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FORESTRY ON FIRE AT KEENELAND APRIL

[Hip 48](#), a colt by freshman sire Forestry out of Northern Sanction (Affirmed), sizzled a quarter in :20 3/5 yesterday to top the workouts for today's Keeneland April Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale in Lexington. The dark bay is one of 262 juveniles catalogued for the one-day sale. "We believe that this is a very strong group of two-year-olds, with quality at every price level," said Keeneland Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell. The catalogue includes the offspring of top sires such as A.P. Indy, Cherokee Run, Deputy Minister,



Hip 48 *Horsephotos*

Elusive Quality, Forest Wildcat, Kingmambo, Miswaki, Nureyev, Saint Ballado, Seeking the Gold, Storm Cat, Swain (Ire), Tale of the Cat, Theatrical (Ire), Unbridled and Unbridled's Song. Trainer D. Wayne Lukas picked up a pair of two-year-olds at the Barretts March Sale, including Fashion Girl, who made a winning debut at Keeneland Sunday. Lukas also intends to do a little shopping today. "I think the catalogue is very good--frankly, it's as good as any two-year-old sale this year," he said. "Whether the individual's works and conformation are going to measure up, I don't know, but page-wise, it is very good." Last year's April Sale saw the one-two finishers from the Apr. 5 GI Ashland S. go through the ring, with winner Elloluv bringing \$120,000 and runner-up Lady Tak going for \$75,000. The first of this year's offering will step into the sales ring at 1:30 p.m. The results of the sale, and of yesterday's workouts, are available at www.keeneland.com.


Turf Works Popular With Consignors...

Keeneland April is the only American two-year-old sale that offers the consignors the chance to work their juveniles on the turf. "I thought the turf horses worked very well," consignor Niall Brennan said. "A lot of the good horses that didn't work well [on the dirt] last week moved up on the turf. That's why a lot of consignors come to this sale." A pair of colts that happened to work very well on the dirt last week turned in sharp quarters on the grass Monday, going in :21 flat. [Hip 8](#), a colt by El Prado (Ire) out of GISW La Gueriere (Lord At War {Arg}), consigned by Kirkwood Stables, Agent IX, is a half-brother to MGSW Lasting Approval from the family of millionaire Al Mamoon and GSW Lost Soldier; he'd zipped two furlongs in :21 2/5 last week. [Hip 170](#), a colt by Lear Fan out of Bin Sweet (Binalong) from Becky Thomas' Sequel Bloodstock, is from the family of GI Met Mile winner Wild Rush and British Group 1 winner Hayil; he clocked a quarter in :21 3/5 on the dirt.

Problems at the Preview...

Yesterday's under-tack show was not without problems. Hip 81, a Hennessy colt consigned by Leprechaun Racing, broke down after working a quarter in :21. According to *The Blood-Horse*, the chestnut suffered a compound fracture of the left front fetlock and had to be euthanized. Hip 100, a colt by this past weekend's hottest sire, Swain (Ire), out of SW Spiritual Star (Soviet Star), had to be withdrawn after running into the rail while working on the turf. "The regular rider was sick, so we had a new guy on him," Steve Cauthen, who owns the bay, explained. "As he was working, he started leaning in, bumped the rail and got turned in and clipped the rail. He's scraped and cut up, but in the long term he will be fine. The rail cut him in a couple of places on the [left] shoulder and on his hind leg. He just needs to be stitched up and he'll be swollen for a while, but it looks like it will all heal. We were lucky it wasn't worse, but it was bad luck because he's a nice colt and there were a lot of people interested in him."

You can also pick up a copy of the TDN today at the Keeneland April and Tattersalls Breeze-Up sales.

 KEENELAND APRIL OUTS TUESDAY, APR. 15, 2003									
3	24	28	29	30	32	39	46	49	
52	54	65	67	68	75	85	86	91	
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☆ HIP HAPPENINGS ☆

Hip 48, c, Forestry--Northern Sanction (Affirmed)

Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I

The dark bay, a half-brother to graded-stakes winners Regal Sanction and Nonies Dancer Ali, worked a quarter in :10 1/5 during the first under-tack preview and a bullet :20 3/5 yesterday. "He worked exceptionally well twice and he's by a popular freshman sire," consignor Niall Brennan said. "He's got a great pedigree. There's no question that he has been one of our top horses. He's got a great attitude. He has a lot of improvement in him yet, but he is a very good horse."



Hip 48 Horsephotos

Hip 128, c, Cherokee Run--Waltzing With Deb (Robyn Dancer)

Consigned by Nick de Meric, Agent I

A half to last year's GII Arkansas Derby runner-up Wild Horses, the bay is out of a half-sister to MGSW Suave Prospect and to the dam of MGSW Successful Appeal. He worked in :21 2/5 yesterday. "He's a cracking good colt," consignor Nick de Meric said. "I like him physically and mentally. He is a very good individual with great balance and a lovely way of going. Mentally he is as relaxed and laid back as can be."



Hip 128 Horsephotos

Hip 168, c, Unbridled's Song--Belonging (Exclusive Native)

Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock, agent

The gray, named Buccaneer Baby, worked a quarter in :21 1/5 at yesterday's preview. The colt is a half-brother to MGSW and top sire Belong to Me, and his second dam is champion Straight Deal. He is being offered by Becky Thomas, who consigned the \$2.7 million sale-topping Sea of Secrets colt at Barretts. "He is a very, very nice horse," Thomas said of Hip 168. "He is very athletic, very mature and he has a very good mind. He is an easy mover and does everything effortlessly."



Hip 168 Horsephotos

Keeneland April cont.

Fast Works a Must?

It is the workouts that first catch Hall of Fame trainer D. Wayne Lukas' eye at the juvenile sales. "Since they have been taping [the workouts], I have had a lot of luck looking at the tapes," Lukas said. "If something catches my eye, I replay it again and again and then I go look at the horse. I usually select off the tapes first. After I study the tapes, then I look at three things--the works, the pedigree and the conformation." He added that he is not surprised at the trend toward faster and faster works at the under-tack previews. "The problem is that, while not everyone knows a racehorse conformation-wise, everyone knows how to read the clock," he said. "Everybody knows the difference between :10 1/5 and :10 4/5. You can't blame the consignors for trying to work their horses fast. You just have to follow up and see if there was any wear and tear from the work." But, he added, "Most people won't work a horse fast if they don't think he can handle it."



D. Wayne Lukas Horsephotos

FRESHMAN SIREs - KEENELAND APRIL

Stallion	Sire	Hip(s)
Artax	Marquetry	51 179 276
Charismatic	Summer Squall	70 111
Comic Strip	Red Ransom	135 138 185
Crafty Friend	Crafty Prospector	61
Exploit	Storm Cat	23 37 78 108 126 206 247
Forestry	Storm Cat	48 82 165
Good and Tough	Carson City	113
Horse Chestnut (SAF)	Fort Wood	11 69 204 210 249
Lil's Lad	Pine Bluff	13
Mazel Trick	Phone Trick	183 208
Menifee	Harlan	58 87 136
Old Trieste	A.P. Indy	89 236
Parade Ground	Kingmambo	190
Real Quiet	Quiet American	239
Silver Charm	Silver Buck	118 195
Stormin Fever	Storm Cat	1 22
Stravinsky	Nureyev	96 125 153 158 196
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The Empire Unites (and Takes Over?)

Edmund Gann's **Peace Rules** (Jules), winner of the GI Toyota Blue Grass S. at Keeneland Saturday, arrived at Churchill Downs yesterday after a short van ride to prepare for the May 3 GI Kentucky Derby. Peace Rules joins GI Wood Memorial S. winner **Empire Maker** (Unbridled) in Bobby Frankel's shedrow and is a likely second betting choice behind his highly regarded stablemate. Empire Maker walked Monday morning.

Buddy Gil's a Mudder

Showing no aversion to a muddy Santa Anita training track yesterday, GI Santa Anita Derby winner **Buddy Gil** (Eastern Echo) ripped through four furlongs in :46 4/5 under the watchful eye of trainer Jeff Mullins. "He's seen a whole lot worse up in Idaho," Mullins said to *The Blood Horse*. "This training track is big for him compared to those little three-eighths-mile tracks up there." Buddy Gil, a Kentucky-bred, was raised on a farm in Hagerman, Idaho.

Badge of Silver Recuperating from Surgery

A late scratch out of Saturday's Blue Grass after suffering a hairline fracture of the cannon bone in a gallop Friday, trainer Ronny Werner's **Badge of Silver** (Silver Deputy) underwent surgery yesterday at Rood & Riddle Equine Clinic in Lexington, Kentucky. Though Werner hadn't yet spoken to the colt's surgeon, Dr. Larry Bramlage, the early indications looked promising. "He's out of surgery and they told me it went really good," said Werner. "Dr. Bramlage was back in surgery, so I didn't get a chance to talk to him. But it looks like it went really well."

Atswhatimtalknabout Gallops with Blinkers

GI San Felipe S. runner-up **Atswhatimtalknabout** (A.P. Indy) galloped 1 1/2 miles at Churchill Downs early Monday morning, equipped for the first time with blinkers. The Ron Ellis trainee, who was a disappointing fourth as the favorite in the GI Santa Anita Derby, will breeze with the blinkers Wednesday in preparation for the Kentucky Derby. "This is the first time he's had them on," said Ellis. "We'll let him gallop with them for a couple of days to get used to them." Ellis indicated the colt has put on weight in recent weeks and has begun to recover from a bothersome skin rash that developed prior to the Santa Anita Derby.

Offlee Wild Derby Bound

Azalea Stable's **Offlee Wild** (Wild Again) will likely be running for the roses on the first Saturday in May after his third-place finish in the Blue Grass S. Saturday. "We're going on with him," said trainer T.V. Smith, who has never saddled a horse in the Kentucky Derby. "He came out of the race good, and I don't think we've seen his best race yet, so we're going to give it another whirl." Offlee Wild, making his first start in the Blue Grass since finishing fourth in the GI Fountain of Youth S. at Gulfstream in mid-February, was knocked out of the GI Florida Derby and GI Lane's End S. after being stricken with a nagging bacterial infection. The colt is slated to stretch his legs in a jog this morning.

Most Feared Makes Late Run at Derby

Most Feared (Commanchero), in preparation for Sunday's GI Coolmore Lexington S. at Keeneland, worked five furlongs in 1:00.06 over a fast Churchill Downs track Monday morning, the fifth-fastest move of 24 at the distance. "I don't get caught up in the clock a whole lot," said trainer Ronny Werner. "I watch how they do it and how they come back, and he really did it right. He just did it real easy, having fun and pricking his ears. He seems to be ready to rock." The gelding was sidelined off a 10th-place finish in the GI Lecomte S. in late January with a stress fracture in his right front leg, and will attempt to make up lost ground on the Derby trail. "He's just been training so well up here," said Werner. "I'd say this is about as good as he's ever trained and for that reason, I'm excited about running him."

KEENELAND APRIL SALE HIGHEST PRICED JUVENILES		
Price	Horse	Year Sold
\$2,000,000	c, Not for Love--Three Grand <i>B-Katherine Willson (MD)</i>	1999
\$1,250,000	f, Seattle Slew--Lochlin <i>B-Earl W. Daynes (Ky)</i>	1999
\$1,100,000	c, Deputy Minister--The Way We Were <i>B-Gainseway Thoroughbreds Limited (Ky)</i>	1999
\$850,000	c, Unbridled's Song--Whatamiss <i>B-Al Carpenito (Ky)</i>	2002
\$825,000	c, Forest Wildcat--Tammy Jean <i>B-Highclere (Ky)</i>	2000
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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

Saturday, Newbury, Britain

LANE'S END GREENHAM S.-G3, £50,000, Newbury, 4-12, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:24.48, gd/fm.

1--@**MUQBIL**, 126, c, 3, by [Swain \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: Istiqlal, by Diesis (GB)

2nd Dam: Wasnah, by Nijinsky II

3rd Dam: Highest Trump, by Bold Bidder

Click for the racingpost.co.uk chart or the [free brisnet.com](http://free.brisnet.com) catalogue-style pedigree.

Sunday, Leopardstown, Ireland

LEOPARDSTOWN 1000 GUINEAS TRIAL S.-Listed, €48,000, Leopardstown, 4-13, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:28.00, gd/fm.

1--#**DIMITROVA**, 126, f, 3, by [Swain \(Ire\)](#)

1st Dam: The Caretaker (Ire) (Ch. 2yo-Ire, MSW-Ire, GSP-US, \$881,697), by Caerleon

2nd Dam: Go Feather Go, by Go Marching

3rd Dam: Feather Bed, by Johns Joy

* 1/2 to Mutafaweq (Silver Hawk), Hwt. 3yo-Eng at 14 + f, Hwt. Older Horse-Ger at 11-14f, MG1SW-Eng, MG1SP-Ire, G1SW-Can & Ger, \$1,794,496.

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Fact 1: Swain did not make his debut until May of his three-year-old season and didn't tackle stakes company until the following month.

Fact 2: Swain's first three races--all of which he won--were over 1 ¼ miles.

Fact 3: When the six-year-old Swain failed by only a short head to defeat Silver Charm in the 1998 Dubai World Cup, he was racing over a distance as short as 1 ¼ miles for only the second time in 17 starts, having finished third in the Prix Ganay over 1 5/16th nearly two years earlier.

So how come this Shadwell Farm stallion has come up with a first crop which includes Muqbil, winner of the G3 Lane's End Greenham S. over seven furlongs, and Dimitrova, winner of the Listed Leopardstown 1000 Guineas Trial over the same short distance?

Part of the answer, of course, is that Swain has had some help from the dams of these two stakes winners. Muqbil is out of the unraced Istiqlal, a half-sister by the champion juvenile Diesis to the top-class miler Bahri and the high-class juvenile Bahhare. For her part, Dimitrova is out of The Caretaker, winner of the very valuable Cartier Million as a two-year-old, plus three Listed races at up to a mile.

The rest of the answer is that Swain ought to have been effective over much shorter distances than 1 ¼ miles as a young horse, given the chance. Perhaps he simply wasn't asked to tackle these distances because Sheikh Mohammed had several other established classic contenders for the shorter races.

Swain's sire, the magnificent Nashwan, tends to be thought of as a strong source of stamina, perhaps because he was a son of Height of Fashion, a G2 mile-and-a-half winner by the stamina-packed Bustino. However, this is by no means the complete story. Although he won the Derby and the King George over 1 ½ miles, Nashwan was fast enough to defeat Exbourne and Danehill in the 2000 Guineas, earning the distinction of being the only horse since Nijinsky II in 1970 to complete the 2000 Guineas and Derby double. For good measure, he also won the G1 Coral-Eclipse over 1 ¼ miles by five lengths.

A mile and a quarter has also proved the most fruitful distance for Nashwan's mature progeny in Britain and Ireland, providing 49 successes to the end of last year, compared to 41 over 1 ½ miles and 26 over a mile. His Group-winning progeny included Wandesta, a champion at up to 1 ¼ miles in the USA; Myself, a G3 winner over seven furlongs; Aqaarid, a G1 winner over a mile; One So Wonderful and Nadia, two G1-winning fillies at around 1 ¼ miles; Didina, a GII winner over 1 1/16 miles; and Haami, a miler.

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MORE STAKES SUCCESS THIS WEEKEND

Sue's Good News (by **WOODMAN**) won a Stake by 5 and change.

Grand Armeé (by **HENNESSY**) won a Gr.3 in style.

Home Run Hitter (by **GRAND SLAM**) won a Stake at Pimlico.

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Clearly Nashwan was capable of passing on some of the speed he inherited from Blushing Groom, a brilliant juvenile who was spectacular over a mile.

Swain's dam Love Smitten didn't exactly lack speed either. One of her wins at three came over six furlongs and one of her three stakes victories at four – when she was rated 118 on the Blood-Horse Free Handicap - came in the Autumn Days H. over 6 1/2 furlongs. Love Smitten improved her Blood-Horse rating to 120 as a five-year-old, when she became a GI winner in the Apple Blossom H. over 1 1/16 miles.

Love Smitten produced three stakes winners from only five foals, while her famous sister, Kamar, produced four Graded winners from nine foals. Kamar also did her winning at up to a mile and an eighth.

Kamar's mating with the great Nijinsky resulted in the lightly raced Jood, who was mated with a son of Blushing Groom to produce the truly admirable Fantastic Light, a major winner in England, Dubai, the U.S., Hong Kong and Ireland. Interestingly, both of Swain's stakes winners last weekend have Nijinsky in their pedigree. Muqbil's second dam, Wasnah, is by Nijinsky, while Dimitrova's dam, The Caretaker, is by Nijinsky's son Caerleon. Caerleon is also the broodmare sire of two other winners from Swain's first crop, namely Violet Eyed Diva, a winner on turf in the U.S., and the Japanese colt Trillion Cut.

Could it be that Swain is going to add further glory to the well-established Nijinsky-Blushing Groom cross? One Blushing Groom mare produced the Derby-winning Lammtarra to Nijinsky, while another Derby winner, Kahyasi, is by a son of Nijinsky out of a Blushing Groom mare. Caerleon and Niniski also did very well with Blushing Groom mares.

Blushing Groom himself sired 21percent stakes winners from his foals out of Nijinsky mares and his sons, such as Rainbow Quest, Rahy and Nashwan, have kept up the good work. Indeed, Nijinsky mares were responsible for Nashwan's G1-winning daughters Wandesta and Nadia.

Although Muqbil's parents are both bay, he has inherited Nashwan's chestnut coat, as well as his easy, flowing action. That action became unbalanced when he raced downhill into the Dip on his previous visit to Newmarket, when he was beaten at odds-on in the G3 Somerville Tattersall S., which raises questions about how he will cope when he returns to Newmarket for the 2000 Guineas.

He is a very promising colt, though, and a well-bred one too, as his third dam, the fast and quick-maturing Highest Trump, is also the third dam of the champion American filly Ajina.

A few more winners of Muqbil and Dimitrova's quality and Swain will be looking very good value at his current fee of \$25,000, down from \$35,000 last year. For that price you get a very tough, very well-bred horse who twice won the King George, Britain's top all-aged race over a mile and a half. Swain was also highly effective over a mile and a quarter, as he demonstrated with his unlucky third in the Breeders' Cup Classic, and he handled dirt every bit as well as turf.

☆ RESULTS ☆

Saturday, San Isidro, Argentina

GRAN PREMIO ELISEO RAMIREZ-G1, P35,000, San Isidro, 4-12, 2yo, f, 1400mT, 1:21.02, fm.

- 1--▲@#HALO OLA (ARG), 121, f, 2, by Southern Halo
 1st Dam: Esnaola (Arg) (GSW & G1SP-Arg), by Ringaro
 2nd Dam: Esencia (Arg), by El Virtuoso (Arg)
 3rd Dam: Emboscada (Arg), by Gran Atleta (Arg)
 O/B-Juan Carlos Bago; T-M.A. Garcia; J-E Gramatica; P25,000. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, P37,010. *Full to Sebi Halo (Arg), MGSW & MG1SP-Arg; Jacky Halo, MGSP-Arg.
 - 2--Dale Lunfa (Arg), 121, f, 2, Dalhart--Shy Lunfarda (Arg), by Shy Tom. B-La Biznaga. P5,750.
 - 3--Forty Doriana (Arg), 121, f, 2, Roar--Dory! (Arg), by Our Talisman. B-La Biznaga. P2,750.
- Margins: 5, 1 1/2, 3/4. Odds: 4.90, 2.30, 2.30.

Halo Ola proved herself to be clearly better than the rest Saturday at San Isidro. Although she had some trouble at the break, as had happened in her previous races, she managed to keep pace with the leader. She took the lead easily at midstretch and drew off to win handily, leaving no doubt about her quality as she accounted for her first Group 1. The filly won her first start at Palermo going five furlongs on the dirt Jan. 25 and was coming off a third-place finish in the G1 Unzue at six furlongs Mar. 15. This was her first start on turf and, by the way she won, it would be reasonable to think she will be racing over this surface in the future.

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Sunday, Hanshin, Japan

OKA SHO (Japanese 1000 Guineas)-G1-JRA, ¥210,860,000, Hanshin, 4-13, 3yo, f, 1600mT, 1:33.90, fm.

1--@**STILL IN LOVE (JPN), 121, f, 3, by Sunday Silence**

1st Dam: **Bradamante, by Roberto**

2nd Dam: **Sulemeif, by Northern Dancer**

3rd Dam: **Barely Even, by Creme dela Creme**

O-North Hills Management Co. Ltd.; B-Shimokobe Farm; T-S Matsumoto; J-H Miyuki; ¥118,372,000.

*1/2 to Big Baillamont (Baillamont), SW-Jpn, \$608,669.

2--**She is Tosho (Jpn), 121, f, 3, Sakura Bakushin O**

(Jpn)--Jane Tosho (Jpn), by Tosho Fleet (Jpn).

O-Tosho Sangyo; B-Tosho Bokujo; ¥44,392,000.

3--**Admire Groove (Jpn), 121, f, 3, Sunday Silence--Air**

Groove (Jpn), by Tony Bin (Ire). O-Riichi Kondo;

B-Northern Farm; ¥26,196,000.

Margins: 1 1/2, 1/2, 3/4. Odds: 3.50, 50.70, 3.50.

A maiden winner in her November debut, Still In Love followed up with a victory in the Jan. 19 Kobai S., but suffered her first defeat when second in the Mar. 8 Tulip Sho. She got away cleanly here and was in good position off the early leader, then drove between horses on the far turn and came with an impressive stretch run to win going away.

Saturday, Nakayama, Japan

NEW ZEALAND TROPHY-G2-JRA, ¥105,160,000,

Nakayama, 4-12, 3yo, 1600mT, 1:34.60, fm.

1--@**EISHIN TSURUGIZAN (JPN), 123, c, 3, by Sakura Bakushin O (Jpn)**

1st Dam: **Video Piano, by Fappiano**

2nd Dam: **Videogenic, by Caucasus**

3rd Dam: **Video Babe, by T.V. Commercial**

O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Eishin Bokujo; T-Hideaki Fujiwara; J-Norihiro Yokoyama; ¥55,162,000.

2--**Gallant Arrow (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Lindo Shaver--Chorus**

Jo O (Jpn), by Longleat. O-A. Tomizawa; B-Tomonori

Fujimoto; ¥22,332,000.

3--**Sakura Tairin (Jpn), 123, c, 3, Sakura Bakushin O**

(Jpn)--Moranbon, by Sagace (Fr). O-Sakura Commers;

B-Tanioka Bokujo; ¥14,166,000.

Margins: NK, 1 1/2, 1/2. Odds: 17.00, 22.90, 6.20.

Sunday, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

GP CRUZEIRO DO SUL-G1, \$25,000, Hipodromo da Gavea, 4-13, 3yo, 2400mT, 2:26.8, sf.

1--#@**PRINCE DI JAVA (BRZ), 123, c, 3, by Blush Rambler**

1st Dam: **Java Doll (Brz), by St Chad (GB)**

2nd Dam: **Angelical (Brz), by Waldmeister (GB)**

3rd Dam: ***Resifrest, by Locris (Fr)**

O/B-Haras Curitiba; T-Dulcinio Guignoni; J-Carlos Lavor. Lifetime Record: 11-3-0-2.

2--**Jockey's Dream (Brz), 123, c, 3, Spend A Buck--**

Dandy Pat (Brz), by Ghadeer (Fr). O-Stud TNT;

B-Haras Old Friends.

3--**Sinitrom (Brz), 123, c, 3, Thignon Lafre (Brz)--Tia**

Rica (Brz), by Deauville. O-Stud JGB; B-Haras Valente.

Margins: 4, 1/2. Winner Odds: 2.60.

☆ PREVIEW ☆

Tuesday, Newmarket, Britain, post time: 2:20 p.m.

SHADWELL STUD NELL GWYN S.-G3, £50,000, 3yo, f, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	7	Cala (Fr)	Desert Prince (Ire)	C Brittain
2	1	Ego (GB)	Green Desert	Wragg
3	4	Garmoucheh	Silver Hawk	Hannon
4	6	Hector's Girl (GB)	Hector Protector	Stoute
5	2	Hold To Ransom	Red Ransom	E Dunlop
6	5	Khulood	Storm Cat	J Dunlop
7	3	Miss Assertive (GB)	Zafonic	Littmoden
8	8	Sister Bluebird (GB)	Bluebird	Meehan

All carry 121 pounds.

Khulood, owned and bred by Shadwell Stud, will bid to provide the race sponsors with the ideal result while trying to underline her G1 1000 Guineas claims. She showed electric acceleration from the front on firm ground at this track when taking the often informative Listed Oh So Sharp S. over course and distance in October. Breaking the 11-year-old track record that afternoon, she will relish this surface and can account for the speedy **Ego**, who was beaten 3 1/2 lengths by Airwave (GB) when fourth in the G1 Cheveley Park S. last time at this track in October.

His first 2-y-o's are getting ready to run and are in training with **Richard Hannon, Jim Bolger, Roger Charlton, Tommy Stack, Charles O'Brien, Sir Mark Prescott, etc**

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2003 North American Freshman Sires

THE RITE OF SPRING

by Bill Oppenheim

This year's crop of North American freshman sires has a hard act to follow. Last year's group has been racking up impressive wins this spring to follow up big wins last fall--three high-class two-turn Deputy Ministers (Touch Gold, Awesome Again, Deputy Commander); sprinters Elusive Quality, Tale of the Cat, Distorted Humor; four horses who ran Beyers in the 120s (Gentlemen, Formal Gold, Will's Way, Skip Away); plus a sprinkling of Favorite Trick (Horse of the Year at two), Coronado's Quest, Swain, etc. It looked a good group going in, and so it is proving.

In fact, there are not as many powerhouses this year. The 2002 group included 14 stallions who entered stud with \$20,000+ stud fees, and 24 who stood for \$10,000 or more. In both categories, this year's group is down 25-30 percent: there are 10 2003 North American freshman sires who entered stud at \$20,000+, and 18 who stood for \$10,000+. That doesn't mean that the good ones from this group won't be just as good or better than the good ones from last year's crop; it just means there are fewer of them.

Six Classic Runners

This year's 18 sires who entered stud with five-figure fees represent three Classic generations, and include four winners of Triple Crown races: **Silver Charm** (1997 Derby and Preakness, beaten in the Belmont by Touch Gold); **Real Quiet** and **Victory Gallop**, who completed the exacta in all three Triple Crown races in 1998; and **Charismatic**, winner of the 1999 Derby and Preakness, but third behind Lemon Drop Kid (first yearlings 2003) in the Belmont in what was to be his final career start. This group also includes **Free House**, who placed in all three Classics in Silver Charm's year; and **Menifee**, who was second to Charismatic in both the Derby and Preakness.



Stravinsky Tony Leonard

So, a third of the 18 original five-figure aspirants had Classic, two-turn form, though, once again, this has not translated into instant commercial appeal: none of these six cracked the \$100,000 yearling average barrier (Menifee closest at \$98,356), and only three of the six (Silver Charm-\$25,000; Free House-\$15,000; Menifee-\$15,000) have even sustained their original stud fees.

The two 1998 Classic winners have both dropped--Victory Gallop from \$25,000 to \$15,000, and Real Quiet from \$25,000 to \$10,000--and Charismatic has gone to Japan. But Silver Charm (Beyer 118+, is my assessment) and Free House (Beyer 117+) each turned in several top-class performances through their five-year-old seasons, and merit respect on grounds of soundness as well as class. Each gets a sort of underground pedigree bump-up, too: Silver Charm is by the beautifully bred Silver Buck, from the Buckpasser sire line, which is not really a sire line, yet has produced three Kentucky Derby winners since

1985; and Free House (like Old Trieste) is out of a mare by Vigors, son of the influential *Herbager horse *Grey Dawn II. Good--but not especially commercial--stuff.

The Commercial Stuff: Storm Cat

Six sons of Storm Cat standing in Kentucky (plus grandson Menifee, by Harlan) who started off at \$7,500+ have their first two-year-olds this year, all with good speed and/or precocity credentials. Four are among the 18 sires who kicked off at \$10,000+, including two of the three sires from this group whose yearlings averaged over \$100,000. These are the Taylor Made duo of **Forestry**--runaway winner on yearling average among this sire group, at \$245,823--and **Exploit**, who finished second with \$139,278. Forestry scored his only Grade I win in Saratoga's seven-furlong King's Bishop (Beyer 116); connections will no doubt be hoping for a similar result to another son of Storm Cat from last year's freshman sires, who also scored his biggest win in the King's Bishop: Tale of the Cat. Exploit was a Grade II winner at two and three who was unbeaten in four starts at two, won a Grade II first time out at three, then broke down after finishing second in the San Felipe. *cont. p2*

HIP 48, by Storm Cat's G1-winning son FORESTRY, breezes 1/4-mile in :20 3/5, the fastest at Keeneland's April Sale.



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It's now my view that Storm Cat has made a more than tolerable start as a sire of sires--from fewer than 20 sons with any real shot, the first of which had their first foals in 1995, successful Storm Cat sons include: Storm Boot (first foals 1995), Harlan (1996), Tabasco Cat (1997), Forest Wildcat (1998), Hennessy (1998), Tale of the Cat (2000), and Stormy Atlantic (2000). And certainly the market thinks Storm Cat is going to be a big-time sire of sires. Besides Forestry and Exploit, four other Kentucky sons of Storm Cat make their debuts: sprinter **Stormin Fever**, who won just one Grade III, but placed twice in the GI Vosburgh; the good 1998 two-year-old **Tactical Cat**--his first yearlings sold very well; and the Walmac duo of **Sea of Secrets** and **Scatmandu**. That's a big representation, and it will be a surprise if there aren't a few more success stories among them.

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By the numbers, I'm pretty sure the best racehorse with his first two-year-olds this year was **Stravinsky**, the son of Nureyev who was Europe's champion sprinter as a three-year-old in 1999. He was rated at 133 by Timeform, which I reckon translates to a Beyer 121. He also has a 2001 foal crop of 115--guess where he stands? And the early murmurs from the Euros are positive. I was a big fan of **Old Trieste**, who unfortunately died earlier this year and has a relatively small crop of 44 two-year-olds to represent him. He was a son of A.P. Indy (out of the very good racemare by Vigors, Lovlier Linda) who was a crack one-mile to nine-furlong frontrunner.

This group of freshman sires also features: 1999 Breeders' Cup Sprint winner **Artax** (Marquetry; Beyer 124), who stood his first season in New York; the meteoric **Mazel Trick** (Phone Trick), who ran back-to-back Beyer 118s for Frankel in his only two starts at four in 1999; my 'sleeper' of the year, the little-known but very talented **Lil's Lad**--he won his first four starts wire-to-wire at three, including the GII Fountain of Youth (Beyer 113) and the GI Florida Derby (beat Cape Town a nose, but was DQ'ed); and **Event of the Year**, a son of Seattle Slew from the same team (the Mabees' Golden Eagle Farm) which previously brought you successful Seattle Slew sons General Meeting and Avenue of Flags. This fellow won the GII Jim Beam (Beyer 114) at three before injury intervened, then came back at four to win the GII Strub, beating Dr Fong in a Beyer 115, before splitting Free House and Silver Charm in the 1999 GI Santa Anita H. *Bill's Picks, p4*



Both Mike Brown and Alan Porter had Tale of the Cat as their #1 pick last year and the Ashford stallion led the way with 24 winners, highest among the new stallions of 2002. But Bob Fierro was the only one to tip both Distorted Humor and Elusive Quality, who were in a tight race for the money title. Indeed, the disqualification of Elusive City in a pair of English races allowed Distorted Humor to take the honors as the nation's leading freshman sire of 2002.

**Mike Brown
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1. **FORESTRY** Looks and pedigree to make a top sire.
2. **HORSE CHESTNUT (SAF)** Broward win was indicative of great things to come.
3. **MENIFEE** Big, strong, scopy horse that gets those attributes, plus athleticism.

BEST VALUE: SEA OF SECRETS The 'Cat' is already out of the bag.

<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>'00 Fee</u>	<u>'03 Farm</u>
Artax	Marquetry	\$30,000	Taylor Made
Event of the Year	Seattle Slew	\$40,000	Golden Eagle
Exploit	Storm Cat	\$30,000	Taylor Made
Family Calling	Mr. Prospector	\$5,000	Hidden Point
Forestry	Storm Cat	\$50,000	Taylor Made
Free House	Smokester	\$15,000	Vessels
Horse Chestnut (SAF)	Fort Wood	\$10,000	Claiborne
Lil's Lad	Pine Bluff	\$10,000	Lane's End
Mazel Trick	Phone Trick	\$15,000	Airdrie
Menifee	Harlan	\$15,000	Stone Farm
Old Trieste	A.P. Indy	\$25,000	<i>Deceased</i>
Real Quiet	Quiet American	\$25,000	Taylor Made
Sea of Secrets	Storm Cat	\$7,500	Walmac
Silver Charm	Silver Buck	\$25,000	Three Chimneys
Stravinsky	Nureyev	\$35,000	Ashford
Stormin Fever	Storm Cat	\$15,000	Airdrie
Tactical Cat	Storm Cat	\$10,000	Overbrook
Victory Gallop	Cryptoclearance	\$25,000	WinStar



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1. **FORESTRY** Grade I-winning sprinter by Storm Cat. Half-brother to a Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies winner. From the immediate family of Mr. Prospector.

2. **TACTICAL CAT** Another Storm Cat. Very precocious (won over 4 1/2f on debut, and took WHAS-11 S. on KY Derby Day), but tough enough to still be around to take the GI Hollywood Futurity at the end of the year.

3. **OLD TRIESTE** Very sadly is no longer with us. Was a very fast son of A. P. Indy, and from a fast female line. Should get some good later season two-year-olds.

BEST VALUE: **SEA OF SECRETS** was advertised at \$5,000 for 2003. He's a Storm Cat out of a Mr. Prospector mare, which is the same cross as Tale of the Cat (leading freshman sire by winners last year) and Storm Boot, and very similar to Forest Wildcat. Was a very smart sprinter until injury interrupted his career, and his two-year-olds have already sold well, including the Barretts world record breaker.

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This Freshman crop has been eagerly anticipated, yet it's filled with holes. The most exciting prospects to sire horses that can go two turns in good company are hampered by pedigrees from either unfashionable, or risky, sire lines, or come from relatively weak families. This leaves the field wide open to a variety of heavily hyped stallions whose race records and the looks of their first foals point to success at distances up to nine panels--maybe. The most likely suspects below are separated into a Triple Crown of sorts, with each group representing the strongest aptitudes their progeny are likely to bring to the track.

Quick Off The Mark (Top candidates for Leading Freshman Sire): Relocated to Kentucky for his second season, **ARTAX** may trump the field via his large first crop of mostly New York-breds--he should maintain a strong profile through the years and looks like a miler sire. **FREE HOUSE** will dominate California and may be able to put up numbers that will stun hard boots--they should also get two turns. **STRAVINSKY** should dominate in Europe.

Long-Term Investments (Not likely to be exported to Japan or Turkey): **VICTORY GALLOP** and **SILVER CHARM**, true Classic horses with different running styles, look to get runners who can outlast contemporaries going two turns, the hallmark of a long-term Leading Sire. If these two don't do it, **FORESTRY**--who had the best book of mares in the crop--may benefit from his broodmare sire's influence (Pleasant Colony) to break through among the Storm Cats.

Star Search Candidates (Explosive talent--just needs a break): **MAZEL TRICK** is hands down to make noise quickly and consistently--watch out, he could bury them all. At the end of the year, you will also see **REAL QUIET** up there among the leaders and scratch your head--but remember, he was an early bloomer.

BEST VALUE: This year's "Florida Special" is **FAMILY CALLING**, the kind who might follow Storm Creek and Stormy Atlantic to the Bluegrass. A Mr. Prospector (remember him?) for five grand. Knock yourself out.

Top 20 by 2000 Stud Fee with 2002 Yearling Avg.

<u>Stallion</u>	<u>'00 Fee</u>	<u>'02 Yrl Avg</u>
Forestry	\$50,000	\$245,823
Event of the Year	\$40,000	\$37,765
Stravinsky	\$35,000	\$81,830
Artax	\$30,000	\$73,239
Exploit	\$30,000	\$139,278
Old Trieste	\$25,000	\$110,903
Real Quiet	\$25,000	\$45,113
Silver Charm	\$25,000	\$86,402
Victory Gallop	\$25,000	\$49,418
Free House	\$15,000	\$31,893
Mazel Trick	\$15,000	\$82,157
Menifee	\$15,000	\$98,356
Stormin Fever	\$15,000	\$70,385
Bianconi	\$10,000	\$21,476
Doneraile Court	\$10,000	\$16,230
Horse Chestnut (SAf)	\$10,000	\$78,417
Lil's Lad	\$10,000	\$18,163
Tactical Cat	\$10,000	\$65,252
Good and Tough	\$8,500	\$29,759
Comic Strip	\$7,500	\$34,372

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The freshman sire race for 2003 is an intriguing contest. One of the contenders for the title succumbed to laminitis early this year: if the racing gods are up to their usual tricks, Old Trieste will be at or near the top of this list come December 31, 2003.

1. EXPLOIT was a stablemate of Forestry's while racing and is now a barnmate at Taylor Made. Exploit won impressively at Del Mar in August of 1998 and turned in a brilliant performance on the Breeders' Cup undercard at Churchill Downs in taking the GIII Iroquois S. at a flat mile. He went on to capture the GII San Vicente and run second in the San Felipe S. before an injury ended his racing career. For the most part, Exploit's commercial numbers have been just behind his aforementioned stablemate. His female family is strong: he is a half-brother to Breeders' Cup Turf hero and sire Prized and several other stakes horses. If his foals run to their looks, he should be right in the thick of the battle for leading freshman sire.

2. OLD TRIESTE was a brilliantly fast miler-type who had all the ingredients to be a successful sire. The most compelling of his credentials is he was an outcross. He was free of Northern Dancer and Raise a Native, just like his sire. The question is still open for debate whether or not A.P. Indy will be a sire of sires, but we should know soon enough with runners by all of his best sons racing in the next few seasons.

3. REAL QUIET is an intriguing stallion prospect. No one else with first foals racing in 2003 can say they were G1 winners at two, three, and four. He had a large book of mares which gives him an edge in "the strength in numbers" category. He has a wonderful female family, which traces back to several prominent horses. He is a Mr. Prospector-line stallion, but from the Fappiano branch, which may be his best pedigree aspect. When the smokes clears in a few seasons, the Mr. Prospector line may have best chance to live on through Fappiano sons like Cryptoclearance, Quiet American, and Unbridled and their respective sons.

Bill Oppenheim

I ESPECIALLY LIKE: **STRAVINSKY** - Top Euro, big crop, Nureyevs liked America too; **STORMIN' FEVER** - Fits the Elusive Quality/Distorted Humor/Our Emblem profile, powerful breeder behind him; **FORESTRY** - Same profile as Tale of the Cat; **TACTICAL CAT** - Yearlings looked the part, sold themselves.

LONGER TERM: **SILVER CHARM** - Obscure pedigree with good elements and was top-class; **FREE HOUSE** - Just the same.

SLEEPER: **LIL'S LAD** - Was a seriously good horse and has a decent-sized crop. And you know I don't mind Pine Bluff; this is Danzig, remember.

Jack Werk
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To me, it looks like "the Year of the Cat" with a Taylor Made exacta and a Storm Cat superfecta—Forestry by a nose over Exploit, with Tactical Cat third and Sea of Secrets the best value pick!

1. FORESTRY Won seven of 11 starts at three, including three stakes (one a GI). While he didn't race at two, 51 percent of the mares bred to him were two-year-old winners themselves. He's out of GISW Shared Interest, dam of two Grade I winners from four foals, and this is the family that produced Mr. Prospector. By sire of sires Storm Cat out of the family of sire of sires Mr. P. and a GI winner himself, Forestry has all of the credentials needed not only to become 2003's leading freshman sire, but to quickly achieve top-tier status among the North American stallions.

2. EXPLOIT Like Forestry, he is another son of Storm Cat standing at Taylor Made Farm. He won all four of his starts at two, including victories in GII and GIII events. He retired with just a single loss in six lifetime starts, that coming from a second-place finish in the GII San Felipe S. If you're looking for class from the bottom side of his pedigree, you don't have to look beyond his first dam My Turbulent Miss. From 15 foals, she produced 13 winners, six of them stakes winners and one of them Breeders' Cup winner Prized. Exploit's pedigree and race record make him a serious contender for leading freshman sire honors and an attractive stud fee value at \$25,000.

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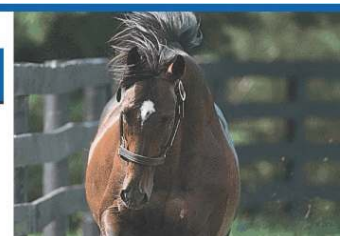


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<u>Stallion</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>No. '01 Foals</u>
Stravinsky	Nureyev	115
Victory Gallop	Cryptoclearance	87
Mazel Trick	Phone Trick	86
Exploit	Storm Cat	84
Crafty Friend	Crafty Prospector	82
Charismatic	Summer Squall	79
Accelerator	A.P. Indy	77
Silver Charm	Silver Buck	76
Forestry	Storm Cat	75
Doneraile Court	Seattle Slew	74
Family Calling	Mr. Prospector	74
Event of the Year	Seattle Slew	72
Bianconi	Danzig	71
Real Quiet	Quiet American	71
Stormin Fever	Storm Cat	71
Tactical Cat	Storm Cat	68
Artax	Marquetry	65
Lil's Lad	Pine Bluff	64
Scatmandu	Storm Cat	64
Free House	Smokester	59
Diamond	Mr. Prospector	58
Archers Bay	Silver Deputy	57
Leestown	Seattle Slew	57
Malibu Moon	A.P. Indy	57
Sea of Secrets	Storm Cat	54
Finest Hour	Forty Niner	49
Wild Wonder	Wild Again	48
Wild Event	Wild Again	47
Expelled	Explodent	46
Parade Ground	Kingmambo	45
Old Trieste	A.P. Indy	44
Baquero	Forty Niner	42
Good and Tough	Carson City	42
Crypto Star	Cryptoclearance	41
Gold Regent	Mr. Prospector	40
General Royal	A.P. Indy	39
Bustopher Jones	Storm Cat	38
Comic Strip	Red Ransom	37
Meniffee	Harlan	37
Mud Route	Strawberry Road (Aus)	37
HorseChestnut (SAf)	Fort Wood	36
Crown Attorney	Silver Deputy	35
Military	Danzig	34
Sahm	Mr. Prospector	34
El Amante	Wild Again	31
Frisk Me Now	Mister Frisky	31
Precocity	Aferd	31
Holzmeister	Woodman	29

Perfect Mandate	Gone West	29
Western Borders	Gone West	29
Quaker Ridge	Forty Niner	27
Wagon Limit	Conquistador Cielo	27
Keos	Riverman	26
Bonus Time Cat	Storm Cat	24
Ciano Cat	Storm Cat	24
Emancipator	Forty Niner	24
Stephanotis	Regal Classic	24
Surachai	Slewpy	24
Fargo	Mr. Prospector	23
Trail City	Red Ransom	23
Statesmanship	Silver Deputy	22
Epic Honor	Honor Grades	21
Lucky Roberto	Belong to Me	21
Woodman's Image	Woodman	21
Awesome Cat	Storm Cat	20
Incurable Optimist	Cure the Blues	20
New Way	Danzig	20

Statistics courtesy Jockey Club.

Jack Werk cont.

3. TACTICAL CAT Could be the sleeper among this year's freshman sires. Standing for just \$10,000, compared to \$50,000 and \$25,000, respectively, for my top two picks, he has a world of potential. He was a precocious juvenile, making nine starts and winning three races, including the GI Hollywood Futurity and the Tremont S., and he placed in four other races—all stakes! Tactical Cat is the first foal out of the SW Caro mare Terre Haute.

In addition to them being sons of Storm Cat, Forestry, Exploit and Tactical Cat share another factor that I believe enhances their chances for success at stud: they all have ancestries free of Mr. Prospector. At the present time, a stallion has an enormous advantage with mares descending from Mr. Prospector when he doesn't have to assume the risks associated with inbreeding to Mr. Prospector.

BEST VALUE: SEA OF SECRETS won both of his starts at two and the GII San Vicente S. at three. He is by Storm Cat out of the superior producer Love From Mom, the dam of four graded-stakes winners! With this kind of pedigree and racing class, \$5,000 looks like a bargain. His initial stud fee was \$7,500, but dropped to \$5,000 after he got lost in a sea of Storm Cat sons standing at stud. Now, of course, the secret is out with two of his two-year-olds selling at the recent juvenile sales for \$2.7 million and \$250,000, respectively.

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2002 AND BEYOND

The North American freshman sires of 2002 proved to be a strong group and they will have every chance to improve on their records this year. Three of them sired juvenile Grade I winners: **Awesome Again** was represented by Toccet, hero of the GI Champagne S. and the GI Hollywood Futurity and the second-best two-year-old of his crop; **Distorted Humor** sired Awesome Humor, who capped an undefeated juvenile season with a victory in the GI Spinaway S.; and **Elusive Quality**, whose son Elusive City landed the G1 Prix Morny at Deauville. Elusive Quality sired six stakes winners in his first crop last year, but lost the freshman sire title when Elusive City was disqualified from a pair of English victories due to the presence of omeprazole (found in GastroGard) in his system. That left the door open for Distorted Humor, who also had GSW Humorous Lady and two other stakes winners in addition to Awesome Humor. Standing at WinStar Farm, the son of Forty Niner was less than \$50,000 ahead of Awesome Again at year's end. **Touch Gold** deserves honorable mention with Composure, the GII Oak Leaf S. heroine who gave champion Storm Flag Flying a run for her money in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies.

Since Jan. 1, Touch Gold has been on a roll. Composure developed quickly into a dual Grade I winner, defeating Elloluv in both the Las Virgenes S. and the Santa Anita Oaks before a sesamoid injury ended her racing career. Touch Gold's son Region of Merit parlayed two sharp Gulfstream allowance scores into success in the GIII Tampa Bay Derby. Another colt from Touch Gold's first crop, Midas Eyes, ran off and hid from a solid group in the GIII Swale S. He was acquired by Edmund Gann and trainer Bobby Frankel after a Calder maiden win and goes next in the GII Coolmore Lexington S. And all this is in addition to Powerful Touch, who ran a bang-up second in the GIII Holy Bull S.; and Flirt With Fortune, third to Buddy Gill in the GIII Baldwin S.

2002 Freshman Sires by SWs (through Dec. 31)

<u>Stallion (His Sire)</u>	<u>Loc</u>	<u>SWs</u>
Elusive Quality (Gone West)	Ky	6
Distorted Humor (Forty Niner)	Ky	4
Tale of the Cat (Storm Cat)	Ky	4
Announce (Forty Niner)	Ky	4
Coronado's Quest (Forty Niner)	Ky	3
Stormy Atlantic (Storm Cat)	Fl	3
Swiss Yodeler (Eastern Echo)	Ca	3
Awesome Again (Deputy Minister)	Ky	2
Skip Away (Skip Trial)	Ky	2
Snowbound (Meadowlake)	Az	2



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Touch Gold, Awesome Again and **Deputy Commander** were members of Deputy Minister's outstanding crop of three-year-olds in 1997, helping their sire achieve leading sire status that year. The trio came on late in 2002 with their first-crop representatives and have laid the groundwork for future success. Deputy Commander now has three top prospects in Ten Most Wanted, four-length winner of the GII Illinois Derby; Holiday Lady, a graded-stakes placed filly at two who ran third in the GI Ashland S.; and Brancusi, runner-up in the GI Toyota Blue Grass S.

Tale of the Cat had just over 100 foals in his first crop and duly responded to expectations with 24 individual winners and four stakes winners by the end of the year. Like Touch Gold, Tale of the Cat has really picked up steam this season, adding another stakes winner as well as the promising pair of Aristocat and Inamorato. Aristocat was a fast-finishing second in the GIII Tampa Bay Derby, while Godolphin's Inamorato returned from a lengthy layoff to dominate the AI Bastikiya, a \$200,000 race at Nad al Sheba, before running a troubled third in the 10-furlong G2 UAE Derby Mar. 29. He's returned to the States and could be quite a runner.

Stormy Atlantic hit the headlines last March when a filly from his first crop sold for a record \$1.9 million at Barretts. That filly, racing as Atlantic Ocean, has developed into a multiple graded-stakes winner, capturing the GIII Miesque S. on turf before adding the GII Santa Ysabel S. on the main track. In addition to Atlantic Ocean, Stormy Atlantic sired two other stakes winners last year, which led to his being transferred from Florida to Kentucky's Taylor Made Farm. Claiborne's **Coronado's Quest** had 12 winners from 25 first-crop runners, including G2 winner AI Jadeed. **King of Kings**, standing at Ashford, had G3 winner Geminiani. And **Commanchero**, with just nine foals in his first crop, sired Most Feared, who annexed the GIII Arlington-Washington Futurity.

Brookdale's **Will's Way** had 11 winners in 2002, the most impressive of which was Lion Tamer, who broke his maiden in 1:08 and change at Belmont. That colt, acquired by Michael Tabor earlier this year, was a very impressive winner of the GII Hutcheson S. California-based **Benchmark** wound up with 10 winners from 23 runners in 2002 and has since sired Standard Setter, winner of the GIII Golden Gate Derby. Shadwell's **Swain** had a big weekend Apr. 12-13, with Muqbil victoriously opening his season in the G3 Lane's End Greenham S. Saturday and Dimitrova landing the Listed Leopardstown 1000 Guineas Trial S. Sunday.



Top 36 North American Freshman Sires of 2003 Two-Year-Olds from OBS Calder, Fasig Tipton Calder, Barretts, OBS, Adena, and Fasig Tipton Texas March

(Ranked by 2003 Two-Year-Old Average)

Rank	Sire	Loc	Ring	Sold	***** 2003 Two-Year-Old Sales *****					** 2002 Yearling Sales		
					Gross	Average	Median	TopColt	TopFilly	Sold	Average	Median
1	SEA OF SECRETS	KY	8	6	\$3,301,000	\$550,167	\$147,500	\$2,700,000	\$40,000	22	\$12,923	\$8,500
2	FORESTRY	KY	12	5	1,305,000	261,000	110,000	900,000	180,000	31	245,823	150,000
3	VICTORY GALLOP	KY	9	6	1,452,000	242,000	195,000	400,000	525,000	39	49,418	25,000
4	EXPLOIT	KY	12	5	1,024,000	204,800	50,000	700,000	190,000	51	139,278	87,000
5	MENIFEE	KY	2	2	390,000	195,000	195,000	200,000	***	16	98,356	74,500
6	TACTICAL CAT	KY	9	4	751,000	187,750	120,500	190,000	500,000	40	65,252	53,192
7	OLD TRIESTE	Dead	6	3	483,000	161,000	165,000	280,000	165,000	32	110,903	92,500
8	DONERAILE COURT	KY	10	8	986,000	123,250	69,500	400,000	60,000	31	16,230	10,000
9	SILVER CHARM	KY	10	9	1,061,000	117,889	75,000	360,000	65,000	38	86,402	55,000
10	MAZEL TRICK	KY	18	13	1,510,000	116,154	110,000	300,000	150,000	46	82,157	55,000
11	GOOD AND TOUGH	NY	8	6	605,000	100,833	85,000	210,000	95,000	17	29,759	27,000
12	BIANCONI	KY	5	3	292,000	97,333	75,000	7,000	210,000	28	21,476	11,000
13	FREE HOUSE	CA	4	3	286,000	95,333	125,000	***	150,000	14	31,893	27,500
14	WAGON LIMIT	KY	2	2	187,000	93,500	93,500	120,000	***	8	15,176	9,500
15	ARTAX	KY	8	5	440,000	88,000	40,000	100,000	240,000	23	73,239	62,000
16	STORMIN FEVER	KY	5	2	170,000	85,000	85,000	***	125,000	39	70,385	36,000
17	STRAVINSKY	KY	5	3	240,000	80,000	100,000	***	100,000	64	81,830	53,049
18	CLOUD COVER	FL	1	1	75,000	75,000	75,000	75,000	***	2	10,750	10,750
19	HORSE CHESTNUT	KY	4	4	258,000	64,500	50,000	***	150,000	18	78,417	51,000
20	SCATMANDU	KY	7	6	380,000	63,333	60,000	130,000	55,000	29	31,743	15,000
21	CRAFTY FRIEND	KY	11	6	284,000	47,333	41,000	85,000	45,000	39	17,605	11,000
21	REAL QUIET	KY	4	3	142,000	47,333	42,000	25,000	75,000	45	45,113	11,000
23	LIL'S LAD	KY	10	6	229,500	38,250	45,000	55,000	52,000	33	18,163	12,000
24	QUAKER RIDGE	FL	2	1	37,000	37,000	37,000	***	37,000	6	31,700	19,750
25	TIME BANDIT	LA	3	2	67,000	33,500	33,500	42,000	25,000	5	6,680	8,000
26	WILD EVENT	FL	2	1	32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000	***	4	11,800	6,100
26	PARADE GROUND	KY	1	1	32,000	32,000	32,000	32,000	***	15	16,404	10,000
28	WILD WONDER	FL	1	1	30,000	30,000	30,000	30,000	***	12	8,400	5,000
29	COMIC STRIP	CA	2	2	44,000	22,000	22,000	24,000	20,000	19	34,372	15,000
30	EVENT OF THE YEAR	CA	3	1	20,000	20,000	20,000	***	20,000	17	37,765	25,000
31	HOLZMEISTER	TX	3	3	52,500	17,500	16,500	16,500	25,000	8	5,563	2,300
32	FAMILY CALLING	FL	3	3	41,000	13,667	11,000	20,000	10,000	17	7,724	3,500
33	LEESTOWN	LA	3	1	8,000	8,000	8,000	8,000	***	1	5,000	5,000
33	WOODMAN'S IMAGE	VA	1	1	8,000	8,000	8,000	***	8,000	1	700	700
35	MINISTER'S MARK	FL	1	1	2,700	2,700	2,700	2,700	***	2	2,000	2,000
36	RECOMMENDED LIST	NY	1	1	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	***	***	***	***



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EUROPEAN SCENE

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

Predicting the leading first-crop sire in Britain and Ireland isn't as straightforward as one might think. This is partly because there are several sprint races confined to graduates of particular sales which carry more prize money than many of the Group races. Consequently, stallions capable of getting quick-maturing sprinters sometimes enjoy an advantage over the classic horses whose progeny tend to need seven furlongs or more.

Over the last three years the freshman sire division has been headed by Tagula, Royal Applause and Air Express, all of whom retired at fees equivalent to \$10,000 or under. The fact that all three of these did well at G1 level at two years points towards [Fasliyev](#) being this year's leader of the pack.

A fractured pastern forced the retirement of this eye-catching son of Nureyev, who perhaps bears a stronger physical resemblance to his broodmare sire Mr. Prospector than to Nureyev. He won all five of his juvenile starts, including the G1 Phoenix S. and G1 Prix Morny, taking the latter easing up by four lengths even though five of his six opponents became Group winners. He topped the International Classification for two-year-olds by 5 lb from two other unbeaten juveniles, Distant Music and Giant's Causeway.

Fasliyev followed the example of two other injured champion juveniles, Raise a Native and Hail to Reason, by covering his first mares at three, but whereas the American colts' very successful first crops respectively numbered 11 and 13, Fasliyev has over 100 foals to represent him. Five of his youngsters sold for between 150,000 and 180,000 guineas last fall.

While everyone will demand a quick start from Fasliyev, they will probably be a little more patient with **Daylami**, who covered an impressive first book of mares at a fee of Ir£20,000. Although Daylami earned a very creditable Timeform figure of 112p at two, his rating improved steadily to a magnificent 138 at five. Quite a few breeders took care to send Daylami speedy mares, with his breeder, the Aga Khan, sending him a mix of mares which included the French 1000 Guineas winner Zalaiyka and the good seven-furlong filly Kerita, as well as the classic-winning stayer Ebadiyla.

Godolphin, who did so well with Daylami, bought his top-priced yearling, a colt called Bull Run, for 180,000 guineas. The chances are that it will be September and October before Daylami starts to make his mark, but there is every reason to be optimistic that this very sound and enthusiastic horse has a future.

Because **Croco Rouge** was sold to Japan after only one season at the Irish National Stud, Sod's Law rules that he will do well. This high-class son of Rainbow Quest covered over 80 mares at a fee of Ir£12,500 and his yearlings sold for up to 90,000 guineas. He didn't race until the October of his two-year-old season, though, so his first crop probably won't shine until next year.

Intikhab's fee at Derrinstown has just about halved since he covered 80 mares with excellent fertility at a fee of Ir£12,000gns in his first season. His fee could be set to rise again because his first runner, Red Power, won the competitive Brocklesby S. on his debut.

Intikhab's phenomenal victories in the G3 Diomed S. and G2 Queen Anne S. earned him the title of champion older horse in Europe in 1998, but injuries then ruined the rest of his career. Intikhab won twice at two, despite a May 8 birthday, and this son of Red Ransom could develop into a talented sire of two-year-olds. His yearlings sold for up to 110,000 guineas. *cont. p8*

TOP 25 EUROPEAN FRESHMAN SIRES

(Ranked by '02 Yrl Avg - Courtesy Racing Update)

		***** 2002 Yearling Sales *****					
Rank	Sire	Ring	Sold	Average	Median	TopFilly	TopColt
1	DR FONG	37	30	\$100,124	\$61,173	\$361,723	\$425,198
2	DAYLAMI	27	19	97,574	65,415	123,315	296,711
3	FASLIYEV	64	54	73,051	49,195	295,955	247,259
4	CAPE CROSS	57	51	58,121	35,978	146,850	245,306
5	INTIKHAB	39	33	56,782	49,180	106,873	179,302
6	DAGGERS DRAWN	22	20	53,673	43,250	163,002	130,603
7	GREAT DANE	5	5	51,872	9,801	10,609	228,203
8	CROCO ROUGE	36	32	46,414	33,822	59,016	147,184
9	DRACULA	3	2	39,996	43,607	***	68,567
10	SHINKO FOREST	25	22	39,458	34,465	56,424	88,157
11	TIGER HILL	22	14	35,480	27,513	78,728	83,521
12	DOCKSIDER	36	33	32,252	21,168	157,376	68,461
13	ORPEN	52	46	31,991	16,352	75,398	303,490
14	LIMNOS	6	3	30,318	23,971	***	46,022
15	SECOND EMPIRE	30	24	25,207	18,146	50,908	88,524
16	INDIAN RIVER	1	1	24,445	23,902	***	24,445
17	STARBOROUGH	31	15	22,976	21,426	43,965	48,964
18	MARATHON	15	7	22,508	19,584	34,444	35,150
19	DANETIME	15	15	19,186	13,899	13,027	49,495
20	GOLD AWAY	22	15	18,603	10,756	73,808	45,708
21	VERGLAS	13	9	15,021	13,200	28,203	22,400
22	DUSHYANTOR	6	5	14,751	13,859	13,859	26,136
23	ROI GIRONDE	3	2	13,681	13,451	19,528	***
24	LORD OF MEN	19	15	12,324	9,725	27,269	26,571
25	KINGSINGER	1	1	12,188	19,807	***	12,188



Very few good prospects retired to English studs for the 2000 season, one notable exception being **Dr Fong**, who retired at a fee of £10,000 after a disappointing American campaign as a four-year-old. Dr Fong had been a very different proposition in the care of Henry Cecil. After showing a good turn of foot to win both his two-year-old starts, he defeated Desert Prince to take the G1 St James's Palace S. and also won a G2 over 1 ¼ miles.

This medium-sized Kris S. horse has made a bright start. His yearlings were very popular at the sales, achieving such good prices as 260,000, 220,000 and 170,000gns, and one of his early runners, Western Roots, won a valuable race on the all-weather in March, while another, Miss Childrey, was a pleasing third on her debut. Some questioned whether Dr Fong had a strong enough female line to make the grade, but he's definitely one to watch.

Others with their first winner under their belts include the French-based stallions **Gold Away** (sire of the promising Curragh winner Alexander Goldrun) and **Verglas**. Goldneyev's cheap fee reflects the fact that he is a son of Goldneyev, but he was a very good miler and could be a surprise package. The other French-based freshmen include **Lord of Men** (G1 Prix de la Salamandre), **Marathon** (a good miler by Diesis) and **Limnos** (a well-bred G2 winner).

Also off the mark are the Irish stallions **Daggers Drawn**, **Docksider** and **Princely Heir**.

Daggers Drawn is based at Ballyhane Stud, where the stallions often sire plenty of early winners. As a winner of his first three starts, including two Group races, Daggers Drawn is well qualified for this role and he already has two winners to his credit. The high-class miler Docksider has the considerable attraction of being a member of the celebrated Thong family. Of course this family has achieved exceptional results with the Northern Dancer line, but Docksider is by Diesis, so he has endless options as a sire. Retired at a fee of Ir£6,000, he achieved prices of up to 93,484gns at the yearling sales, with Be My Guest and Nureyev among the broodmare sires of his most popular youngsters.

Princely Heir, winner of the G1 Phoenix S., probably doesn't have a big enough crop to make a serious challenge--and neither do the Australian G1 winner **Dracula** or Nureyev's son **Russian Revival**--but the same cannot be said of several Irish-based stallions, such as **Orpen**.

Despite being born as late as May 20, Orpen matured quickly enough to run out an impressive winner of the G1 Prix Morny in the August of his first season. He never won again, but he has a stallion's pedigree -- one of the reasons he attracted over 170 mares at a fee of Ir7,000gns in his first season. He is bred along similar lines to the mighty Danehill, and his half-brother Jules is responsible for the very talented Peace Rules. Watch out for Orpen's son Mahogany, who cost Demi O'Byrne over 180,000gns.

As a son of Green Desert, the admirably courageous miler **Cape Cross** is by a stallion who has made his mark as a sire of sires. His other assets include his being a G1-winning grandson of the exceptional mare Balidaress. Naturally he proved very popular at his fee of Ir£8,000, and he has nearly 100 foals in his first crop. The Maktoums supported him strongly at the yearling sales, with Shadwell taking his three highest-priced youngsters, at 150,000, 130,000 and 95,000gns. Watch out for his youngsters trained by Mick Channon.

Another son of Green Desert with his first runners is Rathbarry Stud's **Shinko Forest**. This Irish-bred raced in Japan with marked success at around six furlongs, notably winning the G1 Takamatsunomiya Hai. Shinko Forest has 54 two-year-olds and quite a few of them repaid his Ir6,000gns stud fee several times over at the yearling sales, selling for up to 54,000gns. Shinko Forest could supply yet another reminder that today's top Japanese performers can hold their own on the international scene.

Second Empire ranked second among the two-year-olds of 1997 after his wins in the G3 Prix des Chenes and G1 Grand Criterium. Also, he comes from the same very strong female line as the successful sire Marju and he is by the highly successful Fairy King. Although his yearling average was disappointing, there were some astute agents and trainers among those who bought his yearlings, so don't be surprised if there are some bargains among them.

Great Dane, a G2-winning son of Danehill, struggled for support in his single season at the National Stud, but respected buyer John Warren went to 140,000gns to buy Great Dane's colt out of Hidden Agenda.

Tally-Ho Stud could have a useful speed sire in **Indian Rocket**, who performed very well in England, the UAE and the US, where he won the Churchill Downs Turf Sprint, and it could pay to watch Danzig's well-bred son **Lil's Boy**. A multiple stakes winner, he is likely to supply plenty of winners in Ireland for trainer Jim Bolger.

These appear to be the main domestic contenders, but they may have their work cut out against **Stravinsky**, who will be bidding to emulate the feat of another Kentucky-based stallion, Distant View, who topped the Anglo-Irish list in 1999. Many European buyers pursued Stravinsky's stock at the sales and he will have enough representatives to make a serious challenge.

<u>Stallion (His Sire)</u>	<u>Farm</u>	<u>'01 Foals</u>
Cape Cross (Green Desert)	Kildangan, Ire	99
Daggers Drawn (Diesis)	Ballyhane, Ire	76
Daylami (Doyoun)	Gilltown, Ire	80
Docksider (Diesis)	Simmonstown, Ire	69
Dr Fong (Kris S.)	Side Hill, Eng	79
Fasliyev (Nureyev)	Coolmore, Ire	112
Gold Away (Goldneyev)	Haras du Quesnay, Fr	43
Intikhab (Red Ransom)	Derrinstown, Ire	71
Orpen (Lure)	Coolmore, Ire	130
Princely Heir (Fairy King)	Abbeyleix, Ire	23
Second Empire (Fairy King)	Coolmore, Ire	72
Shinko Forest (Green Desert)	Rathbarry, Ire	54

 **NORTH AMERICA** 

★ **CENTRAL** ★

★ **EAST** ★

Monmouth Stable Area Opens:

With its 2003 season set to kick off Saturday, May 24, Monmouth Park has opened its stable area, with plans to open the racing surface Apr. 21. Several Thoroughbreds have already arrived, and track officials are optimistic after a disappointing 2002 season. "We have a strong contingent of returning horsemen from all over the country and, combined with increased purse levels, this should provide for some entertaining and competitive racing," said Monmouth Racing Secretary Michael Dempsey. After the initial three-day Memorial Day weekend at Monmouth, racing is slated to follow a regular Wednesday-through-Sunday schedule beginning May 29 and running through Sept. 28.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16:

04-25 \$100,000a **Hawthorne H.-III, Hol,**
3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f (100)

04-26 \$300,000 **Texas Mile-III, LS,** 3yo/up, 8f (0)

04-26 \$150,000 **Calder Breeders' Cup H., Crc,** 3yo/up,
f/m, 8.5fT (150)

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Bourque wins 3,000th:

With a win Sunday aboard Golden Glacken in the fourth race at Hawthorne, jockey Curt Bourque reached the 3,000-win plateau. Bourque, 35, began riding in Louisiana in 1984 before moving his tack to Chicago in the early 1990s. Another Louisiana stint followed, but Bourque once again returned to Chicago this year with his wife and two children. He is currently fourth in the Hawthorne rider standings. "This win came fast, much faster than I expected," said Bourque. "Last year I finally checked to see how many winners I had. I was surprised to see I was approaching 3,000. I'm glad that my 3,000th came here."

★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

IN BRITAIN:

Jamaican Flight, h, 10, **Sunshine Forever**--Kalamona, by Hawaii. Windsor, 4-14, Hcap, 4yo/up, 21f 122ydsT. B-Foxfield. *\$37,000 yrl '94 KEESEP.

IN JAPAN:

Our Gold, c, 3, **Cape Town**--Only Maisie, by Stalwart. Nakayama, 4-13, Novice Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 3-1-1-0, \$66,942. O-Hisashi Namba; B-Mr. & Mrs. Dreabon Copeland; T-Yoshiyasu Takahashi. *1/2 to Country Only (Carson City), MSW & GSP, \$377,410. **\$82,000 yrl '01 FTKJUL.

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Peacefulness, c, 3, **Miesque's Son**--Yemanja, by Alleged. Hanshin, 4-13, Novice Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$53,472. O-Shinji Maeda; B-Flaxman Holdings; T-Kazuya Nakatake. *\$22,000 yrl '01 KEESEP; \$70,000 2yo '02 KEEAPR.

Sopran Mambo, f, 4, **Kingmambo**--Beautiful River, by Irish River. Nakayama, 4-13, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 10-2-1-1, \$170,495. O-Lucky Field Inc.; B-Azienda Agricola S.Uberto In Cerrecchia Srl; T-Yukihiko Kato. *FF1,300,000 yrl '00 DEAAUG.

Rose Bow, f, 4, **Spinning World**--Minister's Song, by Deputy Minister. Hanshin, 4-13, Plate Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$127,025. O-Yoshimi Ohta; B-A.W.I.; T-Yuji Ito.

Nice Tokyo, h, 5, **Concern**--Fair Davina (Ire) (SW & G1SP-Fr, GSP-US, \$109,819), by Welsh Saint (GB). Nakayama, 4-13, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 22-3-3-2, \$325,124. O-Yoshio Komurasaki; B-Robert Dobson; T-Kazuo Konishi. *1/2 to Divine Warning (Caveat), SW & MGSP, \$322,409. **\$55,000 yrl '99 FTKJUL; \$400,000 2yo '00 OBSFEB.

Symboli Bluff, h, 5, **Pine Bluff**--Motel Queen (MSW), by Bates Motel. Fukushima, 4-12, Plate Race, 8.5f. Lifetime Record: 12-3-1-5, \$288,264. O-Symboli Farm; B-Larry Bowen; T-Shigenori Hatakeyama. *\$100,000 yrl '99 KEESEP.

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

Second-crop progeny to watch: Tuesday, Apr. 15

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1998 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

DEPUTY COMMANDER (Deputy Minister), Airdrie, \$20K, 183/23/1 8-PHA, Alw, 6f, Singapore Deputy, \$15K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1

JAMBALAYA JAZZ (Dixieland Band), Nuckols, \$7K, 37/3/1 8-PHA, Alw, 6f, Johnny Loves Jazz, \$5K FTK FEB 3yo, 20-1

ORDWAY (Salt Lake), Claiborne, \$5K, 74/12/1 4-MNR, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Sharp Ways, \$11K KEE NOV wnl

STORM BROKER (Storm Cat), Country Life, \$4K, 99/13/0 8-PHA, Alw, 6f, Rogue Storm, 10-1

TALE OF THE CAT (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$25K, 235/34/5 8-PHA, Alw, 6f, Cat's At Bat, \$85K OBS FEB 2yo, 6-1

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★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Windsor, 3.00, Mdn, £6,440, 3yo, f, 1m 67ydsT, 1:45.37, gd/fm.

MANANIYYA (IRE) (f, 3, Ashkalani {Ire}--Madiriya {Ire} {SW-Eng}, by Diesis {GB}), second in a seven-furlong maiden at Kempton on her only juvenile outing, she soon raced in a two-length second. The 4-9 favourite eased to the front approaching the final quarter mile, was ridden clear at the eighth pole and was eased down close home to easily account for Opera Glass (GB) (Barathea {Ire}) by five lengths. The hombraed is a half to Mandilak (El Gran Senor), SW & GSP-Ity, \$135,775; and Manndar (Ire) (Doyoun {Ire}), MGISW-US, SW-Eng & MGSP-Fr, \$1,128,541. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £5,612.

O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Sir Michael Stoute.

Windsor, 2.05, Mdn, £6,320, 2yo, 5f 10ydsT, 1:02.10, gd/fm.

SENECHAL (GB) (c, 2, Polar Falcon--Broughton Singer {Ire}, by Common Grounds {GB}), second in a Folkestone maiden Apr. 4, he soon led at a good pace. The 11-2 third choice came under pressure at the quarter-mile marker, went safely clear at the eighth pole and was pushed out late on to beat Bachelor Of Arts (GB) (Stravinsky) by six lengths. The victor was a 22,000gns TATDEC weanling and 60,000gns TATOCT yearling. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £5,352.


O-Peter Taplin; B-Michael E Broughton; T-Mick Channon.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN JAPAN:

Cosmo Esteem (Ire), c, 3, **Grand Lodge**--Lucky Oakwood, by Elmaamul. Hanshin, 4-12, Novice Race, 10fT. Lifetime Record: 5-1-2-1, \$92,562. O-Misako Okada; B-Kildare Racing Syndicate; T-Hitoshi Nakamura. *30,000gns 2yo '02 TATAPR; Ir£30,000 yrl '01 GOFORB; Ir£60,000 wnlg '00 GOFNOV.

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EUROPEAN-SIRED WINNERS IN JAPAN:

Loulan Aver (Jpn), c, 3, **Averti (Ire)**--Honeybird (GB), by Batshoof (Ire). Fukushima, 4-12, Novice Race, 5f. Lifetime Record: 5-1-0-0, \$54,545. O-Toshihiro Saito; B-Suwa Farm; T-Seiichi Nakanowatari.

Loco Green (Jpn), c, 4, **Green Desert**--Clare Court (Ire), by Glint of Gold (GB). Fukushima, 4-13, Aobajo Tokubetsu, 6fT. Lifetime Record: 11-2-2-3, \$208,512. O-Yomoji Saito; B-Uemizu Farm; T-Toshiaki Shimizu. *1/2 to Snake Snap (GB) (Shareef Dancer), GSW-Ity, \$138,872.



MIDDLE EAST



BENTON RETIRES FROM DUBAI POSTS

Les Benton, chief executive of the Emirates Racing Association and chairman of the Dubai World Cup Committee, last week announced his resignation from both positions. Benton plans to return to his native Australia with his family in June. "I feel I have contributed significantly to helping raise the profile of Dubai racing to world level, but that it's time for the family and I to go back," said Benton to *Racing Post*. "I believe I've done a lot to achieve Sheikh Mohammed's vision in terms of promoting Dubai on the international stage, both through the domestic season and during the World Cup meeting. I've had enormous satisfaction from working in Dubai, creating a internationally recognised racing regime and a world-class venue at Nad al Sheba, and helping the Maktoum family to achieve its ambitions."

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JAPAN TRIES TO LURE FOREIGN ENTRANTS

The Japan Racing Association, in an effort to draw foreign competitors to the June 29 G1 \$2.1 million Takarazuka Kinen S., has announced a bonus of up to \$1.08 million to foreign-based horses who ship in and win the 11-furlong event. Winners of the most recent renewals of the G1 Breeders' Cup Turf, the G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe, the G1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond S., and the G1 Japan Cup are all eligible for a \$1.08 million bonuses, while the horses that finished second in those respected races are eligible for a bonus of \$544,000. A \$837,000 bonus is on the table for the winners of the most recent editions of nine other major stakes, including the G1 Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup H. and the G1 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic S. For more information, visit the JRA website at www.jair.jrao.ne.jp.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA**

STAKES RESULTS:

FIRST EPISODE S., \$35,000, SUF, 4-14, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:47 3/5, ft.

1--**LITTLE TIME**, 122, f, 4, **Scarlet Ibis**--Time to Ask (MSP), by L'Amour Rullah. O-Barreira Laurine; B-Lloyd Lockhart (MA); T-Lori L Lockhart; J-W A Thompson; \$21,000. Lifetime Record: 19-6-3-2, \$117,684.

2--**Big Miss**, 125, m, 7, Chief Honcho--Little V., by Buckfinder. \$7,000.

3--**Expensive Verdict**, 119, m, 6, Expensive Decision--Innocent Verdict, by Court Trial. \$3,500.

Margins: 3/4, 3 1/4, 1HF. Odds: 3.70, 0.70, 21.50.

ALL POST TIMES GIVEN IN LOCAL TIME

INDIAN CHARLIE is on the warpath!



- Apr. 13 INDIAN BLANKET wins MSW at Santa Anita**
- Apr. 12 EUGENE'S THIRD SON 2nd in G2 Arkansas Derby**
- Apr. 11 CROW JANE wins Alw at Keeneland**
- Apr. 6 FEISTY PRINCESS wins MSW at Oaklawn**
- Apr. 5 INDIAN EXPRESS 2nd in GI Santa Anita Derby**

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18 2/5, ft.

WIGGINS (c, 3, Cartwright--Dames Quarter {SP}, by Nepal) Lifetime Record: SW, 5-3-1-1, \$78,030. O-Joe Rizza, Ronald Schwed, William Pacella, Et Al. B-Kenneth Spraggins (IL). T-Anthony J Granitz.

8th-HAW, \$28,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:19 1/5, ft.

TAKENBYTHESKY (m, 5, Twining--Musical Flight, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: 21-4-5-3, \$82,155. O/T-Ronald L Shenofsky. B-Kent & Katy Wiechert (KY). *\$32,000 2yo 2000 OBSAPR.

9th-HAW, \$28,000, NW1X, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13 3/5, ft.

PACIFIC SUNSET (f, 3, Astro--Smart Design, by With Approval) Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-2, \$43,320. O-Hondo Ranch Inc. B-Dr T Driscoll (IL). T-Frank J Kirby.

8th-PHA, \$24,800, NW1X, 3yo, f, a1m70yd, 1:44 3/5, ft.

SWEET LAUREN (f, 3, Valley Crossing--Smaler, by Smarten) Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$39,991. O-Thomas G McClay. B-Derry Meeting Farm (PA). T-Todd M Beatie. *\$20,000 yrl '01 FTMOCT.

8th-SUF, \$22,000, NW2\$6MX, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

FIRST SHOT (h, 6, Unreal Zeal--Nicole Rene, by Tanthem) Lifetime Record: MSW, 45-13-6-6, \$199,891. O-Tolland Farms. B-Doug Worswick (FL). T-Herman L Kinchen. *\$5,500 yrl '98 OBSAUG.

9th-PHA, \$20,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

EVERLASTING SUAVE (c, 4, Suave Prospect--Everlasting Dream, by Manlove) Lifetime Record: 35-6-5-3, \$69,532. O-Joseph M Adams. B-Max Hugel (FL). T-Elisha Rathman.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Farewell To Arms (GB), f, 2, Efisio (GB)--Blow Me A Kiss (GB), by Kris (GB). Pontefract, Britain, 4-14, Mdn, 2yo, 5fT. B-Guy Reed.

Cameo Role (Ger), f, 3, Acatenango (Ger)--Coyaima (Ger) (SW-Ger), by Night Shift. Windsor, Britain, 4-14, Mdn, 3yo, f, 1m 67ydsT. B-Dr St John Collier.

A Star in Time, f, 3, Bombardier--Heavy Treasure, by Johns Treasure. PHA, 4-14, 6f, 1:12 3/5. B-Marie Scott Morrison (Pa).

J H Cheyenne, g, 3, Half Term--Nebulous Native, by Our Native. SAX, 4-13, (S), (C), 6f, 1:11 1/5. B-Stone Ridge Farm (Ca). *\$10,000 yrl '01 BESOCT.

Briareus (GB), g, 3, Halling--Lower The Tone (Ire), by Phone Trick. Windsor, Britain, 4-14, Mdn, 3yo, 10f 7ydsT. B-N A Ovet.

King's Tale, c, 4, Kingmambo--Secretary's Story, by Secretariat. MNR, 4-13, 1m, 1:43 2/5. B-Edward P Evans (Ky). *1/2 to Colonial Secretary (Pleasant Colony), MSW & MGSP, \$393,422; Tucumcari (Cherokee Colony), MSW, \$364,978.

SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. STALLIONS:

Brillanti (NZ), f, 2, Slavic--Illuminate (NZ), by Desert Sun (GB). Ellerslie (Auckland), 4-12, 2yo, hcap, 6fT. B-A & C Muollo & B J Wallace. *SP-NZ.

Raging Inferno (Aus), f, 3, Belong to Me--Festive Fire (Aus), by Christmas Tree (Aus). Moonee Valley (Melbourne), 4-9, 3yo, f, hcap, 5fT. B-Dr G Footit.

Fiaba (NZ), f, 4, Defensive Play--Gio (NZ), by Centaine (Aus). Hawke's Bay (New Zealand), 4-12, 3yo/up, hcap, 7fT. B-G J Chittick.

Absolute Lure (Aus), f, 4, Lure--Duchesse De Berri, by Diesis (GB). Canterbury (Sydney), 4-9, 4yo/up, f/m, hcap, 5 1/2fT. B-Davilora Lodge.

Foscat (Aus), m, 5, Catrail--Foster's Express (Aus), by Success Express. Doomben (Brisbane), 4-12, 3yo/up, hcap, 1mT. B-Emirates Park (Vic) Pty Ltd.

Surprize Surprize (NZ), m, 5, Prized--Impossible Dream (NZ), by Imposing (Aus). Ellerslie (Auckland), 4-12, 3yo/up, hcap, 7fT. B-J M Wilding. *G1SP-NZ.

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