



## HEADLINE NEWS

### SAINT BALLADO COLT SHINES AT OBS

A son of Saint Ballado, purchased for \$25,000 last September at Keeneland, brought a final bid of \$500,000 to top yesterday's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Calder Selected Two-Year-Old Sale in Miami, Florida. Sold as hip number 106, the juvenile worked one furlong at the Jan. 28 under tack preview in :10.2. He is out of English group winner Magic Gleam (Danzig). In addition to winning the 1989 G2 Child S., Magic Gleam was placed in the G1 Coronation S. and G1 Prix du Haras de Fresnay-Le-Buffard Jacques Le Marois. The two-year-old was consigned by Straightaway Farm and was purchased by James McIngvale. Hip number 142, a son of leading sire Storm Cat, brought the second-highest price of the day. Also consigned by Straightaway Farm, the half brother to MGSW Hal's Pal (GB) was purchased for \$400,000 by Harry Benson, as agent for John Patitucci. The only two-year-old in the sale by the late Mr. Prospector, hip number 12, brought a final bid of \$170,000. Out of Battle Hymn (Danzig), the colt was purchased by EMO Stables. During the one-day sale, OBS sold 114 two-year-olds for \$13,041,000. The average price was a sale record \$114,395.

### UNBRIDLED ELAINE RETIRED

Breeders' Cup Distaff winner **Unbridled Elaine** (Unbridled's Song--Carol's Folly, by Taylor's Falls) has been retired from racing after suffering injuries to two ankles, it was reported yesterday. The four-year-old filly had been sent to Rood and Riddle Equine Hospital in Lexington, Kentucky to have chips removed from her right front ankle where the injury to her left front ankle was also diagnosed. "If she has stayed sound, I had some high hopes of winning some big races," owner Roger Devenport told *Thoroughbred Times*. "I bought her as a weanling and that was the luckiest thing I did. I'm 82 years old and I probably broke my first horse in 1935--she was the best I ever had." In addition to her Distaff victory, Unbridled Elaine captured the GIII Monmouth Breeders' Cup Oaks and was second behind juvenile champion Macho Uno in the GIII Pennsylvania Derby. She retires with six wins in 11 starts and earnings of \$1,770,740.

### CIRO TO JAPAN p. 2

*Colt by Storm Creek Sells for \$360,000 at OBS Calder*

Hip No. 44 by **STORM CREEK**  
consigned by Hoby and Layna Kight, Agent, and  
purchased by Mike Gill brings **\$360,000** at OBS Calder

**Congratulations and Best of Luck**

### OBS-CALDER SELECT TWO-YEAR-OLDS TOP FIVE COLTS

Hip#	Sire	Dam	Price
106	Saint Ballado	Magic Gleam	\$500,000
		(\$25,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Straightaway Farm, Agent	
		Purchased by James McIngvale	
142	Storm Cat	Refinancing	\$400,000
		(\$300,000 wnl '00 KEENOV; \$150,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Straightaway Farm, Agent	
		Purchased by Harry Benson, Agt. for John Patitucci	
44	Storm Creek	Delicate Rose	\$360,000
		(\$35,000 yrl '01 OBSAUG)	
		Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, Agent I	
		Purchased by Mike Gill	
127	Boston Harbor	Northern Dynasty	\$330,000
		(\$70,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Cleveland Wheeler Agent II	
		Purchased by Amy Tarrant, Hardacre Farm	
144	Mr. Greeley	Salsa Stacy	\$300,000
		(\$45,000 wnl '00 KEENOV; \$65,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Cleveland Wheeler Agent I	
		Purchased by Mike Gill	

### TOP THREE FILLIES

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price
8	Tabasco Cat	Baby Jinx	\$240,000
		(\$120,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Ricky Leppala, Agent	
		Purchased by Jeff Bonde	
38	Concerto	Dame Georgette	\$230,000
		Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms, Agent	
		Purchased by Eugene Melnyk	
125	Saint Ballado	My Nichole	\$210,000
		(\$140,000 yrl '01 KEESEP)	
		Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms	
		Purchased by Jamie S. Carrion, Trustee	

OBS CALDER SELECTED 2YO SALE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2002		
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☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

**CIRO TO JAPAN**

Multiple Grade I winner **Ciro** (Woodman--Gioconda, by Nijinsky II) will begin his stud career this month at Japan's Yushun Stallion Station on the island of Hokkaido, according to *Thoroughbred Times*. Jayeff B Stables has retained ownership of the five-year-old stallion, who will stand for ¥1.3 million (\$10,000). **Ciro** has been out of training since re-aggravating a tendon injury last fall. "He had the injury back in the spring and we thought we'd be able to get him back after some time off," said Jayeff B's bloodstock adviser Reynolds Bell. "It looked like he was going to make it, but after we did a final scan, it showed it was regressing. That was in November and we decided to find him a home." On the racetrack, the chestnut won the 1999 G1 Grand Criterium, via disqualification, and the 2000 G1 Prix Lupin and was third in the 2000 G1 Irish Derby. Repatriated to the U.S. in 2000, **Ciro** won that year's G1 Secretariat and GIII Lawrence Realization H. He retires with five wins in 12 starts and earnings of \$701,575.

**WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES**

*by Alan Porter*

**HUTCHESON S.-GII**, \$150,000, GPX, 2-2, 3yo, 7f, 1:26, gd.  
**1--#@SHOWMEITALL, 118, c, 3, by All Gone**  
**1st Dam: Show Legs, by Silent Screen**  
**2nd Dam: Windy Legs, by Beau Legs**  
**3rd Dam: Forbidden Wind, by Restless Wind**  
 (\$6,000 yrl '00 FTMOCT). O-Take Five Stables; B-John Franks (FL); T-Emanuel Tortora; J-J F Chavez; \$90,000. Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-1, \$178,000.

While the weekend might have revealed more spectacular stakes winners than **Showmeitall**, none could have been more courageous. The three-year-old battled from the off with **Royal Lad** and, having disposed of that rival, was caught close home by **Monthir**. The visibly tiring **Showmeitall** did his best to repel that attack, but to the naked eye it appeared that **Monthir** had the advantage at the wire. The photo finish, however, told a different story, rewarding **Showmeitall's** brave effort with a nose victory.

Whereas **Monthir**, a son of **Gulch** out of the graded-stakes winning **Storm Cat** mare, **Caress**, was a \$325,000 yearling, it cost owners **Take Five Stables**

just \$6,000 to acquire **Showmeitall** at the 2000 Fasig-Tipton Maryland October Sales. Both **Monthir** and **Showmeitall** are from Mr. Prospector's male line, and **Showmeitall** stems from what is becoming recognized as the most classic branch of Mr. Prospector's sire line, that of **Fappiano**.

That said, **Showmeitall's** sire, **All Gone** is probably not the son of **Fappiano** one would most associate with three-year-olds with Triple Crown ambitions. **All Gone** currently stands at **Liberty Stud** in Ghent, New York, at a fee of \$4,000, having moved there for 2002 after spending the first six years of his stud career at **Franks Farms** (Southland Division) in Ocala, Florida.

**Showmeitall** is a member of **All Gone's** third crop, and is his sire's third stakes winner (all from his 1999 foals), joining the Puerto Rican Grade I winner **All Gone Queen** and minor two-year-old stakes winner **Nowyouseeit**.

On the racetrack, **All Gone** was durable and useful, without ever threatening to be top class. In 43 starts, spread over four seasons, he won eight races and \$247,716. Reaching his peak as a five-year-old, he earned black type with a win in the 1 1/16-mile **Elkwood S.**, and also earned checks in five other stakes events, most notably when second in the nine-furlong **GIII Cornhusker H.**

If **All Gone's** racetrack performances were not of the highest level, the same cannot be said about his pedigree. In addition to being a son of **Fappiano**, **All Gone** is out of the G1 Sorority S. winner **Squander**, a daughter of **Buckpasser**. In addition to being a Grade I-winning two-year-old, **Squander** was quite a broodmare. Besides **All Gone**, she produced two other stakes winners, the **Seattle Slew** colt **Serious Spender** and **Nijinsky II's** son, **Russian Roubles**. She is also granddam of **Goodbye Halo**, heroine of such contests as the G1 CCA Oaks, G1 Kentucky Oaks and G1 Mother Goose S., and third dam of turf star **Val's Prince**. **All Gone's** second and third dams, **Discipline** and **Lady Be Good**, were also major stakes winners and producers, **Lady Be Good** also being a sister to the prolific sprint stakes winner **Time Tested**.

The blood in the distaff side of **Showmeitall's** pedigree is rather less blue, although his dam, **Show Legs**, is a daughter of champion two-year-old and highly successful broodmare sire **Silent Screen**. **Show Legs** never ran, and although she is half sister to seven winners, the only black type earned by her siblings was that achieved when her half-brother, **Megatype** (**Gran Zar**) finished third in a restricted stakes event.

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**FROM THE DESK OF...**  
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**WANT TO BREED A RACEHORSE? READ ON**

The one principle that underpins the APEX stallion ratings is that they will tell you how a sire has really done as a sire of racehorses the last seven years. They don't purport to tell you about a sire's commercial standing, and therein lie the opportunities.

Fortunately for the credibility of the method, the top sires by the top APEX ratings ('A Runners' Index) are in fact the world's top sires, in commercial as well as performance terms. A.P. Indy, Danzig, Storm Cat, Nureyev, and Sadler's Wells were the top five in that category at the end of last year, covering racing in major Northern Hemisphere countries 1995-2001. But I've been working with these figures for the last 15 years, and over that time I've observed that one group of sires, especially, is consistently undervalued in the auction marketplace. Basically, sires with lower two-year-old ratings but good ratings for three-year-olds and up always stand for less, and their progeny sell for a lot less than their more 'commercial' brethren. Yet, when you get past the two-year-old year, as often as not some of these less-fashionable sires are the ones whose progeny are making people money.

Not all of my 20 'sleepers' have that profile. In fact, my French nomination, Zieten, has just about the highest rating for two-year-old 'ABC Runners' I've ever seen. But the 'later-developing' profile I've outlined is very typical of the kind of undervalued sires I'm describing. This list, by the way, does not include any sires with first three-year-olds of 2001. The youngest group assigned APEX ratings each year are sires with their first three-year-olds, and I mentioned a few of those in last week's column. Keep in mind, in all cases, an index of 1.00 equals the average for 1,213 stallions with 10+ foals of 1998 (three-year-olds of 2001).

So, without further ado, let's name names:

**TABLE OF 20 RECOMMENDED SIRES**

**KENTUCKY SIRES...**

*(First Foals 1996 & Earlier)*

**SLEW CITY SLEW** (1984), F1991, Airdrie (Ky), \$5,000 (73 mares 2001)

**A** - 1.33    **B** - 1.85    **C** - 2.04    **ABC** - 1.81  
**2YO** - 1.18    **3YO** - 1.79    **4YO** - 1.85    **5YO+** - 1.97

By notable 'minor sire of sires' Seattle Slew, Slew City Slew won over \$1 million, including Grade Is at 9-10f, at four and five. His runners are better as three-year-olds+, and very consistent thereafter. Slightly lower A Index is compensated for by the fact he has sired six Grade II winners (26 SW total) in nine crops. Had 48 winners (17 of them ABC runners), earners of \$2.9 million in countries covered in 2001, including top Canadian three-year-old Win City. What a bargain.

**SILVER GHOST** (1982), F1988, Lane's End (Ky), \$10,000 (52)

**A** - 1.82    **B** - 1.82    **C** - 1.21    **ABC** - 1.51  
**2YO** - 1.88    **3YO** - 1.36    **4YO** - 1.41    **5YO+** - 1.73

Just an allowance winner at three at Belmont and Oaklawn Park in 1985, this grey son of Mr. Prospector has nonetheless sired 36 career SW in 12 crops, including three Grade I-winning fillies (Dreams Gallore, Love Lock, and Lunar Spook), and millionaire Silver Goblin.

He had five A Runners among 51 winners, earners of \$2.5 million in 2001, and, as he's now 20, his stud fee has dropped a notch, from \$15,000. Very good value.

**CONQUISTADOR CIELO** (1979), F1984, Claiborne (Ky), \$15,000 (69)

**A** - 2.12    **B** - 1.89    **C** - 1.70    **ABC** - 1.85  
**2YO** - 1.14    **3YO** - 2.16    **4YO** - 1.88    **5YO+** - 1.85

Now 23, but the 1982 Belmont winner has proven to be a useful and consistent sire, runners best as 3yo's+, once his stud fee lost a zero, quite a few years ago now. Sired 58 winners, earners of over \$4 million in the countries covered, in 2001, his seven A Runners last year including GSW sprinters Lexicon and Alannan. He's sired 62 career SW. *Cont. p. 4*

**2001 EXPERIMENTAL HANDICAP SIRES**

Lane's End stands more stallions on the Leading Sires of Experimental Handicap runners than any other farm.

**A.P. INDY**, **SILVER GHOST**, **GULCH** and **SUMMER SQUALL**, sired a combined 10 runners.

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**PINE BLUFF** (1989), F1994, Lane's End (Ky), \$15,000 (84)  
**A** - 2.57    **B** - 1.96    **C** - 1.10    **ABC** - 1.68  
**2YO** - 1.56    **3YO** - 2.16    **4YO** - 1.23    **5YO+** - 0.77

He had a brief flirtation with a \$25,000 fee in 2000, resulting in his only covering 33 mares, but they dropped him back to \$15,000 last year and he covered 84. In six crops, he's sired a Grade I winner and five Grade II winners, and is particularly strong for A-B Runners and for three-year-olds. Surprisingly, he's not been as good for 4yo's+. But he's a pretty credible sire, and he can get you a good horse.

**SKYWALKER** (1982), F1988, Stone Farm (Ky), \$7,500 (62)  
**A** - 1.61    **B** - 2.41    **C** - 1.73    **ABC** - 1.87  
**2YO** - 1.51    **3YO** - 2.11    **4YO** - 1.55    **5YO+** - 2.05

The 1986 Breeders' Cup Classic winner made the news again lately when the Frankel-trained Labamta Babe upset Siphonic in the GII Santa Catalina, but that is only the latest in a long line of solid performances by Skywalker & Sons (and Daughters). The best of his 36 SW has been near-champion and successful sire Bertrando, but Skywalker's numbers have always added up for a \$7,500 stallion, ever since he came to Kentucky from Cardiff Stud in California.

**WITH APPROVAL** (1986), F1992, Brookdale (Ky), \$10,000 (74)  
**A** - 1.90    **B** - 1.53    **C** - 1.81    **ABC** - 1.76  
**2YO** - 1.33    **3YO** - 1.68    **4YO** - 1.79    **5YO+** - 1.93

Winner of the 1989 Canadian Triple Crown, this grey by Caro is another who has carved out a solid career without a great deal of fanfare, or commercial appreciation. He's the sire of 30 SW in eight crops and in 2001 had 82 winners and the earners of over \$3.3 million to represent him, including 18 ABC Runners. They do improve with age, which perhaps explains the lack of fanfare and commercial appreciation.

**KENTUCKY SIRE...**  
*(First Foals 1997 {4yos of 2001})*  
**GO FOR GIN** (1991), F1997, Claiborne (Ky), \$12,500 (68)

**A** - 1.94    **B** - 1.94    **C** - 2.13    **ABC** - 2.03  
**2YO** - 1.02    **3YO** - 1.89    **4YO** - 2.87

There are quite a few third-crop sires of 2001 who have notched up very promising numbers, headed of course by 2001 Leading Sire, Thunder Gulch. Albert the Great was maybe his only 'name' runner last year, but he did have 13 ABC Runners in all, which suggests he's not as much a one-horse town as it might appear. In fact, these numbers suggest, so far, he looks a very consistent sire, although they are markedly better, as you'd expect, as 3yo's+.

**DEVIL HIS DUE** (1989), F1997, Margaux (Ky), \$10,000 (124)  
**A** - 1.15    **B** - 1.53    **C** - 1.43    **ABC** - 1.38  
**2YO** - 1.13    **3YO** - 1.46    **4YO** - 1.45

Steve Johnson at Margaux Stud has really done a terrific job with this horse, who you'll remember went to stud a Grade I winner at three, four, and five, and an earner of over \$3.9 million--so he did have something to work with. But Steve has played the numbers game with him very successfully, and, though his A Runner Index isn't so high (1.15), that's the price you sometimes pay for big foal crops, and this horse has sired tons of useful winners. In 2001, with his oldest still just four-year-olds, he had 77 winners, of which an impressive 21 were ABC Runners. Most of his 12 SW are in The Bushes, it's true, but it is fair to say Devil His Due is proving a very prolific sire of useful winners.

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**UNACCOUNTED FOR** (1991), F1997, Millennium (Ky), \$5,000 (55)

**A** - 1.99    **B** - 2.32    **C** - 1.66    **ABC** - 1.90  
**2YO** - 1.42    **3YO** - 1.84    **4YO** - 2.97

He may not have done enough to keep his place at Lane's End, but the 1995 Whitney winner, by Private Account, has demonstrated some very Private Account-like characteristics, and in fact looks even better value now. Private Account himself peaked as a four-year-old, and these numbers say Unaccounted For's runners are continuing that tradition, but at a high enough level to merit patronage. He had four three- or four-year-old A Runners last year, three of whom earned \$200,000+. That has to make him a very good value \$5,000 stallion.

**VALIANT NATURE** (1991), F1997, Mill Ridge (Ky), \$7,500 (25)

**A** - 1.88    **B** - 1.50    **C** - 1.88    **ABC** - 1.79  
**2YO** - 0.49    **3YO** - 1.92    **4YO** - 2.25

The 1993 Hollywood Futurity winner is a full brother to champion turf horse Tight Spot (sank without trace at stud in Japan), and comes from the same family as the very useful California sire Batonnier, who was also by His Majesty, but was a contemporary of Seattle Slew. Valiant Nature is reportedly not all that fertile, which is a shame, because his ratings (for 3yo's +, they've done very little at two) look quite promising.

**ELSEWHERE IN NORTH AMERICA**

**MONTBROOK** (1990), F1996, Ocala Stud (Fl), \$12,500 (87)

**A** - 3.32    **B** - 2.13    **C** - 1.18    **ABC** - 1.95  
**2YO** - 1.55    **3YO** - 1.97    **4YO** - 2.62    **5YO** - 2.32

He may only be by Buckaroo and out of a mare by Jet Diplomacy, he may have raced only as a three-year-old, he may have only been a Grade III winner, but this is one of the best young sires on the planet. With his oldest five-year-olds last year, Montbrook ranked 50th on the 2001 General Sire List, with 64 winners and the earners of over \$3.5 million. He had 10 SW, eight A Runners, of which the best was GI Super Derby winner

and Florida Derby and Fountain of Youth second Outofthebox. Last Saturday he had the Strub second (4yo Giant Gentleman), the Hutcheson third (3yo Royal Lad) and the winner of Oaklawn's King Cotton H. (5yo King's Command). Train is leaving; get on board.

**NOTEBOOK** (1985), F1991, Ocala Stud (Fl), \$15,000 (59)

**A** - 2.41    **B** - 2.20    **C** - 1.38    **ABC** - 1.84  
**2YO** - 2.75    **3YO** - 2.02    **4YO** - 1.58    **5YO+** - 1.51

A Grade II winner and placed in the 1988 Florida Derby and Fountain of Youth, by Raja Baba's son Well Decorated, Notebook was the Ocala Stud's great find before Montbrook; I guess they should only stand stallions whose names end in -ook from now on. Notebook had nine SW last year (32 SW in all, in nine crops), and the earners of over \$4.1 million last year, the best of whom was his second Grade I winner, Delaware Township. Notebook has a particularly good two-year-old figure.

**NOT FOR LOVE** (1990), F1997, Northview (Md), \$15,000 (72)

**A** - 2.65    **B** - 2.12    **C** - 1.32    **ABC** - 1.85  
**2YO** - 1.78    **3YO** - 1.71    **4YO** - 1.95

Not many of us had ever heard of Not For Love when Demi O'Byrne paid \$2 million for a colt called La Salle Street from his first crop at the 1999 Keeneland Two-Year-Old Sale. He went on to be a maiden, though Demi found one who could run for Michael Tabor, the 2001 GII Hawthorne Gold Cup winner, Duckhorn (pointing for the Donn). Only stakes-placed himself, Not For Love is a full brother to champion two-year-old Rhythm, by Mr. Prospector (sire of the successful Northview stallion Two Punch) out of Dance Rhythm, a Grade I winner by Northern Dancer, a half sister to Private Account, and a three-quarter sister to successful Northview sire Polish Numbers). With 19 ABC runners and the earners of over \$3.6 million last year, this fellow is making a sire, too.

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**AMERICAN CHANCE** (1989), F1996, Questroyal (NY), \$10,000 (72)

**A** - 1.67    **B** - 1.67    **C** - 1.94    **ABC** - 1.81  
**2YO** - 0.36    **3YO** - 2.96    **4YO** - 1.11    **5YO** - 1.16

Cure the Blues, American Chance's sire, had a pretty checkered career at stud. He started off in Ireland, where he was pretty much a complete flop, but ended up a really good sire back in America, and especially in New York, where he finished his career. American Chance proved plenty useful at Vinery in Kentucky, and this year follows his sire's footprints to New York. They aren't much as two-year-olds, they're very good three-year-olds, and he deserves to be very well patronized in his new home.

**RIZZI** (1991), F1997, Sez Who North (NY), \$10,000 (95)

**A** - 3.82    **B** - 1.27    **C** - 1.27    **ABC** - 1.91  
**2YO** - 2.94    **3YO** - 1.86    **4YO** - 1.12

So does Rizzi, who transfers to New York from Florida. Another whose first foals arrived in 1997, he has registered some bang-up numbers--especially for two-year-olds--from his Florida crops. He hasn't sired any huge earners, but had seven A Runners last year, and resembles his own sire, Afleet, somewhat, although they're quite a bit more precocious. Rizzi was a New York Grade III six-furlong winner at three and four, on the racetrack. He looks a fair sight better than that as a sire.

**BOLD N' FLASHY** (1989), F1997, Park Stud (ON), C\$5,500 (ca US \$4,000) (89)

**A** - 5.93    **B** - 1.69    **C** - 2.12    **ABC** - 2.97  
**2YO** - 4.48    **3YO** - 2.96    **4YO** - 1.86

Bold N' Flashy won four stakes on the racetrack, three of them five-furlong turf sprints, so he had the speed. He's by Bold Ruckus, himself a good sprinter by Boldnesian (grandsire of Seattle Slew), and the second-leading sire in Canada (behind Vice Regent) for years. Bold N' Flashy only had 42 foals in his first three crops, but he had 89 mares last year, so he'll get his chance now. He has hugely impressive numbers so far, including four A Runners last year.

**HOUSEBUSTER** (1987), F1993, Blue Ridge (Va), \$7,500 (Japan 2001)

**A** - 2.02    **B** - 1.68    **C** - 1.94    **ABC** - 1.89  
**2YO** - 1.16    **3YO** - 1.85    **4YO** - 1.83    **5YO+** - 2.46

Housebuster is a great example of a sire who failed early in Kentucky and got the push, in his case to New Zealand and then Japan. But all the time his runners were getting older, and the older they got, the better they were. This is illustrated by his age ratings--1.16 for two-year-olds, 2.46 for five-year-olds and up. He looks a very shrewd repatriation for Virginia's Blue Ridge Farm.

**THE BEST VALUES IN EUROPE...**

**FRAAM** (1989), F1997, Tweenhills (GB), £3,000 (ca US\$4,500)

**A** - 1.92    **B** - 2.88    **C** - 1.92    **ABC** - 2.16  
**2YO** - 2.92    **3YO** - 1.60    **4YO** - 1.86

Trained by the late Alex Scott and then Ed Dunlop, Fraam was only a Listed winner (with a catalogue of injuries that would fill a book, Ed says) by a failed son of Nureyev, Lead On Time, so it's no wonder some of his early runners struggled to bring even four-figure prices at auction--four-figures being like £1,000, that sort of thing. Never mind all that, this horse is a good sire. He'll be getting a lot better mares now, but even so, it still costs less than \$5,000 to breed to him. What a bargain.

**IN THE WINGS** (1986), F1992, Kildangan (Ire), €25,000 (ca US\$27,500)

**A** - 3.44    **B** - 2.38    **C** - 1.98    **ABC** - 2.45  
**2YO** - 1.66    **3YO** - 2.14    **4YO** - 1.53    **5YO+** - 3.19

Though I've been focusing on less pricey stallions for this article, I want to mention In the Wings because he stands for less than \$30,000, and may be about to burst through to become recognized as one of Europe's top proven sires. His 3.44 A Index ranks him world equal 19th, and in Europe now, only his own sire, Sadler's Wells, plus Rainbow Quest, Machiavellian, and Danehill, have higher A Runner indexes. He doesn't yet have the same commercial standing, but maybe he should. That qualifies him for this list.

**CURRENCY CONVERSIONS**

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*(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 6)*

**ZIETEN** (1990), F1996, Haras du Logis (Fr), €9,000 (ca US\$10,000)

**A** - 1.80    **B** - 1.80    **C** - 2.03    **ABC** - 1.91  
**2YO** - 6.06    **3YO** - 0.94    **4YO** - 1.27    **5YO** - 0.00

Finally, Zieten, a Grade II winner by Danzig who used to better known as Blue Duster's full brother. That's all over. Want a two-year-old? Breed to Zieten. Look at that two-year-old number - 6.06. That'll work.

**A RUNNER - TOP TWO-PERCENT EARNERS IN A YEAR**

North America 2001 - \$113,050

GB/Ire 2001 - ca £40,000

**B RUNNER - NEXT TWO-PERCENT EARNERS IN A YEAR**

North America 2001 - \$79,660

GB/Ire 2001 - ca £25,000

**C RUNNER - NEXT FOUR-PERCENT EARNERS IN A YEAR**

North America 2001 - \$53,980

GB/Ire 2001 - ca £14,500

Age ratings are calculated based on A + B + C runners combined (ABC runners). Complete apex ratings for 1,213 sires with 10+ three-year-olds of 2001 are included in the *Blood-Horse* supplement, "Sires of 2001." The figures cover racing in North America (US & Canada), 'Europe' (GB/Ire, France, Germany), and Japan.

**THIS WEEK IN HISTORY...**

**February 7, 1894...The Jockey Club** was incorporated. As originally conceived, it was to assume the management of racing, previously overseen by the Board of Control. Included in The Jockey Club's functions were licensing, allotment of racing dates, appointment of officials and the interpretation and enforcement of racing rules.

**February 7, 1969...Jockey Diane Crump** became the first woman rider in America to compete in a pari-mutuel race, finishing 10th aboard 48-1 shot Bridle 'n Bit in the seventh race at Hialeah.

**February 7, 1996...A racing oddity** occurred at **Oaklawn Park** when the winners of seven consecutive races started from the number one post position.

**February 8, 1941...Whirlaway** began his three-year-old season with a win in a six-furlong allowance race at Hialeah.

*(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 3)*

Showmeitall's granddam, Windy Legs, won once as a two-year-old. She was a sister to the minor stakes winner Inviting Legs and a half-sister to two other minor stakes winners. From there the female line descends into obscurity, the sum total of stakes winners being produced by Showmeitall's fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh dams being zero.

Although Showmeitall doesn't have the most prolific female line, or the most commercial pedigree, he does own an extremely well-constructed pedigree pattern. As we mentioned, All Gone's third dam was Lady Be Good, a smart stakes winner and good producer. Lady Be Good was by Better Self out of a mare by Eight Thirty, and the same pedigree produced Prayer Bell, the dam of Silent Screen (broodmare sire of Showmeitall). So that gives Showmeitall the three-quarters related Lady Be Good and Prayer Bell 4x3. What's more, where All Gone's granddam, the good stakes winner Discipline, is by Princequillo out of Lady Be Good, Silent Screen, a champion two-year-old, is by a son of Princequillo out of Prayer Bell, so very closely related to Discipline. That gives the close relatives Discipline and Silent Screen 3x2 in this pedigree.

Behind all this are two other complex accumulations of genetic relatives. Better Self, who appears here 6x5x4 (including through Lady Be Good/Prayer Bell) is by a son of La Troienne out of a War Admiral mare. All Gone's broodmare sire, Buckpasser, is out of Busanda, who is by War Admiral out of a daughter of La Troienne, and very closely related to Better Self.

The four crosses of War Admiral which this brings in are particularly interesting in view of the presence of Eight Thirty (broodmare sire of Lady Be Good and Prayer Bell), as Eight Thirty's granddam is very closely related to War Admiral.

This is all rather complex, but the bottom line is that Showmeitall's combination of well-bred and performed genetic relatives has resulted in a horse better than anything else produced to date by his sire, and significantly superior to anything produced by the direct female line for at least seven generations.

**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.

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**LABAMTA BABE INJURED** Just two weeks after upsetting heavily favored Siphonic (Siphon {Brz}) in the GII Santa Catalina S., three-year-old colt **Labamta Babe** (Skywalker) has suffered a minor strain of the suspensory in his right front ankle. The injury, though not career-threatening, has likely negated any possible run at the Kentucky Derby, trainer Bobby Frankel told *The Blood-Horse*. "Am I going to let the Derby make me do something to the horse that I normally wouldn't do? He will be a good four-year-old." Frankel estimates the injury will keep the colt shelved for about four months. Labamta Babe, who began his career as a \$30,000 maiden claimer before being purchased privately by Edmund Gann, has flourished since being moved to Frankel's barn, finishing third in the GIII Hollywood Prevue S. and fourth in the GI Hollywood Futurity.

## ☆ NEW YORK ☆

### Saratoga Seat Lottery Deadline Nears:

Saratoga reserved seat applications must be post-marked by Feb. 15 to be entered in the initial seating lottery. All requests must be made by mail. Applications can be obtained on-line at [www.nyra.com](http://www.nyra.com) or by calling (718) 641-4700, ext. 3458. The Saratoga meeting runs from July 24 through Labor Day.

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 6:**

02-15 \$100,000 *Shirley Jones H.-III, GP, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (100)*

02-16 \$200,000 *Fountain of Youth-I, GP, 3yo, 8.5f (200)*

02-16 \$100/100,000a *Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H.-I, GP, 3yo/up, 11fT (200)*

02-16 \$150,000 *Silverbulletday-III, FG, 3yo, f, 8.5f (100)*

**TOMORROW, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 7:**

02-16 \$200,000 *San Luis Obispo H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, 12fT (200)*

02-17 \$200,000 *Santa Maria H.-I, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (200)*

02-17 \$150,000 *Risen Star-III, FG, 3yo, 8.5f (100)*

02-18 \$150,000 *Buena Vista H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 8fT (150)*



## ☆ MIDWEST ☆

### Equine Spectrum Online Auction:

Equine Spectrum will be holding an auction of stallion seasons today, showcasing such stallions as Grand Slam, Mt. Livermore, Rahy, Kentucky Derby winner Real Quiet, Breeders' Cup Mile winner War Chant and first-year sire A.P. Valentine. New to the auction are several incentives for those using the online service, including a \$2,500 participation incentive that will be awarded to an agent that represents the sale or purchase of a breeding season. One winner will be chosen through a lottery draw. Also available is a \$100,000 bonus which will be awarded to the breeder of record for any foal resulting from the purchase of a season during today's sale that goes on to win a 2006 Triple Crown Series race. The web site can be found at [www.equinespectrum.com](http://www.equinespectrum.com).

## ☆ EAST ☆

### Monmouth Purses to Top \$300,000 Daily:

During its 2002 season, Monmouth Park will offer daily average purses over \$300,000. "We have committed ourselves to quality racing, Thoroughbred and standardbred, in the state of New Jersey," said Bruce Garland, senior executive vice president racing for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority. "We expect to offer purses in line with world-class racing." Monmouth Park will begin with weekend cards May 11 and 12 and May 18 and 19, followed by a five-day schedule starting May 25 through Sept. 1. The track's stable area will be open from Apr. 1 through Dec. 1.

### Yesterday's Results:

**3rd-SUF, \$12,500, Msw, 3yo, f, a1m70yd, 1:52 1/5, ft. MISS SUMMER REIGN (f, 3, Summer Squall--Sultry Lass, by Private Account), a \$220,000 FTSAUG yearling, shipped in from Aqueduct to earn her first victory after three unsuccessful attempts in New York. Last seen Jan. 2 on the inner track finishing a distant seventh, the bay filly had lost her three prior races by a total of 49 lengths. Conserved early today, the 1-2 choice spent the first half near the back before moving up steadily, making up three lengths in the stretch to catch second-choice Witherbee Hall (Ide) and win by a length. Lifetime Record: 4-1-0-0, \$7,500.**  
O-Robert V Lapenta. B-Callan J Strauss (KY). T-N Zito.



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**AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN BRITAIN:**

\***Takes Tutu**, g, 3, **Afternoon Deelites**--Lady Affirmed (GSW & GISP, \$313,037), by Affirmed. Southwell, 2-5, Littlewoods Bet Direct Tax Free Betting Maiden S., 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), £2,954 to winner. O-C M, B J & R F Batterham II; B-Harbor View Farm; T-Mark Johnston. \*\$65,000 yrl '00 KEESEP.

**SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY US STALLIONS:**

**Lady Dehere (NZ)**, f, 2, **Dehere**--Express A Smile (Aus) (SP-NZ), by Success Express. Te Rapa (New Zealand), 2-2, Mercedes Classique, 2yo, 6fT, \$126,805 to winner. B-K Biggs Enterprises Pty Ltd; T-Graeme & Debbie Sanders.

**Smash (Aus)**, f, 2, **Quest For Fame (GB)**--Destruct (NZ) (MSW & GSP-NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Warwick Farm (Sydney), 2-2, Ruling Ways H., 2yo, f, 5 1/2fT, \$16,560 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-J Hawkes.

**BREEDERS' EDITION**

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-PHA**, \$24,800, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

**STOP THAT MUSIC** (g, 6, Mt. Livermore--**Stop the Song** {SW, \$199,599}, by Hatchet Man) Lifetime Record: 40-6-7-5, \$116,291. O-Joe Besecker. B-Eugene Weymouth (PA). T-Scott A Lake.

**9th-PHA**, \$23,760, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:44 1/5, ft. **SOCIETY'S DESIRE** (h, 5, Rizzi--**Social Desire** {SP}, by **Raised Socially**) Lifetime Record: 38-4-8-7, \$88,190. O-R Domenech. B-H Mangurian Jr. (FL). T-M Rodriguez.

**MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Alpine Pass**, f, 3, **Polish Numbers**--Affirm Promise, by Affirmed. PHA, 2-5, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5. B-George Strawbridge Jr (Pa).

**Miss Summer Reign**, f, 3, **Summer Squall**--Sultry Lass, by Private Account. SUF, 2-5, a1m70yd, 1:52 1/5. B-Callan J. Strouss (Ky). \*\$220,000 yrl '00 FTSAUG.

**Lady of Prestige**, f, 4, **Unreal Zeal**--Prestigious Lady, by Bold Josh. TAM, 2-5, 5f, 1:00 3/5. B-L Scace (Fl).

☆ INDUSTRY INFO ☆

**2002 Jockey Club Fact Book Available:**

The 12th edition of The Jockey Club Fact Book was released online yesterday and can be accessed at the group's web site <http://home.jockeyclub.com>. The book contains statistics on both racing and breeding. According to the book, purses in the United States reached a record \$1,067,490,193 last year--an increase of 3.6 percent over 2000. U.S. handle increased 1.6 percent to \$14,550,065,505, including separate pools first reported in 2000. In the wake of Mare Reproductive Loss Syndrome, gross sales for broodmares fell 40.7 percent in 2001 while weanlings dropped 37.3 percent. The average price for broodmares and weanlings declined 34.7 percent and 23.9 percent, respectively. The printed version of the Fact Book will be published in late April or early May.



**SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

**Progeny to watch: Wednesday, Feb. 6**

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

**ALPHABET SOUP** (Cozzene), Adena Springs, \$30K, 179/9/0 4-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Metaphysics

**CHEQUER** (Mr. Prospector), McMahan, \$8K, 90/8/0 7-TP, Alw, 1m, Mon Avie Amour

**HELMSMAN** (El Gran Senor), Pegasus, \$8K, 92/12/1 4-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Ship Ahoy

**MARLIN** (Sword Dance (IRE)), Airdrie, \$10K, 200/6/0 4-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Hecandigit, \$65K KEE SEP yrl

**VICTORY SPEECH** (Deputy Minister), Ashford, \$15K, 192/9/0 8-GP, Alw, 1m, Iwin, \$85K OBS MAR 2yo, 4-1

**WOODBOROUGH** (Woodman), Ballyhane, \$5K, 180/16/2 4-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Nazareth (IRE)

**WORLD STAGE (IRE)** (Sadler's Wells), Starview, \$3K, 111/5/1 8-GP, Alw, 1m, Stageprospect, 15-1

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## ★ BRITAIN ★

### NATIONAL WEIGHTS ANNOUNCED

**Florida Pearl (Ire)** (Florida Son {GB}) was allotted top-weight of the 139 remaining entries for the Martell Grand National at Aintree Apr. 6. Willie Mullins' chaser will have to shoulder 11 stones, 12 pounds if he lines up for the marathon steeplechase, the lowest burden for a top-weight since 1996. Last year's winner **Red Marauder (GB)** (Gunner B {GB}) has been assigned 10 stones, 9 pounds while 2000 hero **Papillon (Ire)** (Lafontaine {USA}) has 10 stones, 11 pounds.

### JOHNSTON CONDEMNS ALL-WEATHER QUALITY

Mark Johnston, who was at Southwell yesterday to oversee the success of **Takes Tutu (USA)** (Afternoon Deelites {USA}), commented on the current state of all-weather racing in Britain, saying: "I've always given the principle of racing on dirt surfaces the thumbs-up, but in recent years I've decimated my number and quality of runners because I think the racing's gone desperately downhill. I don't think its got anything to do with whether you run on fibresand or polytrack--it's about maintenance, investment in the tracks and investment in the racing. You've got to put on better racing than we are seeing at the moment. We've got to attract people to the principle of racing good horses on dirt and we are going the wrong way about it at the moment."

### Yesterday's Results:

**3.15 Southwell, betdirect.co.uk Conditions S. (Class C),** £10,425, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT), 1:14.80, std.

**GAME GURU (GB)** (g, 3, **First Trump {GB}**--**Scarlett Holly {Ire}**, by **Red Sunset {Ire}**), sent off the 11-4 favourite, broke well and soon grabbed the lead on the rail. Extending his advantage entering the straight, he kicked clear late before holding on to beat Effervescent (GB) (Efisio {GB}) by 1 1/2 lengths. Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-1, £21,363.

O-Mrs J Hazell; B-P J Makin; T-David Barron; J-Dean Mernagh.

**2.15 Southwell, Littlewoods Bet Direct Tax Free Betting Maiden S. (Class D),** £4,220, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:31.30, std.

**TAKES TUTU (USA)** (g, 3, **Afternoon Deelites {USA}**--**Lady Affirmed {USA}** {**GSW & GISP-US, \$313,037**}, by **Affirmed {USA}**), sent off the 1-5 choice, raced in fourth on the outside early as Rambo Nine (GB) (Rambo Dancer {USA}) cut out the running. Never off the bridle, the \$65,000 KEESEP yearling cruised to the front a quarter of a mile out before striding clear to win by two lengths. Lifetime Record: 9-1-2-3, £12,364.

O-C M, B J & R F Batterham II; B-Harbor View Farm; T-Mark Johnston; J-Keith Dalgleish.

## ★ ITALY ★

### Yesterday's Results:

**3.05 Naples, Premio Wai Bon (Cond.),** €18,700, 3yo, 1mT, time: n/a, gd.

**IL GUERRIERO (GB)** (c, 3, **Close Conflict {USA}**--**La Busona {Ire}**, by **Broken Hearted {Ire}**) Lifetime Record: 20 starts, 5 wins, 8 places, €59,965. O-Scuderia Lady Fashion; B-Miss Nathalie Lismonde; T-A Tortorella; J-Vincenzo Varriale.

**3.35 Naples, Premio Yellow Brook (Cond.),** €13,200, 4yo/up, 1 1/8mT, time: n/a, gd.

**ALBURNO (IRE)** (c, 4, **Muhtarram {USA}**--**Atreides {Ire}**, by **Simply Great {Fr}**) Lifetime Record: SW-Ity, 21 starts, 7 wins, 10 places, €132,275. O-Scuderia Talon; B-Fredi, Artus & Talon Sampieri; T-Francesco Manganelli; J-Fernando Jovine.

## ★ UNITED ARAB EMIRATES ★

### EMIRATES AIRLINES HEADS WORLD CUP SPONSORS

Emirates Airlines heads a list of 26 sponsors for this year's Dubai World Cup series set for Mar. 23 at Nad al Sheba. The airline and the day's big event, the Group 1 \$6 million Dubai World Cup, have maintained their partnership since the series' inception seven years ago. Included among the sponsors for the US\$15,250,000 series are Dubai Duty Free; Gulf News, representing the G1 Golden Shaheen; Ports, Customs and Free Zone Corporation, coupled with the G1 Sheema Classic; and Jebel Ali & Golf Resort, returning sponsor of the G2 Godolphin Mile.

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★ AUSTRALASIA ★

**PICCOLO COLT BRINGS HIGH BID AT FESTIVAL FINAL**

A son of Piccolo (GB) out of the Marauding (NZ) mare Swiggle (Aus) brought a final bid of NZ\$50,000, claiming the top spot not only for the final day of New Zealand Bloodstock's Festival Sale, but also for the entire two-day sale. Passing through the ring as hip 699, the Australian-bred bay was secured by Mr. P. J. Walker from the consignment of Shelby Park. Stuart Hale and Co. led all buyers with 11 purchases totaling NZ\$206,500 while Hallmark Stud stood ahead in the vendors ranks, selling 10 head for NZ\$194,000.

**WINNERS BY EUROPEAN STALLIONS:**

**Wayjo (Aus), c, 2, Hamas (Ire)--Au Pair Girl (Aus),** by Zeditave (Aus). Doomben (Brisbane), 2-2, Acuson Championship Series H., 2yo, 6fT, A\$37,000 to winner. B-Messrs J W Purchase, J W Brunton & L Heinemann; T-Robert Heathcote.

**Royal Purler (Aus), f, 2, Hector Protector (USA)--Purling (Aus),** by Tolomeo (Ire). Canterbury (Sydney), 2-3, Kymberley Sharp H., 2yo, f, 6fT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Arinya Investments Ltd, Mr L Bridge, Dr P E Sykes & Randwick Bloodstock; T-G Hickman. \*SP-Aus.

**Countess Chloe (Aus), f, 3, Anabaa (USA)--All The Best (NZ),** by Kenmare (Fr). Golod Coast (Queensland), 2-2, Black Hawk Down Maiden, 3yo, 6 1/2fT, A\$4,500 to winner. B-Mr S Perrin; T-Alan Bailey.

**Latte (Aus), f, 3, Anabaa (USA)--Laffy (USA),** by Highland Blade (USA). Cheltenham (South Australia), 2-2, Schweppes H. 3yo, 6f 175ydsT, A\$14,740 to winner. B-Reavill No.1 Partnership; T-Tony McEvoy.

**Shamrock Son (Aus), c, 3, Charnwood Forest (Ire)--Dancer's Joy (NZ) (MGSP-Aus),** by Danzatore (Can). Ascot (Perth), 2-2, Auswines H., 3yo, 1mT, A\$18,020 to winner. B-Mrs C Remond; T-Dave Edwards. \*GSP-Aus.

**Puzzle Book (Aus), f, 3, Danehill (USA)--Subterfuge (GB),** by Machiavellian (USA). Canterbury (Sydney), 2-3, Rebecca Lancaster H., 3yo, f, 6f 55ydsT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Goldendale; T-Graeme Rogerson. \*SP-Aus.

**Periphery (Aus), f, 3, Grand Lodge (USA)--Beyond Me (NZ),** by Bakharoff (USA). Moonee Valley (Melbourne), 2-2, Velisha Fresh Produce H., 3yo, 7f 130ydsT, A\$39,000 to winner. B-Mr G Walsh; T-John Hawkes. \*1/2 to Continuum (Aus) (Hurricane Sky {Aus}), MGSW-Aus.

**Dinmont (Aus), g, 3, Grand Lodge (USA)--Ochiltwig (Aus),** by Twig Moss (Fr). Flemington (Melbourne), 2-3, Snowwhite H., 3yo, 1 1/8mT, A\$16,250 to winner. B-Woodlands Stud; T-John Hawkes.

**Full On Magic (Aus), g, 3, Magic Ring (Ire)--Shimorn (Aus),** by Shining Finish (GB). Canterbury (Sydney), 2-3, Megan Muller H., 3yo, c/g, 5 1/2fT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Mrs L Munce; T-Leeanne Munce.

**Karadan (Aus), g, 4, Danehill (USA)--Claret (NZ),** by Star Way (GB). Flemington (Melbourne), 2-3, Gill, Kane & Brophy H., 3yo/up, 1m 4f 175ydsT, A\$22,750 to winner. B-Windsor Park Stud Ltd; T-David Hall.

**#Lontano (Aus), g, 4, Danehill (USA)--Tarare (Aus) (MGSW & G1SP-Aus),** by Salieri (USA). Flemington (Melbourne), 2-3, Kensington S. (Listed), 2-3, 3yo/up, 5 1/2fT, A\$48,750 to winner. B-Wood Nook Farm Pty Ltd; T-David Hall.

**#Gwendolyn (Aus), f, 4, Fairy King (USA)--Bed Of Roses (NZ),** by Pompeii Court (USA). Warwick Farm (Sydney), 2-2, Breeders Classic (Listed), 4yo/up, f/m, 6fT, A\$39,000 to winner. B-Mr J & Mrs S E Suduk; T-Max Lees.

**Storm Grass (Aus), g, 4, Hurricane Sky (Aus)--Grass Seed (Aus),** by Yeats (USA). Canterbury (Sydney), 2-3, Holly Booker H., 4yo/up, 5 1/2fT, A\$14,300 to winner. B-Dr L G & Dr B D Gillam; T-Paul Perry.

**Irish Pride (Aus), g, 4, Night Shift (USA)--Superior Bisc (Aus),** by Crown Jester (NZ). Ascot (Perth), 2-2, The Perth Liquor Markets H., 3yo/up, 6fT, A\$18,020 to winner. B-Messrs D J & G J Sweeney; T-N Parnham.

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## HORSES TO FOLLOW: GERARD BUTLER by Tom Frary

**G**erard Butler enters his fifth year of training at Churn Stables in 2002 with perhaps his best string of three-year-olds. Much of his training career has been dominated by the 1999 G1 Eclipse S. winner **Compton Admiral (GB)** (Suave Dancer {USA}), through victory, injury, recovery and finally, retirement. For the first time since Butler started training, he is without that horse, but he nominated a few that may help ease the pain this year.

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### Compton Dragon (USA), c, 3, by Woodman (USA)

Dam: Vilikaia (USA), by Nureyev (USA)

O-Erik Penser; B-Orpendale and Partners.

Half-brother to Legend of France (Fr), he was introduced in a challenge race at Newmarket in October before taking an all-weather maiden at Lingfield easily the following month. He is the trainer's number one hope for the G1 2000 Guineas at Newmarket May 4: "Very much a seven furlong to a mile horse. He runs in a conditions race at Lingfield Mar. 2 and then goes to the G3 Craven S. (at Newmarket Apr. 18). Like other American-breds I have raced on the all-weather, he came out of the race full of confidence and avoided really soft ground."

### Playpart (USA), c, 3, by Theatrical (Ire)

Dam: Spotlight Dance (USA), by Miswaki (USA)

O-Hesmonds Stud; B-Morven Stud Ltd.

Out of a half-sister to the Grade 1-winning dam of Cash Run (USA), he ran with great promise when third in the competitive Newbury maiden won by Al Mohallab (Fr) in September before finishing a short head second to Rapsallion (Ger) in an Ascot conditions event the following month. Given a confidence booster when easily winning a Lingfield all-weather maiden in December, he is being targeted at the G1 Epsom Derby June 8: "He is a very strong, very balanced colt and very attractive. He ran very well at two and was unlucky at Ascot. We took him to Lingfield to let him know it wasn't going to be a battle every time he ran and we didn't want soft ground. He will be a mile and a quarter and mile and a half horse and he may return in the Listed Glasgow S. at York May 16."

### Swiss Lake (USA), f, 3, by Indian Ridge (Ire)

Dam: Blue Iris (GB), by Petong (GB)

O-Thoroughbred Corp.; B-W J Betz, D Hanley & J Egan.

Swiss Lake resembled her sprinting dam last year in an impressive all-the-way success in the Listed St Hugh's S. at Newbury in August before a second-place finish in the G2 Flying Childers S. at Doncaster the following month: "She is the star of the show. It's very early and we are doing very little with her. She needs to get to the G2 King's Stand S. (Royal Ascot June 18). She may start off in the G2 Temple S. (Sandown June 3)--there's nothing else for her."

### Sholay (Ire), c, 3, by Bluebird (USA)

Dam: Splicing (GB), by Sharpo (GB)

O-Mrs S Trikha; B-T Hirschfeld.

Out of a sister to the smart Splice (GB), he was third in a Bath maiden and second in a Redcar conditions event in October before taking a maiden at the latter track in convincing style the following month: "He's a nice guy--a very attractive horse. He's done very well over the winter and although he's bred for six furlongs he leans more towards seven."

### Purple Haze (Ire), f, 3, by Spectrum (Ire)

Dam: Istickanna (GB), by Far North (Can)

O-Normandie Stud Ltd; B-Norelands.

Half-sister to the smart Chancellor (Ire), she took a Kempton maiden on her debut in September before finishing fifth behind Protectress (GB) in the Listed Oh So Sharp S. at Newmarket the following month: "She's come back to us now and looks well. We'll lay her towards the G1 1000 Guineas (at Newmarket May 5)."

## ★ MAIDEN WINNERS ★

**Takes Tutu (USA), g, 3, Afternoon Deelites (USA)**--Lady Affirmed (USA) (GSW & GISP-US, \$313,037), by Affirmed (USA). Southwell, Britain, 2-5, Littlewoods Bet Direct Tax Free Betting Maiden S. (Class D), 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), £2,954 to winner. B-Harbor View Farm. \*\$65,000 yrl '00 KEESEP.

**Paradise City (Ity), f, 3, Shareef Dancer (USA)**--Podgora (Ity), by Pipino (Ire). Naples, Italy, 2-5, Pr Von Karajan (Mdn), 3yo, f, 9fT, €6,375 to winner. B-L Luciani.



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### New Zealand Festival Sale Tuesday, February 5, 2002

<u>SESSION 2:</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
No. Sold	169	81
Gross (NZ\$)	\$1,446,800	\$1,367,500
Average (NZ\$)	\$8,560	\$16,882
<u>CUMULATIVE:</u>	<u>2002</u>	<u>2001</u>
No. Sold	335	259
Gross (NZ\$)	\$3,271,800	\$4,140,000
Average (NZ\$)	\$9,766	\$15,985



