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SADLER'S WELLS PENSIONED

Sadler's Wells (Northern Dancer--Fairy Bridge, by Bold Reason), one of Europe's all-time premier sires, has been retired from stud duties due to declining fertility,



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Coolmore Stud announced yesterday. The 27-year-old stallion will remain at Coolmore in Ireland, where he has stood since retiring to stud for the 1985 season. "I think Sadler's Wells is generally acknowledged as the best sire Europe has ever seen, and we feel very privileged to

have been associated with him," said Coolmore Manager Christy Grassick. "Despite his advancing years, he is still in remarkably good condition and I hope he enjoys a long and happy retirement. His influence will be felt for many years to come and, in Galileo (Ire), Montjeu (Ire) and High Chaparral (Ire), we are delighted to have his three best sons at Coolmore." Sadler's Wells was champion sire in Britain and Ireland a record-breaking 14 times, including 13 years in succession. On the day his retirement was announced, Sadler's Wells was represented by Prospect Wells (Fr), who broke his maiden in the G2 Prix Greffulhe at Saint-Cloud (*TDN*, p5). He is also the sire of last week's G3 Chester Vase winner Doctor Fremantle (GB) and further 2008 group winners Ask (GB), Royal and Regal (Ire) and Gagnoa (Ire). According to Equineline, Sadler's Wells has sired a staggering 272 stakes winners from 2,149 foals of racing age, a strike rate of nearly 13 percent. Of those, 154 have won graded races and 18 have been named champion. Only his late former stablemate Danehill has sired more stakes winners. Sadler's Wells, whose stud fee has been listed as private for several years, covered 64 mares in 2007. **Cont. p2**

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Harlem Rocker to Bypass Preakness...

Frank Stronach's Harlem Rocker (Macho Uno) will bypass Saturday's GI Preakness S. at Pimlico in Baltimore in favor of the Queen's Plate at Woodbine June 22. "I spoke to Mr. Stronach [yesterday] morning and we've decided to take a conservative approach," said trainer Todd Pletcher. "We're going to point toward the Queen's Plate, and we'll look for some bigger races down the road." The grey broke his maiden by 1 3/4 lengths at Gulfstream Feb. 14 before taking a mile allowance over the Hallandale oval Mar. 30. Despite checking at the start of the GIII Withers S. Apr. 26, the Adena Springs homebred was good enough to register a victory over J Be K.



A. Coglianese

Big Brown to Ship to Baltimore Wednesday...

Kentucky Derby winner Big Brown (Boundary) jogged over a sealed track at Churchill Downs Monday and is scheduled to ship to Pimlico Wednesday ahead of a tilt at the GI Preakness S. Saturday. Regular rider Michelle Nevin was aboard for the move. "He came out of the [Derby] good and he's been training good," said trainer Rick Dutrow Jr. According to Dutrow, the bay will likely gallop today and tomorrow, if the weather remains dry, before a possible 'blow-out' of a quarter of a mile Saturday morning. "We'll probably do it the day of [the race] if the track's good," said Dutrow. "I don't know if we'll do it if the track's no good. We'll wait and see."

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Stevil Work Delayed...

Stevil (Maria's Mon) missed a half-mile breeze yesterday after trainer Nick Zito decided to push back the work a day because of rain in the Louisville area. "He'll work an easy half [Tuesday] and then ship [to Pimlico] Wednesday," confirmed Zito. Owned by Bob LaPenta, Stevil was a close-up fourth most recently in the GI Blue Grass S. at Keeneland Apr. 12. "Hopefully, Stevil will make a good showing and we can go on to the next town," said Zito, alluding to the GI Belmont S. June 7. Johnny Velazquez will have the mount Saturday.

Blinkers Off Tres Borrachos...

Tres Borrachos (Ecton Park), who was sporting blinkers for the first time during an outing to the track Sunday, will not be equipped with the accessory going forward, according to trainer and co-owner Beau Greely. The gelding galloped a mile and five-eighths after Churchill's renovation break, with Andy Durnin in the irons. "It was just an experiment we thought we'd try," said Greely. "It looked like it didn't make any difference, plus he has shown speed in his races and I didn't want to take a chance." Third in the Gill El Camino Real Derby Mar. 8, the bay filled that same spot last time out in the GI Arkansas Derby Apr. 12. The sophomore will ship to Pimlico Wednesday.

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J BE K (Silver Deputy), 5f (tt), 1:03.06, 6/14
 RILEY TUCKER (Harlan's Holiday), 5f (tt), 1:06.09, 14/14

CHURCHILL DOWNS

KODIAK KOWBOY (Posse), 5f, 1:02.40, 5/15
 PYRO (Pulpit), 4f, :53.60, 35/37
 Z FORTUNE (Siphon {Brz}), 4f, :52.60, 32/37

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WICKED STYLE (Macho Uno), 5f, 1:01.00, 2/4

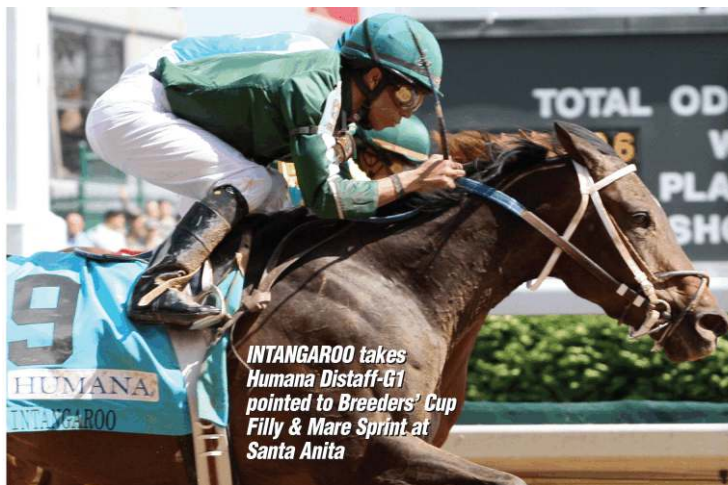
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Bridge to the Future...

Robert Sangster and Vincent O'Brien enjoyed no small amount of success in the 1970s and '80s with horses purchased in the U.S., including the likes of champions Alleged, The Minstrel and Golden Fleece, to name a few. One of their minor acquisitions during that time was a \$40,000 Bold Reason yearling filly at Keeneland July in 1976 from the consignment of Claiborne Farm. She was produced by the *Forli mare Special, a granddaughter of the famed broodmare *Rough Shod. Named Fairy Bridge, the bay won both of her starts as a two-year-old in Ireland and was honored as the joint-topweighted filly in that country in 1977 without winning a stakes. She returned to the U.S. to begin her breeding career. Following the death of her first foal by *Vaguely Noble, Fairy Bridge was covered by Northern Dancer and produced Sadler's Wells in 1981. Her next foal, the Northern Dancer colt Fairy King, was injured in his lone start, but became a very successful stallion at Coolmore. He was followed by Tate Gallery (Northern Dancer), who won the G1 National S. in 1985. Fairy Bridge then produced a pair of stakes-winning fillies by Northern Dancer, Fairy Gold and Puppet Dance. Her final foal was the winning Danzig colt Perugino, who has sired Australian star Testa Rossa (Aus) and the good sprinter The Tatling (Ire) during his stud career. **Cont. p3**



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A Top-Class Racehorse...

Sadler's Wells captured both of his starts at two, including the G2 Beresford S., but was overshadowed by the brilliance of stablemate El Gran Senor, who ended 1983 as the champion two-year-old in England and Ireland. At three, Sadler's Wells won the G2 Derrinstown Stud Derby Trial S. before earning Classic glory in the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas. He followed with a runner-up finish in the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club, splitting future top sires Darshaan (GB) and Rainbow Quest. The blaze-faced bay established himself as one of the toughest members of his generation thereafter, winning the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. and G1 Irish Champion S. as well as finishing second in the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. Northern Dancer, represented by dual Classic winner El Gran Senor (2000 Guineas and Irish Derby) as well as Epsom Derby hero Secreto in addition to Sadler's Wells, set record earnings figures in Britain and Ireland in 1984, becoming the first stallion to pass the £1-million mark (the previous best was £559,999).



High Chaparral

The World's a Stage...

Rated at 132 by Timeform, Sadler's Wells entered stud in 1985 at Coolmore as one of the most desirable stallion prospects in years, with El Gran Senor and Secreto heading across the Atlantic and his 3/4-brother Nureyev (Northern Dancer--Special) departing France for

Kentucky after one breeding season. Expectations were high for Sadler's Wells with his initial Ir125,000gns stud fee, but the bay managed to exceed even the highest hopes. The tone for his stud career was set when a pair of colts from his first crop--Prince of Dance (GB) and Scenic (Ire)--dead-heated for victory in the 1988 G1 Dewhurst S. They were joined by Old Vic (GB), who doubled up in the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club and G1 Irish Derby; and In the Wings (GB), who captured the 1990 GI BC Turf. These early successes kept breeders clamoring for his services, and Sadler's Wells continued to deliver while covering big books of well-bred mares. He has

sired no fewer than 71 Group/Grade 1 winners to date, and was champion sire in Britain and Ireland 14 of 15 years from 1990 through 2004, the last 13 of those in succession. That surpassed the previous record, established by Highflyer (GB) between 1785 and 1798.

Sadler's Wells, by virtue of endowing his offspring with stamina, became the most highly prized source of Classic runners in the last two decades. He sired a string of G1 Epsom Oaks heroines early in his stud career, but the stallion had to wait until 2001 for his first Derby winner after five runners-up. Galileo (Ire) won in 2001 and was quickly followed by High Chaparral (Ire). Both colts added the G1 Irish Derby, and they stand as two of his 22 individual European Classic winners. Included in that number are three winners of both the Irish Derby and its French counterpart, the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club: Dream Well (Fr) (1998), Montjeu (Ire) (1999) and Old Vic (GB) (1989). Sadler's Wells has also been well-represented as a sire of Guineas winners. Three colts--Entrepreneur (GB), King of Kings (Ire) and Refuse to Bend (Ire)--have landed the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket, and the G1 Irish 2000 Guineas has been won by his sons Baratheia (Ire) and Saffron Walden (Fr).

TDN Columnist Bill Oppenheim on Sadler's Wells:

"Sadler's Wells singlehandedly restored the reputation of Europe as a place where you could stand world-class stallions after European stallion ranks had been decimated by the Americans in the 1970s and 1980s. His first crop was foaled in 1986, and raced in 1988. The fact that he has been 14 times champion sire in Britain and Ireland says it all. He was the first stallion to sustain the sort of percentages which used to mark a 'World Top 12' sire while still having three-figure foal crops. Now that his sire line is firmly established through Galileo and Montjeu, at least, it's fair to say he has been far and away the most influential sire in Europe for the past 20 years. And I hope he's not done yet."



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A Real Ladies Man...

A significant portion of his Group 1 winners are male, but fillies by Sadler's Wells have also made their mark in the Classics, including the G1 Oaks heroines Salsabil (Ire) (1990), Intrepidity (GB) (1993), Moonshell (Ire) (1995), Imagine (Ire) (2001) and Alexandrova (Ire) (2006). Salsabil also distinguished herself with a victory in the G1 1000 Guineas and defeated colts in the G1 Irish Derby.



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Given their success on the track, it is not surprising that Sadler's Wells's daughters have become valuable both in the sales ring and in the breeding shed. The leading broodmare sire in Ireland and Britain in 2005, '06 and '07, Sadler's Wells is the damsire of recent G1 2000 Guineas winner Henrythenavigator. That colt is by Kingmambo, who has been a particularly useful for Sadler's Wells mares. The partnership has included champions El Condor Pasa and Divine Proportions, Classic winner Virginia Waters and Group 1 winner Thewayyouare.

Sadler's Wells is also the broodmare sire of Group 1 winners Cesario (Jpn), Diktat (GB), Horatio Nelson (Ire), Musical Chimes, Peeping Fawn, Sakhee, Silic (Fr), Whipper, Youmzain (Ire), etc.

Last November, his daughter Playful Act (Ire) became the most expensive broodmare of all time when knocked down to Darley's John Ferguson for \$10.5 million. Fittingly, she was sold out of a dispersal of Robert Sangster's stock. Daughter Liffey Dancer (Ire) set a world record for a yearling filly at last year's Tattersalls October Sale. She sold to Charlie Gordon-Watson, agent for Craig Bennett, for 2.5-million guineas (\$5.33 million). Sadler's Wells has also sired the highest-priced yearling ever sold in Europe, Diaghilev (Ire) (a Group 1 winner in Hong Kong under the name River Dancer), who sold for 3.4-million guineas in 2000 at Tattersalls Houghton.

Robert Sangster's son Ben, who was on hand to watch Playful Act sell last November, reflected on the sire who has had an immense impact on his family.

"He was a phenomenal horse," Ben Sangster told *sportinglife.com*. "His record as a stallion is unbelievable, and it is the end of a very distinguished career. His legacy will live on through his sons and daughters and their sons and daughters. He has the likes of Montjeu and Galileo among many others to continue his bloodline. A number of his sons and daughters will probably be lining up at Epsom this year and for the next couple of years to come and his influence will continue."

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Sons of the Father...

Despite an army of Group 1-winning sons, it took some time for Sadler's Wells to establish himself as a sire of sires, particularly in Europe. His champion son El Prado (Ire), sent to Kentucky for stud duty, climbed from a relatively humble beginning (a \$5,000 stud fee) to the upper echelons of U.S. sires, leading the general sire list in 2002 and perennially in the top five. Fort Wood rewrote the books in South Africa, and Scenic (Ire) carved out a solid career in Australia. As for his European sons at stud, In the Wings (GB) sired a globe-trotting superstar in Singspiel (Ire) before his untimely death, and Barathea (Ire) has sired a sprinkling of Group 1 winners. But true successors to his mantle did not come forward until his more recent crops. Champion Montjeu (Ire)'s first three-year-olds emerged in 2005 with the likes of Hurricane Run (Ire), hero of the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe; Motivator (GB), the G1 Epsom Derby victor; and Scorpion (Ire), winner of the G1 Grand Prix de Paris and the G1 St. Leger S. A year later, the first crop of champion Galileo (Ire) produced G1 Irish 1000 Guineas heroine Nighttime (Ire), G1 Breeders' Cup Turf winner Red Rocks (Ire) and Sixties Icon (GB), who led home a Galileo trifecta in the G1 St. Leger. Galileo's second crop included Teofilo (Ire), the top-ranked European two-year-old of 2006, while his third crop includes last year's European juvenile champ and recent 2000 Guineas runner-up New Approach (Ire).



Sadler's Wells Pensioned cont.

TDN Columnist Andrew Caulfield
on Sadler's Wells:

"Superlatives are greatly overused in the world of sport, but no one could begrudge their being used about Sadler's Wells, with his phenomenal record of 14 sires' championships in the space of 15 years. No stallion has come close to such dominance in Britain and Ireland--not even the legendary stallions which operated during the much less competitive eras of the 18th and 19th centuries.

He was also dominant in that it was usually easy to spot one of his progeny. A dominant bay who sometimes passed on his prominent blaze and a sock or two, he also became synonymous with soundness and dependability. He had shown these qualities throughout his own career for the equally great Vincent O'Brien, coping very well with a tough nine-race campaign as a three-year-old. Although he tended to race with his head a little high, a trait which he often passed on to his stock, this should never be mistaken for any lack of courage. His stock have also generally mirrored the fact that he didn't show the full extent of his ability until he was three, even though he was unbeaten in two juvenile appearances. Considering that he gained his Group 1 victories over a mile and 1 1/4 miles, arguably the most surprising aspect of his stallion career has been the amount of stamina he has often passed on to his stock. A sprinter by Sadler's Wells is virtually a mythical creature.

It is hard to imagine now that he was once considered a disappointing sire of fillies. The group winners from Sadler's Wells's first four crops divided very unevenly between the sexes, with the colts leading the fillies by 20 to two, but one of the fillies was Salsabil, winner of the 1000 Guineas, Oaks and Irish Derby. Gradually, more and more good fillies began to appear, and he has won the Oaks with Salsabil, Intrepidity, Moonshell, Imagine and Alexandrova, plus the Irish Oaks with Dance Design and Ebadiyla. He has also won the Irish 1000 Guineas with Imagine, Gossamer and Yesterday and made a sizeable impact on the Fillies' Mile, with Gossamer, Playful Act and Listen. No wonder he has been champion broodmare sire for the last three years.

There was also a time when people questioned his right to be considered a sire of sires, but Montjeu, Galileo, Barathea, El Prado and In the Wings have set the record straight."

TDN TODAY

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Bullets at Barretts

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Monday, Saint-Cloud, France

PRIX GREFFULHE-G2, €130,000, Saint-Cloud, 5-12, 3yo, c/f, 1 1/4mT, 2:11.60, gd/sf.

1--#**@PROSPECT WELLS (FR)**, 128, c, 3, by [Sadler's Wells](#)

1st Dam: **Brooklyn's Dance (Fr) (GSW-Fr)**,
by **Shirley Heights (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Vallee Dansante**, by **Lyphard**

3rd Dam: **Green Valley (Fr)**, by **Val de Loir (Fr)**

O/B-Wertheimer et Frere; T-Andre Fabre; J-Olivier Peslier; €74,100. Lifetime Record: 4 starts, 1 win, 3 places, €91,900. *Full to Prospect Park (GB), MGSW-Fr & MGSP-US, \$617,510. **Werk Nick Rating: A+.**
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2--**Ripple (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Rock of Gibraltar (Ire)--Slipstream Queen, by Conquistador Cielo. O-His Highness the Aga Khan; B-H H the Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Jean-Claude Rouget; €28,600.

3--**Trois Rois (Fr)**, 128, c, 3, Hernando (Fr)--Trevisse (Fr), by Anabaa. O-Alec Head; B-Alec & Ghislaine Head; T-Freddy Head; €13,650.

Margins: SNK, SNK, 1HF. Odds: 1.80, 3.70, 1.40.

Also Ran: Salsalavie (Fr), Chirango (Fr).



Prix Greffuhle cont.

Olivier Peslier helped to provide owners Alain and Gerard Wertheimer with Classic success in Sunday's G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains at Longchamp and they combined with Prospect Wells (Fr) to repeat the dose in Monday's G2 Prix Greffuhle at Saint-Cloud. Sent off the 9-5 second favorite, the homebred denied Ripple (Fr) by a short neck and will now attempt to follow up in the June 1 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club at Chantilly. "We can't really complain with the silks winning three group races in two days," commented the brothers' racing manager Pierre-Yves Bureau. "Olivier Peslier rode him with great confidence and, most certainly, he will now go to the Prix du Jockey-Club." Runner-up to the smart Tamayuz (GB) in a newcomers' event at Longchamp last September, Prospect Wells occupied the same berth behind the similarly talented Hello Morning (Fr) in a mile conditions event at this track the following month. Returning from that juvenile-season closer, he ran second once again at conditions level back at the Bois de Boulogne venue last time Apr. 10 and laid down a Classic marker by delivering a sharp burst of acceleration in the closing stages of this prestigious trial. Restrained in last early by a patient Peslier, the bay remained in rear until coaxed forward with 350 meters to go. Grabbing the ground with relish thereafter, he went through the gears under a sympathetic drive inside the final furlong and passed every rival to register an ultimately cozy victory. "Obviously the horse has come on a lot for his first run [of the year]," Bureau added. "Even though he was only a maiden, we thought it worth coming here and attempting this." [Click for the Racing Post chart](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#).

Monday, Cologne, Germany

MEHL-MULHENS-RENNEN-GERMAN 2000 GUIN-EAS-G2, €165,000, Cologne, 5-12, 3yo, c/f, 1mT, 1:37.13, gd.

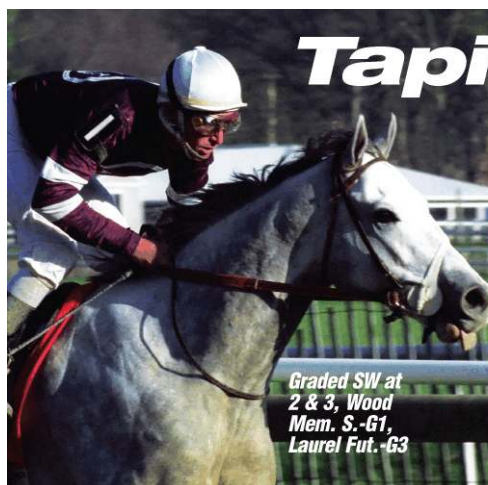
- 1--**PRECIOUS BOY (GER)**, 128, c, 3, by Big Shuffle
 1st Dam: **Pretty Su (Ire)**, by Surumu (Ger)
 2nd Dam: **Pretty Procida**, by Procida
 3rd Dam: **Provocatrice**, by Irish River (Fr)
 O/B-Gestut Park Wiedingen; T-Waldemar Hickst; J-Adrie de Vries; €100,000. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 4 wins, 1 place, €225,000. **Werk Nick Rating: A + + .**
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- 2--**Konig Concorde (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Big Shuffle--Kaiserin (Ger), by Ile de Bourbon. O-Wolfgang Frohlich; B-Gestut Elsetal; T-C Sprengel; €38,000.
- 3--**Liang Kay (Ger)**, 128, c, 3, Dai Jin (GB)--Linton Bay (Ger), by Funambule. O-Stall Emina; B-Ina E Zimmermann; T-Uwe Ostmann; €18,000.
 Margins: 1HF,NK, 1 1/4. Odds: 1.80, 15.40, 1.10.
 Also Ran: Balios (Ger), Abbashiva (Ger), Sehrezad (Ire), Solent Ridge (Ire).

Precious Boy registered immediate success at Krefeld last July and continued on an upward curve when garnering the Listed Herzog von Ratibor-Rennen at the expense of subsequent Listed Henkel Trial victress Servenya (Ger) back at that track in September. He carried away Germany's most prestigious juvenile prize, the Oct. 14 G3 Preis des Winterfavoriten over this course and distance next time, but lost his unbeaten tag when failing by a short head against Liang Kay on his seasonal return in the Apr. 20 G3 Dr Busch-Memorial back at Krefeld. Exacting revenge on that old foe here, the homebred shadowed the leaders in fourth through the early fractions and was geared up for his bid soon after turning for home. Set alight with 300 meters remaining, he took instant control and was ridden out in the closing stages to easily assert superiority.

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SCHWARZGOLD-RENNEN (EX KOLNER HERBST STUTEN-MEILE)-G3,
 €65,000, Cologne, 5-12, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:37.79, gd.

1--#**@PEACE ROYALE (GER), 126, f, 3, by Sholokhov (Ire)**

1st Dam: Peace Time (Ger) (SP-Ger), by Surumu (Ger)

2nd Dam: Princess of Spain (GB), by King of Spain (GB)

3rd Dam: Pallomere (GB), by Blue Cashmere (GB)

(€46,000 yrl '06 BBASEP). O-Filly Syndikat; B-Gestut Etzean; T-Andreas Wohler; J-Andreas Suborics; €40,000. Lifetime Record: GSP-Ger, 5 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €88,000. *1/2 to Peaceful Love (Dashing Blade {GB}), GSW-Ger. **Werk Nick Rating: A.**

Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Love Academy (Ger), 126, f, 3, Medicean (GB)--**

Laurencia (GB), by Shirley Heights (GB). O-Gestut Ittlingen; B-Gestut Hof Ittlingen; T-Peter Schiergen; €15,000.

3--**Rosenreihe (Ire), 126, f, 3, Catcher in the Rye (Ire)--**

Rosengeste (Ire), by Be My Guest. O/B-Gestut

Wittekindshof; T-Peter Schiergen; €6,000.

Margins: HF, HF, 3/4. Odds: 2.70, 1.10, 14.30.

Also Ran: Diamantgottin (Ger), Themelie Island (Ire),

Manipura (Ger), Zaya (Ger), Soledad (Ger), Idonea.

Peace Royale accounted for Sunday's Listed Henkel Trial victress Servenya (Ger) when breaking through on debut at Bremen last August, but dropped to second in the G3 Maurice Lacroix-Trophy at Baden-Baden later that month. She accounted for a valuable sales race at Dusseldorf in September and closed her juvenile campaign with a respectable sixth behind G1 Poule d'Essai des Pouliches heroine Zarkava (Ire) in the Oct. 7 G1 Prix Marcel Boussac at Longchamp. Stalking the leading pair in third from the outset of this seasonal return, she eased to the front just inside the quarter-mile marker and was pushed out in the closing stages to hold on in comfortable fashion. Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).



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☆ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR ☆

Farewell, Fox of Laurel

The Thoroughbred industry has lost an icon, with the death of my friend Frank Whiteley.

I knew Frank for nearly 40 years. He was a man of very few words, but a man with strong convictions. He was a very kind and sensitive man to those who really knew him. He had strong likes and strong dislikes, but he rarely verbalized them. While he allowed very few to be close to him, we remained good friends after his retirement, and I once named a horse for him, Mr. Whiteley.

One thing is indisputable--Frank Whiteley was one of the greatest horse trainers to ever grace the sport.

In May 1974, Frank called me to say he had a three-year-old colt for sale, and he thought I should buy him. He never said much about the colt other than the price. With Frank, you didn't ask too many questions, and I purchased the colt on Frank's recommendation without even having him vetted.

About 10 days later, Frank called to say he had a half-sister to my colt who was ready to run, adding, "I think she's OK."

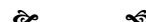
For someone as careful with his words as Frank was, this was tantamount to taking an ad out in the *Racing Form*. So while I never was a big bettor, I wagered \$200 to win on this unraced two-year-old filly. Her name was Ruffian, and the rest is history.

Most will agree that Ruffian was the greatest female horse of all time, which makes what happened with the recent Ruffian movie all the more a travesty. It has been widely reported that Frank and Jacinto Vazquez, who rode Ruffian in nearly all her races, sued Walt Disney Co, ESPN and ABC. I would like to set the record straight on what occurred.

About four years ago, ESPN contacted Frank about making a movie on Ruffian. They wanted his cooperation, and both he and his son David told me they would have no problem collaborating. However, Frank was adamant that the story be told as truthfully and respectfully as possible, with regard to the horse and the people closest to her.

In the end, Frank refused to cooperate and, in fact, sued them. He was ashamed of how his words were twisted to make it appear as though Jacinto Vasquez routinely took racial insults; of a scene where he came into the paddock on his lead pony; of a stock trailer being used to transport his horses; of the way his barn operation was depicted. He literally could not bear to watch the scenes in Dr. Reed's clinic, because he said the portrayal of how Ruffian was treated was blatantly inaccurate.

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Letters to the Editor cont.

Only two reporters had regular access to Frank's barn, and they were Joe Hirsch and the late Teddy Cox, both of the *Daily Racing Form*. Frank was angry that the author/consultant injected himself into the story as one of his confidants.

Ultimately, he was disappointed that more people in the industry did not support him in this, or realize what he was trying to do for the sport. The lawsuit was brought to set the record straight. Any settlement was earmarked for the Ruffian Foundation, to fund and develop research to prevent and treat catastrophic injuries.

Frank was a forward-thinking man, not one who lived in the past. He had long felt our sport was not being marketed to the younger generation, and he knew our survival depended on it. He believed the sport needed a strong commissioner, and he shared his ideas and potential prospects for this role with me.

When someone is 93, death comes as no real surprise, but there is still that sense of loss. With Frank, the loss is great. He left an indelible mark on our sport. What he accomplished with Forego, Damascus, Tom Rolfe and Ruffian is in the record books.

But more than anything else, he was a great man. He was himself. He had a certain way of treating horses and people. He expected the best and he gave the best.

The irony is not lost on me that Frank died one day before this year's Kentucky Derby--a race that was won by a horse inbred to the greatest colt he ever trained, Damascus, and with a tragedy reminiscent of the greatest filly he ever trained, Ruffian.

After Ruffian died, Frank never put any other horse in her stall. He told me no one deserved to take her place. No one will ever take Frank Whiteley's place.

The best way we can honor Frank Whiteley is for our sport to now come together to protect our superstars--both horses and humans--and to not allow any unfavorable depiction, especially for those who cannot speak for themselves.

--Peter E. Blum

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PRIX DE GUICHE-G3, €80,000, 3yo, c, 1 1/8mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	6	Putney Bridge	Mizzen Mast	Head-Maarek
2	2	Mayweather (GB)	Nayef	Rouget
3	3	Trincot (Fr)	Peintre Celebre	Demercastel
4	4	In Chambers (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Delzangles
5	1	In Seclusion	Cozzene	Fabre

All carry 128 pounds.

Wednesday, York, Britain

DUKE OF YORK S.-G2, £100,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	WT
1	13	Soldier's Tale	Stravinsky	Dettori	138
2	1	War Artist (Aus)	Orpen	McEvoy	138
3	4	Haatef	Danzig	McDonogh	136
4	6	Assertive (GB)	Bold Edge (GB)	Moore	133
5	11	Balthazaar's Gift (Ire)	Xaar (GB)	Fortune	133
6	5	Beaver Patrol (Ire)	Tagula (Ire)	R Hills	133
7	7	Beckermet (Ire)	Second Empire (Ire)	Catlin	133
8	9	Big Timer	Street Cry (Ire)	Eaves	133
9	15	Galeota (Ire)	Mujadil	Dobbs	133
10	18	Garnica (Fr)	Linamix (Fr)	Nicholls	133
11	3	Hoh Mike (Ire)	Intikhab	Spencer	133
12	14	Honoured Guest (Ire)	Danehill	Heffernan	133
13	2	Prime Defender (GB)	Bertolini	M Hills	133
14	8	Rising Shadow (Ire)	Efisio (GB)	J Quinn	133
15	16	Sonny Red (Ire)	Redback (GB)	Hughes	133
16	17	US Ranger	Danzig	Murtagh	133
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☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

KATIYRA ON TRACK His Highness the Aga Khan's **Katiyra (Ire)** (Peintre Celebre) looks set to run in the June 6 G1 Juddmonte Epsom Oaks, trainer John Oxx announced yesterday. Runner-up in Sunday's G3 Derrinstown Stud 1000 Guineas Trial at Leopardstown, the homebred has emerged from that test unscathed. "She's fine and in good form this morning--there are no problems at all," he told *PA Sport*. "It was a good run. It was her first run for quite a while and we were happy with her, she did run an excellent race but just looks as though she needs further. We've not made a final decision, but it looks like she'll go for the Oaks at Epsom and miss the Irish Guineas."

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

HARADASUN TO TACKLE LOCKINGE Frank Tagg's **Haradasun (Aus)** (Fusaichi Pegasus) looks set to make his European debut in Saturday's G1 Juddmonte Lockinge S. at Newbury, for which 15 stood their ground at yesterday's five-day stage. Winner in Australia of last year's G1 George Ryder S. and G1 Doncaster H. and third in the G1 Cox Plate, Haradasun was withdrawn from Sunday's G3 Amethyst S. at Leopardstown and, instead will represent the Ballydoyle team in Saturday's mile contest. "They have a huge investment in the horse," Tagg told the *Herald Sun*. "He wouldn't be running unless they were supremely confident he'd run well. The G1 Queen Anne S. [at Royal Ascot June 17] is our ultimate goal." Haradasun is one of a four-strong squad from the Aidan O'Brien stable, which also includes Susan Magnier and Michael Tabor's G1 Prix Ganay hero **Duke of Marmalade (Ire)** (Danehill). Other notables include Cheveley Park Stud's impressive Listed Paradise S. scorer **Cesare (GB)** (Machiavellian), Godolphin's G1 Hong Kong Mile runner-up **Creachadoir (Ire)** (King's Best) and Khalid Abdullah's G3 Earl of Sef-ton S. winner **Phoenix Tower** (Chester House).

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What are some positive steps racing should take in the wake of the Eight Belles tragedy, both for the safety of the horses and in light of the mounting public criticism of the sport?

GRETCHEN JACKSON, LAEL FARM

For me in my old age, a product of the 20 and 21st century, I want action within the horse world. It seems



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that all the warning signs of danger have been posted over and over again; committees formed, hot topics for discussion, recommendations made, and yet nothing happens. In my little corner of the world, surrounded by many of my retired racehorses, I beg, plead, beseech everyone of us fortunate enough to be associated with these beautiful creatures to take responsibility for the horses under their care.

Raising and racing horses is not a game, it is a way of life. In the Lael Farm College of Philosophy, Course 101 teaches: a) life can be sublime; and b) life can be cruel. As owners, we recognize these two opposing fates can apply to each and every one of our horses. This knowledge both obligates and empowers us to make the best decisions for their welfare.

Our horses are our kids. Treat them as such. Peppermints & carrots alone just doesn't cut it. From start to finish, participate in every aspect of their needs. Check your horses by reading and questioning vet bills, be involved to a degree with when, where, and how they are trained and raced. Give them time to mature; consider running at three instead of two. Euthanize only those who are in pain, suffering--that no time or medication can fix. Once their racing career is over, take them back or give them to another who will provide for them.

It is time to be involved, to engage, to not turn our backs, point fingers, or rely on countless committees and endless rhetoric to solve our problems. Blaming is reactive and destructive; taking responsibility and making tough decisions is proactive and constructive and the only way to improve our beloved sport. **Cont. p10**



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CORMAC BREATHNACH, GALWAY BLOODSTOCK

Racing faces an image crisis. Calling horseracing “the sport of kings” has done this industry a great disservice.



It has reinforced the misconception among casual fans that horsemen are all Forbes 500 businessmen with thousands of acres of white-fenced pastures, who race their multi-million dollar horses against their will. Nothing could be further from the truth. In order to save this industry from the wrath of animal welfare groups, we must change this image.

We now have ample television coverage of racing, but the sport is being marketed simply as a means to gamble. Very little is done to draw

the budding enthusiast to the horse itself, and that is the unique element that this sport has to offer—not gambling, which can be done anywhere. Racing offers fans a great day out, and a chance to see elite athletes up close, but instead fans are being lectured about “inside speed bias” or “hitting the all button.” If you attract fans to the game first, rest assured most of them will bet. But the majority don’t want to bet until they know something about the horses. I have brought many people racing for the first time. None of them ever wanted to be told who to bet on, only to understand how and why to choose a particular horse. This sport is about the horses who embody the very essence of competitive spirit, and the hardworking, passionate and compassionate people that care for them. It should be marketed as such, lest we fall further foul of a misinformed public.

On a related, but separate note, we must do everything possible to minimize the incidence of catastrophic injury to our athletes. Occasional injuries are an inevitable consequence of any high-performance sport (NFL, NASCAR etc.), but horseracing faces the unique difficulty that frequently our patients are not treatable.

Outlined below are three common practices that only we can change to improve this situation:

Firstly, the use of cosmetic surgeries to improve conformation has resulted in the standing of stallions that no longer exhibit their own genetic predispositions. The innate conformational flaws of these individuals are unknowingly being passed on to successive generations. Ideally, these surgeries should be recorded in a database made freely available to breeders so that they can make their own informed mating decisions.

Secondly, allowing horses to perform on race-day medications clouds inherent defects that might otherwise have fished those individuals out of the gene pool. A “quick fix” of adopting another, more conservative racing nation’s drug rules, and applying it uniformly to all U.S. racing jurisdictions may be considered drastic, but these are drastic times. Improving a breed on the population level requires selective breeding of the fittest. Determining the fittest individual through medication and surgery can only have negative consequences. While accumulation of these defects cannot happen overnight, we are already advancing down this path, and must change direction before the situation deteriorates further.

Thirdly, for many breeders the goal of breeding has changed significantly. Ours has become a “breed-to-sell” industry, where the auction ring is the new winner’s circle. This has led to the overbreeding of young, unproven stallions, many of which will ultimately fail as sires of good racehorses. And clearly there is little or no correlation between high-priced yearlings and superior racetrack performance, further undermining this practice. Economics dictate that there is no easy way to revert to an old-fashioned breed-to-race philosophy. But maybe we could all at least take a long, careful look at our stallion selections and score an extra point for “retired sound.”

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

POULE D'ESSAI DES POULAINS-G1, €400,000,

Longchamp, 5-11, 3yo, c, 1mT, 1:35.60, gd.

1--#@▲**FALCO, 128, c, 3, by Pivotal (GB)**

1st Dam: Icelips, by Unbridled

2nd Dam: Sea Hill, by Seattle Slew

3rd Dam: Featherhill, by Lyphard

O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Carlos Laffon-Parias;

J-Olivier Peslier; €228,560. Lifetime Record: 5 starts,

2 win, 2 places, €253,060. * 1/2 to Iron Lips (GB)

(Iron Mask), GSW-Fr, \$159,469.

The award for stallion performance of last week surely belonged to Zarkava's sire Zamindar, who has now supplied the winner of the French 1000 Guineas in three of the last seven years. However, there was also considerable merit attached to Pivotal's feat of siring Falco, winner of the colts' equivalent of this classic. It's my belief that Falco would have been Pivotal's second consecutive winner of the Poule d'Essai des Poulains, but for the amount of trouble that Excellent Art's rider managed to find in last year's race. Excellent Art comfortably reversed the form when he met the first and second from Longchamp next time out, in the St James's Palace S.

Pivotal, of course, is now the highest-priced stallion in England, having stood at £65,000 in 2005 and 2006 and at £85,000 in 2007 and 2008, but his reputation was built on much lower fees. Considering that his fee in his first six seasons was never higher than £10,000, he did astonishingly well to sire 24 group/graded winners from a total of 369 foals--a world-class 6.5 percent. By the way, that total of 24 could be 26 if you are prepared to include good winners in Hong Kong and Turkey. By the way, that total of 24 could be 26 if you are prepared to include good winners in Hong Kong and Turkey.

The question was whether a rise in his fee would make much difference to his exceptional strike rate. While the expectation was that it would get even better, it could just as easily have fallen as his book size rose and the type of mare changed.

The signs are that it is going to be business as usual for Pivotal with his higher-priced crops. His seventh crop, sired at £25,000, has so far produced five group winners from his 116 foals born in 2004. Given the way that Pivotal's offspring frequently improve with maturity, this total could easily rise. **cont. p12**



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DANEHILL DANCER

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Although Falco--another good winner for the Wertheimer brothers--is only the second group winner to emerge from the 113 foals in Pivotal's next crop, sired at £40,000, I'm sure we've seen only the tip of the iceberg so far. His other Classic contenders this year have included the impressive listed winner Il Warrd, who raced too freely for his own good in Falco's race; Infallible, whose stamina possibly ran out close home when fourth in Natagora's 1000 Guineas; and Halfway to Heaven and Azabara, who filled third and fifth places behind Zarkava at Longchamp.

The next big test for Pivotal involves his new batch of two-year-olds--his first crop sired at £65,000. The likes of Demi O'Byrne, John Ferguson and Charlie Gordon-Watson were among the purchasers of higher-priced lots and Cheveley Park Stud, which has done so well with Pivotal, has no fewer than 19 of his juveniles in training this year. Cheveley Park also has 31 members of its 131-strong team of broodmares visiting Pivotal this year, plus another 18 going to Iceman, who shares the same sire, Polar Falcon, as Pivotal.

Falco's achievements on the track represent a sharp contrast to the racing career of his dam Icelips. This daughter of Unbridled suffered 10 consecutive defeats before she finally made it into the winner's enclosure at the provincial track at Pau in the December of her sophomore season. It could be significant that her victory came over 1 3/16 miles, the longest distance she had been asked to tackle. She possessed some speed though, judging by her close third over 5 1/2 furlongs on her first start at three.

FALCO, 3, C

Pivotal	Polar Falcon	Nureyev	Northern Dancer
		Marie D'Argonne (Fr)	Special
			Jefferson (GB)
	Fearless Revival (GB)	Cozzene	Mohair (Fr)
			Caro
		Stufida (GB)	Ride the Trails
Icelips 3FIs, 1 G1SW, 2 GSW	Unbridled	Fappiano	Mr. Prospector
		Gana Facil	Killaloe
			*Le Fabuleux
	Sea Hill 7 Fls, 1 GSW	Seattle Slew	Charedi
		Featherhill (Fr) 13 Fls, 2GSW	Bold Reasoning
			My Charmer
		Lyphard	
		Lady Berry (Fr)	

Icelips was one of 19 foals sired by Unbridled from daughters of Seattle Slew. Although none achieved the status of stakes winner, three--Unbridled Lassie, Consistency and Unleash the Power--were graded placed. Incidentally, Unbridled is also the broodmare sire of the recent Kentucky Derby third Denis of Cork and of the Grade I winners Dream Rush, Tapit and Lady Joanne.

Icelips's broodmare career got off to an interesting start. The stallion chosen for her in her first season, in 2003, was Danzig's fast son Iron Mask, a Wertheimer homebred whose most rewarding moment had come on the Kranji track in Singapore, where he won a Group 1 sprint in 2001. Iron Mask's fee in 2003 was only €5,000--a fraction of the £40,000 required to send a mare to Pivotal in 2004.

Remarkably, Icelips succeeded in producing a group winner to both of these differently priced stallions, with her speedy Iron Mask filly Iron Lips winning the G3 Prix Eclipse as a two-year-old. This feat suggests Icelips has great potential. She was transferred to Kentucky in 2004, while carrying Falco, and she has again divided her time between visiting a high-priced stallion and lending support to a young Wertheimer-bred stallion. After producing the filly Ice Mint to Awesome Again in 2006, she visited Olmodavor (who stood at \$10,000 and has since been moved to Florida). This time she produced a colt called Numb Lips.

Although Icelips was nothing out of the ordinary on the track, she has every right to be an excellent broodmare. Falco's fourth dam, Lady Berry, was a top-notch performer in the colors of Baron Guy de Rothschild, notably becoming the first filly for nearly 50 years to defeat the colts in the G1 Prix Royal-Oak--France's version of the St Leger--over 1 15/16 miles. Lady Berry then became one of those very rare birds with three Group 1 winners to her credit, thanks to the efforts of Le Nain Jaune (Grand Prix de Paris over 1 7/8 miles), Indian Rose (Prix Vermeille) and Vert Amante (Prix Ganay and third in the Arc). It was by less than a neck that Lady Berry failed to add a fourth Group 1 winner to her total, when her son Woolskin was second in the Grand Prix de Paris.

In comparison with these top-class performers, Falco's third dam, Featherhill, was an under-achiever, but she was stakes-placed in the USA, having scored at up to 1 1/2 miles in France. Featherhill was by Lyphard, which made her a close relative of the stamina-packed Le Nain Jaune, who was by Lyphard's son Pharly.

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LA CUCINA (IRE), 15, Last Tycoon (Ire)--Fandangerina, by Grey Dawn II
Foal born Apr. 7, a colt by Maria's Mon.
Will be bred back to Empire Maker.
Owned by Kenneth Jones.
Boarded at Domino Stud.
Accomplishments: Dam of Lady Linda (Torrential), MGSP, \$307,377; Sir Cherokee (Cherokee Run), MGSW, \$628,296.

SIGRUN, 18, Crafty Prospector--April Dawn Marie, by Baldski
Foal born Apr. 7, a colt by Broken Vow.
Will be bred back to Indian Charlie.
Owned by and boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky.
Accomplishments: MSW of \$429,519. Dam of Storm Breaking (Storm Cat), SP; Whimsy (Maria's Mon), GSW, \$201,382.

SMOKE CHASER, 9, Smoke Glacken--Fortune Forty Four, by Fortunate Prospect
Foal born Apr. 9, a colt by Rock Hard Ten.
Will be bred back to Corinthian.
Owned by Mercedes Stables LLC.
Boarded at Diamond A Farm.
Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$324,024.

JETTIN DIPLOMACY, 14, Roman Diplomat--Jetapat, by Tri Jet
Foal born Apr. 10, a colt by More Than Ready.
Will be bred back to Elusive Quality.
Owned by Haymarket Farm.
Boarded at Machmer Hall.
Accomplishments: Dam of Roman Commander (Deputy Commander), MSW & GISP, \$231,860.

SENTIMENTAL GIFT, 16, Green Dancer--Amenity (Fr), by Luthier (Fr)
Foal born Apr. 10, a colt by Songandaprayer.
Will be bred back to Cherokee Run.
Owned by R D Hubbard.
Boarded at Denali Stud.
Accomplishments: Dam of Alexine (Arg) (Runaway Groom), G1SW-Arg, MSW & GISP-US, \$361,388-US.

Insights cont.

Featherhill proved to be Lady Berry's best broodmare daughter, her reputation resting on her three stakes-winning sons. Best of the three was her Blushing Groom colt Groom Dancer, who defeated Tremolino in the G1 Prix Lupin prior to a respectable career as a stallion. However, her French Group 3 winner Tagel did well to finish third in the 1988 Breeders' Cup Juvenile. Her third stakes winner Slew the Slew, who once failed by a neck to defeat Fourstars Allstar in a Grade II over 1 1/8 miles, was by Slew o'Gold and therefore closely related to Falco's second dam, Sea Hill.

Sea Hill has maintained the family tradition of producing at least one Group 1 performer, as her Rahy filly Legerete was beaten only two heads when third in last year's Prix de l'Opera, having earlier gained a pair of group victories over 1 1/2 miles.

There is quite a lot of stamina in this female line, and with daughters of the Kentucky Derby winners Unbridled and Seattle Slew as his first two dams, Falco may eventually stay farther than a mile, given the propensity for Pivotal's stock to stay much better than their sprinting sire. Falco has entries in the Prix du Jockey-Club and the Arc, so his connections face an interesting decision over whether to stick to the prestigious mile sector or whether to try to add an extra dimension to his record.

Whatever his fate, Falco has already done enough to join the growing band of Pivotal sons at stud. The first two, Kyllachy and Captain Rio, have both sired group winners, with Captain Rio's current representatives including the New Zealand Group 1 winner Il Quello Veloce and the Irish Group 3 winner Capt Chaos.

Foaling News Cont.

SKI DANCER, 16, Baldski--Dance Song, by Run Dusty Run
Foal born Apr. 11, a colt by Speightstown.
Owned by Jane and Frank Lyon.
Boarded at Summer Wind Farm.
Accomplishments: MGSW & MGISP, \$578,344.

BIG BAMBU, 11, Salt Lake--Meadowlake Mist, by Meadowlake
Foal born Apr. 12, a colt by Fusaichi Pegasus.
Will be bred back to Corinthian.
Owned by Steve Klug and John Schoonover.
Boarded at Denali Stud.
Accomplishments: GSW of \$446,039.

CELLARS SHIRAZ, 9, Kissin Kris--Cellars Best, by Band Practice
Foal born Apr. 13, a filly by Maria's Mon.
Will be bred back to Bernardini.
Owned by and boarded at Gallagher's Stud.
Accomplishments: GSW of \$728,410.

BARRETT'S MAY SALE TODAY The one-day Barretts May Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training gets underway today at 11 a.m. PDT. A total of 329 juveniles have been catalogued for the auction, including **Cat Dreamer** (Cat Dreams), who set the 4 1/2-furlong track record at Hollywood Park while winning a \$40,000 maiden claimer May 8. By freshman sire Cat Dreams (Storm Cat), the colt is out of Silent Alarm (Boundary), a half sister to Grade I winner Pohave and is from the family of Cat Thief. During two days of under-tack previews, four horses recorded bullet one-furlong works of :09.80. They include hip [28](#), a half brother by freshman sire Gimmeawink (Elusive Quality) to multiple stakes winner Calico Bay; hip [73](#), a colt by Not For Love; hip [260](#), a son of Cactus Ridge out of a half to multiple graded stakes placed Tracemark; and hip [214](#), a filly by freshman sire Lion Heart (Tale of the Cat) out of a half sister to champion Silverbulletday. Hip [121](#), a filly by Harlan's Holiday out of Leading the Way (Septieme Ciel), recorded the fastest quarter-mile breeze of :20.80 last Thursday. **For the complete catalogue, go to www.barretts.com.**

★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

POLLY'S JET S., \$60,555, DEL, 5-12, 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:43 3/5, sy.

1--**#AFRICAN VIOLET, 118, f, 3, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Run Ameadowstar, by Cherokee Run.** O/B-J Mack Robinson (KY); T-H Graham Motion; J-Ramon A Dominguez; \$35,100. Lifetime Record: 5-3-0-0, \$85,452.

2--**Eagle's Song, 118, f, 3, Proud Citizen--American Tradition, by Quiet American.** (\$70,000 yrl '06 FTKJUL). O-Fox Hill Farms Inc. \$13,455.

3--**Lovers Spat, 118, f, 3, Yankee Gentleman--Timely Quarrel, by Time for a Change.** O-Brereton C Jones. \$6,435.

Margins: 2 3/4, 7 3/4, 2. Odds: 1.10, 2.20, 9.80.

African Violet was eighth in her only start at two, a maiden test on the turf at Saratoga, but has looked a different proposition while competing on dirt and synthetic tracks this season. The chestnut filly opened the year with a 7 3/4-length romp in the slop at Gulfstream Feb. 9 and followed up with a nose victory in an allowance test on a fast strip in Hallandale Mar. 13. Sent straight to the majors off that effort, she was off to a slow start in the Apr. 5 GI Ashland S. at Keeneland before tiring to be seventh, but she showed no signs of fatigue yesterday. African Violet broke sharply and had company for six panels, but shrugged off the competition at the top of the lane and pulled away to a popular first stakes score.

9th-DEL, \$44,000, Alw, NW2X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, sy.
HOMBRESACTLIKEMENS (c, 4, [Salt Lake](#)--**Pioneer Lass, by Trapp Mountain**) came out on the losing end of three photo finishes in his first three starts, but has been unbeatable in his last three. The chestnut colt broke the string of runner-up results with a 4-3/4 length maiden score at Gulfstream Mar. 3 and made it two in a row when taking an allowance test by a nose at that track four weeks later. The 7-10 chalk to keep it going in his Delaware bow, he was quickest away from the gate, led at every call and splashed away to a three-length triumph. The winner was a \$72,000 KEENOV weanling and \$115,000 FTKJUL yearling. Lifetime Record: 6-3-3-0, \$94,810. O-Off The Hook LLC. B-Clarkland Farm (KY). T-Scott A Lake.

★ CENTRAL ★

HBPA Calls Meeting to Discuss Purse Cut:

The Kentucky Horsemen's Benevolent and Protective Association has called a meeting for this evening, to be held at 6 p.m. in the Canterbury Room of the Executive Inn East in Louisville, Kentucky. The meeting was organized to discuss the efforts of the Thoroughbred Horsemen's Group and to decide upon a course of action in regard to Churchill Downs' decision to cut purses. Unable to come to an agreement on the division of revenue from advanced deposit wagering, the KHBPA and the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association have blocked Churchill from selling its signal to ADW companies since the beginning of the meet. Last week, Churchill announced a 20-percent purse cut.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, MAY 14:

- 05-17 \$1,000,000 **Preakness-I, Pim, 3yo, 9.5f** (100000s)
 - 05-24 \$100,000 **Hanshin Cup H.-III, AP, 3yo/up, 8f** (AWT) (100)
 - 05-24 \$200,000 **American 1000 Guineas, AP, 3yo, f, 8fT** (200)
 - 05-24 \$150,000 **Arlington Classic, AP, 3yo, 8.5fT** (500)
 - 05-26 \$150,000 **Arlington Matron H.-III, AP, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f** (AWT) (150)
 - 05-31 \$300,000 **Nassau-II, Wo, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5fT** (300)
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TDN TODAY



★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Sunday Night's Results:

9th-HOL, \$51,600, Msw, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:09 4/5, ft.

+ **RED TOMATOES (f, 3, Downtown Seattle--Tomato Paste, by Torsion)**, a half to High Standards (High Brite), GSW, \$264,557, was given a 6-1 chance to get it done at first asking. Settled in a mid-pack position, the Harris Farms homebred came with a steady rally and was up to defeat Bea's Cee (Cee's Tizzy) by a head in a three-horse photo. Bea's Cee was subsequently demoted to third for interference in the lane, giving Distant Victory (Distant View) place honors. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$28,800. O/B-Harris Farms Inc (CA). T-Martin F Jones.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN JAPAN:

Tig Forte, c, 3, Giant's Causeway--Tigresa (SP-US, \$163,000), by Tejano. Niigata, 5-10, Novice Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$48,544. O-Tetsu Takashima; B-Boyd Lynch; T-Hideaki Fujiwara. *\$425,000 wnlq '05 KEENOV.

In Orario, c, 3, Holy Bull--Knight Prospector (GSW-US, \$236,825), by Native Prospector. Kyoto, 5-10, Plate Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 3-2-1-0, \$143,689. O/B-Takeshi Fujita; T-Yasutoshi Ikee. *Full to Estreno, SP-Jpn, \$288,355.

Best Project, c, 3, Kingmambo--Chimes of Freedom (G1SW-Eng & Ire, \$503,431), by Private Account. Tokyo, 5-11, Novice Race, 8fT. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$79,612. O-Hiroyuki Sonobe; B-Flaxman Holdings Ltd; T-Yoshitada Munakata. *3/4 to Aldebaran (Mr. Prospector), Ch. Sprinter-US, GSP-Eng, MGISW-US, \$1,739,127; 1/2 to Tomisue's Indy (A.P. Indy), SW, \$199,703; Good Journey (Nureyev), GISW, \$1,722,965; Sea of Showers (Seattle Slew), GSW-US & GSP-Fr, \$161,494. **€400,000 yrl '06 GOFORB.

+ **Spacetime, c, 3, Vindication--Sun Princessa (SP-US)**, by Pleasant Colony. Tokyo, 5-10, Novice Race, 6.5f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$48,544. O-Seiichi Iketani; B-Payson Stud Inc; T-K Hagiwara. *1/2 to Son of the West (Gone West), GSP. **\$150,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

Cosmo Bell, f, 4, Formal Dinner--Blue Sword, by Crusader Sword. Tokyo, 5-10, Takao Tokubetsu, 7fT. Lifetime Record: 16-3-2-1, \$475,243. O-Big Red Farm; B-Dr D W Frazier; T-Masato Nishizono. *1/2 to Bernie Blue (Bernstein), MSW, \$644,803. **\$60,000 2yo '06 OBSAPR.

Fusaichi Auster, h, 6, Stormin Fever--Gender War, by Green Dancer. Kyoto, 5-11, Miyakooji S., 8fT. Lifetime Record: MSP-Jpn, 18-4-4-0, \$1,149,612. O-Fusao Sekiguchi; B-Edward P Evans; T-Yasutoshi Ikee. *\$75,000 yrl '03 KEESEP.

JAPANESE WINNER BY AMERICAN SIRE:

Twins Memory (Jpn), c, 3, Johannesburg--Parfait, by Kingmambo. Kyoto, 5-10, Novice Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-1, \$88,350. O-Kazuhiko Nagata; B-Morinaga Bokujo; T-Masahiro Sakaguchi. *1/2 to G G's Dolly (Comic Strip), SW-US, \$176,460.

IN FRANCE:

Taking Part, c, 3, Diesis (GB). See "France."

IN BRITAIN:

+ **Glorious Dreams, f, 2, Honour and Glory**. See "Britain."

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, May 13
Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2004 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

HARLAN'S HOLIDAY (Harlan), Airdrie, \$18K, 170/38/5 8-DEL, Msw, 1m, +Harlan Express, \$250K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1



LE VIE DEI COLORI EUTHANIZED Rathbarr Stud's **Le Vie dei Colori (GB)** (Efisio {GB}--Mystic Tempo, by El Gran Senor) has been euthanized following a paddock accident in which he broke a hind leg. The stud's Catherine Cashman revealed the news on the eight-year-old, who was in his third season at the County Cork establishment, to the *Racing Post*. "It's a big blow to the stud," she said. "We supported him well, as did Scuderia Archi Romani, who raced him, and there are some lovely yearlings on the ground. He was a lovely horse--very fertile and easy to handle." Le Vie dei Colori was a dual group winner at two in his native Italy and in France and runner-up to Hold That Tiger in Longchamp's G1 Grand Criterium. During his sophomore campaign, he captured the G2 Premio Parioli and G1 Premio Vittorio di Capua for trainer Lorenzo Brogi. Transferred to the Luca Cumani stable in 2004, he placed third in the G1 Sussex S. and G1 Prix de la Foret before winning Newmarket's G2 Challenge S. on his final start in October 2005. His first crop are yearlings.



★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

ROYAL WINDSOR S.-Listed, £26,000, Windsor, 5-12, 3yo/up, c/g, 1m 67ydsT, 1:41.10, gd/fm.

1--**#ORDNANCE ROW (GB), 128, g, 5, Mark of Esteem (Ire)--Language of Love (GB), by Rock City (Ire)**. (110,000gns HIT '07 TATAUT). O/B-Mrs P Good; T-Richard Hannon; J-Ryan Moore; £14,760. Lifetime Record: GSP-Eng, 21-5-4-3, £158,766.

Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

Werk Nick Rating: B+.

2--**Dunelight (Ire)**, 132, h, 5, Desert Sun (GB)--Badee'a (Ire), by Marju (Ire). (€110,000 yrl '04 GOFORB). £5,595.

3--**Metropolitan Man (GB)**, 128, h, 5, Dr Fong--Preceder (GB), by Polish Precedent. (10,000gns yrl '04 TATOCT). £2,800.

Margins: HF, 1 3/4, 3/4. Odds: 7-1, 100-30, 15-8. Also Ran: Banknote (GB), Final Verse (GB), Classic Port (Fr), Levera (GB).

Graduating from handicap company following his win in a valuable event at Sandown last July, Ordnance Row had since run with credit in stakes company without getting his head in front. Continuing this pattern by leading until close home and being swamped by Cesare (GB) when fifth in the Listed Paradise S. at Ascot last time Apr. 30, the bay was rewarded for his consistency here. Racing behind Dunelight as that rival set honest early fractions, he ground down the pacesetter under heavy pressure to lead 150 yards from the post and hold on gamely as the long-time leader came again.

Windsor, 5.55, Cond, £6,000, 2yo, 5f 10ydsT, 1:00.88, gd/fm.

RIVER RYE (IRE) (f, 2, Acclamation {GB}--Rye {Ire}, by Charnwood Forest {Ire}), fifth in a hot Newmarket maiden on debut Apr. 17, sat in the second rank initially and was nudged along at halfway. Seizing the initiative before the eighth pole, the 36,000gns DONAUG yearling was ridden out to notch a 1 1/4-length score from Every Second (GB) (Kyllachy {GB}) as the 7-4 second choice. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, £3,886.

O-Amblestock Partnership; B-Mrs T Brudenell; T-R Hannon.

Wolverhampton, 2.10, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, f, 5f 20yds (AWT), 1:03.71, stn.

+ **GLORIOUS DREAMS (f, 2, Honour and Glory--Crissy Aya {MGSP-US, \$119,053}, by Saros {GB})**, a \$12,000 KEESEP yearling, broke well from the widest stall to grab the lead. Putting her rivals to the sword at the top of the stretch, the 16-1 shot needed just one smack of the persuader to come home two lengths clear of Calahonda (GB) (Haafhd {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,914.

O-Kelly, O'Donnell, Dower & Kelly; B-Stewart L Armstrong; T-Tim Pitt.

Yarmouth, 2.30, Mdn, £4,500, 2yo, 5f 43ydsT, 1:02.08, gd/fm.

BRENIN TARAN (GB) (c, 2, Lujain--Silver Chime {GB}, by Robellino), who was caught close home in a Brighton maiden last time Apr. 27, sat close to the gallop in midfield. Pushed along at the quarter pole, the 2-5 pick was driven into the lead with 100 yards remaining and won by 3/4-lengths from Miss Hollybell (GB) (Umistim {GB}) with something to spare. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, £4,779.

O-Ann Simcock; B/T-David Simcock.

Redcar, 3.50, Mdn, £3,600, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:13.47, gd/fm.

MILTON OF CAMPSIE (GB) (f, 3, Medicean {GB}--La Caprice, by Housebuster), fourth in a one-mile Newcastle maiden last time Apr. 5, took an early pitch in the second rank. Asked to stretch at the two-furlong marker, the 130,000gns DONSEP yearling hit the front under a drive with 100 yards remaining to best Arabian Art (E Dubai) by 1 1/4 lengths as a 7-1 chance. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, £2,547.

O-Willie McKay; B-Slatch Farm Stud; T-Stewart Parr.

Redcar, 2.20, Mdn, £3,000, 2yo, 5fT, :59.92, gd/fm.

+ **LUCKY LEIGH (GB) (f, 2, Piccolo {GB}--Solmorin {GB}, by Fraam {GB})** tracked the early pace in third. Nudged into the lead with 1 1/2 furlongs to go, the 16-1 chance was ridden out to score readily by 4 1/2 lengths from El Bobby (Ire) (City on a Hill). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,047.

O/T-Mick Channon; B-Norman Court Stud.

★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Saint-Cloud, 2.20, Cond, €33,000, 4yo/up, 1 7/8mT, 3:21.70, gd/sf.

FRISTON FOREST (IRE) (c, 4, Barathea {Ire}--Talented {GB} {GSW-Eng, \$101,237}, by Bustino {GB}) closed 2007 with a fourth in the Oct. 6 G2 Prix Chaudenay at Longchamp and came back to run seventh in the Listed Prix de la Porte de Madrid at this track last time Mar. 24. Settled second until taking over rounding the final turn, the 7-10 favorite required urgency inside the final quarter mile to repel the persistent Bannaby (Fr) (Dyhim Diamond {Ire}) by a head. Lifetime Record: MSW & GSP-Fr, 10 starts, 4 wins, 5 places, €128,725.

O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd; T-Andre Fabre. French Report cont. p4

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French Report cont.

Saint-Cloud, 2.50, Cond, €29,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:15.90, gd/sf.

PONTE DI LEGNO (FR) (f, 2, Sinndar {Ire}--Porlezza {Fr} {G1SW-Fr, \$344,912}, by Sicyos), a first-up second at Maisons-Laffitte Apr. 18, broke sharply to race on the front end in this return. Coming under pressure when threatened at the quarter-mile marker, the 9-10 pick was ridden out from the eighth pole to hold Good Bye My Friend (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}) by a length. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €22,200.

O-Mme Erika Hilger; B-Paul Hilger; T-Yves de Nicolay.

Saint-Cloud, 3.20, Cond, €22,000, 3yo, 7fT, 1:26.00, gd/sf.

TAKING PART (c, 3, Diesis {GB}--Arewehavingfunyet {GISW-US, \$508,892}, by Sham), ninth on debut here Mar. 27, chased the leaders in a share of fourth after the opening exchanges of this one. Pushed along to challenge at the two pole, the 32-5 chance grabbed a slender lead at the distance and was driven out in the closing stages to assert by 1 1/2 lengths from Chelsea Hotel (Fr) (Marchand de Sable). The winner is a half-brother to Have Fun (Topsider), SW-US, \$251,663; and to Holiday Camp (Chester House), GSP-UAE. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 0 places, €11,000.

O-Khalid Abdullah; B-Juddmonte Farms; T-Criquette Head-Maarek.

★ GERMANY ★

DOMESTIC REVIEW

by Christa Riebel

Gestut Park Wiedingen's homebred **Precious Boy (Ger)** (Big Shuffle) captured the G2 Mehl-Mulhens-Rennen yesterday, and his sire was also responsible for runner-up Konig Concorde (Ger). From the family of 1999 G1 Prix Lupin victor Gracioso and the prolific sire Caesour, the winner also boasts Ajdal, Arazi and Formidable in his pedigree. Hannover's main event yesterday was the Listed Grosser Preis der Hannoverschen Volksbank, a major trial for the G1 Deutsches Derby, and it was Gestut Rottgen's unbeaten **Daressalam (Ger)** (Singspiel {Ire}) who booked his ticket to the July 6 Hamburg Classic. He will bid to go one better than his half-brother Dickens (Ger), who in 2006 found Schiaparelli (Ger) too strong. Another traditional trial is the Listed Dusseldorfer Stutenpreis, which Sunday went to Gestut Schlenderhan's homebred filly **Servenya (Ger)** (Dashing Blade {GB}). The full-sister to the 2003 G2 Maurice Lacroix-Trophy runner-up Slawomira (Ger) now heads to the G2 German 1000 Guineas at Dusseldorf June 1. Her listed-winning granddam Shona (Ger) is also the ancestress of yesterday's promising Hannover maiden winner **Saratina (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}) and Sunday's Dusseldorf scorer **Sutra (Ger)** (Big Shuffle). *All results are in Monday's or Tuesday's TDN.*

Yesterday's Results:

GROSSER PREIS DER HANNOVERSCHEN

VOLKSBANK-Listed, €20,000, Hannover, 5-12, 3yo, 1 3/8mT, 2:19.52, gd.

1--#**DARESSALAM (GER), 128, c, 3, by Singspiel (Ire)**

1st Dam: Desidera (Ire) (Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ger, GSW-Ger, \$220,711), by Shaadi

2nd Dam: Diasprina (Ger), by Aspros (Ger)

3rd Dam: Dorle (GB), by Rheffic (Fr)

(€70,000 yrl '06 BBASEP). O/B-Gestut Rottgen; T-Waldemar Hickst; J-Yann Lerner; €12,000. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €15,000. *1/2 to Desirao (GB) (Acatenango {Ger}), GSP-Ity; Dickens (Ger) (Kallisto {Ger}), SW & G1SP-Ger, \$202,387.

Click for the eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree.

Werk Nick Rating: A + .

2--**Il Divo (Ger), 128, c, 3, Dashing Blade (GB)--Independent Miss (Ger), by Polar Falcon. €4,400.**

3--**Lievano (GB), 128, c, 3, Spectrum (Ire)--Lyrical (Ger), by Grape Tree Road (GB). €2,400.**

Margins: 1 1/4, 3/4, 2HF. Odds: 1.10, 1.80, 8.30.

Also Ran: Giuliani (Ger), Santero (Ger).

Unraced as a juvenile, Daressalam made up for lost time by winning on debut at Frankfurt Apr. 13, and continued in similar vein with a decisive score in this first stakes go. Settled second until shuffled back to fourth down the backstraight, he seized the moment when a gap appeared on the inside off the home turn and kept on strongly under continued urging to deny the resilient pacemaker Il Divo.

★ ITALY ★

Sunday's Results:

Rome, 3.15, Cond, €22,500, 2yo, 6fT, 1:11.00, gd.

CAPO CARBONARA (IRE) (c, 2, Choisir {Aus}--Dreaming Rose {Ire}, by Spectrum {Ire}), runner-up in a five-furlong maiden here on debut May 1, soon raced in the front rank and took a clear lead after halfway. Kept up to his work in the final quarter, the 11-8 crowd's choice asserted to score by a comfortable 1 1/2-length margin from Nord's Ransom (GB) (Red Ransom). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €14,739.

O-Scuderia Elena SRL; B-Scuderia Elena di Bernardini Carlotta; T-Roberto Brogi.

TDN Euro is:

England: Sean Cronin (CAFE Racing)
Tom Frary (CAFE Racing)

France: Claude Beniada

Germany: Christa Riebel

Ireland: Dave Keena

Italy: Giorgio Barsotti



AUSTRALASIA



PINS COLT TOPS KARAKA WEANLING

FINALE A colt by Pins (Aus) topped yesterday's final weanling session of the National Weanling, Broodmare and Mixed Bloodstock Sale in Karaka with a closing bid of NZ\$125,000. Selling as [lot 360](#), the chestnut is out of Winds of Conquest (Quest for Fame {GB}) and is a half brother to multiple group winner Coup Bloomsbury (NZ) (Centaine {Aus}). The weanling was consigned by Ancroft Stud and was purchased by GTS Bloodstock. GTS principal Janine Dunlop confirmed she will pinhook the youngster with her Phoenix Park draft at the Karaka Premier Sale in January. "He stood out to me as one of the best colts in the sale and, being by a top-performing sire like Pins, from a current family, he had the pedigree to match," Dunlop said. "Ancroft Stud has done a great job preparing the colt and he's guaranteed to develop into a lovely yearling." Through two weanling sessions, 316 lots sold from 396 offered for a clearance rate of 89 percent--the highest ever at a New Zealand Bloodstock reserved auction sale. Aggregate sales for the two sessions were NZ\$4,339,600. The average was a sale record NZ\$13,757--up 11 percent from 2007. The median was NZ\$6,000. "We have been incredibly heartened by the market strength seen over the past couple of days," NZB Marketing Manager Petrea Vela said after yesterday's weanling session concluded. "The activity of the local buyers shows just how successful the tax and depreciation changes made nearly two years ago have been for the industry, and we are very encouraged by the confidence that those buyers are showing in their domestic market. It's clear to us that the weanling sale concept is gaining traction in New Zealand and vendors like Waikato Stud and Curraghmore Stud are proving it to be a viable trading option for them. We are certain there's a good foundation here for us to develop this market even more into the future." The highlight of the afternoon's mixed session was [lot 453](#), **Lasting Legacy (NZ)** (Pins {Aus}), a half-sister to Group 1 winner Dowry (NZ) (Bahhare). Sold as a racing or broodmare prospect, the three-year-old was purchased for NZ\$100,000 by Queensland's Blue Sky Thoroughbreds from Rodmor Stud. Selling commences this morning at 10 a.m.



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CO-TOPPERS AS AUTUMN SALE CONCLUDES A pair of colts attracted session-topping bids of A\$40,000 during yesterday's final session of the William Inglis Autumn Yearling Sale at Oaklands. Three Bridges Thoroughbreds' colt by Face Value (Aus) brought that price when knocked down to the First Tuesday syndicate. The yearling is out of Classy Gift (Aus) (With Class). Also selling for A\$40,000, a son of Blue Gum Farm's Elvstroem (Aus) out of Golden Prayer (Aus) (Amen Brother) was sold to Victorian trainer Chris Parry. The yearling is a half brother to group-placed Kentucky Blue (Aus). During two days of bidding, Inglis sold 224 yearlings for a gross of A\$1,970,500 and an average of A\$8,797. The median price was A\$5,000. Inglis will next host the Great Southern Sale, which begins Thursday at 11 a.m. with a weanling section and continues with broodmares and mixed breeding stock through May 19.

SCAT DADDY TO SHUTTLE TO COOLMORE

AUSTRALIA Multiple Grade I winner **Scat Daddy** (Johannesburg--Love Style, by Mr. Prospector) will shuttle to Coolmore Australia for the Southern Hemisphere breeding season in 2008. The four-year-old captured the 2006 GI Champagne S. and GI Sanford S., as well as the 2007 GI Florida Derby. "Scat Daddy was a brilliantly fast Group I-winning two and three-year-old, with all the right credentials to become a top-class sire," said Coolmore Australia Manager Michael Kirwan. "I was very impressed with his good looks and great walk when I saw him at Ashford earlier in the year; he should really appeal to Australian breeders." Scat Daddy will stand for A\$16,500 (including GST).

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

DIA DE LAS MADRES, \$61,620, CMR, 5-11, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:53 4/5, ft.
 1--**#SATINADA, 116, f, 4, Casanova Star--Cross Current (SW-PR, \$127,759), by Lost Code.** O-Establo Olazabal; B-Romualdo Olazabal (PR); T-Victor Carrasco, Jr; J-Jesus M Rios; \$36,972. Lifetime Record: 26-7-3-6, \$106,086.
 2--**Sensibilidad**, 119, f, 4, Just Typical--Another Dianita, by Lodz. \$12,324.
 3--**Ojos Bellos**, 116, f, 4, Just Typical--Claro de Luna, by Brokers Dream. \$6,162.
 Margins: 4 1/4, 1, 5 1/4. Odds: 8.25, 0.55, 6.55.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-PHA, \$45,936, NW1X, 3/up, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, sy.
PLEABARGAIN (c, 4, Mr. Sinatra--Substitute Witness, by Deputed Testimony) Lifetime Record: 12-4-2-1, \$59,070. O-HACK Stable. B-Hidden Acres 4-D Farm (NJ). T-Andrew B Carter.



6th-DEL, \$42,300, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5f (off turf), :58 2/5, sy.

THEYCALLMETATER (g, 3, Drewman--Christina's Dee, by Kyle's Our Man) Lifetime Record: 7-2-3-1, \$81,350. O-Dubb, Goldfarb & Cast of Characters. B-Green Key Farm (FL). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

8th-MNR, \$24,900, 5-11, NW2L, 3yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, my.

CHIEF'S SWORD (g, 3, Northern Trend--Majestic Bet, by Bet Big) Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-1, \$34,625. O-Wind River Stables. B-Bruno Schickedanz (FL). T-J Michael Baird. *\$4,500 2yo '07 OBSJUN.

9th-MNR, \$24,900, 5-11, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5, my.

SWEET AFTON (m, 5, Bold Executive--Cuddly Chops, by Caveat) Lifetime Record: SP, 33-8-6-3, \$115,304. O-JR Racing LLC. B-Gail Wood (ON). T-Jeffrey A Radosevich. *C\$17,000 yrl '04 ONTSEP.

7th-FLX, \$20,500, NW1BX, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5, ft.

KARAKORUM KNOCKOUT (m, 5, Good and Tough--Joey's Pleasure, by Bold Josh) Lifetime Record: 36-4-9-5, \$153,240. O/T-M Ay Ferraro. B-Joeys Pleasure Breeding Stable (NY). *\$7,500 yrl '04 FTNAUG. **1/2 to Go Chandler (Its Acedemic), MSP, \$274,413.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Seeking Flight, g, 3, Seeking Daylight--Divine Bird, by Saint Ballado. PHA, 5-12, 6 1/2f, 1:18 3/5. B-Edward P Evans (VA). *1/2 to Otis Ridge (Quaker Ridge), MSP, \$153,785.

Winter Ridge, f, 3, Snow Ridge--Doubtless, by Grand Slam. PID, 5-11, 5 1/2f (AWT), 1:04. B-Padua Stables (FL). *\$15,000 2yo '07 OBSAPR.

Raise the Weight, m, 5, Pentelicus--Via Mizner, by Forty Niner. MNR, 5-11, 6f, 1:14 2/5. B-McMahon of Saratoga Thoroughbreds LLC & Michael McMahon (NY). *\$14,000 wlng '03 FTMDEC; \$30,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$28,000 2yo '05 OBSJUN; \$6,200.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

CHURCHILL DOWNS

CURLIN (Smart Strike), 5f, 1:06.00, 14/15
 STUDENT COUNCIL (Kingmambo), 4f, :49.60, 7/37
 ZANJERO (Cherokee Run), 5f, 1:02.40, 5/15

HOLLYWOOD

HEATSEEKER (IRE) (Giant's Causeway), 6f, 1:12.20, 2/15
 PROUDINSKY (GER) (Silvano {Ger}), 4f, •:46.60, 1/35

KEENELAND

*UNNAMED (Street Cry {Ire}--Sage Cat), 4f, :48.00, 2/7
 *FTFFEB \$2.1M sales topper

SANTA ANITA

MAGNIFICIENCE (Stormy Atlantic), 4f, •:44.80, 1/31
 MEDICI CODE (GB) (Medicean {GB}), 5f (tt), •1:00.40, 1/3

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. SIRE:

Le Puy (Arg), h, 6, Louis Quatorze--Riviere (Arg), by Logical. La Plata, Argentina, 5-11, Cond, 1000m, 1:01.58. Lifetime Record: 44-4-6-5, P15,500. O-Andrea Lujan; B-Haras La Quebrada; T-Ricardo Gonzalez. *1/2 to Ritz (Arg) (Ringaro), MGSW-Uru; Cagliari (Arg) (Salt Marsh), SW & G1SP-Arg; La Costa Azul (Arg) (Southern Halo), G1SW-Arg.

Lo Esencial (Arg), g, 7, Mutakddim--Las Raices, by Risen Star. La Plata, Argentina, 5-11, Cond, 1600m, 1:38.76. Lifetime Record: MSW-Arg, 47-11-4-11, P16,000. O-Mau-Mari; B-A Lederman; T-H Sueldo.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Rome, 2.45, 5-11, €22,500, 4yo/up, 1m (AWT), 1:40.70, stn.

STETTINO (ITY) (h, 5, Martino Alonso {Ire}--Stenographer {Ire}, by Royal Academy) Lifetime Record: 26-9-3-3, €71,936. O-Luca Sorbino; B-Scuderia Siba SPA; T-Corrado di Stasio.

FRANCE, Saint Malo, 4.00, 5-11, €15,000, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:53.57, sf.

WHITE CAY (GB) (f, 3, Dalakhani {Ire}--Balnaha {GB}, by Lomond) Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 2 wins, 0 places, €13,000. O/B-George Strawbridge; T-Freddie Head. *1/2 to Balisada (GB) (Kris {GB}), G1SW-Eng, \$287,108.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Perfect Partner (Ity), c, 2, Narrative (Ire)--Basic Woman (GB), by Piccolo (GB). Florence, Italy, 5-11, Mdn, 2yo, 5 1/2fT. B-Scuderia Ri Ma Srl. *First winner for freshman sire (by Sadler's Wells).

+ **Addition (Fr), f, 2, Numerous--Tendre Pensee (Fr), by Mujadil. Saint Malo, France, 5-11, Mdn, 2yo, 5 1/2fT.** B-Rothschild Family. *1/2 to Gris Tendre (Fr) (Slickly {Fr}), MSW-Fr.

Gigana (Fr), f, 3, Anabaa Blue (GB)--Gigawatt (Fr), by Double Bed (Fr). Saint-Cloud, France, 5-12, Mdn, 3yo, f, 7fT. B-Haras d'Ecouves, Xavier Doumen & Thierry Doumen. *3/4 to Anabaa Republic (Fr) (Anabaa), MGSP-Fr.

Lazy Days (GB), g, 3, Bahamian Bounty (GB)--Vivianna (GB), by Indian Ridge (Ire). Yarmouth, Britain, 5-12, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1m 3ydsT. B-Glebe Stud & Mrs F Wood. *32,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT. **1/2 to Diamond Diva (GB) (Dansili {GB}), MSP-Eng & GSW-US, \$247,392.

+ **Sutra (Ger), f, 3, Big Shuffle--Simply Red (Ger), by Dashing Blade (GB). Dusseldorf, Germany, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT.** B-Thomas Schaffer. *1/2 to Scoubidou (Ger) (Johan Cruyff {GB}), Hwt. 2yo Filly-Ity, SW & GSP-Ger, GSW-Ity, \$189,643.



Additional Euro Maiden Winners cont.

Bismuth Hill (Ire), c, 3, **Invincible Spirit (Ire)**--Blue Lights (GB), by Exit To Nowhere. Milan, Italy, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Azienda Agricola Valdirone SAS. *€32,000 yrl '06 ITYSEP.

Dea della Luna (Ger), f, 3, **Miesque's Son**--Diamond Eyes (Ger) (SP-Ger), by Winged Love (Ire). Hoppegarten, Germany, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 6fT. B-Gestut Karlshof.

Saratina (Ire), f, 3, **Monsun (Ger)**--Sevigi (Ger), by Waky Nao (GB). Hannover, Germany, 5-12, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Gestut Etzean.

Griraz (Fr), g, 3, **Nombre Premier (GB)**--Niraz (Fr), by Nikos (GB). Montauban, France, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 11f 65ydsT. B-M Berlato.

Seattle Storm (Ire), c, 3, **Robellino**--Seattle Ribbon, by Seattle Dancer. Windsor, Britain, 5-12, Mdn, 3-5yo, 10f 7ydsT. B-Littleton Stud. *1/2 to Snoqualmie Boy (GB) (Montjeu {Ire}), SW & GSP-Eng, \$144,216.

+ **Walodja (Ger)**, c, 3, **Samum (Ger)**--Wiolante (Ger), by Lagunas (GB). Hoppegarten, Germany, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1 1/4mT. B- Dr Christiane Otto. *1/2 to Waleria (Ger) (Artan {Ire}), MGSW-Ger, \$173,044.

Navez Pas Peur (Fr), c, 3, **Slickly (Fr)**--Pendora (Fr), by Kendor (Fr). Avignon, France, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1 7/16mT. B-A Gilibert, S Gilibert.

Mageska (Fr), f, 3, **Smadoun (Fr)**--Magesq (Fr), by Fabulous Dancer. Cluny, France, 5-11, Mdn, 3yo, 1 3/16mT. B-Earl Haras de Nonant le Pin.

Marinello (Ire), f, 3, **Spartacus (Ire)**--Flush Rush (GB), by Zilzal. Killarney, Ireland, 5-12, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1m 100ydsT. B-Rushing Partnership. *17,000gns yrl '06 TATDEC; 20,000gns 2yo '07 TATGNS.



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BELLA CHIARRA, 13, Phone Trick--Bannockburn, by Count Brook
 Foal born Apr. 1, a filly by Empire Maker.
 Will be bred back to Empire Maker.
 Owned by Stone Farm and Jack Mandato.
 Boarded at Stone Farm.
 Accomplishments: GSW & GISP, \$636,088. Dam of Ididntmeantoo (Fusaichi Pegasus), MSP.

ZINZIBERINE, 8, Zieten--Amenixa (Fr), by Linamix (Fr)
 Foal born Apr. 1, a colt by Grand Slam.
 Will be bred back to Proud Citizen.
 Owned by Elisabeth Fabre.
 Boarded at Denali Stud.
 Accomplishments: MGSW-Fr, \$232,654.

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TOBIE RUCKUS, 16, Bold Ruckus--Jackjon, by Caucasus
 Foal born Apr. 2, a colt by Henny Hughes.
 Will be bred back to Rock Hard Ten.
 Owned by Mercedes Stables LLC.
 Boarded at Diamond A.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Charming Ruckus (Silver Charm), SW & GSP, \$294,534.

EQUILIBRATE, 15, Gone West--Strike a Balance, by Green Dancer
 Foal born Apr. 3, a colt by Bernardini.
 Will be bred back to Awesome Again.
 Owned by and boarded at Pin Oak Stud, Ky.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Equality (Mt. Livermore), GSW, \$252,150; Equal Opportunity (Rahy), SW, \$102,530; Equitable (A.P. Indy), SP, \$116,706.

PREMIER QUESTION, 21, Premiership--Question d'Argent, by Tentam
 Foal born Apr. 3, a filly by Cuvee.
 Will be bred back to North Light (Ire).
 Owned by Dewey White and Claire Reece.
 Boarded at Rockwell Farm.
 Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$526,013.

BITTERSWEET HOUR, 18, Seattle Slew--Au Printemps, by Dancing Champ
 Foal born Apr. 5, a colt by Dehere.
 Will be bred back to Latent Heat.
 Owned by Peter Bradley.
 Boarded at Denali Stud.
 Accomplishments: Dam of American Odyssey (Kingmambo), SW & GSP, \$119,106.

ZAWZOOH, 9, Unbridled's Song--Lady Blockbuster (Silent Screen)
 Foal born Apr. 5, a filly by Gone West.
 Will be bred back to Harlan's Holiday.
 Owned by Starlight Stable 1 LLC.
 Boarded at Cobra Farm, KY.
 Accomplishments: SW & MGSP, \$233,000.

CHOCOLATE BROWN, 6, Lion Hearted--Twin Lights, by Holy Bull
 Foal born Apr. 7, a colt by Grand Slam.
 Owned by Dennis Drazin.
 Boarded at Denali Stud.
 Accomplishments: SW.

IRISH TOAST, 17, Synastry--Bix's Bet, by Just the Time
 Foal born Apr. 5, a colt by Cahill Road.
 Will be bred back to You and I.
 Owned by Patricia Murphy and Mr & Mrs Frederick L Pabst.
 Boarded at Blue Ribbon Farm.
 Accomplishments: MSP. Dam of The Great Face (Cahill Road), GSW, \$337,159.