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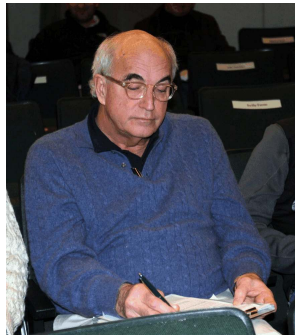
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NEW GUN NABS NEREID FOR \$1.3 MILLION

Texas businessman Lane Seliger isn't well known in Thoroughbred circles, but made a big splash during yesterday's opening session of the Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale in Lexington. Sitting beside the principals of Winchester Farm, Naoya and Marie Yoshida, Seliger went to a sale-topping \$1.3 million for



Lane Seliger
 Keeneland photo

Nereid (Rock Hard Ten--Dowry, by Belong to Me). That was the lone seven-figure price of the session and came in just under the \$1.4 million that last year's topper Topliner (Thunder Gulch) fetched. Seliger signed under the banner Baumann Stables.

Seliger was active all day. He also acquired the Hagyard Farm-consigned [hip 328](#), the \$300,000 **Crazy Party** (A.P. Indy--Wakigoer, by Miswaki), a winning half to a trio of French

Group 3 winners, including G1 Prix Marcel Bousnac runner-up Quiet Royal (Royal Academy); [hip 154](#), the \$140,000 **Rockin Heather** (In Excess {Ire}--Heatherdoesntbluff, by Old Trieste), a MSP half to GISW Killer Graces (Congaree); and [hip 385](#), Gill Sam F. Davis S. hero **Battle Hardened** (Giant's Causeway). He was also an underbidder on the \$800,000 **Potesta** (Macho Uno) and the \$725,000 **Princess Arabella** (Any Given Saturday).

Hunter Valley Farm's Adrian Regan and Fergus Galvin, on the phone along the back wall, appeared to be the direct underbidder on Nereid.

Don Robinson's Winter Quarter Farm consigned the handsome 6-year-old ([hip 110](#)) as a broodmare prospect, but it is believed the filly is racing sound and could race on if Seliger chose to. Seliger and the Yoshidas declined to comment.

Robinson was offering the mare on behalf of Eric Kronfeld, who purchased her for \$190,000 as a Keeneland September yearling in 2009 and campaigned her with trainer John Shirreffs to a dead-heat win in the 2011 G1 American Oaks. Kronfeld, a New York City-based executive with business interests in the Far East, is best known as the breeder of Horse of the Year Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}) and campaigns that mare's **"TDN Rising Star"** half-sister, the 4-year-old Eblouissante (Bernardini).

Kronfeld was on hand to watch Nereid sell. "I set the reserve at a price below which I was happy to keep the horse, but I expected about this," he said. "I was happy with this."

He added, laughing, "Would I have preferred \$6 million? Yeah." Keeneland January cont. p3



Session-topping Nereid Keeneland photo

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No. \$500K+	5	2
High Price	\$1,300,000	\$1,400,000
Gross	\$15,331,400	\$13,932,200
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Lyonses Add to Broodmare Band

Frank and Laura Jane Lyon have amassed a broodmare band of the highest quality at their Summer Wind Farm near Georgetown, Kentucky, and the couple added to their collection Monday at Keeneland, going to \$725,000 for Princess Arabella (Any Given Saturday).

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Nicholson to Receive Award of Merit

Nick Nicholson, who has served the Thoroughbred industry with dignity in a vast array of capacities, will be honored with the Eclipse Award of Merit at this year's ceremonies Saturday, Jan. 19 at Gulfstream Park. "I am truly honored and deeply appreciative to win the Eclipse Award of Merit," said Nicholson. "I am also quite surprised. Throughout my career, the opportunity to work in the Thoroughbred industry has been its own reward."

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Robinson, who raised and sold Zenyatta for Kronfeld, gave Nereid some early training after Kronfeld purchased her as a yearling. "We had her for about two months, and she was outstanding from the moment she got on the farm," he said. "Everybody wanted to ride



Eric Kronfeld & Winter Quarter's Don & Ferran Robison Keeneland photo

her--she was just at a level above everything else I had that year."

He said the price was no surprise. "Everybody who was here was on her," he said. "The way she showed herself, I

knew she'd do well. There wasn't anything

here that was like her--her presence, her physical. She was a knockout. People came down and took people's breaths away."

Blandford Bloodstock's Tom Goff helped select Nereid for Kronfeld, and remembered her as a youngster. "She was an absolutely gorgeous yearling," said Goff. "Noel Murphy at Castle Park Farm sold her [for breeders Mr. & Mrs. Emler Neuman], and for a filly that's bred like she is, she was a relatively together animal.

You wouldn't describe her as precocious, but she had it together."

Goff added, "I'm delighted for Eric--he's had a lot of faith in us over the years, and has been a loyal customer. We also have a lot of association with Don Robinson, so we're just thrilled for the team--including John Shirreffs in California. It's a real home run. She's a lovely physical specimen."

Nereid was produced by Dowry, a winning half-sister to four stakes horses, including SWs Malibu Win (Malibu Moon) and The Herc (Lord Carson).

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK

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

	<u>2013 -- Day 1</u>		
	Sold	Average	Median
GI wnr's	1	\$1,300,000	\$1,300,000
GII wnr's	1	\$800,000	\$800,000
GIII wnr's	2	\$285,000	\$285,000
Listed wnr's	8	\$206,875	\$95,000
	<u>2012 -- Day 1</u>		
GI wnr's	0	-----	-----
GII wnr's	1	330,000	-----
GIII wnr's	1	230,000	-----
Listed wnr's	2	75,000	75,000

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Seliger Steps It Up...

Last July 26, on a clear San Diego day in the mid-70s, Texas businessman Lane Seliger dropped in two claims at Del Mar. In the day's third race, he acquired the debuting 2-year-old filly Flamboyance (Heatseeker {Ire}) from a \$40,000 maiden claimer for Cal-breds, in which she ran second. Three races later, in an optional claimer, he secured the 3-year-old filly Graser (Ire) (Motivator {GB}) for \$80,000 (Graser ran fifth).

It was the sort of outlay that, while not insignificant, could happen on any given day at a big track. It nonetheless becomes an interesting footnote in light of Seliger's earnest participation yesterday at January.

It's also interesting to note that Seliger's \$120,000 investment on July 26 was quickly rewarded. Graser earned initial black-type in her very next start, running Lady Ten (Rock Hard Ten) to 3/4 of a length in the grassy Sandy Blue H., then finished second again in the restricted Adoration S. over Del Mar's main track for trainer Peter Miller. More recently, she won off by 3 1/4 lengths in a Zia Park optional-claimer Nov. 25 for new trainer Justin Evans.


Flamboyance, meanwhile, broke her maiden for Seliger and Evans in a Zia maiden special weight in November. She finished second in the Truth or Consequences S. Dec. 4, then, on Sunday, won an optional-claimer at Sunland Park by open lengths. The Cal-bred Flamboyance was claimed from her breeder Kaleem Shah.

Seliger has been associated with Lake Steel Ltd. in Amarillo and is active in local charities. In November, he and his wife Kelly agreed to match donations to the High Plains Food Bank up to \$10,000. -Lucas Marquardt



Lane Seliger accepts thanks and congratulations from Don Robinson
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TOP BROODMARES**

Hip	Name	Status	Price (\$)
<u>110</u>	Nereid <i>(m, 5, Rock Hard Ten--Dowry, by Belong to Me)</i> Consigned by Winter Quarter Farm, Agent II Purchased by Lane Seliger as Baumann Stables	Broodmare Prospect	1,300,000
<u>134</u>	Potesta <i>(f, 4, Macho Uno--Katzen, by Furiously)</i> Consigned by Three Chimney Sales, Agent Purchased by Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC	Broodmare Prospect	800,000
<u>135</u>	Princess Arabella <i>if to <u>Tapit</u></i> <i>(f, 4, Any Given Saturday--Tortuga Lady, by Thunder Gulch)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XIX Purchased by Summer Wind Farm	if to <u>Tapit</u>	725,000
<u>299</u>	Big Tiz <i>(m, 5, Tiznow--Squall City, by Carson City)</i> Consigned by Greenfield Farm (B. D. Gibbs Farm LLC), Agent IX Purchased by Live Oak Stud	Squall City	600,000
<u>90</u>	Maristar <i>(m, 6, Giant's Causeway--Jewel Princess, by Key to the Mint)</i> Consigned by Gerard Butler Racing Purchased by Three Chimneys Farm	Racing/B'mare Prospect	500,000
<u>339</u>	Desert Rose Drive <i>if to <u>Flower Alley</u></i> <i>(m, 7, A.P. Indy--Felicitia, by Rubiano)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XXXVII Purchased by Brittlyn Stables	if to <u>Flower Alley</u>	450,000
<u>373</u>	Floating Heart <i>if to <u>Uncle Mo</u></i> <i>(m, 7, Giant's Causeway--Love Lock, by Silver Ghost)</i> Consigned by St. George Sales, Agent XV Purchased by Hunter Valley Farm, Agent	if to <u>Uncle Mo</u>	385,000
<u>205</u>	Stars to Shine <i>(m, 6, Tale of the Cat--Gaily Lady, by Silver Hawk)</i> Consigned by Sweezey & Partners, Agent III Purchased by Volt Resources	Racing/B'mare Prospect	320,000
<u>241</u>	Trip for A. J. <i>(m, 6, Trippi--A. J.'s Hot Shot, by Explodent)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent XX Purchased by Adena Springs Farm	Broodmare Prospect	310,000
<u>261</u>	Wynning Ride <i>if to <u>Tale of the Cat</u></i> <i>(m, 7, Candy Ride {Arg}--Wynyard, by Mr. Greeley)</i> Consigned by Winter Quarter Farm, Agent I Purchased by Hunter Valley Farm, Agent	if to <u>Tale of the Cat</u>	300,000
<u>317</u>	Clarinet <i>(m, 6, Giant's Causeway--Legs Lawlor, by Unbridled)</i> Consigned by Denali Stud (Craig and Holly Bandoroff), Agent II Purchased by Shimokobe Farm/Heatherway Inc., Agent	Racing/B'mare Prospect	300,000
<u>328</u>	Crazy Party <i>(f, 4, A.P. Indy--Wakigoer, by Miswaki)</i> Consigned by Hagyard Farm, Agent Purchased by Lane Seliger as Baumann Stables	Broodmare Prospect	300,000
<u>358</u>	Ez Indy <i>if to <u>Speightstown</u></i> <i>(m, 6, A.P. Indy--Banshee Winds, by Known Fact)</i> Consigned by Three Chimneys Sales, Agent Purchased by Adena Springs Farm	if to <u>Speightstown</u>	300,000

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TOP SHORT YEARLINGS

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354	c	Distorted Humor	Endless Journey	300,000
<i>B-Christine Hayden (ON)</i>				
Consigned by Cara Bloodstock (Bernard McCormack), Agent				
Purchased by Regis Farms				
213	f	Giant's Causeway	Sweet Baby Jane	200,000
<i>B-Arindel Farm LLC (FL)</i>				
Consigned by Sweezy and Partners, Agent VIII				
Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock				
98	f	Blame	Miz United States	170,000
<i>B-Hart Farm (VA)</i>				
Consigned by Bluewater Sales LLC, Agent X				
Purchased by Glencrest Farm				
166	c	Quality Road	Sauvignon Girl	160,000
<i>B-B D Gibbs Farm LLC, Robert Langley & Keith James (KY)</i>				
Consigned by Greenfield Farm (B D Gibbs Farm LLC), Agent II				
Purchased by Foxtale				
372	f	Munnings	Floating Heart	160,000
<i>B-Chelston (KY)</i>				
Consigned by St. George Sales, Agent XV				
Purchased by Tik Tik Bloodstock				
264	f	Blame	Absolute Nectar	150,000
<i>B-Brad Buchholz (OH)</i>				
Consigned by Shepell Thoroughbreds, Agent				
Purchased by Kirkwood Stables, Agent				

Average Up 14%, Median Down 6%...

After the first day of selling at Keeneland January, average and gross were up and median was down. In all, 201 horses sold for \$15,331,400, good for an average of \$76,276. That's a 14.4% improvement from last year's opening-session average of \$66,661, when 209 horses sold for \$13,932,200. Yesterday's median of \$30,000, meanwhile, was down 6.3% from 2012's figure of \$32,000.

"It was a pretty good horse sale," said Keeneland Vice President of Sales Walt Robertson. "We had five horses over \$500,000 today, compared with two last year. The median marked up about the same, and they had a lot of money for nice horses all day, I thought. We were down in RNA's, and unfortunately there's not a spot for every horse."

Added Director of Sales Geoffrey Russell, "It was a good sale from start to finish. It was nice to see a new domestic buyer buying at the top end, and short yearlings sold very well, I thought."

A note of concern was the not-sold rate, which came in at a high rate of 34%. Last year, the RNA rate was 27.7%. Included among the buy-backs was MSW & MGSP Kid Kate (Lemon Drop Kid) ([hip 89](#)), bought back for \$300,000; Smarty Jones's half-sister Smartys Emperress (Holy Roman Emperor {Ire}) ([hip 192](#)), bought back for \$195,000; and last year's GII Forward Gal S. winner Yara (Put it Back) ([hip 262](#)), bought back for \$170,000.

Lane Seliger of Baumann Stables, who acquired the session-topping \$1.3 million Nereid (Rock Hard Ten), was the session's leading buyer, with four purchased for \$1.82 million. Frank Stronach's Adena Springs was the only other entity to eclipse the seven-figure mark, with four bought for \$1.055 million. Taylor Made Sales Agency was the day's leading consignor by gross, with 30 head sold for \$3,121,200.

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KEENELAND JANUARY HORSES OF ALL AGES

Leading Consignors (by gross)

Name	#Sold	Average (\$)	Gross (\$)
Taylor Made	30	104,040	3,121,200
Winter Quarter Farm	4	436,250	1,745,000
Three Chimneys Sales	16	98,700	1,579,200
Greenfield Farm	4	222,500	890,000
St. George Sales LLC	10	72,620	726,200

Leading Buyers (by gross)

Name	#Purchased	Average (\$)	Gross (\$)
Lane Seliger	4	455,000	1,820,000
Adena Springs	4	263,750	1,055,000
Stonestreet	1	800,000	800,000
Summer Wind Farm	1	725,000	725,000
Live Oak Stud	3	240,000	720,000

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Stonestreet Buys Potesta for \$800,000...

Barbara Banke's Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings went to \$800,000 to land 2012 GII Hollywood Oaks winner Potesta (Macho Uno), whose racing career was cut short by injury.

Potesta fractured her left front leg during a workout at Hollywood Park Sept. 14. Previously she won the Hollywood Oaks in third career start and the Torrey Pines S. in her fourth and final career start, setting a track record when going a mile on Del Mar's Polytrack in 1:34.86.

Potesta was being pointed to the GI Zenyatta S. and was considered a contender for the Breeders' Cup before her injury.

"Had she stayed sound and not been injured, I think she would have been a definite force in the Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic," said Stonestreet bloodstock advisor John Moynihan. "The numbers she ran, the way she ran-- she was rocket fast and she could carry it two turns. [The price] was a lot, but those kind don't come around too often. She has a lot of class, and she seems to handle the injury well."



Potesta Keeneland photo

Moynihan said a stallion has not been selected. Young Stonestreet stallions include Curlin (Smart Strike), Eskendereya (Giant's Causeway), Maclean's Music (Distorted Humor), and Astrology (A.P. Indy). Stonestreet also owns part of Ghostzapper and Awesome Again, and shares in a number of other major stallions.

Potesta was catalogued as hip 134 and was consigned by Three Chimney Sales, agent. She raced in Southern California for Anthony Fanticola and Joseph Scardino and was trained by John Sadler.

The injury was high above her left front ankle and was considered life threatening. Potesta was rushed to Alamo Pintado Equine Medical Clinic in Los Olivos, California, for surgery.

Potesta was bred in Kentucky by Maynard Arm and B. A. Man Inc. She is out of stakes winner Katzen (Furiously). Never worse than second, Potesta retired with three wins and earnings of \$192,400 from four career starts.

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Princess Arabella Joins Summer Wind Band...

Frank and Jane Lyon's Summer Wind Farm boasts one of the nation's premier broodmare bands, and yesterday added to its roster with the acquisition of stakes winner **Princess Arabella** (Any Given Saturday--Tortuga Lady, by Thunder Gulch) for \$725,000. That was the third-highest price of yesterday's opener. Taylor Made Sales Agency consigned the unbeaten 4-year-old, offered in foal to Tapit, for John Fort's Peachtree Stable. She sold as [hip 135](#). Princess Arabella bumped Summer Wind's broodmare band to 25, said Jane Lyon, who did her bidding inside the pavilion sitting beside son-in-law and farm manager Mark Moloney. **Cont. p8**



Princess Arabella Keeneland photo

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“She’s a beautiful stakes mare who obviously had tons of talent, and she’s in foal to the right stallion,” said Lyon. “We’re happy to add her to the broodmare band. We hope this baby is as wonderful as we expect it to be.”

Lyon said a 2013 mate for Princess Arabella hasn’t been chosen. “We’ll take a look at this baby and make a decision,” she said. “We’ll see who’s available and who fits our program.”



Jane Lyon Keeneland photo

Princess Arabella was produced by a winning full-sister to GI Kentucky Derby runner-up Invisible Ink, who raced for Peachtree. Herself a half-sister to SW & GSP Dyna’s Lassie (Dynaformer), Princess Arabella was purchased by Fort privately shortly after she RNA’d for \$47,000 at the 2010 Keeneland September

Sale. Put into training with Bob Baffert, she was tabbed a **“TDN Rising Star”** and went unbeaten in three career starts, including a dominating eight-length win in the Sunland Oaks last March.

She was considered a top GI Kentucky Oaks prospect--Fort and Baffert’s Plum Pretty (Medaglia d’Oro) used the Sunland Oaks as a springboard to victory in that race in 2011--but suffered a tendon injury in April and was retired. Yesterday’s sale caps a huge few months for Fort. In November, he sold Plum Pretty to Mandy Pope for \$4.2 million. Taylor Made also consigned Plum Pretty. -Lucas Marquardt

Live Oak Goes to \$600,000 for Big Tiz...

With her former Grade I-winning racehorses Brilliant Speed (Dynaformer) and To Honor and Serve (Bernardini) set to cover their first crop of mares in 2013, Charlotte Weber of Live Oak Stud was determined to buy Grade I-placed **Big Tiz** (Tiznow) at Keeneland January.

Live Oak outbid its competition to the tune of \$600,000 to land the 5-year-old broodmare prospect from the consignment of Greenfield Farm, agent.

“[Big Tiz] has plenty of pedigree, an active family, a great physical, and some serious racing ability,” said Bruce Hill, general manager of Live Oak Stud. “We didn’t expect to give this much, but Mrs. Weber is strong, and she wanted this one. She’s a very, very good mare prospect with a strong physical.” **Cont. p9**

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Catalogued as hip 299, Big Tiz is out of stakes winner Squall City (Carson City), a half-sister to Grade III winner Apriority (Grand Sam). Squall City also has produced stakes winners Lady Chace (Tiznow) and Vindy City (Vindication) and is a half-sister to the impressive and promising recent Santa Anita maiden winner Belvin (Empire Maker).

Big Tiz won two times and only finished worse than third twice in 12 career starts. She was second in the GI Hollywood Starlet S. in 2010 and the GIII Railbird S. in 2011, and won her final career race, an allowance contest on the Breeders' Cup Friday undercard at Santa Anita Nov. 2.

Hill said the market for desirable broodmare prospects was surprisingly strong on Monday.

"This was way, way above what we thought we'd have to give," he admitted. "The mares are strong right now. Weanlings are ok, but the mares are extremely strong right now. I don't know, maybe it's all these stallions that are being retired. Everybody's trying to get a mare, I don't know. No decision has been made, but this mare is a good candidate to go to one of our new stallions."

Big Tiz was trained by Mark Glatt for owners Allen and Susan Branch, and Cory Wagner. She was bred in Kentucky by Woodford Thoroughbreds.

Three Chimneys Acquires Maristar for \$500,000...

Three Chimneys Farm added **Maristar** (Giant's Causeway), a GII stakes-placed daughter of champion Jewel Princess (Key to the Mint), to its broodmare band for \$500,000.

Six-year-old Maristar retires with five wins and earnings of \$131,402 from 19 starts. Her dam Jewel Princess won the GI Breeders' Cup Distaff and was named champion older mare in 1996.

Maristar, owned by Michael Deegan during her racing career, was catalogued as hip 90 and was listed as the property of Gerard Butler Racing. Butler trained her for her first 16 races, including all of her wins.

Maristar won three times on the Polytrack in England before she was imported to America in spring of 2011. She added two more victories in allowance races at Arlington Park and placings in the GII Chilukki S. at Churchill Downs and the GIII Washington Park H. at Arlington.



Maristar Keeneland photo

Todd Pletcher trained Maristar for her final three races, including a fourth-place finish in the GI Beldame Invitational.

Three Chimneys President Case Clay said Maristar would be headed to the Midway, Kentucky farm for breeding.

"We haven't decided on a stallion for her yet," Clay said. "We love her mom, and we love the quality about her page and her physical. She was one of our favorites in the catalog."

'Trip' to Remember for Fuller Family...

"As dad would say, it was all in good fun," Abigail Fuller said yesterday shortly after **Trip for A. J.** (Trippi--A. J.'s Hot Shot, by Explodent) sold at January for \$310,000 ([hip 241](#)). Fuller wasn't referring directly to the transaction--which saw Adena Springs' Eric Hamelback land the 6-year-old racing or broodmare prospect from Taylor Made's draft--but she might as well have been. A Fuller homebred, Trip for A. J. has earned over \$615,000 on the track, and added just about half as much as that to the coffers yesterday.

Of course, Fuller could also have been referring to her family's ride in Thoroughbred racing over the past four decades. Trip for A. J. was bred and raced by Abigail's father Peter Fuller, who passed away at the age of 89 last May. Peter Fuller campaigned the only Kentucky Derby winner to later be disqualified from victory, Dancer's Image. (The colt was controversially taken down in 1968 after post-race tests revealed the presence of bute. Fuller believed he was set-up, possibly for his support of civil rights). Fuller also owned the brilliant filly Mom's Command, who in 1985 swept New York's Filly Triple Crown. Mom's Command primary pilot was Abigail Fuller herself. **Cont. p10**



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While not of Mom's Command's caliber, Trip for A. J. has been an accomplished race filly in her own right. A winner of 16 of 33 starts, she has eight victories in black-type company, including a tally in the 2011 Sunshine Millions F/M Turf and in the 2010 Calder Oaks. She also has a pair of graded placings.

"She's a terrific mare," said Abigail Fuller yesterday when reached by phone. "She's beautiful and looks great, and the Taylors were real pleased with how she came into the sale."

Milt Wolfson trained Trip for A. J. in all but her last two starts. Herberto Toledo sent her out to a third-place finish in the Hollywood Wildcat S. at Calder in July before she went unplaced in the Ms. Brookski S. three weeks later.

"She had some chips removed after that last start, but has been back in light training at Calder," explained Fuller. "I've been taking care of her myself, and I just love her. She's been swimming and things like that. The vet up at Ocala Equine, Dr. [John] Madison, said she looked great and there wasn't any reason she couldn't run again. She's been doing great."

Fuller and Trip for A. J. have been a team for some time now. Back in 2011, Fuller participated in Pimlico's Lady Legends event for retired female riders. That got her mulling a comeback of sorts, and she took the mount on Trip for A. J.'s half-sister A. J.'s Hot Mambo (Black Mambo) that September, guiding her to a win in a \$40,000 maiden-claimer.

"I kept saying that I was thinking about coming back and riding [Trip for A. J.]," she laughed. "I told my dad, my son, my ex-husband. And no one would say, 'What are you crazy?' They kept saying, 'Sure!' So I rode her and she won, and we all just got a big kick out of that."

In the 2011 Gill My Charmer S. at Calder, the pair just got caught by a neck. Fuller last rode Trip for A. J. in an unplaced finish in the Wait a While S. at Gulfstream last April.

"I rode for about a year, but I'm back to being retired," said Fuller.

Fuller said she would have loved for the family to keep on racing Trip for A. J., "But there's eight of us all together in the estate of my dad, and we thought we'd try her in the sale. We had her in the November Sale and scratched her, but it was the fair thing to sell her here. She brought more than we thought, and you have to be happy with it. I'll miss her, but Mr. Stronach bought her, so I'll know right where to find her!"

The Fuller family retains at least two more horses from Peter Fuller's estate, including the current 3-year-old colt Outflanks 'em All (Outflanker)--who was produced by a full-sister to Trip for A. J.--and Trip for A. J.'s dam A. J.'s Hot Shot.

"A. J.'s Hot Shot is with Bill Murphy in Florida, and we're hoping to keep her and sell out of her, maybe in partnership with Bill," she said. "That would be fun."

And fun, as Peter Fuller would say, is what it's all about. -Lucas Marquardt

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2012 Leading Sires

(by individual winners)

Rk	Stallion (Sire)	2013 Fee	Wnrs
1	Songandaprayer (Unbridled's Song)	\$6,500	178
2	Lion Heart (Tale of the Cat)	In Turkey	157
3	Tale of the Cat (Storm Cat)	\$25,000	156
4	Grand Slam (Gone West)	Dead	155
5	Giant's Causeway (Storm Cat)	\$85,000	150
6	Speightstown (Gone West)	\$60,000	148
7	Malibu Moon (A. P. Indy)	\$70,000	147
8	Elusive Quality (Gone West)	\$50,000	145

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Regis Farm Pays \$300K for Distorted Humor Colt...

Nat Rea, a Canadian businessman who bought his first horse last September, purchased the highest priced yearling at the first session of the Keeneland January sale when he went to \$300,000 for hip 354, a colt by Distorted Humor.



Hip 354 Keeneland photo

Consigned by Cara Bloodstock, the colt is the first foal out of Endless Journey (A.P. Indy), a full sister to GII winner and sire Jump Start (A.P. Indy). It was Rea's only purchase of the session.

Rea helped form Martinrea International Inc., an auto parts and industrial manufacturer based in Ontario, in 2002. He stepped down as the company's vice president and director in

June 2012. Martinrea's revenue grew from \$200-million to over \$2-billion during Rea's tenure, according to a company press release.

Rea's Regis Farm is based in King City, Ontario. He also recently purchased Silver Spring Farm in Paris, Kentucky.

Rea, who has been working with bloodstock agent Richard Hogan, declined to speak with reporters on Monday.

"He's just got into the business. He's bought a farm in Canada. He's bought a farm down here," said consigner Bernard McCormack of Cara Bloodstock. "He's a new Canadian player, and he's buying at the top end."

Cara Bloodstock bought Endless Journey in foal to Distorted Humor for \$380,000 at the 2011 Keeneland November sale.

"She produced a special colt. We had him in November, and we had a little setback with him. We thought we'd roll him into January and he'd be a star," McCormack said. "He never let us down the whole time. He showed great, never took a step back or sideways. He has a great mind."

"We bought the mare for \$380,000, so we paid the mortgage on the mare," McCormack continued. "She's in foal to Tiznow and going to Speightstown."

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KEENELAND JANUARY

Hip 170	Name See N Win	Status iff to Arch	Price (\$) 195,000
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(m, 7, Holy Bull--Windansea, by Conquistador Cielo)

Consigned by Bedouin Bloodstock, Agent I

Purchased by Adena Springs Farm

Trainer Rafael DeLeon only had to part with \$8,000 to claim See N Win at Del Mar in August of 2011. Despite never racing again, the grey mare returned a whole lot more than that in foal here to Arch, who stood for \$30,000 in 2012. See N Win hails from the female family of Nereid (Rock Hard Ten), who topped the day's returns at \$1.3 million. Nereid scored her career highlight in the GI American Oaks about a month before See N Win was claimed.



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213 f **Giant's Causeway** **Sweet Baby Jane** **200,000**

B-Arindel Farm LLC (FL)

Consigned by Sweezy and Partners, Agent VIII

Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock

Alan and Karen Cohen's Arindel Farm secured Sweet Baby Jane (Kingmambo) carrying this filly for \$135,000 at the 2011 Keeneland November sale following her first foal Reb (Stormy Atlantic)'s late-charging victory in that term's GI American Derby. The Cohens more than got out on Sweet Baby Jane's purchase price here thanks to a winning bid from British-based Blandford Bloodstock.

264 f **Blame** **Absolute Nectar** **150,000**

B-Brad Buchholz (OH)

Consigned by Shepell Thoroughbreds, Agent

Purchased by Kirkwood Stables, Agent

Brad Bucholz scooped up Absolute Nectar (Carson City) for \$140,000 at KEENOV in 2011. The resulting foal was dropped in Ohio, and covered her dam's cost in the sale ring Monday.



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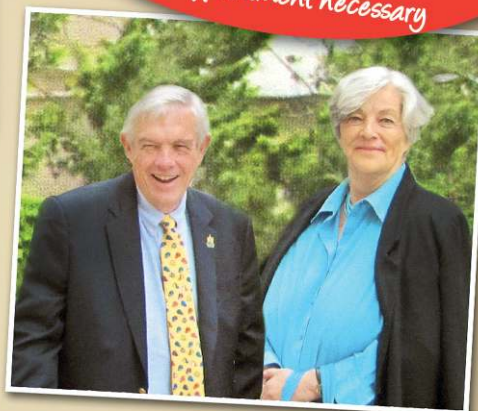
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Todd Pletcher's **FORTY TALES** won his only juvenile start, an Aqueduct MSW by nearly 3 lengths, on 11/24 and followed up with a near 4-length Allowance win on 1/5.



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429, Keertana, 7, Johar--Motokiks, by Storm Cat

Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent for Brownwood Farm

Keertana, from the breeding operation of the late Barbara Hunter, was rarely found wanting when she was sent out by trainer Tom Proctor. She missed the board only four times in 25 starts, won six stakes--five in Grade III company--and placed third in the 2010 GI Emirates Airline Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf. She also ran an ultra-impressive 6 on the Ragozin Sheets. The \$1.03 million earner is carrying her first foal by Arch.

489, Mousse Au Chocolat, 8, Hennessy--Muskoka Dawn, by Miswaki 490, yrl, f, Pulpit--Mousse Au Chocolat, by Hennessy

Consigned by Lane's End,

Agent for the Complete Dispersal of Fares Farm LLC

An accomplished runner for Fares Farm overseas, Mousse Au Chocolat won the Listed Criterium du Languedoc Prix Paul Guichou in France and also placed second in that country's G2 Prix de Sandringham and G3 Prix d'Aumale. She sells on a Mar. 12 cover to Tiznow, and her first live foal by Pulpit follows her into the ring.

517, yrl, f, Street Sense--Please Sign In, by Doc's Leader

Consigned by Hurstland Farm (Alfred H. Nuckols, Jr.), Agent I

This Mar. 23-foaled miss has a lot of pedigree on her side. A daughter of SW & MGSP Please Sign In, she's a half to the 2012 GI Shadwell Fillies' Mile winner Certify (Elusive Quality)--currently the 7-1 winter-book choice for the G1 Qipco 1000 Guineas--and is a three-parts sister to GI Oak Leaf S. heroine Cry and Catch Me (Street Cry {Ire}). Cry and Catch Me recently sold to Live Oak Plantation for \$3.5 million, the fourth-highest price of the Fasig-Tipton November Sale.

548, Runway Rosie, 9, Include--Kids Today, by Siphon (Brz)

Consigned by Lane's End, agent

Runway Rosie was a hard-knocking sort on the track, winning four stakes races and placing in three graded events--including a third in the 2007 GI Las Virgenes S. Her first foal is the newly turned 3-year-old Tape It, a \$200,000 yearling who broke her maiden by 8 1/2 lengths at Penn National Nov. 9 and who, in her two most recent starts, ran second in optional claiming events at Aqueduct Dec. 13 and Jan. 4. Runway Rosie sells in foal to Candy Ride (Arg).

553, Salty Strike, 5, Smart Strike--Lake Huron, by Salt Lake

Consigned by Lane's End, agent

Craig Singer homebred Salty Strike has banked over \$485,000 while winning nine of 20 starts for the Ken McPeck barn. Third in the GIII Debutante S. at Churchill in June of her freshman year in 2010, she won the GIII Dogwood S. under the Twin Spires in 2011. She added the GIII Gardenia S. at Ellis last August, and in November successfully defended her title in Churchill's Dream Supreme S. Salty Strike is catalogued as a racing or broodmare prospect.

584, Snow Top Mountain, 6, Najran--Motokiks, by Storm Cat

Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent for Brownwood Farm

Like her half-sister Keertana, Snow Top Mountain was a gutsy, consistent performer for owner/breeder Barbara Hunter. She placed second in five straight stakes events in 2010 as a 3-year-old, including a nose defeat to Awesome Maria (Awesome Again) in the grassy Riskaverse S. at Saratoga and to Check the Label (Stormin Fever) in the GI Garden City S. at Belmont. At four, she broke through with a win in the Kentucky Cup Ladies Turf S. at Kentucky Downs, and in 2012 registered rallying wins in the GIII Suwannee River S. at Gulfstream and the GIII All Along S. at Colonial. The latter of those wins came as a mom-to-be, as she was covered by GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Blame (Arch) on Mar. 26.

646, Worstcasesenario, 6, Forbidden Apple--Stacie's Halo, by Halo

Consigned by Four Star Sales, agent

Worstcasesenario, a \$120,000 OBSAPR juvenile, won the 2009 renewal of the GII Adirondack S. for owner Klaravich Stable and trainer Rick Violette, Jr. She was acquired by Glencrest Farm as a broodmare prospect and put in foal to champion Uncle Mo (Indian Charlie).

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1--▲**OVERBROOK (PER)**, 123, c, 3, by Flanders Fields

1st Dam: Mar Brava, by Cat Thief

2nd Dam: Illustrated, by Deputy Minister

3rd Dam: Cinegita, by Secretariat

O-Stud Altamar; B-Haras San Pablo (Per); T-Sabino

Arias; J-Ivan Quispe; P189,756. Lifetime Record:

8-5-1-1. P317,939. **Werk Nick Rating: A+++ *Triple Plus***.

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2--**Sotil (Chi)**, 123, c, 3, Ivan Denisovich--Single Yukon

(Chi), by Single Dawn. O-Stud El Castillo (Per);

B-Haras Gina-Santa Eladia (Chi); P56,927.

3--**Aclamada**, 112, f, 3, Powerscourt (GB)--Flatslittlesis,

by Horse Chestnut (SAf). (\$1,700 yrl '11 KEEJAN).

O-Stud Harem; B-B D Gibbs; P37,951.

Margins: NO, 1HF, NK. Odds: 2.60, 15.00, 30.20.

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Nicholas, Peruvian Lily, Labranza (Per).

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RACETRACK ROUND-UP

Ferguson Trains Group 1 Winner...

John Ferguson, bloodstock advisor to Sheikh Mohammed, trained his first Group 1 winner Jan. 5 when Ruacana (GB) (Cape Cross {Ire}) won the G1 Future Champions Finale Hurdle at Chepstow in England.

Ferguson began training a handful of jumps horses two years ago. Ruacana, a 4-year-old gelding, is owned by Bloomfields Stud. He was bred by Darley and previously raced on the flat for owner Sheikh Marwan al Maktoum and trainer Michael Bell.

"He was consistent for Michael Bell and it was very kind of his owner to lease him to Bloomfields," Ferguson told *Racing and Sports*. "On his flat form I had a strong feeling he would go in the ground, and I thought [jockey] Dennis [O'Regan] gave him a smashing ride, although we did have a bit of luck on our side. We'll get him home and then decide what we do next. Obviously everyone wants to have runners at Cheltenham, but there's no point just going there for the sake of it. We'll see how things pan out."



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Nick Nicholson
NTRA

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Eclipse Award of Merit cont.

Nicholson boasts an extensive resume, including having served as the executive director and vice president of The Jockey Club, executive vice president of the Kentucky Thoroughbred Association/Kentucky Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders, chief operating officer of the NTRA, director of the Kentucky Horse Park, director of the University of Kentucky's Equine Research Center, president of the Thoroughbred Club of America and vice chairman of the International Catalog Standards Committee. Nicholson retired in September from his 12-year stint as president and chief executive officer of the Keeneland Association. "Nick Nicholson played a very significant role in expanding The Jockey Club's service to the industry, and he was deeply involved in the creation and launch of both Equibase and the National Thoroughbred Racing Association," said Ogden Mills Phipps, chairman of The Jockey Club. "He added to that legacy in numerous ways during his years at Keeneland. We are extremely honored to have him as a member of The Jockey Club, and this is certainly a richly deserved award."

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PEDIGREE INSIGHTS

BY ANDREW CAULFIELD

SHAM S.-GIII, \$100,000, SAX, 1-5, 3yo, 1m, 1:36 2/5, ft.

1--**GOLDENCENTS**, 120, c, 3, by [Into Mischief](#)

1st Dam: **Golden Works**, by **Banker's Gold**

2nd Dam: **Body Works**, by **Bold Ruckus**

3rd Dam: **Kinto**, by **Kinsman Hope**

(\$5,500 yrl '11 FTKOCT; \$62,000 2yo '12 OBSJUN).

O-W C Racing, Dave Kenney & RAP Racing;

B-Rosecrest Farm & Karyn Pirrello (KY); T-Doug F

O'Neill; J-Kevin Krigger. \$60,000. Lifetime Record:

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That was how Hughes came to own the historic farm, whose name was synonymous with that of the late Leslie Combs II. In case you've forgotten how important Spendthrift was in its prime, the stallion team in 1957 included imports of the calibre of Alibhai and Royal Charger. By 1969 the farm's stallion roster extended to 38 stallions.

In 1972 the total was 31, featuring such celebrated horses as Swaps, Nashua, Never Bend, Prince John and Turn-to. Then there was the highly influential Raise A Native and his accomplished sons Majestic Prince and Exclusive Native, the latter on his way to becoming champion sire in 1978 and 1979. Spendthrift was also home to Seattle Slew early in his stallion career and Caro was another standout based there.

When Hughes was interviewed about his purchase of Spendthrift he said he had no interest in developing a stallion station, but that seems to have changed. As the breeder and majority owner of Malibu Moon (A.P. Indy), Hughes decided to move the stallion to Spendthrift in the fall of 2007, together with Hughes' GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner Action This Day (Kris S.). Malibu Moon now heads a team of 11 stallions at the Iron Works Pike facility, with the team also featuring Tizway (Tiznow), one of the best older horses of 2011, Temple City (Dynaformer), a horse bred and campaigned by Hughes, and Into Mischief (Harlan's Holiday), another who carried the Hughes colors.

When Spendthrift's stallion fees for 2013 were initially announced last November, Into Mischief was priced at \$7,500, as in 2012. You can get some idea of how much progress Into Mischief has made in a very short time by the fact that his fee has twice had to be revised upwards, firstly to \$10,000 and now to \$20,000. The first price rise, in December, was in response to overwhelming demand for nominations. This was fueled by Goldencents' victory in the GIII Delta Downs Jackpot S. in November, Sittin At The Bar's easy win in the Louisiana Champions Day Lassie on Dec. 8 and by Vyjack's win in the Traskwood S. on Dec. 9. Between them, they helped Into Mischief take third place behind Henrythenavigator and Spring At Last on the freshman sires' table.

GOLDENCENTS, c, 2010

Into Mischief	Harlan's Holiday	Harlan	Storm Cat
		Christmas in Aiken	Country Romance
			Affirmed
	Leslie's Lady	Tricky Creek	Dowager
		Crystal Lady	Clever Trick
			Battle Creek Girl
Golden Works 8-2-3-0 5Fls, 1GSW	Banker's Gold	Forty Niner	Stop the Music
		Banker's Lady	One Last Bird
			Mr. Prospector
	Body Works 45-18-11-6 6Fls	Bold Ruckus	File
			Nijinsky II
		Kinto 12Fls, 1SW	Impetuous Gal
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		Raise a Ruckus	
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All three of these Into Mischief youngsters have gone on to further stakes success, and last Saturday's graded stakes double by Vyjack and Goldencents has propelled their sire's fee to its new level of \$20,000.

Into Mischief's profile has also been helped substantially by two other recent developments. His dam Leslie's Lady visited Henny Hughes--a member of the same sire line as Into Mischief's sire Harlan's Holiday--to produce Beholder, winner of the 2012 GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies. And Harlan's Holiday has raised his own profile by becoming 2012's champion sire of 2-year-olds, thanks to a team of five stakes winners led by Shanghai Bobby. Harlan's Holiday's juveniles earned nearly \$3 million.

Coincidentally, Into Mischief had himself played a leading role in helping Harlan's Holiday finish runner-up to Posse among the freshman sires of 2007. He contributed nearly \$450,000 to his sire's total, which also benefited from the efforts of such as Bear Holiday (a dual Canadian stakes winner), Tasha's Miracle (GIII Sorrento S.), P.S.U. Grad, Nite In Rome and Riley Tucker.

The majority of Into Mischief's contribution came from his victory over Colonel John in the GI CashCall Futurity. That performance earned him an Experimental Free Handicap weight of 120, which was bettered only by the clear-cut leader, War Pass. **Cont. p17**

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Harlan's Holiday's own record suggested that his juveniles would continue to thrive after the age of two. Himself a four-time stakes winner during his six-race juvenile campaign, Harlan's Holiday progressed to win the GI Florida Derby and GI Blue Grass S. to move to the top of the Kentucky Derby betting.

There were times, including in the Derby, when it seemed that Harlan's Holiday's stamina didn't quite stretch to a mile and a quarter but he had no such troubles over a mile and an eighth, as he confirmed with victories in the GIII Pennsylvania Derby and GI Donn H.

There seemed to be a good chance that a mile and an eighth would also prove an ideal distance for Into Mischief. His broodmare sire Tricky Creek had been a tough performer at around that trip and Into Mischief's second, third and fourth dams were all by stallions-- Stop The Music, One For All and Sea-Bird--which won over at least a mile and a quarter.

Unfortunately, Into Mischief didn't get the chance to put his stamina to the test at three. After chasing home Georgie Boy (Tribal Rule) in the GI San Vicente S. on his reappearance in February, he was off the track for more than eight months. To his credit he returned victorious in the seven-furlong Damascus S. on the Breeders' Cup undercard and the distance was again seven furlongs when he finished a creditable second in the GI Malibu S. at the end of the year.

There was never any hope that Into Mischief would be allowed to make up for lost time as a 4-year-old, as it had been announced in September that he would be retiring to Spendthrift in 2009. Perhaps breeders were a little suspicious of a horse who had raced exclusively on all-weather tracks. Whatever the cause, he attracted no more than 61 mares in his first year, with his book standing at 44 mares in his second season, 54 in his third and 50 in his fourth.

Clearly he is going to be considerably busier this year --and deservedly so. Goldencents' dam Golden Works, a minor winner by Banker's Gold, was sold for only \$7,000 six years ago. Similarly, Vyjack's dam, the unraced Stravinsky mare Life Happened, was sold for \$4,500 in 2008.

You couldn't be confident that either Vyjack or Goldencents will stay well enough to become Kentucky Derby candidates. I prefer Goldencents, but his broodmare sire Banker's Gold shone over seven furlongs and a mile, having earlier proved he stayed a mile and an eighth by winning the GII Peter Pan S. Bold Ruckus, sire of Goldencents' second dam Body Works, was another fast performer, as was Body Works, despite being capable of winning at up to a mile and an eighth. Kinsman Hope, sire of third dam Kinto, was yet another sprinter-miler. More evidence is obviously required before Churchill Downs can be considered an automatic target.



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GOOD BUGS HARD TO FIND

by Bill Finley

I voted for Jose Montano for an Eclipse Award. I couldn't have told you who he is, where he's from, where he rides, how old he is, whether he has even a lick of talent or if he's nice to his mother. Still I voted for him, for the outstanding apprentice of 2012.

If you want to blame me for my ignorance when it comes to the failures and success of apprentice jockeys go ahead. But the bigger issue is that in recent years the crop of bug boys has been so weak that even the best ones ride in anonymity and future stardom seemed certain to elude them. Yet, by default, one will get an Eclipse Award, a coveted honor that is supposed to represent the highest levels of excellence.

The choices were so unappealing this year that I voted for someone never on my radar screen. Even a google search doesn't yield much. With further research I learned that Montano rides at Charles Town and his two biggest wins on the year came in \$85,000 stakes for West Virginia bred.

The choices were so unappealing this year that I voted for someone never on my radar screen. With none of the apprentices making anywhere close to a splash on the national scene, the only sensible way to vote is to go by raw numbers, and Montano's were the best out there. As an apprentice in 2012, he won 187 races for a win rate of 20.78 percent and his mounts earned \$2,891,906.

Montano was named one of the three finalists for the award. Another, Angel Suarez, rides at Parx Racing and had 125 winners in 2012 as a bug with earnings of \$2,975,769. He didn't win a single stakes race. Like Montano, his year was hardly Eclipse worthy.

Yet the third finalist is perhaps the least deserving. Irad Ortiz Jr. is actually a jockey with a bright future, but was a bug in 2012 for all of one month. The vast majority of his accomplishments, including wins in the Alabama, Coaching Club American Oaks, Vanderbilt and Pennsylvania Derby, came as a journeyman. What he did during his one month as a bug is not nearly enough to even enter the conversation for an Eclipse Award.

(The stats packet sent to voters includes the overall records of jockeys, lumping their wins as apprentices and journeyman. That leads to confusion and is likely the only reason Ortiz received votes. Only their record while having the apprentice allowance should be listed. For Ortiz to win would be an embarrassment).

There was a time when the Eclipse Award for top apprentice produced a long line of notable names and future stars. From 1974 through 1987, three future Hall of Famers (Chris McCarron, Steve Cauthen and Kent Desormeaux) won the Award and 1979 winner Cash Asmussen and 1981 winner Richard Migliore had outstanding careers.

2012 AMERICAN GRADED STAKES STANDINGS

Consignor	GSWs
TAYLOR MADE	16
EATON SALES	9
EDDIE WOODS	8
LANE'S END	8
BLUEWATER SALES	7
DENALI STUD	7
HILL 'N' DALE SALES	7
LEGACY BLOODSTOCK	7
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Writers Up cont.

That just isn't happening anymore. This year's winner will join a list of recent honorees that consists of Kyle Frey, Omar Moreno and Christian Santiago Reyes. Those three combined to win a mere 147 races in 2012 and one stakes, a \$75,000 race won by Frey.

The last true star who won the apprentice Eclipse was Joe Talamo in 2007.

Migliore believes that one of the problems is that riders from other countries, now the majority in any jockey's room, don't focus on winning the Award. That, he says, means they don't plan on beginning their year-long apprenticeship in January and they may not have been properly trained or ready to go when kicking off their careers.

As for American-born riders, Migliore says the talent pool has dried up.

"American kids don't want to be jockeys anymore," he said. "You think of the amount of work that goes into it and throw in the fact that very few American kids are going to be small enough. Also throw in the fact that unless you get to the very top like a Roman Dominguez, John Velazquez, Javier Castellano, you're not going to make a heck of a lot of money and there just aren't many out there who can or are willing to do it."

The run of lackluster Eclipse candidates among apprentices has so soured some people on the award that there is talk of doing away with it. That might be premature, but if there's not a notable improvement in the quality of the eligible jockeys then maybe it would be time to do away with an Eclipse apprentice award.

In the meantime, best of luck to likely 2012 Eclipse Award winning apprentice Jose Montano&whoever you are.



I LIKE MIKE: The most notable news to come out of the announcement of Eclipse finalists was that Little Mike was not among the top three for Horse of the Year. I didn't vote for him. I voted for Wise Dan. But that a horse who won the Turf Classic at Churchill, the Arlington Million and the Breeders' Cup Turf was left out is baffling. Finalist Fort Larned had a nice enough year, but he never should have gotten the nod over Little Mike.

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Date	Race	Track
Jan. 12	GII Fort Lauderdale S.	GP
	GII San Fernando S.	SA
Jan. 13	GII San Gabriel S.	SA
	GIII Hal's Hope S.	GP
Jan. 19	GII Palos Verdes S.	SA
	GIII Lecomte S.	FG
Jan. 20	GIII Col. E. R. Bradley H.	FG
	GII La Canada S.	SA
Jan. 21	GII Santa Ynez S.	SA
Jan. 26	GII Forward Gal S.	GP
	GII Santa Monica S.	SA
Feb. 2	GIII Holy Bull S.	GP
	GIII Santa Ysabel S.	SA
Feb. 2	GIII John B. Connolly Turf Cup	LS
	GII Hutcheson S.	GP
Feb. 2	GII Strub S.	SA
	GII Arcadia S.	SA
Feb. 2	GIII Withers S.	AQU
	GIII Toboggan S.	AQU
Feb. 2	GIII Endeavour S.	TAM
	GII San Antonio S.	SA
Feb. 9	GI Donn H.	GP
	GI GP Turf H.	GP
Feb. 9	GII San Marcos S.	SA
	GIII Gulfstream Park Sprint S.	GP
Feb. 9	GIII Suwannee River S.	GP



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TOP 75 COVERING SIRES BY AVERAGE

				2012 Covering Sire Sales					2012 Yearling Sales		
Rank by Average		Fyr	Loc	Ring	Sold	Average	Median	Top Mare	Sold	Average	Median
1	BERNARDINI	F08	KY	9	6	\$2,341,667	\$1,850,000	\$4,500,000	41	\$249,976	\$170,000
2	STREET CRY (IRE)	F04	KY	5	5	1,167,738	290,000	4,200,000	19	330,000	200,000
3	GALILEO (IRE)	F03	IRE	5	5	1,141,796	1,066,973	1,521,261	58	602,443	345,154
4	DUBAWI (IRE)	F07	ENG	5	4	1,134,620	1,288,847	1,690,290	62	188,968	122,333
5	DANSILI (GB)	F02	ENG	1	1	1,098,689	1,098,689	1,098,689	13	286,503	218,250
6	DISTORTED HUMOR	F00	KY	6	6	895,833	775,000	1,450,000	30	320,400	287,500
7	OASIS DREAM (GB)	F05	ENG	8	8	833,110	576,869	2,857,250	21	381,192	270,600
8	MEDAGLIA D'ORO	F06	KY	2	2	700,000	700,000	800,000	33	299,310	200,000
9	UNBRIDLED'S SONG	F98	KY	13	12	622,500	180,000	5,000,000	42	184,905	140,000
10	SEA THE STARS (IRE)	F11	IRE	7	5	619,419	806,753	887,402	34	406,898	302,708
11	TAPIT	F06	KY	5	3	590,000	625,000	725,000	59	260,515	260,000
12	MONTJEU (IRE)	F02	IRE	4	4	554,443	545,119	777,533	27	372,751	258,000
13	FASTNET ROCK (AUS)	F06	IRE	12	9	413,932	403,376	1,099,305	23	148,105	101,241
14	SMART STRIKE	F98	KY	5	2	387,500	387,500	475,000	34	238,284	170,000
15	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	F02	KY	11	9	324,444	370,000	610,000	50	151,418	100,000
16	HIGH CHAPARRAL (IRE)	F05	IRE	9	6	322,897	51,263	1,479,004	75	86,937	58,760
17	NEW APPROACH (IRE)	F10	ENG	14	11	292,327	253,544	540,330	56	179,300	124,973
18	DANEHILL DANCER (IRE)	F98	IRE	4	4	283,260	236,913	473,281	28	158,822	154,125
19	TIZNOW	F03	KY	9	5	268,000	250,000	440,000	40	181,800	145,000
20	DALAKHANI (IRE)	F05	IRE	7	5	266,682	219,738	672,516	29	138,829	79,715
21	WAR FRONT	F08	KY	3	2	255,000	255,000	335,000	32	230,724	204,550
22	MALIBU MOON	F01	KY	10	6	229,167	220,000	365,000	75	151,013	130,000
23	SHAMARDAL	F06	IRE	3	3	228,471	257,300	338,058	60	130,582	95,315
24	TAMAYUZ (GB)	F10	IRE	4	3	225,469	63,868	578,925	34	75,178	61,598
25	ARCH	F00	KY	15	13	197,692	190,000	470,000	36	150,474	115,000
26	INVINCIBLE SPIRIT (IRE)	F04	IRE	18	14	194,398	161,705	504,221	76	189,640	129,884
27	HARD SPUN	F09	KY	15	9	182,667	130,000	485,000	46	101,570	60,000
28	LONHRO (AUS)	F05	KY	8	7	179,571	160,000	335,000	0	--	--
29	MORE THAN READY	F02	KY	7	6	175,833	185,000	260,000	35	110,823	90,000
30	ELUSIVE QUALITY	F00	KY	10	8	167,750	162,500	385,000	48	105,702	75,000
31	CANDY RIDE (ARG)	F06	KY	14	13	157,846	100,000	540,000	55	83,991	50,000
32	TEOFILO (IRE)	F09	IRE	5	4	153,812	132,660	334,490	75	112,925	67,494
33	SPEIGHTSTOWN	F06	KY	9	8	149,625	100,000	400,000	31	146,661	110,000
34	ACCLAMATION (GB)	F05	IRE	18	13	145,248	135,223	310,936	64	100,702	63,200
35	PULPIT	F99	KY	3	2	142,500	142,500	150,000	21	145,000	100,000
36	MONSUN (GER)	F97	GER	5	4	137,738	116,412	271,593	6	311,174	210,388
37	LAWMAN (FR)	F09	IRE	15	11	136,358	159,670	385,950	63	63,562	40,368



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39	UNCLE MO	F13	KY	44	21	135,714	100,000	385,000	0	--	--
40	KITTEN'S JOY	F07	KY	36	24	128,625	52,000	1,000,000	42	63,055	50,000
41	RAVEN'S PASS	F10	IRE	3	3	123,918	61,752	252,110	12	262,618	176,817
42	BLAME	F12	KY	11	7	117,143	110,000	220,000	0	--	--
43	MAKFI (GB)	F12	NZ	20	18	115,460	66,145	403,376	0	--	--
44	AWESOME AGAIN	F00	KY	10	8	111,625	85,000	250,000	29	89,316	45,000
45	DREAM AHEAD	F13	IRE	23	18	109,210	73,974	304,252	0	--	--
46	CONGRATS	F08	KY	10	5	108,000	120,000	170,000	27	42,804	27,000
47	CANFORD CLIFFS (IRE)	F13	IRE	25	18	102,693	75,851	295,856	0	--	--
48	EXCEED AND EXCEL (AUS)	F05	ENG	9	8	100,464	78,923	236,685	53	98,599	84,614
49	ZAMINDAR	F99	ENG	7	6	99,424	52,227	387,990	11	59,149	29,951
50	CAPE CROSS (IRE)	F01	IRE	15	12	98,118	76,915	236,685	61	116,505	84,803
51	CITY ZIP	F03	KY	19	13	94,615	70,000	310,000	48	43,958	36,000
52	KING'S BEST	F02	FR	9	5	93,524	34,919	258,660	25	32,376	31,402
53	LEMON DROP KID	F02	KY	19	14	92,643	67,500	220,000	52	99,320	66,000
54	FLATTER	F05	KY	15	10	91,600	43,500	435,000	31	42,724	35,000
55	STREET SENSE	F09	KY	15	11	89,227	95,000	200,000	46	102,151	95,000
56	TALE OF THE CAT	F00	KY	8	6	87,417	40,000	300,000	42	75,837	46,075
57	ESKENDEREYA	F12	KY	19	15	84,733	50,000	260,000	0	--	--
58	PIVOTAL (GB)	F98	ENG	12	10	81,970	58,826	152,126	28	231,872	167,964
59	MINESHAFT	F05	KY	16	12	79,500	67,500	155,000	41	62,427	40,000
60	HAT TRICK (JPN)	F09	KY	16	12	77,372	38,500	504,221	10	46,600	23,500
61	AZAMOUR (IRE)	F06	IRE	1	1	77,190	77,190	77,190	52	34,267	20,499
62	NAYEF	F05	ENG	3	3	75,964	15,215	201,688	31	52,609	47,052
63	QUALITY ROAD	F12	KY	13	11	75,909	75,000	115,000	0	--	--
64	HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR (IRE)	F08	IRE	15	10	70,905	43,098	270,446	60	72,900	50,665
65	POET'S VOICE (GB)	F13		12	12	70,679	46,364	184,881	0	--	--
66	SCAT DADDY	F09	KY	39	29	69,541	50,000	350,000	25	77,940	50,000
67	DUTCH ART (GB)	F09	ENG	18	16	69,096	55,560	169,029	47	84,465	70,869
68	OSCAR (IRE)	F99	IRE	5	3	68,314	56,219	140,547	8	10,803	9,154
69	MEDICEAN (GB)	F03	ENG	8	7	66,317	43,956	176,477	45	66,039	36,120
70	ROCK OF GIBRALTAR (IRE)	F04	IRE	18	16	66,085	48,025	473,281	51	57,539	45,000
71	HARLAN'S HOLIDAY	F05	KY	15	12	65,833	55,000	110,000	64	89,881	75,000
72	MASTERCRAFTSMAN (IRE)	F11	IRE	16	14	65,277	34,831	284,526	76	76,256	50,689
73	ELUSIVE CITY	F05	FR	11	8	65,021	48,490	180,110	31	66,890	45,577
74	GIO PONTI	F13	KY	19	11	64,091	65,000	200,000	0	--	--
75	CURLIN	F10	KY	7	6	62,833	45,000	190,000	54	69,935	44,000

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TOP 50 SIRES OF WEANLINGS BY AVERAGE

Rank by Average		2012 Weanling Sales								2012 Yearling Sales		
		Fyr	Loc	Ring	Sold	Average	Median	Top Colt	Top Filly	Sold	Average	Median
1	GALILEO (IRE)	F03	IRE	4	4	\$497,237	\$506,147	\$841,943	\$625,000	58	\$602,443	\$345,154
2	OASISDREAM(GB)	F05	ENG	3	3	429,391	454,649	75,775	757,748	21	381,192	270,600
3	MEDAGLIAD'ORO	F06	KY	3	2	390,000	390,000	160,000	620,000	33	299,310	200,000
4	BERNARDINI	F08	KY	2	2	327,500	327,500	295,000	360,000	41	249,976	170,000
5	STREETCRY(IRE)	F04	KY	3	3	293,333	280,000	-	350,000	19	330,000	200,000
6	SEATHESTARS(IRE)	F11	IRE	4	4	293,136	290,645	397,606	387,294	34	406,898	302,708
7	DANSILI(GB)	F02	ENG	3	2	241,726	241,726	-	252,583	13	286,503	218,250
8	WARFRONT	F08	KY	13	9	237,778	175,000	800,000	175,000	32	230,724	204,550
9	RAVEN'SPASS	F10	IRE	11	9	231,732	205,216	505,166	205,216	12	262,618	176,817
10	TAPIT	F06	KY	9	6	230,833	237,500	310,000	350,000	59	260,515	260,000
11	DUBAWI(IRE)	F07	ENG	6	6	229,536	210,486	404,132	252,583	62	188,968	122,333
12	NEWAPPROACH(IRE)	F10	ENG	12	10	199,606	197,857	303,099	320,650	56	179,300	124,973
13	DISTORTEDHUMOR	F00	KY	3	3	173,333	150,000	300,000	70,000	30	320,400	287,500
14	GIANT'SCAUSEWAY	F02	KY	12	11	167,455	150,000	260,000	450,000	50	151,418	100,000
15	MORETHANREADY	F02	KY	10	5	167,000	110,000	400,000	150,000	35	110,823	90,000
16	DANEHILLDANCER(IRE)	F98	IRE	9	8	165,199	106,047	118,984	589,360	28	158,822	154,125
17	INDIANCHARLIE	F90	KY	13	10	162,500	157,500	165,000	325,000	33	143,576	90,000
18	SHAMARDAL	F06	IRE	6	5	159,874	168,389	193,995	159,969	60	130,582	95,315
19	SPEIGHTSTOWN	F06	KY	5	3	143,333	140,000	-	240,000	31	146,661	110,000
20	FASTNETROCK(AUS)	F06	IRE	14	12	141,168	123,066	168,389	505,166	23	148,105	101,241
21	TIZNOW	F03	KY	8	6	138,000	152,500	250,000	190,000	40	181,800	145,000
22	BLAME	F12	KY	16	16	132,727	150,000	320,000	175,000	0	--	--
23	ARCH	F00	KY	12	7	126,000	135,000	150,000	270,000	36	150,474	115,000
24	QUALITYROAD	F12	KY	26	15	125,333	90,000	410,000	170,000	0	--	--
25	MAKFI(GB)	F12	ENG	25	19	124,698	134,610	303,099	235,744	0	--	--
26	UNBRIDLED'SSONG	F98	KY	12	7	119,286	125,000	170,000	190,000	42	184,905	140,000
27	SMARTSTRIKE	F98	KY	6	6	116,033	110,000	135,000	255,000	34	238,284	170,000
28	QUIETAMERICAN	F93	KY	4	2	112,500	112,500	25,000	200,000	9	29,000	17,000
29	HARLAN'SHOLIDAY	F05	KY	22	15	104,133	55,000	400,000	70,000	64	89,881	75,000
30	INVINCIBLESPIRIT(IRE)	F04	IRE	18	13	101,356	92,614	224,455	141,086	76	189,640	129,884
31	MALIBUMOON	F01	KY	27	16	97,000	65,000	205,000	190,000	75	151,013	130,000
32	LOOKINATLUCKY	F12	KY	19	13	95,385	60,000	500,000	100,000	0	--	--
33	EXCEEDANDEXCEL(AUS)	F05	ENG	30	24	94,000	84,126	202,066	142,907	53	98,599	84,614
34	TEOFILO(IRE)	F09	IRE	18	15	90,575	64,130	235,744	87,497	75	112,925	67,494

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35	LOPE DE VEGA (IRE)	F12	IRE	23	20	88,368	76,593	252,583	160,325	0	--	--
36	RIP VAN WINKLE (IRE)	F12	IRE	33	28	87,327	73,687	168,389	235,744	0	--	--
37	MONTJEU (IRE)	F02	IRE	2	2	86,118	86,118	-	109,931	27	372,751	258,000
38	HARDSPUN	F09	KY	22	17	83,873	67,000	260,000	140,000	46	101,570	60,000
39	ELUSIVE QUALITY	F00	KY	14	11	83,682	80,000	135,000	230,000	48	105,702	75,000
40	PIVOTAL (GB)	F98	ENG	7	7	81,429	71,826	114,326	134,711	28	231,872	167,964
41	ACCLAMATION (GB)	F05	IRE	47	43	80,111	67,355	154,917	235,744	64	100,702	63,200
42	CAPECROSS (IRE)	F01	IRE	12	10	77,281	82,739	111,136	176,808	61	116,505	84,803
43	ZAMINDAR	F99	ENG	6	4	75,874	27,991	37,488	235,744	11	59,149	29,951
44	TAMAYUZ (GB)	F10	IRE	7	6	74,887	69,882	151,313	76,830	34	75,178	61,598
45	LEMONDROPKID	F02	KY	15	11	74,636	62,000	170,000	87,000	52	99,320	66,000
46	ESKENDEREYA	F12	KY	14	8	73,625	52,500	210,000	90,000	0	--	--
47	DUTCHART (GB)	F09	ENG	20	19	69,259	58,892	176,676	70,723	47	84,465	70,869
48	LAWMAN (FR)	F09	IRE	23	20	67,944	59,778	201,751	60,620	63	63,562	40,368
49	PROUDCITIZEN	F05	KY	8	7	67,664	20,000	320,650	20,000	16	59,613	43,500
50	ARCANO (IRE)	F12	IRE	31	28	67,616	53,022	269,422	151,550	0	--	--

Sales reflected in this report:

2012 Arqana Deauville Winter Breeding Stock Sale, 2012 BBAG Sales & Racing Festival Autumn Sale, 2012 Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (CTHS) British Columbia Division Mixed Sale, 2012 Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society (CTHS) Ontario Division Winter Mixed Sale, 2012 Canadian Thoroughbred Horse Society Alberta Division Fall Mixed Sale, 2012 Fasig Tipton Kentucky The November Sale, 2012 Fasig Tipton Midlantic December Mixed Sale (Timonium), 2012 Fasig Tipton New York, 2012 Goff's Bloodstock November Sale, 2012 Indiana Thoroughbred Owners & Breeders Association Breeding Stock Sale, 2012 Iowa Thoroughbred Breeders & Owners Association (ITBOA) Fall Mixed Sale, 2012 Keeneland November Breeding Stock Sale, 2012 Ocala Breeders Sales Company (OBS) Annual Fall Mixed Sale - Preferred & Open, 2012 Tattersall's November National Hunt Sale, 2012 Tattersalls December Mixed Sale, 2013 Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale.

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A Shin Ranger, c, 3, **Read the Footnotes**--Dixie Talent, by Dixie Union. Kyoto, 1-6, Plate Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 4-2-0-1, \$156,818. O-Eishindo Inc; B-Shirl Penney; T-Hidemasa Nakao. *\$27,000 yrl '11 OBSJAN; \$475,000 2yo '12 OBSMAR. **Stalking the lead from the second position, A Shin Ranger tripped well and changed leads smoothly in the stretch to take the lead and win by a neck. "I thought I had a big chance today because he performed very well last time," said jockey Shinichiro Akiyama. "Dirt should be his favorite."

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*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2008 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*
ATTILA'S STORM (Forest Wildcat), A&A Ranch, \$2K, 72/24/5 7-SUN, Msw, 5 1/2f, Attila's Hunny, 3-1
INVASOR (ARG) (Candy Stripes), Shadwell, \$35K, 125/22/0 6-CT, Alw, 7f, Peony Perfect, \$20K KEE SEP yrl, 8-1
SILVER WAGON (Wagon Limit), Hurricane Hall, \$5K, 42/17/1 8-CT, Alw, 7f, Red Gate, 7-2

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SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	5	Pure Champion (Ire)	Ftstpsnthsnd (GB)	Chadwick	A Cruz	133
2	4	Irian (Ger)	Tertullian	Mosse	Moore	132
3	1	Helene Spirit (Ire)	Ftstpsnthsnd (GB)	Prebble	Fownes	129
4	6	Military Attack (Ire)	Oratorio (Ire)	Marwing	Moore	124
5	9	Familists (Aus)	Hussonet	Doleuze	Hall	119
6	7	Dstned for Glory (Ire)	Azamour (Ire)	Callan	Moore	119
7	3	Aomen (Ire)	Shamardal	Yeung	Size	113
8	2	Same World (GB)	Hawk Wing	Leung	Moore	113
9	10	Fun Rider (Aus)	Encsta de Lgo (Aus)	Lai	D Cruz	113
10	8	Beauty Lead (GB)	Selkirk	Ho	A Cruz	113

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Wolverhampton, 17.20, Mdn, £4,000, 3yo, 7f 32yds (AWT), 1:29.62, stn.

+ **LITTLE DOLLY (GB)** (f, 3, **Nayef--Tahirah {GB} {MSP-Eng}**, by **Green Desert**) was forced to race wide throughout the early stages, but was able to comfortably stay in touch with the leading trio. Tackling Rapsallion Deep (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}) at the top of the stretch, the 11-1 shot gained the upper hand passing the furlong pole and asserted to score by a half length. Sales history: 9,000gns RNA yrl '11 TATOCT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, £2,588. [Video, courtesy attheraces.com](#).

O/B-C J Murfitt; T- Alan McCabe.

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Middle East

BURRIDGE HOPES FOR CARNIVAL REPEAT

Singapore-based trainer Steven Burrridge entered last year's Dubai World Cup Carnival a relative unknown. The Australian-born former jockey descended on Meydan Racecourse with a quartet of runners, and the results could hardly have been better--at the end of the 10-week meet, Burrridge emerged as the leading trainer by win percentage, taking home four wins from 11 starts, good for a 33.3% strike rate.

Those wins came courtesy of Dark Matter (Aus) (Stratum {Aus}) (two wins), Ip Man (NZ) (Mr. Nacho {Arg}) and Captain Obvious (Aus) (Verglas {Ire}). This year, Burrridge will return to Dubai, but with a new quartet--Benji's Empire (Aus) (King Charlemagne); the three-times placed Tiger Stripes (GB) (Tiger Hill {Ire}); and conditions winners Devil's Cut (Aus) (Exceed and Excel {Aus}) and Freezemaster (Aus) (Reset). Benji's Empire and Freezemaster are entered for the first Dubai World Cup Carnival card Jan. 10.

"Benji's Empire has had seven wins for 39 starts and has really started to come good over the last season," Burrridge said. "He'd done a few things wrong but over the last 12 months he's come into himself and become really consistent."

Burrridge noted that Devil's Cut and Tiger Stripes are set to race at Meydan Jan. 17.

"Devil's Cut is definitely the one that I'm most looking forward to," Burrridge said. "He's only lightly raced; he ran second on his first start, but he didn't jump well and was really green, so we put him away for a few months. When we got him back to the track he won first up and then he won his second start back, so he's an exciting prospect."

Burrridge said that he is taking a slightly different approach to this year's carnival.

"This season we are not coming over with proven horses," he explained. "They are down in the ratings a little bit, but we just feel that these are horses that could do well in Dubai."



EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN HONG KONG:

Mizani (Ire), g, 4, **Bachelor Duke**--Miss Sazanica (Fr), by Zafonic. Sha Tin, 1-6, Hcp. (\$123k), 1400mT, 1:23.55. B-Haras De Son Altesse L'Aga Khan. *SP-Ire. **A debut fourth at Navan Apr. 29 when trained by Mick Halford for His Highness The Aga Khan, Mizani won his maiden going 2000 meters at Naas May 16 and scored by 8 1/2 lengths in the soft over 1600 meters at Navan



Mizani winning at Navan June 9
Racing Post

June 9. He made his final European appearance in the one-mile Listed Celebration S. at The Curragh June 30 and did not disgrace himself, finishing runner-up to his then-owner's heavily favored Sharestan (Ire) (Shamardal). Forced to shoulder top weight in this Hong Kong debut, Mizani was sent off at

6-1, but was in tight at the break and had to be hustled along to take up a midfield position while three wide on the track down the backstretch. The gray was forced to do it toughest and without cover on the turn, but made solid headway to challenge a furlong out and stayed on gamely for a half-length success while giving 19 pounds to the runner-up ([video](#)). While trainer Richard Gibson was willing to take a patient approach, winning jockey Olivier Doleuze was arguing for being more aggressive. "The Classic Mile (domestic Group 1, Jan. 20, 1600 meters) is only two weeks from now, but I didn't have to kill the horse today and it would be nice to have a ride in a Group 1," commented winning rider Olivier Doleuze. "I came confident he would run well, but if you look here at the percentage of horses which win first start here with 133 pounds, it's not many. I would have been happy if he ran a place, but he has gone even better than that." Should Mizani go in the Classic Mile, he could be part of a potent 1-2 attack for Gibson and join recent Class 2 winner Gold-Fun (Ire) (Le Vie Dei Colori {GB}).

IN UAE:

Mantoba (GB), c, 5, **Noverre**--Coming Home (GB), by Vettori (Ire). Abu Dhabi, 1-6, Hcp, 2200mT. Lifetime Record: SP-Eng, 13-2-0-1, \$26,958. O-Ahsan Ali Saed; B-Kirklington Stud; T-Doug Watson. *52,000gns yrl '09 TATOCT.

PERUVIAN CHAMPIONS 2012

Horse of the Year:	Al Qasr
2-year-old Male:	Luhho (Per)
2-year-old Turf Male:	Papa Mario (Per)
2-year-old Filly:	Pour Femme (Per)
2-year-old Turf Filly:	La Azul (Chi)
3-year-old Turf Male:	Jaguar Star (Per)
3-year-old Filly:	Cubage (Per)
3-year-old Turf Filly:	Azucena (Per)
Older Female:	Cruzada (Per)
Miler:	Asmarani (Per)
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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-PRX, \$76,714, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), NW3X, 4yo/up, 7f, 1:25, ft.

TUJOES (g, 6, Oratory--Mrs. Vanderbilt, by Citidancer)
Lifetime Record: SW, 19-7-1-3, \$317,586. O-Briardale Stable. B-Barbara Brown (PA). T-Steve Klesaris.
*\$21,000 yrl '08 FTMOCT.

7th-PRX, \$51,500, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW2X, 4yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:12 1/5, ft.

ROMAN RENEGADE (m, 6, Roman Ruler--Quiet Delight {SP, \$128,720}, by Grindstone) Lifetime Record: 33-7-12-4, \$254,680. O-Louis Zito. B-Fog City Stables (KY). T-Bruce N Levine.

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CALDER

Csaba (Kitten's Joy), 4f, :50.40, 14/20

FAIR GROUNDS

Brethren (Distorted Humor), 6f, 1:14.40, 1/1

GULFSTREAM PARK

Newsdad (Arch), 5f, 1:00.40, 4/28

OAKLAWN PARK

Applauding (Congrats), 4f, :49.80, 4/31

PALM MEADOWS

Animal Kingdom (Leroidesanimaux {Brz}), 5fT, 1:00.80, 1/29
Dust and Diamonds (Vindication), 4f, :50.46, 38/42
Pants on Fire (Jump Start), 3f, : 36.44, 1/8
Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy), 4f, :50.30, 37/42

SANTA ANITA

Fast Bullet (Speightstown), 5f, 1:00.00, 3/52
Game on Dude (Awesome Again), 4f, :47.20, 3/39
Juniper Pass (Lemon Drop Kid), 6f, 1:11.20, 1/17
Sweet Swap (Candy Ride {Arg}), 6f, 1:14.40, 4/17

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