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KING OF THE 'HILL' AT TATTERSALLS

The late, great stallion Danehill, who stood at Coolmore Stud, dominated the opening day of the new Tattersalls October (Part 1) Yearling Sale yesterday in Newmarket, England. His progeny provided six of the top eight lots, headed by lot 62,



who brought a final bid of 1.15-million guineas from Coolmore's John Magnier. A half brother to Godolphin's multiple Group 1 winner Grandera (Ire), the colt was consigned by Trickle-down Stud of Hampshire, England, on behalf of American breeders Gretchen and Roy Jackson of Lael Stables in Pennsylvania. The underbidder was Japanese agent

Nobutaka Tada, accompanied by top trainer Kazuo Fujisawa, acting on behalf of an unnamed new client. When Magnier reached one-million guineas, Tada, who had splashed out 700,000gns four lots earlier, quickly went to 1.1-million guineas before Coolmore gained the upper hand for good. "Our people liked him a lot and the mare has produced a very good one already," Magnier commented. "You only have to look at the results for the last couple of weeks to see Danehill's influence and his sons are now really coming through at stud." Bordighera (Alysheba), dam of the session-topping yearling is based at Trickle-down. Now in foal to Pivotal (GB), she produced a Grand Lodge colt in 2004. Ampelio (Ire), her two-year-old full brother to Grandera, fetched 800,000gns at the 2003 Houghton Sale. The sale's new format makes it difficult to judge yesterday's trade, with no direct comparison available. Of the 149 lots on offer yesterday, 110 sold for 16,567,000 guineas, an average of 150,609gns with a median of 100,000gns. The two-day 2003 Houghton Sale saw 110 yearlings sell for 29,340,000gns, with a record average and median of 266,727gns and 200,000gns, respectively. **Cont. p. 2**



The Coolmore Gang
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TATTERSALLS OCTOBER (PART 1)
TUESDAY'S TOP TEN LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (gns)
<u>062</u>	c	Danehill	Bordighera	1,150,000
		<i>Consigned by Trickle-down Stud Purchased by Demi O'Byrne</i>		
<u>003</u>	c	Danehill	Rockerlong (GB)	750,000
		<i>Consigned by Hascombe Stud Purchased by Demi O'Byrne</i>		
<u>058</u>	c	Sadler's Wells	Bex	700,000
		<i>Consigned by Camas Park Stud Purchased by Nobutaka Tada</i>		
<u>112</u>	c	Danehill	Heavenly Whisper (Ire)	580,000
		<i>Consigned by Highclere Stud Purchased by Demi O'Byrne</i>		
<u>116</u>	f	Danehill	Hotelgenie Dot Com (GB)	520,000
		<i>Consigned by Catridge Farm Stud Purchased by Demi O'Byrne</i>		
<u>066</u>	f	Danehill	Brigitta (Ire)	500,000
		<i>Consigned by Watership Down Stud Purchased by BBA Ireland</i>		
<u>046</u>	f	Galileo (Ire)	Alleluia (GB)	415,000
		<i>Consigned by Airlie Stud Purchased by Cheveley Park Stud</i>		
<u>061</u>	c	Danehill	Blance Dubois (GB)	400,000
		<i>Consigned by Camas Park Stud Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock</i>		
<u>089</u>	c	Giant's Causeway	Doula	380,000
		<i>Consigned by Camas Park Stud Purchased by C.R. Egerton</i>		
<u>143</u>	c	Sadler's Wells	Mosaïque Bleue (GB)	350,000
		<i>Consigned by Croom House Stud Purchased by Demi O'Byrne</i>		

TATTERSALLS OCTOBER SALE (PART ONE)
DAY ONE

SESSION TOTALS	2004
No. Offered	149
No. Sold	110
RNAs	39
% RNA	26%
Gross	16,567,000gns
Average	150,609gns
Median	100,000gns

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Demi and the Danehills...

Coolmore ended up with the top four Danehills of the first day with Demi O'Byrne, who signed for the top lot, also securing lot three, another March 1 colt, for 750,000gns; lot 112, a colt from the family of Rock City (Ire) for 580,000gns; and lot 116, a filly consigned by Cartridge Farm Stud, for 520,000gns. In all, Coolmore was the top purchaser on the first day, buying eight for 3,870,000gns at an average of 483,750gns. The pair of Danehills who sold best will go to trainer Aidan O'Brien in Ireland and race for a partnership that includes Susan Magnier, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith. The nine yearlings sold yesterday from the final full crop of Danehill made 4,550,000gns.

Sheikh, Rattle and Roll...

Both Sheikhs Mohammed and Hamdan al Maktoum were present at Tattersalls yesterday. John Ferguson, representing Sheikh Mohammed, paid 2.2-million guineas for 11 lots at an average of 200,000gns. Ferguson was underbidder on lot three, but his most expensive purchase came to 400,000gns, for lot 61, a Danehill colt who is a half brother to three winners, including MGSP Lady High Havens (Ire) (Bluebird). The yearling was consigned by Camas Park Stud. Angus Gold, acting on behalf of Sheikh Hamdan, spent 985,000gns for five lots at an average of 197,000gns. Tada fought off British agent Charlie Gordon-Watson when going to 700,000gns for lot 58, a Sadler's Wells colt who is a half brother to GSW Crimson Quest (Ire) (Rainbow Quest). A total of 58 lots broke the 100,000gns barrier yesterday. The four-day Tattersalls October Yearling Sale (Part 1) resumes this morning at 11:30 a.m.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Trainer Patrick Biancone, about his visit to Lone Star Park, host of this year's Breeders' Cup

"I said to a client, there's good news and bad news. The good news is that it's a beautiful track. The bad news is that we'll have no excuse [if we don't win]."

☆ **HIP HAPPENINGS** ☆

Hip **198**, f, **Halling--Spinning the Yarn (GB)**,
by **Barathea (Ire)**

Consigned by **Meon Valley Stud**

By the sire of this year's G2 May Hill S. runner-up Queen of Poland (GB), this filly is a half sister to the G1 Moyglare Stud S. winner Necklace (GB) from the outstanding Meon Valley family of Kayf Tara (GB), Opera House (GB) and Zee Zee Top (GB).

Hip **200**, f, **Sadler's Wells--Sumoto (GB)**, by **Mtoto (GB)**
Consigned by **Watership Down Stud**

This colt is a half brother to the G1 Eclipse S. winner Compton Admiral (GB), G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. scorer Summoner (GB) and the useful Anchor (GB).

Hip **218**, c, **Kingmambo--Valentine Waltz (Ire)**,
by **Be My Guest**

Consigned by **Round Hill Stud, Ireland**

Valentine Waltz was a smart performer in her own right, winning the G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches (French 1000 Guineas) and her half sister is GII Spinaway S. and GI Matron S. winner Sense of Style.

Hip **219**, c, **Galileo (Ire)--Vallee Des Reves**, by **Kingmambo**
Consigned by **Marston Stud**

This colt is another who has received a major update when his half sister Maids Causeway (Ire) followed her G3 Sweet Solera S. success with placings in the G2 May Hill S. and G1 Fillies' Mile. Vallee des Reves is also a half sister to Verveine, who has produced the Group or Grade I scorers Volga (Ire) and Vallee Enchantee (Ire).

Hip **236**, c, **Machiavellian--Balalaika (GB)**,
by **Sadler's Wells**

Consigned by **Meon Valley Stud**

Another outstanding offering from Egon Weinfeld's empire, this colt's half brother Alkaadhem (GB) is now a three-time stakes winner out of a sister to Stagecraft (GB).

War Chant

On Sunday, his second stakes winner
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(Hip Happenings cont. from p2)

Hip **266**, f, Zafonic--Dust Dancer (GB), by Suave Dancer
 Consigned by Hesmonds Stud

This filly, by a promising broodmare sire, received a significant update when her half sister Spotlight (GB) took the GII Lake Placid H. at Saratoga.

Hip **282**, c, Royal Applause (GB)--Gorgeous Dancer (Ire), by Nordico
 Consigned by TrickleDown Stud

Royal Applause yearlings are always in demand and this one is a notable entry as he is a half brother to the evergreen G1 Premio Roma scorer Imperial Dancer (GB).

Hip **283**, f, War Chant--Gossamer, by Seattle Slew
 Consigned by Airlie Stud

This half brother to the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas winner Bachelor Duke is from the family of this year's G2 Derby Trial scorer Yeats (Ire).

Hip **325**, f, Fantastic Light--My First Romance (GB), by Danehill
 Consigned by Bearstone Stud

Fantastic Light has made an immediate impression judged by this year's sales returns and this filly is an exciting prospect, being a half sister to the smart G3 Queen Mary S. winners Romantic Myth (GB) and Romantic Liason (GB) and Royal Ascot scorer Zargus (GB).

FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



DANEHILL DAY

The new, revamped Tattersalls' October yearling sales series is just about the European equivalent of Keeneland September, except that Tattersalls is calling it two different sales. Yesterday's session, in which 110 yearlings 'sold' (75 percent of the 146 offered) for 16,567,000gns and averaged 150,609gns, was the first of four sessions, this week, in October 1. Yesterday and today roughly correspond to Book 1 at Keeneland September, tomorrow and Friday correspond to Book 2. Then, after the weekend off, we resume on Monday for the six days of October 2, which roughly corresponds to Keeneland Week 2.

Yesterday's opening session began at 11:30, and by 12:30 the tone of the sale was set. In years to come the first hour of the first session of the new, revamped October 1 sale will be cited as an example to consignors who bemoan the fact that their horse comes too early in the session, and to anybody who says you have to wait until the first 100 sell before seeing what's going on. Hip number three was the day's first Danehill, a colt out of Cheshire Oaks winner Rockerlong. From 250,000gns on up it was John Magnier, surrounded by his retinue at the top of The Bidders' Enclosure, against John Ferguson, seated up by The Gods (that's what they call it, because it's so far away from the rostrum) with Sheikh Mohammed and Princess Haya. Tennis in guineas: Magnier; Ferguson; Magnier; Ferguson; Magnier; Ferguson. Magnier got the colt, for 750,000.

Not long after, hip number 12 took rather less time to sell. An Alhaarth filly, Peter Doyle signed the ticket for the sale minimum 5,000gns. In between, Demi bought a Grand Lodge colt for 50,000gns. Absence of competition. Chicken or Feathers. **Cont. p. 4**

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STALLION	2005 Fee	2004 Fee
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Boundary	\$10,000	\$10,000
Devil's Bag	\$10,000	\$10,000
Flatter	\$5,000	\$5,000
Horse Chestnut (SAf)	\$10,000	\$10,000
Monarchos	\$25,000	\$25,000
Out Of Place	\$7,500	\$10,000
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(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 3)

Tattersalls' press release after the day's session noted that "58 horses sold for 100,000gns or more." That means 52 didn't. Plus there were 36 acknowledged not-solds, so in a session which averaged 150,000gns, I'm not sure the fact that half of them sold for two-thirds the session average or more is all that great an accomplishment. However you ice the cake, it's still a cake. This was the first session, a select session, too, of what is now the best yearling sale in Europe, and it was tricky navigating. Europe proved yesterday it emphatically does not have the same ability as America to absorb expensively produced yearlings; there were plenty that didn't get done, or barely got done, or got done at a loss. You only had to look around the grounds: there were very few people there for a select session. But, like Goffs, the expectation is that trade will get brisker as the week goes on, and the prices (and cost of production) for 'good individuals' (as the market defines them) fall to what is clearly a more affordable level for most prospective buyers.

None of the above, however, applied to consignors who had a Danehill yearling yesterday. Nine went through the ring (six colts and three fillies), nine sold, and averaged 505,556gns, including five of the day's top six prices. John Magnier bought four of them (three colts and one filly), including the day's topper, the half brother to Grandera, for 1,150,000gns. That's what they call making a statement.

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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE
 PERSPECTIVES**
by Alan Porter

PRIX DE L'ABBAYE DE LONGCHAMP MAJESTIC BARRIERE-G1, €200,000, Longchamp, 10-3, 2yo/up, 5fT, 0:55.00, gd/fm.
 1--▲@VAR, 136, h, 5, by **Forest Wildcat**
1st Dam: Loma Preata (SP-Fr), by Zilzal
2nd Dam: Halley's Comeback, by Key to the Kingdom
3rd Dam: Promised Princess, by Promised Land (\$120,000 yrl '00 KEESEP). O-Mohammed Rashid; B-Dr John Eaton; T-Clive Brittain; J-Frankie Dettori; €114,280. Lifetime Record: SW & GSP-Eng, 18-7-2-1, €266,819.

Click for the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](http://free.brisnet.com/catalogue-style/pedigree). While victories in U.S. stakes by horses imported from Europe are a routine occurrence, the reverse is quite a rarity. However, the balance was slightly redressed on two occasions in the last few days. First Gaff, a Maria's Mon two-year-old who had run unplaced in his only U.S. start, was a game winner of the El Gran Senor S. in Ireland, earning himself a quote for the 2005 G1 Epsom Derby in the process. Then on Sunday, Var, a five-year-old who had never even competed in a black-type event in 15 starts stateside, staked a claim to be considered Europe's champion sprinter by leading throughout to take the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp.

It would have taken a particularly special crystal ball to see Group 1 events and championships in Var's future after his first few races. He didn't break his maiden until his sixth start, when he scored for \$30,000 on Aqueduct's inner track. His second win also came in the claiming ranks, when he won at Churchill Downs for a \$30,000 tag. Var's form did improve considerably when he was switched to grass, and on that surface he won a five-furlong allowance at Churchill Downs, and an optional claimer at the same distance at Calder in January this year on his final U.S. outing.

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ASHFORD STUD



(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 4)

Var's European venture started inauspiciously when he suffered a pair of kicks a few weeks apart after joining trainer Clive Brittain in Newmarket, losing a quarter inch of his shoulder blade in the first incident. This delayed his European debut until September, where he became a stakes winner at first time of asking, capturing the six-furlong Starlet S. at Goodwood in comfortable fashion. In his next start, the five-furlong G3 Dubai Airport World Trophy, Var was caught in the dying strides by The Tatling, one of England's top sprinters. Var and The Tatling again occupied first and second in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye, but this time Var came out on top by half a length, while blitzing the five furlongs in :55.

Var joins the the GI Frank J DeFrancis Memorial Dash S. victor D'wildcat as the second Grade I-winning colt sired by Forest Wildcat and the pair have notable pedigree similarities. Forest Wildcat is, of course, a son of [Storm Cat](#), and that horse is by Storm Bird (by Northern Dancer) out of a mare by Secretariat. D'wildcat's dam, D'Enough, is by D'Accord, who is a son of Secretariat, out of Northern Dancer's great daughter, Fanfreluche. So Storm Cat and D'Accord are reverse Northern Dancer/Secretariat crosses.

Var's dam Loma Preata is by Zilzal, a grandson of Northern Dancer, and she is out of a mare by Key to the Kingdom, a horse bred on the same Bold Ruler/Princequillo cross as Secretariat. This means that Loma Preata is a parallel Northern Dancer/Bold Ruler cross to Storm Cat, with the Bold Ruler through the three-quarters related Secretariat and Key to the Kingdom. In addition, Zilzal's second dam is by Bold Lad, another Bold Ruler/Princequillo cross, so Var has Bold Ruler/Princequillo crosses 4x5x3.

It's interesting to note that Bold Lad also appears in Forest Wildcat's stakes winner Madame Red, and Key to the Kingdom as the sire of the second dam of his stakes winner Katy Kat. Katy Kat's dam has more Bold Ruler as she is by a son of Chieftain (by Bold Ruler with a second dam by Princequillo). If we continue our search through Forest Wildcat's offspring, we find his Grade I winning daughter Forest Secrets is out of a mare by Time for a Change, a horse whose dam is closely related to Bold Lad (she's by a son of Bold Ruler out of a half sister to Bold Lad); his graded stakes winner Snow Dance is out of a mare by Spectacular Bid (son of Bold Bidder, who is by Bold Ruler with a second dam by Princequillo) with a second dam by Northern Dancer, again reversing Storm Cat; Spectacular Bid also turns up as sire of the second dam of stakes

winner Spectacular Cat; stakes winner Rosencrans is out of a mare by a son of Seattle Slew (an extended Bold Ruler/Princequillo cross). Obviously the Bold Ruler/Princequillo combination is one to watch when considering what mares to send to Forest Wildcat.

Incidentally, we should mention that all of the above are products of Forest Wildcat's first four seasons, when he stood at a fee of \$10,000. From those first four relatively inexpensively conceived crops he has 290 foals, for 25 stakes winners, six group or graded stakes winners, and three Group or Grade I winners. Forest Wildcat's first-crop runners really began to show their merit at three, in 2001, which means the better mares which he subsequently attracted don't have their first foals at the track until next year, making him one to watch for the future.

In terms of racing merit, Var not only represents an upgrade on his sire, whose highest level of victory came in Grade III company, but he is also the best winner to appear for sometime from his female line, which has in recent years been more useful than outstanding. Var's dam was listed placed in the French provinces at two, and she is a half sister to the Bassinet Prelude S. winner Dixie Band (dam of stakes winner Cielo Girl) and to the dam of the multiple minor stakes winning Halo Cat. We don't get any other graded black type until we get back to the third dam, Promised Princess. She produced GIII Westchester H. winner Singh Tu, and she also appears as third dam of Wild Spirit, a Chilean import who won last year's G1 Ruffian H.

LANE'S END STUD FEES		
STALLION	2005	2004
A.P. Indy	\$300,000	\$300,000
Belong to Me	\$25,000	\$25,000
Came Home	\$40,000	\$40,000
Dixie Union	\$30,000	\$30,000
Dixieland Band	\$50,000	\$50,000
Fit to Fight	\$5,000	\$5,000
Gulch	\$50,000	\$50,000
King Cugat	\$5,000	\$7,500
Kingmambo	\$300,000	\$225,000
Langfuhr	\$30,000	\$25,000
Lemon Drop Kid	\$50,000	\$50,000
Mineshaft	\$100,000	\$100,000
Pine Bluff	\$10,000	\$10,000
Pleasant Tap	\$10,000	\$15,000
Pleasantly Perfect	TBA	-----
Silver Ghost	\$7,500	\$10,000
Smart Strike	\$35,000	\$25,000
Stephen Got Even	\$12,500	\$12,500

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 **NORTH AMERICA** 

PEACE RULES TO NEW VINERY DIVISION

Peace Rules (Jules--Hold to Fashion, by Hold Your Peace), who was recently retired following the discovery of a slight filling in his left foreleg, will enter stud at Vinery's new operation near Ocala, Florida. The winner of the 2003 GI Blue Grass S. and GI Haskell S., who will stand his initial season for \$15,000, will be the flagship stallion next year at Vinery Stud LLC, which is scheduled to be fully operational for the 2006 breeding season. Citing the unexpected timing of Peace Rule's retirement, Vinery Manager Bates Newton indicated that the chestnut is likely to stand at an alternate farm until the new farm is up and running, although Vinery will continue to manage the stallion. Additionally, the Vinery Florida division will board broodmares and operate as a private training center. Newton added that Vinery Stud will probably add about one sire a year to its roster and the goal is to ultimately house up to six stallions.

Stud Fee Set for The Cliff's Edge...

The Cliff's Edge (Gulch--Zigember, by Danzig) will stand for \$20,000 in 2005 at Vinery near Lexington, Kentucky. Victorious in this year's GI Blue Grass S., The Cliff's Edge will stand as the property of Vinery and Robert LaPenta, who campaigned the colt. "There has been plenty of interest in him already," said Newton. "People have been calling for shares in him and there are none available. I think he'll do great."

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 7:

10-9 \$250,000 **Oak Tree BC Mile-II, SA, 3yo/up, 8fT (5000s)**
11-28 a4000 **Japan Cup-G1, Tok, 3yo/up, 12fT (0)**
11-28 a2100 **Japan Cup Dirt-G1, Tok, 3yo/up, 10.5f (0)**

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6:

10-15 \$200,000a **Raven Run-II, Kee, 3yo, f, 7f (200)**
10-16 \$150,000 **Ballerina Breeders' Cup H.-III, Hst, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f (200)**
10-17 \$125,000 **Thoroughbred Club of America-III, Kee, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (125)**
10-24 \$1,500,000 **Pattison Canadian International-I, Wo, 3yo/up, 12fT (1500)**
10-24 \$750,000 **E.P. Taylor-I, Wo, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT (750)**
10-24 \$250,000a **Nearctic H.-II, Wo, 3yo/up, 6fT (250)**
11-27 \$500,000 **Citation H.-II, Hol, 3yo/up, 8.5fT (2500)**
11-28 \$500,000 **Hollywood Derby-I, Hol, 3yo, 10fT (3000)**
11-28 \$500,000 **Matriarch-I, Hol, 3yo/up, f/m, 8fT (3000)**

SILVER DEPUTY COLT TOPS FASIG MIDLANTIC

Bloodstock agent Mark Reid went to a sales-topping \$500,000 to secure a son of Silver Deputy at yesterday's final session of the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Eastern Fall Yearlings Sale in Timonium, Maryland. Out of Dreams of Glory (Seattle Slew), a full sister to graded stakes placed Mackenzie Slew, the yearling was consigned by Litz Bloodstock Services. During Monday's opening session of the two-day auction, a colt by Not for Love fetched top price of \$210,000. Consigned by Dark Hollow, agent, the bay yearling is out of the multiple stakes placed Vicki's Vixen (Wolf Power {SAf}) and was purchased by bloodstock agent Buzz Chace. A total of 493 horses sold for \$10,791,500. The average was up 19.9 percent to \$21,889, while the median rose 26.3 percent to \$12,000.

FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC - TOP LOTS

Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price
455	colt	Silver Deputy	Dreams of Glory	\$500,000
B-Dumbarton Farm (Md)				
Consigned by Litz Bloodstock Services, agent Purchased by Mark Reid Bloodstock Agency				
235	colt	Not for Love	Vicki's Vixen	\$210,000
B-Pete Bradley (Md)				
Consigned by Dark Hollow, agent Purchased by Buzz Chace, agent				
529	colt	Not for Love	Hand Me a Star	\$160,000
B-Larry Ciletti (Pa)				
Consigned by Thomas Gallo Sales Agency, agent Purchased by Buzz Chace, agent				
178	colt	El Corredor	Taft Lil Queen	\$150,000
B-Mr & Mrs Charles McGinnes (Md)				
Consigned by Thornmar, agent Purchased by Buzz Chace, agent				
303	colt	Wild Rush	Angel Tears	\$150,000
B-Janet Koller (Ky)				
Consigned by Candyland Farm, agent Purchased by Alistair Roden, agent				

FASIG-TIPTON MIDLANTIC YEARLINGS

CUMULATIVE	2004	2003
No. Offered	636	606
No. Sold	493	456
RNAs	143	150
% RNA	22.5%	24.8%
Gross	\$10,791,500	\$8,325,500
Average (% change)	\$21,889 (+19.9%)	\$18,258
Median (% change)	\$12,000 (+26.3%)	\$9,500

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★ NEW YORK ★

Pletcher Expects Juveniles to Get the Distance:

As trainer Todd Pletcher prepares to saddle **Ready's Gal** (More than Ready) in the GI Frizette S. and **Proud Accolade** (Yes It's True) in the GI Champagne S., 1 1/16-mile races that will be run Saturday at Belmont Park, the similarities between the two juveniles jump off the page. Both won their debuts at Saratoga by open lengths, both are coming off 6 1/2-furlong allowance victories at the Spa, both are making their route and stakes debut, and both are by promising freshman sires who themselves probably were best when sprinting. But Pletcher is confident that Ready's Gal and Proud Accolade can handle the step up in distance.

"They both have given me the impression, not only in their races but in their training, that a mile and a sixteenth is within their scope," explained Pletcher. "Both are very seasoned two-year-olds, in that they're both very professional, they both don't need to have the lead, and they're the kind of horses that have tactical speed--that should help them in the stretch-out."

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

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NOTE: The Barretts October Preferred Yearling Sale ended too late to be included in this edition. Complete results of the sale will be included in tomorrow's TDN.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 7th race at Belmont, \$45,000 allowance. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

5th-MED, \$38,000, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10, ft. MIRACLE RUNNER (f, 3, French Deputy--Sunshine Miracle, by Premiership) reeled off three straight victories, including last time out in a \$40,000 claimer at Monmouth Park Sept. 9, and was installed the 2-1 choice to win in open company here. Off to a bumpy start, the chestnut led at every call and came home a comfortable 2 1/2-length winner over the \$1.8-million yearling purchase Ensenada (Seeking the Gold). Lifetime Record: 6-4-0-0, \$68,640.


O/B-John Ropes (KY). T-Emanuel Tortora.

Monday Night Results:

1st-MNR, \$25,000, Msw, 2yo, 6f, 1:15, ft. + NESTASKO (c, 2, Lite the Fuse--Simulcaspy {MSW, \$182,771}, by Aspy) was sent off the 9-2 third choice to take his career debut. Off to a slow start, the \$23,000 OBSAUG yearling and \$27,000 OBSJUN juvenile closed on the front on the turn, took over from leader Top Scruple (Top Account) midstretch and drew clear late to score by two lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$29,000.

O-Charles J Abbott. B-Dr & Mrs James Gamble (FL). T-Stephen F Ford Jr.

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Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

CATIENUS (Storm Cat), Highcliff, \$4K, 47/8/0
5-TP, Msw, 6f, Cat Shaker, \$2K FTK OCT yrl

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First-time starters/stakes runners: Wednesday, Oct. 6

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

ARCHERS BAY (Silver Deputy), Dead, 102/28/1
7-WO, Stk, 6f, Archer's Dreamer
ARTAX (Marquetry), Taylor Made, \$15K, 143/27/1
9-BEL, Msw, 1mT, +Bringing Up Susan, \$240K FTF FEB 2yo
CHELSEY CAT (Storm Cat), Rock House, \$1000, 26/12/0
5-TP, Msw, 6f, +Right Catagory
PORTO FORICOS (Mr. Prospector), 34/2/1
7-WO, Stk, 6f, Taranaki



★ **BRITAIN** ★

RAKTI SET TO SIDESTEP LONE STAR

Trainer Michael Jarvis has indicated stable star **Rakti (GB)** (Polish Precedent) will likely miss the GI Breeders' Cup Mile at Lone Star Park Oct. 30 for which owner Gary Tanaka would have to pay a \$300,000 supplementary fee. The Newmarket-based handler is concerned over the suitability of the tight Texas oval and told *Racing Post*, "I am due to speak to Mr. Tanaka in midweek and, while nothing is set in stone, Rakti is certainly not a probable for the Breeders' Cup. He has a later option of the a race at the Hong Kong International meeting and we are very keen to send him in that direction." Last year's G1 Champion S. hero has scored twice at highest level this season, winning the G1 Prince Of Wales's S. at Royal Ascot June 16 and the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. at the same track Sept. 25.

ROSE TO PADDOCKS

G1 Haydock Sprint Cup winner **Tante Rose (Ire)** (Barathea {Ire}) will forego an engagement in this weekend's G1 Prix de la Foret at Longchamp after it was announced the four-year-old filly is to be retired. Initially trained by Barry Hills for Wafic Said, she was acquired to run in Bjorn Nielsen's black and yellow silks for 350,000gns at last year's Tattersalls December Sale and did not have those colors lowered in three starts for Roger Charlton this term. "The plan was to run Tante Rose at Longchamp, but I felt she was just going over the top and it was best to go out on a high after her wonderful win at Haydock [Sept. 4]," Charlton told *Racing Post*. "She did so well for us and it was a joy to have her here." In a three-year career, the bay won five times, including the G3 Fred Darling S. and G3 Summer S., from 13 career starts with earnings of £225,546. She will likely be covered by Daylami (Ire) and board at Watership Down Stud in Berkshire.

FIRST TO THE PUNCH

One year on from his final victory in Newmarket's G3 Jockey Club Cup, the much-missed **Persian Punch (Ire)** (Persian Heights {GB}), who suffered a fatal heart in his 11-year-old debut in April, will be remembered by having this year's renewal named in his honor. "It will be a poignant moment when we remember Persian Punch, who holds such a special place in many people's affections," commented Newmarket Managing Director Lisa Hancock. "[Persian Punch] won more races at Newmarket than any other course and his two Jockey Club Cup victories were vintage "Punch" performances. I know that many members of his fan club are coming to Newmarket to pay tribute to him on Champions' Day." Newmarket will host six group races Oct. 16, including two Group 1s, with over £1m in prize money on offer. Hancock added, "Champions' Day is going to be spectacular this year and with strong advance sales there should be a big crowd here to enjoy it."

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★ GERMANY ★

DARING LOVE RETIRED

Gestut Auenquelle's homebred two-year-old filly **Daring Love (Ger)** (Big Shuffle) sustained a career-ending injury during a training workout last week. The undisputed leader of juvenile fillies in Germany suffered a complicated fracture to her off fore long pastern bone which will end her racing career. Closely related to Zafonic and conditioned by Uwe Ostmann, she was taken to a specialist clinic at Neuss and underwent an immediate operation. Surgery went well and, barring complications, she could be saved for stud purposes. Daring Love is the unbeaten winner of three races this term including the Listed Oppenheim-Rennen at Cologne Aug. 1 and the G2 Maurice Lacroix Trophy at Baden-Baden Sept. 3.



AUSTRALASIA



NORTHERLY OUT OF MELBOURNE CUP

Nine-time Group 1 winner **Northerly (Aus)** (Serheed), who recently returned from a tendon injury, remains on track for a crack at the 2040-meter G1 Cox Plate Oct. 23, but has been ruled out of consideration for the Nov. 2 G1 Melbourne Cup over 3200 meters. "It's asking too much of the horse," trainer Fred Kersley told *Australian Associated Press*. The winner of the 2001 and 2002 runnings of the Cox Plate, the eight-year-old was retired in July 2003 after sustaining his injury, but returned to action with a ninth-place effort to Elvstroem (Aus) in the Turnbull S. last Saturday. The bay gelding is scheduled to make a start in this weekend's G1 Yalumba S. at Caulfield, his final prep for this year's Cox Plate.

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ELEGANT FASHION ARRIVES FOR COX PLATE

Elegant Fashion (Aus) (Danewin {Aus}), one of the leading three-year-old fillies of her generation in Australia in 2002, arrived yesterday at the Sandown quarantine center, where she will begin her preparations for the Oct. 23 G1 Cox Plate. Before departing the Melbourne yard of trainer David Hayes in 2002, the chestnut won four races, including the G2 Moonee Valley Oaks. Sent to Hong Kong, she made an immediate impact, winning the HK-G1 Hong Kong Derby in 2003 and was second to Eishin Preston in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup prior to closing the year with a strong third-place effort to Falbrav (Ire) in the G1 Hong Kong Cup over 2000 meters. She also filled the runner-up spot in this year's QE II Cup at Sha Tin in April, but will be having her first run in over six months in the Cox Plate.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

6th-MED, \$48,380, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44, gd.

SMART N CLASSY (f, 4, Smart Strike--Teenage Queen, by Regal Classic) Lifetime Record: SP, 19-4-7-1, \$183,504. O-Roseland Farm Stable. B-John Bowers, Jr (NJ). T-John J Tammara III.

7th-MED, \$42,476, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

ITSAYATESTHING (f, 3, Saratoga Six--Sandbar Darlin, by Edsar) Lifetime Record: 8-3-3-0, \$77,950. O-John Alecci Stable Inc. B-Shadybrook Farm Inc (FL). T-John V Alecci.

8th-MED, \$41,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57, gd.

MS. TRICK OR TREAT (f, 3, Favorite Trick--Baby I'm Yours, by Lord At War {Arg}) Lifetime Record: 14-4-1-2, \$97,452. O-Broadway Stable. B-John T L Jones Jr (KY). T-Kathleen A Demasi. *\$10,000 wlng '01 KEENOV; \$8,700 yrl '02 TEXAUG.

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8th-DEL, \$39,200, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, ft.

MARINA MINISTER (c, 4, Rubiano--Possible Consort, by Deputy Minister) Lifetime Record: 25-3-3-3, \$128,801. O-Richard A Rosenberg & Eugene Zakaryan. B-Edward P Evans (VA). T-A Ferris Allen III. *\$37,000 yrl '01 KEESEP. **1/2 to Consort Music (Prospector's Music), GSP, \$187,299.

9th-MNR, \$36,500, 10-5, NW4L, 3yo/up, 1m, 1:40 2/5, ft.

BONILLA (g, 5, Dare and Go--Coach Room, by Temperance Hill) Lifetime Record: 17-5-4-3, \$111,672. O-James McConnell. B-William C Jacobs (KY). T-Nabu Morales.

8th-PHA, \$25,960, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW2X, 3yo, 7f, 1:24 2/5, ft.

MEADOWLAKE LODGE (c, 3, Meadowlake--Marisa Mia, by Miner's Mark) Lifetime Record: 13-3-0-2, \$56,419. O-Wam Stable. B-Dr S Mark Rayburg, Inc (PA). T-Chris Landicini Jr. *\$37,000 wlng '01 KEENOV; \$70,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

9th-PHA, \$23,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:42 3/5, ft.

BEEN WAVERING (h, 5, Never Wavering--Life's Been Good, by Diamond Prospect) Lifetime Record: 12-6-3-0, \$77,090. O/T-Emmanuel Tzortzakis. B-Stanley Ersoff (FL).

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Another Dilemma, c, 2, Sword Dance (Ire)--Pleasant Dilemma (MSW, \$262,295), by Premiership. PHA, 10-5, a1m70yd, 1:44 1/5. B-Gilbert G Campbell (Fl).
She's My Lady, f, 3, Grand Slam--She's Fine, by Private Account. DEL, 10-5, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Holtsinger, Inc (Ky). *\$110,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. STALLIONS:

My Chinese King (Aus), c, 4, Distorted Humor--Innocent Gypsy (Aus), by Yeats. Canterbury (Sydney), 9-29, 3yo/up, c/g, Hcp, 1 3/16mT. B-W Tsang.
Brillanti (Aus), f, 4, Slavic--Illuminate (NZ), by Desert Sun (GB). Canterbury (Sydney), 9-29, 3yo/up, f/m, Hcp, 1 3/16mT. B-A & C Muollo & B J Wallace.
Tonnere (NZ), g, 4, Tale of the Cat--Pavan (NZ), by Centaine (Aus). Avondale (New Zealand), 9-29, 3yo/up, c/g, Mdn, 6fT. B-P J & P M Vela.
Dream 'N' Scheme (Aus), g, 4, Unbridled's Song--Messenger Miss, by Danehill. Doomben (Brisbane), 10-2, 3yo/up, Hcp, 6f 165ydsT. B-Gainsborough Stud (Australia) Pty Ltd & Arrowfield Group Ltd.



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ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Harrys House (GB), g, 2, Paris House (GB)--Rum Lass (GB), by Distant Relative (Ire). Catterick, Britain, 10-5, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-N Bulmer.

Turn of the Style (GB), g, 2, Pivotal (GB)--Elegant Rose (GB), by Noalto (GB). Catterick, Britain, 10-5, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-J & Mrs Bowtell.

Sessay (GB), g, 3, Cyrano de Bergerac (Ire)--Green Supreme (GB), by Primo Dominie (GB). Catterick, Britain, 10-5, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 212ydsT. B-Miss A J Rawding & P M Crane. *1/2 to Sampower Star (GB) (Cyrano De Bergerac {Ire}), MGSW & G1SP-Eng, GSW-Fr, \$343,906.

Westborough (Ire), g, 3, Woodborough--Filey Brigg (GB), by Weldnaas. Catterick, Britain, 10-5, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 212ydsT. B-Ballyhane Stud.

Cyfrwys (Ire), f, 3, Foxhound--Divine Elegance (Ire), by College Chapel (GB). Catterick, Britain, 10-5, Mdn, 3yo, 5f 212ydsT. B-Samoth Bloodstock.

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SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EURO STALLIONS:

Grand Memories (Aus), f, 3, Grand Lodge--Remember Romance (Aus), by Semipalatinsk. Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 9-29, 3yo, Mdn, 6fT. B-N D Bell.

County Court (NZ), g, 3, Woodborough--Plea Innocence, by Alleged. Ashburton (New Zealand), 10-1, Ray Coupland S.-Listed, 3yo, 7fT, NZ\$19,500 to winner. B-G R Moleta & R D Nobilo; T-Stewart Mitchell.

Written By Xaar (Aus), f, 3, Xaar (GB)--Kapalua Beach (Aus), by Marscay (Aus). Canterbury (Sydney), 9-29, 3yo, f, Hcp, 5fT. B-D R Fleming.

Smart Maxie (Aus), c, 4, Anabaa--Smart Little Lady (Aus), by Bletchingly (Aus). Canterbury (Sydney), 9-29, 3yo/up, Hcp, 5 1/2fT. B-B W McHugh.

Delicata (Aus), f, 4, Lake Coniston (Ire)--Platinum Asset (Aus), by Steel Blade (Aus). Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 9-29, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1mT. B-J Forwood.

Hissy Fit (Aus), g, 4, Octagonal (NZ)--Social Whirl (Aus), by Mighty Kingdom (Aus). Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 9-29, 3yo/up, Mdn, 1mT. B-Woodlands Stud.

Waitoki Dream (NZ), g, 4, Pentire (GB)--Calm Lover (NZ), by Spectacular Love. Hawke's Bay (New Zealand), 10-2, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1m 2f 45ydsT. B-Mrs J G Slater & C C E & J W Thompson.

On the Quiet (Aus), g, 5, Celtic Swing (GB)--Galaxy Flyer (NZ), by Star Way (GB). Avondale (New Zealand), 9-29, 3yo/up, Mdn, 1 5/16mT. B-Serenity Park.

Sing in the Sun (NZ), m, 5, Desert Sun (GB)--White Winter (NZ), by Waikiki Star. Hawke's Bay (New Zealand), 10-2, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1mT. B-A & Mrs D L Devcich.

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