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CAPE OF GOOD HOPE WORKS

Cape of Good Hope (GB) (Inchinar {GB}) worked 800 meters Tuesday at Sha Tin in preparation for Sunday's G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Sprint. The seven-year-old gelding covered the distance in :54. "I'm pleased

with him," reported trainer David Oughton after the drill. "He's starting to come right again after coming back from Australia. He had a good trial last week and did all that I wanted this morning." Cape of Good Hope is coming off a runner-up effort in the Nov. 5 G2 Age Classic at Flemington. Oughton thinks the absence of superstar Silent Witness



Cape of Good Hope HKJC

(Aus) will help his horse. "Obviously it's very disappointing for everyone that Silent Witness won't be there, but it gives my horse his chance to win again at home," the trainer commented. "He's performed so well all over the world, but he hasn't won in Hong Kong for over three years. Hopefully that will change on the weekend."

'Cherry' in the Mix for the Vase...

Godolphin's Cherry Mix (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}), a contender in Sunday's G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Vase, turned in some light exercise over the all-weather yesterday. The four-year-old was 12th in prestigious G1

Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe before notching San Siro's G1 Gran Premio del Jockey Club last out Oct. 16. "He's doing well out here," Godolphin's Sam Avis commented. "He really didn't fire in the Arc for whatever reason, but got back on track in Italy last time out in lesser company. Hopefully, that will have done his



Cherry Mix HKJC

confidence good. I think he'll handle a fast track okay. He ran one of his best races ever when second in the 2004 Arc and the ground was pretty firm that day."

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FROM THE DESK OF...

Bill Oppenheim



RECORD YEAR

As you know by now, we've been compiling and publishing statistics about the total spent in what we call 'the major North American and European auction market' for the past few months now. I periodically give up hope that there will ever be official statistics that we could all refer to, and I'm in one of those periods now. So we take it upon ourselves. With the help of TDN staffers, especially the long-suffering Marie Kizenko, we've come up with what I'm satisfied are good-enough numbers. I'll spare you all the qualifiers and disclaimers, suffice to say there are plenty, and the conversion rates we used are also published somewhere. But let's cut to the chase: what does it say, and what does it all mean?

We use 12 bellwether sales, nine yearling sales, and three mixed. There is definitely an argument for expanding the sales covered, and, as promised, that is on the Winter Project Agenda. But just looking at what we do have, I find the numbers somewhere between staggering and phenomenal.

At the 12 sales this year, kicking off at Fasig-Tipton Kentucky in July and finishing with the most rocking December Sale of all time last Thursday, a total of 12,149 horses were sold for more than \$1.175-billion, and an average of \$96,907. Now, I think these are some stupefying figures. This is just the horses that came up for auction at these major sales and, of those, there are more than 12,000 horses worth an average of almost \$100,000 each. This is big business.

The sales this year just kept getting stronger and stronger, especially in Europe, though to be fair, the European sales had taken a big dip in 2004 from the previous year's record highs. Whatever, it didn't matter. Keeneland September, the world's great yearling supermarket, which singlehandedly accounts for a third of the 12-sale revenue, set a new record for a horse sale, grossing \$384-million, up nearly \$60-million over the previous year.

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Goffs, which had been in the doldrums, came storming back with a lot of promotion and personal attention, and the Irish property boom helped the Orby week yearling gross jump 77 percent over 2004. Tattersalls, completing their yearling schedule reshuffle, followed up with nearly 20-percent gains in revenue. Though we don't yet include Goffs November in our major sale count, that, too, came roaring back, while Tattersalls December sale was up a whopping 41 percent in gross. People just could not get enough.

One very interesting feature of the sales this year was that the 'percentage change' figures for the nine yearling sales were mirrored almost exactly by those of the three mixed sales. Nine and three may not sound like much, but the nine was 7,287 yearlings sold, and the three mixed sales added another 4,862; so it's a pretty decent sample size. The 7,287 yearlings sold were three percent more than last year. They brought in \$722,502,160 in gross sales, up 14 percent over 2004; and the average, which was just a hair under \$100,000 at \$99,149, was an 11-percent gain over last year's 12-sale yearling average of \$89,005.

The yearling sales, with over 7,200 sold, were up \$90-million. Then the three major mixed sales, with over 4,800 horses sold, were up another \$60-million. The total of 4,862 sales was up three percent from last year; the gross of \$454,825,472 was up 15 percent; and the \$93,547 mixed-sale average was, again, up 11 percent, from last year's mixed sale average of \$83,999.

In all, a total of 12,149 horses were sold at these 12 major sales. They grossed (draw breath here) \$1,177,327,632, and averaged, as noted earlier, \$96,907. The number sold is three percent higher than last year's 11,822; the gross is 14 percent higher than last year, when the \$1,028,621,077 marked only the second time the billion-dollar mark had been reached at these sales (the first was in 2000). And the \$96,907 average was 11 percent higher than last year, when we could say 'nearly 12,000 horses averaged just over \$87,000.' Now we can say, 'more than 12,000 horses averaged just under \$97,000.'

It's great news, that's for sure, particularly because your correspondent here made no bones about thinking the market was going to be down this year, by as much as it actually finished up. Or did I forget to mention that disclaimer, 'margin of error plus or minus 15 percent?' However, I would say that I made my forecasts more or less according to what I assessed as conditions within the industry, whereas I suspect that this big surge in Thoroughbred value--15 percent, no doubt about it--is due more to conditions external to the industry. The best guesses still seem to me to be a combination of two principal factors: the first is that people don't want their money in banks any more than they have to be, because they're getting so little interest; plus they've discovered the stock market can go down as well as up; and, third, I think, is the baby-boomer-cashing-out theory. It's the biggest generation in history, it's (we're) in its fifties, if not approaching our sixties, and a lot of people have inherited money, sold businesses, and/or cashed out of long-held property in hot markets like Ireland, or San Francisco. The evidence of the horse business is that the world has now recovered from the dot-com crash. Boats, art, and other luxury goods should be selling like hotcakes, too, if the 2005 major horse auctions covered here are anything to go by.

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

Saturday, Woodbine

BESSARABIAN H.-GIII, \$154,477, WOX, 12-3, 3yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25, ft.

1--@#MISS CONCERTO, 112, f, 4, by Concerto

1st Dam: Miss Gaybeddard (SW), by Lord Gaylord

2nd Dam: Lady Beddard, by *Beddard

3rd Dam: Lady King, by Kauai King

(\$5,000 yrl '02 OBSAUG; \$10,000 2yo '03

OBSAPR). O-Tucci Stables; B-Joseph Arango (FL);

T-Sid C Attard; J-C Fraser; \$88,912. Lifetime Record:

24-6-4-6, \$269,226.

Click for the [brisnet.com chart](http://brisnet.com/chart) or for the [brisnet.com catalogue-style pedigree](http://brisnet.com/catalogue-style/pedigree).

Florida sire Concerto jumped into the national lime-light in the spring when his son Bellamy Road destroyed the field in the GI Wood Memorial S. Bellamy Road then started as the favorite for the GI Kentucky Derby, but was one of the principal victims of a suicidal pace scenario. Off the track until the GI Travers S., Bellamy Road was a very game second to Flower Alley in that race, but was subsequently sidelined after throwing a splint. Concerto, however, is more than a one horse wonder, and that was underlined this weekend when his daughter Miss Concerto upset the GIII Bessarabian S. at Woodbine.

Bellamy Road and Miss Concerto are from the third and second crops, respectively, sired by Concerto. A son of Chief's Crown and the In Reality mare Undenably, Concerto was bred and raced by Kinsman Farm, also the owner of Bellamy Road.

After breaking his maiden in his third start, Concerto went on to establish himself as one of the better juveniles of his crop, finishing second in the GIII Laurel Futurity and winning the Storm Cat S. and the GIII Kentucky Jockey Club S.

At three, he captured, in succession, the Whirlaway S., John Battaglia Memorial S., GII Jim Beam S. and GIII Federico Tesio S. These efforts established Concerto as a live outsider for the GI Kentucky Derby, but he could do no better than ninth, nearly 14 lengths behind Silver Charm. Tried again at this level, Concerto finished sixth, 10 lengths in arrears of Silver Charm, in the GI Preakness S.

Given a break, Concerto returned in the fall with seconds in the GIII Discovery H. and GIII Stuyvesant H., then ended the year on a high note by defeating older horses in the GIII Clark H. After this victory, Concerto looked set for a good campaign at four, but it appears that he met with a setback, as he wasn't seen out until late mid-July. After defeats in a pair of allowance races, he put in a fine effort to be second to that year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Awesome Again in the GII Saratoga Breeders' Cup H. Concerto finished out his career with wins in the Brandywine and Congressional H., those efforts sandwiching an off-the-board run in the GI Meadowlands Cup.

Retired to stand at \$3,500, Concerto sired a first crop of 44 named foals, of which 36 reached the races, and 32 won. Six of these scored black-type wins, including the listed scorer Angelic Aura; Whos Crying Now, a winner of \$381,248 to date; and Collymore Hall, who took the NATC Sorority Futurity.

Concerto's second crop consisted of 38 foals, of which 31 have started and 25 have won, with black-type coming the way not only of Miss Concerto, but also Puerto Rican Grade I winners Special Concerto and Concerto's Crown.

Bellamy Road comes from a third crop of just 25 foals, and Concerto has again continued his admirable strike rate, which saw 21 of these start and 19 win. So, with his first three crops, Concerto has 77 winners and 10 black-type winners from 107 foals and 88 starters. All told, pretty impressive considering his initial stud fee. Concerto's biggest crop is his current two-year-old one which consists of 58 foals, and 12 of them have already won.

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At the time Miss Concerto reached the sales ring, Concerto's potential as a sire still had to be taken pretty much on trust, and she realized only \$5,000 as a yearling at the OBS August Sale, and \$10,000 when consigned back to the same venue as a two-year-old the following April.

Despite her lowly sales prices, Miss Concerto owns a pedigree which is more than respectable, especially for a filly who was conceived at such a modest fee. Her dam, Miss Gaybeddard, was by Lord Gaylord, best known as the sire of champion two-year-old Lord Avie. Winner of the listed Bird of Paradise S. at Calder, Miss Gaybeddard was half sister to the stakes-winning Purple Comet, and also a sister to Bedgay's Lady, the dam of Lord Carson, a high-class sprinter whose six stakes victories included the GII Boojum H.

The pedigree gets a little more obscure in the next two generations. Miss Concerto's second dam, the minor winner Lady Beddard is by the little-known Beddard (an English-bred stayer by Quorum, from the Gold Bridge male line), and Lady Beddard is the only recorded foal of her dam Lady King, an unraced daughter of Kauai King, a Kentucky Derby and Preakness S. winner by Native Dancer, but a complete disaster as a sire. Miss Concerto's fourth dam, Lady Provost took third in the New York H., and when bred to Lord Gaylord, produced Miss Gaybeddard's close relative, Lady Dean, heroine of the GII Long Look, GIII Barbara Fritchie and GIII Distaff H. Lady Provost's third dam was a half sister to the dam of the 1953 English Derby winner Pinza.

Miss Concerto's pedigree is a good example of "drilling for oil where oil has been found before." Her grand-sire Chief's Crown was by Danzig out of a mare by Secretariat, and few horses have benefitted as much from matings with mares who brought in Secretariat's half brother Sir Gaylord, giving a double of the great mare, Somethingroyal. The double of Somethingroyal appears in at least 14 of Chief's Crown's 53 stakes winners, and seven of 23 group or graded stakes winners, including English champions Grand Lodge and Be My Chief.

That works out as around 25 percent of his stakes winners and 30 percent of his group or graded stakes winners, and it is a fair bet that Sir Gaylord didn't appear in 25 percent or more of the mares which he covered.

Miss Concerto's broodmare sire Lord Gaylord is a son of Sir Gaylord, giving Miss Concerto Somethingroyal 5x4. Oddly enough, Sir Gaylord also turns up in the pedigree of Bellamy Road, although since he's back in the sixth generation here, we wouldn't want to overstate the significance. Still, since he and Miss Concerto are the only graded stakes winners for their sire, we can't entirely dismiss this as coincidence.

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Miss Concerto, f, 2001

Concerto	Chief's Crown	Danzig	Northern Dancer
		Six Crowns	Pas de Nom
	Undeniably	In Reality	Secretariat
		Past Forgetting	Chris Evert
Miss Gaybeddard 15-5-0-3 9FIs, 1GSW	Lord Gaylord	Sir Gaylord	Intentionally
		Miss Glamour Gal	My Dear Girl
	Lady Beddard 7-4-0-1 12FIs, 2SW	Beddard	Messenger of Song
		Lady King 1F1, 1Wnr	Pastiche
			Turn-To
			Somethingroyal

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SALE	2005 SOLD	2005 GROSS	2005 AVG	2004 SOLD	2004 GROSS	2004 AVG	'05 vs '04 SOLD	'05 vs '04 GROSS	'05 vs '04 AVG
YEARLINGS - NA (in \$)									
Fasig July	368	37,106,000	100,832	338	38,620,000	114,260	9%	-4%	-12%
Saratoga	103	33,415,000	324,417	150	45,705,000	324,417	-31%	-27%	6%
<i>2 Fasig Sales</i>									
Keeneland September	471	70,521,000	149,726	488	84,325,000	172,797	-3%	-16%	-13%
	3,545	384,389,900	108,420	3,370	324,904,300	96,411	5%	18%	12%
<i>3 NA Yearling Sales</i>									
	4,016	454,870,900	113,265	3,858	409,229,300	106,073	4%	11%	7%
YEARLINGS - EU (in €)									
Deauville	325	22,865,000	70,353	373	28,491,000	76,393	-13%	-20%	-8%
Doncaster St. Leger*	437	16,649,162	38,099	467	17,435,672	37,335	-6%	-5%	2%
Tatts Ire Fairyhouse	527	8,705,000	16,518	438	7,643,800	17,452	20%	14%	-5%
Goffs Orby etc.	723	54,999,900	76,072	610	31,115,700	51,009	19%	77%	49%
Tatts October 1*	499	91,859,820	184,087	512	81,071,591	158,343	-3%	13%	16%
Tatts October 2* & 3*	760	27,456,038	36,126	850	20,014,084	23,546	-11%	37%	53%
*conducted in GB in Guineas									
6 EU Yearling Sales	3,271	€222,534,620	€68,033	€3,250	€185,771,847	€57,161	1%	20%	19%
In U.S. \$	3,271	267,631,260	81,819	3,250	223,418,512	68,744	1%	20%	19%
TOT 9 Yearling Sales (\$)	7,287	722,502,160	99,149	7,108	632,647,812	89,005	3%	14%	11%
MIXED SALES - NA									
Fasig Nov + Adena	168	34,389,000	204,696	267	22,937,500	85,908	-37%	50%	138%
Keeneland November	2,816	289,602,900	102,842	2,873	279,680,200	97,348	-2%	4%	6%
<i>Kentucky November</i>									
	2,984	323,991,900	108,576	3,140	302,617,700	96,375	-5%	7%	13%
<i>Tatts December* (in €)</i>									
In U.S. \$	1,878	108,787,737	57,927	1,574	77,624,883	49,317	19%	41%	17%
	1,878	130,833,572	69,666	1,574	93,355,565	59,311	19%	41%	17%
TOT 3 Mixed Sales (\$)	4,862	454,825,472	93,547	4,714	395,973,265	83,999	3%	15%	11%
TOT 12 SALES (\$)	12,149	1,177,327,632	96,907	11,822	1,028,621,077	87,009	3%	14%	11%



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AT THE SYMPOSIUM ON RACING

with Michele MacDonald

Racing industry leaders should not view casino-style gaming as the salvation for the sport, Scientific Games Racing Chairman Lorne Weil warned during a candid keynote address at the Symposium on Racing & Gaming opened Tuesday in Tucson, Arizona. Officials should instead direct their energies toward developing new products and new ways of reaching fans with those products, he said, suggesting that sports betting could be the most potentially lucrative new avenue for revenue. "Sports betting is something we need to think very seriously about," Weil said, pointing to its rapid growth worldwide while other wagering options such as lotteries and casinos are yielding only sluggish returns. "I would wholeheartedly argue for giving it consideration." Now illegal in most locations other than Las Vegas, sports betting could be a natural fit under regulatory bodies already set up for racetracks, Weil said. Tracks have invested in some of the necessary betting equipment through tote operators such as Scientific Games. Weil also pointed to the success of betting exchanges in Britain as an indicator of how racing fans will respond to new products, and he predicted that racecourses in that nation soon will offer such wagering, which has been controversial throughout most of the rest of the world, through on-site terminals. "I would expect the numbers would go through the roof," he added. "Content is king. If there is no new content [to offer racing fans], we can scream 'Go Baby Go' till our faces turn blue but there will be nobody left to scream it to."

Just before Weil's speech, the University of Arizona Race Track Industry Program, which conducts the Symposium, bestowed awards on WinStar Farm of Versailles, Kentucky, and former Jockey Club President Hans Stahl. WinStar was given the Clay Puett Award for its service to racing through programs it supports such as The Race for Education, while Stahl was honored with the Distinguished Service Award for years of assistance in promoting the RTIP internationally.

STATE AUDIT DETAILS QUESTIONABLE SPENDING AT CAPITAL INVESTMENT FUND

By Tom Precious, courtesy of www.bloodhorse.com

The former chairman of the now-defunct New York State Thoroughbred Capital Investment Fund tapped into the agency's budget to foot expenses for a bed and breakfast and Mexican restaurant he owned, while CIF funds were used to pay for such personal items as overnight mailings to watch repair stores, gasoline and entertainment, New York State Comptroller Alan Hevesi said in an audit released Dec. 5. "The Capital Investment Fund was created to aid the horse racing industry, but in fact its two principals turned it into a base for their own business and personal interests," Hevesi said. [Click here](#) for the entire story.

★ EAST ★

Bill Calls for 55% Tax on Broward Slots:

A bill passed by the House Business Regulation Committee calls for a 55 percent tax on slot machines in Broward County, Florida, according to published reports. The facilities include Gulfstream Park, Dania Jai-Alai, Pompano Park and Hollywood Greyhound Track. The bill also limits the facilities to 1,000 machines each. The Senate believes in a lower tax rate, but more machines. The Senate bill calls for a 45 percent tax rate and a machine limit of 2,000. Senate hearings on the slot issue began Tuesday.

Yesterday's Results:

9th-PHA, \$25,760, Alw, NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:17 4/5, ft.

MISS START ME UP (f, 3, Evening Kris--Start Me Up, by Discover), a winner by 3/4 of a length last time out going a sixteenth shorter Nov. 15, was sent off at almost 6-1 this time. Far out of it early, the dark bay made up ground to get within striking distance with a furlong left to run and hit the front late to win by 3/4 of a length over favored Notimetoquit (Toolighttoquit). Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$46,104. O/B-Mrs Thomas W Baker Jr (PA). T-Eberd Estrada.

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★ CENTRAL ★

Homebuilder Dead:

Homebuilder (Mr. Prospector--Smart Heiress, by Vaguely Noble), a MGSW of \$1,172,152, has been euthanized at the age of 21, according to the *Blood-Horse*. Homebuilder sired 11 stakes winners from 13 crops, including 1996 GII Fountain of Youth S. winner Built for Pleasure. Bred by James P. Ryan, the chestnut stood in Kentucky at Pin Oak Stud, before being moved to Franks Farm in Florida. He stood the last couple of seasons at Red River Farms in Louisiana. Homebuilder covered one mare this season before being euthanized in the spring. "She's in foal and we're hoping it's a special foal," Jay Adcock of Red River Farms told the publication. "We don't get too many millionaires down here and it was a thrill standing a horse like Homebuilder."

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Hollywood Boosts Purses:

Hollywood Park announced a five-percent increase in overnight purses, retroactive to the beginning of the Autumn Meet, which begun Nov. 9. The 27-day meeting concludes Dec. 19. "We are in an under payment situation," said General Manager Eual G. Wyatt Jr. "We would rather pay the money now than in January. We're very appreciative of all the horsemen--the Thoroughbred Owners of California and the California Thoroughbred Trainers--for their support in helping us deal with the extraordinary set of circumstances we found ourselves in entering the meeting." Hollywood Park increased purses by 15 percent at the start of the meeting, following the cancellation of turf racing.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8:

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- 01-28 \$1,000,000 *Sunshine Millions Classic*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, 9f
- 01-28 \$500,000 *Sunshine Millions Turf*, GP, [R], 4yo/up, 9fT
- 01-28 \$500,000 *Sunshine Millions F/M Turf*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, 9fT
- 01-28 \$500,000 *Sunshine Millions Distaff*, GP, [R], 4yo/up, 9f
- 01-28 \$300,000 *Sunshine Millions Sprint*, GP, [R], 3yo/up, 6f
- 01-28 \$300,000 *Sunshine Millions F/M Sprint*, SA, [R], 4yo/up, 6f
- 01-28 \$250,000 *Sunshine Millions Dash*, SA, [R], 3yo, 6f
- 01-28 \$250,000 *Sunshine Millions Oaks*, GP, [R], 3yo, f, 6f

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★ WEST ★

Yesterday's Results:

PRINCESS H., \$50,000, SUN, 12-6, 2yo, f, 6f, 1:11, ft.

1--**YADDO CAT**, 122, f, 2, by **Forest Wildcat**

1st Dam: Kombat Kate (SP), by Fit to Fight

2nd Dam: Caitland, by Key to the Kingdom

3rd Dam: Bushel-n-Peck, by *Khaled

(\$200,000 yrl '04 FTSAUG). O-Heiligbrodt Racing Stable; B-Luis de Hechavarria (FL); T-Steven M Asmussen; J-B D Peck; \$30,000. Lifetime Record: 6-3-1-1, \$110,370. *Full to Katy Kat, SW & GSP, \$210,788; 3/4 to Kombat Kat (Future Storm), MGSP, \$234,794.

2--**Visual Effect**, 118, f, 2, Anees--Make Smoke, by Saratoga Six. (\$21,000 2yo 2005 OBSAPR). \$10,500.

3--**Ms. Glacken**, 120, f, 2, Smoke Glacken--Unacceptable, by Irish Tower. (\$75,000 wlng '03 FTKNOV; \$100,000 2yo 2005 OBSMAR). \$5,500. Margins: 4HF, 1, 2 3/4. Odds: 0.30, 11.20, 3.20.

Yaddo Cat, a maiden winner at Keeneland at first asking this spring, notched Zia Park's Permian Basin S. last time Oct. 29 and was the heavy chalk to make it two straight. She vied for the early lead through a :22 opening quarter, took over when asked and reported home as a much-the-best victress.

2nd-SUN, \$22,500, Msw, (S), 2yo, f, 5.5f, 1:06 1/5, ft. + **MISS POSSIBILITY (f, 2, Chimes Band--How Can That Be, by Kris S.)**, sent off the 6-5 choice, tracked the early pace in second behind Sierra Perdida (Sadler Slew), overtook that foe in deep stretch and inched clear to win by a neck. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,500.

O-Johnny Bean. B-G Chris & Stacey Coleman (NM). T-Henry Dominguez.

★ INDUSTRY INFO ★

Ashado's Former Owners Create Scholarship:

Jack and Laurie Wolf's Starlight Stables, Paul Saylor's PHS Racing LLC and Johns Martin, the former owners of champion Ashado, have established the "Ashado Scholarship" for a female college student studying an equine-related subject. The Race For Education will administer the scholarship. "The Ashado Scholarship is intended to enable its recipient to achieve the high level of success Ashado demonstrated since she first set foot on a racetrack," Saylor commented. "We hope that Ashado's unique determination and character will serve as a catalyst for achievement by the scholarship's beneficiary." Ashado sold for a world record price of \$9-million at the Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale.



FRESHMAN FOCUS

First-crop progeny to watch: Wednesday, Dec. 7

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2002 Fee, #2yos/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)
CITY ZIP (Carson City), Lane's End, \$8K, 66/20/2
 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Zip City Dancer, \$22K EAS SEP yrl
 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Solid Gold Victory
COASTAL STORM (Storm Cat), Pin Oak Lane, \$3K, 37/2/0
 7-WO, Msw, 7f, Coastal Rose, \$4K OBS AUG yrl, 20-1
EXCHANGE RATE (Danzig), Padua, \$10K, 47/12/1
 7-HAW, Msw, 6f, Matching Pearls, 8-1
 7-HAW, Msw, 6f, Love's Mirage, 20-1
LUFTIKUS (Meadowlake), Taylor Mtn, \$3K, 39/7/1
 3-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Snook's Pride, 6-1
PRIME TIMBER (Sultry Song), Sez Who, \$5K, 62/11/1
 2-AQU, Msw, 6f, Primarily Michele, \$65K OBS APR 2yo
TRIPPI (End Sweep), Ocala, \$8K, 71/15/0
 7-HAW, Msw, 6f, Miss Macy Sue, \$42K OBS JUN 2yo, 5-1

SOPHOMORE SPOTLIGHT

Stakes/First-time Starters to Watch: Wednesday, Dec. 7

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2001 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/SW
Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)
FUSAICHI PEGASUS (Mr. Prospector), Ashford, \$85K, 199/65/10
 6-AQU, Msw, 1 1/16mT, +Pratt
LITTLEBITLIVELY (Lively One), Franks, \$4K, 87/25/2
 3-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Papasita Chick, \$9K LTB SPR yrl, 7-2
MALEK (CHI) (Mocito Guapo), Pepper Oaks Farm, \$5K, 52/14/1
 8-TUP, Stk, 1mT, R Captain Jack, \$9K ARZ NOV yrl
MATRICULE (A.P. Indy), Allaire, \$1000, 44/9/0
 8-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Fuzzyheadedlizard
RUNNING STAG (Cozzene), Adena, \$8K, 154/47/2
 8-TUP, Stk, 1mT, Our Sonny Boy, \$10K OBS APR 2yo
SHAWAF (Mr. Prospector), Shadwell, \$5K, 14/6/0
 5-HAW, Msw, 6f, +Feelin' Saucy, 8-1

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Previous Winners	
2004	Christophe Soumillon/Yutaka Take
2003	Damien Oliver
2002	Douglas Whyte
2001	Frankie Dettori
2000	Andrasch Starke
1999	Frankie Dettori
1998	Olivier Peslier

★ AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN BRITAIN:

Parkview Love, g, 4, **Mister Baileys (GB)**--Jerre Jo Glanville (SP), by Skywalker. Southwell, 12-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7f (AWT). B-Mark Johnston Racing Ltd. *SW-Eng. **18,000gns HRA '04 TATHIT; 60,000gns HRA '04 DONLIN; 5,000gns yrl '02 TATOCT.

Lucius Verrus, g, 5, **Danzig**--Magic Of Life (G1SW-Eng, \$252,598), by Seattle Slew. Southwell, 12-6, Hcp, 3yo/up, 6f (AWT). B-Pacelco SA. *1/2 to Enthused (Seeking the Gold), MGSW-Eng, \$142,820. **17,000gns HRA '03 TATJUL.



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★ FRANCE ★

Yesterday's Results:

Deauville, 2.50, Cond (Apprentices), €18,000, 3yo, 1 7/16m (AWT), 2:28.00, stn.

SHEMRIYNA (IRE) (f, 3, King Of Kings {Ire}--Shemaya {Ire} {SW-Fr}, by Darshaan {GB}) finished second in both prior starts and went postward as the even-money pick returning from the latest of those at Saint-Cloud Oct. 25. Settled sixth from the outset here, she made steady progress off the home turn to challenge at the eighth pole and kept on strongly from there to assert by 3/4 lengths from Fainerisks (Fr) (Take Risks {Fr}). Lifetime Record: 3 starts, 1 win, 2 places, €16,200. O-H H The Aga Khan; B-H H The Aga Khan's Studs SC; T-Alain de Royer-Dupre.

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Sienna Chimes, f, 2, **Chimes Band**--Cogito Ergo Sum (SP, \$112,828), by Falstaff. SUN, 12-6, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:06. B-James C Wasson (NM).
Cosmo Queen, f, 2, **Sword Dance (Ire)**--Gold Chalice, by Jolie's Halo. PHA, 12-6, a1m70yd, 1:47 1/5. B-Gilbert G Campbell (FI). *\$12,000 wIng '03 OBSOCT. **SP.
Shesashootstar, f, 3, **Sadler Slew**--Valiant Girl, by Highland Park. SUN, 12-6, (S), 6f, 1:13 1/5. B-Chris P & Tina L Hourigan (NM).
Culver, g, 3, **Wagon Limit**--Lyrebird, by Storm Bird. SUN, 12-6, 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Arthur B Hancock III (Ky).

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a + will first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 4th Race, \$30,000 Allowance, at Hawthorne For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

HANDICAP RESULT:

ITALY, Naples, 3.30, 12-5, €10,800, 3yo/up, 1 1/16mT, time: n/a, vhy.

DUCA D'ATRI (IRE) (h, 7, Dr Devious {Ire}--When Lit {Ire}, by Northfields) Lifetime Record: GSW-Ity, 22 starts, 7 wins, 7 places, €167,168. O-Allevamento Aterno; B-Scuderia Aterno di Manuela Tudini; T-Armando Renzoni. *1/2 to Guado d'Annibale (Ire) (Glint of Gold {GB}), MGSW & MG1SP-Ity.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Indian Fun (GB), f, 2, **Poliglote (GB)**--Follow The Girl (Fr), by Saumarez (GB). Deauville, France, 12-6, Cond, 2yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-Wertheimer & Frere.
Nergal (Fr), c, 2, **Simon du Desert (Fr)**--Noemie (Fr), by Beaudelaire. Deauville, France, 12-6, Cond, 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-Georges Sandor.
Fonce De (Fr), f, 3, **Smadoun (Fr)**--Pro Lina (Fr), by Linamix (Fr). Deauville, France, 12-6, Hcp, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT). B-Ecurie Fabien Ouaki.

★ ON THE WORKTAB ★

BELMONT

Attila's Storm (Forest Wildcat), 4f (tr.), :47.46, 1/1

PALM MEADOWS

Sister Swank (Skip Away), 4f, :48.20, 3/10
Kate Winslet (Signal Tap), 6f, 1:15.00, 1/1

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Sex Machine (Aus) (Shaggy), 4f, :47.60, 4/33
Pt's Grey Eagle (Pleasant Tap), 6f, 1:12.20, 1/9

SANTA ANITA

Buckland Manor (Bien Bien), 5f, 1:01.60, 18/34
Moscow Burning (Moscow Ballet), 6f, 1:12.80, 2/13
The Tin Man (Affirmed), 6f, 1:13.40, 4/13

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