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## HEADLINE NEWS

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### KY DERBY PURSE DOUBLED TO \$2 MILLION

Churchill Downs officials have announced that the purse for the GI Kentucky Derby will be doubled to a record \$2 million. "The Kentucky Derby is one of the world's great sports events and our effort to raise its purse to \$2 million guaranteed is both a reflection of that status and an effort to solidify the foundation of this great race for many years to come," said Steve Sexton, president of Churchill Downs. "The incredible tradition of the Derby has already made our race a prime objective for horsemen

throughout North America and internationally and this purse increase should further enhance the attractiveness of this great race to owners and trainers around the world." The 131st running of the Classic will take place Saturday, May 7, 2005, at Churchill Downs. In addition to the overall purse increase, there will also be a change in the distribution. The race will now offer purse money to the race's top five finishers, with 62 percent of the purse going to the winner. Purse money had previously been paid only to the top four finishers.

The distribution of a \$2-million Kentucky Derby purse would be as follows:

- First (62%) -- \$1.24 million
- Second (20%) -- \$400,000
- Third (10%) -- \$200,000
- Fourth (5%) -- \$100,000
- Fifth (3%) -- \$60,000

Churchill Downs will provide a minimum of \$1.1 million of the \$2-million purse, made possible in part by redistributing money from some of the track's other stakes races (*See story, p2*). Fees to enter and start in the Kentucky Derby will also be raised from \$15,000 to \$25,000, respectively, for a total of \$50,000 that must be paid before each horse can enter the starting gate in the race. Those fees will become part of the Kentucky Derby purse.

### ESPN, NBC WIN ECLIPSE AWARDS

The National Thoroughbred Racing Association announced yesterday that NBC Sports has won the Eclipse Award for "National Television--Live Racing," for its telecast of Smarty Jones' Triple Crown bid in the GI Belmont S., while ESPN earned an Eclipse in the category "National Television--Features" for its documentary "Smarty Jones: America's Horse." It was the seventh Eclipse Award for NBC, whose show this year was produced by David Michaels. "To have won the Eclipse

Award after this amazing year in racing is a great honor for our team at NBC Sports," Michaels said. "As the television market becomes more competitive, our 'dream team' of announcers and production people continues to push the envelope to put on the best possible telecast." Honorable mention in the category went to HD-Net for its coverage of the Santa Anita Derby on Apr. 3. ESPN's "Smarty Jones: America's Horse," a half-hour program that chronicled the quest of the GI Kentucky Derby and GI Preakness S. hero, aired Oct. 31 on ESPN and ESPN HD.

The program, produced by Fredrick Mitchell and photographed by Peter Franchella, included interviews with trainer John Servis, jockey Stewart Elliot and owner Roy Chapman before and after their Triple Crown run. The 2004 Eclipse Awards will be held Jan. 24 at the Regent Beverly Wilshire in Beverly Hills, California.



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*Kentucky Derby Story cont.*

**Redistributing Funds...**

To provide for the purse boost for the Kentucky Derby, Churchill Downs has reallocated \$375,000 from other stakes races on its schedule. The track will not contest the \$125,000 GIII Kentucky Breeders' Cup S. this season, which will allow \$75,000 (including a \$50,000 supplement from the Breeders' Cup) to be included in the Derby purse. Other stakes races have had their purses reduced, including the GII Fleur de Lis H., down by \$100,000 to \$300,000-added; the GIII Early Times Mint Julep S., down \$50,000 to to \$100,000-added; the GIII Ack Ack H., down \$50,000 to to \$100,000-added; and the GII Chilukki H. (formerly the Churchill Downs Distaff), down \$50,000 to \$150,000-added. The entire 2005 stakes schedule for Churchill Downs will be released later this week.

☆ **RESULTS** ☆

**Monday, Ellerslie, New Zealand**

**ZABEEL CLASSIC-G1**, NZ\$150,000, Ellerslie (Auckland), 1-3, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, 2:03.33, fm.

1--**ST REIMS (NZ)**, 129, h, 5, by Zabeel (NZ)

1st Dam: L'Quiz, by L'Enjoleur

2nd Dam: Basin, by Tom Rolfe

3rd Dam: Delta, by Nasrullah (Ire)

O-February Syndicate; B-P & Mrs J A Hogan; T-Chris McNab; J-Leith Innes; NZ\$93,750. \*Full to Champagne (NZ), Hwt. Older Mare-NZ at 7-10 1/4f, MG1SW-Aus & MGSW-NZ; Sursum Corda (NZ), G1SP-NZ.

2--**Distinctly Secret (NZ)**, 129, g, 6, Distinctly North--Te Akau Secret (NZ), by Lord Ballina (Aus). O-D C Ellis, K W Fenton-Ellis, M A Shorter, K T O'Donnell & W R Schwamm; B-D C Ellis; NZ\$30,000.

3--**Lashed (Aus)**, 126, m, 5, Encosta De Lago (Aus)--Traffic Watch (Aus), by Salieri. O-Lady & Sir Patrick Hogan; B-Mrs C Upjohn; NZ\$15,000.

Margins: HF, SHD. Winner's Odds: 13.10.

**Saturday, Kenilworth, South Africa**

**CAPE OF GOOD HOPE PADDOCK S.-G1**, R300,000, Kenilworth, South Africa, 1-1, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT, 1:53.09, gd.

1--**▲JAMAICA (SAF)**, 128, m, 5, by Sportsworld

1st Dam: Bridge of Stars (SAf) (MGSP-SAf), by Averof (GB)

2nd Dam: Jamaican Bride (SAf), by Jamaica (Fr)

3rd Dam: French Bride (SAf), by Alyscamps (Fr)

O-D R & Mrs K M L Makins; B-Breedon Stud CC; T-Diane Stenger; J-Jason Jago; R187,500. Lifetime Record: 18 starts, 7 wins, 7 places, R528,380.

2--**Sailing To Rio (Aus)**, 127, f, 4, Woodman--Money

Thinks (SAf), by Sound Reason. O-Mrs S Plattner;

B-Yarraman Park; R60,000.

3--**Icy Air (SAf)**, 128, m, 5, Jallad--Nordic Air (SAf), by

Northern Guest. O-Lammerskraal Stud (M L P

Rattray); B-Summerhill Stud; R30,000.

Margins: SHD, SHD, NK. Odds: 14-1, 14-1, 7-2.

Jamaica, an easy 4 3/4-length winner of a conditions event over seven furlongs in her latest start at Turffontein Nov. 27, proved best in a thrilling climax here to secure a deserved first Group 1 victory. Indeed, the finish was so tight that the entire 16-runner field was covered by less than 4 1/2 lengths at the wire. Leading from flagfall, the daughter of recently deceased sire Sportsworld was headed in the stretch, but rallied gamely in the drive to the line to deny the game Australian import Sailing To Rio. The winner will now point to the R1.5-million G1 J&B Met, over an extra furlong, back at this track Jan. 29.

**\$\$\$ All About the Benjamins \$\$\$**

The Kentucky Derby will now be the co-second richest race in the U.S., joining the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff and GI Breeders' Cup Turf as events with \$2-million purses. The GI Breeders' Cup Classic remains at the top with a purse of \$4 million.

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



**MILESTONES**

For years, Dixieland Band has been held in some esteem by breeders, for two reasons: many reckoned that, of all the sons of Northern Dancer who stood in Kentucky, Dixieland Band actually looked most like his great sire; and, second, being only a Grade II winner himself, he was one of the stallion's sons who was clearly a better sire than he was a racehorse. Like Unfuwain in Britain--an inferior racehorse but a superior sire to his half brother Nashwan (Bago notwithstanding)--Dixieland Band's success at stud helped build the case that Northern Dancer was the greatest sire of sires of (at least) the last 50 years. Now, as he turns 25, Dixieland Band has achieved two more important milestones: he has become one of just a handful of stallions to have sired 100 stakes winners; and, really without a tremendous amount of fanfare, he was by some margin (around \$1-million) the Leading Broodmare Sire of 2004. He may never have achieved star status (he ranked among the top 10 sires four times between 1992-99), but, in "The Little Engine That Could" tradition, he sure has. Well done, and give that guy an extra carrot in his feed tonight from all of us. Dixie Union, maybe his best son, has made a pretty promising start at Lane's End himself, and it would be a fitting tribute to D. Band if his son carries on.

The fact that we know the identity of the Leading Broodmare Sire of 2004 means that the leaders' lists have now been compiled and, as always, they make for fascinating reading. El Prado really burst upon the scene when he led the General Sire List in 2002, and he was runner-up to A.P. Indy last year, and to Smarty Jones's sire, Elusive Quality, this year, with A.P. Indy (leading North American sire of individual stakes winners, with 22) third. Smarty Jones's \$5-million bonus made the difference between Elusive Quality coming in 14th and coming in first, but, hey, that really is show biz.

Elusive Quality won the title fair and square, though the fact that Smarty Jones accounted for 75 percent of his 2004 earnings illustrates why calculations like APEX ratings (which measure the frequency of sires getting high earners) have merit as measurements of sire success, too. *Oppenheim cont. p4*

**FROM THE 2004 GENERAL SIRE LIST**  
**(bloodhorse.com)**

**12 TOP 25 SIRES WITH 3-4-5 CROPS RACING**

Rank	Sire	1st Foals	in Group	St	2005 Fee
1	<a href="#">Elusive Quality</a>	2000	1st	Ky	\$100,000
8	Awesome Again	2000	2nd	Ky	\$125,000
10	<a href="#">Tale of the Cat</a>	2000	3rd	Ky	\$ 65,000
12	<a href="#">Grand Slam</a>	2000	4th	Ky	\$ 85,000
19	Wild Rush	2000	5th	JP	---
20	<a href="#">Distorted Humor</a>	2000	6th	Ky	\$ 60,000
9	Alphabet Soup	1999	1st	Ky	\$ 20,000
15	<a href="#">Langfuhr</a>	1999	2nd	Ky	\$ 30,000
21	Smoke Glacken	1999	3rd	Ky	\$ 30,000
6	<a href="#">Smart Strike</a>	1998	1st	Ky	\$ 35,000
11	Unbridled's Song	1998	2nd	Ky	\$125,000
24	Roar	1998	3rd	Ca	\$ 15,000

**11 TOP 25 SIRES WITH 90+ WINNERS IN 2004**

Rank	Sire	Winners	in Table	St	2005 Fee
9	Alphabet Soup	104	1st	Ky	\$ 20,000
17	<a href="#">Devil His Due</a>	103	2nd	Ky	\$ 10,000
10	<a href="#">Tale of the Cat</a>	102	3rd =	Ky	\$ 65,000
16	Not For Love	102	3rd =	Md	\$ 25,000
2	El Prado	100	5th =	Ky	\$100,000
14	<a href="#">Carson City</a>	100	5th =	Dead	---
15	<a href="#">Langfuhr</a>	99	7th	Ky	\$ 30,000
21	Smoke Glacken	98	8th	Ky	\$ 30,000
3	<a href="#">A.P. Indy</a>	94	9th =	Ky	\$300,000
24	Roar	94	9th =	Ca	\$ 15,000
12	<a href="#">Grand Slam</a>	90	11th	Ky	\$ 85,000

Other Top 100 sires with 90+ winners: (60) [Cryptoclearance](#)-111; (50) Allen's Prospect-103; (42) Runaway Groom-101; (33) Cherokee Run- 100; (41) Storm Boot-96; (71) Peaks and Valleys-96; (34) Forest Wildcat-94; (65) [Honour and Glory](#)-92



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So Elusive Quality is the Leading Sire of 2004 on the North American General Sire List (courtesy of bloodhorse.com), ahead of last year's second and first, El Prado and A.P. Indy. Fourth was Storm Cat, who also racked up his seventh Juvenile title, and led all North American sires with 12 graded/group stakes winners last year. He's been the Leading Sire on the North American General Sire list twice (1999-2000), and this was his sixth top-five finish. And you know how I'm always raving about 'sire crops'? How about the Class of 1994 (meaning they had their first foals that year), with three of the top five sires of 2004: number 2 (El Prado), number 3 (A.P. Indy), and number 5, (Saint Ballado).

No fewer than 12 of the top 25 on the General Sire List--that's just about half--are young sires, who have three, four, or five crops racing, in other words had oldest four-, five-, and six-year-olds of 2004. That seems a pretty heartening development, considering the attrition rate among top-class U.S. sires the last few years. The youngest of the three groups, the Class of 2000, led the way, as you might expect (from as often as I've raved on about them), with six representatives in the top 25: (1) Elusive Quality; (8) Awesome Again; (10) Tale Of The Cat; (12) Grand Slam; (19) Wild Rush; and (20) Distorted Humor. Sires with first foals 1999 (four crops of racing age, oldest five-year-olds of 2004) included three in the top 25: (9) Alphabet Soup, also the leading sire of winners (104) among the top 25 sires; (15) Langfuhr; and (21) Smoke Glacken. Three sires with first six-year-olds last year also placed in the top 25: (6) Smart Strike; (11) Unbridled's Song; and (24) Roar, who made a big noise in Argentina about the time he was sent to California (where he now stands for \$15,000) from Kentucky.

The auguries are not that great for the group of sires whose first foals arrived in 2001, and were three-year-olds last year: only Victory Gallop (92) figured among the top 100 sires, and four of the top eleven (in 2004 progeny earnings) have already 'left the building': (6) Silver Charm followed early shipper Charismatic (11) to Japan, from Kentucky; Exploit (8) was originally going to Florida, but is now bound for South Korea; and Mazel Trick (7) departed Airdrie for Reigle Heir in Pennsylvania. Those remaining do have prospects: remember their first foals are just four-year-olds in 2005, and Our Emblem and Wild Rush are just two examples of horses who were chucked out before their first four-year-olds (and second crop of three-year-olds) ran, and confounded the experts by coming good. Going into 2005, the leading lights from this group include: Victory Gallop (1), who had eight SW last year; Forestry (2), who had 11; Stravinsky (3), who is still racking up big quantities of runners and decent winners; and Malibu Moon (5), who will have the champion two-year-old colt in Declan's Moon. By comparison, in 2003, five second-crop sires made the top 100, including Grand Slam (8th), Distorted Humor (14), and Tale of the Cat (22) among the top 25, along with Deputy Commander (50) and Elusive Quality (71). *Cont. p5*

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*Bill Oppenheim cont.*

**The Tsunami Disaster...**

Coolmore's generosity--donating a season to all 49 of their stallions--to create a vehicle by which breeders can make a real contribution to the Tsunami disaster relief is commendable. In yesterday's paper, there were 20 published 'current high bids,' totalling around \$870,000. That is tremendous. There are many horrendous things that happen to humans on this planet, some self-inflicted and some not. But for possibly as many as 200,000 people to be wiped out--well, calling it a disaster of 'biblical' proportions is understandable. Definitely more people will have died than the entire population of Topeka, Kansas, and the total will not be that far short of the entire population of, say, Lexington, Kentucky. Here's another statistic; you know how people often say 'oh, the chances of winning the lottery--or being hit by a bus--are one in a million...' Well, the chances of dying in those tsunamis were only about 30,000 to 1--meaning one of every 30,000 people on the planet died last week.

There are a lot of demands on stallion owners--you're asked to fund the game a lot: a season for the Breeders' Cup, a season for this, a season for that, all good causes. So no one expects anyone to do anything, especially as so many individuals are making contributions to the relief effort, in significant, private ways. But this is a way for the horse business to look not-so-mercenary--that's an image problem we have, you know--so I would urge other stallion owners to consider contributing a season for this extraordinary emergency, and, on behalf of everybody on our side of the business who would like to do something, to thank Coolmore and the breeders who have bid on seasons for their generosity in addressing this terrible disaster, probably the worst natural disaster of our lifetimes.

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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE  
PERSPECTIVES**

*by Alan Porter*

**EL CONEJO H.-GIII**, \$110,500, SAX, 1-2, 4yo/up,  
5 1/2f, 1:02 2/5, wf.

1--@AREYOUTALKINTOME, 114, g, 4, by Smokester

1st Dam: Andrea Gail, by Storm Bird

2nd Dam: Jeanie's Gift, by Gulch

3rd Dam: Special Gift, by Seattle Slew

(\$10,000 yrl '02 BESOCT). O-Ron Manzani & Russell Sarno; B-John Toffan & Trudy McCaffery (CA); T-Doug O'Neill; J-T Baze; \$66,300. Lifetime Record: 15-6-5-3, \$349,292.

Writing about Thoroughbred racing and breeding makes one keenly aware of the passing of time and season. Still, it comes as something of a shock to find a horse on whose career one remembers reporting, starting to appear in the fourth generation of pedigrees of a major stakes winner.

We were reminded of that by this weekend's GIII El Conejo H. winner



**Areyoutalkintome** *Benoit*

Areyoutalkintome, whose third dam, Special Gift, is a daughter of Seattle Slew. The 1977 Triple Crown winner is actually appearing this far back in pedigrees quite frequently now, and was that far back in one foaled as early as 1997--Langston (by Pine Bluff)--

and a Grade I winner as early as 1998--Beckett (by Fairy King). The Seattle Slew strain in Areyoutalkintome comes in via his third dam Special Gift, a member of Slew's fifth crop. The fourth foal of champion two-year-old filly Smart Angle, Special Gift owned as fashionable a pedigree as one could want to find at the time, a point underlined when her year-older brother realized \$2.9 million at the 1987 Keeneland July Sale--the highest price of the 15 Seattle Slew yearlings sold that year. Racing as Houston, that yearling would become Smart Angle's only stakes winner, capturing the GIII King's Bishop S., GIII Derby Trial S. and GIII Bay Shore S.

Special Gift herself ran 13 times at two and three, winning twice for earnings of \$42,520. She didn't live up to her pedigree as a producer either, as of her 10 foals of racing age, only three have won. Special Gift's daughters, however, have begun to redeem the pedigree somewhat. Her third foal, Racing Queen, a daughter of Alysheba, was unplaced racing in England and France, but with her first foal, she produced the Colonial Affair colt Ubiquity, winner of the GII Clark H. Two years before that, Special Gift had kicked off her stud career by foaling Jeanie's Gift, a daughter of Gulch who fetched just \$17,000 at the Keeneland September Sale, and who never ran. Whatever her shortcomings at that stage of her career, Jeanie's Gift has actually outdone her dam as a producer. Her second foal is the excellent West Coast sprinter Elaborate (by Gilded Time), a winner of \$565,852, including the GII Triple Bend Breeders' Cup H.

The year after Elaborate, Jeanie's Gift foaled the stakes placed Bien Bien daughter No Malo. Her third foal, the Storm Bird filly Andrea Gail, didn't run, but has produced Areyoutalkintome in her first season at stud.

While Areyoutalkintome's first three dams are all by champions, his male line has been virtually entirely of only regional interest for the past 25 years or so. His grandsire Never Tabled, a son of Never Bend, didn't run until he was five, but he won three of five starts, including the Triple Bend H. Standing in California, Never Tabled did get 25 stakes winners from 379 foals in 11 crops. Most of these, however, were in California restricted stakes, and Never Tabled never did get a graded stakes winner. The task of continuing the male line was taken up not by one of Never Tabled's stakes winners, but by Smokester. He was even more lightly raced than his sire, making just four starts for victories in a maiden special weight and an allowance event, both at Santa Anita.

Not surprisingly, it was difficult for Smokester to attract patronage in his early years at stud, and his first four crops produced only 24 name foals.

Ten of those foals were in Smokester's first crop. Eight of them reached the races, and all eight were winners. What's more, that octet included Free House, who won the GI Santa Anita Derby, GI Pacific Classic and GI Santa Anita H., and five other graded races, as well as finishing second in the GI Preakness S. and third in the GI Kentucky Derby, and Bagshot, a Grade I placed stakes winner of nearly \$730,000.

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dr. b. or br. colt, 1997, Unbridled—Stormy Spell, by Tsunami Slew

**OCEAN TERRACE**

ch. colt, 2000, Saint Ballado—Crystal River, by Black Tie Affair

**SOTO**

ch. colt, 2000, Dehere—Subtle Fragrance, by Crafty Prospector



Alan Porter cont.

Subsequent to the appearance of Free House and Bagshot, Smokester attracted much bigger books of mares, and in the four years from 1998 to 2001 had crops of 61, 60, 71 and 73 foals. Those bigger crops haven't come up with another Free House, but Smokester has sired another seven stakes winners, including the multiple graded winning Ninebanks, and Areyoutalkintome.

Smokester has sired three stakes winners, including Bagshot and Areyoutalkintome, out of Northern Dancer-line mares. Close up, his pedigree is an outcross to Northern Dancer, but there are some ties between Northern Dancer and the distaff side of the pedigree of Smokester's broodmare sire, Transworld. Hornpipe II, the dam of Transworld, is by Hornbeam (Hyperion/Nearco cross) out of a mare by Mahmoud. Northern Dancer is by Nearctic (Nearco/Hyperion cross) with a second dam by Mahmoud.

We can also note that Smokester's sire, Never Tabled, is a Nasrullah/Princequillo cross, with a dam by Round Table. Seattle Slew, who we mentioned here as the sire of the third dam of Areyoutalkintome, is a Nasrullah/Princequillo cross, out of a mare by a son of Round Table, and his broodmare sire, Poker, is a Round Table/Nasrullah cross.

**WHAT'S DOING DOWN UNDER**  
By **BRONWYN FARR**



The strongest-ever international bench has assembled for Magic Millions 2005 Gold Coast Sale, with 16 yearlings by eight-time Australian champion sire Danehill amid a catalogue bulging with the progeny of 31-odd freshmen and 1151 yearlings over six sessions. The sale begins at 11 a.m. Thursday. Sure to get plenty of attention because of his flashy pedigree is a colt from Danehill's final crop, out of the Diesis (GB) mare Silken Whisper. Consigned by John Singleton's Strawberry Hills Stud, lot 565 has the sort of pedigree of many of the best of his sire's progeny, but the colt has also attracted his share of admirers purely on his good looks. Despite the presence of offerings of that stature, Magic Millions managing director David Chester has taken aim at Australasia's leading vendors for not backing the fast-growing Gold Coast sale with many of their blue-ribboned yearlings. "From Magic Millions' point of view, we've got all the buyers here, a bench from Hong Kong and Japan that has never been better, but we are a little bit disappointed we're lacking the top horses," said Chester. "We have been let down by some of the bigger studs who didn't support us like we had hoped. We've done a lot of work. We've attracted the buyers and the guys that have supported us with their top horses will have a field day because there is a shortage of those top horses," he said. "I don't know what more we can do. We have proven we can get big money and we have success with our graduates; the horses are performing. But we are lacking yearlings by top sires like Fusaichi Pegasus and Giant's Causeway." *Cont. p8*

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<a href="#">Yes It's True</a>	14	11	3   3	4	1   1	1	10   11	1   1
<a href="#">Fusaichi Pegasus</a>	13	11	3   4	3	0   0	1	11   12	0   0
<a href="#">King's Best</a>	13	13	0   0	1	0   0	1	12   12	0   0
<a href="#">Montjeu (Ire)</a>	12	11	2   2	4	1   1	2	10   10	1   1

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*Magic Millions preview cont.*

Chester was quick to add that, although officials are expecting a strong sale, Magic Millions was disadvantaged by being the first of Australasia's annual major sales. "At the end of our sale, everyone says how expensive it was, but by Easter, our horses look like very good value, because we set the trend for the year," he said. Last year, Magic Millions enjoyed a 20-percent increase in average, to A\$110,063, with a median of A\$80,000 and turnover of A\$62,075,500 for 564 sold at an 85.5 percent clearance rate. Magic Millions and Inglis are battling ferociously for market share with the growing Pacific Rim countries in mind, closing the last couple of years almost 50-50 on gross. But while Magic Millions continues to grow in size, the Inglis Easter sale has perhaps been repositioned as a slim, elite catalogue replete with the progeny of Australasia's most prized Group 1 winning mares. "Being the first sale of the year people know there are plenty more to be sold over the next few months," said Chester.

*Forecast for Magic Millions...*

The push for aid to victims of the Tsunami by the Australasian bloodstock industry continues to gain momentum as vendors and buyers gather to inspect more than 1,000 yearlings at the glitzy playground of the Gold Coast ahead of Magic Millions. "There's an atmosphere of expectation and quiet confidence, but possibly people are thinking of the insignificance of buying a Thoroughbred in light of the Tsunami," said prominent bloodstock agent Kieran Moore, who recently purchased 16 fillies and mares at Tattersalls and Goffs. Aushorse chairman John Messara said the Tsunami tragedy was unlikely to impact directly on the sale, with international purchasers visiting the Gold Coast largely unaffected. "It was a terrible thing, and we must never forget how lucky we are to have been spared from it," he said. "But looking at where buyers are coming from, I don't believe it will affect the sale."

*Big Shoes to Fill...*

With numerous interests looking to fill the void left by international sire Danehill, Kieran Moore said buyers will be looking to boom third-crop sire Redoute's Choice (Aus) (Danehill) to pick up the slack, while Encosta de Lago (Aus) (Fairy King), the sire of 17 stakes winners from four crops of racing age, should also prove enormously popular. "A couple of the really nice Danehill's will sell well," said Moore, "but Redoute's Choice is the boom horse of the moment. His yearlings are similar to Danehill's. They have a natural strength, they're good-moving horses, they are appealing animals and there is a perception about Redoute's Choice that he is the replacement for Danehill, so there is an aura about him," he commented. Arrowfield chief John Messara said Redoute's Choice had a record five representatives in Saturday's Magic Millions race, including short-priced favorite Snitzel (Aus), the winner of his only three appearances.

"Redoute's Choice will do as well as he did last year," predicted Messara, "We thought he might have overstepped the mark with the prices his yearlings brought at Easter, but he's lived up to it and there's been enormous demand for him." Redoute's Choice, who has seven individual stakes winners, was leading second-crop sire across all sales with an average of A\$205,216 and top price of A\$1.3 million in 2003; he has 27 catalogued at Magic Millions, while Encosta de Lago has 29. Giant's Causeway's debut offering of 16 yearlings are also expected to prove popular, along with 14 by notable stallion Fantastic Light. Other notable freshmen include an eye-catching draft by top juvenile Viscount (Aus) (Quest For Fame {GB}), an appealing first draft from Danehill's imported freshman Honours List (Ire), and 13 by Kingmambo's immaculately bred son King Cugat.

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Sire	(Sire--Dam)	2005 Live Foal Fee	Current High Bidder	Bid
BLACK MINNALOUSHE	(Storm Cat - Coral Dance)	\$ 7,500	--	--
CHAPEL ROYAL	(Montbrook - Cut Class Leanne)	\$10,000	Pat Costello, Ky	\$11,000
FUSAICHI PEGASUS	(Mr. Prospector - Angel Fever)	\$150,000	Paul & Linda Shanahan, Ire	\$150,000
GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	(Storm Cat - Mariah's Storm)	\$150,000	Stan Cosgrove, Ire	\$150,000
GRAND SLAM	(Gone West - Bright Candles)	\$85,000	--	--
HENNESSY	(Storm Cat - Island Kitty)	\$35,000	Foxtale Farm & David Garvin, Ky	\$30,000
HIGH YIELD	(Storm Cat - Scoop The Gold)	\$15,000	Fernando Diaz, Ca	\$11,000
HOLD THAT TIGER	(Storm Cat - Beware Of The Cat)	\$15,000	--	--
HONOUR AND GLORY	(Relaunch - Fair To All)	\$15,000	--	--
JOHANNESBURG	(Hennessy - Myth)	\$30,000	Dr M V & Mrs O'Brien, Aus	\$40,000
LION HEART	(Tale Of The Cat - Satin Sunrise)	\$30,000	Ken Donworth & Des Ryan, Ky	\$25,000
MONASHEE MOUNTAIN	(Danzig - Prospector's Delite)	\$10,000	Dr Chesen, Ky	\$10,000
ROYAL ACADEMY	(Nijinsky - Crimson Saint)	\$17,500	--	--
STRAVINSKY	(Nureyev - Fire The Groom)	\$25,000	Richard Giacopelli, NJ	\$25,000
TALE OF THE CAT	(Storm Cat - Yarn)	\$65,000	--	--
THUNDER GULCH	(Gulch - Line Of Thunder)	\$40,000	--	--
VAN NISTELROOY	(Storm Cat - Halory)	\$ 7,500	Rosliyn Polan, Ky	\$5,000
WOODMAN	(Mr. Prospector - Playmate)	\$20,000	--	--

## COOLMORE STUD - IRELAND

Sire	(Sire--Dam)	2005 Live Foal Fee	Current High Bidder	Bid
DANEHILL DANCER	(Danehill - Mira Adonde)	€40,000	Sangster Family/Swettenham Stud	€50,000
FASLIYEV	(Nureyev - Mr. P's Princess)	€25,000	Fiona Craig & Dermot Cantillon	€25,000
GALILEO	(Sadler's Wells - Urban Sea)	€37,500	Michael O'Leary, Ire	€40,000
GOLAN	(Spectrum - Highland Gift)	€10,000	Peter Reynolds, Ire	€25,000
HAWK WING	(Woodman - La Lorgnette)	€25,000	David & Diane Nagle, Ire	€30,000
HIGH CHAPARRAL	(Sadler's Wells - Kasora)	€30,000	--	--
MONTJEU	(Sadler's Wells - Floripedes)	€45,000	John Deer, UK	€45,000
ONE COOL CAT	(Storm Cat - Tacha)	€17,500	Eddie O'Leary, Ire	€20,000
PEINTRE CELEBRE	(Nureyev - Peinture Bleue)	€30,000	Marc de Chambure, Fr	€30,000
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	(Danehill - Offshore Boom)	€55,000	Lord & Lady Lloyd-Webber, UK	€55,000
SADLER'S WELLS	(Northern Dancer - Fairy Bridge)	Private	--	--
SPINNING WORLD	(Nureyev - Imperfect Circle)	€12,500	--	--
STATUE OF LIBERTY	(Storm Cat - Charming Lassie)	€10,000	Japan Bloodstock, Jpn	€10,000

## CASTLEHYDE STUD - IRELAND

Sire	(Sire--Dam)	2005 Live Foal Fee	Current High Bidder	Bid
ALZAO	(Lyphard - Lady Rebecca)	€7,500	--	--
CATCHER IN THE RYE	(Danehill - Truly A Dream)	€4,000	--	--
CHOISIR	(Danehill Dancer - Great Selection)	€12,500	Joseph Joyce, Ire	€12,500
KING CHARLEMAGNE	(Nureyev - Race The Wild Wind)	€ 7,000	Denis McDonnell, Ire	€7,000
MULL OF KINTYRE	(Danzig - Retrospective)	€5,000	Jimmy Murphy, Ire	€5,000
NIGHT SHIFT	(Northern Dancer - Ciboulette)	€17,500	--	--
ORPEN	(Lure - Bonita Francita)	€8,000	BBA Ireland, Ire	€10,000
SPARTACUS	(Danehill - Teslemi)	€5,000	--	--

## COOLMORE AUSTRALIA

SIRE	(Sire - Dam)	2005 Live Foal Fee	Current High Bidder	Bid
ENCOSTA DE LAGO	(Fairy King - Shoal Creek)	A\$132,000	Stuart Ramsey, Aus	A\$132,000

## NATIONAL HUNT - IRELAND

SIRE	(Sire - Dam)	2005 Live Foal Fee	Current High Bidder	Bid
BACH	(Caerleon - Producer)	€2,500	Mags Mullins, Ire	€2,500
BRIAN BORU	(Sadler's Wells - Eva Luna)	New For 2005	Walter Connors, Ire	€4,000
DR. MASSINI	(Sadler's Wells - Argon Laser)	€2,000	Dan O'Regan, Ire	€2,000
FLEMENSFIRTH	(Alleged - Etheldreda)	€4,000	Tony Mullins, Ire	€6,000
IMPERIAL BALLETT	(Sadler's Wells - Amaranda)	New for 2005	David Wachman, Ire	€5,000
MILAN	(Sadler's Wells - Kithanga)	€3,500	Eddie Hales, Ire	€6,000
OSCAR	(Sadler's Wells - Snow Day)	€5,000	Frank O'Malley, Ire	€6,000
SADDLERS' HALL	(Sadler's Wells - Sunny Valley)	€4,500	Charlie Swan, Ire	€5,000
SNURGE	(Ela-Mana-Mou - Finlandia)	€2,500	--	--
TURTLE ISLAND	(Fairy King - Sisania)	€3,000	--	--

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★ **INDUSTRY INFO** ★

**Yoshida's Purchase Eaton Farms Broodmare Division:**

Dr. and Mrs. Naoya Yoshida, DVM, owners of Winchester Farm, have purchased Indian Hill Farm, the broodmare division of Eaton Farms in Lexington, Kentucky. Located near Castleton Lyons, Cobra Farm and Spendthrift Farm, the 268-acre farm has produced champions Woodman, Green Desert, Market Booster and Russian Rhythm. "We are thrilled for Dr. Yoshida to have this historically successful Thoroughbred farm," said Eaton Farms Management President Reiley McDonald, a partner with Tom VanMeter of Eaton Sales. "My partner, Tom, and I own three additional broodmare farms between us to focus our attention on and, of course, we will continue to operate our yearling preparation division located on Newton Pike."

★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

**IN BRITAIN:**

+ **Big Band Music**, c, 3, [Dixieland Band](#). See "Britain"

**PASTORAL PURSUITS TO JOIN NATIONAL STUD**

The National Stud has announced the addition of Group winner **Pastoral Pursuits (GB)** (Bahamian Bounty {GB}--Star {GB}, by Most Welcome {GB}) to their stallion roster for the 2006 breeding season. The National Stud will assume 40 percent of the stallion prospect now and the remaining 60-percent interest at the conclusion of the 2005 season. The Stud plans to syndicate 40 percent of the horse. Breaking the juvenile track record at Kempton en route to an impressive score in the G3 Serenia S., the bay was shelved for the rest of the season with a knee chip, but came back the following year to take two out of four starts, including the G2 GNER Park S. at Doncaster. The four-year-old, who will compete in 2005 for owner The Pursuits Partnership and trainer Hughie Morrisson, currently has five wins from eight starts and \$209,178 in earnings to his credit.

**Yesterday's Result:**

**Lingfield, 12.20, Mdn**, £6,480, 3yo, 1m (AWT), 1:39.10, stn.

+ **BIG BAND MUSIC** (c, 3, [Dixieland Band](#)--**Bashfulcharmer {SW}**, by **Capote**) broke smartly from his outside draw and settled in a stalking fourth until joining issue with the front rank soon after halfway. Accelerating into a decisive lead at the quarter-mile marker, the even-money favorite ran on strongly for one application of the persuader inside the final furlong to safely account for Avanti Avanti (Royal Academy) by three lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £4,212. O-Sheikh Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Lazy Lane Stables Inc; T-David Loder.

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TOMORROW, THURSDAY, JANUARY 6:**  
01-15 \$200,000a **San Fernando Breeders' Cup-II, SA**, 4yo, 8.5f (200)  
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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**9th-PHA, \$23,000, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft.**

**COMPLETION (f, 4, Honor Grades--Complete the Dream, by Graustark) Lifetime Record: 22-6-1-6, \$82,220. O-Victory Thoroughbreds LLC. B-Phillips Racing Partnership (KY). T-Alan Bedard. \*\$60,000 2yo 2003 OBSMAR.**

**10th-PHA, \$22,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.**

**SEE YOU AT SIRO'S (g, 7, Coastal Voyage--Trinity Peace, by Lordedaw {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 18-4-4-1, \$116,960. O-Roddy J Valente. B-Mayfair Farm (FL). T-Ronald J Dandy.**

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Chaya, m, 5, Touch Gold--Tenacious Tiffany (GSW, \$190,672), by Star de Naskra. PHA, 1-4, a1m70yd, 1:44 1/5. B-Twin Hopes Farm, Inc (Ky).**

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

**Second-crop progeny to watch: Wednesday, Jan. 5**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2000 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW*

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

**BERNSTEIN (Storm Cat), Buck Pond, \$8K, 63/11/2 6-GG, Msw, 6f, Bernstein's Babe, \$125K BAR MAR 2yo**

**RUNNING STAG (Cozzene), Adena, \$8K, 154/11/1**

**6-GG, Msw, 6f, Running Jin, \$55K OBS MAR 2yo**

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**FRANCE, Pau, 3.05, 1-4, €20,000, 4yo/up, 1 3/16m (AWT), 2:00.00, stn.**

**SIGN OF THE WOLF (GB) (h, 5, Loup Solitaire--Sign Of The Vine {Fr}, by Kendor {Fr}) Lifetime Record: GSW-Fr, 16 starts, 6 wins, 3 places, €107,550. O-B van Dalflen; B-A Crichton; T-Francois Rohaut.**

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Oh Oui (Fr), f, 4, Dolpour (Ire)--If Only (Fr), by Highest Honor (Fr). Pau, France, 1-4, Cond, 4yo, 1 3/16m (AWT). B-Jean-Paul Delaporte.**

**Atlantic City (GB), g, 4, First Trump (GB)--Pleasuring (GB), by Good Times (Ity). Lingfield, Britain, 1-4, Mdn, 4-6yo, 1 1/2m (AWT). B-Keith Freeman. \*1/2 to Suggestive (GB) (Reprimand {GB}), MSW & MGSP-Eng, GSP-Fr, \$260,689. \*\*20,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT.**

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**★ ON THE WORKTAB ★**

**BELMONT**  
**Snake Mountain (A.P. Indy), 3f, :36.65, 2/5**

**FAIR GROUNDS**  
**Lady Tak (Mutakddim), 4f, :49.40, 12/37**

**GULFSTREAM**  
**Defer (Danzig), 4f, :49.00, 12/21**

**PALM MEADOWS**  
**Feline Story (Tale of the Cat), 4f, :51.40, 47/49**  
**Freefourinternet (Tabasco Cat), 4f, :49.00, 27/49**  
**Millennium Dragon (GB) (Mark of Esteem {Ire}), 4f, :48.00, 11/49**  
**Mustanfar (Unbridled), 4f, :49.00, 27/49**  
**Offlee Wild (Wild Again), 4f, :48.40, 14/49**  
**Roses in May (Devil His Due), 6f, 1:12.40, 1/1**

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