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FREDDIE HEAD HANGS UP HIS RIDING BOOTS

After partnering his father Alec Head's colt Marathon (Diesis {GB}), trained by his sister Criquette Head, to win yesterday's listed Prix de Tourgeville at Deauville, France's six-time champion jockey Freddie Head announced his retirement from the saddle, effective immediately. "I had to make the decision one day and I felt the time was right," said Head, who after making the announcement treated his fellow riders to champagne in the weighing room. "I am so pleased to have won today in the red colors made famous by my grandfather and my father. I'm 50-years-old, in full health and I've won everything I can in France as well as overseas. But I am not leaving racing. I am going to start a training career now. As a rider I was always critical of trainers, so now the jockeys can criticize me." In a superb career, Head became the voungest rider to win the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe when successful at the age of 19 on his trainer and grandfather Willie Head's Bon Mot in 1966; he later went on to ride three more Arc winners--San San, Ivanjica and Three Troikas. He rode more French Group 1 winners than any rider in history, and was aboard Miesque when she posted back-to-back victories in the Breeders' Cup Mile in 1987 and 1988.

SARATOGA SALES RESULTS At yesterday's Fasig-Tipton Saratoga Horses of Racing Age and Two-Year-Olds in Training Sale, 38 horses of racing age were sold for a total of \$417,400 and an average of \$10,984. The average price was up 37.8 percent from last year's sale when 53 horses sold for a total of \$422,500 and an average of \$7,972. The sales topper of the horses of racing age portion of the auction was hip number 431 The three-year-old colt, named Mountain Miner (Mr. Prospector), was consigned by Hollywood Racing Stable I and brought a final bid of \$55,000 from Art Preston. During the two-year-olds in training portion of the sale, 32 horses were sold for a total of \$651,400 and an average of \$20,356. At last year's sale, 28 two-yearolds sold for \$207,500 and an average of \$7,411. The top-priced two-year-old was hip number 524, a grey colt by Personal Hope--Icy Yew, by Plugged Nickle. The two-year-old, consigned by Wavertree Stables (Ciaran Dunne), agent, brought a final bid of \$80,000 from Michael L. Catalano, Jr.

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Yesterday, Deauville, France:

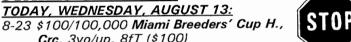
PRIX DE TOURGEVILLE, \$41,993, Deauville, France, 8-12, 3yo, c/g, 1mT, 1:42.40, gd.

- 1--#MARATHON, 123, c, 3, Diesis (GB)--Most Precious (SW-Fr & MG1SP-Fr), by Nureyev. O-A Head; B-Societe Aland (KY); T-Criquette Head; J-F Head; \$22,612. *1/2 to Matiara (G1-Fr & N.A., \$847,974, by Bering {GB}) and Precious Ring (SW-Fr, \$109,201, by Bering {GB}).
- 2--Fly To The Stars (GB), 123, c, 3, Bluebird--Rise And Fall (GB), by Mill Reef. \$7,753.
- 3--Keep Playing (Fr), 128, c, 3, Highest Honor (Fr)--Playing For Keeps (Ire), by Royal Match (GB). \$5,814. Margins: 1 1/2, 1 1/2, short head.

PRIX DE REUX, \$41,993, Deauville, France, 8-12, 3vo/up, 12f 110vdsT, 2:42.10, gd.

- 1--KALDOUN CHOICE (FR), 121, c, 3, Kaldoun (Fr)--Sagace's Choice, by Sagace (Fr). (\$18,681 yrlg '95 GFNOV) O-M Clifford; B-Mr Habib Namour; T-Rouget Collet; J-D Boeuf; \$22,612.
- 2--L'Africain Bleu (Fr), 133, c, 4, Saint Cyrien (Fr)--Afrique Bleu Azur, by Sagace (Fr). \$7,753.
- 3--Tango Bop (Fr), 119, c, 3, Fijar Tango (Fr)--Chesnebop (Fr), by R B Chesne (GB). \$5,814. Margins: 1/2, 1, 1 1/2.

<u>STAKES CLOSINGS</u>



- Crc, 3yo/up, 8fT (\$100) 8-24 \$1,000,000 Arlington Million-GI, AP,
- 3yo/up, 10fT (\$50,000s)
- 8-24 \$500,000 **Beverly D.-GI, AP**, 3yo/up, f/m, 9.5fT (\$25,000s)
- 8-24 \$100/50,000 Arlington Breeders' Cup Sprint, AP, 3yo/up, 6f (\$100)
- 8-31 \$150/100,000 **Niagara Breeders' Cup-GIII, Wo**, 3yo/up, 12fT (\$250)

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Today, Saratoga Racecourse:

SARATOGA SPECIAL-GII, \$150,000, 2yo, 61/2

Ρ	P HORSE	TRAINER	JOCKEY	ODDS
1	Favorite Trick	Byrne	Day	6-5
2	Fortunate Halo	Mendez	Santos	30-1
3	Hitech	Zito	Smith	6-1
4	K.O. Punch	Lukas	Stevens	7-5
5	Case Dismissed	Vella	Sellers	4-1
6	Torgan	Rice	Migliore	30-1
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Favorite Trick (Phone Trick), one of three undefeated colts in the race, is four-for-four lifetime and comes into this effort off of a 4½-length triumph in the GIII Bashford Manor June 28. Also undefeated is **Case Dismissed** (Known Fact), a winner of his debut at Woodbine June 29 and the July 12 GIIC Colin S. Completing the undefeated trio, **K.O. Punch** (Two Punch) seeks his fourth straight win after taking the GIII Hollywood Juvenile Championship by two lengths July 20.

(News cont.)

CHARITY DOG SHOW TO BE HELD AUGUST 19

AT SARATOGA The annual dog show to benefit the Thoroughbred Retirement Foundation will be held in Saratoga Race Course's paddock area at 1 p.m. Tuesday, August 19. The fee is \$15 per dog. Spectators are requested to make donations to the TRF, which cares for retired racehorses at Wallkill, New York and at the Charles Hickey Jr. school for wayward youths in Maryland. The theme for this year's show is "Come Bark on the Ark," and blue ribbons will be awarded for various canine talents, best costumes and the famous look-alike contest where dogs will be disguised as Ark Animals. Two humorous gentlemen have agreed to judge the event: Deejay Joe Gallagher from Schenectady's WGY-AM and Sports Channel horse racing host Harvey Pack, Julie Krone, Angel Cordero Jr. and Chris Antley will present the prizes. Celebrities from the racing world who plan to enter their dogs include trainers Jonathan Sheppard, 1995 grand prize winner; John Kimmel; Stanley Hough; and Tom Skiffington. Jockeys Eddie Maple, Richard Migliore and Jerry Bailey are veterans on this particular circuit.

CANADIAN BREEDERS SALES CATALOGS OUT

The Canadian Breeders' Sales Catalogues are now available. The sale gets underway on Tuesday, September 2 at 5 p.m. Among the sires who will be represented at the sale are Black Tie Affair (Ire), Bold Ruckus, Dehere, Marquetry and Regal Classic. For more information call (416) 674-1460.

BORN IN THE USA

BREEDERS' CUP JUVENILE WINNERS BROCCO AND UNBRIDLED'S SONG HEADING DOWN UNDER IN 1997

New York

Local News, New York:

MSW **Goldminer's Gold** (Crafty Prospector) will stand at the Stallion Park in Millbrook, New York. The fiveyear-old stallion captured the '96 Kennedy Road S. at Woodbine and '96 Detroit Race Course Breeders' Cup Sprint H. in a career of five wins from 11 starts and earnings of \$205,109. Goldminer's Gold is owned by a partnership headed by Frank Stronach and James Iselin. His stud fee will be announced in September.



Local News, Woodbine:

C.C. On Ice (Hansel) worked five furlongs in 1:02 3/5 over the E.P. Taylor Turf course yesterday and will probably start next in the Aug. 17 GIC Breeders' S.

Yesterday's Results:

1st-DEL, \$23,000, Msw, 2yo, 5½f, 1:07 1/5, ft. +PETE'S TWO O SIX (c, 2, Tank--Sister to Bea, by Baederwood), a \$2,300 FTMDEC weanling and \$30,000 FTMSEP yearling, was made the 3-5 favorite in his debut. The bay colt went wire-to-wire for a 4 3/4-length win. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$13,800.

O-New Farm. B-Corbett Farm (Md). T-Perkins Benjamin.



Local News, Kentucky:

The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders' Association announced that Glenye Cain will join its Lexington, Kentucky headquarters as director of communications and member services.

Local News, Churchill Downs:

LeRoy Neiman's official 1997 Kentucky Derby poster "Derby Day Paddock" has been selected as one of 20 Kentucky products to be featured on the QVC Shopping Network's "The '97 Quest for America's Best - 50 in 50 Tour." The poster will be available for purchase during QVC's telecast from the Owensboro River Park Center, Wednesday, August 20 from 4-7 p.m.

A # will distinguish first-time stakes-winners, a @ will indicate first-time graded stakes-winners, a + will denote winners who are first-time starters, an (S) will be used for state-bred races, a (C) will be used for maidenclaiming races, and an (R) will be used for other restricted races.

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AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN ENGLAND:

Absolute Utopia, g, 4, Mr. Prospector--Magic Gleam (G2-Eng, G1SP-Fr, \$206,668), by Danzig. Bath, 8-12, Mile Maiden H., 3yo/up, 1mT, \$4,734 to winner. O-M T Lawrence; B-Gainsborough Farm (Ky); T-N E Berry.

Local News, England:

Trainer Jeremy Noseda, who has been conditioning horses in Southern California, has decided to return to Britain to train. Noseda, who played a key part in the establishment of the Godolphin Team, has completed the purchase of Paul Kelleway's Shalfleet Stable in Newmarket, England and plans to have his first runners on the all-weather tracks this winter. "Looking back, coming to America was probably a wrong decision," he said. "I know now that Britain is where my heart and ambitions lie."

Local News, South Africa:

The four-year-old colt London News (SAf) (Bush Telegraph {SAf}) has won his second straight Horse of the Year title in South Africa. Owned by Laurie and Jean Jaffee and trained by Alec Laird, London News travelled to Hong Kong and Europe this year after winning both the G1 Queen's Plate and G1 J & B Met in his homeland. In April, he triumphed in the Queen Elizabeth II Cup at Hong Kong's Sha-Tin Racecourse, carrying top weight and breaking the track record. He then shipped to England, where he ran third to champion Bosra Sham in the G1 Prince Of Wales' S. at Royal Ascot. He has since returned to South Africa, where he will be aimed at repeat victories in the Queen's Plate and J & B Met.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-DEL, \$31,000, Opt. Clm. (\$50,000), 3yo/up, 1m, 1:37 4/5, ft.

WHOMSOEVER PROUD (g, 7, Proud Truth--

Whatonamer, by Verbatim) Lifetime Record: 37-12-4-6, \$333,048. O-Schickendanz Bruno. B-Darby Dan Farm & Paul Tackett (Ky). T-Allen Iwinski.

7th-DEL, \$29,400, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. SAND AND STARS (c, 3, Fortunate Prospect--Tarps Appeal, by Proud Appeal) Lifetime Record: 16-4-3-0, \$73,608. O/B-Scott Young (FL). T-Gene A Lotti Jr. 5th-DEL, \$29,200, 3/up, f/m, a1 1/16T, 1:43 2/5, fm. ABSOLUTELY QUEENIE (f, 4, Lugnaquilla (Ire)--Absolute Value {MSP, \$104,205}, by Tumiga) Lifetime Record: SW, 30-4-6-6, \$120,963. O-Terry D Lovelace. B-Sharon B. Clark (MD). T-Bessie S Gruwell.

6th-DEL, \$27,200, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 4/5, ft. GOT A CRUSH (f, 4, Allen's Prospect--Glowing Ardour (GB) {GSW-Ire}, by Dancing Brave) Lifetime Record: SP, 12-3-4-2, \$68,957. O-Augustin Stable. B-George Strawbridge Jr. (PA). T-Jonathan E Sheppard.

7th-PRM, \$24,507, (S), 3/up, a1m70yd, 1:43 4/5, gd. CONTINENTAL PRINCE (h, 6, Chateaubay--Letgomama, by Insurance Charlie) Lifetime Record: MSW, 41-9-7-6, \$131,332. O-Conyers Cindy Sue & Patzner Robert. B-Don Beatty (IA). T-William F Conyers.

7th-PRM, \$24,507, 8-11, (S), 3/up, f/m, 1m, 1:39, my. STALKER MISTRESS (m, 5, Royal Pavilion--Worthy Mistress, by Master Derby) Lifetime Record: SW, 22-9-3-3, \$123,281. O-Joy Kirkpatrick. B-C. Konecne & Tim Stalker (IA). T-Gary E Paulson.

8th-PHA, \$22,400, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:05 2/5, ft. SWELL AIN'T I (f, 4, Swelegant--Lennie's Ruffian, by T. Brooke) Lifetime Record: 24-9-5-0, \$104,829. O-Plumstead Stables. B-Raimondo Schiano Di Cola (PA). T-Robert J Seeger.

9th-PHA, \$20,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10, ft. ISLAND EMPEROR (c, 4, Island Whirl--Alizea, by Premiership) Lifetime Record: MSW, 13-9-1-0, \$169,580. O-Stephanie Zavolas. B-Donna M. Wormser, Inc. (FL). T-Emmanuel Tzortzakis.

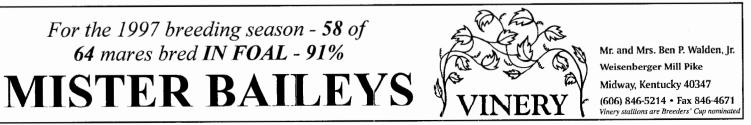
6th-PRM, \$18,733, 8-11, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:11 4/5, my. BAY TARGET (h, 7, Bold Target--My Bay {SP}, by Levant) Lifetime Record: 42-11-3-4, \$66,043. O-Kelly Mark & Olson Rick. B-Ray Nacke (IA). T-James A Wilke.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Docs Plan, c, 2, Dr. Danzig--Clusterplan (SP), by Dickens Hill (Ire). PRM, 8-12, 5 1/2f, 1:06 2/5. B-Rasmussen Sandra (Ia).

Rematch, c, 2, Fit to Fight--Slate, by Quack. ELP, 8-12, (C), 1m, 1:40 2/5. B-Cella Charles J (Ky). *1/2 to Mustique (Strawberry Road {Aus}), MSW, \$162,772.

- Empery's Whirl, c, 2, Island Whirl--Empery's Dream (MSP), by Kris S.. PRM, 8-12, 5 1/2f, 1:06 1/5. B-Timber Creek Farm (Ia).
- + Pete's Two O Six, c, 2, Tank--Sister to Bea, by Baederwood. DEL, 8-12, 5 1/2f, 1:07 1/5. B-Corbett Farm (Md). *\$2,300 wlng '95 FTMDEC; \$30,000 yrl '96 FTMSEP.





Money Madam, f, 3, A.P. Indy--Mesabi, by Minnesota Mac. ELP, 8-12, 1 1/8mT, 1:49 3/5. B-Gainesway Thoroughbreds Ltd (Ky). *½ to Funistrada (Fappiano), GSW, \$479,404; Wakonda (Fappiano), MSW, \$415,400.

+ Evening Char, f, 3, Fuzzy--Charbon Risque, by Bold Reason. RKM, 8-11, 6f, 1:13 3/5. B-Skaggs S G (Ky).

- High Gun Ryder, c, 3, High Brite--Pop Pop B. B. Gun (MSW, \$166,878), by Red Ryder. DMR, (C), 8-11, 6f, 1:10 3/5. B-Dodd L (Ky). *\$14,000 yrl '95 KEESEP.
- Golden Gordie, c, 3, Noon Prospect--Golden Credit Card, by Golden Act. TDN, (S), 8-11, 1 1/16m, 1:50 2/5. B-Claridon Farm West Inc (Oh).
- Erin Go Bragh, f, 3, Obraztsovy--Lucky Gaelic, by Gaelic Dancer. DMR, (C), 8-11, 6 1/2f, 1:19. B-Old English Rancho (Ca).
- Glen of Aherlow, f, 3, Rubiano--Box Office Gold (GSW, \$211,801), by Dixieland Band. DEL, 8-12, (C), 5 1/2f, 1:06 3/5. B-W S Farish & John J Greely III (Ky). *\$52,000 yrl '95 KEESEP.
- Mea Slew, f, 3, Slew City Slew--Wondrous Me (MSW, \$110,775), by My Dad George. ELP, 8-12, 1 1/8mT, 1:48 2/5. B-Joseph Allen & J D Santen (Ky). *\$15,500 wlng '94 KEENOV.
- Pleasant Wait, f, 4, Keycolony--Wait Up, by Baldski. TDN, (S), 8-11, 6f, 1:13 4/5. B-Francosky J (Oh).

SIRE RANKINGS IN JAPAN

(Through July 27, 1997)

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SIRE SUNDAY SILENCE	RNRS 124	WNRS 57	\$ EARNINGS \$19,068,783
(by Halo) BRIAN′S TIME	82	24	\$12,034,552
(by Roberto) TONY BIN (IRE)	116	44	\$ 9,094,123
(by Kampala {GB}) NORTHERN TASTE (by Northern Dancer)	77	25	\$ 5,546,407
AMBER SHADAI (JPN) (by Northern Taste)	63	20	\$ 5,422,249
JADE ROBBERY (by Mr. Prospector)	90	28	\$ 5,032,390
DANCING BRAVE (Lyphard)	49	22	\$ 4,312,049
REAL SHADAI (by Roberto)	85	25	\$ 4,194,562
NIHON PILLOW WINNER (by Steel Heart)	61	18	\$ 4,131,985
SAKURA YUTAKA-OH (by Tesco Boy)	63	19	\$ 4,035,912

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Woodman	Ку	9
Danzig	Ку	8
Silver Deputy	Ку	8
Cozzene	Ку	7
Gone West	Ку	7
Miswaki	Ку	6
Mr. Prospector	Ку	6
Mt. Livermore	Ку	6
With Approval	Ку	6
Black Tie Affair (Ire)	Ку	5
Broad Brush	Ку	5
Capote	Ку	5 5 5 5 5 5 5
Carson City	Ку	5
Forty Niner	Jpn	5
Lear Fan	Ку	5
Lord Avie	Ку	5 5 5 5 5
Nureyev	Ку	5
Regal Classic	Ont	5
Strawberry Road	dead	5
Two Punch	Md	5
Valid Appeal	FI	5

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THIS WEEK IN RACING HISTORY...

August 16, 1930...Triple Crown winner Gallant Fox was beaten by 110-1 shot Jim Dandy in the Travers S. at Saratoga.

August 16, 1954...Native Dancer concluded his 22-race career with a victory in the Oneonta H., a non-betting exhibition at Saratoga, winning by nine lengths under 137 pounds.

August 16, 1965...Jockey Johnny Longden rode his 6,000th winner, Prince Scorpion, at Exhibition Park in British Columbia.

August 16, 1972...Secretariat won his first stakes race, the Sanford S. at Saratoga. The time of 1:10 for six furlongs was the fastest of the meet.

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WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES by Alan Porter

AWAD (h, 7, Caveat--Dancer's Candy, by Noble Dancer {GB})

In the most recent edition of EQUIX Pix, the newsletter of the Equix Biomechanics organization, we were intrigued by an article titled "Dominant Clusters in the Gene Pool." The section which particularly struck us was the one which read, "...in fact, there is an argument ready to be made that certain European genetic clusters which appear to be outcrosses and which have led to the identification of certain sire lines and sire families, may have indeed prospered by opportunity in North America because they were mated to a basic American racehorse whose primary physical "being" was more compatible to these imports than to others. The imported clusters to which we refer have as their loci Phalaris, Teddy and The Tetrarch among stallions and Lady Josephine and La Troienne among mares."

The article goes on to enlarge on this concept by pointing out that genetic affinities between apparently unrelated strains are frequently the result of an accumulation of successful nicks from a bygone age such as Fair Play/Rock Sand and Phalaris/Chaucer.

Last weekend provided another demonstration of the phenomenon in the shape of Saturday's GI Sword Dancer Invitational H. victor Awad. The seven-year-old is a son of Belmont S. winner Caveat. When we examine the pedigree of Caveat, we find that his granddam Turn to North has an extremely interesting pedigree. In the male line, her grandsire is Royal Charger, who is by a son of Pharos out of a mare by Solario. In the female line, her granddam is Straight Path, who is bred on the reverse cross, being by a son of Solario out of a Pharos mare.

Awad is out of a mare by the much-traveled Noble Dancer, who was bred in England and raced there at two, then campaigned with much success in Norway. Brought to the U.S. at the age of five, he captured nine graded stakes events over the space of the next three seasons, including two runnings of the GI United Nations H. Noble Dancer's third dam Rose Bay Willow is by a son of Fairway (brother to Pharos) out of a mare by Solario and is very closely related to both Royal Charger and Straight Path. What's more, Noble Dancer is inbred 4x4 to Owen Tudor, who is by a son of Gainsborough (sire of Solario) out of a mare by Pharos.

A superficial look at the pedigree of Awad shows the only ancestor to appear in the first five generations of the sire and dam is Princequillo, who Awad has 6x5. However, if we think in terms of "genetic clusters" or "genetic relatives," we can note the related Royal Charger, Straight Path, Owen Tudor and Rose Bay Willow (all combining Pharos/Fairway and Gainsborough) appear 5x5x6x6x5. The potential impact of these ancestors is increased by the fact that Royal Charger and Straight Path are 2x2 in Turn to North and Owen Tudor (twice) and Rose Bay Willow are 4x4x3 in Noble Dancer. We can't leave Awad without noting another pair of genetic relatives, Mahmoud and Abernant. This pair are grey grandsons of Mumtaz Mahal, Mahmoud out of a Gainsborough mare and Abernant by a grandson of Gainsborough (Caveat is inbred to Mahmoud -- Noble Dancer goes back to Abernant in male line). Mahmoud is represented in Caveat's pedigree through his broodmare sire, The Axe II, and it is worth noting that The Axe II crossed with Abernant mares sire stakes winners Al Hattab and Pantomime.

PEDIGREE SHORTS

Saturday's Florida Stallion Stakes (Desert Vixen Division) winner Nancy's Glitter (f, 2, Glitterman--Starfire Voyage, by Fire Dancer) has now taken her last three starts by a total of almost 20 lengths. There are some noteworthy connections in the center of this pedigree. Glitterman is out of a mare by In Reality and Nancy's Glitter's broodmare sire Fire Dancer is out of top racemare Forward Gal. Intent, the grandsire of In Reality, is by a son of War Admiral out of a mare by Bubbling Over, as is Busher, who appears in Forward Gal's pedigree. Then, to go with the double of Bubbling Over, Forward Gal's sire Native Charger has as his third dam Blonde Belle, a sister of Bubbling Over.

We have been wondering how Silver Deputy, who is out of a Mr. Prospector mare, might fare when crossed back on to Mr. Prospector line stallions to give Mr. Prospector 3x3 or 3x4. The first stakes winner bred that way which we can recall appeared last weekend when **Princess Willow (f, 2, Silver Deputy--Broadway Boogie, by Fappiano)** won Saturday's Ellis Park Debutante S. For good measure, Princess Willow also has Northern Dancer 4x4, the sources being Vice Regent and Nijinsky II.

Kentucky Derby winner Strike the Gold is on the board with a stakes winner in his first crop of twovear-olds. This is Saturday's Tah Dah S. winner Strikingperfection (f, 2, Strike the Gold--Attend to Detail, by Full Out), who has the three-quarters relatives Your Host and Determine (both by Alibhai out of Mahmoud mares) 5x5. A similar cross was the reason behind the affinity between Gummo (dam by Determine) and Windy Sands (son of Your Host) which produced Golden Act, Painted Wagon and Out of the East, Dixieland Band, who carries Determine, has worked well with Graustark and His Majesty, who are out of Your Host's three-parts sister Your Hostess, this cross producing Devoted Brass, Jambalaya Jazz, Dixie Pearl, Rampart Road, Stark South, and by a son of Dixieland Band, Urbane.

Rapidly developing into one of the best turf threeyear-olds around is Fantastic Fellow (c, 3, Lear Fan-Chateaubaby, by Nureyev), winner of Sunday's GIII La Jolla Mile. Fantastic Fellow follows French Champions Verveine and Loup Solitarie as the third stakes winner by Lear Fan out of a Nureyev mare, a mating which gives Lt. Stevens and his sister Thong 3x4.