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**RECORD SEVEN-FIGURE COLT TOPS OBS**

The Ocala Breeders' Sales Company really did save the best for last at yesterday's Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale at Calder Race Course in Miami, Florida, when hip number 201, the final lot through the sale's ring, brought a record final bid of \$1.2 million from Irish bloodstock agent Demi O'Byrne. The sale-topping colt is by the Ocala Stud Farms stallion Montbrook and out of the Cutlass mare Cut Class Leanne. During the sale's Jan. 27 under tack preview, the two-year-old worked a half mile in :22.0. The seven-figure price tag bested the previous OBS-Calder record of \$1.05 million set in 2001. A daughter of Polish Numbers brought \$450,000, the highest price for a filly at yesterday's sale.



Hip 201 Horsephotos

The bay was consigned by Ciaran Dunne's Wavertree Stables, Inc., agent, and Eugene Melnyk made the winning bid. She is out of Biogio's Girl (Exclusive Era), a half sister to multiple graded stakes winner Biogio's Rose (Polish Numbers). Selling as hip number 173, the juvenile worked one furlong in :10.1 at the sale's Jan. 27 under tack show. A son from the first crop of graded stakes winner Doneraile Court (Seattle Slew) led the sale in the early going with a price tag of \$400,000. Sold as hip 26, the dark bay was consigned by Murray Smith, agent, and was purchased by John Ferguson. The two-year-old is out of Future Guest (Copelan), a half sister to multiple graded stakes winner Whata Brainstorm (Honor Grades).

**OBS SELECTED TWO-YEAR-OLDS  
TOP NINE LOTS**

Hip#	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price
<u>201</u>	colt	Montbrook	Cut Class Leanne	\$1,200,000
			<i>B-Ocala Stud Farm (Fl)</i>	
			Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms	
			Purchased by Demi O'Byrne	
<u>173</u>	filly	Polish Numbers	Biogio's Girl	\$450,000
			<i>B-Richard Saxton (NY)</i>	
			Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc., Agent II	
			Purchased by Eugene Melnyk	
<u>026</u>	colt	Doneraile Court	Future Guest	\$400,000
			<i>(\$60,000 yrl '02 FTKJUL)</i>	
			<i>B-Douglas Arnold &amp; Dr Roy Sadovsky (Ky)</i>	
			Consigned by Murray Smith, agent	
			Purchased by John Ferguson	
<u>108</u>	colt	Silver Charm	Secret Harbor	\$360,000
			<i>(\$75,000 yrl '02 KEESEP)</i>	
			<i>B-Mr &amp; Mrs Robert Lewis (Ky)</i>	
			Consigned by Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, agent	
			Purchased by Mike Gill	
<u>179</u>	filly	Montbrook	Bold Burst	\$300,000
			<i>B-Wiest - Heathers 01 (Fl)</i>	
			Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms, agent	
			Purchased by Equine Analysis	
<u>092</u>	filly	Tale of the Cat	Princess Harriet	\$260,000
			<i>(\$32,000 yrl '02 FTNAUG)</i>	
			<i>B-Hugo Reynolds (NY)</i>	
			Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock, agent	
			Purchased by John Oxley	
<u>053</u>	colt	Northern Fleet	Kathcarn	\$250,000
			<i>B-Janet Brickle (Fl)</i>	
			<i>(\$90,000 yrl '02 OBSAUG)</i>	
			Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, agent	
			Purchased by Mike Gill	
<u>107</u>	filly	Saint Ballado	Scottische	\$250,000
			<i>B-Double D Racing Stable, Inc. (Ky)</i>	
			Consigned by Sez Who Thoroughbreds	
			Purchased by Mike Gill	
<u>141</u>	filly	Allen's Prospect	Tern	\$220,000
			<i>(\$20,000 wnlg '01 KEENOV; \$45,000 yrl '02 FTMSEPI)</i>	
			<i>B-Welcome Here Farm (Pa)</i>	
			Consigned by Nick de Meric, Agent IV	
			Purchased by E P Robsham	

<b>obs</b>		
<b>OBS 2YOS in TRAINING SALE TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2003</b>		
SESSION TOTALS	2003	2002
No. Offered	166	175
No. Sold	117	114
RNAs	49 (30%)	61 (35%)
Gross	\$12,733,000	\$13,041,000
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**HASSINGER ACCEPTS GODOLPHIN ROLE** Alex Hassinger, who trained champions Eliza and Anees, has accepted a position as assistant trainer to Godolphin's California conditioner Eoin Harty. For the past two years, Hassinger has been assistant trainer to Laura de Seroux. "Eoin Harty approached me a couple of months ago about becoming an assistant under him in California," Hassinger confirmed yesterday. "The idea grabbed my interest and he made an offer that was difficult to turn down--and I didn't turn it down." Hassinger expects to spend two to three months in Dubai during the winter. "In our business, to be involved with Godolphin is the opportunity of a lifetime," he said. "It's probably the largest stable in the world. With the horses they breed, race and buy, in this sport, everyone looks to them."

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**Santa Anita Works**

GI Futurity S. winner **Whywhywhy** (Mr. Greeley) worked seven furlongs at Santa Anita Monday in 1:25.80. It was the fastest of three works at the distance. Whywhywhy is expected to make his sophomore debut in the GI Fountain of Youth S. Feb. 15.

A star of last year's Sophomore Scene, GI Belmont S. winner **Sarava** (Wild Again), coming back from a fractured cannon bone suffered last summer, worked five furlongs at Santa Anita Monday in 1:01.60 for new trainer Bob Baffert. It was the four-year-old's fourth work of the year.

CURRENCY CONVERSIONS		
	Unit/US\$	Unit/GB£
British pound	1.64901	1.00
Euro	1.08855	0.660120
U.S. dollar	1.00	0.606424

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES  
by Alan Porter

**BROWN BESS H.-GIII**, \$100,000, GGX, 2-1, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:44 1/5, yl.  
1--@**LINDSAY JEAN**, 116, m, 5, by **Saint Ballado**  
1st Dam: **Colony Bay**, by **Pleasant Colony**  
2nd Dam: **Oceana**, by **Northern Dancer**  
3rd Dam: **South Ocean**, by **New Providence** (\$120,000 yrl '99 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '00 FTFEB). O-Mr & Mrs Jerome S Moss; B-Robert Lothenbach (FL); T-Art Sherman; J-C P Schvaneveldt; \$55,000. Lifetime Record: 22-5-8-3, \$261,034.  
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There is a natural assumption that the better a stallion's books of mares, the better will be his runners. This is not always the case, however, and it would be difficult to find a stronger illustration of the point than Saint Ballado.

A brother to champion two-year-old Devil's Bag and champion older mare Glorious Song, Saint Ballado, was a good second-flight performer at three, winning four of eight starts, including the GII Arlington Classic (by 4 1/2 lengths) and GIII Sheridan S. (by seven lengths). With Devil's Bag, eight years his senior, having shown himself to be no more than a useful sire, there was not exactly a clamor among the farms of the Blue Grass to secure the services of Saint Ballado at stud, and he retired to Mike O'Farrell's Ocala Stud Farm in Florida.

Saint Ballado began his stud career at a fee of \$2,500 (raised to \$3,500 for his second season onwards) and that he was not generally regarded as destined for stardom is clear from the average of \$13,400 which his first-crop yearlings realized at the sales. However, that crop of 31 foals contained three stakes winners, headed by Saint Ballado's first star Captain Bodgit. A winner of five of six starts at two, including the Bimelech S., Dover S. and GIII Laurel Futurity, Captain Bodgit was even better at three, when he added the GII Wood Memorial S. and GI Florida Derby, and went down by just a head to Silver Charm in the GI Kentucky Derby. *Cont. p. 5*



His yearlings averaged over **5 times** their stud fee in September. His 2-year-old colt brought **14 times** his stud fee yesterday. You're hearing great things about his 2-year-olds. *We keep telling you... you'll wish your mare were in foal to him a year from now.*

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**FROM THE DESK OF...**  
**Bill Oppenheim**



**WAR BREAKS OUT**

One thing about war, once it breaks out, it's always the other guy's fault. I'm not talking about the impending invasion of Iraq or World War 3; these things are no joke, and if I were a political columnist instead of a horse industry analyst, you can bet I'd have plenty to say on that subject. But, no, what I'm talking about is the war of words between the two biggest European sales companies, Tattersalls and Goffs, which is threatening to victimize all agents, trainers, and owners within the sound of my voice who try and work the international sales circuit.

Fortunately, it's not a total mess. Conflict can still be averted through negotiation, and no one will die because of it, although exhaustion and bad business are probable side effects. The problem is quite straightforward. As things now stand, Goffs will be selling the second week of Keeneland (Sept 16-19), and Fairyhouse the following week (Sept 23-25), when it should be the other way around. The fact is that Goffs is a major sale, and Fairyhouse is not. Doncaster's St. Leger sale can co-exist with Keeneland's first week, and it would be better for absolutely everybody if Fairyhouse sold during Keeneland's second week, and Goffs kicked off three weeks of major European yearling sales the week of the 23rd. If they'd just swap, I'd shut up, because those agents, trainers, and owners who work the international circuit could do a better job, not to mention the journalists (guilty) who cover them.

Especially with Keeneland September being boosted by the demise (temporary or otherwise) of July, September Books 3 (Fri 12th-Sat 13th) and even 4 (Sun 14th-Mon 15th) will have plenty of yearlings that could be of interest to European buyers. If Goffs begins Tuesday the 16th, most agents and trainers will want to be there the previous Saturday, and certainly Sunday. So not much chance of Europeans being able to stay at

Keeneland (which, I assume, will not particularly please Keeneland. And, by the way, there is no chance of Keeneland being able to start September earlier, because the first Monday in September is Labor Day, and for many reasons it's not even the remotest possibility). This puts massive pressure on people who would like to be active at both sales, and will certainly cost consignors money, because bidders who would otherwise be there will not be. Furthermore, it's unnecessary. If Fairyhouse stayed in the week of the 16th, and Goffs was the following week, all the international buyers could easily cover both, and the three major British/Irish sales would be in consecutive weeks, as they have been (but in a different order) up until now.

**Tatts First Move...**

Often examining the history of a conflict can help us understand how it has come about. I'm talking now about the actual history, not 'received' history (what they tell us), or, as it is also known, propaganda. Here, as best I can work it out, is what really happened. There aren't actually any villains in this version (is that the case in the other kinds of wars, too, the ones where thousands of civilians die?), just a bad side effect of some otherwise sensible business decisions.

We have to work backwards to understand what happened. Tatts' October Yearling Sale, which has been the third week of October, is the equivalent, more or less, of Keeneland September. But they've had various combinations of days and selling, complicated by a big week of racing at Newmarket, which has meant split sessions on the Thursday and Friday, meaning they can't sell more than 200 yearlings a day. With the expansion of the viable 'commercial' market (big stallion books again), Tatts felt a significant number of yearlings which justified being in a reasonable sale couldn't be wedged into October, and ended up in an Autumn sale which took place during the week of the Horses-in-Training Sale. So, quite sensibly, I thought, they invented the October 2 sale (like Keeneland September's second week), which could have a week of its own. *Cont. p. 4*



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*(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 3)*

So, assuming that Goffs would remain where it was, the week after the Arc, Tattersalls announced the following new schedule: Houghton was to come on Wednesday Sept 24th through Thursday Sept 25th. October, now October 1, would move to the week Houghton had been in, the week before the Arc, something like Mon Sept 29th through Friday Oct 3rd. Goffs would still have the following week, then Tatts would come back with the new October 2 in what had been the October Sale week. I have no quibble with Tatts over those moves: it makes sense to upgrade Autumn to October 2, and, from their point of view, the new schedule made sense.

**Current Schedule of 2003 Yearling Sales Dates**

Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Selected Yearlings:	July 16-17
Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Selected Yearlings :	Aug. 5-7
Deauville August Yearlings:	Aug. 23-27
Keeneland September Yearlings:	Sept. 8-20
Doncaster St. Leger Yearlings:	Sept. 9-12
Goffs Orby and Challenge Sale:	Sept. 16-19
Tattersalls Ire. September (Fairyhouse):	Sept. 23-25
Tattersalls Houghton Yearlings:	Oct. 1-2
Tattersalls October Yearlings, Part I:	Oct. 7-11
Tattersalls October Yearlings, Part II:	Oct. 15-18

**Bill Oppenheim's Suggested Schedule**

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Keeneland September Yearlings:	Sept. 8-20
Doncaster St. Leger Yearlings:	Sept. 9-12
<b><i>Tattersalls Ire. September (Fairyhouse):</i></b>	<b><i>Sept. 16-18</i></b>
<b><i>Goffs Orby and Challenge Sale:</i></b>	<b><i>Sept. 23-26</i></b>
Tattersalls Houghton Yearlings:	Oct. 1-2
Tattersalls October Yearlings, Part I:	Oct. 7-11
Tattersalls October Yearlings, Part II:	Oct. 15-18

*Suggested changes in italics*

**Goffs' Reaction...**

But not to Goffs. Rightly or wrongly, Goffs concluded that it would hurt their year's best sale to come after October 1 instead of, as has been the case, before it. I don't, personally, happen to agree with that. It certainly hasn't hurt October the last few years to come after Goffs, and I don't think it would hurt Goffs to come after October 1. But my opinion about it is not the point. It worried Goffs, or some of Goffs' consignors, or both--I don't know, and it doesn't matter. Goffs decided they had to move.

It's very important to remember, especially for those that want to paint Goffs as the villain of the piece, that, at this point, the Houghton sale was scheduled for September 24-25. It's not surprising that Goffs did not want to move their sale into that week--it would be beyond absurdity for those two sales to clash. If Goffs had known Tattersalls was next going to vacate Houghton from that week, this could all have been avoided. Goffs would have gone into that week, Tattersalls would then take the following three consecutive weeks, and Fairyhouse (Tatts' Irish arm) would have stayed where it was, during Keeneland September's second week. But Goffs didn't know that (which, as one sales company executive quite rightly pointed out, at least means there's no danger of all of them being prosecuted for collusion, like Sotheby's and Christie's were). So they announced their Orby and Challenge sales would be the week of September 16th, at that point going head-to-head with Fairyhouse, and Keeneland September's second week.

**The Tail Wags the Dog...**

Now the tail really is wagging the dog. What I mean is this: there are two kinds of yearling sales really under discussion here. What we might call Premier sales and what we might call Open sales. Keeneland September after Book 4, Doncaster St. Leger, Fairyhouse, and the new October 2 are not Premier sales. They do not attract the big international buyers, and they should not influence the composition of the international sales calendar more than the Premier sales. **Cont. p. 5**

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*(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 4)*

Of course there should be venues for the cheaper horses to be sold in as advantageous a position as is possible. But, with Tattersalls' attempt to checkmate Goffs by changing the dates again, to what you see before you on the accompanying calendar, as it is promulgated now, the tail--the lesser sales--is wagging the dog. This is not good business.

There is a solution which will work for everybody: all that has to happen is for Tattersalls and Goffs to make one more move, which is to swap Goffs from September 16-19 to the week after, and for Tatts' to move Fairyhouse back to the week before. Then the people that need to be at the major sales can be at all of them, and the lesser sales--which attract mainly national buyers and international buyers from the lesser racing countries--can still survive and flourish. In that setup, everybody wins. As it stands now, everybody loses.

Fair enough, if you're someone who just goes to the American sales, or just goes to the European sales, none of this matters too much. But if you, dear reader, are a player at the major international sales, this is a call to action. If you agree with me, it's now time to get on the phone, the fax, and the e-mail to your local auction house, and urge them to make this one final move, so that the sales dates will make sense. You can contact Tattersalls at +44-1-638-665-931 or [sales@tattersalls.com](mailto:sales@tattersalls.com). Goffs is +353-45-886-600 and [sales@goffs.ie](mailto:sales@goffs.ie). As it stands now, it will force buyers and their agents to make choices that it is in no one's interest for them to have to make. It will cost consignors, and ultimately the sales companies themselves, money, not to mention goodwill. It's bad business. If you will be affected, join me--out of enlightened self-interest--and urge your local sales company to fix this problem, and end this ridiculous war. This one, at least, you and I can do something about.

*(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 2)*

Saint Ballado's second crop was even more impressive, yielding 10 stakes winners from 41 foals, headed by the GI Hempstead H. heroine Sister Act and other graded-stakes winners Sweetsouthernst and Fantasy Angel. Saint Ballado pretty much maintained the pace with his third crop, which were born in 1996. That group of 43 foals included seven stakes winners, among them the GI Metropolitan H. captor Yankee Victor and Grade II scorer Straight Man. The 1997 crop, the result of the typically tough fourth season, was Saint Ballado's biggest to date, numbering 57 foals, of which five won stakes, although none scored in graded company. The following year's crop, which were conceived on the heels of the two-year-old season in which Captain Bodgit first advertised the merits of Saint Ballado, contained 72 foals. To date, five of these have earned stakes victories, headed by the very fast Flame Thrower, winner of the GII Del Mar Futurity, GII Norfolk S. and GIII Best Pal S.; Lindsay Jean, winner this week-end of the GIII Brown Bess H. and current graded stakes contenders Saint Damien and Saint Verre. The overall tally for Saint Ballado's five Florida crops is currently 251 foals, 30 stakes winners (12 percent) and eight graded stakes winners, and we'd contend that few stallions have achieved so much with such modest initial raw material.

For the 1998 breeding season, Saint Ballado moved to Taylor Made Farm in Lexington, Kentucky. Initially he stood for \$30,000, but in the most recently completed breeding season, his fee had reached \$125,000. Tragically, that season proved to be Saint Ballado's last, as he was euthanized in October, 2002, after suffering complications following spinal surgery to correct progressive cervical myelopathy.

So far, Saint Ballado has had two crops of racing age foaled in Kentucky, those two crops resulting in 207 foals. The first Kentucky crop of 103 foals has so far produced three stakes winners, including the GIII San Miguel S. winner Popular and the GIII Discovery H. scorer, Saint Marden. *Cont. p. 6*

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**ASHFORD STUD**



*(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 5)*

The second crop of 104 reached the track last year and include the ill-fated GII Schuylerville S. winner Freedom's Daughter, Run Production, winner of the Comet S. at the Meadowlands, but now retired to stud, and the recent GIII Lecomte S. winner and classic hopeful Sainly Look.

Of course it is early days yet, especially for the current crop of three-year-olds, but it is hard to avoid the conclusion that Saint Ballado did better with very inexpensive Florida mares than he has so far with mid-range or better Kentucky mares. We suspect that answer is probably an environmental one. Saint Ballado was a big, strong individual, who owned a less-than-perfect pair of forelegs. Florida breeders, who are generally inclined to spend less for breeding than their Kentucky counterparts, favor racetrack performance over pedigree (evidenced by how well hard-knocking broodmare prospects with strong earnings sell at the OBS Sales). In addition, Florida-breds, especially ones sired at the \$2,500-\$3,500 range, tend to be raised very tough. We'd suggest that the Saint Ballado success story was a function of him contributing tremendous amounts of class, and the broodmare population and environment adding the toughness and soundness which he needed.

Having said that, we have to note Lindsay Jean, although Florida-bred, is out of a mare with a Kentucky profile. Her dam Colony Bay started just twice and was unplaced on both occasions. Lindsay Jean's granddam Oceana was also unraced, and has also been a less-than stellar producer, her only black-type performer from eight foals being Biwa Shinseiki, a Forty Niner colt who was listed placed in Japan. While Oceana didn't contribute much in the way of race or production record, she was bred about as well as a mare could be. A daughter of Northern Dancer and the Canadian Oaks winner South Ocean, Oceana is a sister to champions Storm Bird and Northernette (dam of Grade I winner Scoot and group winner Gold Crest), and also to Northern Dancer's granddaughter Ocean's Answer, a stakes winner who is granddam of European raced champions Pas de Reponse, Green Tune and Warrior Queen.

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Another sister to Oceana, South Sea Dancer, is dam of graded-stakes winner Signal Tap (sire of current Grade I-winning filly Got Koko), while her half sister Stormette (by a grandson of Northern Dancer), is responsible for Grade I winner Storm Trooper.

Lindsay Jean is one of three stakes winners by Saint Ballado out of mares by sons of His Majesty, the others include the previously mentioned Sainly Look. A similar cross-over a mare by a son of His Majesty's brother Graustark--credited Saint Ballado's brother Devil's Bag with one of his best winners, the \$2-million earner Twilight Agenda. It could be significant that Soaring, the third dam of Saint Ballado and Devil's Bag, is by Swaps, a horse bred on the same Hyperion/Beau Pere cross as Flower Bowl, the dam of His Majesty and Graustark. The fact that Lindsay Jean's second dam is by Northern Dancer also means that she has Almahmoud, the granddam of Halo and Northern Dancer, 4x5. This has appeared in at least eight other Saint Ballado stakes winners, including graded scorer Freedom's Daughter.

**UPCOMING GRADED STAKES**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Track</u>
2-8	GII La Canada S.	Santa Anita
2-8	GIII Sabin H.	Gulfstream
2-8	GIII The Very One H.	Gulfstream
2-9	GI Las Virgenes S.	Santa Anita
2-9	GIII Whirlaway H.	Fair Grounds
2-9	GIII Deputy Minister H.	Gulfstream
2-14	GIII Shirley Jones H.	Gulfstream
2-15	GI Fountain of Youth S.	Gulfstream
2-15	GII Barbara Fritchie H.	Laurel
2-15	GII San Luis Obispo H.	Santa Anita
2-15	GII Hutcheson S.	Gulfstream
2-15	GII Silverbulletday S.	Fair Grounds
2-16	GI Gulfstream Park BC H.	Gulfstream
2-16	GI Santa Maria H.	Santa Anita
2-16	GIII Risen Star S.	Fair Grounds
2-17	GII General George H.	Laurel
2-17	GII Buena Vista H.	Santa Anita

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 first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races and (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races.

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**Suffolk Cancels Again:**

Suffolk Downs cancelled live racing for the second consecutive day after officials deemed the track unsafe because of heavy rains that hit the area over the last few days. Racing is expected to resume today at the East Boston oval.

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8th-GPX, Alw, a8.5f, post time: 4:23 p.m. EST  
**PERFECT STORY** (f, 3, [Tale of the Cat](#)--Turko's Turn, by Turkoman) B-Ironwood Farm (KY).

*Perfect Story has never finished worse than second in four lifetime starts, including an impressive 2 1/4-length score in a seven-furlong allowance event over this track Jan. 5. The \$975,000 KEENOV weanling purchase, who is a half to Horse of the Year and Ch. 3yo Point Given (Thunder Gulch), will try to make it two for two at Gulfstream in her route debut.*

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the  
4th Race at Aqueduct.  
For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

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**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5:**

- 02-14 \$100,000 *Shirley Jones H.-III, GP, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (100)*
- 02-15 \$200,000a *Connally Breeders' Cup Turf, Hou, 3yo/up, 9fT (0)*
- 02-15 \$200,000 *Fountain of Youth-I, GP, 3yo, 8.5f (150)*
- 02-15 \$150,000 *Hutcheson-II, GP, 3yo, 7f (150)*
- 02-15 \$150,000 *Silverbulletday-III, FG, 3yo, f, 8.5f (100)*



**TOMORROW, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 6:**

- 02-15 \$200,000 *San Luis Obispo H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, 12ft (200)*
- 02-16 \$200,000 *Santa Maria H.-I, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (200)*
- 02-16 \$150,000 *Risen Star-III, FG, 3yo, 8.5f (100)*
- 02-17 \$150,000 *Buena Vista H.-II, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 8ft (150)*

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**A Glittering Achievement!**  
Three-year-old **CHAMPALI-G3** won Saturday's WEBN S. at Turfway Park to raise his lifetime record to **5-for-6**. **Honeagle**, also by **GLITTERMAN**, was third.

**GLITTERMAN** 2003 Fee: \$15,000



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★ FRANCE ★

**HARAS DU LOGIS OPEN HOUSE**

Haras du Logis, located near Trun in Normandy, is holding an open house Friday, Feb. 14 and Saturday, Feb. 15, from 10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Run by Julian Ince, Logis stands first-season sire **Medaaly (GB)**, as well as **Zieten**, **Slickly (Fr)**, **Fly to the Stars (GB)**, **Lord of Men (GB)**, **Pennekamp**, and G1 Arc de Triomphe winner **Sagamix (Fr)**. There will be a drawing for free nominations on both days. For more information, please contact Ince at +33 (0) 2 33 36 21 20.

**Yesterday's Results:**

**Cagnes-Sur-Mer, 3.45, Cond, €28,000, 3yo,** 10f 165ydsT, 2:26.40, gd.

**ESCUCHASME (FR) (c, 3, Green Tune--Marseillaise {Fr} {SP-Fr}, by Esprit Du Nord)** raced in a prominent third for much of the race before coming under pressure rounding the home turn. The 7-2 chance was ridden to the front approaching the final furlong and was pushed clear thereafter to record a comfortable three-length win. Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 6 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €43,150.

O-Antoine Capozzi; B-A Guerini; T-Julie Laurent-Joye Rossi.

**Cagnes-Sur-Mer, 4.15, Cond, €20,000, 4yo/up,** 1 9/16mT, 2:48.30, gd.

**GALLERY GOD (FR) (g, 7, In The Wings {GB}-El Fabulous {Fr} {GSW-Fr}, by Fabulous Dancer)** was sent to the front from the outset and maintained a good pace until coming under pressure once into the stretch run. The 16-5 second choice ran on well for strong driving in the closing stages to secure a deserved half-length success. Lifetime Record: SW-Fr, 23 starts, 5 wins, 15 places, €140,414.

O-John Robinson & Derek Stubbs; B-Classic Breeding SARL & M Bertella; T-Simon Dow.

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**Cagnes-Sur-Mer, 4.45, Cond, €15,000, 4yo/up,** 1 9/16mT, 2:49.10, gd.

**LOST BAY (FR) (c, 4, Lost World {Ire}--Baie Des Anges {Ire} {MSW-Belg}, by Pas De Seul {GB})** was reserved in rear for the first part of the race, moving into mid-pack at halfway. The 7-10 market choice was ridden to the front at the eighth-pole and was driven out late on to garner a one-length score. Lifetime Record: MSP-Fr, 16 starts, 4 wins, 10 places, €96,411.

O-Ecurie Grand Bleu; B-Bel Becq; T-Christian Scandella.

**Cagnes-Sur-Mer, 2.15, Mdn, €14,000, 3yo, c/g,** 7 1/2fT, 1:36.90, gd.

**AUROS (FR) (c, 3, Night Shift--L'Arrosee {SP-Fr}, by Woodman)** was settled in fifth early on, but made headway once turning for home. The 49-10 chance was ridden into a slight lead approaching the final furlong and needed strong riding in the closing stages to gain a neck victory. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 1 win, 0 places, €7,000.

O-Robert Bousquet; B-Castlehaven Associates & Mat Daguzan-Garros; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.



★ DUBAI ★

**DUBAI WORLD CUP ANNOUNCE SPONSORS**

The Dubai World Cup, to be held Saturday, Mar. 29, yesterday announced its 2003 corporate partners. Emirates Airlines will once again sponsor the \$6-million G1 Dubai World Cup, Thoroughbred racing's richest event. Dubai Duty Free will retain sponsorship of the \$2 million Group 1 contest bearing their name; Ports, Customs & Freezone Corporation will sponsor the \$2-million G1 Dubai Sheema Classic; the official English newspaper of the Dubai World Cup, Gulf News, continues their long association with the event by sponsoring the \$2-million G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen; and the recently re-named Jebel Ali Golf Resort & Spa, official caterer of the Dubai World Cup, will sponsor the \$1-million Godolphin Mile. For more information, visit [www.dubaiworldcup.com](http://www.dubaiworldcup.com).

**A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners and a + will first-time starters.**



Another Group winner for **DESERT PRINCE**

**SYRINX** won Alcohol Go-Easy Breeders' Stakes (Gr.2) - Bred by Woodlands Stud

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## AUSTRALASIA



**INGLIS WAIVES PASS-IN COMMISSION** Fierce competition between rival Australian sale companies Magic Millions and William Inglis & Son is heating up, with the latter firing a blatant salvo at the Gold Coast-based Magic Millions by completely scrapping its pass-in commission on broodmares and weanlings sold at the May 23 Inglis Australian Select Weanling Sale and the Inglis Australian Broodmare Sale May 25-26, both held in Sydney. Entries for both sales close Feb. 28. Magic Millions last week announced that no commission would be payable on broodmares and weanlings sold for A\$100,000 or more at its newly named National Broodmare and Weanling Sale at the Gold Coast in Queensland on May 5-7. Magic Millions has also scrapped pass-in commission on broodmares and weanlings. Pass-in commission for both sales in 2002 was 2.5 percent plus 10 percent GST. Entries for the Magic Millions sale close on Mar. 7.

## SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

**First-crop progeny to watch: Wednesday, Feb. 5**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1998 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW*

*Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

**TALE OF THE CAT** (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$25K, 235/27/4

8-GP, Alw, 1m, Perfect Story, \$975K KEE NOV wnl, 8-5

8-GP, Alw, 1m, Snappy Tale, \$32K KEE OCT yrl, 8-1

**TOUCH GOLD** (Deputy Minister), Adena, \$30K, 169/9/1

9-LRL, Msw, 5 1/2f, Mista Mayberry, 5-1

**YARROW BRAE** (Deputy Minister), Murmur, \$6K, 71/3/0

9-LRL, Msw, 5 1/2f, Breezy Bray, 15-1

## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

### ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

**10th-PHA, \$24,800, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:13 3/5, sy.**

**UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY (f, 4, Harry the Hat--Lady Harriman, by Harriman)** Lifetime Record: 16-3-5-1, \$68,010. O-Two C Stables. B-Mrs J C Giangiulio (PA). T-Anthony Correnti.



**His 2nd crop yearlings averaged \$45,147 in 2002, over NINE times his 2003 stud fee!**

## ACCEPTABLE

Capote--Ms. Teak Wood, by Woodman \$5,000 LF

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

### CONDITIONS RESULTS:

**France, Cagnes-Sur-Mer, 2.45, Cond, €18,000, 3yo, 6 1/2f (sand), 1:20.70, stn.**

**KELTURY (FR) (c, 3, Sky Lawyer {Fr}--Jasminixa {Ire}, by Linamix {Fr})** Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 2 wins, 5 places, €24,000. O-Franck Gava; B-Gerard Chemoul & Franck Gava; T-Guy Blasco.

### ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

**Negresso Caffè (Ire), c, 3, Key Of Luck--Blue Elver (GB),** by Kings Lake. Naples, Italy, 2-4, Mdn, 3yo, c/g, 1 1/16mT. B-John Lavelle.

**Royal Spin (GB), g, 4, Prince Sabo (GB)--Cabaret Artiste (GB),** by Shareef Dancer. Southwell, Britain, 2-4, Mdn, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Rockwell Bloodstock.

## 2003 VISA TRIPLE CROWN NOMINEES LEADING TRAINERS

<u>Trainer</u>	<u>Nominees</u>
Todd Pletcher	28
D. Wayne Lukas	23
Saeed bin Suroor	19
Bob Baffert	17
Ken McPeck	11
Mark Hennig	10
Aidan O'Brien	9
Nick Zito	9
Bobby Frankel	8
Patrick Biancone	6
John Shirreffs	6
Craig Dollase	5
Shug McGaughey	5
Bill Mott	5
Niall O'Callaghan	5
Barclay Tagg	5
James Hatchett	5
John Ward Jr.	5
Dermot Weld	5

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