT. B-T Monaghan. *85,000gns wnlg '00 TATDEC; Ir£150,000 yrl '01 GOFORB; HK\$1,100,000 2yo '02 HKIS.



ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-SUN, \$25,300, NW2L, (S), 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, ft.

VIENTO (h, 6, Sportful--Invierno, by Icecapade) Lifetime Record: 14-2-4-2, \$37,785. O/T-Wendy E Williams. B-Daniel P Mueller Jr (NM).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Bexley, f, 3, **Level Sands**--Three of a Kind, by Carson City. MNR, 2-2, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-T/C Stables (IL).

Nicosia, c, 4, **Tamayaz--Veritas**, by Polish Numbers. PHA, 2-3, 1m, 1:41 1/5. B-Joseph S Rodi (NJ).



CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 2.20, 2-3, €29,000, 3yo, 10f 165ydsT, 2:27.50, gd.

MOONRISE (GER) (f, 3, Grand Lodge--Morning Queen {Ger}, by Konigsstuhl {Ger}) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €37,150. O-D Burkle; B-Gestut Isarland; T-Henri-Alex Pantall.

FRANCE, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 3.20, 2-3, €20,000, 4yo/up, 1 9/16mT, 2:48.60, gd.

TERRAZZO (g, 9, Nureyev--Diese {GSW-Fr, \$110,366}, by Diesis {GB}) Lifetime Record: MGSP-Fr, 62 starts, 9 wins, 25 places, €189,236. O-G Para; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-J Van Handenhove. *21,000gns HRA '97 TATHIT; 2,000gns HRA '00 TATJUL. **Full to Senure, MGISW-US, \$715,269; 1/2 to Speak in Passing (Danzig), GSW-US, \$284,718.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Dial Square (GB), g, 3, **Bluegrass Prince (Ire)**--Honey Mill (GB), by Milford (GB). Lingfield, Britain, 2-3, Cond, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT). B-J & Mrs Bowtell.

Lady Alexis (Ire), f, 3, **Dushyantor--Fizz Up (GB)**, by Alzao. Naples, Italy, 2-2, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Mrs Noelle Walsh.

Marinaite (GB), f, 3, **Komaite--Marina's Song (GB)**, by Savahra Sound (GB). Southwell, Britain, 2-3, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Roy Bowring.

Adantino (GB), g, 5, **Glory of Dancer (GB)**--Sweet Whisper (GB), by Petong (GB). Lingfield, Britain, 2-3, Mdn, 3-5yo, 7f (AWT). B-S D Bevan. *5,500gns wnlg '99 TATDEC; 13,000gns yrl '00 DONSEP.

Montosari (GB), g, 5, **Persian Bold (Ire)**--Sartigila (GB), by Efisio (GB). Lingfield, Britain, 2-3, Cond, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT). B-S Gollogly.



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