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MELNYK MARES SPUR BIG GAINS AT FTKFEB

Propelled by in-demand mares from the breeding program of Eugene Melnyk, yesterday's Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale was judged a resounding success by sale officials as average skyrocketed 230% and median soared 150%. Leading the way was



Pool Land
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Melnyk's brilliant Grade I winner **Pool Land** (Silver Deputy--Slew City Slicker, by Slew City Slew), who sold to Charlotte Weber's Live Oak Plantation for \$900,000 and was one of six Melnyk horses to bring in excess of \$450,000. Taylor Made Sales Agency, which consigned all of the horses from Melnyk's Winding Oaks Farm, offered Pool Land as [hip 327 \(virtual inspection\)](#). She sold in foal to Smart Strike.

"There aren't many Silver Deputy mares out there to pick from, and this was a nice mare," said Jim Wells, who handled the bidding as a deputy of the Live Oak team. "She's in foal to the right horse, and she fits Mrs. Weber's program real well. She'll go to Florida right now, and she'll get a shot--that's for sure."

Pool Land was one of 16 Melnyk mares to bring six figures, which included the top four horses of the sale: Pool Land, the \$850,000 **Roxy Gap** (Indian Charlie), the \$725,000 **Indian Vale** (A.P. Indy), and the \$675,000 **Gemswick Park** (Speightstown). Sunday's GIII Hurricane Bertie winner **Golden Mystery** (Awesome Again) was the only non-Melnyk horse to bring north of \$600,000--she made \$625,000 from Nat Rea's Regis Farms.

"We saw that the market continues to be very, very strong for selected offerings," said Fasig-Tipton President and CEO Boyd Browning, Jr. "There was significant competition on the better lots from a wide cross-section of buyers, and those horses sold very well. I think it's a testament to the Melnyk program. When people went back and looked at those horses, almost across the board, they had good conformation and were all in great physical condition. It shows the quality of the program where a decision was made basically three weeks ago to sell, and they walk in here and look, literally, like almost a million dollars. They have a great program, and [Winding Oaks manager] Phil Hronec has done a great job. We're grateful to sell horses like that."

A \$475,000 FTSAUG yearling purchase by Melnyk, Pool Land was the second-highest-priced Silver Deputy yearling in 2003--only eventual Grade II winner Will He Shine sold better at \$650,000--and the chestnut ran to her looks. She won seven of 11 starts, primarily with trainer Todd Pletcher, including a two-length tally over Take D' Tour (Tour d'Or) and Miss Shop (Deputy Minister) in the 2006 GI Ruffian H. at Belmont. **Cont. p3**

POINT OF ENTRY TO SKIP DUBAI

According to trainer Shug McGaughey, last



Point of Entry
Adam Coglianese

Saturday's GI Gulfstream Park Turf H. winner **Point of Entry** (Dynaformer) will not run in the \$5 million G1 Sheema Classic on World Cup Day Mar. 30, as originally planned. Instead, the Phipps homebred will aim for the GI Arlington Million Aug. 17 and GI Breeders' Cup Turf. "Our ultimate goal is the Breeders'

Cup next fall at Santa Anita," explained McGaughey. "I didn't want to get too caught up with going here and going there with him. I would also like to run him in the Arlington Million and I just thought we'd keep him as fresh as we could, and the best way to do that is to keep him here."

FRANKEL GEARING UP

Juddmonte Farms yesterday released a glittering array of Group 1-winning/producing mares that will visit Frankel (GB) (Galileo {Ire}) this year. The unbeaten 5-year-old will begin his breeding career later this week at Banstead Manor Stud.

"His book of mares is as one would hope and expect for 'the best racehorse ever,'" said Philip Mitchell, general manager of Juddmonte Farms. "We are most grateful to all the breeders in Europe, America and Japan, who have put their faith in Frankel, and as a result we have one of the most impressive books of mares that a first-season sire has received." **Cont. p12**

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Pedigree Insights

Andrew Caulfield studies the influence of Unbridled's Song, who tallied his 100th stakes winner over the weekend with GI Donn H. winner Graydar.

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Arqana Sale Coverage

Galileo (Ire) filly Gulsary (Ire) topped Arqana's February Sale at €200,000 from the bid of agent Jean-Marie Callier, acting on behalf of U.S.-based Glen Hill Farm, who will race the filly in the States.

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Writers Up

Rob Burnet takes a closer look at Vadashan (Aus)'s handicap win at Warwick Farm Saturday.

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Melnyk Mares Spur Big Gains cont. from p1

Pool Land was produced by an unraced half to GI Breeders' Cup Sprint heroine Very Subtle (Hoist the Silver), a \$1.6-million earner and dam of SW and MGSP Dianehill (Ire) (Daneshill). Pool Land is herself a half to the stakes-placed My Chickadee (Pleasant Tap), dam of last year's GI Travers S. third Fast Falcon (Awesome Again) and to the current 2-year-old Dynamotor (Dynaformer), a \$650,000 acquisition by Live Oak at last year's KEESEP sale.



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SESSION TOTALS	2013	2012
Catalogued	337	422
No. Offered	277	343
No. Sold	245	267
RNAs	32	76
% RNAs	11.56	22.2
No. Over \$100K	23	10
High Price	\$900,000	\$200,000
Gross	\$13,781,700	\$4,562,600
Average	\$56,252 (229.2%)	\$17,088
Median	\$15,000 (66.7%)	\$6,000

Roxy Gap to Hertrich Team for \$850,000...

Watercress Farm's Fred W. Hertrich III, who owns several car dealerships in the Delaware area, came away with the day's second-highest-priced horse, the Grade II winner and Sovereign Award finalist **Roxy Gap** (Indian Charlie--Harts Gap, by Saint Ballado) ([hip 314](#)) ([virtual inspection](#)). Another who sold from the Melnyk draft, the 5-year-old racing or broodmare prospect was hammered down for \$850,000. Hertrich said the mare was bought for a syndicate and will remain in training. She's been conditioned throughout her



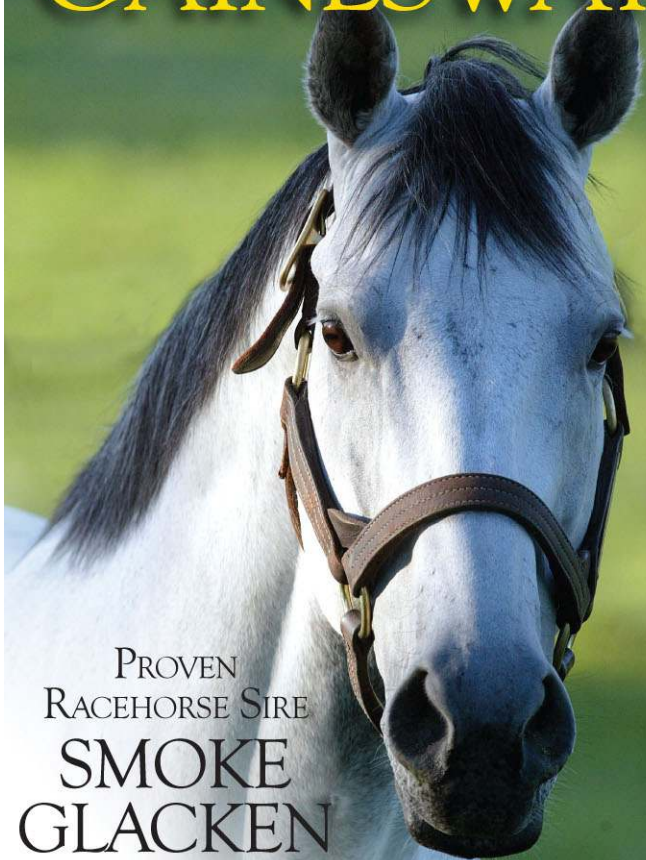
Fred Hertrich III
F-T Photo

career by Mark Casse.

"I really can't divulge who they are right now, but it's a partnership I'm part of," Hertrich said after the sale. "It's a syndicate of people who just want to race a really nice filly."

Asked whether Roxy Gap would stay in Canada or be transferred to the States, he laughed, "That's going to be decided tonight around 9 o'clock, probably in a bar. Everybody will get a vote, and we'll see what happens. But she's a beautiful race filly, and Mr. Melnyk told me she's probably the top filly in Canada. Hopefully, he wins a Sovereign Award with her."

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Roxy Gap to Hertrich Team cont.

As a racehorse, Roxy Gap started good and has stayed good. She captured the \$150,000 Shady Wells S. in her second career start at two, and at three won the \$150,000 Fury S. and placed third in the GIII Old Hat S. The Ontario-bred really blossomed at four, however, when her wins included the GII Hendrie S., GIII Whimsical S. and GIII Royal North S. Roxy Gap is a Sovereign Award finalist in the champion older female, champion female sprinter and champion turf female categories.

Roxy Gap's dam was twice placed in stakes company at Calder and is herself a daughter of SW Special Test (Hawkin's Special).



Roxy Gap
Michael Burns

"We handicapped her, and thought she'd actually bring a little more money," said Hertrich. "It's hard to buy those. You saw what people in there were paying for these real nice mares. If you want one, you have to be the last bidder. There was awfully good quality. This usually isn't a sale that has that kind of quality, but if you have good horses, you can sell them in Kalamazoo, Michigan at midnight. We're very excited."

From the Melynkh horses, Hertrich also purchased the stakes-winning 6-year-old **Barracks Road** (Elusive Quality--Padmore, by French Deputy) for \$270,000. The mare, an earner of nearly \$370,000 and a half to German Group 2 winner King of Sidney (Diesis {GB}), sold as a broodmare prospect as [hip 307](#).

Hertrich said the prices realized yesterday reflected the industry's respect for Melnyk's operation.

"Mr. Melnyk has kind of been an institution in our industry, and it's a tribute to him and what he has done," he said. "When you saw these mares as a group, they were not only great racemares, but they looked fantastic. They were the complete package, and there were a lot of awfully happy people today who bought horses. We are."

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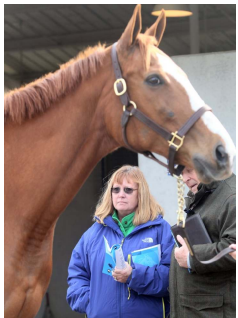
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Melnyk Posse Brings in the Buyers...

One of the noteworthy aspects about the sale of Eugene Melnyk's mares yesterday was the broad range of buyers lining up to acquire his breeding stock.

They included Whisper Hill Farm's Mandy Pope who, although she did not appear to be on the sales grounds Monday afternoon, made her presence felt by landing the day's third-highest-priced horse, the \$725,000 **Indian Vale** (A.P. Indy--Marley Vale, by Forty Niner) ([hip 320](#)) ([virtual inspection](#)). Fasig's Boyd Browning, on the phone, handled the bidding duties for Pope, who last year purchased both the \$10-million Havre de Grace (Saint Liam) and the \$4.2-million Plum Pretty (Medaglia d'Oro).



Mandy Pope eyes her eventual purchase before the sale
F-T Photo

A four-time graded winner, Indian Vale did her best work at Churchill Downs, winning a pair of Grade II events there in the 2005 Fall City H. and 2007 Fleur de Lis. Indian Vale's first foal is the winning 4-year-old Golden Ridge (Distorted Humor). She has an unraced 3-year-old filly named Happy Vale (Distorted Humor), and after producing colts by Flower Alley in 2011 and 2012, sold not in foal.

Melnyk purchased Indian Vale's dam Marley Vale for \$425,000 at the 1997 KESEP sale, and campaigned her for three successful seasons,

capped by a victory in the 1999 GI Test S. at Saratoga. Indian Vale was her first foal.

Melnyk's graded winner **Gemswick Park** (Speightstown--Queen's Park, by Relaunch) ([hip 319](#)) ([virtual inspection](#)) also sold well yesterday. Bloodstock agent Jason Litt, operating on behalf of Alex Solis's Solis Bloodstock, purchased the 7-year-old mare for \$675,000. Gemswick Park produced her first foal, a filly by Tiznow, in 2012 and sold in foal to that sire.

Litt said the mare was purchased by unnamed clients based in New York. "They're putting together a high-end broodmare band and breeding to race," he said. "Hopefully, they'll have some nice runners in the future, and this is a good place to start."

A homebred sired by Melnyk's champion sprinter Speightstown, Gemswick Park showed plenty of early gas in a 6 1/2-length graduation in the summer of her 2-year-old year. Third in the GI Frizette S., she proved her mettle as a 3-year-old by taking the GIII Old Hat S. at Gulfstream in a three-horse photo.

Gemswick Park was produced by Queen's Park (Relaunch), a stakes-winning half to the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. winner Poet's Voice (GB) (Dubawi {GB}), who currently stands stud at Darley's Dalham Hall Stud in Britain.

"She's definitely a mare that checked all the boxes," added Litt. "She was one of the best 2-year-olds of her crop, she's in foal to a top stallion, and Poet's Voice is an up-and-coming stallion in Europe. And the family goes back to Exclusive Native. It's a pretty serious pedigree, and we're delighted to have her."

Litt said he didn't think the hype surrounding the Melnyk horses inflated her price at all.

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"For the top-end stuff, this is what you have to pay at the end of the day," said Litt. "The top of the market is where it should be, and the truth is, she was really that good. We're really pumped to have her."

One of the other big-priced mares from the Melnyk draft was Take Charge Lady (Dehere)'s 3/4-sister **Christie Village** (Deputy Minister--Felicita, by Rubiano), who sold to Three Chimneys Farm for \$460,000. Richie Donworth, broodmare manager at the Lexington-area nursery, said the 8-year-old was purchased for Three Chimneys and the Torrealba family--a new partner--and was enthusiastic about a mare with an in-form pedigree.

Take Charge Lady's GI Florida Derby-winning son Take Charge Indy (A.P. Indy) ran third in Saturday's Donn H., and her 3-year-old son Will Take Charge (Unbridled's Song) recently captured the Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn for trainer D. Wayne Lukas.

"It's a very active family," said Donworth. "Take Charge Indy is a fantastic race horse, and Will Take Charge is on the Derby trail."

That, of course, wasn't the only draw. "She's a beautiful mare; one of the best-looking mares in the whole sale, and by one of the best broodmare sires out there, Deputy Minister," he said. "And she's in foal to a fantastic sire in Congrats. The [2013] mating is undecided, but we're happy to have her."

Before the sale, Eugene Melnyk said that it wouldn't be easy parting with mares like this. But, he said, "I am sure they will produce some beautiful winning babies. I'll still have a little bragging right, and I hope the new owners have great success and make me smile."

Triple Champion Sire...

Three sire championships puts him level with **Danzig** and ahead of **A.P. Indy**, **Deputy Minister**, **Exclusive Native**, **Halo**, **Mr Prospector**, **Smart Strike**, **Storm Cat** (2 championships each) and **Northern Dancer** and **Seattle Slew** (one each).

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#	STALLION	2013 FEE	GSW's	EARNINGS
1	GIANT'S CAUSEWAY	\$85,000	14	\$10,101,591
2	Empire Maker	In Japan	9	\$10,008,705
3	Speightstown	\$60,000	8	\$9,989,690
4	Tapit	\$125,000	6	\$9,202,989
5	Smart Strike	\$85,000	9	\$8,460,973

Source: Bloodhorse.com

Sire of Sires...

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Broodmare sire...

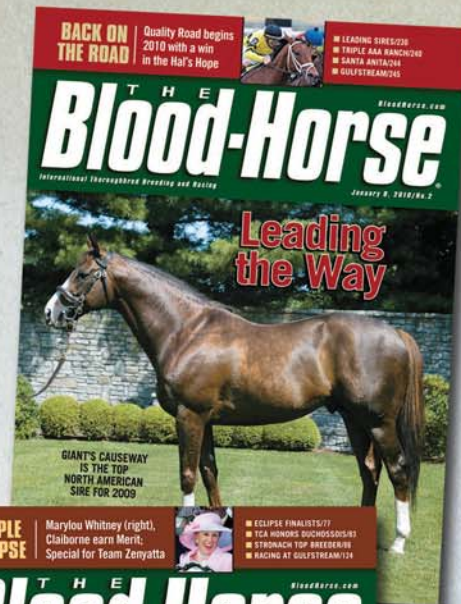
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'Mystery' Solved By Sale's End...

Fashionably late following her first graded score in Sunday's GIII Hurricane Bertie S. at Gulfstream Park, Farnsworth Farm's **Golden Mystery** (Awesome Again--Mysterious Angel, by Saint Ballado) saw her sell time pushed back to the end of the sale after not arriving at Fasig until 3 p.m. But there were still plenty of buyers around for the racing or broodmare prospect, and it was Regis Farm's Nat Rea who landed the in-form Florida-bred for \$625,000. Hidden Brook consigned Golden Mystery for Farnsworth owners Robert and Myron Miller as [hip 175](#).



Sergio De Sousa
F-T Photo

Hidden Brook Managing Partner Sergio de Sousa was all smiles

after the sale, and said the mare lived up to expectations.

"You always feel pretty good when you have an update like that, and she was already a pretty classy mare before yesterday," he said. "But certainly she showed she was one of the best female sprinters in the country right now, and is in top form. She was one you were going to have to pay for, and we feel pretty good about it."

The mare, catalogued as a racing or broodmare prospect, was announced as a broodmare prospect only entering the ring, but that was only a precaution, said de Sousa.

"We announced her as broodmare prospect because she just got off the van this afternoon, and we didn't have time to x-ray her," he said. "But if you saw the race yesterday, she looked pretty sound!"

Golden Mystery went 0-for-9 in 2012, but that belied a solid record that saw her finish second five times, including game runner-up finishes to Musical Romance (Concorde's Tune) in the Mike Sherman Memorial H. Oct. 6, to Dust and Diamonds (Vindication) in the GIII Sugar Swirl S. Dec. 8, and to Successful Song (Successful Appeal) in the Ocala S. Dec. 30.



Golden Mystery
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Golden Mystery has put her hard-luck ways behind her in 2013, however, romping by over five lengths from GISW Emma's Encore (Congrats) in the Sunshine Millions F/M Sprint at Gulfstream Jan. 19 before her breakout win in Sunday's Hurricane Bertie. **cont. p7**

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Mystery' Solved By Sale's End cont.

Regis Farm made three purchases yesterday. In addition to Golden Mystery, the upstart Canadian-based operation secured two horses selling from Eugene Melnyk's draft. Regis bought stakes winner **Carem Crescent** (Distorted Humor--Can't Be Late, by Seattle Slew) ([hip 310](#)), in foal to Graeme Hall, for \$270,000; and Canadian Horse of the Year **Sealy Hill** (Point Given--Boston Twist, by Boston Harbor) ([hip 299](#)) for \$590,000.

The Toronto-based Rea should be plenty familiar with the latter. A Melnyk homebred, Sealy Hill became the first filly to sweep Canada's Triple Tiara when she annexed the 2007 renewals of the Woodbine Oaks, Bison City S. and Wonder Where S. She also won that year's GIII Bourbonette Oaks over GISW Panty Raid (Include) and finished second in the GI E.P. Taylor S., and at season's end was named Canada's Horse of the Year, champion 3-year-old filly and champion turf filly/mare. As a 4-year-old in 2008, she came flying late to just miss Breeders' Cup glory when second to Forever Together (Belong to Me) in the GI F/M Turf at Santa Anita.

Sealy Hill is a daughter of Canadian stakes winner Boston Twist, a half to SW & MGSP Keep It Strait (Country Pine). Her first foal is the promising 3-year-old Hilaby (Distorted Humor), and she foaled fillies by Flower Alley and Sky Mesa the last two years. Making it a perfect four-for-four of the fairer sex, Sealy Hill had a Distorted Humor filly at the sales grounds Monday night, and sold with the chestnut at her side.

Gainesway Strikes for Beloveda...

Gainesway's Michael Hernon made a single bid for the 5-year-old racing or broodmare prospect **Beloveda** (Ghostzapper--Mysterious Angel, by Saint Ballado), but that was enough to get the job done as his \$205,000 salvo went unanswered. Hernon, buying for Gainesway, said the graded-placed half-sister to Sunday's GIII Hurricane Bertie S. winner Golden Mystery (Awesome Again) will be retired and bred to the farm's star stallion Tapit.



Beloveda

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Hernon

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"I thought she was a superior physical--I thought she was one of the best physicals on the grounds--she's got a big update, it's a good family, and she could run," said Hernon. "She's a well-made mare, and she'll be bred to Tapit. I was on the phone with [Gainesway's] Antony Beck and Brian Graves--we made one bid. It was higher than we initially were going to go to, but they spurred me on, and I think we did the right thing." **cont. p8**

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Gainesway Strikes for Beloveda cont.

Hernon had already struck paydirt with mares purchased for Tapit at the Winter Mixed Sale. He purchased Rhumb Line (Mr. Greeley) for a partnership for \$20,000 here in 2005, and from the mare co-bred Tapit's multiple Grade I winner Zazu, as well as that one's full-brother, the unbeaten Gill Robert B. Lewis S. winner Flashback. He later sold Rhumb Line for \$850,000 at the 2011 KEENOV sale. "Hopefully, we'll hit an oil well again with this one," he said.

Beloveda was offered by Lane's End as [hip 105](#) on behalf of Robert and Myron Miller's Farnsworth Farm. Farnsworth, which also owned Golden Mystery and sold her yesterday for \$625,000 to Regis Farms, had acquired Beloveda privately and, after transferring her to trainer Marty Wolfson, sent her out to a runner-up performance in last year's GIII Rampart H. Her dam Mysterious Angel is a half to four stakes horses, including French and English Group 3 winner Voyagers Quest (Dynaformer).

Arch Yearling Heads Padua Horses...

Three Chimneys Farm offered several horses from the Sanan family's Padua Stable, which has been reducing its numbers in recent months, and at least two eclipsed the six-figure mark. That included the day's top-priced short yearling, a Padua-bred colt by Arch out of multiple stakes winner Amazing Speed (Langfuhr) who sold to John and Martha Jane Mulholland for \$140,000. Martha Jane, sitting up front, outlasted several other suitors, including Debbie Easter, who stood along the back wall.

Three Chimneys consigned the May 10-foaled colt as [hip 88](#). He was Amazing Speed's third foal. Padua sold his now 3-year-old half-sister Irish Winnie (Broken Vow) for \$21,000 at the 2011 KEESEP auction, and sold a Sky Mesa colt from the mare named Speeding Comet for \$80,000 last year at FTKOCT. Padua sold Amazing Speed herself, in foal to Street Sense, to Ken and Sarah Ramsey for \$60,000 at KEEJAN a month ago.

The Arch colt sold just a few minutes after the Padua-offered **Yadira** (m, 6, Pulpit--Heavenly Cat, by Tabasco Cat) elicited a bid of \$170,000 from Margaux Farm, agent. The half-sister to graded winners Dilemma (Grand Slam) and Heavenly Ransom (Red Ransom), as well as stakes winner Capitano (Belong to Me), sold with her first foal, a newborn Kitten's Joy filly, alongside. Three Chimneys offered the pair as [hip 82](#).

Padua purchased Yadira for \$575,000 at the 2009 FTFFEB sale, and while she didn't start until she was four, she showed plenty of promise. Yadira graduated in her second career start over Saratoga's lawn while stopping the clock for 5 1/2 furlongs in 1:03 1/5, then quickly added an optional claimer while covering the same distance in 1:02 flat. She then missed black-type by just a head when fourth in Belmont's Jazzy S. in September of 2011, her final career start.

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"I got one from the July sale and liked him so much I went and bought myself one. They're forward and look early, I think the stallion has a great chance."
 - Kip Elser

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314	Roxy Gap	racing/b'mare prospect	850,000
	<i>(m, 5, Indian Charlie--Harts Gap, Saint Ballado)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sale Agency, Agent III Purchased by Fred Hertrich II, Agent		
320	Indian Vale	Not Mated	725,000
	<i>(m, 11, A.P. Indy--Marley Vale, by Forty Niner)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent III Purchased by Whisper Hill Farm		
319	Gemswick Park	i/f Tiznow	675,000
	<i>(m, 6, Speightstown--Queen's Park, by Relaunch)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent III Purchased by Solis Bloodstock		
175	Golden Mystery	racing/b'mare prospect	625,000
	<i>(m, 7, Awesome Again--Mysterious Angel, by Saint Ballado)</i> Consigned by Hidden Brook, Agent Purchased by Regis Farm		
299	Sealy Hill	w/ Distorted Humor foal	590,000
	<i>(m, 9, Point Given--Boston Twist, by Boston Harbor)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent III Purchased by Regis Farms		
328	Titan Queen	i/f Regal Ransom	575,000
	<i>(m, 8, Tiznow--Ensnare, by Seeking the Gold)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent V Purchased by Katsumi Yoshida		
312	Christie Village	i/f Congrats	460,000
	<i>(m, 8, Deputy Minister--Felicita, by Rubiano)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent III Purchased by Three Chimneys Farm LLC, Agent		
329	Vaulcluse	i/f More Than Ready	390,000
	<i>(m, 8, A.P. Indy--Betty's Pet, by Dehere)</i> Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent III Purchased by Margaux Farm, Agent		
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Even Without Melnyk Horses, Numbers Way Up...

With the prospect of selling a number of blue-blooded mares from Eugene Melnyk's Winding Oaks Farm, figures from the 2013 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Winter Mixed Sale always figured to grow soar, and so it proved. When the dust settled, the average of \$56,252 was up 230%, while the median of \$15,000 was up 150%. Helped along by the Melnyk horses, which sold with either no reserves or very modest reserves, the sale enjoyed an outstanding RNA rate of just 11.6%.



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"If you flipped through the catalogue and turned down the page of horses you thought had a chance of bringing some money, inevitably they sold pretty well," said Fasig's President and CEO Boyd Browning, Jr. "Overall, it was a good sale because we had quality horses."

But, Browning added, the final numbers have to be put into perspective. "I think it's wrong to say that the market here was up by that much, even if you take out the numbers from the supplemental catalog," he said. "Buyers are more sophisticated, and sellers are getting more sophisticated, and frankly, some of the bottom-end horses that were in the catalogue last year probably didn't show up this year. It's still hard as hell to sell a mare with holes in her, or a baby that's not good. The numbers are up because some of the less marketable horses are out of production. The capitalistic system is fairly efficient. It can be brutal and hard at times, but there's no doubt those horses who would have sold at lesser prices were not in the catalog this year. That helps the statistics."

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Two 'Songs' Keep Twin Creeks Busy...

The agony of defeat and thrill of victory was hardly better illustrated than on Saturday, when Twin Creeks Racing Stable, a year after losing the GI Donn H. by a nose with **Mission Impazible** (Unbridled's Song), came back to send out **Graydar** (Unbridled's Song) to a hugely impressive win in the race in just his fourth career start. Graydar, like Mission Impazible, is trained by Todd Pletcher, and earned a 109 Beyer Speed Figure.

Graydar's win was comprehensive. With a talented field behind him, he raced clear to set legitimate fractions of :23, :46 4/5, and 1:10 2/5 before winning off by three lengths and stopping the clock for the nine-furlong race in 1:48 1/5 ([VIDEO](#)).

It was the first Grade I victory for Twin Creeks, which is owned by Louisiana attorney and businessman Steve Davison and managed by Randy Gullatt. The latter, after celebrating the big win in Hallandale, was back in Kentucky yesterday, and said he wasn't surprised Graydar was able to belie his experience.

"We really thought, if he got to run his race, that he had that kind of talent and could run like that," said Gullatt. "His stride is so big, and he is not a chicken. You're not going to intimidate him. It was just a matter of getting a clean trip, so I really wanted him to run fast [early]. I knew he could keep on going, and on the far turn, I thought, 'We really have a shot.'"

Among others, Twin Creek also co-owns the talented 3-year-old colt **Delhomme** (Dixie Union), who broke his maiden in his route debut at Belmont last October before finishing a close-up third in the GII Remsen S. at Aqueduct Nov. 24.

Gullatt said they haven't decided on a next start for Graydar, whom he purchased from William Harrigan for \$260,000 as a FTFFEB juvenile in 2011.

"I thought we were going to win the GI Breeders' Cup Juvenile with him, to be honest," said Gullatt. "Bill Harrigan had so much confidence in the horse, and I have a ton of respect for Bill. He's one of those guys who tells it like it is, there's no BS, and he said this was one of the best horses he'd ever had. It really gave me the confidence to buy him."



Davison and Gullatt
twincreekracing.com

Typical baby issues--splints, illness, etc.--kept Graydar from debuting until last April, but now that the handsome gray is a Grade I winner from three of

four starts, the sky seems the limit.

Gullatt didn't have much time to relish the Donn win before getting back to work. By Monday, he was at Fasig-Tipton, busily shopping for broodmare prospects for last year's runner-up Mission Impazible. Twin Creeks retired the two-time Grade II winner, an earner of \$1.2 million, to Becky Thomas's Sequel Stallions New York for the 2013 season. He stands for a fee of \$7,500, live foal.

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Twin Creeks has thrown its full support behind Mission Impazible, acquiring no fewer than 21 mares to breed to him in 2013 and pledging at least 15 and 10 mares to him in 2014 and 2015, respectively. That includes 13 black-type winners, four more stakes runners, and a further two dams that have produced stakes winners, including the dam of last year's GII Dwyer S. winner Teeth of the Dog (Bluegrass Cat). The one's dam, Deputy Reality (Deputy Minister), was purchased for \$225,000 at KEENOV while in foal to Regal Ransom. The price isn't atypical of Twin Creeks' buys for Mission Impazible. Others horses acquired in the last few months include the \$420,000 Little Miss Holly (Maria's Mon), the \$250,000 Queen of Hearts (Thunder Gulch), the \$200,000 Burg Berg (Johannesburg), \$150,000 Cute Cognac (Hennessy), etc.

While the financial outlay by Twin Creeks is considerable, Gullatt said he has three things going for him: a stallion he's confident in, a strong state-bred program and the horsemanship at Sequel.

"Graydar may be a bit more brilliant than 'Mission,' but Mission was a really nice horse--he probably outworked 80 top horses in Todd Pletcher's barn over the years," said Gullatt. "He was just really talented--if we wanted to make him a sprinter, we could have done it. If we wanted to make him a grass horse, we probably could have done it. He's just *athletic*, and that's why we're so excited about him."

Gullatt said part of the strategy is to get Mission Impazible off to a fast start by buying mares who were stakes-winning 2-year-olds. **cont. p11**



Two 'Songs' Keep Twin Creeks Busy cont.

Those who fit that bill include the private purchases Elocution (Mutakddim), Nashinda (Silver Deputy), Midst (Closing Argument) and Littlebitabling (Carson City).

"We got a big group of nice 2-year-old-types going to him," said Gullatt. "We want him to have 2-year-old stakes winners."

In addition to Twin Creeks' support, Thomas has booked at least 10 of Sequel's own mares.

"It's a daunting task to make a stallion, and it's a huge commitment both financially and time-wise," said Thomas. "Twin Creeks has really stepped up."

Gullatt, who said many of Mission Impazible's youngsters will be offered as weanlings or yearlings, said the considerable breeders' awards and stallion-owner awards in New York was a big factor in deciding to stand there.

"I think people still really don't understand what the numbers are," he said, noting that another stallion at Sequel, the Storm Cat sire Freud, earned \$261,000 in stallion awards in 2012.

"And that doesn't include breeders awards or stallion fees," he added.



Mission Impazible Horsephotos

Breeder awards in New York run up to 30% of purse money won for New York-sired horses, while stallion awards run up to 20%.

"It's a terrific program," said Gullatt. "And the team at Sequel [New York] is no different than any top farm in Kentucky."

With that, Twin Creeks' mission is looking more and more possible each day.

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Frankel Gearing Up cont. from p1

Among the list are a number of mares that are based or raced in the U.S., including **Balance** (Thunder Gulch), a multiple Grade I winner and a half-sister to Zenyatta (Street Cry {Ire}); **Eden's Moon** (Malibu Moon), last



Frankel & Friends: (l-r) Dee Deacon, Sandeep Guavaram, Rob Bowley, Jane Cecil
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year's GI Las Virgenes S. victress who sold for \$1.525 million to Mandore International at FTKNOV; **Icon Project** (Empire Maker), the 2009 GI Personal Ensign H. heroine; **In Lingerie** (Empire Maker), the 2012 GI Juddmonte Spinster S. winner who RNA'd for \$2.2 million at FTKNOV; **Mi Sueno** (Pulpit), winner of the 2009 GI Del Mar

Debutante; **Oatsee** (Unbridled), last year's Broodmare of the Year and dam of Grade I winners Shackelford (Forestry) and Lady Joanne (Orientate); **Rose of Summer** (El Prado {Ire}), whose foals included Grade I winner Laragh (Tapit) and Grade III winner Summer Front (War Front); and **Stacelita (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger}) and **Zagora (Fr)** (Green Tune), who both earned Eclipse Awards as champion turf mare in the colors of Martin Schwartz. Stacelita was purchased privately by Teruya Yoshida at the end of 2011 and was bred to Smart Strike last year, while Zagora sold for \$2.5 million to Mandore International at FTKNOV several days after winning the 2012 GI Breeders' Cup F/M Turf.

Channel 4's Morning Line program recently filmed a segment at Banstead Manor that can be viewed [here](#).

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African Rose (GB) (Observatory) • **Albanova (GB)** (Alzao)
Alexander Goldrun (Ire) (Gold Away {Ire}) • **Alwajeaha** (Dixieland Band)
Arrive (GB) (Kahyasi {Ire}) • **Aspiring Diva** (Distant View)
Balance (Thunder Gulch) • **Binche** (Woodman)
Clepsydra (GB) (Sadler's Wells) • **Dancing Rain (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire})
Danedream (Ger) (Lomitas {GB}) • **Dar Re Mi (GB)** (Singspiel {Ire})
Diary (Ire) (Green Desert) • **Divine Proportions** (Kingmambo)
Dynaforce (Dynaformer) • **Eden's Causeway** (Giant's Causeway)
Eden's Moon (Malibu Moon) • **Emulous (GB)** (Dansili {GB})
Etoile Montante (Miswaki) • **Fallen Star (GB)** (Brief Truce)
Flirtation (GB) (Pursuit of Love {GB}) • **Giofra (GB)** (Dansili {GB})
Heat Haze (GB) (Green Desert) • **Honorine (Ire)** (Mark of Esteem {Ire})
Hurry Home Hillary (Deputed Testimony) • **Icon Project** (Empire Maker)
In Lingerie (Empire Maker) • **Lady Vettori (GB)** (Vettori {Ire})
Lahaleeb (Ire) (Redback {GB}) • **Lahudood (GB)** (Singspiel {Ire})
Lightening Pearl (Ire) (Marju {Ire}) • **Maycocks Bay (GB)** (Muhtarram)
Mi Sueno (Pulpit) • **Midday (GB)** (Oasis Dream {GB})
Midsummer (GB) (Kingmambo) • **Miss Keller (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire})
Nebraska Tornado (Storm Cat) • **Model Queen** (Kingmambo)
Musical Treat (Ire) (Royal Academy) • **Oatsee** (Unbridled)
Penne (Fr) (Sevres Rose {Ire}) • **Proportional (GB)** (Beat Hollow {GB})
Queen's Logic (Ire) (Grand Lodge) • **Quest to Peak** (Distant View)
Red Bloom (GB) (Selkirk) • **Rose of Summer** (El Prado {Ire})
Soignee (Ger) (Dashing Blade {GB}) • **Stacelita (Fr)** (Monsun {Ger})
Straight Lass (Ire) (Machiavellian) • **Tariysha (Ire)** (Daylami {Ire})
Tarocchi (Affirmed) • **Timepiece (GB)** (Zamindar)
Vodka (Jpn) (Tanino Gimlet {GB}) • **Waldmark (Ger)** (Mark of Esteem {Ire})
Zagora (Fr) (Green Tune) • **Zee Zee Top (GB)** (Zafonic)
Zomaradah (GB) (Deploy {GB})



VADASHAN IN FASHION

by Rob Burnet

A lowly rated 3-year-old race at Warwick Farm, Sydney, is not exactly the pinnacle of equine excellence, but every winner towards higher honours must usually come through the grades, and Saturday's A\$85,000 Facebook.com/SydneyCarnival H. (1600m) was no exception after **Vadashan**

(Aus)'s win. The 3-year-old Redoute's Choice (Aus) colt, trained by Paul Messara and ridden by Christian Reith, has more than the usual expectations on his broad shoulders as he is out of the Aga Khan's mare Vadsalina (Sagacity).

His champion sire from Arrowfield Stud will stand this northern season for the first time ever overseas at the Aga Khan's Haras de Bonneval, where he is due to cover a limited book of 100 top-class mares. The Aga Khan Studs will send a selection of 15 broodmares, headed by the unbeaten Arc winner Zarkava (Ire) (Zamindar). She will be joined by Group 1 winners Alpine Rose (Fr) (Linamix {Fr}), Shareta (Ire) (Sinndar {Ire}), Sagawara (GB) (Shamardal), Rosanara (Fr) (Sinndar {Ire}) and Daryakana (Fr) (Selkirk), as well as Born Gold (Blushing Groom {Fr}), the dam of international champion Goldikova.

Considerable weight of expectation then for a young colt with similar bloodlines, but Vadashan performed with aplomb in just his second race start aided by a very sensible ride by Reith. Reith settled Vadashan in eighth and allowed the front runners to take the field forward with That's A Good Idea (Aus) (Flying Spur {Aus}) and Glyn Schofield leading followed by Jordan (Aus) (Haradasun {Aus}) and Nathan Berry. As the field went wide around the final turn, Reith waited patiently and, when the rest went away from the rails, he was presented with a wide open passage for Vadashan. That's A Good Idea was driven out by Schofield passing the 300m, but Vadashan (55kg) was quickly though on the inside and into the lead.



Vadashan
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The colt was sent on a path to the line and, while Unimpeachable (54.5kg) (Bradbury's Luck) and Josh Parr chased hard, the closest they got was a half-length at the line and the winner was not stopping. General Groove (57.5kg) (General Nediym) and Jay Ford were third, the margin 1 1/2 lengths. The time was 1:35.56 on the Good 3 track as a new track record with the final 600m in :35.51.

"He is a very good horse this bloke," said the Scone-based Messara. "He was injured in a trial in the spring so I had to put him out, but I always had him pencilled in as my Derby horse. He is beautifully bred and he will not have any trouble getting a trip.

"He almost does not know what to do, and when he gets away from them he waits for them," Messara continued. "As long as he can keep learning how to race, and that was the main thing today, as I said to Christian to make sure that his last furlong was his best to learn how to hit the line.

"If we have had that prep in the spring we would be really going on with it now, but he is a really nice horse," Messara added. "It is very hot today and he handled everything."

Reith offered, "All about today was getting him settled and switched off as I want him to run the Derby trip, and he did that perfectly today."

Vadashan debuted with a win at Kembla Grange over 1400m Jan. 19 and on Saturday he stepped up with ease to the next grade.

The colt, a A\$440,000 Inglis Easter yearling, is a result of Arrowfield's joint venture with The Aga Khan. Vadashan's dam Vadsalina was a 2-year-old stakes winner in France and half-sister to Vadawina (G1 Prix Saint-Alary) and dual Group 3 winner Vadapolina, from the family of Group 1 winners Valixir and Val Royal.

Vadsalina died last spring, but she has a 2-year-old colt named Vandenberg (Flying Spur), also in Messara's stable, and a yearling colt by Starcraft in the Arrowfield draft for the 2013 Inglis Australian Easter Yearling Sale.

Vadashan is owned by Arrowfield Stud, Saeed Naser Al Romaithi and Renata Coleman, and the handsome colt is now on the path to the A\$1.5-million G1 ATC David Jones Australian Derby(2400m) at Randwick Apr. 13 as part of the Sydney Carnival.



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DONN H.-GI, \$500,000, GPX, 2-9, 4yo/up, 1 1/8m, 1:48 1/5, ft.

1--#@▲**GRAYDAR**, 115, c, 4, by [Unbridled's Song](#)

1st Dam: **Sweetest Smile**, by Dehere

2nd Dam: **Cielo Otono**, by Conquistador Cielo

3rd Dam: **Moment's Prayer**, by For the Moment

(\$85,000 RNA yrl '10 KEESEP; \$260,000 2yo '11 FTFFEB). O-Twin Creeks Racing Stables LLC; B-W S Farish (KY); T-Todd A Pletcher; J-Edgar S Prado. \$300,000. Lifetime Record: 4-3-0-1, \$361,560. *1/2 to Union Course (Dixie Union), MGSP, \$124,314; Star of David (Bernstein), MGSP, \$107,377. [Click for the eNicks report & 5-cross pedigree.](#) Werk Nick Rating: **A+**.

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One hundred stakes winners remains a notable landmark in any stallion's career, with Unbridled's Song being the latest to reach this demanding milestone. Thanks to Graydar's victory in the GI Donn H., Unbridled's Song became a member of this elite club at an appropriate time, just nine days before his actual 20th birthday.

While on the topic of birth dates, Saturday's main events at Gulfstream Park acted as a reminder that patience is a virtue, which often reaps rich rewards. Firstly we saw Point of Entry (Dynafortmer) take the Grade I Gulfstream Park Turf H., and then a few races later came Graydar's first Grade I victory. Point of Entry--whose bloodlines should make him a very interesting stallion prospect--was born on May 10, whereas Graydar was born on May 16.

Although a late foaling date is by no means an insurmountable obstacle, the racing records of these two Grade I winners confirm that some patience is required. While Graydar's birth date didn't stop him selling for \$260,000 at Fasig-Tipton's February sale at two, he didn't race at that age.

GRAYDAR, c, 2009

Unbridled's Song	Unbridled	Fappiano	Mr. Prospector Killaloe
		Gana Facil	Le Fabulex Charedi
	Trolley Song	Caro (Ire)	Fortino (Fr) Chambord (GB)
		Lucky Spell	Lucky Mel Incantation
Sweetest Smile 4-1-0-1 9FIs, 1GSW	Dehere	Deputy Minister	Vice Regent Mint Copy
		Sister Dot	Secretariat Sword Game
	Cielo Otono 6-3-2-1 9FIs	Conquistador Cielo	Mr. Prospector K D Princess
		Moment's Prayer 9FIs, 2SW	For the Moment Prayer Cap

After making his debut in April last year, his record now stands at three wins from four starts. Point of Entry, for his part, was another who make it to the races at two and he then earned less than \$90,000 in eight 3-year-old starts. Fortunately, maturity and a permanent switch to the turf have changed all that, and his Gulfstream victory was his sixth in his last seven starts.

It's possible that a May foaling date is considered a greater handicap in Britain and Ireland than it is in the States, where the climate is warmer. Consequently the clever copywriters of Coolmore's adverts usually find it necessary to try to stimulate interest towards the end of each season. Using a list of prominent late foals, they aim to persuade breeders that resting their mare is less attractive than having a May foal.

Last year, for an article in *Thoroughbred Owner & Breeder*, I looked at the birthdays of the Grade or Group I and II winners in Europe and North America during July. I found that 50 individual horses were involved, of which three were born in January, 10 in February, 13 in March, 17 in April, six in May and one in June.

"The May sextet was especially interesting," I wrote, "as they included no fewer than four Group 1 winners--Danedream (born May 7), Point of Entry (May 10), Acclamation (May 16) and Mayson (May 16). Several other Grade 1 winners had late-April birthdays, including the major 3-year-old winners Imperial Monarch and Great Heavens (both born April 28) and Aesop's Fables (April 30)."

I also reminded everyone that quite a few colts have won the GI Belmont S. not long after their actual third birthday, comparatively recent examples being Touch Gold (Deputy Minister) (May 26), Victory Gallop (Cryptoclearance) (May 30), Lemon Drop Kid (Kingmambo) (May 26), Birdstone (Grindstone) (May 16) and Afleet Alex (Northern Afleet) (May 9). I mentioned too that Mucho Macho Man (Macho Uno) had managed to flourish despite a June 15 birthday. He finished third in the 2011 Kentucky Derby, when still about six weeks short of his actual third birthday, but again didn't show the full extent of his talents until he was four.

To get back to Unbridled's Song, his 100 worldwide stakes winners include 44 graded stakes winners and 15 Grade I winners. Among them are the Breeders' Cup winners Unrivaled Belle (GI 2010 BC Ladies' Classic), Unbridled Elaine (2001 GI BC Distaff) and Midshipman (2008 GI BC Juvenile).

Much of Unbridled's Song's appeal lies in his pedigree, which is free of several of the major influences, such as Northern Dancer, Hail To Reason, Bold Ruler, Blushing Groom (Fr) and Seattle Slew.

It didn't take him long to make his mark with some of these, and his career acts as a reminder that a stallion's early results can shape his entire career. His second crop contained a couple of stakes winners out of daughters of Storm Cat, including the GI Wood Memorial winner Buddha. This early success led to numerous daughters of Storm Cat beating a path to Unbridled's Song's door, to the extent that he now has 143 foals aged three or over out of Storm Cat mares.



Although they also include the graded winners Magnificent Song, Half Ours, Noonmark and Noble Tune, their percentage of black-type winners is lower than Unbridled's Song's overall figure. The perceived success of this cross has also seen Unbridled's Song cover numerous grand-daughters of Storm Cat, but so far there has been only one stakes winner among their 70 foals.

All I am saying is that blindly following promising nicks is no guarantee of success, especially if conformation is overlooked. There is also no guarantee that mares by sons of a certain stallion will work equally as well as those by the original stallion. It is often convenient to forget that the sons have 50% extra bloodlines, which may or may not prove compatible.

The second-most popular choice as a sire of mates for Unbridled's Song was Deputy Minister (Vice Regent), whose daughters have 43 foals by the Taylor Made stalwart. This cross has proved worthwhile in that it has been responsible for Grade II winner Last Song and Grade III scorer Keep Up, as well as a stakes winner and a couple of graded-placed performers.

Inevitably, mares by sons of Deputy Minister have also come into the picture, with the champion 2-year-old Dehere proving the most successful. From only seven foals by Unbridled's Song, the much-travelled Dehere figures as the broodmare sire not only of Graydar, but also of the Grade III turf winner



Graydar

Courtney Heeney

Strike It Rich and the recent stakes winner Will Take Charge, winner of the Smarty Jones S. at Oaklawn last month. That's impressive.

Graydar's dam Sweetest Smile was a lightly raced sprint winner. She is doing much better as a broodmare, Graydar being her third graded stakes performer from her first eight foals. Even so, Graydar is the first graded winner from recent generations of his female line, although his third dam Moment's Prayer also figures as the third dam of Mujahid, a Danzig colt who won England's G1 Dewhurst S.

You will find a more familiar name when you get back to Graydar's fourth dam, Prayer Cap. This daughter of Thinking Cap was a half-sister to Silent Screen, America's champion juvenile of 1969, when he won five of his six starts. There are numerous Grade I winners descending from fifth dam Prayer Bell, including Henrythenavigator, sire of Graydar's 3-year-old half-brother Life At Sea. Prayer Bell's half-sister Home By Dark also left a rich legacy, with Indian Skimmer, Java Gold, Bluebird, Classy Mirage and Bluebird among her Grade I-winning descendants.

The other aspect of Graydar's pedigree worthy of mention is his 4x4 inbreeding to Mr. Prospector. He follows Zensational as only the second Grade I winner by Unbridled's Song inbred to Mr. Prospector within four generations. There might well have been another though, as the excellent Eight Belles was inbred 4x3.

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Eastern U.S.

8th-PRX, \$49,068, Alw, NW1X, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:12, sy. DISCO BARBIE (f, 3, [Pure Prize--Cimmaron Lady, by Grand Slam](#)) got off the mark in her second outing going this distance at Delaware Park Sept. 24, and added black-type next out when finishing third in the Xtra Heat S. over the same track and trip. She filled the same position again in the Gin Talking S. at Laurel Nov. 24. Adding blinkers for the first time here, the 8-5 second choice traveled wide just off the pace early and advanced to join the leaders around the turn. She gained the advantage in midstretch and held off Mo Work for Tim (Mo Mon) for the victory. Sales history: \$15,000 yrl '11 KEEJAN; \$80,000 yrl '11 FTKJUL. Lifetime Record: MSP, 5-2-0-3, \$70,250. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#) or [VIDEO](#).
O-Dianne Manning. B-Iron County Farms Inc (KY). T-Anthony W Dutrow.

New York

Hall of Fame to Hold Black History Month Event:
Edited Press Release
The National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame will present a special program entitled "African Americans in Thoroughbred Racing" to celebrate Black History Month on Tuesday Feb. 12 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Museum. The program is free and open to the public. The program will begin with a guided tour of the Museum that will highlight the history and significant contributions to the sport of thoroughbred racing by African Americans. Karen Wheaton, the Museum's education curator, will lead the tour. The tour will be followed by a presentation and discussion in the Hall of Fame gallery about the African American jockeys and trainers who are enshrined in the Museum's Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame discussion will be led by Allan Carter, the Museum's historian, and Jim Melia, a research assistant at the Museum. Visit racingmuseum.org for more information.

2012 MARYLAND-BRED CHAMPIONS

Horse of the Year Turf Runner, Older Male	Ben's Cat (Parker's Storm Cat) <i>O/B/T-King T Leatherbury</i>
2-year-old Male	Alpha Mike Foxtrot (Two Punch) <i>O-Larry Knight Jr; B-Dr & Mrs Thomas Bowman & Richard Small; T-Richard Small.</i>
2-year-old Filly	Mystic Love (Not For Love) <i>O-John Davison; B-Dark Hollow Farm; T-Francis & Jessica Campitelli.</i>
3-year-old Male	Bellefire (Proud Citizen) <i>O/B-Joe Balsamo; T-Leo Azpurua Jr.</i>
3-year-old Filly	Jazzy Idea (Great Notion) <i>O/T-Edwin Merryman; B-Mr & Mrs Edwin Merryman.</i>
Older Female	Bold Affair (Two Punch) <i>O/B-Charles Reed & Michael Zanella; T-Howard Wolfendale.</i>
Sprinter	Action Andy (Gators N Bears) <i>O-Robert Gerczak; B-Carol Kaye; T-Carlos Garcia.</i>
Steeplechaser	Incomplete (Press Card) <i>O-Robert A Kinsley; B-Hugo Procopio; T-Ann Stewart.</i>

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Central U.S.

Yesterday's Results:
2nd-HOU, \$19,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 5fT, :59 4/5, fm. ESPRESSO CANDY (f, 3, [Candy Ride {Arg}--Espresso Song, by Siphon {Brz}](#)) was well-beaten in her first two starts over the dirt at Retama, finishing seventh Nov. 16 and fifth Dec. 29. Making her turf debut here, the 5-2 second choice duelled for the early lead and began to edge clear of her rivals around the turn. She lengthened her advantage in the lane to finish four lengths the better of Flashy Bangles (Flashy Bull). The winner is a half to Man Stuff (Belong to Me), SW, \$152,202. Sales history: \$5,000 yrl '11 KEESEP. Lifetime Record: 3-1-0-0, \$11,893. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#).
O-M H Carson. B-Nagako Fujita (KY). T-George R Bryant.

3rd-HOU, \$19,000, Msw, 3yo, f, 6f, 1:13, ft. + THUNDER SHOWER (f, 3, [Tiznow--Cloudburst {SW}, by Storm Cat](#)), a \$165,000 Keeneland September yearling, was turned around for the same sum at OBS March last year. She prepared for this debut with a series of bullets over this strip, and was sent off the 4-5 favorite. Setting the pace off the fence, Thunder Shower maintained her advantage under a drive in the stretch, prevailing by a neck over Moonblood (Mex) (Election Day {Ire}). Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$11,220. [Click for the brisnet.com chart](#).
O-Tom R Durant. B-Bryant H Prentice III (KY). T-Jack A Bruner.



ROOKIES

First/Second-crop starters to watch: Tuesday, Feb. 12

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2008 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs * Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

BROTHER DEREK (Benchmark), Airdrie, \$10K, 70/8/0

7-PRX, Alw, 1m, Captain Derek, \$32K OBS APR 2yo, 4-1

CURLIN (Smart Strike), Lanes End, \$75K, 218/17/0

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2FT, Fairness, \$95K KEE SEP yrl, 5-1

DIVINE PARK (Chester House), Airdrie, \$18K, 80/9/1

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2FT, +Divine Happiness, \$100K FTK JUL yrl, 5-2

HENRYTHENAVIGATOR (Kingmambo), Ashford, \$65K, 223/18/2

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2FT, Love You Tomorrow, 8-1

STUDENT COUNCIL (Kingmambo), Millennium, \$18K, 119/13/2

6-FG, Msw, 5 1/2FT, +Ship's Telegraph, 8-1

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IN JAPAN:

Best Warrior, c, 3, **Majestic Warrior**--Flirtatious Miss, by Mr. Greeley. Tokyo, 2-9, Plate Race, 8f. Lifetime Record: 4-2-1-0, \$188,172. O-Yukio Baba; B-Buck Pond Farm Inc; T-Sei Ishizaka. *\$47,000 wnl '10 KEENOV; \$34,000 RNA yrl '11 FTKJUL; \$400,000 2yo '12 OBSAPR.

+ **Eishin Texas**, c, 3, **Speightstown**--Stylish Wildcat (MSW-US, \$218,149), by Forest Wildcat. Kyoto, 2-9, Maiden Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$64,516. O-Toyomitsu Hirai; B-Redmon Farm LLC; T-Shigeki Matsumoto. *\$170,000 yrl '11 KEESEP; \$250,000 2yo '12 FTFEB. **Took the lead at the start and never looked back en route to a five-length triumph. "It was not his full performance, winning jockey Yasunari Iwata commented. "He has lots of scope to improve and will handle 1400 meters as well."

Purchased & Consigned by Nick de Meric

Sound Gaga, f, 4, **Roman Ruler**--Whistle Call, by Phone Trick. Kyoto, 2-10, Plate Race, 6f. Lifetime Record: 10-3-0-0, \$256,022. O-Yuichi Masuda; B-Peggy S & Norman Dellheim & The Roman Ruler Syndicate; T-Masao Sato. *\$37,000 yrl '10 KEESEP; \$165,000 2yo '11 OBSMAR.



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Europe

STANDOUT GALILEO FILLY TOPS ARQANA

Arqana's February Sale Monday was highlighted by the €200,000 (*US\$268,101*) purchase of the 4-year-old filly **Gulsary (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) yesterday. Consigned by trainer Christophe Aubert as hip 75, the dual winner who had contested last year's G1 Prix de l'Opera was bought by Jean-Marie Callier on behalf of Glen Hill Farm in Ocala, and will race on in the States. Out of accomplished producer Multimara (Arctic Tern), she is a half-sister to the 2001 G1 Prix de l'Abbaye heroine Imperial Beauty (Imperial Ballet {Ire}) from the extended family of the top-class Ballydoyle duo Jan Vermeer (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}) and Together (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

"Hopefully, she will run over there and collect some black type before going to stud," Callier told *Racing Post*. "I think her style of running should adapt well. She obviously has a lovely pedigree to go with it."

Second in line was Elevage des Trois Rivières' hip 82, the 9-year-old **Sister Agnes (Ire)** (Dr Fong), whose first foal Snap Call (GB) (Tamayuz {GB}) provided a timely update when winning at Cagnes-sur-Mer 24 hours earlier. Offered in foal to Dutch Art (GB), the half-sister to pattern-race performer Border Arrow (GB) (Selkirk) was knocked down to the MAB Agency on behalf of a French owner-breeder based in the South-West for €62,000.

Later in the afternoon, Wilhelm Feldmann saw off the attentions of Crispin de Moubay before signing the docket at €39,000 for a 4-year-old daughter of multiple Grade I winner Amorama (Fr) (Sri Pekan). Named **A Moi (Fr)** (Elusive Quality) and consigned as hip 209 by Haras de Saint-Pair, she is a descendant of Trillion, and will join Gestut Hachtsee's broodmare band. Her sale preceded the arrival into the Elie de Brignac ring of another notable member of that consignment in hip [234](#), the fellow 4-year-old **Samba Chrissy (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}). From one of the finest families in international racing, being a descendant of Luv Luvin', the daughter of group scorer Brazilian Bride (Ire) (Pivotal {GB}) was also added to Marc-Antoine Berghgracht's roster bought for an Irish client for €37,000.

At the close of play, the gross and average both represented significant gains on 2012, with the latter up by a healthy 26%. Full results are available at www.arqana.com.

ARQANA FEBRUARY - TOP THREE LOTS

Hip	Name	Status	Price (€)
75	Gulsary (Ire) <i>(f, 4, Galileo {Ire}--Multimara, by Arctic Tern)</i> Consigned by Christophe Aubert Purchased by Jean-Marie Callier (Agent)	racing/b'mare prospect	200,000
82	Sister Agnes (Ire) <i>(m, 9, Dr Fong--Nibbs Point {Ire}, by Sure Blade)</i> Consigned by Elevage des Trois Rivières Purchased by MAB Agency	if Dutch Art (GB)	62,000
209	A Moi (Fr) <i>(f, 4, Elusive Quality--Amorama {Fr}, by Sri Pekan)</i> Consigned by Haras de Saint-Pair Purchased by Wilhelm Feldmann	racing/b'mare prospect	39,000



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TOTALS:	2013	2012
No. Catalogued	309	314
No. Offered	261	250
No. Sold	187	193
RNA	74	57
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Gross	€1,487,000	€1,214,000
Average (% change)	€7,952 (+26.4%)	€6,290
Median	€4,500	€4,500

*Private Sales:		
No. Sold	13	11
Gross	€42,200	€75,000
Adjusted Gross	€1,529,000	€1,289,000

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EUROPEAN-BRED WINNERS

IN JAPAN:

Seiun Jaguars (Ire), h, 6, [Footstepsinthesand \(GB\)](#)--Lady Miletrian (Ire) (MSP-GB), by Barathea (Ire). Tokyo, 2-10, Cond., 7fT. Lifetime Record: MSP-Jpn, 29-5-5-6, \$1,234,642. O-Shigeyuki Nishiyama; B-Lodge Park Stud; T-Hiroaki Sugiura. *1/2 to Himalya (Ire) (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), MGSP-GB, \$155,008.



Yesterday's Results:

SAGA KINEN-Listed, ¥34,500,000 (*US\$369,237*), Saga, 2-11, 4yo/up, 2000m, 2:05.70, yl.

1--**HOKKO TRUMAE (JPN)**, 123, c, 4, **King Kamehameha (Jpn)**--**Madam Cherokee (Jpn)**, by **Cherokee Run**. O-Koichi Yabe; B-Ichikawa Farm; T-Katsuichi Nishiura; J-Hideaki Miyuki. ¥23,000,000. Lifetime Record: GSW & G1SP-Jpn, 14-5-1-4.

2--**A Shin Moreover (Jpn)**, 128, h, 7, Manhattan Cafe (Jpn)--Oregon Girl, by Rubiano. O-Eishindo Inc. ¥6,900,000.

3--**King's Emblem (Jpn)**, 126, h, 8, War Emblem--Scarlet Lady (Jpn), by Sunday Silence. O-Sunday Racing. ¥2,300,000.

Margins: 3, 5, 3. Odds: 0.50, 1.30, 11.90.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-HOU, \$24,000, Opt. Clm. (\$25,000), NW16MX, 4yo/up, f/m, 7f, 1:25 3/5, ft.

CHERNOMOROCHKA (f, 4, Hold for Gold--Slewstress, by Seattle Slew) Lifetime Record: 9-6-0-1, \$69,896. O-Danielle Agnello. B-Royal Pegasus LLC (KY). T-Karl Broberg. *\$3,000 yrl '10 KEESEP. **1/2 to Slewville (Petionville), MSW, \$124,747.

5th-HOU, \$21,000, NW1X, 4yo/up, f/m, 5fT, :58 3/5, fm.

TRIPLEMENTAL (m, 6, Capote's Prospect--Temper Tam, by State Dinner) Lifetime Record: 17-3-2-5, \$52,559. O-Carolyn Barnett & Becky Harding. B-Steve Hicks & Caroline Hicks (TX). T-Ellen Williams. *Full to Temperamental Miss, SW, \$126,987.



WINNERS BY AMERICAN SIRES

IN JAPAN:

Cromlech (Jpn), c, 3, **Smart Strike**--Le Cirque, by Dynaformer. Tokyo, 2-9, Novice Race, 7f. Lifetime Record: 5-1-1-0, \$87,097. O-Carrot Farm; B-Northern Farm; T-Hirofumi Toda.

American Dream (Jpn), c, 3, **Dynaformer**--Shining Energy (GISW-US, \$536,836), by Rahy. Kyoto, 2-9, Novice Race, 9f. Lifetime Record: 4-1-1-1, \$100,000. O-Tadakuni Sugiyama; B-Meiji Farm; T-Yasutoshi Ikee.

Meteorologist (Jpn), h, 6, **Golden Missile**--Bayou Storm, by Storm Cat. Kyoto, 2-9, Cond., 9.5f. Lifetime Record: SW-Jpn, 14-6-0-2, \$1,070,968. O-Makoto Kaneko Holdings; B-Hidaka Taiyo Farm; T-Yasutoshi Ikee. *\$310,000 i/u '06 KEENOV. **1/2 to Bayou Breeze (A.P. Indy), SW-US, \$113,518.

BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

CONDITIONS RESULTS:

ITALY, Pisa, 15.00, 2-10, €9,000, 3yo, f, 1mT, 1:38.50, gd/sf.

CHOISIR ROSES (IRE) (f, 3, Choisir {Aus}--Rose's Destination {Ire}, by Dubai Destination) Lifetime Record: 3-2-0-1, €8,993. O-Scuderia Micolo di Nicola Galli E C Sas; B-Vincent O'Connor; T-Giada Ligas. *€6,500 yrl '11 GOFSP.

ITALY, Pisa, 16.00, 2-10, €9,000, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:37.80, gd/sf.

TROPICAL SONG (GB) (c, 3, Beat Hollow {GB}--Tropical Heights {Fr}, by Shirley Heights {GB}) Lifetime Record: 6-2-3-0, €10,685. O-Carlo Lanfranchi; B-Normandie Stud Ltd; T-Riccardo Santini. *€53,000gns HIT '12 TATHIT.



WINNERS BY EUROPEAN SIRES

IN JAPAN:

+ **Virginia (Jpn)**, f, 3, **Galileo (Ire)**--Silverskaya (MGSW-Fr, \$142,612), by Silver Hawk. Kyoto, 2-10, Maiden Race, 9fT. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$64,516. O-G1 Racing; B-Northern Farm; T-Hiroyoshi Matsuda. *Full to Seville (Ger), G1SP-GB, Fr, Ire & Aus, \$861,825.

• ON THE WORKTAB •

BETFAIR HOLLYWOOD PARK

Teddy's Promise (Salt Lake), 4f, :48.20, 12/28
The Lumber Guy (Grand Slam), 6f, 1:15.00, 7/9
Tres Borrachos (Ecton Park), 5f, 1:05.00, 27/27

GULFSTREAM PARK

Mucho Macho Man (Macho Uno), 3f, :37.77, 3/5
Newsdad (Arch), 4f, :50.70, 29/31

OAKLAWN PARK

Endorsement (Distorted Humor), 4f, :48.00, 3/43

PALM MEADOWS

Balance the Books (Lemon Drop Kid), 4f, :49.44, 9/33
Centre Court (Smart Strike), 4fT, :50.70, 9/30
Charming Kitten (Kitten's Joy), 4f, :50.83, 27/33
Dancing Solo (Giant's Causeway), 4f, :51.96, 33/33
Disposablepleasure (Giacomo), 5f, 1:02.33, 5/15
Noble Tune (Unbridled's Song), 4f, :49.44, 9/33
Samitar (GB) (Rock of Gibraltar {Ire}), 4f, :49.96, 15/33
Stoppingmaria (More Than Ready), 4f, :51.92, 31/33
Tesseron (Tapit), 6fT, 1:16.42, 1/1
Went the Day Well (Proud Citizen), 5fT, 1:03.06, 8/32

SANTA ANITA PARK

Avare (Johannesburg), 4f, :49.00, 18/39
Book Review (Giant's Causeway), 4f, :49.80, 28/39
Camp Victory (Forest Camp), 3f, :37.40, 13/16
Carving (Any Given Saturday), 5f, 1:01.40, 26/66
Castaway (Street Sense), 5f, 1:01.00
Dhaamer (Ire) (Dubai Destination), 4f, :51.80, 38/39
Drill (Lawyer Ron), 5f, 1:01.00, 16/66
Great Mills (War Front), 4f, :51.00, 34/39
Mudflats (Tapit), 4f, :48.60, 11/39
My Miss Aurelia (Smart Strike), 5f, 1:01.80, 38/66
Tritap (Tapit), 5f, 1:01.40, 26/66



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