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**BELLAMY ROAD INJURED**

**Bellamy Road** (Concerto), the beaten favorite in the Kentucky Derby, has popped a splint in his left front leg and will not start in the Preakness, said Edward Sexton, the farm manager for George Steinbrenner's Kinsman Farm. Sexton would not rule out a start in the Belmont for Bellamy Road, but said it was not likely. "He just



**Bellamy Road** Horsephotos

popped a splint, that's all," said Sexton. "We'll just cool out the splint, pinfire him and go on to the next race. It's not a serious injury. It's just that the timing is all wrong. That's racing. Everything was going right and then nothing is going

right." Sexton said Steinbrenner took the news "like a man," but he declined to reveal what the Yankees' principal owner said to him regarding the injury. Sexton said that should Bellamy Road miss the Belmont, the Travers will be the next major goal and added that the colt will definitely have a start prior to that race. Sexton believes the splint problem compromised Bellamy Road's chances in the Kentucky Derby, in which he finished seventh. "Imagine kicking your toe getting out of bed and then having someone telling you to run a race," he said. "You could run, but you wouldn't do very well." Sexton also said that a jockey change is "very possible." Javier Castellano was aboard in the Derby. "The main thing now is getting the horse well," he said. "It's not a matter of us having to run him in the Belmont. The next time he runs he will be 100 percent. That's the way it has to be." Trainer Nick Zito has indicated that three of the other four horses he saddled in the Derby--**High Fly** (Atticus, 10th), **Noble Causeway** (Giant's Causeway, 14th) and **Sun King** (Charismatic, 15th)--are still possible for the Preakness. **Andromeda's Hero** (Fusaichi Pegasus), eighth in Saturday's race, is being pointed for the GI Belmont S. June 11 and will not start at Old Hilltop.

**HOPING TO SMILE ON YORK**

Three-year-old fillies take centerstage as York's May Festival kicks off this afternoon with the running of the G3 Tattersalls Musidora S. Trainer Aidan O'Brien continues his fact-finding mission across the Irish Sea with **Mona Lisa (GB)** (Giant's Causeway) and she bids to book her ticket to the G1 Epsom Oaks June 3. Despite still being a maiden in four career starts, she was beaten a length by Playful Act (Ire) when an unlucky fourth in the G1 Fillies' Mile at Ascot in September before finding the competition



**Mona Lisa at Lone Star Park**  
M Kizenko

too hot when trailing Sweet Catomine home 11th in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Lone Star Park the following month. Owned by Michael Tabor, the 1.25-million guineas Houghton yearling purchase has her first run of the new year this afternoon. "We gave her a lot of time to recover [after she ran in America]," O'Brien told *Racing Post*. "She's been working away the past couple of months. She's ready to start and will improve for the run." Sir Michael Stoute has won this three times since 1994 and relies on **Quickfire (GB)** (Dubai Millennium {GB}) this afternoon. The Juddmonte homebred debuted with a runner-up finish in a 12-horse maiden at Newbury July 16, but has been off the track since graduating at Kempton Sept. 20.

**Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 2:30 p.m.**

**TATTERSALLS MUSIDORA S.-G3, £60,000, 3yo, f, 10f 88ydsT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	4	Fuerta Ventura (Ire)	Desert Sun (GB)	Condon
2	1	Mona Lisa (GB)	Giant's Causeway	A O'Brien
3	5	Play Me (GB)	Nashwan	Chapple-Hyam
4	6	Quickfire (GB)	Dubai Millennium (GB)	Stoute
5	2	Secret History	Bahri	Johnston
6	3	Treble Seven	Fusaichi Pegasus	C Brittain

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Wednesday, York, Britain, post time: 3:00 p.m.  
**DUKE OF YORK HEARTHSTEAD HOMES S.-G2,**  
£100,000, 3yo/up, 6fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	2	Fayr Jag (Ire)	Fayruz (GB)	T Easterby	135
2	8	Somnus (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	T Easterby	135
3	1	Orienteo (GB)	Inchinor (GB)	Goldie	128
4	7	Patavellian (Ire)	Machiavellian	Charlton	128
5	3	Royal Millennium (Ire)	Royal Academy	Channon	128
6	10	Steenberg (Ire)	Flying Spur (Aus)	Tompkins	128
7	4	Striking Ambition (GB)	Makbul (Ire)	Charlton	128
8	9	The Kiddykid (Ire)	Danetime (Ire)	Evans	128
9	5	Welsh Emperor (Ire)	Emperor Jones	Tate	128
10	6	Goldeva (GB)	Makbul (Ire)	Hollinshead	125
11	11	La Cucaracha (GB)	Piccolo (GB)	B Hills	125

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**Duke of York S. cont.**

Europe's champion sprinter of 2004, **Somnus**, returns under his usual welter burden in his bid to provide Tim Easterby with his third renewal since 1998. His seven-pound penalty stopped him when seventh in this race 12 months ago, but by August he was back in the elite ranks when beating Whipper in the G1 Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville. After a short-head defeat by Tante Rose (Ire) in the G1 Haydock Sprint Cup the following month, he conquered the G1 Prix de la Foret at Longchamp on his final start in October. **Royal Millennium** had eight pounds in hand on Somnus when beating him by a neck in the G3 Chipchase S. at Newcastle last June, but closed the gulf on level terms when fourth in the Haydock Sprint Cup. He was a fast-finisher third in the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp in between successes in the G3 Renaissance S. at The Curragh and the G3 Bentinck S. at Newmarket and finished up with a fine fourth behind Silent Witness (Aus) in the G1 Hong Kong Sprint at Sha Tin in December. He may have needed his first outing of the term when fourth behind **La Cucaracha** in the Listed Cammidge Trophy at Doncaster Apr. 2 and meets that rival on better weight terms here. **Patavellian**, who took the G1 Prix de l'Abbaye in 2003, endured a disappointing campaign last year but showed he retains much of his ability when third in the Haydock Sprint Cup and ran better than his sixth placing suggests on his return in the Listed Abernant S. at Newmarket last time Apr. 14.

**Wednesday, Chantilly, France, post time: 4:05 p.m.**

**PRIX DE GUICHE-G3, €75,000, 3yo, c, 1 1/8mT**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER
1	3	Palomar	Chester House	Bary
2	1	Azay Le Rideau	Miswaki	Lellouche
3	5	Doctor Dino (Fr)	Muhtathir (GB)	Gibson
4	4	Eraser (GB)	Linamix (Fr)	Borromeo
5	6	Stop Making Sense (GB)	Lujain	Fabre
6	2	Gold Sound (Fr)	Green Tune	Laffon-Parias

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**WEEKEND PEDIGREE  
PERSPECTIVES**

*by Alan Porter*

**Saturday, Churchill Downs**

**KENTUCKY DERBY-GI**, \$2,399,600, CDX, 5-7, 3yo, 1 1/4m, 2:02 3/5, ft.

1--▲@#GIACOMO, 126, c, 3, by Holy Bull

1st Dam: Set Them Free (MSW, \$173,275), by Stop the Music

2nd Dam: Valseuse (Fr), by Tyrant

3rd Dam: Barbarossa (Fr), by Cambremont (Fr)

O/B-Mr & Mrs Jerome S Moss (KY); T-John A Shirreffs; J-M E Smith; \$1,639,600. Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-2, \$1,866,316. \*1/2 to Sea Jewel (Sea Hero), GSP, \$196,285.

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The oldest American native male line is that which stems from Eclipse. This Eclipse was not the breed-shaping horse of the same name foaled during the great Eclipse of 1764, but a high-class son of the English Derby winner and champion sire Orlando who arrived on these shores in 1859. Here he became a very successful sire and was most notably responsible for Alarm, generally considered the first great American sprinter. In turn, the best son of Alarm was Himyar, a horse who started two branches of the sire line, one through "The Black Whirlwind" Domino (tail-male ancestor of the recently retired champion sire Broad Brush) and the other through the 1898 Kentucky Derby winner Plaudit. While both lines persist to the present day, their success in the greatest of American races has been decidedly limited. In fact, since Plaudit's victory until the most recent weekend, there had only been one previous Kentucky Derby winner tracing in male line to Himyar--the 1961 hero Carry Back, a descendant of Domino--and Giacomo is the first Derby winner from the Plaudit branch since Plaudit himself.

As mentioned by Andrew Caulfield in yesterday's TDN, Giacomo's sire, Holy Bull started the Kentucky Derby as favorite, but finished 12th of 14 in the slop after being knocked around at the start, and was subsequently found to be less than 100 percent physically.

After the Kentucky Derby, Holy Bull put together a campaign which not only earned him honors as champion three-year-old and Horse of the Year, but a place as one of the best North American runners of the last quarter of the 20th century. He won his first start at four, but was injured next time out and retired to start his stud career in the March of that year.

Despite Holy Bull's brilliance as a runner, expectations for his stud career were tempered by his less than fashionable pedigree. The Florida-bred was by Great Above, a relative to the mighty Dr. Fager (he was by Minnesota Mac, a son of Dr. Fager's son, Rough'n Tumble, out of twice champion sprinter Ta Wee, a half-sister to Dr. Fager). A tough, Grade III-winning sprinter, Great Above was, Holy Bull apart, no more than useful as a sire. Holy Bull's dam Sharon Brown did produce another stakes winner in the Crafty Prospector filly Winnie D., but overall the female line is distinctly lacking in black-type. In general, brilliant runners with modest pedigrees have tended to throw more to their bloodlines than their race record, but Holy Bull has done better than most of this kind. In total, he has sired 21 stakes winners in his first seven crops and, in addition to Giacomo, they include the champion two-year-old colt Macho Uno; the late Pohave, winner of last year's GI Triple Bend Invitational H.; the GI Frizette S. winner Confessional; and other graded stakes winners Crash Course, Turnofthecentury, Thunder Blitz, Hollywood Picture and Estimraar.

Giacomo's dam Set Them Free started her stud career with two foals which never ran, but then produced in succession Giacomo's sister, Styler, a winner of two of her four starts; Sea Jewel, a Sea Hero filly who won twice and was second in the GIII Santa Ysabel S. and third in the GII Oak Leaf S.; and Giacomo. Cont. p4

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**Alan Porter cont.**

Set Them Free, a daughter of the Hail to Reason horse Stop the Music, was herself a good West Coast sprinter, taking the Pasadena S., Eloquent H., Debutante Breeders' Cup S. and Very Subtle H. A half-sister



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to the French Listed winner Vachti, Set Them Free is from a family which has hitherto done its best work in France. Her dam Valseuse is half-sister to the French two-year-old stakes winner River Rose, the dam of five stakes winners, including French champion two-year-old Baiser Vole and Squill, winner of the G2 Premio

Emilio Turati in Italy, and also third in the GI Budweiser International in the U.S. Since Squill was a son of Stop the Music, he was also a 3/4-brother to Set Them Free. The family has produced numerous other good European runners, and the fifth dam Mistress Ford was winner of the 1936 Prix de Diane (French Oaks).

Giacomo is very much an outcross, as are many of Holy Bull's best runners. This is a reflection of the uncommercial nature of Holy Bull's pedigree and its rather unusual and diverse structure. At the top and bottom of his pedigree, Holy Bull has the distinctly American strain of Questionnaire (a great-great-grandson of Plaudit), combined with one or other of the brothers Bull Dog and Sir Gallahad III (these combinations are in the third generation in the direct male and female line). When we look at Cow Girl II (dam of Holy Bull's paternal grandsire Minnesota Mac) and Abyssinia II (dam of Holy Bull's maternal grandsire Al Hattab), we find a different story.

Here are clustered combinations of the European strains of the brothers Pharos and Fairway; Gainsborough, his sons Hyperion and Solario (and Solario's sister Imagery); Blandford; and the half-sisters Lady Juror and Mumtaz Mahal. We can also note that Holy Bull's dam is inbred elsewhere to Mumtaz Mahal's English Derby winner son Mahmoud, but is free of Mahmoud's 3/4-sister Mumtaz Begum, the dam of Nasrullah and granddam of Royal Charger.

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Now, while Giacomo is an outcross, we can note that his dam goes back in direct male line to Royal Charger (combining Pharos, Solario, Blandford and Mumtaz Mahal), and his broodmare sire Tyrant is not only a grandson of Nasrullah (combining Pharos, Blandford and Mumtaz Mahal), but out of a mare by My Babu (whose dam Perfume II is by a 3/4-brother to Mahmoud, and who combines Pharos, Blandford and Mumtaz Mahal). For good measure, Giacomo's fourth dam Barbara is by Fair Trial out of a Blandford mare, so she has Fairway, Lady Juror (half-sister to Mumtaz Mahal) and Blandford. Thus, Giacomo's dam supplied several concentrations of the same European strains which are clustered in Holy Bull.

Overall, Holy Bull seems to have thrown back to this European background more frequently than the Questionnaire/Bull Dog or Sir Gallahad III combination. Tyrant, here as sire of the granddam of Giacomo and with the genetic relatives Nasrullah and Perfume II 2x3, is also the broodmare sire of Holy Bull's graded stakes winner Hollywood Picture (out of a mare who also had Royal Charger). Tyrant's sire Bold Ruler (by Nasrullah) is in at least seven of Holy Bull's stakes winners, and at least eight have multiple Nasrullah strains. Macho Uno, his previous star, is out of a mare with two crosses of Nasrullah and also carries Tudor Minstrel, a grandson of Lady Juror, with a very similar background to Fair Trial and Abernant (broodmare sire of Holy Bull's own broodmare sire Al Hattab).

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<b>Holy Bull</b>	Great Above	Minnesota Mac	Rough 'n Tumble
		Ta Wee	*Cow Girl II
	Sharon Brown	Al Hattab	Intentionally
		Agathe's Dawn	Aspidistra
<b>Set Them Free</b> MSW, 12-5-1-0, \$173,275 7Fls, 1GISW, 1MGSP	Stop the Music	Hail to Reason	The Axe II
		Bebopper	*Abyssinia II
	Valseuse (Fr) Unraced 7Fls, 2SWs	Tyrant	*Grey Dawn II
		Barbarossa (Fr) 6Fls, 1SW	Agathe
			*Turn-to
			Nothirdchance
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		*Anadem II	
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**FROM THE DESK OF...**  
 Bill Oppenheim 

**HEAVY ARTILLERY**

The opening half-mile of last Saturday's Kentucky Derby went in a breakneck :45 1/5 seconds, but the final six furlongs were covered in a very slow 1:17 1/5; the Beyer figure for the Derby was 100, the lowest I have ever seen or heard of, and seven points lower than the lowest winning figure (107) in the last 10 years. Giacomo himself covered the final six furlongs in just at 1:14 flat, having dropped more than 15 lengths off the suicidal early pace. It does not look like a vintage crop of three-year-olds at this point.

But they write somebody all the checks, whether it was a slow or a fast renewal. Eight of Saturday's 20 runners--40 percent of the field--were from the first crops of their respective sires (who we therefore, in an effort to confuse you beyond all hope of reason, call 'second-crop sires', because their second crops have now reached racing age). There was no joy for the two Fusaichi Pegasuses (8th and 19th), nor for the Giant's Causeway (14th), but two second-crop sires got paid: last year's top freshman sire, Successful Appeal (sire of the second, Closing Argument), and Stephen Got Even, whose Don't Get Mad sailed in a clear fourth. This returned Successful Appeal to the top of the cumulative second-crop North American sire tree; he had slipped to third, having only been 11th among this group in 2005 earnings before last weekend. Yes It's True still clings to a narrow lead (less than \$20,000) over Fusaichi Pegasus for second, while Giant's Causeway (also Europe's number one) remains in fourth.

Stephen Got Even, who was 26th on the 2004 freshman sire list, and 19th before last weekend, now ranks 15th. He is, of course, a son of A.P. Indy, and the other big financial beneficiary from Kentucky's big racing weekend was another son of A.P. Indy, Golden Missile. He had been 25th on the freshman list, one place ahead of Stephen Got Even, at the end of 2004.

He was up to 13th last week, and In The Gold's runner-up finish in the GI Kentucky Oaks propelled him into ninth spot on the cumulative second-crop North American list, pushing his career progeny earnings over the \$1-million mark. So that's good news for followers of A.P. Indy's prospects as a sire of sires, but maybe even better news for followers of last year's leading freshman sire, Successful Appeal. There's never been any question the Valid Appeals are precious (Valid Expectations another recent example), but Closing Argument's bang-up second provides decisive proof he's capable of siring horses who can be competitive in top two-turn races. That's big news for Walmac, who brought him up from Florida.

The initial Classic results of the last 10 days in Newmarket and Kentucky illustrate again how important the whole question of emerging young sires always is to the breeding community. These days, though, it's doubly important, as we wait to see what emerges as the 'Old Guard,' which dominated breeding for the last 30 years, finally dies off. Only Sadler's Wells (age 24) and Storm Cat (age 22) are left. To be fair, several very good--and expensive--high five- and six-figure stud fee young sires have emerged in Kentucky, beginning with Unbridled's Song (\$125,000), who was from the sire group with first foals of 1998. Then there's a battery of five sires with first foals of 2000: Awesome Again (\$125,000), Elusive Quality (\$100,000), Grand Slam (\$85,000), Tale of the Cat (\$65,000), and Distorted Humor (\$60,000).

None of those horses started out with six-figure stud fees, though--their average beginning stud fee was more like \$25,000. The unique thing about this year's group of 'sophomore' sires is that three of them actually went to stud at six-figure fees. At the end of 2000, Fusaichi Pegasus was about to take up residence at Ashford, in Kentucky; Giant's Causeway retired to Coolmore, Ashford's parent company, in Ireland; and Dubai Millennium, rated by Sheikh Mohammed as the best horse he had ever owned, was headed to Dalham Hall, in England. If there were still such a thing as the July Sale, you would have said, three guaranteed, hands-down Keeneland July sires. That's the sort of potential they possessed.

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**Bill Oppenheim cont.**

Though many of Kentucky stallions' initial crop numbers were hit by MRLS, Sheikh Mohammed's candidate to become an instant Top 10 sire died suddenly, halfway through the season, from grass sickness. That was why Dubawi's eclipse in the 2000 Guineas was a blow to the prospect of Dubai Millennium somehow miraculously surviving to influence the breed, in the way that Seattle Slew immortalized his sire, Bold Reasoning. But it is early in the Classic season, and that story may well yet to be told. But the death of Dubai Millennium did throw the glare of six-figure expectations more in the direction of Coolmore's pair, Giant's Causeway and Fusaichi Pegasus. This sire group also featured War Chant (initially \$75,000), another who would have been a certain July Sale sire; and another Coolmore--Darley pairing a stud fee rung down, Montjeu and King's Best.

***It's a Monslaught...***

Fast forward. It's the present day, the here and now. With the first four of the 18 Classics to be run by the end of June now in the books, where do things stand?

In North America, the first four on the progeny earnings table have clearly broken away from the pack. Still the top two are the original Florida stallions Successful Appeal and Yes It's True, both moved to Kentucky for \$25,000 stud fees for 2005. While their precocity and hopefully decent-sized Florida crops to come will continue to stand them in good stead, it's probably just a matter of time before the Coolmore pair of Fusaichi Pegasus and Giant's Causeway, in either order, take over. They both have continuous, Coolmore-size books of either six-figure, or at least high five-figure stud fees, from now on. Even when their fees dropped, they didn't drop that far, or for that long.

Moreover, it looks like that is all good news, not bad news, for American breeding. We should just about know by now that the percentages, ultimately, are not what determine book size. What matters is the number of good horses a sire produces, that's it. Giant's Causeway has sired four household names so far (there could be more to come) in his first crop: Shamardal, Footstepsinthesand, Maids Causeway and Noble Causeway. **Oppenheim cont. p7**



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**Oppenheim cont.**

It doesn't matter whether he had 40 foals or 140 (it was, of course, the latter)--he's sired a champion two-year-old in Europe, a 2000 Guineas winner, and a 1000 Guineas second--he's a done deal. Fusaichi Pegasus is not quite as 'done', but he's not far away, either. He's sired six stakes winners, including horses who have looked or have been Grade I caliber, such as Roman Ruler and Bandini. It's really not a question of whether their percentages are 'respectable'; it's whether they sire top horses. Giant's Causeway clearly does, end of discussion. Fusaichi Pegasus clearly does, but they may (or may not) have a 'kink'. He sires class, though, and at the end of the day, class plus soundness trumps all.

In Europe, Coolmore's Montjeu has just moved into second, again splitting ex-stablemates Giant's Causeway and Monashee Mountain. The latter, a Danzig half-brother to Mineshaft, was only a dual Group 3 winner on the racetrack and retired to stud for under \$5,000, but was the real 'bonus ball' for Coolmore among 2004 freshman sires. He was runner-up to Giant's Causeway as Europe's leading freshman sire in 2004, and earned himself a trip to Ashford in the bargain. Of the sophomore sires left in Europe, Montjeu is in the process of overwhelming everybody. Hurricane Run's effortless win in Monday's G2 Prix Hocquart at Longchamp was easily the most impressive trial for a Derby so far this year. He was Montjeu's eighth stakes horse already this year, and his 12th overall. Montjeu, in fact, has 24 winners so far, and half of them are stakes horses. Motivator, the Derby second favorite, is the favorite for tomorrow's G2 Dante S. at York. Darley does now own seven of the top 12 European sophomore sires this year, and several of them, such as Xaar, King's Best, and Diktat, look really promising. But Montjeu might be 'from another area code', as they say in Kentucky. Sadler's Wells hasn't really been an influential sire of sires; his best sons so far have been In The Wings and the surprising El Prado--but he might actually have a genuine, for-real successor in Montjeu. Needless to say, if that were to come off, if Montjeu, Giant's Causeway, and Fusaichi Pegasus did all make the grade, all really became World Top 10 sires--and it is possible--Coolmore would just have to learn to put up with everybody else's criticism and jealousy for another 10 years or so.

**Goodbye from Unfuwain...**

Two things made Northern Dancer the greatest sire of sires of the last 40 years: first, of course, that he sired a number of high-class sons who themselves were both top sires, and also founded distinct branches of Northern Dancer's line which continue to flourish: Danzig, Storm Cat, Nijinsky II, Sadler's Wells, and so on. Second, though, he sired any number of sons who far outperformed their race records at stud. **Cont. p8**

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- Won 8 Stakes from 6f to 1 1/16.
- 11 wins in 22 starts

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Dixieland Band was only a Grade II winner on the racetrack, but has certainly been a Grade I sire, in spades, and was champion broodmare sire in North America last year. There were non-stakes winners like Fairy King, Night Shift, and Sovereign Dancer; and, last of all, Northern Dancer's final son to prove his case as a sire of sires, was Unfuwain.

As a racehorse, Unfuwain wasn't really in the same ballpark as his year-younger half-brother, Nashwan. Unfuwain was a very good racehorse, a dual Group 2 winner: Nashwan, who was by Blushing Groom, was a superstar. He won four Group 1s in a row in 1989: only the 2000 Guineas, Derby, Eclipse, and King George, and retired with a Timeform year-end rating of 135 at three. Yet, at stud, Unfuwain was markedly better. Both went to stud in 1990, and both had 12 crops of racing age through 2004. Unfuwain sired 40 SW from 574 foals, almost exactly seven percent; Nashwan sired 34, from 553 foals, for six percent. But their comparative 1998-2004 APEX 'A' Runner indices showed how the gap was widening: Unfuwain had a 2.45 'A' Runner Index, with 30 'A Runners' from 613 year-starters; Nashwan was 1.34, with just 14 A Runners in 1998-2004, from 524 year-starters.

Unfuwain's final crop consists of 65 three-year-olds of 2005. Thus far, according to statistics compiled by Hyperion Promotions--38 of them have run, for 16 winners of 23 races. This includes no fewer than three group-winning three-year-olds in France in the last month, all at Saint-Cloud, all at 2100m. Ruwi, a colt out of the Highest Honor mare Mia Paloma won the G2 Prix Noailles Apr. 10, but his French Derby challenge was derailed Monday when fourth behind Hurricane Run in the G2 Prix Hocquart at Longchamp. The filly Perfect Hedge (out of Via Saleri, by Arazi) won the G3 Prix Penelope on April 11, and another filly, Valdawina (out of the Zafonic mare, Vadaza), won the G3 Prix Clonmere (or Prix Cleopatre) on May 1. Another of his last-crop fillies is Eswarah, owned by Sheikh Hamdan, and out of the great racemare Midway Lady, by Alleged. She beat a subsequent stakes winner handily in a 10-furlong maiden race at Newbury last month, and is slated to line up Friday in the Swettenham Stud Fillies' Trial, a Listed Race at the same track. So it is very much a case of "do not go gentle into that good night" for Unfuwain ... mind you, Nashwan could still have something to say, too, before it's all consigned to the history books: he's the sire of Bago.

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☆ CLASSIC CORNER ☆

**DAMSON BID IN BALANCE** Susan Magnier and Michael Tabor's **Damson (Ire)** (Entrepreneur {GB}), who was forced to miss the G1 English 1000 Guineas, may line up in next Sunday's Irish equivalent at The Curragh after pleasing connections yesterday. Last year's G3 Queen Mary S. and G1 Phoenix S. winner scoped dirty days before the Newmarket Classic, but while trainer David Wachman was positive about her present condition, he described her participation in the Classic as "in the balance" yesterday. "She scoped clean this morning so we will see if we can get her there," he told *PA Sport*. "I wouldn't be as confident and it is still in the balance but at least it's a positive sign now rather than a negative. She will have to work tomorrow and again on Saturday and we'll see how she is after that. Sometimes when they have been on antibiotics they can run flat, so it is a bit of a gamble. And then there's the ground--she wants it good or faster so that has to come into the equation as well. We will leave the decision about her participation until the last minute."

☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

**GEARING UP FOR THE SINGAPORE CUP** Six of the nine international invaders for Sunday's G1 Singapore Airlines International Cup were out for light work yesterday ahead of the 2000-meter event. Australian raider **Mummify (Aus)** (Jeune {GB}) breezed five furlongs for trainer Lee Freedman, covering his final 600 meters in :36.8 seconds, the last furlong in :11.2. "That was a nice piece of work," said Freedman's brother Anthony. "We haven't done a great deal with him since he arrived and to be honest, I don't think we'll do much more between now and Sunday. He's where we want him." Defending race champion **Epalo (Ger)** (Lando {Ger}) had a routine canter over the all-weather surface under Elke Schutz, the wife of trainer Andreas Schutz, and hopes are high for a successful title defense. "He's in good form and I'm sure that he will come on from his run in Hong Kong," she commented. The Gary Tanaka runner was most recently seventh, beaten less than five lengths, in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Sha Tin Apr. 24. **Alexander Goldrun (Ire)** (Gold Away), the winner of the G1 Hong Kong Cup last December, will be looking to improve off her 2005 debut when she finished sixth in the G1 Dubai Duty Free S. Mar. 26. **Star Over the Bay** (Cozzene), the lone United States representative in the field, was expected to arrive in Singapore on Wednesday. In his last start over the Cup distance, the Mike Mitchell-trainee led from gate-to-wire to win the G1 Clement L. Hirsch Memorial Turf Championship S. at Santa Anita Oct. 10.

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## LEADING 2nd CROP SIRES IN EUROPE

In Order of Prize Money Won 2004 - 2005

<u>Sire</u>	<u>Rnrs</u>	<u>Wnrs</u>	<u>Wins</u>	<u>Total (£)</u>	<u>SW</u>	<u>SP</u>
1 GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	76	25	39	1,002,137	4	1
2 MONTJEU	70	24	40	732,562	6	6
3 MONASHEE MOUNTAIN	66	32	57	697,343	3	2
4 XAAR	63	22	31	461,973	2	2
5 ROSSINI	73	24	39	455,945	2	1
6 DANSILI	73	28	41	448,632	1	1
7 KING'S BEST	68	32	38	437,566	2	3
8 DIKTAT	67	18	26	437,297	2	3
9 NAMID	84	32	45	419,257	2	0
10 ALMUTAWAKEL	39	22	32	366,627	2	1
11 LUJAIN	71	28	36	327,996	1	3
12 DUBAI MILLENNIUM	22	12	14	289,238	1	1
13 TRANS ISLAND	45	18	35	258,400	1	1
14 SINNDAR	46	14	18	236,901	1	1
15 JOSR ALGARHOUD	50	21	28	233,489	1	1
16 BACHIR	34	16	24	224,358	0	1
17 DIABLENEYEV	5	2	8	215,629	1	0
18 INDIAN LODGE	38	12	26	199,059	0	1
19 SENDAWAR	45	16	21	195,488	0	1
20 ENRIQUE	27	10	13	177,438	0	1
21 FUSAICHI PEGASUS	20	14	15	166,448	1	1
22 MUJAHID	43	19	21	145,254	0	1
23 DYHIM DIAMOND	19	6	11	144,112	1	0
24 ADNAN	13	2	4	137,250	1	0
25 KABOOL	18	3	4	131,452	0	1
26 SAGAMIX	36	11	14	129,507	0	1
27 BRAVE ACT	24	6	16	128,925	1	0
28 LEND A HAND	30	14	18	127,083	0	1
29 MARTINO ALONSO	8	2	6	120,363	1	0
30 AREION	9	5	7	119,148	2	1

This table includes earnings outside Europe (except Japan) for European stallions and earnings in Europe for North American stallions.

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Rank	Stallion	YOB	Sire	04	05	Runners	Winners	Wins	Earnings	SW	SP	Stands
				Rank <sup>1</sup>	Rank <sup>2</sup>							
1	Successful Appeal	1996	Valid Appeal	1	4	29	19	37	\$2,572,033	6	4	KY
2	Yes It's True	1996	Is It True	2	3	52	30	54	\$2,335,762	5	1	KY
3	Fusaichi Pegasus	1997	Mr. Prospector	3	1	48	29	40	\$2,306,245	6	3	KY
4	Giant's Causeway	1997	Storm Cat	4	2	86	27	39	\$2,102,211	4	2	KY
5	More Than Ready	1997	Southern Halo	6	9	48	28	42	\$1,344,982	4	2	KY
6	Cape Canaveral	1996	Mr. Prospector	5	29	41	18	30	\$1,223,470	4	4	KY
7	Precise End	1997	End Sweep	8	9	35	20	32	\$1,213,249	2	3	JPN
8	Monashee Mountain	1997	Danzig	9	22	57	27	46	\$1,076,373	3	2	KY
9	Golden Missile	1995	A.P. Indy	25	5	29	10	16	\$1,023,009	3	0	KY
10	Dixie Union	1997	Dixieland Band	7	27	32	18	27	\$1,003,586	3	2	KY
11	Sweetsouthernstain	1995	Saint Ballado	14	11	33	20	34	\$ 960,768	2	4	FL
12	Running Stag	1994	Cozzene	11	13	45	21	33	\$ 958,478	1	1	FL
13	Vicar	1996	Wild Again	31	6	46	16	23	\$ 928,673	1	1	KY
14	Bernstein	1997	Storm Cat	12	14	23	13	26	\$ 928,338	4	4	KY
15	Stephen Got Even	1996	A.P. Indy	26	7	31	17	24	\$ 915,180	1	1	KY
16	Yankee Victor	1996	Saint Ballado	17	10	38	17	33	\$ 910,761	1	3	KY
17	Slew Gin Fizz <sup>3</sup>	1991	Relaunch	n/a	n/a	51	28	45	\$ 847,535	1	2	FL
18	Rossini	1997	Miswaki	10	36	71	22	36	\$ 821,587	2	1	KY
19	Old Topper	1995	Gilded Time	15	26	32	20	27	\$ 791,130	2	2	CA
20	Catienus	1994	Storm Cat	16	18	38	25	39	\$ 790,508	2	1	NY
21	High Yield	1997	Storm Cat	27	11	48	21	30	\$ 774,158	1	2	KY
22	War Chant	1997	Danzig	22	15	26	15	21	\$ 757,420	5	0	KY
23	Straight Man	1996	Saint Ballado	16	19	50	24	33	\$ 751,962	0	3	FL
24	Lion Hearted	1996	Storm Cat	17	24	23	14	23	\$ 697,315	3	1	MD
25	Tiger Ridge	1996	Storm Cat	11	38	37	14	18	\$ 689,527	1	1	FL
26	Lemon Drop Kid	1996	Kingmambo	21	25	38	15	20	\$ 686,675	2	1	KY
27	Chester House	1995	Mr. Prospector	22	20	37	17	22	\$ 673,721	2	2	Dead
28	Anees	1997	Unbridled	27	16	28	11	13	\$ 652,136	2	0	Dead
29	Cat Thief	1996	Storm Cat	32	23	28	15	19	\$ 537,666	0	2	KY
30	Western Expression	1996	Gone West	19	39	28	9	10	\$ 531,121	0	2	NY
31	Chief Seattle	1997	Seattle Slew	26	31	33	15	19	\$ 511,960	0	2	KY
32	Intidab	1993	Phone Trick	31	28	7	4	9	509611	1	1	NY
33	Storm and a Half	1997	Storm Cat	38	21	27	15	22	501835	3	3	AR
34	Dance Master	1997	Gone West	18	49	12	8	16	498493	1	0	FL
35	Royal Anthem	1995	Theatrical (IRE)	45	17	39	10	14	478174	1	2	KY
36	Untuttable	1996	Unbridled	30	33	17	12	22	468566	1	0	FL
37	Magic Cat	1995	Storm Cat	28	34	34	15	26	467501	1	1	TX
38	Littlebitlively	1994	Lively One	33	32	29	16	19	431466	0	2	LA
39	Richter Scale	1994	Habitony	34	37	20	9	15	376506	1	1	KY
40	Wised Up	1995	Dixieland Band	35	40	20	12	18	333637	1	1	FL

<sup>1</sup> Year end ranking, according to the Blood-Horse. <sup>2</sup> Current ranking, 2005 racing only, according to bloodhorse.com. <sup>3</sup> Statistics represent Slew Gin Fizz's first North American crop. Statistics courtesy of TJCS through racing of Sunday, May 8, 2005, and produced from racing in the U.S., Canada, Puerto Rico, UK, Ireland, France, Italy, Germany and the UAE.

 **NORTH AMERICA** 

★ **EAST** ★

**MONMOUTH OPENS ITS DOORS SATURDAY**

Monmouth Park, located in Oceanport, New Jersey, is set to begin its 60th season of racing this Saturday.



Monmouth Park Equi-Photo

Once again, the jewel of the meet is the \$1-million GI Haskell Invitational H., one of the premier summer races for three-year-olds, scheduled for Aug. 7. Winners of the race in recent years have included some of the sport's biggest names, including Point Given (2001), War Emblem (2002),

Peace Rules (2003) and Lion Heart (2004). Other highlights at Monmouth are the July 2 GI United Nations S. and the July 9 GI Molly Pitcher Breeders' Cup H. A feeling of optimism is evident at the track, largely due to an agreement reached with the state's casino industry that resulted in an increased purse structure for New Jersey's racetracks. Daily purses will start at a record \$325,000 for the 2005 meeting. "It was a landmark agreement," said Dennis Dowd, senior executive vice president of racing for the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority, which runs Monmouth Park and the Meadowlands Racetrack. "It's given us positive direction and a platform to build on. Because we have secure racing dates and a stable purse structure, we can look for racing to keep growing." The track has been tabbed to host the 2007 Breeders' Cup World Thoroughbred Championships. Monmouth will run on weekends through the end of May (including Memorial Day on Monday, May 30), before moving to a Wednesday-to-Sunday schedule. The season will conclude in mid-September. For more information, visit [www.monmouthpark.com](http://www.monmouthpark.com).

**STAKES CLOSINGS**

**TODAY, WEDNESDAY, MAY 11:**

05-21 \$150,000 **Lazaro Barrera Memorial-II**,  
Hol, 3yo, 7f (150)

05-29 \$150,000a **Connaught Cup-III**, Wo,  
4yo/up, 8.5fT (150)

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**Yesterday's Results:**

**8th-CRC, \$23,000, Alw, NW2L, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 1/5, ft.**

**HIDE AND CHIC (f, 3, Seeking the Gold--Saoirse {Ch. Older Mare-Can, MGSW, \$502,720}, by Cure the Blues)** debuted with a five-length win over track and trip last August, but spent some time on the sidelines after finishing a well-beaten fifth in the GIII Tempted S. Nov. 2 at Aqueduct. Sixth in her Apr. 9 comeback at Gulfstream, the bay improved to be second in an allowance over course and distance Apr. 25 in her first outing for Marty Wolfson. The 4-5 chalk bided her time in second here, took charge at the top of the stretch and opened up for a 13 3/4-length romp. Live Oak acquired her dam for \$2.2 million at the 2001 Keeneland November Sale with this winner in utero. Lifetime Record: 6-2-1-0, \$38,308.

O/B-Live Oak Plantation (KY). T-Martin D Wolfson.

★ **"TDN Rising Star"** ★

**6th-DEL, \$34,300, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :51 4/5 (ETR), ft.**

**+ MASTER OF DISASTER, c, 2, by Dance Master**

**1st Dam: More d'Amour (MSP, \$211,256), by Tour d'Or**

**2nd Dam: Love Connection, by Master Derby**

**3rd Dam: Perfect Connection, by Tentam**

A \$12,000 OBSOCT weanling and a \$63,000 FTKJUL yearling, Master of Disaster blossomed into a \$600,000 juvenile as the sale topper at OBSFEB earlier this year. That price tag, combined with several sharp workouts, led the Delaware bettors to load up at the windows, sending him postward as the 2-5 choice. The chestnut lived up to the billing, cruising up to take the lead soon after the break and waltzed home clear by 13 1/4 lengths in a track-record equalling performance, despite being taken in hand by Ramon Dominguez in the final furlong. [Click here for the brisnet.com chart.](#) Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$20,400.

O-Puglisi Stables & Steve Klesaris. B-Padua Stables (FL). T-Steve Klesaris.



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East Report cont.

5th-CRC, \$28,000, Alw, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 7 1/2fT, 1:29 1/5, fm.

**SNUG HARBOUR** (f, 3, Boston Harbor--Chardae, by **Forty Niner**) dropped in to win for a \$50,000 tag at Gulfstream Jan. 21 and followed up with a tally at the \$75,000 level at that track Feb. 25. She stretched out successfully to a mile there Apr. 10 in an allowance and was 7-1 this time for her turf bow. After prompting the pace in the early stages, the Vegso homebred collared Jewel of the Sky (Concorde's Tune) in the stretch and bested her late by a nose. The winner is a half to Tee Cat (Tabasco Cat), SW, \$167,188. Lifetime Record: SP, 9-5-0-1, \$102,900.

O-Peter Vegso. B-Peter & Anne Vegso (FL). T-Rodolfo Garcia.

1st-CRC, \$28,000, Msw, 2yo, 2f, :22 3/5, ft.

+ **TRIPLETHEPLEASURE** (c, 2, Trippi--Shivering Fax, by **Islefaxyou**) drilled a bullet three-eighths from the gate Apr. 29 and was bet down to 4-5 for this quarter-mile contest. The Florida-bred bay was away swiftly and crossed the line 1 1/2 lengths clear of Private Whipper (Wind Whipper) under a hand ride. Triplethepleasure becomes the first winner for his freshman sire, the 2000 GI Vosburgh S. hero Trippi (by End Sweep). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$18,800.

O/B-Jaime S Carrion, Trustee (FL). T-Edward Plesa Jr.

 **SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT**

**Stakes/First-time Starters to Watch: Wed. May 11**

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

**K ONE KING** (Apalachee), Gainesway, \$7K, 33/5/0  
3-PIM, Msw, 5fT, +Maddie's Edge, 5-1

★ **ON THE WORKTAB** ★

**AQUEDUCT**

**Love of Money** (Not for Love), 6f, 1:13.56, 1/3

**BELMONT**

**Artie Schiller** (El Prado {Ire}), 7f, 1:25.93, 1/1

**Ashado** (Saint Ballado), 5f, :59.04, 1/24

**Lion Tamer** (Will's Way), 5f, 1:00.43, 5/24

**CHURCHILL DOWNS**

**Bwana Charlie** (Indian Charlie), 5f, 1:00.80, 3/24

**Ghostzapper** (Awesome Again), 6f, 1:10.80, 1/3

**Lunarpal** (Successful Appeal), 5f, 1:02.60, 21/24

**HOLLYWOOD**

**Borrego** (El Prado {Ire}), 4f, :48.60, 13/34

**Tarlow** (Stormin Fever), 7f, 1:28, 1/1

**SARATOGA**

**Snowdrops** (GB) (Gulch), 3f, :37.64, 1/15

**SANTA ANITA**

**Island Fashion** (Petionville), 4f, :49.40, 11/15

**Kudos** (Kris S.), 4f, :52.40, 14/15

★ **CENTRAL** ★

Yesterday's Results:

1st-HAW, \$38,480, Msw, 2yo, 4 1/2f, :53 3/5, ft.

+ **NEVER END** (c, 2, City By Night--Dash for Love, by **Jade Hunter**) went postward as the 6-5 chalk on the strength of a solid work tab. Breaking from the rail, the Illinois-bred chestnut jumped out to the lead and kept increasing his advantage, winning by 7 3/4 lengths.

Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$24,960.

O/B-Ben Barnow (IL). T-Richard P Hazelton.



**EUROPE**



**BOLD PLAN FOR ELVSTROEM** Elvstroem (Aus)

(Danehill) was confirmed on course for Saturday's G1 Juddmonte Lockinge S. at Newbury after pleasing



Elvstroem  
Vince Caligiuri photo

connections with his first exercise on the Newmarket gallops. Supplemented for the mile contest at a cost of £16,000 on Monday, the G1 Dubai Duty Free winner gave all the right signals to his conditioner Tony Vasil yesterday morning. "He had his first morning's work today and is quite fresh," Vasil said of the five-year-old, who is currently stabled in Geoff Wragg's yearling yard. "He had a bit of a gallop last Saturday in Hong Kong, but hadn't worked for a couple of days. He had quiet days here on Sunday and Monday, but had two separate

canters this morning and the second time he worked up the Long Hill and was still hard on the bridle at the finish--he felt terrific under me." Vasil also outlined a possible tilt at next Sunday's G1 Prix d'Ispahan at Longchamp. "He is also entered for the Prix d'Ispahan and he is a pretty hardy customer, so it is not beyond the realm of possibility that he might back-up--we'll just have to see how he comes through the Lockinge first. We have then got him nominated for the G1 Queen Anne S. and G1 Prince of Wales's S. [at Royal Ascot at York June 14 and June 15] and we are leaning towards the latter--there is still the G1 Coral-Eclipse S. [at Sandown July 2], so we can have four shots at him." Vasil also confirmed that his regular jockey Nash Rawiller will keep the ride. "He has got an Australian style which is certainly different from over here and he is very effective. He has got a great association with the horse and, while there was some thought about putting on a local from over here, Nash knows the horse inside out."

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European Report cont.

**STARCRAFT NEARS RUN** The Australian Syndicate's G1 Australian Derby hero **Starcraft (NZ)** (Soviet Star) was reported to be coming along nicely by trainer Luca Cumani as he prepares him for his European debut. The Newmarket conditioner suggested that Royal Ascot at York could be the first target for the five-year-old, who also took the G1 Chipping Norton S. and G1 Partsworld S. last term. He has not been seen since finishing third in the G1 Cox Plate at Moonee Valley in October. "He's doing very well and I'm happy with him," he said yesterday. "He came straight from Australian summer to bitterly cold February here and grew a coat, so we've taken it steady with him. What he's done in his work so far I'm pleased with, but we haven't pushed any buttons, and perhaps Ascot at York will be the time he is ready for a run. We haven't really got a target yet, as he's won Group 1s over a mile and a mile and a half, so we're not sure which is his best trip."

★ BRITAIN ★

Wednesday, York, post time: 2:00 p.m.  
 williamhillpoker.com S. (REGISTERED AS THE MERRION S.)-Listed, £30,000, 3yo, 7fT

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Beaver Patrol (Ire)	Tagula (Ire)	Johnson Houghton	130
2	2	Goodricke (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	Loder	130
3	9	Wise Dennis (GB)	Polar Falcon	A Jarvis	129
4	7	Joseph Henry (GB)	Mujadil	Johnston	128
5	10	Gifted Gamble (GB)	Mind Games (GB)	K Ryan	127
6	4	Salamanca (GB)	Pivotal (GB)	Kirk	126
7	8	Foxhaven (GB)	Unfuwain	Chamings	125
8	1	Cool Panic (Ire)	Brave Act (GB)	Bell	125
9	3	St Andrews Storm	Storm Creek	Hannon	125
10	6	Haunting Memories (Ire)	Barathea (Ire)	M Jarvis	125

Yesterday's Results:

Yarmouth, 2.30, Mdn, £4,280, 2yo, 6f 3ydsT, 1:13.87, gd/sf.

+ **UPPER HAND (GB)** (c, 2, Mark of Esteem {Ire}--Pelagia {Ire}, by Lycius) dwelt at the start and was pushed along to stay in contention early. Making steady progress down the outside past halfway, the 10-1 chance collared The Snatcher (Ire) (Indian Danehill {Ire}) with 150 yards remaining before asserting to score by 1 1/4 lengths. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,996. O-Wood Street Syndicate II; B-J Repard; T-Mick Channon.

★ IRELAND ★

MILLION IN MIND

Goffs will introduce two new races in September 2006 for graduates of its revamped Orby Million Sale in September, with a total of €2.4 million on offer. Its flagship race, the Goffs Million, will become the richest two-year-old race ever run in Europe with €1 million to the winner and a further €600,000 in place prize money, open to both colts and fillies. The Curragh will stage the race over seven furlongs along with the other initiative, the Fillies Five Hundred, which offers €500,000 to the winner and €300,000 in place prize money. Goffs' Orby Sale had suffered in recent years due to the strength of sterling, but Marketing Director Duncan Alexander believes the new initiative will revive its fortunes and re-energise the company's major auction. "In terms of Europe, we are always trying to get top-flight yearlings into the sale and keep the Irish-bred horses to be sold here," he said yesterday. "We have had to battle with the sterling factor recently and that shouldn't be underestimated. This is sure to get the major purchasers back here and level the playing field. It has been remarkably well received by vendors and purchasers alike." Alexander is confident that the new races will strengthen the Irish racing calendar, which also features the G1 National S. and G1 Moyglare Stud S. over the same distances and in the same month. "We don't want to interfere with the big races and it is very important that we don't, so we have had discussions with Horse Racing Ireland and The Curragh," he continued. "They will be proper races, but they won't have pattern status so races like the National S. won't suffer." For Goffs, this enterprise is a major leap forward in the commercial arena of selling top-class yearlings. "It is a big investment, but should be a great help and although the situation can't change overnight, it is making a big impression already."

Tattersalls 2005 Sales Dates

Breeze-Up Sale	Apr. 12-14
July Sale	July 5-7
Oct. Yearling Sale Part 1	Oct. 3-7
Oct. Yearling Sale Part 2	Oct. 10-15
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**Yesterday's Results:**

**Maisons-Laffitte, 2.50, Cond, €55,000, 3yo, 10.5ft, 2:14.50, gd. ATHANOR (FR) (g, 3, Ashkalani {Ire}--Leariva {GISW-US, MGSW-Fr, \$669,701}, by Irish River {Fr}), a €35,000 DEAAUG yearling, was let go at a generous 93-10 off a males-only conditions win at Compiègne Apr. 18 in his only start to date. Making progress from the quarter-mile marker here, he lengthened well from the eighth pole to reel in the leaders and deny Glazed Frost (Fr) (Verglas {Ire}) by 3/4 lengths nearing the wire. Lifetime Record: 2 starts, 2 wins, €43,000. O-Mme C Morange; B-Baron Thierry de Zuylen de Nyevelt; T-Freddy Head.**

**Maisons-Laffitte, 2.20, Cond, €31,000, 2yo, f, 5ft, 1:01.40, gd. + BLUE BLUE SKY (IRE) (f, 2, Anabaa--Blue Fern, by Woodman), a 21-5 chance, tracked the front rank under cover from the bell and was encouraged forward inside the final quarter. Ridden with more enthusiasm approaching the final panel, the homebred finished with a flourish along the rail inside the last 50 yards to deny Queensalsa (Fr) (Kingsalsa) by a head on the line. Lifetime Record: 1 start, 1 win, €15,500. O/B-Ecurie Skymac Farm; T-Yves de Nicolay.**

**Maisons-Laffitte, 1.50, Cond, €31,000, 2yo, c/g, 5ft, 1:01.60, gd. DALYCHOP (FR) (c, 2, Medaaly {GB}--Luisa Anna {Ger}, by Just A Flutter {GB}) returned here off the second of two claiming wins at Chantilly Apr. 25 and went postward at odds of 27-10. Breaking smartly off an inside draw, he duelled for the lead with market choice Salsalava (Fr) (Kingsalsa) throughout and was less vigorously ridden than that rival inside the final furlong to secure a pushed-out short-neck success. Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 2 places, €42,200. O-S Berland; B-A Chopard & D Delteil; T-Xavier Nakkachdji.**



**ELECTRONIC UNICORN RETIRED** **Electronic Unicorn** (Housebuster--Lilac Garden, by Roberto), twice the Horse of the Year in Hong Kong, has been ruled out of Saturday's G1-HK Champions' Mile and will be retired, *South China Morning Post* reports. The nine-year-old gained recognition with consecutive runner-up finishes in the G1 Hong Kong Mile in 2001 and 2002. He returned from tendon troubles to make a pair of starts, including a fourth to Silent Witness (Aus) in the G2-HK Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup Apr. 24. "He's still sound, but after looking at him over the past two weeks, there's nothing to be gained by running him in this big race," trainer John Size told *SCMP*. "He's been a great horse, but his last two runs have suggested to me that age has caught up with him." Electronic Unicorn retires with 11 wins, six in stakes competition, from 35 starts and earnings of HK\$34,390,401.

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
AMERICA**

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-DEL, \$39,500, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd, 1:43 1/5, ft.**

**RACING LUCK (f, 4, Out of Place--Alyspire, by Alydeed)** Lifetime Record: 27-4-7-4, \$126,150. O-Cash Is King LLC. B-Alex Brancato (KY). T-Timothy F Ritchey. \*\$22,000 yrl '02 FTKJUL; \$15,000 yrl '02 FTMSEP.

**7th-DEL, \$38,600, NW2X, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:53 2/5, ft.**

**TACTICAL GOLD (c, 4, Tactical Cat--Party Line, by Cox's Ridge)** Lifetime Record: 11-3-4-3, \$96,850. O-Cleber J Massey. B-Robert & Daniele Hunter & John Paul & Judy Miller (KY). T-Anthony W Dutrow. \*\$10,000 wlng '01 KEENOV; \$90,000 yrl '02 KEESEP.

**9th-MNR, \$32,400, 5-9, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:37 3/5, ft.**

**SNAPPY LITTLE CAT (f, 4, Tactical Cat--Snappy Little Tune {MSW, \$382,138}, by Spanish Drums)** Lifetime Record: SP, 15-3-2-3, \$66,433. O/B-Sherri L Greenhill (KY). T-Jeffrey L Greenhill.

**6th-HAW, \$28,000, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, a1m70yd (off turf), 1:44 2/5, ft.**

**ITUNA (f, 4, Boston Harbor--Goodeve, by Pleasant Colony)** Lifetime Record: 16-4-2-1, \$79,760. O-Jeff Kerber. B-Winsong Farms (ON). T-Hugh H Robertson.

**6th-SUF, \$21,560, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39 2/5, ft.**

**PICTURE GALLERY (m, 7, Allen's Prospect--Casanna, by Topsider)** Lifetime Record: SP, 34-10-4-2, \$146,080. O-Mrs James B Moseley. B-Mr & Mrs James B Moseley (PA). T-Jeff D Hooper. \*Won via DQ. \*\*1/2 to Oswayo (Norquestor), MSW, \$223,621.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Saratoga Flash, f, 3, Cat Thief--Miss Bid Flash (MSW, \$242,186), by Horse Flash (Fr).** MNR, 5-9, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-R R Trantham & Associates Inc & Robert S West Jr (Ky). \*\$37,000 wlng '02 KEENOV; \$45,000 yrl '03 TEXAUG. \*\*3/4 to Spectacular Cat (Forest Wildcat), SW, \$214,098.

**Fed Funds, c, 3, Doneraile Court--Shopawaytheblues, by Zen.** DEL, 5-10, (C), 6f, 1:12. B-James W & Ann Murphy (Ky). \*\$25,000 wlng '02 KEENOV; \$100,000 yrl '03 FTKJUL. \*\*1/2 to Bankruptcy Bound (Royal Roberto), SW, \$220,331; and Heathers Delight (Spanish Drummer), SW, \$105,073.

**Put Out the Fuse, c, 3, Lite the Fuse--Lida's Fling, by Quadratic.** PHA, 5-10, 6 1/2f, 1:17 2/5. B-Roberta Seeger (Pa). \*1/2 to Rondevous (Robin des Pins), SP, \$262,414.



**Lady Lionel**, f, 3, **Lucky Lionel**--The Queen of C, by Ogygian. HAW, 5-10, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:46 4/5. B-Moises Yanez (II).

**Camptown King**, c, 3, **Prospect Bay**--Camptown Queen, by Summer Advocate. HAW, 5-10, (S), 1 1/16m, 1:46 2/5. B-David G Campbell (II). \*\$32,000 2yo '04 OBSAPR.

**SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY U.S. SIRES:**

**Apache Cat (Aus)**, c, 2, **Lion Cavern**--Tennessee Blaze (Aus), by Whiskey Road. Flemington (Melbourne), 5-7, Gibson Carmichael S.-Listed, 2yo, 1m 20ydsT, A\$65,000 to winner. B-P F Radford & Ms R Lawrie; T-Greg Eurell.

**All Bar One (Aus)**, g, 3, **Hennessy**--Max's Sister, by Phone Trick. Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 5-7, 3yo, Hcp, 5fT. B-Ascot Breeding Partnership.

**Recapitalize (Aus)**, c, 4, **Royal Academy**--Blayney Breeze (NZ), by Dahar. Flemington (Melbourne), 5-7, 4yo/up, Hcp, 7fT. B-Randwick Bloodstock Agency Pty Ltd & Baerami Thoroughbreds.

**Natural Blitz (Aus)**, h, 5, **Dehere**--Mohave Dancer (NZ), by Zabeel (NZ). Wagga Wagga (New South Wales), 5-6, Wagga Gold Cup-Listed, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT, A\$65,000 to winner. B-J Abrahams & P O'Brien; T-Doug Harrison.

**BREEDERS' EDITION  
EUROPE**

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**FRANCE**, Chateaubriant, 4.00, 5-9, €16,000, 4yo, 1 5/8mT, 3:01.45, gd.

**MISTER WELLS (FR)** (c, 4, **Sadler's Wells**--Miss Satamixa {Fr} {G1SW-Fr, \$278,908}, by Linamix {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 7 starts, 3 wins, 3 places, €31,300. O-Frantisek Hruby; B-SNC Lagardere Elevage; T-Jean-Luc Bara.

**BRITAIN**, Yarmouth, 4.30, 5-10, £5,860, 3yo, 7f 3ydsT, 1:25.45, gd/sf.

**ELRAFA MUJAHID (GB)** (f, 3, **Mujahid**--Fancier Bit {GB}, by Lion Cavern) Lifetime Record: 6-2-0-1, £6,158. O-Giovanni Favarulo; B-R S A Urquhart; T-Julian Poulton. \*2,000gns yrl '03 TATDEC.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Subtle Affair (Ire)**, f, 3, **Barathea (Ire)**--Uncertain Affair (Ire), by Darshaan (GB). Yarmouth, Britain, 5-10, Mdn, 3yo, 11f 101ydsT. B-M Fahy. \*€60,000 yrl '03 GOFORB.

**Priscilliano (Ire)**, c, 3, **Dushyantor**--Prima Nox (GB), by Sabrehill. Varese, Italy, 5-9, Cond, 3yo, 1 5/16mT. B-Allevamento Del Sei SRL.

**Kalawoun (Fr)**, c, 3, **Highest Honor (Fr)**--Kalajana (GSW-Fr), by Green Dancer. Maisons-Laffitte, France, 5-10, Hcp, 3yo, 1 5/16mT. B-H H The Aga Khan.

**SO. HEMISPHERE WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES:**

**Virago (Aus)**, f, 2, **Danehill**--Blue Storm (Aus), by Bluebird. Rosehill (Sydney), 5-7, 2yo, Hcp, 6fT. B-J M Ryan.

**Darci Brahma (NZ)**, c, 2, **Danehill**--Grand Echezeaux (NZ), by Zabeel (NZ). Te Rapa (Auckland), 5-7, 2yo, Hcp, 6fT. B-P J & P M Vela Ltd.

**Langness (Aus)**, f, 2, **Danehill**--Isca (Aus), by Rory's Jester (Aus). Morphettville (Adelaide), 5-7, A.H.A. S.-Listed, 2yo, 5f 55ydsT, A\$33,500 to winner. B-Swettenham Stud; T-Tony McEvoy.

**Fields Of Athenrye (NZ)**, f, 3, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Kaaip's Gem (NZ), by Kaaipstad (NZ). Te Rapa (Auckland), 5-7, 3yo/up, Mdn, 1mT. B-Bardowie Stud Ltd.

**Mameluke (Aus)**, g, 3, **Desert Prince (Ire)**--Ochiltree (Aus), by Twig Moss (Fr). Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 5-7, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1mT. B-Woodlands Stud.

**Princess Gemma (Aus)**, f, 3, **Dr Fong**--Sans Averti (Aus), by Tumbledownwind (Ire). Warwick Farm (Sydney), 5-4, 3yo/up, f/m, Hcp, 1 5/16mT. B-J R & Mrs P D Cribb & Mrs A L Garling.

**Bolshy (Aus)**, g, 3, **Fasliyev**--Laundrette (Ire), by Taufan. Warwick Farm (Sydney), 5-4, 3yo/up, Hcp, 5fT. B-C E Lee.

**King Of Slew (Aus)**, c, 3, **King of Kings (Ire)**--Rose A Slew, by Slew City Slew. Flemington (Melbourne), 5-7, 3yo, Hcp, 1 1/4mT. B-Galletta Constructions Pty Ltd.

**Sweet Ransom (Aus)**, f, 3, **Red Ransom**--Rubitoff (Aus), by Rubiton (Aus). Rosehill (Sydney), 5-7, 3yo, f, Hcp, 6 1/2fT. B-Boomerang Berrima Stud.

**Spin (Aus)**, f, 3, **Spinning World**--Marnies Magic (NZ), by Grosvenor (NZ). Hastings (Hawke's Bay), 5-7, 3yo/up, Mdn, 1 1/4mT. B-Mrs P E Williams.

**Bahama Beach (NZ)**, g, 4, **Bahhare**--Olivain (NZ), by Truly Vain (Aus). Hastings (Hawke's Bay), 5-7, 3yo/up, Mdn, 7fT. B-Value Added Thoroughbreds Ltd.

**Lilakyn (Aus)**, f, 4, **Danehill**--Popsy (NZ), by Sir Tristram (Ire). Hastings (Hawke's Bay), 5-7, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1mT. B-Barnaby & Co Ltd.

**Beautiful Gem (Aus)**, f, 4, **Peintre Celebre**--Just Blooming (Aus), by Yeats. Eagle Farm (Brisbane), 5-7, 3yo/up, f/m, Hcp, 6fT. B-Gooree Park Stud Pty Ltd.

**Botero (NZ)**, g, 4, **Pentire (GB)**--Another Sound (NZ), by Sound Reason. Flemington (Melbourne), 5-7, 4yo/up, Hcp, 1mT. B-Keltern Stud.

**Sun Hawke (NZ)**, g, 5, **Desert Sun (GB)**--Selena (NZ), by Touching Wood. Hastings (Hawke's Bay), 5-7, 3yo/up, Hcp, 7fT. B-M J Honiss.

**Monte Grande (Aus)**, g, 5, **Grand Lodge**--Jevresa (Aus), by Jevington (Aus). Rosehill (Sydney), 5-7, 3yo/up, Hcp, 1 1/4mT. B-Glenlogan Park Pty Ltd.

**Turaga (Aus)**, g, 6, **Danehill Dancer (Ire)**--Main Event (Aus), by Karioi Star (Aus). Rosehill (Sydney), 5-7, Civic S.-Listed, 3yo/up, 7fT, A\$52,000 to winner. B-J E Hayes & L J & Mrs E M Irwin; T-Paul Perry.