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\$3 MILLION 'SURPRISE' AT KEENELAND

Last night's final session of the Keeneland July Selected Yearling Sale in Lexington, Kentucky was already red hot, but when hip number 195, a son of Storm Cat-Weekend Surprise (Secretariat) exited the ring, it was downright sizzling. Irish bloodstock agent Demi O'Byrne was forced to \$3 million to take the chestnut, a half brother to champion A.P. Indy and GI Preakness winner Summer Squall, home to Coolmore Stud. The sale's topper was consigned by Lane's End, agent. "It is a lovely pedigree," admitted O'Byrne. "It's not often that you get a chance to buy a half brother to two Classic winners. It's really kind of unique, isn't it? He's the one that was at the top of our list. He is a beautiful-looking individual and has a world of potential. He's the one we were looking for." William Farish, whose Lane's End was the sale's second-leading consignor, added, "Anytime you get a price like that, you have to be pleased. He's going into good hands, so I'm not disappointed. It's been a wonderful family for Mr. (William) Kilroy and I, so naturally I'm sentimental about letting him go, but it was a great sale for us." The highest-priced filly and second-highest-priced yearling at Tuesday night's session was hip number 167, a daughter of Gone West--Miraloma (Deputy Minister). Satish Sanan's Padua Stables was forced to \$2.8 million to buy the filly from the consignment of Denali Stud, agent for Bob and Beverly Lewis. It was the second-highest price ever paid for a Keeneland July filly, behind only the 1984 world-record price tag of \$3.75 million Darley Stud paid for Alchaasibiyeh. After the purchase, Sanan said, "I paid twice as much as I wanted to but Wayne loved the pedigree and she's one of those fillies who can make your broodmare band." Trainer D. Wayne Lukas added, "The bottom line is that it is one of the best families in the world and you have to make the most of the opportunities you get." Sanan, who purchased a half sister to Miraloma for \$700,000 at Monday's opening session of the sale, bought this daughter of the stakes winner in partnership with Coolmore. Five colts and four fillies reached seven figures, including three yearlings who fetched over \$2 million, during the final session of the three-session sale. Overall, 20 yearlings reached seven figures--the highest number since 24 hit the million-dollar mark in 1985 and the fourth highest number in sale history.

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TUESDAY EVENING TOP FIVE COLTS

Hip#	Sire	Dam	Price
195	Storm Cat	Weekend Surprise	\$3,000,000
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent Purchased by Demi O'Byrne		
185	Gone West	Silken Cat	\$2,000,000
	Consigned by Taylor Made Sales Agency, Agent IL Purchased by Eugene Melnyk		
196	Unbridled	Whiffing	\$1,450,000
	Consigned by Calumet Farm Purchased by Padua Stable		
194	Affirmed	Victorious Lil	\$1,400,000
	Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		
202	Storm Cat	Alpargata	\$1,400,000
	Consigned by Middlebrook Farm, agent Purchased by Demi O'Byrne		

TUESDAY EVENING TOP FIVE FILLIES

Hip#	Sire	Dam	Price
167	Gone West	Miraloma	\$2,800,000
	Consigned by Denali Stud, agent for Bob & Beverly Lewis Purchased by Padua Stable		
161	Seeking the Gold	Lakeway	\$1,500,000
	Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by Guy & Diane Snowden		
148	Storm Cat	Eliza	\$1,300,000
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent for Brookside Farms Purchased by Narvick International		
186	Gone West	Sovereign Kitty	\$1,000,000
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent Purchased by Stephen Hilbert		
153	Rahy	Funistrada	\$925,000
	(\$420,000 wnlg '98 KEENOV) Consigned by Eaton Sales, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		

CORRECTION...Keeneland has revised figures for Monday's first session of its July Yearling Sale. A total of 41 horses sold for \$24,110,000 and an average price of \$588,049.



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During the Tuesday afternoon session of the sale, John Ferguson went to \$1.4 million to bring home hip number 84, a colt by Deputy Minister--Good Mood (Devil's Bag). The session-topping bay was one of five horses Ferguson purchased for Sheikh Mohammed al Maktoum for a total of \$4.475 million Tuesday afternoon. The top-priced filly of the afternoon was hip number 79, a daughter of the late Mr. Prospector and the Fit to Fight mare Fit for a Queen. Consigned by Three Chimneys Farm, agent, the chestnut was purchased for \$1 million by Dan Kenny on behalf of Eugene Melnyk. "It was about what we budgeted for her," Kenny admitted. "If Mr. Prospector hadn't died, there's a chance that she would have been about the same. But it made it a little more urgent this time to get her. Mr. Melnyk is developing a broodmare band and Mr. Prospector's success as a broodmare sire is remarkable." A full brother to last year's \$4 million sale's topper, a bay colt by Mr. Prospector--Angel Fever (Danzig), brought a final bid of \$1 million from Demi O'Byrne. The yearling, hip 133, was consigned by Stone Farm, agent. Yearlings from Eaton Sales, the auction's top consignor, fetched \$8,325,000. Figures for the three-session sale were up across the board. The average price, a sale's record \$581,932, rose 20.5 percent from last year and eclipsed the previous record of \$544,681 set in 1984. The aggregate rose 6.8 percent and the median rose 11.1 percent. There were 49 horses reported as not sold. "It's a very discerning market at the top end," said Keeneland Director of Sales Rogers Beasley. "Buyers that want the top, pay for the top. It's very much a buyer's market. Overall, we're very pleased with the sale."

TUESDAY AFTERNOON
TOP FIVE COLTS

<u>Hip#</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Price</u>
084	Deputy Minister	Good Mood	\$1,400,000
	Consigned by Dromoland Farm, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		
081	Woodman	Floramera	\$1,000,000
	Consigned by Darby Dan Farm, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		
133	Mr. Prospector	Angel Fever	\$1,000,000
	Consigned by Stone Farm, agent Purchased by Demi O'Byrne		
112	Deputy Minister	Run for Lassie	\$925,000
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent Purchased by Demi O'Byrne		
138	Mr. Prospector	Beware of the Cat	\$800,000
	Consigned by Fawn Leap Farm Purchased by Thomas Van Meter		

TUESDAY AFTERNOON
TOP FIVE FILLIES

<u>Hip#</u>	<u>Sire</u>	<u>Dam</u>	<u>Price</u>
079	Mr. Prospector	Fit for a Queen	\$1,000,000
	Consigned by Three Chimneys Farm, agent Purchased by Eugene Melnyk		
130	Silver Hawk	Adored Slew	\$825,000
	(\$270,000 wnl '98 KEENOV) Consigned by Dromoland Farm, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		
125	Kingmambo	Weekend Storm	\$800,000
	Consigned by Lane's End, agent Purchased by Gooree Stud		
126	Seeking the Gold	Whispered Secret	\$600,000
	Consigned by Bluegrass Thoroughbred Services, agent Purchased by John Ferguson Bloodstock		
139	Hennessy	Bid Me Adieu	\$600,000
	Consigned by James B. Keogh, agent Purchased by Padua Stable		



KEENELAND JULY STATISTICS

TUESDAY, JULY 20, 1999

KEENELAND.

SECOND SESSION

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
No. Sold	50	44
Gross	\$19,932,000	\$21,520,000
Average	\$398,640	\$489,091
Median	\$340,000	\$400,000

THIRD SESSION

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
No. Sold	49	47
Gross	\$27,240,000	\$31,185,000
Average	\$555,918	\$663,511
Median	\$475,000	\$400,000

SALE TOTALS

	<u>1998</u>	<u>1999</u>
No. Sold	149	132
Gross	\$71,932,000	\$76,815,000
Average	\$482,765	\$581,932
Median	\$360,000	\$400,000

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FOCUS ON FASIG-TIPTON The summer yearling sales continue at Fasig-Tipton's Newtown Paddocks in Lexington, with 400 head catalogued for sale beginning at 11 a.m. today and tomorrow. Leading sires represented include *Belong to Me*, *Broad Brush*, *Carson City*, *Crafty Prospector*, *Cure the Blues*, *Dehere*, *Dynaformer*, *El Prado (Ire)*, *Gone West*, *Kris S.*, *Mt. Livermore*, *Phone Trick*, *Quiet American*, *Red Ransom*, *Saint Ballado*, *Seeking the Gold* and *Silver Deputy*. Fasig-Tipton also offers the *New Sire Showcase*, with leading freshman sires *Cherokee Run*, *De Niro*, *Distant View*, *French Deputy*, *Mr. Greeley* and *Mystery Storm* represented as well as the first-crop unveilings of *Grindstone*, *Hennessy*, *Honour and Glory*, *Maria's Mon* and *Unbridled's Song*.

BYRNE SUES STRONACH Trainer Pat Byrne, who gave up champions *Favorite Trick* and *Countess Diana* in 1998 to train exclusively for Frank Stronach, is suing the Canadian industrialist for unpaid training fees and termination fee, according to *Daily Racing Form*. In a 10-page suit filed on Friday in Fayette Circuit Court in Lexington, Kentucky, Byrne claims he is owed \$84,000 in training fees and a termination fee of as much as \$300,000. Byrne has been rebuilding his public stable since his split with Stronach earlier this year and will have a string of horses at Saratoga this summer.

◆ FOREIGN ◆

Sagamix Out of King George:

Despite working well yesterday morning, last year's Arc winner *Sagamix (Fr)* (*Linamix {Fr}*), will not be lining up in Saturday's G1 King George VI And Queen Elizabeth Diamond S. at Ascot. Trainer Andre Fabre made the decision because the four-year-old did not scope well after the gallop. Roland de Longevialle, racing manager to owner Jean-Luc Lagardere, said: "Sagamix worked this morning but owing to the fact that a virus has been circulating Chantilly we gave the colt a routine scope afterwards. Andre Fabre was not pleased with the result and I doubt whether Sagamix will run again before the Prix Foy three weeks ahead of the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe."

Turtle Island to Grand Vue Lodge:

Turtle Island (Ire) (*Fairy King--Sisania*, by *High Top*) will stand the 1999 Southern Hemisphere breeding season at Grand Vue Lodge in Matamata, New Zealand. The eight-year-old stallion, winner of the Irish 2000 Guineas, will stand for NZ\$7,000 (US\$3,672). *Turtle Island* began stud duties at Ireland's Coolmore Stud in 1995 and, until this season, had shuttled to Collingrove Stud in Victoria. His son *Island Sands (Ire)* captured the English 2000 Guineas this year.

AMERICAN-BRED WINNERS IN ENGLAND:

Star Of The Course, f, 4, *Theatrical (Ire)--Water Course*, by *Irish River (Fr)*. Bath, 7-20, Manny Bernstein Bookmakers Early Price Text Division Classified S., 3yo/up, 11f 144ydsT, \$6,269 to winner. O-M Arbib; B-Airlie Stud; T-Paul Cole.

Alhesn, g, 4, *Woodman--Deceit Princess*, by *Vice Regent*. Yarmouth, 7-20, Manny Bernstein 'In Running' Maiden H., 3yo/up, 14f 17ydsT, \$4,735 to winner. O-J T B Racing; B-Nursery Place; T-Conrad Allen. *\$135,000 wnlg '95 KEENOV.

Beyond Calculation, g, 5, *Geiger Counter--Placer Queen (Ire)* (SW), by *Habitat*. Bath, 7-20, Manny Bernstein Bookmakers Freephone 0800 821821 H., 3yo/up, 5f 161ydsT, \$5,970 to winner. O-E A Hayward; B-Pendley Farm; T-Milton Bradley.

Sandicliffe, m, 6, *Imp Society--Sad Song*, by *Roberto*. Bath, 7-20, Manny Bernstein Bookmakers Trade Division Be Hopeful H., 3yo/up, 1m 5ydsT, \$5,941 to winner. O-Ash Partnership; B-Brereton C Jones; T-James Toller. *1/2 to *Song of Jove* (Northern Jove), MSW, \$217,547.

◆ PREVIEW ◆

Today, Vichy, France:

GRAND PRIX DE VICHY-G3, \$56,654, 3yo/up, 1 1/4mT

PP	HORSE (Sire)	TRAINER	WT
1	Mountjoy (Fr) (Bering {GB})	Choubersky	128
2	Honorable Money (Fr) (Highest Honor {Fr})	Nakkachdji	128
3	Quel Senor (Fr) (Tel Quel {Fr})	Doumen	128
4	Martial Arts (GB) (Arazi)	Gallorini	118
5	Vissinia (GB) (Belmez)	Sepulchre	125
6	Sargari (Ire) (Indian Ridge {Ire})	Royer-Dupre	118
7	Victory Cry (Ire) (Caerleon)	Fabre	118
8	Trait De Genie (Fr) (Diamond Prospect)	Lyon	128
9	Spadoun (Fr) (Kaldoun {Fr})	Laffon-Parias	118

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 maiden-claiming races and an (R) will be used for other restricted races. Purses for Canadian races are in Canadian dollars.

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Mythical Gem Euthanized:

Dogwood Stable's **Mythical Gem** (Jade Hunter), winner of Sunday's GIII Lexington S. at Belmont, was euthanized Monday night after an operation to repair a condylar fracture of the left front cannon bone proved futile. "Dr. Stephen Selway flew back to New York from Lexington Monday afternoon to perform the operation that night," explained Dogwood President Cot Campbell. "However, he found considerable damage to the sesamoids, the cartilage, and the displacement of the cannon bone proved severely troublesome." Mythical Gem ran eight times with four wins and earnings of \$161,820.

◆ **EAST** ◆

Yesterday's Results:

1st-DEL, \$29,300, Msw, 2yo, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5, wf. CHANCELLOR M. H. (g, 2, Mt. Livermore--Mystic Dance {SW, \$102,908}, by Nepal) was wide when fifth in his June 16 debut at Pimlico. Breaking alertly here, the 7-2 shot prompted the pace, took command entering the stretch and held his rivals at bay to graduate by 3 1/4 lengths. The winner was a \$31,000 KEESEP yearling and a \$100,000 OBSMAR juvenile purchase. Lifetime Record: 2-1-0-0, \$18,150. O-Foster & Leonard. B-Dark Hollow Farm & Ann Merryman (Ky). T-Robert W Leonard.

7th-PHA, \$18,480, Msw, 3yo/up, f/m, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5, gd. + FANCY GAP (f, 3, Rocky Mountain--Penalty Declared {SP}, by Thanks to Tony) scored a stylish victory in her career debut. The 6-1 shot came flying out of the gate, dueled for the early lead, shook loose on the turn and was ridden out for a six-length win. She is a full to Thunder Bow, MSW, \$148,787. Lifetime Record: 1-1-0-0, \$9,600. O-Kamikaze Stable. B-Clyde Rice (Fl). T-D S Reeder.

◆ **MIDWEST** ◆

Victory Gallop Sparkles in Whitney Work:

GI Bemont S. winner **Victory Gallop** (Cryptoclearance) worked a bullet five furlongs in :59 yesterday at Churchill. The Elliott Walden trainee is scheduled to ship to Saratoga Wednesday to continue preparations for the Aug. 1 GI Whitney H.

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ALLOWANCE RESULTS:

7th-DEL, \$33,950, 3/up, f/m, 5f (off turf), :57 3/5, wf. RUBIA (f, 4, Rubiano--Dazzling Dixie, by Dixieland Band) Lifetime Record: SP, 22-6-5-4, \$160,791. O-Edward D Taylor. B-Peter Grimm (KY). T-Steve Klesaris.

5th-DEL, \$31,900, 3yo/up, f/m, 8.5f, 1:45 1/5, wf. SALUTELOOT (f, 4, Salutely--Lucky Loot, by Vice Regent) Lifetime Record: 21-3-4-5, \$69,132. O-Janet Ritchey. B-Mea Culpa Stables Inc (MD). T-Tim F Ritchey.

6th-DEL, \$31,900, 3yo, f, 1m, 1:38 2/5, wf. H. F. BRIMSTONE (f, 3, Far North--Collision Course, by Macho Hombre) Lifetime Record: 8-2-2-0, \$45,825. O-Win More Stable. B-Mike Chainyk (CA). T-Tim F Ritchey.

6th-PRM, \$19,000, 3yo/up, f/m, 6f, 1:11 2/5, ft. EXCLUSIVE MONA (m, 5, Ecliptical--Ala Moana, by Tim Tam Aly) Lifetime Record: SP, 29-8-6-7, \$78,668. O/T-Howard Scarberry. B-Mary K Haire (FL).

MAIDEN WINNERS:

- Chancellor M. H., g, 2, Mt. Livermore--Mystic Dance (SW, \$102,908), by Nepal. DEL, 7-20, 5 1/2f, 1:04 2/5. B-Dark Hollow Farm & Ann Merryman (Ky). *\$31,000 yrl '98 KEESEP; \$100,000 2yo '99 OBSMAR.**
- Genial Jim, g, 3, Rise Jim--Good Natured, by Affirmed. RKM, 7-19, 6f, 1:12. B-Emery Velma (Ma). *SP.**
- + Fancy Gap, f, 3, Rocky Mountain--Penalty Declared (SP), by Thanks to Tony. PHA, 7-20, 5 1/2f, 1:04 4/5. B-Clyde Rice (Fl). *Full to Thunder Bow, MSW, \$148,787.**
- Who Super Who, c, 3, Super May--Silvie Who, by Jacques Who. PRM, 7-20, (S), 6f, 1:14 1/5. B-River Ridge Ranch (Ia). *1/2 to Vaguely Who (Hittias {GB}), MSW, \$312,752.**
- Another Bird, f, 3, Two Davids--Absurd Bird, by Cormorant. PHA, 7-19, a1m70yd, 1:43 2/5. B-Houghton Ronald B Mrs (Pa).**
- Paisley Fashion, f, 4, Dayjur--Serape (GISW, \$229,337), by Fappiano. DEL, 7-20, 1 1/8m (off turf), 1:53. B-Helen Groves (Ky).**

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HENNESSY

On the 1st day of Keeneland July his 1st crop yearlings sold for up to \$1,200,000 (colt) and \$850,000 (filly) and averaged \$650,000 (all 6 sold).



WRITERS UP

AT THE SALES ... WITH BILL OPPENHEIM

Ashford, Coolmore's American division, has had one of two dueling contenders for leading first-year commercial stallion the last two years: Dehere vs. Holy Bull in 1997, Thunder Gulch vs. Tabasco Cat in 1998. This year's Coolmore contender is Hennessy, and after the first two sessions of the July sale he had his main opponent Unbridled's Song (one RNA'd Tuesday afternoon, one well-bred filly to come last night) well and truly on the ropes. Nine Hennessy yearlings were catalogued to the sale, all in the first two sessions, and all nine--five fillies and four colts--sold. They averaged almost \$560,000, with four bringing between a half-million and a million, and a colt selling Monday night for \$1.2 million to California trainer Robert Hess, Jr. Hennessy averaged more than 18 times his \$30,000 1997 stud fee, and no matter how many sell in however many more sales the rest of the year (starting with five more at Fasig-Tipton Wednesday and Thursday), this is some impressive performance. Wayne Lukas will get four of the nine as Padua bought three and Overbrook one.

Through the first two sessions, Padua was one of four leading buyers who'd spent 46 percent of the gross among them: all these figures will have changed again after last night's session (and reviewed in tomorrow's edition), but, after two-thirds of the sale, Demi O'Byrne, The Thoroughbred Corporation, Padua, and John Ferguson, plus partners on various buys, had bought 24 yearlings (28 percent of the number sold) for \$21 million (46 percent of the gross). Those 24 averaged \$875,000 (about \$1.3 million average for Demi and The Thoroughbred Corp., \$700,000 each for Padua and John Ferguson); the other 61 listed sales in the first two sessions averaged \$403,000.

John Ferguson was buying for one of three famous names who reappeared at Keeneland July for the first time in some years, this being, of course, Sheikh Mohammed. He hasn't been gone for nearly as long as the other two, namely Brownell Combs and Nelson Bunker Hunt. Bunker Hunt received a round of applause when recognized by auctioneer Tom Caldwell after signing the ticket for a Kris S. colt for \$110,000 Tuesday afternoon.

The other story of the sale so far, without any question: the clearance rate. With the smallest catalogue in 20 years still only 68 percent of those through the ring were sold, and 13 percent of the catalogue were outs. We saw last year that the Repository is having a profound effect on buying patterns and price distribution, and that trend--"Vet No's"--is continuing unabated. It's time for owners to trust their trainers, agents, and vets, absolve them all from threats of lawsuits, and decide when "Vet No" means you've still got a reasonable chance of getting a racehorse. I would never advocate buying problems, but if there's a middle ground somewhere--and logically there must be--those who find it and farm it quickest will have made the bargain buys of 1999.

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Maiden winners cont.

Victoria One, f, 4, Flying Victor--Mamoon's Slew, by Al Mamoon. HOL, 7-19, (C), 1 1/16m, 1:46 2/5.

B-Mudra Bill (Ca).

Maxi Tune, c, 4, Seattle Song--Jacky Max (Ire) (SW-Fr, \$105,093), by Sexton Blake. CRC, 7-19, 1 1/16mT, 1:41 4/5. B-Epstein Morton (Ky). *1/2 to Maxzene (Cozzene), MGSW, \$1,067,983.

Saints Be Praised, c, 4, St. Jovite--Cincinnati Pops, by Dixieland Band. FEX, 7-20, 6 1/2f, 1:20 3/5.

B-Edward J Kelly Jr (Fl). *\$12,000 yrl '96 KEESEP.

Radar Gun, g, 5, Mill Native--Centurn, by Ack Ack.

HOL, 7-19, (C), 6f, 1:11 3/5. B-Cardiff Farm Management Corp (Ca).

How Goes, g, 6, Risen Star--Flyelyphe (GB) (SP), by Storm Bird. MTH, 7-18, abt 2m (hurdles), 3:48 1/5.

B-Seymour Cohn (NY).

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