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BLAME GAME

Four in a row, but first Grade 1, for Stephen Foster Handicap hero Blame

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GRACE 'N FAVOUR

Get set, go . . . Dermot Weld filly Grace O'Malley (second right) lands repeat win in Cork Group 3, while Dariana makes up for Queensland Oaks mishap with Derby success, pages 2-3



CAROLINE NORRIS

BLOODSTOCK WEEKLY PEDIGREE ANALYSIS

Filly's repeat win adds to her sire's big-race tally

GRACE O'MALLEY

Race analysis History repeated itself in the Noblesse Stakes, with Grace O'Malley winning the race by a short head over a John Oxx-trained, Aga Khan-owned rival for the second year in a row.

Last year, aged three, Grace O'Malley won on the back of a maiden win at two and a respectable sixth behind Fame And Glory in the Ballysax Stakes on her seasonal debut.

Between Noblesse Stakes victories she finished fourth to Sariska in the Irish Oaks and disappointed when well beaten in the Listed Trigo Stakes at three, and finished a well-beaten third in two Listed contests at Navan – the Vintage Crop and Blue Wind Stakes – this year.

The Dermot Weld-trained mare seems to reserve her best for Cork, and on Sunday she was tremendously game, making all the running and digging deep to repel the challenge of Karasiyra. Taking on younger rivals, she humped 16lb more than the year-younger runner-up.

Grace O'Malley is in foal to Shamardal, so her racing days are numbered, but not before a planned raid on Haydock next month for the Lancashire Oaks.

Pedigree With Sarafina maintaining her unbeaten record with a smooth victory in the Prix de Diane and Grace O'Malley winning the Noblesse Stakes, it was a fine weekend for Refuse To Bend, a sire whose reputation is finally reviving after his early progeny got him off to a quiet start.

The stallion retired to stud with plenty of positives on his stud card. He is by Sadler's Wells from a fine Moyglare Stud family that has also yielded Belmont Stakes winner Go And Go and Melbourne Cup hero Media Puzzle, and he was a Group 1 winner at two, three and four – in the National Stakes, 2,000 Guineas, Queen Anne and Eclipse Stakes.

His credentials earned him an introductory fee of €20,000 at Darley's Kildangan Stud and he seemed to have public opinion on his side on his initial sales-ring test, with his first crop of yearlings selling (in 2007, at the height of the last decade's bloodstock boom) at an average of 73,445gns.

But few stars emerged during his first two seasons with progeny racing. Grace O'Malley and last year's Preis der Winterkönigin winner Neon Light were the only Group winners, and both were at Group 3 level. First-crop son Liberation, who looked to have the world at his feet when taking apart a decent nursery at Ascot but subsequently regressed, was, until Sarafina won the Diane, the sire's best runner by RPR.

Refuse To Bend's fee had sunk to €12,000 for the 2009 breeding season, and this year he was transferred across the Irish Sea to Whitsbury Manor Stud in Hampshire, where his fee was downgraded again to £5,000 – a price that leaves commercial breeders more elbow room, considering his batch of yearlings last year sold at an average of 14,687gns.

Grace O'Malley was one of Refuse To Bend's pricey first-crop yearlings, having been knocked down to Bobby O'Ryan for 140,000gns at Book 1 of the Tattersalls October yearling sale.

Bred by Hawthorn Villa Stud, she is out of the Darshaan mare Lionne, an unraced three-parts sister to Derby hero Sir Percy by Darshaan and to the dam of last season's Criterium de Saint-Cloud runner-up Mikhail Glinka.

Lionne was purchased as a three-year-old for 25,000gns at the 1999 Tattersalls December sale, and has proved a snip, producing six winners from as many foals. Her previous greatest hits were Listed March Stakes winner Jadalee (by Desert Prince) and smart handicapper Coeur De Lionne (by Invincible Spirit). The mare died last year.



Grace O'Malley (left) gets the better of Karasiyra and company to land her second successive Noblesse Stakes at Cork

Oaks mishap forgiven as leading lady trumps the boys in Derby

DARIANA

Race analysis What a difference a week makes. On Saturday, June 5, Dariana was sent off the 11-4 favourite for the Queensland Oaks at Eagle Farm in Australia, only for her to get her head stuck in the adjacent stall and take no part in the race.

Seven days later, she lined up against colts and geldings for the Queensland Derby and gave a glimpse of what she might have done in the Oaks. She broke well this time, and, after getting all the breaks to weave to the front a furlong from home, stayed on well to win by four and a half lengths from Anabaa gelding Kutchinsky. Miss Keepsake, who had won the Queensland Oaks, was a head further back in third.

Dariana provided her veteran trainer Bart Cummings with his 260th Group 1 win. Her stablemate is Faint Perfume, a daughter of Shamardal who won the Crown Oaks at Flemington, and jockey Michael Rodd, who rode both, drew comparisons between the two after the race.

"She is a different filly to Faint Perfume, who is a bit more brilliant," he said. "Dariana is more your dour staying type and you have to remember she has done this on an interrupted preparation and

that she wasn't rock-hard today."

A tough, workmanlike filly, Dariana could evolve into a credible contender for the 'Cups' – Australia's premier middle-distance and staying prizes, including the prestigious Melbourne Cup – in the next southern-hemisphere season.

Pedigree Timeform was far from glowing in its praise of Irish Oaks first-past-the-post Sorbus at the end of her three-year-old season, although it conceded that she "looked decidedly unfortunate to have the Irish Oaks taken away from her" [she was demoted in favour of Epsom Oaks heroine Fair Salinia by the Curragh stewards], and noted that "she stayed very well and seemed to act on any going".

But the John Oxx-trained filly was inconsistent, finishing second in the Irish 1,000

Guineas then virtually being pulled-up in the Pretty Polly Stakes, finishing runner-up to Fair Salinia in the Yorkshire Oaks but then disappointing again when fifth, sent off the odds-on favourite, in the Park Hill Stakes. She then finished second in the Irish St Leger and flopped again when fourth of six in the Princess Royal Stakes.

Timeform noted that her three-year-old season was a "curate's egg", that the "most obvious characteristic of her racing was her lack of finishing pace", and that she was "no beauty . . . a leggy, rather lightly built filly".

Sorbus's stud career could have no detractors, though. She produced five stakes winners including Klarifi (dam of Derrinstown Derby Trial Stakes scorer Fracas) and, most importantly, Bahamian.

Bahamian, a daughter of Mill Reef who was purchased as a yearling for 310,000gns in 1986 on behalf of

Juddmonte, proved to be of huge importance for Khalid Abdullah's operation. A winner of the Lingfield Oaks Trial, she produced Irish Oaks heroine Wemyss Bight, later dam of Arlington Million Stakes winner and Juddmonte sire Beat Hollow; Coraline, dam of Prix du Cadran winner Reefscape, and Hope, dam of Poule d'Essai des Pouliches winner Zenda and champion sprinter Oasis Dream, now a highly exciting young sire for Juddmonte.

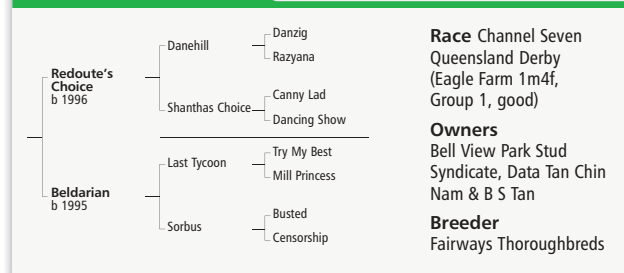
Dariana is out of Bahamian's 1995 daughter by Last Tycoon, Beldarian. Trained by Oxx, Beldarian continued the family's association with the Irish Oaks, finishing fourth to Winona in the race in 1998. She was exported to Australia after her 50,000gns sale at the 2004 Tattersalls December sale, leaving Grade 3-placed Macduff (by Machiavellian) and triple handicap winner Belle Of The Lodge (Grand Lodge) among her northern-hemisphere progeny.

Dariana is another feather in the cap of leading Australian sire Redoute's Choice. This year we will see the fruits of the handful of mares the son of Danehill covered to northern-hemisphere time in 2007. They included Tuesday's narrowly beaten Coventry Stakes runner-up Elzaam.

GRACE O'MALLEY b f 2006



DARIANA b f 2006



BLAME

Race analysis After missing a Triple Crown campaign last year due to a severe abscess on a hind foot, and having to sit on the sidelines for eight months, Blame is making up for lost time.

The Stephen Foster Handicap gave the four-year-old a fourth win in a row and his first top-flight success – but not necessarily his last, if he continues on his steep ascent.

Having recovered from his injury, Blame made hay in an autumn campaign at three, winning the Grade 3 Fayette Stakes in October and then relegating Grade 1 winners Einstein and Misremembered to the places when winning the Grade 2 Clark Handicap in November over the same course and distance as the Stephen Foster.

On his seasonal debut this year, he easily disposed of inferior company in the Grade 3 William Donal Schaefer Stakes. His next assignment, the Stephen Foster, was much tougher: his opponents included seasoned campaigner Arson Squad, last month's Grade 1 Woodford Reserve Turf Classic winner General Quarters, and Battle Plan, who had in turn beaten General Quarters to win the Grade 2 New Orleans Handicap in March.

Blame also had an unfavourable draw, widest of the 11 runners. But he overcame that handicap, sitting in midfield behind trailblazer Battle Plan, and despite having to come into the straight four horses wide, he showed a smart turn of foot to wear down Battle Plan, and on the line had three-quarters of a length to spare over that rival, who filled second place ahead of General Quarters, a further two and three-quarters of a length behind.

The Whitney Handicap, Woodward Stakes and Jockey Club Gold Cup are under consideration for Blame, but the Breeders' Cup Classic – held this year at Churchill Downs – is the long-term target.

Pedigree Blame is a Claiborne Farm product through and through. The Kentucky operation owns him, bred him, and stands his sire, Arch.

Although Arch raced solely on dirt – he won five of seven



Blame records a first Grade 1 success – and extends his unbeaten run to four – in the Stephen Foster Handicap at Churchill Downs

Fast-improver could be arch rival to very best as he makes up for lost time

starts, including the Grade 1 Super Derby at Louisiana Downs – his progeny have performed well internationally on all surfaces.

He has now sired six Group/Grade 1 winners, only two of whom (Blame and Gazelle and Alabama Stakes heroine Pine Island) excelled on dirt: the others flourished on turf – European joint-champion

sprinter Les Arcs, top South African sprinter Overarching, EP Taylor Stakes winner Arravale and Gulfstream Park Breeders' Cup Handicap hero Prince Arch.

Blame is out of the stakes-placed Seeking The Gold mare Liable, a granddaughter of Claiborne's influential broodmare Special via Grade 1-placed Bound, also

dam of globetrotting Group 1 winner Archipenko.

He is Special's seventh top-flight winning female-line descendant, but she features in numerous top-class pedigrees thanks to her son Nureyev (who would have counted as one of her Group 1 winners had he not been disqualified in the 2,000 Guineas) and grandson Sadler's Wells.

BLAME b c 2006



1st CROP YEARLINGS IN 2010
HELIOSTATIC
IMPRESSIVE 2-Y-O WINNER AT THE CURRAGH

- GROUP & LISTED WINNER OF 3 RACES IN IRELAND
- BRED AND TRAINED BY **JIM BOLGER**
- FULL BROTHER TO CLASSIC WINNER **SOLDIER OF FORTUNE**
- HALF BROTHER TO CLASSIC **CONTENDER CARRAIGLAWN**
- 3/4 BROTHER TO GR1 WINNING 2-Y-O **SHOLOKHOV**
- IMPRESSIVE LOOKING SON OF **GALILEO** – SIRE OF **NEW APPROACH, TEOFILIO, RIP VAN WINKLE**
- A 1/2 BROTHER TO **SEA THE STARS**
- **DAM & GRANDAM BOTH LISTED WINNERS**
- **SPEED PEDIGREE** – FAMILY OF **INTENSE FOCUS** (Gr1 Dewhurst S), **EVA LUNA** (Gr1 Phoenix S), **DOUBLE FORM** (Gr1 Prix de l'Abbaye)

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FOLLOWING THE TRADITION OF GR1 SIRES VAL ROYAL, DESERT SUN

OAK LODGE - Classic Breeders

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RACING NOTEBOOK

Priorite gets sire Striking Ambition off the mark

►►Monday, June 7

• **Radharcnafarraige**, who broke her maiden at Naas last month, lands the Group 3 Coolmore Stud Fillies' Stakes at the same track. The Jim Bolger-trained-and-bred filly is by Distorted Humor, sire of recent Belmont Stakes winner Drosselmeyer and the 2003 Kentucky Derby winner Funny Cide.

►►Tuesday, June 8

• On his three-year-old debut, **Poltergeist** justifies long odds-on in division one of the 7f maiden at Salisbury. The Richard Hannon-trained colt is by Invincible Spirit and is a half-brother to Vital Equine, who was second to Cockney Rebel in the 2,000 Guineas.

►►Wednesday, June 9

• A first winner for the narrow Prix de l'Abbaye runner-up **Striking Priorite** makes a winning debut. The gelding was bred at Longdon Stud, where his sire stands, and, like him, is trained by Roger Charlton.

• **Sweetie Time**, racing in the colours of her breeder, the Lordship Stud, wins Haydock's EBF juvenile maiden, her second start. Trained by Michael Bell, she is out of Blessing, an unraced Dubai Millennium granddaughter of top producer Coup De Folie.

►►Thursday, June 10

• A three-parts-sister to Jan Vermeer, the 280,000gns yearling **Together** lands the EBF juvenile fillies' maiden at Leopardstown. Out of the winning Pennekamp mare Shadow Song, Together is by Galileo, whereas the beaten Derby favourite is by Montjeu. Both are trained by Aidan O'Brien.

• **Uphold** is a seven-length winner of division two of Nottingham's 1m maiden. Well beaten on his sole start as a juvenile, Uphold is by Oasis Dream and the first foal of an unraced half-sister to Dewhurst Stakes winner Distant Music and to the dam of top-class sprinter African Rose.

• Musidora Stakes third **Eleanora Duse** bags a Listed win in Newbury's Lord Weinstock Memorial Stakes, in the colours of the late Lord Weinstock's Ballymacoll Stud. The filly, who is trained by Sir Michael Stoute, is by Azamour out of Drama Class, a Listed-placed granddaughter of Sun Princess.

• The maiden fillies' stakes is divided and sees two easy winners, the first division going to **Nouriya** by three lengths. She is a daughter of Danehill Dancer and the first foal of a

Danehill's Dancer's daughter Nouriya wins a Newbury maiden under Ryan Moore



Ecliptic and Ahmed Ajtebi are victorious at Sandown after Toolain (nearside) unships Frankie Dettori

half-sister to the dam of Zafeen. Division two is won by **Mujdeya**, a Linamix filly whose dam is out of a sister to Bahri.

►►Friday, June 11

• **Ecliptic** comes home eight lengths clear of his nearest rival at Sandown, but only after Frankie Dettori is unseated from Toolain inside the final furlong. The Godolphin-owned juvenile is by Kingmambo out of Indy Five Hundred, winner of a Grade 1 handicap in the US and daughter of Nassau Stakes winner Lyphard's Delta.

►►Saturday, June 12

• Bath's novice stakes is won by **Jollywood**, who

follows up her debut win at the track last month. She is a daughter of Coolmore's first-season sire Holy Roman Emperor. **Fifth Commandment** completes a quickfire double for the stallion when he takes the following auction maiden. His dam, Via Milano, is by Singspiel and was fourth in the French 1,000 Guineas.

• Sandown's three-year-old maiden over 1m2f is won by a brother to Septimus, **Channel Squadron**, a 50,000gns yearling trained by Henry Cecil. Septimus won the Dante Stakes, Doncaster Cup and Irish St Leger, and was second in the Coronation

Cup before retiring to stud at Coolmore's jumps division.

►►Sunday, June 13

• **Sarafina**, a Group 1 winner on only her second start last time in the Prix St Alary, extends her unbeaten record to three in the Prix de Diane at Chantilly. The Aga Khan's filly is the sixth foal of her dam Sanariya, and a half-sister to four winners from as many runners. She is a first Classic winner for her sire, Refuse To Bend, who is standing a first season at Whitsbury Manor Stud near Salisbury. Deluxe, the eighth foal of Hasili, is fourth.

• **Grace O'Malley** provides Refuse To Bend with another Group race win as a sire, taking the Group 3 Kerry Group Noblesse Stakes at Cork for a second time. Her dam, the Darshaan mare Lionne, is a three-parts-sister to Sir Percy.

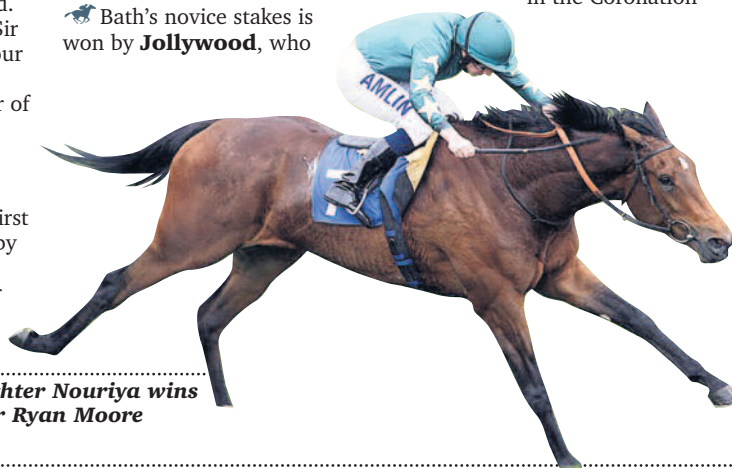
• **Goldwaki** is also unbeaten this season, and the Dalakhani colt, bred in Germany by Wertheimer et Frere, successfully steps up to Group company for the first time in the Prix Du Lys. Trained by Andre Fabre

and out of Goldikova's Group 3-winning half-sister Gold Round, Goldwaki holds an Arc entry.

• The Prix Paul de Moussac goes to **Sormiou**, who becomes the first Group winner by his sire, Califet, himself a Group 2 winner over 1m4f and fourth in Marienbard's Arc. The three-year-old Sormiou is from the second crop of the son of Freedom Cry.

• The Gran Premio Di Milano is won by **Jakkalberry**, a first Group 1 winner for the 2002 Champion Stakes winner Storming Home, who now stands at Darley Japan. Jakkalberry's tally now stands at six wins from ten starts. On the same card, his Intkihab half-brother **Kidnapping** takes the Listed Gran Premio di Italia. Both are out of the Barathea mare Claba Di San Jore and bred by Azienda Agricola Allevamento Deni.

• **Clondinnery** takes the Listed Galtee Rochestown Stakes at Cork. The Ger Lyons-trained colt is by Choisir from the family of Montjeu. **George Kimberley**



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INTERNATIONAL ROUND-UP

May Day Rose the main attraction of Ocala breeze-up

►►USA

OCALA'S June sale of two-year-olds and horses of racing age was topped by a Rockport Harbor juvenile filly, knocked down to trainer Bob Baffert for \$220,000. The filly, named May Day Rose, had breezed three furlongs in 33.6sec.

The sale, which this year was reduced to one day, saw a total of 238 horses sold for \$4,954,100, with the average price of \$20,815 representing an increase of 31 per cent over the \$15,903 average last year when 299 horses grossed

\$4,755,200 over two days.

Out of the unraced dam May Day Bluff, May Day Rose is a half-sister to stakes winner May Day Vow, and their dam is half-sister to high-class Roza Robata. She was consigned by Bridlewood Farm.

The juveniles section achieved 230 sales and an aggregate of \$4,912,100, with the average price of \$21,357 up 29 per cent on last year, and a median of \$15,000, up 66 per cent.

Eight older horses were sold this year for a total of \$42,000, compared to 15 in 2009 for \$58,900.

The Wavertree Stables of Ciaran Dunne consigned a Sharp Humor filly – purchased by Patrice Miller for \$170,000 – who produced the fastest final furlong in the breeze-up, clocking ten seconds flat. Out of Antoinette, by Silver Hawk, she is a half-sister to the stakes winner Excellent Band.

►►SUMMER BIRD, last year's champion three-year-old colt in the USA, will begin his stud career next year at Pauls Mill in Versailles, Kentucky.

The son of Birdstone won three Grade 1s last season – the Belmont Stakes, Travers Stakes and the

Jockey Club Gold Cup – for his trainer Tim Ice.

He was transferred to the Tim Ritchey stable this year, but has not run since finishing fourth to Zenyatta in the Breeders' Cup Classic in November, after failing to recover from a hairline fracture to his off-fore cannon bone.

Summer Bird is out of the Summer Squall mare Hong Kong Squall, who died last month, and hails from the family of leading young sire Tapit.

A fee for Summer Bird, who will stand alongside Artie Schiller, Bellamy Road and US Ranger at

Pauls Mill, will be announced later in the year.

►►Australia

A JUVENILE bonus-race series in Singapore will be started next year to encourage the purchase of Australian racing stock.

Australian marketing body Aushorse, in conjunction with sale companies Inglis and Magic Millions, will launch a seven-race juvenile series worth A\$800,000 (£444,444/€502,222) in Singapore from February to April.

The races will be open to all juveniles trained in Singapore,

but only Australian-sired horses offered for sale through Inglis or Magic Millions will be in contention for a bonus. If any of the races are won by a runner not eligible for a bonus, the sum will carry over to the Aushorse Singapore Golden Horseshoe.

If a non-Australian-sired, or -sold, horse wins the Aushorse Singapore Golden Horseshoe, remaining bonus money will be paid to connections of the Australian-sired and -sold horse who won most prize-money in the series.

George Kimberley

Awesome Epsom foursome...



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2007 Derby hero
AUTHORIZED, left,
now a Darley stallion.

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2008 Derby hero
NEW APPROACH, right,
now a Darley stallion.

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2009 Derby hero
Sea The Stars, by Darley's
CAPE CROSS.

4

2010 Derby hero
Workforce, by Darley's
KING'S BEST.



Every Derby Day is Darley Day!

May 8 The Italian Derby, won by Worthadd, by **Dubawi**.

May 30 The Japanese Derby, won by Eishin Flash, by **King's Best**.

June 5 The Epsom Derby, won by Workforce, by **King's Best**.

June 6 The French Derby, won by Lope De Vega, by **Shamardal**.

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Pressday proves Red Ransom's worth

Australia

BLACK PIRANHA became the first horse to win successive renewals of the Stradbroke Handicap at Queensland racecourse Eagle Farm since New Zealand champion Rough Habit in 1992.

The success is a real family affair: he is conditioned by Con Karakatsanis and was bought, and is part-owned, by the trainer's father, Tony, and brother, John.

Six-year-old gelding Black Piranha is by Clang, a half-brother to Group 1 winner Strategic by Mr Prospector stallion Bellotto, and the first foal of Distinctly North mare Jazztrack, from the family of

Group 1 performers Frequent and Rebel Fire.

Visitors to the Inglis Australian Broodmare Sale in 2006, when Black Piranha was an unraced two-year-old, may be kicking themselves as Jazztrack was led out of the ring unsold at A\$750 (£437, €525).

Red Ransom's importance as a sire of sires, seen in the Oaks at Epsom when his son Intikhab supplied winner Snow Fairy, was evident again in the TJ Smith.

The winner, **Pressday**, is by Red Ransom's son Domesday, and is out of a half-sister to the dam of dual Australian Group 1 winner The Mighty Lions. He hails from the fur-

ther family of Juddmonte's super-broodmare Hasili, dam of five Group 1 winners and Group 1 sire Dansili.

USA

LIFE AT TEN scored a first Group 1 win in the Ogden Phipps Handicap, overcoming a stumble at the start and drawing clear impressively in the home straight to beat Unrivalled Belle by two and three-quarter lengths.

The runner-up spoiled a one-two for sire Malibu Moon, as both the winner and third, Funny Moon, are daughters of the Spendthrift Farm stallion.

Life At Ten was sold for \$35,000 at the Keeneland

September yearling sale and hails from the family of the Grade 2 winners Chimes Band and Freefourinternet.

France

TWO days before Goldikova lined up for the Queen Anne Stakes, her close relation **Goldwaki** fired a warning shot for their outstanding French family with a victory at Chantilly in the Group 3 Prix du Lys.

An Andre Fabre-trained son of Dalakhani, Goldwaki is out of Gold Round, a half-sister to Goldikova by Caerleon.

The family never seems to stop bearing fruit for the Wertheimer family: Gold

Round's third dam, Riviere D'Or, won the Prix Saint-Alary; her fourth dam, Gold River, won the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe; and her fifth dam, Glaneuse, landed the Grand Premio del Jockey Club.

A broodmare proving a more recent revelation is the Head family's Funny Feerie. The 15-year-old daughter of Sillery has, after a slow start to her stud career, risen to prominence thanks to her sons Full Of Gold and Fuisse, who was saddled by Criquelette Head-Maarek to win the Prix du Chemin de Fer du Nord at Chantilly.

Martin Stevens

IRISH-BRED WINNERS OVERSEAS

| Breeder | Winner | Sire | Age/Sex | Dam | Country | Date | Course | Distance | Value | Class |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------|--------------------------|----------------|------|-------------------------|----------|-------------|-------|
| Al Qatami & Hugo Merry, M. | Lord Peter Flint (IRE) | Cadeaux Geneveux | 5 h | Bibi Karam (IRE) | Hong Kong | 6.6 | Sha Tin | 1m | €32,026 | |
| Alca Torri di Canicarao | Mercante di Stelle (IRE) | Orpen (USA) | 4 c | Des Pensees d'Or (USA) | Italy | 13.6 | Corridonia | 1m165y | €1,700 | |
| Allevamento Gialloblu S R L | Lanzo d'Intelvi (IRE) | Fasliyev (USA) | 4 c | Late Bloomer (IRE) | Italy | 12.6 | Siracusa | 6f | €1,700 | |
| Azienda Agricola delle Groane | Royalesce (IRE) | Royal Academy (USA) | 4 c | Acquiesce (GB) | Italy | 7.6 | Varese | 1m2f110y | €3,399 | |
| Azienda Agricola La Morosina | Gardes (IRE) | Xaar (GB) | 5 h | Golden Honor (IRE) | Czech Republic | 13.6 | Velka Chuchle | 1m1f33y | €664 | |
| Azienda Agricola Razza Emiliana Srl | Never Forget Me (IRE) | Numerous (USA) | 3 c | Miss Fortune (FR) | Italy | 12.6 | Siracusa | 1m1f110y | €1,700 | |
| Ballina Stud Ltd | Copreopasso (IRE) | Diamond Green (FR) | 2 c | Fair Weather (IRE) | Italy | 8.6 | Rome | 7f | €5,100 | |
| Barouche Stud Ireland Ltd | Turning Top (IRE) | Pivotal (GB) | 4 f | Pietra Dura (GB) | USA | 5.6 | Hollywood Park | 1m | €25,927 | |
| Boland, R. | Passi di Danza (IRE) | Bertolini (USA) | 5 m | Vampire Queen (IRE) | Italy | 13.6 | Milan | 7f110y | €6,374 | |
| Brosnan, N. | Bush Tucker (IRE) | Choisir (AUS) | 3 c | Queen's Victory (GB) | Hong Kong | 2.6 | Happy Valley | 6f | €32,026 | |
| Byrne, P. | Rey Davis (IRE) | King Charlemagne (USA) | 5 h | San Luis Rey (GB) | France | 11.6 | Lyon-Parilly | 6f165y | €7,000 | |
| Camma S A S di Schiavi | Fiore Del Tibet (IRE) | Medecis (GB) | 5 m | La Segretaria (IRE) | Italy | 9.6 | Milan | 7f110y | €4,250 | |
| Ceka Ireland Limited | Zanyeva (IRE) | Oasis Dream (GB) | 2 f | Drama Club (IRE) | France | 9.6 | La Teste De Buch | 6f | €7,000 | |
| Ceka Ireland Limited | Sidney Girl (GB) | Azamour (IRE) | 3 f | Littleton Arwen (USA) | France | 13.6 | Chantilly | 1m2f110y | €14,000 | |
| Cosgrave, T. | Calamargo (IRE) | Arakan (USA) | 3 c | Rain of Flanders (GB) | Spain | 13.6 | Zarzuella | 1m2f110y | €5,000 | |
| County Down Bloodstock | Cold Corner (IRE) | Monashee Mountain (USA) | 6 h | Formidable Liz (GB) | Italy | 13.6 | Corridonia | 6f165y | €1,700 | |
| Cristina De Luigi | Arcor (IRE) | Almutawakel (GB) | 5 h | Amorous Muse (USA) | Italy | 10.6 | Livorno | 1m1f165y | €1,515 | |
| Dalton, M. | Excelente (IRE) | Exceed And Excel (AUS) | 4 f | Annaletta (GB) | USA | 6.6 | Arlington International | 1m | €9,207 | |
| Di Canicarao, A. C. T. | Roy Alca (IRE) | Royal Applause (GB) | 3 f | Caerou (GB) | Italy | 12.6 | Tagliacozzo | 1m | €2,124 | |
| Donlon, B. | Chousing (IRE) | Choisir (AUS) | 5 m | Some Merit (GB) | USA | 8.6 | Thistledown | 6f | €2,260 | |
| Ferris, B. | Virosbiro (IRE) | Titus Livius (FR) | 8 h | Wheatshaf Lady (IRE) | Hungary | 13.6 | Budapest | 5f | €1,557 | |
| Grangemore Stud | Massyaf (IRE) | One Cool Cat (USA) | 2 c | Vanitycase (IRE) | Spain | 10.6 | Zarzuella | 6f | €4,000 | |
| Grogan, J. | Mr Divot (IRE) | Masterful (USA) | 4 c | Miss Divot (IRE) | Italy | 10.6 | Livorno | 1m3f55y | €1,700 | |
| Haras De Bourgeauville | Tuning Mozart (GB) | Mozart (IRE) | 7 g | Tuneful Nine (USA) | France | 10.6 | Maisons-Laffitte | 7f | €7,500 | |
| Harty, E. P. | Corcovada (IRE) | Captain Rio (GB) | 3 f | Misty Mountain (IRE) | Italy | 6.6 | Milan | 7f | €23,800 (L) | |
| Hayes, Mrs P. | Fondente (IRE) | Arakan (USA) | 3 f | Aesaro (IRE) | Italy | 13.6 | Corridonia | 1m165y | €3,399 | |
| Hinojosa, F. | Letteratura (IRE) | Danehill Dancer (IRE) | 4 f | Petite Rose (IRE) | France | 10.6 | Maisons-Laffitte | 6f | €11,000 | |
| Irish, J. | Black Captain (IRE) | Captain Rio (GB) | 4 c | Love Giulia (GB) | Italy | 7.6 | Naples | 7f110y | €4,250 | |
| Kennedy, Miss Yvonne | Pisag (IRE) | City On A Hill (USA) | 6 h | Onyx Flyer (GB) | Denmark | 4.6 | Copenhagen | 1m4f | €1,313 | |
| King, G. J. | Special Melany (IRE) | Exceed And Excel (AUS) | 2 f | Delta Blues (IRE) | Italy | 12.6 | Siracusa | 6f | €4,250 | |
| Kurt, M. | Erkintay (IRE) | Tambulot (TUR) | 3 f | Mirror's Secret (TUR) | Turkey | 4.6 | Istanbul | 1m1f110y | €10,506 | |
| Kurtel, A. | Invincible Son (IRE) | Orpen (USA) | 4 c | Safe Exit (FR) | Turkey | 2.6 | Istanbul | 1m | €29,067 (L) | |
| M3 Elevage & Haras d'Etreham | San Martin (GB) | Oasis Dream (GB) | 3 c | Suedoise (GB) | France | 8.6 | Le Lion D'Angers | 1m2f | €13,000 | |
| Maddenstown Equine Enterprise Ltd | Giovane Avvoltoio (IRE) | Refuse To Bend (IRE) | 2 c | Bella Miranda (GB) | Italy | 12.6 | Siracusa | 6f | €2,124 | |
| Malard, Ms F. | Sirena (IRE) | One Cool Cat (USA) | 3 f | Sylflore (FR) | Switzerland | 13.6 | Avenches | 6f110y | €2,598 | |
| Mc Cann, J. | Clashnacree (IRE) | Footstepsinthesand (GB) | 3 c | Miss Moore (IRE) | Hong Kong | 2.6 | Happy Valley | 6f | €43,555 | |
| McDonnell, D. | Miss Ely (IRE) | Refuse To Bend (IRE) | 2 f | Hello Mary (IRE) | Italy | 11.6 | Naples | 5f | €2,549 | |
| Minch Bloodstock | Ghostmilk (IRE) | Golan (IRE) | 6 m | Thermopylae (GB) | Australia | 9.6 | Sandown Hillside | 7f | €11,528 | |
| Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd | Acceptance Speech (IRE) | Daylami (IRE) | 5 g | In Anticipation (IRE) | Cyprus | 2.6 | Nicosia | 5f | €2,058 | |
| Murphy, Miss M. | Golden Fong (IRE) | Dr Fong (USA) | 3 c | PeepToe (IRE) | Italy | 12.6 | Tagliacozzo | 1m2f165y | €1,700 | |
| Newberry Stud Company | Caparo (IRE) | Selkirk (USA) | 9 h | Rivana (GB) | Australia | 5.6 | Cloncurry | 6f | €2,856 | |
| O'Byrne, J. | Anuquet (IRE) | Choisir (AUS) | 4 c | Sweet Cicely (IRE) | Italy | 9.6 | Milan | 1m | €7,649 | |
| Purcell, P. | Tadiryne (IRE) | Catcher In The Rye (IRE) | 5 m | Tadita (FR) | Italy | 11.6 | Naples | 1m110y | €4,675 | |
| Rathasker Stud | Convidada (IRE) | Trans Island (GB) | 3 f | Provacatrice (USA) | Spain | 13.6 | Zarzuella | 1m | €5,000 | |
| Razza D Pian D Lago F Di Marciarella | Giolitti (IRE) | Good Reward (USA) | 2 c | Gal O Gal (USA) | Italy | 10.6 | Livorno | 5f | €4,250 | |
| Reynolds, P. | Shajee (IRE) | Elusive City (USA) | 4 g | Nagida (GB) | Cyprus | 2.6 | Nicosia | 6f | €3,783 | |
| Ri. Ma Srl | Skipper Game (IRE) | Rob's Spirit (USA) | 5 m | Miss Mollipenny (IRE) | Italy | 7.6 | Naples | 1m2f | €2,549 | |
| Ri. Ma Srl | Spirito Gaio (IRE) | Bound For Honour (USA) | 5 h | She's So Lovely (GB) | Italy | 8.6 | Rome | 1m2f110y | €3,399 | |
| Rossella Schiesaro | Laila Ashamal (IRE) | Orpen (USA) | 3 f | Macroy of San Jore (GER) | Slovakia | 13.6 | Bratislava | 1m | €750 | |
| Ryan, Mrs M. | Mr Island (IRE) | Trans Island (GB) | 5 h | Coffeeburn (IRE) | Italy | 12.6 | Tagliacozzo | 6f165y | €2,124 | |
| Schulte, Dr K. | Quenled (IRE) | Dashing Blade | 5 h | Dapprima (GER) | Germany | 13.6 | Cologne | 1m3f | €2,400 | |
| Scuderia Miami | Fuengirola (IRE) | High Chaparral (IRE) | 3 f | Elitage (IRE) | Italy | 8.6 | Rome | 1m | €2,549 | |
| Soto De Algete SA | Carmanor (GB) | Slip Anchor | 4 c | Menta (SPA) | Spain | 13.6 | Zarzuella | 1m4f | €6,000 | |
| Stall CBD | Mon Rose (IRE) | Sholokhov (IRE) | 4 f | Megaperls (GER) | Germany | 9.6 | Leipzig | 1m1f55y | €1,800 | |
| Stimola & Vito Colonna, G. | Musica Nova (IRE) | Soviet Star (USA) | 2 f | Seyooll (IRE) | Italy | 11.6 | Naples | 7f | €7,224 | |
| Swettenham Stud | Zemlinsky (IRE) | Galileo (IRE) | 4 c | River Missy (USA) | Italy | 13.6 | Livorno | 1m3f55y | €4,250 | |
| Tower Bloodstock | Pirate Ship (IRE) | Hawk Wing (USA) | 4 g | Mona Stella (USA) | Macau | 4.6 | Taipa | 7f110y | €12,379 | |
| Tucker, Miss M. | Birra Rossa (IRE) | Daggers Drawn (USA) | 3 c | Manucrin (GB) | Italy | 7.6 | Naples | 1m1f | €2,124 | |
| Veitch, D. and Mrs D. | Dom Julian (IRE) | Touch of The Blues (FR) | 4 c | Playa Del Sol (IRE) | Spain | 10.6 | Zarzuella | 5f110y | €4,500 | |
| Villa Dosia S R L | Ul Zincarlin (IRE) | Definite Article (GB) | 7 h | Flying Petrel (USA) | Italy | 13.6 | Corridonia | 1m2f165y | €2,974 | |
| Waldron, Dr J. | Moonglas (IRE) | Verglas (IRE) | 3 c | Montana Miss (IRE) | Czech Republic | 13.6 | Velka Chuchle | 7f | €664 | |

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Eagle Farm

12 Jun 2010

4.45 Racetree T J Smith (Group 1) (2yo) (Turf) 1m

For: 2-y-o 1st £180,555.56 2nd £55,555.56 3rd £27,777.78 4th £11,111.11 5th £5,555.56

- 1 PRESSDAY 3 8-11** Nash Rawiller
b c by Domesday-Kaaptive Empress (Kaaptive Edition (NZ))
(Chris Waller) **9/4F**
- 2 1/4 RINGA RINGA ROSIE 3 8-7** Chris Munce
b f by Bradbury's Luck-La Guiche (Al Hareb (USA))
(Bevan & Richard Laming) **3/1**
- 3 1/2 AMERICAN CREW 3 8-11** Damien Oliver
b g by Stratum-Beauty World (Danehill Dancer (IRE))
(Chris Waller) **16/1**

Also: 4th SHADOWS IN THE SUN 5^{1/4} ADEBISI 6^{1/2} ZACHARY 7^{1/2} RUN FOR LEVI 8th LEVI'S CHOICE 9^{1/2} MONTREUX JAZZ 10th SMOKIN' JOEY 11^{1/2} UMANOVA 12th STARCHEKA 13th BIG CHANCE 14^{1/2} TURNITUP 15^{1/2} FASHION 16^{1/2} IF IT CAN IT WILL 17th PLAYACTION 18^{1/2} DEMANDING MISS
18 ran TIME 1m 35.09s

OWNER: C J Waller, A M Muollo Et Al; BRED: Rd See

TRAINER: Chris Waller in Australia

TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (NSW TAB - all including au\$1 stakes): WIN 3.30 PLACE 1.60, 1.80, 6.70 DF 6.80 SF 13.90

Eagle Farm

12 Jun 2010

6.10 Channel Seven Queensland Derby (Group 1) (3yo) (Turf) 1m4f

For: 3-y-o 1st £180,555.56 2nd £55,555.56 3rd £27,777.78 4th £11,111.11 5th £5,555.56

- 1 DARIANA 4 8-7** Michael Rodd
b f by Redoute's Choice-Beldarian (IRE) (Last Tycoon (GB))
(Bart Cummings) **4/1**
- 2 4/2 KUTCHINSKY 4 8-11** Craig Newitt
b g by Anabaa (USA)-My First Zabeel (Zabeel (NZ))
(Tony Noonan) **9/4F**
- 3 hd MISS KEEPSAKE (NZ) 4 8-7** Chris Munce
b f by Keeper-Jacilo (NZ) (Entrepreneur (GB))
(Andrew Scott) **7/1**

Also: 4^{1/2} KEYORA (NZ) 5^{3/4} BRIGHTNIGHT (NZ) 6th SIR TIME KEEPER (NZ) 7th SANDERSON 8th FAVOURS TRADED 9th THE HOMBRE 10^{1/2} FIELDMASTER (NZ) 11^{1/2} RACING HEART 12th ROCKET TO RIO (NZ) 13th MARHETA 14th FACE THE FRONT 15^{1/2} ARVAN 16^{1/2} LET THEM HAVE IT 17th CABEZA (NZ) 18^{1/2} BLUEYS WAY
18 ran TIME 2m 26.49s

OWNER: Bell View Park Stud Syndicate, Data Tan Chin Nam &

BRED: Fairway Thoroughbreds

TRAINER: Bart Cummings in Australia

TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (NSW TAB - all including au\$1 stakes): WIN 4.90 PLACE 2.20, 1.70, 2.70 DF 10.00 SF 23.70

Eagle Farm

12 Jun 2010

6.50 AAMI Stradbroke Handicap (Group 1) (3yo+) (Turf) 7f

For: 3-y-o and up 1st £366,666.67 2nd £111,111.11 3rd £55,555.56 4th £22,222.22 5th £11,111.11

- 1 BLACK PIRANHA 7 8-10** Nash Rawiller
b g by Clang-Jazztrack (Distinctly North (USA))
(Con Karakatsanis) **20/1**
- 2 shd MELITO 4 8-2** Corey Brown
bb f by Redoute's Choice-Cloister (Marauding (NZ))
(Gerald Ryan) **9/2**
- 3 hd MIC MAC 5 8-7** Shane Scriven
b g by Statue Of Liberty (USA)-Amandine (Tertian (USA))
(Paul Messara) **20/1**

Also: 4th BEADED 5^{1/4} ALBERT THE FAT 6th CULMINATE (NZ) 7th KING MUFHASA (NZ) 8^{1/2} MR BARITONE (NZ) 9th PHELAN READY 10th SHELLSCRAPE 11th WHOBOGOTYOU 5/2F 12th CATAPULTED 13th GRACEFUL ANNA 14th LATIN NEWS 15^{1/4} GHETTO BLASTER 16^{1/2} ORTENSIA 17^{1/2} RED LORD 18th RUSSETING
18 ran TIME 1m 21.16s

OWNER: J Karakatsanis, F Kazzi Et Al; BRED: Mrs G Karakatsanis

TRAINER: Con Karakatsanis in Australia

TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (NSW TAB - all including au\$1 stakes): WIN 19.60 PLACE 5.00, 2.60, 5.90 DF 65.10 SF 135.10

Belmont Park

12 Jun 2010

7.36 Ogden Phipps Handicap (Grade 1) (3yo+ Fillies & Mares) (Dirt) 1m1/2f

For: 3-y-o and up 1st £92,592.59 2nd £30,864.20 3rd £15,432.10 4th £7,716.05 5th £4,629.63

- 1 LIFE AT TEN 5 8-4** J R Velazquez
ch m by Malibu Moon-Rahrahsixboombah (Rahy)
(Todd Pletcher) stumbled leaving stalls but soon in front,
quicken when pressed 2f out, drew clear final 300yds **23/10**
- 2 2/4 UNRIVALED BELLE 4 8-7** K Desormeaux
rg f by Unbridled's Song-Queenie Belle (Bertrando)
(William Mott) chased leader, challenged 2f out, unable to
quicken final 300yds **13/20F**
- 3 hd FUNNY MOON 4 8-5** A Garcia
ch f by Malibu Moon-Fun Crowd (Easy Goer)
(Christophe Clement) raced in 3rd, kept on one pace final 2f
31/10

Also: 4^{1/2} MANITOBA MISS (CAN) 5^{3/4} PUMPKIN SHELL
5 ran TIME 1m 40.72s

OWNER: Cynthia Debartolo; BRED: Nickelback Farm

BLOODSTOCK WEEKLY INTERNATIONAL

Churchill Downs

12 Jun 2010

10.29 Stephen Foster Handicap (Grade 1) (3yo+) (Dirt) 1m1f

For: 3-y-o and up 1st £241,646.30 2nd £77,950.62 3rd £38,975.31 4th £19,487.65 5th £11,691.98 6th £4,146.30 7th £4,146.30 8th £4,146.30 9th £4,146.30 10th £4,146.30

- 1 **BLAME 4 8-8** G K Gomez
b c by Arch-Liable (Seeking The Gold)
(Albert Stall Jr) held up in midfield, headway 2f out, led final 110yds, ran on well 39/10
- 2 ^{3/4} **BATTLE PLAN 5 8-7** J J Castellano
b h by Empire Maker-Flanders (Seeking The Gold)
(Todd Pletcher) 2nd early but soon led, kicked on straight, headed final 110yds, no extra 19/10F
- 3 ^{2 1/4} **GENERAL QUARTERS 4 8-8** A Solis
rg c by Sky Mesa-Ecology (Unbridled's Song)
(Thomas R McCarthy) chased leader, outpaced 2f out, stayed on again final furlong 15/2

Also: 4¹ GIANT OAK 5¹⁰ DEMARCATION 6² ARSON SQUAD 7^{2 1/4} A. U. MINER 8^{1/2} DUKE OF MISCHIEF 9^{1/2} HONEST MAN 10^{1 1/2} MACHO AGAIN 11^{6 1/2} NO ADVANTAGE

11 ran TIME 1m 49.37s
OWNER: Adele B Dilschneider & Claiborne Farm; BRED: Claiborne Farm & Adele B Dilschneider
TRAINER: Albert Stall Jr at North America
TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (all including \$2 stake): WIN 9.80; PLACE (1-2) 4.20, 3.40; SHOW (1-2-3) 3.00, 3.20, 4.00; SF 30.00

Chantilly

13 Jun 2010

1.35 Prix Du Lys (Group 3) (3yo Colts & Geldings) (Turf) 1m4f

For: 3-y-o 1st £35,398.23 2nd £14,159.29 3rd £10,619.47 4th £7,079.65 5th £3,539.82

- 1 **GOLDWAKI (GER) 3 8-11** Olivier Pestier
b c by Dalakhani (IRE)-Gold Round (IRE) (Caerleon (USA))
(A Fabre) backmarker from start, switched wide in straight, ridden 1 1/2f out, quickened well, grabbed lead 100yds out, ran on well 6/4F
- 2 1 **MASHOOR 3 8-11** Maxime Guyon
b c by Monsun (GER)-Gontcharova (IRE) (Zafonic (USA))
(A Fabre) raced in 4th from start, held that position into straight, ridden 2f out, quickened well, grabbed lead 1f out, headed 100yds out, ran on well 3/1
- 3 ^{2 1/2} **LE LARRON (IRE) 3 8-11** Gerald Mosse
gr c by High Chaparral (IRE)-Mare Aux Fees (GB) (Kenmare)
(A de Royer-Dupre) raced in 2nd from start, 3rd into straight, grabbed lead briefly 1 1/2f out, outpaced, stayed on well final furlong 9/2

Also: 4¹ PRIZEFIGHTING (USA) 5¹ LAMOOOL (GER) 6³ INTO WAIN (USA)
6 ran TIME 2m 31.40s (slow by 2.40s)

OWNER: Wertheimer & Frere; BRED: Wertheimer & Frere
TRAINER: A Fabre at Chantilly, France

TOTE WIN (incl. 1 euro stake): 1.80. PLACES: 1.30, 1.40. SF: 4.00

Chantilly

13 Jun 2010

3.04 Prix De Diane (Group 1) (3yo Fillies) (Turf) 1m2 1/2f

For: 3-y-o 1st £404,530.97 2nd £161,840.71 3rd £80,920.35 4th £40,424.78 5th £20,247.79

- 1 **SARAFINA 3 9-0** Christophe-Patrice Lemaire
b f by Refuse To Bend (IRE)-Sanariya (IRE) (Darshaan (GB))
(A de Royer-Dupre) settled in 6th, took closer order straight, challenged on outside to lead approaching final furlong, ran on well 5/4F
- 2 ^{1 1/2} **ROSANARA 3 9-0** Gerald Mosse
gr f by Sinnidar (IRE)-Rosawa (Linamix)
(A de Royer-Dupre) raced in 7th, moved closer inside final 2f, switched outside horses 350yds out, stayed on under pressure to take second final 110yds 4/1
- 3 ^{1 1/2} **SANDBAR (GB) 3 9-0** Olivier Pestier
b f by Oasis Dream (GB)-Shifting Sands (Hernando)
(F Rohaut) raced in 8th, ridden to make headway 2f out, went 3rd 1 1/2f out, kept on under pressure 6/1

Also: 4¹ 1/2 DELUXE (USA) 5¹ ZAGORA 6⁸ A MEDIA LUZ 7^{2 1/2} VALASYRA 8¹⁰ HEAVEN'S VAULT (IRE) 9² BRIDGE OF PEACE (GB)
9 ran TIME 2m 7.80s (fast by 0.20s)

OWNER: H H Aga Khan; BRED: S.A. Aga Khan
TRAINER: A de Royer-Dupre at Chantilly, France

TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (all including 1 euro stakes): WIN 1.70 (combined with Rosanara and Valasyra); PLACE 1.10, 1.70, 1.50; DF 7.80; SF 8.10

Chantilly

13 Jun 2010

3.50 Prix Paul De Moussac (Group 3) (3yo Colts & Geldings) (Turf) 1m

For: 3-y-o 1st £35,398.23 2nd £14,159.29 3rd £10,619.47 4th £7,079.65 5th £3,539.82

- 1 **SORMIOU 3 8-10** Alexandre Roussel
b c by Califee-Melodya (Great Palm (USA))
(C Diard) raced towards rear from start, ridden 2f out, switched towards rail, quickened well 1 1/2f, out, came through to lead 100yds out, ran on well 20/1
- 2 1 **BLUE PANIS 3 8-10** Thierry Thulliez
b c by Panis (USA)-Rhapsody In Blue (Bering (GB))
(F Chappet) led from start and still in front entering final furlong, ran on well but caught and headed final 100yds 18/1

- 3 ^{snk} **EMERALD COMMANDER (IRE) 3 8-10** Mickael Barzalona
b c by Pivotal (GB)-Brigitta (IRE) (Sadler's Wells (USA))
(Saeed Bin Suroor) raced in 3rd, ridden 1 1/2f out, wandered left, ran on well when straightened, outpaced inside final 100yds 9/4F

Also: 4¹ RAMBLE ON 5¹⁰ FALLEN IDOL (GB) 6¹ CHASING HALOS (USA) 7² NOBLE ALPHA (IRE) 8¹⁰ FORETELLER (GB)
8 (sn) TIME 1m 37.10s (slow by 3.10s)
OWNER: Maurice Aubry; BRED: Unknown
TRAINER: C Diard in France
TOTE WIN (incl. 1 euro stake): 18.30. PLACES: 4.00, 4.70, 3.00. DF: 58.90. SF: 147.80

Cologne

13 Jun 2010

4.00 Oppenheim-Union-Rennen (Group 2) (3yo) (Turf) 1m3f

For: 3-y-o 1st £53,097.35 2nd £18,584.07 3rd £8,849.56 4th £4,424.78 5th £2,212.39 6th £1,327.43

- 1 **ZAZOU 3 9-2** T Hellier
b c by Shamardal (USA)-Zaza Top (Lomitas (GB))
(Mario Hofer) settled in midfield travelling smoothly, switched wide entering straight, quickened well to grab lead entering final furlong, ran on strongly to win comfortably 21/10
- 2 2 **LINDENTREE (GB) 3 9-2** Yann Lerner
ch c by Dai Jin (GB)-Lindenblute (GB) (Surumu)
(W Hickst) backmarker from start, made move early in straight, ran on well to lead 1 1/2f out, caught entering final furlong, ran on well but no match for winner 174/10
- 3 2 **BASCHAR (GB) 3 9-2** A Helfenbein
b c by Starcraft (NZ)-Belle Et Deluree (USA) (The Minstrel (CAN))
(M G Mintchev) raced towards rear, ran on well in straight, stayed on well but no threat to first two 206/10

Also: 4¹ NEXT HIGHT (IRE) 5¹⁴ SCALO (GB) 4/5F 6⁵ NORDFALKE (IRE) 7⁴ WHEREDREAMSARE (GB)
7 ran TIME 2m 18.10s
OWNER: Wh Sport International; BRED: Gestut Fahrhof
TRAINER: Mario Hofer in Germany
TOTE WIN (incl. 10 euro stake): 31. PLACES: 16, 28, 30. SF: 408

Chantilly

13 Jun 2010

4.25 Prix Du Chemin De Fer Du Nord (Group 3) (4yo+) (Turf) 1m

For: 4-y-o and up 1st £35,398.23 2nd £14,159.29 3rd £10,619.47 4th £7,079.65 5th £3,539.82

- 1 **FUISSSE 4 8-11** Christophe-Patrice Lemaire
b c by Green Tune (USA)-Funny Feerie (Sillery (USA))
(Mme C Head-Maarek) chased leaders, 3rd straight, ridden inside final 2f but did not quicken immediately, ran on under pressure inside final furlong to lead 100yds out 5/2J

- 2 ^{3/4} **VERTIGINEUX 6 8-11** Philippe Sogorb
b h by Nombre Premier (GB)-Very Gold (Goldneyev (USA))
(Mme C Dufreche) raced in midfield, 5th straight, ridden and every chance when short of room 1f out, ran on strongly final 100yds 9/1

- 3 ^{1/2} **SLICKLY ROYAL 6 8-11** Anthony Crastus
b h by Slickly-Royal Bride (Garde Royale (GB))
(P Demercatel) always prominent, swept through on rail to lead 3f out, 3 lengths clear straight, ridden and wandered 1 1/2f out, headed and no extra final 100yds 25/1

Also: 4¹ ELUSIVE WAVE (IRE) 5/2J 5¹⁰ SWEET HEARTH (USA) 6¹ 1/2 FREMINIUS (GER) 7¹ NUMEROLOGIE 8¹⁰ BORDER PATROL (GB) 9¹⁵ KONIG BERNARD 10⁸ RECTANGULAIRE
10 ran TIME 1m 36.90s (slow by 0.90s)

OWNER: Haras Du Quesnay; BRED: Alec & Mme Ghislaine Head
TRAINER: Mme C Head-Maarek at Chantilly, France

TOTE PARI-MUTUEL (all including 1 euro stakes): WIN 1.90 (coupled with Rectangulaire); PLACE 1.30, 2.40, 3.80; DF 9.00; SF 6.90

San Siro

13 Jun 2010

5.00 Gran Premio Di Milano (Group 1) (3yo+) (Turf) 1m4f

For: 3-y-o and up 1st £119,469.03 2nd £52,566.37 3rd £28,672.57 4th £14,336.28

- 1 **JAKKALBERRY (IRE) 4 9-7** F Branca
b c by Storming Home (GB)-Claba Di San Jore (IRE) (Barathea (IRE))
(E Botti) settled in rear, headway entering straight to track leaders, no room 2 1/2f out and switched right to challenge between horses, ran on well entering final 1 1/2f to challenge leader, led final furlong and soon went 1 length up, always holding 2nd 174/10
- 2 ^{3/4} **GETAWAY (GER) 7 9-7** A de Vries
b h by Monsun (GER)-Guernica (GB) (Unfuwain (USA))
(J Hirschberger) broke well, steaded to track leaders in 4th, progress entering final 3 1/2f to challenge for lead, ridden and a length clear entering final 2f, challenged and no extra when passed by winner entering final furlong, stayed on 27/20F
- 3 ^{3 1/4} **CAMPANOLOGIST (USA) 5 9-7** Frankie Dettori
b h by Kingmambo (USA)-Ring Of Music (GB) (Sadler's Wells (USA))
(Saeed Bin Suroor) broke well and tracked leaders until entering straight, progress to challenge for lead 3f out, hard ridden final 2 1/2f, no impression on two leaders, stayed on final furlong 13/5

Also: 4^{2 1/2} QUIJANO (GER) 5^{2 1/2} ESTEJO (GER) 6¹⁰ SANT'ANTONIO 7^{2 1/4} HEEDAS (GB) 8^{3/4} PERMESSO (GB) 9¹⁰ VOILA ICI (IRE) 10¹⁰ SEUL BLUE
10 ran TIME 2m 29.60s

OWNER: Effevi; BRED: Azienda Agricola Allevamento Deni
TRAINER: E Botti in Italy

TOTE WIN (incl. 1 euro stake): 18.41. PLACES: 2.11, 1.29, 1.47. DF: 108.14

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Victoire a fine advert for Taroka

By Cathal Beale

LAST weekend's racing served as an appetiser to the action at Royal Ascot this week, with the feature race at York on Saturday, the Reg Griffin Memorial Trophy Handicap, taken in good style by Victoire De Lyphar. Bred by Monica Hackett in Ireland, the Bertolini gelding was sold as a foal by the County Kildare-based Taroka Stud.

Victoire De Lyphar was winning for the second time this season and for the third time in four tries over 6f for trainer David Nicholls. He was bought as a foal for €62,000 at the Goffs November breeding-stock sale in 2007.

"He was foaled here at Taroka but he belonged to Monica Hackett, of Hackett's Bookmakers," says Taroka Stud owner Francois Drion. "We thought he was a very nice foal and he had a tremendous walk, which made him a real pinhookers' horse."

"His sire was also particularly hot at that time and, with that in mind, we thought it best to strike while the iron was hot and we sold him on."

"His dam, Victory Peak, is by Shirley Heights but she seems to get speedy and precocious stock. Her Exceed And Excel four-year-old, Global City, won a good



Francois Drion, owner of Taroka Stud in County Kildare

handicap at the Dubai Carnival this year for Godolphin over six furlongs and one of her daughters, Sweet Afton, was Listed-placed over five furlongs as a two-year-old. Victory Peak has a lovely Elusive City filly at foot and is in foal to Amadeus Wolf."

Drion established Taroka Stud on the Curragh eight years ago, having been brought up around horses at the Aga Khan's Studs in Ireland.

"My father, Ghislain, was the manager there and we were lucky enough to be around great horses like Shergar and Shahrastani growing up."

"My father always believed that horses needed a low-stress environment to really prosper. This is something I have tried to

carry on in so far as I can.

"The difference is that this is a commercial entity, so I have had to adapt things along the way as well. Where he was trying to produce a good racehorse, we're trying to produce or pinhook a sales horse who will, hopefully, be a good racehorse."

As well as consigning yearlings, Taroka Stud boards a number of mares from France and Britain as well as breeding their own mares. "We have a lot of contacts in France and we now race a few National Hunt horses there."

"They're bred in France where National Hunt stallion fees make a lot more commercial sense than in Ireland, are broken here and sent back to France to race for the superior prize-money. The market

for proven horses there is very strong," adds Drion.

Drion's main focus, however, remains on improving the quality of the Flat stock. "We consign horses mainly for the premier sales and have reduced our numbers in the past few years to try to concentrate on quality stock."

"Where possible, we try to prep along the French or American lines by keeping the horses out at night and in during the day. However, in the past two summers the weather here has made this impossible."

"We always keep the colts in separate paddocks but we keep the fillies turned out together because they need that close contact with each other. Every horse is lunged in long reins and the odd few are driven as well," says Drion.

With the impending yearling sales season drawing closer, Drion is looking forward to a number of nice prospects. "We have a smashing Teofilo half-sister to Stimulation, who we bred here. Teofilo looks like being a top sire, combining the best elements of Galileo and Danehill and this filly is very athletic with a great mind. We have another nice filly by Dark Angel out of Greek Symphony and a very attractive Green Desert half-sister to Tariq."

'People were able to buy horses at realistic prices'

QUICK QUESTIONS

Gerry Hogan, bloodstock agent and Goffs representative

Last week's Goffs Land Rover Sale showed solid returns - do you think the tide has started to turn in terms of bloodstock sales? The aggregate was up, so I think it has. People were able to buy horses last week at realistic prices. Great credit must go to the vendors, as they were prepared to sell their horses at the current market price and provided a very good level of trade.

You purchased ten horses last week - what attracts buyers to this sale? The first thing is the lure of trying to select a horse to run in the Land Rover Bumper, which offers fantastic prize-money and an opportunity for owners to hit the jackpot. Moreover, there's always a good, athletic bunch of horses who are proper

racing types. Over the years I've also had plenty of luck there.

Has there been a noticeable shift from National Hunt vendors in the way they are now preparing their horses for sales? I asked the vendor of every horse I went to see about their preparation and about 99 per cent said they had already had breaking tack on them. It was noticeable that, in general, horses didn't carry as much weight and were much more forward than usual. This is a great help to the purchaser and, again, vendors deserve a lot of credit.

How was the introduction of two-year-old horses to the sale received by buyers? I think it will grow in the next few years. There was a lot of interest shown in the horses there and they sold well. It's a step forward and will work in time because people want to get a handle on their horses from an early age to mould them as they'd like.

Gerry Hogan: 'Great credit must go to the vendors'



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Family tradition for student with 'horses in my blood'

Student Focus

Featuring members of the Irish National Stud breeding course. This week, Raza Shehzad

RAZA SHEHZAD hails from Hyderabad in India, where his father, Shehzad Abbas, is a leading trainer and also ran the successful Deccan Stud operation for a number of years. Shehzad has been pupil-assistant trainer to his father since 2005 and has also played polo at a national level.

"Horses are in my blood", says Shehzad. "My father is a trainer at home and won the Derby last year with Sparks and also in 2006 with Man Of The Match."

Shehzad's uncle, Zeyn Mirza, is also involved in the racing industry. "My uncle is the managing director of United Racing & Blood Stock Breeders, which is the bloodstock entity of leading owner Dr Vijay Mallya." Shehzad has undoubtedly been influenced by his relatives and is following in his uncle's footsteps by coming to the Irish National Stud.

"My uncle completed the course in 1984 with John Durkan and Dr John Veale and always spoke very highly about it. It's a great course and is a brilliant foundation for anyone who wants to get into the industry and meet people from all over the world."

Since arriving at the stud,



Raza Shehzad: has both training and breeding ambitions

Shehzad has been impressed. He says: "It has been a wonderful experience so far. I have learned an incredible amount from all of the yard foremen."

"I think the most important thing I've learned here is to become more professional and to always have a good work ethic."

Future plans are fluid for the 24-year-old. "I would hope to stay on in Ireland for the next six months if possible. It would be great to work the yearling sales with a consignor or a bloodstock agent," he says.

"There's a great trade relationship between India and Ireland and I would like to

continue learning about the industry here. In the long term, I would like to train racehorses and, hopefully, breed a few mares also."

Shehzad was impressed with Workforce's winning performance in the Investec Derby, but also suggests that third home Rewilding could be worth following for the remainder of the season.

"I think it will be very interesting to see Workforce step up and take on the older horses later in the year. I also thought Rewilding ran a cracker in the Derby, considering he looked to get unbalanced on the turn and really flew home at the finish."