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HONORS SHARED IN WORLD RANKINGS

Princess Haya of Jordan's **New Approach (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) and Stonestreet Stables LLC & Midnight Cry Stables's **Curlin** (Smart Strike) emerged as the joint-top



Curlin Sarah K. Andrew

performers of 2008 after the World Thoroughbred Rankings were unveiled in London yesterday. Rated on 130 pounds by the panel of international handicappers, their deadlock came as a result of the former's six-length success in Newmarket's G1 Champion S. in October and Curlin's exploits on the dirt when winning the G1 Dubai World Cup at Nad Al Sheba in March and

G1 Stephen Foster H. at Churchill Downs in June. New Approach, who also took the G1 Epsom Derby and G1 Irish Champion S., was registering his second championship in the rankings, having dominated the two-year-old division in 2007, while Curlin was upped by two pounds from last year's mark, when he shared the top dirt honors with Invador (Arg).

Raven's Pass (Elusive Quality), who also raced in the colors of Princess Haya of Jordan when rounding off his three-year-old campaign with successes in the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. at Ascot in September and G1 Breeders' Cup Classic on Santa Anita's Pro-Ride the following month, was a pound behind the dual champions on 129, while His Highness the Aga Khan's **Zarkava (Ire)** (Zamindar) was next best with a rating of 128. That was enough to secure the unbeaten G1 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe heroine the title of the world's champion of her sex; it's the highest achieved by a filly or mare since Miesque. Languishing three pounds behind that stellar performer were Jerome Moss's unbeaten **Zenyatta** (Street Cry {Ire})--rated the top dirt female on 125 pounds--and the Wertheimer Brothers' fellow Breeders' Cup heroine **Goldikova (Ire)** (Anabaa).

Garry O'Gorman, senior Irish handicapper and co-chairman of the group of handicappers and racing secretaries who form the World Rankings Supervisory Committee, paid tribute to the distaffers of 2008. "This was a year of exceptional fillies," O'Gorman said. "Last year, I was excited by Darjina, Rags to Riches and Peeping Fawn, but these have blown them out of the water. Zarkava has been rated the best French filly since Miesque, Goldikova is the best female miler in 10 years and Zenyatta is the best filly in North America this century. Zenyatta and Goldikova both stay in training. Goldikova could emulate Miesque with back-to-back Breeders' Cup Miles, while we can only dream how good Zenyatta might be." **Cont. p2**

INDYANNE EUTHANIZED

John Sikura's **Indyanne** (Indian Charlie--Merchant, by Silver Ghost), who fractured a sesamoid in her left front ankle while leading in the stretch of the G1 La Brea S. Dec. 27, was euthanized Tuesday. "We did everything we could," Sikura said. "It was unfair to continue treatment in a manner that would have been inhumane to this courageous mare. Her condition deteriorated to the point that she could not enjoy a pain-free life. A lack of blood supply to the area of the injured limb caused a large

wound that did not respond to treatment. Dr. Bramlage could not do surgery to stabilize the joint under these circumstances. We did all we could and feel awful about the result." The \$375,000 FTFEB juvenile won her first four of five starts--including the GIII Azalea S. at Calder and the GIII Thoroughbred Club of America S. at Keeneland--for David and Jill Heerensperger, before being acquired privately by Sikura. The four-year-old gray filly won five of eight career starts and \$449,870 in earnings. She was bred in Kentucky by Offshoot Farm LLC.



Indyanne
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World Rankings cont.

Of the remainder, Susan Magnier and Michael Tabor's five-time Group 1 winner **Duke of Marmalade (Ire)** (Danehill) was top of the older horse category on turf with a rating of 127 pounds, while IEAH Stables's **Big Brown** (Boundary) was the best sophomore on dirt courtesy of his victories in the first two legs of the Triple Crown. The 123-rated **Midnight Lute** (Real Quiet) and **Sacred Kingdom (Aus)** (Encosta de Lago {Aus}) shared the top sprinters' title, while the European trio of **Conduit (Ire)** (Dalakhani {Ire}), **Yeats (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) and **Septimus (Ire)** (Sadler's Wells) were together on 122 pounds in the stayers' division.

Master of His Craft...

For the fifth time in 10 years, it was Aidan O'Brien who was responsible for the highest-rated two-year-old colt after Derrick Smith, Susan Magnier and Michael Tabor's **Mastercraftsman (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) inched the category with a rating of 122 pounds courtesy of his G1 Phoenix S. success at The Curragh in August. He eclipsed the same ownership's G1 Prix Morny and G1 Middle Park S. winner **Bushranger (Ire)** (Danetime {Ire}) by a pound, with Paul Reddam's G1 Racing Post Trophy hero **Crowded House (GB)** (Rainbow Quest) on 120 pounds. George Strawbridge's unbeaten **Rainbow View** (Dynaformer) headed the two-year-old filly division with a mark of 118, three pounds clear of Khalid Abdullah's G1 Prix Marcel Boussac winner **Proportional (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB}). Matthew Tester, the British Horseracing Authority's two-year-old handicapper, reflected on a below-par set of ratings for the juvenile crop of 2008. "The mark of 122 is unusually low and results from the lack of an outstanding performance over the year," he said. "The last time it was below 123 was in 2003 with Bago. I expect Mastercraftsman to become a multiple Group 1 winner, but you've got to respect Crowded House. Rainbow View always looked like being the one to beat, and she got her rating from winning the G1 Fillies' Mile. I am totally confident John [Gosden] will do a suitable job, and I expect her to have a fantastic year."

2008 WORLD THOROUGHBRED RACEHORSE RANKINGS

FOUR-YEARS-OLD PLUS


HORSE	SIRE	RATING
Curlin	Smart Strike	130
Duke of Marmalade (Ire)	Danehill	127
Youmzain (Ire)	Sindar (Ire)	125
Zenyatta	Street Cry (Ire)	125
Good Ba Ba	Lear Fan	124
It's Gino (Ger)	Perugino	124
Papal Bull (GB)	Montjeu (Ire)	124
Soldier of Fortune (Ire)	Galileo (Ire)	124

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Raven's Pass	Elusive Quality	129
Zarkava (Ire) (f)	Zamindar	128
Big Brown	Boundary	125
Conduit (Ire)	Dalakhani (Ire)	125
Goldikova (Ire) (f)	Anabaa	125
Henrythenavigator	Kingmambo	125
Montmartre (Fr)	Montjeu (Ire)	125

TWO-YEAR-OLDS

Mastercraftsman (Ire)	Danehill Dancer (Ire)	122
Bushranger (Ire)	Danetime (Ire)	121
Crowded House (GB)	Rainbow Quest	120
Intense Focus	Giant's Causeway	119
Naaqoos (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	119
Finjaan (GB)	Royal Applause (GB)	118
Gallagher (GB)	Bahamian Bounty (GB)	118
Lord Shanakill	Speightstown	118
Milanais (Fr)	Dyhim Diamond (Ire)	118
Rainbow View (f)	Dynaformer	118
Sayif (Ire)	Kheleyf	118
Shaweel (GB)	Dansili (GB)	118

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☆ NEWS TODAY ☆

MILLIONAIRE GO BETWEEN DIES *Go Between* (Point Given–Mediation {Ire}, by Caerleon), winner of two million-dollar races in 2008, died suddenly Monday following a breeze at Payson Park. Owned and bred by



Go Between (2003–2009)
Sarah K. Andrew

Peter Vegso and trained throughout his career by Bill Mott, the strapping chestnut won the GII Virginia Derby and GIII Palm Beach S. as a three-year-old in 2006, but really blossomed when the decision was made to try synthetic surfaces. Victorious in the GIII Fayette S. at Keeneland in 2007, the Florida-bred took

the GI Pacific Classic and the Sunshine Millions last season, and was also runner-up in the GI Santa Anita H. and GI Hollywood Gold Cup. *Go Between* was working towards a title defense in this year's Sunshine Millions Classic, but the six-year-old was stricken following a six-furlong move in 1:17 4/5 over the Payson Park strip. "After his workout, he broke out in a heavy lather and his heart rate was so fast it couldn't be counted," explained Chuck Patton, manager of Vegso's The Racing Edge Farm in Ocala. "He was seen immediately by a vet, but they were only able to the heart rate down as low as 200. Basically, his heart just gave out." *Go Between* was a troubled fifth at 8-1 for last year's GI Breeders' Cup Classic, and connections were hopeful for a return engagement this November. "I can remember Peter saying, 'We'll be back.' We had big hopes this year. Peter is just beside himself." Patton said that Vegso retains a yearling full sister to *Go Between*, who amassed a record of 27-8-7-6 and earnings of \$2,908,880.

SHEIKH HAMDAN BUYS NATAGORA Last year's G1 1000 Guineas heroine **Natagora (Fr)** (Divine Light {Jpn}--Reinamixa {Fr}, by Linamix {Fr}) has been acquired by Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum and retired to stud. According to published reports, the grey was sold privately for an undisclosed sum by owner Stefan Friborg after she had been withdrawn from Tattersalls December. Trained by Pascal Bary, she captured the G1 Cheveley Park S. and G2 Prix Robert Papin as a juvenile and was also runner-up in the G1 Prix Morny before her Classic success at Newmarket in May. While she failed to add to her tally thereafter, she was also runner-up in the G1 Prix Jacques le Marois and G1 Prix de la Foret and third in both the G1 Prix du Jockey-Club and G1 Prix Rothschild. She retires as the winner of seven of her 15 starts and over €870,000 in prizemoney.

DOUBLE TROUBLE RETIRED Six-year-old **Double Trouble (Brz)** (Wild Event--Route Sixty Six {Brz}, by Ghadeer {Fr}), heroine of the 2008 GI Santa Maria H., has been retired and will be bred to Unbridled's Song, according to *Daily Racing Form*. "I think she'd had it," trainer Bobby Frankel told *DRF*. "I think if I gave her a break, she'd be all right. The people wanted to breed her." Bred by Haras Doce Vale, she raced in the colors of Patricia Bozano. The bay, who is also a group winner in her native country, captured seven out of 20 starts and posted \$379,468 in earnings.



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VESTREY LADY TOPS JANUARY TUESDAY

Shadai Corporation's Naohiro Hosoda remained busy at Keeneland January yesterday, going to \$300,000 to secure the session-topping **Vestrey Lady** (Vicar). Hosoda signed the ticket as Nobuo Tsunoda. Consigned by Bernard McCormack's Cara Bloodstock, agent, the six-year-old mare is in foal to Broken Vow. On the racetrack, Vestrey Lady won the 2006 GIII Royal North S. at Woodbine and was second in the GII Raven Run S. at Keeneland. She hit the board in 13 of 21 starts with six wins and earnings of \$490,754 while racing for Dick Bonnycastle's Harlequin Ranches. Vestrey Lady is out of Episode (Kris S.), a half-sister to leading sire Mr. Greeley. She was acquired by Delahoussaye Bloodstock for Harlequin for just \$6,000 as a 2004 Keeneland September yearling. Of the decision to purchase Vestrey Lady, Hosoda said, "She is a good-looking mare and the money was very low, too." Through two days of selling, Hosoda has purchased three horses for Shadai and an additional two for Northern Farm. He purchased Island Fashion for \$950,000 on behalf of Katsumi Yoshida's Northern Farm during Monday's opening session. Hosoda explained that, despite conditions, Shadai's buying philosophy remains steady. "We don't change our way," he said. "We judge the mare's quality and the price, and just keep trying."



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SESSION TOTALS	2009	2008
Catalogued	390	373
No. Offered	273	303
No. Sold	210	239
RNAs	63	64
% RNA	23.1%	21.1%
No. \$500K+	0	7
High Price	\$300,000	\$1,900,000
Gross	\$9,145,700	\$27,088,200
Average (% change)	\$43,551 (-61.6%)	\$113,340
Median (% change)	\$26,500 (-55.8%)	\$60,000

CUMULATIVE	2009	2008
Catalogued	788	738
No. Offered	548	594
No. Sold	412	434
RNAs	136	160
% RNA	24.8%	26.9%
No. \$500K+	3	11
High Price	\$950,000	\$2,700,000
Gross	\$21,091,600	\$48,414,100
Average (% change)	\$51,193 (-54.1%)	\$111,553
Median (% change)	\$27,000 (-53.8%)	\$58,500

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KEEJAN TOP 7 BROODMARES - TUESDAY

Hip	Name	Covering Stallion	Price (\$)
675	Vestrey Lady	Broken Vow	300,000
	<i>(6, Vicar--Episode, by Kris S.)</i>		
	Consigned by Cara Bloodstock (B McCormack), agent Purchased by Nobuo Tsunoda		
585	Rose of Killarney	Rcg/b'mare prospect	290,000
	<i>(4, Proud Citizen--Rose of Summer, by El Prado {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by Warrendale Sales, agent Purchased by Eaton Sales, agent		
691	Zehoorr	Bernardini	270,000
	<i>(4, Storm Cat--Nany's Sweep, by End Sweep)</i>		
	Consigned by Paramount Sales Purchased by Westbury Stables/Summerfield, agent		
552	Our New Empire	Mr. Greeley	250,000
	<i>(4, Empire Maker--Fara's Team, by Tunerup)</i>		
	Consigned by Gainesway, agent Purchased by Brittlyn Farm/Evelyn Benoit		
498	Marie Rossa (GB)	Rcg/b'mare prospect	190,000
	<i>(5, Testa Rossa {Aus}--Marie de Ken {Fr}, by Kendor {Fr})</i>		
	Consigned by Mill Ridge Sales, agent Purchased by Oceanic Bloodstock, agent		
547	Off the Richter	Hard Spun	190,000
	<i>(7, Richter Scale--Beaux Arts Ball, by Black Tie Affair {Ire})</i>		
	Consigned by Ashview Farm LLC (Mr & Mrs W G Lyster), agent Purchased by Southern Equine Stables		
762	Cold Awakening	Yes It's True	190,000
	<i>(13, Dehere--Chilly Chick, by Raise a Native)</i>		
	Consigned by Viking Stud Inc, agent Purchased by Three Chimneys Farm, agent		

TOP FOUR YEARLINGS

Hip	Sex	Sire	Dam	Price (\$)
658	c	Speightstown	Treysta	270,000
		<i>(\$165,000 in utero '07 KEENOV)</i> <i>B-B M Kelley (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Bluegrass TB Services (J Stuart), agent Purchased by Diagonal Bloodstock		
692	f	Songandaprayer	Zinfandoll	140,000
		<i>(\$95,000 in utero '07 KEENOV)</i> <i>B-Fox Straus KY (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Brookdale Sales, agent for Fox Straus Stb Purchased by Koji Maeda		
443	f	Speightstown	Great Plains Lady	130,000
		<i>B-Janavar Thoroughbreds (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by Chestnut Valley Farms		
548	c	Bluegrass Cat	Off the Richter	110,000
		<i>(\$300,000 i/u '07 KEENOV)</i> <i>B-W G Lyster III & Green Lantern Stables (Ky)</i>		
		Consigned by Ashview Farm (M/M W G Lyster), agent Purchased by Black Hawk Bloodstock		

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Success for Cara Bloodstock...

Vestrey Lady's session-topping price was gratifying to Cara Bloodstock's Bernard McCormack. "She was a very good runner," McCormack said. "She had that lovely turf action. She was a lovely correct filly and I think a lot of people agree she was bred to the right horse [Broken Vow]." McCormack thinks the six-year-old mare was also helped by her placement in the sale.

HIP 675	
<p>Vicar</p> <p>VESTREY LADY, f, 2003</p> <p>Episode</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>In foal to Broken Vow</i></p>	<p>Wild Again</p> <p>Escrow Agent</p> <p>Kris S.</p> <p>Long Legend</p>

"Being in the second day, with a few scratches, she probably went up in the depth chart, which

didn't hurt," he commented. "I was calling [the price] at \$300-350,000 and hoping for \$400,000. Maybe the fact that she was by Vicar and is a little on the small side hurt, but she didn't really have any holes in her other than that. We valued the Broken Vow that she was about to have quite highly--that's probably a \$150,000 yearling. And the mare is a young mare and a nice package. I think it's a fair price." McCormack thinks Vestrey Lady is a natural fit for Japan. "She is the type that they like," the Irishman confirmed. "She's got that good turf action, not too big for their racing over there."

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Reflecting on her rise from \$6,000 yearling to \$300,000 broodmare, McCormack said, "It's a home run all the way around." McCormack is likely most recognizable from his years at Windfields Farm. "I've been with Windfields for over 25 years," he said. "I was the general manager there. More recently, I've been doing the sales and marketing since I bought my farm five years ago in Ontario." As for the advent of Cara, he continued, "I've raced under the name Cara Bloodstock. I've sold yearlings for about 10 years under that name. Since Windfields has been cutting back, and last fall with the news that they weren't standing stallions anymore and were going to a private farm, I've basically rolled along with the people that I dealt with at Windfields to offer my services as a bloodstock agent." Keeneland January is Cara Bloodstock's third since McCormack began expanding the operation. He sold seven horses under the Cara Bloodstock banner at last year's Keeneland November sale, with the most expensive offering the sale of Fashion Island (Hennessy) for \$20,000. The uncertainty in the bloodstock market might make this seem a bad time to start expanding a business, but McCormack sees plenty of opportunities. "I think it's a great time," he said. "People need a lot of advice. What are things worth? People are really finding that they need a little bit of help. I believe starting at the bottom and working your way up is the best way to go. Obviously selling one in the high end of the market today helped. And the support of Dick Bonnycastle is deeply appreciated, and the people that I've done business with through Windfields are supporting me out here on my own. It can be lonely running your own business, but I have the support of good clients. It's all about people. It's a people business at the end of the day." McCormack has been based in Canada since joining Windfields in 1981, and thinks racing north of the border is on the rise. "With the purses doing well at Woodbine and the black type being more appreciated, there is a good opportunity to chase down some nice racehorses for the market," he said. In addition to his activity with Cara Bloodstock, McCormack maintains a private broodmare band. He also manages eight stallions, including Best of the Bests (Ire) (Machiavellian) and Alumni Hall (A.P. Indy), at Ontario's Norse Ridge Farm. -J Martini

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Speightstown Colt Shines...

Sophomore sire Speightstown has been churning out top prospects on the track on recent weeks and in the ring in recent days. The WinStar Farm stallion was the sire of yesterday's top-priced short yearling, a strapping chestnut out of a three-parts sister to Hard Spun (Danzig) who went to Gerry Dilger for \$270,000. Dilger did his bidding from the doorway underneath the press

HIP 658		
Speightstown	Gone West	box and stood alongside the apparent underbidder, Woods Edge Farm's Peter
unnamed, c, 2008	Silken Cat	
Treysta	Belong to Me	
	Turkish Tryst	

O'Callaghan. Dilger signed the ticket as Diagonal Bloodstock. "He was the best horse in the sale," said Dilger, who will most likely re-offer the colt at auction later in the year. Catalogued as hip 658, the colt was produced by the winning Belong to Me mare Treysta and represented a nice score for her breeder, Brad Kelley. Kelley Farms Racing purchased Treysta, with hip 568 in utero, for \$165,000 at the 2007 Keeneland November Sale, just days after GI King's Bishop S. hero ran hard to be second behind Curlin in the GI Breeders' Cup Classic. Kelley purchased the mare for Hurricane Hall's young stallion English Channel, in whom Kelley owns a major interest. **Cont. p7**



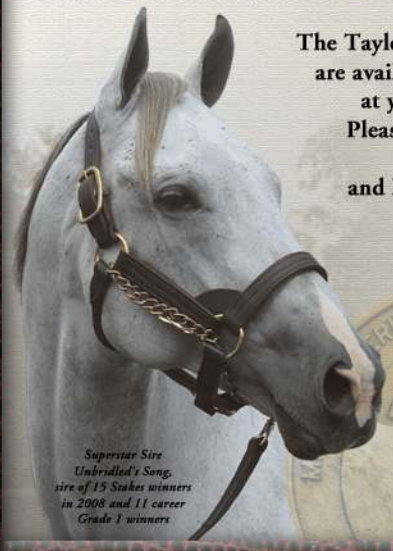
Kelley has now earned back the purchase price of the mare and then some, and can boast selling the highest-priced yearling at January thus far. John Stuart's Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, Inc. consigned the colt. "Speightstown looks like he's going to be something special, [though] he's bigger and longer than many by that sire," said Stuart. "He's a horse that, if he's a good racehorse, could be a very valuable stallion, with Hard Spun under the second dam. The colt was raised at Hurricane Hall. Stuart indicated that, despite the depressed market, he wasn't surprised by the final price. "We knew he was the best one in the sale," said Stuart. "But it's a little hard to figure out exactly what they're going to bring." Also representing Speightstown yesterday was hip 443. A filly from the draft of Eaton Sales, hip 443 was hammered down to Chestnut Valley Farms for \$130,000. It looked as if the filly would also be tagged for resale. Hip 443 was produced by Great Plains Lady (Peaks and Valley), the dam of stakes winner Lady Truffles (Candi's Gold) and to an unnamed Speightstown filly who was purchased by Paul Pompa, Jr. for \$410,000 at last year's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga sale. Speightstown got the new year kicked off the right way when, on successive days, son Haynesfield won the Count Fleet S. at Aqueduct and Gemswick Park won the GIII Old Hat S. at Gulfstream. -LM

Figures Plummet at Keeneland...

Figures continued their dramatic fall during yesterday's second session of the January sale, with cumulative gross sales down 56.4 percent from last year's auction and the two-day average and median falling 54.1 percent and 53.8 percent, respectively. Despite the grim statistics, Keeneland's Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell did not think things were quite that bad. "Last year, we had three million-dollar horses on day two," he commented. "There is a reason you don't compare breeding stock sales from year to year, because you don't know what is going to be in them from year to year." Russell said the quality of the catalogue, in addition to market factors, could be responsible for the declines. "Last year was a near-record sale, so you've got to consider what you were coming off," he continued. "We went from a \$1.9 million [session top-per in 2008] to a \$300,000 high today. That's a fair example. If the high had dropped to \$800,000, then maybe you could say it was due to the market, but the fact that we dropped to \$300,000 is obviously a reflection of the quality of the catalogue. And then you factor in the general global economy on top of that." Russell pointed out that bidding was brisk during Tuesday's sale. "As a sale within itself, from start to finish, there was competitive bidding on the quality lots. The auctioneers felt that it was a stronger session than yesterday. People I've talked to, sellers and buyers, felt today had a good feel to it for what was here." For the session, the average fell 61.6 percent to \$43,551 and the median was down 55.8 percent to \$26,500. The sale continues through Saturday with sessions beginning daily at 10 a.m.

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Rose of January...

Bloodstock agent Mike Ryan's success with the family of Rose of Summer (El Prado {Ire}) continued yesterday at Keeneland when **Rose of Killarney** (Proud Citizen), the mare's four-year-old filly, sold for \$290,000 to Eaton Sales. Rose of Summer, the dam of GI Hollywood Starlet heroine Laragh (Tapit), was purchased by Ryan as a yearling for \$105,000. The now eight-year-old mare suffered a stress fracture in her shoulder and never made it to the races. Rose of Killarney is her first foal. Campaigned by Ryan, she has two wins in nine starts and most recently ran a close-up sixth in the Dec. 6 Pago Hop S. at Fair Grounds. Ryan thinks Rose of Killarney can add to her racing resume. "I think there is a stakes in her," he said yesterday. "She'll run on anything. She'll run on dirt, but she's better on the Poly and the grass. The filly's lightly raced. She's only had the nine runs. We ran her twice at two and seven times last year. She's very clean and very sound and not abused." Asked why he decided to part with Rose of Killarney, Ryan said, "I've got a lot of the family, so this is paying bills. It's commerce." Cont. p8



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Rose of January cont.

Ryan was satisfied with Rose of Killarney's \$290,000 price tag. "That was fair," he said. "It was above the reserve by a decent bit. I was well pleased. You've got to be realistic. She had plenty of activity at the barn. There was a lot of interest in her. I was hopeful that she would do well. I'm tickled to death with who got her. It's important as a breeder that they get in the right hands because I think she will get black type." Despite

HIP 585	
Proud Citizen	Gone West Drums of Freedom
ROSE OF KILLARNEY , f, 2005 El Prado (Ire)	
Rose of Summer Cherokee Crossing	
racing or broodmare prospect	


the tough market, Ryan remained upbeat. "I think the broodmares are really being penalized," the Irishman admitted. "There is no doubt if a guy had the capital, I don't know of a better time in the last 15 years to get in and buy mares because you are really getting mares that are worth the money. It seems the further you are from the racetrack, the less people want to buy them. I'm hoping the two-year-old sales will be better." Ryan cited overproduction as a major problem in the marketplace. "There are 5,500 here [at Keeneland] in September," he said. "The market can't soak up all those horses. We can't be producing so much, because we don't have enough end users. That's what we need. We need more fans and more end users." He added, "I'm optimistic about racing. This will turn around. It's like anything else. It's like the property market. I'd rather have a horse than money in the stock market anyway." Reiley McDonald of Eaton Sales, who signed the ticket on Rose of Killarney for an undisclosed client, also thinks the mare has more success ahead of her on the racetrack. "She is a nice little racemare," McDonald said. "She seemed like a natural. I actually think, with a little rest, she'll be able to come back and we'll get a little black type for her. I want her to get out in the sun and romp a little, eat a little grass, put a little weight back on and relax and we'll have her right back here at the Keeneland meet with any luck." While declining to name his client, McDonald did pinpoint the mare's attributes. "Her sister is very good," he said. "We have A.P. Indy seasons when she gets done racing, and the client I bought her for wanted to get something with some El Prado blood up front."

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Making a Run for Run Away and Hide...

Run Away and Hide (City Zip) looked a rising star in the juvenile ranks last year after blowing away a field of Keeneland maidens in his debut and following up with an easy score in the GIII Kentucky S. not long after. He was very sharp improving his record to three-for-three with a tally in the 6 1/2-furlong GII Saratoga Special S.--a race in which he beat the likes of Break Water Edison (Lemon Drop Kid) and Reynaldtothewizard (Speightstown) and stopped the clock in 1:15.67. Before he could make an assault on the big races in the fall, however, Run Away and Hide suffered a career-ending injury and, in early November, it was announced that he would take up stud duties at Darby Dan Farm for a fee of \$7,500.



Run Away and Hide *darbydan.com*

It didn't take long for an ownership group led by Ron Kirk to show that they intended on supporting Run Away and Hide as a stallion. **Cont. p9**



The Stallion Company, which brokered the deal for Run Away and Hide to stand at Darby Dan, purchased no fewer than nine mares at Keeneland November who will visit Run Away and Hide this spring. Most of the mares fell in the \$40,000 to \$70,000 range.

Kirk and company have been just as busy at January. Through the second day of selling, The Stallion Company has purchased four mares for the Run Away and Hide partnership. Topping the quartet is the four-year-old Dynaformer mare My O'Trebor ([hip 151](#)), a 3/4-sister to graded winner Love N' Kiss S. (Kris S.) who was acquired for \$70,000. Darby Dan Farm consigned My O'Trevor as a broodmare prospect. Yesterday, the group added the graded-placed Morethanaprincess (More Than Ready) ([hip 523](#)) for \$60,000. Morethanaprincess, third in the 2005 Gill Winning Colors S. at Churchill, sold in foal to Successful Appeal from the draft of Brookdale Sales, agent.

"They're spending a lot of money to back Run Away and Hide," said Kentucky horseman John Stuart, a principal in the Stallion Company. "They're making a real statement in the horse, which is what you have to do. And we haven't finished buying yet."

Stuart said the response to Run Away and Hide has been promising. "He's going over very well," said Stuart. "It was a shame his career was cut short; he was the embodiment of speed." -LM

Brittlyn Aims for Louisiana Empire...

When Hurricane Katrina hit landfall in Louisiana in the last days of August, 2005, few were spared the wrath of one of the most devastating storms on record. That included many in the state's burgeoning Thoroughbred breeding industry. Brittlyn Stables, a small breed-to-race operation run by the husband-and-wife team of Maurice and Evelyn Benoit, saw two mares perish when the Benoit's farm, located 50 miles southwest of New

Orleans in Houma, was ravaged by Katrina. The heartache grew exponentially when the Benoit's discov-

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ered that they had lost not one, but two coastal homes.

"We were hit by 30- and 40-foot waves," Evelyn said yesterday. "We flew down the day after the storm, and it was nothing I'd ever seen. It is hard to explain unless you saw the destruction for yourself. There wasn't one inch of our homes left. The only way I could tell the one was ours was because we had an old, ugly brick driveway, and I could see the driveway. Nothing man could build could withstand a Katrina."

One of the mares the Benoit's lost was Minit Towinit (Malagra), who six months before Katrina foaled a Quiet American colt named Star Guitar. The colt, as if following a script, has done his part to help in the rebuilding process. Cont. p10

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16	218	442	663	891	1123	1384	1693	2095
23	225	449	664	892	1124	1385	1700	2102
26	230	451	666	902	1128	1387	1702	2123
27	231	456	669	904	1133	1390	1708	2126
31	233	469	670	905	1141	1395	1709	2129
36	234	475	674	906	1147	1396	1737	2130
39	235	476	676	908	1149	1407	1740	2149
41	237	483	677	911	1154	1410	1743	2159
43	247	495	683	918	1155	1423	1747	2163
51	252	501	686	919	1157	1425	1748	2171
56	253	505	691	934	1168	1432	1757	2179
59	255	512	693	940	1188	1447	1776	2191
61	257	513	698	944	1190	1451	1780	2193
74	259	515	702	951	1191	1452	1782	2196
75	260	523	708	952	1194	1458	1788	2198
77	262	529	709	956	1195	1459	1789	2202
81	271	532	718	957	1199	1466	1790	2217
85	272	536	725	966	1201	1471	1792	2218
86	275	538	727	967	1209	1477	1794	2220
87	278	540	738	969	1222	1478	1799	2233
89	280	543	739	972	1224	1479	1816	2235
90	283	544	746	974	1227	1500	1827	2236
95	288	546	747	981	1230	1509	1848	2237
102	296	547	752	986	1237	1511	1852	2256
103	300	552	758	987	1252	1521	1854	2265
104	301	553	762	988	1257	1522	1857	2270
106	305	555	763	990	1258	1524	1860	2279
107	310	556	764	993	1268	1528	1868	2280
110	311	558	769	996	1270	1537	1870	2281
111	315	566	772	998	1271	1569	1887	2293
115	324	567	775	1007	1275	1570	1900	2297
122	325	569	776	1035	1286	1572	1901	2298
128	327	570	780	1036	1289	1576	1909	2307
134	340	573	792	1038	1290	1586	1912	2308
138	343	575	798	1039	1291	1590	1914	
142	347	577	805	1045	1292	1592	1918	
143	352	581	806	1047	1298	1604	1919	
146	354	584	809	1048	1305	1608	1921	
147	365	591	813	1055	1306	1616	1923	
152	371	592	815	1058	1310	1623	1924	
158	373	594	819	1059	1318	1626	1928	
159	401	603	823	1061	1322	1629	2003	
165	402	607	824	1073	1326	1642	2019	
170	408	611	829	1080	1334	1646	2023	
172	410	616	832	1086	1341	1648	2025	
174	414	617	844	1089	1347	1650	2029	
176	418	622	854	1091	1354	1652	2035	
183	420	633	861	1094	1358	1656	2043	
184	421	635	864	1097	1370	1659	2045	
185	428	637	866	1102	1374	1668	2047	



He won the Louisiana Championship Day Juvenile S. in December of 2007 in his second career start and, after returning from injury, has won three of his last four, including the Louisiana Championship Day Sprint S. this past December and the Jan. 3 Dixie Poker Ace S. He has thus far earned \$212,000.

“He’s been tearing up Louisiana,” laughs Evelyn. “We were hoping to go to the Louisiana Derby with him last year, but he got hurt. He’s named after our son Tab Benoit, who’s one of the best blues guitarists out there [www.tabbenoit.com]. He runs as fast as Tab plays guitar.”

As if Katrina wasn’t enough, the Benois suffered a blow that was much more personal, but no less devastating, roughly 15 months ago. Maurice Benoit, driving down a darkened highway, slammed into the side of an 18-wheeler that was making an illegal turn. The impact of the crash broke bones, severed several fingers and left Maurice with a punctured heart. It was a near miracle he survived the crash.

As Maurice faced a long road to recovery, Evelyn Benoit showed the same fighting spirit as the people of Louisiana after Katrina. In addition to taking care of Maurice, she took the helm at the family business, Benoit Machine Inc., an oil-and-gas equipment supplier with offices in Houma and Houston.

“We’re the last family-owned oil-and-gas company in Louisiana that hasn’t been bought out,” Evelyn said proudly. “Our equipment is used in hundreds, and maybe thousands, of wells across the world.”

As Benoit Machine thrives and Maurice continues to recover, Evelyn has an escape in Thoroughbred racing and breeding. The Benois have been involved in the business for nearly four decades, and have campaigned numerous Louisiana champions, including Star Guitar, who was named champion two-year-old colt in 2007.

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

A snapshot of how first-time in-foal mares* and racing/broodmare prospects are selling at KEEJAN, categorized by their best on-track performance.

	Sold	Average	Median
G2 wnrns	1	\$280,000	\$280,000
G3 wns	1	\$270,000	\$270,000
Listed wnrns	11	\$136,454	\$82,000
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G1 wnrns	13	\$1,910,385	\$1,625,000
G2 wnrns	13	\$751,154	\$515,000
G3 wnrns	22	\$521,591	\$400,000
Listed wnrns	50	\$196,040	\$122,500

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Through Brittlyn, the Benois hope to show that Louisiana is still a great state to race and breed in, and yesterday, they took another step in assuring the operation will be a leading force in Louisiana for some time to come. Kentucky horseman Dan Considine, acting on behalf of Brittlyn, went to \$250,000 for [hip 552](#), the four-year-old Empire Maker mare Our New Empire, in foal to Mr. Greeley.

Consigned by Gainesway, Our New Empire is a half-sister to GI Breeders’ Cup Classic hero Concern (Broad Brush) and graded stakes winner Tennis Lady (Broad Brush). John K. Edwards, Jr. purchased Our New Empire for \$150,000 as a FTMSEP yearling in 2006. The dark bay was retired without a win, bred to Mr. Greeley last spring and offered at the 2008 Keeneland November sale. Led out of the ring unsold at \$300,000, she was re-offered here and found a new home at Brittlyn. Evelyn said the mare would join the rest of the Brittlyn broodmare band, which numbers just about six, in Louisiana.

“We lost the dam of Star Guitar, and I wanted to replace her with this mare,” Evelyn explained. “We haven’t purchased anything else at the sale, but there’s a Storm Cat mare that we’ve been looking at and may try to purchase her, too.”

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Added Considine about Our New Empire, “She’s a big, pretty mare, and obviously it’s a helluva page. Plus she’s in foal to the right horse. We were right at where we thought she’d be. I thought she’d go for \$250,000.”

While the Benoits weren’t able to make it up for the January sale, they were in town last September. With storms again threatening the Gulf Coast, Evelyn and Maurice decided to make the trip to Lexington. They didn’t leave town empty-handed.

The Benoits purchased two youngsters: a Fusaichi Pegasus--Our Josephina filly for \$150,000; and Smarty Jones--Boozin’ Susan colt for \$270,000.

“I thought my husband was going to have a heart attack when I was bidding for the Smarty Jones colt,” said Evelyn. “When I really like a horse, I get really excited.”

Both horses are currently being broken in Florida and will likely be sent to the barn of Bob Holthus, one of a handful of trainers employed by Brittlyn.

“I named the Smarty Jones colt Smarty Gras, after New Orleans,” said Evelyn. “There’s four or five other Smarty Joneses at the farm, and they say he’s got the most talent.”

Looking forward, Evelyn says her ultimate goal for Brittlyn is the Derby. “But not the Kentucky Derby--I want to win the Louisiana Derby,” she states. “There’s know better place to race or breed, and I want to show people that.” -L Marquardt

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Jan. 17	GII Santa Ynez S.	SA
	GII San Fernando BC S.	SA
	GIII Mr. Prospector S.	GP
	GIII San Rafael S.	SA
Jan. 18	GII El Encino S.	SA
	GIII First Lady S.	GP
Jan. 19	GII San Marcos S.	SA
Jan. 25	GII Palos Verdes H.	SA
	GIII Tuzla H.	SA
Jan. 30	GII Forward Gal S.	GP
	GII Hutcheson S.	GP
Jan. 31	GI Santa Monica H.	SA
	GI Donn H.	GP
	GIII Holy Bull S.	GP
Feb. 1	GI Gulfstream Park Turf H.	GP
	GIII Suwannee River H.	GP
	GIII La Habra S.	SA
Feb. 7	GI Las Virgenes S.	SA
	GII Strub S.	SA
	GII Robert B. Lewis S.	SA
	GIII Risen Star S.	FG
	GIII Silverbulletday S.	FG
	GIII Mineshaft H.	FG
	GIII Thunder Road H.	SA

THIS DATE IN HISTORY...

January 14, 1932...Jockey **Eddie Arcaro** rode his first career winner at Agua Caliente.

January 14, 1953...Pimlico’s **Preakness S.**, originally slated for May 16, was put back to May 23, allowing a three-week layover after the Kentucky Derby for the first time.

January 14, 1989...Jockey **Kent Desormeaux** scored is 1,000th career win in the 10th race at Laurel Racecourse, aboard Eesee’s Taw, in the Francis Scott Key H.

January 15, 1932...Australian champion **Phar Lap** arrived in San Francisco. He was shipped by steamship to the U.S., en route to Agua Caliente in Mexico, where he was to make his North American racing debut in the March 20 Agua Caliente H., then the continent’s richest race.

January 15, 1969...**Barbara Jo Rubin** was named to ride in a race at Tropical Park. Thirteen male riders subsequently boycotted the race rather than compete against a female, and were fined \$100 each.



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KEENELAND JANUARY--TUESDAY

Hip	Name	Covering Sire	Price (\$)
433	Gold Chant	Racing/broodmare prospect	75,000

(5, Banker's Gold--Merchant, by Silver Ghost)
 Consigned by Paramount Sales, agent
 Purchased by La Bahia Stud Ltd

Purchased as a yearling for just \$2,500, Gold Chant earned nearly \$60,000 in three years at the races, but it was her pedigree that appealed to the buying public. A daughter of Merchant, the gray is a half-sister to the ill-fated Indyenne (Indian Charlie), an outstanding three-year-old filly sprinter of 2008 with a pair of Grade III wins, including the Thoroughbred Club of America S. at Keeneland.

625	Smart Wildcat	Racing/broodmare prospect	95,000
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(5, Smart Strike--Foxy Wildcat, by Forest Wildcat)
 Consigned by Hinkle Farms, agent

Purchased by Westbury Stables/Summerfield, agent

Purchased by E.R. Meyer for \$37,000 as a KEESEP yearling in 2005, Smart Wildcat proved a useful racemare, winning three races and placing an additional eight times for earnings of \$105,695. From the family of the versatile Golden Yank (Yankee Gentleman) and GISW Love Lock (Silver Ghost), the chestnut was the subject of several interested parties Tuesday afternoon.

652	yr1, f, Medaglia d'Oro--Ting a Folie (Arg)	85,000
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B-B M Kelley (Ky)

Consigned by Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services (J Stuart), agent
 Purchased by White Church Farm

A \$160,000 purchase out of the 2003 Keeneland November sale, Ting a Folie (Arg) (Carefolie {Ire}), a three-time Group winner in Argentina, was returned to this auction house a little more than four years later and was knocked down for \$70,000 to Brad Kelley with this foal in utero.

692	yr1, f, Songandaprayer--Zinfandoll	140,000
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B-Fox-Straus (Ky)

Consigned by Brookdale Sales, agent for Fox Straus Stable
 Purchased by Koji Maeda

Graded-placed Zinfandoll (Sky Classic), the dam of GISP Rahy Dolly (Rahy), was sent through the ring at the 2007 Keeneland November Sale and was hammered down for \$95,000 in foal to Songandaprayer. The mare dropped her foal on Oaks Day 2008, and the bay filly more than paid the bill straight away.



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707	Another Aleya	Racing/broodmare prospect	100,000
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Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent

Purchased by John and Martha Jane Mulholland

Runner-up in the 2007 Cinderella S. at Hollywood Park, this four-year-old filly was claimed by trainer Wesley Ward for \$50,000 and proceeded to make a pair of starts, padding her bankroll with a second-place finish in her first outing for the new barn. Offered as a racing or broodmare prospect here, she caught the attention of a very capable breed-to-sell operation.

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GEARING UP FOR THE SANTA YNEZ

Last year's running of the GII Santa Ynez S. featured the seasonal return of 2007 champion juvenile filly Indian Blessing (Indian Charlie), who wound up setting a track record of 1:19.89 over the lightning-fast Cushion Track installed at Santa Anita at that time. There's Pro-Ride to run over now, and no fillies with a champion's credentials are expected in the line-up for this year's renewal, but the Santa Ynez will feature several



Evita Argentina Benoit photo

intriguing contenders. **Evita Argentina** (Candy Ride {Arg}) edged **Candelijas** (Candy Ride {Arg}) in her opener last June before holding off likely champion Stardom Bound (Tapit) in the GIII Sorrento S. in August. She was unplaced in her next two outings against that grey filly--fourth in the GI Del Mar Debutante S. Sept. 1 and ninth in the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Oct. 24--but got back on track when she rallied from 11th to land Hollywood's Moccasin S. at seven panels Nov. 16. John Sadler, who saddled Jump On In to victory in the 2007 Santa Ynez, handles the chestnut for Halo Farms and Three Sisters Thoroughbreds.

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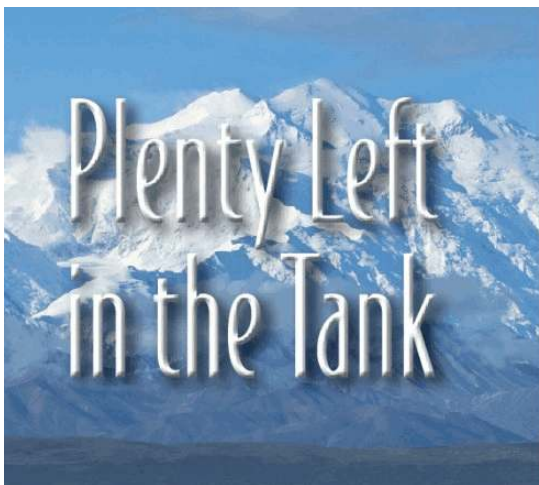
Meanwhile, Candelijas rebounded from her losing efforts against Stardom Bound--a sixth in the Del Mar Debutante and 12th in the GI Oak Leaf S. Sept. 27--to triumph in a 6 1/2-furlong allowance at Hollywood Dec. 10. Owned by Robert and Lawana Low, the bay filly hails from the Jeff Mullins barn. **Pinkarella** (Malibu Moon) made a stylish debut at the Inglewood oval Dec. 21, scoring by 5 1/4 lengths ([video](#)) for trainer Doug O'Neill and owners Flintridge Stable and STD Racing Stable. Also slated to contest the Santa Ynez are **Alpha Kitten** (Tale of the Cat), **Nan** (High Yield) and **Turtle Creek Babe** (Grand Slam).

RECENT WINNERS - SANTA YNEZ S.

Yr	Winner	Sire	Trainer	Time
'08	Indian Blessing	Indian Charlie	Baffert	1:19.89
'07	Jump On In	Jump Start	Sadler	1:23.45
'06	Dance Daily	Five Star Day	Lukas	1:23.34
'05	Sharp Lisa	Dixieland Band	O'Neill	1:23.10
'04	Yearly Report	General Meeting	Baffert	1:21.11
'03	Elloluv	Gilded Time	C Dollase	1:23.03
'02	Dancing (GB)	Spectrum (Ire)	Sahadi	1:23.07
'01	Golden Ballet	Moscow Ballet	Sahadi	1:22.30
'00	Penny Blues	Pentelicus	Gregson	1:23.38
'99	Honest Lady	Seattle Slew	Frankel	1:21.67

CLARIFICATION: A story in Tuesday's *TDN* incorrectly stated Mike Lauffer as a principal of Belvedere Farm in Kentucky. Marty and Cindy Takacs are the sole principals of Belvedere Farm Inc., and lease the former Crystal Springs Farm from Lauffer and Bill Cabbage. Lauffer and Cabbage are clients of the farm. Belvedere does not have an interest in Harbor Blues (Petionville), who Lauffer purchased Monday for \$310,000. We regret the error.

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Catalog Correction!
RACING PROSPECTS
Hip 920 - by PULPIT
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NORTH AMERICA

FASIG-TIPTON CATALOGUES 306 FOR KY WINTER SALE Fasig-Tipton has catalogued 306 horses for its Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale to be held Monday, Feb. 9. Along with yearlings by first-crop sires Badge of Silver, Bluegrass Cat, First Samurai, and Rockport Harbor, more than 125 broodmares will be offered, as well as 80 racing or broodmare prospects. Catalogues will be available by Jan. 22. For more information, visit www.fasigtipton.com.

THREE CHIMNEYS TODAY'S INSIGHTS
The Idea is Excellence.

3:42p HRTV 6th-GP, \$40K, Msw, 3yo, 6 1/2f
SEEKING THE SLUICE ([Seeking the Gold](#)) has a tough rail draw for his career debut, but has some decent works under his belt for trainer Barclay Tagg. The 3/4-brother to SW & GSP Surging River (Gone West) is a homebred for Charles Fipke, who bought the dam Classic Slew (Seattle Slew) with this colt in utero for \$310K at KEENOV in 2005. She is a 1/2 to Canadian champions Sky Classic, Regal Classic, Classy 'N Smart and Grey Classic, and hails from the family of champion Dance Smartly and leading sire Smart Strike. Also in the field here is **Strategic Decision** ([Distorted Humor](#)), a son of champion Beautiful Pleasure. Bred and owned by John Oxley, the 1/2 to GISW Dr. Pleasure (Thunder Gulch) rallied five wide to finish a distant third in his career opener at Turfway Dec. 12 for trainer John Ward Jr. [brisnet.com PPs](#)

4:43p HRTV 8th-GP, \$44K, Opt. Clm. 4yo/up, 1m
FOREST COMMAND ([Monarchos](#)) didn't make it to the races until June, but hit the board in each of his five starts before finishing up 2008 with a third as the even-money choice in the GIII Ack Ack H. at Churchill Oct. 26. Trained by John Ward Jr. for owner/breeder John Oxley, the son of GISW Forest Secrets (Forest Wildcat) drilled a bullet :59 over this strip Jan. 4. He faces a tough field that includes GSW **Z Humor** ([Distorted Humor](#)), MGSP **Dream Maestro** ([Concerto](#)) and Inti ([Uru](#)) (Dubai Dust), a Shadwell import from Uruguay. [brisnet.com PPs](#)
Eastern Standard Time

BILL CARL DIES AT 78 William Allen Carl, a long-time Thoroughbred owner/breeder and insurance provider, died Monday at the age of 78. The University of Kentucky graduate founded the equine insurance company Old Colony Insurance Service, Inc. in 1964. He insured racing greats such as Alydar and Nashua. A former intelligence officer and captain in the Air Force, Carl purchased Wakefield Farm in Midway, Kentucky in the late 1970s. Sapphire N' Silk (Pleasant Tap), heroine of the 1999 GII Prioress S., was among the best horses that Carl owned and bred. She went on to produce GSW Shaniko (A.P. Indy) and MSW Silky Smooth (Mr. Greeley). Carl also bred 2003 GIII Lecomte S. winner Sainly Look (Saint Ballado). He is survived by his wife and four daughters. Funeral service will be held at Second Presbyterian Church in Lexington, Kentucky, Thursday. In lieu of flowers, memorials are suggested to Second Presbyterian Church or Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation, TRF Secretariat Center-KY Horse Park.

FIRST FOAL FOR ENGLISH CHANNEL Hurricane Hall has announced that champion **English Channel** (Smart Strike)'s first foal arrived Jan. 8. The bay filly is out of Ser O No Ser (Chi) (Golden Voyager), a granddaughter of Mr. Prospector who was honored as co-champion at both two and three in her native land with a pair of Group 1 victories. The mare is owned in partnership by John Stuart and Jose de Camargo's Santa Escolastica. "This is my first foal of the year and I couldn't be more thrilled to have it be a beautiful filly by a champion out of a champion," said Stuart. "I admired English Channel as much as any racehorse I've seen run in this century." English Channel captured six Grade I events, including the 2007 GI Breeders' Cup Turf to cap his championship campaign. The chestnut earned \$5,319,028 while compiling a career record of 23-13-4-1.




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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.

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STAKES CLOSINGS
TOMORROW, THURSDAY, JANUARY 15:
01-25 \$150,000 *Palos Verdes H.-II, SA*,
4yo/up, 6f (AWT) (150)
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★ WEST ★

Siberian Summer to Victory Rose:

Siberian Summer (Siberian Express--Mia Karina, by Icecapade), winner of the 1993 GI Charles H. Strub S., has been relocated to Ellen Jackson's Victory Rose Farm in Vacaville, California. The 20-year-old will stand for \$3,500. Siberian Summer has sired no fewer than 10 stakes winners, including 2005 GI Apple Blossom H. victress Dream of Summer.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BELMONT PARK (training track)

GRAND CHAMPION (Two Punch), 4f, :48.64, 10/72
SONGSTER (Songandaprayer), 4f, :49.43, 26/72

FAIR GROUNDS

GRASSHOPPER (Dixie Union), 4f, :49.00, 5/21
RATED FIESTY (Exchange Rate), 4f, :50.60, 19/21

FAIR HILL

SACRED JOURNEY (Unbridled's Song), 5f, 1:00.80, 1/3

HOLLYWOOD

EL GATO MALO (El Corredor), 4f, :50.60, 17/18
SHARP SUSAN (Touch Gold), 4f, :50.40, 16/18

PALM MEADOWS

CAPT. CANDYMAN CAN (Candy Ride {Arg}), 5f, 1:01.65, 1/17
KEEP THE PEACE (Touch Gold), 4f, :49.45, 10/32

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Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

CANADIAN FRONTIER (Gone West), Airdrie, \$10K, 86/7/0

9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Enjoy the Win, 8-1

GREAT NOTION (Elusive Quality), Northview, \$4K, 70/4/1

9-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Great Norton, \$1,000 EAS SEP yrl, 9-2

MEDAGLIA D'ORO (El Prado {Ire}), Stonewall, \$35K, 251/19/4

6-GP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Midnight Mischief, 12-1

OLMODAVOR (A.P. Indy), Adena Springs South, \$10K, 116/13/2

9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Multipass, \$55K ADS SPR 2yo, 8-1

PEACE RULES (Jules), Vinery, \$15K, 186/23/2

6-GP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Higher Peace, \$10K ESM AY 2yo, 10-1

RAINMAKER (Storm Cat), All Star Tbreeds, \$2K, 68/2/0

1-DED, Msw, 5f, College High, \$7K OBS APR 2yo, 8-1

TAPIT (Pulpit), Gainesway, \$15K, 171/25/3

9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Deputy Empress, \$20K KEE APR 2yo, 6-1

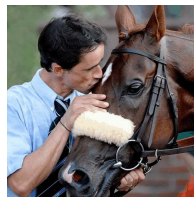
TOCCEI (Awesome Again), Castleton Lyons, \$15K, 157/17/0

9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Fillazzone, \$145K FTK JUL yrl, 20-1

7-TP, Alw, 1m, Toccei Rocket, \$17K KEE SEP yrl

TROPICAL STORM (Storm Cat), Walmac, \$5K, 40/1/0

9-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Inthetropics, \$8K FTK OCT yrl, 5-2



WORTH 1,000 WORDS

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★  EUROPE ★

DOCTOR DINO TO REMAIN IN TRAINING IN '09

International campaigner **Doctor Dino (Fr)** (Muhtathir {GB}--Logica {Ire}, by Priolo) will remain in training in 2009, according to published reports. Winner of the GI Man O' War S. and G1 Hong Kong Vase in 2007, the chestnut successfully defended his title in last term's Hong Kong Vase. With an eye toward annexing a third Vase in 2009, the seven-year-old is expected to kick off the season with a start in the G1 Dubai Sheema Classic, a race which he finished third in last year. A winner of seven of 27 lifetime starts, the €38,000 Deauville yearling purchase has amassed \$1,591,513 in earnings through five seasons on the track.



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★ IRELAND ★

BRIDGE HOUSE STUD TO STAND SIX SENSE

In a deal negotiated by Will Barrons Bloodstock, Bridge House Stud announced that **Six Sense (Jpn)** (Sunday Silence--Daneskaya {GB}, by Danehill) will stand the 2009 season at that farm in Co. Westmeath, Ireland. The seven-year-old, who will stand for €4,500 SLF, can be viewed in early February. "By introducing Six Sense to Ireland, we believe that we are offering domestic breeders another string to their bow when making stallion selections for 2009," said



Bridge House Stud

James Acheson, who is a partner with Trevor Badger in the management of Bridge House Stud. "With the economic climate taking its toll on breeders and vendors alike, we felt that a horse that offers flat breeders something fresh and different at an affordable price is a good option all round. Six Sense raced against world-class opposition in Japan and Hong Kong, and as a son of Gade 1 winner Sunday Silence out of a Group 2 winning and Group 1-performing [Daneskaya], we are very happy to have secured him."

Six Sense cont.

The stud already stands Grade I winner Prince Arch (Arch) and Classic-placed Let The Lion Roar (GB) (Sadler's Wells). Runner-up in the G1 Hong Kong Vase, G1-Jpn Japanese 2000 Guineas and G2-Jpn Kobe Shimbun Hai, the dark bay scored in his only start in 2006, the G2-Jpn Kyoto Kinen before retiring with \$2,540,552 in earnings.

**BREEDERS' EDITION
AMERICA**

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

10th-SUN, \$39,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW26MX, 4yo/up, f/m, 6 1/2f, 1:16 2/5, ft.

PRAIRIE CHARM (f, 4, Silver Charm--Prairie Maiden {MSW, \$294,753}, by Badger Land) Lifetime Record: MSW, 8-4-0-1, \$85,280. O/B-Richard Lueck (KY). T-Gary W Cross. *1/2 to Virgin Voyage (Deputy Commander), MSP, \$226,512.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Texas Brewed, c, 3, Milwaukee Brew--Pucker Lips, by Pass the Tab. SUN, 1-13, 5 1/2f, 1:04 1/5. B-L T Smith Enterprises (KY). *\$50,000 2yo '08 TEXMAR. **1/2 to Sir Pucker (Rare Brick), MSW, \$200,108; and Korbyn Gold (Gold Case), MSW & GSP, \$537,969.
Simply the Fox, f, 4, Royal Academy--Midsummer Sun, by Coronado's Quest. HAW, 1-10, 6f, 1:15 2/5. B-Karen Crouch (KY). *\$20,000 yrl '06 KEESEP.

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IN CHILE:

Bolocazza (Chi), f, 3, **Muqtarib**--Cinco Estrellas, by Royal Danzig. 1-12. Club Hipico de Santiago, 1200m, Hcp, O-Stud Cannibal; B-Haras Porta Pia; T-Jos Miguel Alvarez.

IN AUSTRALASIA:

Celeris (NZ), f, 3, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Cuphill (Aus), by Danehill. Ellerslie (Auckland), 1-10, Mdn, 3yo/up, 6fT. B-Mrs J M Wanless.

Ivory Pegasus (Aus), f, 3, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Red Ivory (Aus), by Ivory Way. Randwick (Sydney), 1-7, Mdn, 3yo, f, 5 1/2fT. B-Mr S J Dickerson.

Talaana (Aus), c, 3, **Tale of the Cat**--Valaana (Aus), by Woodman. Randwick (Sydney), 1-7, Hcp, 3yo, 7f 165ydsT. B-Orange Grove Thoroughbreds.

Master Shot (NZ), g, 3, **Van Nistelrooy**--Talaga (NZ), by Bakharoff. Randwick (Sydney), 1-7, Mdn, 3yo/up, c/g, 5 1/2fT. B-Trelawney Stud.

Deverra (NZ), f, 4, **Stravinsky**--Joelle (NZ), by Kingdom Bay (NZ). Ellerslie (Auckland), 1-10, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7fT. B-R A Emery.

Time Matters (Aus), g, 6, **Gilded Time**--Maat (Aus), by Sarab (Ire). Caulfield (Melbourne), 1-10, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7fT. B-Mr C L Biggins.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Naples, 15.00, 1-12, €13,500, 3yo, 1 1/8mT, time: n/a, hy.

ROYAL FORCE (ITY) (c, 3, Blu Air Force {Ire}--Royale Revue {Fr}, by Octagonal {NZ}) Lifetime Record: 8-4-1-1, €32,555. O-Millennium Horses Srl; B-Azienda Agricola Luciani Loreto; T-Armando Renzoni.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Ultimate (GB), c, 3, **Anabaa**--Nirvana (GB), by Marju (Ire). Southwell, Britain, 1-13, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1m (AWT). B-Avington Manor Stud.

+ **Open Sesame (Ire)**, c, 3, **Key of Luck**--Chiquita Linda (Ire) (SW-Ity, by Mujadil. Great Leighs, Britain, 1-13, Mdn, 3yo, 9f 46yds (AWT). B-Glending Bloodstock. *€17,000 yrl '07 GOFMIL.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN AUSTRALASIA:

Southport (Aus), c, 2, **Mull of Kintyre**--So Spectacular (Aus), by Spectacular Spy. Gold Coast (Queensland), 1-10, Cond, 2yo, 6fT. B-Bylong Park Thoroughbreds.

BRIS Speed Ratings Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Awesome Ashley	Unbridled's Song	Plankton S.	103
French Beret	Broad Brush	Colonel E. R. Bradley H.-G3	101
Good and Lucky	Wild Rush	Louisiana H.	101
Access Fee	Menifee	What a Summer S.	100
Blind River Fox	Foxtrail	Pelican S.	100
Mutadda	Mutakddim	F. W. Gaudin Memorial S.	98
Proud Heiress	Broken Vow	Wishing Well S.	98
Classify	Unbridled's Song	Dr. A. B. Leggio Memorial S.	97
Friesan Fire	A.P. Indy	LeComte S.-G3	97
Ultra Blend	Richly Blended	Tiburon S.	97
Cowboy Cal	Giant's Causeway	San Pasqual H.-G2	96
Snug	Swamp	Cypress S.	96
Waquoit's Love	Not for Love	Marshua's River S.	96
Kiss the Kid	Lemon Drop Kid	Ft. Lauderdale S.	95
By the Light	Malibu Moon	Soft Morning S.	94
Just Jenda	Menifee	Tiffany Lass S.	94
Song of Navarone	Sultry Song	Winsham Lad H.	94
Pumpkin Shell	Lion Heart	Busanda S.	91
Century Park	General Meeting	Santa Ysabel S.-G3	88
Zarb's Ballerina	Zarbyev	Camelia S.	85

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Anatomica (Aus), f, 3, **Choisir (Aus)**--Africaine (Aus), by Anabaa. Rosehill (Sydney), 1-10, Hcp, 3yo, f, 6fT. B-Superhorse Trust.

Handsupfordetroit (Aus), g, 3, **Tobougg (Ire)**--Halcyon' Blue (Aus), by Simonstad (NZ). Rosehill (Sydney), 1-10, Hcp, 3yo, c/g, 6fT. B-Mr R M Borthwick & Ms H Kind.

Cross Section (Aus), g, 4, **Cape Cross (Ire)**--Woodwind, by Woodman. Randwick (Sydney), 1-7, Hcp, 3yo/up, 7f 165ydsT. B-C J N Bloodstock.

Montahlia (NZ), m, 5, **Montjeu (Ire)**--Zatsalady (NZ), by Zabeel (NZ). Moonee Valley (Melbourne), 1-9, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1 7/8mT. B-Monovale Holdings Ltd.

Cocinero (Aus), g, 7, **Encosta De Lago (Aus)**--Cantinelina (Aus), by Zoffany. Moonee Valley (Melbourne), 1-9, Hcp, 3yo/up, 6fT. B-Mr M V Roach & Mr J Pither.

★ EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS ★

IN AUSTRALASIA:

Reputable (GB), g, 5, **Observatory**--Minskip, by The Minstrel. Caulfield (Melbourne), 1-10, Hcp, 3yo/up, 1mT. B-Juddmonte Farms Ltd.

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