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GRAND LODGE COLT SETS TATTERSALLS

RECORD Tattersalls October Yearling Sale got off to a rousing start Tuesday in Newmarket, England, when hip number 216, a colt from the first crop of 1993 European Champion Two-Year-Old **Grand Lodge** (Chief's Crown) sold for a sale's record opening day price of \$323,000. Consigned by Lodge Stud and out of the Irish River (Fr) mare Atyaaf, the colt was sold to Gordon Smyth three-quarters of the way through the first session of the five-day sale. The colt will be trained by Newmarket handler Pip Payne. The very next lot into the ring, hip number 218, consigned by Willie Carson's Minster Stud, became the highest-priced filly at the session when John Gosden signed the ticket for her at \$149,000. The yearling is by Selkirk--Awtaar, by Lyphard. Overall, 245 yearlings sold for a total of \$6,614,870 and an average of \$26,999. The gross increased nine percent from the corresponding session in 1996, while the average edged up one percent. The median dropped eight percent to \$20,400. "This was a highly satisfactory opening day of trading," remarked Tattersalls Marketing Manager Jimmy George. "The fact that we broke the opening day record must augur well for trading later on in the week."

LAUREL OPENS TODAY

Racing returns to Maryland today after a six-week respite during Colonial Downs's inaugural season, with the opening of Laurel Park's 1997 Fall Meeting. First post time is 1:10 p.m. The opening day feature is the \$50,000 Park Heights S. for fillies and mares going six furlongs on the turf. This Saturday will be Maryland Million Day, featuring eleven state-bred stakes with a first post time of 12:30. Other highlights of the stakes schedule include the October 25 GIII Martha Washington S., the November 1 GIII Laurel Futurity, November 2 GIII Selima S., November 4 GIII Laurel Dash, November 8 GIII Laurel Turf Cup, Nov. 27 GIII Anne Arundel S. and Nov. 29 GIII Carousel S.

STAKES CLOSINGS

TOMORROW, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16:

10-18 \$200/50,000 **Oak Tree Breeders' Cup Mile-GIII, SA, 3yo/up, 8fT (\$10,000s)**

10-18 \$200,000 **Oak Leaf-GI, SA, 2yo, f, 8f (\$10,000s)**

10-19 \$1,000,000 **Canadian International-GI, Wo, 3yo/up, 12fT (\$50,000s)**

10-19 \$300,000 **E.P. Taylor-GII, Wo, 3yo/up, f/m, 10fT (\$15,000s)**



Saturday, Newmarket, England:

DUBAI CHAMPION S.-G1, \$646,204, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT

Epsom Derby winner **Benny The Dip** (Silver Hawk) has been confirmed as a definite starter in the Dubai Champion S. Following the Group 1 event, the three-year-old colt will head to Hollywood Park for the Nov. 8 Breeders' Cup Turf. His trainer John Gosden said Tuesday, "It has been the plan all season long to finish in England in the Champion Stakes and then end his career in the Breeders Cup." Benny The Dip is scheduled to enter stud at Claiborne Farm in Paris, Kentucky in 1998.

Trainer Michael Stoute confirmed yesterday that Dubai World Cup winner **Singspiel (Ire)** (In the Wings {GB}) will miss the Dubai Champion S. and will head directly to the Nov. 8 Breeders Cup Turf. "There was always a question about him going for the Champion Stakes and then the Breeders Cup, but now he is definitely being aimed at the Breeders Cup," Stoute said.

Singspiel's owner Sheikh Mohammed al Maktoum will be represented in the Dubai Champion S. by his supplementary entrant **Stowaway (GB)** (Slip Anchor {GB}). The three-year-old colt, winner of the G2 Great Voltigeur S. at York August 19, was a last minute absentee from last month's Doncaster St Leger due to a minor injury.

Trainer Michael Stoute will be represented in the Dubai Champion S., a race he has never won, by 1996 Breeders Cup Turf winner **Pilsudski (Ire)** (Polish Precedent), most recently runner-up in the Oct. 5 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. Stoute said, "Pilsudski has taken his race in the Arc well and the ground at Newmarket will not bother him. Michael Kinane will ride."

Also expected to line up for the Dubai Champion S. is the dual Irish Classic winner **Desert King (Ire)** (Danehill). In his last start Sept. 13, the three-year-old colt was second, beaten 4 1/2-lengths by Pilsudski, in the G1 Irish Champion S. at Leopardstown.

(News cont.)

KENTUCKY DERBY DRAW CHANGE? The Kentucky Racing Commission approved a request by Churchill Downs to change the method by which post positions are drawn for the Kentucky Derby, according to track senior vice-president Alex Waldrop. The innovation could be in place by next year's Kentucky Derby. In the proposed system, a blind draw would determine in what order connections would choose post positions for their horses. "The draw for post positions in the Kentucky Derby is one of the most dramatic moments of Derby Week and this experiment could make the event even more exciting," said Thomas H. Meeker, President and Chief Executive Officer of Churchill Downs.



◆ NEW YORK ◆

Local News, Belmont Park:

On the work tab yesterday: **Dowty** (Irish River {Fr}), working towards Saturday's GI Turf Classic Invitational, breezed five furlongs in 1:02 2/5 over the fast main track...**Joustabout** (Apalachee) breezed a half-mile in :48 3/5 in preparation for Sunday's GI Frizette...**Shoop** (Double Sonic), questionable for Sunday's GI Beldame, breezed a half-mile in :49...**Runup the Colors** (A.P. Indy) went five furlongs in 1:00 3/5. The GI Alabama S. winner will probably make her next start in the GIII Churchill Downs Distaff Nov. 8...**Mil Kilates** (Gold Alert) worked five furlongs in 1:00 Monday.

◆ EAST ◆

Local News, Woodbine:

Crown Attorney (Silver Deputy) worked a half-mile in :46 Tuesday in preparation for Sunday's GI Canadian International.

CORRECTIONS: **Heckofaralph** (Young Ralph) was incorrectly listed as an allowance winner in Sunday's TDN. Heckofaralph was actually the winner of the \$29,700 Bidding Proud H. at Calder.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

Brave Reward, c, 2, **Lear Fan**--A Tad Better, by Northern Prospect. Leicester, 10-14, EBF Reference Point Maiden S., 2yo, c/g, 7fT, \$5,459 to winner. O-Saeed Suhail; B-Warner L Jones Farm Inc & W S Farish III; T-Michael Stoute. *\$90,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV; \$160,000 yrlg '96 KEESEP.

Social Charter, c, 2, **Nureyev**--Aunt Pearl, by Seattle Slew. Leicester, 10-14, Wymeswold Conditions S., 2yo, 7fT, \$7,299 to winner. O-R E Sangster; B-Swettenham Stud; T-Peter Chapple-Hyam.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNER IN FRANCE:

+ **Palatial Affaire**, f, 2, **Kingmambo**--Party Cited (GIII, \$377,943), by Alleged. Toulouse, 10-13, Prix de Clermont-le-Fort, 1mT, \$6,561 to winner. O-Gary Tanaka. B-Gary Tanaka & Bull Market Stables. T-J C Rouget. *third winner for freshman sire.

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◆ MIDWEST ◆

Local News, Lexington, Kentucky:

The Thoroughbred Owners and Breeders' Association has announced the election of owner-breeder John H. Bell III as a Trustee Emeritus. Bell--owner of Jonabell Farm and Cromwell Bloodstock in Lexington--was elected by a unanimous vote of the TOBA Executive Committee in recognition of his many years of service to the organization. Bell joins fellow TOBA Trustees Emeriti Penny Chenery, Fred W. Hooper, Bayard Sharp, Shirley Taylor, Alfred G. Vanderbilt and Jacques Wimpfheimer.

◆ SO. CALIFORNIA ◆

Local News, Santa Anita:

Rainbow Dancer (Fr) (Rainbow Quest), winner of Sunday's GI Oak Tree Turf Championship lost a shoe and part of his hoof during the race, trainer Jenine Sahadi reported yesterday. "This Sunday, (jockey Alex Solis) said to me, 'He didn't switch leads, but he was going so fast, I didn't really care.' Turns out he lost a shoe and that was why," Sahadi explained. "My blacksmith is going to see if he can put a glue-on shoe on, because we lost the part where we can put a nail on, so we're going to see what we can do." Plans still call for Rainbow Dancer to start next in the Breeders' Cup Turf.

Helmsman (El Gran Senor), second in the Woodbine Mile in his last start, worked five furlongs Tuesday at Hollywood Park in 1:00. The five-year-old will start next in the Breeders' Cup Mile...**Sharp Cat** (Storm Cat) worked five furlongs in 1:00 3/5 Tuesday and will start in Sunday's GII Lady's Secret Breeders' Cup H...**Souvenir Copy** (Mr. Prospector) went five furlongs in :59 and will use Sunday's GII Norfolk S. as a springboard to the Breeders' Cup Juvenile.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

8th-DEL, \$36,400, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:09 4/5, ft. **MAKE ME CONQUER** (m, 5, **Ruler's Conquest**--**Make Happen**, by **Anticipating**) Lifetime Record: MSW, 25-11-7-2, \$238,915. O/B-William M. Rickman (FL). T-Steven R Brown.

8th-MED, \$27,000, Opt. Clm. (\$40,000), 3yo/up, 6f, 1:09 2/5, ft.

WILLING TO COPE (h, 5, **Copelan**--**Willing 'n Waiting** {SW}, by **Villamor**) Lifetime Record: 22-8-3-4, \$122,185. O/B-Red Oak Stables (FI). T-Gregory Sacco.



3rd-HAW, \$26,040, 3/up, f/m, 1 1/16mT, 1:43 3/5, gd. A KISS AWAY (f, 3, Cozzene--N. C. Goldust, by Gold Stage) Lifetime Record: 8-2-3-1, \$48,860. O-Emerald Ridge Farm & Letto N & V. B-Christine Janks & Barry Janes (IL). T-Christine K Janks.

7th-DEL, \$25,800, 3yo/up, a1m70yd, 1:42 3/5, ft. ROAD SODA (c, 3, Trapp Mountain--Incubus, by Iron Ruler) Lifetime Record: 25-4-5-1, \$52,040. O-Mario Maurizio. B-George Sr. & Karen Russell (FL). T-D Day.

5th-DEL, \$25,400, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:10 4/5, ft. TOOTS'S TONYA (f, 3, Mining--Toots La Mae {SW}, by Danzig Connection) Lifetime Record: 5-2-0-1, \$31,650. O/B-Someday Farm (PA). T-Robert W Camac.

8th-HAW, \$22,000, (S), 3yo/up, 1mT, 1:37, gd. JOLEUR (h, 5, L'Enjoleur--Aces Court {MSP, \$113,473}, by Know Your Aces) Lifetime Record: 32-6-4-4, \$67,702. O/B-Carl F Short (IL). T-Ricky Short.

7th-HAW, \$22,000, 3yo/up, 6f, 1:10 2/5, ft. MOUNT LEMON (c, 3, Sunny's Halo--Lettuce Miss {SP}, by Al Nasr (Fr)) Lifetime Record: 13-4-2-2, \$59,734. O-Asiel Stable. B-Q Fund Thoroughbreds (KY). T-R Hazelton.

6th-HAW, \$21,000, 3yo/up, 7 1/2fT, 1:30 4/5, gd. POURMEACOOLONE (g, 3, Pleasant Tap--Petcoke, by Giboulee) Lifetime Record: 13-2-8-1, \$71,415. O-Frank C Calabrese. B-Phil & Evelyn Owens, Et Al. (KY). T-Britt A McGehee. * 1/2 to Sian's Gold (Java Gold), Ch. Sprinter/Stayer/Horse of the Year-Trinidad, MSW-Tri.

MAIDEN WINNERS:

Lucky Paws, f, 2, Storm Boot--Now Account, by Private Account. WOX, (C), 10-13, 5f, :58 2/5. B-Mcmillin Brothers & J Devaney (Ky). *\$8,500 yrl '96 FTKOCT. **Sixth winner for freshman sire (by Storm Cat).

Matt's Revenge, c, 3, Bold Josh--Annie's Gift, by Pay Tribute. MED, 10-14, (S), 6f, 1:11 2/5. B-Cain M (NJ).

Kristys Song, f, 3, Love That Mac--Sultan's Miss (SP), by Island Sultan. FLX, 10-14, (S), 5 1/2f, 1:07. B-Strange Christine (NY).

WEEKEND PEDIGREE PERSPECTIVES

by Alan Porter

SECOND EMPIRE (IRE) (c, 2, Fairy King--Welsh Love {Ire}, by Ela-Mana-Mou {Ire}) Although he is a brother to Sadler's Wells--the horse who most would currently rate as the world's leading sire--Fairy King has long since stepped out of his older sibling's shadow to prove himself a major sire in his own right.

Fairy King added another Group 1 winner, and possibly another champion, to his resume on Sunday when Second Empire preserved his unbeaten record with a

win in the G1 Grand Criterium, in the process establishing himself as favorite for next year's 2,000 Guineas.

Sadler's Wells and Fairy King are rather different physically but often work with mares from similar backgrounds, and Second Empire is another example of this. In fact, Second Empire is closely related to two of the most outstanding Sadler's Wells offspring--the three times classic winner Salsabil and the Breeders' Cup Turf hero Northern Spur, who are out of half-sisters to Welsh Love, the dam of Second Empire. The granddam of Second Empire, Salsabil and Northern Spur is Welsh Flame, a daughter of Welsh Pageant--Electric Flash by Crepello. This is old-fashioned English classic breeding and Welsh Flame's dam is half-sister to Derby winner Parthia.

The key to success of the daughters of Welsh Flame with Sadler's Wells and Fairy King may lie in the similarities between her pedigree and that of Forli, the sire of the second dam of Sadler's Wells and Fairy King. A grandson of Hyperion, Forli had a somewhat unusual pedigree in that the seven-eighths sister and brother Riot and Fair Trial appeared 3x3. Welsh Flame has another cross of Fair Trial, but she is also a granddaughter of Tudor Minstrel. Out of a half-sister to Fair Trial, Tudor Minstrel was by Owen Tudor. Since Owen Tudor was by Hyperion out of a mare by Pharos (brother to Fairway, the sire of Fair Trial), Tudor Minstrel contrives to be closely related to both Aristophanes, the sire of Forli, and to Fair Trial. Aristophanes also links to Welsh Flame's dam Electric Flash. Here the connection is that Aristophanes is by Hyperion out of a mare by the French Derby winner Mieuxce, whereas Electric Flash is by Crepello (dam by Mieuxce) out of a mare by Hyperion. Finally, we should note that Welsh Flame traces to the famous tap-root mare Aloe, while in Forli's pedigree we find Aloe's brother Foxlaw.

If Sadler's Wells/Fairy King and Welsh Flame are the pedigree constants in Salsabil, Northern Spur and Second Empire, the variable is the broodmare sire, which is different in each case. Salsabil's dam is by Artaius, Northern Spur is out of a mare by Rheingold and when we come to Second Empire, we see that his broodmare sire is Ela-Mana-Mou. Interestingly enough, Sadler's Wells has already led the way here too, as he is the sire of group winner Foyer out of a mare by Ela-Mana-Mou. Ela-Mana-Mou adds two more crosses of Fair Trial.

So far, we have stressed the similarities between the way in which Sadler's Wells and Fairy King work, but there are also important differences. One of these is the fact that Fairy King generally tends to impart more speed and less stamina than Sadler's Wells. So, while Salsabil, Northern Spur and Foyer all stayed a mile-and-a-half, we won't be surprised if the 2,000 Guineas mile is the limit of Second Empire's endurance.

The dam of OLD TOPPER (leading Breeders' Cup Juvenile contender by GILDED TIME) has a yearling filly by RED RANSOM and is in foal to

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