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The road to the GI Florida Derby—and perhaps the GI Kentucky Derby—begins in earnest Saturday with the \$150,000 GIII Holy Bull S. Contested around two turns 19 times in its last 20 renewals, the Holy Bull will be a one-turn affair in 2010. Probables include GI Champagne S. winner **Homeboykris** (Roman Ruler), Calder star **Jackson Bend** (Hear No Evil), MGISP **Aikenite** (Yes It's True) and **"TDN Rising Star"** **Winslow Homer** (Unbridled's Song). **Litigation Risk** (Closing Argument), **Piscitelli** (Victory Gallop), **William's Kitten** (Kitten's Joy) and **Thank U Philippe** (Proud Accolade) are also probable. Rick Violette, who trains Litigation Risk, hopes the track will be fast Saturday, as his colt was a distant fourth in the slop in the GIII Delta Jackpot Dec. 4 in his most recent start. "At Delta Downs, the racetrack was water on top of a hard bottom," Violette told *Daily Racing Form*. "He broke like he was going to go somewhere and then disappeared after a half a dozen jumps. He just didn't handle it." Litigation made two starts before the Delta Jackpot, finishing second in the mud at Belmont Sept. 12 on debut and going gate-to-wire to break his maiden at Big Sandy Oct. 25 in his lone start over a fast track. Listed as possible for the Holy Bull are **Callide Valley** (Indian Charlie), **Peppi Knows** (Stephen Got Even) and **Wild Lime** (Lime House).

2010 ROAD TO THE CLASSICS

DATE	RACE	TRACK
Jan. 23	GIII Holy Bull S. GIII Lecomte S.	Gulfstream Fair Grounds
Jan. 30	WEBN S.	Turfway
Feb. 6	GII Robert B. Lewis S. Whirlaway S.	Santa Anita Aqueduct
Feb. 13	GIII Sam F. Davis S.	Tampa Bay
Feb. 15	GIII Southwest S.	Oaklawn
Feb. 20	GII F-T Fountain of Youth S. GIII Risen Star S. GIII El Camino Real Derby Turf Paradise Derby	Gulfstream Fair Grounds Golden Gate Turf Paradise

NO TURF RACING FOR MEYDAN OPENER

Dubai's Meydan Racecourse will not offer turf racing on its inaugural night, set for Thursday, Jan. 28, and has reduced the number of grass races scheduled prior to World Cup night from 23 to 14, according to *Racing Post*.



Artist's rendition of Meydan meydan.ae

The Dubai Racing Club has made no formal announcement, but is reportedly looking to avoid stress on Meydan's new sod, which was grown offsite before being laid down in September. The turf course sits outside of the Meydan's synthetic Tapeta surface. *Racing Post* said that Meydan's Feb. 18 card will also be conducted sans turf racing, with five cards scheduled for two grass races apiece. The Meydan Masters meeting on Friday, Mar. 5, will have three turf races, as will the World Cup night on Saturday, Mar. 27.



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Godolphin Buys Tahitian Warrior...

Godolphin has acquired impressive three-year-old maiden winner **Tahitian Warrior** (Maria's Mon) for an undisclosed sum, *Daily Racing Form* reports. Previously owned by Frank Calabrese and trained by Dan Miller, the gelding dueled for the early lead and opened up in the stretch to graduate by 4 3/4 lengths on debut at Gulfstream Jan. 3. "I usually buy horses, not sell them, so it was an extremely tough decision for me to sell this horse, especially after a performance like that," Calabrese told *DRF*. "But he is a gelding, and at some point you have to make a business decision, especially when receiving the kind of offer we got for this horse." According to the trade daily, the sophomore is currently in Kieran McLaughlin's barn at Palm Meadows, but will soon join Godolphin's string in Dubai.

Good Grief! Uptowncharlybrown to Sam F. Davis...

Undefeated **Uptowncharlybrown** (Limehouse), a six-length winner of Saturday's Pasco S. at Tampa Bay Downs, has been pointed toward the Feb. 13 Gill Sam F. Davis S., *Daily Racing Form* has revealed. "I told [jockey] Danny [Centeno] to keep him rolling a bit after the finish," trainer Alan Seawald said the colt's performance in the Pasco. "He's really a two-turn horse and we want to keep longer distances in mind whenever he runs. I caught him going the mile in 1:37 and change, which over that racetrack is a solid time." Owner Fantasy Lane Stable plans to retain the chestnut, despite having received multiple offers. "Yeah, the phone's been ringing, but the partners are pretty firm at this point that they want to go on and see if we don't have a horse that can be in the big picture," the trainer added.

UPCOMING MAJOR NORTH AMERICAN STAKES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Race</u>	<u>Track</u>
Jan. 23	GII Palos Verdes H.	SA
	GIII Holy Bull S.	GP
	GIII Lecomte S.	FG
	GIII Col. E.R. Bradley H.	FG
Jan. 24	GII San Marcos S.	SA
Jan. 30	GIII John B. Connally BC Turf H.	HOU
Jan. 31	GI Santa Monica H.	SA
	GII Forward Gal S.	GP

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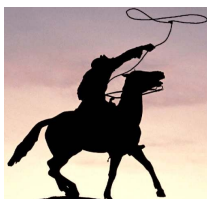
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RACING Round-Up

Violette Hopes Rest Will Pay Dividends for 'Bulls'...

Bulls and Bears (Holy Bull), a first-out winner at Belmont last July before finishing fifth later that month in the GII Sanford S. after ducking out at the start, is back on the worktab, *Daily Racing Form* reports. Trainer Rick Violette told the publication illness sidetracked the colt, forcing him to conclude his two-year-old season after just two starts. "He got real sick on me and the bottom just fell out," Violette told *DRF*. "I had to give him six weeks off after Saratoga. We're still a ways away with him right now."



NEWS TODAY

OBS CATALOGUES 160 FOR FEBRUARY A total of 160 head have been catalogued for the Ocala Breeders' Sales Company's February Selected Sale of Two-Year-Olds in Training, which will be held Feb. 16 in Ocala, Florida. Among the freshman sires represented by their first juveniles are Grade I winners Aragorn (Ire) (Giant's Causeway), Artie Schiller (El Prado {Ire}), Bandini (Fusaichi Pegasus), Bellamy Road (Concerto), Bernardini (A.P. Indy), Bluegrass Cat (Storm Cat), First Samurai (Giant's Causeway), Flower Alley (Distorted Humor), Henny Hughes (Hennessy), Imperialism (Langfuhr), Pomeroy (Boundary), and Silver Train (Old Trieste). The catalogue is available online at www.obssales.com.

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Saturday, Santa Anita

PALOS VERDES-GII, \$150,000, 6f (AWT)

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Dancing in Silks	Black Minnaloushe	Rosario	Gaines	123
2 Ez Dreamer	In Excess (Ire)	Solis	Owens	116
3 M One Rifle	One Man Army	Smith	Headley	120
4 Paul's Hope	Lake Austin	Espinoza	Hollendorfer	115
5 Eaton's Gift	Johannesburg	T Baze	Mitchell	117
6 Quietly Mine	Belong to Me	Gomez	Carava	113
7 Supreme Summit	Cactus Ridge	Bejarano	O'Neill	114
8 Kinsale King	Yankee Victor	M'tin. Garcia	O'Callahan	116
9 Ventana	Toccet	Talamo	Baffert	113

Saturday, Fair Grounds

LECOMTE S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 1m40yd

PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Maximus Ruler	Roman Ruler	Torres	Hanna	120
2 Turf Melody	Maria's Mon	Valdivia Jr	Motion	122
3 Worldly	A.P. Indy	Albarado	McGee	116
4 Depaul	Dixieland Band	Sellers	Asmussen	116
5 Citrus Kid	Lemon Drop Kid	Mena	Terranova	122
6 Callide Valley	Indian Charlie	Lanerie	Kenneally	120
7 B'wanagoldmine	Bwana Charlie	Martin Jr	Pish	120
8 Letsgetitonmon	Maria's Mon	Bridgmohan	Asmussen	116
9 Cool Bullet	Red Bullet	Hernandez Jr	Margolis	122
10 Rock Hard	Menifee	Theriot	Barnett	118
11 Ron the Greek	Full Mandate	Graham	Amoss	116

Saturday, Fair Grounds

COLONEL E. R. BRADLEY H.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up,

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PP HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1 Tend	Dynaformer	Agilar	Stall Jr	116
2 Tybalt	Storm Cat	Valenzuela	Stidham	115
3 Get Rich Quick	Seeking the Gold	Mena	Pierce	118
4 El Caballo	El Corredor	Albarado	Nicks	121
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**FROM THE DESK
OF...**

Bill Oppenheim



RATING SIRE

This is a very thorny subject, one which readers will be aware we spend a good deal of time thinking about, trying to interpret the information that is available. As we all know, progeny earnings lists are the accepted standard, but more because we can understand them than because they are necessarily the best way to discover who are the top sires. They are very useful tools, but it would be a brave person who would be prepared to defend progeny earnings lists as the best indicator of the top sires. A table of stud fees would be far more accurate.

There isn't even really universal agreement about what constitutes the right progeny earnings tables--speaking of North America now. I discovered this when I stumbled into the blogosphere after my column discussing inbreeding to Northern Dancer (Consensus: That ship has already sailed. Most analysts have already recognized this inbreeding as a non-issue and have incorporated that into their thinking) a couple of weeks ago. Progeny earnings tables were a hot topic in the blogosphere at that time, because the year-end tables had just come out. Generally, the *Blood-Horse* magazine's leading sire list (nicknamed "the General Sire List") is recognized as the standard, but, as some commentators have pointed out, that list includes the earnings of North American sires overseas, particularly in Dubai. The *Daily Racing Form* publishes a list covering North American racing only (so does not include the earnings of North American sires outside North America, as I understand it), while the *Thoroughbred Times* runs a list that recognizes all earnings everywhere, including Japan and Hong Kong, as well as Dubai.

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Third stakes win for talented Thunder Gulch filly

Shotgun Gulch won the **Dixie Belle Stakes-L.R.** at Oaklawn Park on 15th Jan.

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I consider the *Blood-Horse* list to be the industry standard, both the most widely used and the most defensible in terms of its intellectual soundness plus practical application. I definitely want European runners by North American sires to be included in whatever statistics I'm analyzing and, as far as Dubai is concerned, the scale of the purses is not out of proportion to the rest of North American racing. It's a big payday, sure, but they're "real" dollars, so I think they should be counted. The problem with both the *Daily Racing Form* method and the *Thoroughbred Times* method is they may be intellectually "purer," but, practically, their application doesn't really work. Restricting it only to North American racing doesn't reflect how lots of sires are rated in the marketplace; and the problem with the *Thoroughbred Times* method can be illustrated by referring to the table of "APEX Earnings Thresholds 2003-2009." We're taking the exact same percentile earnings bands--top two percent of starters in a year for A Runners--in each country or jurisdiction. The top two percent of runners in North America in 2009 earned \$107,370 or more; in Japan, the top two percent earned \$506,270 or more! The only way I can see those earnings integrated into a meaningful earnings list would be to multiply Japanese earnings by 20 or 25 percent, and then add that figure in--then they would be the equivalent of US dollars earned in North America. But we can't do that because the 20-25 percent multiples are not actual earnings, but adjusted. For that reason I think it's better to leave earnings in places like Japan and Hong Kong out of the North American leading sire calculations.

Having said I use the *Blood-Horse* list, and approve of including earnings in Dubai, that also illustrates one of the biggest problems with both progeny-earnings lists and with the cumulative average-earnings index, which calculates and indexes, as its name implies, average earnings per runner: inflation of the sire's ranking due to one huge earner. Tiznow ranked fourth on the *Blood-Horse's* 2009 General Sire List, with 2009 progeny earnings a little over \$9.2 million. But almost 40 percent of his earnings last year came via Well Armed's \$3.6-million payday in running away with the G1 Dubai World Cup. Without that win, Tiznow's progeny would have earned \$5.6 million in 2009, still good enough for 20th on the General Sire List (which I imagine is around where he is on the *Daily Racing Form's* 2009 Sire List), but definitely nowhere near the top four.



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The same thing happens to an average-earnings index: With 165 runners in 2009, Well Armed's win added \$21,818 to Tiznow's average earnings per runner in 2009. Don't get me wrong: Tiznow is a very good sire, as his \$75,000 stud fee attests. He ranked number three on the 2008 General Sire List, when Well Armed didn't win the Dubai World Cup. But he's flattered by his fourth-place ranking in 2009.

To give you as short a version as possible, APEX ratings are calculated over a moving seven-year span, each year dropping off the eighth one back and adding in the most current one, so these figures cover racing 2003-2009 in the seven countries in which APEX ratings are assigned. They combine into five jurisdictions that count earnings in three regions: North America (U.S. and Canada, counted together), Europe (Great Britain and Ireland, counted together), France, Germany) and Japan. In each jurisdiction, we calculate the earnings for the top two percent of runners (A Runners); the next two percent of runners (B Runners); the next four percent of runners (C Runners); and then we combine them into an index also for the top eight percent of runners (ABC Runners). These are also used to calculate "age ratings."

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An index is very simple: 1.00 equals average, so if a sire has two percent A Runners to runners, his A Runner Index is 1.00; if he has four percent A Runners to runners, his index is 2.00; if he has one percent, his index is 0.50; and so on. The earnings thresholds for these categories in each of the seven years can be seen in the accompanying table. Interestingly, the amount required to become an A Runner has actually declined in North America since 2003. The amount is only slightly up in Great Britain/Ireland (and is down there for B and C Runners), but is way up--by almost 50 percent--in France, which may explain why a lot of Europeans want to be racing in France right now.

Besides providing age ratings and being able to measure the frequency (or consistency) with which sires produce top-eight-percent earners, (not spiked by one huge earner) another big plus of APEX ratings is that we avoid the whole 'total progeny earnings' debate. Either they were in the top two percent, or the top eight percent, wherever they're racing, or they weren't. That enables us to make meaningful comparisons among sires that operate in different languages and on different continents.

How Times Have Changed...

When we compiled the APEX ratings this time five years ago--at the end of the 2004 season, seven stallions had APEX A Runner indexes of 4.20 or higher (8.40 percent of runners 1998-2004): A.P. Indy; the five Northern Dancer-line sires Storm Cat, Danzig, Sadler's Wells, Nureyev, and Danehill; and the up-and-coming Distorted Humor. Five years ago, there were seven at 4.20; now, at the end of 2009, there is only one, A.P. Indy. There were 20 sires with A Runner indexes of 3.00 or higher at the end of 2004; now there are 10, and six of those are in their 20s. Either the top sires of the recent past were true greats, and that much better than the top sires today, or, more likely, the doubling of book sizes and sires' annual foal crops beginning around 1995 diluted the quality of what was bred to them so markedly that you can see it in these statistics. I know which way I'm betting: class is a pyramid, so there just can't be that many good mares to go around. **Cont. p7**

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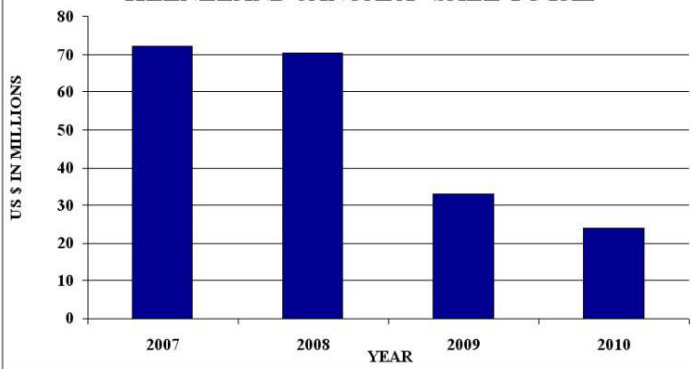
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Weekly Sales Ticker
by Bill Oppenheim

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- Bill Oppenheim

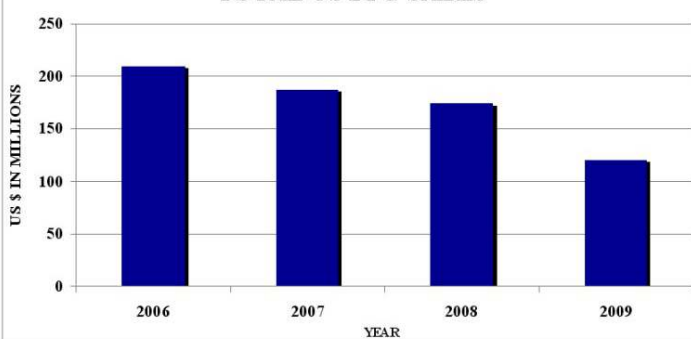
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YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%R/S	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2010	1,753	1,345	982	23.3%	73.0%	56.0%	\$23,895,100	\$24,333
2009	2,379	1,712	1,338	28.0%	78.2%	56.2%	\$32,824,000	\$24,532
2008	2,548	1,757	1,493	31.0%	85.0%	58.6%	\$70,446,000	\$47,184
2007	2,933	2,411	1,862	17.8%	77.2%	63.5%	\$72,329,100	\$38,845

TOTAL US 2YO SALES



TOTAL US 2YO SALES

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%R/S	%S/C	GROSS	AVE
2009	4,334	3,086	1,985	28.8%	64.3%	45.8%	\$119,461,100	\$60,182
2008	4,580	3,501	2,204	23.6%	63.0%	48.1%	\$173,844,000	\$78,877
2007	4,887	3,749	2,288	23.3%	61.0%	46.8%	\$187,449,400	\$81,927
2006	4,527	3,621	2,324	20.0%	64.2%	51.3%	\$209,755,600	\$90,256

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



Oppenheim cont.

Ultimately, from a business point of view, it doesn't matter if the ratings for the top sires have declined or not, or why they might have declined. What matters is, if the margin between the top tier of sires and the next tiers has narrowed, the difference in stud fees should narrow, too. That has probably happened, though more as a byproduct of the suppression of stud fees due to the market crash than because stallion owners and managers said to themselves, "Hmmm. My top sire isn't as far ahead of his contemporaries as used to be the case, so I'll make sure his price is only two or three times the stud fee of a \$50,000 stallion instead of five or six times." But whether conscious or (much more likely) unconscious and due to market forces, the current tiering of stud fees probably does reflect the narrowing of the "top sire class gap."

Of the 1,107 sires assigned APEX ratings for the seven-year stretch 2003-2009, there were about 630 that had at least 100 year-starters (Birdstone, with 92, is excepted and is included on this list), and that were under 20 years old). Amazingly, I thought, nearly 200 are in their 20s (but sires are rated until they've had their final crop of 10+ three-year-olds, so a fair few of those will have died).

In looking at the numbers for those 630 sires, two things struck me. First, I was paying more attention to their ABC indexes than maybe I had in the past; but second, and ultimately the critical conclusion I came to, is that I think we can categorize "worthwhile" sires in three categories. For discussion purposes, I've nick-named them "Group 1," "Group 2," and "Group 3" sires. There are 89 of them in all--18 in Group 1, 30 in Group 2, and 39 in Group 3.



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Keep in mind that an ABC Runner Index of 1.00 equates to eight percent of runners. As I said, I found myself paying more attention to that number. Something like 25 of the top sires have A Runner Indexes between 2.40-3.00; it makes them somewhat more interchangeable than used to be the case. So I considered that ABC Runners can also be described as horses that "pay their way." In a time when you maybe can't distinguish between one sire and another so clearly as was the case a decade or two ago, the fact that a sire is more or less effective at getting runners that pay their way becomes a more important factor in the rating equation. At least that's the way I looked at it.

So here's how it shook out. I wouldn't consider a sire for inclusion on this list if his ABC Index was under 1.38, which is 11 percent of runners. An index of 1.50 is 12 percent, 1.75 is 14 percent, and 2.00 is 16 percent of runners. Lemon Drop Kid has a 2.48 ABC Index, which is 19.84 percent (145) of his 731 year-starters. So it looks like 20 percent is about the current top. Galileo has a 2.42 ABC Index (19.36 percent); by comparison, A.P. Indy's 2003-2009 ABC Index is 2.96--23.68 percent of runners, so I guess we should assume that 24 (3.00) or 25 (3.13) percent is the "old top."

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There are more caveats and qualifications--I haven't stuck strictly to my own category boundaries, and it's especially important not to go overboard on sires with high ratings when they had their first-three-year-olds (indexes usually fall the more runners they have)--but here are the three broad categories into which I think the worthiest sires now fall:

Group 1 (18 sires, of which 14 had 300+ year-starters, and four did not): A Runner Indexes of 2.50+ (five percent of runners), plus ABC Runner Indexes of 2.00+ (16 percent of runners)

Group 2 (30 sires, 20 with 300+ year-starters, 10 with under 300): A Runner Indexes of 2.00+ (four percent of runners), plus ABC Runner Indexes of 1.50+ (12 percent of runners)

Group 3 (39 sires, 27 with 300+ year-starters, 12 with under 300): A Runner Indexes of 1.50+ (three percent of runners), plus ABC Runner Indexes of at least 1.38 (11 percent of runners)

I did note there are three North American sires in Group 1 with exceptionally high two-year-old indexes, yet relatively low stud fees, compared to others in their group, and I have marked those in red on the table: City Zip (2.96 ABC Index for two-year-olds); Successful Appeal (3.29); and D'wildcat (3.47). There are two European sires with similar two-year-old ratings in Group 2, but their stud fees aren't so low: Danehill Dancer (3.05) and Invincible Spirit (2.89).

It's important to remember what APEX ratings are designed to tell us, and what they're not designed to tell us. This is one of many ways to assess sires and, though the system has theoretical shortcomings--A Runners, for example, are listed standard and above, whereas some might contend there should be a higher cutoff point--I've always been amazed how well the indexes work at predicting horses like Smart Strike, who had top-level figures from the word go, even when he was standing for \$35,000.

Because each sire is rated with 17 different indexes (including class, age and region), the figures also enable us to construct more of a profile of sires than can be done with a single statistic. Ultimately, though, all these statistics are just part of the puzzle, just as speed figures are only part of the puzzle of picking winners. Rational, pragmatic interpretation of statistics invariably provides us with a fuller picture than if we just pick out one number, or one rating, and hang our hats on it as if this is the One and Only answer. Moreover, times have changed. Things aren't the way they used to be. My view is that the APEX figures are now showing that. The table of 89 I've proposed for examination is my take on the stallion landscape we're seeing now.

Meanwhile, technical wizard Robert Williams has posted the new 2003-2009 ratings for 1,107 sires with 10+ foals of 2006 on the TDN website. Click [here](#) to view the entire table. **Cont. p9**

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Oppenheim cont.

POSTSCRIPT: Among the big winners at Monday night's Eclipse Awards: Darley and the Maktoum family. Though they didn't stand him when she was sired, they now stand Medaglia d'Oro, sire of Horse of the Year Rachel Alexandra, as well as Street Cry, sire of the only other finalist, Zenyatta. Also, Godolphin's U.S. operation was named Outstanding Owner. Congratulations to all the winners, and commiserations to the Mosses, runners-up for Horse of the Year and Leading Owner, even though they got my vote. Zenyatta still broke Personal Ensign's record! Let's hope those two stars do meet on the racetrack in 2010, now that Zenyatta stays in training.

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APEX EARNINGS THRESHOLDS 2003-2009 (in US\$)

A RUNNERS top 2%

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2009	107,370	87,814	98,113	58,465	506,275
2008	111,303	96,887	98,810	64,348	455,511
2007	112,280	92,433	92,582	57,554	382,477
2006	106,919	87,316	84,833	58,042	413,515
2005	105,200	88,632	84,341	52,705	478,824
2004	106,674	93,426	76,147	50,817	473,727
2003	109,050	83,306	65,883	47,323	465,604
	-2%	5%	49%	24%	9%

B RUNNERS next 2%

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2009	76,728	48,816	67,102	34,162	336,355
2008	79,300	52,610	71,736	35,547	324,139
2007	79,000	53,392	66,728	32,678	265,438
2006	75,770	55,316	59,353	33,838	288,980
2005	73,221	52,082	56,375	29,709	319,073
2004	75,065	53,960	56,319	35,779	311,236
2003	76,294	51,898	48,264	30,115	311,430
	1%	-6%	39%	13%	8%

C RUNNERS next 4%

	NA	GB/IR	FR	GER	JPN
2009	51,880	26,424	46,396	20,039	215,288
2008	53,492	30,067	48,126	20,854	192,817
2007	53,360	30,053	46,207	18,589	174,822
2006	50,800	30,831	41,160	18,257	181,137
2005	49,926	30,941	38,313	17,152	198,534
2004	50,740	32,532	38,500	18,364	197,715
2003	51,190	30,234	33,102	17,572	194,388
	1%	-13%	40%	14%	8%

BRIS Speed Ratings Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Understatement	Distorted Humor	Evening Attire S.	112
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Uptowncharlybrown	Limehouse	Pasco S.	94
On My Dime	Mizzen Mast	Cotton Fitzsimmons Mile H.	93
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Shotgun Gulch	Thunder Gulch	Dixie Belle S.	93
Pretty Unusual	Unusual Heat	El Encino S.-G2	92
Quiet Harbor	Silver Deputy	Marshua's River S.	92
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Conveyance	Indian Charlie	San Rafael S.-G3	90
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SIRE	ST	1st Fls	'09 ABC's	2010 Fee
GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	KY	2002	59	100,000
DISTORTED HUMOR	KY	2000	50	100,000
GALILEO	IR	2003	49	Private
DANEHILL DANCER	IR	1999	44	Private
SMART STRIKE	KY	1998	41	75,000
A.P. INDY	KY	1994	37	150,000
CAPE CROSS	IR	2001	37	35,000
LEMON DROP KID	KY	2002	37	35,000
OASIS DREAM	GB	2005	37	65,000
DYNAFORMER	KY	1991	36	150,000
LANGFUHR	KY	1999	36	17,500
MONTJEU	IR	2002	36	Private
SYMBOLI KRIS S.	JP	2005	36	Japan
UNBRIDLED'S SONG	KY	1998	36	115,000
ELUSIVE QUALITY	KY	2000	35	75,000
FUSAICHI PEGASUS	KY	2002	35	15,000
MEDGALIA D'ORO	KY	2006	34	100,000
PIVOTAL	GB	1998	34	65,000
AGNES TACHYON	JP	1998	33	Dead
FUJI KISEKI	JP	1996	33	Japan
NOT FOR LOVE	MD	1997	33	20,000
STORMY ATLANTIC	KY	2000	33	35,000
PULPIT	KY	1999	31	60,000
VICTORY GALLOP	Turkey	2001	31	N/A
MANHATTAN CAFÉ	JP	2004	30	Japan

2005 = 1st 4yo's 2009

2006 = 1st 3yo's 2009

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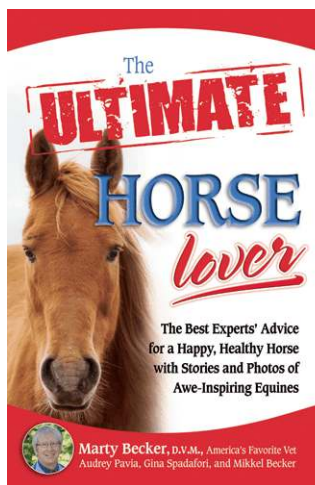
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SIRE	1st YR	HIS SIRE	Foals	ST	TOT Rnrs	TOT A's	TOT A Index	TOT ABC's	ABC Index	2010 Fee
Group 1 Sires, 300+ Year-Starters, by 2003-2009 A Runner Index										
GALILEO	1998	SADLER'S WELLS	2003	IR	702	53	3.77	136	2.42	Private
SMART STRIKE	1992	MR. PROSPECTOR	1998	KY	1265	85	3.36	216	2.13	75000
LEMON DROP KID	1996	KINGMAMBO	2002	KY	731	48	3.28	145	2.48	35000
UNBRIDLED'S SONG	1993	UNBRIDLED	1998	KY	1213	72	2.97	197	2.03	115000
GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	1997	STORM CAT	2002	KY	1271	74	2.91	209	2.06	100000
OASIS DREAM	2000	GREEN DESERT	2005	GB	396	23	2.90	64	2.02	65000
AWESOME AGAIN	1994	DEPUTY MINISTER	2000	KY	904	51	2.82	155	2.14	50000
MONTJEU	1996	SADLER'S WELLS	2002	IR	945	53	2.80	148	1.96	Private
DISTORTED HUMOR	1993	FORTY NINER	2000	KY	1260	70	2.78	238	2.36	100000
STREET CRY	1998	MACHIARELLIAN	2004	KY	413	23	2.78	66	2.00	150000
CITY ZIP	1998	CARSON CITY	2003	KY	539	29	2.69	88	2.04	10000
PIVOTAL	1993	POLAR FALCON	1998	GB	1073	57	2.66	200	2.33	65000
PULPIT	1994	A.P. INDY	1999	KY	966	48	2.48	159	2.06	60000
SUCCESSFUL APPEAL	1996	VALID APPEAL	2002	KY	458	21	2.29	75	2.05	17500

Group 1 Sires, Under 300 Year-Starters &/or 1st Foals '05-06

DALAKHANI	2000	DARSHAAN	2005	IR	200	16	4.00	30	1.88	50000
D'WILDCAT	1998	FOREST WILDCAT	2005	FL	161	12	3.73	34	2.64	10000
SPEIGHTSTOWN	1998	GONE WEST	2006	KY	167	15	4.49	37	2.77	35000
MEDAGLIA D'ORO	1999	EL PRADO	2006	KY	197	12	3.05	39	2.47	100000

Group 2' Sires, 300+ Year-Starters, Alphabetically

BERNSTEIN	1997	STORM CAT	2002	KY	556	29	2.61	67	1.51	25000
CAPE CROSS	1994	GREEN DESERT	2001	IR	1050	43	2.05	140	1.67	35000
DANEHILL DANCER	1993	DANEHILL	1999	IR	1391	76	2.73	185	1.66	Private
DANSILI	1996	DANEHILL	2002	GB	847	42	2.48	127	1.87	65000
DIXIE UNION	1997	DIXIELAND BAND	2002	KY	727	30	2.06	87	1.50	35000
E DUBAI	1998	MR. PROSPECTOR	2004	KY	359	18	2.51	53	1.85	10000
EXCHANGE RATE	1997	DANZIG	2003	KY	398	23	2.89	55	1.73	25000
FORESTRY	1996	STORM CAT	2001	KY	845	41	2.43	118	1.75	17500
HALLING	1991	DIESIS	1998	GB	638	28	2.19	90	1.76	10000
INDIAN CHARLIE	1995	IN EXCESS	2000	KY	873	33	1.89	135	1.93	70000
INTIKHAB	1994	RED RANSOM	2001	IR	444	21	2.36	55	1.55	5500
INVINCIBLE SPIRIT	1997	GREEN DESERT	2004	IR	520	21	2.02	77	1.85	45000
LANGFUHR	1992	DANZIG	1999	KY	1440	67	2.33	217	1.88	17500
MALIBU MOON	1997	A.P. INDY	2001	KY	924	40	2.16	137	1.85	40000
OFFICER	1999	BERTRANDO	2004	KY	440	18	2.05	54	1.53	10000
PURE PRIZE	1998	STORM CAT	2004	KY	302	15	2.48	42	1.74	10000
ROCK OF GIBRALTAR	1999	DANEHILL	2004	IR	601	30	2.50	85	1.77	22500
SINGSPIEL	1992	IN THE WINGS	1999	GB	989	46	2.33	148	1.87	15000
STORMY ATLANTIC	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1332	62	2.33	173	1.62	35000
TIZNOW	1997	CEE'S TIZZY	2003	KY	602	33	2.74	75	1.56	75000



Group 2 Sires, Under 300 Year-Starters &/or 1st Foals 2005-2006

SIRE	1st YR	HIS SIRE	Foals	ST	TOT Rnrs	TOT A's	TOT A Index	TOT ABC's	ABC Index	2010 Fee
MINESHAFT	1999	A.P. INDY	2005	KY	225	12	2.67	35	1.94	20000
EMPIRE MAKER	2000	UNBRIDLED	2005	KY	267	14	2.62	38	1.78	50000
MACHO UNO	1998	HOLY BULL	2005	KY	222	11	2.48	26	1.46	25000
HIGH CHAPARRAL	1999	SADLER'S WELLS	2005	IR	246	12	2.44	31	1.58	15000
SKY MESA	2000	PULPIT	2005	KY	301	14	2.33	41	1.70	25000
CANDY RIDE	1999	RIDE THE RAILS	2006	KY	151	12	3.97	21	1.74	25000
TAPIT	2001	PULPIT	2006	KY	165	10	3.03	23	1.74	50000
BIRDSTONE	2001	GRINDSTONE	2006	KY	92	5	2.72	11	1.49	30000
MUHTATHIR	1995	ELMAAMUL	2002	FR	269	14	2.60	36	1.67	12000
TRIBAL RULE	1996	STORM CAT	2004	CA	203	10	2.46	25	1.54	6000

Group 3 Sires, 300+ Year-Starters, Alphabetically

ALPHABET SOUP	1991	COZZENE	1999	ON	1140	35	1.54	128	1.40	6000
ARCH	1995	KRIS S.	2000	KY	697	22	1.58	101	1.81	25000
BROKEN VOW	1997	UNBRIDLED	2003	KY	753	25	1.66	83	1.38	25000
CONCERTO	1994	CHIEF'S CROWN	2000	FL	581	22	1.89	67	1.44	3500
ELUSIVE QUALITY	1993	GONE WEST	2000	KY	1168	39	1.67	138	1.48	75000
FREUD	1998	STORM CAT	2003	NY	366	12	1.64	65	2.22	6500
FUSAICHI PEGASUS	1997	MR. PROSPECTOR	2002	KY	1046	34	1.63	137	1.64	15000
GOLD AWAY	1995	GOLDNEYEV	2001	FR	428	16	1.87	48	1.40	5000
HERNANDO	1990	NINISKI	1997	GB	651	28	2.15	75	1.44	12000
HOLY BULL	1991	GREAT ABOVE	1996	KY	1066	34	1.59	131	1.54	10000
INCLUDE	1997	BROAD BRUSH	2004	KY	432	14	1.62	58	1.68	10000
JUMP START	1999	A.P. INDY	2004	PA	456	16	1.75	57	1.56	10000
MIZZEN MAST	1998	COZZENE	2004	KY	454	16	1.76	58	1.60	15000
MONARCHOS	1998	MARIA'S MON	2003	KY	369	13	1.76	41	1.39	6000
MORE THAN READY	1997	SOUTHERN HALO	2002	KY	961	28	1.46	116	1.51	30000
MUTAKDDIM	1991	SEEKING THE GOLD	1998	KY	1161	38	1.64	156	1.68	10000
NORTHERN AFLEET	1993	AFLEET	2000	KY	950	34	1.79	109	1.43	10000
ORIENTATE	1998	MT. LIVERMORE	2004	KY	519	16	1.54	66	1.59	10000
PEINTRE CELEBRE	1994	NUREYEV	2000	IR	783	31	1.98	89	1.42	17500
PUT IT BACK	1998	HONOUR AND GLORY	2003	FL	407	16	1.97	47	1.44	7000
SINNDAR	1997	GRAND LODGE	2002	FR	356	16	2.25	40	1.40	12000
SMOKE GLACKEN	1994	TWO PUNCH	1999	KY	1168	41	1.76	154	1.65	12500
TALE OF THE CAT	1994	STORM CAT	2000	KY	1538	55	1.79	195	1.58	30000
TIGER HILL	1995	DANEHILL	2001	GB	526	17	1.62	61	1.45	8000
TOUCH GOLD	1994	DEPUTY MINISTER	2000	KY	1117	40	1.79	124	1.39	10000
WAR CHANT	1997	DANZIG	2002	KY	551	21	1.91	69	1.57	12500
YES IT'S TRUE	1996	IS IT TRUE	2002	KY	956	32	1.67	119	1.56	17500

Group 3 Sires, Under 300 Year-Starters &/or 1st Foals 2005-2006

WHYWHYWHY	2000	MR. GREELEY	2005	KY	199	8	2.01	23	1.44	5000
HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	1999	HARLAN	2005	KY	311	12	1.93	43	1.73	25000
YANKEE GENTLEMAN	1999	STORM CAT	2005	LA	219	8	1.83	31	1.77	5000
GREATNESS	1999	MR. PROSPECTOR	2005	PA	129	4	1.55	18	1.74	5000
LUCKY STORY	2001	KRIS S.	2006	GB	83	3	1.81	10	1.51	3000
ELUSIVE CITY	2000	ELUSIVE QUALITY	2006	FR	117	4	1.71	16	1.71	20000
EXCEED AND EXCEL	2000	DANEHILL	2006	GB	203	6	1.48	28	1.72	12000
RED BULLET	1997	UNBRIDLED	2004	KY	219	6	1.37	31	1.77	5000
SAMUM	1997	MONSUN	2004	GE	135	6	2.22	15	1.39	25000
SLICKLY	1996	LINAMIX	2004	FR	260	11	2.12	29	1.39	7000
SAKHEE	1997	BAHRI	2004	GB	197	8	2.03	22	1.40	6000
WAGON LIMIT	1994	CONQUISTADOR CIELO	2001	FL	248	8	1.61	31	1.56	2500

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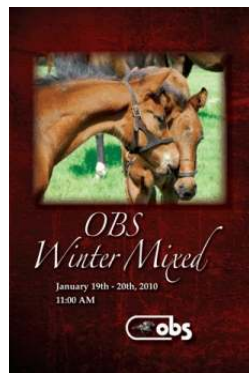
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Topping yesterday's proceedings was hip [111](#), the unraced four-year-old mare **East Long Lake** (Sultry Song--Antoinetta, by Inverness Drive), who was purchased by Mary K. Haire for \$105,000. The bay, a half-sister to graded winners OK By Me (With Approval) and D J's Rain-

bow (Tom Rolfe) and three other black-type horses, was consigned by Kaizen Sales, Agent I. She sold in foal, on a Mar. 10 cover, to Horse of the Year Curlin (Smart Strike).

Henry L. Carroll went to \$65,000 for hip [101](#), the top-priced short yearling on the day. The filly is by champion Speightstown and was consigned by Summerfield (Francis & Barbara Vanlangendonck), agent. Out of Witchful Saint (Saint Ballado), she is a half-sister to stakes-placed How Bout Tonight (Proud Citizen).

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Yesterday's Results:

9th-PHA, \$52,230, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:17 1/5, my.

EL ROCCO (c, 3, Vicar--Ultimate Strike {MSP, \$184,403}, by Crafty Prospector) enjoyed a successful two-year-old season, following a first-out win over this surface in July with placings in the July 26 Tyro S. and Sept. 5 Gill Sapling S., both at Monmouth. His only off-the-board effort came against Citrus Kid (Lemon Drop Kid) in his two-turn bow in the Dover S. at Delaware Oct. 10, but he reverted to sprints and was third in the Finger Lakes Juvenile Oct. 31 and second in the restricted Pennsylvania Nursery S. at Philly Nov. 28. Content to track while racing wide over a muddy surface, he saw his momentum compromised a bit when a foe ran up on his heels in upper stretch, but El Rocco came with a sustained run and was up to best the pacesetter Endofconversation (Orientate) by 2 1/4 lengths. Sales history: \$3,500 wIng '07 FTMDEC; \$35,000 RNA 2yo '09 OBSAPR. Lifetime Record: GSP, 7-2-2-2, \$125,370. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#) [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)


O-Two Tone Farms. B-Liberation Farm (PA). T-Bruce N Levine.



★ CENTRAL ★

First Foal for War Pass:

The first known foal by **War Pass** (Cherokee Run--Vue, by Mr. Prospector), the champion two-year-old male of 2007, was born yesterday at Calumet Farm in Lexington. The filly is the first foal out of the multiple black-type winner Throbbin' Heart (Smoke Glacken).



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TODAY'S INSIGHTS

5:14p 9th-GPX, \$45K, Msw, 3yo, 1 1/16mT

HRTV Barbaro's full-brother **LENTENOR** ([Dynaformer](#)) makes his third career start here. The Lael homebred was a good third on debut going seven panels over Keeneland's main track Oct. 31, then closed to be second, beaten a half-length, in a grassy Aqueduct maiden going this distance Nov. 28. Adena Springs homebred **Quando Quando** ([El Prado \(Ire\)](#)) debuts. The H. Graham Motion-trained colt is a full-sibling to champion and MGISW Perfect Sting (Red Ransom). [brisnet.com PPs](#)

Eastern Standard Time

★ WEST ★

King of the Roxy to New Mexico:

King of the Roxy (Littleexpectations--Marrakesh, by Bold Forbes), a graded stakes winner at two and three, will enter stud this season at McCallum View Farm near Moriarity, New Mexico. The six-year-old will stand for a \$3,000 fee. Acquired by Team Valor after breaking his maiden at Hollywood Park in his second start, the dark bay went on to capture the GII Futurity S. as a juvenile, and later added a victory in the GII Hutcheson S. in his sophomore debut. He earned a Grade I placing when runner-up to Tiago (Pleasant Tap) in that year's Santa Anita Derby. "When he was good, he was very good," said Barry Irwin of Team Valor. "His win in the Hutcheson was superb and his second in the Santa Anita Derby was top drawer. He lost more ground than he was beaten by being taken very wide on the turns in that \$750,000 race. He deserved a better fate in that one." King of the Roxy retires with a record of 16-5-3-0 and \$600,707 in earnings.



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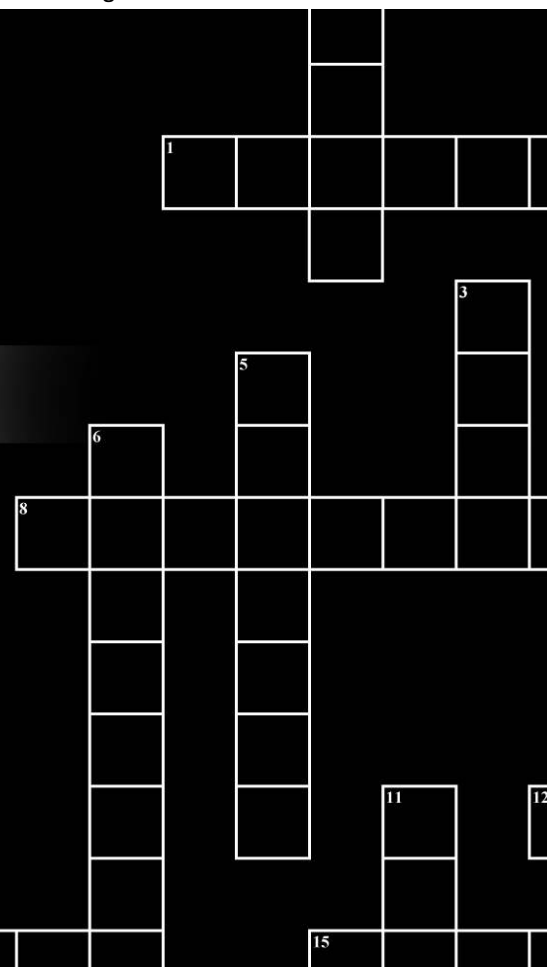
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Incentive Plan for Bedford Falls:

Poplar Meadows has announced an incentive plan for the offspring of **Bedford Falls** (Forestry--Christmas in Aiken, by Affirmed), who entered stud at the Sanger, California, nursery in 2009. The owner of the stallion's first runner to win a black-type race will receive a \$12,500 bonus, and the owner of his first graded winner will receive \$25,000; the breeders of those respective runners will also receive bonuses in the same amount. The breeders of his first 10 maiden winners will get \$5,000 apiece. For more information, contact bedfordfalls@poplarmeadows.net.

★ **INDUSTRY INFO** ★

Seattle Slew Celebration Tour Set for Feb. 15:

Held in conjunction with Kentucky's celebration of the horse this year, Blue Grass Tours is sponsoring a Seattle Slew Birthday Celebration Tour, which is slated for Feb. 15. Beginning at 1:00 p.m. from Fasig-Tipton in Lexington, the tour will take patrons to visit Seattle Slew's birthplace, his longtime home and gravesite. Fans will also have the opportunity to hear from people that were associated with the 1977 Triple Crown hero. Following the tour, a reception will be held at Fasig-Tipton, where supporters can learn more about several Thoroughbred charities, including Blue Horse Charities, The Disabled Jockeys Fund, Old Friends and the Seattle Slew Spinal Cord Research Fund. The tour will be hosted with the support of Fasig-Tipton, Cobra Farm, Three Chimneys, Hill 'n' Dale and Equus Run. For more information, visit www.bluegrasstours.com.

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TODAY, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 20:

01-30 \$150/50,000 **John B Connally Breeders' Cup Turf-III, Hou, 3yo/up, 9fT (0)**

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, JANUARY 21:

01-31 \$300,000 **Santa Monica H.-I, SA, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f (AWT)**

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GULFSTREAM

Accredit (E Dubai), 5f, :58.55, 2/30
 Break Water Edison (Lemon Drop Kid), 5f, 1:00.20, 5/30
 Homeboykris (Roman Ruler), 4f, :48.20, 13/64

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Mast Track (Mizzen Mast), 5f, •:59.40, 1/5

PALM MEADOWS

Citrus Kid (Lemon Drop Kid), 5f, •1:00.85, 1/35
 Interactif (Broken Vow), 5f, 1:01.60, 4/35

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★ **AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS** ★

IN BRITAIN:

+ **Quarante Deux**, g, 4, [Fusaichi Pegasus](#). See "Breeders' Edition Europe."



First/Second-crop starters to watch: Wed., Jan. 20

Sire (Sire's Sire), Farm, 2005 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)

- FOREST DANGER** (Forestry), Taylor Made, \$20K, 151/13/0
 5-PEN, Alw, 6f, Timber Trouble, \$42K EAS MAY 2yo, 9-2
[GRAND REWARD](#) (Storm Cat), Hill 'n' Dale, \$13K, 201/25/0
 9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Dixie Summer's, \$3K OBS OPN 2yo, 30-1
HECKLE (Hennessy), Sequel FL, \$5K, 30/2/0
 5-PEN, Alw, 6f, Syndi's Tease, \$13K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1
[LIMEHOUSE](#) (Grand Slam), Vinery, \$18K, 163/17/3
 9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Bigshot, \$180K KEE SEP yrl, 4-1
[ROCK HARD TEN](#) (Kris S.), Lane's End, \$50K, 150/10/3
 9-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Rock America, \$75K KEE NOV wnl, 8-1



BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

★ BRITAIN ★

MEEHAN GETS TRAINING BOOST

Manton conditioner Brian Meehan has received a welcome boost with the news that he is to train five juveniles for Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid Al Maktoum, according to *Racing Post*. Meehan prepared the hitherto unbeaten **Arcano (Ire)** (Oasis Dream) to garner last term's G1 Prix Morny for Sheikh Hamdan following the colt's acquisition in mid-season. "Arcano is fine, touch wood. He is trotting and cantering at the moment, but there are no plans for him at this early stage," racing manager Angus Gold told the trade daily. "Sheikh Hamdan has sent Brian five horses, which include a half-brother to Arcano by Medicean (GB). It will be pretty much the same in terms of the numbers Sheikh Hamdan has this year with Jean-Claude Rouget, who will [also] be having horses from him for the first time."

BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

5th-SUN, \$32,000, Opt. Clm. (\$20,000), NW1YX, (S), 4yo/up, 1m, 1:39 1/5, ft.

SPRING TO TERAS (c, 4, To Teras--Ocean Springs, by Golden Act) Lifetime Record: MSP, 10-3-1-1, \$104,670. O-Stan E Fulton. B-Michael Weatherly (NM). T-Jess S Alley. *\$13,000 yrl '07 RUIAUG.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the 8th Race, \$48,000 Allowance, at Gulfstream. For pps and a complete race analysis, click [here](#).

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

FRANCE, Pau, 14.05, 1-19, €20,000, 3yo, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:34.80, stn.

FAUCHIZO (IRE) (c, 3, Kingsalsa--Irish Spell, by Irish River {Fr}) Lifetime Record: 13 starts, 2 wins, 8 places, €35,500. O/T-Ramon Avial-Lopez; B-Horses Aktiengesellschaft. *€6,000 yrl '08 ARQOCT.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Guess Who (Ity), c, 3, **Altieri (GB)**--Felitsiya (GB), by Fasliyev. Naples, Italy, 1-18, Mdn, 3yo, 1mT. B-Allevamento L.S.L. SAS.

+ **Quarante Deux**, g, 4, **Fusaichi Pegasus**--Lahinch (Ire) (MSW-Ire & GSP-GB, \$105,468), by Danehill Dancer (Ire). Wolverhampton, Britain, 1-19, Mdn, 3yo/up, 1m 141yds (AWT). B-March Thoroughbreds. *\$170,000 yrl '07 KEESEP. **1/2 to Liscanna (Ire) (Sadler's Wells), GSW-Ire; and The Bogberry (Hawk Wing), GSW-Ire, MGSP-Fr & GSP-GB, \$203,536.

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