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FULL BROTHER TO HANSEL SETS KEENELAND

RECORD A full brother to Champion Three-Year-Old **Hansel** (Woodman) became the highest-priced two-year-old to ever sell at Keeneland's April Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale yesterday when the bay colt brought a final bid of \$725,000. Hip number 115, by Woodman--Count On Bonnie, by Dancing Count, was consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, Agent IV and Roger J. Weiss made the record bid. Weiss, in the investment management business, has owned horses for about 20 years and currently has approximately 16 horses in training. "I bought this horse in partnership with my father Stephen and my brother," the Rye, NY resident explained. "I liked the family and I had his half brother (Count on Steve)." The record-breaking colt will likely be trained by Jimmy Iselin and will be sent to Aqueduct. "I think he'll be a Classic horse--he's a classic mover. I actually thought he'd bring more. I hope to be back here for an important race," Weiss added. The previous record price for a two-year-old at the sale was set in 1995 when \$700,000 was paid for Hashid (Dayjur). The top-priced filly of yesterday's sale, hip number 53, also set a record. Bloodstock agent Tom Van Meter paid \$500,000 for the bay daughter of Mr. Prospector--Shufflin n Seattle, by Seattle Slew who was consigned by M W Miller, III, agent. "I bought her for me and some partners," Van Meter said after the purchase. "I think she acted like she is a pretty serious horse, but we'll go find out. Elliot Walden will train her. She needs to run a little bit to be worth what we paid for her." The \$500,000 bid eclipsed the previous sales record price for a two-year-old filly set when Beautiful Pleasure (Maudlin) fetched \$480,000 at last year's auction. Emmanuel DeSeroux paid \$525,000 for hip number 47, a colt by Gulch--Running Redhead, by Storm Bird. The bay was consigned by Eddie Woods, agent. DeSeroux, who would not reveal who he was buying the two-year-old for, said, "He's got a stallion's pedigree if he makes it, but he looks good and he trains good. Hopefully he is good." Keeneland sold 93 horses Tuesday for \$13,925,000, up 7.1 percent from \$12,999,000 last year when 135 horses sold. The average was a record \$149,731, an increase of 55.5 percent from 1997. The previous record was \$115,363 set in 1996. "We thought we had a lot of nice horses last year, but we were pretty disappointed," said Keeneland Director of Sales Rogers Beasley. "They certainly proved themselves when they ran well on the racetrack. I think people realized this year was a strong sale and they came through."

S • A • L • E • S RESULTS

KEENELAND TUESDAY--TOP FIVE COLTS

HIP#	SIRE	DAM	PRICE
115	Woodman	Count on Bonnie	\$725,000
Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, Agent IV Purchased by Roger J. Weiss			
047	Gulch	Running Redhead	\$525,000
(\$60,000 wnlg '96 KEENOV; \$150,000 yrl '97 KEESEP) Consigned by Eddie Woods, agent Purchased by Narvick International			
142	Summer Squall	Flying Heat	\$475,000
Consigned by William B. Harrigan, agent Purchased by Centennial Farms			
129	Silver Deputy	Doradoradora	\$460,000
(\$80,000 yrl '97 KEESEP) Consigned by Mark Casse, agent Purchased by Silky Green, Inc.			
108	End Sweep	Charming Fappiano	\$425,000
Consigned by Mark Casse, agent Purchased by Narvick International			

KEENELAND TUESDAY--TOP FIVE FILLIES

HIP#	SIRE	DAM	PRICE
053	Mr. Prospector	Shufflin n Seattle	\$500,000
Consigned by M W Miller, III, agent Purchased by Tom Van Meter			
077	Salt Lake	Timotara	\$450,000
(\$80,000 wnlg '96 KEENOV) Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, Agent XI Purchased by Lazy E Racing			
117	Boundary	Creative Craft	\$420,000
(\$60,000 wnlg '96 KEENOV) Consigned by Nial Brennan, Agent XIV Purchased by William Heiligbrodt			
023	Kingmambo	Mitsubishi Vision (Ire)	\$340,000
(\$160,000 yrl '97 KEESEP) Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent for Bailey-Ellenber Select Purchased by W S Kilroy			
088	Gone West	Wadia	\$335,000
(\$200,000 yrl '97 KEESEP; \$130,000 2yo '98 KEEJAN) Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock (Becky Thomas), agent Purchased by Paul Shanahan			

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15:
4-25 \$150,000 National Jockey Club Oaks,
Spt, 3yo, f, 8.5f (\$100)





(News cont.)

SURGERY FOR LIL'S LAD Lil's Lad (Pine Bluff) underwent successful arthroscopic surgery yesterday to remove a chip from his left front ankle. The surgery was performed by Dr. Larry Bramlage at the Rood and Riddle Clinic in Lexington, Ky. "We expect him to return to racing with no hindrance," trainer Neil Howard said. "He could be back by late August for a fall campaign. Hopefully, we'll have a nice handicap horse next year. The prognosis is good." Lil's Lad came out of Saturday's Blue Grass with the injury. He finished second, but bore out in the stretch, which, his connections believe, was due to the injury.

OBS-APRIL UNDER TACK SHOW STARTS

THURSDAY The 1,212 youngsters catalogued for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Annual Spring Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training in Ocala, Florida, will have their chance to impress potential buyers during four days of Under Tack Shows which begin Thursday, April 16 and continue through Sunday, April 19. Sessions begin daily at 9 a.m. The Spring Sale begins Monday, April 20 and runs through Thursday, April 23 with continuous sessions beginning at 10:30 a.m.

◆ PREVIEW ◆

Today, Newmarket, England:

WEATHERBYS EARL OF SEFTON S.-G3, \$59,052, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT

The field, in post position order, is as follows: **Apprehension (GB)** (In The Wings {GB}), D Holland, 122; **Sleepytime (Ire)** (Royal Academy), K Fallon, 127; **Supercal (GB)** (Environment Friend {GB}), S Drowne, 119; **Alezal (GB)** (Anshan {GB}), Pat Eddery, 122; **Green Card** (Green Dancer), J Reid, 122; **Santillana** (El Gran Senor), L Dettori, 122; **Almushtarak (Ire)** (Fairy King), R Cochrane, 125.

◆ MIDWEST ◆

Local News, Churchill Downs:

Kentucky Derby hopeful **Artax** (Marquetry) breezed four furlongs on a muddy Churchill track in :48 2/5 under jockey Shane Sellers. The colt galloped out in 1:03 2/5. Jockey Chris McCarron will ride Artax in the Derby...**Banshee Breeze** (Unbridled), bound for the May 1 GI Kentucky Oaks, worked a half-mile in :51.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Stakes Results:

AJC SIRES' PRODUCE S.-G1, \$201,748, Randwick (Sydney, Australia), 4-13, 2yo, 7fT, 1:24.51, slow.
 1--**@ALF (NZ)**, 122, g, 2, **Masterclass--Susy's Magic (Aus)**, by **Biscay (Aus)**. O-M J Chittick & Watson Bloodstock Ltd Syndicate; B-Waikato Stud Holdings (NZ); T-Dave & Paul O'Sullivan; J-G Childs; \$137,189. *1/2 to Gladful (Salieri), GSW-Aus.
 2--**Mossman (Aus)**, 122, c, 2, **Success Express--Lichen Lady (Aus)**, by **Twig Moss (Fr)**. O/B-P G & Mrs W E Moran (QLD); \$36,315.
 3--**Shovhog (Aus)**, 122, c, 2, **Danehill--Startling Lass (Aus)**, by **Luskin Star (Aus)**. O-Mr & Mrs G B White; B-R F Thompson Pty Ltd (QLD); \$16,140.

Margins: 3/4, SHD.

Also ran: **Prowl (Aus)**, **Arena (Aus)**, **Glammi (Aus)**, **Confer (Aus)**, **Brilliance (Aus)**.

The gelding **Alf (NZ)**, who did not have enough prize money to qualify for the April 4 Golden Slipper, won for the fourth time in eight lifetime starts here with this gutsy wire-to-wire win in the second leg of the Australian Juvenile Triple Crown. Starting at odds of 9-2, he battled on gamely to resist the strong finish of 33-1 outsider **Mossman (Aus)**. The Golden Slipper runner-up **Shovhog (Aus)** finished a close third, followed by the Golden Slipper winner **Prowl (Aus)**, the 9-4 favorite. **Alf**, the first racehorse owned by Auckland businessman **Eric Watson**, will not run in the third leg of the Australian Juvenile Triple Crown, the G1 Champagne S. over one mile at Randwick on April 25, but will be aimed at the G3 Endeavour S. over six furlongs on the same program.

AJC THE GALAXY H.-G1, \$201,748, Randwick (Sydney, Australia), 4-13, 3/up, 5f 110ydsT, 1:03.79, slow.
 1--**LA BARAKA (AUS)**, 109, f, 3, **Euclase (Aus)--Triscay (Aus)** (Hwt. Filly at 2 & Ch. 3yo-Aus, **MGSW-Aus**), by **Marscay (Aus)**. O-G J & Mrs B S Donnay; B-Bhima Stud (NSW); T-Peter Hayes; J-K Moses; \$137,189.
 2--**Masked Party (Aus)**, 118, g, 5, **Marscay (Aus)--Party (Aus)**, by **Lunchtime (GB)**. O-Miss D Price, G Yung, N H Gamble & Classic Club Syndicate; B-Mr R L Dittman (QLD); \$36,315.

3--**Coogee Walk (NZ)**, 119, f, 4, **Success Express--Boardwalk Angel (Aus)**, by **Bletchingly (Aus)**. O/B-Mrs N M Leicester (NZ); \$16,140.

Margins: 1 1/2, 3/4.

Also ran: **Rock You (NZ)**, **Mutombo (Aus)**, **Hockney (Aus)**, **Unison (Aus)**, **Flavour (Aus)**, **Notoire (Aus)**, **Hot As Hell (Aus)**, **Millward (NZ)**, **Mr Victory (NZ)**, **Yallah King (Aus)**, **Lusty's Bank (Aus)**, **Toledo (Aus)**.

TAKING ON THE BEST!

3yo Gold Guru by **GEIGER COUNTER**, wins the Ranvet Stakes Gr 1 defeating Champion Older Stayer **MIGHT & POWER** and Champion Mare **DANE RIPPER**.

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PRIX PENELOPE-G3, \$59,658, Saint-Cloud, France, 4-14, 3yo f, 10f 110ydsT, 2:27.60, hy.

1--**@ABBATIALE (FR)**, 126, f, 3, Kaldoun (Fr)--Anna Edes (Fr), by Fabulous Dancer. (\$27,227 yrl '96 AFAUG). O-G Coude; B-Mme Rene Wattinne; T-Dominique Sepulchre; J-F Sanchez; \$36,057.

2--**Welsh Autumn (GB)**, 126, f, 3, Tenby (GB)--Autumn Tint, by Roberto. O-Prince Khaled Abdullah. \$13,112.

3--**Chine (GB)**, 126, f, 3, Inchinor (GB)--Tweedling, by Sir Ivor. O-Mme G de Chatelperron. \$6,556.

Margins: 3, 1, SNK.

Also ran: Khumba Mela (Ire), Reine Breeze (Fr), Miss Adelaide (Fr), Valixa (Fr).

SHADWELL STUD NELL GWYN S.-G3, \$55,920, Newmarket, England, 4-14, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:28.85, gd/sf.

1--**#@CLOUD CASTLE (GB)**, 121, f, 3, In The Wings (GB)--Lucayan Princess (GB) (SW-Eng), by High Line (GB). O/B-Mr Saeed Manana; T-Clive Brittain; J-J Reid; \$33,744. * ½ to Needle Gun (Ire) (Sure Blade),

MGSW-Ire, \$440,767; Luso (GB) (Salse), Hwt. At 3 11-14f-Ity, Hwt. Older Horse 9.5-11-Ity, Ger, MGSW-Eng, Ger, Ity, HK, \$1,510,078-in Europe.

2--**Ashraakat**, 121, f, 3, Danzig--Elle Seule, by Exclusive Native. O-Sheikh Hamdan al Maktoum. \$2,446.

3--**Jibe**, 121, f, 3, Danzig--Slightly Dangerous, by Roberto. O-Prince Khaled Abdullah. \$5,990.

Margins: 1 1/2, NK, NK.

Also ran: Elshamms (GB), Exclusive (GB), Nanoushka (Ire), Royal Shyness (GB). Scratched: Vignette.

Cloud Castle (GB), the lone maiden in the field, was dismissed at 33-1 and settled in midfield early on, as Ashraakat set a steady pace from Jibe. Well inside the final furlong Cloud Castle produced an impressive turn of foot to cut down the leaders and ran out an easy winner. Winning trainer Clive Brittain said: "I told the connections that I thought she could win and I was serious. My thoughts were right. This filly has got a heart. John Reid (jockey) said he had to hold her together coming down the hill and as the leaders quickened up the rising ground, I hoped she would find that extra gear which I knew she had and she did."

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a + will denote winners who are first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

EQUITY FINANCIAL SERVICES ABERNANT S., \$31,550, Newmarket, England, 4-14, 3yo/up, 6fT, 1:14.02, gd/sf.

1--**#TEDBURROW (GB)**, 128, g, 6, Dowsing--Gwiffina (Ire), by Welsh Saint (Ire). (\$7,550 yrl '93 DNSLY). O-Mr Philip Davies; B-Lady Matthews; T-Eric Alston; J-K Fallon; \$19,011.

2--**Cretan Gift (GB)**, 134, g, 7, Cadeaux Genereux (GB)--Caro's Niece, by Caro (Ire). O-Mr T Clarke. \$7,032.

3--**Danetime (Ire)**, c, 4, Danehill--Allegheny River, by Lear Fan. O-Mr Michael Tabor & Mrs John Magnier. \$3,373.

Margins: 1 1/4, NK, ½.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN ENGLAND:

Daring Derek, c, 3, Naevus--Gatap, by Buckfinder. Newmarket, 4-14, Boadicea Conditions S., 3yo, 7fT, \$9,632 to winner. O-Lucayan Stud; B-Brereton C Jones & Timothy C Thornton; T-David Loder. *\$75,000 yrl '96 KEESF.

Local News, Australia:

On the first day of the Inglis Easter Sale in Sydney, Australia's premier yearling sale, 177 lots were sold for a gross of \$12,276,059 and an average of \$69,356, up seven percent on the 1997 figure of \$64,560. The session topper, at \$353,060, was a bay colt from the first Australian crop of the Coolmore Stud shuttle stallion Bigstone (Ire) (Last Tycoon {Ire}) and out of the Sir Tristram (Ire) mare Nine Carat (NZ), a daughter of the remarkable mare Eight Carat (NZ) (Pieces Of Eight II {GB}). Irish agent Cormac McCormack, acting on behalf of the Hong Kong-based company Domeland Pty Ltd, purchased the colt. The top-priced filly on the first day was a daughter of Danehill out of Iwan (NZ) (Sir Tristram {Ire}), bought for \$218,561 by Belmont Bloodstock. A full-brother to the G1 Golden Slipper winner Prowl (Aus) (Marauding {NZ}) failed to sell Tuesday, being passed in at \$174,849.

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Sold for \$150,000 at Keeneland yesterday,

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-SPT, \$30,000, 3&4yo, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.
NET ASSET (c, 4, Private Account--Long Legend, by Reviewer) Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-2, \$54,921.
 O-Wheeler Farms. B-Herman Sarkowsky (KY).
 T-Anthony J Granitz. * 1/2 to Majestic Legend (His Majesty), SW, \$200,853; Talltalelady (Naskra), MGSP, \$208,968; Mr. Greeley (Gone West), MGSW, \$474,452.

10th-HIA, \$23,100, 4/up, a5 1/2 ft, 1:01 3/5 (ECR), fm.
EXASPERATING (h, 5, Dispersal--Anniversary Wish {SW}, by Beau's Eagle) Lifetime Record: 12-3-0-6, \$65,685. O-Live Oak Plantation. B-Live Oak Stud (FL).
 T-Patrick J Kelly.

6th-PHA, \$23,035, 4yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:43 1/5, ft.
MUSKIE (c, 4, Sportin' Life--C'Est Moi Meme {SP}, by Miswaki) Lifetime Record: 6-2-2-0, \$40,380. O/B-Stud Aire Farms (PA). T-Andrea Morris.

9th-PHA, \$19,800, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 2/5, ft.
STARK WAVING MAD (h, 7, Wavering Monarch--Dolly Dos, by Naskra) Lifetime Record: SP, 72-9-9-14, \$189,813. O-Adam Russo. B-Lady Slipper Farm (ON).
 T-Donald S Reeder.

8th-DET, \$17,816, (S), 3yo/up, 5f, :58 1/5, sy.
ARCHIE'S STAR (c, 4, Monetary Gift--Starwink {SW}, by Star Spangled) Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-2, \$38,097.
 O/B-George Palushaj (MI). T-Gerald S Bennett.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Eurocup, f, 3, Exbourne--Europa, by Medieval Man. HIA, 4-14, a1 1/16T, 1:45. B-Romanik David (FI). * 1/2 to Mr. Explosive (Explosive Bid), SW, \$194,300; Hopeful Angel (Explosive Bid), SW, \$106,164.

Ex Lady, f, 3, One Little Hustler--Exquisite Lady, by Valdez. SPT, 4-14, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Dykema Carl C (II).

Pleasantoke, c, 3, Roanoke--Ornate Lady, by D'Accord. DET, 4-14, 5f, :58. B-Chesapeake Farm & Mrs O'Donnell Lee (Ky). * \$12,500 wIng '95 KEENOV; \$27,000 yrl '96 OBSAUG.

Stalled In the Rear, f, 3, Stalwart--Slight in the Rear (MSW, \$148,602), by Executive Order. SPT, 4-14, (S), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-South River Ranch, Inc (II).

Sheza Knockout, f, 3, Two Punch--Super Style (MSW, \$214,819), by My Gallant. PHA, 4-14, 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Victoria Racing Stables Inc (Md).

Musical Halo, f, 4, Jolie's Halo--Screen Melody, by Northern Jove. HIA, 4-14, (C), 7f, 1:26 2/5. B-Appleton Arthur I (FI).

Prospect for a Win, c, 4, Shakeel--Malaika (MSW), by Autumn Double. SPT, 4-14, (S), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Simov Nick (II).

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

HALORY HUNTER (c, 3, Jade Hunter--Halory, by Halo)

Around two weeks ago in a *Thoroughbred Daily News* column entitled "Who's Hot and Whose Not," Jack Werk noted that Jade Hunter was doing exceptionally well for a horse standing at \$10,000. That comment was made to look positively prescient when Jade Hunter's son Halory Hunter thrust himself to the fore of the Derby picture with a victory over Lil's Lad and Cape Town in Saturday's GII Toyota Blue Grass S.

Jade Hunter is a somewhat unusual horse in that although he is a son of Mr. Prospector, he is out of a European-bred mare who owns a pedigree which is something of an outcross for the majority of U.S. mares. The one predominantly North American strain which does appear in the distaff side of Jade Hunter's pedigree is Northern Dancer (Jade Hunter's dam is by Pharly, a son of Lyphard and a grandson of Northern Dancer). And Northern Dancer is the strain which is the dominant duplication in the pedigree of Halory Hunter, his granddam Cold Reply being a daughter of Northern Dancer (making Halory Hunter another good winner with a mare by Northern Dancer in the female line and a son of Northern Dancer in the sire). Here the Northern Dancer influence is strengthened by the fact that Halory Hunter's dam, Halory is by Halo, which means she is inbred 3x4 to Almahmoud, granddam of both Northern Dancer and Halo. This formula seems to have something of an affinity for the Mr. Prospector strain. Halory's sister Halo Reply is dam of stakes winner Favorable Ruling (by a son of Mr. Prospector) and granddam of Grade I winner Strategic Maneuver (by a grandson of Mr. Prospector). Incidentally, the Mr. Prospector/Halo cross does already have one 1998 classic winner to represent it--last weekend's G1 VRC Australian Derby was won by Gold Guru (Aus) (Geiger Counter--Proud Halo {Aus}, by Don't Say Halo), who is by a son of Mr. Prospector out of a mare by a son of Halo.

We might also note that Jade Hunter has worked with another branch of the Almahmoud family and with other Northern Dancer inbreeding. He sired Japanese graded stakes winner A.P. Grand Prix out of a mare by Arctic Tern (who like Northern Dancer and Halo is a grandson of Almahmoud), while Grade I winner Stuka and stakes winners Vinista and Classic Result are out of mares carrying Northern Dancer's son Nijinsky II. Since Jade Hunter's Northern Dancer strain is through Lyphard and since inbreeding to Northern Dancer through Lyphard and Nijinsky II has been by far the most successful form of Northern Dancer inbreeding, this seems a formula worth repeating.