

# F-T CALDER TOP FILLIES

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## A WORLD-RECORD TALE

The world-record price for a two-year-old in training was easily surpassed yesterday when hip 58, a racy bay by Tale of the Cat, was purchased by Darley for \$5,200,000 at the 2005 edition of the Fasig-Tipton Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale in Miami. That bid broke the old mark of \$4.5 million set when Fusaichi Samurai went through the ring at this sale last



Hip 58 *Horsephotos*

year. It was a walk-off grand slam for Grade I Bloodstock, owned by Jay Brunker, and Halcyon Farm, headed by Brunker's wife Cammie. The duo bred and raised the juvenile at Halcyon in northern Fayette County, Kentucky. "We have the mare with several partners, and the original plan was to race the foals

from the mare," Jay Brunker said. "That's why he hadn't been through a sale prior to this. But in the middle of the summer, we were in discussions with our partners and the decision was made to sell him here at Calder. That started the process." The process ended with a world-record bid, but it wasn't until the week before the sale that the Brunkers got the idea they might be dealing with a multi-million dollar baby. "We liked him all along and we knew he was potentially talented," Brunker said. "But I don't think anyone knows what the horses are capable of until they get on the racetrack. In the field, at home, he was always very nice, but we never dreamt that he'd break a world record. It wasn't until last week that we started to think he'd be a seven-figure kind of horse." **Cont. p2**

### FASIG-TIPTON CALDER

TUESDAY, MARCH 1, 2005

SESSION TOTALS	2005	2004
No. Offered	267	223
No. Sold	147	142
RNAs	120	81
% RNA	44.9%	36.3%
Gross	\$50,132,000	\$41,586,000
Average (% change)	\$341,034 (+16.4%)	\$292,859
Median (% change)	\$200,000 (+17.6%)	\$170,000



## FASIG-TIPTON CALDER -- TOP COLTS

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price
<u>058</u>	<u>Tale of the Cat</u>	Carry All	\$5,200,000
		B-Grade I Bloodstock & Halcyon Farm (Ky)	
		Consigned by Robert Scanlon, agent	
		Purchased by Darley Stud Management Co Ltd	
<u>265</u>	<u>Forestry</u>	Rare Bird	\$3,000,000
		(\$200,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL)	
		B-Freedom Stables (Ky)	
		Consigned by Tony Bowling & Bobby Dodd, agent	
		Purchased by Dr. Dermot O'Byrne	
<u>089</u>	<u>Grand Slam</u>	Dama	\$2,900,000
		(\$450,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL)	
		B-Larry Byer (Ky)	
		Consigned by M W Miller III, agent	
		Purchased by Darley Stud Management Co Ltd	
<u>226</u>	<u>Golden Missile</u>	Ms. Copelan	\$1,500,000
		(\$360,000 yrl '04 KEESEP)	
		B-Clover IV Stables (Ky)	
		Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc., Agent VII	
		Purchased by Dr. Dermot O'Byrne	
<u>266</u>	<u>Exchange Rate</u>	Raspberry Affair	\$1,050,000
		(\$140,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL; \$38,000 wnlg '03 OBSOCT)	
		B-Padua Stables (Fl)	
		Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I	
		Purchased by Jeremy Nosedo, agent	
<u>149</u>	<u>Gone West</u>	Heavenly Rhythm	\$1,000,000
		B-WinStar Farm (Ky)	
		Consigned by Robert Harris, agent	
		Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis	
<u>344</u>	<u>Tiznow</u>	Thega	\$1,000,000
		(\$500,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG)	
		B-WinStar Farm (Ky)	
		Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, Agent I	
		Purchased by Eoin Harty, agent	
<u>154</u>	<u>High Yield</u>	Here Comes Chelsie	\$975,000
		(\$415,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG; \$335,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV)	
		B-Elmer Miller (Ky)	
		Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, Agent I	
		Purchased by Eoin Harty, agent	
<u>093</u>	<u>Saint Ballado</u>	Danzerella	\$950,000
		(\$80,000 yrl '04 KEESEP)	
		B-Fox Hill Farms (Pa)	
		Consigned by Tony Bowling & Bobby Dodd, agent	
		Purchased by Dr. Dermot O'Byrne	

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### Record Price Pleasant Surprise for Scanlon...

Consignor Robert Scanlon was also surprised by the \$5.2-million record-breaking final bid. "He brought twice what I thought he would," he admitted. "I thought maybe he'd bring \$3 million." But Scanlon



Hip 58 Horsephotos

knew he had something special. "We always prep them four days before the breeze show," he explained. "We just let them do what they want for an eighth and he went in :10 1/5 and galloped out in :21 3/5. Everybody was here to see it. His work in the breeze show [:10 3/5] wasn't really indicative of what he could do. The track was way too

dry that day and he just didn't handle it." Just two years ago, Scanlon sold a Tale of the Cat for \$1.4 million at this sale. That colt turned out to be Lion Heart, who went on to win the GI Haskell Invitational H. and set all the pace in the GI Kentucky Derby before hanging in there gamely for second. How does yesterday's sale topper compare? "He is better than most of the Tale of the Cats I've seen," Scanlon said. "He has more scope to him. He's got a great mind on him. He does everything so easy. You couldn't ask for a better horse to work around. At this stage, he is a better prospect than Lion Heart. He shows me more."

### Small Operation Hits the Big Time...

Jay Brunker had already been involved in racing for about 10 years before he and Cammie, who rode show jumpers, tied the knot five years ago. The two began a commercial breeding operation called Halcyon Farm. The rest is now sales history. "We are just a small operation," Jay Brunker explained. "We are hands-on. It's just Cammie and myself and two employees. We do it all. We are in the barn every day. That's our program and our lifestyle." How did they feel as they watched the bids race higher and higher? "When it gets beyond a certain level, it becomes surreal," Jay said. "Everything is in slow motion." Added Cammie, who admitted crying over the mind-blowing result, "You are watching so intensely--is that Coolmore bidding, is that Darley?--that the price doesn't really sink in. It still hasn't sunk in." How will the two celebrate? "I wish I could tell you we had some elaborate plans, but we'll probably just go out for a nice dinner," said Jay. And what will they do for an encore? "Win the Derby," laughed Cammie. "What else can we do?"

### Big-Time Operation Takes Him Home...

John Ferguson was on the phone with Sheikh Mohammed during the bidding. "He was interested in the proceedings," Ferguson said with a smile. "I was just keeping him informed." But it was Jimmy Bell who signed the ticket for Darley after a protracted bidding duel with Coolmore's Demi O'Byrne. "Obviously, he has everything you want," Bell said. "He's got lovely balance. He's done everything he's supposed to do, and he's got a stallion's pedigree as well. He's a very, very athletic individual, and he showed the part both on the shank and on the racetrack." As for the final price, he added, "There's just no way to pinpoint what a horse will go for. That's what happens at a horse sale. Sheikh Mohammed was pretty determined to have him." The colt will go back to Scanlon. "Sheikh Mohammed will decide where he'll go, in due course," Bell said. Buzz Chace, on the phone with Aaron Jones, was also in the bidding for the record colt. "I finished a bad third," he quipped. "I thought he'd bring anywhere from a million and a half to \$3 million." Chace conceded at the \$3-million mark, saying, "It's good for the game."

### Can You Hear Me Now?

He kept losing his mobile phone connection with client Aaron Jones and, in the end, Buzz Chace lost out on another multi-million dollar colt. With an offer of \$3 million, Demi O'Byrne won the bidding battle for hip 265, a Forestry colt consigned by Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, as agent. The duo acquired the youngster for \$200,000 at Fasig-Tipton July sale, and he provided them with their biggest pinhooking success to date. "It's huge," said Bowling. "I had one sell once for 1.1, but this beats that by far." Bowling had high hopes for the colt since last summer. "He's been a dream since day one," he continued. "He came here and performed like the right kind of horse. When I brought him down, I expected maybe a half a million. Then he breezed good, there was more interest every day, and I raised my expectations. I thought tonight he might bring between \$800,000 and a million. But when you get two guys like that on your horse, you just say, 'Thank God.' Seriously." Bowling and Dodd, both Florida natives, have been in business together for 21 years. Produced by the stakes-placed Rahy mare Rare Bird and from the family of Mt. Livermore, the juvenile had a very timely catalogue update Jan. 30 when his 3/4-brother Host (Tabasco Cat) captured the GIII Mac Diarmida H. at Gulfstream.

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**Darley Goes Deep...**

Darley still had plenty left in the pocketbook after their world-record purchase. Sheikh Mohammed's operation also bought the day's third-best selling colt, going to \$2.9 million for hip 89. The



Hip 89 Horsephotos

Grand Slam colt was consigned by Maurice Miller III, agent. "The price wasn't unexpected," Jimmy Bell said. "As with [hip 58], he's a colt that was very, very high on our list. They have proved it both on the track and on the shank. They've pretty much stepped up and

showed their athleticism. They both have good temperaments and everything that's to your liking." The price was certainly to the liking of the consignor. "Yes, he met our expectations," Miller said with a grin. "I didn't know what exactly he'd bring, but we thought this morning that he'd top the sale. I guess that's not going to happen, but we're very happy." He added, "He's as good a horse as I've ever brought to a two-year-old sale. When we purchased him as a yearling at Fasig-Tipton in July, I really felt he was the best horse on the grounds. He's matured in a natural way. This is not a horse that we did a whole heck of a lot of improvement on; he had the goods when we bought him." The dark bay, from the family of GI Travers hero Corporate Report, brought \$450,000 as a yearling.

**FASIG-TIPTON CALDER -- TOP FILLIES**

Hip	Sire	Dam	Price
<u>354</u>	<u>Storm Cat</u>	Turbo Launch	\$1,500,000
(\$385,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG) B-Bertram Linder (Ky)			
Consigned by Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, agent Purchased by Dr. Dermot O'Byrne			
<u>049</u>	<u>Forestry</u>	Broad Dynamite	\$725,000
(\$280,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-Aaron and Marie Jones (Ky)			
Consigned by Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, agent Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis			
<u>137</u>	<u>Cat Thief</u>	Godmother	\$700,000
(\$215,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL) B-Arthur I Appleton (Fl)			
Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, Agent I Purchased by Darley Stud Management Co Ltd			
<u>108</u>	<u>Gone West</u>	Dreams of Success	\$500,000
B-Craig Bandoroff & Barry Weisbord (Ky) Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I Purchased by Shadai Farm			
<u>171</u>	<u>Arch</u>	Insight to Hope	\$500,000
(\$72,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$20,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-John B Ingleson (Ky)			
Consigned by Kings Equine, Inc., agent Purchased by Flying Zee Stable			
<u>209</u>	<u>Tale of the Cat</u>	Marianne's Song	\$500,000
(\$50,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-Double R Stables (Ky)			
Consigned by Don R Graham/Ocala Oaks, agent Purchased by Dr. Dermot O'Byrne			
<u>303</u>	<u>Grand Slam</u>	Silver Stockings	\$500,000
(\$100,000 yrl '04 KEESEP; \$60,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-Inwood Farms/Andrew Savas/Grand Slam Farm (Ky) Consigned by Hoby & Layna Kight, Agent II Purchased by Jack Grunwald			

**What They're Saying At The Sales...**

**Trainer D. Wayne Lukas**

"This is a very good market, but this is also an outstanding sale. There is so much quality here it's amazing. The quality of the catalogue is way up, as good as I've seen."



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### Golden Opportunity...

Hip 226, a grand-looking colt by Golden Missile, had drawn raves ahead of the sale and lived up to the billing yesterday evening, selling for \$1.5 million to Demi O'Byrne. The Irish veterinarian acquired the colt for Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith and John Magnier. "We haven't decided yet who will train him, but he will be staying in America," O'Byrne said. Trainers Todd Pletcher and Patrick Biancone were both standing near O'Byrne during the bidding. "I thought he worked exceptionally well--it was one of the best works of the sale," O'Byrne said when asked about the bay's appeal. "He looks to be very sound and very good looking." The colt was the highest-priced yearling for his sire in 2004, selling for \$360,000 to Dapple Bloodstock at Keeneland September. The lack of major black type on the catalogue page didn't faze O'Byrne. "He looks like a racehorse," he said.

### Worth the Wait...

Bob and Beverly Lewis weren't in the mix for the record Tale of the Cat, but picked up their own seven-figure two-year-old when going to \$1 million for hip 149, a son of Gone West consigned by Robert Harris, agent. "We have a pretty short list of horses, and we have been sitting and waiting," said trainer D. Wayne Lukas, who signed the ticket. Some might have passed on this lot after he posted just :11 while working Sunday, but the move was not characteristic of the colt. "He looked fabulous working before the sale," said the Lewis's bloodstock manager, John Moynihan. "But his work Sunday was messed up. He broke off from the pony early and really ended up going three-eighths. That's why the last eighth was so slow." Added Lukas, "That's just one day in a horse's life--that's why we overlooked it and went for him." Lukas has already enjoyed success with the progeny of Mill Ridge's star stallion, conditioning GI Belmont S. hero Commendable and Grade I-winning juvenile Grand Slam. "We have had good luck with Gone West, and we thought this was an outstanding individual," he said, adding, "We feel fortunate to get this one. The market is so strong, it doesn't take much to run one up to the moon." Lukas also had praise for the colt's buyers. "The Lewises have always been very bullish. Nobody supports the industry the way they do. They support the yearling sales, the breeding industry, the two-year-old in training sales. They are full service, and they do it all with such class and dignity. I am honored to work with them. I wish we could clone 10 more like them." A May foal, the colt will head straight to Lukas' barn at Belmont Park.

### Early Fireworks...

The day's first big price came when hip 49, a Forestry filly out of the graded stakes winner Broad Dynamite, sold for \$725,000. John Moynihan signed the ticket for Bob and Beverly Lewis after speaking to the couple on the phone. "She looks like she's going to run far, and she's going to like going long," Moynihan said. "Filly-wise, there were two or three that stood out, and she's right at the top. Wayne Lukas will train her." Moynihan was not surprised at the price. "We just loved her, and that's what it took to get her," he said. Bred by Aaron and Marie Jones, breeders of 2004 Eclipse champions Ashado and Speightstown, the sleek bay sold for \$280,000 to Hartley/De Renzo Thoroughbreds at Keeneland September. The Jones acquired Broad Dynamite in 1999 for \$1.4 million at Keeneland January when the mare was in foal to Deputy Minister. Each of her subsequent offspring have sold at auction, with a full brother to this filly--Forestwood--achieving \$800,000 as a KEEJUL yearling in 2002.

### But the Last Shall Be First...

They saved the best for last, as far as the Fasig-Tipton fillies were concerned. Hip 354, the very last horse through the ring, was also the day's top-selling distaffer at \$1.5 million. Consigned by Hartley/DeRenzo Thoroughbreds, agent, the blaze-faced daughter of Storm Cat was purchased by Dr. Demi O'Byrne. She was the lone seven-figure filly on the day. O'Byrne was stoic about the extra hours ringside. "That's what we're paid for," he said. But, while they forgave a less-than-stellar page earlier in the sale, it was this two-year-old's eye-catching family that kept Team Coolmore so late at the sale. "She has a hell of a pedigree--more pedigree than usual for here, for the breeze-up sale," O'Byrne said. "I thought her physical matched her pedigree, and she worked very fast. She is a very good filly...I hope." The April foal is out of stakes winner Turbo Launch (Relaunch), making her a half-sister to SW and MGSP U R Unforgettable (Affirmed) and to SW Turko's Turn (Turkoman), herself the dam of Horse of the Year Point Given.

### LAST YEAR'S TOP FIVE

<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Buyer</u>	<u>Price (\$)</u>
Fusaichi Pegasus	Hidden Storm	F Sekiguchi	4,500,000
Stephen Got Even	Blacktie Bid	J Ferguson	3,100,000
Rubiano	Magari	J Ferguson	1,500,000
Storm Cat	Add	R LaPenta	1,050,000
Unbridled's Song	Vennila Cream	B Chace, agt	900,000

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**Like Father, Like Son?**

Selling late in the night, hip 344, a colt from the first crop of Horse of the Year Tiznow, attracted a \$1-million winning bid from trainer Eoin Harty, as agent. The bay is strikingly similar to his sire, who paired up victories in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic on his way to earning three Eclipse Awards. "He looks like his sire, he moves like his sire, and hopefully he'll be as good as his sire," Harty said. At \$500,000, the colt was the most expensive of his sire's get at the 2004 yearling sales. "He was good looking at Saratoga last year," Harty added, "and he looks even better now." A half brother to stakes winner Tiger Hunt, he was purchased last year by Hoby and Layna Kight. "I didn't know how much he'd bring," Hoby admitted. "When they've got that kind of price, you eliminate a lot of buyers. The only two [parties] that were really on him were Padua and John Ferguson."

**Sharp Cat...**

One Tale of the Cat stole the headlines yesterday, and yet another proved the star of Paul Sharp's consignment. The chestnut (175), purchased for \$150,000 as a KEESEP yearling, brought \$400,000 from trainer Steve Klesaris, agent for Puglisi Stables. He was one of three that Sharp sold yesterday. The trio, purchased for a total of \$257,000, sold for an aggregate of \$700,000. A tidy profit, but not exactly the results Sharp had hoped for. The native of Williston, Florida also bought back a quartet of two-year-olds yesterday. "Honestly, I think the sale has been a little spotty," he said. "The horses that pass all the criteria sell well, but if there are any issues, they're not live. It's the same old song and dance. At the top level, there is a lot of money to be spent, but a lot of the horses are not meeting their reserves." Sharp, who has been in the business for 15 years, has been coming to Fasig-Tipton Calder for the last 10 years. A majority owner in many of the juveniles he sells, retaining a 50-percent stake, he has steadily improved on the quality of his consignment. "I started out buying horses for \$500, no lie," he laughed. "But there has been a gradual evolution to this point. I have tried to keep the numbers down while raising the quality. I guess you could say we're in the major leagues now."

Raised in farm country, Sharp started out as a hotwalker, groom and exercise rider. He also worked as a blacksmith before deciding to venture into pin-hooking. He will send about 50 horses through the ring this year, also selling at OBS March and Keeneland April. "This is an opportunity for someone like me, with my knowledge and skills, to make a very good living at something I have a passion for," he said, adding, "I've come from nothing to this level in a very short time. It has been a good ride."

**A Favorable Rate of Exchange...**

Hip 266 sold for just \$38,000 as an OBSOCT weanling and brought \$140,000 as a FTKJUL yearling, but came into his own yesterday, attracting a final bid of \$1,050,000 from Jeremy Nosedo, agent. Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, Agent I, the gray is from the first crop by the versatile Exchange Rate (Danzig), who was a graded-stakes winning sprinter, a stakes winner going two turns and graded-stakes placed going a mile on the grass. He first attracted attention at the first under-tack preview, dashing off a quarter in :21 4/5. "Obviously, we felt that he was one of the top colts," Brennan said. "He was on everybody's list. You never really know what they'll bring, but he is a tremendous physical. He is a great representation for his sire--he looks like his daddy--and he had a great breeze. We were high on him and, in this market, the price was not a surprise. The right buyers are here, they have done their homework, and the good horses are bringing a lot of money." Exchange Rate stands for just \$7,500 at Padua Stable's Florida base, but his yearlings averaged \$47,848 last year and he is quickly becoming one to watch at the juvenile sales. "I have another colt by him at home that we think is just as good as this one," Brennan said. "He will sell at OBS in March. You can only go by what you see, but I have been high on both colts. They train like racehorses." The consignor believes that yesterday's seven-figure seller will run like a racehorse, too. "He is so talented," Brennan said. "He has a lot of power and speed, so he should be a summer two-year-old, but he's bred to stretch out as well. Good horses can do it all."



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**Consolation for Coolmore...**

They were the underbidders on the \$5.2-million Tale of the Cat, but Coolmore quickly made up for lost time yesterday. The first big splurge by the operation was hip 93, a colt by Saint Ballado. Consigned by Tony Bowling and Bobby Dodd, agent, the bay brought a bid of \$950,000. How did he compare with the sales topper? "Well, he didn't sell for as much," dead-panned Coolmore's Dr. Demi O'Byrne. "But I thought he breezed well and he is very good-looking with a solid pedigree." The bay is the first live foal out of Danzerella (Danzig), a half-sister to seven stakes winners, including champion Bakharoff, graded winner Sum and group winner Emperor Jones. But the purchase didn't quite make up for losing out on a world-record breaker. "I am disappointed," O'Byrne said. "You never know what these horses might go for, but, at one stage, the bidding just got too hot."

**What They're Saying At The Sales...**

**Hoby Kight, consignor**

"It's been a good day. The good ones were received well. The ones that weren't were out of place, and that's my fault. It's just like entering the races, you have to know how to place your horses."

**Walt Robertson, Fasig-Tipton President**

"It's fun at the top, and there was a lot of top. We had a lot of top horses and they really sold well. The not-sold percentage was more than I would have liked, but everything else was blasting off. A good horse is worth a whole lot of money."

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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES**

*by Alan Porter*

**SAM F. DAVIS S.**, \$100,000, TAM, 2-26, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:46 3/5, ft.

1--#**ANDROMEDA'S HERO**, 116, c, 3, by [Fusaichi Pegasus](#)

**1st Dam: Marozia, by Storm Bird**

**2nd Dam: Make Change, by Roberto**

**3rd Dam: Equal Change, by Arts and Letters**

(\$310,000 yrl '03 KEESEP). O-Robert V LaPenta; B-Barnett Enterprises (KY); T-Nicholas P Zito; J-R Bejarano; \$45,000. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-2, \$65,270.

There were no graded classic trials this weekend, but two of trainer Nick Zito's horses took positive steps along the Triple Crown trail. At Gulfstream Park, Sun King, who had finished third in last year's GI Champagne S. and GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile, was an impressive allowance winner on his seasonal debut. Meanwhile, Andromeda's Hero, making his stakes debut, took the Sam F. Davis S. at Tampa Bay. Appropriately, both of these Derby hopefuls are sons of Kentucky Derby winners. Sun King is by Charismatic out of Clever But Costly, a "Blue Hen" who is also dam of Grade I winner Traitor, graded stakes winner Ocean Drive and stakes winner Beavers Nose, and granddam of Grade I winner Peeping Tom, and graded scorers Allamerican Bertie and Hurricane Bertie.

Andromeda's Hero is a member of the first crop of Fusaichi Pegasus, and is his sire's fifth Northern Hemisphere-sired stakes winner to date (he also has two stakes winners, one graded in his first Southern Hemisphere crop, who are only two). He's also one of at least three Fusaichi Pegasus colts who might be considered among the current leading classic candidates, along with Roman Ruler, who put in a bullet six-furlong work from the gate at Santa Anita Sunday, and who is pointing towards the GIII Gotham S., and Bandini, who won a Gulfstream Park allowance race by nine lengths.

Another Fusaichi Pegasus colt, the \$4.5-million two-year-old, Fusaichi Samurai, had been Derby winter book favorite after a dazzling maiden victory, but has been sidelined by a pulled muscle in his left hind leg.

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The winner of Saturday's \$100,000 Sam F. Davis S. by 2 1/2 lengths was sold at Keeneland September 2003 for \$310,000.



*(Pedigree Perspectives cont. from p. 6)*

Andromeda's Hero, who was making only his third start in the Sam F. Davis, is out of Marozia, a Storm Bird mare who broke her maiden over a mile and a half in England. A half-sister to French listed scorer, Time Changes, Marozia is out of Make Change, a talented daughter of G1 English Derby winner Roberto. Make Change had classic form in her own right, as in addition to winning the Miss Liberty S. she also placed in fewer than eight Grade I events, including a second in the GI Mother Goose S. and a third in the GI CCA Oaks. Make Change is half-sister to the GIII Carousel Handicap heroine Spur Wing, who was a daughter of Storm Bird, and therefore a three-parts sister to Marozia. Spur Wing never bred a stakes winner, but she is granddam of the high-class English miler Nayyir, a four-time group winner, and of Highest, a group winner in Dubai who was also runner-up in the GI St. Leger and GI Coronation Cup. Another half-sister to Make Change, Very Fair, is granddam of the GI Futurity S. victor Whywhywhy.

Andromeda's Hero's third dam, Equal Change, is yet another in this pedigree with strong staying and classic connections. By the Belmont S. winner and champion three-year-old Arts and Letters, Equal Change never won a stakes, but was runner-up in the GI CCA Oaks. She's also half-sister to Solford, winner in England of the GI Eclipse S., and is closely related to the GI Woodward S. and GI Jockey Club Gold Cup victor Prove Out (both are by sons of Ribot, and Equal Change's dam is a half-sister to Prove Out).

This female line is an unusual one as it already features sisters to two extraordinary classic winners. Andromeda's Hero's fifth dam, Equal Venture, is a sister to the 1946 Triple Crown winner Assault, and if you go back another three generations, you come to Masda, a sister to none other than Man o' War.

Fusaichi Pegasus is a product of the Mr. Prospector/Northern Dancer cross, and the successful mating of such horses to Northern Dancer-line mares is becoming commonplace (perhaps helped by the fact that Mr. Prospector is a reverse Native Dancer/Nearco cross to Northern Dancer). For Fusaichi Pegasus, the cross with Northern Dancer-line mares has already produced, in addition to Andromeda's Hero, stakes winners Roman Ruler (dam by Silver Deputy, giving inbreeding to Northern Dancer and Mr. Prospector), South Bay Cove (dam by Salt Lake), and the Australian pair Flying Pegasus (dam by Danehill, and giving inbreeding to Danzig) and Dr. Green (dam by Last Tycoon). As well as the previously mentioned up-and-comers Bandini (dam by Dixieland Band) and Fusaichi Samurai (dam by Storm Cat).

Marozia, the dam of Andromeda's Hero, is actually bred on the same formula which produced the dam of Fusaichi Pegasus, a son of Northern Dancer over a mare by a son of Hail to Reason. With the son of Hail to Reason in the mare being Roberto, we also get the genetic relatives Gold Digger (dam of Mr. Prospector) and Bramalea (dam of Roberto).

**FOALING NEWS:**

**FITNAH**, 14, Fit to Fight--Mrs. Hat (GB), by Sharpen Up (GB)

Foal born Feb. 14, a colt by Empire Maker. Will be bred back to Mineshaft.

Owned by Palides Investments N.V., Inc. Boarded at Chanteclair Farm, Ky. Accomplishments: Dam of Dreams Gallore (Silver Ghost), GISW, \$588,615; Fateful Dream (Distant View), GSW, \$294,472; Absent Friend (Runaway Groom), GSW, \$203,632.

**TELL MARGIE**, 16, Talc--Tattle Tale, by Tell

Foal born Feb. 14, a filly by Lodge Hill. Will be bred back to Graeme Hall. Owned by Eugene and Laura Melnyk. Boarded at Winding Oaks Farm, Fl. Accomplishments: SW of \$209,884.

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<b>Fusaichi Pegasus</b> '97	Mr. Prospector '70	Raise a Native '61	Native Dancer 50 Raise You '46
		Gold Digger '62	Nashua '52 Sequence 46
	Angel Fever '90	Danzig '77	Northern Dancer '61 Pas De Nom '68
		Rowdy Angel '79	Halo '69 Ramhyde '72
<b>Marozia</b> '94 3fls, 1 SW.	Storm Bird '78	Northern Dancer '61	Nearctic '54 Natalma '57
		South Ocean '67	New Providence '56 Shining Sun '62
	Make Change '85	Roberto '69	Hail To Reason '58 Bramalea '59
	SW/MGISP 8fls, 1SW	Equal Change '72 GISP, 9fls, 1GSW	Arts and Letters 66 Fairness 63



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**FROM THE DESK OF...**

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**FIRST FOUR-YEAR-OLDS**

The last four winners of the Kentucky Derby have come from the first or second crops of their sires. The 2001 Derby was won by Monarchos, from the first crop of his sire, Maria's Mon (first foals 1998). The 2002 Derby went to War Emblem, from the second crop by his sire, Our Emblem, whose first foals were also born in 1998. In 2003, Funny Cide won the Derby; he was from the first crop of Distorted Humor (first foals 2000). Last year's Derby winner, Smarty Jones, was from the second crop by Elusive Quality, whose first foals were also born in 2000.

So, the brief summary for the last four Derbies is: two from the first-foals 1998 sire crop, two from the first-foals 2000 group; two from their sire's first crop, two from their second. If you figured out which of those factors were key, you could probably narrow this year's field down a lot already.

One thing we have learned for certain: ignore horses from the second crops of their sires at your peril. Our Emblem proved that for all time with War Emblem's Derby win, and Smarty Jones drove home the point last year. This week we look at the North American sires whose second crops are three-year-olds this year (so their first crop are four-year-olds, and they're classed as 'third-crop' sires), from a couple of different angles--progeny earnings (compiled through last weekend), and APEX ratings (compiled through end 2004). (*Tables p10-11*)

From both angles, the two horses that stand out are Victory Gallop and Forestry. Victory Gallop has the money lead, but Forestry has rung up top-class numbers in a couple of important categories: he has 21 stakes horses, miles clear of nearest rival Victory Gallop, who has 12. That figure is also 15.1 percent of his foals, whereas a study published in these pages last year suggested 10 percent stakes horses to foals is about what we should expect respectable sires to tally these days.

Moreover, Forestry has notched up major-league APEX ratings so far: 5.17 A Index, 4.60 combined A + B Index (the top four percent of earners, which I think is more reliable for the youngest group of sires). Interestingly, Victory Gallop does lead Forestry, 24 to 22, in number of ABC Runners (top eight percent earners)--with three sires tied for a distant third, each with 16.

Stravinsky and Malibu Moon are third and fourth, respectively, in progeny earnings. Stravinsky was Leading Freshman Sire of this group in 2002, but even then it was open to question how strong a group it was, as European sires Fasliyev and Cape Cross both had higher progeny earnings (converted to dollars) than did Stravinsky. He's dropped to third on the North American third-crop sires' cumulative earnings list, but his Northern Hemisphere earners managed over \$3 million, and Coolmore's confidence in him was confirmed by their maintaining his stud fee for this year at the \$25,000 level. Nonetheless, his APEX ratings are decidedly average--he needs a big year. Malibu Moon, I see, has been jumped again to \$30,000, which I think is 10 times his original Maryland stud fee. Sire of 2004 two-year-old champion and pro tem Derby favorite Declan's Moon, it's easy to see which way he's been going.

Eight of what are now the top 10 North American third-crop sires started in Kentucky. One--Old Trieste--is dead, and three others have left: Silver Charm to Japan, Exploit to South Korea, via Florida, and Mazel Trick to Pennsylvania. Malibu Moon has moved in, as noted, from Maryland, Doneraile Court has changed barns within the state, and Archer's Bay, who stood in Ontario but died, round out the Top 10 on progeny earnings. So, of that top 10, Kentucky now has five, two are dead, and three have been exported from Kentucky. There is a similar pattern in the next five places: Tactical Cat, Menifee, and Stormin' Fever started in Kentucky and remain there. Charismatic started in Kentucky and is now in Japan, while Artax started in New York, went to Kentucky and is now back in New York.

*Cont. p. 9*



SATIN KISS, 5-length winner of UAE Guineas



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(Bill Oppenheim cont. from p. 8)

Of all the systems by which we divine the Kentucky Derby winner, Sun King must therefore have a good chance: he's from the second crop of his sire, Charismatic, who was sold to Japan. How can he miss? It's interesting to look at the APEX ratings of these sires, and see how they compare to their rankings in terms of progeny earnings. I thought it was striking that the four sires ranked ninth through 12th in progeny earnings each had exactly seven A + B Runners, and all had good to very good ABC Indices: Tactical Cat lowest of the four, but still at 1.79, the others all above 2.00. The three sires ranked 13th-15th in progeny earnings are all around the 1.00 A + B Index range (average), while below the top 15 the number of sires with average or better A + B Indices declined pretty fast. The one horse way down the progeny earnings list whose APEX Ratings just scream at you is Military. He's ranked only 31st in cumulative progeny earnings, but he has a combined 1.96 A + B Index and is above 2.00 in all other categories. Military therefore qualifies as a massive bargain at his current \$5,000 stud fee.

**Quirky TV Shows...**

Last weekend we took a field trip to the Northwest coast of Scotland, just short of Skye, to a small village called Plockton. It achieved a certain notoriety in the mid-1990s as the setting for a TV show which earned the nickname of 'the Scottish Northern Exposure' -- 'Hamish Macbeth,' starring the brilliant Scottish actor Robert Carlyle as a small-town cop. It deserved its nickname, too. It was at least as quirky as its Alaskan contemporary of the same period (which I've read was actually filmed in Northern California, by the way). I thought I would just check at the paper (and gift and craft) shop on Saturday morning, so I wandered in and asked if they had, by chance, a *Racing Post*. No, said your man, and in fact, you're the first person to ask for one since Queen Elizabeth came through on the Royal Yacht, Britannia. Since the Britannia's been a tourist attraction in Edinburgh for about five years, I quickly realized that, though they did get Her Majesty a *Racing Post*, I would be catching up on my reading when we got home. There's no Hamish Macbeth Museum, either; that was disappointing. But I will tell you one thing--if you're ever in the neighborhood, the Plockton Prawns at the Plockton Inn are about the best I've ever eaten. Most people get them by sailing into Plockton, in the summer, but you can also get the prawns in Paris, I was told. Just ask for 'langoustine,' and if they're from 'Ecosse,' you've got the right stuff. **Bill Oppenheim may be contacted at [bopp@erb.com](mailto:bopp@erb.com). Please cc TDN management at [suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com](mailto:suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com).**

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## Glen Boss



Glen Boss *Fairfax Photos*

**This week's accomplishment:** Became the first jockey in Australia's history to win a two-state, same-day Group 1 double, taking the G1 Oakleigh Plate aboard Fastnet Rock (Aus) in Melbourne, then catching a plane north to win the G1 Canterbury Guineas in Sydney aboard Jymcarew (Aus).

**Birthdate:** Aug. 21, 1969

**Birthplace:** Beaudesert, Queensland, Australia.

**If you could change one thing about our sport, what would it be?** I'd like the general public to have a greater awareness of the danger we face every time we ride.

**If you could have a conversation with one horse, who would it be, and what would you ask him?** I guess I could talk to a good young colt with a lot of potential and tell him what a great future he has ahead of him at stud if he behaves himself and does his best now.

**Who inspires you the most?** It's not one person, or one thing. It's people I meet in my day-to-day life. Someone who has overcome a disability, for example. My family inspires me a lot.

**If you had the opportunity, would you bungee jump?** Already done that. No thrill in that.

**What's in your CD player right now?** The Ministry of Sound 2005.

**If you could have dinner with one historical figure, who would it be and why?** Bono from U2 because he is inspirational. I'd like to know how his mind ticks, with all his work for charity and peace and big issues.

**Have you ever sung karaoke in a bar in front of people?** Yes. It was shocking. I enjoyed myself. But I don't think the people who had to listen to it did. Lee Freedman is very good at karaoke, though. He's got a great voice.

**What's the funniest movie you've ever seen?** Jackass. It's brilliant. You want to go see it.

**What would you be doing if you weren't in horse racing?** I would be in some sort of sport. Maybe I would be a battling golf pro, down on my luck. I did motocross when I was younger. Probably would have been battling at that, too. I would be doing something that required speed and stupidity.

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Horse (YOB, sire)	Fls	Rnrs	Wnrs	Wins	Purses	GSW	SW	SP	Stands
Victory Gallop (1995, Cryptoclearance)	145	95	58	107	\$3,971,829	1	8	4	KY
Forestry (1996, Storm Cat)	139	76	44	86	\$3,431,706	4	12	9	KY
Stravinsky (1996, Nureyev)	296	122	68	229	\$3,282,623	2	7	9	KY
Malibu Moon (1997, A.P. Indy)	140	76	48	90	\$2,938,233	2	5	6	KY
Silver Charm (1994, Silver Buck)	221	89	45	80	\$2,740,335	1	2	5	JPN
Exploit (1996, Storm Cat)	163	99	59	106	\$2,661,249	0	5	3	SoKor
Mazel Trick (1995, Phone Trick)	156	89	49	93	\$2,629,979	0	1	3	PA
Doneraile Court (1996, Seattle Slew)	132	84	59	112	\$2,573,980	1	5	5	KY
Archers Bay (1995, Silver Deputy)	103	59	34	50	\$2,478,083	0	2	5	Dead
Old Trieste (1995, A.P. Indy)	116	77	35	69	\$2,476,171	1	3	3	Dead
Tactical Cat (1996, Storm Cat)	119	73	38	85	\$2,451,664	1	5	4	KY
Menifee (1996, Harlan)	85	61	40	75	\$2,434,026	0	4	7	KY
Stormin Fever (1994, Storm Cat)	144	93	52	89	\$2,417,621	2	4	6	KY
Charismatic (1996, Summer Squall)	221	103	51	89	\$2,301,818	0	2	6	JPN
Artax (1995, Marquetry)	146	81	44	71	\$2,259,235	1	1	2	NY
Family Calling (1994, Mr. Prospector)	144	98	59	123	\$2,052,949	0	3	3	FL
Crafty Friend (1993, Crafty Prospector)	175	94	53	86	\$1,953,551	0	3	3	KY
Real Quiet (1995, Quiet American)	138	87	43	74	\$1,776,640	0	1	6	KY
Wild Event (1993, Wild Again)	89	59	35	71	\$1,723,106	0	3	3	FL
Good and Tough (1995, Carson City)	84	56	35	76	\$1,673,490	1	2	3	NY
Leestown (1994, Seattle Slew)	139	89	46	76	\$1,671,205	0	5	3	LA
Diamond (1995, Mr. Prospector)	99	63	37	81	\$1,547,246	0	3	1	MD
Lil's Lad (1995, Pine Bluff)	114	76	41	72	\$1,537,209	0	2	4	PA
Accelerator (1994, A.P. Indy)	131	91	47	74	\$1,490,203	0	0	4	Dead
Free House (1994, Smokester)	98	56	24	47	\$1,450,462	1	1	0	Dead
Precocity (1994, Aferd)	62	40	25	47	\$1,433,380	1	3	1	NM
Event of the Year (1995, Seattle Slew)	142	67	36	58	\$1,423,821	0	1	2	CA
Finest Hour (1994, Forty Niner)	101	51	28	60	\$1,355,379	0	3	3	LA
Sea of Secrets (1995, Storm Cat)	84	63	40	62	\$1,333,855	0	2	6	KY
Parade Ground (1995, Kingmambo)	95	62	30	61	\$1,321,171	0	2	0	CO
Military (1994, Danzig)	62	40	27	50	\$1,291,924	0	2	1	KY
Horse Chestnut (SAf) (1995, Fort Wood)	98	43	21	35	\$1,257,709	2	2	4	KY
Wild Wonder (1994, Wild Again)	107	58	28	59	\$1,145,935	1	1	1	KY
Porto Foricos (1995, Mr. Prospector)	36	14	4	10	\$1,135,504	0	2	0	ON
Scatmandu (1995, Storm Cat)	112	73	36	69	\$1,017,498	0	0	0	KY
Wagon Limit (1994, Conquistador Cielo)	43	30	21	40	\$971,653	1	1	1	KY
General Royal (1994, A.P. Indy)	87	49	25	41	\$920,112	0	0	1	KY
Quaker Ridge (1996, Forty Niner)	58	32	26	50	\$863,040	0	0	1	FL
Crypto Star (1994, Cryptoclearance)	78	39	22	47	\$815,942	0	1	1	MD
Sahm (1994, Mr. Prospector)	56	35	25	48	\$803,450	0	3	3	KY
Gold Regent (1996, Mr. Prospector)	100	41	31	55	\$795,667	0	2	3	TX
Comic Strip (1995, Red Ransom)	82	47	22	38	\$761,940	0	1	1	CA
Mud Route (1994, Strawberry Road (Aus))	87	38	18	27	\$743,450	0	2	1	CA
Holzmeister (1994, Woodman)	52	32	20	43	\$729,710	0	2	2	TX

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**APEX RATINGS FOR 'THIRD-CROP' SIRES OF 2005 (FIRST FOALS 2001)**

Rnk	Through 2004			Top 4%		Next 4%		Top 8%		2yo's	3yo's
	Sire	St	Rnrs	AB's	Index	C's	Index	ABC's	Index		
1	Victory Gallop	Ky	135	14	2.59	10	1.85	24	2.22	2.87	2.49
2	Forestry	Ky	87	16	4.6	6	1.72	22	3.16	4.84	2.99
3	Stravinsky	Ky	168	8	1.19	6	0.89	14	1.04	1.92	0.9
4	Malibu Moon	Ky	91	6	1.65	4	1.1	10	1.37	2.39	1.22
5	Silver Charm	Jpn	109	4	0.92	11	2.52	15	1.72	2.22	2
6	Exploit	S Kor	142	5	0.88	10	1.76	15	1.32	0.83	2.13
7	Mazel Trick	Pa	120	7	1.46	9	1.88	16	1.67	0.72	2.62
8	Doneraile Court	Ky	111	4	0.9	8	1.8	12	1.35	2.73	1.01
9	Archer's Bay	Dead	78	7	2.24	9	2.88	16	2.56	2.8	3.11
10	Old Trieste	Dead	90	7	1.94	9	2.5	16	2.22	1.74	3.4
11	Tactical Cat	Ky	84	7	2.08	5	1.59	12	1.79	1.15	2.38
12	Menifee	Ky	77	7	2.27	6	1.95	13	2.11	2.67	2.46
13	Stormin Fever	Ky	124	5	1.01	1	0.2	6	0.6	0.96	0.6
14	Charismatic	Jpn	137	6	1.09	2	0.36	8	0.73	0.57	1.1
15	Artax	NY	99	4	1.01	7	1.77	11	1.39	0.45	2.18
16	Family Calling	Fl	110	2	0.45	4	0.91	6	0.68	1.19	0.6
17	Crafty Friend	Ky	115	2	0.43	5	1.09	7	0.76	0.4	1.1
18	Real Quiet	Ky	109	3	0.69	3	0.69	6	0.69	0.79	0.82
19	Wild Event	Fl	70	2	0.71	3	1.07	5	0.89	1.18	1.01
20	Good And Tough	NY	69	3	1.09	3	1.09	6	1.09	1.28	1.31
21	Leestown	La	65	4	0.95	3	0.71	7	0.83	1.85	0.49
22	Diamond	Md	75	2	0.67	4	1.33	6	1	0.74	1.19
23	Lil's Lad	Pa	97	2	0.52	5	1.29	7	0.9	0.87	1.19
24	Accelerator	Dead	121	1	0.21	2	0.41	3	0.31	0.36	0.36
25	Free House	Dead	68	3	1.1	3	1.1	6	1.1	0.72	1.45
26	Precocity	NM	48	3	1.56	1	0.52	4	1.04	2.55	0.5
27	Event of the Year	Ca	72	2	0.69	1	0.35	3	0.52	0.77	0.5
28	Finest Hour	La	61	4	1.64	1	0.41	5	1.02	2.65	0.6
29	Sea of Secrets	Ky	86	2	0.58	4	1.16	6	0.87	1.64	0.71
30	Parade Ground	Co	73	2	0.68	3	1.03	5	0.86	1.07	1.05
31	Military	Ky	51	4	1.96	5	2.45	9	2.21	3.54	2.09
32	Horse Chestnut	Ky	60	2	0.83	3	1.25	5	1.04	1.24	1.37
33	Wild Wonder	Ky	71	1	0.35	1	0.35	2	0.35	0.59	0.33
34	Porto Foricos	On			N/A - too few 2001 foals to calculate APEX ratings						
35	Scatmandu	Ky	90	0	0	3	0.83	3	0.42	0	0.65
36	Wagon Limit	Ky	36	2	1.39	2	1.39	4	1.39	1.28	1.74
37	General Royal	Ky	62	2	0.81	2	0.81	4	0.81	0.64	1.21
38	Quaker Ridge	Fl	41	0	0	5	3.05	5	1.52	2.19	1.57
39	Crypto Star	Md	49	0	0	2	1.02	2	0.51	1	0.4
40	Sahm	Ky	48	0	0	1	0.52	1	0.26	0	0.42

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#### John Lies Named Lone Star Announcer:

John Lies will become the new voice of Lone Star Park when Thoroughbred racing returns to the Grand Prairie track Apr. 14. Lies, a broadcast publicist for Santa Anita and Hollywood Park since 1999, made several guest appearances in the announcer's booth at Santa Rosa last summer. He served as a substitute announcer at Ellis Park in August and was a back-up announcer during Hollywood's 2004 Autumn Meeting.

#### Texcess Probable for Louisiana Derby:

Delta Jackpot winner **Texcess** (In Excess {Ire}) is likely for the Mar. 12 GII Louisiana Derby, according to co-owner and trainer Paul Aguirre. "It depends on how he works next week," Aguirre said. "But, we'll probably come." **Texcess** finished third in the GII San Rafael S. in his sophomore bow and was second in the San Mateo Mile at Bay Meadows. The colt worked four furlongs at Santa Anita Monday in :50.60.

#### Romero Elected to La Sports Hall of Fame:

Randy Romero, the only jockey in state history to win riding titles at every Louisiana track during his career, is among eight sports legends elected for induction into the Louisiana Sports Hall of Fame. Romero was the regular rider for champions Go for Wand and Personal Ensign. The induction ceremony will be held June 25 in Natchitoches. Other 2005 inductees are LSU women's basketball coaching legend Sue Gunter, five-time major league baseball All-Star Albert Belle and three-time NFL Pro Bowl receiver Mark Duper.

#### Yesterday's Results:

**1st-HAW**, \$28,000, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$35-30,000), NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft.

**STRAIGHT BID** (f, 3, **Straight Man--Sea Bid**, by **Spectacular Bid**), a \$50,000 OBSAUG yearling, failed to sustain her bid in deep stretch two back and settled for third over course and distance Nov. 18, but held on for the 1 3/4-length maiden breaker Dec. 15. Coming off the freshening as a 5-2 shot, the daughter of sophomore sire Straight Man turned back the challenge of Cat in the Box (Capote's Prospect) in upper stretch and reported home 1 1/2 lengths better than that foe. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$37,310.

O-Midnight Cry Stable. B-John McGreery & Mike Rosati (FL). T-Ronald L Shenofsky.

#### Yesterday's Results:

**5th-SUN**, \$19,200, Msw, (S), 2yo, 2f, :21 1/5, ft. + **MANOLITO** (c, 2, **Blind Man's Bluff--My Funny Valentine**, by **Boss Koss**), in what's perhaps the first baby race of the year, lugged in shortly after the break, but righted himself quickly and won by 1 1/4 lengths at 7-2 odds. Zsa Cat (Dome) was second. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,520.

O-Guadalupe P Hernandez. B-Rigoberto Y Villalobos (NM). T-Jose A Gonzalez.

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#### Center Stage for Saint Liam:

With Ghostzapper still on the sidelines and Roses in May heading to Dubai, all eyes will be on **Saint Liam** (Saint Ballado) in Saturday's GI Santa Anita H. The five-year-old is coming off an impressive win in the GI Donn H. at Gulfstream Feb. 5, where he outlasted Roses in May to the wire. Trainer Richard Dutrow, Jr. considered joining that foe in Dubai for the Mar. 26 GI Dubai World Cup, but decided to stay in the States for the Big 'Cap instead. "The Santa Anita H. has a big purse and it's a big race," said Dutrow. "[But] we're not in it for the money. That's not why my owner and I are in the game. It's a long year and we didn't want to take a chance on a trip to Dubai when the Santa Anita H. suits him quite nicely. Hopefully, he can have a big year." **Saint Liam** will be the starting highweight Saturday at 122 pounds.

#### Rock Hard Ten, Congrats Work for Big 'Cap:

Trainer Richard Mandella's GI Santa Anita H. hopefuls **Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.) and **Congrats** (A.P. Indy) were back working in company yesterday at Santa Anita--though not like last Wednesday when the pair exercised together. **Rock Hard Ten** bettered the time of stable-mate Panama Lane by two ticks, stopping the clock for four furlongs in :48.60. **Congrats**, meanwhile, breezing the same distance with Berbatim, blew out a half in :48.20 under Tyler Baze. Commenting on **Rock Hard Ten's** move, Mandella said, "He looked great. He went the last eighth in 11 and change. He couldn't be better." Another expected Big 'Cap starter, GIII San Gabriel H. winner **Truly a Judge** (Judge TC), galloped Tuesday. "He's coming up to this race better than he's come up to any of his recent races," trainer David Bernstein said of the longshot. "He's really, really good right now." Bernstein said to expect his veteran charge to be on the front for Saturday's feature. "That seems like the best way for him to run," he said. "I figure this way: if our best strategy is to be on the lead and see what happens, then we're just going to have to do that."



★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN ITALY:

Xavier Gold, c, 3, [Captain Bodgit](#) See "European Breeders' Edition"

IN BRITAIN:

Mogaamer, c, 3, [Dixieland Band](#) See "Britain"



★ BRITAIN ★

STRONG BREEZE-UP CATALOGUE ONLINE

The catalogue for Tattersalls 2005 Breeze-Up sale is now available to be viewed online at [www.tattersalls.com](http://www.tattersalls.com). A total 193 lots are catalogued for the sale, with all lots due to breeze at Newmarket's Rowley Mile track Apr. 12. The sale will take place after racing Apr. 13 and 14. Graduates of the class of 2004 include impressive G1 Criterium de Saint-Cloud winner **Païta (GB)** (Intikhab), G1 Dewhurst S. third **Montgomery's Arch** (Arch) and G1 Criterium International third **Walk In The Park (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}). Commenting on the catalogue, Tattersalls chairman Edmond Mahony said, "This sale has changed out of all recognition in the last few years both in terms of catalogue quality and racecourse achievement, and 2004 was a banner year in both respects. As we approach the 2005 Flat season there are at least three genuine European Classic contenders from last year's Breeze Up in the shape of Païta, Montgomery's Arch and Walk In The Park, as well as Kongo Rikishio in Japan. Combine that with what looks to be an outstanding 2005 catalogue, and we have the perfect ingredients for a successful sale."

GUINEAS CLOSE TODAY

Entries for the £320,000 G1 UltimatePoker.com 2000 Guineas at Newmarket Apr. 30 and the £320,000 G1 UltimatePoker.com 1000 Guineas May 1 close today. A complete list of final entries for Britain's first two Classics of the season will be announced Wednesday Mar. 9.

ATR NOMINATES RACING CHARITY

British broadcasting channel At The Races has announced that it will be supporting Retraining of Racehorses (RoR) as its nominated charity for 2005. RoR is British horseracing's official charity for the welfare of former racehorses. It aims to raise funds from the racing industry to help support charitable re-training and re-homing of ex-racehorses and to show how ex-racehorses can flourish in a second career. "We are very grateful to At The Races for adopting RoR as their nominated charity this year," commented RoR's chairman Andrew Parker-Bowles. "With their large daily viewing audience, they are the ideal vehicle to get our message across that all retired racehorses that are suitable should be given the chance of a second career." ATR's Matthew Imi added, "Throughout their racing careers Thoroughbred racehorses give all of us an enormous amount of pleasure, but it is equally incumbent on us to take responsibility for them when they leave the sport. At The Races is uniquely positioned to assist RoR in its main objective for 2005. Namely, to further educate owners and trainers on the opportunities available to them for their horses once they have finished their racing careers. With well in excess of a million viewers a month tuning in, ATR will be using its channel and website to promote RoR and its work throughout the year and will also seek to raise funds for the charity through various channel and website initiatives, the interactive red button application and via the phone. Whilst the majority of owners and trainers take a great deal of time and care over finding suitable new homes for their horses, there are still a lot of people within the racing industry who are simply not aware that there's life for a horse after racing."

Yesterday's Results:

**Lingfield, 2.00, Mdn**, £5,435, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT), 1:23.85, stn.

**MOGAAMER (c, 3, [Dixieland Band](#)--Dolly Talbo, by Capote)**, runner-up on debut over course and distance Feb. 16, started as the piping-hot 3-10 favorite to gain compensation this time. Leading from flagfall, the \$275,000 KEESEP yearling was niggled along at the top of the straight and was pushed out inside the final furlong to comfortably hold off the late flourish of Coeur Courageux (Fr) (Xaar {GB}) by a neck. Lifetime Record: 2-1-1-0, £4,805.

O-Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum; B-Sarum Farm; T-Marcus Tregoning.



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## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**7th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, (S), 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:43 3/5, ft.**

**MARION'S MAN (g, 5, Helmsman--Courageous Kitten, by Iron Courage)** Lifetime Record: 33-3-6-8, \$117,550. O-Frank Carl Calabrese. B-L & M Varney (IL). T-Michael L Reavis.

**8th-HAW, \$30,000, NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 3/5, ft.**

**MARY SWAN (f, 4, Proud Irish--Bolgers Battle, by Bolger)** Lifetime Record: 15-4-5-1, \$87,857. O-C D C Stables Inc. B-Old English Rancho (CA). T-Larry Rivelli.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Dad's Star, f, 4, Crypto Star--Vixen's Girl, by Huckster.** HAW, 3-1, (S), a1m70yd, 1:46 2/5. B-Renee & Wayne Catalano Racing Stable,Ltd (IL).



**Progeny to Watch: Wednesday, March 2**

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

**PURPLE PASSION** (Northern Raja), Shamrock, \$2K, 17/1/0  
6-LRL, Alw, 5 1/2f, Purple S Shamrock, 15-1

**UNBRIDLED JET** (Unbridled), Country Life, \$8K, 126/5/0  
4-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Jet Set Citi, 10-1

**WESTERN EXPRESSION** (Gone West), Highcliff, \$10K, 114/8/0  
9-AQU, Msw, 6f, Saratoga Dreaming

### ★ ON THE WORKTAB ★ FAIR GROUNDS

- Sister Swank** (Skip Away), 4f, :49.00, 5/33
- Punch Appeal** (Successful Appeal), 4f, :51.40, 26/33
- Razor** (Concorde's Tune), 4f, 51.60, 28/33
- Bwana Charlie** (Indian Charlie), 5f, 1:02, 8/26

#### HOLLYWOOD

- A. P. Adventure** (A.P. Indy), 4f, :50.00, 6/8
- Star over the Bay** (Cozzene), 5f, 1:00.20, 2/10

#### PALM MEADOWS

- Mr. Light** (Arg) (Numerous), 5f, 1:02.60, 22/35

#### SANTA ANITA

- Congrats** (A.P. Indy), 4f, :48.20
- Rock Hard Ten** (Kris S.), 4f, :48.60

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**ITALY, Naples, 4.30, 2-28, €13,005, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, time: n/a, hy.**

**XAVIER GOLD (c, 3, Captain Bodgit--Casseattack, by Native Tactics)** Lifetime Record: 23 starts, 3 wins, 10 places, €55,182. O-Scuderia Lady Fashion; B-Hopewell Investments LLC; T-A Tortorella. \*\$11,000 yrl '03 KEESEP.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Stephanie's Mind (GB), f, 3, Mind Games (GB)--Adorable Cherub, by Halo.** Lingfield, Britain, 3-1, Mdn, 3yo, 5f (AWT). B-T & M A Bibby. \*15,000gns yrl '03 DONSEP.

### FOALING NEWS:

**ROSES IN THE SNOW (IRE), 12, Be My Guest--Desert Bluebell (GB), by Kalaglow (Ire)**

Foal born Feb. 12, a filly by Kafwain.

Will be bred back to Johar.

Owned by West Lodge Stud.

Boarded at Woods Edge Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: SP-Eng. Dam of Snowdrops (GB) (Gulch), GSW, \$318,354.

**CATINCA, 10, Storm Cat--Inca Legacy, by Saratoga Six**

Foal born Feb. 14, a filly by Unbridled's Song.

Will be bred back to Fusaichi Pegasus.

Owned by and boarded at Brushwood Stable, PA.

Accomplishments: GISW of \$864,775.

**JENA JENA, 9, Dixieland Band--With a Wink, by Clever Trick**

Foal born Feb. 14, a filly by Fusaichi Pegasus.

Will be bred back to Giant's Causeway.

Owned by Alan Cohen.

Boarded at Darby Dan Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$272,888.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES		
Date	Race	Track
Mar. 5	GI Santa Anita H.	Santa Anita
	GI Frank E. Kilroe Mile	Santa Anita
	GII Fountain of Youth S.	Gulfstream
	GII Gulfstream Park H.	Gulfstream
	GII Santa Catalina S.	Santa Anita
	GII Bonnie Miss S.	Gulfstream
	GII Stonerside Forward Gal S.	Gulfstream
Mar. 6	GII Swale S.	Gulfstream
	GIII Baldwin S.	Santa Anita
	GI Gulfstream Park BC H.	Gulfstream
	GIII The Very One H.	Gulfstream