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## FULL TO STRATUM TOPS MM OPENER

Widely expected to star during the opening session of the Magic Millions Gold Coast Yearling Sale, hip 30, a full brother to 2005 G1 Golden Slipper S. hero and



Hip 30 [magicmillions.com.au](http://magicmillions.com.au)

successful young sire Stratum (Aus) (Redoute's Choice {Aus}) was purchased on a single bid from trainer Peter Moody for A\$850,000 on behalf of a "group of stable clients." Bidding on the attractive colt kicked away at

A\$300,000 and progressed quickly beyond A\$500,000, and it was Moody who proved most resourceful at the finish.

"He is a nice quality colt and I thought he was the colt of the sale," the conditioner commented. "He has an exceptional pedigree being a brother to a Slipper winner and just an all round athletic colt."

Moody said he was keen to buy the colt and could have gone a fraction higher to secure him at the auction.

"We would have been prepared to go a little bit more, but we did not have to, thankfully," he added.

Stratum was the champion first-season sire in Australia in 2009-2010 and was represented by a Slipper winner of his own in the form of his daughter Crystal Lily (Aus). Moody is the trainer of Black Caviar (Aus) (Bel Esprit {Aus}), who stretched her winning streak to eight with a victory in November's G1 Patinack Farm Classic at Flemington. The four-year-old mare was named the world's champion sprinter when the International Rankings were released Tuesday. Her rating of 123 is the highest ever awarded to an Australian sprinter, and bettered the 122 given to Scenic Blast (Aus) and Weekend Hussler (Aus) in 2009 and 2008, respectively.

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## AWESOME FEATHER SIDELINED

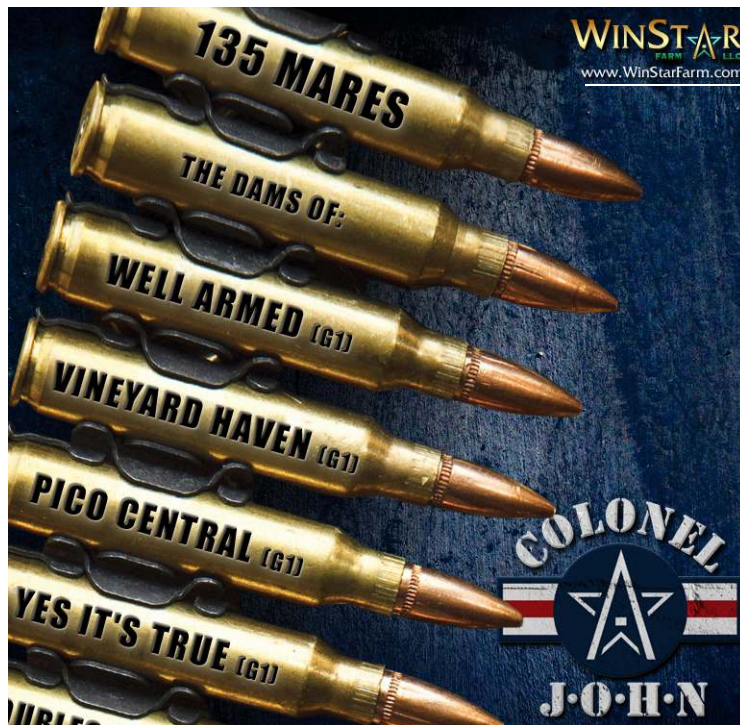
Juvenile filly champion finalist **Awesome Feather** (Awesome of Course) has encountered a setback that could jeopardize her future racing career, according to *Daily Racing Form*. "She's got a bit of a profile in her tendon,"

Adena Springs business manager and MI Developments Director of Racing Mike Rogers told *DRF*. "Right now we are not overly concerned, but being very cautious, because tendon injuries can be career ending." Winner of her first five careers starts at Calder--including four at the stakes level--the bay concluded her 2010 season with an emphatic victory in the G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies at Churchill Downs Nov. 5. Offered by Jacks Or Better Farm at the F-T November sale, the Florida-bred was secured by Frank Stronach for \$2.3 million and was sent to trainer Chad Brown at Palm Meadows.

According to Brown, Awesome Feather has not been under tack and has been walking since her arrival in Florida two months ago. "We don't really know if this was a pre-existing condition or not," added Rogers. "But we've been monitoring it ever since her arrival at Palm Meadows. Frank bought the filly as a broodmare prospect, but hopefully, we'll be able to get her back to the racetrack again."



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## MM GOLD COAST YEARLINGS

### TOP FIVE COLTS

| Hip                 | Sire                                   | Dam  | Price (A\$) |
|---------------------|--|--|-------------|
| <a href="#">30</a>  | <a href="#">Redoute's Choice (Aus)</a> | <a href="#">Bourgeois (Aus)</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Reavill Farm Management</i><br>Consigned by Reavill Farm<br>Purchased by Peter Moody Racing           | 850,000     |
| <a href="#">193</a> | <a href="#">Flying Spur (Aus)</a>      | <a href="#">Fumble (Aus)</a><br><i>B-Jynnbrook Pty Ltd</i><br>Consigned by Willow Park Stud, agent<br>Purchased by the Hong Kong Jockey Club                                       | 440,000     |
| <a href="#">66</a>  | <a href="#">More Than Ready</a>        | <a href="#">Cinque Cento (Aus)</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Ramsey Pastoral Co Pty Ltd</i><br>Consigned by Turangga Farm, agent<br>Purchased by Gai Waterhouse | 410,000     |
| <a href="#">77</a>  | <a href="#">Shamardal</a>              | <a href="#">Confidential Miss (Aus)</a><br><i>B-J L Thompson</i><br>Consigned by Rothwell Park, agent<br>Purchased by Greater Asia Holdings  | 410,000     |
| <a href="#">119</a> | <a href="#">Encosta de Lago (Aus)</a>  | <a href="#">Devil's Gold (Aus)</a><br><i>B-G F Delsar</i><br>Consigned by Attunga Stud, agent<br>Purchased by the Hong Kong Jockey Club  | 400,000     |

### TOP FIVE FILLIES

| Hip                 | Sire                                  | Dam  | Price (A\$) |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|--|-------------|
| <a href="#">170</a> | <a href="#">Encosta de Lago (Aus)</a> | <a href="#">Fiammarosa (Aus)</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Mrs G Harvey</i><br>Consigned by Coolmore Stud, agent<br>Purchased by Ingham Racing                    | 350,000     |
| <a href="#">192</a> | <a href="#">Fastnet Rock (Aus)</a>    | <a href="#">Full Bloom (Aus)</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Nimik Investment Trust</i><br>Consigned by Cressfield<br>Purchased by Bailey Racing Australia Pty Ltd  | 320,000     |
| <a href="#">47</a>  | <a href="#">Encosta de Lago (Aus)</a> | <a href="#">Candy Vale (Aus)</a><br><i>B-Dr M H Rose</i><br>Consigned by Newhaven Park, agent<br>Purchased by Kennewell Racing   | 290,000     |
| <a href="#">17</a>  | <a href="#">Encosta de Lago (Aus)</a> | <a href="#">Bespoken (Aus)</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Mr &amp; Mrs L J P Madden</i><br>Consigned by Coolmore Stud, agent<br>Purchased by Magic Millions, agent | 250,000     |
| <a href="#">53</a>  | <a href="#">Flying Spur (Aus)</a>     | <a href="#">Casigris</a><br><a href="#">Sirecam.com video</a><br><i>B-Chevington Stud</i><br>Consigned by Cressfield<br>Purchased by Ingham Racing                                   | 230,000     |



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### International Buying Bench at the Gold Coast...

The results sheets showed a hodgepodge of buyers from New Zealand, South Africa, Singapore and Ireland, as well as a pair of six-figure purchases from James Harron of DeBurgh Equine.

The Hong Kong Jockey Club has long been a loyal customer of Magic Millions, and four colts are headed to the nation to be prepared for their racing careers. The HKJC acquired quarter for gross receipts of A\$1.32 million, the most expensive of which was



**Hip 193** [magicmillions.com.au](http://magicmillions.com.au)  
hip 193, a Flying Spur (Aus) son of Group 3 winner Fumble (Aus) (Snippets {Aus}), herself a half-sister to G1SW Hard to Get (Aus) (Geiger Counter), purchased for Aus\$440,000. The bay colt was consigned by Willow Park Stud. Flying Spur is the sire of Inspiration (Aus), upset winner of the 2008 G1 Hong Kong Sprint. Another sire to have done well in Hong Kong is Encosta de Lago (Aus), most prominently the sire of world champion turf sprinter Sacred Kingdom (Aus). The HKJC was extended to A\$400,000 for an Attunga Stud-consigned son of SP Devil's Gold (Aus) (Bellotto). The Coolmore stallion was also responsible for the session's leading filly. The nursery consigned hip 170, a daughter of MSP Fiammarosa (Aus) (Danehill), a full sister to G1 C. F. Orr S. winner Shinzig (Aus).



**Magic Millions Cont.  
Statistically Sound...**

Session one of the Gold Coast sale more than held its own, with a slight increase in the average price versus 2010 and just a five-percent decrease in the median price. Turnover was nearly A\$16.7 million as three of every four horses found homes. Magic Millions Managing Director Stephen Silk said he was pleased with the opening session of the auction. "It's been a satisfying day for both buyers and vendors," Silk reported. "It did seem to be a buyer's market--I think there was some great value buying. We were pleased with some strong international bidding--particularly from the Hong Kong Jockey Club, which has been a strong supporter of the Magic Millions Yearling Sale over recent years." The sale continues this morning. For complete results, please visit [www.magicmillions.com.au](http://www.magicmillions.com.au).

**Farms Contribute to Flood Relief...**

Four of Australia's leading studs have donated stallion nominations for the 2011 breeding season to aid those affected by torrential rains and flooding in Queensland. The seasons will be auctioned off this coming Saturday prior to the start of the fourth session of the Gold Coast sale. Emirates Park Stud is offering a season to Al Maher (Aus) (Danehill), while Arrowfield Stud will auction a nomination to Flying Spur (Aus) (Danehill). A season to High Chaparral (Ire) (Sadler's Wells) is available from Coolmore Stud, and Darley Stud has a season to Lonhro (Aus) (Octagonal {NZ}) up for auction. Tom Magnier from Coolmore said, "We have all been deeply saddened by the loss of life and property in so many parts of Queensland. A huge number of people in rural and urban Queensland are suffering through the most appalling and frightening set of circumstances due to the floods and many people now find themselves desperately in need of support. The Thoroughbred breeding and racing community has a strong tradition of rallying in times of crisis, and we are in a position to be able to support those many people suffering in these times. We urge people to attend the auction and bid." Magic Millions is also accepting donations on the sales grounds.

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## MAGIC MILLIONS GOLD COAST YEARLINGS

### Wednesday, January 12, 2011

| <u>SESSION TOTALS</u> | <u>2011</u>   | <u>2010</u>   |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|
| Catalogued            | 195           | 200           |
| No. Offered           | 175           | 171           |
| No. Sold              | 131           | 132           |
| RNAs                  | 44            | 49            |
| % RNA                 | 25.1%         | 28.7%         |
| Highest Price         | A\$850,000    | A\$500,000    |
| Gross                 | A\$16,659,500 | A\$16,554,000 |
| Average               | A\$127,172    | A\$125,409    |
| Median                | A\$95,000     | A\$100,000    |

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**Thursday, Meydan, Dubai, post time: 1:15 p.m.**  
**AL MAKTOUM CHALLENGE-R1-G3, \$200,000, 4yo/up,**  
1600m (AWT)

| SC               | PP | HORSE                  | SIRE                 | JOCKEY    | TRAINER    |
|------------------|----|------------------------|----------------------|-----------|------------|
| 1                | 1  | Mendip                 | Harlan's Holiday     | Dettori   | bin Suroor |
| 2                | 2  | Fencing Master (GB)    | Oratorio (Ire)       | Moore     | H Brown    |
| 3                | 3  | Mr Brock (SAf)         | Fort Wood            | Shea      | de Kock    |
| 4                | 9  | Colonial (Ire)         | Cape Cross (Ire)     | Durcan    | bin Suroor |
| 5                | 5  | King of Rome (Ire)     | Montjeu (Ire)        | Dobbs     | de Kock    |
| 6                | 6  | My Indy (Arg)          | Indygo Shiner        | Cosgrove  | bin Shafya |
| 7                | 7  | Frozen Power (Ire)     | Oasis Dream (Ire)    | Ffrench   | Al Zarooni |
| 8                | 8  | Win For Sure (Ger)     | Stravinsky           | Benoist   | Nakkachdji |
| 9                | 9  | Mac Love (GB)          | Cape Cross (Ire)     | Fenton    | Higgins    |
| 10               | 10 | Imbongi (SAf)          | Russian Revival      | Soumillon | de Kock    |
| 11               | 11 | Green Coast (Ire)      | Green Desert         | O'Shea    | Watson     |
| 12               | 12 | Sea Lord (Ire)         | Cape Cross (Ire)     | Mullen    | Al Zarooni |
| 13               | 13 | Storm Ultralight (Arg) | Bernstein            | Ajtebi    | Al Zarooni |
| 14               | 14 | Mabait (GB)            | Kyllachy (GB)        | Fallon    | Cumani     |
| <b>Reserves:</b> |    |                        |                      |           |            |
| 15               |    | Third Set (Ire)        | Royal Applause (Ire) | N/A       | Mohammed   |
| 16               |    | Derbaas                | Seeking the Gold     | N/A       | Al Raihe   |
| 17               |    | Hot Six (Brz)          | Burooj (GB)          | N/A       | Martins    |
| 18               |    | Reynaldothewizard      | Speightstown         | N/A       | Seemar     |

All carry 125 pounds.

Trainer Saeed bin Suroor sends a pair postward in Meydan's G3 Al Maktoum Challenge Round 1, which kicks off the 2011 Dubai International Racing Carnival. The Maktoum's first call jockey Frankie Dettori gets the mount on **Mendip**, who recorded a pair of victories at meydan last season, including a listed win over 1900 meters. The dark bay was third in his most recent outing in the G2 UAE Derby last March. "Mendip was a good winner at the the Carnival last year and proved himself on the all weather," said bin Suroor. "He has been off since the Dubai World Cup night, and will improve for the outing, but is working well. We are hopeful." Godolphin's second in command conditioner, Mahmood Al Zarooni, prepares for his initial full Carnival assault with a trio; **Frozen Power**, **Storm Ultralight** and **Sea Lord**. Godolphin's second call rider Ahmed Ajtebi has opted for Storm Ultralight, a winner of a conditions event at Lingfield last spring. "He won on a similar surface at Lingfield, and has been pleasing us at home," said bin Suroor. "He does not have a bad draw to overcome." U.K-based Luca Cumani offers **Mabait**, winner of the Listed Pomfret S. "The horse is very well and has settled in nicely, but we were hoping for a much better draw," admitted Cumani. Kieron Fallon gets the ride.

**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 3:52 p.m. EST**  
**MR. PROSPECTOR S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, 6f**

| PP | Horse                          | Sire             | Jockey     | Trainer    | Wt  |
|----|--------------------------------|------------------|------------|------------|-----|
| 1  | Custom for Carlos <sup>Ⓚ</sup> | More Than Ready  | Leparoux   | Kenneally  | 122 |
| 2  | Our Edge <sup>Ⓚ</sup>          | The Cliff's Edge | Castellano | Zito       | 118 |
| 3  | Taqarub                        | Aldebaran        | Garcia     | McLaughlin | 122 |
| 4  | Peace At Dawn                  | Peace Rules      | Lopez      | Wolfson    | 118 |
| 5  | Catalan <sup>Ⓚ</sup>           | Holy Bull        | Curatolo   | Biancone   | 118 |
| 6  | Big Drama                      | Montbrook        | Coa        | Fawkes     | 124 |

Look for the <sup>Ⓚ</sup> throughout the TDN graded stakes entries, denoting Keeneland sales graduates.



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**Saturday, Gulfstream Park, post time: 4:52 p.m. EST**

**SUGAR SWIRL S.-GIII, \$100,000, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f**

| PP | Horse               | Sire              | Jockey     | Trainer   | Wt  |
|----|---------------------|-------------------|------------|-----------|-----|
| 1  | D'wild Ride (K)     | D'wildcat         | Lopez      | Orseno    | 119 |
| 2  | Landing My Way      | Southern Image    | Velazquez  | Plesa Jr. | 117 |
| 3  | Jessica Is Back     | Put It Back       | Trujillo   | Wolfson   | 123 |
| 4  | Moontune Missy (K)  | Forest Wildcat    | Prado      | Quast     | 117 |
| 5  | Noisy Feet (K)      | Tapit             | Solis      | Proctor   | 117 |
| 6  | Tar Heel Mom        | Flatter           | Garcia     | Hough     | 123 |
| 7  | Ms Vanenza (K)      | Successful Appeal | Maragh     | Vazquez   | 117 |
| 8  | Bronx City Girl (K) | Yankee Gentleman  | Leparoux   | Wolfson   | 117 |
| 9  | J Z Warrior (K)     | Harlan's Holiday  | Lezcano    | Matz      | 117 |
| 10 | Hilda's Passion (K) | Canadian Frontier | Castellano | Pletcher  | 123 |

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 6:05 p.m. ESDT**

**SANTA YNEZ S.-GII, \$150,000, 3yo, f, 7f**

| PP | Horse             | Sire            | Jockey     | Trainer      | Wt  |
|----|-------------------|-----------------|------------|--------------|-----|
| 1  | California Nectar | Stormy Atlantic | Valenzuela | O'Neill      | 118 |
| 2  | Star Presence (K) | Forest Wildcat  | Smith      | Baffert      | 118 |
| 3  | Zazu (K)          | Tapit           | Rosario    | Sadler       | 118 |
| 4  | Plum Pretty       | Medaglia d'Oro  | Bejarano   | Baffert      | 118 |
| 5  | Warren's Flyer    | Doc Gus         | Pedroza    | Gutierrez    | 118 |
| 6  | Alec's Moon (K)   | Malibu Moon     | Gomez      | Hollendorfer | 118 |
| 7  | Teroda (K)        | Limehouse       | Espinoza   | Sadler       | 118 |

**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 7:07 p.m. EST**

**SAN FERNANDO S.-GII, \$150,000, 4yo, 1 1/16m**

| PP | Horse                | Sire             | Jockey     | Trainer  | Wt  |
|----|----------------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----|
| 1  | Tweebster (K)        | Tapit            | Bejarano   | Baffert  | 118 |
| 2  | Paris Vegas (K)      | Maria's Mon      | Blanc      | Chappet  | 118 |
| 3  | Sidney's Candy       | Candy Ride (Arg) | Rosario    | Sadler   | 123 |
| 4  | Haimish Hy           | Ecton Park       | Talamo     | Sherman  | 123 |
| 5  | Do It All            | Distorted Humor  | Valenzuela | Harty    | 118 |
| 6  | Thiskyhasnolimit (K) | Sky Mesa         | Gomez      | Asmussen | 118 |
| 7  | Indian Firewater (K) | Indian Charlie   | Smith      | Baffert  | 118 |
| 8  | Make Music for Me    | Bernstein        | Sutherland | Barba    | 118 |
| 9  | Victory With Honor   | Tiznow           | Quinonez   | Harty    | 118 |

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**Saturday, Santa Anita Park, post time: 4:31 p.m. EST**

**SHAM S.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo, 1 1/16m**

| PP | Horse               | Sire             | Jockey     | Trainer  | Wt  |
|----|---------------------|------------------|------------|----------|-----|
| 1  | Clubhouse Ride      | Candy Ride (Arg) | Valenzuela | Lewis    | 118 |
| 2  | Uncle Sam (K)       | Tapit            | Bejarano   | Baffert  | 118 |
| 3  | Anthony's Cross     | Indian Charlie   | Rosario    | Harty    | 118 |
| 4  | Tapizar             | Tapit            | Gomez      | Asmussen | 118 |
| 5  | Pride of Silver (K) | Badge of Silver  | Espinoza   | Hess Jr. | 118 |

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| CROP | STAKES WINNERS       | DISTANCE      |
|------|----------------------|---------------|
| 2002 | ACCOUNTFORTHEGOLD-G3 | 12fD          |
| 2002 | CLOSING ARGUMENT-G3  | 9fD           |
| 2002 | SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR    | 9fD           |
| 2002 | SUCCESSFULLY SWEET   | 8 1/2fD       |
| 2002 | PUNCH APPEAL         | 8fD           |
| 2002 | SHE'S A JEWEL        | 8fT           |
| 2002 | LUNARPAL-G3          | 6fD           |
| 2002 | HOSTILE WITNESS      | 6fD           |
| 2002 | DOUBLE D APPEAL      | 5fD           |
| 2003 | SUCCESS SUCCESS      | 6 1/2f<A>     |
| 2004 | FREE TO LEAVE        | 6 1/2fD       |
| 2004 | APPEALING ZOPHIE-G1  | 8 1/2fD       |
| 2004 | DAWN AFTER DAWN-G2   | 9f<A>         |
| 2004 | SARATOGA TANGO       | 7fD           |
| 2004 | RICHWOMAN-G3         | 6fD           |
| 2004 | APPEALING SPRING     | 6fD           |
| 2005 | GOLDEN SUCCESS       | 12 1/2fD      |
| 2005 | SUCCESSFUL AFFAIR    | 9fD/G1spT     |
| 2005 | GOLDSVILLE-G3        | 9fD           |
| 2005 | REAL APPEAL          | 8fD           |
| 2005 | BARBAZILLA           | 6fD           |
| 2005 | YOU'RE MY BOY BLUE   | 6fD           |
| 2005 | SUCCESSFUL LOVE      | 6fD           |
| 2005 | SAX APPEAL           | 5 1/2fD       |
| 2006 | SUCCESSFUL DAN-G2    | 8 1/2fD/9f<A> |
| 2006 | SUCCESSFUL MISSION   | 8 1/2fT       |
| 2006 | TRUSTY TEMPER        | 6 1/2fD       |
| 2007 | MZ VANENZA           | 8 1/2fD       |
| 2007 | GARY D               | 6f<A>         |
| 2007 | SUCCESSFUL SONG      | 8 1/2fD       |
| 2008 | J P'S GUSTO-G1       | 7f<A>         |



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## KEENELAND JANUARY SALE

### CUVEE UNCORKED TOPS KEEJAN THURSDAY

Making her second journey through the Keeneland sales ring, **Cuvee Uncorked** (Cuvee--Sealedwithapproval, by



**Cuvee Uncorked** Lucas Marquardt

With Approval) realized a bid of \$135,000 to top Wednesday's third session of the Keeneland January Sale. The five-year-old mare sold to Glencrest Farm/Betz and was the lone six-figure horse yesterday. It was another successful transaction for Three Chimneys Farm, which con-

signed the chestnut as [hip 1051](#). Three Chimneys is also responsible for the sales top two lots--the \$1.4 million **Ave (GB)** (Daneshill Dancer {Ire}) and the \$800,000 **Wickedly Perfect** (Congrats). Both of those broodmare prospects sold Monday.

Cuvee Uncorked, bred by Needham/Betz Thoroughbreds and Bena Halecky, was sold by Needham/Betz to William R. Osier for \$42,000 at the 2007 Keeneland September Sale. Campaigned by Fisher Wallace Stable and trained by Timothy Walters, Cuvee Uncorked won three of her first four starts, including the Poker Night S. at Aqueduct in November of 2009. She finished third in her next three, including a fine effort to Sara Louise (Malibu Moon) and Justwhistledixie (Dixie Union) in the GII Top Flight H. at Aqueduct and the GII Barbara Fritchie H. at Laurel in February 2010, a race in which she was beaten just a heat by Sweet Goodbye (Louis Quatorze) in her career finale. She sold as a broodmare prospect.

The top-priced short yearling Wednesday was [hip 808](#), a colt by Street Boss--Merit, by Meadowlake who was secured by Josham Farms Limited, agent, for \$43,000. Baccari Bloodstock consigned the 1/2 brother to SP Quite a Rush (Wild Rush). Baccari bred the colt along with Gibraltar Group LP and Reata Thoroughbred Racing.

Numbers continued to be encouraging at January. The session average of \$12,679 was up 4.5 percent, while the median of \$7,000 was up a more substantial 27.27 percent. The RNA rate was a reasonable 24.83 percent. Cumulative average is \$36,314, up 9.01 percent.

"There were a lot of international buyers today--South Americans and Russians and so on--and that's always encouraging," Keeneland Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell said about the session.

Russell added of the market in general, "As one buyer told me, if there's a hint of class there, it brings all the money. But if there's not that little hint, there's nothing. So quality is still selling well."

# SUCCESS gets you ALL THE RIGHT NUMBERS

Early in 2010, Bill Oppenheim named **SUCCESSFUL APPEAL** as one of his TEN U.S. Group I Sires under age 20 with 300+ starters

| SIRE                     | 2YO ABC INDEX | ABC INDEX   |
|--------------------------|---------------|-------------|
| LEMON DROP KID           | 2.22          | 2.48        |
| SMART STRIKE             | 1.95          | 2.48        |
| DISTORTED HUMOR          | 1.76          | 2.36        |
| CITY ZIP                 | 2.96          | 2.33        |
| AWESOME AGAIN            | 1.26          | 2.14        |
| PULPIT                   | 1.69          | 2.06        |
| GIANT'S CAUSEWAY         | 1.27          | 2.06        |
| <b>SUCCESSFUL APPEAL</b> | <b>3.29</b>   | <b>2.05</b> |
| UNBRIDLED'S SONG         | 2.04          | 2.03        |
| STREET CRY               | 1.89          | 2.00        |

By August of 2010 **SUCCESSFUL APPEAL's** 2YO ABC Index stood at 3.33 and his ABC Index was 2.03, ahead of many top sires, including:

|                |      |
|----------------|------|
| CANDY RIDE     | 1.99 |
| PULPIT         | 1.99 |
| SHAMARDAL      | 1.99 |
| SMART STRIKE   | 1.96 |
| INDIAN CHARLIE | 1.83 |
| SKY MESA       | 1.69 |
| AFLEET ALEX    | 1.65 |
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**A Garden of Eden for Bridlewood...**

An era of sorts quietly came to an end at Keeneland Monday. The late Arthur Appleton's Bridlewood Farm, long one of the most respected breeding and racing operations in Florida, sold its last two remaining mares descending from the blue-hen producer North of Eden (Ire). Bridlewood came to Keeneland January with a four-strong draft and was rewarded for making the trip north, accounting for three of the sale's top 17 prices. North of Eden's

daughter Storminthegarden (Stormy Atlantic) ([hip 289](#)) led the way, selling to Whisper Hill Farm for \$335,000. Mandy Pope's Whisper Hill then came back to land Storminthegarden's short-yearling colt by Tapit, [hip 316](#), for \$195,000. Bridlewood also sold Eden's Storm (Stormy Atlantic), a granddaughter of North of Eden catalogued as [hip 206](#), to Twin Hopes Farm/Helen T. Andrew for \$300,000. Bridlewood's fourth horse, the eight-year-old mare Society Doll (Theatrical {Ire}), sold to Dennis Yokum for \$32,000. That mare, [hip 238](#), is not kin to North of Eden. Craig and Holly Bandoroff's Denali Stud handled the consignment.

Bridlewood general manager George Isaacs, on hand to watch the mares sell, admitted it was hard to part with mares hailing from a family so identified with Appleton's operation. But, he said, current market conditions forced the farm's hand.

"Like a lot of farms, we've been struggling with cash flow," said Isaacs. "Selling the horses was an exercise in trying to bring in cash in an economic downturn. But these mares are near and dear to my heart. They're hard to sell. But we recognized we had to come here with pretty special mares to make the sales meaningful."



**Hip 289, Storminthegarden**



**Hip 316, c, Tapit-Storminthegarden**

Bridlewood grossed \$862,000 at January. Isaacs admits he thought the draft might do better.

"Rarely do I leave a sale thinking to myself, 'Wow, I got all the money,' and I was a little disappointed," he said.

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North of Eden, a Northfields three-parts sister to champion Theatrical (Ire), was purchased by Appleton privately from Bert and Diane Firestone. The Firestones bred both North of Eden and Theatrical from the Sassafras (Fr) mare Tree of Knowledge (Ire). North of Eden had already produced champion turf horse and MGISW Paradise Creek (Irish River {Fr}) and SW & MGSP I'm Very Irish (Pleasant Colony) for the Firestones when Appleton bought

her, but she quickly lived up to advanced billing for him. Appleton's first foal from the mare was Wild Event (Wild Again), a Grade I winner of over \$930,000. Two foals later came Forbidden Apple (Pleasant Colony), who became her third Grade I winner while banking more than \$1.475 million. Both Wild Event and Forbidden Apple raced in Appleton's red and white colors.



**North of Eden** [www.bridlewoodfarm.com](http://www.bridlewoodfarm.com)



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From 14 foals, North of Eden produced four daughters, including Storminthegarden, who sold Monday. North of Eden's first daughter, Celestial Bliss (Relaunch), was a modest producer, but her second, Paradise River (Irish River {Fr}), is the dam of the first-class David Junior (Pleasant Tap), a multiple Group 1 winner in Europe who now stands stud in Japan. Eden's Storm, who also sold Monday, is a half-sister to David Junior. "It's mind-blowing the millions of dollars North of Eden generated both on the track, through her sons and daughters, and also in the sales ring," said Isaacs. Indeed, North of Eden's progeny have earned \$6,435,913 on the racecourse.

Three of her offspring sold as yearlings. They grossed \$840,000.

Arthur Appleton bought the original 500 acres of Bridlewood in 1977. Over the years, he bred millionaires like Jolie's Halo, Super Nakayama, Black Bar Spin and Southern Image. Recent stars Icy Atlantic, In Summation and Smokey Stover were products of Bridlewood, as was Stormy Atlantic, a stakes-winning son of Storm Cat whose fast start at Bridlewood at stud earned him a spot in Kentucky on Hill 'n' Dale's roster. Appleton died in 2008 at the age of 92, but his family has kept Bridlewood at the forefront of the Florida breeding scene. "His daughter Linda Appleton Potter is the executor of the will, and the estate's goal is to keep the farm going," said Isaacs. "From 1996, when I began here at Bridlewood, we were always profitable. Last year was the first time we weren't profitable, and the goal is return to profitability."



**KEENELAND JANUARY  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12, 2011**

| <b>SESSION TOTALS</b> | <b>2011</b>       | <b>2010</b> |
|-----------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Catalogued            | 372               | 349         |
| No. Offered           | 302               | 272         |
| No. Sold              | 227               | 211         |
| RNAs                  | 75                | 61          |
| % RNA                 | 24.83%            | 22.43%      |
| No. \$100K+           | 1                 | 4           |
| High Price            | \$135,000         | \$220,000   |
| Gross                 | \$2,878,150       | \$2,560,100 |
| Average (% change)    | \$12,679 (+4.5%)  | \$12,133    |
| Median (% change)     | \$7,000 (+27.27%) | \$5,500     |

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Bridlewood currently stands 10 stallions, including leading Florida stallion Put It Back, Classic winner Sarava, and the young stallions Indian Ocean, Mr. Sekiguchi and Keyed Entry. Bridlewood's most expensive stallion is Put it Back, at \$5,000, and the price point of its stallions has left Bridlewood especially vulnerable to current market conditions, said Isaacs.

"From 1996, when I started working on the farm, until 2008, we enjoyed a strong run on the farm--the general economy and horse business did in general," Isaacs said. "But now we're on the downside of that bell curve. It's been tough selling nicely bred yearlings in the past two years; selling horses by sires with those lesser stud fees has been really tough. But we still bred 60 of our own mares last year and 600 mares in total, so we're holding our own." -LM

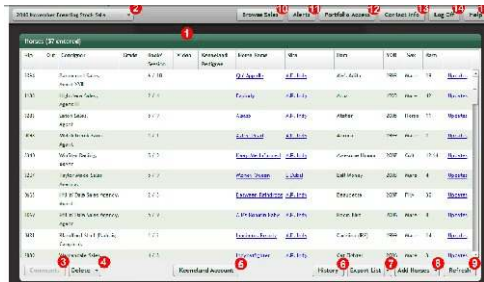


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### Keeneland Offers Up Buyer Portfolios...

In September, Keeneland launched a “consignor portfolio” on its website, and now the sales company has a “buyer portfolio,” too. Keeneland’s aim in offering the



Tutorial for Keeneland’s new buyer portfolio

services--both free of charge--is to use technology to make the fast-paced auction process a bit simpler for customers. The buyer portfolio has been made to be as user friendly as possible, and is relatively intuitive.

After establishing an account with Keeneland, buyers access a password-protected website. There, they have access to a wide array of information and functions. Certain financial information is available, contact information can be updated, and past purchases can be reviewed.

The main purpose of the portfolio, however, is to build an online Horse List. Buyers can search a current catalog by any number of criteria--sire, dam, covering sire, etc.--and build a short list of horses they might be interested in. Horses can also be added to the list simply by entering his or her hip number into a field.

Once the list is populated, a variety of controls is available to buyers, such as the ability to set up email alerts. Alerts can be generated for any catalog updates going back two generations. Alerts can also be sent for when a horse is scratched from a sale, and to report the hammer price (including RNAs, which are sent nearly immediately), summary/buyer info, van release and vet comments. Buyers can also set up the service so that they are alerted prior to a horse selling, and can even decide how many hips in advance the alert is sent. Currently, only email alerts are available; text alerts, at roughly three cents apiece, become cost prohibitive at auctions of 4,000-plus horses.

Another useful tool for buyers is the ability to make online notes on horses right in the portfolio, and to assign horses a grade.

The resulting short lists can be exported in three different ways: a online mini-catalogue, a PDF file, or a CSV file (which can then be opened in Excel).

The services have been developed by Keeneland’s tech ace Brad Lovell, who came aboard a year and a half ago. Lovell likens the portfolio services to online banking, and says, like online banking, the services are mutually beneficial to both buyer and Keeneland. The sale company expects fewer phone and email inquiries on routine matters that can be sorted out via the portfolio.

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Buyers can access their portfolios on conventional laptop and desktop computers, but maybe the best way to take advantage of the technology is by using a tablet, the highly portable, book-sized computers that can be toted from barn to barn. A note to those who have iPads: unfortunately, the portfolios can’t be accessed on the Apple devices. That’s because the system was built on Adobe Flex, which Apple doesn’t support.

“The bad news is that there are some eight million iPads out there, and some of our customers might already have one,” said Lovell. “The good news is that the Consumer Electronic Show just finished up in Las Vegas, and there will be an untold number of tablets coming out in the first quarter of 2011. So that part of the industry will catch up with Apple pretty quickly.”

And while Lovell is happy with the initial version of the buyer portfolio, it is far from a finished product, he said.

“We feel like this is 1.0; that it’s functionality is good enough to get up off the ground and offer to buyers,” said Lovell. “But we’re very much interested in getting their feedback on things to see what other features might make sense.”



Keeneland’s Brad Lovell talks with the TDN’s Barry Weisbord about the new portfolio

Lucas Marquardt



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Lovell said the initial feedback from shoppers has been positive. "At first, they're very skeptical, but when we show people what the lists can do, they become very interested in it," he said. "Our intent is just to create a useful tool for people who are buying horses--to make it easier to identify horses they are interested in, and make it easier to keep track of those horses."

Keeneland has four video tutorials on its site, [www.keeneland.com](http://www.keeneland.com), for those interested. -LM



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**WEDNESDAY - KEEJAN SHORT YEARLINGS**

| Hip | Sex | Sire    | Dam               | Price    |
|-----|-----|---------|-------------------|----------|
| 804 | c   | Officer | Married for Money | \$40,000 |

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Sunny Francois signed the ticket on unraced then eight-year-old Married for Money (Not for Love), with this colt in utero, for \$25,000 at KEENOV 2009. Francois, a native of Australia born into a racing family, and her husband Frank, who grew up going to tracks in Louisiana, run The Billabong, a full-service boarding facility in Folsom, Louisiana. They also founded Louisiana Racehorse Partnerships in 2009. The mare joined the broodmare band in the Bayou State, and her connections were out on their original investment with her first foal for them.



**KEENELAND JANUARY  
WEDNESDAY, JAN. 12, 2011**

| CUMULATIVE         | 2011              | 2010         |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------|
| Catalogued         | 1,099             | 1,084        |
| No. Offered        | 862               | 824          |
| No. Sold           | 619               | 617          |
| RNAs               | 243               | 207          |
| % RNA              | 28.19%            | 25.12%       |
| No. \$500K+        | 4                 | 2            |
| High Price         | \$1,400,000       | \$1,085,000  |
| Gross              | \$22,478,350      | \$20,553,900 |
| Average (% change) | \$36,314 (+9.01%) | \$33,313     |
| Median (% change)  | \$13,000 (-7.14%) | \$14,000     |

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**Leading General Sires**

| YEAR | SIRE                    | PROGENY EARNINGS    |
|------|-------------------------|---------------------|
| 2010 | <b>Fusaichi Pegasus</b> | <b>\$11,533,739</b> |
| 2009 | Giant's Causeway        | \$19,972,677        |

"... **Fusaichi Pegasus** enjoyed one of his best years in the U.S. in 2010, with Grade 1 winner **Champ Pegasus** in contention for an Eclipse Award as champion turf male... **Champ Pegasus** was the best of his nine Stakes winners worldwide, a number that also included Grade 2 winners **Distinctive Dixie** and **My Jen** and undefeated juvenile Grade 3 winner **Premier Pegasus.**"

Source: John P. Sparkman,  
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TDN  
Book Review

**How Kentucky Became Southern: A Tale of Outlaws, Horse Thieves, Gamblers and Breeders** (By Maryjean Wall)

Eclipse Award winning journalist Maryjean Wall has put together a fascinating, in-depth look at racing's post-Civil War geographical power struggle. She introduces her readers to the colorful characters who helped wrest control of the racing and breeding industry from the North's rich industrialists and transformed Kentucky from the Wild West by creating the lore of the genteel southern plantation lifestyle.

While Kentucky was ostensibly neutral in the Civil War, the war wreaked havoc on the state's breeding industry. Wall relates how the unbeaten star Asteroid was stolen from Robert Aitcheson Alexander's Woodburn Farm before ultimately being ransomed for \$250.

And, while bandits were running rampant through the Bluegrass, the north's upper class were building lavish farms as weekend retreats within easy travel distance of New York City. August Belmont led the charge with his Nursery Farm on Long Island.

Wall takes her readers on a step-by-step journey that ultimately restores Kentucky to its place as horse capital of the world. In a story populated by bandits, brigands and heroes, *How Kentucky Became Southern* examines the early history of racing in the United States and is filled with plenty of "I didn't know that" moments. Did you know General Custer was an avid racing fan? And, well before his ignominious defeat at the Battle of Little Bighorn, the general was commissioned by editors of *Turf, Field and Farm* to tour the Bluegrass and provide the magazine with glowing commentary on horse country. Or that the famous jockey Isaac Murphy fell off the first horse he got on and "was reluctant to try again."

U.S. society was in an upheaval following the Civil War, struggling to find a new normalcy; racing was a microcosm of the larger society. Maryjean Wall's *How Kentucky Became Southern* examines how the sport found it new antebellum reality. It provides a necessary foundation to all serious racing fans.--JM

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A list of categories and finalists follows today's *TDN*, or you can view them by clicking [here](#).

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a ▲ will denote a first-time Grade/Group 1 winner, a + will indicate first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

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FROM THE DESK OF...  
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**A.P. INDY: STILL THE DADDY**

Rating sires is a difficult business. There are many different categories by which sires can be rated--progeny earnings; average-earnings indices; and percentages of black-type, graded/group winners, Grade I/ Group 1 winners to foals or runners, to name a few. They all require hedging and qualification. Meanwhile, the market makes its decision: a stallion's real rating is the stud fee at which its book fills. The market decides, really; though statisticians can influence reality to a very small degree. What is more likely, if we're lucky and/or good, is that we aspire to describe it.

APEX stallion ratings were devised by a group of us at the newsletter *Racing Update* in the 1980's. Their original object was to compensate for a problem with the average-earnings index, which could be distorted by one huge earner. APEX stands for Annual Progeny Earnings Index. The statistic is based on calculations of annual earnings, but with a few twists. The key concept is based on all the runners in a given jurisdiction in a year, or season. The APEX method finds runners which achieve three different percentile earnings levels: the top two percent are designated 'A Runners;' the next two percent 'B Runners;' and the next four percent 'C Runners.' Combined, the top eight percent of earners are designated as 'ABC Runners'--and just about cover the number and percentage of runners who 'break-even or better' for their owners.

Say, for example, there are 50,000 runners in North America in a given calendar year. The top 1,000 (or two percent) earners are A Runners; the next 1,000 are B Runners; and the next 2,000 are C Runners. The same percentages apply to Britain/Ireland (earnings converted and combined), France, Germany and Japan. The program, which was developed and is administered by the U.S. Jockey Club's EquineLine subsidiary, simply finds the requisite percentage in each country or countries, then adds them together to create an annual total covering all the countries combined. Our decision was to restrict the cumulative calculation to the last seven years, so when each new year is added (say 2010), the eighth year back (2003) drops off. Year-end 2010 APEX calculations cover the countries named from 1/1/2004 through 12/31/2010.

It's not a perfect system. Nothing based strictly on earnings could be, as long as there are bigger purses for races for lesser horses than there are for some races with better horses. But on the whole, for the last 25 years the APEX ratings have displayed a strikingly high correlation with the top sires, as identified by stud fee.

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An interesting twist is that sires actually have 17 different indexed APEX ratings: A Runners, B Runners, and C Runners for North America, Europe, Japan, and combined; the ABC Index for all jurisdictions combined; and age indices, which measure a sire's performance, based on ABC Runners for two-year-olds; three-year-olds; four-year-olds; and five-year-olds and up. The A Runner Index is the most important guide to class. Today we will just be looking at the top sires by the signature A Runner Index (combining all three regions); all 17 indices plus more for over 1,600 sires will be available on the website, hopefully later this week.

Just two other qualifiers: sires are not eligible to be assigned APEX ratings until the year their first three-year-olds run. This is because freshman sire figures are just too subject to distortion and, we consider, too unreliable. Second, sires must have 10 or more three-year-olds of the latest season included to be assigned ratings; again, otherwise the figures are just too unreliable. For 2010, sires must have had 10 or more foals of 2007. Freshman sires of 2010 (first foals 2008) are not rated, nor are sires whose youngest foals are four-year-olds; Indian Ridge, for example, is making his last appearance on these lists, as his final crop were foals of 2007.

So much for the preliminaries, now let's get down to cases. The leading sire by APEX A Runner Index for the seven years ending in 2010 was A.P. Indy, whose A Runner Index of 4.90 translates into 9.80 percent of his runners becoming top two-percent earners (just multiply a sire's A Runner Index times two to see the percentage of his 2004-2010 A Runners from runners). It's the seventh time he's led this list, and the 13th time in the 13 years since 1998--the year his first four-year-olds raced--he's been among the top three sires in North America and Europe by A Runner Index. He used to trade places among the top three with Danzig and Storm Cat, but Danzig's gone now, and Storm Cat has slipped a bit down the list (12th in 2004-2010, with a 3.22 A Runner Index). These days 90 percent of A.P. Indy's runners are in North America, and he is an all-American sire, that's for sure, but he's been the most consistent sire of high earners of all sires in North America and Europe for the last decade.

But A.P. Indy, as most participants in the business know, statistically comes from another era, in terms of sire statistics--the era before book sizes doubled, thus lowering the standard of broodmares bred to even the top sires, and therefore lowering the success rates for the top sires. I date the 'big-book era,' somewhat arbitrarily, perhaps, beginning with foals of 1996.

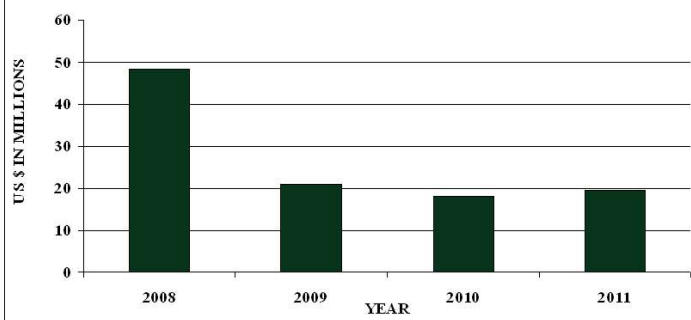
# Weekly Sales Ticker

by Bill Oppenheim

"The nine percent rise in gross and \$50,001 average for Keeneland January Book 1 is good news. No doubt the combination of lower prices and a strong yen has influenced the return of Japan's Yoshida family into the marketplace in a way not seen since the early 'Nineties, when they first stocked up on world-class mares and got Sunday Silence to boot. Including the 15 listed from Kentucky sales in yesterday's TDN, our estimate is that Shadai/Yoshida interests have bought 28 fillies and mares totaling about \$19,615,214 at the 2010-11 mixed sales, including purchases at Tattersalls and Arqana in December."

- Bill Oppenheim

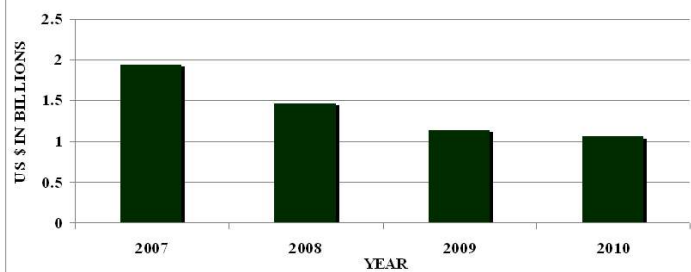
## KEENELAND JANUARY BOOK 1



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| YEAR | CAT | RING | SOLD | % W/D | % S/R | % S/C | GROSS        | AVE       |
|------|-----|------|------|-------|-------|-------|--------------|-----------|
| 2011 | 726 | 560  | 392  | 22.9% | 70.0% | 54.0% | \$19,600,200 | \$50,001  |
| 2010 | 734 | 552  | 406  | 24.8% | 73.6% | 55.3% | \$17,993,800 | \$44,320  |
| 2009 | 788 | 548  | 412  | 30.5% | 75.2% | 52.3% | \$21,091,600 | \$51,193  |
| 2008 | 738 | 594  | 434  | 19.5% | 73.1% | 58.8% | \$48,414,100 | \$111,553 |

## TOTAL US AND EUROPEAN SALES



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| YEAR | CAT    | RING   | SOLD   | % W/D | % S/R | % S/C | GROSS           | AVE      |
|------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-----------------|----------|
| 2010 | 36,782 | 30,494 | 22,270 | 17.1% | 73.0% | 60.5% | \$1,063,697,227 | \$47,764 |
| 2009 | 38,239 | 30,685 | 22,740 | 19.8% | 74.1% | 59.5% | \$1,136,669,094 | \$49,985 |
| 2008 | 43,997 | 35,010 | 24,659 | 20.4% | 70.4% | 56.0% | \$1,472,255,581 | \$59,705 |
| 2007 | 46,444 | 38,738 | 28,549 | 16.6% | 73.7% | 61.5% | \$1,942,417,130 | \$68,038 |

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley

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In the accompanying table of the Top 75 sires by APEX A Runner Index (with 200+ year-starters 2004-2010)--essentially the Top 10 percent of 701 sires with that many runners (a 'year-starter' means a horse is counted as one runner in each season it runs; in theory the same horse could count as seven year-starters--and seven A Runners--in a seven-year period)--sires from the pre big-book era are displayed in red. Including the German sire Monsun (first foals 1997 but never big books) and the California freak Unusual Heat (first foals 1999 but virtually a private stallion to begin with), six of the Top 12 sires by A Runner Index show in red. This definitely reflects the fact that sires on the whole had better numbers when they had fewer foals, and runners. Besides A.P. Indy, the other 'oldies' in the Top 12 are: third-ranked Sadler's Wells (3.74), 14 times Champion Sire in Britain and Ireland; the California sire phenomenon Unusual Heat (3.69), in fifth; leading German sire (and once second on the French Sire List) Monsun (3.49); perennial leading Ontario sire Bold Executive (3.42); and long-time top three sire Storm Cat (3.22). Having six of the top 12, just two other pre-big book sires, both retired sons of Mr. Prospector, rank among this year's Top 30: Kingmambo (exactly 3.00), who ranks 18th; and Seeking the Gold (2.63), who ranks 30th.

You may also note that nine of the top 16 sires on the list of leading sires by APEX A Runner Index are displayed in blue. These are all sires with first foals 2005-2007. With the exception of Oasis Dream (611 year-starters), all of the sires from this grouping had between 200-400 year-starters by the end of 2010. Over the years it's become clear sires' A Runner Index figures usually decline the more crops they have. It's to do with the increasing numbers of moderate horses sires have as they have more (and, if they are successful early, bigger) crops. Five years from now it's likely these young sires now displayed in blue will have A Runner indices more like the sires displayed in black.

In fact, of the 14 sires displayed in black among the top 32 with A Runner indices of 2.60+ , all but one (Street Cry, with 571) had more than 700 year-starters. Of the top 16 sires by 2004-2010 A Runner Index, only Galileo comes from the big-book era and had his first foals before 2005. Six, including leader A.P. Indy, are from the pre-big book era (or had relatively small books) we discussed; and nine had first foals 2005-2007 and, with one exception (Oasis Dream), had under 400 year-starters.

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Of the next 16, just Shamardal is an F2005-F2007 sire, and two are pre-big book sires. The other 13 are all more established sires with (except for Street Cry) more than 700 year-starters. Ultimately, these sires in black are the real standard of established proven sires, and you can see how they are clustered together, with A Runner Indices ranging from 2.61- 3.01. That's why we can be pretty certain that Galileo (3.72) really can be said to be significantly in front of his contemporaries; among those sires displayed in black, Smart Strike (3.01) runs a distant second.

The 14 'established' big-book era sires I refer to all had first foals 1998-2004 and were, of course, at the top of their respective sire crops. Among this group, with first foals 1998 were Smart Strike (3.01), Unbridled's Song (2.91) and Pivotal (2.70). The only sire among this group with first foals 1999 is Danehill Dancer (2.74). First foals 2000 include Awesome Again (2.93) and Distorted Humor (2.74). No sires with first foals 2001 are in the top 32 with 2.60+ A Runner indices, but the 2002 sire crop includes Lemon Drop Kid (2.97), two-time North American sire champion Giant's Causeway (2.89), and Europeans Montjeu (2.62) and Dansili (2.61). Galileo (3.74) is the best of the 2003 sire crop, which also includes Tiznow (2.73) and City Zip (2.65). Street Cry (2.98) is the only F2004 sire among the top 32.

They way these cluster, I think we have to expect the 10 F2005-F2007 sires, displayed in blue, to end up with figures more in the 2.61-3.01 region than to have so many with A Runner indices above 3.00. This is the sort of speculation that we'll have to come back and check on in a few years' time. But, besides the question of exactly how these young sires will end up being rated, what is equally if not more important is that these are the young sires which have separated themselves out from the pack.

Oldest of the three groups are those sires with first foals 2005; in other words, they had five-year-olds of 2010, and their first foals are six in 2011. I know it's unfashionable and anti-commercial to talk about an 11- to 13-year-old sire as a work in progress, but they are. Whether their ratings will drop as their number of year-starters doubles over the next few years, or not, these are the 'younger' stars. There are four with first foals 2005 among the top 16, though none are in the top 10. They are Mineshaft (11th, 3.24); Florida surprise packet D'wildcat (3.22); and top European sires Dalakhani (3.17) and Oasis Dream (3.03).

The four North American F2006 sires (first four-year-olds 2010) who virtually all observers agree are headed straight to the top include three in the top 10. It is perhaps surprising to see Speightstown rated highest of these, and in fact second behind A.P. Indy among the 701 sires with 200+ year-starters since 2004, with a scintillating 4.34 A Runner Index. Candy Ride (6th, 3.69) comes next, just ahead of Medaglia D'Oro (8th, 3.65). Tapit (15th, 3.09) completes this fearsome foursome.

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Just the two top European sires with first foals 2007 (first three-year-old 2010) make the top 32: Darley's pair of Dubawi (7th, 3.66 A Runner Index) and Shamardal (28th, 2.66). They have 205 and 207 year-starters, respectively, so barely qualify for this list anyway. Next among F2007 sires, by the way, and inches out of the top 32, is the Japanese son of Sunday Silence, Zenno Rob Roy (33rd, 2.58). Few Japanese sires achieve such high A Runner indices so early.

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**TOP 75 SIRES by A RUNNER INDEX, 200+ RNRS 2004-2010**  
(701 SIRES)

| SIRE             | YEAR | HIS SIRE         | 1st Fls | ST  | Rnrs | A's | A Indx | ABC's | Index |
|------------------|------|------------------|---------|-----|------|-----|--------|-------|-------|
| A.P. INDY        | 1989 | SEATTLE SLEW     | 1994    | KY  | 1184 | 116 | 4.90   | 266   | 2.81  |
| SPEIGHTSTOWN     | 1998 | GONE WEST        | 2006    | KY  | 357  | 31  | 4.34   | 72    | 2.52  |
| SADLER'S WELLS   | 1981 | NORTHERN DANCER  | 1986    | Ret | 1443 | 108 | 3.74   | 235   | 2.04  |
| GALILEO          | 1998 | SADLER'S WELLS   | 2003    | IR  | 940  | 70  | 3.72   | 174   | 2.31  |
| UNUSUAL HEAT     | 1990 | NUREYEV          | 1999    | CA  | 705  | 52  | 3.69   | 137   | 2.43  |
| CANDY RIDE       | 1999 | RIDE THE RAILS   | 2006    | KY  | 298  | 22  | 3.69   | 46    | 1.93  |
| DUBAWI           | 2002 | DUBAI MILLENNIUM | 2007    | GB  | 205  | 15  | 3.66   | 27    | 1.65  |
| MEDAGLIA D'ORO   | 1999 | EL PRADO         | 2006    | KY  | 370  | 27  | 3.65   | 74    | 2.50  |
| MONSUN           | 1990 | KONIGSSTUHL      | 1997    | GE  | 760  | 53  | 3.49   | 114   | 1.88  |
| BOLD EXECUTIVE   | 1984 | BOLD RUCKUS      | 1990    | ON  | 818  | 56  | 3.42   | 148   | 2.26  |
| MINESHAFT        | 1999 | A.P. INDY        | 2005    | KY  | 355  | 23  | 3.24   | 63    | 2.22  |
| STORM CAT        | 1983 | STORM BIRD       | 1989    | Ret | 993  | 64  | 3.22   | 187   | 2.35  |
| D'WILDCAT        | 1998 | FOREST WILDCAT   | 2005    | F L | 264  | 17  | 3.22   | 50    | 2.37  |
| DALAKHANI        | 2000 | DARSHAAN         | 2005    | IR  | 300  | 19  | 3.17   | 37    | 1.54  |
| TAPIT            | 2001 | PULPIT           | 2006    | KY  | 356  | 22  | 3.09   | 57    | 2.00  |
| OASIS DREAM      | 2000 | GREEN DESERT     | 2005    | GB  | 611  | 37  | 3.03   | 108   | 2.21  |
| SMART STRIKE     | 1992 | MR. PROSPECTOR   | 1998    | KY  | 1414 | 85  | 3.01   | 216   | 1.91  |
| KINGMAMBO        | 1990 | MR. PROSPECTOR   | 1995    | Ret | 984  | 59  | 3.00   | 144   | 1.83  |
| STREET CRY       | 1998 | MACHIAVELLIAN    | 2004    | KY  | 571  | 34  | 2.98   | 91    | 1.99  |
| LEMON DROP KID   | 1996 | KINGMAMBO        | 2002    | KY  | 891  | 53  | 2.97   | 166   | 2.33  |
| AWESOME AGAIN    | 1994 | DEPUTY MINISTER  | 2000    | KY  | 989  | 58  | 2.93   | 161   | 2.03  |
| UNBRIDLED'S SONG | 1993 | UNBRIDLED        | 1998    | KY  | 1270 | 74  | 2.91   | 205   | 2.02  |
| GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | 1997 | STORM CAT        | 2002    | KY  | 1590 | 92  | 2.89   | 270   | 2.12  |
| DISTORTED HUMOR  | 1993 | FORTY NINER      | 2000    | KY  | 1436 | 79  | 2.75   | 277   | 2.41  |

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| Pioneerof the Nile | 2.86        |
| Colonel John       | 2.75        |



|                   |      |                  |      |      |      |    |      |     |      |
|-------------------|------|------------------|------|------|------|----|------|-----|------|
| DANEHILL DANCER   | 1993 | DANEHILL         | 1999 | IR   | 1589 | 87 | 2.74 | 216 | 1.70 |
| TIZNOW            | 1997 | CEE'S TIZZY      | 2003 | KY   | 788  | 43 | 2.73 | 105 | 1.67 |
| PIVOTAL           | 1993 | POLAR FALCON     | 1998 | GB   | 1203 | 65 | 2.70 | 217 | 2.25 |
| SHAMARDAL         | 2002 | GIANT'S CAUSEWAY | 2007 | IR   | 207  | 11 | 2.66 | 32  | 1.93 |
| CITY ZIP          | 1998 | CARSON CITY      | 2003 | KY   | 718  | 38 | 2.65 | 114 | 1.98 |
| SEEKING THE GOLD  | 1985 | MR. PROSPECTOR   | 1991 | Ret  | 778  | 41 | 2.63 | 114 | 1.83 |
| MONTJEU           | 1996 | SADLER'S WELLS   | 2002 | IR   | 1185 | 62 | 2.62 | 180 | 1.90 |
| DANSILI           | 1996 | DANEHILL         | 2002 | GB   | 1054 | 55 | 2.61 | 155 | 1.84 |
| ZENNO ROB ROY     | 2000 | SUNDAY SILENCE   | 2007 | JP   | 233  | 12 | 2.58 | 26  | 1.39 |
| DESERT GOD        | 1991 | FAPPIANO         | 1994 | NM   | 213  | 11 | 2.58 | 29  | 1.70 |
| DYNAFORMER        | 1985 | ROBERTO          | 1991 | KY   | 1229 | 63 | 2.56 | 199 | 2.02 |
| KIRIDASHI         | 1992 | BOLD RUCKUS      | 2000 | AB   | 414  | 21 | 2.54 | 46  | 1.39 |
| WHISKEY WISDOM    | 1993 | WILD AGAIN       | 1999 | MB   | 476  | 24 | 2.52 | 78  | 2.05 |
| PULPIT            | 1994 | A.P. INDY        | 1999 | KY   | 1047 | 52 | 2.48 | 164 | 1.96 |
| EL PRADO          | 1989 | SADLER'S WELLS   | 1994 | Dead | 1108 | 54 | 2.44 | 168 | 1.90 |
| RAHY              | 1985 | BLUSHING GROOM   | 1991 | Ret  | 967  | 47 | 2.43 | 161 | 2.08 |
| BERNSTEIN         | 1997 | STORM CAT        | 2002 | KY   | 760  | 37 | 2.43 | 90  | 1.48 |
| EXCHANGE RATE     | 1997 | DANZIG           | 2003 | KY   | 539  | 26 | 2.41 | 63  | 1.46 |
| WILD RUSH         | 1994 | WILD AGAIN       | 2000 | JP   | 1203 | 57 | 2.37 | 163 | 1.69 |
| SELKIRK           | 1988 | SHARPEN UP       | 1994 | GB   | 894  | 42 | 2.35 | 122 | 1.71 |
| INTIKHAB          | 1994 | RED RANSOM       | 2001 | IR   | 511  | 24 | 2.35 | 62  | 1.52 |
| STORMY ATLANTIC   | 1994 | STORM CAT        | 2000 | KY   | 1534 | 70 | 2.28 | 193 | 1.57 |
| HIGH CHAPARRAL    | 1999 | SADLER'S WELLS   | 2005 | IR   | 374  | 17 | 2.27 | 48  | 1.60 |
| SINGSPIEL         | 1992 | IN THE WINGS     | 1999 | Dead | 1093 | 49 | 2.24 | 156 | 1.78 |
| INDIAN RIDGE      | 1985 | AHONOORA         | 1991 | Dead | 758  | 34 | 2.24 | 105 | 1.73 |
| E DUBAI           | 1998 | MR. PROSPECTOR   | 2004 | PA   | 535  | 24 | 2.24 | 76  | 1.78 |
| MALIBU MOON       | 1997 | A.P. INDY        | 2001 | KY   | 1174 | 52 | 2.21 | 178 | 1.90 |
| THEATRICAL        | 1982 | NUREYEV          | 1989 | Ret  | 635  | 28 | 2.20 | 80  | 1.57 |
| TRAJECTORY        | 1997 | GONE WEST        | 2003 | ON   | 432  | 19 | 2.20 | 56  | 1.62 |
| SAKHEE            | 1997 | BAHRI            | 2004 | GB   | 275  | 12 | 2.18 | 30  | 1.36 |
| ROCK OF GIBRALTAR | 1999 | DANEHILL         | 2004 | IR   | 856  | 37 | 2.16 | 112 | 1.64 |
| SKY MESA          | 2000 | PULPIT           | 2005 | KY   | 464  | 20 | 2.16 | 66  | 1.78 |
| LANGFUHR          | 1992 | DANZIG           | 1999 | KY   | 1491 | 64 | 2.15 | 222 | 1.86 |
| MUHTATHIR         | 1995 | ELMAAMUL         | 2002 | FR   | 372  | 16 | 2.15 | 48  | 1.61 |
| HALLING           | 1991 | DIESIS           | 1998 | GB   | 679  | 29 | 2.14 | 90  | 1.66 |
| LION HEART        | 2001 | TALE OF THE CAT  | 2006 | TK   | 470  | 20 | 2.13 | 51  | 1.36 |
| SINNDAR           | 1997 | GRAND LODGE      | 2002 | FR   | 446  | 19 | 2.13 | 50  | 1.40 |
| PERIGEE MOON      | 1998 | HENNESSY         | 2003 | ON   | 308  | 13 | 2.11 | 33  | 1.34 |
| SILVER DEPUTY     | 1985 | DEPUTY MINISTER  | 1990 | Ret  | 1118 | 47 | 2.10 | 180 | 2.01 |
| LINAMIX           | 1987 | MENDEZ           | 1992 | Ret  | 815  | 34 | 2.09 | 120 | 1.84 |
| SHINKO FOREST     | 1993 | GREEN DESERT     | 2000 | Dead | 358  | 15 | 2.09 | 49  | 1.71 |
| SUCCESSFUL APPEAL | 1996 | VALID APPEAL     | 2002 | KY   | 602  | 25 | 2.08 | 102 | 2.12 |
| MACHO UNO         | 1998 | HOLY BULL        | 2005 | KY   | 361  | 15 | 2.08 | 42  | 1.45 |
| WAR CHANT         | 1997 | DANZIG           | 2002 | JP   | 681  | 28 | 2.06 | 91  | 1.67 |
| EMPIRE MAKER      | 2000 | UNBRIDLED        | 2005 | JP   | 436  | 18 | 2.06 | 68  | 1.95 |
| CAPE CROSS        | 1994 | GREEN DESERT     | 2001 | IR   | 1220 | 50 | 2.05 | 164 | 1.68 |
| TRIBAL RULE       | 1996 | STORM CAT        | 2004 | CA   | 292  | 12 | 2.05 | 34  | 1.46 |
| FORESTRY          | 1996 | STORM CAT        | 2001 | KY   | 1034 | 42 | 2.03 | 128 | 1.55 |
| BELONG TO ME      | 1989 | DANZIG           | 1995 | KY   | 934  | 38 | 2.03 | 130 | 1.74 |
| PURE PRIZE        | 1998 | STORM CAT        | 2004 | KY   | 447  | 18 | 2.01 | 54  | 1.51 |
| QUIET AMERICAN    | 1986 | FAPPIANO         | 1993 | KY   | 927  | 37 | 2.00 | 121 | 1.63 |

RED = 20yo & OLDER

BLUE = 1ST FLS 2005-2007

GREEN = CANADIAN SIRE



**TOP 32 Sires Pre 'Big-Book' (or with Smaller Books) (8)**

| 701  | Group |                  |      |                 |         | TOT | TOT  | TOT |        |
|------|-------|------------------|------|-----------------|---------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| RANK | RANK  | SIRE             | YEAR | HIS SIRE        | 1st Fls | ST  | Rnrs | A's | A Indx |
| 1    | 1     | A.P. INDY        | 1989 | SEATTLE SLEW    | 1994    | KY  | 1184 | 116 | 4.90   |
| 3    | 2     | SADLER'S WELLS   | 1991 | NORTHERN DANCER | 1996    | Ret | 1443 | 108 | 3.74   |
| 5    | 3     | UNUSUAL HEAT     | 1990 | NUREYEV         | 1999    | CA  | 705  | 52  | 3.69   |
| 9    | 4     | MONSUN           | 1990 | KONIGSS TUHL    | 1997    | GE  | 760  | 53  | 3.49   |
| 10   | 5     | BOLD EXECUTIVE   | 1984 | BOLD RUCKUS     | 1990    | ON  | 818  | 56  | 3.42   |
| 12   | 6     | STORM CAT        | 1983 | STORM BIRD      | 1999    | Ret | 993  | 64  | 3.22   |
| 18   | 7     | KINGMAMBO        | 1990 | MR. PROSPECTOR  | 1995    | Ret | 984  | 59  | 3.00   |
| 30   | 8     | SEEKING THE GOLD | 1985 | MR. PROSPECTOR  | 1991    | Ret | 778  | 41  | 2.63   |

**Top 32 Sires with First Foals 2005-2007 (10)**

| 701  | Group |                |      |                  |         | TOT | TOT  | TOT |        |
|------|-------|----------------|------|------------------|---------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| RANK | RANK  | SIRE           | YEAR | HIS SIRE         | 1st Fls | ST  | Rnrs | A's | A Indx |
| 2    | 1     | SPEIGHTSTOWN   | 1998 | GONE WEST        | 2006    | KY  | 357  | 31  | 4.34   |
| 6    | 2     | CANDY RIDE     | 1999 | RIDE THE RAILS   | 2006    | KY  | 298  | 22  | 3.69   |
| 7    | 3     | DUBAWI         | 2002 | DUBAI MILLENNIUM | 2007    | GB  | 205  | 15  | 3.66   |
| 8    | 4     | MEDAGLIA D'ORO | 1999 | EL PRADO         | 2006    | KY  | 370  | 27  | 3.65   |
| 11   | 5     | MINESHAFT      | 1999 | A.P. INDY        | 2005    | KY  | 355  | 23  | 3.24   |
| 13   | 6     | D'WILDCAT      | 1998 | FOREST WILDCAT   | 2005    | FL  | 264  | 17  | 3.22   |
| 14   | 7     | DALAKHANI      | 2000 | DARSHAAN         | 2005    | IR  | 300  | 19  | 3.17   |
| 15   | 8     | TAPIT          | 2001 | PULPIT           | 2006    | KY  | 356  | 22  | 3.09   |
| 16   | 9     | OASIS DREAM    | 2000 | GREEN DESERT     | 2005    | GB  | 611  | 37  | 3.03   |
| 28   | 10    | SHAMARDAL      | 2002 | GIANTS CAUSEWAY  | 2007    | IR  | 207  | 11  | 2.66   |

**Top 32 Sires with First Foals 1998-2004 (Established Proven Sires) (14)**

| 701  | Group |                  |      |                 |         | TOT | TOT  | TOT |        |
|------|-------|------------------|------|-----------------|---------|-----|------|-----|--------|
| RANK | RANK  | SIRE             | YEAR | HIS SIRE        | 1st Fls | ST  | Rnrs | A's | A Indx |
| 4    | 1     | GALILEO          | 1998 | SADLER'S WELLS  | 2003    | IR  | 940  | 70  | 3.72   |
| 17   | 2     | SMART STRIKE     | 1992 | MR. PROSPECTOR  | 1998    | KY  | 1414 | 85  | 3.01   |
| 19   | 3     | STREET CRY       | 1998 | MACHIAVELLIAN   | 2004    | KY  | 571  | 34  | 2.98   |
| 20   | 4     | LEMON DROP KID   | 1996 | KINGMAMBO       | 2002    | KY  | 891  | 53  | 2.97   |
| 21   | 5     | AWESOME AGAIN    | 1994 | DEPUTY MINISTER | 2000    | KY  | 989  | 58  | 2.93   |
| 22   | 6     | UNBRIDLED'S SONG | 1993 | UNBRIDLED       | 1998    | KY  | 1270 | 74  | 2.91   |
| 23   | 7     | GIANTS CAUSEWAY  | 1997 | STORM CAT       | 2002    | KY  | 1590 | 92  | 2.89   |
| 24   | 8     | DISTORTED HUMOR  | 1993 | FORTY NINER     | 2000    | KY  | 1436 | 79  | 2.75   |
| 25   | 9     | DANEHILL DANCER  | 1993 | DANEHILL        | 1999    | IR  | 1589 | 87  | 2.74   |
| 26   | 10    | TIZNOW           | 1997 | CEE'S TIZZY     | 2003    | KY  | 788  | 43  | 2.73   |
| 27   | 11    | PIVOTAL          | 1993 | POLAR FALCON    | 1998    | GB  | 1203 | 65  | 2.70   |
| 29   | 12    | CITY ZIP         | 1998 | CARSON CITY     | 2003    | KY  | 718  | 38  | 2.65   |
| 31   | 13    | MONTJEU          | 1996 | SADLER'S WELLS  | 2002    | IR  | 1185 | 62  | 2.62   |
| 32   | 14    | DANSILI          | 1996 | DANEHILL        | 2002    | GB  | 1054 | 55  | 2.61   |

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3--**Sweet Theresa (SAf), 120, m, 6, Strike Smartly--Sweet Antonia, by The Prime Minister.**  
Margins: HF, HF, NO. Odds: 17.50, 20.90, 18.10.

Trix in the City was sidelined for nine months after running fourth in an optional claimer at the Meadowlands in October of 2009. She filled the same spot in her comeback effort, a Monmouth allowance test July 9, and improved to wire the field in an optional test at Saratoga Aug. 16 second off the layoff. Stepped up in company for the Oct. 16 GIII Athenia S. at Belmont, she compromised her chances when breaking through the gate before the start, then chased the pace before fading to ninth. The chestnut mare was overlooked in her first appearance since that disappointing effort. Swift off the blocks, she was taken back to sit off the dueling leaders through a half in :45.78. Trix in the City eased up to join the frontrunners on the far turn, wrested command at the top of the lane and held off the late charge of Romin Robin for a narrow victory. Tapitsfly (Tapit), making her first start since taking the 2009 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf at Santa Anita, was head-and-head for the early lead, but faded late and finished last as the 5-2 second choice. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

**2nd-GPX, \$40,500, Alw, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 1m, 1:38 4/5, ft.**

**ARENA ELVIRA (f, 4, Ghostzapper--Two Item Limit {MGSW & MGISP, \$1,060,584}, by Twining)** filled the role of bridesmaid in her first three starts before breaking the streak with a game 1 3/4-length score over the Aqueduct inner track Dec. 10. Off at 3-1 to put them back-to-back, the dark bay tracked the pace from third through a half in a leisurely :48.22. She made her bid as they neared the stretch, grabbed the lead in the lane and was put to the test in the final yards, but passed, holding off Crown Me Wicked (Wild and Wicked) by a neck. Lifetime Record: 5-2-3-0, \$81,500. Sales history: \$55,000 yrl '08 KEESEP; \$210,000 2yo '09 OBSMAR. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

O-Carolyn Wilson. B-Northwest Farms (KY). T-W I Mott.

**5th-GPX, \$40,500, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft.**

**RAZMATAZ (c, 3, Forest Wildcat--Miss Cheektowaga, by Crafty Friend),** third at first asking at Churchill Downs May 20, graduated by 3 3/4 lengths at that oval June 11 before taking a 5 1/2-month break. The bay returned to be fourth in an allowance test under the Twin Spires Nov. 27, and was the 2-1 second favorite in his second start back. Up to press the pace from his outside post, he finally forged his way to the front inside the final furlong to edge Gold for Cash (Eurosilver) by three-quarters of a length. Sales history: \$50,000 RNA yrl '09 KEESEP; \$200,000 2yo '10 BESMAR. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$60,964. **Click for the [brisnet.com chart](#) or [Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)**

O-Let's Go Stable. B-Gulf Coast Farms LLC (KY). T-Todd A Pletcher.



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**Gulfstream Report cont.**

**6th-GPX, \$39,500, Msw, 3yo, 5fT, :57, fm.**  
**ARTFUL RUN** (c, 3, [Artie Schiller](#)--Daintree, by Regal Affair) made two starts on the dirt last season, finishing fourth after cutting out the fractions at Belmont Oct. 7 and fifth after racing at the back of the pack early at Churchill Nov. 27. The 5-2 chalk in his turf bow, he went right to the front, set a pressured pace and skipped clear in the lane to win by 1 3/4 lengths. Firster So Bold (Royal Academy) was second best. The winner is a 1/2 to Fortune Or Folly (King Cugat), SP, \$190,528. Sales history: \$14,000 RNA yrl '09 KEEJAN; \$25,000 yrl '09 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$27,412. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O-Preston Stables LLC. B-Rosemont Farm LLC (KY). T-Dale L Romans.

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**EAST**

**Yesterday's Results:**

**7th-LRL, \$30,000, Alw, Opt. Clm.** (\$40,000-\$35,000), NW1X, 3yo, 1m, 1:38 1/5, ft.

**TOBY'S CORNER** (c, 3, [Bellamy Road](#)--Brandon's Ride, by Mister Frisky), third on a sloppy strip at Delaware Park in his Oct. 4 debut, came back to romp by 10 3/4 lengths over this track and trip. Nov. 25. He was the 7-10 chalk to make it two in a row. Rated just off the pace while in the clear down the backstretch, the chestnut edged closer while still in hand on the far turn. Jockey Travis Dunkelberger shook him up at the top of the lane, and he needed just a few taps of the whip to take command, then cruised under the wire 1 1/4 lengths to the good of Terra Cotta Moon (Malibu Moon). The winner is a 3/4-brother to Bushmills Best (Concerto), SW, \$137,279. Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, \$37,240. [Click for the brisnet.com chart or Video, sponsored by Taylor Made.](#)

O/B-Diane D Cotter (FL). T-H Graham Motion.

**9th-TAM, \$17,000, Msw, 3yo, 6 1/2f, 1:20 1/5, ft.**  
 + **CHASING MOONLIGHT** (c, 3, [Grand Slam](#)--Feminine, by Tale of the Cat), a 7-2 chance in her debut, came from just off an honest pace to put a head in front in the stretch. Kriegspell (Lion Heart), in traffic at the eighth pole, came flying once clear, but came up a head short. Sales history: \$15,000 yrl '09 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$10,200. [Click for the brisnet.com chart.](#)  
 O/T-R Leppala. B-Parrish Hill Farm & Ramona Bass (KY).



**CENTRAL**

**Slots Bill Stalled in Illinois:**

The Illinois House of Representatives failed to vote on a bill that would have brought slots to Illinois tracks, according to published reports. Passed last last year by the Upper House by a slight majority, Senate Bill 737 was not called for a full vote in the House before the new legislature was sworn in. It will now have to return to the General Assembly, where the entire committee process will have to be restarted.



**First/Second-crop starters to watch: Thursday, Jan. 13**

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2006 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

- ALLUVIAL** (Forestry), Breeders Station, \$3K, 78/1/0  
5-FG, Aoc, 1mT, Royal Alluvial, 9-2
- ARAGORN (IRE)** (Giant's Causeway), Lane's End, \$30K, 141/11/0  
7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Sweet Harp, \$60K KEE APR 2yo, 8-1
- BANDINI** (Fusaichi Pegasus), Walmac Farm, \$18K, 174/14/0  
8-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Did You Know, \$6K KEE SEP yrl, 10-1
- BERNARDINI** (A.P. Indy), Darley, \$100K, 219/14/4  
7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Gharbiah, \$300K FTS AUG yrl, 15-1
- BORREGO** (El Prado {Ire}), Wintergreen Stallion Station, \$20K, 107/10/0  
5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Ricketyracketyruss
- 5-FG, Aoc, 1mT, Sweet Tia, \$22K OBS APR 2yo, 10-1
- FLOWER ALLEY** (Distorted Humor), Three Chimneys Farm, \$25K, 160/8/2  
5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Satin Bouquet, \$55K OBS APR 2yo
- 7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Sassy's Dream, \$50K KEE SEP yrl, 6-1
- GIACOMO** (Holy Bull), Adena Springs Kentucky, \$13K, 151/9/1  
5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Miss Resplendere
- GOOD REWARD** (Storm Cat), Three Chimneys Farm, \$15K, 115/15/0  
5-FG, Aoc, 1mT, Accept, \$100K KEE NOV wnl, 3-1

**Rookies cont. p3**

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**7th-LRL (Alw) Toby's Corner** (Bellamy Road) makes it two in a row with this decisive score.

The **brisnet.com** 'Race of the Day' is the **8th Race, \$51,500 Allowance, at Gulfstream Park.** For pps and a complete race analysis, [click here.](#)



**Rookies cont.**

**HENNY HUGHES** (Hennessy), Darley, \$40K, 214/22/0  
 7-SA, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Wealthy Aviator, \$275K BAR MAR 2yo  
**POMEROY** (Boundary), Vinery Ltd., \$13K, 148/26/1  
 8-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, Jagged Cliffs, \$7K EAS SEP yrl, 9-2  
**ROCKPORT HARBOR** (Unbridled's Song), Darley, \$20K, 215/21/2  
 2-TAM, Msw, 1m, Jewel of Rockport, \$25K OBS AUG yrl, 6-1  
**STAR DABBLER** (Saint Ballado), Richland Hills Inc, \$8K, 68/3/0  
 7-GP, Msw, 1 1/16mT, Stella Di Sicilia, \$5K OBS APR 2yo, 20-1  
**THE DADDY** (Valid Expectations), Airdrie Stud, \$5K, 82/8/1  
 2-TAM, Msw, 1m, Daddy's Honor, \$6K OBS AUG yrl, 2-1  
**WAR FRONT** (Danzig), Claiborne Farm, \$13K, 138/21/3  
 5-SA, Msw, 6 1/2f, Whispers of War, \$35K OBS OPN 2yo



**BRITAIN**



**HUFFER AND PEARCE DISQUALIFIED**

Trainer Jeff Pearce and ex-trainer Geoff Huffer were yesterday "warned off" for three and four years, respectively, by the British Horseracing Authority as a result of an investigation into the running of a horse at Lingfield in 2008. Found guilty of conspiring to ensure that Sabre Light (GB) (Fantastic Light) did not run on merits in a claimer in December of that year, the duo were handed the disqualification alongside jockey Jerry O'Dwyer, who was banned for 18 months. Huffer is best known for training the 2007 dual Guineas hero and sire Cockney Rebel (Ire) (Val Royal {Fr}) and the 1988 St James's Palace S. and International S. hero and fellow sire Persian Heights (Ire) (Persian Bold {Ire}).



**MIDDLE EAST**

**TRAKUS TO FEATURE AT MEYDAN**

*(Edited press release)* Trakus, a Boston-based sports media technology company, takes another step towards bringing the race home to the fans by teaming with the Dubai Racing Club and its state-of-the-art new Meydan Racecourse in providing full field real-time tracking for the 11 race meetings that will make up the 2011 Dubai International Racing Carnival. Now in its eighth season, this international racing program begins Thursday, Jan. 13 and culminates Saturday, Mar. 26, with the Dubai World Cup, the world's richest day in racing, worth over \$26 million in prize money. Trakus production enhancements will include real-time run order graphics during the live race telecast, as well as instantaneous photo-realistic 3D animated replays using a virtual camera that can be placed anywhere around the track. Sectional times and post-race statistics such as trip distance and beaten lengths allow horseplayers and fans alike to go inside the race for breakdown analysis. Race goers at Meydan have benefited from the Trakus system for the second time in as many seasons. Terry Spargo, senior broadcast manager and the chief commentator at the Dubai Racing Club, said, "Trakus has been a great feature which has added to the overall racing experience at Meydan Racecourse, not just for the horsemen but also for the racing fans." Added Trakus President and CEO Bob McCarthy, "Trakus is proud to be partnered with Dubai Racing Club and its spectacular Meydan Racecourse. With extensive use of Trakus graphics elements on Meydan's high-def infield video board--the largest such display in the world--and with the broad international appeal for Dubai's broadcast signal, we are delighted to be included as part of this very special event."

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**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**3rd-TAM, \$21,400, Opt. Clm.** (\$32,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft.  
**SPECKLEDBIRD** (f, 4, **Macho Uno**--Binnopoly, by Fast Play) Lifetime Record: 7-4-0-1, \$80,310. O-Carolyn Wilson. B-Big C Farm (FL). T-William I Mott. \*\$65,000 yrl '08 OBSAUG; \$32,000 RNA 2yo '09 OBSMAR.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Celtic Chant**, f, 3, **Songandaprayer**--Currane, by Gone West. TAM, 1-12, 1 1/16mT, 1:45 4/5. B-Waterville Lake Stables LLC (KY).

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GULFSTREAM

I Want Revenge (Stephen Got Even), 6f, 1:13.60, 1/2

HOLLYWOOD PARK

Fluke (Brz) (Wild Event), 5f, 1:00.80, 11/27  
 Pica Slew (Pico Central {Brz}), 6f, 1:13.00, 2/5  
 Turbulent Descent (Congrats), 5f, 1:00.60, 9/27

PALM MEADOWS

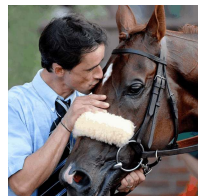
Dancinginherdreams (Tapit), 5f, •:59.00, 1/10  
 Sovereign Default (Northern Afleet), 5f, 1:00.70, 2/10

PAYSON PARK

Grassy (El Prado {Ire}), 3f, :38.80, 3/6

SANTA ANITA

Blind Luck (Pollard's Vision), 4f, :48.00, 25/44  
 Champ Pegasus (Fusaichi Pegasus), 5f, :59.80, 12/45  
 Euroears (Langfuhr), 6f (g), •1:09.60, 1/15  
 Evening Jewel (Northern Afleet), 5f, •:58.00, 1/45  
 Game On Dude (Awesome Again), 6f, 1:09.80, 2/15  
 Jaycito (Victory Gallop), 3f, :37.40, 23/30  
 J P's Gusto (Successful Appeal), 5f, 1:00.20, 21/45  
 Setsuko (Pleasantly Perfect), 3f, :37.80, 25/30



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