

GRAND SLAM COLT
brings \$1 Million
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FIRST-CLASS COLT TOPS BARRETT'S

First he set a world record with the fastest quarter ever thrown down during an under-tack show. Then, after blazing that quarter in :20.60, the son of Songandaprayer, gave consignor Murray Smith her first-



Hip 143 Horsephotos

ever million-dollar sale, topping yesterday's Barretts March Sale of Selected Two-Year-Olds in Training when he went to Bob Lewis for a cool \$1.9 million. How will Smith celebrate her milestone sale? "I'm going to take my crew out tonight, and we are all flying home first-class tomorrow," she said with a grin. "I bought everyone a first-class ticket home, and I think we'll be popping open the champagne on the flight. Doesn't that sound like fun?" Smith was not surprised that the dark bay, named **What a Song**, was the sales topper. "After all the hype, I thought he might bring \$500,000 to \$1.5 million," she said. "Then today, when I saw that there were more and more people on him, I thought maybe the price would be \$1 million to \$2.5 million. I wasn't too far off. How do you ever imagine that a two-year-old is going to bring over \$1 million--but that's what you get at these sales. He separated himself from the crowd in the way he performed, in his conformation, in his demeanor. He stood above the rest." Smith feels the same about the man who bought her horse. "I am tickled to death that Mr. Lewis bought him," she said. "I have so much respect for him, I am a huge fan. He is like the ambassador of racing. He has so much class."

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| BARRETT'S MARCH SALE | | |
| TUESDAY, MAR. 15, 2005 | | |
| Session Totals | 2005 | 2004 |
| No. Offered | 145 | 128 |
| No. Sold | 88 | 79 |
| RNAs | 57 | 49 |
| % RNAs | 39% | 38% |
| Gross | \$14,360,500 | \$13,728,000 |
| Average (% change) | \$163,188 (-6%) | \$173,772 |
| Median (% change) | \$95,00 (-5%) | \$100,000 |

BARRETT'S MARCH
TOP EIGHT LOTS

| HIP# | SEX | SIRE | DAM | PRICE |
|-------------|------------|------------------------|--------------------|---|
| <u>143</u> | colt | <u>Songandaprayer</u> | What a Knight | \$1,900,000 (\$95,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL; \$47,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-Susan Kahn (Fl) Consigned by Murray Smith, agent Purchased by Robert & Beverly Lewis |
| <u>043</u> | colt | <u>Grand Slam</u> | Marsh Cat | \$1,000,000 B-Whisperwood Farms (Ky) Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent Purchased by Hirokazu Sumida, agent |
| <u>129</u> | colt | <u>Indian Charlie</u> | Tupelo Belle | \$900,000 (\$150,000 wnlg '03 KEENOV) B-Fred Caudill (Ky) Consigned by H T Stables, agent Purchased by John W Sadler, agent |
| <u>046</u> | colt | <u>Point Given</u> | Merengue | \$750,000 (\$290,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-Bowman and Higgins Stable & Robert N. Clay (Md) Consigned by Wavertree Stables, Inc., Agent XI Purchased by Robert and Beverly Lewis |
| <u>187</u> | colt | <u>Dixie Union</u> | Devil's Orchid | \$750,000 (\$125,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-Shannon Farms (Ont) Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock, agent Purchased by Darley Stud Management LLC |
| <u>181</u> | filly | <u>Five Star Day</u> | Dance Alexa | \$600,000 (\$90,000 yrl '04 KEESEP) B-J C Davis Farm (Ky) Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock, agent Purchased by Robert and Beverly Lewis |
| <u>135</u> | colt | <u>Tale of the Cat</u> | Unchained Princess | \$375,000 (\$145,000 yrl '04 FTKJUL) B-Keene Ridge Farm (Ky) Consigned by Niall Brennan Stables, agent Purchased by Desperado Stables, Inc. |
| <u>008</u> | colt | <u>Tiznow</u> | Golden Tiy | \$350,000 (\$120,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG) B-William A Carl (Ky) Consigned by Sequel Bloodstock, agent Purchased by Robert and Beverly Lewis |

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(Barretts results cont.)

Credit Where Credit Is Due...

Murray Smith couldn't accept all the laurels for her sales-topping colt. Right-hand men Cordell Anderson and Barry Demus will join her in first-class today, but she also had the help of Didier Placencia and Ed Farmer, who run things at home when she is on the road, and bookkeeper Kelly Hadsock, who will handle the windfall from yesterday's sale. "The guys have been with me for anywhere from eight to 12 years," Smith said. "Kelly has been with me for four years. She manages the money, and I can't tell you how much she helps me." Smith also tipped her cap to James Vail, who was in the saddle for the world-record breeze. "He did a beautiful job," she said, adding, "I couldn't do any of this without my crew."



Smith, Lewis and Baffert
Horsephotos

A Busy Day for Bob Lewis...

With trainer D. Wayne Lukas on one side and Bob Baffert on the other, Bob Lewis had a busy day at Barretts. He was delighted to bring home the sales topper. "You couldn't help but like him," Lewis said. "His conformation is magnificent and, even though we know the track was blistering fast [for the first preview], the breeze certainly helps. I am very pleased with the purchase. Hopefully you will be reading a lot about this colt in the future." The Songandaprayer colt, who will go to Baffert, was one of five juveniles purchased by Lewis yesterday. The elder statesman of the sport also bought hip 8, a colt by Tiznow, for \$350,000; hip 46, a colt by Point Given, for \$750,000; hip 72, a filly by Saint Ballado for \$275,000; and hip 181, a filly by Five Star Day, for \$600,000. "We were able to get the horses we wanted," Lewis said. "More important, my trainers are very happy with the horses we picked up."

The Merry, Merry Month of May...

Hip 43 didn't hit the ground until May 9, but the son of Grand Slam quickly made up for that late foaling date. The bay blossomed early, showing enough as a yearling that his connections decided to hold on to him until the juvenile sales. It proved a wise move. The colt tuned up for Barretts with an eighth in :10.20 during the first preview and caught even more attention when bringing a final bid of \$1 million yesterday. Consigned by Jerry Bailey Sales Agency, agent for Gulf Coast



Hip 43
Horsephotos

Farms, he was purchased by Hirokazu Sumida, agent. Bailey, who is part of the Gulf Coast partnership, was not surprised that the two-year-old turned out to be a seven-figure sale. "I find that some horses just mature that much faster than the others, and the birth date doesn't have much bearing on it," he said. "We raised this horse and we kept him to break because we liked him a lot. He is as good a horse that I've had for many, many years." Sumida signed the ticket for an undisclosed buyer. It is likely that the million-dollar baby will be heading to Japan in the future, but Bailey would be more than pleased if he ended up racing in the U.S. "It is a lot more satisfying when the horses you sell stay here to race," he said. "You like to follow them and see how they do. We have a group of mares, and I think it's better advertisement when [the progeny] race here. It's easy to lose track of them when they go to Japan." But the bottom line is getting them well sold. "I'm pleased there was someone here for this horse," Bailey said. "I wish them lots of luck. They've bought a really good horse." The bay juvenile is out of Marsh Cat (Storm Cat), a half sister to Grade I winner Run Man Run (Theatrical {Ire}).

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No Reservations...

He failed to reach his reserve at the 2004 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July Sale, RNA'ing at \$125,000, but hip 129, a colt by Indian Charlie, proved more than worth that money yesterday, attracting a final bid of \$900,000. The bay, from the family of champion sprinter Speightstown, was consigned by H.T. Stables



John Sadler *Horsephotos*

(Allen Jenkins). Trainer John Sadler signed the ticket on behalf of CRK Stables. Sadler has trained for CRK for about a decade, saddling stakes winners including G1 Dubai Golden Shaheen hero Our New Recruit, Cee Band, Doctor Park and Hasty Kris. This colt first hit Sadler's radar screen after going an eighth in :10.30 at the first preview and came back with a bullet :10 flat Sunday. "He was on our short list," Sadler said.

"We had a list of just four horses by the time we were done.

That's lower than usual, but

some didn't vet well and, after all that goes into it, that's what we were left with." Sadler liked the March foal well enough to go as high as he ever has for a two-year-old, but he still suffered a bit of sticker shock. "He was very expensive," the trainer said, "but that's what it costs to get a good horse."

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.

Top and Bottom...

It was an up-and-down day for Allen Jenkins' H. T. Stables. Jenkins hit a high when hip 129, the Indian Charlie colt, brought \$900,000, but was disappointed when hip 120, a filly by Fusaichi Pegasus, was RNA'ed at \$725,000. "I was very pleased with the colt," Jenkins said. "That's why we brought him out here. He was one of the more exciting horses on the farm. On breeze day, he impressed everybody, including me. There was no effort in what he did. But, no matter how much you like a horse, you are always surprised by the big prices. I thought he might bring \$500,000 to 600,000." As for the filly, Jenkins said, "I don't have a clue what happened. She vetted fabulously, she scoped great, the major players seemed to be on her. I honestly don't know what happened." As for her future, he added, "If I don't get her sold before we leave here, I might race her. Or I might bring her back [to Barretts] for the May sale." Win or lose, Jenkins loves the job he has had for some 30 years. The brother of Olympic show jumper Rodney Jenkins, he got his start in show jumping as well, but switched to the racetrack in the '70s. Over the years, Jenkins has sold such top horses as Japanese champion Personal Rush, Grade I winners Catinca and Elloluv and graded winners Caller I.D., Thirty Six Red, Meter Maid and Major Idea. He has cut back in recent years, now selling seven or eight per sale instead of the 200 head he would consign over the course of a season 20 years ago, but even then, the work load was not as heavy as it was with show jumpers. "This is not as hard as the show world," he said. "With show jumpers, you are showing 50 horses, working from sun-up to sunset, braiding manes and tails and then driving the tractor-trailer to boot. It wasn't the job for me. When I got bored with the show game, I trained race horses for several years, then I started doing this and, 30 years later, I still enjoy it."

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A Selective Crowd at Barretts Select...

Gerald McMahon, the president and general manager of Barretts, was pleased with yesterday's results. "The market was selective, but that's the name of the game at these sales," McMahon said. "We had a great group of buyers here. The majority were West Coast based, and we had the nationally prominent buyers as well. Demi O'Byrne and John Ferguson were here all week, but it was Bob Lewis and Sid Craig dueling for the sales topper. It's great to have the local market produce that kind of competition." McMahon was also happy with the way the middle and lower ends of the market held up. "We had buyers interested in horses in the \$100,000 to \$200,000 range, and also people buying for \$25,000 to \$35,000," he said. "I think that's why the buy-back rate didn't approach 50 percent." But McMahon was disappointed at the 39 percent for RNAs. "I'm disappointed that we didn't get more horses sold," he said. "I think that the workouts put everybody in a funny spot. Some consignors seemed to be a little over-optimistic based on the work times, but the buyers tended to disregard the times to some degree. That caused the difference between the buyers and the sellers." Looking ahead, McMahon said, "It's kind of hard to get your hands on the ideal mix of horses and buyers. We want to develop the right mix. And we want to see the consignors have a uniformly good success rate. We'll have to assess the sale and go from there."

BARRETTS MARCH TOP PURCHASERS

| | Head | Gross | Average |
|-------------|------|-------------|-------------|
| R & B Lewis | 5 | \$3,875,000 | \$775,000 |
| John Sadler | 2 | \$1,150,000 | \$575,000 |
| H Sumida | 1 | \$1,000,000 | \$1,000,000 |
| Darley | 1 | \$750,000 | \$750,000 |
| Buzz Chace | 4 | \$502,000 | \$125,000 |

(agent for West Point TB Inc)

BARRETTS MARCH TOP CONSIGNORS

| | Head | Gross | Average |
|---------------------------|------|-------------|-----------|
| Murray Smith | 4 | \$2,270,000 | \$567,500 |
| Sequel B'stk | 11 | \$2,240,000 | \$203,636 |
| Jerry Bailey Sales Agency | 5 | \$1,597,500 | \$319,500 |
| H T Stables | 2 | \$940,000 | \$470,000 |
| Wavertree Stables | 1 | \$750,000 | \$750,000 |



FOALING NEWS

GOLDEN APPLES (IRE), 7, Pivotal (GB)--Loon (Fr), by Kaldoun (Fr)
 Foal born Feb. 1, a filly by Storm Cat.
 Will be bred back to Storm Cat.
 Owned by/boarded at Shadwell Farm.
 Accomplishments: Ch. Turf Mare, MGISW, \$1,672,454.

SWEET LIFE, 9, Kris S.--Symbolically, by Flying Paster
 Foal born Mar. 5, a filly by Storm Cat.
 Will be bred back to Storm Cat.
 Owned by Mr. & Mrs. Martin J. Wygod.
 Boarded at Mill Ridge Farm, Ky.
 Accomplishments: SW & GISP, \$223,486. Dam of Sweet Catomine (Storm Cat), Ch. 2yo Filly, MGISW, \$1,044,600.

LAKENHEATH, 7, Colonial Affair--November Breeze, by Northern Baby
 Foal born Feb. 21, a filly by Empire Maker.
 Will be bred back to Gone West.
 Owned by James Tafel.
 Boarded at Mill Ridge, Ky.
 Accomplishments: MGSW of \$556,066.

DAWAYTOGOLD, 7, Candi's Gold--Datsdawayitis, by Known Fact.
 Foal born Feb. 23, a filly by Devon Lane.
 Will be bred back to Johannesburg.
 Owned by Dan Lucas.
 Boarded at Taylor Made Farm, Ky.
 Accomplishments: MSW of \$155,275.

RAJMATA, 12, Known Fact--Begum, by Alydar
 Foal born Feb. 23, a colt by Came Home.
 Will be bred back to Came Home.
 Owned by Trudy McCaffery.
 Boarded Mill Ridge, Ky.
 Accomplishments: Dam of Kumari Continent (Kris S.), GSW & GISP, \$263,590.

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G1SW VALLEE ENCHANTEE RETIRED The Wildenstein's mare **Vallee Enchantee (Ire)** (Peintre Celebre--Verveine, by Lear Fan) has been retired from racing after suffering a training setback, trainer Elie



Vallee Enchantee HKJC

Lellouche said Tuesday. The homebred has been booked to Red Ransom, who is currently standing for £25,000 at Darley's Dalham Hall Stud in England. Winner of three group races in 2003--the G1 Hong Kong Vase, G2 Prix Du Conseil de Paris and G2 Prix de Pomone--Vallee

Enchantee recorded her best finish of the 2004 season when she came home third in the G1 Vodafone Coronation Cup last summer. "Unfortunately, Vallee Enchantee has had a setback in training and it is now too late for her to go to Dubai for the G1 Sheema Classic [Nad al Sheba Mar. 26]," Lellouche explained. The five-year-old retires with a lifetime record of five wins and four third-place finishes from 15 starts, with earnings of \$1,510,950.

HIGH LIMIT, SUMMERLY TARGET

KEENELAND A pair of high-profile winners at Fair Grounds last weekend are heading to Keeneland. **High**



High Limit Lou Hodges, Jr

Limit (Maria's Mon), who captured his stakes bow in impressive fashion with a wire-to-wire victory in the GII Louisiana Derby Saturday, is likely to make his next start in the Apr. 16 GI Blue Grass S. "I haven't seen them since, but talking [to assistants] it seems like they came back good," said

trainer Bobby Frankel, also referring to GII New Orleans H. hero Badge of Silver. "We'll go to Keeneland next [with High Limit]." **Summerly** (Summer Squall), victress of the GII Fair Grounds Oaks, came out of the race in good order and is slated to appear next in Keeneland's GI Ashland S. Apr. 9. "She came back well," commented Steve Asmussen, who conditions the three-year-old filly. "She'll run in the Ashland, where she's won [at Keeneland]." Summerly broke her maiden by 14 lengths last October at Keeneland.

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A NEW GSW.

PRIMARY SUSPECT won the G3 Toboggan H. on Saturday. He may run next in the G1 Carter H.

Other top colts - world champion juvenile **JOHANNESBURG**, G2 winners **BLAZONRY**, **DISTILLED**, **KEATS**, **SILVER TREE**, **TOASTED** etc.

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FROM THE DESK OF...
Bill Oppenheim



THE BIG MONEY

While the American three-year-olds are jostling for position in the Kentucky Derby pecking order, this month sees the big money being paid out on other continents. In 10 days' time, the Dubai Carnival will reach a crescendo with \$15-million paid out in purses in one day, highlighted by the \$6-million Dubai World Cup. They're running for \$5-million in purses in England this week, but it's not even flat racing; no, it's Cheltenham, 'the Royal Ascot of Jump Racing,' expanded by a day this year to become a four-day meet for the first time.

Yesterday, something in the neighborhood of 50,000 people (they're expecting 220,000 for the week) watched 113 horses compete for \$1.4-million in prize money. I know a lot of Americans know little or nothing about jump racing, but that's only because we're able to move south and keep top-class flat racing going all year round. It doesn't work that way in Europe, and in fact a good many European racegoers will tell you they prefer jump racing to flat. Certainly it's far more a sporting pursuit, since most of the stars are gelded and aren't about to be shunted off to stud. The top prospects cost upwards of a half-million dollars and more, just to be racehorses.

The highlight of yesterday's action was the two-mile Champion Hurdle, won for the second straight year by Hardy Eustace, an Irish-trained eight-year-old gelding by the sprinter Archway (Thatching), a half brother to Epsom Derby winner Dr Devious (out of an Alleged mare). The first seven in the betting were all trained in Ireland, which included the first five finishers; it's interesting that the massive increase in Irish purse money orchestrated by former Finance Minister Charlie McCreevy has resulted in many of the best jumpers remaining to be trained in Ireland. They're still selling most of their flat horses, but a lot of the best jumpers have stayed in Ireland.

The Champion Hurdle was one of four two-mile races yesterday, making it a sort of 'sprint' day, since two miles is the shortest distance at which top European jump races are run. The day's first two races were a two-mile hurdle and a two-mile chase restricted to 'novices' (horses racing in the first year they win over either hurdles or chases), and were won by two of British jumping's biggest owners. New kid Graham Wylie, with Northern trainer Howard Johnson, won the Supreme Novices' Hurdle with Arcalis, a five-year-old gelding by Lear Fan. Arcalis was rated Timeform 112 on the flat last year. Graham, founder of the Sage accounting program, is a huge new buyer, mostly of jumpers, but now with a string of flat two-year-olds, as well. Leading British owner David Johnson won the two-mile novice chase, the Arkle, for the second straight year, this time with Contraband, a seven-year-old gelding by Red Ransom. So it was a pretty big day for the Roberto sire line. Completing the prominence of flat pedigrees, at least in the two-mile categories, the one-two-three in yesterday's concluding 'juvenile handicap hurdle' (that's for four-year-olds) were by Desert Prince, Bering, and Sadler's Wells, respectively.

Sires in the News

Back on the flat, nothing more critical than a good three-year-old or two for those 'second-crop' sires, and the young sire who had the best week in that group was Darby Dan's Vicar, a son of Wild Again who won the 1999 GI Fountain of Youth--Florida Derby double for owner Jim Tafel and trainer Carl Nafzger. He had nine winners last year, but figured only in 31st spot among 2004 North American freshman sires. He's already had nine winners this year, and ranks second in his group in 2005 earnings (behind Malibu Moon), after Vicarage's second to High Limit in the GII Louisiana Derby. Since Vicar's only standing for \$10,000, followers of Wild Again who have mares not already committed should be dialing Darby Dan's number. **Cont. p7**



Vicar Darby Dan photo



VICAR - #2 among second-crop sires

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Other second-crop sires of note include Royal Anthem, whose Wannawinemall ran second in the GIII El Camino Real Derby; and Bernstein, a stablemate of group leader Malibu Moon at Castleton Lyons. We don't count it up here, of course, but Bernstein had the 1-2 in a 1200-meter (six-furlong) Group 1 event for two-year-old fillies in Argentina. He had been 12th on the 2004 Freshman Sire List.

A couple of notes from further afield, notably Australia and Japan. In Australia, the name is Danehill, and in Japan, of course, it's Sunday Silence. Danehill has a ton of sons in Australia, as you can imagine, and quite a few, like Danzero and Flying Spur, are doing quite well. But a real superstar may be emerging in Arrowfield's Redoute's Choice. Winner of five races up to a mile, and out of a mare by the rocket Bletchingly's son, Canny Lad (this is Star Kingdom), Redoute's Choice currently ranks fifth on the Australian 2004-05 General Sire List, with just his first three-year-olds racing. He's sired 12 stakes winners this season, seven of them group winners. He might be the real deal.

Meanwhile, in Japan, a few interesting results from yesterday's paper. We reported a Japanese Group 2 race for three-year-old fillies, run at seven furlongs, in which the winner, Rhein Kraft, is by End Sweep out of a Sunday Silence mare. The second and third were by Sunday Silence himself. In a Group 3 over nine furlongs for four-year-old and up females, the winner, Winglet, is by Taiki Shuttle out of a Sunday Silence mare (and therefore inbred 3x3 to Halo!), the second was by Fuji Kiseki (son of Sunday Silence), and the third by Sunday Silence himself. Taiki Shuttle, who is by Devil's Bag out of a Caerleon mare, also had a six-furlong Group 3-winning three-year-old, the colt Deep Summer. Taiki Shuttle himself won 11 of 13 career starts, including the 1998 G1 Prix Jacques Le Marois at Deauville.

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES
by Alan Porter

Saturday, Santa Anita

SANTA MARGARITA INVITATIONAL H.-GI, \$300,000, SAX, 3-12, 4yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m, 1:49 2/5, ft.

1--▲**TARLOW, 117, f, 4, by Stormin Fever**

1st Dam: Madam Bear (SW & MGSP, \$263,631), by Dreadnought

2nd Dam: Sister Bear, by For the Moment

3rd Dam: Roses of Love, by Dancer's Image

(\$275,000 yrl '02 KEESEP). O-Mr/Mrs J Moss;

B-B C Jones (KY); T-J A Shirreffs; J-P A Valenzuela;

\$180,000. Lifetime Record: 10-4-3-1, \$439,740.

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This weekend was a good one to be a Storm Bird-line filly. Summerly, a daughter of Summer Squall, took her



Tarlow Benoit Photo

record to four wins in six starts with a decisive victory in the GII Fair Grounds Oaks; Sweet Catomine, by Storm Cat--who is bred on the same Storm Bird/Secretariat cross as Summer Squall--took her winning streak to five by capturing the G1 Santa Anita Oaks; and

Tarlow, by Storm Cat's son Stormin Fever, held off Dream of Summer to take the Santa Margarita.

Tarlow is from the first crop of Stormin Fever, who follows Harlan, Storm Creek, Forest Wildcat, Hennessy, Tabasco Cat, Delineator, Tale of the Cat and Giant's Causeway to become the ninth son of Storm Cat to sire a Group or Grade I winner. Stormin Fever is himself one of three accomplished Storm Cat runners out of his dam, the Seattle Slew mare Pennant Fever. The first Pennant Fever foal, Stormin Fever, was a maiden winner from two starts at two, and at three won three times and placed third in the GII Withers S. from five starts. Cont. p8



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Stormin Fever continued to improve with age and developed not only into a very talented colt, but also a rather versatile one. He gained a stakes triumph at four with a win in the seven-furlong GIII Sport Page H., but he also gave Skip Away—who was on his way to capturing the Horse of the Year title—a fright when he ran him to a nose in the nine-furlong GII Philip H. Iselin H., as well as taking seconds in the GI Vosburgh S. and GII Salvator Mile. Kept in training at five, Stormin Fever started four more times for a win in a six-furlong Saratoga allowance event and another second in the Vosburgh S. Three years after Stormin Fever, his dam foaled the Storm Cat filly Raging Fever, a precocious and durable runner who won stakes from two to five, including the GI Matron S. and GI Frizette S. as a juvenile and the GI Ogden Phipps H. at four. Pennant Fever's third Storm Cat, the colt Roaring Fever, was runner-up in the GII Cowdin S. at two, and last year gained black-type with a win in the Alysheba S. as well as taking third in two more graded events. He retired to stand at Metropolitan Stud in New York for 2005.

Stormin Fever retired to begin his stud career at Airdrie Stud, in Midway, Ky in 2000. The stars of his first crop were Howick Falls, winner of the G2 Flying Childers S. at two in England, and Tarlow, who took second in the GII Oak Leaf S.

Neither Howick Falls nor Tarlow were able to add to their laurels in 2004, but Stormin Fever was represented by U.S. juvenile stakes winner Sweet Talker, and Stormin Irish, a Grade I-winning two-year-old in Puerto Rico. This year, however, Tarlow has really begun to fulfil her earlier promise. Three starts have brought her a third in the GII El Encino S., followed by wins in the GII La Canada S. and GI Santa Margarita.

Tarlow is the only graded stakes winner in the first three generations of her family, but her dam, Madam Bear, was an accomplished performer who earned a stakes win in the Queen Breeders' Cup S. at Turfway Park, and who was placed in five other stakes events, including when second in the GIII Brown & Williamson H., and third in the GIII Thoroughbred Club of America S. and GIII Chicago Breeders' Cup H. Madam Bear was the most talented runner for her sire, the relatively obscure Dreadnought, a stakes-winning son of Lt. Stevens (brother to Horse of the Year Mocassin; champion two-year-old Ridan; and the great broodmare Thong). Her dam, Sister Bear, a daughter of For The Moment, was a minor winner, and was sister to the minor stakes winner Roses For Shelly. The third dam, Roses of Love, gained black type in the GIII Jersey Belle S., and was out of Rose, a Sailor mare who is ancestress of several other stakes winners, most notably the 2002 GI La Brea S. victress Got Koko.

Tarlow's pedigree shows a tremendous build-up of Nasrullah, particularly through his son Bold Ruler. In the first six generations, there are four crosses of Bold Ruler, and two additional crosses of Nasrullah. We can also note that Tarlow's third dam is by disqualified Kentucky Derby winner Dancer's Image. He is a Native Dancer/Nearco cross, and Stormin Fever's great-grand-sire Northern Dancer is a Nearco/Native Dancer cross. Dancer's Image appears in six other Storm Cat line stakes winners, including the Group 1-winning Sophisticat.

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| Stormin Fever | Storm Cat | Storm Bird | Northern Dancer |
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| | Pennant Fever | Seattle Slew | Bold Reasoning |
| | | | My Charmer |
| | | Letty's Pennant | Bold Forbes Nalees Flying |
| Madam Bear SW & MGSP, 19-8-4-4 8FIs, 1GSW | Dreadnought | Lt. Stevens | Nantallah *Rough Shod II |
| | | | *Court Martial |
| | | Misty Memory | Meadow Mist |
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★ EAST ★

Yesterday's Results:

10th-TAM, \$15,500, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16m, 1:48, wf.
TROOPING THE COLOR (c, 3, **Dixie Union**--Runup the Colors {GISW, \$555,024}, by A.P. Indy) ran third in a pair of Fair Grounds outings Jan. 8 and Jan. 29. In his final start for Neil Howard, the dark bay added blinkers and rallied to be fifth, beaten three lengths, at the Louisiana oval Feb. 19. Bet down to 4-5 in his first Florida outing, the Farish homebred bided his time near the back of the pack, made his move on the outside in the stretch and opened up to graduate by three lengths. The winner is a half to Tafaseel (Belong to Me), GSP-US, \$125,047. Lifetime Record: 6-1-0-2, \$16,300. O/B-William S Farish (KY). T-Michael Zwiesler.

Pimlico to Offer 'Spring Festival of Racing':

The Maryland Horse Breeders Association and Maryland Million Ltd. have teamed up to offer three \$100,000 stakes on Pimlico's opening day, Saturday, Apr. 23, as part of a new event called the 'Spring Festival of Racing.' The three stakes are for Maryland-breds and/or Maryland Million-nominated horses. They are:

- Maryland Stallion Station Stakes - 3yo, 6f
- Country Life Farm Stakes - 3yo, f, 1 1/16m
- Northview Stallion Stakes - 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8m

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STAKES CLOSINGS

TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 16:
03-26 \$150,000 Bourbonette Breeders' Cup,
TP, 3yo, f, 8f (100)
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The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the
2nd Race, \$52,000 Alw, at Santa Anita.
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Progeny to Watch: Wednesday, March 16

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

ADONIS (Kris S.), Jubilee, \$4K, 48/1/0
9-AQU, Msw, 6f, Two Toed Sloth
BEST OF LUCK (Broad Brush), Dell Ridge, \$5K, 81/7/0
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Mayan Princess
CRIMSON CLASSIC (Sky Classic), Wafare, \$3K, 13/1/0
3-TP, Msw, 1m, Mt. Sterling Mary
ELNADIM (Danzig), Derrinstown, \$8K, 91/3/0
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Ella Belle, \$2K KEE SEP yrl
HIGH YIELD (Storm Cat), Ashford, \$25K, 198/15/1
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Mystery Yield, \$115K FTF FEB 2yo
MALEK (CHI) (Mocito Guapo), Pepper Oaks Farm, \$5K, 52/2/0
5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Foxy Daisy, \$43K BAR JAN 2yo
MORE THAN READY (Southern Halo), Vinery, \$15K, 161/22/4
9-GP, Alw, 7 1/2f, Imreadyimready, \$17K EAS MAY 2yo, 6-1
OLD TOPPER (Gilded Time), Tommy Town, \$4K, 90/17/2
2-SA, Alw, 1 1/16m, K C Nite Mayr
PRECISE END (End Sweep), Lakland, \$6K, 101/17/2
9-AQU, Msw, 6f, Irish Emotion, \$19K OBS APR 2yo
ROYAL ANTHEM (Theatrical {Ire}), Hopewell, \$10K, 143/8/0
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Royal Mischief, \$14K ONT SEP yrl
THE DEPUTY (Petardia {GB}), Margaux, \$8K, 73/6/0
3-SA, Msw, 6f, Beltline Jack, \$70K OBS APR 2yo
TIGER RIDGE (Storm Cat), Walmac, \$5K, 119/13/1
3-SA, Msw, 6f, I'll Prey for You, \$100K OBS FEB 2yo
VICAR (Wild Again), Darby Dan, \$10K, 129/15/0
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Vicariate, \$15K KEE SEP yrl
4-LRL, Alw, 1m, Laser Lad, \$32K EAS MAY 2yo, 9-5
3-SA, Msw, 6f, +General Antonio, \$180K KEE SEP yrl
YANKEE VICTOR (Saint Ballado), Airdrie, \$15K, 137/19/0
9-GP, Alw, 7 1/2f, Call the Marines, \$97K KEE SEP yrl, 15-1
YES IT'S TRUE (Is It True), Padua, \$10K, 149/26/4
7-TP, Msw, 6 1/2f, Tide Runner, \$30K OBS APR 2yo

TOP 3YO BEYER SPEED FIGURES

| Horse | Track | Date | Beyer |
|--------------------------------|-------|------|-------|
| Afleet Alex (Northern Afleet) | OP | 3-5 | 106 |
| Lost in the Fog (Lost Soldier) | GP | 3-5 | 105 |
| High Limit (Maria's Mon) | FG | 3-12 | 105 |
| Sun King (Charismatic) | GP | 2-26 | 104 |
| Only in Reno (In Excess {Ire}) | SA | 1-15 | 103 |

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Yesterday's Results:

PRIX MONTENICA-Listed, €47,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 3-15, 3yo, c/g, 7fT, 1:28.10, hy.

1--**#TURTLE BOWL (IRE)**, 123, c, 3, by **Dyhim Diamond (Ire)**

1st Dam: **Clara Bow (Fr)**, by **Top Ville (Ire)**

2nd Dam: **Kamiya (Fr)**, by **Kalamoun (GB)**

3rd Dam: **Shahinaaz (Fr)**, by **Venture VII (GB)**

O-B Van Daltsen; B-A Crichton; T-Francois Rohaut; J-Olivier Peslier; €23,500. Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €48,050. *1/2 to Turtle Bow (Fr) (Turtle Island {Ire}), MGSW-Fr & GISP-US, \$335,263.

2--**Mathematician (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Machiavellian--

Zibilene (GB), by Rainbow Quest. (525,000gns yrl '03 TATHOU). €9,400.

3--**Sociando (Ire)**, 123, c, 3, Loup Sauvage--Panorama

(GB), by Shirley Heights (GB). (11,000gns yrl '03 TATOCT). €7,050.

Margins: 1, NK, 2. Odds: 3.70, 1.80, 8.00.

Also Ran: Veyron (Ire), Campo Bueno (Fr), Molto Bello, Cresson (GB), Starpix (Fr).

Turtle Bowl closed last term with a victory and a second-place finish going a mile at Toulouse before winning a seven-furlong conditions event at the same provincial track on his only start this year Mar. 2. Up in class for this, he secured a first stakes success with a determined final quarter-mile drive to deny Sheikh Mohammed's Mathematician. The eventual winner was positioned in a



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midfield fifth from the outset, but came under pressure as the race began in earnest with 2 1/2 furlongs remaining. Responding to Olivier Peslier's ever-increasing urgings approaching the final furlong, Turtle Bowl kept on well in the latter stages to garner a deserved win. Winning trainer Francois Rohaut said, "He has become so relaxed that he finds it hard to settle and was under pressure all the way. He will be better going a mile around a bend and the [G1] Poule d'Essai des Poulains [French 2000 Guineas May 15] is the plan. We will decide in time if he runs again before then."

PRIX RONDE DE NUIT-Listed, €47,000, Maisons-Laffitte, 3-15, 3yo, f, 7fT, 1:28.00, hy.

1--**#GOLD CHARM (GER)**, 123, f, 3, by **Key of Luck**

1st Dam: **Goldkatze (Ger)**, by **Czaravich**

2nd Dam: **Goldkuste (GDR)**, by **Wildschutz (GDR)**

3rd Dam: **Goldnessel (GDR)**, by **Alciglido (GB)**

O-Malcolm Parrish; B-Gestut Gorlsdorf; T-David Smaga; J-Dominique Boeuf; €23,500. Lifetime Record: SP-Fr, 9 starts, 4 wins, 4 places, €70,150.

2--**Crossover (GB)**, 123, f, 3, Cape Cross (Ire)--Somfas, by What a Pleasure. €9,400.

3--**Princesse Jasmine (Fr)**, 123, f, 3, Gold Away (Ire)--Doucelisa (Fr), by Cardoun (Fr). €7,050.

Margins: SHD, HF, 1HF. Odds: 3.80, 2.20, 9.00.

Also Ran: Double Vie (Ire), Papier Mache (Ire), Danse du Desert (Ire).

Third in last season's Listed Prix Saraca at Saint-Cloud, Gold Charm surpassed that effort here to record a first stakes victory. Leading from the gun with a two-length advantage for the majority of this contest, she presented a seemingly easy target to her rivals when appearing to falter heading into the final furlong. That perceived weakness provided the perfect bluff and, despite being headed by Crossover with 100 yards to go, she rallied bravely along the rail late to deny that rival for a game success on the line. Winning trainer David Smaga commented, "She hasn't stopped improving since I claimed her [out of a race] at Deauville last year. She still has improvement to come and will go straight to the [G1] Poule d'Essai des Pouliches [May 15]."

Maisons-Laffitte, 2.50, Cond, €25,000, 3yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:12.80, hy.

RUWI (GB) (c, 3, Unfuwain--Ma Paloma {Fr}, by Highest Honor {Fr}) concluded his juvenile campaign undefeated with wins at Marseille Borely and Angers in October and November, respectively. Sent postward the confident 3-5 pick this time, the €50,000 DEAAUG yearling purchase was positioned just behind the pace from flagfall, was unextended after seizing the initiative at the quarter-mile marker and was pushed out inside the final furlong to comfortably account for Vert Helice (Spn) (Helissio {Fr}) by 2 1/2 lengths. "That was a good performance today, considering he was giving weight to the rest of the field," commented winning trainer Jean-Claude Rouget. "He hasn't proved his point at a higher level yet, but we'll see if he can do that in the G2 Prix Noailles [at Longchamp] Apr. 10." Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 3 wins, €32,000.

O-Robert Bousquet; B-Ecurie Skymarc Farm; T-Jean-Claude Rouget.



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HARDY ANNUAL

Britain's premier jumps meet, the Cheltenham Festival, got underway at the Prestbury Park track yesterday and the highlight of the newly extended four-day bonanza was the £300,000 GI Champion Hurdle. Reigning champion **Hardy Eustace (Ire)** (Archway {Ire}) once again ruled supreme in the 2 1/16-mile event for his third consecutive Festival win and provided Ireland with a 15th Champion Hurdle success. Starting considerably shorter than last term's 33-1, the 7-2 joint-favorite once again attempted to make all from the get-go but looked sure to be swamped when 7-1 chance **Harchibald (Fr)** (Perugino) jumped upsides at the final flight. Exhibiting all his renowned battling qualities, the champion repelled that persistent challenger's vain bid inside the last 50 yards to secure a famous win and helped secure one of the largest bets ever recorded at the meeting when rewarding the faith of one punter's £200,000 investment. In winning, Hardy Eustace took his lifetime jumps record to eight wins from 20 starts with earnings of £622,231. Today's feature on the six-race card is the £250,000 GI Queen Mother Champion Chase over two miles.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

AQUEDUCT

New York Hero (Partner's Hero), 4f, :48.05, 2/22

FAIR GROUNDS

Bwana Charlie (Indian Charlie), 4f, :48.60, 4/31

Punch Appeal (Successful Appeal), 5f, 1:04, 11/14

HOLLYWOOD

Meteor Storm (GB) (Bigstone {Ire}), 4f, :49.40, 5/16

Pellegrino (Brz) (Nugget Point {Ire}), 3f, :37.60, 4/5

Rojo Toro (Mountain Cat), 5f, :59.80, 1/7

OAKLAWN

Deputy Storm (Forestry), 5f, :58.60, 1/12

PALM MEADOWS

Closing Argument (Successful Appeal), 5f, 1:00.40, 3/17

Love of Money (Not for Love), 5f, 1:00, 1/17

Proud Accolade (Yes It's True), 5f, 1:01, 5/17

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-HAW, \$42,240, Opt. Clm. (\$35,000-\$30,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft.

FIGHTING FEVER (m, 5, Fit to Fight--Rare Fever, by Rare Performer) Lifetime Record: MSP, 27-5-5-4, \$191,456. O-Jim Edgar. B-Don Smith & Jim Edgar (IL). T-Tom Dorris.

8th-MNR, \$28,700, 3-14, NW2L, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:42 1/5, ft.

SEA DOVE (f, 3, Dove Hunt--Erin Go, by Go and Go {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-3, \$44,931. O/T-Pam L Smith. B-Meadowbrook Farms Inc (FL). *\$1,000 yrl '03 OBSAUG.

 **FOALING NEWS**

FANTASTIC WAYS, 17, Secretariat--Fantastic Girl, by Riva Ridge

Foal born Feb. 20, a filly by Gone West.

Will be bred back to Elusive Quality.

Owned by Jane and Frank Lyon Jr.

Boarded at Summer Wind Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: SW of \$168,250. Dam of Worldly Ways (GB) (Generous {Ire}), MGSW, \$503,540; Miss Fortunate (Deputy Minister), SW & MGSP, \$311,249.

VALIDATED, 17, Valid Appeal--Sail or Cerf, by Cerf Volant

Foal born Feb. 20, a filly by Fusaichi Pegasus.

Will be bred back to Fusaichi Pegasus.

Owned by Dennis Drazin.

Boarded at Denali, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW. Dam of Randaroo (Gold Case), MGSW & MGISP, \$673,045.

ANGEL'S TEARLET, 12, Silver Deputy--Willow Miss, by Dust Commander

Foal born Feb. 21, a colt by Grand Slam.

Will be bred back to Pleasantly Perfect.

Owned by and boarded at Cobra Farm, Ky.

Accomplishments: MSW & GSP, \$280,051. Dam of Mr. Trieste (Old Trieste), SW, \$125,792.



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