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A MASTERFUL PERFORMANCE AT OBS

A handsome colt by sophomore sire **Dance Master** (Gone West) topped a record-setting round of bidding at yesterday's Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's Selected



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Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale at Calder Race Course. The one-day event failed to match the explosiveness of last year's event, which produced a record bid of \$1.6 million for a son of Wild Rush. However, a steady succession of winning bids at the \$200,000 to \$300,000 level and a flurry of action during the last 30 hips resulted in a record median

price of \$120,000, a 37.1-percent increase from last year's \$87,500. Despite the lack of a home-run horse, the sale achieved a new record average of \$136,890, narrowly eclipsing last year's mark of \$136,304. "I think the sale went well," said Tom Ventura, OBS director of sales. "We didn't have the breakout horse that we did in the past two years, but we were still able to eek out another record average. And for the median to be that close to the average, that's very unusual. It really shows the depth of the sale."

Klesaris Kleans House for Puglisi...

On Fat Tuesday, South Florida-based trainer Steve Klesaris and his client Jeff Puglisi kicked it up a notch, signing for the afternoon's two most expensive horses, as well as a colt by champion sprinter Artax for \$300,000. "You want good horses, you've got to pay for them," said Klesaris matter-of-factly. "We knew coming in that if you want to buy the good ones, you've got to step up. And that what it takes. Sometimes you find a diamond in the rough, but they're harder and harder to come by. But the racing industry's going in the right direction and the money's out there. We got three of the five that were on our list." Puglisi is the president and CEO of Puglisi & Co., a New York-based securities broker dealer that specializes in investment banking, institutional trading and equity trading.
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OBS FEBRUARY TWO-YEAR-OLDS

TOP LOTS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
<u>195</u>	c	Dance Master	More d'Amour	600,000 (\$12,000 wnlg '03 OBSOCT; \$63,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL) B-Padua Stables (FI) Consigned by Leprechaun Racing, agent Purchased by Steve Klesaris, agent for Puglisi Stables
<u>171</u>	c	Phone Trick	Lark Creek	550,000 (\$50,000 yrl '04 KEEJAN) B-Barry R Ostrager & Steven S Mukamal (NY) Consigned by Ricky Leppala, agent Purchased by Steve Klesaris, agent for Puglisi Stables
<u>193</u>	c	Exchange Rate	Miss Virginia	425,000 (\$65,000 yrl '04 OBSAUG) B-Loren Nichols & Dr Joseph Tripi (FI) Consigned by Wavertree Stables (C Dunne), agent I Purchased by John Connelly
<u>21</u>	c	Old Trieste	Rose Bay	300,000 B-Ocala Stud Farms (FI) Consigned by Ocala Stud Farms Purchased by John Oxley
<u>92</u>	c	Artax	Bonnie Byerly	300,000 (\$62,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-Longleaf Pine Farm (Ky) Consigned by W.D. North, agent Purchased by Steve Klesaris, agent for Puglisi Stables
<u>34</u>	c	Halo's Image	Skip's Stiletto	275,000 (\$52,000 yrl '04 OBSAUG) B-Arthur I Appleton (FI) Consigned by Nick de Meric, agent I Purchased by Buzz Chace, agt. for West Point T'bred
<u>142</u>	f	More Than Ready	Guilty Pleasure	270,000 (\$75,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-Nordic Thoroughbreds (Ky) Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, agent Purchased by Todd A Pletcher, agent
<u>129</u>	f	Maria's Mon	Flirtatious	260,000 (\$50,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-W S Farish & W Temple Webber Jr (Ky) Consigned by Blazing Meadows Farm, agent Purchased by Ocala Horses LLC

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OBS February cont.

Dancing the Night Away...

Hailing from the draft of Michael and Britt Mulligan's Leprechaun Racing, hip 195, a well-made chestnut with three white socks, is the first foal out of the MSP mare More d'Amour (Tour d'Or), a winner of \$211,256 in five years on the track. The colt, originally a \$12,000 weanling purchase at the OBSOCT sale, was picked up for \$63,000 by Leprechaun at last year's Fasig-Tipton July sale. He hinted at his ability during the first undertack show Jan. 31, drilling a quarter mile in a bullet :21 2/5. That set the table for yesterday's show. "A special horse brings a special price," an ebullient Mike Mulligan said. "We've known he was special for a long time. He came down here and did his job. After the breeze show, he was the same horse at the end of the shank. You've got to love him in the barn, you've got love him on the track." One person that took a fancy to the horse was Klesaris. "He was a good mover and had great mechanics," said the East Coast conditioner.

Trick Me Once, Trick Me Twice...

Eight years ago, a son of Phone Trick consigned by Ricky Leppala left the ring an OBS February Sales graduate and, within just nine months, had accomplished enough on the track to be named Horse of the Year. While it remains to be seen if hip 171, another son of Phone Trick, can match the feats of Favorite Trick, the chestnut gave Leppala another pinhooking success when Steve Klesaris bought the colt for \$550,000. Purchased for \$50,000 as a short yearling at the Keeneland January sale by the Triple J operation, the colt was eventually moved down to Leppala's Ocala farm, where he prepped for this sale. So do the two horses have much in common? "He's actually bigger than Favorite Trick," said Stacy Leppala, Ricky's wife, partner and the operation's primary exercise rider. "But he had the same great mind, same great attitude. He never acts up and he's great to ride." The May 3 foal is out of Lark Creek (Meadowlake), a half sister to the ill-fated GSW & GISP **Midnight Cry** (Smart Strike).



Hip 171 Horsephotos

'04 OBSFEB STAKES-WINNING GRADUATES		
HORSE	SIRE	OBS PRICE
Runway Model	Petionville	\$260,000
<i>(won GII Darley Alcibiades S., GII Golden Rod S.)</i>		
B.B. Best	Yes It's True	\$150,000
<i>(won In Reality S., Dr. Fager S., Wynn Dot Comma S.)</i>		
Flamenco	Dance Master	\$150,000
<i>(won Jack Price Juvenile S., Victoria S., Cowdin S.)</i>		
Spanish Chestnut	Horse Chestnut (SAf)	\$500,000
<i>(won GII San Rafael S.)</i>		
Hostile Witness	Successful Appeal	\$23,000 (RNA)
<i>(won Inaugural S.)</i>		
Razor	Concorde's Tune	\$200,000
<i>(won Dixieland S.)</i>		
Double D Appeal	Successful Appeal	\$120,000
<i>(won Nursery S.)</i>		
G P's Black Knight	Tiger Ridge	\$60,000
<i>(won Birdonthewire S.)</i>		
Malibu Moonshine	Malibu Moon	\$62,000 (RNA)
<i>(won Miracle Wood S., St. Nick S.)</i>		

Top Lots cont.

144 c	Stormin Fever	Hanque Bankue	250,000
<i>(\$57,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL)</i>			
<i>B-Brereton C Jones (Ky)</i>			
<i>Consigned by Wavertree Stables (C Dunne), agent V</i>			
<i>Purchased by Carrol Castille</i>			
170 c	Exploit	Lanai City	250,000
<i>(\$27,000 yrl '04 KEESEP)</i>			
<i>B-Kenneth C Roberts (Ky)</i>			
<i>Consigned by Donna M Wormser, Inc., agent</i>			
<i>Purchased by Klaravich Stables</i>			
196 c	Two Punch	Morning Tease	250,000
<i>(\$27,000 yrl '04 FTMOCT)</i>			
<i>B-Dennis Drazin (Md)</i>			
<i>Consigned by Classic Bloodstock, agent</i>			
<i>Purchased by Mike Gill</i>			

Smarty Jones

2005 Book Full

Average margin of victory was six lengths, while winning 8 out of 9 starts.

"There was nothing about him that wasn't great."
 – Steve Haskin



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OBS February cont.

Nice Rate of Return...

Stepping into the ring just two hips before the sales-topping colt by Dance Master, a horse by another Padua stallion, freshman **Exchange Rate** (Danzig), attracted the second-highest bid on the afternoon. Cattleman John Connelly, located just outside the sales pavillion, secured hip 193 on a \$425,000 bid. "What really sold him to me was the way he walked around here in the walking ring," said Connelly. "It just looked like he was the king of the place." Connelly said the colt would eventually sent to trainer Bob Baffert's barn in California. Consigned by Ciaran Dunn's Wavertree Stables, hip 193, a registered Florida-bred, is the third foal out of the stakes-placed mare Miss Virginia (Magic Prospect), herself a half sister to stakes performer Remember the Roar (Vigors).

Artax Colt Brings \$300,000...

Sitting directly front of the auction ring, Klesaris made the winning bid on hip 92, a chestnut colt by Artax from the family of champion Soaring Softly. Klesaris offered \$300,000 on behalf of Puglisi Stables. It was the another solid profit for consignor W.D. North, who purchased hip 92 for \$62,000 at last year's Keeneland September sale for himself and partner Norman Adams. At the 2004 OBS February sale, North consigned the \$1.6-million sales topper, a colt by Wild Rush. North made the trip down to Miami from his base in Ocala with just one horse in his consignment, but yesterday's succesful pinhook made the trip well worthwhile. "I had bought three horses [as yearlings] that I thought would work down here, and he was the star of the group, so I elected to bring just him," explained North.

More is Better For Pletcher...

On paper, it looked like the sort of horse Todd Pletcher would be interested in buying. In actuality, it was the sort of horse Pletcher bought. Hip 142, a muscular dark bay filly by sophomore sire and one-time Pletcher trainee More Than Ready, was knocked down to Gulfstream Park's current leading trainer for \$270,000. The Feb. 26 foal is out of the unraced Pine Bluff mare Guilty Pleasure, a half sister to the Pletcher-conditioned Ready's Gal, a daughter of More Than Ready who was second in last year's renewal of the GI Frizette S. "She's a filly we've been following a while," said Pletcher, who purchased hip 142 from the draft of Niall Brennan Stables. Asked if she resembled Ready's Gal, Pletcher said, "A little bit, but she's got a lot more More Than Ready in her. We're very excited about his second crop, which looks even better than his first."

**OBS SELECTED TWO-YEAR-OLDS IN TRAINING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 2005**

<u>SESSION TOTALS</u>	<u>2005</u>	<u>2004</u>
No. Offered	158	169
No. Sold	109	112
RNAs	49	57
% RNA	31%	33.7%
Gross	\$14,921,000	\$15,266,000
Average (% change)	\$136,890 (+0.4%)	\$136,304
Median (% change)	\$120,000 (+37.1%)	\$87,500

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HE JUST KEEPS ON SLAMMIN'

2005

Already **4** stakes horses, including last Saturday **Cool Spell** (1st **Gasparilla S.-L.R.**) and **Alfonsina** (2nd **Old Hat S.-G3**).

2004

11 SW's - **G1** wnr **Cafe Olympus**, **G2** wnrs **Limehouse**, **Fire Slam** etc.

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Analyze This...

Europe's "Iron Horse," Giant's Causeway, was a red-hot sire prospect when he retired from racing in 2000, and he made good on that promise with a number of talented runners last year. Understandably, full brothers to the son of Storm Cat were in high demand--Roar of



Freud laklandnorth.com

the Tiger retired to Florida, Tumblebrutus is a Bluegrass resident--while a third, Freud, has taken up stud duties at Lakland North in New York. Freud, a graded-stakes-placed runner in England, first came to the States when Lakland's Becky Thomas purchased a half interest in the colt from Coolmore Stud. He proved popular at the yearling sales last year, with nine sold averaging over \$48,000 (off a \$5,000 stud fee). His offspring continued to sell well yesterday--

a pair of colts sold for an average of \$185,000. None of this was surprising to Thomas, who said that Freud's offspring have been a handsome, consistent group. "We have a lot of people who come around the farm to look at our young horses at this time of the year," said Thomas, "and I could care less who they're by or who they're out of--a nice horse is a nice horse. And of the 11 or so that I show consistently, four of them are Freuds." Thomas, describing the strategy behind the management of Freud, also indicated that buyers should be on the lookout for his offspring at future juvenile sales. "We have 20 of his two-year-olds. We're trying to get them in different places and very much want everybody to buy one from us. When we sell something as a weanling, as a yearling, it will have a very low reserve on those stallions we're trying to make. And we've got a jam-up set of good two-year-olds from him coming later."

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Padua Getting Back in the Saddle...

After announcing last summer that it would boycott auctions to bring attention to initiatives for sales reform, Satish Sanan's Padua Stables was back bidding on horses yesterday. Sanan's daughter, Nadia, was on the sales grounds to handle affairs for Padua, as well as root on the offspring of several Padua stallions. Asked if the measures taken by the Sales Integrity Task Force prompted Padua's return to the sales, Nadia Sanan said, "I can tell you that it gave us a lot of confidence. We've been talking to the consignors about how well it's been embraced. I'm very proud of everyone in this industry for taking a step forward." Ms. Sanan indicated Padua will likely participate in the yearling sales later in the year, but would focus on the two-year-olds sales. "We had a lot of success last year [at the juvenile sales]," she said. "We bought five horses, four of them have won already and two are stakes winners, including Proud Accolade." Proud Accolade, winner over Afleet Alex in the GI Champagne S. last fall, made a successful 2005 debut with a commanding victory in Saturday's GI Hutcheson S. at Gulfstream.

A Rousing Day for the Resellers...

While this year's OBS February Sale might have lacked the excitement generated by a six-figure juvenile, one group that left with pockets full of profit were pinhookers, who achieved great success yesterday. Of the top 11 horses sold, 10 of them were purchased at previous sales. The total profit from that group of horses alone amounted to over \$2.9 million. Resellers hope that the trend continues when the two-year-old sales season continues in four weeks' time at the Fasig-Tipton Calder Sale Mar. 1.

What They're Saying At The Sales...

"When we're buying, we don't limit ourselves to freshman sires, but we do look at them, certainly. It's kind of fun to see the ones you think are really going to have a shot, the ones you've seen a lot of nice stock by. Usually, it's a little easier for us to buy them. To buy a really nice horse by one of the established sires, like Unbridled's Song or A.P. Indy, they're obviously very expensive. So we tend to go with the younger sires, the freshman sires, and maybe you have a better chance of buying one. And there's no knock on them--they don't have runners."

--Consignor Niall Brennan on the impact of freshman sires

HIP 181. GSW ON TWO CONTINENTS IN-FOAL TO JOHANNESBURG

Stakes winner in three countries **DANCAL** is a **GSW** in USA and SAF, and won the Jebel Ali Mile in UAE. In foal to North America's leading first crop weanling sire of 2004, **JOHANNESBURG** (\$135,386 avg), already the sire of a record price yearling in 2005.

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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE
PERSPECTIVES**

by Alan Porter

DONN H.-GI, \$500,000, GPX, 2-5, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:48 2/5, ft.

▲ **SAINT LIAM**, 119, h, 5, by Saint Ballado

1st Dam: **Quiet Dance (SW & GSP, \$224,240)**, by Quiet American

2nd Dam: **Misty Dancer**, by Lyphard

3rd Dam: **Flight Dancer**, by Misty Flight

(\$130,000 yrl '01 FTSAUG). O-Mr & Mrs William K Warren Jr; B-Edward P Evans (KY); T-Richard E Dutrow Jr; J-E Prado; \$300,000. Lifetime Record: 15-6-5-1, \$1,060,035. *1/2 to Congressionalhonor (Forestry), GSW, \$104,588.

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After their epic dual in the GI Woodward S., we wondered whether the two principals, Ghostzapper and Saint Liam, would ever be able to reproduce their best form again. This was particularly so in the case of Saint Liam, who despite never having previously won a stakes, took the fight to Ghostzapper, leading through six furlongs in 1:08.3 and a mile in 1:33.1, before losing a gut-wrenching stretch battle by a quarter length.

Remarkably, however, the white heat of battle seems to have done nothing more than temper the steel of both horses. Of course, Ghostzapper returned to take the GI Breeders' Cup Classic in dominating fashion, securing Horse of the Year honors in the process. Saint Liam was away from the races for 10 weeks after the Woodward, but when he did reappear, he recorded his first stakes victory in the GII Clark H. This weekend, making his first start since that effort, Saint Liam secured his first Grade I triumph, and pushed his earnings past the \$1-million mark, with a win in the GI Donn H. To underscore the value of the Woodward S. form, Roses in May, three lengths behind Ghostzapper in the Breeders' Cup Classic, was second here, beaten three lengths, while conceding two pounds to Saint Liam.

Saint Liam is a member of the second Kentucky crop sired by the now deceased Saint Ballado. A son of Halo (and a brother to champions Devil's Bag and Glorious Song), Saint Ballado was an complete outcross from Mr. Prospector and Northern Dancer, so his premature death was a significant loss to the industry.

As we've previously related in this column, Saint Ballado began his career at a modest fee at Mike O'Farrell, Jr.'s Ocala Stud Farm. He made a very bright start there with three stakes winners in his first crop headed by Captain Bodgit, winner of five stakes events, including the GII Wood Memorial and GI Florida Derby, and beaten just a head by Silver Charm in the GI Kentucky Derby. In Saint Ballado's second crop came 10 more stakes winners, including Grade I winner Sister Act and graded stakes scorers Fantasy Angel and Sweetsouthernst. Three subsequent Florida crops produced the GI Metropolitan H. hero Yankee Victor and other graded stakes winners Flame Thrower, Straight Man and Lindsay Jean, but by then Saint Ballado was in Kentucky, having moved to Taylor Made Farm in Nicholasville, Kentucky, for the 1998 breeding season. Initially, Saint Ballado stood at Taylor Made for \$30,000, but his fee had risen to \$125,000 for the 2002 season.

Saint Ballado's first Kentucky crop was a little disappointing considering it was produced from the best book of mares he had covered to that point. From 95 foals, he was represented by just five stakes winners, the best of which were Popular, who took the GIII San Miguel S., and Saint Marden, victorious in the GIII Discovery H. Perhaps it took a while for Kentucky breeders to work out what mares best-suited Saint Ballado, as his second and third Kentucky crops have proved much more successful. Saint Liam is one of nine stakes winners from Saint Ballado's second Kentucky crop, the others including the ill-fated GII Schuylerville S. heroine, Freedom's Daughter; the GIII Lecomte S. winner Sainly Look; the GIII Ladies H. victress Savedbythelight; and the GIII El Camino Real S. winner Ocean Terrace. Saint Ballado's third Kentucky crop is headlined by Ashado, the champion three-year-old filly of 2004, and GII Santa Catalina S. winner St Averil.

Saint Liam and the 2004 GIII Bay Meadows Derby victor Congressionalhonor (by Forestry) are the second and third foals, respectively, of their dam, Quiet Dance. Quiet Dance was an accomplished runner in her own right, winning the Gala Lil S., and finishing second in the GII Demoiselle S. She is by Quiet American, a horse who is turning into a promising broodmare sire, with his daughters having also already produced Grade I-winning juvenile Whywhywhy; Cherry Mix, a Group winner who was also runner-up in last year's G1 Prix de L'arc de Triomphe; and last year's GIII Kentucky Breeders' Cup S. and GIII Bashford Manor S. winner, Lunarpal.

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Porter cont.

Quiet Dance was the only black-type horse produced by her dam, Misty Dancer, a daughter of Lyphard. However, Misty Dancer owned a high-class pedigree, as she was three-parts sister to champion Irish juvenile filly Minstrella (by The Minstrel), herself dam of graded stakes winners Colonial Minstrel and Minidar, and half sister to the five time Grade I winner, Misty Gallore. She was subsequently the dam of the very useful sire Silver Ghost. Misty Gallore was a daughter of Halo, the grandsire of Saint Liam, so bred on somewhat similar lines. We can also note that Saint Liam's fifth dam is the great racemare, Gallorette.

Saint Liam represents a Saint Ballado/Mr. Prospector cross, and Saint Ballado sired at least seven of his stakes winners out of Mr. Prospector-line mares. Other graded stakes winners with that cross include Popular, Saint Marden and Ocean Terrace. Saint Liam is linebred to Almahmoud through her grandsons Halo and Northern Dancer. The pedigree also has another famous daughter of Almahmoud's sire, Mahmoud, in the shape of Grey Flight (dam of Misty Flight, the sire of the third dam of Saint Liam). This Mahmoud influence is further intensified by the pedigree of Saint Ballado's granddam, Miss Swapsco. She is by Mahmoud's son, Cohoes, and her granddam is by Mirza II, a speedy three-parts brother to Mahmoud.

FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



APEX RATINGS: TWENTY-YEAR TOTALS

The first year for which APEX indices were calculated was 1983; in the 22 years since, there have been over 24,000 individual 'A Runners', sired by over 4,000 different stallions. Many of these horses, like Northern Dancer, his sons Lyphard and Nijinsky, Riverman, Blushing Groom, etc., had been at stud for a few years, at least, before we started collecting APEX information. So we can't make assertions about who the all-time leaders in various categories might be, because, in this method, 'all time' only started in 1983. But probably the last great sire on whom we don't have lifetime APEX statistics is Mr. Prospector; his first crop was foaled in 1976, and we began counting crops from 1980. His last crop were three-year-olds of 2003 (foals of 2000), so our statistics cover 21 of his 25 crops. Even so, he is fourth leading all-time sire of 'individual A Runners' (meaning they are here counted only once, no matter how many different racing seasons they were 'year-starters'), with 143. He is also the runaway all-time leading damsire of 'A' Runners (240), but since his first foals would have been seven in 1983, he couldn't have had more than one or two more that would have been 'A' Runners before that.

Only seven sires have so far sired 100 or more 'A' Runners in the last 22 years, but I can guarantee you if Seattle Slew doesn't come up with one for real in the next year or two. I'm going to make one up for him, because it would just be too cruel to end up with 99. The all-time Leading Sire of individual 'A' runners is the 14-time British/Irish champion sire, Sadler's Wells. As we detailed last week, his 16 new 'A' Runners in 2004 take his total to 186, which is 11.2% of his 1,659 foals in 17 crops of racing age.

 **FOALING NEWS**

CHERIE, 11, Afleet--My Lovely (Graustark)
 Foal born Jan. 23, a colt by Holy Bull.
 Will be bred back to Perfect Soul (Ire).
 Owned by Charles Fipke.
 Boarded at Darby Dan Farm, Ky.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Garnered (Holy Bull), SW,
 \$198,200.

Do You Know Your 'ABC's'?

A.P. INDY – #1 Sire 'ABC' Runner APEX Index

SMART STRIKE – #1 Sire 'B' Runner APEX Index

LANGFUHR – #1 Sire of New 'A' Runners / foals of '99



Oppenheim cont.

Sure, he's benefited from the Coolmore big-book policy; sure, he's benefited from being Europe's only true world top five sire (until stablemate Danehill emerged, just too late) for the last 20 years, but it's all splitting hairs. The really sobering thing to learn is that, even by the most prolific sire of good horses of the last 20 years, the odds are still 8-to-1 against any horse by him becoming an 'A' Runner. Do not reveal this to the outside world without a disclaimer that begins something like, "you know how absolutely everything about horse racing is a gamble ...?"

Number two all-time leading sire of 'A' Runners is Sunday Silence, but there does have to be some kind of asterisk by his numbers. We've been looking at Japanese earnings figures for a few years now, and they need to be read very differently from North American and European figures. For one thing, the overall purse distribution is weighted very heavily in favor of four-year-olds and up (that's really just a general comment), but also because Sunday Silence's numbers are truly huge in all departments. In 11 crops of racing age, he has had 1,349 foals. His average of 122.6 foals per crop surpasses even Coolmore's performance in that regard. Sunday Silence has sired 160 individual 'A' Runners, which is 11.9% of his foals, and compares him favorably with Sadler's Wells (11.2%) and the up-and-coming A.P. Indy (11.8%). Storm Cat is tops in that department (13.3%) among active sires, although Danzig, third in lifetime A Runners with an even 150, leads all sires in that category (14.7%--odds of just 6-to-1 against). But listen to this, back on Sunday Silence for a minute: we did a sort on sires who had the most 'runners' (year-starters, meaning they're counted once for every year they start). Here are the top five 1998-2004:

1. Sunday Silence - 2,555
2. Woodman - 1,552
3. Sadler's Wells - 1,461
4. Danehill - 1,389
5. Cryptoclearance - 1,385

Those numbers are almost too mind-boggling to take at face value; there must be some ways in which conditions there are not exactly the same as in North America or Europe. But the worst you can say about him is that Sunday Silence was certainly the most important sire that has ever stood in Japan, and was surely a legitimate world top 10 sire.

So the top four are Sadler's Wells, Sunday Silence, Danzig, and Mr. Prospector (based on 84% of his crops). Storm Cat is up to 127, and it must be very short odds that he will pass the 150 mark and overtake Danzig and Mr. Prospector, in time. Nureyev will now just about be closing out a distinguished career, with 111 individual 'A' Runners (14.5% of his 788 foals). Danehill (111 and counting) and Seattle Slew (temporarily stalled on 99) complete this super-select list, each with almost exactly 10% 'A' Runners to foals.

Sadler's Wells and Danehill prove that attaining 10% A Runners/foals, or even higher, is possible--but A.P. Indy, who will be the next to reach the 100-A Runner mark, is the only other sire hitting the 10% mark right now: he has sired, as mentioned, 11.8% 'A' Runners/foals. Kingmambo has 47 'A' Runners in his first eight crops, which have averaged 68 foals; that is 8.6% 'A' Runners/foals. All the auguries say Kingmambo is a legitimate world top 10 sire--he even had three 'A' Runners as a broodmare sire last year, two of them foaled when his oldest crop was just six--and the odds are that his percentages will improve even as his crop sizes get bigger, because the class of mare he was now getting increased even more than his crop size. That sounds pretty technical, doesn't it? Anyway, like Pivotal, Kingmambo had statistical reasons for 2004 not to be a very good year, yet he had 13 new 'A' Runners, so I say his prospects remain very strong.

MR. P. RULES

That upstart Dixieland Band, now with 54 'A' Runners as a broodmare sire, might have usurped his position as North America's leading broodmare sire in 2004, but in the overall picture, Mr. Prospector is in a class of his own as a broodmare sire, with 240 'A' Runners to his credit, over 50 more than runner-up Nijinsky II. Even though these are just partial career totals for many of the 18 sires (and counting) who are the damsires of 100+ 'A' Runners, I am flabbergasted that 17 of the 18 still had 'A' Runners as broodmare sires in 2004. I mean, Northern Dancer was foaled in 1962, and Graustark in 1963, and yet both were damsires of two 'A' Runners each last year. It may well be true that just about any sire can be the sire, or especially the damsire, of one or two good, or even very good horses; but in the broodmare sire department, it looks like the familiar refrains are still the best ones.



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LEADING SIRES OF INDIVIDUAL 'A' RUNNERS (1983-2004)

SIRE	NEW '04	TOTAL
SADLER'S WELLS	16	186
SUNDAY SILENCE	23	160
DANZIG	3	150
MR. PROSPECTOR	1	143
STORM CAT	11	127
NUREYEV	1	114
DANEHILL	18	111
SEATTLE SLEW	1	99
CAERLEON	0	97
DEPUTY MINISTER	2	87
DIXIELAND BAND	0	85
CRAFTY PROSPECTOR	2	82
ALYDAR	0	79
RAINBOW QUEST	1	78
A.P. INDY	12	77
AFFIRMED	1	77
NIJINSKY II	0	77
MISWAKI	3	76
PRIVATE ACCOUNT	0	76
WILD AGAIN	2	74
BROAD BRUSH	3	72
IRISH RIVER	0	72
CONQUISTADOR CIELO	1	71
BLUSHING GROOM	0	68
KRIS S.	4	68
THEATRICAL	7	68
PLEASANT COLONY	0	67
VICE REGENT	0	67
RELAUNCH	0	66
GONE WEST	4	65
WOODMAN	1	65
VALID APPEAL	0	64
ALLEGED	0	63
BOLD RUCKUS	0	63
LYPHARD	0	63
RIVERMAN	0	62
SEEKING THE GOLD	4	62
MAJESTIC LIGHT	0	61
GREEN DANCER	0	60
CURE THE BLUES	0	59
GREEN DESERT	4	59
ROYAL ACADEMY	5	59
DARSHAAN	0	58
DIESIS	1	58
CORMORANT	0	57
LORD AVIE	2	56
CARSON CITY	9	55
FORTY NINER	1	55

SIRE	NEW '04	TOTAL
KALDOUN	1	54
SILVER HAWK	2	53
CLEVER TRICK	1	52
AFLEET	2	51
ALZAO	4	51
DYNAFORMER	1	51
FAPPIANO	0	51
ROBERTO	0	51
TONY BIN	2	51
MR. LEADER	0	50
NODOUBLE	0	50
PIRATE'S BOUNTY	0	50
STAR DE NASKRA	0	50
COX'S RIDGE	0	49
EXPLODENT	0	49
GULCH	1	49
SHIRLEY HEIGHTS	0	49
STORM BIRD	0	49
CAPOTE	1	48
KRIS	1	48
MT. LIVERMORE	1	48
NIGHT SHIFT	1	48
RAHY	1	48
SILVER DEPUTY	6	48
FAIRY KING	0	47
INDIAN RIDGE	3	47
KINGMAMBO	13	47
EL GRAN SENOR	0	46
LORD AT WAR	0	46
TOPSIDER	0	46
BE MY GUEST	0	45
COZZENE	1	45
HALO	0	45
NASKRA	0	45
RED RANSOM	4	45
DEVIL'S BAG	1	43
DISTINCTIVE PRO	1	43
SAINT BALLADO	4	43
CHIEF'S CROWN	0	42
MACHIAVELLIAN	2	42
SOVEREIGN DANCER	0	42
HIGHEST HONOR	2	41
LEAR FAN	2	41
MEADOWLAKE	1	41
BERING	0	40
BRIAN'S TIME	2	40
KNOWN FACT	0	40
UNBRIDLED	4	40



LEADING DAMSIRE OF INDIVIDUAL 'A' RUNNERS (1983-2004)

DAMSIRE	NEW '04	TOTAL
MR. PROSPECTOR	14	240
NIJINSKY II	4	188
NORTHERN DANCER	2	155
LYPHARD	4	152
HABITAT	4	131
RIVERMAN	5	120
SECRETARIAT	3	119
ALYDAR	5	111
GRAUSTARK	2	111
BLUSHING GROOM	1	107
IN REALITY	0	105
ROBERTO	3	104
VAGUELY NOBLE	2	104
SEATTLE SLEW	15	103
SIR IVOR	1	103
VICE REGENT	3	103
NUREYEV	5	101
HALO	2	100
NORTHERN TASTE	9	98
DAMASCUS	1	96
ALLEGED	8	93
BUCKPASSER	0	92
DANZIG	4	91
KEY TO THE MINT	2	91
RAISE A NATIVE	0	87
TOM ROLFE	0	83
GREY DAWN II	0	82
GREEN DANCER	5	81
HOIST THE FLAG	0	76
MILL REEF	0	76
CARO	1	75
DEPUTY MINISTER	3	74
FAPPIANO	4	74
AFFIRMED	4	73
SADLER'S WELLS	13	73
MISWAKI	11	72
THE MINSTREL	3	72
SHIRLEY HEIGHTS	5	71
DRONE	1	69
IRISH RIVER	2	67
MR. LEADER	1	67
NORTHFIELDS	0	67
OLDEN TIMES	0	67
DR. FAGER	0	65
LUTHIER	0	65
SPECTACULAR BID	4	64
STORM BIRD	7	64
PRINCE JOHN	0	63

DAMSIRE	NEW '04	TOTAL
EXCLUSIVE NATIVE	0	61
NASKRA	2	61
NODOUBLE	1	61
STAGE DOOR JOHNNY	0	61
BE MY GUEST	3	60
PRIVATE ACCOUNT	0	60
DARSHAAN	8	59
HIS MAJESTY	3	59
KRIS	4	59
SILENT SCREEN	0	59
VALID APPEAL	5	59
CORNISH PRINCE	0	58
ROUND TABLE	0	58
HAIL TO REASON	0	57
NEVER BEND	0	56
STOP THE MUSIC	0	55
DIXIELAND BAND	6	54
ACK ACK	0	52
OUR NATIVE	1	52
CAERLEON	5	51
HAWAII	0	51
MAJESTIC PRINCE	0	51
RAJA BABA	0	51
SIR GAYLORD	0	51
LE FABULEUX	0	50
MAJESTIC LIGHT	3	50
BOLD BIDDER	0	49
CONQUISTADOR CIELO	2	49
EXPLODENT	0	49
RELAUNCH	6	49
TENTAM	0	49
TOP VILLE	3	49
FORLI	0	48
SHARPEN UP	0	48
COX'S RIDGE	4	47
CHIEFTAIN	0	46
FLEET NASRULLAH	0	46
HIGH TOP	0	46
MARUZENSKY	1	46
ELA-MANA-MOU	2	45
ICECAPADE	0	45
PLEASANT COLONY	3	45
FLYING PASTER	1	44
AL HATTAB	0	43
ARTS AND LETTERS	0	43
CRIMSON SATAN	0	43
RAINBOW QUEST	9	43
THE AXE II	0	43

 **NORTH AMERICA** 

DERBY, OAKS FUTURES RELEASED The fields for the first of three Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks Future Wagers have been released by Churchill Downs. Among the 23 individual betting interests in the field for the Kentucky Derby, Eclipse Award champion **Declan's Moon** (Malibu Moon) has been pegged at odds of 6-1 by oddsmaker Mike Battaglia, just ahead of undefeated **Rockport Harbor** (Unbridled's Song) at 8-1. They are followed among the individual betting interest by a trio of sophomores--**Proud Accolade** (Yes It's True), winner of last weekend's GII Hutcheson S.; GII Norfolk S. hero **Roman Ruler** (Fusaichi Pegasus), who returns in the GII San Vicente S. this coming Sunday; and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile runner-up **Afleet Alex** (Northern Afleet), preparing for his three-year-old debut at Oaklawn Park. Despite the strength of those horses, Battaglia has installed the mutuel field, including all other three-year-olds, as the 3-1 favorite on the morning line. In the previous six years of the Future Wager, the mutuel field has closed as the favorite after pool one. Three eventual winners of the mutuel field have gone on to win the Derby--Charismatic in 1999, War Emblem in 2002 and Smarty Jones last year. Two-year-old filly champion **Sweet Catomine** (Storm Cat), a 20-1 chance in the field of Derby hopefuls, is the 4-1 morning-line selection for the Oaks Future wager. The mutuel field is the second choice at 5-1 ahead of GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies' runner-up **Balletto (UAE)** (Timber Country) and last weekend's impressive GII Davona Dale S. winner **Sis City** (Slew City Slew), pegged at odds of 10-1. Pool one begins Thursday and runs through Sunday, Feb. 13. The second round of wagering takes place Mar. 10-13 while the final pool is scheduled for Apr. 7-10. **Derby/Oaks Odds p3&4**

SCENE SHIFTS TO BIG EASY A big field of three-year-olds looks likely for Saturday's GIII Risen Star S. at Fair Grounds. Chief among the horses stabled at the New Orleans oval is **Storm Surge** (Storm Cat), who is perfect in two starts over the surface. The Overbrook Farm homebred captured the six-furlong Sugar Bowl S. on Christmas Eve and proved a game victor of the GIII Lecomte S. Jan. 15 at a two-turn mile. "He's just a great colt," said trainer Dallas Stewart. Another colt wintering in Louisiana is **Rush Bay** (Cozzene), who broke his maiden authoritatively on Halloween at Churchill Downs. The bay hasn't started since finishing second in the GII Kentucky Jockey Club S. Nov. 27--when Storm Surge was sixth--but is reported to be doing well. "He's had a nice work pattern here at Fair Grounds," said trainer Tom Amoss. "He's ready to run and he's doing great." Rush Bay posted a six-furlong drill in 1:13.60 Sunday. As many as nine three-year-olds are expected to ship in for the \$150,000 Risen Star. Trainer Todd Pletcher is expected to send the undefeated **Harlington** (Unbridled), a \$2.8-million son of champion Serena's Song, from Gulfstream, while trainer Patrick Biancone opted to skip last weekend's Sham S. at Santa Anita with **Scipion** (A.P. Indy) in favor of the Risen Star for the 3/4-brother to Vindication.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9:

02-19 \$200,000 **Barbara Fritchie H.-II, Lrl, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f (0)**

02-19 \$125,000 **John B. Campbell BC H., Lrl, 3yo/up, 9f (50)**

02-21 \$200,000 **General George H.-II, Lrl, 3yo/up, 7f (0)**

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★ CENTRAL ★

Yesterday's Results:

MARDI GRAS H., \$50,000, FGX, 2-8, 4yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:31 4/5, fm.

1--**WARLEIGH, 118, h, 7, Lord At War (Arg)--Must Ask, by Naskra.** (\$260,000 yrl '99 FTSAUG). O-Rosendo G Parra; B-Wimborne Farm Inc (KY); T-Steven M Asmussen; J-D J Meche; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: MGSP, 26-10-5-2, \$598,251. *Full to Must Be War, GSW, \$130,686; 1/2 to Temperalles (Temperence Hill), SW, \$149,103;

2--**Shiloh Bound, 115, g, 4, Cat's Career--Take Time for Lisa, by Lyphard's Wish (Fr).** (\$13,000 wlng '01 KEENOV). O-Twin Lanterns III Racing Stables LLC. \$10,000.

3--**Social King, 115, c, 4, King of Kings (Ire)--Social Woman, by Woodman.** O-Jordan Brothers. \$5,500. Margins: 2 3/4, 2 1/4, NK. Odds: 2.80, 2.40, 14.30.

Jockey Donnie Meche was able to nurse the speed out of Warleigh when he guided the chestnut to a 1/2-length victory in the 1 1/16-mile Louisiana Downs Breeders' Cup H. Sept. 26, but two subsequent rides, with two different jockeys, weren't quite so successful. A tired eighth in the mile GI Shadwell Turf Mile Oct. 9., the seven-year-old faded to seventh in the GIII River City H. over a yielding turf course at Churchill



Warleigh
Lou Hodges Jr. photo

Downs Nov. 21. Reunited with Meche for his 2005 debut, Warleigh settled in third through a sedate opening half mile, moved up to take command approaching the stretch and eased clear in the final furlong to gain the easy victory. **For a video replay, click [here](#).**

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$46,000 Alw, at Aqueduct. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

7th-FGX, \$32,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, 1mT, 1:39, fm.

DOCTORATE (GB) (c, 4, Dr Fong--Aunt Tate {GB}, by Tate Gallery), winner of a Newbury handicap last September, had been winless in two starts since, including a fourth in his European finale at Musselburgh Oct. 17. Sent off the 7-2 third choice for his U.S. debut, the 52,000gns TATOCT yearling purchase tracked the early pace, took over in the final sixteenth and inched clear late to score by one length over Sure Prize (Deputy Commander). Lifetime Record: 11-3-1-1, \$47,180. O-Double Down Stables Inc. B-Chippenham Lodge Stud Ltd (GB). T-Niall M O'Callaghan.

Summerly Set for Silverbulletday:

Saturday's card at Fair Grounds will feature the GIII Silverbulletday S. for three-year-old fillies, and it could be a coming out party for **Summerly** (Summer Squall). The chestnut romped by 14 lengths in a Keeneland maiden in her second career start and concluded her juvenile campaign with a third to Runway Model in the GII Golden Rod S. Nov. 27 at Churchill. In her seasonal debut Jan. 17, Summerly drilled local allowance foes by 9 3/4 lengths and earned a 90 Beyer Speed Figure. "She's exciting," enthused trainer Steve Asmussen. "I just want the race to run. She could be any kind. I couldn't have been more impressed with the way she acted and ran last time." Also expected to go in the Silverbulletday are **The Beter Man Can** (Lord Avie) and **Enduring Will** (Arch), the top two finishers from the Tiffany Lass S. Jan. 15; and the regally bred maiden winner **Private Gift** (Unbridled), a half sister to GI Kentucky Oaks heroine Secret Status.

TODAY'S VIDEO HIGHLIGHTS



[Fair Grounds 9th Warleigh](#) (Lord At War {Arg}) kicks off 2005 with an impressive win.



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Central Report cont.

Lady Tak to Target Keeneland:

Multiple Grade I winner **Lady Tak** (Mutakddim), forced to miss the Sunshine Millions F/M Sprint with a foot injury, will probably not race again until the Keeneland meeting. "She caught a quarter here, and I didn't get to work her," explained trainer Steve Asmussen. "So I wasn't going to ship her after missing a work." Asmussen said that the GIII Vinery Madison S. Apr. 13 was a likely spot for the chestnut's five-year-old bow. She has not raced since finishing second in the GII Churchill Downs Distaff H. Nov. 7.

New Sponsor and Purse Increased for Transylvania:

Central Bank, central Kentucky's largest independent bank, will sponsor the 2005 edition of Keeneland's GIII Transylvania S. Contested for \$100,000-added in 2004, the purse for the race had been upped to \$150,000-guaranteed, beginning this year. The one-mile event for three-year-olds on the turf is scheduled for Apr. 8. The Keeneland spring meeting runs from Apr. 8 through Apr. 29.

★ EAST ★

VTA Auction Ends Today:

The Virginia Thoroughbred Association will conclude its expanded Mid-South Stallion Season Auction tonight at 8 p.m. Bids can be placed via telephone through the VTA office at (540) 347-4313. The auction will benefit the VTA as well as the North and South Carolina Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders Associations. Among the stallions to whom seasons are available are Black Tie Affair (Ire), Behrens, Honour and Glory, Housebuster, Matty G, Meadowlake, Peaks and Valleys, Perfect Soul, Polish Miner, Regal Classic, Skip Away, Sky Classic, Unbridled Jet and Volponi. Through an arrangement with Colonial Downs, the Maryland Jockey Club and Delaware Park, stud farms which donate seasons which generate certain revenue thresholds for the auction will be made the name sponsor of a stakes race at those tracks. Donation thresholds start at \$10,000 for Virginia-bred stakes at Colonial Downs and Delaware Park. For a contribution of \$250,000, farms can sponsor a graded stakes on Preakness Day. In 2004, all seven Virginia-bred stakes at Colonial and Delaware Park were sponsored. Private donations of seasons or season income to sponsor races will be kept open until April 1, 2005. "We wanted to give the farm's something in return for their generosity," said Glenn Petty, VTA executive director. "We had a good response last year and again this year from the likes of Coolmore, Darby Dan, Pin Oak, Northview and Country Life, to name a few. We are hoping that we can expand the program in 2006 to racetracks in Florida and Kentucky. We appreciate what they do for us, and we are going to give them some quality advertising and marketing exposure in return." The VTA generates 40 percent of its annual budget through this fundraiser. "Unlike other many other states, we don't receive our entire operating budget from the Breeders Fund," continued Petty. "Subsequently, this fundraiser is critical to us. Since Virginia started pari-mutuel wagering long after all the other major racing and breeding states, we have had to constantly come up with innovative ideas to keep our industry moving forward. This project is typical of our 'thinking out of the box' approach to racing and breeding here in the Commonwealth." For more information, go to www.vabred.org.

#	Horse	Sire	Odds
1	Afleet Alex	Northern Afleet	12-1
2	Bandini	Fusaichi Pegasus	30-1
3	Closing Argument	Successful Appeal	20-1
4	Consolidator	Storm Cat	20-1
5	Declan's Moon	Malibu Moon	6-1
6	Galloping Grocer	A.P Jet	30-1
7	Giacomo	Holy Bull	50-1
8	Going Wild	Golden Missile	30-1
9	Greater Good	Intidab	30-1
10	Harlington	Unbridled	20-1
11	High Fly	Atticus	20-1
12	High Limit	Maria's Mon	30-1
13	*Lost in the Fog	Lost Solider	30-1
14	Proud Accolade	Yes It's True	12-1
15	Rockport Harbor	Unbridled's Song	8-1
16	Roman Ruler	Fusaichi Pegasus	12-1
17	Rush Bay	Cozzene	50-1
18	Spanish Chestnut	Horse Chestnut (SAf)	20-1
19	Storm Surge	Storm Cat	30-1
20	Sun King	Charismatic	30-1
21	Sweet Catomine (f)	Storm Cat	20-1
22	Texcess	In Excess (Ire)	20-1
23	Wilko	Awesome Again	30-1
24	All Other 3yo		3-1

*not currently nominated to Triple Crown.

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East Report cont.

Tampa Boosts Purses by Seven Percent:

Officials at Tampa Bay Downs in Oldsmar, Florida, have announced a seven-percent increase in overnight purses, effective Feb. 15. The move will boost daily average overnight purse distribution to a record \$122,000 or to \$140,000 on days with stakes races. "The main reason we've been able to increase purses is our live racing's commingled handle is up 10 percent," explained Peter Berube, the track's vice president and general manager. He went on to add that the track is handling an average of \$3.1 million from all sources, up from the daily average of \$2.8 million in 2004.

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Russian Symphony, g, 4, **Stravinsky**--Backwoods

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KENTUCKY OAKS FUTURE WAGER--POOL 1

#	Horse	Sire	Odds
1	Balletto (UAE)	Timber Country	10-1
2	Cream Donut Keith	Lion Hearted	30-1
3	Culinary	El Amante	30-1
4	Hot Attraction	Pulpit	30-1
5	Hot Storm	Stormy Atlantic	50-1
6	In the Gold	Golded Missile	20-1
7	Inspiring	Golden Missile	15-1
8	Kota	Indian Charlie	50-1
9	Maddalena	Good and Tough	15-1
10	More Moonlight	More Than Ready	30-1
11	Play With Fire	Boundary	50-1
12	Pussycat Doll	Real Quiet	12-1
13	Quiet Honor	Real Quiet	50-1
14	Right Daddy	Yes It's True	50-1
15	Runway Model	Petionville	12-1
16	Salute	Unbridled	20-1
17	Sense of Style	Thunder Gulch	30-1
18	Sharp Lisa	Dixieland Band	12-1
19	Sis City	Slew City Slew	10-1
20	Splendid Blended	Unbridled's Song	10-1
21	Summerly	Summer Squall	30-1
22	Sweet Catomine	Storm Cat	4-1
23	The Beter Man Can	Lord Avie	50-1
24	All Other 3yo Fillies		5-1

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

Progeny to Watch: Wednesday, Feb. 9

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2001 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- DAVID** (Mt. Livermore), Dutchess, \$3K, 21/2/0
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, If It's Meant to B, \$35K OBS MAR 2yo
- MORE THAN READY** (Southern Halo), Vinery, \$15K, 161/21/4
- 6-AQU, Msw, 6f, Flight Ready, \$80K SAR AUG yrl
- RICHTER SCALE** (Habitony), Wafare, \$10K, 93/6/1
- 4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Jokers Wild Card, \$7K OBS MAR 2yo
- RIVER KEEN (IRE)** (Keen {GB}), Duchess, \$5K, 52/0/0
- 6-AQU, Msw, 6f, Whereforartthou
- ROB 'N GIN** (Farma Way), McMahan, \$3K, 16/2/0
- 4-AQU, Msw, 6f, +Steel Heart, \$55K OBS APR 2yo
- STRAIGHT MAN** (Saint Ballado), Dunhill, \$5K, 155/14/0
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Crooked Woman, \$37K EAS MAY 2yo
- 4-AQU, Msw, 6f, Style Drifter
- WESTERN EXPRESSION** (Gone West), Highcliff, \$10K, 113/7/0
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, I'm Waiting
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Saratoga Dreaming
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Queen for a Knight
- YES IT'S TRUE** (Is It True), Padua, \$10K, 149/24/4
- 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, April True, \$75K OBS APR 2yo



★ BRITAIN ★

SPENCER GOES FREELANCE

Jockey Jamie Spencer has announced that he will not be seeking another retainer in the near future when he spoke yesterday for the first time since his departure from Ballydoyle. Following the surprise news that the 24-year-old jockey had resigned from his post as first rider for Aidan O'Brien this week, he released a statement which read, "I will be riding as a freelance in 2005. I am greatly looking forward to renewing my associations with the many trainers for whom I have ridden winners in the past and to forging new links with other trainers. I'm excited about what promises to be a very busy season for me, starting with my rides for David Loder at Lingfield on Wednesday. I would like to thank John Magnier, Michael Tabor and the other owners for their support throughout my time at Ballydoyle and to wish them well in the future. I look forward to riding for them again as the opportunity arises." John Magnier also revealed to the *Daily Telegraph* that he had not given "any thought" to the replacement of Spencer. "Really, it was the last thing we had on our minds, but our policy would be to get the best available," he said. "We also have Seamus Heffernan." Magnier added, "I'm disappointed we've lost Jamie Spencer."



★ IRELAND ★

BREEDERS FACE NEW TAX THREAT

Ireland's bloodstock community face the most serious threat to date to its long-standing stallion tax exemption after Europe's authorities questioned its legal status. Labeling the tax-free incentive as an "aid scheme that is not compatible with the common market," the European Union's Commission Directorate has requested that the Irish government bring it into line with the EC Treaty. This latest move constitutes the latest attack on the exemption, which has stood despite some domestic political and foreign opposition since 1969. Ireland's Finance Minister Brian Cowen announced that the Commission are demanding comments and "any concrete proposals" within a month, but that the Department are seeking an extension and are seeking legal advice. The Irish Thoroughbred Breeders' Association's General Manager Niamh O'Sullivan told the *Racing Post* that the exemption "acts as a catalyst and it is cost-effective in a competitive world market." She added, "If it was withdrawn we could lose horses tomorrow because people will be taking commercial decisions to maximise the return on their investments. Its loss would also be a disadvantage when it comes to investing in new stallions. Since it was first brought in, the exemption has been reviewed by all-party committees at least twice and each time the recommendation has been that it should stay because it is beneficial to the wider economy as well as the bloodstock industry."

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

2nd-FGX, \$32,500, NW1X, (S), 3yo, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft.
PYE KING (c, 3, Fenter--Precious Pye, by Tricky Creek) Lifetime Record: 9-2-2-1, \$38,830. O-Jacob S Haddad. B-Floyd Delano Pitzer (LA). T-Thomas M Amoss.

10th-FGX, \$32,500, NW1X, (S), 4yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2fT, 1:06, fm.

MALALUCY (f, 4, Malagra--Crimson Lucy, by Judge Smells) Lifetime Record: 13-4-0-0, \$64,283. O-Charles K Bodin & Danny M & Donna B Brown. B-Danny M & Donna B Brown (LA). T-Wesley E Hawley.

8th-MNR, \$28,700, 2-7, NW2L, 3/up, 1m, 1:43 3/5, gd.
THUNDER FOX (g, 4, Awesome Again--Asta's Foxy Lady {GSW & MGISP, \$335,032}, by Zuppardo's Prince) Lifetime Record: 6-2-3-0, \$52,393. O-Stronach Stables. B-Adena Springs (ON). T-Justin J Nixon. *3/4 to Daytime Robbery (Silver Deputy), SW, \$310,054.

9th-PHA, \$22,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, 1 1/16m, 1:46, ft.
HAITIAN MORALITY (g, 5, Petionville--Pure Principles, by Hero's Honor) Lifetime Record: 13-3-4-1, \$72,440. O-Pope McLean. B-Pope Jr & Marc Mclean (KY). T-Ronald S Glorioso.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Rocket Ma'me, f, 4, Canaveral--Blushing Girl Run (SP), by Runaway Groom. MNR, 2-7, 6f, 1:16 2/5.
B-Annette Marie Kingerski (Pa).

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Pisa, 2.50, 2-7, €11,475, 4yo/up, 6 1/2fT, 1:18.80, gd/sf.

GOLDEN DANETIME (IRE) (h, 5, Danetime {Ire}--Banco Solo {GB}, by Distant Relative {Ire}) Lifetime Record: SW-Ity, 29 starts, 11 starts, 8 places, €169,269. O-Scuderia Michela di Melani Giorgio; B-Tally-Ho Stud; T-Riccardo Santini. *4,500gns yrl '01 TATOCT.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

FAIR GROUNDS

Bwana Charlie (Indian Charlie), :51.00, 51/60
Smooth Bid (Rubiano), 4f, :50.80, 45/60
Summerly (Summer Squall), :49.80, 26/60
Shadow Cast (Smart Strike), 5f, :59.00, 1/25
Suave (A.P. Indy), 5f, 1:02.00, 14/25

GULFSTREAM PARK

Straight Line (Boundary), 4f, :49.00, 6/19
Society Selection (Coronado's Quest), 6f, 1:14.40, 1/2

HOLLYWOOD

Pico Central (Brz) (Spend a Buck), 6f, 1:14.60, 1/6

SANTA ANITA

Victory U. S. A. (Victory Gallop), 6f, 1:12.20, 1/20



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