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THIRD TIME'S A CHARM FOR TEAM VALOR

For years, commercials ran in the Capital District in New York that claimed Saratoga was the 'August place to be.' It's a catch phrase that Barry Irwin has taken to heart. Twice in the past four years, Irwin had landed the top-priced horse at Fasig-Tipton's Saratoga Selected Yearlings Sale, and the head of Team Valor Int'l was at it again last night. Irwin, standing toward the back on the second floor of the Humphrey S. Finney sales pavilion, saw off all challengers to land a Storm Cat filly for \$1.5 million. It was the top price paid for a yearling during the opener of the two-day sale. "I have seen only one better filly at public auction," Irwin said. "That was the one out of the dam of El Corredor and Roman Ruler; John Sikura had her. This one's the second best. She's got the most awesome body. She's just so athletic-looking. Her front legs are good; she's got everything you want. And she's got a great brain."



Hip 80 Horsephotos

John Sikura had this filly, too. Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency consigned the miss, who was catalogued late in the session as hip 80. "She was one of Storm Cat's last crops and had a great female family to boot, and on top of that, she was an outstanding physical specimen," said Hill 'n' Dale's Director of Sales Andrew Cary. "When you get all of that together, this is what can happen. She had size, balance, just great athleticism, really everything you could look for conformationally. She was very correct, she looks like she'll be able to carry her speed for a distance of ground, like her [half] brother Lil's Lad [Pine Bluff] could.



John Sikura
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Barry Irwin bought her and he definitely understands what a good horse looks like. But the horse really did all the talking. She was very popular and all the right people were on her. I thought she'd bring close to \$1 million, but after that it's just a guess." **Cont. p2**

SIX ELECTED TO HALL OF FAME

The National Museum of Racing inducted its newest members at a ceremony Monday morning in Saratoga. A packed house crammed into Fasig-Tipton's Humphrey S. Finney Pavilion to see jockeys Edgar Prado and Ismael "Milo" Valenzuela, trainer Carl Nafzger and the horses Inside Information, Manila and Ancient Title honored for their contributions to the sport. Dr. Dean Richardson, the noted equine surgeon who



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cared for Barbaro, spoke at the event, mixing both humor and compassion in an opening address that stressed the importance of the horse and its care to the racing industry. Eclipse Award-winning jockey Edgar Prado, who was introduced by trainer Robert Klesaris, was another whose comments to the crowd were at times both funny and poignant. He drew laughs when he thanked his late mother for making him "five foot three and 114 pounds," and recalled his Kentucky Derby run with Barbaro as the highlight of his career. "I miss you my friend," the 41-year-old Peruvian jockey said. He added, "I have proved that dedication, persistence and dreams can be accomplished. I find myself filled with joy. For the past 22 years, my career has taken many roads in which I've found courage and strength and the will to succeed." Trainer Carl Nafzger, who has saddled a pair of Kentucky Derby winners in Unbridled (1990) and Street Sense (2007), was introduced by the latter's owner, Nafzger's longtime client and friend Jim Tafel. Nafzger, who thanked his wife Wanda, credited fellow Hall of Famer John Nerud for helping him along as a horseman. "He said keep them fat, keep them happy, work them a half-mile, and they'll win races for you," Nafzger remarked. But, most important, he continued, is "the horse. That's who brought us here. None of us would be here. The horse has taken me from Texas to the Hall of Fame."

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Totemic is a half-sister to Gill Fountain of Youth S. winner Lil's Lad (Pine Bluff), and a full-sister to graded stakes winner Cherokee and stakes winner Art Museum. The 19-year-old Totemic, a Grade III winner, was purchased by Horse France at the 2000 Keeneland November sale for \$1.075 million.

Asked his immediate plans for the new purchase, Irwin laughed and said, "To be truthful with you, I thought I had no shot to get her, so there is no plan."

Irwin confirmed the filly would be offered through Team Valor Int'l in partnership, though he couldn't say how many members would comprise the partnership. "When I buy a 'normal-priced' horse, I mark up the horse 25 percent. On this one, I'll mark it up 10 percent," added Irwin.

A Fair Market...

In 2004, Irwin landed his first Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale topper when he went to \$1.85 million for Fairbanks, a son of Giant's Causeway who went on to take last year's GIII Tokyo City Cup H. and finish second in the GI Suburban H. and Massachusetts H. Last year, Irwin outlasted Terry Finley and Buzz Chance to acquire a \$2.2 million son of Mr. Greeley. That colt, Kinsella, recently had surgery to remove an ankle chip and is set to go to Gold Mark Farm in Ocala on Sept. 1. "We hope to run him by the end of the year," said Irwin, who added the colt is headed to Todd Pletcher's barn.



Barry Irwin Horsephotos

Whether or not his latest Saratoga purchase will be a sales-topper remains to be seen, but Irwin said that, despite the big price tag, he believes the final figure on the board was fair.

"I really only wanted to go to \$1.2 or \$1.3 million, but the way I look at it is, where are you going to find another horse like this?" he said. "I bought a couple earlier, and I wish the timing was different, because if I had bought this one first I may not have bought the others--it's stretching my bankroll--but I just couldn't resist her. I saw her the first day when I was here, and I told my wife she was beyond belief. I remember Lil's Lad when he was running, and I don't know if there was a better-looking horse ever than Lil's Lad. And this filly's got a lot of that look in her."

As for his fondness of the Spa, Irwin offered, "There's less competition up here for a top horse; that's my opinion. And a filly like this, at the next sale, might look like a pretty good deal. It looks expensive now, but at the next one it may look pretty darn good. It's worked out that way for me so far, and that's why I like coming here." -Lucas Marquardt



**FASIG-TIPTON SARATOGA
MONDAY, AUG. 4, 2008**

<u>Session Totals</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>
Catalogued	98	108
No. Offered	85	97
No. Sold	60	76
RNAs	25	21
% RNAs	29.4%	21.6%
No. Over \$500K	9	6
High Price	\$1,500,000	\$1,050,000
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Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
<u>80</u>	f	Storm Cat	Totemic	1,500,000
		<i>B-Strategy Bloodstock (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Hill 'n' Dale Sales Agency, agent		
		Purchased by Team Valor Int'l		
<u>31</u>	c	A.P. Indy	Pyramid Lake	1,200,000
		<i>B-Dream With Me Stables (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Hunter Valley Farm, agent		
		Purchased by W S Farish		
<u>68</u>	c	Distorted Humor	Stupendous Miss	900,000
		<i>B-Winsong Farms (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig & Holly Bandoroff), Agent V		
		Purchased by John Ferguson		
<u>24</u>	c	A.P. Indy	Platinum Tiara	700,000
		<i>B-M375 Thoroughbreds, P Lo Duca & Suarez Racing (Fl)</i>		
		Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XCIV		
		Purchased by John Ferguson		
<u>75</u>	c	Rock Hard Ten	Tapstress	700,000
		(\$225,000 wnl '07 KEENOV)		
		<i>B-Paul & Cynthia Busby (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Gainesway, agent		
		Purchased by Legends Racing		
<u>90</u>	c	Songandaprayer	What a Knight	550,000
		<i>B-Gulf Coast Farms & Pollock Farms (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent X		
		Purchased by John Ferguson		
<u>10</u>	f	Mr. Greeley	My Reem	500,000
		<i>B-Lawrence Goichman (NY)</i>		
		Consigned by Kaizen Sales, agent		
		Purchased by Blanford Bloodstock Ltd		
<u>13</u>	c	Indian Charlie	Near Mint	500,000
		(\$230,000 wnl '07 KEENOV)		
		<i>B-Breerton C Jones (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Dromoland Farm Inc, Agent III		
		Purchased by John Ferguson		
<u>40</u>	f	Mr. Greeley	Redmond	500,000
		(\$250,000 wnl '07 KEENOV)		
		<i>B-Hinkle Farms (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Gainesway, agent		
		Purchased by Bobby Flay		

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Night of the Hunter...

Fergus Galvin and Adrian Regan were friends even before they worked together at Irish National Stud as youngsters, hoping to learn the ropes of the horse business. Some 20 years later, Galvin and Regan are still pals, as well as business partners. Three years ago, with the financial backing of Irish partners John Wade and Tony Hegarty, they struck out on their own under the banner Hunter Valley Farm. Hunter Valley achieved quick success, selling the likes of Scat Daddy for \$250,000 and recent GII Sanford S. winner Desert Party as a yearling for \$425,000. But, last night, Hunter Valley soared to new levels when an A.P. Indy colt they consigned on behalf of a unnamed client sold to Lane's End's Will Farish for \$1.2 million. It was the top price for a colt for the first session, and second-highest overall.

"He was a lovely horse from a very early stage, and was one of the best horses we've ever brought to a sale," said an emotional Regan immediately after the hammer fell. "We're happy he's going to a great outfit such as Mr. Farish's. He was a big, strong, strapping horse--really a man. And he's got a stallion's pedigree if everything works out."

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Hunter Valley cont.

Catalogued as hip 31, Hunter Valley's bay colt is out of the 11-year-old Broad Brush mare Pyramid Lake, who has already produced a pair of graded-stakes fillies in Pyramid Love (Fusaichi Pegasus) and Pyrana (Anabaa). From a top European family, Pyramid Lake is a half-sister to European highweight and G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Peintre Celebre (Nureyev).

It was actually the second time Hunter Valley offered the colt, who was bred by Dream With Me Stables, at auction. Last November, bidding stalled out on the colt at \$500,000, short of his reserve.

"We were close enough, but we had no problem RNA'ing him as a weanling," said Regan. "We knew he was a horse that was only going to improve. He was a bit backward as a weanling. And, even in the last 90 days, as we were prepping him, he just kept getting better and better and better. We knew he was getting back, but it wasn't until the last week I started getting chills that this could be the one. I woke up on Thursday morning very early and just thought, 'Man, this could be the horse.'"

Indeed he was. For Galvin and Regan, it's a long way from their early days at Irish National Stud.

"That was my first job; I was 18," said Regan. "We really got to know each other very well. We kept in touch after that and have been good friends. Partnerships either work or don't, but this one's been fantastic. We've got the same idea about things."

Regan said that night's score represents the realization of a lot of hard work and more than a little risk.

"Both of us had very good jobs before, and we took the gamble," said Regan. "We both had good jobs before we did this; I was a manager at Crescent Hill for five years, and Fergus worked at Ashford. This horse was for a client who's been with myself and Fergus since we opened the farm and, without our clients, things like this wouldn't be possible."

The consignor added, "We're delighted it was here in Saratoga. These guys at Fasig-Tipton--Boyd [Browning] and the rest--are great to deal with. They've always been very supportive of us and they'll do anything for you." -Lucas Marquardt

Saparas Rise From the Ashes...

Jim and Alice Sapara know the ups and downs of the Thoroughbred business, and last night was one of the peaks, when their Distorted Humor colt, consigned by Craig and Holly Bendoroff's Denali Stud, realized a final bid of \$900,000. John Ferguson outlasted representatives of Charlotte Weber's Live Oak Stud for the first foal out of Grade III winner Stupendous Miss (Dynaformer) from the extended female family of Storm Bird. The Saparas were extended to \$1.3 million to acquire Stupendous Miss carrying this foal in utero at Keeneland November in 2006, and last night's transaction put a serious dent in that investment. "He was a nice colt and we thought he should be in [that price range] somewhere and he was, so we're very pleased," Jim Sapara commented. "That's a lot of money in this economy, and you have to think about that for a while. We were pleased with the way he sold and I have no complaints. You take what you get, and you're happy to get the kind of mare that's turning out that kind of a baby. We walk away grateful. That's a very good start for the mare and we're thankful for that." Stupendous Miss is the dam of a weanling filly by Storm Cat and is back in foal to Distorted Humor. She is one of a half-dozen mares owned by the Canadian-based couple, who have slowly eased back into the business following a fire at Sapara's company in 2001.

Darley acquired a number of shares in Distorted Humor from WinStar Farm a little less than a year ago. His son, Any Given Saturday, entered stud this year at Darley's Kentucky nursery. Of last night's purchase, Ferguson commented, "He was a lovely athletic horse and we're delighted to have him. The sire is obviously very successful and he was a horse of serious quality. I thought he was very expensive, but at the end of the day, I thought he was a horse that has a chance to be a very good one, so there's bound to be competition for him. He was out of a Dynaformer mare and he had more of a Dynaformer look to him."

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Call It a Ground Rule Double...

Former Major League baseball player Rob Murphy, current player Paul Lo Duca and Pablo Suarez teamed up with hip 24 at Fasig-Tipton, and the combination were pleased when their colt by A.P. Indy--Platinum Tiara (Cozzene) went to John Ferguson, bidding for Sheikh Mohammed, for \$700,00 last night. "When your horse goes to a buyer like that, we're very pleased, absolutely," Murphy commented, adding, "You're dealing in an open marketplace...it's you against the world and, sure, we were hoping for more, but you can't force people to bid. We know he's going to a good home. That's good for the mare. She's got a beautiful Storm Cat filly on the ground, she's in foal to Unbridled's Song, so everything is good." Platinum Tiara helped to put Murphy, a former pitcher for the Cincinnati Reds, on the map as a racehorse owner, finishing second to Caressing in the 2000 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, in addition to winning three stakes and placing in no fewer than four graded events.



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Platinum Tiara got off to a positive start in the breeding shed, producing Audacious Chloe (A.P. Indy), who made \$500,000 as a KEESEP yearling. Last night's offering added to her luster. "He was a nice horse and he moved well, and [A.P. Indy] is a sire that has been lucky for Godolphin and for Darley," Ferguson said. "It was a fair price, he was a good-looking colt, and the mare could run a little bit. But \$700,000 is a lot of money." Taylor Made's Mark Taylor was satisfied by the result. "I thought it was fair," he said. "The horse was such a good individual that you dream about seven figures plus, but the bottom line is once you get above \$500,000, it gets pretty thin. Darley got a great horse." Was the current economic downturn a factor? "It's probably too early to say, because this is the first horse of this magnitude that we've sold all year," he reasoned. "I think it's one of those things--sometimes a lot of people who wanted to give \$700,000 or \$800,00 say, 'There's no way I can afford this horse.' They figured Darley or Coolmore was going to buy him, so they got scared off; it leaves this vacuum at the top, and they're the beneficiary."



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Stonestreet Off to Quick Start...

Folks have gotten plenty familiar with Jess Jackson as a buyer, and have gotten accustomed to seeing the fruits of his burgeoning broodmare band entered at both yearling and weanling sales. But Jess Jackson, consignor? You bet. Jess Jackson's Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC sold its first horse last night, conveniently cataloged as hip 1, and did just fine, selling the homebred colt by Mr. Greeley for \$450,000. Darley representative John Ferguson purchased the chestnut, a son of the stakes-placed Royal Applause (GB) mare Madame Boulangere (GB). Stonestreet sold Madame Boulangere to Kern Livingston Association, agent, for \$52,000 at last year's Keeneland September Sale.

Jackson watched from the pavilion as the horse sold, and was happy with the immediate results of something he calls "an experiment."

"It's working well, so far," said Jackson, who was seated alongside his bloodstock agent John Moynihan, who is also managing the Stonestreet consignment.

Jackson said it made sense for Stonestreet as consignor to make its maiden voyage at a modest-sized venue like Fasig-Tipton Saratoga. Stonestreet will not consign at the mammoth Keeneland September this year, but Jackson said that Stonestreet may well in the future.

"This is a select market, and we had the right horses," he said. "Some of our best yearlings are here, and they're selling well. I think we'll continue to consign our horses. That doesn't mean we're abandoning the consignors we've used in the past, but we'll do this to keep our people sharp."

Two other offerings from Stonestreet's consignment went under the hammer yesterday: [hip 35](#), a colt by ulpit that brought \$300,000; and [hip 71](#), a filly by Forestry that sold for \$200,000.

Jackson said Stonestreet is selling its entire yearling crop, 80 or 90 head. The operation currently has about 120 broodmares. -Lucas Marquardt

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Statistical Gains No Real Surprise...

Despite some predictions to the contrary, the first boutique sale of the season held up extremely well year-over-year. Fewer horses sold resulted in slightly lower turnover, but the average of \$302,667 was ahead by 15.8 percent versus the corresponding figure from 2007. That number could have been even better, but for the RNA of hip 7, a colt by Unbridled's Song which was led out of the ring unsold on a bid of \$900,000. The impact on the average would have been at least \$10,000. The median of \$235,000 also showed a healthy advance from last year, gaining 13.25 percent. Buybacks were slightly higher in 2008--29.4 versus 21.6 percent. "From where I sat this evening, it looked like a very solid horse sale," said Fasig-Tipton Chairman D.G. Van Clief Jr. "The company expected that this market niche would perform in a solid manner, and I think it did." While the overall market at this company's July Yearling Sale struggled three weeks ago, there was plenty of interest and money for a top horse, and that was borne out again last night. A total of nine horses brought in excess of a half-million dollars last night, compared to six during last year's opening session. Two horses were sold for better than \$1 million last evening, while there was a single seven-figure horse in 2007. Walt Robertson, president of Fasig-Tipton, was not entirely surprised by the performance of the market. "It was a good sale," he stated. "I thought going in, this segment would perform pretty well, because the upper end in Kentucky performed pretty well. There weren't a lot of surprises; it wasn't always easy, buybacks were up, but still manageable at under 30 percent." There is still plenty of demand for a top horse, Robertson indicated. "I think that segment of the market has been pretty healthy so far this year, and it hasn't changed," he remarked. "People want a nice horse and will pay \$300,000 for that kind of horse. We're happy to have averaged over \$300,000 tonight. I would have been surprised if we had struggled tonight, because there was strength in this segment in Kentucky." The sale wraps up this evening with a session beginning at 7 p.m.



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Long and Winding Road...

It's about a 15-hour van ride for Saratoga-bound yearlings from Central Kentucky. Just ask consignor Eric Gulley, he'll tell you. The horseman, who operates under the banner of Long Branch Farm, spent every one of those minutes on the van with his Successful Appeal filly, which sells tonight at Fasig-Tipton as [hip 119](#). And the youngster apparently took the ride a bit better than her owner.

"She tolerated the trip really, really well," said Gulley. "Me? I am a nervous wreck. There's too much that can go wrong, but luckily, nothing did."

Gulley brings his first horse to Saratoga tonight and is especially proud to have raised her with the help of his wife Cindy and his sons, 16-year-old Taylor and six-year-old Tripp, on his 30-acre farm just outside of Lexington.

"It's everything to me to have my family contribute the way they do," he commented. "We've done everything with her from day one. We take pride in what we do. I know every hair on her. A lot of people don't think a whole lot about that, but, trust me, it matters."

Gulley's filly was produced by Call Her Magic (Caller I. D.), one of three mares he owns. After racing for as little as a \$25,000 claiming price early in her career, she won the Ocean Hotel S. in 1999 and closed her account with three consecutive wins, including the Walkin in Da Sun S., en route to bankrolling \$195,013. The dam of the stakes-placed Kid Majic (Lemon Drop Kid), Call Her Magic is a half-sister to Pacific Spell, who is responsible for this year's GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Proud Spell (Prpud Citizen). Gulley is impressed with her current produce, while realistic about what he's got.

"She's a nice, big strong filly," he said. "We're up against the big dogs, but she certainly fits here. She's truly been special from the day she was foaled. We're very proud of her."

Tonight's offering will be the final one from the mare bred by Gulley and his family. Call Her Magic was sold at Keeneland November to WinStar Farm for a solid \$95,000 while back in foal to Successful Appeal.

"You can't keep them all," he stated. "She's a nice mare, but sometimes you need to raise some money. I would have loved to keep her and foal the colt out, but sometimes you just have to part with them. We did good with her."

The other foal from Call Her Magic bred by Gulley was a \$52,000 Keeneland November weanling. The consignor is full of respect for his filly's sire.

"I think people haven't seen anything yet," he said of Successful Appeal. "He's getting all kinds of runners and this is from his second Kentucky crop, so I have been really impressed with what he's done. I thought it would be a really good cross. The mare is a scopey mare and she was really big. Successful Appeal seemed to fit just right with her. We were very happy with what we got."

Gulley is in the process of relocating his operation to a 70-acre farm located near Adena Springs in Paris, and will therefore lay low, while offering a few foals at Keeneland November. But he is not likely to significantly grow his consignment anytime soon.

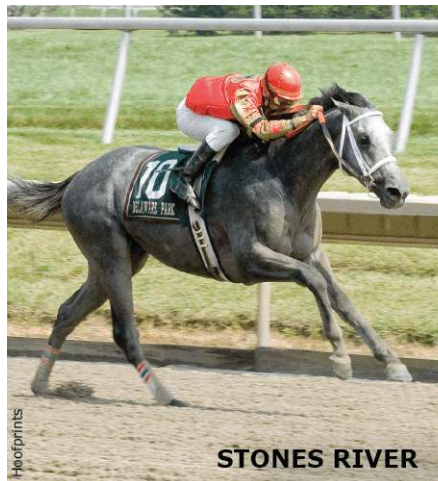
"We are aiming for quality over quantity, especially when you're doing the work yourself," he commented. "You just try to do everything the right way and hope that it comes out right. I can't see getting much bigger. I change the water myself on her twice a day in her stall. I don't baby them at all, but I'm just into making sure that everything's right, keeping them happy."

Gulley lives by a fairly simple motto.

"If you don't take care of them, they don't take care of you. If you take care of them, they take care of you, that's what I live by," he offered.

Though perhaps a bit premature to pass judgement, Gulley has been overwhelmed by his first trip to the Spa.

"It's been absolutely great," he said. "It's been unreal and I haven't touched or seen almost anything. My nerves have been pretty shot, but it's got to be one of the most beautiful places on earth. I would love to come up here and not be so stressed out. But everybody's been great."



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Consigned by Three Chimneys Sales, agent for John & Marsha Antonelli
Purchased by Padua Stables LLC

John and Marsha Antonelli picked up the mare, in foal to Johannesburg for \$95,000 at KEENOV in 2003. They sold the resulting foal, for \$75,000 as a KEENOV weanling the following year; that filly blossomed into a \$1.1 million FTFEB juvenile and turned out to be GSW La Traviata. The Antonellis sold the mare's next offspring, a colt by Holy Bull, for \$85,000 as a KEENOV weanling in 2005, but turned the real profit with this colt, the first progeny to sell since the now-retired La Traviata went three-for-four in 2007 and captured the GIII Victory Ride S.

Hip **Sex** **Sire** **Dam** **Price**
42 c Afleet Alex Restored Hope \$225,000
 B-J Stuart, P Bance, J Amling & C Noell (Ky)
Consigned by Bluegrass T'bred Services, agent for Ban Partners
Purchased by Legends Racing

Blue Grass Thoroughbred Services bought the mare, then empty, for \$55,000 at KEENOV in 2004, and bred her to Strong Hope in 2005. Her daughter Sabellina (Langfuhr), at the time of the purchase a New York-bred stakes winner, went on to take the GIII Cardinal H. in 2006. Restored Hope produced a Strong Hope filly in '06 that brought \$250,000 at this sale last year, and the Ban Partners, including Bluegrass principals John Stuart and Peter Bance, hit another homerun at the venue this year.



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Hip **Sex** **Sire** **Dam** **Price**
73 f Dixie Union Sweetest Smile \$275,000
 B-W S Farish (Ky)
Consigned by Lane's End, agent
Purchased by George Bolton

W. S. Farish picked up the mare, in foal to Bernstein, for \$200,000 at KEEJAN 2006. The resulting colt, the promising Star of David, brought \$220,000 as a KEESEP yearling, and was a debut winner at Churchill Downs in June. The mare continued to pay dividends with this good-looking filly.

Hip **Sex** **Sire** **Dam** **Price**
75 c Rock Hard Ten Tapstress \$700,000
 B-Paul & Cynthia Busby (Ky)
Consigned by Gainesway, agent
Purchased by Legends Racing

Blanford Bloodstock picked up this colt for \$225,000 as a KEENOV weanling. The dark bay blossomed into one of the toppers on opening night at FTSAUG.

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Hip **Sex** **Sire** **Dam** **Price**
103, c, Speightstown--Arianna's Passion, by Unbridled's Song

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent LVI
 From the second crop of leading freshman sire Speightstown (Gone West), this chestnut colt was produced by the Unbridled's Song mare Arianna's Passion. The mare has been good to breeder Gulf Coast Farm, who picked her up as a broodmare prospect for \$170,000 at the 2002 Fasig November Sale. Arianna's Passion has already produced horses who have brought \$450,000, \$475,000 and \$300,000, and consignor Mark Taylor believes she has produced another fine prospect. "He's just a magnificent colt physically," said Taylor. "We sold Speightstown as a yearling, and the two have a very similar body style. Plus Speightstown has gotten off to a great start at stud; it looks like he's got two of the best two-year-olds in the country in Reynaldothewizard and Munnings."
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Hip 116, f, [Unbridled's Song](#)--Bronze Route, by Mud Route

Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXII

Unbridled's Song is having another fine year and is represented at Saratoga by five yearlings, including this filly, who definitely is her father's daughter, according to consignor Mark Taylor. "We actually raised her at the farm, and she is just the female version of Unbridled's Song," he said of the gray. "Same color, same head, same shoulder, everything. We've sold a ton of good Unbridled's Songs, and I've never seen a filly that so closely resembled him." The filly is the second foal from the winning Bronze Route, a half-sister to the top-class dual Grade I winner Golden Ballet (Moscow Ballet). "If you look at the page, Golden Ballet has already produced a nice horse in Stage Luck, a filly who is by Unbridled's Song," noted Taylor. "So this is a proven cross."

**Hip 158, c, [Storm Cat](#)--Get Lucky, by Mr. Prospector
*Property of Gracefield***

Representing a cross that has produced 16 percent stakes winners and the likes of Denebola, Tale of the Cat and One Cool Cat, this colt is a half-brother to graded winners Daydreaming (A.P. Indy) and Accelerator (A.P. Indy). He's also a half to She's a Winner (A.P. Indy), the dam of one of Storm Cat's most recent stars, GI Haskell Invitational winner Bluegrass Cat. "Daydreaming, who was a very good filly, when she was training as a two-year-old she was barely 15 hands," explained consignor Ben Walden. "Get Lucky's foals are historically not real big. But this guy's plenty big enough; in fact, he's one of the biggest foals she's had, which I think speaks well of him."

**Hip 184, f, [A.P. Indy](#)--Jewel for a King, by Storm Cat
*Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent for the Estate of Roger King***

One of three catalogued by A.P. Indy, and the lone filly in the sale by Lane's End's superb sire, this miss was produced by an unraced daughter of GI Breeders' Cup Distaff winner and \$1.9-million earner Jewel Princess (Key to the Mint). "She's by a great stallion from a nice young mare, and from a great family," said consignor Tom VanMeter. "And physically she has it, too. She's got a great walk, she X-rays perfect, she scopes perfect. It wouldn't surprise me if they get on her." Asked why they chose the Saratoga sale for the filly, VanMeter commented, "Well, the Fasig group really, really liked her, and I thought she would fit up here." This cross produced the good young sire Jump Start.

☆ RESULTS ☆

Monday, Saratoga

NATIONAL MUSEUM OF RACING HALL OF FAME

S.-GII, \$159,600, SAR, 8-4, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, 1:50 1/5, fm.

1--#[@WESLEY, 115, c, 3, by \[El Prado \\(Ire\\)\]\(#\)](#)

1st Dam: Moving Picture, by Alysheba

2nd Dam: Take My Picture, by Tyrant

3rd Dam: Next Attraction, by Silent Screen

(\$450,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-Willmott Stables, Inc; B-Domino Stud of Lexington, LLC (KY); T-Mark A Hennig; J-Javier Castellano; \$95,760. Lifetime Record: 7-3-2-0, \$181,630. * 1/2 to Dynameaux (Dynaformer), MSW & GSP, \$280,645; and full Cloak of Vagueness, SW & MGSP, \$433,078.

Werk Nick Rating: A + .

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2--Thou Swell, 115, c, 3, Aptitude--L'Abidjanaise, by Dixieland Band. (\$50,000 yrl '06 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo 2007 OBSMAR). O-Sugartown Stable; B-Robert B Trussell Jr (KY); T-George Weaver; \$31,920.

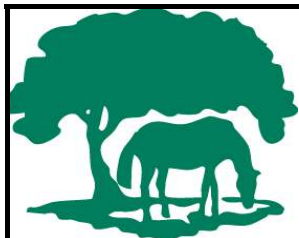
3--Deal Making, 117, g, 3, Empire Maker--Recording, by Danzig. O-Augustin Stable; B-George Strawbridge Jr (PA); T-H Graham Motion; \$15,960.

Margins: HF, NO, HF. Odds: 3.35, 26.25, 5.60.

Also Ran: Adriano, Field Sport, Picou, Willsboro Point.

Second in two maiden tries on the dirt at Gulfstream this March, Wesley then shipped north and graduated going nine panels on the Aqueduct main track Apr. 19. The grey colt faded to fifth in his next outing, the May 17 Barbaro S. at Pimlico, and connections decided a change of surface was in order. Wesley captured a Belmont allowance test in his grass debut June 28, scoring by a head, and was the second choice to make it two-for-two on the turf here. Content to trail the field through a half in :49.38 over a course labeled firm, he found a seam between horses on the turn before rallying wide down the lane to catch frontrunner Thou Swell in the final yards. "Beautiful--just like it was supposed to be," said jockey Javier Castellano. "I thought I'd be closer to the pace, but the way he broke, he just sat there and made one move. Beautiful." **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#), the [brisnet.com PPs](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

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NIJINSKY S.-GII, \$297,823, WOX, 8-4, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:00 3/5 (NCR), fm.

1--**@SEASIDE RETREAT**, 118, g, 5, by King Cugat

1st Dam: Shes Like Rio (SP), by Boundary

2nd Dam: Leading Rhyme, by Mr. Leader

3rd Dam: Gay Sonnet, by Sailor

(\$13,000 yrl '04 KEESEP). O-WS Farish, Jr; B-Centennial Farms Mgmt Co & William S Farish Jr (KY); T-Mark E Casse; J-Patrick Husbands; \$175,248. Lifetime Record: 19-7-3-2, \$849,402.

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

Werk Nick Rating: **A +**.

2--**Strike a Deal**, 115, c, 4, Smart Strike--Shag, by Dixieland Band. (\$350,000 yrl '05 KEESEP). O-Jayeff B Stables; B-Bee Zee LLC (KY); T-A Goldberg; \$58,416.

3--**French Beret**, 121, g, 5, Broad Brush--Misty Mission, by Miswaki. O-Sam-Son Farms; B-Sam-Son Farm (ON); T-Mark R Frostad; \$35,342.

Margins: 1, 2 1/4, NO. Odds: 5.30, 0.90, 9.35.

Also Ran: Rahy's Attorney, Independent George, Can't Beat It, Ghost Hour.

Fifth in last year's renewal of this contest, Seaside Retreat opened 2008 with a sixth in an optional claimer at Churchill Apr. 26, but rebounded to take a similar affair May 10. He followed that with a runner-up effort to Inca King in Churchill's Opening Verse H. May 31. He returned to his Woodbine base with a good third--beaten a length--in the GII King Edward S. June 28, then landed a 10-furlong off-the-turf allowance July 13. Sent off as the third choice to odds-on Strike a Deal, the bay enjoyed a stalking trip as the favorite attempted to make all of the running. He colared the New Jersey shipper turning for home and bested him late in new-course-record time. It was the 999th career victory for trainer Mark Casse, who indicated that his charge could make his next appearance in the GII Northern Dancer BC Turf S. Sept. 7 at Woodbine. "If we can keep him training every morning and behaving, that's where we'll go next," said Casse. Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#), the [brisnet.com PPs](#) or the [free brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](#). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made](#).

Saturday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO MAJOR SUCKOW -G1,

R148,390, Gavea, 8-2, 3/up, 1000mT, :55.93, sf.

1--**REQUEBRA (BRZ)**, 125, f, 4, by Put It Back

1st Dam: Talisa (Arg) (GSP-Brz), by Lode

2nd Dam: Taroz, by Capote

3rd Dam: Synclina, by *Vaguely Noble

O/B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-R Morgado Jr; J-C Lavor; R75,123. Lifetime Record: 10-5-4-1.

*1/2 to Occhiata (Brz) (Bright Again), G1SP-Brz.

2--**Taludo (Brz)**, 130, c, 4, Music Prospector--Assinatura (Brz), by Efesivo (Brz). O-Stud Patylippe; B-Haras Pirassununga; T-S B Silva; R20,911.

3--**Sicilia (Brz)**, 125, f, 4, Torrential--Gigi Da Mangureira (Brz), by Shining Steel (GB). O-Stud Estrela Energia; B-Haras Santa Rita da Serra; T-C M Neto; R9,4333.

Margins: NK, 1, 1 1/4. Odds: 2.30, 4.00, 7.90.

MGSW Requebra, runner-up in last year's edition of the G1 GP Major Suckow and more recently second to Group 1 winner Taludo in the May 17 G1 GP ABCPCC, returned with vengeance Saturday. Posting her first Group 1 tally, she pounced on leader Sicilia in the closing strides and prevailed over a resurging Taludo. The Haras Santa Maria de Araras homebred entered off a half-length victory in the G2 GP Onze de Julho July 13.

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Saturday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO ROBERTO E NELSON GRIMALDI

SEABRA -G1, R173,723, Gavea, 8-2, 4/up, f/m, 2000mT, 2:00.26, sf.

1--**RALLY WINNER (BRZ)**, 128, f, 4, by Public Purse

1st Dam: **Just A Winner (Brz)**, by Roy

2nd Dam: **Infinit Winner**, by L'Emigrant

3rd Dam: **Mach Infinity**, by Super Concorde

O/B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-R Morgado Jr; J-B Reis; R75,123. Lifetime Record: 8-4-4-0. * 1/2 to Que Victoria (Brz) (Wild Event), MSW & G1SP-Brz.

2--**Hilaris (Brz)**, 130, f, 4, Parme--Nortica (Arg), by Kitwood. O-Coudelaria Jessica; B-Haras Santarem; T-L Guignoni; R25,049.

3--**Blessed Maid (Brz)**, 130, f, 4, Belo Colony (Brz)--Lucia Maria (Brz), by Grandote (Br). O-Stud All In; B-Haras Gralha Azul; T-V Barbosa; R17,536.

Margins: 3 1/2, 1/4, 1. Odds: 17.70, 4.70, 10.80.

Dual Group 2 winner Really Winner tallied her first victory at the highest level with an extended rally in the stretch to just nail pacesetter Hilaris in the final stride. The Haras Santa Maria de Araras homebred annexed her third graded-stakes victory and fourth overall in eight career starts. Really Winner entered off a neck victory in the G2 GP Adair Eiras de Araujo over the same course and distance July 6.

Sunday, Gavea, Brazil

GRANDE PREMIO PRESIDENTE DA REPUBLICA -G1

R184,380, Gavea, 8-3, 3/up, 1600mT, 1:34.11, sf.

1--**@ SNACK BAR (BRZ)**, 114, c, 3, by Signal Tap

1st Dam: **Magma Rock (Brz)**, by Jules

2nd Dam: **Emerald Eve**, by Green Dancer

3rd Dam: **Sparkling Spear**, by Raise A Native

O-Stud Ninives de Aquila; B-Haras Santa Maria de Araras; T-L R Feltran; J-I Santana; R79,556. Lifetime Record: 5-4-1-0.

2--**Uigur (Brz)**, 130, c, 4, Astor Place (Ire)--Vespera (Brz), by Most Welcome (GB). O-New Partners Stud; B-Haras Santa Luzia Da Agua Branca; T-A L Cintra; R26,822.

3--**Estrela Brono (Brz)**, 132, h, 6, Roi Normand—Miss Dourmees (Brz), by Ghadeer (Fr). O-Stud Estrela Energia; B-Haras Santa Ana do Rio Grande; T-C Morgado Neto; R18,867.

Margins: 3 1/2, 1/4, 1. Odds: 17.70, 4.70, 10.80.

Stakes winner Snack Bar posted a breakthrough victory under a ground-saving trip from Ivaldo Santana. Favorite Uigur, winner of Sao Paulo's G1 Presidente da Republica in May, was second best finishing just in front of Estrela Brono in the overflow field of 20 starters. The winner entered off three consecutive victories, including the Listed Classico Criadores at Taruma last out June 20.

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

THREE CHIMNEYS TO SPONSOR HOPEFUL The New York Racing Association announced yesterday that Three Chimneys Farm has become the title sponsor of the GI Hopeful S., to be run Sept. 1 at Saratoga. "Sponsoring a race as prestigious as the Hopeful is a privilege," said Three Chimneys owner Robert Clay in a statement. "We are thrilled to be involved with NYRA as the sponsor of one of the premier two-year-old races in the country. We have been associated with two Hopeful winners, Chief's Crown [1984] and Sky Mesa [2002], and we look forward to supporting the race, beginning this year."

CURLIN WORKS; ANNOUNCEMENT ON NEXT START TODAY

Horse of the Year Curlin (Smart Strike) worked five furlongs in a relaxed 1:02.72 over Saratoga's Oklahoma training track yesterday morning. Majority owner Jess Jackson will announce a decision as to his next start during a teleconference this afternoon. Wherever the striking chestnut heads next, trainer Steve Asmussen is pleased with the way he is training. "He's in a beautiful rhythm; he's very comfortable," Asmussen said. "He's very loose. It amazes me how he jogs [after a work]. For me, it's like Christmas morning--I get giddy when I see him."

BIG BROWN RETURNS TO BIG A GI Haskell Invitational S. hero Big Brown (Boundary) headed back to his Aqueduct headquarters Monday morning and, according to trainer Rick Dutrow Jr., the colt "looks great." It has not yet been decided where the bay will make his next start. Connections indicated after the Haskell that the Aug. 23 GI Travers S. (presented by Shadwell) comes up too quickly and so is an unlikely target. "We'll take a closer look at him later this afternoon and then worry about [what's next] down the line," Dutrow said yesterday. "Once we see how he came out of the race, we'll start to look around." With the win, Big Brown increased his bankroll to a cool \$3,314,500.

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

PRIX ROTHSCHILD (EX PRIX D'ASTARTE)-G1,
 €250,000, Deauville, 8-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:37.50, sf.
 1--▲**GOLDIKOVA (IRE), 123, f, 3, by Anabaa**

1st Dam: Born Gold, by Blushing Groom (Fr)

2nd Dam: Riviere d'Or, by Lyphard

3rd Dam: Gold River (Fr), by Riverman

O/B-Wertheimer & Frere; T-Freddy Head; J-Olivier
 Peslier; €142,850. Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 4 wins,
 3 places, €400,030. *1/2 to Gold Round (Ire)
 (Caerleon), MGSW-Fr; Born Something (Ire)
 (Caerleon), GSP-Fr, MSP-US, \$153,270; Red Tune
 (Fr) (Green Tune), GSP-Fr, \$101,739; and Gold
 Sound (Fr) (Green Tune), GSW-Fr, SW-US, \$289,406.

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Werk Nick Rating: **A**.

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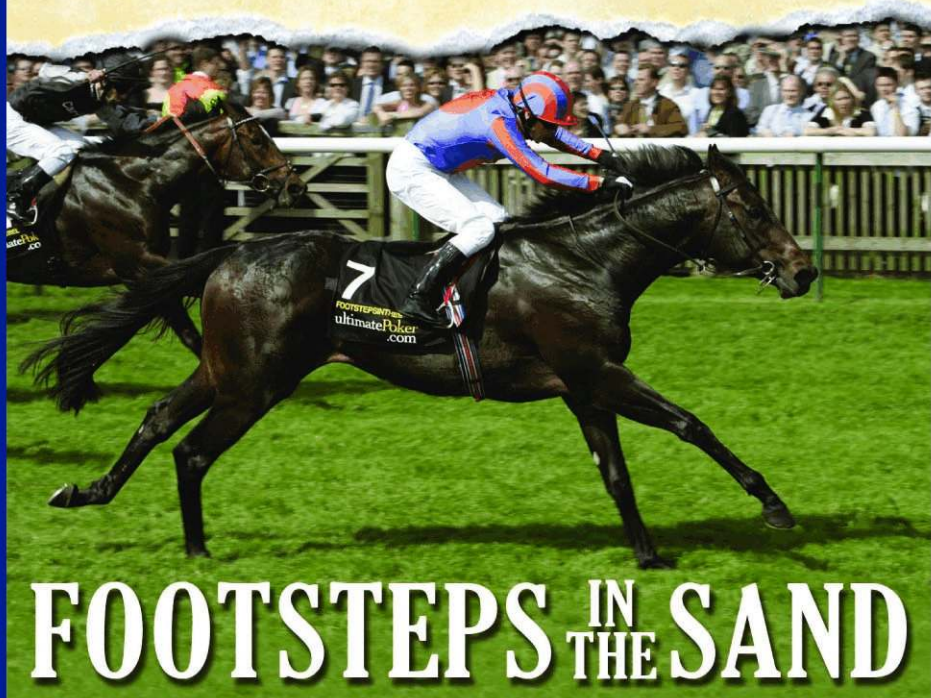
Forget Groundhog Day. What could be described as Danzig Day recurs nearly as frequently, with descendants of the great Claiborne stallion popping up regularly in the day's feature races, in much the same way that Punxsutawney Phil emerges every Feb. 2.

Aug. 3 was another Danzig Day, with Danzig's stallion sons being responsible for major winners in three different countries. Anabaa set the ball rolling when his highly progressive daughter Goldikova defeated a vintage field of distaffers in the G1 Prix Rothschild. Next to pick up the ball was Langfuhr, whose son Marlang led throughout to land the final leg of the Canadian Triple Crown, and then Boundary completed a tremendous treble when Big Brown had to work much harder than his odds suggested to land the GI Haskell Invitational. For good measure, the G1 German Oaks fell to Rosenreihe, a filly from the first crop by Danzig's grandson Catcher In The Rye. Of course this sequence came only eight days after the previous Danzig Day, when two other sons of Danzig--Danehill and Belong To Me--were respectively responsible for the Group 1 winners Duke of Marmalade and Forever Together.

Goldikova's recent Group victories at Chantilly and Deauville were gained with such assurance that it is possible that the daughter of Anabaa is now a better filly than when she was placed behind the unbeaten Zarkava in the French classics. Her victories also suggest that she is much more at home at a mile than over the 1 5/16 miles of the Prix de Diane, and this would be in line with her excellent pedigree.

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A member of a family which has done sterling work for the Wertheimers for several generations, Goldikova is by a champion sprinter and her dam, Born Gold, is a sister to Gold Splash, winner of two of Europe's most prestigious mile prizes for fillies, the Prix Marcel Boussac and Coronation S. You can get some idea of the quality of this female line from the fact that Goldikova's Group-placed half-sister Born Something was sold for 820,000gns as a three-year-old in 2001.

Anabaa--who also cropped up Sunday as the broodmare sire of Silver Frost, winner of the G3 Prix de Cabourg--spent the 2007 season at a fee of \$40,000 at Castleton Lyons in Kentucky. The transfer of this champion sprinter looked a good idea at a time when America's steady switch to synthetic surfaces promised to favor fast horses with turf backgrounds. However, a book of 54 mares seems to tell another story, and Anabaa was transferred permanently back to Haras du Quesnay in France. French breeders must be glad to have him back, as his 2008 group winners include Goldikova, Group 2 winner Loup Breton and Group 3 winner Hapsburg (plus Group 1 and Group 2 winners in Australia). He currently ranks third on France's leading sires' list, having finished second to Danehill last year, when he was champion sire of juveniles.

For a horse capable of siring plenty of two-year-old winners, Anabaa is very versatile, getting winners over a wide range of distances. His latest Australian Group 1 winner, Imananabaa, captured the Railway Stakes over six furlongs but he had earlier been represented by such as Teranaba, winner of the AJC Spring Champion Stakes over 1 1/4 miles and Headturner, hero of the AJC Australian Derby over 1 1/2 miles.

It has been a similar story in Europe. At the higher end of the distance scale he's been represented by a Prix du Jockey-Club winner in Anabaa Blue and a Prix Vermeille runner-up in Ana Marie. Such success would have been hard to predict on the basis of the racing records of Anabaa and of his fast dam, Balbonella.

However his grandsires Northern Dancer and Gay Mecene were, respectively, Group 1 winners over 1 1/4 miles and 1 9/16 miles. When Balbonella was mated to Danzig's son Chief's Crown, she produced the versatile Key of Luck, sire of the Irish Derby winner Alamshar.

Anabaa follows Danehill and Green Desert as the third son of Danzig to sire a top winner from a daughter of Blushing Groom, the predecessors being the American GI winners Light Jig and White Heart. Another Group winner bred to a similar pattern is Danzigaway, dam of the Wertheimer-bred Grade II winner Silent Name, now a resident at Adena Springs.

An interesting link between Sunday's three big winners by sons of Danzig is that all three are inbred to Northern Dancer. Goldikova and Marlang are inbred 3x4; Big Brown is inbred 3x3. The second line of Northern Dancer in Goldikova's pedigree comes via Lyphard, who sired her distinguished second dam, Riviere d'Or, from the even more distinguished Gold River.

This outstanding daughter of Riverman was the luckless victim when lightning struck a Kentucky paddock in 1986. Gold River was only nine and had only four foals, but she left a legacy worthy of a mare whose racecourse exploits included victories in the Prix Royal-Oak, Prix du Cadran (over 2 1/2 miles) and the Arc.

Needless to say, Gold River was given every chance as a broodmare, her foals being by Northern Dancer, Nijinsky, Lyphard and Nureyev. Gold River's death came at about the time her Northern Dancer colt Chercheur d'Or won the G3 Prix du Lys to become the first of her three stakes winners.

Both of her other stakes winners, the Lyphard filly Riviere d'Or and the Nureyev colt Goldneyev, were good enough to take the runner-up spot in a French Classic. Goldneyev (later to sire the Wertheimers' very good miler Gold Away) was second in the Poule d'Essai des Poulains, whereas Riviere d'Or took second in the Prix de Diane after winning the G1 Prix Saint-Alary.

Both of Gold River's daughters have made their mark as broodmares, with Riviere d'Or leading the way as the dam of Gold Splash. Gold Splash's combination of first-rate pedigree and performance earned her repeat visits to such as Danzig, Storm Cat and Deputy Minister but it was only this year, 18 years after her birth, that she was finally represented by a stakes winner (the French-based Royal Academy colt Royal God).

This is in sharp contrast to the success enjoyed by her year-younger sister Born Gold. Born Gold was distinctly ordinary on the track--she had to travel to Jallais in the French Provinces to get her head in front--but she has proved easily the better broodmare, Goldikova being her third group winner from nine runners.

Goldikova's victory in the Prix Rothschild means that she has emulated her third, fourth and fifth dams--Riviere d'Or, Gold River and Glaneuse--by becoming a Group 1 winner. Remarkably, all these fillies raced for the Wertheimer family and were all trained by members of the Head family--an achievement of which all concerned should be very proud.

GOLDIKOVA, f, 2005

Anabaa	Danzig	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
		Pas de Nom	Admiral's Voyage Petitioner (GB)
	Balbonella (Fr)	Gay Mecene	*Vaguely Noble Gay Missile
		Bamieres (Fr)	Riverman Bergamesque (Fr)
Born Gold 7-1-2-0, \$14,002 11Fls, 3GSW, 2GSP	Blushing Groom (Fr)	Red God	*Nasrullah Spring Run
		Runaway Bride	Wild Risk (Fr) Aimee (GB)
	Riviere d'Or G1SW, \$301,111 8Fls, 1G1SW	Lyphard	Northern Dancer Goofed
		Gold River (Fr) 4Fls, 2GSW, 1SW	Riverman Glaneuse (Fr)

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ARQANA READY TO WELCOME THE WORLD

Buyers attending this year's Arqana Deauville Yearling Sale will find an auction company with renewed devotion to both quality of product and quality of presentation, with particular attention to attracting an international buying bench.

Arqana was formed two years ago with the merger of L'Agence Francaise and Goffs France. The merger, which was designed to strengthen the international standing of France's breeding industry, was made largely through the initiative of the Aga Khan, who individually owns an 18-percent share in Arqana.



Olivier Delloye
arqana.com

"I think the goal [of the merger] was to make the French sales company much stronger than it was and, in that way, to support all the French breeders that invest quite a lot of money to breed some nice yearlings every year," said Arqana Managing Director Olivier Delloye. "And I think one of the key goals was to make Deauville a much more international market and, I would say, a more qualitative market in August."



According to Delloye, the restructuring of the company provided the impetus for renewed energy and confidence within the French commercial breeding industry.

"The change in shareholders was quite important for all the stakeholders in the company," Delloye said. "All the vendors felt much more confident in the company's future because of the new shareholders, with His Highness the Aga Khan in the first position. And the Aga Khan, together with a group of French commercial breeders, having capital in the company gave much more confidence to the people who sold at Deauville. It really helped us create good momentum. It had a very positive psychological effect."

At the 2005 August Sale, 326 yearlings sold for a total of €22,842,000. The average was €70,067 and the median was €47,000. In 2006, Arqana sold 366 yearlings for €29,772,000. The average rose to €81,344 and the median increased to €57,000. Those figures increased again last year, when 382 yearlings sold for €37,448,000. The average was €98,031 and the median was €60,000.

"Together with the change in management, which I think has brought a lot of energy and new methods and more marketing, I think it also helps buyers to feel more confident in the sales company," Delloye said of the sale's progress. "And all of that came in a positive economic environment, since the yearling market has grown quite a lot in the past four or five years in Europe. So all of these factors translated into a very sharp increase in the August sale over the past two years."

The sales company continues to work hard to widen its appeal in the international marketplace.

"We have worked quite a lot on the offered side over the last few years," Delloye said. "We have slightly increased the numbers of very good individuals bred abroad, from Great Britain, Ireland and even the U.S. This year in the catalogue, we have 40 yearlings who were bred and born in the U.S."

Among the American stallions represented by yearlings in the August catalogue are: Afleet Alex, Cozzene, Della Francesca, Distorted Humor, Dubai Destination, El Corredor, Elusive Quality, Empire Maker, Fusaichi Pegasus, Giant's Causeway, Gone West, Hennessy, Horse Chestnut (SAf), Indian Charlie, Johannesburg, Langfuhr, Leroidesanimaux (Brz), Lion Heart, Mizzen Mast, Mr. Greeley, Proud Citizen, Quiet American, Seeking the Gold, Strong Hope, Tale of the Cat, Theatrical (Ire), Tiznow, Toccet and Vindication.

Among the American-bred offerings is a son of Gone West out of a half sister to Grade I winner Spinning Round (Dixieland Band), who is the dam of Dream Supreme and granddam of Majestic Warrior.

That colt is consigned by Haras des Capucines, as agent for Taylor Made Farm. The Haras des Capucines consignment, which includes offerings from Airdrie Stud and Hill 'n' Dale, also includes a daughter of GI Belmont S. winner Empire Maker out of multiple Grade I winner You (You and I).

Arqana is committed to putting together a power-packed catalogue.



Delloye cont.

“We are very pleased with the catalogue,” Delloye commented. “Every year we follow some very simple indicators to monitor the quality of the catalogue, like the percent of group-performing dams and group-producing dams, just to make sure the quality is improving. This year, we were very pleased with the trend of this indicator. If you take, for instance, the first day, which is the most select part of the sale, we have 30 percent of the first dams who are group performers, and 50 percent of these mares are group producers--talking just about the mares who already have foals of racing age. So this is one very positive aspect,”

“The other positive aspect is that the French commercial breeders have made huge efforts in the past years to send their best mares to more popular, more fashionable stallions, and probably stallions more appealing to international buyers. So the best foals bred in France are more appealing to international buyers than they were in the past couple of years.”

Delloye thinks American buyers may be more receptive than ever to expanding their search for outstanding bloodlines.

“I think Americans will have a very positive feeling about the horses they will see, which is basically the most important thing,” Delloye continued. “They should be quite excited by the reading of the catalogue and they won’t be disappointed at the sales. And I think, at present time, when all the American breeders are thinking of how they can regenerate their breeding stock because of all these drug issues, it might be a good opportunity to move back a little toward Europe and get some nice fillies, because we are breeding some drug-free yearlings. It might be a good time to look for sound and well-bred yearlings, and either race them in Europe before sending them back to the U.S., or maybe import them directly to the U.S.”



Deauville Sales

With a catalogue of pedigrees designed to attract an international market, Arqana is starting an ambitious renovation of its sales ground and pavilion to provide a welcoming environment to its discriminating clientele.

“Being in the center of the town of Deauville, the sales ground is not as big as those like Keeneland,” Delloye admitted. “We needed to build some more boxes to give more comfort to vendors and buyers at the sales. And we will continue this renovation program with the modernization of the sales stadium, which will start next year. This is aimed at giving buyers who are used to visiting sales complexes all over the world the same standard of comfort and hospitality that one can find in Australia or in the U.S. We really want to match the best sales companies in terms of hospitality. We know we have the chance to welcome them to Deauville, which is a fantastic place to operate sales, but we need to make our sales grounds the same standard as the best in the world, even though it will remain quite small because it is in the town.”



2007 AUGUST SALE STATISTICS

<u>CUMULATIVE</u>	<u>2007</u>
Catalogued	513
No. Offered	486
No. Sold	382
RNAs	104
% RNA	21.4%
No. €500K+	9
Top Lot	1,400,000 #108, c, by Galileo (Ire)
Gross	37,448,000
Average	98,031
Median	60,000

www.thesalesparadise.com

Deauville, Leading Source of Gr1 Winners

Recent Gr1 winners **Natagora, Nahoodh, Equiano, Vision d’Etat, Saddex, Doctor Dino, Literato, Lawman, Coquerelle, Gorella, Amorama....**were all sold at Deauville




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Delloye cont.

Even the name of the new company will help put it in a better marketing position, according to Delloye.

“Another change, which is in my mind quite important, is the fact that we operate through a new brand, which is Arqana,” he explained. “Before that, the company was called L’Agence Francaise de Vente du Pur-sang, which was kind of a typical French name, not a name that was easy to pronounce or even to remember for potential buyers abroad. Working with this new brand makes our lives much easier to promote the French sales.”

For the first time, Arqana is printing an English version of its August catalogue.

“We definitely want to open ourselves to potential buyers everywhere in the world,” Delloye explained. “So I think this English version of the catalogue will allow more people everywhere to be aware of what we have on offer. And it comes with a very superior catalogue this year, so I think it is a good opportunity. Our business is about service, so we really have to adapt to our customers expectations. With this version, non-French speakers may read the catalogue for the first time and they will feel more comfortable to come and maybe to buy here.”

The August sale is supported for the first time this year by its own website, www.thesalesparadise.com. The site features not only the sales catalogue and video of recent graduates, but also information on the town of Deauville. It contains maps, hotel information and a schedule of events in and around town.

“We totally revamped our Arqana website two years ago, and for the first time I wanted to have a website that just supports the August sale and to provide people with all the information they could expect from us regarding the sale,” Delloye said. “The traffic was good and the word of mouth was very positive. And the website allows some people who have never come to Deauville to have a good idea of what the sale is, in terms of the yearlings offered and what Deauville stands for. It is interesting for people to have an idea of what it looks like before they arrive.”



Arqana Website

This year’s Deauville sale will take place in a more uncertain economic climate and Delloye is realistic about what impact that will have on results.

“Of course, you cannot totally deny the economic environment, which is not very favorable,” he admitted. “My belief is that we could do pretty well on the top end of the market because we have some very outstanding individuals. I hope that we will do well on the first two days despite this bad economic environment. I’m not that pessimistic about the top end of the market, but obviously, like everywhere else, it will be much tougher in the middle market. We have maintained the same number of catalogued horses--we have never inflated this number--so probably this will help. We have been very careful in selecting the yearlings because we knew we would not be in a very positive economic environment, and we are lucky enough to have attracted some top-class individuals. Still, there are more than 500 yearlings to sell, so the middle market will not be that easy.”

One thing that will be an easy sell to prospective buyers is the town of Deauville itself.

ARQANA AUGUST - 2007 LEADING SIRES
(2 or more sold)

Stallion	Sold	Average (€)	Gross (€)
Galileo	6	327,500	1,965,000
Mr. Greeley	2	317,500	635,000
Dansili	10	303,500	3,035,000
Haafhd	2	265,000	530,000
Oasis Dream	4	227,500	910,000
Pivotal	3	206,667	620,000

Rendez-vous with the Leading Stallions

- **Leading European sires** like Galileo (18), Anabaa (18), Rock of Gibraltar (17), Montjeu (12), Danehill Dancer (7), Monsun (7), Dansili (6), Red Ransom (7), Cape Cross (6), Pivotal (5), etc.
- **US-based sires** like Afleet Alex, Distorted Humor, Empire Maker, Fusaichi Pegasus, Giant’s Causeway, Gone West, Hennessy, Johannesburg, Langfuhr, Mr. Greeley, Proud Citizen, Seeking the Gold, Tiznow, Vindication, etc.



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Delloye cont.

Arqana is committed to making buyers feel welcome in Deauville, with everything from private flights to bicycles.

“Two years ago, we set up an initiative to provide private flights departing from Dublin and London,” said Delloye. “So now, every year we invite some buyers from Ireland and England to join this flight and get directly to Deauville. Unfortunately, there are no commercial flights arriving in Deauville, so we decided to implement this to make buyers’ lives easier.

“And then, once they are on site, Deauville is a nice place and there is a lot of entertainment around the sales. We pay a lot of attention to the hotels, that everything is OK and that buyers have a nice welcome back when they arrive at their hotels,”



Deauville's Clairefontaine Racecourse

he added. “And for the first time we will offer our buyers and visitors bicycles to ride in Deauville, instead of driving. It is that kind of small detail which makes our sale very popular. This is why people love coming to Deauville. They find something very special they will never find anywhere else.”

Delloye is looking forward to an influx of American buyers to this year's sale.

“American people will be very welcome in Deauville,” he said. “There were very few American buyers in the past years, but there were a few last year, notably buying through Michel Zerolo's Oceanic Bloodstock. It will be fantastic to see more American people visiting the French sales, either in August or in December.”

- *Jessica Martini*

A Slice of Americana in Deauville...

The catalogue for the Deauville sale is flavored not only with yearlings by American sires, but also with horses being offered on behalf of stateside consignors. A handful of youngsters owned by Brereton C. Jones's Airdrie Stud, John Sikura's Hill 'n' Dale Farm and Taylor Made Farm are set to go under the hammer during the first two days of the sale Aug. 15 and 16, and hopes are high that their American-infused pedigrees will appeal to the European marketplace.

“I sure think so,” said Airdrie's Bret Jones when asked whether the timing is right for such an undertaking. “I think we're sending the right horses over there. With the value of the Euro right now compared with the dollar, it could very well prove a profitable enterprise.”

It is with good reason that Jones is bullish on his chances. [Hip 97](#), the first of two Airdrie-breds to take their spot in the ring, is a Canadian Frontier daughter of Da River Hoss (River Special). Out of a half-sister to dual GI Breeders' Cup Mile hero Da Hoss, who was purchased by former Governor Jones for \$16,000 out of the 1997 Keeneland September sale, the bay filly is a 3/4-sister to River Proud (Proud Citizen), winner of the 2007 G3 Somerville Tattersall S. and most recently third in the G1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains May 11.

“The family has been very successful on the grass,” Jones said. “We wanted to show off a nice Canadian Frontier internationally. It's nice to get the sire off with a nice individual over there.

[Hip 164](#) is a filly by Proud Citizen, himself from the extended female family of champion Bernardini, the young sire Hook and Ladder and G1SW Muhtathir (GB).

ARQANA AUGUST - GROUP 1 GRADS

The Arqana August Sale has produced the winners of 50 group races since 2006, including nine Group 1 winners. They are: Coquerelle (Ire) (Zamindar), Corre Caminos (Fr) (Montjeu {Ire}), Doctor Dino (Fr) (Muhtathir (GB), Gentlewave (Ire) (Monsun {Ger}), Good Mood (Ire) (Danahill Dancer {Ire}), Lady of Venice (Fr) (Loup Solitaire), Lawman (Fr) (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), Literato (Fr) (Kendor {Fr}) and Tie Black (Ire) (Machiavellian).

Massive Presence of Group Performing and Group Producing 1st Dams

- **117 siblings to Group performers** like Red Rocks, Amorama, Fraulein, Aqlaam, Strategic Prince, Dutch Art, River Proud, Saddex, Ice Queen, Belle et Celebre, High Rock, Coquerelle, Full of Gold, Belle Allure, Literato, Germance, Obrigado, Equiano etc.
- **Yearlings out of Gr1 winning mares** like You, Amonita, Lune d'Or, Race the Wild Wind, Moonlight Dance, Vereva, Luna Wells.



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Americana cont.

“Proud Citizen has been very well received internationally,” Jones added. “Several European buyers did well with their pinhooks last year into the breeze-up sales. It’s just another way to show off a nice Proud Citizen and it’s a pretty strong family down the page.”

The Airdrie horses are being handled by Haras des Capucines, as are the pair which is offered for Taylor Made. [Hip 17](#) is an April-foaled filly by Distorted Humor out of Molasses (Fr) (Machiavellian), a half-sister to the dam of G1SWs Light Shift and Shiva (Jpn) and MGSW Limnos. Molasses was consigned by Taylor Made to the 2005 Keeneland November sale in foal to High Chaparral (Ire), but was bought back on a bid of \$425,000. The chestnut’s half-sister Magadan (Ire), also by High Chaparral, was a maiden winner at first asking in April and was most recently third in the G1 Grand Prix de Paris July 14.

[Hip 65](#) is a Gone West colt and the first foal from Two Chimneys (Deputy Commander), a half-sister to GISW Spinning Round, the dam of MGSW Dream Supreme and granddam of GISW Majestic Warrior. Taylor Made purchased Two Chimneys for \$160,000 with this foal in utero at the 2006 November sale. Taylor Made’s Duncan Taylor reasons that you have to be flexible in this business and explore all options.

“It’s such an international business that if you can put the horse in the right market and let it stand out as something special, you might get more money,” he said. “We’re just trying a few different things and we think these horses fit well.”

The Hill ‘n’ Dale entry, [hip 184](#), is being consigned by Haras d’Etreham. A daughter of the farm’s stallion El Corredor, the brown filly is out of Amelia Saratoga (Jpn) (Dehere), whose pedigree is likely to appeal to the European market. A half-sister to SW & GSP Play Waki for Me, she is also kin to Factice (Known Fact), the dam of G1 English and Irish 2000 Guineas hero Cocknet Rebel (Ire). Offered with the El Corredor in utero at the 2007 Keeneland January sale, Amelia Saratoga was led out unsold at \$95,000.

Another offering from the red, white and blue is [hip 73](#). Consigned by Capucines and owned by Edmund Gann, the daughter of Empire Maker is the latest foal from Gann’s five-time Grade I winner You (You and I), dam of the recently stakes-placed You and I Forever (A.P. Indy).

“She is a big, stretchy kind of Empire Maker,” commented Bayne Welker of Mill Ridge Farm, where the filly was raised. “She has kind of a more European look to her. She stands over a bit of ground, she’s got quite a bit of frame and she is very correct.” - Alan Carasso

A GUIDE TO DEAUVILLE

Visiting Deauville for this year’s Arqana Yearling Sale? Here are a few tips for your visit. Deauville is resort town along the coast of the English Channel in the Basse-Normandie region of France.

Said Arqana Managing Director Olivier Delloye of Deauville, “It is quite a magical town in which to run sales, especially in August, because it is a very lovely resort. It is quite small, so you can easily walk or ride in the town and go from the sales complex to the race-track, which is just a few meters away from the sales grounds. You have many very nice restaurants and you can walk up to them from the sales.”

Whether you plan to stay in Deauville or roam the countryside, there are many entertainment options and sites to see during your stay. [LinkParis.com](#) recommends flying into Paris and then driving or taking a train to Deauville.

The following is a listing of things to see and do while visiting Deauville, accompanied by links to helpful websites.- *Jon Forbes*

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**NEED A HOTEL IN DEAUVILLE? VISIT THE
DEAUVILLE SALES WEBSITE FOR A LISTING
OF 2-, 3- AND 4-STAR ACCOMMODATIONS.**

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**A Guide to Deauville cont.****Deauville Calendar of Events:**

<http://www.deauville.org/en/agenda.php>

Historical Sites***D-Day***

Little more than hour away are the D-Day landing sites and battlegrounds, where Allied forces established a foothold on mainland Europe. [Informationfrance.com](http://www.informationfrance.com) lists 27 museums dedicated to Operation Overlord. There are also cemeteries open to the public, where you can pay respect to those who died in the effort to liberate Europe. If you plan to visit any of the D-Day museums, consider getting Normandie PASS. Once you buy one museum admission, you can then purchase a Normandie PASS for one additional euro. Show your card at any of 40 attractions and receive a discount on your admission price.

<http://www.informationfrance.com/D-Day%20Landing%20Sites.php>

<http://www.normandiepass.com/uk/index.html>

Bayeux Tapestry

The city of Bayeux is home to the Bayeux Tapestry, an account of the Norman Conquest of England. Just 20 inches tall but 230 feet long, the embroidered cloth uses pictures and annotated Latin to tell the story of how William the Conqueror took the British crown with his victory over Harold Godwinson, the last Anglo-Saxon King of England.

<http://www.eyewitnesstohistory.com/bayeux.htm>

Mont Saint-Michel

According to legend, the archangel Michael appeared to St. Aubert, the bishop of Avranches, in 708 AD and ordered that he build a church on a rocky tidal island at the mouth of the Couesnon River. Named after the archangel, Mont Saint-Michel became a political prison after the French Revolution. The prison was closed in 1863. Following a campaign--which included author and playwright Victor Hugo--Mont Saint-Michel was declared a historical monument in 1874. The island is less than two hours from Deauville.

http://www.manchetourisme.com/uk/patrimoine_histoire/mont-saint-michel/mont-saint-michel.htm

Fine Arts***Paintings***

The Deauville Community Hall will exhibit the work of Enrico Campagnola, an Italian expressionist painter. The hall is open daily Aug. 1-17.

<http://www.museecampagnola.net/>

An hour and a half away is the American Art Museum of Giverny. This museum is dedicated to the work of American painters who came to France at the end of the 19th century.

<http://giverny.org/museums/american/index.htm>

Sports***Equestrian***

Deauville has two racecourses, Deauville-La Touques and Clairefontaine. Deauville-La Touques will race during the sale on Aug. 16 and 17. The G1 Prix Jacques Le Marois, won last year by Maduro, will be contested Aug 17. There you can also watch live polo matches. Clairefontaine will host live racing Aug. 15 and 19.

<http://www.deauville.org/en/pagemodelesat.php?idpage=33>

<http://www.hippodrome-deauville-clairefontaine.com/editions-eng.htm>

Golf

New Golf Barriere de Deauville features three nine-hole courses, two of which can be combined for a full round. The Blanc course offers views of the town, the racetrack, and the casino. Other amenities include a swimming pool, tennis courts, and conference rooms.

<http://www.golfinfrance.f9.co.uk/newgolf.htm>

Photography

Deauville's renowned Les Planches boardwalk has been transformed into an open air gallery, displaying 40 photographs and illustrations published in *Vogue* magazine. The theme of the exhibit is the beach, featuring fashions that represent 70 years of seaside life.

<http://www.deauville.org/en/pagemodelesat.php?idpage=48>

Shopping

The Deauville Tourist Office website allows you to search for shops by category. There you will find addresses and phone numbers for anything from antique shops to yoga. If you can think of it, you can probably find it in Deauville. <http://www.deauville.org/en/partenaires.php>

Casino

If you haven't received your gambling fill at the track, the Casino Barriere de Deauville can satisfy that need. The casino offers 325 slot machines and roulette, boule, craps, stud poker, and blackjack tables. If you'd rather spend your racetrack winnings than gamble them, the casino has three restaurants, two bars, a nightclub, a cinema, and live shows. It is said the Casino Barriere de Deauville was the inspiration for the namesake casino in Ian Fleming's *Casino Royale*, the book that introduced the fictional spy James Bond to pop culture.

<http://www.lucienbarriere.com/localized/fr/casinos/etablissement/deauville.htm> (Website in French)

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★ SARATOGA ★

TRF RAISES \$540K AT SUNDAY GALA Buoyed by the last-minute addition of a season to Street Cry (Ire), which brought a winning bid of \$230,000 by Airdrie Stud's Bret Jones, the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation raised \$540,000 at its annual charity event in Saratoga Springs Sunday night. The gala, held at the Saratoga National Golf Club, drew a crowd of 375, and featured an auction of "unique experiences" and stallion season options. Darley Stud, in keeping with the event's format, had originally agreed to donate an option to breed to Street Cry at the 2008 fee of \$100,000, with the farm collecting the live-foal fee and the charity retaining the option price. As the evening wore on, however, Darley America's Chief Operating Officer Dan Pride informed the event's organizers that Darley would like to do more. "We are fortunate to be in a position to support many charitable causes in the industry, and Thoroughbred retirement is one of our key causes," Pride said. "Last night was a great format to try to bring awareness to this important issue, and Darley wants to contribute as much as possible to that cause." When the season came up for bid, a spirited bidding war between Chester Broman and Jones ensued, with Jones finally landing the prize. "I can't adequately express the TRF's gratitude to Sheik Mohammed and the whole Darley team," said Diana Pikulski, the TRF's executive director. "In a tough economy, they stepped up to the plate and guaranteed the success of the event for us." Topping the list of unique experiences was a trip to Morocco, which brought \$15,500 from Arianne deKwiatkowski. Seats to the last-ever regular season game at Yankee Stadium, combined with the privilege of throwing out the first pitch at Oriole Park at Camden Yards in August, brought \$15,000 from Tony Mitola. John Angelos donated that experience.

Attendance Improves in Second Week at the Spa:

Attendance and handle at the 2008 Saratoga meeting, which was off sharply during opening week, showed improvement during the second week of the season. The first week, plagued by bad weather that shortened fields, saw attendance decline 24.8 percent, with on-track attendance off 11.8 percent and total all-sources handle off 12.6 percent. Attendance was down 17.8 percent during the first five days of week two, with on-track handle down 9.7 percent and total handle off 9.6 percent. Through the first 11 days of the stand, attendance averaged 22,854, as compared to 27,811 last year. Total handle averaged \$14,797,355, down from \$16,374,475, while on-track handle over the period averaged \$3,041,147, down from \$3,367,768. One figure has improved from 2007 to 2008, as daily average purses were up, from \$789,317 last year to \$805,342 this season. "Despite the decline in handle, we will keep the current purse structure in place throughout the meet, including the distance purse incentives that have contributed to a year-over-year purse increase of two percent," said New York Racing Association President and CEO Charles Hayward.

Harlem Rocker To Travers:

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ Harlem Rocker (Macho Uno), winner of the Apr. 26 Gill Withers S. and the July 13 Prince of Wales S. last time out, will be pointed for the Aug. 23 GI Travers S. (presented by Shadwell), trainer Todd Pletcher said yesterday. The colt worked Sunday at Saratoga, going five furlongs in 1:00 1/5 on the main track. "I thought he worked very well," said Pletcher. He added, "The interesting thing [about the Travers] will be the mile and a quarter. He has never gone that far, but he did run well at 1 3/16 miles [last time], and he acted like he had more to give that day."

SEASONS AND OPTIONS AUCTIONED AT TRF GALA, AND THEIR AUCTION PRICES

<u>Season</u>	<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Price</u>
Street Cry		\$230,000
<u>Options</u>		
<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Live Foal Fee</u>	<u>Price</u>
Broken Vow	\$30,000 (08 fee)	\$17,000
Congaree	\$15,000 (08 fee)	\$5,000
Friends Lake	\$15,000 (08 fee)	\$10,000
Macho Uno	\$20,000 (08 fee)	\$15,000
Medaglia d'Oro	\$40,000 (08 fee)	\$12,000
Pure Prize	\$12,500 (08 fee)	\$10,000
Tiznow	\$30,000 (08 fee)	\$35,000

UNIQUE EXPERIENCES AUCTIONED AT TRF GALA, AND THEIR AUCTION PRICES

<u>Unique Experiences</u>	<u>Price</u>
Day at Foxen Vineyards	\$4,300
Travers Day Box	\$4,200
Day at Fox NFL Pre-Game Show	\$6,000
Michael Jordan Fantasy Camp	\$3,700
Visit to Set of Boston Legal	\$4,000
Moroccan Adventure	\$15,500
Leslie Priggen Painting	\$11,000
Movie Premiere Package	\$2,500
Visit to the Set of House	\$4,700
Nascar Experience	\$6,500
Derek Jeter Fantasy Camp	\$3,500
Tickets to Last Yankees Game	\$15,000



Saratoga Report cont.

Yesterday's Results:

3rd-SAR, \$63,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:23 3/5, ft.

UNDER SERVICED (f, 3, [Hook and Ladder](#)--Gaye's Blossom, by Thirty Six Red) graduated against open company sprinting on the Cushion at Hollywood in June of 2007 and was shelved for the next 12 months. Back with a victory in the mud while trying state-breds at Belmont June 5, the \$47,000 OBSAUG yearling and \$325,000 OBSFEB juvenile was a close-up second when trying Empire-bred foes again most recently in a \$25,000 optional claimer June 28. Sent off the even-money choice here, the bay held a narrow advantage throughout and dug in to post a 3/4-length victory over Twistaway (Wheelaway). Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$105,000.

O-Weitman Performances LLC, Pegram & Watson. B-Thomas/Lakin (NY). T-Bob Baffert.

5th-SAR, \$63,000, Msw, 2yo, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, fm.

(DH)- + SKIPADATE (c, 2, [Skip Away](#)--Valid Approval, by Valid Appeal) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$25,200.

O-Peter Rosbeck, Mark Casse. B-Hidden Point Farm, Inc (FL). T-Mark E Casse. *\$7,000 yrl '07 OBSJAN.

(DH)-NINTH CLIENT (c, 2, [Malibu Moon](#)--Bird Cage, by Kris S.) Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$25,408.

O/B-Marylou Whitney Stables (KY). T-D Wayne Lukas.

Ninth Client, sent off at 18-1 set a modest early pace, and temporarily lost his advantage to favored Lime Rickey (Lemon Drop Kid) at the head of the stretch. While able to overtake that rival late, the Whitney homebred had to contend with closer Skipadate, let go at 13-1. Seemingly unseparable at the wire, the contest was declared a dead heat. The favorite held on for third. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

4th-SAR, \$56,000, Msw, (S), 2yo, f, 5 1/2f, 1:04, ft.

+ PARADISE PLAYGIRL (f, 2, [Speightstown](#)--Bigger Half, by Megaturn), sent off the 3-5 choice, was on the engine from the start and galloped home a seven-length winner over Five Star Chowdair (Five Star Day). With the victory, the half to Richest Half (Rizzi), SW, \$171,916; and Megescape (Cape Canaveral), GSW, \$283,673 becomes the fifth winner for her freshman sire (Gone West). [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$33,600.

O-Sam B Pollock. B-Sez Who Thoroughbreds (NY).

T-Todd A Pletcher.

7th-SAR, \$73,000, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:51 4/5, ft.

PERSISTENT PENNY (f, 3, [A.P. Indy](#)--Penny's Gold {MGSW-US, GSW-Fr, \$393,490}, by Kingmambo) was fourth sprinting on Santa Anita's Polytrack Mar. 30 before finishing an even third while trying two turns for the first time in the slop at Churchill Downs May 2. Runner-up going a mile at the Louisville oval June 7, the \$475,000 KEESEP yearling was sent off the even-money choice here. Settled in a tracking fourth in the early going, the bay took command a furlong out, bumped with Equally (Cherokee Run) a few times in the stretch, but proved up to the task to score by 3/4 of a length. [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$61,060.

O-Robert B & Beverly J Lewis Trust. B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-Wallace A Dollase.

Persistence Pays Off...

Bob and Beverly Lewis's famous green and yellow silks have been carried to victory by some of the very best horses in some of the very best races in the country and around the world, so when they flashed across the wire first in yesterday's seventh race at Saratoga, a nine-furlong maiden special weight, few people probably took notice. It was however, an important milestone for the Lewis family.

The winner of the race, the three-year-old filly Persistent Penny (A.P. Indy), represents the very first yearling that Jeff Lewis and his mother Beverly purchased after the passing of Bob Lewis in February of 2006.

Jeff and Beverly were on hand to watch the race, and were still all smiles a few hours later as they attended the Fasig-Tipton sale.

"It was emotional, but winning a horse race is always emotional," laughed Jeff Lewis, who added that one of the things he most appreciates is the respect and admiration his mother draws from the racing cognoscenti.

"So many people in this industry appreciate the contributions that mom and dad made, and mom continues to make, to the industry," he said. That sentiment was echoed prior to yesterday's race, when jockey Kent Desormeaux, aboard a rival, made a point of waving hello to Beverly Lewis as the horses exited the paddock.

Jeff and Beverly have about 10 two-year-old fillies waiting in the wings this year, and hope those green and yellow silks will be making an appearance in a winner's circle near you soon.

"You know, I can never follow my father's success, because there's no way I could ever match it," Jeff reflected last night. "All you can do is go at your own pace and hope you have a modicum of success, as well." -Lucas Marquardt

<p>STAKES CLOSINGS TOMORROW, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6: 08-23 \$200,000 Play the King-II, Wo, 3yo/up, 7fT (200) www.stakesdigestweekly.com</p>	
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★ EAST ★

Padua and Bridlewood Reach Agreement:

Padua Stables has reached an agreement with Bridlewood Farm in Florida to break and train their racing stock beginning in 2008. "After having evaluated several area operations, Padua is pleased to form this integral partnership with Bridlewood Farm," said Padua's Satish Sanan. "We are absolutely delighted to be dealing with the Appleton family and Bridlewood in a top-quality operation that will be a strategic long-term partner for our equine interests." Bridlewood General Manager George G. Isaacs added, "The Appleton family and Bridlewood team are very excited for the opportunity and challenge to work with the Padua team by developing their great young equine prospects. Padua has a very solid program in place, and it will be our undivided goal to complement that and to help them achieve greatness at the racetrack."

★ CENTRAL ★

New Bloodstock Agency In Ky:

Henry Clay Smith II and Roberta Smoodin have announced the formation of a new bloodstock agency, Smith-Smoodin Bloodstock. The agency will be based in Kentucky, but will represent clients around the world. "This agency is a natural outgrowth of our interests and our desire to expand into the European, Asian and Russian marketplace," Smoodin said. "We think the Thoroughbred market is open to growth, and that Kentucky-bred Thoroughbreds are sought after worldwide." The website is www.Smith-Smoodin-Bloodstock.com.

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS

SPEIGHTSTOWN

Sires another Saratoga maiden special weight winner

PARADISE PLAYGIRL

Wins by 7 lengths drawing off under a hand ride in her debut

Look for yearlings by Speightstown at Saratoga today:

#103, #114, #118, #126, #134, #144, #167

A TAYLOR MADE / WINSTAR VENTURE • Standing at WinStar

4th-SAR (\$56k, Msw, {S}) PARADISE PLAYGIRL
(Speightstown) graduates impressively.

5th-SAR (\$63k, Msw) SKIPADATE (Skip Away) and **NINTH CLIENT** (Malibu Moon) are inseparable at the wire.

7th-SAR (\$78k, Msw) PERSISTENT PENNY (A.P. Indy) gets off the mark at the Spa.

★ CANADA ★

Yesterday's Results:

5th-WOX, \$66,134, Alw, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:09 3/5, ft.
BEAR LAHAINA (f, 3, [Silver Deputy](#)--Lahaina Lass, by **Affirmed**) was a winner at first asking going five panels over this track last November before ending off the season with a runner-up finish in Tampa's Sandpiper S. in December. Seventh going a furlong longer here July 18, the \$47,000 KEESEP yearling and \$100,000 OBSMAR juvenile was let go at 7-1 here. In front from the start, the bay held the advantage throughout and was in command late to score by an impressive 9 3/4-length margin. Lifetime Record: SP, 4-2-1-0, \$85,544. O-Bear Stables, Ltd. B-Brookdale (KY). T-Reade Baker.

★ DELMAR ★

Yesterday's Results:

8th-DMR, \$54,600, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f (AWT), 1:17 3/5, ft.
LEMON SUPREME (f, 3, [Lemon Drop Kid](#)--Fair Apache {MSW, \$328,765}, by **Bertrando**), a 3-1 chance in her career opener, closed from just off the pace to grab the lead in the stretch and held off the fast-finishing She's Cheeky (Black Minnaloushe) for a neck score. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$31,800. O/B-Rod & Lorraine Rodriguez (KY). T-Christopher S Paasch.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN JAPAN:

Dreamy Pegasus, c, 4, [Fusaichi Pegasus](#)--Antique Auction (MSW, \$202,284), by Geiger Counter. Hakodate, 8-3, Hiyama Tokubetsu, 8.5f. Lifetime Record: 10-4-3-1, \$571,214. O-Shadai Race Horse; B-Fontainebleau Farm Inc; T-Yasuhisa Matsuyama.

Samurai Tigers, c, 4, [Indian Charlie](#)--Pear Shape, by Red Ransom. Niigata, 8-3, Mikuni Tokubetsu, 9f. Lifetime Record: SP, 6-2-1-2, \$345,514. O-Hidetoshi Yamamoto; B-Gaines-Gentry Thoroughbreds; T-Katsuhiko Sumii.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

GREENTREE TRAINING CENTER

Reynaldothewizard (Speightstown), 5f, 1:00.05, 1/1

SARATOGA

Dream Rush (Wild Rush), 4f, :47.50, 4/37

Grasshopper (A.P. Indy), 4f, : 49.10, 16/37

Mambo in Seattle (Kingmambo), 4f, :50.44, 29/37

Curlin (Smart Strike), 5f (tt), 5f, 1:02.72, 6/6



★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Certification of Secondary Pari-Mutuel Orgs in Works:

Regulators from 13 states, including California, Kentucky and New York, announced yesterday that they will move to require off-shore wagering companies and secondary pari-mutuel organizations (SPMOs) to be certified by the Association of Racing Commissioners before they be allowed to wager into pools under the states' jurisdictions. Implementation is expected to be Jan. 1, 2010, giving ARCI the time to do thorough background checks on those entities applying for certification. The SPMOs will bear the expense of the certification process. "Today, nearly 90 percent of the money wagered in horse racing occurs away from the track and, in several cases, outside of the country, with little or no regulatory review," said California Horse Racing Board Chair Richard Shapiro. "For this reason, it is critical that the states regulating this sport know exactly who we are doing business with, and that the integrity of the game is not jeopardized. The establishment of an independent process of certification and due diligence will ensure integrity at all levels." Shapiro added, "This initiative is long overdue, and I am pleased that it has been so widely supported." The RCI Board of Directors has given its unanimous approval to the certification program. The other states lending their support to the initiative are New Jersey, Illinois, Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Virginia, Delaware, Colorado, Oklahoma and New Hampshire.

Gov. Schwarzenegger to Chair BC Host Committee:

Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger will serve as the chairman for the Breeders' Cup Host Committee in 2008, it was announced yesterday. The 2008 Breeders' Cup will be held Oct. 24-25 at Santa Anita. "The very first Breeders' Cup was run in California, and so it is a special honor to host the 25th running of horse racing's most prestigious championship races at Santa Anita during the Oak Tree season," Gov. Schwarzenegger said. "The event will not only showcase one of the world's most beautiful racetracks, but also will generate more than \$100 million for the California economy. I am looking forward to working with the other members of the Host Committee to ensure its success."

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First-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, Aug. 5

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

ACTION THIS DAY (Kris S.), Spendthrift, \$10K, 89/4/0

6-DEL, Msw, 1mT, My Violin, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1

CANDY RIDE (ARG) (Ride the Rails), Hill 'n' Dale, \$10K, 123/4/0

6-DEL, Msw, 1mT, Truck Ride, \$13K EAS SEP yrl, 5-1

RAINMAKER (Storm Cat), All Star Tbreds, \$2K, 48/0/0

6-DEL, Msw, 1mT, Shug, 8-1



EUROPE



THE CHEKA HAS YORK TARGET

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★ **The Cheka (Ire)** (Xaar {GB}) is being aimed at the G3 Tattersalls Millions Acomb S. at York, trainer Eve Johnson Houghton announced yesterday. Following his highly impressive debut 10-length defeat of the subsequent winner Pegasus Lad at Ascot July 12, Anthony Pye-Jeary and Mel Smith's colt will tackle the Aug. 19 seven-furlong contest. "He's a lovely horse and will probably go for the Acomb," his trainer said. "I have popped him in a conditions race at Windsor on Sunday because he's doing so little at home and might need an educational. He's going to do a good bit of work on Wednesday and will probably go straight to the Acomb, but I need the option in case. I don't think he knew he was at the races at Ascot, but the form has been franked as the second came out and won by four lengths in a good maiden at Sandown. It's pretty exciting to have a horse you think could be a real good one."

TDN Euro is:

England: Sean Cronin (CAFE Racing)

Tom Frary (CAFE Racing)

France: Claude Beniada

Germany: Christa Riebel

Ireland: Dave Keena

Italy: Giorgio Barsotti



★ FRANCE ★

Tuesday, Deauville, post time: 3:20 p.m.

PRIX DE TOURGEVILLE-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, c/g, 1mT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	10	Calming Influence (Ire)	King's Best	bin Suroor	128
2	1	Salut l'Africain (Fr)	Ski Chief	Rob Collet	128
3	5	Royal God	Royal Academy	F Head	128
4	3	Putney Bridge	Mizzen Mast	Head-Maarek	123
5	7	World Ruler (GB)	Dansili (GB)	Fabre	123
6	9	Raspoutine	Seeking the Gold	Lellouche	123
7	2	Bermuda Rye (Ire)	Cape Cross (Ire)	Delzangles	123
8	8	Pallodio (Ire)	Medecis (GB)	Hammond	123
9	4	Kitaj (GB)	Sakhee	Rouget	123
10	1	Violon Sacre	Stravinsky	Rouget	123

Yesterday's Results:

Clairefontaine, 2.50, Mdn, €22,000, 3yo, c/g,

1 1/2mT, 2:52.60, hy.

TIMOS (GER) (c, 3, Sholokhov {Ire}--Triclarlia {Ger}, by Surumu {Ger}), runner-up in a course-and-distance debutantes contest last time July 4, was sent off at 11-2 and raced prominently wide throughout the early stages. Hooking up with Bizerte (Ire) (King's Best) in early stretch, the €46,000 BBASEP yearling got the better of that rival in the final 100 yards to record a short-neck success. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 1 place, €15,400. *1/2 to Tareno (Ger) (Saddler's Hall {Ire}), GSW-Ger & Ity, \$126,982.

O-Marquise de Moratalla & Thierry Doumen; B-Gestut Etzean; T-Thierry Doumen.

Clairefontaine, 3.20, Mdn, €22,000, 3yo, f, 1 1/2mT, time: n/a, hy.

MAHAATHER (IRE) (f, 3, Daylami {Ire}--Al Ihtithar {Ire} {MSW-Eng}, by Barathea {Ire}), runner-up on her latest outing at Longchamp June 14, started at 5-1 and soon led. Extending her advantage in the straight, the homebred had recorded a convincing 2 1/2-length defeat of Cosmic Fire (Fr) (Dalakhani {Ire}) at the line. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 1 win, 4 places, €23,600. O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Shadwell Estate Company Ltd; T-Freddy Head.



TDN Progeny PP Counts

Our newest informational tool, **TDN Progeny PP Counts** are designed to let you identify at a glance the stallions with the greatest number of significant progeny. Select a category, time frame and sort criteria, and the list indicates how many times a sire's progeny have appeared in **TDN Progeny PPs** for that period.

Progeny PP Counts reflect Northern Hemisphere racing only.

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Ripon, 2.15, Cond, £6,500, 2yo, 6fT, 1:13.83, gd.

+ **SUMMER FETE (IRE) (f, 2, Pivotal {GB}--Tamarillo {GB}, by Daylami {Ire})**, the sole debutante in this contest, raced keenly in the second rank early before being shaken up when running green and baulked after halfway. Staying on under a drive to hit the front with 75 yards remaining, the 10-1 shot asserted to prevail by 2 1/2 lengths from Aldermoor (Tale of the Cat). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,209.

O-Sheikh Rashid Bin Mohammed Al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Bryan Smart.

Carlisle, 7.15, Mdn, £4,000, 2yo, 5fT, 1:03.08, gd.

ZELOS GIRL (IRE) (f, 2, Exceed and Excel {Aus}--Sedna {Fr}, by Bering {GB}), third in a Windsor maiden on debut July 14, stalked the early pace in second. Eased to the front with 1 1/2 furlongs remaining, the €18,000 GOFNOV foal and 20,000gns TATOCT yearling was ridden out to justify 4-9 favoritism by 1 3/4 lengths from Fitzolini (GB) (Bertolini). She becomes the 14th winner for her freshman sire (by Danehill). Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £3,288.

O-Beadle, Booth, Davies and Jennings; B-Corduff Stud & J Corcoran; T-Rae Guest.

Ripon, 4.15, Mdn, £4,500, 3yo/up, 12f 10ydsT, 2:39.46, gd.

KOSSACK (GB) (c, 3, Sadler's Wells--Kithanga {Ire} {Hwt. Older Mare-Eng at 14f+, GSW-Eng, G1SP-Ire, \$100,693}, by Darshaan {GB}), second in a 10-furlong Leicester maiden last time July 17, was hammered into 2-5 over this longer trip and raced in midfield initially. Pushed to the front at the three-furlong pole, the homebred was ridden out to score readily by six lengths from Sibi Saba (Dixieland Band). The winner is full to Milan (GB), Hwt. 3yo Colt-Eng & Ire at 14f+, G1SW-Eng, G1SP-US & Fr, SP-Ire, \$990,247; and 1/2 to Go for Gold (GB) (Machiavellian), MGSP-Eng, \$111,104. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-0, £4,262.

O-Fittocks Stud & Susan Magnier; B-Fittocks Stud; T-Luca Cumani.

Windsor, 6.30, Mdn, £8,600, 2yo, f, 6fT, 1:15.02, gd/sf.

ACQUIESCED (IRE) (f, 2, Refuse to Bend {Ire}--North East Bay, by Prospect Bay), runner-up in an Ascot maiden last time July 25, raced prominently early before being asked to stretch at the quarter pole. Taking over a furlong later, the 44,000gns TATDEC foal and €150,000 DEAAUG yearling was all out to repel Dubai Legend (GB) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) by a nose. She is the sixth winner for her freshman sire (by Sadler's Wells). Lifetime Record: 3-1-2-0, £9,423.

O-Mrs J Wood; B-Thurso Limited; T-Richard Hannon.



British Report cont.

Windsor, 8.00, Mdn, £4,000, 3-4yo, 10f 7ydsT, 2:10.09, gd/sf.

ISLAND VISTA (GB) (f, 3, **Montjeu {Ire}**--**Colorvista {GB}**), by **Shirley Heights {GB}**}, second in a Kempton conditions race last September on her only previous outing, tracked the early pace in fourth. Pushed along before the three-furlong marker, the well-backed 9-2 shot stayed on under pressure to nail Duncan (GB) (Dalakhani {Ire}) 30 yards out and prevail by a half length. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,969. *1/2 to Mudeer (GB) (Warning {GB}), G1SP-Eng. O-Helena Springfield Ltd; B-Meon Valley Stud; T-Michael Jarvis.

★ IRELAND ★

Yesterday's Results:

Naas, 2.50, Cond, €20,000, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.59, gd/yl. **LIKE MAGIC (IRE)** (c, 2, **Invincible Spirit {Ire}**--**Magic Annemarie {Ire}**), by **Dancing Dissident**), who took a Fairyhouse maiden last time July 20, broke well to race enthusiastically in the vanguard. Asked for his effort at the quarter pole, the 7-1 chance took it up soon after and was driven out to hold What's Up Pussycat (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) by two lengths. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, €24,767. O-Kinda Magic Syndicate; B-A M Burke; T-Patrick Martin.

★ **NEW "TDN Rising Star"** ★

Naas, 4.20, Mdn, €18,500, 2yo, 7fT, 1:26.15, gd/yl.

BLACK BEAR ISLAND (IRE), c, 2, by **Sadler's Wells**

1st Dam: **Kasora (Ire)**, by **Darshaan (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Kozana (GB)** by **Kris (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Koblenza (Fr)** by **Hugh Lupus (Fr)**

Black Bear Island was caught close home when second to the highly regarded Driving Snow (GB) in a hot Curragh maiden on debut July 13 and started at 2-7 to emulate his brother High Chaparral (Ire), 2x Ch. Turf Horse-US, Hwt. 3yo Colt-Eng & Ire at 11-14f, Hwt. Older Horse-Ire at 9.5-11f, MG1SW-Eng & Ire, MGISW-US, MG1SP-Fr, \$5,391,888, in getting off the mark at the second attempt. Sharing the early lead, the bay was sent to the lead at the top of the stretch and one smack with Johnny Murtagh's whip was sufficient to ensure a four-length stroll as Dreamtheimpossible (Giant's Causeway) chased in vain. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, €16,783. **Click for the [Racing Post chart](#).** O-Susan Magnier & Michael Tabor; B-Tower Bloodstock; T-Aidan O'Brien.

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Naas, 4.50, Mdn, €15,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1mT, 1:39.27, gd/yl.

FESTIVAL PRINCESS (IRE) (f, 3, **Barathea {Ire}**--**Uliana, by Darshaan {GB}**), who beat one home in the G1 Irish Oaks at The Curragh on her latest outing July 13, was always placed in the front rank. Taking it up with minimal encouragement at the top of the stretch, the €310,000 GOFORB yearling was ridden out to notch a three-length score from Timoca (Ire) (Marju {Ire}) as the 2-1 pick. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-2, €24,005. O-T A Curran; B-Bert & Mrs Firestone; T-Michael Halford.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN JAPAN:

Satono Kokuo (Ire), c, 4, **Montjeu (Ire)**--**Night After Night**, by **Night Shift**. Hakodate, 8-2, Isaribi S., 8.5f. Lifetime Record: 11-5-1-1, \$608,692. O-Hajime Satomi; B-M.J.O'Dwyer; T-Kazuo Fujisawa.

Taiki Laser (Ire), h, 5, **Spectrum (Ire)**--**Private Encore**, by **Niniski**. Niigata, 8-2, Steeplechase, 14.25f, Lifetime Record: 15-2-2-2, \$317,757. O-Taiki Farm; B-H & Y Bloodstock Co; T-Minoru Tsuchida.



AUSTRALASIA



PINS FILLY TOPS NZ BLOODSTOCK SALE

An unraced three-year-old filly by Pins (Aus)--She's Snubbed (NZ), by O'Reilly (NZ) brought a final bid of NZ\$170,000 to top New Zealand Bloodstock's Winter Mixed Bloodstock Sale Sunday. Sold as **lot 85**, the bay was consigned by Twin Pine Thoroughbreds and purchased by Bromley Bloodstock. She is from the family of Australasian champion Slight Chance (NZ) (Centaine {Aus}). A total of 133 horses, including broodmares, yearlings, two-year-olds, unraced stock and racehorses, were catalogued, with 80 finding new homes. The gross was NZ\$588,950, with an average of NZ\$7,362 and a median of NZ\$2,000. Twin Pines was the leading seller, with 11 sold for an aggregate NZ\$197,600. For complete results, go to www.nzb.co.nz.

MM PERTH YEARLING SALE MOVED UP ONE WEEK

The 2009 BMW Magic Millions Perth Yearling Sale will be held Feb. 11-13, the sales company announced Monday. The auction had been scheduled a week later but was moved up so it wouldn't conflict with the Johnnie Walker Classic, a golf tournament in Perth. "There wouldn't have been the accommodation available for visitors of both major events," explained Magic Millions Perth Manager Murray Tillet.



BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

STAKES RESULTS:

MANITOBA LOTTERIES DERBY, \$97,360, ASD, 8-4, 3yo, 1 1/8m, 1:52 3/5, ft.

1--**MATT'S BROKEN VOW**, 126, c, 3, **Broken Vow--Marianka (SW)**, by Ascot Knight. (\$60,000 yrl '06 KEESEP). O-Robert W Mitchell; B-Nicholas M Lotz (KY); T-Josie Carroll; J-Alan Cuthbertson; \$59,584. Lifetime Record: GSW, 8-3-1-2, \$199,218. *1/2 to High Button Shoes (Carson City), GSW, \$278,221.

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

Werk Nick Rating: **A +**.

2--**Bonanza**, 126, c, 3, Jump Start--Explore the Gold, by Fast Gold. \$19,861.

3--**Mr Expedient**, 126, g, 3, Storm Victory--Icecapade Star, by Wander Kind. \$9,931.

Margins: 5 1/4, 6, 4. Odds: 1.80, 1.10, 4.20.

SUN SPRINT CHAMPIONSHIP H., \$77,888, NPX, 8-4, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16 4/5, ft.

1--**TEAGUES FIGHT**, 123, g, 5, **Devonwood--One Hundred Plus**, by Claim. (C\$6,500 yrl '04 ALBAUG).

O-Rocky Mountain Turf Club Stable & Gibb; B-Horizon Farm Ltd (AB); T-Doug MacDonald; J-Stephan Heiler; \$52,574. Lifetime Record:

27-14-5-3, \$499,266. *Full to Speedy Gone Sally, MSW, \$246,712. Werk Nick Rating: **F**. Click for the [eNicks report and 5-cross pedigree](#).

2--**Inuit Fisher**, 119, g, 4, Mutakddim--Ptarmigan Hunting, by Tejano Run. (\$4,500 yrl '05 KEEJAN). \$9,736.

3--**Cool Synsation**, 116, g, 4, Seattle Syn--Devil's Favour, by Devil On Ice. \$10,710.

Margins: 1 3/4, 3/4, NK. Odds: 1.00, 4.45, 6.65.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP NURSERY S., \$52,819, HST, 8-4, (R), 2yo, c/g, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.

1--**EL SINALOENSE**, 119, g, 2, **Mud Route--Ayne Z.**, by **Crusader Sword**. (C\$9,500 yrl '07 BRCSEP). O-Lara Racing Stables, Ltd; B-Mike Anderson (BC); T-Juan C Olmos; J-Pedro V Alvarado; \$31,692. Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, \$82,109.

2--**Almost Time**, 116, g, 2, Finality--Vainglorious, by Cutlass Reality. \$10,564.

3--**Diamond Quest**, 115, c, 2, Katahuala County--Rock Creek Redhead, by Screaming Fife. \$5,810.

Margins: 6, 8, 2 1/4. Odds: 0.40, 2.20, 24.30.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP DEBUTANTE S., \$52,787, HST, 8-4, (R), 2yo, f, 6 1/2f, 1:18 2/5, ft.

1--**#P. S. GOOD N READY**, 117, f, 2, **Regal Intention--Kin to Royalty**, by King Alphonse. O/B-Telford Farms (BC); T-Cindy Krasner; J-Chad Hoverson; \$31,672. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$47,088.

2--**Shel B Quick**, 115, f, 2, Orchid's Devil--Vying Princess, by Vying Victor. \$10,558.

3--**Quillo's Intention**, 117, f, 2, Regal Intention--Quillo, by Son of Briartic. \$5,807.

Margins: 4 3/4, 3/4, 3. Odds: 0.65, 8.55, 5.15.

BRITISH COLUMBIA CUP SPRINT H., \$51,900, HST, 8-4, (R), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:15 4/5, ft.

1--**#AND ALL THAT JAZZ**, 114, g, 4, **Dixieland Diamond--Radiant Sea**, by Knights Choice. (C\$15,000 yrl '05 BRCSEP). O-J & V Morgan Ventures Ltd; B-E M & M A Braithwaite (BC); T-Craig MacPherson; J-Francisco Perez Fuentes; \$32,428. Lifetime Record: 13-4-2-1, \$84,673. *1/2 to Bay Street Blues (Son Of Briartic), SW, \$140,301.

2--**Seminole Brave**, 115, g, 4, Exchange Rate--Yamasee, by Apalachee. (\$9,500 HRA 2007 OBSJAN). \$9,736.

3--**Bank Emblem**, 118, g, 5, Victory Gallop--Bank Connection, by Water Bank. \$5,355.

Margins: NK, 1 1/4, 1 3/4. Odds: 18.30, 3.55, 3.40.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

4th-WOX, \$72,788, Opt. Clm. (\$62,500-\$60,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2fT, 1:15 1/5, fm.

PROPHETICALLY (f, 4, Pulpit--Torrid Affair {MSW & GSP, \$367,829}, by Alydeed) Lifetime Record: MSP, 16-3-3-4, \$207,757. O/B-Kinghaven Farms Limited (ON). T-Ian Black. *1/2 to Seductively (Thunder Gulch), MGSW, \$450,343.

8th-WOX, \$64,643, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 7fT, 1:21 3/5, fm.

ASCOT ANNIE (f, 3, D'wildcat--Ascot Gold, by Mutakddim) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-1, \$106,586. O/B-Beclawat Stable (FL). T-Steve Attard.

10th-SAR, \$63,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:02 2/5, fm.

LOST WITHOUT YOU (f, 3, Mutakddim--My Necessity {SP, \$106,376}, by Ziggy's Boy) Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-0, \$90,014. O/B-Happy Hill Farm & Peter Wetherill (NY). T-Peter D Pugh. *1/2 to Self Rising (Hansel), SP, \$164,931.

7th-DMR, \$59,800, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f (AWT), 1:10 1/5, ft.

INSPIRATION WITHIN (f, 4, Helmsman--Whataninspiration {SW, \$129,199}, by Full of Fools) Lifetime Record: 14-3-5-3, \$97,312. O-Curt and Lila Lanning. B-Thomas W Bachman (CA). T-Ed Moger Jr. *\$11,000 yrl '05 NCASEP.

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8th-PHA, \$57,684, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11, ft.
BLITZENSFOXYVIXSIN (f, 4, **Partner's Hero--Blitzen's Echo, by Compelling Sound**) Lifetime Record: SP, 22-4-5-4, \$173,038. O-Kirwan Equine Group, Inc. B-Toni M Kirwan (PA). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

8th-DEL, \$50,600, Opt. Clm. (\$75,000), C, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:45 1/5, ft.
LEXI STAR (m, 6, **Crypto Star--Frozen Lock {SP, \$102,620}**, by **Corridor Key**) Lifetime Record: MGSP, 26-11-4-2, \$553,124. O/B-Stephen E Quick (MD). T-Christopher W Grove.

7th-DEL, \$43,500, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 4/5, fm.
WINTER VIEW (f, 4, **Thunder Gulch--No Matter What, {GISW, \$185,538}**, by **Nureyev**) Lifetime Record: 16-2-1-2, \$74,533. O/B-Augustin Stable (KY). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

7th-SRX, \$35,476, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :57 3/5, fm.
FELICITEE (f, 4, **Menifee--Wonderful {SP}**, by **Olympio**) Lifetime Record: 12-2-2-3, \$71,386. O-Barry and Judith Becker. B-Hinkle Farms (KY). T-Jedd B Josephson. *\$5,500 yrl '05 KEESEP. **1/2 to Mazella (Mazel Trick), SW & GSP, \$274,529.

7th-CNL, \$29,970, NW1X, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, 1:04 4/5, fm.
STEPPEDOUTOFPLACE (g, 4, **Out of Place--Steppedoutofadream {MSW, \$207,398}**, by **Horatius**) Lifetime Record: 13-3-2-2, \$50,340. O-A Clare Silva Jr. B-Karen Silva (FL). T-Butch Silva.

6th-PRM, \$26,670, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.
KATE'S MAIN MAN (g, 3, **Bernstein--Kate d'Kate, by D'Accord**) Lifetime Record: MSP, 15-5-3-4, \$149,954. O/B-Loretta Fern McClintock (IA). T-Timothy Mark Gleason.

3rd-MNR, \$24,900, NW2L, (S), 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:29 2/5, fm.
WESH'S TEXAS STAR (g, 3, **Weshaam--Sadler's Theatre, by Theatre Critic {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 8-2-1-2, \$40,330. O/T-Kathryn H Harner. B-Harry C Harner Jr (WV).

6th-NPX, \$22,188, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW19MX, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft.
BEARS HOME RUN (g, 3, **Grand Slam--Fiddlin Devon, by Deputy Minister**) Lifetime Record: 2-2-0-0, \$23,844. O-Bear Stables, Ltd. B-TTEE of Hines Family Trust (KY). T-Dale Greenwood. *\$40,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Mine That Bird, c, 2, **Birdstone**--Mining My Own, by Smart Strike. WOX, 8-4, (C), 6f (AWT), 1:10 4/5. B-Lamantia, Blackburn & Needham/Betz Thoroughbreds (KY). *\$9,500 yrl '07 FTKOCT. **3rd winner for freshman sire (by Grindstone).

+ **I've Got Soul**, f, 2, **Forest Wildcat**--Soul Reason, by Seeking the Gold. DEL, 8-4, (C), 5f, 1:00 2/5. B-Farfellow Farms, Ltd. (KY). *\$45,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Warm Country, f, 2, **Northern Afleet**--Ms Global Warming, by Sultry Song. SAR, 8-4, (S), (C), 5 1/2f, 1:05. B-Stonebridge Farm (NY). *\$25,000 wlng '06 NYBSEP; \$30,000 yrl '07 FTNAUG; \$75,000 2yo 2008 OBSMAR.

I Am Awesome, g, 3, **Awesome Again**--I Certainly Am, by Affirmed. WOX, 8-4, (C), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:46 1/5. B-Live Oak Stud (FL). *1/2 to Certainly Classic (Sky Classic), GSW, \$372,804; Mahfooth (Diesis {GB}), GSW-Fr, SP-Eng; Chinook Cat (Tabasco Cat), GSP, \$104,000.

Chimera Star, f, 3, **Benchmark**--Showtime Express, by Ventriloquist. DMR, 8-4, (S), 6f (AWT), 1:10 4/5. B-Clark A & Janine Rae Hansen (CA).

Nice Case, g, 3, **Gold Case**--Nicely Nasty, by Defrere. WOX, 8-4, 6f (AWT), 1:10 1/5. B-Minshall Farms (ON).

Cruzlite, g, 3, **Yoonevano**--Penlite, by Distant View. HST, 8-4, 6 1/2f, 1:17 2/5. B-Canyon Farms (BC).

Where's My Nurse, f, 4, **Pleasant Tap**--Suzanne Pollard, by Lord Gaylord. CNL, 8-4, 1 1/16mT, 1:47 1/5. B-Kinross Corp (KY). *1/2 to Vallata Lane (Purple Comet), GSP, \$158,077.

Dance Fool, g, 5, **Disco Rico**--Enchanting Belle, by Gregorian. DEL, 8-4, 5fT, :57. B-M T Shane (MD).

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IN JAPAN:

Top Giant's (Aus), c, 3, **Giant's Causeway**--Evening Charmer, by Woodman. Hakodate, 8-3, Plate, 8.5f. Lifetime Record : 3-2-0-0, \$115,888 O-Kenji Yokose; B-Austramore Pty Ltd, Codd's Flat Bloodstock Pty Ltd, San Pauli Ltd; T-Kenji Yamauchi.

Mykonos (Jpn), f, 3, **With Approval**--Rebelano, by Rubiano. Kokura, 8-3, Novice, 8.5f. Lifetime Record: 9-1-2-3, \$125,234. O-Shigeo Takeda; B-Minoru Yasuhara; T-Akihiko Nomura.

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CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Tagliacozzo, 6.20, 8-3, €12,600, 2yo, 6f 165yds (AWT), time: n/a, stn.

POMPEO MAGNO (ITY) (c, 2, Secret Thing--Promessa {Ity}, by Love the Groom) Lifetime Record: 4-3-1-0, €12,121. O-Team Don Passoni; B/T-Romeo Morgan.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Benaojan (Fr), f, 2, **Alhaarth (Ire)**--Agapimou (Ire) (SP-Fr), by Spectrum (Ire). Vittel, France, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, 6 1/2fT. B-Chevington Stud, C Laffon-Parias & Darpat S L.

Belle Jeanne (Fr), f, 2, **Diableneyev**--Ashley River (GB), by Ashkalani (Ire). La Teste de Buch, France, 8-3, Cond, 2yo, f, 7fT. B-Societa Agricola Gem Srl & Edy Srl. *SP-Fr.

+ **Vital Body (Fr)**, f, 2, **Gold Away (Ire)**--Vaillante (Ire), by Zilzal. Granville et Saint Pur Sur Mer, France, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, 1mT. B-G Pariente.

Tavotal (Ity), f, 2, **Golden Pivotal (GB)**--Taloa (Ity), by Nordance. Livorno, Italy, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, 6f 165ydsT. B-Scuderia Ri Ma Srl. *Fifth winner for freshman sire (by Pivotal {GB}).

+ **Takhir (Ire)**, c, 2, **Lando (Ger)**--Tocopilla (Fr) (SW & GSP-Fr), by Medaaly (GB). Dusseldorf, Germany, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, 7fT. B-Janus Bloodstock. *€135,000 yrl '07 DEAAUG.

Boheme Wango (Fr), f, 2, **Okawango**--Bohemian Christin (Ger), by Lomitas (GB). Merano, Italy, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, c/g, 1mT. B-Arsene & Denise le Madec.

Dark Rose (Ire), f, 2, **Pyrus**--Darkness at Noon, by Night Shift. Merano, Italy, 8-3, Mdn, 2yo, f, 1mT. B-Patrick M Ryan. *€7,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL. *Seventh winner for freshman sire (by Mr. Prospector).

Salpado (Fr), c, 2, **Royal Applause (GB)**--Moonbaby (Fr), by Le Balafre (Fr). La Teste de Buch, France, 8-3, Cond, 2yo, c/g, 7fT. B-E Puerari & Oceanic Bloodstock. *€50,000 yrl '07 DEAAUG.

Molly Maxima (Ger), f, 3, **Big Shuffle**--Molly Dancer (Ger), by Shareef Dancer. Frankfurt, Germany, 8-3, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1mT. B-Gestut Auenquelle. *Full to Molly Art (Big Shuffle), Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 7-9.5f, MSW & GSP-Ger; and Molly Max, Hwt. 2yo Colt-Ger, GSW-Ger.

Baltic Pearl (Ger), f, 3, **Dr Fong** --Ballet Ruse (GB), by Rainbow Quest. Bad Doberan, Germany, 8-3, Mdn, 3yo, 1m 165ydsT. B-Pavel Kusmin.

Perseida (Ire), f, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--Sierva (Ger), by Darshaan (GB). Dusseldorf, Germany, 8-3, Mdn, 3yo, 1 5/16mT. B-Noel Cogan & Noel Finegan. *€51,000 wnlg '05 GOFNOV; 92,000gns yrl '06 TATOCT.

Nightdance Honor (Ger), c, 3, **Highest Honor (Fr)**--Nightdance (Ger) (SW & GSP-Ger), by Shareef Dancer. Dusseldorf, Germany, 8-3, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Gestut Wittekindshof. *€80,000 yrl '06 BBASEP. **1/2 Nightdance Forest (Ire) (Charwood Forest {Ire}), Hwt. Older Mare-Ger at 5-7f, MSW & MGSP-Ger, \$150,252.

Odor di Rosa (Ity), f, 3, **Roi Danzig**--No Surrender (Ity), by Sikeston. Merano, Italy, 8-3, Mdn, 3yo, 1 3/8mT. B-Azienda Agricola La Faina S S.

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