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Juddmonte homebred **Piste Noire** (Diesis {GB}--Skiable {Ire}), by Niniski), an unraced full-sister to champion and



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Banstead Manor Stud sire Three Valleys from the family of blue-hen mare Hasili (Ire) (Kahyasi), was the star turn at yesterday's penultimate session of Tattersalls' December Sale in Newmarket, selling for 340,000gns. Grant Pritchard-Gordon and Paul Makin, and agent Tom Ryan and Charlie Gordon-Watson all made a play for the sophomore, but it was Blandford Bloodstock's Tom Goff who secured [lot 1889](#) with a single bid.

Goff, standing alongside Coolmore's Paul Shanahan while bidding, offered, "It's an outstanding page and she's a full-sister to, in my opinion, one of the best two-year-olds we've ever seen. His [G3] Coventry S. win was breathtaking. She will be an enormous asset to any leading breeding establishment."

Tattersalls Coverage cont. p2

TATTERSALLS DECEMBER MARES WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 2009

CUMULATIVE	2009	2008
No. Catalogued	770	912
No. Offered	626	681
No. Sold	494	471
RNAs	132	210
% RNA	21.1%	30.8%
No. Over 500K	7	8
High Price	1,700,000gns	1,950,000gns
Gross	32,347,300gns	32,698,500gns
Average (% Change)	65,480gns (-5.7%)	69,424gns

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TOP NINE AT TATTERSALLS

- WEDNESDAY -

Hip	Name	Covering Stallion	Price (Gns)
1889	Piste Noire <i>(f, 3, Diesis {GB}--Skiable {Ire}, by Niniski)</i>	B'mare Prospect	340,000 Consigned by Juddmonte Farms Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock
1767	Bitoooh (GB) <i>(f, 4, Diktat {GB}--Sitara {GB}, by Salse)</i>	King's Best	270,000 Consigned by Darley Purchased by Sunderland Holdings Inc
1821	Crystal Swan (Ire) <i>(f, 4, Dalakhani {Ire}--Crystal Melody {GB}, by Nureyev)</i>	Motivator (GB)	260,000 Consigned by Grangecon Stud Purchased by Mr A O Nerses
1967	Apple Charlotte (GB) <i>(f, 3, Royal Applause {GB}--Maid of Camelot {GB}, by Caerleon)</i>	In Training	260,000 Consigned by Warren Place Stables Purchased by BBA Ireland
1911	Bolivia (Ger) <i>(f, 3, Monsun {Ger}--Be My Lady {Ger}, by Be My Guest)</i>	In Training	200,000 Consigned by Ronald Rauscher (Agent) Purchased by Richard Venn Bloodstock
1910	Umirage (GB) <i>(f, 4, Monsun {Ger}--Ungarin {Ger}, by Goofalik)</i>	In Training	180,000 Consigned by Ronald Rauscher (Agent) Purchased by Shadai Corporation
1794	Maid To Believe (GB) <i>(m, 5, Galileo {Ire}--Maid For the Hills {GB}, by Indian Ridge {Ire})</i>	Oasis Dream (GB)	170,000 Consigned by Normandie Stud Purchased by C Gordon-Watson Bloodstock
1730	Lasting Chance <i>(m, 13, American Chance--Baildancer, by Bailjumper)</i>	Duke of Marmalade (Ire)	165,000 Consigned by Ballykilbride Stud Purchased by Cormac McCormack Bloodstock
1888	Palm Shade (GB) <i>(f, 3, Oasis Dream {GB}--Bonash {GB}, by Rainbow Quest)</i>	B'mare Prospect	150,000 Consigned by Juddmonte Farms Purchased by Kieran Moore Bloodstock

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Tattersalls Coverage cont.

Tsuis Land Date for Sea the Stars...

Sunderland Holding Inc., the breeding entity of Ling Tsui and family, have been trying for several choice mares this week through advisor John Clarke and paid 270,000gns for Darley castoff **Bitoooh (GB)** (Diktat {GB}--Sitara {GB}, by Salse). She was offered in foal to King's Best. Consigned as [lot 1767](#), Bitoooh could be covered by the Tsuis' champion Sea the Stars (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}). Paddy Twomey was underbidder on the mare, who is a half-sister to this season's G1 Irish Derby second-place finisher Golden Sword (GB) (High Chaparral {Ire}). She shares her grandam with G1 Oaks heroine Alexandrova (Ire) (Sadler's Wells). "There are various options about where she could go and Mrs. Tsui will have a think, but it's certainly possible that she could go to Sea the Stars," Clarke offered. "I know the mare's family well as we used to look after the great granddam Soumana at the Irish National Stud for a Swiss client, Dieter Hofemeier."



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John Tyrrell of BBA Ireland was another standing with Paul Shanahan as he successfully bid 260,000gns for this season's Newbury listed winner **Apple Charlotte (GB)** (Royal Applause {GB}--Maid of Camelot {GB}, by Caerleon). "She's a beauty and I think, with her form, she's something to go forward with," said Tyrrell, who outbid Matt Coleman of Anthony Stroud Bloodstock on [lot 1967](#). "I'm not sure what the plan is with her, there's a possibility she could go to Australia and I don't know whether she will keep racing for a bit or be bred."

Tony Nerses, advisor to Saleh Al Homaizi and Imad Al Sagar, was another who bid 260,000gns when getting the Grangecon Stud homebred **Crystal Swan (Ire)** (Dalakhani {Ire}--Crystal Melody {GB}, by Nureyev). Offered in foal to the 2005 Derby winner Motivator (GB) as [lot 1821](#), she will be covered by Al Homaizi and Al Sagar's 2007 Epsom Derby hero Authorized (Ire) next year. "She'll be a nice mating for Authorized, that's what we have been looking for," Nerses revealed. "We usually keep the progeny of our mares to race and I was trying to get one that was in foal rather than a filly, that way you can get something back. She'll be kept at New England Stud, where all our mares are based." The December Sale finishes today with a session starting at 10 a.m. Tattersalls Coverage cont. p3



Pakenhams Enter Breeding Market...

Prior to winning the G1 Epsom Derby with Sir Percy (GB) (Mark Of Esteem {Ire}), Victoria and Anthony Pakenham had restricted their involvement with racehorses to ownership, but since the Classic winner's retirement to Lanwades Stud in 2008, the couple have embarked upon a burgeoning breeding project. "This has all been triggered as a result of having that fantastic success--it's gone from 0 to 100 miles an hour very quickly," said Victoria Pakenham, who on Wednesday added two mares to their collection, which now numbers around 15. Agent Richard Venn went to 200,000gns to secure the German Group 2-placed **Bolivia (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}--Be My Lady {Ger}, by Be My Guest) on behalf of the couple yesterday. Consigned by Ronald Rauscher, agent for the Property of a Partnership as [lot 1911](#), she will remain in training for another year before going to the paddocks. The rangy chestnut filly will be put into training in Newmarket with Lucy Wadham, who sent out the Pakenhams' Enforce (Kalanisi {Ire}) to win last year's Listed Conqueror S. at Goodwood while in foal to Sir Percy. "Bolivia will race on--she's very scopey, she's only three and she looks as if she could do with the whole of next year," Pakenham confirmed. "In the past we've covered a few mares and raced them in foal, but she's got so much growing to do I'd rather give her time. I think she's an exciting prospect and we'd like to have a chance to race all year rather than to cut it short. Lucy's yard is very close to Lanwades and she has a good stud vet and knows exactly what it takes."

The couple also acquired **Temple of Thebes (Ire)** (Bahri--Franglais {Ger}, by Lion Cavern), a half-sister to Flashmans Papers (GB) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}). She is in foal to Exceed and Excel (Aus) and will visit Sir Percy next year. [Lot 1777](#) brought 80,000gns.

**TATTERSALLS DECEMBER MARES
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 2, 2009**

<u>SESSION</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>
No. Catalogued	273	323
No. Offered	215	231
No. Sold	161	160
RNAs	54	71
% RNA	25.1%	30.7%
No. Over 500K	0	2
High Price	340,000gns	1,800,000gns
Gross	6,112,800gns	7,417,200gns
Average (% Change)	37,968gns (-18.1%)	46,358gns
Median (% Change)	16,000gns (+23.1%)	13,000gns

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The Pakenhams also sold two foals by Sir Percy at last week's foal sale--a colt out of Antibes (Ire) (Grand Lodge) fetched 46,000gns, while a grey daughter of Pearl Bright (Fr) (Kaldoun {Fr}) made 26,000gns. "We really want to make sure that Percy gets good quality mares going to him," Pakenham continued. "He's throwing some lovely foals. We had six this year and every one of them is nice. I think years three and four are hard for a stallion, so we wanted to be there for him. We now have too many for Julia and she's very good about not having too many mares on the stud. Hugo Lascelles also has a few for us and he's been helping us to buy the mares as well. It's all very exciting."

**TATTS DECEMBER MARES
- THURSDAY'S OUTS -**

- 1995, 1996, 2005, 2007, 2028, 2038, 2048, 2053, 2066, 2078, 2080, 2084, 2088, 2094, 2095, 2097, 2105, 2116, 2124, 2129, 2134, 2135, 2147, 2152, 2153, 2173, 2175, 2184, 2185, 2186, 2187, 2188, 2197, 2202, 2203, 2204, 2205



Tattersalls Coverage cont.

Rauscher Pair Sell Well...

Sandwiched between the behemoths of Juddmonte and Shadwell, Ronald Rauscher's third-session draft of four produced two six-figure lots, which included the Pakenhams' purchase **Bolivia (Ger)** (Monsun {Ger}--Be My Lady {Ger}, by Be My Guest) for 200,000gns. Another daughter of Monsun (Ger), **Umirage (GB)**, out of Ungarin (Ger) (Goofalik), sold to Shadai Corporation for 180,000gns. Consigned as [lot 1910](#), she is out of a full-sister to Group 1 winner Ungaro (Ger).

"It's basically a case of if people want something then they are prepared to pull out the stops," the German consigner said. "Those two fillies had some good form and the chestnut filly Bolivia is still racing sound so I hope she's going to be very successful for her new owners."

Rauscher continued, "Despite all the bad publicity around the bloodstock sales recently, they seem to be holding up. Monsun is wonderful by German standards, but even in Europe he's a very good and reliable sire and of course he's an outcross, so if people are thinking about breeding careers, that's the way to go."

Rauscher has enjoyed successful visits to Tattersalls' December Sale in recent years. He sold Manduro (Ger) (Monsun {Ger})'s dam Mandellicht (Ire) (Be My Guest) for 3,000,000gns in 2007 before returning last year with another highly desirable offering in the form of G1 Prix de l'Opera winner Lady Marian (Ger) (Nayef), who was the second highest-priced lot of the sale when selling to John Ferguson for 1,800,000gns.

"This has been a very good sale for us," Rauscher confirmed. "We had a better sale last year with Lady Marian, and then of course there was Manduro's dam, but horses like that don't grow on trees, so I'm very pleased with this week."

Gestut Gorlsdorf Active at TATDEC...

The strong German contingent at Park Paddocks this week was also boosted by the presence of Niko Lafrentz and his wife Heike Bischoff, the owners of Gestut Gorlsdorf, which is situated 80 kilometers outside Berlin. Buying in the name Bischoff Bloodstock, the couple purchased St Aye, a daughter of Nureyev in foal to Teofilo (Ire) for 105,000gns ([lot 1375](#)) Monday and followed by securing Aspen Leaves (Woodman--Fall Apsen, by Pretense) for 140,000gns Wednesday ([lot 1914](#)). The latter is in foal to Authorized (Ire).

"We are really, really happy to have bought both mares, we never thought we'd get them," said Lafrentz, whose father-in-law bought Gorlsdorf, the former National Stud of East Germany, after the fall of the Berlin Wall. "They are both in foal to really exciting young stallions and they also have really good characters. That's the important thing--to have nice horses on the farm." **Tattersalls Coverage cont. p5**

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Alongside the 37 mares at the stud is resident stallion Sternkoenig (Ire), who in his racing days had fellow influential German sires Monsun (Ger) and Lando (Ger) behind him when landing the G1 Preis Der Privatbankiers Merck, Finck & Co in 1994. Lafrentz and Bischoff, who were initially involved in jumping stock, were also responsible for breeding dual Velka Pardubicka steeplechase winner Registana (Ger).

“My wife took over the family business after her father died four years ago,” said Lafrentz, who confirmed that St Aye will leave Newmarket for Germany this week while Aspen Leaves, who is set to foal in January, will remain in England for a while longer as a boarder at Eric Cantillon’s Herringswell Manor Stud. He added, “Eric is an old friend and we don’t want the mare to travel when she has only six weeks to go before her foal is born. She will stay here and we’d like to send her to Singspiel (Ire) next year before we bring her home to Germany.”



HIP HAPPENINGS

DECEMBER MARES - THURSDAY

2058, Denice (GB), m, 11, Night Shift--Despoina (Ger), by Aspros (Ger)

Consigned by Newsells Park Stud Ltd

The Classic-placed Denice is out of a sister to the champion Diasprina (Ger), whose own daughters include the high-class Diacada (Ger) (Cadeaux Genereux {GB}) and Desidera (Ire) (Shaadi). She is carrying a foal by Sleeping Indian (GB).

2134, Wavy Up (Ire), m, 14, Brustolon (GB)--Wavy Reef (GB), by Kris (GB)

Consigned by Clover Leaf Stud

Wavy Up, who is a half to the top-class Wavy Run (Ire) (Commanche Run {GB}) and the dam of the 2002 G1 Coronation S. third Dolores (GB) (Danehill), has produced the listed-placed Ti Adora (Ire) from a mating with Montjeu (Ire) and is carrying a close relative of that performer by Motivator (GB).



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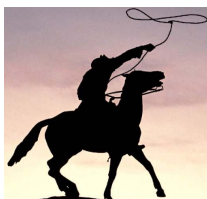
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Gitano Hernando Back in Training...

Team Valor International and Gary Barber's **Gitano Hernando (GB)** (Hernando {Fr}), upset winner of the

GI Goodwood S. at Oak Tree Oct. 10, has arrived in Britain and will begin to prepare for next year's G1 Dubai World Cup, Barry Irwin revealed. The sophomore, who defeated the classy Colonel John (Tiznow), GI Kentucky Derby winner Mine



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That Bird (Birdstone) and others in the Goodwood, will be based at Green Ridge Stable with conditioner Marco Botti. Following 30 days off, Gitano Hernando is expected to return to training at Newmarket this week.

Fallon Booked for Three in Hong Kong...

Kieren Fallon, who booted home the brilliant Ouija Board (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}) to a memorable score in the 2005 G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Vase, returns to Hong Kong with three live mounts in the Cathay Pacific International Races at Sha Tin Dec. 13. The six-time champion jockey in Britain is scheduled to pilot **Youmzain (Ire)** (Sinndar {Ire}) in the G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Vase, **Presvis (GB)** (Sakhee) in the G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Cup and **Ferneley (Ire)** (Ishiguru) in the G1 Cathay Pacific Hong Kong Mile. Youmzain was last seen placing second behind Sea the Stars (Ire) (Cape Cross {Ire}) in the G1 Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe Oct. 4. Presvis, hero of the G1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup S. in Hong Kong, enters off a second-place finish in the Listed Churchill S. at Lingfield Nov. 21. Ferneley, who completed the exacta behind Ventura (Chester House) in the GI Woodbine Mile Sept. 20, could do no better than seventh in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile Nov. 7. "That was a great day [winning aboard Ouija Board] but I hope this year I can do even better," Fallon revealed. "Youmzain and Presvis have serious chances but don't write off Ferneley, who was second and only a length behind Ventura in the Woodbine Mile. Ventura has since gone on to finish second in the GI Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint and then won the GI Matriarch S. at Hollywood Park. Ferneley wasn't beaten that far in the GI Breeders' Cup Mile and will be much better suited to a right-handed track in Hong Kong."

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Diamondrella to Stay in Training...

IEAH Stables' **Diamondrella (GB)** (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), third to Ventura (Chester House) in the GI Matriarch S. at Hollywood Nov. 28, will stay in training next season, according to *Daily Racing Form*. The five-year-old mare will be based in California with trainer Gary Stevens, who saddled her for the first time in the Matriarch. Previously conditioned by Angel Penna Jr.,



Sarah K. Andrew

Diamondrella won this year's GI Just a Game H. at Belmont and GI First Lady H. at Keeneland. She was 11th, beaten 5 3/4 lengths, facing males in the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint.



PREVIEWS

Saturday, Hollywood Park

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PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Czechers	Indian Charlie	Sorenson	Glatt	114
2	Zardana (Brz)	Crimson Tide (Ire)	Espinoza	Shirreffs	115
3	Silver Swallow	Alphabet Soup	Smith	Headley	114
4	Cat by the Tale	Tale of the Cat	Rosario	Drysdale	114
5	Eissoai (Brz)	Roi Normand	Almeida	Ascanio	113
6	Floating Heart	Giant's Causeway	Talamo	Pletcher	112
7	Teamgeist (Arg)	Mutakddim	Solis	McPeck	117
8	Smooth Performer	Benchmark	Pedroza	Sise Jr	114
9	Made for Magic	Cape Canaveral	Berrio	Avila	114
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December 7, 1957...A two-year-old colt named **Silky Sullivan** won the one-mile Golden Gate Futurity after making up 27 lengths, establishing a running style that became legendary. Horsemen still invoke the name of Silky Sullivan when referring to a horse that runs from far off the pace.

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Alan Lee, Times of London

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Louisville Courier-Journal editorial

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OF...**
Bill Oppenheim



OFF THE FLOOR

It's almost as if it were scripted: as of the end of the Keeneland September 2008, the yearling and mixed sale segments of the North American and European Thoroughbred market were going to take a big dive in the next 12 months. It started right after Keeneland September last year, and it continued all the way through the end of Keeneland September this year. The European yearling markets and both the North American and European mixed sale markets suffered huge losses in 2008, and, on the whole (the August yearling sales in Saratoga and Deauville excepted), the North American yearling market 'caught up' with the rest of the decline in July and September this year.

Then Tattersalls Ireland's Fairyhouse yearling sale, held during the second week of Keeneland, heralded the end of what was almost exactly a 12-month crash, which ranged from a third to more than 50 percent down, depending on which tier of which market we were talking about. With the numbers catalogued down significantly this year, the European yearling market and both the North American and European mixed sale markets haven't exactly been up, but the clearance rate has improved so significantly, starting with Fairyhouse's lower-tier yearling sale, that the gross at some sales has been up, even though the number catalogued has been down 15-20 percent. One of the main reasons for that has been that the greatest fall in number catalogued has been at or near the bottom.

The Tattersalls December Foal Sale last week was another example of these trends. At the corresponding sale in 2008, only 45 percent (562) of the 1,261 foals catalogued were listed as sales, and the gross was cut in half, from 28-million guineas in 2007 to 14-million guineas last year.

TATTS FOAL SALE 2007-2009

Day	2007			2008			2009			Pct of 2007					
	Sold	Gross	Avg	Sold	Gross	Avg	Sold	Gross	Avg	8 vs 7	9 vs 7	8 vs 7	9 vs 7	8 vs 7	9 vs 7
<Thu	286	3,517,600	12,299	186	1,020,800	5,488	159	1,154,100	7,258	-35	-44	-71	-67	-55	-41
Thu	170	5,936,500	34,921	152	3,381,000	22,244	174	4,709,800	27,068	-11	2	-43	-21	-35	-22
Fri	176	12,455,500	70,770	126	6,414,600	50,910	161	7,951,900	61,813	-28	-9	-48	-20	-28	-13
Sat	153	6,775,000	44,281	98	3,732,600	38,088	124	4,402,900	35,507	-36	-19	-45	-35	-14	-20
TOT	785	28,684,600	36,541	562	14,549,100	25,888	618	20,218,700	32,716	-28	-21	-49	-30	-29	-10
3days	499	25,167,000	50,435	376	13,528,300	35,980	459	19,064,600	41,535	-25	-8	-47	-24	-29	-18

**NTRA REPORT FROM
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HOUSE TO VOTE ON ESTATE TAX LEGISLATION

The U.S. House of Representatives is scheduled to vote Thursday on a \$233.6 billion measure by Rep. Earl Pomeroy (D-ND) that would make the estate tax permanent by keeping the 2009 parameters in place. This year's estate tax parameters are a top rate of 45 percent and an exemption for the first \$3.5 million in inherited assets per spouse (\$7 million for couples).

Estate taxes are scheduled to go to zero on estates of individuals who die next year. Unless Congress passes new legislation, the tax will return in 2011 on estates over \$1 million with a top rate of 55 percent.

The Senate also is analyzing the estate tax issue. Finance Chairman Max Baucus (D-MT) and Budget Chairman Kent Conrad (D-ND) favor permanently extending the estate tax at 2009 parameters, but only if it is indexed for inflation. The House bill does not include such an index. Senate Agriculture Chairwoman Blanche Lincoln (D-AR) and Senate Minority Leader Jon Kyl (D-AZ) offer a version that cuts the rate to a more generous 35 percent and boosts the exemption to \$5 million per spouse.



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The recovery last week was quite impressive: with one less day of selling, there were 25 percent fewer horses catalogued this year: 950 compared to 1,251. Yet 10 percent more horses (618 vs. 562) actually sold. The not-sold rate dropped from 40 to 22 percent, and an impressive 65 percent of the catalogue was sold, compared with 45 percent last year. Though last week's gross of 20.2-million guineas was still 30-percent below the 2007 figure, it was 39 percent better than last year.

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Part of the reason for this was a measurable decline in the number of lower-tier horses catalogued and sold. The attached table tells a pretty interesting story. If you take the last three days of the Foal Sale (Thu-Sat), the number sold in 2009 was 92 percent of the number sold in 2007; the gross was 76 percent of the 2007 gross, and the average was 82 percent of the 2007 average for the corresponding three days. So, for the better foals, the gross was off 24 percent (with the number sold down eight percent), and the average was off 18 percent. There's a pretty good case for saying the best three days of Tattersalls Foal Sale were off only around 20 percent from 2007, which I consider to be an extremely strong showing--keeping in mind, too, our contention that Book 2 of the Keeneland November Sale established that part of the market was down 33 percent from 2007. Neither figure would lead you to conclude the sky has fallen--for those horses, the ones people want.

The biggest losses compared to previous years were at the bottom, among the 'before-Thursday' foals, which was two days up until this year, but only one day in 2009. In that tier of the foal market, only 56 percent as many sold as in 2007; the gross plummeted by two-thirds, and the average was off 41 percent. These are the horses nobody wants, that is for sure; but it must be encouraging that two measurable tiers of the mixed sale markets (Keeneland November Book 2 and Tattersalls December Foals, last three days), were down only a third to a quarter in gross compared to the record year, 2007.

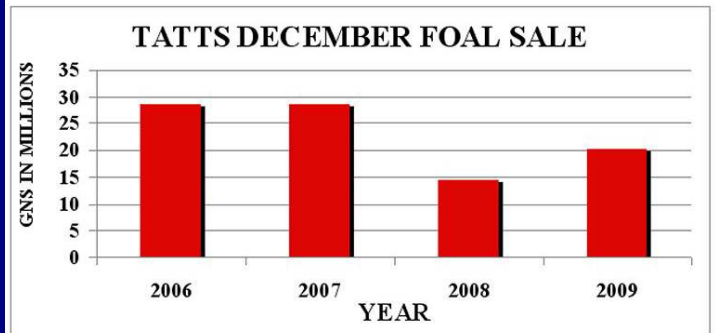
We've been seeing similar trends this week, at Tattersalls' storied 'December Mares etc.' sale. With 16 percent fewer horses catalogued on the first two days (Mon-Tue of this week), seven percent more had sold than last year. The clearance rate, of those sent through the ring, was 81 percent, versus 69 percent last year; and the clearance rate from the catalogue was 67 percent, versus 53 percent last year. The gross was up four percent from last year, the average down three percent. But these figures are relatively meaningless, because of the truly vast difference in what's been catalogued in the 'Mares' book from year to year. In 2007, during the corresponding two days (*see the Weekly Sales Ticker*), five fillies or mares sold for 3 million guineas or more (four bought by Darley), totaling 15.8-million guineas during two sessions which grossed 60.8 million. In 2006, the corresponding two days totaled 49.5-million guineas, including Magical Romance for 4.6-million guineas, and Spinning Queen, who sold for 3-million guineas.

Just as an exercise, let's say we knock out all the 3 million guineas-plus mares from 2006 and 2007--there were none in 2008 or this year. The 2006 Monday-Tuesday gross would have been 42-million guineas, and the 2007 two-day gross, without the 15.8 million in 3-million guineas mares, would have been 45-million guineas.

Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

"With one day less and 25 percent fewer catalogued than in 2008, Tattersalls' December Foal Sale last week saw a welcome 10 percent increase in the number sold. The percentage sold of those offered through the ring rose from 60 percent to 78 percent, and from those catalogued jumped from 45 percent to 65 percent -- huge improvements, and figures in those categories comparable to the record 2006-2007 years. The Foal Sale gross had plummeted from 28-million gns. in 2007 to 14-million in 2008, and rebounded this year to 20-million. Huge improvement in the clearance rate for the Mares etc. on Monday-Tuesday too."
 - Bill Oppenheim



TATTERSALLS DECEMBER FOAL SALES (IN GUINEAS)

YEAR	CAT	RING SOLD	%W/D	%R/S	%S/C	GROSS	AVE
2009	950	793	16.5%	77.9%	65.1%	20,218,700	32,716
2008	1,261	933	26.0%	60.2%	44.6%	14,549,100	25,888
2007	1,395	1,182	15.3%	63.1%	53.5%	28,684,600	38,451
2006	1,131	908	19.7%	86.5%	69.4%	28,616,000	36,454



TATTERSALLS DEC MARE SALE MON-TUE (IN GNS.)

YEAR	CAT	RING SOLD	%W/D	%R/S	%S/C	GROSS	AVE
2009	497	411	17.3%	81.0%	67.0%	26,234,500	78,782
2008	589	450	23.6%	69.1%	52.8%	25,281,300	81,290
2007	640	545	14.8%	69.4%	59.1%	60,806,500	160,864
2006	640	528	17.5%	81.1%	66.9%	49,505,000	115,666

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10/12/08 2nd Allowance (1800m) - Keeneland Polytrack
11/2/08 Gr.3 10th River City H. (1800m) - Churchill Downs Turf

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01/24/09 1st Allowance (1600m) - Gulfstream Park Turf
02/21/09 Gr.2 4th Mac Diarmida S. (2200m) - Gulfstream Park Turf
04/10/09 Gr.1 1st Maker's Mark Mile (1600m) - Keeneland Turf
05/25/09 Gr.1 11th Metropolitan H. (1600m) - Belmont Park Dirt
07/04/09 Gr.2 1st Firecracker H. (1600m) - Churchill Downs Turf
08/08/09 Gr.1 6th Arlington Million (2000m) - Arlington Park Turf
10/10/09 Gr.1 3rd Shadwell Turf Mile (1600m) - Keeneland Turf
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The average in 2006 would have been a little over 98,000 guineas; in 2007, the average without these mares would have been a little over 120,000 guineas. If we then compared 2009 to 2007, we would find the number catalogued down 22 percent, the gross down 43 percent, and the average down 35 percent. Tenuous as it may be, that 35 percent figure is not far away from the 33 percent decline from 2007 we identified in Keeneland Book 2.

We're a long way from out of the woods with all this --particularly as the profitability figures for breeders the last two years have been grim--but some of these numbers give some very important indications of just how the Thoroughbred market has acted since the record 2006-2007 years. All of the indicators have crashed since then, all in the same 12-month period (September 2008--September 2009), though not all in the same calendar year.

But three important indicators now suggest that the market for 'credible' (important adjective there) stock has fallen no more than about a third from 2006-2007 highs:

- Keeneland November Book 2 (compared to 2007): gross down 33 percent, average down 34 percent;
- Tattersalls December Foal Sale, last three days: gross down 24 percent, average down 18 percent;
- Tattersalls December Mare Sale, first two days (subtracting five 3-million guineas-plus sales): average down 35 percent (gross down more, but number catalogued also down a lot)

In any case, there is also the tenor of the sale, the buzz or lack of it in the sale ring. Basically, there was no buzz at Keeneland September, but since then all the major sales (except for the regional ones in North America) have seen clearance rates that are sometimes even higher than in 2007, and the competition for the good stuff has been something approaching fierce. And, though Darley spent over \$100 million at the yearling sales, they've been very small players as buyers at the mixed sales, as have Coolmore as well. For those who keep interminably asking the question, "what happens if," the mixed sale season has kind of hinted at the answer: the ceiling may have dropped from more than three million to two million, but there seems to once again be plenty of demand for everything up to that level. If the answer to all the questions is, prices are down a third from record 2007 levels, it looks like the market is very happy to live with that. It has also become a very lively export market, with buyers from Australia, Japan, and India especially to the fore. There's been a pretty lively feel on the sales campuses the last couple of months, in sharp contrast to the mood 12 months ago.

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HIALEAH: WORTH ROOTING FOR

There were a lot of big races run around the country last Saturday, but the most important event in Thoroughbred racing occurred when a field of seven Quarter Horses burst out of the gate a few minutes after 1 p.m. on a memorable day at Hialeah Park. Hialeah is not yet back: running Quarter Horse races with small purses in front of crowds sure to dwindle to meager numbers after the initial excitement wears off is just a first step. But it could be a major one toward what could be the most improbable comeback in Thoroughbred history. For that, everyone in Thoroughbred racing should be grateful. This place is worth rooting for.

This sport needs Hialeah. Not the Hialeah that was unveiled the other day, but a Hialeah that is once again as special, as grand and as relevant as it was back in its day.

Hialeah hadn't run in more than eight years and hadn't had a prime-time meet since the mid-eighties. So it was easy to forget what Hialeah used to be all about. It was unquestionably the most beautiful racetrack in America--a place that resonated class, charm and quality. To enjoy a day at the races there, to soak up the Florida sunshine, to witness the graceful flight of the flamingos, was unlike any other experience in horse racing.

It was where all the best eastern stables wintered, where horses like Citation, Seattle Slew, Northern Dancer, Kelso, Forego, Spectacular Bid, War Admiral, Bold Ruler and Whirlaway made stops on their way to the Hall of Fame.

"The place is beautiful and comfortable," Hialeah owner John Brunetti said just prior to Saturday's opening when asked to comment on the current shape of the facility. "Believe me--there is a charm here you can't find any place else."

What would we give to have the old Hialeah back? There are only a handful of racetracks--Saratoga, Del Mar, Keeneland--and racing days--Triple Crown events, the Breeders' Cup, any big race at Saratoga--left that can generate the type of enthusiasm for racing that seemed to be everywhere 40 or 50 years ago. Just about everything else is a Monday afternoon at Philadelphia Park--sterile and lifeless.

Hialeah, especially if it restricts its racing season to a boutique-style meet during the height of the winter season, would be the type of place that people would get excited about, the type of place where every day is an event.

It would be the type of place where horse racing would be special again. That 26,874 people would turn out the other day to watch Quarter Horses run is all you need to know about Hialeah's potential.

Horse racing doesn't have nearly enough of these kinds of places, and Florida doesn't have any.

Calder is what it is: a utilitarian racetrack that excites no one. Gulfstream Park has turned into a casino that happens to have horse racing, leaving South Florida without a palatable racetrack or a suitable venue for the Breeders' Cup. With terrible purses and sagging fan support, Florida racing has never been in worse shape.

Brunetti isn't exactly the most popular figure in horse racing, and his motives aren't necessarily pure. He never would be doing this if he didn't see a pot of gold at the end of the slot-machine rainbow. But that's okay. He is, at the very least, committed to Hialeah's rebirth, and he seems to have the will--and the resources--to pull it off. He is talking big--about having more than just a thriving racetrack.

"We are going to create and develop a destination entertainment center," he said. "We're going to make coming to Hialeah like going to Disney World or Busch Gardens or any other great entertainment destination."

A Quarter Horse meet is merely a first step, a way to show Florida politicians, local community leaders and the Thoroughbred horse racing industry that he is serious about bringing Hialeah back. In time, he plans to overcome the hurdles needed to race Thoroughbreds. But Hialeah needs to have more than what it had earlier this decade, a drab, end-of-the-season meet that was barely noticed by anyone.

The only way to do that is for Hialeah to have at least some segment of the prime dates all to itself, even if that means only a six-week, Saratoga-style meet. That won't be easy. Gulfstream and Calder have always been very protective of their dates and don't figure to willingly step aside to allow Brunetti to take over any part of the most lucrative months on the racing calendar.

Ultimately, this is the biggest obstacle to Hialeah's future success. Brunetti is hoping that his competitors will look at a bigger picture, at what's best for the sport overall.

"I think the three tracks can get together and work as a single entity and maximize everything for the public, for racing and for ourselves," he said. "I think the constant bickering and fighting has only been destructive to all of us, as shown with reduction in the handle at Calder and with the financial trouble Gulfstream has run into. It's time to think globally--what's good for all, not what's good for individuals. I'm going to fight for that. It's going to be the bedrock of my program."

It has never worked that way in Florida and probably never will, but one can always hope. Hialeah isn't just good for Hialeah, John Brunetti or even Florida racing. A healthy, prosperous Hialeah would be just about the best thing that has happened to horse racing in a long time. The sport needs to rally around this cause.

 **NORTH AMERICA** 

★ **NEW YORK** ★

Yesterday's Results:

TATE S., \$68,950, AQU, 12-2, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft.

1--**BOLD UNION**, 122, f, 3, [Dixie Union](#)--**Bold World** (GSW, \$376,710), by **Fortunate Prospect**. (\$75,000 yrl '07 KEESEP). O-George & Lori Hall; B-Stonestreet T'bred Holdings LLC (KY); T-Kelly J Breen; J-J Bravo; \$42,150. Lifetime Record: GSW, 13-6-1-2, \$356,416.

2--**Powder Princess**, 118, f, 3, [Gone West](#)--Powder, by Broad Brush. O-Virginia Kraft Payson LLC. \$14,050.

3--**Boodles**, 118, f, 3, [Mr. Greeley](#)--Tricky Laura, by Phone Trick. (\$375,000 yrl '07 KEESEP; \$700,000 2yo '08 FTFEB). O-Fox Hill Farms Inc. \$7,078.

Margins: 1 3/4, 1 1/4, HF. Odds: 1.00, 3.35, 2.55.

Bold Union ran second to Sara Louise (Malibu Moon) in the GIII Victory Ride S. in the slop at Saratoga Aug. 29, and went on to wire her rivals in the G III Endine S. at Delaware Sept. 12. A trip to Keeneland's Polytrack for the GII Thoroughbred Club of America S. Oct. 10 resulted in her fading to eighth behind divisional heavyweight Informed Decision (Monarchos), and the bay came into this contest off a third at 4-5 in the Seton Hall S. at The Meadowlands Oct. 24. Facing just four rivals here, the crowd's choice was shadowed by previously unbeaten Boodles through a half in :45.07 before shaking loose for her fourth black-type event of the year. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

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3:44p **8th-AQU, \$48K, Alw, 3yo/up, f/m, 1m70yd**
HR/TVG **SONG OF SOLOMON** ([Unbridled's Song](#)), tabbed as a **TDN Rising Star** just about a year ago, was sidelined following an allowance score at Keeneland in April. The \$525K KEESEP purchase came back to run a troubled third in an Oct. 12 optional claimer at Belmont, and has some sharp works since for trainer Tony Dutrow. [brisnet.com PPs](#)

5:25p **8th-FG, \$50K, Alw, 3yo/up, 1m40yd**
HRTV **FRIESAN FIRE** ([A.P. Indy](#)) roared through the Fair Grounds series for sophomores last winter and spring, but faltered in the slop in the GI Kentucky Derby off a seven-week break and wound up 18th as the 7-2 favorite. In what would be his final outing for trainer Larry Jones, the bay ran 10th in the GI Preakness S. May 16, and emerged from that effort with a chip in his right front, as well as a stress fracture in his left foreleg. Steve Asmussen has taken over the training duties. [brisnet.com PPs](#) *Eastern Standard Time*

7th-AQU, \$43,000, Alw, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.

NOT A PEEP (f, 3, [Successful Appeal](#)--**Silence Please, by Quiet American**), a \$75,000 FTSAUG yearling, went missing in action following a sixth-place finish in the second of two juvenile starts in July 2008. The dark bay resurfaced with a wire-job win on the Aqueduct main track Nov. 1, and was the 2-1 choice to keep up the good work here. Not a Peep emerged with the lead soon after the break, turned the corner under a full head of steam and staved off a belated bid from Submerge (Fusaichi Pegasus) to record a half-length decision. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-0, \$53,074. O-Indy Stables. B-Berkshire Stud (NY). T-Thomas M Bush.

Aqueduct to Host "Spirit of Giving" Weekend Dec. 5-6:

This Saturday and Sunday, the New York Racing Association holds its stocking stuffer promotion and "Spirit of Giving" weekend. NYRA will sell a variety of popular giveaway items for \$1 each, with all proceeds to be donated to Jamaica Hospital Medical Center. Sale items will include 2009 Alabama Stakes baseball caps, 2009 Saratoga Race Course t-shirts and 2009 Saratoga ski caps. Last year, NYRA raised \$4,000 for Jamaica Hospital through this holiday promotion and this year has pledged a \$6,000 donation. NYRA will also collect packaged food and donations for the St. Mary's Healthcare System for Children's 'Home for the Holidays' Food Drive, and new, unwrapped toys and donations for the U.S. Marines Toys for Tots campaign.

Thunder Rumble and Gigli Retire to Old Friends:

Old Friends Thoroughbred Retirement Farm in Kentucky announced yesterday that its satellite facility, Old Friends at Cabin Creek: The Bobby Frankel Division, will be the new permanent home of Bobby Frankel-trainee Gigli (Brz) and famed New York-bred stallion Thunder Rumble. The first Old Friends auxiliary farm, Cabin Creek is located just outside of Saratoga in Greenfield Center, NY, and is owned by Joann and Mark Pepper. Winner of the Jim Dandy and Travers S. in 1992, Thunder Rumble stood at Keane Stud before being pensioned from breeding in 2006. He joins Will's Way as the second Travers winner to be retired with Old Friends. The Brazilian-bred Gigli won the G1 Grande Premio Cruzeiro do Sul and G1 Grande Premio Joao Borges Filho and was second in the GI Gulfstream Park Breeders Cup H. in 2005.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the **8th Race, \$23,700 Allowance, at Calder.**
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★ EAST ★

Smooth Jazz To Stand at Ghost Ridge Farm in 2010:

Grade II-winning sprinter **Smooth Jazz** (Storm Boot--Blushing Issue, by Blushing John), sire of multiple graded stakes-winning millionaire Smooth Air, has been relocated from New York to Ghost Ridge Farm in Felton, PA for the 2010 breeding season. He will stand for a fee of \$3,500. "With the strong Pennsylvania breeding and racing program, we think Smooth Jazz is a perfect fit," said Carl McEntee, general manager of Ghost Ridge Farm. "He posted some of the best speed figures of his generation, has a sensational pedigree and now has a champion and millionaire in his first crop to race. I believe the sky is the limit for this young Storm Cat-line stallion, and we're thrilled to have him join us at Ghost Ridge Farm." Smooth Jazz will stand as the property of a syndicate.

★ SO. CALIFORNIA ★

Zenyatta to Parade at Santa Anita:

Horse of the Year candidate **Zenyatta** (Street Cry {Ire}), who was feted Sunday at Hollywood Park, will also parade on opening day of the upcoming Santa Anita meet Dec. 26. Those in attendance will receive a Zenyatta poster, and the champion mare will be honored during a winner's circle ceremony. "We are thrilled and very honored to have Zenyatta return here to Santa Anita one final time," said Santa Anita President Ron Charles. "This will



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be great for all of our fans as well. What she accomplished here in the [GI] Breeders' Cup Classic is something that none of us who witnessed it will ever forget and to have her with us as we celebrate our 75th anniversary is very special. On behalf of everyone here, we want to thank Jerry and Ann for allowing all of us to get close to her and to enjoy Zenyatta this one last time. For her to be able to return to the scene of one of the greatest moments in the history of American racing is something that I think everyone is going to cherish."

• ON THE WORKTAB •

HOLLYWOOD PARK

LAVA MAN (Slew City Slew), 6f, 1:13.60, 1/5

PALM MEADOWS

ROYAL BALLADE (Elusive Quality), 4f, :48.00, 1/4

SANTA ANITA

INTERNALLYFLAWLESS (Giant's Causeway), 4f, :48.60, 16/32

Yesterday's Results:

7th-HOL, \$54,782, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$80,000), C, 3yo/up, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:28 2/5, ft.

LIVE SUNDAYS (g, 3, High Brite--Thisisyourluckyday {SP}, by Rich Cream), a \$5,000 CTNSEP yearling, continues to be a win machine for the Charles Jenda barn. A maiden special weight winner at Golden Gate Aug. 12, the bay reeled off a pair of optional claimers there on Sept. 12 and Oct. 3, then shipped to wire a 6 1/2-furlong optional claimer at Santa Anita Nov. 4. Despite the good recent form, he was let go at 5-1 odds here--the longest price in a small four-horse field. Eager to run under Alex Solis, the gelding pulled his way through :22.81 and :45.56 fractions. He was passed by the tracking Enriched (High Brite) nearing the quarter pole, but refused to be denied and, after a stretch-long duel, asserted to win by a half-length. Lifetime Record: 9-5-2-0, \$150,976. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) O-Hajji Farm. B-Harris Farms Inc (CA). T-Charles J Jenda.

★ WEST ★

Yesterday's Results:

1st-GGX, \$34,394, Alw, Opt. Clm. (\$32,000), NW1\$X, 2yo, f, 6f (AWT), 1:11, ft.

SEEKING THE QUEEN (f, 2, Sought After--Queen of Soul, by Smokester) scored by a length in her Sept. 12 unveiling over this surface, and added a three-length tally on the local Tapeta Nov. 5. Hammered down to 1-5, the Cal-bred bay dashed away quickly from her outside post, shrugged off a persistent Washington Bridge (Yankee Gentleman) at the head of the lane and went on to defeat that filly by two lengths. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#) Lifetime Record: 3-3-0-0, \$65,620. O-Theresa & Edward DeNike. B-Miraleste Inc (CA). T-Lloyd C Mason.

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

BWANA CHARLIE (Indian Charlie), Journeyman Stud, \$8K, 47/11/0
5-FG, Alw, 1mT, B'wanagoldmine, \$7K TEX AUG yrl, 3-1

GHOSTZAPPER (Awesome Again), Adena Springs, \$200K, 80/8/0
1-WO, Msw, 1 1/16m, Spirit Flying, 7-2

GRAND REWARD (Storm Cat), Hill 'n' Dale, \$13K, 132/22/0
5-FG, Alw, 1mT, Nocknonheavensgate, \$25K KEE SEP yrl, 7-2

INDIAN OCEAN (Stormy Atlantic), Bridlewood, \$4K, 67/13/1
7-CRC, Alw, 5 1/2f, Ocean Surge, 8-1

IRISH ROAD (Unbridled's Song), 13/1/0

8-CRC, Alw, 5fT, Tony Boloney, \$2K OBS OCT wnl, 4-1

KITTEN'S JOY (El Prado {Ire}), Ramsey, \$25K, 104/16/5

1-PEN, Msw, 6f, Out of Print, \$3K EAS SEP yrl, 10-1

1-WO, Msw, 1 1/16m, Powermouse, \$45K FTK JUL yrl, 6-1

LIMEHOUSE (Grand Slam), Vinery, \$18K, 99/14/2

7-MED, Alw, 6f, Wild Lime, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 8-5

MINGUN (A.P. Indy), Lane's End, \$8K, 70/6/0

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, Rio Neches, 10-1

NORTH LIGHT (IRE) (Danehill), Adena Springs, \$50K, 67/4/1

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, North Ireland, \$17K OBS WIN yrl, 8-1

ORATORY (Pulpit), Country Life, \$5K, 59/11/0

1-PEN, Msw, 6f, Ex Temp, \$10K EAS SEP yrl, 8-5

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, +Onethreesevenbox, 12-1

PURGE (Pulpit), Vinery, \$20K, 134/11/1

1-WO, Msw, 1 1/16m, Waldheim, \$225K FTF FEB 2yo, 2-1

SAINT LIAM (Saint Ballado), Lane's End, dead, 98/12/1

5-MED, Msw, 1m, Saint Amore, \$115K OBS MAR 2yo, 2-1

SONG OF THE SWORD (Unbridled's Song), 4/0/0

1-PEN, Msw, 6f, Double Edged Sword, 5-2

ST AVERIL (Saint Ballado), MD Stallion Stn, \$6K, 25/2/0

1-PEN, Msw, 6f, +The Saint Returns, 8-5

WILDCAT HEIR (Forest Wildcat), Journeyman, \$7K, 122/35/2

8-CRC, Alw, 5fT, Convoy Ahead, \$15K OBS AUG yrl, 2-1

7-CRC, Alw, 5 1/2f, Dances With Ashley, \$125K OBS FEB 2yo, 9-5

WOKE UP DREAMIN (Holy Bull), Millennium, \$8K, 57/5/0

7-MED, Alw, 6f, Waking Up, \$11K OBS APR 2yo, 7-2

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, Dec. 3

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

BLACK MAMBO (Kingmambo), Bridlewood, \$5K, 121/42/1

3-AQU, Stk, 6f, Big Push, \$45K OBS APR 2yo, 5-1

3-AQU, Stk, 6f, African King, \$35K ESM AY 2yo, 9-5

DOMESTIC DISPUTE (Unbridled's Song), Northview, \$5K, 157/37/0

5-HOL, Stk, 1mT, Life by R R, \$150K OBS MAR 2yo

EVEN THE SCORE (Unbridled's Song), Millennium, \$9K, 173/50/4

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, +Hey Mack, \$47K OBS AUG yrl, 8-1

JOHAR (Gone West), Mill Ridge, \$20K, 105/37/1

3-AQU, Stk, 6f, Brother Keith, \$150K KEE SEP yrl, 2-1

PEACE RULES (Jules), Vinery, \$15K, 188/83/4

5-HOL, Stk, 1mT, Spirit Seeker

SAARLAND (Unbridled), Darby Dan, dead, 150/35/1

7-FG, Msw, 1mT, +Mighty Elk, 12-1

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

3rd-AQU, \$43,000, NW1X, (S), 2yo, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft.

MAGIC TIGER (c, 2, Hold That Tiger--Abby

Curestheblues, by Cure the Blues) Lifetime Record:

5-2-0-0, \$58,144. O-James C Donnan. B-Peter Moore & Michael Williams (NY). T-Steven M Asmussen.

*\$7,000 wlng '07 FTMDEC; \$38,000 yrl '08 FTMOCT; \$55,000 2yo '09 OBSAPR.

5th-PEN, \$41,760, 12-1, NW1X, 3yo/up, 4 1/2f, :51, ft.

THIRD AND LONG (c, 4, Duckhorn--Subtle Terms, by

Private Terms) Lifetime Record: 9-4-1-0, \$72,270.

O/T-Samuel E Webb. B-Xanthus Farms Inc (PA).

4th-PEN, \$38,000, 12-1, Opt. Clm. (\$14,000), NW2X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 1/5, ft.

EAST BREAKS (f, 3, Flatter--The Real Thing, by Capote)

Lifetime Record: 15-5-4-2, \$168,132. O-Joseph Strazzanti & Gary Randolph. B-Dr & Mrs R Smiser West (KY). T-Mark Shuman. *\$9,500 2yo '08 KEEJAN;

\$25,000 2yo '08 TEXMAR.

2nd-DED, \$37,000, NW2L, (S), 2yo, 7f, 1:27 4/5, ft.

REDSUGAR (g, 2, Laabity--Sugarred, by Gift of Gib)

Lifetime Record: 5-2-1-1, \$53,635. O/B-Chad White (LA). T-Frank Trosclair.

8th-HAW, \$27,500, NW1X, (S), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:12, ft.

JUMP 'IEN (g, 5, Jump Start--Taureau Chien, by Thun-

der Gulch) Lifetime Record: 37-6-6-7, \$130,210.

O-Ronald J Armstrong. B-T/C Stable (IL). T-D Kelly Ackerman.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

You Are Current, f, 2, Alex's Pal--She's Unreal, by

Unreal Zeal. PEN, 12-2, (C), 6f, 1:12 4/5. B-Shade

Tree Thoroughbreds Inc (FL). *\$2,500 yrl '08

OBSAUG. **1/2 to Incredible Bulk (Strike the Anvil),

SW, \$148,985.

Keen Court, g, 2, Doneraile Court--Lillian's Pearl, by

Deputy Commander. MNR, 12-1, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:08.

B-Katy Cowan (KY). *\$3,000 wlng '07 KEENOV.

Embrace Change, f, 2, Hook and Ladder--

Lightmywayhome, by Hansel. AQU, 12-2, (S), 1m

(off turf), 1:40 4/5. B-Lois Engel (NY). *\$24,000

RNA yrl '08 FTNAUG; \$50,000 2yo '09 OBSAPR.

**MSP.

Cho's Bro, c, 2, Macho Uno--Ex Libris, by Exbourne.

MNR, 12-1, 6f, 1:14. B-Harold L Queen (FL).

No More Travellin', f, 2, Successful Appeal--Never Left,

by Seattle Slew. HOL, 12-2, (C), 6 1/2f (AWT),

1:16 3/5. B-Jayeff B Stables (KY). *\$50,000 yrl '08

KEESEP.



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Driven by Solar, c, 3, **Freud--Solar Song**, by Fly So Free. AQU, 12-2, (S), 6f, 1:11. B-Linda Handford (NY). *\$4,200 yrl '07 FTNYRG; \$120,000 2yo '08 OBSJUN. **Won by 10 1/2 lengths.

Reno Jane, g, 3, **Quaker Ridge--Ms. Jane** (SP), by Cure the Blues. HAW, 12-2, (S), 6f, 1:11 4/5. B-Sharon Kirby (IL).

Bag Tosser, f, 3, **Touch Gold--Spring Morning**, by Mr. Prospector. HAW, 12-2, 6f, 1:12. B-Suarez Racing Inc & Muirfield Insurance (KY). *\$40,000 yrl '07 KEESEP.

Red Door Drive, c, 4, **Sky Mesa--Sheza Nasty Lady** (SW, \$109,360), by Sandpit (Brz). HOL, 12-2, (C), 1 1/16m (AWT), 1:43 3/5. B-Cloyce Clark Jr (KY). *\$55,000 RNA yrl '06 FTKJUL; \$110,000 2yo '07 BESMAR.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Marseille-Borely, 13.05, 12-2, €26,000, 2yo, 1 1/4mT, 2:09.19, vsf.

MAMBO STAR (FR) (c, 2, Okawango--Saskya's Dream {Ire}, by Ashkalani {Ire}) Lifetime Record: 6 starts, 2 wins, 3 places, €25,850. O-Antoine Capozzi, Sarl Winning Bloodstock Agency, Ecurie Formen & Haras du Saubouas; B-Haras d'Etreham & Mme R Ades, Mme P Ades-Hazan; T-P Khozian. *€12,000 RNA yrl '08 ARQAUG.

FRANCE, Marseille-Borely, 14.10, 12-2, €26,000, 3yo, 1 5/16mT, 2:12.27, vsf.

ROCKAWANGO (FR) (c, 3, Okawango--Janou la Belle {Fr}, by Shining Steel {GB}) Lifetime Record: 19 starts, 5 wins, 10 places, €76,350. O-Mme Henriette Comelli Pauget & Marc Pimbonnet; B-Earl Haras du Camp Benard; T-Marc Pimbonnet. *1/2 to Rock of Cashel (Fr) (Mujadil), MSW-Fr, \$129,727.

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FRANCE, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 15.25, 12-1, €25,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/4m (AWT), 2:04.60, stn.

BON GRAIN (FR) (c, 4, Muhtathir {GB}--Such is Life {Fr}, by Akarad {Fr}) Lifetime Record: GSP-Fr, 22 starts, 4 wins, 11 places, €115,100. O/B-Lucien Bermond; T-Jean-Jacques Napoli. *1/2 to Last Empress (Fr) (Dernier Empereur), MSW-Fr, \$133,874.

FRANCE, Cagnes-sur-Mer, 12.50, 12-1, €17,000, 3yo, 1 1/2m (AWT), 2:37.77, stn.

ENREVE (FR) (g, 3, Enrique {GB}--Oa Chereve {Fr}, by Kaldounevees {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 10 starts, 2 wins, 7 places, €31,750. O-Joseph Alonso; B-Mme F Alonso & J Alonso; T-Jean-Marc Capitte.

ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lord Fidelio (Ire), g, 3, **Xaar (GB)--Rekindled Affair (Ire)**, by Rainbow Quest. Kempton Park, Britain, 12-2, Mdn, 3-5yo, 7f (AWT). B-G S A Bloodstock Ptl Ltd. *57,000gns wnlg '04 TATDEC. **1/2 to Where We Left Off (GB) (Dr Devious {Ire}), GSW-US, \$291,039; and Rekindled Applause (GB) (Royal Applause {GB}), MSP-Ity, \$151,741.