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## IMMORTAL BELOVED

By Emma Berry and Kelsey Riley

With the scene set once again for a truly memorable moment in the Tattersalls sales ring, Merriebelle Stable's **Immortal Verse (Ire)** (Pivotal {GB}) did not disappoint the assembled crowd as she set a new European record for a broodmare sold at auction when knocked down for 4.7-million guineas (**US\$8,085,644**) to Adrian Nicoll of BBA Ireland.



**Immortal Verse**  
Tattersalls

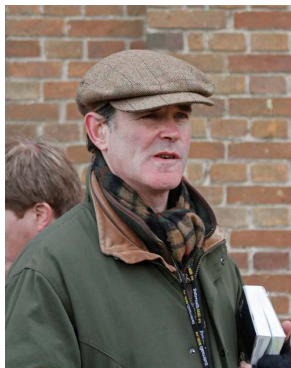
The second-highest grossing day in European auction history saw dramatic rises across the board, with the turnover of 34,478,500gns up by 45% and the average by 40% at 181,466gns. The median recorded a gain of 16% at 76,500gns, with the clearance rate remaining static at 81% (190 sold).

Just as 24 hours earlier when Dancing Rain (Ire) went under the hammer, the bidding for **lot 1830** was opened at 2-million guineas, this time by James Wigan, the man responsible for buying the previous record-holder Magical Romance (Ire) (Barathea {Ire}), who was sold in foal to Pivotal (GB) for 4.6-million guineas in 2006. Wigan had to play second fiddle this time around, however, with Michael Goodbody also making an attempt to secure the granddaughter of Kilfrush Stud's Mill Princess (GB).

While Nicoll was not prepared to disclose the identity of his client, consignor Luke Lillingston of Mount Coote Stud confirmed the dual Group 1-winning miler has been bought for a new partnership with Coolmore.

"I just said to MV [Magnier] that given ordinary luck, in 50 years' time they'll still be enjoying success with her family. Going to Coolmore gives her every chance," said Lillingston, who went on to pay a tearful tribute to his father, Alan.

"From our point of view at Mount Coote, it was great to have the chance to sell her and to create a new European record," he said. "We couldn't have done this without the work put in by my parents. My father hasn't been well lately and he wasn't able to be here, but he will be so proud. We have a wonderful team at the stud and they've done a fantastic job." **Cont. p3**



**Luke Lillingston**  
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Hip	Name	Status	Price (Gns)
<b>1830</b>	<b>Immortal Verse (Ire)</b> (m, 5, Pivotal {GB})--Side of Paradise {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells	<b>if Dansili (GB)</b> Consigned by Mount Coote Stud Purchased by BBA Ireland	<b>4,700,000</b>
<b>1853</b>	<b>Dream Peace (Ire)</b> (m, 5, Dansili {GB})--Truly a Dream {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB}	<b>Not Mated</b> Consigned by European Sales Management Purchased by Hugo Lascelles Bloodstock	<b>2,700,000</b>
<b>1803</b>	<b>Rosdhu Queen (Ire)</b> (f, 3, Invincible Spirit {Ire})--Green Minstrel {Fr}, by Green Tune	<b>Not Mated</b> Consigned by Somerville Lodge Ltd (W Haggas) Purchased by Stephen Hillen Bloodstock	<b>2,100,000</b>
<b>1764</b>	<b>Soon (Ire)</b> (m, 4, Galileo {Ire})--Classic Park {GB}, by Robellino	<b>if Oasis Dream (GB)</b> Consigned by John Troy, Agent Purchased by Tony Nerses	<b>800,000</b>
<b>1765</b>	<b>Chrysanthemum (Ire)</b> (m, 5, Danehill Dancer {Ire})--Well Spoken {Ire}, by Sadler's Wells	<b>if Frankel (GB)</b> Consigned by John Troy, Agent Purchased by Eaton Sales	<b>800,000</b>
<b>1855</b>	<b>Peace Burg (Fr)</b> (f, 3, Sageburg {Ire})--Peace Talk {Fr}, by Sadler's Wells	<b>Not Mated</b> Consigned by European Sales Management Purchased by Mandore International Agency	<b>700,000</b>

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**Martin Panza**  
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In a 4-2 vote, the Kentucky Equine Drug Research Council recommended adoption of national uniform medication rules Tuesday. The Kentucky Racing Commission meets Dec. 11 and the measure is expected to be on the agenda.

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**TATT--TUESDAY'S TOP LOTS *cont. from p1***

- 1856** Laugh Out Loud (GB) Not Mated 700,000  
 (f, 4, Clodovil {Ire}--Funny Girl {Ire}, by Darshaan {GB})  
 Consigned by European Sales Management  
 Purchased by Blandford Bloodstock
- 1812** Goodwood March (GB) i/f Frankel (GB) 650,000  
 (m, 10, Foxhound--Military Tune {Ire}, by Nashwan)  
 Consigned by Tweenhills Farm & Stud  
 Purchased by Newsells Park Stud

**Immortal Verse Sets Record at Tatts (*cont. from p1*)**

Immortal Verse, winner of the G1 Coronation S. and G1 Prix Jacques le Marois for trainer Robert Collet, was sold in foal to Dansili (GB). She had been bought earlier this year by Texans Charles Noell and John Moores, who operate as Merriebelle Stable and purchased all the bloodstock owned by Kilfrush Stud in Ireland.

Peter Bance of Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, advisor to his old high school friend Noell, said: "She's a once-in-a-lifetime horse and it's great to be able to come here to do this. If you want to get to the top of the racing world, she's the type of mare to get you there, so I wish her new owners the very best of luck. "Brendan Hayes [former Kilfrush manager] deserves all the credit for her--he planned the mating and has developed the family, and Luke's done a great job preparing her for the sale."

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Catalogued	290	269
No. Offered	235	227
No. Sold	190	184
RNAs	45	43
% RNAs	19.1%	18.9%
High Price	4,700,000gns	1,500,000gns
Gross	34,478,500gns	23,792,500gns
Average (% change)	181,466gns (+40.3%)	129,307gns
Median (% change)	76,500gns (+15.9%)	66,000gns

<u>CUMULATIVE</u>	<u>2013</u>	<u>2012</u>
Catalogued	580	562
No. Offered	481	456
No. Sold	393	370
RNAs	88	86
% RNAs	18.3%	18.9%
High Price	4,700,000gns	1,700,000gns
Gross	53,171,500gns	35,162,000gns
Average (% change)	135,296gns (+42.4%)	95,032gns
Median (% change)	55,000gns (+37.5%)	40,000gns

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**A Dream Purchase...**

Agent Hugo Lascelles had been the underbidder on a few occasions during the highly contentious early days of the mare sale, but he would not be denied when it came to **Dream Peace (Ire)** (Dansili {GB}) ([lot 1853](#)), who lit up the board late in the session to record the second-highest price in the evening at 2.7-million guineas (US\$4,644,944).

A little more than an hour after Immortal Verse had left the ring, Dream Peace managed to reignite the excitement, stirring a heated bidding battle that included Mt. Brilliant Farm's Greg Goodman, Fiona Craig and Badgers Bloodstock. In the end it came down to Lascelles and Reiley McDonald, and the former held stern for the Group 2-winning and multiple Group 1-placed 5-year-old.



**Dream Peace**  
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"We've been underbidder a few times, so we saved our ammo until the end," Lascelles said. While he declined to indicate who the mare had been purchased for, he did note that she would stay in England and be bred to Frankel (GB).

A €250,000 Arqana October Yearling purchase by Meridian International, Dream Peace won Deauville's Prix de la Nonette in August 2011 before shipping across the Atlantic to finish third in the G1 E.P. Taylor. She made the permanent move to North America the following summer, where she went on to garner four Grade I placings.

Dream Peace certainly has the pedigree to warrant a date with that exciting young Frankel. A daughter of Group 2 winner Truly A Dream (Ire), Dream Peace is a three-quarter sister to G1 French Guineas placegetter Catcher in the Rye (Ire) (Danehill). Further down on the page are Grade/Group 1 winning fillies Cerulean Sky (Ire), Moonstone (Ire), L'Ancrese (Ire) and Kilrush Stud matriarch Arctique Royale (Ire).

"Her pedigree is the best--it's fantastic," Lascelles said. "It's one of the best out there."

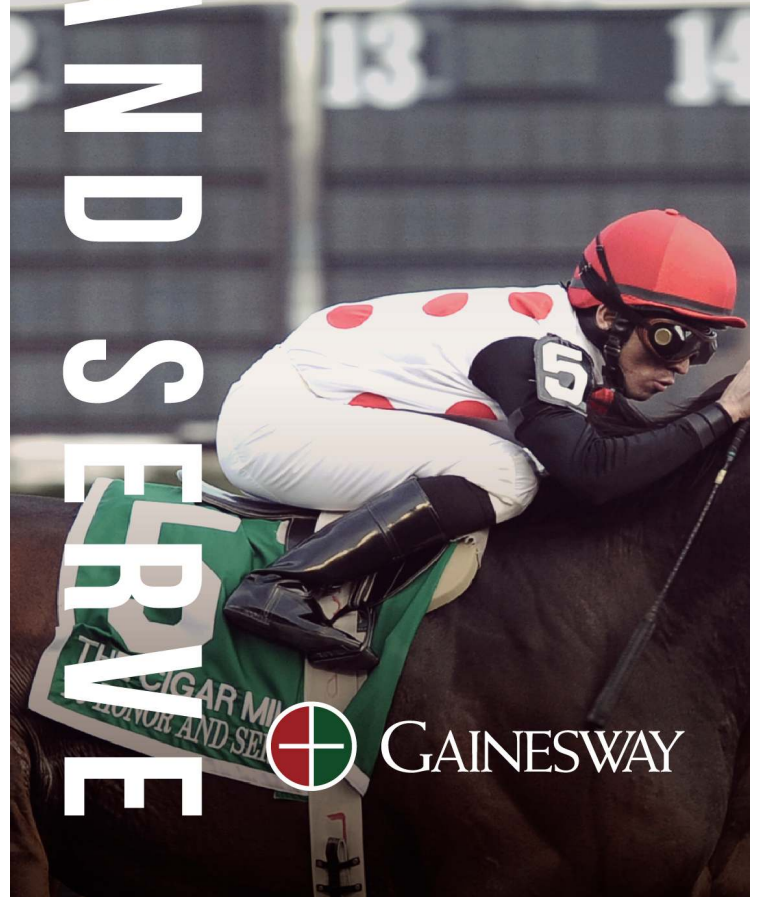
Another descendant of Arctique Royale featured earlier in the evening when Ecurie des Monceaux acquired **Demurely (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) ([lot 1792](#)) for 600,000gns. The Group 3-placed 4-year-old is carrying to Invincible Spirit.

Bidding on behalf of stud owner Lucien Urano, Monceaux manager Henri Bozo, said: "You've got to be in this level if you want to keep competitive at the top end. She has a beautiful pedigree and will be a wonderful addition to the Monceaux broodmare band. There's plenty happening in the family and it's great to be able to buy her."

The family's appeal was also to the fore at Deauville in August when a Dubawi (Ire) filly out of a daughter of Demurely's half-sister Hit The Sky (Ire) (Cozzene) topped the Arqana Yearling Sale at €1.5 million.

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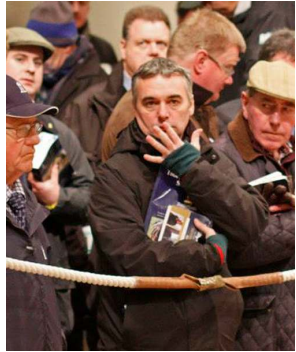




**Another Queen of the Ring...**

The Group 1-winning juvenile **Rosdhu Queen (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}) ([lot 1803](#)) provided a lively warm-up act for Immortal Verse, with the race to secure the immaculate filly turning into a battle between Coolmore and Newsells Park Stud. Stephen Hillen, bidding for Coolmore, had the final say at 2.1-million guineas (US\$3,612,735), seeing off John Warren, who was acting for his rivals.

"I imagine she'll go to Galileo (Ire)," said the Northern Irish agent. "She's a [G1] Cheveley Park winner and a great physical. Invincible Spirit has been doing so well and she was a very good 2-year-old."



**Stephen Hillen**  
*Tattersalls*

Rosdhu Queen was consigned for Clipper Logistics through her trainer William Haggas's Somerville Lodge, which was also home to Dancing Rain during her racing days, and to Listed Oaks Trial winner **Vow (GB)** (Motivator {GB}) ([lot 1804](#)), who followed Rosdhu Queen into the ring and was sold to Patrick

Burns of Lodge Park Stud for 600,000gns. Like her half-brothers, G1 Doomben Cup winner Beaten Up (GB) (Beat Hollow {GB}) and group-winning stayer Harris Tweed (GB) (Hernando {Fr}), Vow was bred by Haggas's father Brian from the Akarad (Fr) mare Frog (GB), who died last year after foaling a Sir Percy (GB) filly.

Vow finished fourth in last year's Oaks at Epsom, which was won by the Lodge Park Stud-bred filly Was (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

**The Frankel Factor...**

The Tattersalls crowd saw one Danehill Dancer (Ire) mare--Dancing Rain (Ire)--sold in foal to Frankel on Monday, and there was plenty of interest in **Chrysanthemum (Ire)** ([lot 1765](#)), by the same sire and offered with a February cover to Juddmonte's champion. The dual Group 3 winner, consigned by John Troy, had both Don Alberto Corporation and Reiley McDonald on her tail, and it was the latter who prevailed at 800,000gns for an American client "desperate to buy a mare in foal to Frankel."

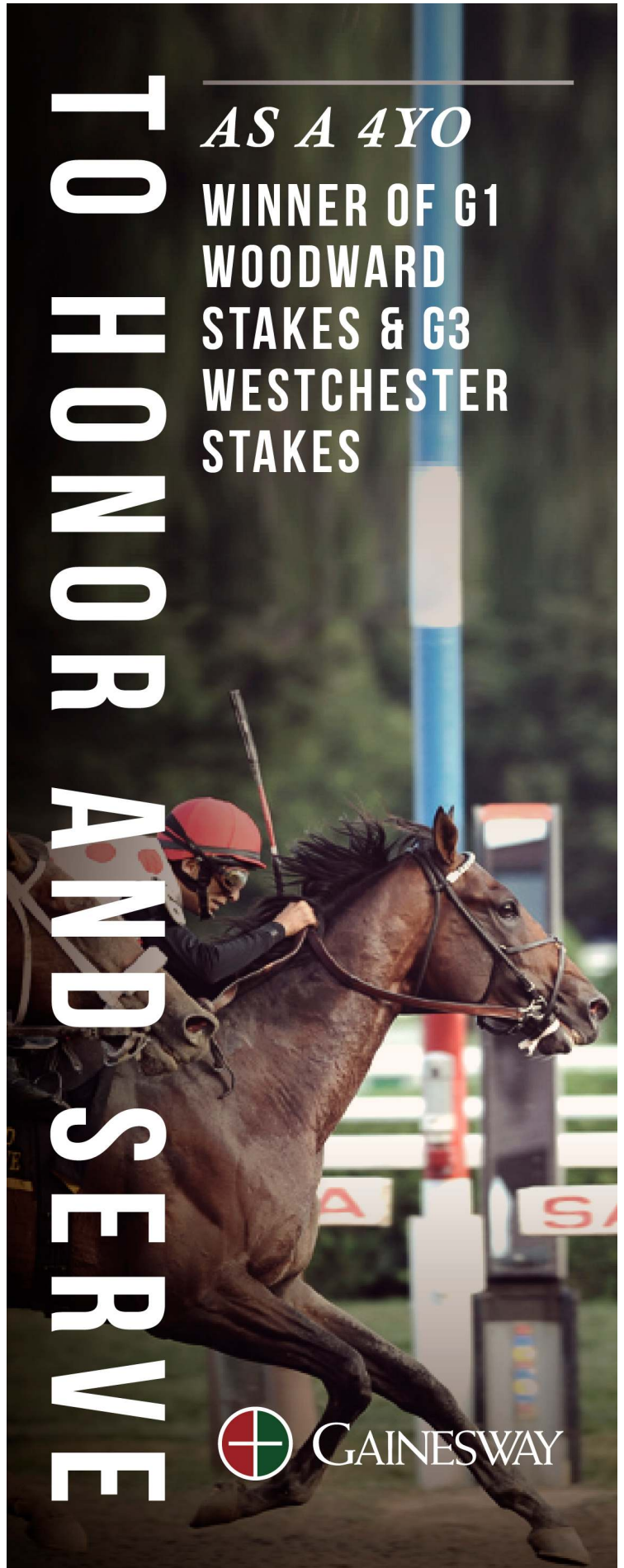
The agent added: "She's a lovely mare with plenty of elements in her favor for the U.S. She'll have the foal here and be bred to a European stallion before leaving for America."

Chrysanthemum won five stakes races for the Coolmore partners when trained by David Wachman. Having been outdone on Rosdhu Queen, Julian Dollar of Newsells Park Stud went to 650,000gns in pursuit of **Goodwood March (GB)** (Foxhound) ([lot 1812](#)), and for one over-riding reason: "The Frankel factor for sure. She's a lovely mare, she's a proven mare, and in foal to Frankel. She's already produced some nice horses. We've got a couple mares in foal to Frankel already and we were lucky enough to buy one in the States."

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Goodwood March's son Gold-Fun (Le Vie Dei Colori) is set to run in Sunday's G1 Hong Kong Mile. Don Alberto Corporation picked up Rubina in foal to Frankel for 475,000gns, while Tweenhills Farm's Group 2 winner **Danceabout (GB)** (Shareef Dancer) ([lot 1769](#)) was picked up by Ghislain Bozo of Meridian International for 260,000gns. Lots [1806](#), [1815](#) and [1819](#)--**Kirinda (Ire)** (Tiger Hill {Ire}), **Laurelei (Ire)** (Oratorio {Ire}) and **Dorcas Lane (GB)** (Norse Dancer {Ire})--were all retained by their vendors, and Dermot Farrington bought another of the Tweenhills quartet offered in foal to Frankel-- G3 Albany S. winner Kiyoshi (GB)'s dam Mocca (Ire) (Sri Pekan)--at 160,000gns.

**Nurses Swoops for Soon...**

Imad Al Sagar and Saleh Al Homaizi yesterday spent 870,000gns on a pair of mares--including 650,000gns for Lady Wingshot (Ire)--to add to the burgeoning herd at their recently purchased Blue Diamond Stud, and the



**Soon**  
Tattersalls

pair dug back into their pockets yesterday to secure the listed-winning and group-placed **Soon (Ire)** (Galileo {Ire}) ([lot 1764](#)), carrying her first foal, by Oasis Dream (GB), for 800,000gns. Agent Tony Nerses, who fended off the likes of Don Alberto Corporation and Reiley McDonald to sign for the mare on behalf of Al Sagar and Al

Homaizi, said: "We will keep the Oasis Dream and she'll be bred to Dansili."

The 4-year-old Soon is out of the G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner Classic Park (GB), and is a three-quarter sister to G1 Epsom Derby second Walk in the Park (Ire) (Montjeu {Ire}).

**Busy Spell...**

A flurry of late activity saw 700,000gns paid for consecutive lots, **Peace Burg (Fr)** (Sageburg {Ire}) ([lot 1855](#)), who was bought by Nicolas de Watrigant's Mandore International Agency, and **Laugh Out Loud (GB)** (Clodovil {Ire}), who was signed for by Tom Goff of Blandford Bloodstock. The fillies have won the last two runnings of the G2 Prix de Sandringham at Chantilly, and were both offered by European Sales Management, which also consigned wildcard [lot 1857A](#), the regally bred 4-year-old **Pearls Or Passion (Fr)**, a daughter of Monsun (Ger) out of the G1 Prix Vermeille winner Pearly Shells (GB) (Efisio {GB}). Richard Knight, acting for an unnamed breeder, outbid Hubie de Burgh at 600,000gns.

"It hasn't been decided yet whether she'll race on or be bred from straight away, but she's for a client of mine who is trying to build up a quality broodmare band," Knight said.

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With so much uncertainty in the breeding industry, it can pay to buy proven, and that theory has certainly paid off in the past for Watership Down Stud, which has bred Group 1 horses from the likes of Darara (Ire) and Crystal Spray (GB) after purchasing them as already proven producers. The operation will be hoping history repeats itself after securing [lot 1772, Kelly Nicole \(Ire\)](#) (Rainbow Quest) for 560,000gns. The 11-year-old is responsible for Group 3-placed Tinkertown (Ire), as well as this year's G2 Summer Mile winner and G1 Queen Anne and G1 Lockinge S. placegetter Aljamaaheer (Ire) from four foals to race.

"We've always bought proven mares, up to now, and we're delighted to have a mare like this," said Watership Down's Simon Marsh, who stood alongside Charlie Gordon-Watson as the agent did the bidding. "It's a fantastic broodmare sire, and she'll be bred to New Approach."

**Auld Alliance For New Visitor...**

Bobby Flay made his first visit to Park Paddocks with Barry Weisbord, and didn't leave empty-handed. The American chef committed 550,000gns to the purchase of 3-year-old Ballymacoll Stud-bred **Auld Alliance (Ire)** (Montjeu {Ire}) ([lot 1786](#)), a half-sister to Classic winner Golan (Ire) and Derby runner-up Tartan Bearer (Ire), both sons of Spectrum (Ire).

"I'm trying to get more involved here [in Europe]," said Flay, who paid €420,000 for another daughter of Montjeu, Albisola (Ire), at the Goffs November Sale. "I really enjoy the industry over here and I'd love some more horses in Europe. It would give me a good excuse to come here more often."

The 82-rated Auld Alliance raced for her breeder from Sir Michael Stoute's stable and won once over 12 furlongs in June after finishing runner-up to subsequent G2 Ribblesdale S. winner Riposte in a Newmarket maiden.

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Don Alberto Corporation, owner of prominent Chilean farm Haras Don Alberto, made headlines when



**Carlos Heller (left), Fernando Diaz-Valdes (right) & veterinarian Roberto Navarrete**  
*Keeneland Photo*

purchasing Vinery in Kentucky in October, and the group continued to fill the press when scooping up 16 horses for \$7,125,000 at Keeneland November. Carlos Heller of Don Alberto continued his buying spree at Tattersalls yesterday, shelling out 1,770,000gns

for six mares, headed by the 475,000gns [lot 1767](#), **Rubina (Ire)** (Invincible Spirit {Ire}), one of eight mares of the second session offered in foal to Frankel (GB). A one-time winner as a juvenile and placed in The Curragh's Listed Flame of Tara S. while campaigned as a homebred for The Aga Khan, the 4-year-old was picked up by Lynn Lodge Stud for €190,000 at Goffs November last year. A daughter of stakes winner Riyafa (Ire) and a sister to stakes winner Riyalma (Ire) (Selkirk), Rubina was deemed worthy of Frankel's sparkling first book earlier this year, and was a popular commodity in the sales ring yesterday.

Rubina was the fourth purchase of the day for Don Alberto, which earlier in the session went to 280,000gns for [lot 1691](#), the Group 3-placed **Tibaldi (Fr)** (Motivator {GB}) in foal to Oasis Dream (GB); 125,000gns for [1635](#), **Sally Forth (GB)** (Dubai Destination), a 7-year-old from the Aga Khan family of champion Darjina (Fr) in-foal to Lawman (Fr), and 90,000gns for [lot 1601](#), **Calissa (Ire)** (Danehill Dancer {Ire}), a daughter of GI Beverly D. S. winner Muralakana (Fr). They swooped late in the session for [lot 1835](#), shelling out 450,000gns for Star Rating (Ire) (Dansili {GB}), an unraced daughter of champion Islington (Ire) in foal to Invincible Spirit (Ire), as well as [lot 1837](#), Elbe (GB), in foal to Sea the Stars (Ire).

Heller conducted his bidding from the top of the ring while sitting alongside English-speaking agent Fernando Diaz-Valdes, who indicated that the mares would be brought back to America, and their produce would likely be retained to race in America and Europe.

"We'll sell a few foals, but keep most for racing," Diaz-Valdes explained. "We'll try to race in America and Europe, that's the whole idea."

Diaz-Valdes noted that the operation has picked up between 60 and 65 mares since the purchase of Vinery, which will be renamed Don Alberto Farm, and they are likely at capacity.

"If he wants to buy more, we'll have to buy another farm," he quipped. "I think we have to work out what the future holds with the foals. I think we have enough to work with for the future."

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Diaz-Valdes noted the European market was attractive to the operation for a variety of reasons.

"It's great to have a European pedigree, and the market here is very strong," he said. "We love European racing. We are from Chile, and in Chile most of the racing is European-style. We lease stallions from Europe, so it makes sense. We love the racing here, and in many different countries."

Heller is the President of Club Hipico de Santiago in Chile, and his family has interests in the airline, retail, health, banking and television industries. Haras Don Alberto houses some 300 mares, and has in the past shuttled such stallions as Stormin Fever, Proud Citizen, Fusaichi Pegasus, Rock of Gibraltar (Ire) and Bluegrass Cat.

### *Silk Touch...*

**Amber Silk (Ire)** (Lawman {Fr}), a member of a highly sought-after family, will be joining Robert Barnett's broodmare band at Fair Winter Farm in Buckinghamshire after being bought by Will Edmeades for 400,000gns. Sold as [lot 1738](#), the sister to G1 Irish 1000 Guineas winner Just The Judge (Ire) is carrying what is likely to be a late spring foal by Rip Van Winkle (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}).

"We're in it for the long term, so if she has to miss next breeding season, so be it," said Edmeades, who manages Fair Winter for the Barnett family. "Robert Barnett was here for a few hours yesterday and we showed him about a dozen mares. We're selling six this week, so we want to restock too, and this is a terrific family with plenty happening."

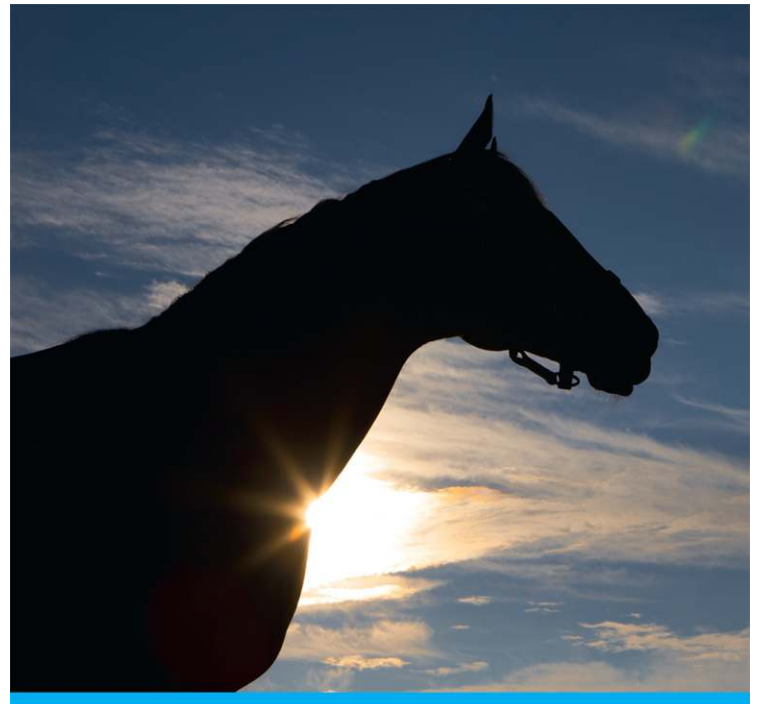
Just a fortnight ago at Goffs, David Redvers gave €420,000gns for a Rip Van Winkle filly foal out of Faraday Light (Ire), the dam of Amber Silk and Just The Judge. The latter became the first Classic winner for Sheikh Fahad Al Thani when striking at the Curragh in May, and her half-sister is also set to race in the silks of Qatar Bloodstock. Another half-sibling, Obliterator (Ire) (Oratorio {Ire}), is being aimed at next year's Classics for the Sheikh by trainer Ger Lyons.

Last week's Tattersalls Foal Sale was topped by another member of the family, a Dubawi filly out of High Heeled (Ire) (High Chaparral {Ire}), who is a half-sister to Faraday Light. John Ferguson was the purchaser at 450,000gns.

Like Just The Judge, 4-year-old Amber Silk was trained by Charlie Hills. She raced in the silks of Jeremy Gompertz, the breeder of her granddam, the GII San Clemente S. winner Uncharted Haven.

### *Bounty Hunter...*

Virginian agent Patrick Lawley-Wakelin picked up a Galileo (Ire) colt for 300,000gns at last week's foal sale, and this time around plumped for a mare by the champion sire when signing for [lot 1763](#), **Eternal Bounty (Ire)**. The granddaughter of the G1 Yorkshire Oaks winner My Emma (GB) (Marju {Ire}) was sold carrying her first foal, by Invincible Spirit, for 420,000gns and was selected for breeder Robert 'Shell' Evans. Lawley-Wakelin said: "She'll be going to the U.S. and Shell will be delighted. She is a young mare, a stakes performer and will be visiting War Front."



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<b>Hip</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Sire</b>	<b>Price(gns)</b>
<u>1691</u>	Tibaldi (Fr)	Motivator (GB)	280,000

*Bred by Haras du Quesnay  
Consigned by Silfield Bloodstock  
Purchased by Don Alberto Corp*

Group 3-placed in her native France and a half-sister to the listed-winning Treasure (Fr) (Anabaa {Fr}), Tibaldi was a 78,000gns purchase here last year by BBA Ireland. Given a quality cover by Oasis Dream (GB) and perhaps helped by the exploits of her sire's standout filly Treve (Fr) this year, Tibaldi was worth much more 12 months later. She was the third of six purchases on the day for Chilean Carlos Heller's Don Alberto Corporation, which has been speedily acquiring mares at public auction since its purchase of Vinery Kentucky earlier this year.

<u>1828</u>	<b>Dutch Diamond (GB)</b>	<b>Dutch Art (GB)</b>	<b>200,000</b>
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*Bred by Serpentine Bloodstock et al  
Consigned by Mount Coote Stud, Ireland  
Purchased by BBA Ireland*

Just two lots before Immortal Verse made history in the Tatts ring, Dutch Diamond represented a transaction for that 4.7-million mare's same vendor and purchaser. Picked up by Kern Lillingston for €55,000 at Arqana December last year, the one-time winner was put in foal to Acclamation (GB), and the result was a profitable pinhook.

<u>1837</u>	<b>Elbe (GB)</b>	<b>Dansili (GB)</b>	<b>350,000</b>
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*Bred by Juddmonte Farms Ltd  
Consigned by Jockey Hall Stud, Ireland  
Purchased by Don Alberto Corp*

Christopher Tsui's Sunderland Holding shelled out 100,000gns for Elbe, from the immediate family of Group 1 winners Mutual Trust (GB) and All at Sea as well as Twice Over (GB), at this venue last year. Putting her in foal to his champion and in-demand young sire Sea the Stars, Tsui turned a profit yesterday.

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### **DANCING RAIN**

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### **ROSDHU QUEEN**

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for 65,000gns at  
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Breeze-Up Sale, 2012

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**2113, Dupe (GB), f, 2, Observatory--Double Crossed (GB), by Caerleon**  
*Consigned by Juddmonte Farms*

From the coveted Juddmonte draft is this unraced sister to the operation's stellar performer Twice Over (GB), winner of four Group 1 races, including two renewals of the G1 Champion S. for the late Sir Henry Cecil. Her considerable broodmare potential is enhanced by the proximity of the likes of the stable's fellow top-level scorers Timepiece (GB) (Zamindar) and Passage of Time (GB) (Dansili {GB}), and further back All At Sea.

**2121, Azanara (Ire), f, 4, Hurricane Run (Ire)--Anaza (Ire), by Darshaan (GB)**

*Consigned by Clairemont Stud*

A former cast-off from His Highness The Aga Khan, Azanara is a half-sister to the 1998 G1 Prix Ganay winner Astarabad (Alleged) and the listed winner Asmara (Lear Fan), who later produced the high-class Azamour (Ire) and his half-brother, the talented Group 1 performer Arazan (Ire) (Anabaa). She is carrying a foal by Danehill Dancer (Ire).

**2125, Euphrasia (Ire), f, 4, Windsor Knot (Ire)--Bishop's Lake (GB), by Lake Coniston (Ire).**

*Consigned by Crampscastle Stables*

Something of an under-rated performer on the track, the Joseph Murphy-trained Euphrasia proved her G3 Blue Wind S. success earlier this year was no fluke when adding Leopardstown's Listed Trigo S. to her tally in October. From a talented family of sprinters and milers, her page includes last year's G1 Racing Post Trophy runner-up and the 2013 G1 2000 Guineas third Van Der Neer (GB) (Dutch Art {GB}).

**2129, Purr Along (GB), f, 3, Mount Nelson (GB)--Purring, by Mountain Cat.**

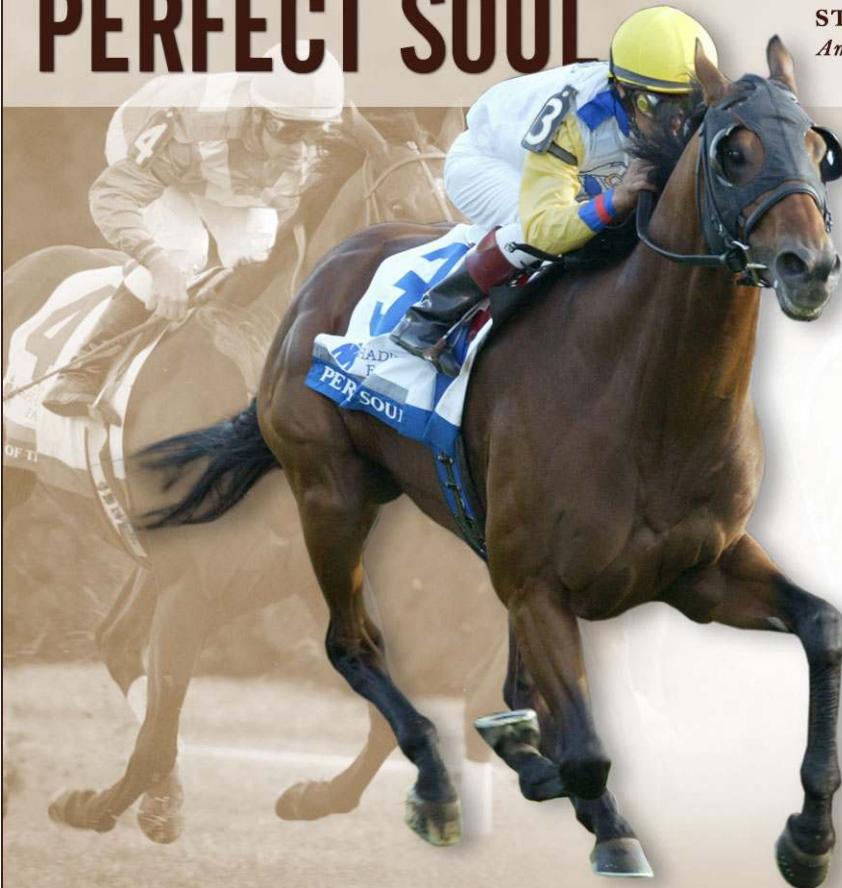
*Consigned by Linkslade Stables*

Purr Along took the G3 Prix du Calvados and finished runner-up in the G2 May Hill S. at two before adding a fourth placing in the G1 Falmouth S. this season. She is out of a half to another smart distaffer in Ronda (GB) (Bluebird), who later produced the dual graded-stakes scorer and sire Istan (Gone West).

### TATTERSALLS DECEMBER Wednesday's Outs:

1898, 1899, 1914, 1921, 1933, 1934, 1942, 1960, 1961, 1967, 1968, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1988, 1990, 2006, 2012, 2014, 2026, 2030, 2033, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2052, 2057, 2063, 2068, 2072, 2081, 2091, 2092, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2102, 2112, 2114, 2116, 2117, 2120, 2121, 2127, 2133, 2135, 2136, 2143, 2146, 2147, 2148, 2152, 2153, 2154, 2155, 2157, 2160, 2161

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## RACETRACK ROUND-UP

### NO NAY NEVER RETURNS TO WORK

The Wesley Ward-trained **No Nay Never** (Scat Daddy) returned to the worktab yesterday going three panels in :37.60 at Keeneland in his first breeze since winning the G1 Darley Prix Morny Aug. 18. "Wesley said the horse was just feeling really good and the track was in great shape," said Dave Reid of Ice Wine Stables, who owns the colt in conjunction with Magnier, Tabor and Smith. "He just wanted to go out and give him a little freshener." The undefeated juvenile graduated at Keeneland Apr. 26 before going on to win the G2 Norfolk S. at Royal Ascot June 20. "We let him down little bit at Keeneland and then we turned him out for a while," Reid continued. "He's been back [in training] since the fall. Physically, he looks great." As for future plans, Reid commented, "Nothing is set in stone. He just got back to work today because he was feeling so fresh, but it will be a while [until he races again]."



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## SALES NEWS

### 1590 CATALOGUED FOR KEEJAN

A total of 1,590 horses have been catalogued for the Keeneland January Horses of All Ages Sale. The four-day sale will be held from Jan. 6-9. The online catalogue is currently available at [www.keeneland.com](http://www.keeneland.com) and print catalogues will be mailed out the week of Dec. 16.

The catalogue includes 545 broodmares, 154 racing or broodmare prospects, 615 yearlings, 272 horses of racing age and four stallions. Among the offerings is Grade I winner **Unbridled Belle** (Broken Vow) ([hip 25](#)), in foal to Bernardini; Sunday's GI Matriarch H. winner **Egg Drop** (Alphabet Soup) ([hip 159](#)); **Winning Call** (Deputy Minister), carrying a foal sibling to GI Breeders' Cup Dirt Mile winner Tapizar (Tapit) ([hip 431](#)); and **Ponche de Leona** (Ponche), the dam of GI Breeders' Cup Classic winner Mucho Macho Man (Macho Uno) in foal to Distorted Humor ([hip 692](#)). Sessions begin daily at 10 a.m.



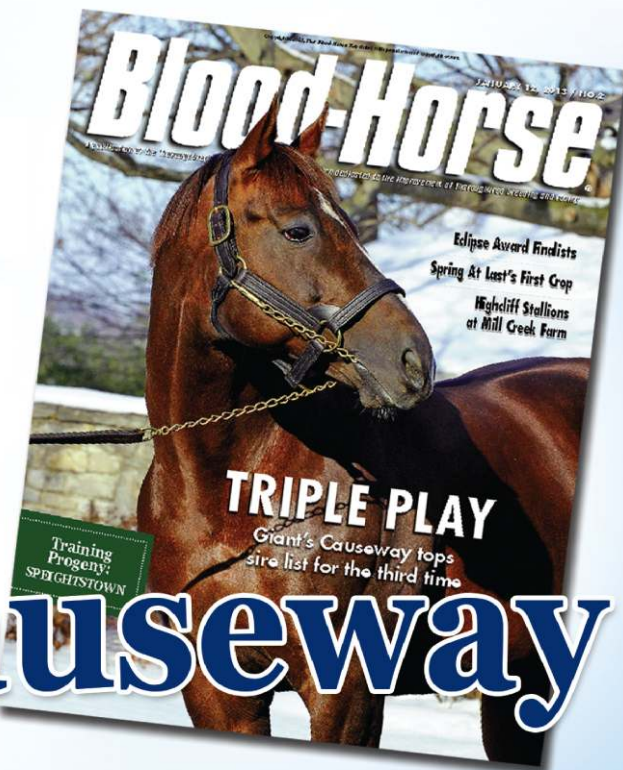
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# BLACK-TYPE PREVIEWS

**Saturday, Calder Race Course, post time: 3:00 p.m. EST**

**TROPICAL TURF H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Tetradrachm	Badge of Silver	Alvarado	Mott	116
2	Speaking of Which (Ire)	Invincible Spirit (Ire)	Bravo	Clement	115
3	Grand Tito (K)	Candy Ride (Arg)	Rios	Sano	114
4	Bad Debt	Grand Reward	Saez	Trombetta	118
5	Heiko (K)	Mr. Greeley	Chamafi	Wolfson	116
6	Philly Ace	Smart Strike	Blanc	Clement	118
7	Exothermic	Empire Maker	Cruz	Arnold II	114
8	Ducduc (K)	Langfuhr	Delgado	Parboo	116
9	Live in Joy	Kitten's Joy	Castanon	Maker	115
10	Paris Vegas (K)	Maria's Mon	Leyva	Voss	116
11	Reflecting	Elusive Quality	Garcia	McGhy III	115
12	Csaba	Kitten's Joy	Saez	Gleaves	117

**Saturday, Calder Race Course, post time: 3:30 p.m. EST**

**FRED W. HOOPER H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, 1 1/8m**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Twin	Omega Code	Bocachica	Maestre	113
2	On the Loose Again (K)	Jump Start	Jaen	Navarro	114
3	Macho Bull (K)	Macho Uno	Kappushev	Coletti Sr	113
4	Csaba	Kitten's Joy	Saez	Gleaves	123
5	Valid (K)	Medaglia d'Oro	Rispoli	Vitali	113
6	Notimetokill	With Distinction	Martinez	Parboo	115
7	Sr. Quisqueyno	Exclusive Quality	Olivero	Olivares	118
8	Joshua's Comprise	Comprise	Panici	Rose	111
9	I'm Steppin' It Up	Congrats	Caraballo	Pecoraro	115
10	Ducduc (K)	Langfuhr	Delgado	Parboo	117

**Saturday, Calder Race Course, post time: 4:00 p.m. EST**

**MY CHARMER H.-GIII, \$100,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 1 1/8mT**

PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER	WT
1	Valiant Girl (GB)	Lemon Drop Kid	Rispoli	Motion	116
2	Parranda	English Channel	Saez	Garcia	120
3	Awesome Flower	Flower Alley	Castanon	Maker	116
4	Rose to Gold	Friends Lake	Rios	Santoro	116
5	Coup	Empire Maker	Napravnik	Motion	115
6	Millennia (K)	Milwaukee Brew	Panici	Fawkes	119
7	Angelica Zapata	Sharp Humor	Leyva	Pellegrini	122
8	Strathnaver (GB)	Oasis Dream (GB)	Garcia	Motion	117
9	Somali Lemonade	Lemon Drop Kid	Saez	Matz	120
10	Poetic Kid (K)	Shakespeare	Bocachica	Catalano	117
11	Alaura Michele	Arch	Prado	Pletcher	116
12	Naples Bay (K)	Giant's Causeway	Blanc	Clement	119
13	Arriba Anna	Giant's Causeway	Chamafi	Wolfson	113
14	Ann of the Dance	English Channel	Nunez	Wolfson	115
15	Team	Empire Maker	Carmouche	Fawkes	115
16	Sure Route (GB)	Ishiguru	Chamafi	Wolfson	114

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## As a sire of sires:

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## As a broodmare sire:

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## DATELINE: TUESDAY

Hello again from Hong Kong. Yesterday, I dazzled you with stats on population density and talk of colonial geopolitics. Today, we'll get only slightly less personal and talk about my last few days here.



I flew in Saturday night, arriving around 9 p.m. local time after a 19-hour flight from Lexington, via Chicago. Hong Kong International Airport sits on Lantau Island

just west of Kowloon and Hong Kong Island, and is linked to those regions by Hong Kong's modern, inexpensive mass transit, the MTR.

A roughly \$11 ticket will get you, on light rail, to Kowloon Station or Hong Kong Station, and from there, you can catch a complimentary shuttle bus to most hotels.

The weather's been pleasant, which surprised me but shouldn't have, given the city sits on roughly the same latitude as Hawaii. Daytime temps in December have been in the mid-70s; at night it may dip to the low 60s.

There's a vast array of accommodations, and most can be had for not very much money. For the first part of my trip, I'm staying at a hotel in Tsim Sha Tsui, a region that extends across the narrow southern tip of Kowloon. I got a four-star place (says Orbitz) for \$110, plus another \$20 a night for the internet, and for that reasonable fee got a good-sized, well-appointed room. The location's excellent, and up on the 13th floor all is quiet.



One of the first things that strikes you about Hong Kong is that it is a city made for the night. During the day, particularly as you move outward from Victoria Harbour, Hong Kong can feel drab. Many of the 30- and 40-floor apartment buildings that rise up in every direction have a Cold War-era bleakness to them--all gray pre-fab construction and barred windows.

## As a sales sire:

In-foal mares at Keeneland November sold for **\$4,000,000** and **\$2,600,000** and averaged over **\$1,170,000**.

Weanlings at Keeneland November sold for **\$300,000**, **\$250,000**, **\$240,000**, **\$200,000** etc.

At Keeneland September yearling colts sold for **\$675,000**, **\$550,000**, **\$550,000** etc. and fillies made **\$435,000**, **\$400,000** etc.

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At night, however, the city wakes up in a wash of multicolored lights strung from nearly everything. Banks of neon signs advertise lounges, fashion boutiques, medicinal markets, electronic shops, spas and restaurants, and an exuberant parade of backlit Chinese characters march down storefront windows.

I spent my first day in Hong Kong exploring Tsim Sha Tsui, especially down by the water, which includes a several-miles-long esplanade. Early Sunday morning, a triathlon was being held there, so apparently Victoria Harbour, which in the '70s was beset by pollution, is relatively safe to swim in.

From where I was staying, if you walked west down the promenade toward the ferry terminals, you'd come across the Avenue of Stars, which was modeled after Hollywood's Walk of Fame and includes the handprints of very few people you've heard of. But there are some recognizable names: director John Woo and actors Jet Li and Jackie Chan, for instance. And there's a pretty incredible statue of Bruce Lee.



A mere HK\$3.40--or about 43 cents--gets you a plastic token good for the Star Ferry, which makes the short trip over to Hong Kong Island. Star Ferry was founded in 1888 and carries 26 million people a year across the harbor.

It was rated first in the "Top 10 Most Exciting Ferry Rides" poll by the Society of American Travel Writers in 2009. Of course, we're all going to have our opinions about who should be in the top spot, but it's a Top 5 ferry ride with little doubt.

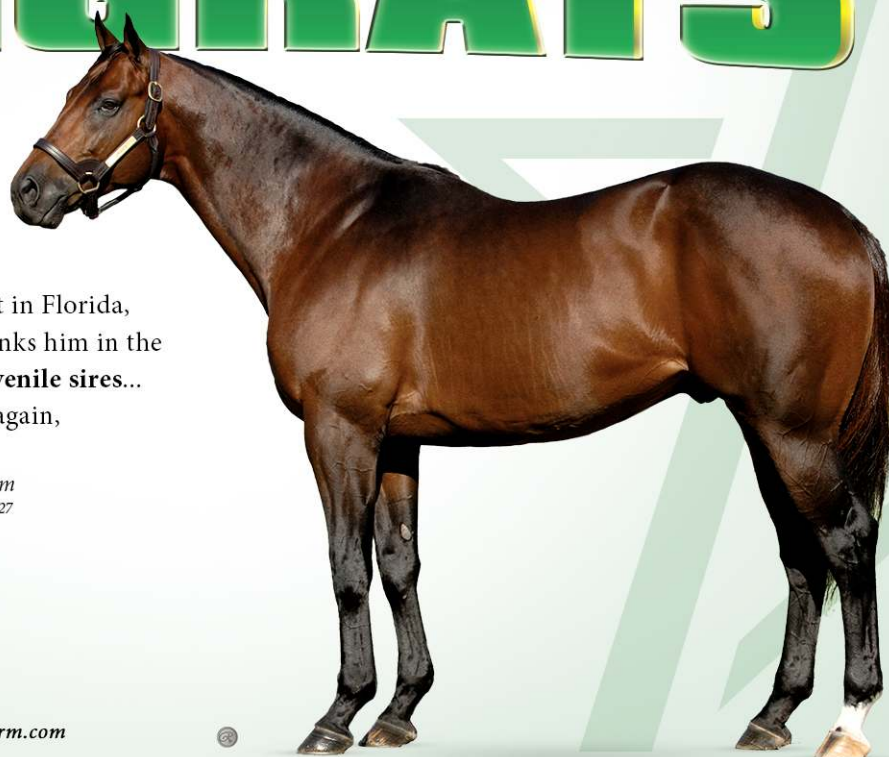
There isn't much green in Hong Kong--well, not in Kowloon, at least--so Kowloon Park is a nice detour from the pavement and traffic noise. Built up on the hilly terrain, there's a public pool (closed at the moment), a massive fountain around which local teens gather on the weekends, an aviary and a waterfowl pond. There's even a standalone McDonald's stand that serves nothing but McDonald's ice cream cones. I know it's ridiculous to go to a foreign country and get McDonald's, but that's only true if they carry all the same products as the ones at home. In this case, the ice cream cones--or 'rainbow' cones--came with a swirl of green apple, pina colada, and something red I can't remember, and so mine was a completely legit visit.



In addition to horse racing, Hong Kongers are fond of soccer, cricket and basketball. The English Premier League is a big draw, and with the time difference, revelers out in the late evening can catch matches at outdoor bars and restaurants. **Cont. p16**

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In the plaza right outside my hotel, it was Cardiff City v. Arsenal on Saturday night. Sunday it was Hull City--this is a team I've not heard of--and Liverpool.

Sadly, no NFL anywhere in the wee hours Monday morning (13 hours ahead).

Walking around Sunday I stumbled across a pick-up game of soccer in Kowloon being played on painted concrete. It was a pretty relaxed affair, but still it was neat to see players ranging from maybe 50 or 55 down to 12 or so.

In the adjacent video box, you'll find clips of a lot of this stuff. I realize that's it's not just *like* looking at a slide show of your neighbor's vacation, it actually *is* that, but hopefully it gives you a clearer picture of Hong Kong.

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# TDN & A

*Martin Panza has been hired by NYRA to the newly created position of Senior Vice President of Racing Operations. Making the move from Hollywood Park, where he was the Vice President of Racing and the racing secretary, Panza will be responsible for guiding the New York racing product into the future. Panza was a highly regarded racing official in California, where he invented the concept of guaranteed pools, created the American Oaks and was considered one of the more innovative minds in the sport. We sat down with Panza to get his thoughts on his new role at NYRA.*

**TDN:** The creation of the American Oaks was an example of outside-the-box thinking. Will you look to create similar events in New York?

**MP:** You always look at what opportunities you have and what your resources are and NYRA has the resources moving forward to create races like the American Oaks. You look around the world and you try to find spots where the timing works and you can create a race. I am a racing fan, too, and I want to see great racing and I want to create days that are exciting and fun. To get horses from Japan, England, Germany, from around the world, and see how they match up against our horses, to me that's what makes going to the track much more interesting and enjoyable.

Hopefully, down the road we can bring some of that to New York.

**TDN:** Understanding that it's early in the game, what changes might you look to make when it comes to New York racing, be it stakes schedules, racing dates, etc.?

**MP:** First of all, I have only been here for about a week so it's hard for me to get into specifics. We're going to look at our stakes schedule and see if we can't enhance things a bit and build some bigger days and take some days that already exist and try to make them a little stronger. We'll look at the overnight races and just see if we can tweak things a little bit here and there and try to make condition book races go. *Cont. p17*

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Obviously, there is a great deal of purse money here and we have the resources to create some more events. Over the next month or two we'll sit down and look where we want to go. Probably, you won't see any drastic changes but when Belmont and Saratoga come around I think things will be a little bit different. It's going to take a little while for me to understand New York racing and how things work. Can a few things we did in California work in New York? I think so. There is room for creativity here. From a racing standpoint, we'll try to build up the quality some and will try to work on attracting some stables to New York.

**TDN: Former racing secretary P.J. Campo has left to work for the Stronach tracks and you were racing secretary at Hollywood Park. Will you assume the duties of racing secretary at NYRA or will you look to hire someone for that role?**

**MP:** My job is primarily one of oversight and down the road I will not be responsible for writing the condition book on a daily basis. I have an idea of what I want New York racing to look like and I need to sit down and discuss those things with our board. We're going to have to hire a racing secretary or two racing secretaries to handle these meets. Certainly I will be involved in what the books look like and what direction we go, but I'll also be focusing on other areas like safety, working with the equine medical director, integrity and how we can improve the racing program.

The latter is an important area. How can we improve the racing program? How do you get more horsemen to want to run in the state of New York? How do we get more owners into the game? And at same time, how do we make racing more interesting for the fans and the gamblers?

**TDN: With the advent of the guaranteed wagers in California you showed an interest in improving things for the fans and bettors. Do you have any thoughts on how you can make the NYRA product better for the fans?**

**MP:** Right now, I am just trying to meet as many people as possible and learn about the inner workings of NYRA. As we build our stakes program, we will try to build more events and start to look toward guaranteed wagers. Now everyone does guaranteed wagers, so they probably have lost some of their effect. The pools are big enough here that the gamblers can wager quite a bit of money without hurting their price. I think that's what most gamblers are looking for--value. Anything we do moving forward we'll ask how can we bring value to our customers? Anything we do we will analyze from not only a racing standpoint but from the standpoint of the fans and gamblers. We will say, 'is this the best we can do for all the groups involved?'

*Cont. p18*

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**TDN:** In California, over time, the tracks greatly reduced the number of races offered each week. Are you a fan of the less-is-more way of doing things and do you think we will see any sort of reduction in the NYRA racing schedule?

**MP:** Our CEO Chris Kay is looking at that. You have to look at the number and, in some situations, less can be more. You look at a meet like Del Mar. Del Mar probably has more success over its seven weeks than Hollywood and Santa Anita combined. That's not a knock on Santa Anita and Hollywood, it's just that Del Mar has a small meet that can be very successful, just like at Saratoga and Keeneland. As you shift to more quality racing, maybe you don't run quite as many races and the higher-quality races should handle more. That way, you can have fewer races and maybe get a push in handle. If you're just going to grind it out, it gets very difficult. When you have lots of races you sometimes get more cheap races. This puts more stress on the racing office and the horse population and the trainers. It's something we're definitely going to be looking at. It is a balancing act where you look at revenue for the horsemen, for the company and at how many races you should be running. I am a fan, too, and if I go to a track and if there are 13 races, after the seventh or eighth, I sometimes feel tired and want to go home. I am going to get a better understanding of what we do, how many races we run and if it is too many. I'll be in a much better position a year from now to make those assessments. The short answer is, we are looking at it and in the next couple of weeks or month you'll see a schedule for NYRA. We have looked a little bit to have a reduction somewhere in the year.

**TDN:** You come from Hollywood Park, which is about to meet a wrecking ball. Though you are probably focused on NYRA and the future, this must be a sad time of sorts for you.



New NYRA Sr. VP of Racing Operations Martin Panza. *Horsephotos.com*

## BRIS Speed Ratings Top Weekly Stakes Races

Horse	Sire	Race	BRIS Speed
Palace	City Zip	Fall Highweight H.-G3	109
Taptowne	Tapit	Swatara S.	107
Ben's Cat	Parker's Storm Cat	Fabulous Strike H.	106
Flat Out	Flatter	Cigar Mile H.-G1	104
Will Take Charge	Unbridled's Song	Clark H.-G1	103
Bear No Joke	It's No Joke	Kennedy Road S.-G2	102
Last Gunfighter	First Samurai	Hawthorne Gold Cup H.-G2	102
Gantry	Pulpit	Thanksgiving H.	101
Unusual Way	Unusual Heat	Zia Park Oaks	101
Summer Hit	Bertrando	Berkeley H.-G3	99
Wedding Toast	Street Sense	Comely S.-G3	99
Wine Princess	Ghostzapper	Falls City H.-G2	99
Silentio	Silent Name (JPN)	Citation H.-G2	98
Ol Winedrinker Who	Sligo Bay (IRE)	Zia Park Distance Championship H.	97
Seek Again	Speightstown	Hollywood Derby-G1	97
Gracer	Exchange Rate	Blue Mountain Juvenile Fillies S.	96
Majestic Stride	Trippi	Vernon O. Underwood S.-G3	96
Egg Drop	Alphabet Soup	Matriarch S.-G1	95
Tapiture	Tapit	Kentucky Jockey Club S.-G2	95
For Cash	Stephen Got Even	Zia Park Derby	94
Long River	A.P. Indy	Time for a Change S.	94
Royal Lahaina	Chapel Royal	Go for Wand H.-G2	94
Eden Prairie	Mizzen Mast	Pago Hop S.	93

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**MP:** It's very tough. I was fortunate to be there for over 20 years and the track has been there for 75, 76 years. For 20 years in row, Hollywood led the country in attendance, handle, purses. It's not a good thing for American racing when you start to lose racetracks, especially one of that stature. I was very fortunate to land at NYRA, but a lot of people there haven't been that fortunate. It will be a sad day. December 22 is the last day for Hollywood Park. I plan to be there and am sure it will be a very emotional event.

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### SYNTHETIC SURFACES IN NORTH AMERICA

Track	All-Weather Surface
Arlington Park	Polytrack
Del Mar	Polytrack
Keeneland	Polytrack
Turfway Park	Polytrack
Woodbine	Polytrack
Hollywood	Cushion Track
Golden Gate	Tapeta Footings
Presque Isle Downs	Tapeta Footings
OBS Training Center	Safetrack



From the desk of...

**BILL OPPENHEIM****MARKET STRENGTH**

Though there are two more days of Tattersalls' December Sale today and tomorrow, and Arqana's four-day December sale is on deck next week, the trends for the 2013 Thoroughbred auction market have been pretty firmly established. From the Keeneland September Sale (gross up 28%) through last week's Tattersalls' December Foal Sale (gross up 30%--see the Weekly Sales Ticker), the theme has been quite consistent: up 30%. Well, up until this week. The first two days of this week's December Mare Sale are up 51% in gross, and 42% in average. Not only is this all really good news because sellers suddenly have more money than they've had the last five years, it's even better news because it wasn't really expected.

The headlines come from the top of the market, which we can describe in two ways: the number of \$4-million-plus mares; and the number of \$1-million-plus mares. Last year the \$10-million Havre de Grace topped the charts among six mares which sold for \$4-million-plus; all six were sold in Kentucky, but three were sold to European-based buyers (M V Magnier, Moyglare, Mandore), while three stayed in the Americas (Havre de Grace and Plum Pretty to Mandy Pope's Whisper Hill Farm, Pure Clan to Borges Torrealba). Nine more mares or fillies brought between \$2-and \$4-million, and another 21 sold for between \$1-and \$2-million, for a total of 36 seven-figure fillies or mares in 2012.

Thus far in 2013, there have been seven fillies or mares which have sold for \$4-million or more, headed by two around the \$8-million mark, 2013 G1 Irish Oaks winner Chicquita (reportedly heading for Ballydoyle), the Goffs' saletopper at €6-million, and Tattersalls' saletopper, Immortal Verse, at 4.7-million guineas. Both were bought by Coolmore partnerships, as was the Keeneland November \$4-million saletopper, Awesome Maria. Whereas last year all six \$4-million-plus fillies and mares were sold in America, this year three were in Kentucky, one at Goffs in Ireland, and three at Tattersalls' in Newmarket this week. Other buyers: Whisper Hill Farm and Borges Torrealba again in Kentucky; John Ferguson for Sheikh Mohammed and Hugo Lascelles at Newmarket. Even a more impressive statistic: last year there were 36 seven-figure fillies or mares; this year, with Arqana (sold three last year) still to come, I count 58. That's a 61% increase in the number of seven-figure fillies and mares.

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

**EURO FIRST FOAL SIRE**

A couple of weeks ago, in our column of Nov. 20 ([click here](#)), we previewed the prospects of 10 British and Irish stallions whose first foals were due to sell at the Goffs and Tattersalls sales. Unlike in America, both sales companies sell foals and mares in separate sessions, and those are now finished. Arqana doesn't sell so many foals, and they will be mixed in with the mares next week. But the foals at Goffs and Tatts are all done.

Not including **Wootton Bassett**, who put Iffraaj on the map in the first place by winning all five of his starts, including the G1 Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere as a 2-year-old in 2010 and now stands in France, the 10 British and Irish stallions in the accompanying table (*p21*) have each had 13 or more sell at the sales so far. The four which went to stud in 2012 for the equivalent of US\$20,000 or more all had averages which converted to \$80,000 or more, which looks like good business. Coolmore's **Pour Moi**, the third of Montjeu's four G1 Epsom Derby winners (so far), leads F2013 European sires by weanling average, his 13 selling for an average (converted to US\$ dollars, per Instatistics) of \$95,729. **Poet's Voice**, the G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. winner from Dubawi's first crop, had 24 average the equivalent of \$86,195. Coolmore's five-time one-mile Group 1 winner **Canford Cliffs** had 26 average \$83,609, and Ballylinch's **Dream Ahead**, a five-time Group 1 winner himself at six (four times) and seven furlongs, had 28 average \$81,712. Among them the four had 91 sell from 102 offered (89%). By comparison, the leading F2013 North American first-crop weanling sires were: **Uncle Mo** (\$129,800); **Gio Ponti** (\$125,778); **Sidney's Candy** (\$85,786); **Haynesfield** (\$76,136); **Trappe Shot** (\$71,053); and **Drosselmeyer** (\$62,604). These six had 94 sell among them, of 110 offered, for an 85% clearance rate of sold/offered. Demand was similarly strong on both sides of the pond.

There usually aren't a lot of foals offered by the very top-tier stallions, so it was interesting that 22 foals from the third crop by **Sea the Stars** have been offered; 20 of them (91%) sold, for an average of \$304,698 with an even slightly higher median of \$308,807.

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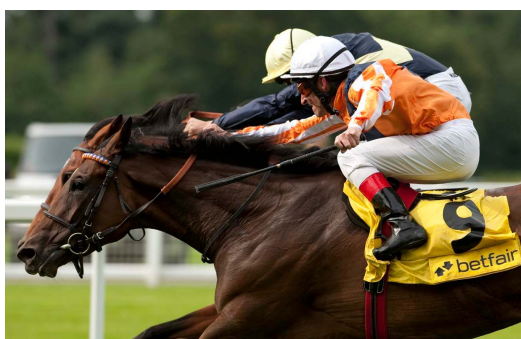


Sea the Stars has 10 winners, including the Group 3-winning filly My Titania, and clearly buyers are willing to keep the faith, certainly until next year, when his first 3-year-olds run. Fair enough: he's a half-brother to the world's leading sire, Galileo, who was no great shakes with his first crop of 2-year-olds in 2005 himself; and Sea The Stars was the best racehorse seen in Europe for 30 years until Frankel came along.

### GERMAN STALLION UPGRADE

The quality of German breeding has benefitted from the best form of advertising--on the racetrack--think Animal Kingdom, Danedream, Novellist, and Pastorius in the last three years. The problem has been quantity, not quality: the 2013 foal crop is thought to number in the low 800's--which is still more, but not many more, than the

number of foals produced in Indiana and New Mexico. Now German breeders are being encouraged to expand their broodmare bands by the arrival of no fewer than four really live



**Danedream**  
*Racing Post photo*

stallion prospects for 2014--all, interestingly, with some sort of French connection. Gestut Rottgen will stand the 2011 G1 Prix du Jockey-Club (French Derby) winner Reliable Man (Dalakhani), who also went to Australia and defeated It's A Dundeel out there in his final start, the G1 Queen Elizabeth S., at 10 furlongs, at Randwick in April. Reliable Man's granddam, Fair Salinia, won the 1978 G1 Epsom Oaks for Reliable Man's breeder, Sven Hanson, who was one of the early pioneers of taking Northern Hemisphere horses to race in Australia thirty years ago. Sven's been working at it a long time, as has the team at Rottgen, so that's a formidable combination. Reliable Man will stand for €6,000. Gestut Karlshof, which stands Monsun's most successful sire son in Germany, Samum, gets Dabirsim (Hat Trick), the 2011 unbeaten Champion 2-year-old in France. A grandson of Sunday Silence, Dabarsim was a dual Group 1 winner of the Prix Morny and the Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere; he'll stand for €9,000. Another storied German stud, Fahrhof--which debuted the very well-bred multiple 12-furlong Group 1 winner Campanologist (Kingmambo) last year--will have another two new sires for 2014. Fahrhof's Andreas Jacobs is perhaps the most visible internationally of a small but highly expert corps of German breeders, and he has reiterated his commitment by standing both Pastorius, the son of Soldier Hollow (out of a Monsun mare) who beat triple 2013 Group 1 winner Novellist both times they met; and Maxios, bred and owned by the Niarchos family. **Cont. p21**

## TDN WEEKLY SALES TICKER

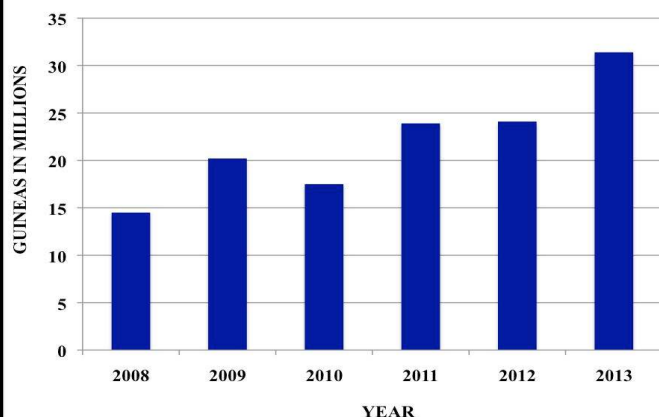
by Bill Oppenheim



"With about 5% more sold than last year, Tattersalls' four-day December Foal Sale was up 30% in gross and 25% in average from 2012. The gross at Keeneland's September Yearling Sale was up 28% and since then, more or less, the North American and European thoroughbred auction market is up 30% from last year. It wasn't really expected, and I think also prefigures the end of the World Economic Recession, but there I'm venturing into opinion. The 30% rise in the horse market has been consistent the last three months".

- Bill Oppenheim

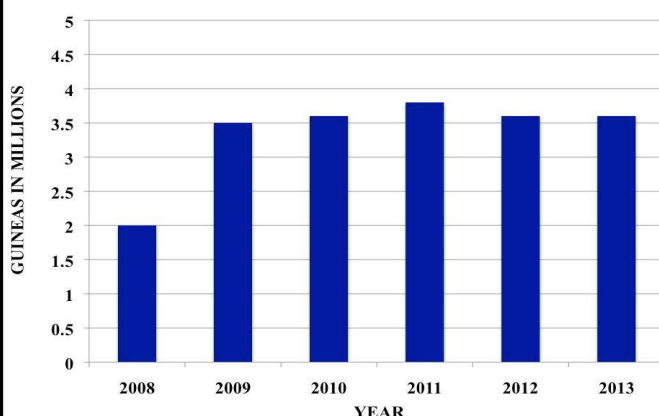
### TATTERSALLS DECEMBER FOALS



### TATTERSALLS DECEMBER FOAL SALE (IN GUINEAS)

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	1,072	943	740	12.0%	78.5%	69.0%	31,420,400	42,460
2012	1,015	854	708	15.9%	82.9%	69.8%	24,132,700	34,086
2011	1,003	878	665	12.5%	75.7%	66.3%	23,860,100	35,880
2010	941	749	560	20.4%	74.8%	59.5%	17,491,400	31,235
2009	950	793	618	16.5%	77.9%	65.1%	20,218,700	32,716
2008	1,261	933	562	26.0%	60.2%	44.6%	14,549,100	25,888

### TATTERSALLS DECEMBER YEARLINGS



### TATTERSALLS DECEMBER YEARLINGS SALE (IN GUINEAS)

YEAR	CAT	RING	SOLD	%W/D	%S/R	%S/C	GROSS	AVG
2013	226	185	145	18.1%	78.4%	64.2%	3,570,100	24,621
2012	281	235	167	16.4%	71.1%	59.4%	3,595,300	21,529
2011	241	198	150	17.8%	75.8%	62.2%	3,766,300	25,109
2010	306	261	194	14.7%	74.3%	63.4%	3,574,600	18,426
2009	249	195	153	21.7%	78.5%	61.4%	3,486,700	22,789
2008	237	187	103	21.1%	55.1%	43.5%	1,997,000	19,388

Data compiled by Brianne Stanley



Maxios is by the great Monsun himself, and with hands-down the best female family of any stallion retiring to stud anywhere in 2014.

Pastorius, who was bred and owned by the personable Franz Prinz von Auersberg, actually beat Maxios earlier this year in the 10-furlong G1 Prix Ganay, but when Maxios dropped back in distance he won two Group 1 races himself, the 1850m. (9 1/4f.) Prix d'Isphahan, and the one-mile Prix du Moulin de Longchamp. Pastorius will debut at Fahrhof for €6,500.


Maxios will stand for €10,000 after Jacobs was able to assemble a group of influential German breeders to partner up with him, and when you look at the page, you see why everybody is going to the trouble. Maxios is by Monsun, the best sire in Germany in at least the last 20 years. He was a group winner at two, and is a dual Group 1 winning half-brother to 'Arc' winner Bago, out of a Nureyev daughter of Coup de Genie, herself a champion 2-year-old, dam of a champion 2-year-old, and full sister to Machiavellian, champion 2-year-old and top sire. Oh, and they were out of Coup de Folie, who is inbred to Almahmoud, from the family of Northern Dancer. 'Blockbuster pedigree' doesn't begin to describe it. If Germany can attract the mares to support these stallions it could mark the turnaround in foal crop numbers (which have been declining) they need to sustain the top-quality international reputation German-breds now enjoy. **Bill Oppenheim may be contacted at [bopp@erb.com](mailto:bopp@erb.com) (please cc TDN management at [suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com](mailto:suefinley@thoroughbreddailynews.com)). Follow him on Twitter at [www.twitter.com/billoppenheim](http://www.twitter.com/billoppenheim).**

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Rank		Fyr	Loc	Stud Fee	Ring	Sold	\$Avg	Median	Top Colt	Top Filly
1	POUR MOI (IRE)	F13	IR	20000	15	13	95,729	72,055	145,826	240,183
2	POET'S VOICE (GB)	F13	GB	12000	27	24	86,195	81,555	240,580	85,780
3	CANFORD CLIFFS (IRE)	F13	IR	17500	30	26	83,609	66,429	171,560	308,807
4	WOOTTON BASSETT (GB)	F13	FR	6000	1	1	82,349	82,349	82,349	0
5	DREAM AHEAD	F13	IR	17500	30	28	81,712	70,581	268,880	291,651
6	LILBOURNE LAD (IRE)	F13	IR	7500	38	33	50,847	41,875	111,029	134,440
7	ZOFFANY (IRE)	F13	IR	7500	49	39	46,253	35,121	222,058	204,977
8	DICK TURPIN (IRE)	F13	GB	7000	19	15	30,851	27,495	120,092	17,854
9	RODERIC O'CONNOR (IRE)	F13	IR	9000	40	35	30,553	24,293	81,618	44,412
10	ELUSIVE PIMPERNEL	F13	IR	1000	20	14	19,786	17,223	44,537	37,822
11	FROZEN POWER (IRE)	F13	IR	4000	48	41	18,182	10,826	80,664	110,766

**KY DRUG COUNCIL APPROVES NATIONAL DRUG RULES** The Kentucky Equine Drug Research Council voted to recommend adoption of national uniform medication rules for Thoroughbred racing in the state during a meeting yesterday. The measure was approved on a 4-2 vote. The Kentucky Horse Racing Commission is expected to consider the recommendation during its meeting next week.

"I think medication uniformity is critical for the horse racing industry going forward and I want Kentucky to be a leader in that effort," said KEDRC member Damon Thayer. "So I was happy that we got a positive vote and moved the proposal forward to the full racing commission on Dec. 11."

Thayer added that adopting uniform medication rules would allow the industry to avoid federal oversight.

"I am deeply opposed to federal oversight of racing," he said. "I don't think it is a good idea to turn medication regulation over to a federal government that can't even operate a website that it has had three years to plan for. I think it is incumbent on the state to be proactive on the medication reform and uniformity front and one of the arguments for that is to avoid future federal control."

The regulations cover Thoroughbred, Quarter Horse, Arabian and Appaloosa racing. The council voted to table the inclusion of Standardbreds in the measure.

"There is deep opposition in the Standardbred industry to the 14-day withdrawal time for clenbuterol," Thayer explained. "We have two members of the EDRC who represent the Standardbred industry and one of them was absent today, so the other, Dr. Andy Roberts pleaded with the council to consider waiting to debate the pros and cons of the 14-day withdrawal time until the other member, Art Zubrod, could be in attendance.

"So I think this is a problem for pari-mutuel breeds in general to have one breed with one withdrawal time and another breed with a different withdrawal time," Thayer continued. "But I know that the USTA [United States Trotting Association] is trying to make its case and I supported the motion to table the Standardbred regulation for further review. But I'm concerned--they seem to want a two or three day withdrawal time and the RMTTC [Racing Medication and Testing Consortium] is recommending a 14-day withdrawal time. It is going to be a problem. And my question to my friends at the USTA is, how do we get the uniformity."

Still, Thayer sees Tuesday's vote as a positive step forward for the industry.

"I am pleased that the Thoroughbred regs moved forward and I hope the racing commission accepts the recommendation of the ERDC and approves the recommendation," he said. "The quicker that states can move toward to uniformity, the less likely it will be that the federal government will try to act on the issue. I think it is important for the integrity of horse racing, for confidence from bettors and for the public perception that we are making a serious attempt to reform the medication rules in this country."

The uniform medication rules, which have already been adopted by several Mid-Atlantic states, as well as California, sets withdrawal times and threshold levels for therapeutic drugs.

## TCA TO HONOR OXLEYS, RRTP

The Thoroughbred Charities of America will honor John and Debby Oxley with its Leadership Award and the Retired Racehorse Training Project with the TCA Industry Service Award during its 24th annual Select Stallion Season Auction Jan. 4 at the Keeneland Entertainment Center in Lexington.

"John and Debby Oxley and the Retired Racehorse Training Project have made outstanding contributions to the Thoroughbred industry," said Dan Rosenberg, president of TCA. "Both honorees embody the mission of Thoroughbred Charities of America and it is our honor to recognize them for their tremendous efforts."

The Oxleys campaigned 2001 GI Kentucky Derby winner Monarchos, as well as 1999 champion Beautiful Pleasure and 1995 GI Kentucky Oaks winner Gal in a Ruckus. They have also been advocates of Thoroughbred aftercare organizations and backstretch education programs.

"We are deeply honored and humbled by this award," the couple said in a statement. "The work of TCA is critically important to the Thoroughbred industry and we enthusiastically support TCA. We commend all TCA recipient organizations, their staff and volunteers who do the daily work to support and care for retired Thoroughbreds. Thank you for your dedication."

The RRTP uses public events, clinics, training publications, videos and internet tools to promote second careers for retired Thoroughbreds.

"Thoroughbred racehorses are the most magnificent animals on the planet, and there is no group of people we would rather be honored by for our work on their behalf than the Board of Directors of TCA," said RRTP president Stuart Pittman. "Most of us are dumbfounded that Thoroughbreds lost so much of the riding horse market share in the last three decades to other breeds, but all of us understand how important it is to take that share back. We believe that with TCA on our team we will."

For more information on the TCA Stallion Season Auction, visit [www.tca.org](http://www.tca.org).



## TODAY'S INSIGHTS

**1:18p 3rd-AQU, \$76K, OC (\$100K), NW3X, 3yo/up, 7f**  
**HR/TVG** Eddie Kenneally saddles GII Hutcheson hero **HONORABLE DILLION (Tapit)** for this return after a six-month lay up. The Joseph Bucci colorbearer followed his Hutcheson score with two non-factor efforts in the GII Tampa Derby Mar. 9 and GII Bay Shore S. here Apr. 6. He captured a \$35,000 optional claimer at Belmont in his next outing May 1 and was eighth when last seen in the GII Woody Stephens S. at Belmont June 8. The gray has run well off of a long lay off before and has a respectable work tab leading up to this test. **Click for the [Brisnet.com](http://Brisnet.com) PPs.**



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### Big Band Sound to Gulf Coast Equine:

Big Band Sound (Bernstein--Ensnare, by Seeking the Gold) will stand his freshman season at Gulf Coast Equine in Sunset, Louisiana for \$2,500. The GII Play the King S. winner boasts a lifetime record of 23-5-4-3 and earnings of \$402,560.

### Illinois ADW Legislation Coming Down to the Wire

The Illinois Legislature did not call Senate Bill 66-- legislation extending Advanced Deposit Wagering--for a vote during its December session. The legislation is due to expire Jan. 31, 2014. The Legislature is not scheduled to meet again until Jan. 29, 2014. SB 66 would have continued the ability of state residents to wager on horse races online via Advance Deposit Wagering through Jan. 31, 2017, provide funding to the Illinois Racing Board and allow for a full racing schedule in 2014. Arlington International Racecourse officials were disappointed by the decision. "Arlington will continue to work with the legislative leaders for a bill that can be quickly passed and sent to the Governor when the Legislature reconvenes at the end of January," said Arlington International General Manager Tony Petrillo in a statement.

## INDUSTRY INFO

### TAA Accredits 20 Additional Organizations:

The Thoroughbred Aftercare Alliance (TAA) announced today that another 20 Thoroughbred aftercare facilities have been accredited. These new facilities join the original three TAA accredited institutions, Florida Thoroughbred Retirement and Adoptive Care, New Vocations, and Southern California Thoroughbred Rescue. These facilities are now eligible to receive financial grants from the TAA for the ongoing care of retired Thoroughbreds. All sites were judged to have met or exceeded the TAA Code of Standards in multiple areas by TAA inspectors, as well as completing a detailed application process. The new institutions included covered a wide range of rescue, retirement, retraining and adoption programs located across the United States as well as two in Canada. "We're thrilled to grant accreditation to these worthy organizations in recognition of the great work they're doing. Each of these facilities has undergone a rigorous review process to ensure that they are providing a uniform level of care for our retired Thoroughbreds, and we are pleased to invite them to apply for funding," stated James Hastie, TAA Executive Director. To view the requirements for accreditation click [here](#) or a complete list of the newly accredited facilities click [here](#).

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### RMTC Current Threshold Levels Maintained:

The Racing Medication & Testing Consortium (RMTC) has released two position papers stating that no physiologic difference among the various racing breeds exists to justify altering regulatory thresholds from those recently established by the Racing Medication & Testing Consortium (RMTC) for the use of corticosteroids and clenbuterol. These recommendations were made by a panel of recognized professionals with extensive experience across Thoroughbred, Standardbred, Quarter Horse, and Arabian racing. The panel was created by the RMTC in response to a request by the United States Trotting Association (USTA) at the September 2013 RMTC board meeting to establish more liberal thresholds for the use of the previously named drugs.

The Corticosteroid Position Paper outlines the concerns regarding both short term pain masking effects of corticosteroids as well as long term damage caused by improper use of these medications. "The benefit of the intra-articular corticosteroid thresholds as enacted by RMTC is to allow sufficient time between treatment and racing to allow the veterinarian to evaluate the effects of such treatment," said panel member Dr. Wayne McIlwraith of Colorado State University. "Moreover, by providing a significant separation between intra-articular corticosteroid treatments and race-day, we minimize the potential for those treatments obscuring a more serious injury and compromising pre-racing examinations."

The Clenbuterol Position Paper provides a review of both the legitimate beneficial effects and potential integrity issues associated with clenbuterol use. "We believe that protecting the integrity of horse racing is paramount and, therefore, there should be sufficient separation between the administration of clenbuterol and race day for all horses which is supported by the existing threshold," stated RMTC board member and panel member Dr. Bobby Lewis. "We do, however acknowledge the need to provide options to veterinarians that allow them to appropriately treat horses which is why we recommended researching albuterol and guaifenesin as alternative treatments to clenbuterol." In both papers, the panel affirmed the thresholds originally proposed by the RMTC. Full copies are available [here](#).

☆ **TRACK OPENING** ☆

**Tampa Bay Downs - Tampa, FL**  
**Opens: Wednesday, December 4**  
**Closes: Sunday, May 4**  
**Racing Days: Wednesday and Friday through Sunday**  
**Post Time: 12:35 p.m.**  
**Stakes Schedule: 25 stakes worth \$2.595 million**  
**Highlights: \$250,000 Gill Sam F. Davis S.-Feb.**  
**2●\$150,000 Gill Endeavour S.- Feb. 2● \$150,000 Gill Florida Oaks-Feb. 2●\$150,000 Gill Tampa Bay S.-Feb. 16●\$350,000 Gil Tampa Bay Derby-Mar. 9●\$150,000 Gill Hillsborough S.-Mar. 9**  
**Website: tampabaydowns.com**



## APPOINTMENTS

### Romain Malhouitre

- Named vice president and general manager of Runnymede Farm Inc.
- Secedes Martin O'Dowd
- Previously directed client management at Dixiana Farms and has worked as yearling manager at Woods Edge Farm.
- "We are delighted to have a rising industry star in Romain on board the Runnymede leadership team," said Runnymede President Brutus Clay. "Romain brings a diversified skill set and a strong portfolio of global experience that blends well with Runnymede's excellence in Thoroughbred breeding and racing internationally. At the same time, Romain brings some exciting new dimensions to Runnymede with proven pin-hooking, syndicate management and client development that will accelerate our strategic expansion into these areas as Runnymede's fourth generation continues to carry on our tradition while also looking to forge long-term relationships with like-minded partners."

### Kieran Lalor

- Appointed general manager of Regis Farms
- Will oversee all operations of the business.
- "His addition strengthens our family and cements further the commitment and passion that we have for our horses," read a statement from the farm. "We are building an elite breeding and racing operation with a primary focus on quality and a high standard of care for each individual."
- Lalor said, "This is a wonderful opportunity for which I am very grateful. I am honored and proud to take this new role and see our boutique operation into its next stages of growth and development. It is a very exciting time for the team as we watch our young athletes gearing up for their racing campaigns next year. We are looking forward to an exciting and bright future."

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#### IN FRANCE:

Smoking Sun, c, 4, [Smart Strike](#). See "France."

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##### BELMONT

Ruler On Ice (Roman Ruler), 5f, 1:03.76, 13/16

##### KEENELAND

No Nay Never (Scat Daddy), 3f, :37.60, 3/3

##### SANTA ANITA PARK

Holy Lute (Midnight Lute), 5f, 1:02.60, 39/54

Suggestive Boy (Arg) (Easing Along), 4f, :49.80, 16/26

## ROOKIES

### First-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, December 4

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2010 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

**FOREFATHERS** (Gone West), Red River, \$2K, 41/3/0

3-DED, Msw, 5f, +Foreun, \$42K JF2 YO 2yo, 5-1

**MR. NIGHTLINGER** (Indian Charlie), JEH Stallion Station Oklahoma Division, \$2K, 30/5/1

5-RP, Aoc, 6 1/2f, Mr. Starofthenight, 7-2

**PARADING** (Pulpit), Claiborne, \$4K, 58/7/0

1-CT, Msw, 4 1/2f, +Rolling Road, 10-1

**VISIONAIRE** (Grand Slam), Summerhill Stud, \$, 25/5/1

6-RP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Misty Journey, \$6K TEX AUG yrl, 3-1

### First/Second-crop starters to watch: Wednesday, Dec. 4

*Sire (Sire's Sire), current farm, 2009 Fee, #foals of racing age/Winners/BlackTypeWnrs \* Race #-track, race type, distance, runner, odds (if available)*

**HORSE GREELEY** (Mr. Greeley), Claiborne, \$8K, 85/19/3

6-RP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Rum Therapy, \$15K RNA OBS AUG yrl, 10-1

**NOTIONAL** (In Excess {Ire}), Spendthrift, \$10K, 118/30/3

6-RP, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Notional Velvet, \$18K OBS OPN 2yo, 15-1

**RUN AWAY AND HIDE** (City Zip), Darby Dan, \$8K, 95/33/6

4-HAW, Msw, 6 1/2f, +Rose's Hombre, 10-1

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## France

### Yesterday's Result

**PRIX LYPHARD-Listed**, €52,000, DEA, 12-3, 3yo/up, 9 1/2f (AWT), 1:56.33, stn.

1--**SMOKING SUN, 125, c, 4, [Smart Strike](#)--Burning Sunset (GB) (SW & GSP-Fr), by Caerleon**. O-Niarchos Family; B-Flaxman Holdings Ltd; T-Pascal Bary; J-Stephane Pasquier; €26,000. Lifetime Record: 11 starts, 4 wins, 6 places, €154,500. \* 1/2 to Zhiyi (Henrythenavigator), SW & MGSP-Fr, \$146,155.

2--**Vodkato (Fr)**, 125, g, 5, Russian Blue (Ire)--Perfidie (Ire), by Monsun (Ger). (€57,000 yrl '09 ARQAUG; €195,000 RNA HIT '11 ARQNOV). O-Deauville Racing Club SAS; B-Haras d'Etreham & Vision Bloodstock Ltd; T-Stephane Wattel; €10,400.

**MAB** | Purchased by MAB Agency (M-A Berghgracht)

3--**As des Flandres (Fr)**, 123, c, 3, King's Best--Agnes for Ransom, by Red Ransom. O-Roland Bordeyne & Philippe Bordeyne; B-Roland Bordeyne; T-Yann Barberot; €7,800.

Margins: SNK, 1 1/4, HD. Odds: 2.90, 15.00, 27.00.

Click for the [Racing Post result](#). [Click for Equidia VIDEO](#).

Smoking Sun has been unsuccessful in six pattern-race starts since garnering last year's Listed Prix Pelleas, but was the subject of a major gamble into favoritism for this drop in grade after earning minor prizes behind Cirrus des Aigles (Fr) (Even Top {Ire}) in the Sept. 20 G3 La Coupe de Maisons-Laffitte and the Oct. 5 G2 Prix Dollar at Longchamp last time. Positioned within striking distance from the outset, he made headway on the home turn to lead in early stretch and was driven out to deny Vodkato in a thrilling bobber for a second black-type score.

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France report cont.

Wednesday, Deauville, post time: 3:05 p.m.

**PRIX PETITE ETOILE-Listed, €55,000, 3yo, f, 9 1/2f (AWT)**

SC	PP	HORSE	SIRE	JOCKEY	TRAINER
1	8	Perfect Queen (Fr)	Mount Nelson (GB)	Lemaitre	Head
2	14	Bella Qatara (Ire)	Dansili (GB)	Hamelin	de Royer-Dupre
3	9	Aguafria	More Than Ready	Crastus	Laffon-Parias
4	5	Nuit d'Amour (Fr)	Azamour (Ire)	Mendizabal	Brandt
5	2	Bayargal	Bernstein	Boudot	Fabre
6	13	Swordhalf (GB)	Haafhd (GB)	Prdoza	Wohler
7	6	Lucky Look (Fr)	Teofilo (Ire)	Benoist	Smaga
8	11	Rocaille (Fr)	Anabaa	C Demuro	Head-Maarek
9	7	Day for Night (Ire)	Desert Style (Ire)	Veron	Pantall
10	15	Collusiva (Ire)	Shamardal	Breux	G Botti
11	1	Modesty's Way	Giant's Causeway	Pasquier	Bary
12	12	Roccarina (Fr)	Shirocco (Ger)	Werle	Pantall
13	10	La Mezquita (Ire)	Hly Rmn Empr (Ire)	Perret	Durepaire
14	16	Ratana (Ger)	Big Shuffle	Lefebvre	Lowe
15	3	Distortion (GB)	Distorted Humor	Prat	Laffon-Parias
16	4	Abilene (GB)	Samum (Ger)	Bachelot	Graffard

All carry 126 pounds.

## BREEDERS' EDITION EUROPE

**CONDITIONS RESULTS:**

**FRANCE, 1st-DEA, €34,000, 2yo, c/g, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:31.94, stn.**

**COMPLICIT (IRE) (c, 2, Captain Rio {GB}--Molomo {GB} {Hwt. Older Mare-Ire at 9.5-11f, MGSP-Ire}, by Barathea {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 5 starts, 3 wins, 1 place, €37,978. O-T A Rahman; B-Barouche Stud Ireland Ltd; T-Paul Cole. \*21,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT. \*\*1/2 to Rainfall (Ire) (Oasis Dream {GB}), GSW & MG1SP-Eng, \$164,487.

**FRANCE, 2nd-DEA, €34,000, 2yo, f, 7 1/2f (AWT), 1:30.91, stn.**

**PASSION BLANCHE (GB) (f, 2, Dutch Art {GB}--Siren Sound {GB}, by Singspiel {Ire})** Lifetime Record: 8 starts, 4 wins, 4 places, €62,150. O-Bernard Magrez Horses & Jean-Claude Rouget; B-Meon Valley Stud; T-Jean-Claude Rouget. \*30,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT.

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**En Civil (Ire), g, 2, Elusive City--En Vitesse (GB), by Peintre Celebre. POR, 12-2, 8 1/2f (AWT). B-Haras d'Etream & Frederic Bianco. \*€20,000 RNA yrl '12 ARQOCT.**

**Truancy (Ire), c, 2, Intense Focus--Date Mate, by Thorn Dance. WOL, 12-3, 7f 32yds (AWT), 1:31 4/5. B-Keogh Family. \*42,000gns yrl '12 TATOCT; 40,000gns 2yo '13 TATAPR. \*\*1/2 to Declaration of War (Ire) (Okawango), SW-Eng & GSP-Fr/Eng, \$193,398 and to Soraaya (Ire) (Elnadim), GSW-Eng. \*\*\*19th winner for freshman sire (by Giant's Causeway)**

**Naloudia (Ire), f, 2, Piccolo (GB)--Fanciful Dancer (GB), by Groom Dancer. POR, 12-2, 8 1/2f (AWT). B-Berjis Desai. \*€1,000 yrl '12 GOFFEB; €1,000 yrl '12 GOFOCT; €5,500 2yo '13 ARQJUL.**

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## BREEDERS' EDITION AMERICA

**ALLOWANCE RESULTS:**

**8th-PRX, \$50,024, NW1X, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 3/5, ft. GOLDEN RULE (f, 4, Roman Ruler--Sparkling Starlet, by General Meeting) Lifetime Record: 8-3-2-0, \$81,500. O-Andrew Sulley. B-Emerald Q Partners Inc & The Roman Ruler Syndicate (KY). T-Patricia Farro. \*\$15,000 yrl '10 KEESEP.**

**10th-ZIA, \$44,585, 12-2, (S), 3yo, f, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. LAKEHOUSE FUN (f, 3, Roll Hennessy Roll--Forthelifeofme {SP}, by Indian Charlie) Lifetime Record: SW, 16-5-4-2, \$166,589. O/B- Kirk & Judy Robison (NM). T-Henry Dominguez.**

**ADDITIONAL MAIDEN WINNERS:**

**Roll So Gold, f, 2, Roman Emperor--Oh So Gold, by Touch Gold. ZIA, 12-3, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:05 4/5. B-Gallegos del Norte Racing (NM).**  
**Anhourof honor, g, 3, Congressional honor--Two Hours to Go, by Horatius. PRX, 12-3, (C), 7f, 1:26 2/5. B-Pewter Stable & Rookie (PA).**  
**Stormy Pache, g, 4, Copelan's Pache--Shannon's Storm, by Future Storm. ZIA, 12-2, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:04. B-Douglas Lee (NM). \*1/2 to Running Lass (Running Stag), MSW & GSP, \$466,050.**