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STALLION NEWS

CAPTAIN RIO RETIRES TO BALLYHANE STUD

Captain Rio, Britain's top-rated Two-Year-Old Colt of 2001, has been retired to take up stallion duties at Joe Foley's Ballyhane Stud in Co Carlow. The four-year-old will stand for a fee of €5,000 in 2004.

The son of **Pivotal** broke his maiden by six lengths as a juvenile before going on to beat 24 rivals to land the £200,000 Redcar Two-Year-Old Trophy and rounded off the season with a spectacular eight-length success in the Gr.2 Criterium de Maisons-Laffitte.

Timeform rated Captain Rio the top British-trained juvenile colt of 2001, 3lb clear of **Dubai Destination** and 4lb above **Rock Of Gibraltar**.

As a three-year-old, Captain Rio suffered a knee injury in the Gr.1 Poule d'Essai des Poulains which curtailed his season but he made a tremendous comeback to win the Listed Waterford Testimonial Stakes by eight lengths and he retires with earnings of more than €350,000.

Captain Rio is by the stallion sensation of recent years, Pivotal, responsible for the outstanding sprinters **Kyllachy** and **Somnus**, as well as the American Gr.1 winners **Golden Apples** and **Megahertz**.

He shares his broodmare sire **Miswaki** with promising young stallions such as **Hernando**, **Daylami** and **Dr Fong** as well as the likes of **Dalakhani**, **Galileo** and top two-year-old **Lucky Story**.

Captain Rio has been bought to stand at Ballyhane Stud in a deal brokered through the McKeever St Lawrence Agency and will stand alongside City On A Hill, Daggers Drawn, Imperial Ballet, Iron Mask and Rossini.

Joe Foley said today: "Captain Rio is a horse that I was very keen to have because he had exceptional ability, he's a great looker and I'm a huge fan of his sire Pivotal."

AGENCE FRANÇAISE SALES TALK

LORD OF MEN FILLY TOPS FINAL DAY

The top lot on the final day of the Agence Francaise October Yearling Sale was achieved midway through the morning session and was a medium-sized **Lord Of Men** filly (**Lot 410**) who was all quality, and a good walker too. She is a half-sister to a Listed winner in **Krajina** (**Holst**) and more importantly the top-class **Tuzla** (**Panoramic**). Under the third dam there is further encouragement with the top-class **Sulamani**, **Dream Well** and **Titus Livius** all close up in the family. Presented by Haras de Maulepaire, bidding was a furious affair, but it was Bruno Ridoux of the Winners Agency who had the final say with a bid €62,000.

INDIAN DANEHILL DAUGHTER FOR MAB

The third lot of the day was an interesting filly from the first crop of Indian Danehill, consigned by Haras de la Vallee de Reux (Lot 365). She is the first foal out of a half-sister to Gr.2 Prix Robert Papin heroine Rolly Polly (Mukaddamah) and a full-sister to a Black-Type producer in Rumba Azul (Fabulous Dancer). Marc Antoine Berghgracht of the MAB Agency, one of the leading buyers at the sale, gave the final nod at €26,000.

KALDOUNEVEES IN DEMAND

Just a few moments later, Isabelle and Nicolas Simon of Haras des Marais, who brought up just the one yearling from their Le Mans stud, were delighted with the €24,000 they got for a particularly strong and wellgrown **Kaldounevess** filly (**Lot 371**). A first foal, she is quite a rarity, being out of a **Sillery** mare, who won

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A Gem of a Mare

Dam of **SPOKEN FUR** (\$565,880, Coaching Club American Oaks-G1, Mother Goose S.-G1). Out of a 1/2 sister to Group 3 winner **SANS ARC** (dam of **BEVELED**, and **QUAKE LAKE**) and **CRYSTAL STONE** (dam of **CARORUNDUM**, **CURIO**).

In foal to Notebook

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twice. The third dam **Vific** won the Gr.1 Prix Robert Papin and has more than a double handful of Listed class or better runners under her name. Pau trainer Jean-Claude Rouget continued his shopping spree when signing the ticket.

Kaldounevees is beginning to make an impact as a stallion, and two others sold for decent money, both fillies. First was Lot 411 from Haras de Maulepaire who had sold well all week. A flashy filly with strong quarters, she went to the bid of trainer Etienne Leenders at €27,000. The filly is a half-sister to two Listed winners in Valanjou (Pampabird) and Rouvignac (African Song), and also to the dam of Gr.2 winner Honorifique.

The other was **Lot 513**, sold by Haras du Mesnil to dissolve a partnership. She went for €35,000 to agent Crispin de Moubray. She was a likeable filly, with bone and girth more in keeping with a colt but she also had a decent pedigree, being out of a half-sister to French Classic winner **Landseer** (**Danehill**) and a Listed winner in **Ikhtyar** (**Unfuwain**).

FORIEN SECURES SON OF SOLITAIRE

A regular buyer at this sale is Gilles Forien of Agence FIPS, and he went to €32,000 for Lot 396, a Loup Solitaire colt presented by Haras de la Vallee. He was a decent sort and moved well in his slower paces. His dam Tamaziya (Law Society) won twice and is a half-sister to the dam of the Gr.3-placed Ulysees.

KENDOR COLT FOR LOCAL TRAINER

Early in the second session local trainer Marcus Nigge secured Lot 442 on behalf of Lutz Bongen for €37,000. Consigned by Haras de la Reboursiere et de Monataigu, the Kendor colt was medium-sized and had plenty of strength and power. He is out of Beaujolaise (Thatching) who won twice including the

Gr.3 Prix Eclipse. She has bred five winners including the Listed scorer **Larguez Tout** (**Esprit Du Nord**) and **Stella Berine** (**Bering**), who like her dam, also won the Prix Eclipse.

ENRIQUE LEADS FIRST CROP SIRES

Towards the end of a long evening Haras d'Etreham presented Lot 527, a well-made colt from the first crop of Enrique. He is the third foal out of the winning St Jovite mare Hermite and is a half-brother to winning juvenile Hewitt (Wagon Master) who has also run creditable in Group races this year. Hermite is well-related, being out of the Listed-placed Heaven Knows (Quadrangle) and a half-sister to the Listed-class pair of Carr Knows (Carr De Naskra) and Heaven Knows Why (Star De Naskra), the latter having bred two Listed runners herself. Maisons-Laffitte trainer signed when the hammer fell at €37,000, on behalf of owner J Bouchera.

The major disappointment of the day was when **Lot 461**, a powerful **Sinndar** colt, was not sold at €83,000. That would have been near the top price for the whole sale, so one was left wondering just what the vendors expected!

OVERALL

The average for the day fell 17.6% but the clearance rate improved slightly from last year. Overall this left the average price all but unchanged with 63% of those offered finding new homes.

Andrew CRABB, frenchbloodstock.com

DAY THREE STATISTICS (€)

	2003	%	2002
Sold	105		99
Presented	163		169
Average	11,848	-17.6	14,374
Aggregate	1,244,000	-12.5	1,423,000

AGENCE FRANCAISE OCTOBER YEARLING SALE TOP LOTS – DAY THREE					
Lot	Sex	Sire – Dam	Vendor	Buyer	Price (€)
410	f	LORD OF MEN - Turkeina	Haras de Maulepaire	Winners	62,000
442	С	KENDOR – Beaujolaise	Haras de la R&M	M Nigge	37,000
527	С	ENRIQUE – Hermite	Haras d'Etreham	Alain Lyons	37,000
513	f	KALDOUNEVEES - Ghita	Haras du Mesnil	C de Moubray	35,000
396	С	LOUP SOLITARIE – Tamaziya	Haras de la Vallee	Agence FIPS	32,000
411	f	KALDOUNEVEES - Valrene	Haras de Maulepaire	E Leenders	27,000
467	f	XAAR - Confines	l'Elevage du Pays d'Ouche	P Nataf	27,000

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CUMULATIVE STATISTICS (€)				
	2003	%	2002	
Sold	314		307	
Presented	495		447	
Average	15,283	-0.3	15,672	
Aggregate	4,799,000	-0.25	4,811,200	

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461	С	ex Cape Lodge	NS
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467	f	ex Confines	27,000
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409	f	ex Tryarra	4,500

DONCASTER BLOODSTOCK SALES TALK

FIRST CROP SIRE RESULTS (€)

ASTARABAD			SHAHRASTANI STARS	
419		ex Yole	NS	AT OPENING SESSION

12,000

ex Youngolina DYHIM DIAMOND NS 434 f ex Arbina

f

421

ENRIQUE 408 c ex Triciana 15,000

ex Ashura 10,000 437 С 451 С ex Bettina da Caserta 11,000 527 ex Hermite 37,000 С f ex Heroine 20,000 528

FLY TO THE STARS 5,500 381 c ex Solving 446 c ex Bella Brunella NS ex Folling 15,500 504 C

INDIAN DANEHILL 365 f ex Rugiada Point 26,000

KABOOL 498 c ex Faintly NS

MUHTATHIR NS 386 f ex St Petersburg 3,000 c ex Tower of Menga 407 430 ex Anabella NS 450 f ex Best Flower NS f ex Cadline NS 457 484 c ex Eclipse de Lune NS ex Insurrection NS 532 f

SAGAMIX NS 493 f ex Escomptee

SARATOGA SPRINGS NS 454 f ex Brenda Bella ex Ghost of You 8,000 514 f **SENDAWAR**

435 c ex Ariel 26,000 473 c ex Danse Bretonne 3.500 c ex Green Emerald 5,500 519 529 С ex Hersande NS Walton Fields Stud stallion Shahrastani (Nijinsky) supplied two of the top three lots at the first session of the Doncaster Bloodstock Sales' October Yearling Sale yesterday afternoon.

The dual Derby hero returned to Europe from Japan for the 1999 stud season and is making a significant impact as a broodmare sire, represented by the exploits of Alamshar, winner of the Irish Derby and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes, this season. Shahrastani's fee remains at £1,250 (1st October) and he is reported to be receiving excellent support from breeders.

A daughter of Shahrastani (Lot 505) made the day's highest price of 21,000gns, just one lot after one of his sons (Lot 504) had set the standard at 14,000gns. Both were consigned by Collin Stud, on behalf of Allan Bloodlines.

Trainer James Given secured the sales topping filly, outbidding Charlie Vigors to secure the half-sister to three winners. Another half-sister, Asian Reef (Manila), has produced the Australian Gr.2 winner Before Too Long, while the dam, Golden Cay (Habitat), is a dual winning half-sister to the American Gr.1 winners Spark of Life (by Key To The Mint; dam of the Gr.1 winner and sire Fire of Life) and Musical Lark (Cure The Blues). The second dam, Sparkalark (Cornish Prince) triumphed in the Gr.1 Sorority Stakes at Monmouth Park and the family also includes Irish 2,000 Guineas victor Flash of Steel.

Lot 504 was secured by Merrick Francis and the halfbrother to two winners will be trained by Brian Meehan. His juvenile half-sister, Whistful (First Trump) finished second in a Pontefract maiden on Monday. Their dam is the five-time scorer and Listed Firth of Clyde Stakes third Atmospheric Blues (Double Schwartz). The second dam. Saga's Humour (Bustino) is a half-sister to the Stakes winner Heave To (Pirate King) and the family encompasses several leading Argentinean performers, notably the dual Classic heroine Sweet Sue II.

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and 62% winners to

runners this year

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Thursday:

TRINITY JOY is a neck 2nd in the **LR** Criterium de Lyon.

RUSSIAN RUBY records her second victory at Newmarket. Yesterday:

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A first crop son of **Almaty** (**Lot 552**) returned home with his breeder, Mrs Sheila Oakes, when the gavel fell at 14,500gns. Named **Scarborough Flyer**, he is a half-brother to two winners.

DAY ONE STATISTICS (GNS)

	2003	%	2002
Offered	94		140
Sold	81		106
Aggregate	288,100	+1	284,900
Average	3,557	+32	2,688

TODAY'S WITHDRAWALS

Lots 654, 682, 709, 716, 719, 729, 736, 776, 783 Today's pinhooking table appears on page ten

FIRST CROP SIRE RESULTS (GNS)

ALM	IAT'	Υ	
527	С	ex Lawless Bridget	4,500
552	С	ex Calamanco	14,500
BOL	D E	DGE	
533	f	ex Nevita	1,500
BOL	D F	ACT	
568	f	ex Sky Lover	3,000
DIK	ΓΑΤ		
553	f	ex June Brilly	10,000
INDI	AN	LODGE	
524	f	ex Fairybird	4,000
JOS	R A	LGARHOUD	
602	f	ex Dim Ots	4,500
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KAY	-		4,300
	FΤ	ARA	3,600
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KAY 590 608	F T	ARA ex Pasja	3,600
KAY 590 608 KILL	F T	ARA ex Pasja ex Cool Grey	3,600
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KAY 590 608 KILL 594 MUJ 545	f f f .ER c	ARA ex Pasja ex Cool Grey INSTINCT ex Anetta	3,600 1,000 9,000
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DBS OCTOBER HORSES IN TRAINING SALE

DUAL WINNER TOPS SECOND DAY

Trade at the DBS October Horses In Training Sale, which concluded yesterday, was solid from start to finish. Expanded from one day last year to two days this year, the sale attracted a large cosmopolitan crowd with British buyers bidding against visitors from Kuwait, Greece, Italy, Belgium, Sweden, Norway, Denmark and Spain.

Topping the second day was the dual winner Fiveoclock Express (Lot 378) who was offered by Cedar Lodge Racing Stables, on behalf of Mr Arashan Ali, and was purchased by trainer Gaye Kelleway for 25,000gns. The three-year-old grey gelding cost Ir£16,000 as a yearling at Tattersalls (Ireland) September Yearling Sale and was trained by Chris Dwyer, most

recently finishing mid-division in a Newmarket handicap last Friday. He is the fourth foal and second winner out of **Brooks Masquerade** (**Absalom**), a full-sister to a multiple winner in Italy and a half-sister to the dual Listed winner **Two Clubs** (**First Trump**) and Gr.1 Phoenix Stakes third **Gipsy Fiddler** (**Bairn**). The second dam, **Miss Cindy** (**Mansingh**) won six times and is a full-sister to the Gr.2 winner and sire **Petong**.

Two lots sold for 10,000gns, **Only One Legend (Lot 362)**, who was purchased by Thirsk-based trainer Kevin Ryan, and **Greek Star (Lot 376)**, who was knocked down to Leicestershire trainer Kevin Morgan.

Five-year-old gelding Only One Legend (Eagle Eyed) has won four times on the flat. He was consigned by Tim Easterby's Habton Grange Stables, as the property of Four Ball Partnership, and is the first of three winners produced by Afifah (Nashwan). Her dam, Ghanimah (Caerleon), is a dual winning three-parts sister to the Gr.1 National Stakes winner and sire Caerwent, a son of Ghanimah's outstanding half-sister, the multiple Gr.1 heroine Marwell (Habitat), who is also dam of the Classic victrix Marling (Lomond).

Greek Star, a juvenile son of Soviet Star, was consigned by Sir Michael Stoute's Freemason Lodge Stables, on behalf of his breeder Athos Christodoulou, in whose colours he ran once, finishing unplaced at Newmarket last month. He is a half-brother to eight winners including, the Listed winner, Gr.2 Challenge Stakes second and Gr.1 Dewhurst Stakes third Thourios (Green Desert), St Leger runner-up Demophilos (Dr Devious), Gr.3-placed Bragadino (Zilzal) and the Listed-placed Akamantis (Kris), as well as the useful NH performers Polydamas (Last Tycoon) and Theseus (Danehill). They are out of the Gr.3 Lancashire Oaks victrix Graecia Magna (Private Account).

OVERALL STATISTICS (GNS)

	2003	%	2002
Offered	290		166
Sold	247		125
Aggregate	907,070		481,850
Average	3,672	-4.7	3,855

BBAG SALES TALK

TWO DAY OCTOBER SALE STARTS TODAY

The two day mixed Baden-Baden Herbst-Auktion starts today and features a selection of yearlings, two-year-olds and older horses in training, plus the first of the 2003 European foal crop.

The latter includes a son from the first crop of the Italian Gr.2 winner **Hamond** (**Acatenango**) and, on Friday, a daughter of the globetrotting **Silvano**. This son of **Lomitas** put in a series of world-class performances in 2002 including Gr.1 wins in America and the Far East. The most numerically-represented foal sire is **Perugino** (7 lots), who stood for the 2002 season in Germany.

The large yearling contingent includes first crop produce of Gr.1 winners Almutawakel, Fly to the Stars, Kallisto, Muhtathir and Sagamix, plus youngsters by established top class German sires such as Acatenango, Big Shuffle, Dashing Blade, and Platini.

WITHDRAWALS

Lots 10, 32, 34, 38, 42, 44, 48, 50, 52, 66, 78, 94, 109, 122, 127, 129, 140, 146, 164, 169, 175, 177, 182, 183, 186, 193, 195, 197, 209, 223, 233, 240, 243, 246, 252, 260, 263, 264, 265, 267, 274, 291, 329

FIRST CROP FOAL SIRES

HAMOND

Ch 1995 Acatenango - Happy Gini (Ginistrelli)
Hamond won five and was placed in three of his 11
races from 2 to 5. At three, he was a Listed winner over
10 furlongs and Gr.2 placed over 12, and scored at
Listed level again at 4 over 10 furlongs. His best win
came at five in the Gr.2 Premio Carlo d'Alessio.

He is a three parts brother to the Gr.3 victor and Deutsches Derby third **Happy Change** (**Surumu**) and a half-brother to the Listed scorer **Happy Boy**. His dam was a Stakes winner in America and his grandam is a half-sister to the Gr.3 winner **Private Thoughts**. His extended family also includes **Distorted Humor**.

SILVANO

b 1996 Lomitas - Spirit of Eagles (Beau's Eagle)

The globetrotting **Silvano** won seven of his 18 starts and was placed in four. The winner of his only race at two, he was fourth in the Deutsches Derby at three and a Gr.2 winner over 11 furlongs at four. His best season came at five, when his exploits around the world netted wins in the Gr.1 Arlington Million, Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth II Cup and Gr.1 Singapore International Cup and places in the Gr.2 Dubai Sheema Classic and Gr.1 Man O' War Stakes. For good measure, he also ran fourth in the Gr.1 Cox's Plate.

He is a half-brother to the Gr.1-winning **Sabiango** and his dam, **Spirit of Eagles** (**Beau's Eagle**), won 11 races. She is a half-sister to the Gr.3 victor **Big Pal** and the Stakes winner **Lovely Habit**.

FIRST CROP YEARLING SIRE

KEY ROYAL

ch 1994 Royal Academy - Keniana (Sharpo)

Unraced until he was four, **Key Royal** won 10 of his 23 starts over three seasons including a six furlong Listed event at four, a six furlong Gr.3 at five and a further Listed race over an extended six furlongs at 6.

He is the best of three winners out of the dual Listedwinning juvenile **Keniana** (**Sharpo**), who is a full-sister to the smart sprinter **Kaka**, a Listed winner and Groupplaced. His grandam is a winning half-sister to the Listed victor **Troglio**.

Sired just three foals in 2002.

STALLION NEWS continued

FOXHOUND SIRES HIS FIRST WINNER IN AUSTRALIA

Foxhound looks to have a rising star from his first Australian crop after his daughter Foxaround easily took the first juvenile race of the season in Perth yesterday. The Jim Taylor-trained filly showed an excellent turn of foot when set alight by her rider Jason Brown and hit the line two lengths ahead of **Lust For Dusty** with the well-tried **Metaldale** three lengths back in third.

Foxhound stood just the one season in Australia and indeed Foxaround is his first runner in the handful of juvenile races run down under to date. Foxaround is out of the **Acecay** mare **Conamore** and is a A\$30,000 graduate of this year's Magic Millions West Australian Yearling Sale.

JUVENILE WINNERS CONTINUE TO ROLL FOR VETTORI

New England Stud's **Vettori** has had a bumper season with his two-year-olds this year. He has had thirteen individual juvenile winner this year and one of them **Carini** maintained her unbeaten record when running away with a novice stakes at Nottingham yesterday. Another unbeaten daughter of Vettori, the Marcus Tregoning-trained **Torcross**, bids to keep that record in tact and earn some black-type when she runs in the Listed Radley Stakes at Newbury on Saturday. If she wins, she will go one better than **Trinity Joy**, who was a neck second to **Joursanvault** (**Verglas**) in the Listed Criterium de Lyon.

In Australia, Vettori is already the sire of a Classic winner in the shape of **Sound Action**, who won the Gr.1 Australasian Oaks in May.

FIRST STAKES WINNER FOR CHATO

Gr.3 Badener Meile victor **Chato** was responsible for his first Stakes winner yesterday with the victory of his two-year-old daughter **Joyce** in the Listed Prix Herod at Deauville.

American-bred eleven-year-old **Chato** (**Local Talent**) is resident at Gestut Harzburg, where he stands alongside **Platini**. Retired to stud in 1998, he was trained, like his Stakes winning daughter, by Horst Steinmetz.

RACING NEWS

ARLINGTON HERO TELEPROMPTER PUT DOWN

Popular racehorse and, Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth II and Arlington Million winner **Teleprompter** has been put down at the age of 23.

The son of **Welsh Pageant**, who was Champion Miler in Ireland in 1984 and Champion Older Mile in England in 1986 was owned and bred by Lord Derby and trained by Bill Watts.

His win in the Gr.1 Arlington Million in 1985 was groundbreaking as few horses travelled to the United States to contest big races and he also helped change racing legislation to allow geldings to take part in some European Gr.1 races.

His half-sister **Rosia Bay** (**High Top**) is the dam of the Champion Three-Year-Old Colt in Italy and sire **Ibn Bey** and the Gr.1 Yorkshire Oaks winner **Roseate Tern**.

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STALLION PROFILE

WHAT A DIFFERENCE A YEAR MAKES!

What a difference a year makes! One of main talking points at last year's sales was the resistance to the second crop of yearlings by Peintre Celebre. The market, it seemed, wasn't prepared to give this son of Nureyev the benefit of the doubt after a slow opening by his first crop of juveniles. By season's end Peintre Celebre's average was not much more than £41,000, which represented a drop of over £100,000 on the previous year. Well, a year on, the picture looks somewhat different. This Timeform 137-rated superstar has now got several major runners and was available in 2003 at €25,000. Clearly, Coolmore set about finding out if Peintre Celebre could take off like Sadler's Wells did. With his initial fee of Ir65,000gns, Peintre Celebre was set up to get the best possible mares and in the space of one crop, Coolmore now know he is not a Sadler's Wells - but we can't really hold that against him. If Peintre Celebre can continue to produce runners of the calibre of Dai Jin, Joe Bear, Pearl Of Love, Super Celebre and Vallee Enchantee then his future is secure. The question is, can he maintain even this level of success? The factors that may conspire against him are: his book quality will obvious have taken a hit this year; he will have no juvenile crop in the West next season as he spent his third in Japan. And if the typical Peintre Celebre doesn't mature until its second season, then it could be a long while before three-year-olds from his third Irish crop start to shine. So, a lot will depend on how his current set of juveniles perform in the long term. It's worth running through how Peintre Celebre compares with all other sires that have covered the same mares as him. Remember that all of these runners were conceived at Ir65,000gns and this fact is certainly reflected in his mare quality figures. The dams of the Peintre Celebre runners when covered by all other sires have produced 15.8% Stakes horses and 6.8% Group winners. These are very close to the best strike rates you can get. By way of comparison, Peintre Celebre's famous stud companion, Sadler's Wells, covers mare that produce 18.8% Stakes horses and 6.1% Group winners when mated with other stallions. And he improved on these figures. So, there wasn't any lack of opportunity in Peintre Celebre's case. Thus far, the son of Nureyev has managed 12.7% Stakes horses and 4.8% Group winners. Whilst this rate of success does fall short of what might have been expected, the situation could easily look more favourable in a few years time once all his late maturing stock have had a chance to shine. Whilst Nureyev has been an outstanding sire - producing more Stakes winners to foals than his three-parts brother Sadler's Wells - he has had a mixed record as a sire of sires. Theatrical is his only truly top sire, though several others like Polar Falcon, Soviet Star and Zilzal have enjoyed some success. Many others with outstanding credentials have failed outright. In the last four years, no fewer than 50 Nureyev's have had runners in Europe - 2,183 runners to be precise. Only 3% of these runners are Stakes winners. More significantly, only 18 of the 50 Nureyev's have sired a Stakes winner, including only two - Spinning World and Atticus - who have a strike rate better than 10%. In due course, Fasliyev should find his way up this ranking. It may not be at all insignificant that two of the better Peintre Celebres, Super Celebre and Vallee Enchantee, where bred by the Wildenstein family who were also Peintre Celebre's owner/breeders. It might very well be that this particular sire will derive most benefit from such owner/breeders, who can afford to disregard what the market thinks. Peintre Celebre may not be the next Sadler's Wells, but used wisely he has certainly got a promising future.

PEINTRE CELEBRE

Name SKEAPING (Aus), 3c Three Graces (Ger), 3c VALLEE ENCHANTEE (Ire), 3f Precious Pearl (Ire), 3f Salydora (Fr), 3f Joe Bear (Ire), 3c Mutahayya (Ire), 2c Carpanetto (Ire), 3c PEARL OF LOVE (Ire), 2c Portland Damask (Aus), 3f DAI JIN (GB), 3c Castledale (Ire), 2c SUPER CELEBRE (Fr), 3c Beautiful Gem (Aus), 3f

Damsire Godswalk Kris Lear Fan Lyphard Nashwan Red Ransom Riverman Sadler's Wells Seattle Slew Seattle Slew Silver Hawk

Woodman

Yeats

Best Performance 1st LR Sophomore Sprint - South Africa 2nd LR Guisborough Stakes - Great Britain 1st Gr.2 Prix de Pomone - France 3rd Gr.3 Prix Chloe - France 3rd LR Prix Charles Laffitte - France 2nd Gr.1 Secretariat Stakes - United States 2nd LR Stardom Stakes - Italy 2nd LR Ballyroan Stakes - Ireland 1st Gr.1Gran Criterium - Italy 3rd Gr.3 Jumeirah International Stakes - Australia

Shirley Heights 1st Gr.1 Deutsches Derby/Credit Suisse - Germany 2nd LR Blenheim Stakes - Ireland 1st Gr.2 Prix Noailles - France 2nd LR Quezette Stakes - Australia continued from page five

INDUSTRY NEWS

HBLB BREEDERS PRIZES SCHEME RETAINED IN 2004

The Thoroughbred Breeders' Association announced yesterday that following confirmation by the Levy Board at their meeting on 22nd October, the HBLB Breeders Prizes Scheme will be fully operational and apply to horses of all ages in 2004.

The 2004 Scheme will receive Levy Board funding totalling some £1.9 million.

Chairman, Philip Freedman said: "The TBA intended to maximise the funds available in 2004 and set payment levels accordingly, thereby rewarding those successful Flat and NH breeders who continue to use British based stallions. This has proved possible with the support of the Levy Board, who have endorsed a proposal to enable the Scheme to continue on the same basis as 2003, with prizes on the Flat awarded at 10% of Minimum value. NH breeders prizes for Steeplechasers will be maintained at 25% of Minimum Value, whilst breeders of the winners of NH Novice Hurdles and NH Flat Races will receive 30% of the Minimum Value. This change was introduced with the support of the BHB to target young horses and thereby speed up the rate of reward to NH breeders."

TBA Executive Director Gavin Pritchard-Gordon and Chief Executive Louise Kemble welcomed the Levy Board's valuable contribution to the British Breeding Industry and thanked the BHB for their support: "We have been very strong on the importance of retaining the Breeders Prizes Scheme – and together with active direct lobbying by our members, and via the BHB Industry Committee, we have retained a Scheme which has done so much to improve the success of British bred horses, as evidenced by another great summer for British Flat-breds."

Full details of the 2004 Scheme will be published at the end of the year. The 2003 Scheme will continue to award prizes at 10% on the Flat and 25% for NH races. However, the suspension of Minimum Values from September to the end of this year may impact on the actual premium value applied by individual racecourses.

FASIG-TIPTON SALES TALK

FALL YEARLING SALE CLOSES WITH INCREASES ALL ROUND

A full-sister to Gr.2 Del Mar Futurity and Norfolk Stakes winner and sire **Flame Thrower** (**Saint Ballado**), **Lot 130**, topped the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Fall Yearling Sale when she was bought by George Saufley for \$400,000 at the first session on Monday. Consigned by Paramount Sales Agency, the dark bay filly is out of the Stakes winner **Metromane** (**Metrogrand**), who is out of a half-sister to the Stakes winner **A Dash of Taffy**.

By Saint Ballado out of Metromane, the dark bay filly brought a winning bid of \$400,000 from George Saufley in Monday's first session. She was consigned by Paramount Sales Agency.

The second highest price on Monday was Lot 367, a filly by Deputy Minister, who was bought via a phone bid from Bar S Ranch for \$220,000. Consigned by Gainesway, as agent, she is the second foal of her dam Stylish Talent (Forty Niner), who was third in the Gr.1 Oak Leaf Stakes and is a half-sister to the Stakes winner Stately Star (dam of the Gr.3-placed Sentimental Value) out of the Gr.3 Del Mar Oaks and Dahlia Handicap winner Stylish Star.

A filly by **High Yield** out of the **Caveat** mare **Saratoga Warning**, **Lot 462**, brought \$150,000 to top the second and final session of the Fasig-Tipton Kentucky Fall Yearling sale.

The dark bay filly was purchased by Taylor Made as agent for Bonnie Baskin and will be trained by Todd Pletcher. Consigned by Paramount, she is a half to Stakes winner and sire **Act Smart** (**Smarten**).

The filly's dam Saratoga Warning won twice and comes from the family of **Cozzene**.

The daughter of High Yield is well used to the sales ring having been bought by agent Buzz Chace for \$200,000 at Keeneland's November Breeding Stock Sale and led out unsold at the same company's September Yearling Sale

The second-highest priced yearling of the session was a filly (Lot 619) by Forest Wildcat out of the Grey Dawn II mare Delight's Tribute. George Krikorian purchased her for \$145,000 from the Hidden Haven Farm consignment.

The session-topping colt was Lot 484, a colt by Victory Gallop out of the Carson City mare Pacific City. The Paramount consignee was purchased by Cam Allard for \$125.000.

STATISTICS (\$)

	2003	%	2002
Sold	528		519
Average	17,461	+42	12,296
Median	9,100	+52	6,000
Aggregate	9,219,400	+44	6,381,400

LISTED RACE RESULT

FRANCE

LR PRIX HEROD, Deauville, 7f, 2yo, 1st €20,500, 2nd €8,200, 3rd €6,150

1. **JOYCE** (Ger), 2f,

Chato - Juschika (Salse)

2nd dam Guest List (Be My Guest)

3rd dam Fortlin (Fortino)

O: Stall Nizza, B: Jurgen Imm, T: H Steinmetz

2. CHOPOULOU (Fr), 2c,

Nombre Premier – Oulouwatou (Comrade In Arms)
O: G Pariente, B: A Chopard and Mme M and D Delteil,
T: A Bonin

3. SOUTHERN QUEEN (GB), 2f,

Anabaa - Due South (Darshaan)

O: Maktoum Al Maktoum,

B: Gainsborough Stud Management,

T: Mme C Heard-Maarek

Also ran: Malaica, Fabulous Groom, Lovage, Dinorah Distances: ¾I, 1½I, snk, nse, ¾I, 2½I, 1½I

YESTERDAY'S RACING REVIEW

1.40 NEWCASTLE, EBF 2YO MAIDEN, 6F

1. COY (Ire) 2f,

Danehill - Demure (Machiavellian)

O: Cheveley Park Stud, B: Dr T A Ryan,

T: Sir Michael Stoute

€380,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale

Kingsmaite (Komaite) made the early running until just over two furlongs out when he was challenged by Fun To Ride (Desert Prince). He in turn was tackled by Coy (Danehill) in the final furlong and she ran on readily in the closing stages to win easily by three lengths.

She is the second foal of the unraced **Demure** (**Machiavellian**), who is a half-sister to the Gr.2 Diadem Stakes winner and sire **Diffident** (**Nureyev**) and **Shy Danceuse** (dam of the Listed winners **Sweet Story** and **Shy Lady** and grandam of the Gr.1 St James's Palace Stakes winner **Zafeen** and Gr.3 Prix du Calvados winner **Ya Hajar**). Their dam **Shy Princess** (**Irish River**) was second in the Gr.1 Prix Morny and is a half-sister to the Gr.1 Oaklawn Handicap and Breeders' Cup Mile winner and sire **Opening Verse**, Gr.3 Columbiana Handicap winner **So She Sleeps** and the Stakes winner **Dangerous Dawn**. The third dam **Shy Dawn** (**Grey Dawn II**) was a multiple Gr.3 winner in the United States.

Demure has a yearling colt by **Sinndar** (€100,000 Goffs Orby Yearling Sale by B Olsson) and a foal full-sister to the winner.

2.10 NEWCASTLE, 2YOF MAIDEN, 7F

1. FIRST CANDLELIGHT (GB) 2f,

First Trump - No Candles Tonight (Star Appeal)

O: Skeltools Ltd, B: A B Phipps, T: J G Given

First Candlelight (First Trump) made virtually all the running, quickening to go clear with two furlongs to go and then powering home in the final furlong to win by three and a half lengths.

She is the third foal of her dam **No Candles Tonight** (**Star Appeal**), who won three times as a three-year-old. No Candles Tonight is a half-sister to **Starstreak** (**Comedy Star**), who was second in the Gr.3 Gordon Stakes and third in the Gr.3 Rose of Lancaster Stakes. Their dam **Kochia** (**Firestreak**) won once and is a half-sister to a couple of other winners.

2.25 NOTTINGHAM, NOVICE AUCTION, 6F

1. POLONIUS (GB) 2a.

Great Dane – Bridge Pool (First Trump)
2nd dam Treble Hook (Ballad Rock)
3rd dam Three Piece (Jaazeiro)
O: P A Deal, B: The National Stud, T: H Candy
4,500gns Tattersalls December Breeding Stock Sale
by Highflyer Bloodstock
6,000gns Doncaster St Leger Yearling Sale

by Henry Candy

Bonne de Fleur (Whittingham) made the running badly hanging right towards the stands' rail. She was joined with a furlong to go by Polonius (Great Dane), who skipped clear in the closing stages to win by three and a half lengths.

3.00 NOTTINGHAM, NOVICE, 1M

1. CARINI (GB) 2f,

Vettori - Secret Waters (Pharly)

2nd dam Idle Waters (Mill Reef)

3rd dam Midsummertime (Midsummer Night)

O: The Shotts Farm Partnership, B: R E Crutchley,

T: H Candy

5,000gns Tattersalls December Foal Sale

2,000gns Doncaster St Leger Yearling Sale

by Henry Candy

Carini (Vettori) and Manipulator (Danehill) disputed the lead until two furlongs out when Carini skipped clear of her rivals, running on strongly to win by four lengths.

3.20 NEWCASTLE, 3YO+ MAIDEN, 1M4½F

1. GREENWICH MEANTIME (GB) 3c,

Royal Academy – Shirley Valentine (Shirley Heights)

O: K Abdulla, B: Juddmonte Farms, T: H R A Cecil

Greeenwich Meantime (Royal Academy) made all the running, quickening clear two furlongs out and running on well in the final furlong to win by three and a half lengths.

He is a half-brother to the Gr.3 World Sports Cup winner Memorise (Lyphard), Gr.3 Chester Vase runner-up Sparkling Water (Woodman) and the Listed-placed pair Fully Invested (Irish River) and Valentine Band (Dixieland Band). Their dam Shirley Valentine (Shirley Heights) was third in the Listed Galtres Stakes and is a full-sister to the Irish Derby-second and sire **Deploy** and a half-sister to the Champion Three-Year-Old and successful sire Warning, Champion Three-Year-Old, dual Derby winner and leading sire Commander In Chief, Gr.1 Flower Bowl Invitational Handicap winner Yashmak, Gr.2 Great Voltigeur winner and sire **Dushyantor** and the Listed winner Jibe. Their dam is the legendary broodmare Slightly Dangerous (Roberto), who is a halfsister to the Gr.3 Prix Minerve winner I Will Follow from the immediate family of Scenic and Rainbow Quest.

Shirley Valentine has a yearling colt by **Sadler's Wells** and a colt foal by **Danehill**.

Greenwich Meantime is catalogued as **Lot 787** in Tattersalls Autumn Horses in Training Sale.

4.10 NOTTINGHAM, 2YO MDN AUCTION, 1M2F

1. UNCLE CENT (Ire) 2c,

Peintre Celebre – Butter Knife (Sure Blade) O: Mrs Melissa O'Neill, B: Norelands Bloodstock,

T: E J O'Neill

17,000gns Tattersalls Breeeze Up Sale by Greg Chung

Red Rag (Gold Fever) made all the running, until challenged by Heir To The Throne (Desert Prince) and Uncle Cent (Peintre Celebre) three furlongs out. The last named powered clear of his rival to win by eight lengths.

He is a half-brother to **Crumpetsfortea** (**Henbit**; dam of the Gr.3 Prix Miesque winner **Contemporary**) and is the sixth foal of his dam **Butter Knife** (**Sure Blade**) She is a half-sister to the Gr.1 Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup winner **Danish** (dam of the Listed-placed **Blixen**), Gr.3 Desmond Stakes winner **Hawkeye** and Listed Premio Daumier winner **Teishebaini**. Their dam **Tea House** (**Sassafras**) won the Listed Cornelscourt Stakes and comes from the family of the versatile Gr.2 Prix Dollar winner **Alderbrook**.

Butter Knife has a filly foal by Grand Lodge.

4.45 NOTTINGHAM, 3YO MAIDEN, 1M2F

1. POLAR JEM (GB) 3f,

Polar Falcon - Top Jem (Damister)

O/B: Norcroft Park Stud, T: G G Margarson

Approaching the final two furlongs, there were really only three horses in it - Jubilee Time (Mark of Esteem) and Change Partners (Hernando) and Polar Jem (Polar Falcon), who raced alone down the centre of the course. The trio battled to the line with Polar Jem just prevailing by a neck.

She is the first foal of her five times winning dam Top Jem (Damister), who is a half-sister to the Listed Princess Elizabeth Stakes winner Aldora (Magic Ring) and the versatile winner Polar Red (Polar Falcon). Their dam Sharp Top (Sharpo) won three times and is a half-sister to four other winners, from the family of the Champion Mexican Filly Baby Face.

Top Jem has a yearling filly by Night Shift and a filly foal by Generous.

Polar Jem is catalogued as Lot 589 at Tattersalls Autumn Horses In Training Sale.

YESTERDAY'S ITALIAN REVIEW

4.00 (BST) MILAN, NURSERY, 7½F

1. KANAKA (Ire) 2f,

Regal Archive - Kiska (Bering)

O: Fabrizio Lopez, T: Soc Al Guarnieri Maurizio srl,

B: Azienda Agricola Razza Emiliana srl

Kanaka was the convincing winner of this race, comfortably defeating Magico Jo (Glen Jordan) to win her first race at the fourth time of asking.

A member of the first crop of the Gr.3 Prix Daphnis winner Regal Archive (Fairy King), the winner is a half-sister to the Listed Premio Seregno victrix Corbetta (Polar Falcon) and is the sixth winner bred by the three-year-old scorer Kiska (Bering). She is a half-sister to the dual Gr.3 winner, Derby runner-up, Irish Derby third and sire Glacial Storm (Arctic Tern) and Listed winner Chaudennay (by Assert; dam of the Gr.3 winner Stoneleigh). The second dam is the Gr.2 Prix de l'Opera heroine Hortensia (Luthier).

MAJOR RACE RESULT

AUSTRALIA

Gr.3 GEELONG CUP, Geelong, 2400m, 3yo+, 1st A\$84,500, 2nd A\$26,000, 3rd A\$11,700

1. ZAZZMAN (Aus), 6g- 52.5kgs, **Distinctly North** - Glen Iris (Marscay) O: R A Lyons & R F Green, B: Mr & Mrs T S Dennis, T: Tony Vasil

A\$64,000 Inglis & Son Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale

2. SHE'S ARCHIE (Aus), 5m-55.5, Archway - A Little Timid (Almaarad) O: WR & Mrs L M Dunn, Mrs MT Gannon, Mrs C P Patterson & Miss S L Dunn, B: Mr W R & Mrs L M Dunn, T: Darren Weir

3. TUMERIC (Aus), 7g-58,

Old Spice - Goldie's Best (Semipalatinsk) O: Kintore Stud Syndicate, W H Gellard & G M Rosich, B: Kintore Stud, T: Alan Mathews Passed in, Reserve A\$10,000 1998 Goodwood

Also ran: Physique, Bulkhead, Ascana, Outlaws, The Mighty Lions, Special Scene, Lexitaw, Out Of Options, Tomorrowis Party, Bold Bard, Miss Diaz, Thurman, Pagano, Backstreet Boy.

Bloodstock Burswood Premier Yearling Sale

Non runners: Big Pat, Bondy, Milzeel.

Distances: 11/41, 1/21

MAIDENS BY FIRST SEASON SIRES

FASLIYEV

Fastidia (GB), 2f, ex Intellectuelle (Caerleon) 2.45 (BST) Longchamp, maiden, 1m

KIRKWALL

Billiard (GB), 2f, ex Ivorine (Blushing Groom) 2.50 Brighton, EBF maiden, 1m

LORD OF MEN

Princesse Lagrange (Fr), 2f, ex Miss Messine (Le Pip) 2.45 (BST) Longchamp, maiden, 1m

SHINKO FOREST

Sinora Wood (Ire), 2f, ex Moira My Girl (Habitat) 5.30 Brighton, nursery, 7f Shinko Femme (Ire), 2f, ex Kilshanny (Groom Dancer) 5.30 Brighton, nursery, 7f

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DONCASTER OCTOBER YEARLING SALES – LOTS SOLD AS FOALS					
LOT	SIRE – DAM	SEX	PRICE (GNS)	PURCHASER	SALE/LOT
614	Shahrastani - At Amal	С	7,010	P Mason	G Nov 30
647	Daggers Drawn - Byproxy	С	2,044	S Treacy	G Nov 69
649	Lake Coniston - Florias Tosca	С	3,000	Allan Bloodlines	T Dec 667
682	Mister Baileys - Bermuda Lily	С	30,000	D A Shekells	T Dec 1170
701	Vettori - Alacrity	С	2,500	vendor	T Dec 444
713	Bahamian Bounty - Cutting Glance	f	2,600	Emerald B/S	T Dec 1050
714	Kris - Kutaisi	С	6,426	Whitechurch Stud	G Nov 876
717	Indian Danehill - Teer On Eer	С	3,856	cash	G Nov 54
724	Bluegrass Prince - Brac Princess	f	800	Peter Doyle B/S	T Dec 483
729	Alzao - Skimra	С	2,500	Shefford Valley Stud	T Dec 850
737	Charnwood Forest - Phoenix Venture	f	4,089	cash	G Nov 206
738	Desert Style - Ervedya	f	4,673	cash	G Nov 205
741	Mark of Esteem - Evrobi	С	17,527	W Browne	G Nov 298
750	Monashee Mountain - Breezy Louise	f	1,500	L T Roberts	T Dec 451
751	Wolfhound - Rehaab	f	1,400	L T Roberts	T Dec 381
753	Spectrum - Empress of Light	f	5,000	vendor	T Dec 719
757	Namid - Pamina	С	13,000	Equine Services	T Dec 564
758	Desert Sun - Persian Sally	С	9,347	Equine Services	G Nov 700
760	Charnwood Forest - Idrak	f	4,673	Equine Services	G Nov 413
781	Revoque - Divine Elegance	f	1,985	Brendan Bashford B/S	G Nov 409
784	Tagula - Princess Oberon	f	1,800	P Baldwin	T Dec 407

STRAVINSKY

Concert Hall (USA), 2f, ex Proflare (Mr Prospector) 2.50 Brighton, EBF maiden, 1m

VERGLAS

Haiphong (Fr), 2c, ex Crystal River (River River) 1.45 (BST) Longchamp, claimer, 1m1f

WAGON MASTER

Be Wag (Fr), 2f, ex Stenobee (Legend of France) 1.45 (BST) Longchamp, claimer, 1m1f

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ALI-ROYAL

El Toboso (Ire), 2c, ex El Gran Love (El Gran Senor) San Siro, Italy, Sep 28, 2yo hcap, 1m 110y, £6,494 B: Allevamento dei Sei srl

Talirkala (Ire), 3f, ex Vol de Reve (Nordico) Chilivani, Italy, Sep 26, 3yo+, 1m, £2,597 *B:* Miss Patricia Beston

ALZAO

Bounce Back (Ire), 4c, ex Latest Chapter (Ahonoora) Capannelle, Italy, Sep 16, 3yo+, amateurs, 1m3f, £2,273 *B:* Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd

ARAZI

Different View (GB), 6g, ex Khamsin (Mr Prospector) Fontainebleau, France, Sep 28, 4yo+ clm, lady riders, 1m2f, £2,597

B: Gainsborough Stud Management Ltd

GERMAN BRED WINNER ABROAD

OXALAGU

Royal Price (Ger) 3c, ex Rhabea (Shalford) Santa Anita, USA, Oct 19, 3yo+ mdn, 1m, \$27,000 B: Dr K Graf

WINNER BY GERMAN BASED SIRE

SEATTLE DANCER

Nishino Maximum (Jpn), 5h, ex Dyna Allege (Dancer's Image)

Tokyo, Japan, Oct 18, 3yo+ allw, 6½f, ¥7,500,000 B: Nishiyama Stud

WINNER BY SWISS BASED SIRE

ARAZI

Superiority (USA), 7g, ex Outstandingly (Exclusive Native) Santa Anita, USA, Oct 18, 3yo+ clm, 1m1f, \$14,400 *B:* Darley Stud Management

WINNER BY NORWEGIAN BASED SIRE

CHEQUER

Black Jet (USA), 3c, ex Parfait Noir (Parfaitement) Philadelphia Park, USA, Oct 19, 3yo+ mdn clm, 7f, \$8,400 *B:* Victoria Racing Stables

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