



HEADLINE NEWS

ZABEEL COLT LIGHTS UP PREMIER SALE

A stunning, near black colt by champion sire Zabeel (NZ) broke through the million-dollar barrier yesterday to top the second session of New Zealand Bloodstock's Premier Sale at Karaka, Auckland. The yearling colt is out of the Group 1 winner Marquise (NZ) (Gold and Ivory) and is a three-quarters brother to Australian Horse of the Year Octagonal (NZ) and to multiple Group 1 winner Mouawad (NZ). Bidding on the royally bred youngster started at NZ\$500,000 and moved swiftly to NZ\$800,000, where the action became limited to two camps. The final bid of NZ\$1,050,000 belonged to Emirates Park Stud. The Hunter Valley, New South Wales farm is owned by Nasser Lootah of Dubai, who was the underbidder on the record \$3.6 million Zabeel yearling two years ago at this sale. The colt was offered by Sir Patrick Hogan's Cambridge Stud as vendor. The same consignor also offered the record yearling in 2000, as well as last year's \$1.45 million sale topper. With 23 yearlings sold for an average of NZ\$232,109, Zabeel was the leading sire of the session. He was represented by three of the top five-priced lots. Unbridled's Song was the second leading sire of the session. His three yearlings sold for an average of NZ\$154,167, with a high price of NZ\$220,000. Today's final session of the Premier Sale begins at 1 p.m. One of the highlights of the session promises to be lot number 452, a colt by Danehill--Tristalove (NZ) (Sir Tristram {GB}). The yearling is a full brother to Group 1 winner Viking Ruler (Aus).

TRACK CHANGE FOR JAPAN CUPS

The 2002 editions of the G1 Japan Cup and Japan Cup Dirt will be held at Nakayama Racecourse, as Tokyo Racecourse undergoes reconstruction of its grandstand, according to *Thoroughbred Times*. The distances of both races have been decreased. The Japan Cup will be run at 1 3/8 miles, instead of 1 1/2 miles and the Japan Cup Dirt will be run at 1 1/8 miles, instead of 1 5/16 miles. Both races will be run on Nov. 24.

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NEW ZEALAND BLOODSTOCK PREMIER SALE TOP FIVE LOTS-TUESDAY

Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (NZ\$)
257	colt	Zabeel (NZ)	Marquise (NZ)	\$1,050,000
Consigned by Cambridge Stud Purchased by Emirates Park Pty Ltd.				
171	colt	Zabeel (NZ)	Grand Archway (Aus)	\$410,000
Consigned by Westbury Stud Ltd. Purchased by Rogerson Bloodstock				
106	colt	Danehill	Dosthill	\$360,000
Consigned by Curraghmore Stud Purchased by New Zealand Bloodstock, Ltd.				
170	filly	Tale of the Cat	Good Faith (NZ)	\$310,000
Consigned by Curraghmore Stud Purchased by Bloomsbury Stud				
100	colt	Zabeel (NZ)	Desert Lily	\$310,000
Consigned by Pencarrow Stud Purchased by Rogerson Bloodstock				



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New Zealand Premier Yearling Sale Tuesday, January 29, 2002

SESSION:	2002	2001
No. Sold	147	137
Gross (NZ\$)	\$14,239,500	\$16,542,500
Average (NZ\$)	\$96,867	\$120,748
CUMULATIVE	2002	2001
No. Sold	208	255
Gross (NZ\$)	\$19,100,500	\$31,365,000
Average (NZ\$)	\$91,829	\$123,000

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CLASSIC WINNERS ON PARADE AT DONCASTER

Doncaster Bloodstock Sales mark the opening of their two-day January Sale today with a parade of Classic and Group 1-winning stallions. Featuring G1 Epsom Derby winner **Erhaab (USA)** (Chief's Crown {USA}) and G1 St Leger winner **Silver Patriarch (Ire)** (Saddler's Hall {Ire}), the parade is set to take place in the sales arena at 11 a.m. Also on show will be the dual G1 Ascot Gold Cup hero **Kayf Tara (GB)** (Sadler's Wells {USA}), the dual European champion **Mtoto (GB)** (Busted {GB}), the former champion sprinter **Diktat (GB)** (Warning {GB}) and the National Stud's two new arrivals **Golden Snake (USA)** (Danzig {USA}) and **Mutamam (GB)** (Darshaan {GB}). Day one of the sale, which forms Doncaster's main flat-bred breeding stock sale of the year, features 2001 foals by Ali-Royal (Ire), Bahamian Bounty (GB), Dr Devious (Ire), Pursuit of Love (GB) and Sri Pekan (USA). Also on offer are mares in foal to Bahamian Bounty (GB), Josr Algarhoud (Ire) and Pivotal (GB). Day two turns its attention to horses in and out of training with both Flat and National Hunt form.

LINGFIELD ALL-CLEAR

Lingfield's all-weather meeting looks set to take place today after Saturday's fixture was abandoned because of high winds. Having abandoned after the first race, the racecourse witnessed winds of up to 40 m.p.h. Clerk of the Course Chris Stickels told *PA Sport*, "Winds have dropped and the forecast is for about 20 m.p.h. winds, so no problems are anticipated."

Yesterday's Results:

3.00 Southwell, Bet Direct Tax Free Betting Median Auction Maiden S. (Class F), £3,240, 3-5yo, 7f (AWT), 1:31.20, stn.

NUTMEG (IRE) (m, 5, Lake Coniston {Ire}--Overdue Reaction {Ire}, by Be My Guest {USA}), the 6-1 second choice, raced in fourth as first Gruff (GB) (Presidium {GB}) and then Tefi (GB) (Efisio {GB}) led. The 41,000gns TATDEC weanling and Ir26,000gns GOFORB yearling took over in the final furlong and held off 2-1 favourite Eddys Lad (GB) (Lahib {USA}) by three parts of a length. Lifetime Record: 22-1-0-1, £2,983. O-Mystic Meg Limited; B-Airlie Stud & Widden Stud; T-Mark Tompkins; J-Dale Gibson.

★ U.S. PREMIERES ★

Wednesday at Gulfstream Park:

7th Race, \$40,000, Allowance, opt. cl., 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT

CHESTNUT BIRD (IRE) (f, 4, Storm Bird {USA}--Carelaine {USA}, by Woodman {USA}), winner of the Listed Prix Mme Jean Couturie at Vichy last July, finished second in a pair of Longchamp Listed events, the Prix de Liancourt and Charles Laffitte, later that fall. In her last race for trainer Jean De Roualle, she ran a disappointing seventh in the G2 Premio Lydia Tesio at Capannelle Oct. 28 before sitting on the sidelines until now. Lifetime Record: 8-3-1-2, \$62,414. O-Jergun Winter; B-Haras de la Perelle; T-W Mott.

★ ITALY ★

Yesterday's Results:

2.45 Rome, Premio Furry Glen (Cond), €7,650, 4yo/up, 1 1/3/8m (dirt), time: n/a, sf.

RISOLUTI (IRE) (h, 7, King Of Tales {Ire}--Listen {USA}, by List {USA}) Lifetime Record: 91 starts, 19 wins, 35 places, €130,595. O-Romina Ciccioli; B-Dr L Luciani; T-Giuseppe Vischetti; J-Luis Alberto Acuna. *1/2 to Lisistrata (Ity) (Pareo {Fr}), GSW-Ity.

★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★

Blu Bulgari (Ire), c, 3, Desert King (Ire)--Alexandra Fair (USA), by Green Dancer (USA). Rome, Italy, 1-29, Premio Cut Above (Mdn), 3yo, 1m (dirt), €4,250 to winner. B-Patrick J Fadden. *11,000gns yrl '00 TATDEC.

Nutmeg (Ire), m, 5, Lake Coniston (Ire)--Overdue Reaction (Ire), by Be My Guest (USA). Southwell, Britain, 1-29, Bet Direct Tax Free Betting Median Auction Maiden S. (Class F), 3-5yo, 7f (AWT), £2,268 to winner. B-Airlie Stud & Widden Stud. *41,000gns wnlg '97 TATDEC; Ir26,000gns yrl '98 GOFORB.

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WRITERS UP

HORSES TO FOLLOW: MICHAEL BELL by Tom Frary

Last year, Michael Bell saddled **Zanzibar (Ire)** (In the Wings {GB}) to run out a highly impressive seven-length winner of May's G1 Oaks d'Italia in Milan. He also handled the smart **Snowstorm (GB)** (Environment Friend {GB}) and **Red Carpet (GB)** (Pivotal {GB}). This year, with another strong-looking line-up, Bell commented that his three-year-old string of 2002 look promising, "especially the colts." He outlined five to follow in 2002:

Wing Commander (GB), c, 3, by Royal Applause (GB)

Dam: Southern Psychic (USA), by Alwasmi (USA)
O-Mr M B Hawtin; B-P and Mrs Venner

Half-brother to the talented Rumpold (GB), he took an Ayr maiden in August before chasing home Fight Your Corner (GB) in second in the Haynes, Hanson and Clark S. at Newbury the following month: "He was unlucky when second there as Kevin Darley [who rode the winner] hit him over the head with his stick and it definitely cost our horse impetus, having to switch--otherwise I think he would have finished upsides him. I don't think he will quite get 1 1/2 miles, but maybe he'll get 1 1/4 miles. I don't know whether he's Guineas class or not, but he's a nice horse."

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Stage by Stage (USA), c, 3, by In the Wings (GB)

Dam: Lady Thynn (Fr), by Crystal Glitters (USA)
O-Mrs Evelyn Hankinson; B-Moretton Binn Racing, Breeding and Sales LLC

Second in two maidens in August and September, he got off the mark in a similar event at Bath at the start of October before finishing last of five in the G3 Prix de Conde at Longchamp later in the month: "He is a high-class middle-distance prospect. The Prix de Conde was a tactical non-event. He is very, very exciting."

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Mine Host (GB), c, 3, by Elmaamul (USA)

Dam: Divina Mia (GB), by Dowsing (USA)
O-Nicholas R Hodges; B-Mrs M L Parry & P M Steele-Mortimer

Winner of a Yarmouth maiden on his debut in May, he was a fine fourth behind Seba (GB) in the Listed Chesham S. at Royal Ascot the following month. He was disappointing when unplaced in the Tattersalls Breeders S. at The Curragh in August: "He is a horse I like a lot and he was not quite right in Ireland--he ran very well at Ascot in a good race and I'm very hopeful he'll make into a middle-distance horse--he could be one for the G3 Chester Vase."

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Dusky Warbler (GB), g, 3, by Ezzoud (Ire)

Dam: Bronzewing (GB), by Beldale Flutter (USA)
O/B-Sir Thomas Pilkington

Half-brother to the stable's smart Listed winner Merry Merlin (GB), he was awarded a Newmarket maiden upon the disqualification of Godolphin's Moon Ballad (GB) on his debut in September, before finishing second to Alexander Three D (Ire) in the Listed Zetland S. at that track in November: "He is obviously a very exciting prospect and his lack of match practice counted against him in the Zetland as he didn't really know how to quicken. He is an exciting middle-distance prospect."

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Leonica (GB), f, 3, by Lion Cavern (USA)

Dam: South Shore (GB), by Caerleon (USA)
O-Mr B H Farr; B-Worksop Manor Stud

Still a maiden after three starts, she was twice second in Ascot maidens behind the smart Group winners Ya Hajar (GB) and Distant Valley (GB): "The form of her Ascot defeat by Distant Valley giving weight away is definitely smart--I like her a lot and I'm hoping she might be a Guineas filly."

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SAARLAND MAY SKIP FOUNTAIN The GI Remsen winner **Saarland** (Unbridled) may skip the Feb. 16 GI Fountain of Youth at Gulfstream Park, according to *Daily Racing Form*. The colt, who worked five furlongs at Gulfstream Sunday morning in 1:02.20, had been expected to make his three-year-old bow in the Fountain of Youth, but trainer Shug McGaughey expressed concerns about the track surface on Monday. "This track is a little looser and a big horse like him, I don't think it favors him that much," McGaughey told the *Form*. "I'm just going to sort of wait and see. My main objective for him is the [Apr. 13 GI] Wood Memorial. I'd like to run him twice [before the Wood]. If it was once, that would be okay, too."

FASIG-TIPTON CATALOGS 188 FOR WINTER SALE Fasig-Tipton Midlantic has catalogued 188 entries for its Feb. 4 Winter Mixed Sale at Timonium, Maryland. The sale begins at 11 a.m. The first 90 offerings will be in-foal mares and breeding prospects. The rest of the catalogue will feature yearlings and horses of racing age. Included in the sale are 20 offerings from the estate of the late trainer Robert Camac.

<p>STAKES CLOSINGS TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 30: 02-09 \$500,000 <i>Donn H.-I, GP, 3yo/up, 9f</i> (500)</p> <p>TOMORROW, THURSDAY, JANUARY 31: 02-09 \$200,000 <i>La Cañada-II, SA, 4yo, f, 9f</i> (200) 02-10 \$200,000 <i>Las Virgenes-I, SA, 3yo, f, 8f</i> (200)</p>	
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☆ NEW YORK ☆

Dixie Brass Dies:
One of New York's leading sires, **Dixie Brass** (Dixieland Band--Petite Diable, by Sham) died Monday at The Stallion Park in Millbrook, New York. An autopsy is underway to determine the cause of death. The 13-year-old stallion had sired 23 stakes winners (eight percent) from six crops to race, including millionaire Dixie Dot Com and multiple Jamaican champion Blumenthal. On the racetrack, Dixie Brass captured the GI Met Mile as a three-year-old, concluding his career with a record of 15-6-2-2 and earnings of \$631,563.

☆ EAST ☆

Monday's Late Result:
3rd-MNR, \$21,700, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:48 1/5, ft.
MARY REBECCA (m, 5, [Evansville Slew](#)--Squaw d'Or, by Navajo) had made just one previous racecourse appearance, finishing third in a June 24 Churchill maiden going nine furlongs on the turf. Trying the main track in her return, the 5-2 second choice was prominent from the start, took command after a half and was ridden out to a 4 1/4-length success. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, \$16,746.
O/B-Scott K Garrison (KY). T-F H Parker.

☆ MIDWEST ☆

Fair Grounds Lowers Purses:
Fair Grounds Race Course will decrease purses between \$1,000 and \$2,000 per race, effective Feb. 7. The change will not effect stakes races. Fair Grounds president and general manager Bryan Krantz cited declines in the economy and poor weather on key racing days as the primary reasons for the decrease.

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☆ INDUSTRY INFO ☆

Industry Groups Offer Medication Summit Follow-Up:

Representatives from more than 20 industry groups yesterday unanimously endorsed the creation of a veterinary advisory committee which would compile a list of medications used to treat racehorses, as well as information on each medication's dosage, administration and medical indications. The move was a follow-up to the Medication Summit held last month by the American Association of Equine Practitioners in Tucson, Arizona. Groups with representatives on yesterday's teleconference were the AAEP, HBPA, HTA, TRPB, TOBA, AQHA, THA, NTRA, the Jockeys' Guild, CTA, The Jockey Club, NAPRA, CHRB, USTA, RCI, UTTA, KTA and the TOC. The veterinary advisory committee will be developed under the aegis of the AAEP.

Classic Voted Moment of the Year:

Tiznow's dramatic victory over Sakhee in last year's Breeders' Cup Classic has been voted the National Thoroughbred Racing Association's Moment of the Year. Balloting was conducted on the NTRA's website. Voters were offered 10 different images to choose from. Tiznow's 2000 Classic victory was voted that year's Moment of the Year.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will 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.

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:21 2/5	038	filly	Concerto	Dame Georgette

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BREEDERS' EDITION

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

9th-MNR, \$28,200, 1-28, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:48, ft. ANDREW THE MAN (h, 5, Carson City--Storm in Sight, by Storm Bird) Lifetime Record: 19-6-2-2, \$61,877. O-Eugene Daniels. B-Dinwiddie Farm (KY). T-Luis A Palacios.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Clark S Man, c, 3, Hold for Gold--What a Dixie, by What Luck. MNR, 1-28, a1m70yd, 1:51 1/5. B-Bruce K & Nancy A Hudson (Oh).

Lover's Vendetta, f, 3, Manlove--Social Vendetta, by Sportin' Life. TAM, 1-29, a1 1/16mT, 1:47 3/5. B-Molesworth Stable Inc (Fl). *\$1,400 yrl '00 OBSAUG; \$3,000 2yo '01 OBSAPR.

Cheris' Truth, f, 4, Future Storm--The Truth Is In, by Proud Truth. TAM, 1-29, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Robert L Liedel (Fl).

Mary Rebecca, m, 5, Evansville Slew--Squaw d'Or, by Navajo. MNR, 1-28, a1m70yd, 1:48 1/5. B-Scott K Garrison (Ky).

SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

Progeny to watch: Wednesday, Jan. 30

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1998 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

DR. CATON (Seattle Slew), Dbl Diamond, \$5K, 81/6/0
9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Smooth N Easy, 6-1

SMOKE GLACKEN (Two Punch), Gainesway, \$10K, 130/21/3
8-CT, Alw, 7f, Amphorae, \$20K EAS OCT yrl, 8-1

SPINNING WORLD (Nureyev), Ashford, \$50K, 297/17/2
9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Gyraton, \$150K KEE JUL yrl, 5-1



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A P Valentine (A.P. Indy)	Ashford, Ky	\$15,000
Albert the Great (Go for Gin)	Three Chimneys, Ky	\$10,000
Aptitude (A.P. Indy)	Juddmonte, Ky	\$25,000
Aramus (Storm Bird)	Golden Gate, Ky	\$2,500
Black Minnaloushe (Storm Cat)	Ashford, Ky	\$15,000
Brahms (Danzig)	Vinery, Ky	\$12,500
Broken Vow (Unbridled)	Pin Oak, Ky	\$10,000
Certain (Out of Place)	Grayrock, Ar	\$2,000
Cloud Hopping (Mr. Prospector)	Wycombe House, Fl	\$3,500
City Zip (Carson City)	Contemporary, NY	\$7,500
Coastal Storm (Storm Cat)	Pin Oak Lane, Pa	\$2,500
Colossus (Phone Trick)	All-American, In	\$2,000
Daylight Savings (Sky Classic)	Stonewood, Mi	\$2,500
Delaware Township (Notebook)	Padua, Fl	\$6,500
Deputy Cat (Deputy Minister)	Pegasus, NY	\$3,500
Deputy Warlock (Silver Deputy)	Tee-N-Jay, NJ	\$3,500
Disco Rico (Citidancer)	Murmur, Md	\$4,000
Dixie Dot Com (Dixie Brass)	Cardiff, Ca	\$6,000
Ecton Park (Forty Niner)	Wintergreen, Ky	\$15,000
El Corredor (Mr. Greeley)	Hill 'n' Dale, Ky	\$20,000
Exchange Rate (Danzig)	Padua, Fl	\$10,000
Five Star Day (Carson City)	Wintergreen, Ky	\$10,000
Flame Thrower (Saint Ballado)	Stoneriggs, Fl	\$8,500
Forest Camp (Deputy Minister)	Airdrie, Ky	\$10,000
Freud (Storm Cat)	Lakland North, NY	\$5,000
Galloping Gael (Lost Code)	Mill Creek, NY	\$5,000
Globalize (Summer Squall)	Creston, Ca	\$5,000
Iron Punch (Iron)	Casino Royale, NJ	\$2,000
Jump Start (A.P. Indy)	Overbrook, Ky	\$5,000

<u>Stallion (Sire)</u>	<u>Farm</u>	<u>Fee</u>
King Cugat (Kingmambo)	Lane's End, Ky	\$10,000
Lexicon (Conquistador Cielo)	Meadowbrook, Fl	\$5,000
Madraar (Mr. Prospector)	Hideaway, Ca	\$3,500
Mancini (Mr. Prospector)	Liberty, NY	\$3,000
Menhal (Danzig)	Black Oak, Ca	\$4,000
Middlesex Drive (Pine Bluff)	Dunhill, Fl	\$2,500
Minardi (Boundary)	Walmac, Ky	\$12,500
Mojave Moon (Mr. Prospector)	Bonita, Md	\$7,500
Mr. Broad Blade (Broad Brush)	Mira Loma, Ca	\$2,000
Norway (Storm Cat)	Double L, NM	\$3,500
Not Impossible (Ire) (Sadler's Wells)	Anson, Ont	\$2,000
Perigee Moon (Hennessy)	Park Stud, Ont	\$3,500
Pikepass (Forty Niner)	Spendthrift, Ky	\$7,500
Point Given (Thunder Gulch)	Three Chimneys, Ky	\$125,000
Poteen (Irish River {Fr})	Old English Rancho, Ca	\$2,500
Prime Timber (Sultry Song)	Sez Who, Fl	\$5,000
Put It Back (Honour and Glory)	Bridlewood, Fl	\$5,000
Radio Star (Storm Cat)	McMahon, NY	\$5,000
Rawafed (Kingmambo)	Four Green Fields, NY	\$2,500
Rock and Roll (Cure the Blues)	Dutchess Views, NY	\$3,500
Royal Cat (Storm Cat)	Old English Rancho, Ca	\$2,000
Sandpile (Cure the Blues)	Stallion Park, NY	\$2,500
Seattle Syn (Seattle Slew)	Can-American, In	\$2,000
Shanawi (Ire) (Caerleon)	Stonebridge, Fl	\$5,000
Shot of Gold (Jolie's Halo)	Waverly, Mn	\$2,000
Smart Guy (Smarten)	Pin Oak Lane, Pa	\$2,000
Smolderin Heart (Two Punch)	Grayrock, Ar	\$2,000
Snuck In (Montbrook)	Cloverleaf, Fl	\$2,500
Songandaprayer (Unbridled's Song)	Marablue, Fl	\$10,000
Strategic Mission (Mr. Prospector)	Gainesway, Ky	\$7,500
The Fed (Key to the Mint)	McAllister, Ont	\$2,000
Tiznow (Cee's Tizzy)	WinStar, Ky	\$30,000
Trippi (End Sweep)	Ocala Stud, Fl	\$7,500
Uncle Abbie (Kingmambo)	Key Ranch, Tx	\$2,000

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

Saturday, Santa Anita

SANTA MONICA H.-GI, \$200,000, SAX, 1-26, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:22 1/5, ft.

1--▲**KALOOKAN QUEEN, 119, m, 6, by Lost Code**

1st Dam: Regal Realm, by Majestic Prince

2nd Dam: Clear Copy, by Copy Chief

3rd Dam: Half Tone, by *Tudor Minstrel

(\$275,000 2yo 1998 BESMAR). O-Asistio Louis A; B-Donald & Mary Zuckerman (KY); T-Bruce Headley; J-A Solis; \$120,000. Lifetime Record: 18-8-6-3, \$603,834. *1/2 to Cape Royale (Capote), SW, \$136,089; and Klondike Strike (Claim), SW, \$220,110; and full to Sir Hutch, GSW, \$195,275.

For a horse with a decidedly unfashionable pedigree, Lost Code was a remarkably effective stallion. From his first 10 crops, he sired 44 stakes winners from 548 foals and 427 starters. In fact, all his record really lacked was a Grade I winner. That oversight was corrected at the weekend when--just under a year from Lost Code's death from a ruptured aorta--Kalookan Queen captured the GI Santa Monica H.

As mentioned above, Lost Code's pedigree was not a fashionable one, but it was far from bad. His sire, the GI Preakness S. winner Codex (by Ribot's son Arts and Letters), died young, leaving just 106 foals. Ten of these became stakes winners, and in addition to Lost Code, they included other Grade I winners Coup de Fusil and Badger Land (a very useful sire in North America, and a champion sire in South Africa). Lost Code's dam, Loss Or Gain, was a stakes-winning daughter of Horse of the Year Ack Ack. A winner twice in six starts at two, Lost Code was among the leaders of his generation at four, when he captured seven straight stakes, including the GI Arlington Classic, and finished third to Bet Twice and Alysheba in the GI Haskell Invitational. Lost Code was even better at four, when he took six of

seven starts, including the GI Oaklawn (from Cryptoclearance and Gulch), GI Michigan Mile and One-Eighth, GI Massachusetts and GI Razorback Handicaps. His sole defeat came in the GI Pimlico Special, where he finished second to Bet Twice with Cryptoclearance and Alysheba among those behind.

Lost Code retired to stand at what was then Dearborn/Vinery Stallions in Midway, Kentucky, at a fee of \$15,000. Despite his less-than-perfect forelegs, Lost Code proved to be a very consistent sire of tough, hard-running performers with more than their share of class. In addition to Kalookan Queen, Lost Code's other major performers included Kalookan Queen's graded-stakes winning brother Sir Hutch; Canadian champion Magic Code; other graded stakes winners Trick Code, Jacody and Renewed; and the prolific sprint stakes winner Morris Code. Lost Code also appears to be an up-and-coming broodmare sire, his daughters having already produced such runners as GI Breeders' Cup Sprint winner Squirtle Squirt. For the 2001 breeding season, Lost Code had moved to Legacy Farm in Bluemont, Virginia, where he died prior to covering what would have been his first mare.

Kalookan Queen is out of the Majestic Prince mare Regal Realm, and is her dam's fourth stakes winner following the Capote filly, Cape Royal; Kalookan Queen's brother Sir Hutch (who equaled the Hollywood Park track record for six furlongs at three, and won the GIII Portrero Grande H. at four); and Klondike Strike, a daughter of Claim.

Kalookan Queen's granddam, Clear Copy, was another very talented filly, her record including victories in the GIII Prioress S. and GIII Comely S., as well as a second in the GI Acorn S. Clear Copy was half sister to three other stakes winners, the best of which was the good New York sprinter Half High. Clear Copy's dam, Half Tone, was half sister to Scarlet Ribbon, the granddam of Affirmed. As a point of historical interest, we can note that the female line traces to Correction, a stakes-winning sister to "The Black Whirlwind" Domino.

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FROM THE DESK OF...

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KNOCKING ON THE DOOR

If there is currently, as I argued last week, a World Top 11 sires, who is number 12? Evidently inquiring minds want to know, because a couple of them have brought the subject up since that column appeared. Is it In Excess, the California sire whose 3.91 'A Runner' Index actually ranks him 12th among the 750+ sires (with 150+ 'year-starters' since 1995) who qualified for that table? Is it Danehill, who actually ranks 16th (3.63), but has climbed eight places since last year? Probably the only reason he isn't already in the Top 12 is that 'Coolmore factor' of book sizes so huge it is impossible for their sires' averages--based, after all, on the number of foals and therefore runners--not to suffer. Or is it a young sire, with fewer than 150+ year-starters, which includes almost all sires whose first foals were three-year-olds last year?

That, as I've said before, looks a really strong group of emerging sires. The big three, just as they were as 1995 two-year-olds, are Maria's Mon, sire of Kentucky Derby winner Monarchos; Hennessy, sire of Johannesburg, the world's top two-year-old of 2001; and Unbridled's Song, sire of Breeders' Cup winner Unbridled Elaine in his first crop. These three all ranked in the Top 40 on the 2001 North American General Sire List. Forest Wildcat also made the GSL, ranking 70th, with four graded SW, including a Grade 1 winner. There's fair depth even beyond these in this group, but I'll come back to that in a minute.

But back to Sire Number 12. Danehill, five-time champion sire in Australia and leading sire of two-year-olds in Britain and Ireland the last two years, is the horse to beat. And the challenger, at least according to the APEX stallion ratings through the end of last year, is Unbridled's Song. The three top young sires in this group are all top young sires, no doubt about it; but Unbridled's Song had eight 'A Runners' (top two-per-

cent earners, over \$113,000 in 2001 in North America) last year, and now has nine A Runners total, for an APEX A Runner Index of 4.95. A lot of times young sires don't sustain such a high rating as the numbers begin to catch up to them. But Unbridled's Song might do it and he has a very high 3.90 'ABC Runner Index' (top eight-percent earners) for his two-year-olds--something his sire Unbridled didn't have included in his own resume. By comparison, Hennessy had five 2001 A Runners (six total, 1.86 A Runner Index), and Maria's Mon had four (four total, 1.54 A Runner Index). Remember, the Indexes measure the frequency with which sires get high-class runners. So far, in a good-looking group, Unbridled's Song is showing signs of becoming a real standout.

I said this is a good-looking group. Complete details can be found, as I mentioned last week, in the forthcoming *Blood-Horse* supplement, Sires of 2001. But until that arrives through your mailboxes (you have to order it from them, though), let me just throw a few names and numbers at you:

- Unbridled's Song** (Ky, Taylor Made, \$75,000) - 4.95 A Index
- Hennessy** (Ky, Ashford, \$45,000) - 1.86 A Index, sire of Johannesburg
- Maria's Mon** (Ky, Pin Oak, \$35,000) - 1.54 A Index, sire of Monarchos
- Forest Wildcat** (Ky, Brookdale, \$40,000) - 2.56 A Index, four GSW

As well as:

- Pivotal** (GB, Cheveley Park, £10,000 but can't get to him) - 3.79 A Index, top EU in this group, four GSW last year.
- Smart Strike** (Ky, Lane's End, \$30,000) - 3.93 A Index, had six A Runners last year without a lot of fanfare. One big horse makes him a household name.

The three sons of surprise success (as a sire of sires) Seeking the Gold:

- Mutakddim** (Ky, Hill'n'Dale, \$7500) - 2.31 A Index (3 A Runners), 3.08 B Index (4 B Runners - had to earn \$79,660+ in NA last year) **Cont. p. 4**

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Petionville (Ky, Crestwood, \$7500) - just 0.54 A Index (1) but 3.26 B Index (6);

Hunting Hard (Fl, Bridlewood, \$3000) - just 0.88 A Index (1) but 2.63 B Index (3).

And here's one you might not have thought of--I certainly hadn't: Longfield Farm's Northern Spur, a son of Sadler's Wells who had smallish foal crops, but whose numbers so far read: 1.72 A Index, 3.45 B Index, 2.59 C Index. His first crop scored a 3.62 rating for three-year-old ABC runners last year. He's made a very promising start.

I haven't even mentioned four other sires with four or more 'A Runners' so far; last year's leading freshman sire, Honour and Glory (6, 2.33); the promising Florida sire, Friendly Lover (6, 2.75); Darley's Mark of Esteem (5, 3.47); and Taylor Made's Florida import by Storm Cat, Storm Creek (4, 1.48). Plus Smadoun (5.00, sire of Chichicastenango) and a few others.

It pays not to get carried away with second-crop sire numbers. It's the first time they appear on our APEX radar screens, and a lot can change in the next year (in their case, this one), just as sometimes the names you see at the top of freshman sire lists disappear from view. But this looks a good bunch, and if Unbridled's Song carries on this year the way he's started out, by this time next year he could be a Top 12 Sire.

Next Week...A few sires you've barely heard of, but maybe should have. Top 25 APEX sire Montbrook, for example, a son of Buckaroo who stands for \$7,500 in Florida: 3.32 A Index. Details to follow.

(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 2)

The closest duplication in the pedigree of Kalookan Queen is a 5x4 cross of Native Dancer, which comes in through Restless Native (the sire of Lost Code's second dam) and Raise a Native (grandsire of Regal Realm, the dam of Kalookan Queen). Restless Native and Raise a Native are bred on a somewhat similar cross, and it is clear that Lost Code had a strong affinity for the Raise a Native strain, as no less than 14 of his stakes winners feature Raise a Native in the dam. For those with Lost Code mares, it is worth noting that the reverse also seems true. Three of the first five unrestricted stakes winners out of mares by Lost Code are by sons or grandsons of Mr. Prospector, including Squirtle Squirt.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY...

January 30, 1981...Jockey **Julie Krone** rode in her first race ever, finishing second by three lengths in a six-furlong sprint for \$3,500 maiden claimers at Tampa Bay Downs. Her mount, a 22-1 shot trained by Jerry L. Pace, was named Tiny Star.

January 30, 1992...For the second time in one month, jockey **Mike Smith** won six races in one day at Aqueduct Racetrack. His first six-winner day at Aqueduct occurred January 13.

January 31, 1958...Jockey **Bill Shoemaker** notched his 3,000th career win aboard Eternal Pere in the eighth race at Santa Anita.

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