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DAWN OF A NEW MILLENNIUM

The lone Dubai Millennium (GB) yearling catalogued in the Goffs Orby Sale proved to be the most popular by far, as John Ferguson outlasted British bloodstock agent



Hip 149 *Goffs.com*

John Warren to land the bay colt for €1,200,000. Selling as hip 149, the colt was produced by the regally bred Spirit of Tara (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) from Patricia O'Kelly's Kilcarn Stud. Spirit of Tara, runner-up in the G2 Blandford S., is a full sister to Classic heroine Salsabil

(GB) as well as a half sister to leading sire Marju (Ire) (Last Tycoon {Ire}). "I'm delighted," said John Ferguson. "He's a horse that comes from a breeder who has proved herself to be out of the top drawer. Sheikh Mohammed had a fantastic fondness for Dubai Millennium and he was a horse high on his list. He is an exceptional individual to boot." The Dubai Millennium colt is from a family which is no stranger to success in the sales ring. He is the fourth foal from his dam, who had a Kingmambo colt sell for €500,000 at last year's Orby Sale and a Gone West colt knocked down for Ir£300,000 at the 2000 sale. His dam's half sister Danse Royale (Ire) (Caerleon) produced a Woodman colt who was the most expensive auction yearling in Europe in 1996 at 1,125,000gns during the Orby Sale. A full sister, Nearctic Flame, was the dam of a 600,000gns Rainbow Quest colt at the 1997 Tattersalls Houghton Sale. Trading was solid at the opening session, but the figures were slightly down from last year despite the seven-figure topper. With 21 fewer lots selling, the aggregate dipped to €16,275,000 from €20,146,000 and the average was down to €101,087 from €110,692.

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**GOFFS ORBY--TUESDAY
TOP SIX COLTS**

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price (€)
<u>149</u>	Dubai Millennium (GB)	Spirit of Tara (Ire)	1,200,000
Consigned by Kilcarn Stud Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock			
<u>059</u>	Nureyev	Nuts in May	420,000
(\$700,000 in utero '01 KEENOV) Consigned by Kilcarn Stud Purchased by Shadwell Estate Co Ltd			
<u>047</u>	Desert Prince (Ire)	Moy Water (Ire)	300,000
Consigned by Irish National Stud Purchased by John Warren			
<u>062</u>	Montieu (Ire)	Opari (Ire)	300,000
(64,000gns wnlg '02 TATDEC) Consigned by Ashtown House Stud Purchased by Howard Johnson			
<u>037</u>	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	Miss Kinabalu (GB)	260,000
(€105,000 wnlg '02 GOFNOV) Consigned by Yeomanstown Stud Purchased by D L O'Byrne			
<u>183</u>	Pivotal (GB)	Triple Tie	260,000
(8,500gns in utero '01 TATDEC) Consigned by Tally-Ho Stud Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock			

TOP FIVE FILLIES

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price (€)
<u>153</u>	Darshaan (GB)	Star Crystal (Ire)	360,000
Consigned by Gerrardstown House Stud Purchased by James Delahooke			
<u>024</u>	King's Best	Marlene-D (GB)	300,000
Consigned by Abbeville & Meadow Court Studs Purchased by Cheveley Park Stud			
<u>160</u>	Sinndar (Ire)	Style of Life	290,000
Consigned by Springbank Way Purchased by R Fahey			
<u>094</u>	Fasliyev	Rahika Rose (GB)	280,000
Consigned by John Costello Purchased by D L O'Byrne			
<u>110</u>	Giant's Causeway	Russian Ballet	260,000
Consigned by Colbinstown Lodge Stud Purchased by B B A (Ireland) Ltd			

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(Goffs Tuesday cont. from p. 1)
Last of the Line

The late Nureyev was represented by one yearling at the Orby Sale, a colt who achieved the second highest price of €420,000 at the opening session. He was purchased by Shadwell Estate Company. "Hopefully he'll be very fast as he comes from a fast family," said Shadwell's Angus Gold. "We've been lucky in the past with Nureyev." Also consigned by Kilcarn Stud, the flashy chestnut is the first foal from the A.P. Indy mare Nuts in May, a daughter of G1 Prix Morny heroine Regal State (Affirmed). Nuts in May was purchased by McKeever St. Lawrence for \$700,000 at the 2001 Keeneland November Sale while carrying this colt. The six-year-old mare, a half sister to GSWs Pleasantly Perfect (Pleasant Colony) and Hurricane State (Miswaki), is from the family of Distant View (Mr. Prospector).

Darshaan Damsel

The deceased Darshaan (GB), represented by several Group 1 winners as both sire and broodmare sire this season, was responsible for the top-priced filly at €360,000. James Delahooke signed the ticket for the bay filly from the consignment of Gerrardstown House Stud. She is the second foal from the Brief Truce mare Star Crystal (Ire), a half sister to G1SW Crystal Music (Nureyev), GSW Solar Crystal (Ire) (Alzao) and G1SP Tchaikovsky (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). Already the broodmare sire of three Group 1 winners--all by Sadler's Wells--in 2003, Darshaan has also sired the Group 1-winning Mezzo Soprano and Necklace (Ire) as well as top French three-year-old Dalakhani (Ire).

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☆ **HIP HAPPENINGS** ☆

Hip 225, c, **Sinndar (Ire)-Amravati (Ire) (Project Manager {Ire})**
Consigned by Roundhill Stud

From a family that trainer Jim Bolger knows well, producing stakes performers Smaoineamh (Ire), Luminata (Ire), Aretha (Ire), Dathuil (Ire), Eva Luna (Ire), Sholokhov (Ire) and Marionnaud (Ire).

Hip 256, f, **Sadler's Wells--Bex (Exploident)**
Consigned by Camas Park Stud

A half brother to G2 Prix du Conseil de Paris winner Crimson Quest (Ire) and two other stakes scorers.

Hip 281, c, **Montjeu (Ire)--Classic Park (GB) (Robellino)**
Consigned by Lodge Park Stud

Montjeu has already produced a sales-topper in last week's SGA Sale and this colt is out of an G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner from the family of Rumpipumpy (GB).

Hip 318, f, **Fasliyev--Eljazzi (Ire) (Artaius)**
Consigned by Barronstown Stud

Fasliyev has already proven he can get high-class fillies such as Much Faster (Ire); this is a half sister to Rafha (GB) and Chiang Mai (Ire).



GOFFS ORBY STATISTICS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 2003

<u>SESSION TOTALS</u>	<u>2003</u>	<u>2002</u>
No. Offered	180	205
No. Sold	161	182
RNAs	19	23
% RNA	10.5%	11.2%
Gross	€16,275,000	€20,146,000
Average (% change)	€101,087 (-8.7%)	€110,692

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☆ WEEKEND OUTLOOK ☆

AZERI WORKS; DE SEROUX EYES BREEDERS' CUP

The inimitable Azeri (Jade Hunter) blew out four furlongs in :47 3/5 seconds yesterday at her home base at San Luis Rey Downs yesterday, preparing for Sunday's GII Lady's Secret Breeders' Cup H. at Santa Anita. While her trainer, Laura de Seroux, isn't looking past the Lady's Secret, the conditioner is constantly evaluating which Oct. 25 Breeders' Cup race--the GI Classic or the GI Distaff--would best suit her five-year-old star, with that rapidly changing male division playing a large role. "It's definitely starting to be a roller coaster, isn't it?" de Seroux asked. "[The male division] looks so strong one minute, and then it's sliding the next, so we're just keeping a real watchful eye on it. I watch all the races, and I read everything that's out there; we're keeping ourselves poised. We'll just have to strategically wait until the last moment. There's no reason to make up our minds before that. It won't affect her schedule or how I train her. We want to come away from Breeders' Cup day having won a Breeders' Cup race." De Seroux did say that Azeri was in better form than she was last year, when she dusted off a competitive field in the Distaff by five facile lengths. "There's no doubt in my mind that she's stronger. Physically, it's so evident. She almost looks like a disproportionate weight lifter right now, where the head looks too small. She's just right where I want her to be." De Seroux said that it was possible that Azeri would stay in training past the Breeders' Cup in order to extend her winning streak, even mentioning the Dubai World Cup [in March of 2004] card as a possibility before Azeri's retirement to the breeding shed.

HALFBRIDLED HAS SOME CHATTER IN HER

Unbeaten in two starts by a combined 9 1/2 lengths, trainer Richard Mandella's **Halfbridled** (Unbridled) has been nothing short of brilliant on the track so far this year. With a smart victory in the GI Del Mar Debutante S. to her credit, she's the early favorite for the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies, and looks to bolster her credentials in Sunday's GII Oak Leaf S. at Santa Anita. In preparation for that outing, the filly drilled four furlongs yesterday in the fog at Sanita Anita in :47, according to Mandella. Halfbridled's talent isn't lost on the hall of fame trainer, who yesterday drew comparisons to another star two-year-old he conditioned, juvenile filly champ Phone Chatter. "She compares a lot to Phone Chatter, who I won the Breeders' Cup [Juvenile Fillies] with in 1993," said Mandella. "[Halfbridled] is kind of the same tall, rangy-looking filly as Phone Chatter was, and yet still moves like a gazelle. She has great action and gets over the ground well."

GODOLPHIN LOOKS TO ADD PAIR OF GRADE Is

International powerhouse Godolphin took their historic 100th Group/Grade I victory when **Sulamani (Ire)** (Hernando {Fr}) was awarded the win via disqualification in the 1 1/4-mile Arlington Million last month. Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum's operation hopes to add to that impressive figure this weekend as Sulamani returns to contest the GI Turf Classic at Belmont. A short time later, G1 Dubai World Cup hero **Moon Ballad (Ire)** (Singspiel {Ire}) will take aim at some of America's best in the GI Jockey Club Gold Cup. "The Turf Classic will be much more to [Sulamani's] liking," asserted Simon Crisford, racing manager for Godolphin. "The track at Belmont will suit him better, the distance [1 1/2 miles] is much better, and the horse is doing very, very well at the moment." Crisford suspects a return to dirt will reawaken the four-year-old Moon Ballad, commenting, "We were very keen to win a Group 1 in Europe with him, but unfortunately, that didn't materialize. We slightly ran out of options, but we definitely feel that this is the best route for him to the Breeders' Cup [Classic]. Obviously, dirt is his preferred surface."

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FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



MORE FIRST-CROP FIREWORKS

It was appropriate that the only seven-figure yearling at Goffs' yesterday--the €1.2-million Dubai Millennium colt bought from Pat O'Kelly's Kilcarn Stud by John Ferguson--was yet another 2003 headliner from the first crop of his sire. We don't stop and think about it that much, maybe, in the midst of the thousands of yearlings selling between August and the middle of October, but this isn't your normal crop of hot first-year sires. There is a huge vacuum in the ranks of World Top 12 sires, as we all know, and this group includes eight stallions, four on each side of the Atlantic, that we know are top-class prospects. Plus there are those who could break through into the rarefied air of sire stardom, as there are in every crop. We just don't know who they are yet.

Of the eight, five started out in Europe, and three in America. [Giant's Causeway](#) shipped out to Ashford after a year at Coolmore, and Dubai Millennium unfortunately died after covering only 60 or so mares; so, as this group positions itself now to either launch a new era of top sires, or not, four are in Kentucky and three in Europe. Kentucky has [Fusaichi Pegasus](#), [Lemon Drop Kid](#), and [War Chant](#), besides the ubiquitous Giant's Causeway. Ireland houses the other three: King's Best, [Montjeu](#), and Sinndar.

First, let's update you a little bit on how they're all selling. Group leader (excepting Dubai Millennium) Fusaichi Pegasus had one yearling sell for €80,000 yesterday, and is now averaging \$331,067 with 42 of 47 sold. FuPeg alone has generated yearling sale revenues of over \$13.9-million so far. That by itself is a pretty impressive figure. Lemon Drop Kid (32/38, average \$241,781), and War Chant (16/26, average \$208,000) stand pat this week. The others have been in action. Including Deauville and yesterday's figures from Goffs, Giant's Causeway has now had 31 sold of

45 offered, averaging \$231,987. He's not half done, either. There are 50 more Giant's Causeway yearlings catalogued today and in the next three sales at Tattersalls in Newmarket. So keep looking. Of the surviving pure Euros, you'd have to say the 2000 English 2000 Guineas winner King's Best has sold the best: 20 of the 23 offered (87 percent) at Deauville and Goffs yesterday have sold, averaging €144,000 (\$167,040). With Lemon Drop Kid enjoying an 84-percent clearance rate, these two will give us an important early line on [Kingmambo](#) as a sire of sires, though very possibly it will be 2005, when their first three-year-olds run, rather than 2004, when we know.

The same will almost certainly be the case for Montjeu, seeing as he's by [Sadler's Wells](#) out of a Top Ville mare. A six-time Group 1 winner, including the Arc, the easiest King George win most of us have ever seen, and the French and Irish Derbys, the buzz has been good about his foals all along. So far 10 of 12 (83 percent--anything over 80 percent is undoubtedly good) have averaged €111,700 (\$129,572). The third all-Euro candidate for stardom is Sinndar, Europe's champion three-year-old of 2000, when he won the English and Irish Derbys and the Arc. All nine of his offered so far have sold, but he's only averaging €83,000 (\$96,280). Of course, he doesn't have a huge commercial machine behind him like most of these others.

Only time will tell whether Dubai Millennium can emulate the likes of Bold Reasoning (sire of Seattle Slew and Super Concorde from 60 foals in two crops), but he does have two pluses in his column this year. Though only two yearlings by him have yet sold, both have brought over \$1 million, and he is now averaging \$1,460,000. Blimey, even if there are special circumstances. The other positive indicator is that most of [Seeking the Gold's](#) sons at stud have outperformed their race records. Mutakddim (2.52 mid-year APEX A Index) has sired a seriously good filly this year in Lady Tak, Petionville (1.69, like Mutakddim with first three-year-olds '03) is also doing quite well, and [Cape Town](#) has the top three-year-old filly Bird Town in his first crop. **Cont. p. 5**

Grade 1 Winner
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(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 4)

Yesterday's session was made up of a lot more than just these top first-crop sires, and overall the average of €101,087, with almost 90 percent listed as sold, must be considered as satisfactory. The average was just two percent down on last year's overall Orby average, and there sure weren't a lot of buyers standing around rubbing their hands in glee at the 'steal' they'd just achieved. Quite the reverse. With Goffs going first and the old Autumn yearling sale at Tatts transformed into October 2, we can't yet know what it will all add up to by the middle of next month, but there was no discernible slacking of demand for the right article yesterday.

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WRITERS UP

MINING MR. PROSPECTOR by Matt O'Neil

Starting with Strategic Maneuver in August 1993, there has been a steady trickle of unrestricted stakes winners inbred to Mr. Prospector. In both 1995 and 1996 there was one Mr. Prospector inbred stakes winner. In 1997 and 1998 there were two. The next three years there were seven, five and nine respectively, and in 2002 there were 11. With the great stallion influencing so many pedigrees, it seemed only a matter of time before that trickle became a flood. That time appears to be now.

So far in 2003 [through Sept. 21] there have been 19 new unrestricted stakes winners inbred to Mr. Prospector, bringing the overall total to 58 (in North America and Europe only). Thirteen of those have appeared in just the past three months, making the summer of 2003 the "summer of Mr. Prospector inbreeding." *Cont. p. 6*

GRADED/GROUP STAKES WINNERS INBRED TO MR. PROSPECTOR (NA/Europe, through Sept. 21)

<u>GSW</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Level</u>	<u>Top</u>	<u>Bottom</u>	<u>Type</u>
Bachelor Blues	Smoke Glacken	GII	Two Punch	Allen's Prospect	3x4
Carry On Katie	Fasliyev	G2	Mr. P's Princess (f)	Woodman	3x3
Cashel Castle	Silver Ghost	GIII	Silver Ghost	Unreal Zeal	2x3
Country Hideaway	Seeking the Gold	GII	Seeking the Gold	Gold Beauty (f)	2x4
El Corredor	Mr. Greeley	G1	Gone West	Silver Valley (f)	3x4
Elusive City	Elusive Quality	G1	Gone West	Gold Beauty (f)	3x4
Halfbridled	Unbridled	G1	Fappiano	Seeking the Gold	3x4
Laydown	Cryptoclearance	GIII	Fappiano	Forty Niner	3x3
Limehouse	Grand Slam	GIII	Gone West	Blue Jean Baby (f)	3x3
Lone Star Sky	Conquistador Cielo	GIII	Conquistador Cielo	Fappiano	2x4
Mr. Jester	Silver Deputy	GIII	Silver Valley (f)	Fappiano	3x3
Much Faster (Ire)	Fasliyev	G2	Mr. P's Princess (f)	Gone West	3x4
Storming Home (GB)	Machiavellian	G1	Machiavellian	It's in the Air (f)	2x3
Strategic Maneuver	Cryptoclearance	G1	Fappiano	Conquistador Cielo	3x3
Volponi	Cryptoclearance	G1	Fappiano	Sue Babe (f)	3x4
Whywhywhy	Mr. Greeley	G1	Gone West	Fappiano	3x4

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(Mining Mr. Prospector cont. from p. 5)

As testament to Mr. Prospector's prowess as a broodmare sire, and his burgeoning prowess as a broodmare sire of sires, 23 inbred SWs (39 percent) involve at least one female strain. Not surprisingly, Mr. Prospector's eldest successful son, Fappiano, a foal of 1977 and a member of Mr. P's second crop, shows up in quite a few of these inbred stakes winners as well. In fact, 21 [36 percent] involve a strain of Fappiano. Forty Niner, a foal of 1985, appears in 11 of the inbred stakes winners, while Gone West (1984) is found in nine and Miswaki (1978) eight.

As far as sires go, Silver Deputy (out of a Mr. Prospector mare) and Cryptoclearance (a son of Fappiano) have both sired four stakes winners inbred to Mr. Prospector. Three of European freshman sire sensation Fasliyev's first six stakes winners are also inbred to the great stallion. Like Silver Deputy, Fasliyev is out of a daughter of Mr. Prospector. Second-crop sire Elusive Quality (a Mr. P grandson) has already has sired a pair of stakes winners from Mr. Prospector-influenced mares, including G1SW winner Elusive City. Mr. Greeley, Smoke Glacken and the deceased Tactical Advantage (all male-line descendants of Mr. Prospector) have all sired at least two stakes winners with a return of Mr. P.

Mr. Prospector's first crop was born 27 years ago in 1976. Since Northern Dancer is the only other stallion who has had a similarly large impact on North American pedigrees during the past 40 years, it's instructive to look back to 1993, 27 years after his first crop was foaled.

By the end of 1993 there were 54 unrestricted winners inbred to Northern Dancer. So, with 58 inbred stakes winners and over three months left in 2003, Mr. Prospector has already surpassed Northern Dancer in terms of number of inbred stakes winners at similar point in history.

There are a few qualifications that need to be made to the raw totals of inbred stakes winners, however.

First of all, there have been, on average, about 300 more unrestricted black-type races run in North America during the past 10 years than were run the previous 10 years when Northern Dancer inbreeding started to emerge. In other words, horses inbred to Mr. Prospector have had a larger opportunity to win stakes.

With inbred stakes winners like Halfbridled, BC Classic winner Volponi, Storming Home and El Corredor, it's hard to argue that inbreeding to Mr. Prospector doesn't yield quality. However, when compared to Northern Dancer, there is a disparity in the collective class of the inbred stakes winners. Of the first 53 stakes winners inbred to Northern Dancer, 44 percent were graded stakes winners. So far, only 28 percent of the stakes winners inbred to Mr. Prospector are winners of graded events. However, 11 percent of the first Northern Dancer inbreds were G1 winners, while 12 percent of the Mr. Prospectors have won at the highest level.

So while the flood of stakes winners inbred to Mr. Prospector will inevitably grow in the coming years, it will be interesting to see if the tide of quality rises accordingly.

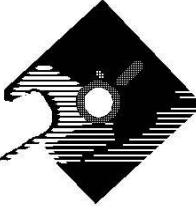
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BREEDERS' CUP FUTURE WAGER CLOSES The third and final wagering period of the Breeders' Cup Future Bet closed Sunday after fans around the country wagered \$173,044 on the Juvenile, Juvenile Fillies, Filly and Mare Turf and Mile. GI Futurity winner **Cuvee** (Carson City) led wagering in the Juvenile, closing at 4-1. Unbeaten **Cactus Ridge** (Hennessy) was next at 7-1 and the field followed at nearly 8-1. In the Juvenile Fillies, GI Del Mar Debutante winner **Halfbridled** (Unbridled) was made the 2-1 favorite, with **Class Above** (Quiet American) at 7-1 and the field at 17-1. GI Diana H. winner Heat Haze (GB) was the slight favorite in the Filly and Mare Turf at 6.50-1. G1 Prix du Moulin winner **Nebraska Tornado** (Storm Cat) followed at 7-1. The field closed at 12-1. The field was favored at 5-1 in the Mile, with GI Eddie Read H. winner **Special Ring** (Nureyev) and G1 July Cup winner **Oasis Dream** (GB) (Green Desert) were next at 7-1.

★ **EAST** ★

Maryland Million Pre-Entry Deadline:

The deadline for pre-entries for the 18th Maryland Million is Oct. 1. All horses must be pre-entered to qualify as starters for the Oct. 11 event. The 11-race card, which showcases Maryland-sired horses, features the \$100,000 Maryland Million Lassie, \$100,000 Maryland Million Nursery, \$100,000 Maryland Million Turf, \$100,000 Maryland Million Oaks, \$100,000 Maryland Million Sprint, \$100,000 Maryland Million Distaff, \$100,000 Maryland Million Ladies and the \$200,000 Maryland Million Classic.

Yesterday's Results:

7th-DEL, \$36,000, Alw, NW2\$6M, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 1/5, gd. BOSTON COMMON (g, 4, Boston Harbor--Especially, by Mr. Prospector), winner of the GIII Jersey Shore BC H. and the GII Jerome H. last year, finished out of the money in his first two starts of 2003 and went off the 6-5 second choice in this scratch-depleted field of two. On top early, the bay rolled home an easy 5 3/4-length winner over 1-5 chalk Sing Me Back Home (Homebuilder). Lifetime Record: MGSW, 23-7-6-4, \$403,007. O-R Englander. B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-M Pino.

4th-FEX, \$30,400, Msw, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 3/5, sy. + PROSPICE (c, 4, Talkin Man--Beyond War, by Lord At War {Arg}) hopped at the start, but recovered quickly to lead after a quarter mile in :23.12. Passed briefly nearing the half, the 9-5 choice moved back into the lead 1 1/2 furlongs out and drew clear late to record a 2 1/2-lengths victory over entry-mate Yagudin (El Prado {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,840. O/B-Gary & Edna Hulley (ON). T-Chris Tuttle.

8th-PHA, \$20,000, Alw, NW1X, 2yo, f, 7f, 1:26 3/5, sy. FOOLISHLY (f, 2, Broad Brush--City Band {GISW, \$607,418}, by Carson City) graduated by a neck at Delaware Aug. 6 before finishing a distant seventh last out in Monmouth's GIII Sorority S. over six furlongs Aug. 30. Backed down to 3-5 favoritism here, the \$260,000 KEESEP yearling settled just off the pace early, took the lead on the turn and maintained the tempo late for a 1 1/4-length win over Seductive Lady (Langfuhr). Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-0, \$31,800. O-Fox Hill Farms Inc. B-Overbrook Farm (KY). T-J Servis.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

- 10-03 \$400,000 **Darley Alcibiades-II, Kee, 2yo, f, 8.5f (400)**
- 10-03 \$250,000a **Phoenix BC-III, Kee, 3yo/up, 6f (250)**
- 10-04 \$750,000 **Beldame-I, Bel, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f (750)**
- 10-04 \$600,000 **Shadwell Turf Mile-I, Kee, 3yo/up, 8ft (600)**
- 10-04 \$500,000 **Champagne-I, Bel, 2yo, 8.5f (500)**
- 10-04 \$500,000 **Frizette-I, Bel, 2yo, f, 8.5f (500)**
- 10-04 \$400,000 **Lane's End Breeders' Futurity-II, Kee, 2yo, 8.5f (400)**
- 10-04 \$350,000 **Kelso Breeders' Cup H.-II, Bel, 3yo/up, 8ft (250)**
- 10-04 \$150,000a **Sycamore Breeders' Cup-III, Kee, 3yo/up, 12ft (150)**
- 10-05 \$500,000 **Overbrook Spinster-I, Kee, 3yo/up, f/m, 9f (500)**
- 10-05 \$500,000 **WinStar Galaxy-II, Kee, 3yo/up, f/m, 9.5ft**
- 10-05 \$150,000 **Gallant Bloom H-II, Bel, 3yo/up, f/m, 6.5f (150)**
- 10-13 \$150,000a **Ontario Derby-III, Wo, 3yo, 9ft (150)**



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(Easter report cont.)

Monday Night's Results:

1st-MNR, \$21,700, Msw, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:13 3/5, my.
 + GATO TWIST (f, 2, Oliver's Twist--Gato Who, by Obligato), who went off a lightly backed 14-1 shot, broke alertly, tracked the early pace in second until deep stretch and forged to the front in the final strides to score by a neck over 8-1 shot Lite O My Life (Strugler {GB}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$12,586.
 O-Charles R Bosco Sr. B-Cindy K Jenkins (FL). T-Louis Gallo.

★ WEST ★

Barretts Announces Changes to Sales Schedule:

Barretts Equine Limited announced a change in dates for its 2004 January Mixed Sale. Originally scheduled to run from Jan. 20-21, the event will now take place Jan. 26-27. The final entry deadline for the sale has also been changed from Nov. 7 to Nov. 14, 2003. For more info. visit www.barretts.com.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

+ Proud Tradition, f, 2, [Seeking the Gold](#). See "Britain"

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

First-time starters/stakes runners: Wednesday, Sept. 24

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 1999 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW
 Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- BANKER'S GOLD** (Forty Niner), Airdrie, \$15K, 123/27/2
 2-WO, Msw, 6f, +Embank, \$46K KEE JAN yrl, 6-1
- DANCE BRIGHTLY** (Mr. Prospector), HillnDale, \$8K, 172/39/0
 2-WO, Msw, 6f, +Come Dance, \$3K FTK OCT yrl, 6-1
- FAVORITE TRICK** (Phone Trick), Walmac, \$30K, 138/38/2
 11-FPX, Stk, 1 1/16m, Saved, \$42K BAR MAR 2yo
- GENTLEMEN (ARG)** (Robin des Bois), Walmac, \$30K, 126/15/1
 8-WO, Msw, 6f, +At a Glance, \$82K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
- SWISS YODELER** (Eastern Echo), Pepper Oaks, \$3K, 101/36/4
 11-FPX, Stk, 1 1/16m, Alpenwald
- WILD RUSH** (Wild Again), Adena, \$15K, 175/44/2
 8-WO, Msw, 6f, +Solina, \$32K ONT SEP yrl, 9-2

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$36,000 Opt. Cl. (\$40,000) from Monmouth.
 For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

 **FRESHMAN FOCUS**

First-crop progeny to watch: Wednesday, September 24

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW
 Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- ACCELERATOR** (A.P. Indy), Dead, 77/4/0
 6-BEL, Msw, 1mT, +Big Booster, \$210K FTF FEB 2yo
- BIANCONI** (Danzig), Ashford, \$5K, 72/4/0
 2-WO, Msw, 6f, +Paul's Girl, \$23K ONT SEP yrl, 2-1
- COMIC STRIP** (Red Ransom), Special T, \$8K, 38/1/0
 7-DEL, Msw, 6f, +Five Elements, 8-1
- CRYPTO STAR** (Cryptoclearance), Murmur, \$4K, 42/1/0
 6-PIM, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Missing Woman, \$500 EAS DEC yrl, 30-1
- EL AMANTE** (Wild Again), Straus, \$3K, 31/2/0
 4-AP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Voluntown, 12-1
- EPIC HONOR** (Honor Grades), Blooming Hill, \$2K, 21/3/0
 3-BM, Str, 5 1/2f, Sultry Eyes, \$10K AES JUN 2yo, 5-2
- EXPLOIT** (Storm Cat), Taylor Made, \$25K, 84/7/1
 6-PIM, Msw, 5 1/2f, +Merchandise, \$57K EAS JUL 2yo, 8-1
- MALIBU MOON** (A.P. Indy), Castleton Lyons, \$3K, 57/6/2
 6-PIM, Msw, 5 1/2f, +An American Idol, 9-2
- OLD TRIESTE** (A.P. Indy), Dead, \$, 44/3/0
 6-BEL, Msw, 1mT, Brave Columbus, \$155K KEE JUL yrl
- REAL QUIET** (Quiet American), Taylor Made, \$10K, 72/3/0
 7-DEL, Msw, 6f, Serene Valor, 5-1
- SILVER CHARM** (Silver Buck), 3 Chimneys, \$25K, 75/8/0
 11-FPX, Stk, 1 1/16m, High Silver, \$47K TEX MAR 2yo
- 6-BEL, Msw, 1mT, +Degray Creek, \$27K KEE OCT yrl
- VICTORY GALLOP** (Cryptoclearance), Winstar, \$15K, 87/4/0
 4-AP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Touch of Victory, \$20K OBS JUN 2yo, 10-1

 **KEENELAND. UPCOMING STAKES AT KEENELAND**

Date	Race	2002 Winner
Oct. 3	GII Darley Alcibiades GII Phoenix BC	Westerly Breeze Xtra Heat
Oct. 4	GI Shadwell Turf Mile GII Lane's End Breeders Futurity GIII Sycamore BC	Landseer (GB) Sky Mesa Rochester
Oct. 5	GI Overbrook Spinster GII WinStar Galaxy Storm Cat	Take Charge Lady Owsley February Storm
Oct. 9	Perryville	Najran
Oct. 10	GIII Raven Run	Sightseek
Oct. 11	GI Queen Elizabeth II	Riskaverse
Oct. 12	GIII T'bred Club of Am.	French Riviera
Oct. 16	Clark County (formerly A.P. Indy S.)	Dixie Tactics
Oct. 17	Woodford County (formerly Nureyev S.)	Manofglory
Oct. 18	GIII Valley View	Bedanken
Oct. 19	Rood & Riddle Dowager	Lapuma

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FALLON FEARS FALBRAV Jockey Kieren Fallon is looking forward to partnering Chevely Park's **Russian Rhythm** (Kingmambo) in Saturday's £325,000 G1 Netjets Queen Elizabeth II S. at Ascot, but concedes that she faces a tall order in **Falbrav (Ire)** (Fairy King). The Sir Michael Stoute-trained sophomore will face the colts for the first time after running up a winning sequence in the G1 1000 Guineas May 4, G1 Coronation S. June 20 and G1 Nassau S. Aug. 2. Fallon rode the Luca Cumani-trained Falbrav to victory in the G1 Prix d'Ispahan May 18 and believes he sets the standard. "Russian Rhythm did nothing wrong last year and the only time she was beaten was when she was in season," Fallon said. "She's just gone from strength to strength this year, but she has a hard task taking on the colts. Falbrav is going to be tough to beat and has the speed to come back to a mile. He is a seriously good horse and travels well--he is a big horse and can use himself and he'll be the one we have to beat as long as the ground stays as it is." Falbrav was yesterday quoted as the 11-4 second favorite for the mile contest by bookmakers William Hill behind Godolphin's **Dubai Destination** (Kingmambo), at odds of 9-4.

★ BRITAIN ★

Yesterday's Results:

Newmarket, 3.25, Mdn, £6,540, 2yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:26.32, gd/fm.

PRIMUS INTER PARES (IRE) (c, 2, [Sadler's Wells](#)--Life at the Top {GB} {GSW-GB, \$121,508}, by Habitat), a half to Tiger Shark (Chief's Crown), SW-Fr & Ire, MSP-US, \$121,507, finished third over the all-weather at Lingfield Aug. 28 on his only previous start. Third during the opening exchanges, he moved to the head of affairs after two furlongs. The 7-2 favourite was ridden along when tackled at the quarter-mile marker and was pushed clear inside the final furlong to best Mr Tambourine Man (Ire) (Rainbow Quest) by 2 1/2 lengths. The winner was an 85,000gns TATDEC weanling and a 110,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-1, £4,921.

O-Colin Davey Racing; B-Pacelco SA & Gaines-Gentry Thoroughbreds LLC; T-James Fanshawe.

★ "TDN Rising Star" ★

Newmarket, 2.50, Mdn, £6,405, 2yo, f, 1mT, 1:39.29, gd/fm.

+ **PROUD TRADITION** (f, 2, [Seeking the Gold](#)--Family Tradition {Ire} {MSW-Ire & G1SP-Fr}, by Sadler's Wells) tracked the leaders in fourth from the outset and edged closer to the front from the three-eighths pole. The well-backed 9-2 chance challenged at the quarter-mile marker, held a slight advantage at the distance and quickened decisively in the closing stages to safely account for Strawberry Fair (GB) (Kingmambo) by 1 1/4 lengths. Proud Tradition is from the family of Oaks runner-up and top broodmare Slightly Dangerous (Roberto). [Click here for the Racing Post chart](#). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,163.

O-S Magnier & R Sangster; B-Pacelco SA; T-J Gosden.

Newmarket, 2.20, Mdn, £5,460, 2yo, 1mT, 1:38.91, gd/fm.

+ **AKRITAS (GB)** (c, 2, [Polish Precedent](#)--Dazzling Heights {GB} {SW-Fr}, by Shirley Heights {GB}), the 9-2 second choice, was positioned in midfield during the opening stages and edged forward into sixth at half-way. He was ridden to challenge at the quarter-mile marker, quickened to the front approaching the final furlong and ran on strongly inside the last 150 yards to beat First Note (Pioneering) by 1 1/2 lengths. In doing so, the winner provided champion jockey Kieren Fallon with his 200th winner of the season. Akritas, a 52,000gns TATOCT yearling, is a half to Kimbridge Knight (Ire) (Night Shift), MSW-Mal & GSP-Aus; and a 3/4-brother to Mauri Moon (GB) (Green Desert), SW-GB. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £3,549.

O-C Shiacolas; B-Tarworth Bloodstock Inv. Ltd; T-P Cole.

Newmarket, 4.30, Mdn, £5,250, 2yo, 6fT, 1:12.96, gd/fm.

MAHMOOM (GB) (c, 2, [Dr Fong](#)--Rohita {Ire} {GSP-GB}, by Waajib {Ire}), a 170,000gns TATOCT yearling, placed second on his only other start at Goodwood Sept. 12. After racing in third early, he moved into a share of the lead at halfway. The 4-6 choice came under pressure approaching the last quarter-mile, quickened into the lead at the distance and ran on strongly thereafter to deny Emtilaak (GB) (Marju {Ire}) by 1 3/4 lengths. A half to Kalindi (Ire) (Efisio {GB}), SW-GB, he is the 10th winner for his freshman sire (by Kris S.). Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,263.

O-Sheikh Ahmed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Barry Taylor; T-Mick Channon.



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Beverley, 2.40, Cond, £4,420, 2yo, 5fT, 1:04.21, gd/sf.

CARTOGRAPHY (IRE) (c, 2, Zafonic--Sans Escale {MSP-Fr}, by Diesis {GB}), successful on his debut at Doncaster June 29, ran third to Pastoral Pursuits (GB) in the G3 Sirenia S. at Kempton Sept. 6 and started here as the 1-2 market choice. Breaking well from the gate, he led throughout and was pushed further clear from the eighth pole to defeat Ballykeating (GB) (Danzero {Aus}) by an easy three lengths. He was a 60,000gns TATOCT yearling acquisition. Lifetime Record: GSP-GB, 3-2-0-1, £11,339. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Darley; T-Michael Jarvis.

FALLON NOTCHES DOUBLE CENTURY

Kieren Fallon reached the 200-winner mark for the 2003 flat season at Newmarket yesterday. Having recorded three consecutive double centuries from 1997 to 1999, the defending champion repeated the feat on the Paul Cole-trained **Akritas (GB)** (Polish Precedent) in the opening maiden on the card. "This is my best ever year," he said. "It's been a great year overall and Sir Michael [Stoute's] horses have been flying and in great form all year and it's not over yet." Reflecting on his partnership with the champion conditioner-elect, he continued, "It looks as if he is going to be leading trainer again this year and I think you have to go back to the years of Henry Cecil and Steve Cauthen to get a combination of champion trainer and jockey, but it's been fantastic and things have been going so well." Fallon, who is firmly on course for his sixth jockeys' championship, added that he was "looking forward to" his upcoming spell in Dubai over the winter, where he will ride for trainer Allan Smith. "I'm going there to relax and ride plenty of winners," he said. Meanwhile, the Jockey Club revealed that it is inspecting Fallon's phone records as it investigates his last-minute booking to ride a winner of a seller at Brighton in July.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA**

STAKES RESULTS:

CTBA MARIAN S., \$48,000, FPX, 9-22, (S), 3yo, f, 1 1/16m, 1:45, ft.

1--**AMBER HILLS, 122, f, 3, Bold Badgett--Princess of Honey, by Lord Avie.** O-Curt & Lila Lanning; B-Slu, Inc (CA); T-Ed Moger Jr; J-M A Pedroza; \$27,500. Lifetime Record: 16-6-1-1, \$257,730.

2--**The Borg Queen, 116, f, 3, Fruition--Knight Olympienne, by Olympic Native.** \$8,500.

3--**Cyber Slew, 114, f, 3, Siberian Summer--Truly Golden, by Slew o' Gold.** \$6,000.

Margins: 1 3/4, 5, 3. Odds: 1.30, 3.40, 4.50.

SICKLE'S IMAGE S., \$45,000, GLD, 9-22, (S), 2yo, f, 6f, 1:15 3/5, my.

1--**#STELLAR ONE, 119, f, 2, Pleasant Tap--Tiara (SP), by Monetary Gift.** O/B-Steve PRAIN (MI); T-Dave Kueffner; J-M E Doser; \$27,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$39,290. * 1/2 to Magna Cum Laude, SW, \$101,101.

2--**Living Fully, 119, f, 2, Wolf Power (Saf)--Marshua's World, by Marshua's Dancer.** (\$11,000 yrl '02 KEE OCT). \$9,000.

3--**Textbook Tillie, 119, f, 2, Pauliano--Book, by Mari's Book.** \$4,950.

Margins: 2, 1, 2. Odds: 14.80, 2.20, 30.00.

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

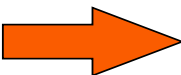
6th-DEL, \$37,000, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:44 2/5, sy.

DEELITEFUL GUY (c, 4, Afternoon Deelites--Angel Tears, by Halo) Lifetime Record: GSP, 24-3-6-6, \$205,516. O-C D & G Stable. B-Janet H Koller (KY). T-Robert P Klesaris. * \$70,000 yrl '00 FTKJUL. ** 1/2 to Hyroglyphic (High Brite), GSW, \$435,261; Insulated (Houston), SP, \$157,986.

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9th-FEX, \$34,400, 9-22, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$46,000), NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:18, wf.

SUSAN GRACEY (f, 4, Olympio--Slicing, by Cutlass) Lifetime Record: 15-3-4-2, \$158,308. O-O' Cainon Stable. B-Dr Tom Keenan (ON). T- Gracey W Phillip.

8th-FEX, \$34,000, 9-22, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000-\$36,000), NW3X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m (off turf), 1:42 2/5, ft.

VANY'S FORUM (c, 4, Open Forum--Vany {SW}, by Lord Vancouver) Lifetime Record: 22-8-3-1, \$291,629. O-Goldmart Farms. B-Mockingbird Farm, Inc (FL). T-Paul Attard. *1/2 to Miss Running Vany (Runaway Groom), MSW, \$363,457.

9th-FEX, \$30,300, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, my.

FLORENCE (f, 3, Kiridashi--Floral Trace, by Geiger Counter) Lifetime Record: 9-2-0-0, \$61,641. O-Beatrice Fisher. B-Brook Farms Inc Kings (ON). T-Robert A Pion.

8th-FEX, \$29,400, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000-\$46,000), NW19MX, 3yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:18, my.

IMPEACHTHEPRO (h, 6, Distinctive Pro--Fla-grance {SP}, by Hoist the Flag) Lifetime Record: MSW, 35-16-5-7, \$513,269. O-N S Laneve W Warner & M A Ferraro. B-Brendan Tobin & Win Stevens (NY). T-M Anthony Ferraro. \$3,300 wlng '97 FTMDEC; \$20,000 yrl '98 FTMOCT.

9th-MNR, \$28,200, 9-22, NW3L, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39, my.

ALLTAPPEDOUT (f, 4, Signal Tap--All the Guile, by Smarten) Lifetime Record: SP, 19-3-5-4, \$95,711. O/T-Edward Clouston. B-Robert Bowman (NY). *\$2,000 yrl '00 FTNAUG.

6th-KDX, \$28,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:47, sf.

BIG WILL (h, 5, Peaks and Valleys--Mighty Milk, by Hero's Honor) Lifetime Record: SP, 21-2-4-3, \$69,333. O-Phillip S Maas. B-O M Patrick Mrs (KY). T-Jeffrey D Thornbury. *\$20,000 yrl '99 FTKJUL.

9th-PHA, \$26,920, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:45 4/5, sy.

VALLEYMAN (c, 3, Valley Crossing--Silvermento, by Silver Badge) Lifetime Record: MSP, 22-3-8-5, \$144,900. O-Trin-Brook Stables Inc. B-Mary Ann Gans & Charlton Bloodstock Agency (PA). T-Uriah St Lewis. *\$10,500 yrl '01 FTMOCT; \$27,000 HRA 2003 FTKFEB. ** 1/2 to Le Grande Pos (Nepal), MSW & GSP, \$613,156.

4th-KDX, \$26,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6fT, 1:19 3/5, sf.

AMBER TOKEN (f, 4, Hennessy--Tokens Only {SW}, by Youth) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, \$38,170. O-Marina & Morgan Brosnan. B-Dr & Mrs M L Brosnan (KY). T-Steven C Penrod. *1/2 to Token Dance (Sovereign Dancer), GSW & GISP, \$386,483.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Class Concern, g, 2, **Concern--Class Vow**, by Spring Double. PHA, 9-23, 6f, 1:12 1/5. B-Mede Cahaba Stable & Stud (Md).

Last Waltz, f, 2, **Ghazi--Mrs. K.** (SP), by Dixieland Band. KDX, 9-23, 1mT, 1:51 1/5. B-Kenneth L & Sarah K Ramsey (Ky). *Full to Port Bayou, Hwt 3yo-Ire at 9.5-11f, GSW-Ire; Spelling (Alphabet Soup), GSP, \$161,710.

Enjoy the Journey, f, 3, **Labeeb (GB)--Gypsy Sweetheart**, by D'Accord. KDX, 9-23, 1 1/2mT, 2:49 3/5. B-Faye Smith (Ky). *\$20,000 yrl '01 KEEJAN. ** 1/2 to Wandering (Harlan), GSW, \$236,786.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
EUROPE**

CONDITIONS RESULTS

BRITAIN, Newmarket, 3.55, £20,170, 3yo/up, 7fT, 1:24.95, gd/fm.

THREE GRACES (GER) (c, 3, Peintre Celebre--Trefoil {GB} {SW-Fr}, by Kris {GB}) Lifetime Record: 8-4-2-0, £43,501. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum; B-Darley Stud Management Company Ltd; T-Marcus Tregoning. *1/2 to Trefula (Ire) (Rainbow Quest), SW-Fr.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

I Won't Dance (Ire), c, 2, **Marju (Ire)--Carnelly (Ire)** (SP-Ire), by Priolo. Newmarket, Britain, 9-23, Mdn, 2yo, 6fT. B-Sean Collins. *Ir£32,000 wnl '01 GOFNOV; €80,000 yrl '02 DEAAUG.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY...

September 25, 1866...Jerome Park, named for its founder, Leonard W. Jerome, opened in the Bronx, New York.

September 26, 1942...The Jockey Club stewards revoked jockey **Eddie Arcaro's** license for one year after a display of "rough riding" aboard odds-on favorite Occupation in the Cowdin S. September 19. In the race, Arcaro deliberately drove his horse into another, Breezing Home, knocking jockey Vincent Nodarse into the infield. Nodarse and his mount had crowded Arcaro at the start, almost causing him to be unseated.

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