

European Group Is

7 QIPCO 2000 GUINEAS G1

- NEWMARKET, May 2, 3yoct & f. Bf.**
- 1. GLENEAGLES (IRE) 9-0** £282,841
b c by Galileo - You'resothrilling (Storm Cat)
O-Mr M. Tabor, D. Smith & Mrs John Magnier
B-You'resothrilling Syndicate TR-Aidan O'Brien
- 2. Territories (IRE) 9-0** £107,231
b c by Invincible Spirit - Taranto (Machiavellian)
O-Godolphin S.N.C. B-Darley TR-A. Fabre
- 3. Ivawood (IRE) 9-0** £53,666
b c by Zebedee - Keenes Royale (Red Ransom)
O-Carmichael Jennings B-Miss M. Davison & Miss D. Kitchin TR-Richard Hannon
Margins 2.25, 0.75. Time 1:37.50. Going Good to Firm.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
2-3	7	5	2	£554,612

Sire: GALILEO. Sire of 192 Stakes winners. In 2015 - **GLENEAGLES** Storm Cat G1, **TANBY Danewin** G2, **MIZZOU Darshaan** G3, **SERTORIUS Encosta de Lago** G3, **SILVER GALAXY Pivotal** G3, **OBSERVATIONAL Cadeaux Geneurex** LR.

- 1st Dam: YOU'RESOTHRILLING** by Storm Cat. 2 wins at 2, Irish Thoroughbred Cherry Hinton S G2. Own sister to **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY, Tumblebrutus, Tiger Dance** and **Freud**. Dam of 2 winners:
- 2011: MARVELLOUS** (f Galileo). 2 wins at 2 and 3, Etihad Airways Irish 1000 Guineas G1.
- 2012: GLENEAGLES** (c Galileo) Champion 2yr old colt in Ireland in 2014. 5 wins at 2 and 3, Goffs Vincent O'Brien National S G1, Cipco 2000 Guineas G1, Galileo EBF Futurity S G2, Japanese Racing Authority Tyros S G3, 3rd Qatar FX Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere Gd.Crit G1.
- 2013: Coolmore** (f Galileo) unraced to date.
- 2014: (c Galileo)**

- 2nd Dam: MARIAH'S STORM** by Rahy. 10 wins at 2 to 4 in USA Arlington Washington Lassie S G2, Budweiser Turfway Park Breeders' Cup H G2, 3rd Spinster S G1. Dam of **GIANT'S CAUSEWAY** (c Storm Cat; Juddmonte International S G1, Coral Eclipse S G1, Esat Digifone Champion S G1, St James's Palace S G1, Champagne Lanson Sussex S G1, Prix de la Salamandre G1, 2nd Entenmann's Irish 2000 Guineas G1, Queen Elizabeth II S G1, Sagitta 2000 Guineas G1, Breeders' Cup Classic G1), **YOU'RESOTHRILLING** (f Storm Cat; see above), **Hanky Panky** (f Galileo; 3rd Ballyogan S G3), **Freud** (c Storm Cat; 3rd Cork and Orrery S G2), **Tumblebrutus** (c Storm Cat; 2nd Galileo EBF Futurity G2), **Tiger Dance** (c Storm Cat; 3rd Emirates Airline Minstrel S G3), **Roar of the Tiger** (c Storm Cat; 3rd Governor's H LR)

Broodmare Sire: STORM CAT. Sire of the dams of 175 Stakes winners. In 2015 - **GLENEAGLES** Galileo G1, **SHARED BELIEF Candy Ride** G1, **DIVERSY HARBOR Curin** G2, **HONOR CODE A P Indy** G2, **LACHESIS Deep Impact** G2.

The Galileo/Storm Cat cross has produced: **GLENEAGLES** G1, **MARVELLOUS** G1, **MISTY FOR ME** G1, **Aloft** G1, **GLOBAL VIEW** G2, **TWIRL** G3.

GLENEAGLES b c 2012

	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
Sadler's Wells	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
GALILEO b 98	Miswaki	Mr Prospector Hopespriingsseternal
	Allegretta	Lombard Anateka
Urban Sea	Storm Bird	Northern Dancer South Ocean
Storm Cat	Terlingua	Secretariat Crinson Saint
YOU'RESOTHRILLING br 05	Rahy	Blushing Groom Glorious Song
	Mariah's Storm	Roberto Imodear

When it comes to sons of Galileo, it is imperative to forget the maxim that states: one white foot, buy a horse; two white feet, try a horse; three white feet, look well about him; four white feet, do without him.

For the second time in five years,

the 2,000 Guineas was won impressively by a Galileo colt with four white feet. While Gleneagles's display wasn't as breathtaking as Frankel's - how many are? - he still looked champion miler material as he easily went through the gears.

His win also means that Galileo has appeared in the pedigree of four of the last five 2,000 Guineas winners, as the 2013 winner Dawn Approach is by Galileo's son New Approach and the 2014 winner Night Of Thunder is out of Galileo's daughter Forest Storm. Gleneagles's credentials as a potential Guineas winner also included being a brother to Marvellous, winner of the 2014 Irish 1,000 Guineas. Their dam You'resothrilling would probably also have been a Guineas candidate had she not met with a setback in the spring of her Classic season. After all, she is a Group-winning sister to Giant's Causeway, the 2,000 Guineas runner-up who has sired winners of both the 2,000 and 1,000 Guineas.

Apart from these pedigree pointers, Gleneagles had passed the post in front in the last five of his six juvenile starts, so he is going to have huge appeal as a stallion.

The style of his Newmarket victory supported the view expressed by his rider Ryan Moore that he is probably a miler. Marvellous failed to reproduce her mile form in both the Oaks and Irish Oaks, though the faster ground may have been a factor. Gleneagles may eventually stay a mile and a quarter, but You'resothrilling showed more speed than stamina. A precocious type, she won the Gr2 Cherry Hinton Stakes, and she also showed smart form over a mile during her short second season. She is the second daughter of Storm Cat to have produced a Classic winner to Galileo, who previously sired that fine filly Misty For Me. This Irish 1,000 Guineas winner landed the Pretty Polly Stakes over a mile and a quarter and finished a good third in the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf over a furlong further, but managed only fifth place in the Oaks on her only attempt at a mile and a half.

Gleneagles's second dam, Rahy mare Mariah's Storm, was bought by John Magnier for \$2,600,000 at Keeneland's 1996 November Sale. She had built an impressive record of ten wins from 16 starts, with nine furlongs proving her most rewarding distance. The next dam, the Gr3 turf winner Immense, enjoyed excellent results with sons of Blushing Groom, another of her sons being the very smart French middle-distance colt Panoramic, by Rainbow Quest.

8 PRIX GANAY G1

- LONGCHAMP, May 3, 4yo+ 2100m.**
- 1. CIRRUS DES AIGLES (FR) 9-0-2** £132,884
b g by Even Top - Taille de Guepe (Septieme Ciel)
O-Mr J. C. A. Dupouy B-M. Yvon Lelimoizin & M. Benoit Deschamps TR-Mrs C. Barande-Barbe
- 2. Al Kazeem (GB) 7 9-2** £53,163
b h by Dubawi - Kazeem (Darshaan)
O-Mr D. J. Deer B-Mr & Mrs D. J. Deer TR-Roger Charlton
- 3. Fate (FR) 6 8-13** £26,581

b m by Teofilo - Specificity (Alleged)
O-Fair Salinia Limited B-NP Bloodstock Ltd
TR-A. de Royer Dupre
Margins 1.75, 3. Time 2:18.70. Going Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
2-9	60	22	29	£5,871,110

Sire: EVEN TOP. Sire of 1 Stakes winner.

- 1st Dam: Taille de Guepe** by Septieme Ciel. unraced. Dam of 2 winners:
- 2003: MESNIL DES AIGLES** (c Nevernreyev) 7 wins at 3 to 7 in France.
- 2004: Miss des Aigles** (f Alamo Bay). Broodmare.
- 2005: Vie des Aigles** (f Alamo Bay) ran on the flat in France. Broodmare.
- 2006: CIRRUS DES AIGLES** (g Even Top) Champion older horse in Europe in 2011 & Jt Champion in 2014, Champion older horse in France in 2012. 22 wins at 3 to 9, 2015 at home, France, UAE, Cipco Champion S G1, Investec St Nicholas Abbey Coronation Cup G1, Prix d'Isphan G1, Prix Ganay - Prix Air Mauritius G1 (3 times), Longines Dubai Sheema Classic G1, Grand Prix de Deauville-Lucien Barriere G2, Qatar Prix Dollar G2 (3 times), Prix du Conseil de Paris G2, GP de Vichy-Auvergne Etapi du Defi Galop G3, La Coupe G3, La Coupe de Maisons-Laffitte G3, Prix du Prince d'Orange G3, Prix Gontaut-Biron-Hong Kong Jockey Club G3, Prix de Boulogne LR, Grand Prix du Lion d'Angers LR, 2nd Cipco Champion S G1 (twice), Grand Prix de Saint-Cloud G1, Prix d'Isphan G1, Longines Dubai Sheema Classic G1, Qatar Prix Dollar G2, Prix du Conseil de Paris G2, Prix Exbury G3, Prix Gontaut-Biron-Hong Kong Jockey Club G3, G. P. de Clairefontaine - Denis Weibel LR, Prix Matchem LR, 2nd Qipco Languedoc LR, Prix Policeman LR, 3rd Prix Ganay - Prix Air Mauritius G1, Longines Hong Kong Cup G1, Prix Gontaut-Biron-Hong Kong Jockey Club G3, Prix Ridgway LR, Prix Pelleas LR.
- 2008: Kiva des Aigles** (f Enriquet) ran on the flat in France.
- 2011: Flash des Aigles** (c Sinndar)
- 2012: (f Siyouni)**
- Broodmare Sire: SEPTIEME CIEL.** Sire of the dams of 21 Stakes winners. In 2015 - **CIRRUS DES AIGLES** Even Top G1, **PORNICHET Vespone** G3.

CIRRUS DES AIGLES b g 2006

Topanoora	Ahonoora	Lorenzaccio Helen Nichols
	Topping Girl	Sea Hawk II Round Eye
EVEN TOP br 93	Niniski	Njinsky Virginia Hills
	Skhiza	Targovice Anticlea
Septieme Ciel	Seattle Slew	Bold Reasoning My Charmer
	Maximova	Green Dancer Baracala
TAILLE DE GUEPE ch 99	Funambule	Lyphard Sonoma
	Ruma	Rheific Runnello

When a gelding turns nine, the possibility surely exists that age will start taking its toll. However the remarkable Cirrus des Aigles looked as effective as ever as he repelled Al Kazeem's strong challenge to record a third victory in the Prix Ganay. This success means that the son of Even Top has now won seven times at Gr 1 level, even though he didn't record his first Gr 1 success until he was five.

Now a veteran of 62 races, Cirrus des Aigles has won the equivalent of over £6 million. Absolutely no-one could have predicted success on such a huge scale for a gelding of his plebeian pedigree. He is the only notable winner by Even Top, a short-head second in the 1996 2,000 Guineas who failed to win a Group

race. Even Top initially stood in Ireland before moving to France. He was a member of the first crop by Ahonoora's middle-distance son Topanoora, a stallion who had been exported to India after struggling for support in Ireland. Topanoora was repatriated by Coolmore, but was quickly transferred to its National Hunt division.

Cirrus des Aigles's dam Taille de Guepe was sent to Japan in January 2013. He is only the second winner from the mare's first six runners, but her early foals were by such little-known stallions as Nevernreyev and Alamo Bay. Perhaps her Japanese-based three-year-old filly Cirrus de Paris (by Siyouni) will remedy that.

Cirrus des Aigles comes from a famous female line, tracing back to Lady Peregrine, dam of the 2,000 Guineas winner Flamingo. His fifth dam, Run Honey, was a talented half-sister to the Champion Stakes winner Honeyway and her string of smart offspring included Cirrus des Aigles's fourth dam Runnello, a triple winner at two, when rated 116 by Timeform. This family has also produced the good stallions Lord Gayle and Persian Bold.

9 QIPCO 1000 GUINEAS G1

- NEWMARKET, May 3, 3yoct. Bf.**
- 1. LEGATISSIMO (IRE) 9-0** £232,511
b f by Danehill Dancer - Yummy Mummy (Montjeu)
O-Mr M. Tabor, D. Smith & Mrs John Magnier
B-Newells Park Stud Limited TR-David Wachman
- 2. Lucida (IRE) 9-0** £88,150
b f by Shamardal - Lura (Street Cry)
O-Godolphin B-Darley TR-J. S. Bolger
- 3. Tiggly Wiggy (IRE) 9-0** £44,116
b f by Kodiak - Kheleyf's Silver (Kheleyf)
O-Potensis B'stock, C Giles & Merriehelle
B-CBS Bloodstock TR-Richard Hannon
Margins 0.75, 4.5. Time 1:34.60. Going Good to Firm.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
2-3	6	3	2	£279,024

Sire: DANEHILL DANCER. Sire of 167 Stakes winners. In 2015 - **LEGATISSIMO** Montjeu G1, **SUMBAL Linamix** G2, **AFFAIRE SOLITAIRE Alzaa** G3, **OSAILA Entrepreneur** G3, **JAZZI TOP Zafonic** LR.

- 1st Dam: YUMMY MUMMY** by Montjeu. Winner at 3. Own sister to **FAME AND GLORY**. Dam of 2 winners:
- 2010: ANOTHER COCKTAIL** (g Dalakhani) Winner at 3.
- 2011: Royal Battalion** (g Sea The Stars)
- 2012: LEGATISSIMO** (f Danehill Dancer) Sold 350,000gns yearling at TAOC1. 3 wins at 2 and 3, Qipco 1000 Guineas G1, ISF Victor McCalmont Memorial EBF S LR, 2nd Flame of Tara EBF S LR.
- 2014: (f Redoute's Choice)**

2nd Dam: Gryada by Shirley Heights. 2 wins at 2, 3rd Premio Dormello G3. Own sister to **Golan Heights**. Dam of **FAME AND GLORY** (c Montjeu; Ascot Gold Cup G1, Tattersalls Gold Cup G1, Investec Coronation Cup G1, Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby G1, Critterium de Saint-Cloud G1, 2nd Investec Derby S G1, Tatts Millions Irish Champion S G1), **Grampian** (c Selkirk; 2nd Manchester Evening News July S LR, J. Smith's Ext. Smooth Silver Cup H LR), **Guaranda** (f Acatanango; 3rd EBF Upavon S LR), Grandam of **GRAVITATION, GREATWOOD**. Third dam of **GOOD DONNA**.

Broodmare Sire: MONTJEU. Sire of the dams of 26 Stakes winners. In 2015 - **LEGATISSIMO** Danehill Dancer G1, **EXQUISITE JEWEL Lucky Unicorn** G3, **BROKEN GAME Broken Yow** LR, **LADY DUTCH Dutch Art** LR, **PARISH HALL Teofilo** LR.

The Danehill Dancer/Montjeu cross has produced: **LEGATISSIMO** G1, **Dynasty** G3.

Caulfield on Legatissimo: "As Danehill Dancer sired an Oaks winner, Dancing Rain, from a mare by the speedy Indian Ridge, she must have a fair chance of staying 12 furlongs"

LEGATISSIMO b f 2012

Danehill	Danzig	Northern Dancer Pas de Nom
DANEHILL DANCER b 93	Razanya	His Majesty Spring Adieu
	Sharpen Up	Atan Rocchetta
Mira Adonde	Lettre d'Amour	Caro Lianga
	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
Montjeu	Floripedes	Top Ville Toute Cy
	Shirley Heights	Mill Reef Hardiemma
YUMMY MUMMY b 05	Gryada	Windwurf Gondel
	Grimpola	

Lack of stamina was never going to be an issue for Legatissimo in the 1,000 Guineas. For a start, she had already won over an extended nine furlongs and, second, her dam, the mile-and-a-quarter winner Yummy

Mummy, is a sister to that redoubtable stayer Fame And Glory. This son of Montjeu had the magnificent record of winning at least one Gr1 race at the ages of two, three, four and five. Besides winning the Irish Derby and the Coronation Cup, he showed an extra dimension to his talents in taking the Gold Cup at Royal Ascot and the British Champions Long Distance Cup.

Legatissimo's second dam, the Shirley Heights mare Gryada, was owned by Plantation Stud, which sold Yummy Mummy for 460,000gns as a four-year-old. Gryada's dam Grimpola won the German 1,000 Guineas and finished third in the German Oaks. Seven of Grimpola's eight foals were by members of the Mill Reef male

line, with a mating to Slip Anchor producing Gonfalon, a three-parts-sister to Gryada. Gonfalon also made a major contribution to the family's reputation by producing three Group winners led by Gonbarda. This dual Gr1 winner over a mile and a half in turn became the dam of the top-class Farhh, who stayed a mile and a quarter very well, despite being a son of Pivotal.

Yummy Mummy is the third of Gryada's daughters to have produced a smart performer. The first, Guaranda, is the dam of the Gr3-winning stayer Gravitation and the second, Gaze, is the dam of the middle-distance stayer Greatwood.


So Legatissimo needed some speed in the top half of her pedigree

to win a race of the importance of the 1,000 Guineas. Her sire Danehill Dancer never won beyond seven furlongs and he had previously succeeded in injecting Classic mile speed into other staying mares. His previous 1,000 Guineas winner Speciosa is out of a mare by the mile-and-a-half Gr1 winner Sky Classic, while his Irish 1,000 Guineas winner Again had a dam by Kahyasi.

His Irish 2,000 Guineas winner Mastercraftsman also had plenty of middle-distance blood on his dam's side. As Danehill Dancer also sired an Oaks winner, Dancing Rain, from a mare by the speedy Indian Ridge, Legatissimo must have a fair chance of staying 12 furlongs – especially as she stayed on so well at Newmarket.

Group 2 and 3 Races

Date	Grade	Race (course)	Dist	Horse	Age	Sex	Sire	Dam	Broodmare Sire	Index
06/04	G2	Prix d'Harcourt (Longchamp)	10f	Al Kazeem (GB)	7	H	Dubawi	Kazeem	Darshaan	10
06/04	G3	Prix La Force (Longchamp)	10f	Silverwave (FR)	3	C	Silver Frost	Miss Bio	River Mist	11
12/04	G3	Wettmeister Frühjahrsmeile (Dusseldorf)	8f	Amaron (GB)	6	H	Shamardal	Amandalini	Bertolini	12
12/04	G3	Leopardstown 1000 Guineas Trial Stakes (Leopardstown)	7f	Stormfly (IRE)	3	F	Dark Angel	Intaglia	Lomitas	13
12/04	G3	P W McGrath Memorial Ballysax Stakes (Leopardstown)	10f	Success Days (IRE)	3	C	Jeremy	Malaica	Roi Gironde	14
12/04	G3	Prix de Fontainebleau (Longchamp)	8f	Terrionies (IRE)	3	C	Invincible Spirit	Taranto	Machiavellian	15
12/04	G3	Prix de la Grotte (Longchamp)	8f	Mexican Gold (USA)	3	F	Medaglia d'Oro	Hachita	Gone West	16
14/04	G3	Prix Penelope (Saint-Cloud)	10.5f	Queen's Jewel (GB)	3	F	Pivotal	Safari Queen	Lode	17
15/04	G3	Prix Sisy (Chantilly)	6f	El Valle (FR)	3	C	Dobby Road	Dohibane	Danehill	18
15/04	G3	Lanwades Stud Nell Gwyn Stakes (Newmarket)	7f	Osala (IRE)	3	F	Danehill Dancer	Mennetou	Entrepreneur	19
16/04	G3	Connaught Flooring Aberdeen Stakes (Newmarket)	6f	Astaire (IRE)	4	C	Intense Focus	Runway Dancer	Dansili	20
16/04	G3	Novae Bloodstock Insurance Craven Stakes (Newmarket)	8f	Kool Kompany (IRE)	3	C	Jeremy	Absolutely Cool	Indian Ridge	21
16/04	G3	Weatherbys Earl of Sefton Stakes (Newmarket)	9f	French Navy (GB)	7	H	Shamardal	First Fleet	Woodman	22
18/04	G3	AON Greenham Stakes (Newbury)	7f	Muhaaarar (GB)	3	C	Oasis Dream	Tahir	Linamix	23
18/04	G3	Dubai Duty Free Fred Darling Stakes (Newbury)	7f	Redstart (GB)	3	F	Cockney Rebel	Ecstasy	Pursuit of Love	24
18/04	G3	Dubai Duty Free John Porter Stakes (Newbury)	12f	Arab Spring (IRE)	5	H	Monsun	Spring Symphony	Darshaan	25
19/04	G3	K.Baronin von Ullmann Schwarzgold Rennen (Cologne)	8f	La Saldana (GER)	3	F	Fastnet Rock	La Salina	Singspiel	26
19/04	G3	Big Bad Bob Gladness Stakes (Curragh)	7f	Flight Risk (IRE)	4	C	Teofilo	Raghida	Nordico	27
19/04	G3	Premio Ambrosiano (Milan)	10f	Magic Artist (IRE)	4	C	Iffraaj	Artisti	Cape Cross	28
20/04	G3	Prix Noailles (Longchamp)	10.5f	Karakar (IRE)	3	C	High Chaparral	Karawana	King's Best	29
24/04	G2	bet365 Mile (Sandown Park)	8f	Custom Cut (IRE)	6	G	Notnowcato	Polished Gem	Danehill	30
24/04	G3	bet365 Classic Trial (Sandown Park)	10f	Master Apprentice (IRE)	3	C	Mastercraftsman	Lady Hawkfield	Hawk Wing	31
24/04	G3	bet365 Gordon Richards Stakes (Sandown Park)	10f	Western Hymn (GB)	4	G	High Chaparral	Blue Rhapsody	Cape Cross	32
26/04	G3	Rennen Preis der SWK Dr Busch Memorial (Krefeld)	8.5f	Karpino (GER)	3	C	Cape Cross	Kahara	Sadler's Wells	33
26/04	G3	P.Regina Elena Tris Straordin-1000 Gns. (Rome)	8f	Sound of Freedom (IRE)	3	F	Duke of Marmalade	Paint In Green	Invincible Spirit	34
26/04	G3	Premio Parioli 2000 Gns-Sisal Matchpoint (Rome)	8f	Hero Look (IRE)	3	C	Lope de Vega	Roscoff	Daylami	35
27/04	G3	Prix Allez France (Chantilly)	10f	Mayhem (IRE)	4	F	Whipper	Hit The Sky	Cozzene	36
29/04	G3	Longines Sagaro Stakes (Ascot)	16f	Mizzou (IRE)	4	C	Galleo	Moments of Joy	Darshaan	37
29/04	G3	Merribelle Stable Pavilion Stakes (Ascot)	6f	Limato (IRE)	3	G	Tagula	Come April	Singspiel	38
01/05	G2	Prix du Muguet (Saint-Cloud)	8f	Bawina (IRE)	4	F	Dubawi	Esneh	Sadler's Wells	39
01/05	G3	Bankhaus von der Heydt Silberne Peitsche (Munich)	6.5f	Shining Emerald (GB)	4	G	Clodovil	Janayen	Zafonic	40
02/05	G2	Dunaden at Overbury Jockey Club Stakes (Newmarket)	12f	Second Step (IRE)	4	G	Dalakhani	My Dark Rosaleen	Sadler's Wells	41
02/05	G3	Pearl Bloodstock Palace House Stakes (Newmarket)	5f	Goldream (GB)	6	G	Oasis Dream	Cizia	Machiavellian	42
03/05	G2	Charm Spirit Dahlia Stakes (Newmarket)	9f	Bragging (USA)	4	F	Exchange Rate	Boasting	Kris S	43
03/05	G3	Fruhjahrs-Preis des Bankhauses Metzler (Frankfurt)	10f	Shadow Sadness (GER)	3	C	Soldier Hollow	Shadow Queen	Lando	44
03/05	G3	Prix Vanteaux (Longchamp)	9f	Olorda (GER)	3	F	Lord of England	Oligarchica	Desert King	45
03/05	G3	Prix de Barbeville (Longchamp)	15.5f	Alex My Boy (IRE)	4	C	Dalakhani	Alexandrova	Sadler's Wells	46



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237 BETFRED BOWL CHASE G1

AINTREE, Apr 9, 5yo+, 25f.

- 1. SILVINIACO CONTI (FR)** 9 11-7 £84,570
 ch g by Dom Alco - Gazelle Lulu (Altayan)
 O-Mr Chris Giles & Potensis Bloodstock Ltd
 B-P. Joubert TR-Paul Nicholls
- 2. Ballynagoy (IRE)** 9 11-7 £31,965
 b g by Shantou - Simply Deep (Simply Great)
 O-Mr Allan Stennett B-G. T. Morrow TR-David Pipe
- 3. Holywell (IRE)** 8 11-7 £16,080
 b g by Gold Well - Hillcrest (Thatching)
 O-Mrs Gay Smith B-P. Doyle TR-Jonjo O'Neill
 Margins Head, 2.25. Time 6:15.70. Going Good to Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-9	26	15	8	£957,329

Sire: DOM ALCO. Sire of 23 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **SILVINIACO CONTI** Altayan G1, **AL FEROF** Altayan G2, **VEZELAY** Sleeping Car G2, **VISIONICE** Agent Bleu LR.

- 1st Dam: GAZELLE LULU** by Altayan. 5 wins in France. Dam of 5 winners:
- 2002:** ORFEO CONTI (g Bulington) 3 wins.
- 2005:** RIO CONTI (g Video Rock) Winner at 5 in France.
- 2006:** **SILVINIACO CONTI** (g Dom Alco) 15 wins, totesport.com Persian War Nov. Hurdle **G2**, Coral Ascot Hurdle **G2**, 3rd stanjames.com International Hurdle **G2**, William Hill King George VI Chase **G1** (twice), Betfred Bowl Chase **G1** (twice), Betfair Lancashire Chase **G1** (twice), Bet365 Charlie Hall Chase **G2**, John Smith's Midmay Novices' Chase **G2**, Totententofollow Rising Stars Nov Chase **G2**, Betfair Denham Chase **G2**, 2nd williamhill.com Feltham Novices' Chase **G1**, 3rd Betfred Bowl Chase **G1**, Betfair Lancashire Chase **G1**.
- 2007:** **TOSCANA CONTI** (f Dom Alco) 6 wins, Prix Triqueville Chase **LR**.
- 2008:** **UCELLO CONTI** (g Martaline) 8 wins, Prix Roger de Minville Chase **LR**, 2nd Prix Duc d'Anjou Chase **G3**, Prix Fleuret Chase **G3**, Prix Edmond Barrachin Chase **G3**.
- 2010:** Adagio Conti (g Dom Alco)

Broodmare Sire: ALTAYAN. Sire of the dams of 5 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **SILVINIACO CONTI** Dom Alco G1, **AL FEROF** Dom Alco G2.

The Dom Alco/Altayan cross has produced: **AL FEROF** G1, **SILVINIACO CONTI** G1, **TOSCANA CONTI** LR.

SILVINIACO CONTI ch g 2006

Dom Pasquini	Rheffic	Traffic Rhenane
DOM ALCO gr 87	Boursonne	La Varende Arctic Star
	Nonoalco	Nearctic Seximee
Alconaca	Vela	Sheshoon Cenerentola
Altayan	Posse	Fori In Hot Pursuit
	Aleama	Red God Alannya
GAZELLE LULU ch 94	Quart de Vin	Devon Quartette
	Tatiana Lulu	Vieux Chateau Violine D P

Silviniaco Conti - see race 91 in the February issue

238 BETFRED JUVENILE HURDLE G1

AINTREE, Apr 9, 4yo+, 17f.

- 1. ALL YOURS (FR)** 11-0 £56,270
 ch g by Halling - Fontaine Riant (Josr Algarhoud)
 O-Potensis Bloodstock Limited
 B-S.C.A. La Perrigne TR-Paul Nicholls
- 2. Devilment (GB)** 11-0 £21,200
 b g by Cape Cross - Mischief Making (Lemon Drop Kid)
 O-Bloomfields B-Cliveden Stud Ltd
 TR-John Ferguson
- 3. Bristol de Mai (FR)** 11-0 £10,610
 gr g by Saddler Maker - La Bole Night (April Night)
 O-Mr Simon Munir & Mr Isaac Souede
 B-Mr J. Touzaint TR-Nigel Twiston-Davies
 Margins 0.75, 0.5. Time 4:05.80. Going Good to Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
3-4	6	2	2	£70,348

Sire: HALLING. Sire of 62 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **ALL YOURS** Josr Algarhoud G1, **BALMUSSETTE** Danehill Dancer LR.

- 1st Dam: FONTAINE RIAnt** by Josr Algarhoud. 2 wins at 3 and 4 in France. Dam of 2 winners:
- 2009:** **LAC FONTANA** (g Shirocco) 5 wins, Per Temps Network Mersey Novices Hurdle **G1**.
- 2010:** Aqua Fontana (f Linda's Lad)
- 2011:** **ALL YOURS** (g Halling) 2 wins over hurdles at 4, Betfred Juvenile Hurdle **G1**, 2nd Betbright.com Adonis Juvenile Hurdle **G2**.

2nd Dam: MARIE DE FONTENOY by Lightning. 1 win in France. Dam of **KENTUCKY COFFEE** (c Kenmare: Prix du Cercle LR, Premio Bersaglio LR). Granddam of **MARIENBARD**, Borug. Third dam of **RANSOM NOTE**. Fourth dam of **MURIO**.

Broodmare Sire: JOSR ALGARHOUD. Sire of the dams of 4 Stakes winners.

ALL YOURS ch g 2011

Diesis	Sharpen Up	Atan Rochetta
	Doubly Sure	Reliance II Soft Angels
HALLING ch 91	Green Dancer	Njinsky Green Valley
	Never A Lady	Pontifex Camogie
Dance Machine	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
	Pont-Aven	Try My Best Basilea
Josr Algarhoud	Lightning	Kashmir II Fidra
	Primula	Petingo Valrose
FONTAINE RIAnt b 03		

With only one success to his name from five starts, All Yours started at 16-1 in the Anniversary 4-Y-O Juvenile Hurdle. However, the French-bred son of Halling produced a career-best effort to become a Gr 1 winner.

Halling is best known as the sire of such durable Flat performers as Cavalryman, Norse Dancer and Opinion Poll. However, this outstanding mile-and-a-quarter performer also sired the occasional good jumper, such as the staying chaser Deep Purple and the hurdler/chasers Hasty Prince and Briareus.

Perhaps more of the credit for All Yours should go to the gelding's dam Fontaine Riant, as this seven-furlong winner has also enjoyed Gr 1 success at Aintree with her Shirocco gelding Lac Fontana (Mersey Novices' Hurdle). With Darshaan's speedy son Josr Algarhoud as her sire, Fontaine Riant is a three-parts-sister to Marienbad, the Darshaan mare responsible for the Arc winner Marienbard.

Lac Fontana's third dam is Primula, a very successful broodmare who produced four stakes winners, headed by the Prix Morny heroine Sakura Reiko. This very good filly was by Kenmare, who also sired the dual Listed winner Kentucky Coffee from All Yours's second dam Marie de Fontenoy. Marie de Fontenoy is one of three daughters of Primula to have bred a stakes winner, the others being Marie de Flandre (dam of that good stayer Solo Mio) and Marie de Russy (dam of the Prix Royal-Oak winner Top Sunrise).

239 DOOM BAR AINTREE HURDLE G1

AINTREE, Apr 9, 4yo+, 20f.

- 1. JEZKI (IRE)** 7 11-7 £113,072
 b g by Milan - La Noire (Phardante)
 O-Mr John P. McManus B-G. M. McGrath
 TR-Mrs J. Harrington
- 2. Rock On Ruby (IRE)** 10 11-7 £42,932
 b g by Oscar - Stony View (Tirol)
 O-The Festival Goers B-J. O'Dwyer TR-Harry Fry
- 3. Volnay de Thaix (FR)** 6 11-7 £21,752
 ch g by Secret Singer - Mange de Thaix (Mont Basile)
 O-Mrs Judy Wilson B-Mr M. Bourgneuf
 TR-Nicky Henderson
 Margins 13, 1.5. Time 4:48.80.
 Going Good to Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	22	13	7	£856,655

Sire: MILAN. Sire of 21 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **APACHE STRONGHOLD** Un Desperado G1, **JEZKI** Phardante G1, **MARTELL TOWER** Zaffaran G1, **SIZING GRANITE** Mandalus G1, **MISS XIAN** Supreme Leader G2, **SORT IT OUT** Flemensfirth G2, **DUKE OF LUCCA** Be My Native LR.

- 1st Dam: La Noire** by Phardante. Dam of 4 winners:
- 2002:** **JERED** (g Presenting) 7 wins, vcbet.com Champion Novice Hurdle **G1**, 3rd Maplewood Developments Morgiana Hurdle **G1**, 3rd Bar One Racing Drinmore Novice Chase **G1**.
- 2003:** Miss Squiff (f Saddlers' Hall) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and over hurdles. Broodmare.
- 2004:** Joe Pye (g Saddlers' Hall) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and over hurdles.
- 2005:** **JETSON** (g Oscar) 6 wins, Ladbroke World Series Tipperkevin Hurdle **G1**, 2nd Bar One Racing Hatton's Grace Hurdle **G1**, Squared Financial Christmas Hurdle **G1**.
- 2007:** **JENARI** (g Milan) 4 wins, 3rd betchronicle.com Champion INH Flat Race **G1**, Coolmore NH Sires Festival Nov. Hurdle **G2**.
- 2008:** **JEZKI** (g Milan) 13 wins, Stan James Champion Chall. Trophy Hurdle **G1**, Doom Bar Aintree Hurdle **G1**, Ladbroke World Series Tipperkevin Hurdle **G1**, Bar One Racing Royal Bond Novice Hurdle **G1**, Bar One Racing Hatton's Grace Hurdle **G1**, Herald Champion Novice Hurdle **G1**, Paddy Power Future Champions Nov. Hurdle **G1**, Racing Post Punchestown Champion Hurdle **G1**, WKD Core Hurdle **G2**, Fishery Lane Hurdle **G3**, 2nd stanjames.com Morgiana Hurdle **G1**, Ryanair December Hurdle **G1** (twice), 3rd BHP Insurances Champion Hurdle **G1**, William Hill Supreme Novices' Hurdle **G1**.
- 2009:** Jeree (f Flemensfirth) unraced. Broodmare.
- 2011:** Jett (g Flemensfirth)
- 2012:** Jean (f Milan) unraced to date.

Broodmare Sire: PHARDANTE. Sire of the dams of 48 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **JEZKI** Milan G1, **KILLULTAGH VIC** Old Vic G1, **LAMI SERGE** King's Theatre G1, **GOD'S OWN** Oscar G2.

The Milan/Phardante cross has produced: **DOUBLE SEVEN** G1, **JENARI** G1, **JEZKI** G1, **Taraval** G3, **Durseley Sound** LR.

JEZKI b g 2008

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
MILAN b 98	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
	Kalata	Assert Kalkeen
Kithanga	Pharly	Lyphard Comely
	Pallante	Taj Dewan Cavadonga
LA NOIRE b 95	Deep Run	Pampered King Trial By Fire
	Arctic Run	Bargello Arctic Blaze

See after race 254 later in this issue

240 ONE MAGNIFICENT CITY MANIFESTO NOV.CHASE G1

AINTREE, Apr 9, 5yo+, 20f.

- 1. CLARCAM (FR)** 5 11-4 £50,882
 b g by Califet - Rose Beryl (Lost World)
 O-Gigginstown House Stud
- B-J. Michel & D. Le Breton** TR-Gordon Elliott
- 2. Vibrato Valtat (FR)** 6 11-4 £19,939
 gr g by Voix du Nord - La Tosca Valtat (Dom Alco)
 O-Axom XLIII B-Mme C. Duperret & Mlle A-M. Duperret
 TR-Paul Nicholls
- 3. Val de Law (FR)** 6 11-4 £9,788
 b g by Epalo - Law (Lute Antique)
 O-Sir Chips Keswick B-Jean-Francois Magnien
 TR-Jamie Snowden
 Margins 4, 7. Time 4:58.40. Going Good to Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
3-5	17	5	10	£174,329

Sire: CALIFET. Sire of 11 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **CLARCAM** Lost World G1, **MOMITA HAS** Demier Empereur LR.

- 1st Dam: ROSE BERYL** by Lost World. Winner over jumps in France. Dam of 4 winners:
- 2005:** **FABANNISO** (f Dream Well) 5 wins. Broodmare.
- 2006:** **MARCOMAX** (c Ballingarry) 4 wins over jumps at 4, 7 and 8 in France.
- 2007:** Lisalex (g Roli Abi) ran on the flat in France.
- 2008:** Maxyan (g Ballingarry)
- 2009:** Maxaubin (g Ballingarry)
- 2010:** **CLARCAM** (g Califet) 5 wins, 2nd Injured Jockeys Fund Juvenile Hurdle **G1**, Knight Frank Juvenile Hurdle **G2**, J. Smith's Scottish Triumph Trial Hurdle **LR**, 3rd Bar One Racing Juvenile Hurdle **G3**, Racing Post Christmas Novice Chase **G1**, One Magnificent City Manifesto Nov. Chase **G1**, 2nd Frank Ward Arke Challenge Cup Nov. Chase **G1**.
- 2011:** **MONYJEAN** (g Califet) Winner over jumps at 4 in France.
- 2012:** Journeyrose (f Great Journey) unraced to date.

Broodmare Sire: LOST WORLD. Sire of the dams of 2 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **CLARCAM** Califet G1, **CHANCOL** Vangelis G2.

CLARCAM b g 2010

Freedom Cry	Soviet Star	Nureyev Verushka
	Falling Star	Mount Hagen Free French
CALIFET br 98	Kendor	Kenmare Belle Mecene
	Sally's Room	Dewan Keys Stormy Love
Lost World	Last Tycoon	Try My Best Mill Princess
	Last Tango	Luther La Bamba
ROSE BERYL b 99	Master Thatch	Thatch Miss Sarah
	Rose Angevine	Abdos Amphipolis

See race 93 in the February issue

241 BETFRED MELLING CHASE G1

AINTREE, Apr 10, 5yo+, 20f.

- 1. DON COSSACK (GER)** 8 11-10 £112,637
 br g by Sholokhov - Depeche Toi (Konigsstuhl)
 O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Gestut Etzean
 TR-Gordon Elliott
- 2. Cue Card (GB)** 9 11-10 £42,497
 b g by King's Theatre - Wicked Crack (King's Ride)
 O-Mrs Jean R. Bishop B-Mr R. T. Crellin
 TR-Colin Tizzard
- 3. Johns Spirit (IRE)** 8 11-10 £21,317
 b g by Gold Well - Gilt Ridden (Heron Island)
 O-Mr Christopher W. T. Johnston B-Arctic Tack Stud & Crossogue Stud TR-Jonjo O'Neill
 Margins 26, 4.5. Time 4:53.10. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-8	21	12	6	£465,225

Sire: SHOLOKHOV. Sire of 20 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **DON COSSACK** Konigsstuhl G1, **ABAKAHN** Dashing Blade LR.

Caulfield on Saphir Du Rheu: "It was a bold decision to return him to steeplechasing, but the boldness was rewarded with a performance which bodes very well for his future"

1st Dam: DEPECHE TOI by Konigsstuhl. 2 wins at 3 in West Germany. Dam of **6 winners**:

- 1996:** Demetrius (c Polish Precedent)
- 1997:** DUBAI DANCER (g Lando) 3 wins.
- 1998:** DUBAI DIVA (f Untuwin) 3 wins at 3 in Germany. Broodmare. Dam of **Dubai Star** (c Lord of England: 3 wins over jumps in France, 2nd Prix Aguado Hurdle LR)
- 1999:** Dendera (f Lando) ran on the flat in Germany and over jumps in Germany.
- 2000:** DABOYA (f Hernando) Winner at 4 in France. Broodmare.
- 2001:** DUBAI KING (g Dashing Blade) 2 wins.
- 2002:** Dubai Perle (f Sagami) ran on the flat in France.
- 2003:** Don Corleone (c Tiger Hill)
- 2004:** DIAMOND KING (c Dashing Blade) Winner at 4 in Czech Republic.
- 2007:** **DON COSSACK** (g Sholokhov) 12 wins, Irish Form Future Chpns Pro-Am Flat Race **G2**, 2nd Racing UK Moscow Flyer Novice Hurdle **G2**, 3rd paddypower.com Johnstown Novice Hurdle **G2**, Bar One Racing Drinmore Novice Chase **G1**, John Durkan Memorial Punchestown Chase **G1**, Bettfred Melling Chase **G1**, Bibby Punchestown Gold Cup Chase **G1**, Ladbroke's Ireland Kinloch Brae Chase **G2**, Powers Irish Whiskey Skymas Chase **G2**, Star Best For Racing Carvills Hill Chase **G3**, 2nd Bettfred Mildmay Novices' Chase **G1**, Dr P J Moriarty Novice Chase **G1**, Dobbins Catering Florida Pearl Nov.Chase **G2**, 3rd Ryanair Festival Trophy Chase **G1**.

2nd Dam: Diaspora by Sparkler. 2 wins at 2 and 3 in West Germany, 2nd Schwarzgold-Rennen (1000 Guineas) **G3**. Dam of **DAPPRIMA** (f Shareef Dancer: Everest TV Fruhjahren Stuten Preis LR, 2nd ARAG Preis (1000 Guineas) **G2**), **Donja** (f Julio Mariner: 3rd Preis der Landeshauptstadt Munchen LR), Grandam of **DENARO, DAVIDOFF, DUELLANT, DEAUVILLE, DOMINANTE**, Dubai. 3rd dam of **Dajolie**.

Broodmare Sire: KONIGSSTUHL. Sire of the dams of 58 Stakes winners.

DON COSSACK br g 2007

SHOLOKHOV b 99	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
	Lord Gayle	Sir Gaylord Sticky Case
	Gradille	Home Guard Gradiva
Konigsstuhl	Dschingis Khan	Donna Diana
	Konigskrone	Tiepoletto Kronung
DEPECHE TOI b/br 91	Sparkler	Hard Tack Diamond Spur
	Diaspora	Ultilio Didergo

See race 82 in the February issue

242 BETERED MILDMAJ NOVICES' CHASE G1

AINTREE. Apr 10. 5yo+. 25f.

- 1. SAPHIR DU RHEU (FR)** 6 11-4 £50,793
gr g by Al Namix - Dona du Rheu (Dom Pasquini)
O-The Stewart Family B-Mr C. Duval
TR-Paul Nicholls
- 2. Carraig Mor (IRE)** 7 11-4 £19,230
b g by Old Vic - Lynrick Lady (Un Desperado)
O-Masterson Holdings Limited B-G. T. Greene
TR-Alan King
- 3. Irish Saint (FR)** 6 11-4 £9,699
b/br g by Saint des Saints - Minirose (Mansonien)
O-Mrs Johnny de la Hay B-S. C. E. A. Haras Du Ma
TR-Paul Nicholls
Margins 15, Head. Time 6:18.90. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
3-6	16	7	5	£248,015

Sire: AL NAMIX. Sire of 9 Stakes winners.

- 1st Dam:** Dona du Rheu by Dom Pasquini. unraced. Dam of **3 winners**:
- 2002:** Tulipe du Rheu (f Phantom Breeze) unraced. Broodmare.
- 2003:** Bonheur du Rheu (c Dounba) ran on the flat in France and over jumps in France.

- 2004:** Comtesse du Rheu (f Comte du Bourg) ran on the flat in France.
- 2005:** Lord du Rheu (g Passing Sale)
- 2008:** **Centaure du Rheu** (g Cadoubel) Winner over jumps in France, 2nd Prix La Perichole Chase **G3**.
- 2009:** **SAPHIR DU RHEU** (g Al Namix) 7 wins, galliardshomes.com Clevee Hurdle **G2**, William Hill Lanzarote H. Hurdle LR, 2nd Ladbroke's World Hurdle **G1**, Bettfred Mildmay Novices' Chase **G1**, 3rd Prix Finot Hurdle (c&g) LR.
- 2010:** Ravel du Rheu (g Network)
- 2011:** IBIS DU RHEU (g Blue Bresil) Winner over jumps at 3 in France.

Broodmare Sire: DOM PASQUINI. Sire of the dams of 20 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **SAPHIR DU RHEU** Al Namix G1, **VAUTOUR Robin des Champs** G1, **HILTON DU BERLAIS Saint des Saints** G3, **URANNA Panoramic** LR.

SAPHIR DU RHEU gr g 2009

AL NAMIX gr 97	Mendez	Bellypha Miss Carina
	Lunadix	Breton Lutine
	Lead On Time	Nureyev Alathia
Dirigante	Daytona	Barbare Dourdan
	Rhefic	Traffic Rhenane
DOM PASQUINI	Boursonne	La Varende Arctic Star
	Labus	Busted Cordovilla
DONA DU RHEU b 96	Mary Long Grass	Dancing Lad Wish Trick

When Grandouet with the AES Champion 4YO Hurdle at the 2011 Punchestown festival, I warned that we were likely to hear more of his sire Al Namix. The prediction has come true thanks to his tough son Saphir du Rheu. Having become a Listed winner over hurdles as a five-year-old, this French-bred gelding has now become a Gr 1 winner over fences in the Mildmay Novices' Chase.

However, his transition to fences hasn't been entirely smooth. After failing to finish in two of his first three starts over fences, the gelding was returned to hurdling with excellent results, defeating the redoubtable Reve de Sivola in the Gr 2 Clevee Hurdle before finding only Cole Harden too good for him in the Gr 1 World Hurdle. It was therefore a bold decision to return him to steeplechasing, but the boldness was rewarded with a performance which bodes very well for Saphir du Rheu's future.

Al Namix won three Listed races at up to 1,900 metres in a career that extended to 47 starts in six years on the track. His first crop, born in 2006, produced Solix, a Gr 3 winner over hurdles in France, and the Gr 2 winner Unmix has done well over fences for Al Namix. Remember the name, too, of Petit Mouchoir, winner of the Goffs Land Rover Bumper.

Dona du Rheu, the dam of Saphir du Rheu, won four times over fences in France, including three claiming races at Auteuil. She stayed two and a half miles and her son stays very well. Saphir du Rheu's young half-brother Ibis du Rheu has also been transferred to England after winning at Enghien, and another half-brother, Centaure du Rheu, was once second

in a Gr 3 chase at Auteuil. Dona du Rheu's brother Ponte Novu won the Grande Course de Haies d'Enghien, and their dam, Ulaide, won over fences in France.

243 DOOM BAR SEFTON NOVICES' HURDLE G1

AINTREE. Apr 10. 4yo+. 24f 110yds.

- 1. THISTLECRACK (GB)** 7 11-4 £56,437
b g by Kayf Tara - Ardstown (Ardross)
O-John and Heather Snook B-Mr & Mrs R. F. Knipe
TR-Colin Tizzard
- 2. Vyta du Roc (FR)** 6 11-4 £21,367
gr g by Lion Noir - Dolce Vyta (Grand Tesor)
O-Mr Simon Munir & Mr Isaac Souede
B-Mr A. Le Gall TR-Nicky Henderson
- 3. Our Kaempfer (IRE)** 6 11-4 £10,777
b g by Oscar - Gra-Bri (Rashar)
O-Swanee River Partnership B-P. Hore
TR-Charlie Longsdon
Margins 13, 0.5. Time 6:04.10. Going Good to Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
5-7	9	4	2	£87,999

Sire: KAYF TARA. Sire of 31 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **LIEUTENANT COLONEL** *Abou Zouz* G1, **SPECIAL TIARA** *Bob Back* G1, **THISTLECRACK** *Ardross* G1, **BLAKLION** *Legend of France* G2, **HAWKES POINT** *Be My Native* G3, **CAROLE'S DESTRIER** *Midnight Legend* LR, **LIFEBOAT MONA** *Astarabad* LR, **SIGN OF A VICTORY** *Bob Back* LR, **TARA POINT** *Terimon* LR, **TEA FOR TWO** *Tragic Role* LR, **THE GOVANESS** *Bob's Return* LR.

- 1st Dam:** ARDSTOWN by Ardross. 4 wins over fences. Dam of **3 winners**:
- 2003:** KENNEL BRIDGE (g Classic Cliche) 3 wins.
- 2005:** Quick Approach (g Kayf Tara) unraced.
- 2007:** Tiger Country (g Westerner) unraced.
- 2008:** **THISTLECRACK** (g Kayf Tara) 4 wins, Doom Bar Sefton Novices' Hurdle **G1**.
- 2010:** WEST APPROACH (g Westerner) Winner of a N.H. Flat Race at 5.
- 2013:** (f Kayf Tara)

Broodmare Sire: ARDROSS. Sire of the dams of 29 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **THISTLECRACK** *Kayf Tara* G1, **ANNACOTTY** *Beneficial* G3.

The Kayf Tara/Ardross cross has produced: **THISTLECRACK** G1, **THE PACKAGE** G3.

THISTLECRACK b g 2008

KAYF TARA b 94	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
	High Top	Derring-Do Camenae
Colourspin	Reprocalor	Jimmy Reppin Blue Queen
	Run The Gantlet	Tom Rolfe First Feather
ARDSTOWN b 91	Le Melody	Lemvoss Arctic Melody
	Master Owen	Owen Tudor Miss Matsie
Boosterstown	Vulgan's Rose	Vulgan Nevada Rose

In taking sixth place on the 2014-15 leading sires' list, Kayf Tara became the UK's leading jumps sire for the sixth time. At the same time, he ranked fourth of the six sons of Sadler's Wells who featured in the top ten. The Overbury resident owed his high position to the likes of Lieutenant Colonel, Special Tiara, Blaklion, Carole's Destrier, Sign Of A Victory, Tea For Two, The Govaness, Hawkes Point, Tara Point, Lifeboat Mona and Thistlecrack, who became one of his three Gr 1 winners when he took the Sefton Novices' Hurdle.

Plenty of stamina is required to win the Sefton Novices' Hurdle, over an extended three miles. Kayf Tara

triumphed in two editions of the Gold Cup at Ascot, a race which was also won twice by Thistlecrack's broodmare sire, Ardross. Ardross also made his mark during the 2014-15 season as the grandsire of Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Coneycreeg.

Thistlecrack's dam Ardstown won three times at around three miles in hunter chases before taking a handicap chase over the same distance at Newbury. She is also dam of Kennel Bridge, a short-lived but talented hurdler. Thistlecrack's next two dams were daughters of Master Owen, a stallion responsible for jumpers of the calibre of The Mighty Mac, Master Monday, Master H, Master Spy and Artifice, and Vulgan, who found lasting fame as the sire of three Grand National winners.

244 DOOM BAR MAGHULL NOVICES' CHASE G1

AINTREE. Apr 11. 5yo+. 16f.

- 1. SIZING GRANITE (IRE)** 7 11-4 £61,897
br g by Milan - Hazel's Tisrara (Mandalus)
O-Ann & Alan Potts Partnership B-T. Kelly
TR-Henry de Bronthead
- 2. God's Own (IRE)** 7 11-4 £23,320
b g by Oscar - Dantes Tern (Phardante)
O-Crossed Fingers Partnership B-Mrs C. O'Driscoll
TR-Tom George
- 3. Traffic Fluide (FR)** 5 11-4 £11,671
b g by Astarabad - Petale Rouge (Bonnet Rouge)
O-Galloping On The South Downs Partnership
B-Mr Gaetan Gilles TR-Gary Moore
Margins 1, 2.25. Time 3:50.20. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	10	5	2	£98,382

Sire: MILAN. Sire of 21 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **APACHE STRONGHOLD** *Un Desperado* G1, **JEZKI** *Phardante* G1, **MARTELO TOWER** *Zaffaran* G1, **SIZING GRANITE** *Mandalus* G1, **MISS XIAN** *Supreme Leader* G2, **SORT IT OUT** *Flemensfirth* G2, **DUKE OF LUCCA** *Be My Native* LR.

1st Dam: HAZEL'S TISRARA by Mandalus. Winner over hurdles. Dam of **2 winners**:

- 2003:** Hazels Supreme (g Supreme Leader) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and ran twice over hurdles.
- 2004:** DORANSFIRTH (f Flemensfirth) 2 wins over hurdles. Broodmare.
- 2005:** Ballygar Star (g Fourstars Allstar) ran once over hurdles.
- 2008:** **SIZING GRANITE** (g Milan) 5 wins, Doom Bar Maghull Novices' Chase **G1**.
- 2011:** (g Oscar)
- 2012:** (f Milan)
- 2014:** (f Scorpion)

Broodmare Sire: MANDALUS. Sire of the dams of 30 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **SIZING GRANITE** *Milan* G1, **SIZING EUROPE** *Pistolet Bleu* G2.

The Milan/Mandalus cross has produced: **SIZING GRANITE** G1, **Crash** G2, **Jupiter** G3, **Night In Milan** LR.

SIZING GRANITE br g 2008

MILAN b 98	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
	Darshaan	Shirley Heights
Kithanga	Kalata	Assert Kalkeen
	Mandamus	Petition Great Fun
Mandalus	Laminate	Abernant Lamri
	Deep Run	Pampered King Trial By Fire
HAZEL'S TISRARA br 94	My Deep Fort VII	David Jack Fortlet

National Hunt Grade 1s

What could possibly have tempted owner Alan Potts to pay €68,000 for Sizing Granite, a three-year-old gelding by Milan out of Hazel's Tisrara?

Well, he has enjoyed enormous success with Sizing Europe, who shares the same broodmare sire, Mandalus, as Sizing Granite and also enjoyed Gr3 success over hurdles and fences with Sizing Rio, another with a dam by Mandalus. The formula has worked again, with Sizing Granite winning the Maghull Novices' Chase.

The very tough Mandalus carved out his name as a miler before showing surprising stamina over an extreme distance. Mandalus sired those good staying chasers Sir Rembrandt, MacGeorge and Henry Mann, and his daughters' other good recent winners include Roberto Goldback, Powerstation, Get Me Out Of Here, Made In Taipan, Mount Oscar, Deep Trouble and The Disengager.

Sizing Granite's dam Hazel's Tisrara won a two-mile hurdle race at Ballinrobe. This family is registered in the Non T.B. Stud Book but each of the next three dams is by a top National Hunt stallion. Second dam My Deep Fort VII was by the many-times champion sire Deep Run; third dam Fortriton was by David Jack, sire of Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Davy Lad; and the next dam, Fortlet, was by Fortina, a Cheltenham Gold Cup winner who sired two winners of the same race.

245 JUST EAT MERSEY NOVICES HURDLE G1

AINTREE, Apr 11, 4yo+. 20f.

- NICHOLS CANYON (GB)** 5 11-4 £42,203
b g by Authorized - Zam Zoom (Dalakhani)
O-Andrea & Graham Wylie B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited TR-W.P. Mullins
- Parlour Games (GB)** 7 11-4 £15,900
b g by Monsun - Petrushka (Unfuwain)
O-Bloomfields B-Darley TR-John Ferguson
- Three Musketeers (IRE)** 5 11-4 £7,958
b g by Flemensfirth - Friendly Craic (Mister Lord)
O-Mrs G. Widdowson & Mrs R. Kelvin-Hughes
B-W. B. Mactaggart TR-Dan Skelton
Margins 4.5, 7. Time 4:45.80. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
2-5	17	8	6	£252,684

Sire: **AUTHORIZED**. Sire of 24 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **NICHOLS CANYON** Dalakhani G1, **BELTOR Danehill** G2.

1st Dam: Zam Zoom by Dalakhani. Unraced. Dam of 2 winners:

2010: **NICHOLS CANYON** (g Authorized) Sold 48,000gns yearling at AOC3. 7 wins, Ascot Underwriting Noel Murless S LR, Prix Denisy LR, 2nd Worthington's St Simon S G3, Tattersalls Ireland Champion Nov. Hurdle G1, JUST EAT Mersey Novices Hurdle G1, Bar One Racing Royal Bond Novice Hurdle G1, Deloitte Novice Hurdle G1, 3rd Neptune Investment Bingham Nov Hurdle G1.

2011: **Bright Approach** (f New Approach) Winner at 3, 3rd Weatherbys Private Banking Cheshire Oaks LR.

2012: (f Teofilo)
2014: (c Pwotal)

2nd Dam: Mantesera by In The Wings. Unraced. Own sister to **CLOUD CASTLE**. Dam of **NIDEEB** (c Exceed And Excel: Sportingbet Supports Heros Winter Derby G3)

Broodmare Sire: **DALAKHANI**. Sire of the dams of 6 Stakes winners.

NICHOLS CANYON b g 2010

Montjeu	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
AUTHORIZED b 04	Floripedes	Top Ville Toute Cy
Funsie	Saumarez	Rainbow Quest Fiesta Fun
Dalakhani	Vallee Dansante	Lyphard Green Valley
ZAM ZOOM gr 05	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
Mantesera	Daltawa	Miswaki Damana
	In The Wings	Sadler's Wells High Hawk
	Lucayan Princess	High Line Gay France

See race 166 in the April issue

246 SILVER CROSS STAYERS' LIVERPOOL HURDLE G1

AINTREE, Apr 11, 4yo+. 24f 110yds.

- WHISPER (FR)** 7 11-7 £67,582
b g by Astarabad - Belle Yepa (Mansonnien)
O-Walters Plant Hire Ltd B-H. & S. Hosselet
TR-Nicky Henderson
- Cole Harden (IRE)** 6 11-7 £25,498
b g by Westerner - Nosie Betty (Alphabetim)
O-Mrs Jill Eynon & Mr Robin Eynon B-Mrs J. O'Callaghan
TR-Warren Greatrex
- Un Temps Pour Tout (IRE)** 6 11-7 £12,790
b g by Robin des Champs - Rougedespoir (Bonnet Rouge)
O-Professor Caroline Tisdall & Bryan Drew
B-Mr F. Talbot TR-David Pipe
Margins 3.5, 6. Time 5:58.50. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	18	8	6	£237,189

Sire: **ASTARABAD**. Sire of 15 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **WHISPER** Mansonnien G1, **CHELTENIAN** Mansonnien G2, **ROYAL ASTARANIA** Villez G2, **AMIRANDE** Carmont LR, **CAYO DE PAIL** Villez LR, **RASANGO** Nikos LR, **UN SEUL REGARD** Cyborg LR.

1st Dam: **Belle Yepa** by Mansonnien. 2 wins over jumps in France, 2nd Prix Finot Hurdle (fillies) LR. Dam of 4 winners:

- 2003: Asta Belle (f Astarabad) unraced. Broodmare.
- 2004: Mexcala (f Astarabad). Broodmare.
- 2005: **CHUCHOTEUSE** (f Astarabad) 8 wins over jumps in France, Prix de Besancon Hurdle LR (twice), 3rd Prix Leopold d'Orsetti d'Enghien Hurdle G3.
- 2006: **TAZZARINE** (f Astarabad) Winner of a N.H. Flat Race. Broodmare.
- 2007: **AFRICANERS** (c Risk Seeker) 2 wins over jumps in 2014 in France.
- 2008: **WHISPER** (g Astarabad) Sold 41,608gns yearling at AROCT. 8 wins, Silver Cross Stayers' Liverpool Hurdle G1 (twice), Coral Cup H. Hurdle G3.
- 2009: Witness (g Astarabad)
- 2010: Dotchenka (f Astarabad) ran over jumps in France.
- 2012: Femme En Oir (f Astarabad) unraced to date.
- 2013: Mont Lachaux (c Astarabad) unraced to date.
- 2014: La Hulpe (f No Risk At All)

2nd Dam: **GRANDE YEPA** by Yelapa. 3 wins over jumps in France. Dam of **Kassaboum** (f Double Bed: 2nd Prix Melisande LR), **SUBEHARGUES** (g Mansonnien: Prix Fleuret Chase G3, P. du Pres. de la Republique H'cp Chase G3, 2nd Prix Jean Stern Steeplechase G2, 3rd P.Maurice Gillois 4yo Grand Steeplechase G1), **CUTTY SARK MEMORY** (g Un Koepck: Grand Prix d'Automne H. Hurdle LR, Prix Jacques d'Indy Hurdle LR), **Belle Yepa** (f Mansonnien, see above), **Esterama** (f Tip Moss: 3rd Prix Wild Monarch Hurdle (fillies) LR), **Grand Art** (c Mansonnien: 3rd Prix Wild Monarch Hurdle (c&g) LR). Grandam of **Paladio**. Third dam of **Rick**.

Broodmare Sire: **MANSONNIEN**. Sire of the dams of 18 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **WHISPER** Astarabad G1, **CHELTENIAN** Astarabad G2, **IRISH SAINT** Saint des Saints G2, **AUBUSSON** Ballingarry G3, **JEMY BAIE** Crillon LR, **SO FRENCH** Poliglote LR.

The Astarabad/Mansonnien cross has produced: **CHELTENIAN** G1, **WHISPER** G1, **Rick** G2, **CHUCHOTEUSE** G3.

WHISPER b g 2008

Alleged	Hoist The Flag	Tom Rolfe Wavy Navy
ASTARABAD b 94	Princess Pout	Prince John Determined Lady
Anaza	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
Mansonnien	Azaarika	Ribero Arcana
BELLE YEPA ch 96	Tip Moss	Luthier Top Twig
Grande Yepa	Association	Margouillat La Soupe
	Yelapa	Missborough Your Point
	Grande Marque	Tombeur La Grandeur

Having been beaten at odds of 2-5 on his debut over fences, Whisper was promptly returned to the smaller obstacles and he justified this retrograde move by taking the Aintree's Stayers' Hurdle for the second successive year.

It isn't surprising that Whisper stays so well. His sire Astarabad won the 1998 Prix Ganay, having finished third to Peintre Celebre in the previous year's Prix du Jockey-Club. More to the point, Astarabad was a son of Alleged, the dual Arc winner who made a considerable impact on the National Hunt world through stallion sons such as Flemensfirth, Montelimar, Shantou, Religiously, Alesso, Jurado, Husyan and Leading Counsel. Between them they sired winners of the Grand National, Cheltenham Gold Cup, Scottish National etc.

Astarabad's contribution includes Questarabad, who landed the Grande Course de Haies (French Champion Hurdle), and the French mare Royal Astarana, whose successes include the Gr2 Prix Murat over fences in 2015. Astarabad has also been ably represented in Britain by Cheltenham (Weatherbys Champion Bumper and Scottish Champion Hurdle), Gaspara (Imperial Cup), the promising Traffic Fluide, Green Belt Elite and Prince Taimé.

Whisper's dam Belle Yepa is a sister to Subehargues, a smart staying chaser in France. She is by Mansonnien, as are the dams of Cheltenham and the useful performers Rick and Arturo. Mansonnien is well known in Britain and Ireland as the sire of Golden Silver, J'y Vole, Taranis, Marassonnien and Mansony.

Other good recent winners out of Mansonnien mares include Bostons Angel (Gr1 RSA Chase), Irish Saint (a Gr2 winner over hurdles and fences), Aubusson, Vino Griego and the French Graded chase winners Bebe Star and Net Lovely. Whisper's dam won over hurdles at Enghien and Auteuil. Whisper is the fifth of her nine foals by Astarabad, easily best of the others being Chuchoteuse, a Listed winner over hurdles at Enghien.

247 BET365 A P MCCOY CELEBRATION CHASE G1

SANDOWN PARK, Apr 25, 5yo+. 16f.

- SPECIAL TIARA (GB)** 8 11-7 £71,188
b g by Kayf Tara - Special Choice (Bob Back)
O-Mrs S. Rowley-Williams B-D. E. M. Young
TR-Henry de Bromhead

- Sprinter Sacre (FR)** 9 11-7 £26,713
b/br g by Network - Fatima III (Bayolidaan)
O-Mrs Caroline Mould B-Mr C. Masle
TR-Nicky Henderson
- Mr Mole (IRE)** 7 11-7 £13,375
br g by Great Pretender - Emmlyou du Berlais (Kadalko)
O-Mr John P. McManus B-Mrs H. Baird
TR-Paul Nicholls
Margins 6, 3.75. Time 3:48.50. Going Good.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-8	21	5	12	£269,234

Sire: **KAYF TARA**. Sire of 31 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **LIEUTENANT COLONEL** *Abou Zouz* G1, **SPECIAL TIARA** *Bob Back* G1, **THISTLECRACK** *Ardrass* G1, **BLAKLION** *Legend of France* G2, **HAWKES POINT** *Be My Native* G3, **CAROLE'S DESTRIER** *Midnight Legend* LR, **LIFEBEAT MONA** *Astarabad* LR, **SIGN OF A VICTORY** *Bob Back* LR, **TARA POINT** *Terimon* LR, **TEA FOR TWO** *Tragic Role* LR, **THE GOVANESS** *Bob's Return* LR.

1st Dam: Special Choice by Bob Back. Unraced.

Dam of 1 winner:

- 2007: **SPECIAL TIARA** (g Kayf Tara) 5 wins, John Smith's Maghull Novices' Chase G1, Bet365 A P McCoy Celebration Chase G1, williamhill.com Desert Orchid Chase G2, 2nd Buck House Novice Chase G3, 3rd Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase G1, Ryanair Colliers Novice Chase G1, bet365.com Celebration Chase G1, Shloer Chase LR.
- 2011: Special Diamond (f Kayf Tara) unraced.
- 2014: (c Kayf Tara)

Broodmare Sire: **BOB BACK**. Sire of the dams of 23 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **SPECIAL TIARA** *Kayf Tara* G1, **FREE EXPRESSION** *Germany* G2, **MANY CLOUDS** *Cloudings* G2, **CARRIGMOORNA** *King's Theatre* G3, **LYRICAL THEATRE** *King's Theatre* LR, **SIGN OF A VICTORY** *Kayf Tara* LR, **THE ROMFORD PELE** *Accordion* LR.

The Kayf Tara/Bob Back cross has produced: **SPECIAL TIARA** G1, **SIGN OF A VICTORY** G2.

SPECIAL TIARA b g 2007

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natama
KAYF TARA b 94	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
Colorspin	High Top	Derring-Do Camenae
	Reprocolor	Jimmy Reppin Blue Queen
Bob Back	Roberto	Hail To Reason Bramalea
SPECIAL CHOICE b 02	Toter Back	Carry Back Romantic Miss
	Mandalus	Mandamus Laminate
Mammy's Choice	Lifey's Choice	Little Buskins Nenagh Belle

The last time Special Tiara's pedigree was reviewed in these pages, I commented that "just about everything about the gelding's pedigree shouts 'stayer'."

However, he has now raced 20 times under rules and he is still racing mainly over the minimum distance of two miles. His connections were once again proved right when he landed his second Gr1 success over two miles, this time in the AP McCoy Celebration Chase.

Special Tiara's latest success was the last of a long line of black-type victories for the progeny of the dual Gold Cup winner Kayf Tara during the 2014-15 season. Although the likes of Lieutenant Colonel, Thistlecrack, Carole's Destrier, Blaklion and Hawkes Point shone at three miles or more, Special Tiara wasn't the only one who showed speed in excess of stamina. Interestingly, the other good example of a speedier type of Kayf Tara was the smart hurdler Sign Of A

Caulfield on Felix Yonger: "His first Grade 1 success, in the BoyleSports Champion Chase, was well deserved, as he had previously won four Grade 2s over hurdles and fences"

Victory, who shares the same broodmare sire, Bob Back, as Special Tiara.

Oddly, stamina has also been one of the main assets of Bob Back's stock. Bobs Worth won the Cheltenham Gold Cup, and many of Bob Back's other top winners have won over three miles or more, including Back In Front, Burton Port, Bacchanal, Roberto Goldback and Rare Bob. We have also seen a daughter of Bob Back produce the stamina-packed Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Synchronised.

Special Tiara's second dam Mammy's Choice won three chases, at up to an extended three and a quarter miles, and has also produced the King's Theatre mare Royal Choice, a Listed winner over fences. Mammy's Choice's sire, the versatile Mandalus, was once third in the Queen Alexandra Stakes over two and three-quarter miles.

The next dam, the winning hurdler Liffey's Choice, was by Little Buskins, a winner of the Great Metropolitan Handicap over two and a quarter miles.

248 BOYLESPTS DROGHEDA CHAMPION CHASE G1

PUNCESTOWN, Apr 28. 5yo+. 16f.

- FELIX YONGER (IRE)** 9 11-12 £93,023
b g by Oscar - Marble Sound (Be My Native)
O-Andrea & Graham Wylie B-J. Brophy
TR-W. P. Mullins
- Baily Green (IRE)** 9 11-12 £29,457
b g by King's Theatre - Dream On Boys (Anshan)
O-R. A. Scott B-Dream On Boys Syndicate
TR-M. F. Morris
- Hidden Cyclone (IRE)** 10 11-12 £13,953
b g by Stowaway - Hurricane Debbie (Shahranndeh)
O-Mrs A. F. Mee & David Mee B-R. O'Neill
TR-John Joseph Hanlon
Margins 0.5, 1.6. Time 4:06.60. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-9	20	10	8	£277,394

Sire: OSCAR. Sire of 55 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - FELIX YONGER Be My Native G1, MALLOWNEY Buckskin G1, GALLANT OSCAR Supreme Leader G2, GOD'S OWN Phardante G2, ROCK ON RUBY Tirol G2, MISTY LADY Topanoora G3, OSCAR TIME Supreme Leader G3, SPLASH OF GINGE Supreme Leader G3, SNAKE EYES Be My Native LR.

1st Dam: Marble Sound by Be My Native. ran a few times in N.H. Flat Races and ran once over hurdles. Dam of 2 winners:

- 2002:** My Valley (f Saddlers' Hall) 8 wins, 2nd EBF Scarvagh House Stud Novice Hurdle G3. Broodmare.
- 2003:** Valleyboggan (f Saddlers' Hall). Broodmare.
- 2006:** FELIX YONGER (g Oscar) 10 wins, paddypower.com Johnstown Novice Hurdle G2, 2nd Neptune Investment Bingham Nov Hurdle G1, Boylesports Drogheda Champion Chase G1, Kerry Group Hilly Way Chase G2, Madigans Bars Craddockstown Nov. Chase G2, Webster Cup An Uaimh Chase G2, 2nd Frank Ward Arkle Challenge Cup Nov. Chase G1, Greenmount Park Novice Chase G2, Poplar Square Chase G3.
- 2007:** (g Gold Well)
- 2008:** Ballycloven Oscar (f Oscar) unraced.
- 2009:** Summer Sounds (g Definite Article)
- 2011:** Marble Memory (f Fruits of Love) unraced.
- 2012:** (c Dubai Destination)

Broodmare Sire: BE MY NATIVE. Sire of the dams of 46 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - BELLSHILL King's Theatre G1, FELIX YONGER Oscar G1, GILGAMBOA Westerner G1, HAWKES POINT Kayf Tara G3, MORNING RUN King's Theatre G3, WHAT A WARRIOR Westerner G3.

The Oscar/Be My Native cross has produced: FELIX YONGER G1, OSCAR REBEL G2, Civena G2, SNAKE EYES LR.

FELIX YONGER b g 2006

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
OSCAR b 94	Reliance II	Tantieme Relance III
	Snow Day	Roi Dagobert Heavenly Body
Be My Native	Our Native	Exclusive Native Our Jackie
	Witchy Woman	Strate Stuff Witchy Norma
MARBLE SOUND b 93	Corvaro	Vaguely Noble Delmora
	Corvally	Ballymore Alcideite

Bearing in mind that the very prolific Be My Native landed four consecutive sires' championships at the start of the century, it is to be expected that his broodmare daughters are destined to shine. They have recently enjoyed Gr1 success over fences with Gilgamboa and Felix Yonger, with What A Warrior, Hawkes Point, Morning Run, Native River and Snake Eyes also enjoying black-type success.

Felix Yonger's first Gr1 success, in the BoyleSports Champion Chase, was well deserved, as he had previously won four Gr2 contests over hurdles and fences. He has been very consistent over fences, with his 12 starts yielding seven wins, three seconds and two fourths.

Felix Yonger is by Oscar, a son of Sadler's Wells, and his dam Marble Sound produced the useful mare My Valley to Saddlers' Hall. Oscar sires a wide range of winners, with Felix Yonger belonging to the speedier end of the spectrum. He rarely tackles more than two and a half miles and his Gr1 win came over two.

Interestingly, Oscar's other good performers out of Be My Native mares include the useful hurdler Never Enough Time and the Listed winner Snake Eyes, both of whom do most of their racing at around two miles. It appears to be relevant that Be My Native was fast enough to be second in the Dewhurst Stakes as a two-year-old.

249 GROWISE ELLIER CHAMPION NOVICE CHASE G1

PUNCESTOWN, Apr 28. 5yo+. 25f.

- 1. VALSEUR LIDO (FR)** 6 11-10 £44,186
b g by Anzillero - Libido Rock (Video Rock)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-M. Contignon & Mme N. Contignon TR-W. P. Mullins
- 2. Wounded Warrior (IRE)** 6 11-10 £13,992
b g by Shantou - Sparkling Sword (Broadsword)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Mr S. Lanigan-O'Keefe TR-Noel Meade
- 3. Apache Stronghold (IRE)** 7 11-10 £6,628
b g by Milan - First Battle (Un Desperado)
O-Mrs Patricia Hunt B-J. Robinson TR-Noel Meade
Margins 2.25, 1.5. Time 6:26.80. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
3-6	13	7	3	£179,165

Sire: ANZILLERO. Sire of 2 Stakes winners.

1st Dam: Libido Rock by Video Rock. Dam of 2 winners:

2007: TANGO LIDO (c Ungaro) 7 wins over jumps at 4 to 8, 2015 in France.

2009: VALSEUR LIDO (g Anzillero) 7 wins, Rathbary Hardy Eustace Novice Hurdle G2, 2nd Herald Champion Novice Hurdle G1, Bar One Racing Drinmore Novice Chase G1, Growise Ellier Champion Novice Chase G1, 2nd Flogas Dr P J Moriarty Novice Chase G1, 3rd JLT Golden Miller Novices' Chase G1.

2010: A Cappella Lido (f Fragrant Mix) unraced.

2012: Cadence Lido (f Fragrant Mix). unraced to date., died as a yearling.

2014: Electro Lido (c Voix du Nord)

Broodmare Sire: VIDEO ROCK. Sire of the dams of 16 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - VALSEUR LIDO Anzillero G1, AS DE MEE Kapparde G3, RAMEUR Shaanmer G3, VENT SOMBRE Network G3.

VALSEUR LIDO b g 2009

Law Society	Alleged	Hoist The Flag Princess Pout
	Bold Bikini	Boldnesian Ran-Tan
ANZILLERO b 97	Plugged Nickle	Key To The Mint Toll Booth
	Allegretta	Lombard Anatevka
Video Rock	No Lute	Luthier Prudent Miss
	Pauvresse	Home Guard Misoptimist
LIBIDO ROCK b 99	Laotic	Dictus Djemona
	Vhiltida	Royalty Miss Corso

See race 45 in the January issue

250 HERALD CHAMPION NOVICE HURDLE G1

PUNCESTOWN, Apr 28. 5yo+. 16f.

- 1. DOUVAN (FR)** 5 11-12 £44,186
b g by Walk In The Park - Star Face (Saint des Saints)
O-Mrs S. Ricci B-S.A.R.L. Haras de La Faisanderie
TR-W. P. Mullins
- 2. Sizing John (GB)** 5 11-12 £13,992
b g by Midnight Legend - La Perrotine (Northern Crystal)
O-Ann & Alan Potts Partnership B-Dr B. & S. Mayo
TR-Henry de Bromhead
- 3. Blair Perrone (IRE)** 6 11-12 £6,628
b g by Rudimentary - Stonehallqueen (King's Ride)
O-Mr John Breslin B-J. Moran TR-A. J. Martin
Margins 7.5, 8. Time 4:01.30. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-5	6	5	1	£153,156

Sire: WALK IN THE PARK. Sire of 2 Stakes winners.

1st Dam: Star Face by Saint des Saints. unraced. Dam of 1 winner:

- 2010:** DOUVAN (g Walk In The Park) 5 wins, Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle G1, Herald Champion Novice Hurdle G1, sportinglife.com Moscow Flyer Nov. Hurdle G2.

Broodmare Sire: SAINT DES SAINTS. Sire of the dams of 2 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - DOUVAN Walk In The Park G1, CROSS IN HAND Silver Cross LR.

DOUVAN b g 2010

Monteu	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
	Floripedes	Top Ville Toute Cy
WALK IN THE PARK b 02	Robellino	Roberto Isobelline
	Classic Park	Wanted Kris Brazen Faced
Saint des Saints	Caddoual	Green Dancer Come To Sea
	Chamisene	Pharfy Tuneria
STAR FACE b 04	Saint Preuil	Dom Pasquini Montecha
	Folie Star Gate	Mistigri Lise Belle

See race 202 in the May issue

251 BIBBY PUNCESTOWN GOLD CUP CHASE G1

PUNCESTOWN, Apr 29. 5yo+. 25f.

- 1. DON COSSACK (GER)** 8 11-10 £93,023
br g by Sholokhov - Depeche Toi (Konigsstuhl)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Gestut Etzean
TR-Gordon Elliott
- 2. Djakadem (FR)** 6 11-10 £29,457
b g by Saint des Saints - Rainbow Crest (Baryshnikov)
O-Mrs S. Ricci B-Mr R. Corveller
TR-W. P. Mullins
- 3. Road To Riches (IRE)** 8 11-10 £13,953
b g by Gamut - Bellora (Over The River)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Sunnyhill Stud
TR-Noel Meade
Margins 7, 6.5. Time 6:22.10. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-8	21	12	6	£465,225

Sire: SHOLOKHOV. Sire of 20 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - DON COSSACK Konigsstuhl G1, ABAKAH Dashing Blade LR.

1st Dam: DEPECHE TOI by Konigsstuhl. 2 wins at 3 in West Germany. Dam of 6 winners:

- 1996:** Demetrius (c Polish Precedent)
- 1997:** DUBAI DANCER (g Lando) 3 wins.
- 1998:** DUBAI DIVA (f Unfuwain) 3 wins at 3 in Germany. Broodmare. Dam of Dubai Star (c Lord of England: 3 wins over jumps in France, 2nd Prix Aguado Hurdle LR)
- 1999:** Dendera (f Lando) ran on the flat in Germany and over jumps in Germany.
- 2000:** DABOYA (f Hernando) Winner at 4 in France. Broodmare.
- 2001:** DUBAI KING (g Dashing Blade) 2 wins.
- 2002:** Dubai Perle (f Sagamix) ran on the flat in France.
- 2003:** Don Corleone (c Tiger Hill)
- 2004:** DIAMOND KING (c Dashing Blade) Winner at 4 in Czech Republic.
- 2007:** DON COSSACK (g Sholokhov) 12 wins, Irish Form Future Chpns Pro-Am Flat Race G2, 2nd Racing UK Moscow Flyer Novice Hurdle G2, 3rd paddypower.com Johnstown Novice Hurdle G2, Bar One Racing Drinmore Novice Chase G1, John Durkan Memorial Puncestown Chase G1, Betfred Melling Chase G1, Bibby Puncestown Gold Cup Chase G1, Ladbrokes Ireland Kinloch Brae Chase G2, Powers Irish Whiskey Skymas Chase G2, Star Best For Racing Carvills Hill Chase G3, 2nd Betfred Mildmay Novices' Chase G1, Dr P J Moriarty Novice Chase G1, Dobbins Catering Florida Pearl Nov. Chase G2, 3rd Ryanair Festival Trophy Chase G1.

2nd Dam: Diaspora by Sparkler. 2 wins at 2 and 3 in West Germany, 2nd Schwarzgold-Rennen (1000 Guineas) G3. Dam of DAPPRIMA (f Shareef Dancer: Everest TV Fruhjahrs Stuten Preis LR, 2nd ARAG Preis (1000 Guineas) G2), Donja (f Julio Mariner: 3rd Preis der Landeshauptstadt Munchen LR). Grandam of DENARO, DAVIDOFF, DUELLANT, DEAUVILLE, DOMINANTE, Dubai. Third dam of Dajolie.

Broodmare Sire: KONIGSSTUHL. Sire of the dams of 58 Stakes winners.

DON COSSACK br g 2007

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
SHOLOKHOV b 99	Lord Gayle	Sir Gayford Sticky Case
	La Meilleure	Gradille Home Guard Gradiva
Konigsstuhl	Dschings Khan	Tamerlane Donna Diana
	Konigskronung	Tiepoletto Kronung
DEPECHE TOI b/br 91	Sparkler	Hard Tack Diamond Spur
	Diaspora	Utrillo Didergo

See race 82 in the February issue

National Hunt Grade 1s

252 IRISH DAILY MIRROR NOVICE HURDLE G1

- PUNCHEDOWN.** Apr 29. 4yo+. 24f.
1. KILLULTAGH VIC (IRE) 6 11-10 £44,186
 b g by Old Vic - Killultagh Dawn (Phardante)
 O-Rose Boyd/B.Anderson/Mrs M.Armstrong
 B-Mr F. Boyd TR-W.P. Mullins
2. Thistlecrack (GB) 7 11-10 £13,992
 b g by Kayf Tara - Ardstown (Arddoss)
 O-John and Heather Snook B-Mr & Mrs R. F. Knipe
 TR-Colin Tizzard
3. Shaneshill (IRE) 6 11-10 £6,628
 b g by King's Theatre - Darabaka (Doyoun)
 O-Andrea & Graham Wylie B-Mr D. Johnson
 TR-W. P. Mullins
 Margins 0.5, 8.5. Time 6:08.80. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-6	11	5	4	£106,771

Sire: OLD VIC. Sire of 56 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **KILLULTAGH VIC** Phardante G1, **CARRAIG MOR** Un Desperado G2, **LEAN ARAIG** Orchestra G2, **PRINCESS LEYA** Key of Luck G2, **VICS CANVAS** Welsh Term G2.

1st Dam: Killultagh Dawn by Phardante. Dam of 3 winners:

- 2006:** Butney Boy (g Posidonas)
2007: **Lily Waugh** (f King's Theatre) 3 wins, 2nd Ukash Mares' Standard Open NH. Flat Race LR, 3rd EBF Stallions & TBA Mares' Nov. Hurdle LR, 2nd EBF/TBA Mares' Novice H. Chase LR.
2008: KILLULTAGH SARAH (f Definite Article) Winner over hurdles at 6.
2009: **KILLULTAGH VIC** (g Old Vic) 5 wins, Irish Daily Mirror Novice Hurdle G1, 2nd Sky Supreme Trial Kennel Gate Nov.Hurdle G2, 3rd Lacy Solicitors Golden Cygnet Nov.Hurdle G2.

Broodmare Sire: PHARDANTE. Sire of the dams of 48 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **JEZKI** Milan G1, **KILLULTAGH VIC** Old Vic G1, **LAMI SERGE** King's Theatre G1, **GOD'S OWN** Oscar G2.

The Old Vic/Phardante cross has produced: **CHELSEA HARBOUR** G1, **KILLULTAGH VIC** G1, **SNOOPY LOOPY** G1.

KILLULTAGH VIC b g 2009

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
OLD VIC b 86	Derring-Do	Darius Sipsy Bridge
	Camenae	Vimy Madriene
Phardante	Pharly	Lymphard Comely
	Pallante	Taj Dewan Cavadonga
KILLULTAGH DAWN b 98	Kemal	Armistice Irem
	Rostrevor Lady	Songedor Alexandretta

The last sizeable crop by Old Vic popped into the world in 2009, so there won't be many more opportunities for this former champion sire to add to his long list of high-earning chasers, which features the likes of Kicking King, Our Vic, Comply Or Die, Racing Demon, Don't Push It, Snoopy Loopy and Sunnyhillboy.

Fortunately that 2009 crop has already produced one very good prospect in Killultagh Vic, a game winner of the Gr1 Irish Daily Mirror Novice Hurdle. The gelding's record now stands at five wins from ten starts under rules, and he is likely to prove even more effective over fences.

With Old Vic as his sire and a dam

by Phardante, Killultagh Vic is bred to the same pattern as Snoopy Loopy and Chelsea Harbour.

Snoopy Loopy landed the Gr1 Belfair Chase at Haydock over three miles, while the Gr2 winner Chelsea Harbour scored at up to three and a half miles, so it is no surprise really that Killultagh Vic's first ever Gr1 success came after he was stepped up to three miles from shorter distances.

Killultagh Dawn, the dam of Killultagh Vic, was only placed over hurdles but her half-brother Killultagh Storm was very useful over hurdles and fences in Ireland.

Their dam Rostrevor Lady scored over both hurdles and fences, showing plenty of stamina, as did her brother, the staying chaser Crawford Says.

253 ATTERACES.COM CHAMPION INH FLAT RACE G1

- PUNCHEDOWN.** Apr 29. 4-7yo&g. 16f.
1. BELLSHILL (IRE) 5 12-0 £44,186
 b g by King's Theatre - Fairy Native (Be My Native)
 O-Andrea & Graham Wylie B-F. Motherway
 TR-W. P. Mullins
2. Disko (IRE)
 b f by Kodiak - Dissonance (Rossini)
 O-Owner Not Registered B-Mr P. Cassidy
 TR-Daniel Kubler
3. Modus (GB) 5 12-0 £6,628
 ch g by Motivator - Alessandra (Generous)
 O-Mr D. J. Deer B-Mr & Mrs D. J. Deer
 TR-Robert Stephens
 Margins 3.25, 0.75. Time 4:03.60. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-5	6	2	3	£56,326

Sire: KING'S THEATRE. Sire of 77 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **BELLSHILL** Be My Native G1, **CARLUNFORD LOUGH Furry Glen** G1, **GLENS MELODY** Orchestra G1, **LAMI SERGE** Phardante G1, **BALBRIGGAN** Presenting G2, **GLINGERBURN** Broken Hearted G2, **LITTLE KING ROBIN** Robin des Champs G2, **MENORAH** Strong Gale G2, **SHANESHILL** Doyoun G2, **SOUTHFIELD THEATRE** Garde Royale G2, **THE NEW ONE** Turgeon G2.

1st Dam: Fairy Native by Be My Native. ran twice in N.H. Flat Races and ran once over hurdles. Dam of 4 winners:

- 2003:** Havajar (g Supreme Leader) unraced.
2004: IN THE ZONE (g Bob Back) 3 wins.
2005: Up And Away (g Saddlers' Hall) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and ran twice over hurdles.
2006: FOXBRIDGE (g King's Theatre) 4 wins.
2007: Bella Venezia (f Milan) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and ran a few times over hurdles. Broodmare.
2009: CHIEFTAIN'S CHOICE (g King's Theatre) 3 wins.
2010: **BELLSHILL** (g King's Theatre) 2 wins in N.H. Flat Races at 4 and 5, attheraces.com Champion INH Flat Race G1, 2nd Weatherbys Champion Open NH. Flat Race G2.
2011: Fairy Theatre (f King's Theatre) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race.
2013: (f Presenting)
2014: (f Stowaway)

Broodmare Sire: BE MY NATIVE. Sire of the dams of 46 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **BELLSHILL** King's Theatre G1, **FELIX YONGER** Oscar G1, **GILGAMBOA** Westerner G1, **HAWKES POINT** Kayf Tara G3, **MORNING RUN** King's Theatre G3, **WHAT A WARRIOR** Westerner G3.

The King's Theatre/Be My Native cross has produced: **BELLSHILL** G1, **MORNING RUN** G3, **Stephanie Kate** G3, **Dorabelle** LR.

BELLSHILL b g 2010

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
KING'S THEATRE b 91	Princely Native	Raise A Native Charlo
	Regal Beauty	Dennis Belle
Be My Native	Our Native	Exclusive Native Our Jackie
	Witchy Woman	Strate Stuff Witchy Norma
FAIRY NATIVE b 98	The Parson	Aureole Bracey Bridge
	Amy Fairy	Copp On
		Menelek Stroll On

Unsurprisingly, sons of Sadler's Wells were strongly represented in the Champion INH Flat Race, with High Chaparral, Galileo and King's Theatre all having fancied contenders. Victory went to the last-named, via his son Bellshill, who followed in the footsteps of another of King's Theatre's sons, the 2014 winner Shaneshill.

Bellshill has a traditional Irish National Hunt pedigree, with his first four dams being daughters of the highly successful jumping stallions Be My Native, The Parson, Menelek and Vulcan. His dam Fairy Native never won but her dam Amy Fairy was a fairly useful hurdler who went on to win twice over fences. Amy Fairy also had the distinction of being a half-sister to Steal On, a General Ironside mare who found fame as the dam of One Man. This outstanding chaser's numerous victories included the Queen Mother Champion Chase and two strikes in the King George VI Chase.

Bellshill's third dam Copp On was a sister to Persian Wanderer, a winner of the Power Gold Cup, and his fourth dam, Stroll On, was a half-sister to Royal Alliance, dam of the high-class chaser Royal Bond and the top hunter-chaser Matchboard. Matchboard in turn became the second dam of the Champion Hurdle winners Morley Street and Granville Again.

A background of this quality suggests that Bellshill will have every chance of transferring his smart form to hurdles and eventually fences.

254 LADBROKE WORLD SERIES TIPPERKEVIN HURDLE G1

- PUNCHEDOWN.** Apr 30. 4yo+. 24f.
1. JEZKI (IRE) 7 11-10 £93,023
 b g by Milan - La Noire (Phardante)
 O-Mr John P. McManus B-G. M. McGrath
 TR-Mrs J. Harrington
2. Hurricane Fly (IRE) 11 11-10 £29,457
 g g by Montjeu - Scandisk (Kenmare)
 O-George Creighton & Mrs Rose Boyd
 B-Agricola Del Parco SS TR-W. P. Mullins
3. Zabana (IRE) 6 11-10 £13,953
 ch g by Halling - Gandia (Danehill)
 O-Mr C. Jones B-Old Carhue & Graeng Bloodstock
 TR-Andrew Lynch
 Margins 1.75, 8. Time 5:51.90. Going Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	22	13	7	£856,655

Sire: MILAN. Sire of 21 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **APACHE STRONGHOLD** Un Desperado G1, **JEZKI** Phardante G1, **MARTELLO TOWER** Zaffaran G1, **SIZING GRANITE** Mandalus G1, **MISS XIAN** Supreme Leader G2, **SORT IT OUT** Flemensfirth G2, **DUKE OF LUCCA** Be My Native LR.

1st Dam: La Noire by Phardante. Dam of 4 winners:

- 2002:** **JERED** (g Presenting) 7 wins, vbobet.com Champion Novice Hurdle G1, 3rd Maplewood Developments Morgiana Hurdle G1, 3rd Bar One Racing Drinmore Novice Chase G1.
2003: Miss Squiff (f Saddlers' Hall) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and over hurdles. Broodmare.
2004: Joe Pye (g Saddlers' Hall) ran once in a N.H. Flat Race and over hurdles.
2005: **JETSON** (g Oscar) 6 wins, Ladbroke World Series Tipperkevin Hurdle G1, 2nd Bar One Racing Hatton's Grace Hurdle G1, Squared Financial Christmas Hurdle G1.
2007: **JENARI** (g Milan) 4 wins, 3rd betchronicle.com Champion INH Flat Race G1, Coolmore NH Sires Festival Nov. Hurdle G2.
2008: **JEZKI** (g Milan) 13 wins, Stan James Champion Chall. Trophy Hurdle G1, Doom Bar Aintree Hurdle G1, Ladbroke World Series Tipperkevin Hurdle G1, Bar One Racing Royal Bond Novice Hurdle G1, Bar One Racing Hatton's Grace Hurdle G1, Herald Champion Novice Hurdle G1, Paddy Power Future Champions Nov. Hurdle G1, Racing Post Punchedown Champion Hurdle G1, WKD Core Hurdle G2, Fishery Lane Hurdle G3, 2nd stanjames.com Morgiana Hurdle G1, Ryanair December Hurdle G1 (twice), 3rd BHP Insurance Champion Hurdle G1, William Hill Supreme Novices' Hurdle G1.
2009: Jeree (f Flemensfirth) unraced. Broodmare.
2011: Jett (g Flemensfirth)
2012: Jean (f Milan) unraced to date.

Broodmare Sire: PHARDANTE. Sire of the dams of 48 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **JEZKI** Milan G1, **KILLULTAGH VIC** Old Vic G1, **LAMI SERGE** King's Theatre G1, **GOD'S OWN** Oscar G2.

The Milan/Phardante cross has produced: **DOUBLE SEVEN** G1, **JENARI** G1, **JEZKI** G1, **Taraval** G3, **Durseley Sound** LR.

JEZKI b g 2008

Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer	Nearctic Natalma
	Fairy Bridge	Bold Reason Special
MILAN b 98	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
	Kithanga	Assert Kalkeen
Phardante	Pharly	Lymphard Comely
	Pallante	Taj Dewan Cavadonga
LA NOIRE b 95	Deep Run	Pampered King Trial By Fire
	Arctic Run	Bargello Arctic Blaze

On a 2014-15 leading sires' list jam-packed with sons of Sadler's Wells, Milan had the distinction of being the highest-placed living son of the great stallion. In finishing third behind King's Theatre, who died in 2011, Milan built an impressive team of Gr1 winners, featuring Jezki, Apache Stronghold, Sizing Granite, Martello Tower and Beat That.

Milan's fee in 2015 is €6,500, which makes him the third-highest-priced stallion on the Coolmore National Hunt roster, behind Flemensfirth (€10,000) and Oscar (€7,500).

Milan, of course, was very well qualified to become a leading sire, as he had won the Great Voltigeur and St Leger in 2001, when he also went close to winning the Breeders' Cup Turf.

Jezki looked likely to become hurdlings' dominant force when he followed up his 2014 Champion Hurdle victory with a more decisive

Caulfield on Jezki: "He's one of several good performers sired by Milan from daughters of St Leger second Phardante, others being Jenari, Double Seven, Malt Master and Dursej Sound"

success in the equivalent race at Punchestown. Surprisingly a sequence of four defeats followed when Jezki returned to action in the autumn, but a move up to longer distances saw a revived Jezki triumph in the Aintree Hurdle and World Series Hurdle.

Together with his brother Jenari, the very useful chaser Double Seven and the useful performers Malt Master and Dursej Sound, Jezki is one of several good performers sired by Milan from daughters of the St Leger second Phardante. Daughters of Phardante have also done well with several other sons of Sadler's Wells, such as Oscar (sire of Oscar Whisky, Oscar Dan Dan, Jetson and God's Own), Old Vic (Snoopy Loopy, Killultagh Vic and Chelsea Harbour) and King's Theatre (L'Ami Serge).

Jezki's dam La Noire excelled as a producer, and her family has made a huge impact on the Punchestown festival. In addition to her good winners by Milan, she produced Jered, a Presenting gelding who numbered the Gr1 Champion Novice Hurdle among his Graded wins, and Jetson, an Oscar gelding who defeated Quevega in the 2014 World Series Hurdle. La Noire was a half-sister to Leading Run, who took the 2006 Champion INH Flat race, and Strong Run, winner of the BMW Chase in 2002. Jezki's third dam, the Bargello mare Arctic Rhapsody, was an unraced half-sister to Arctic Serenade, winner of the Irish Cesarewitch.

Jezki's second dam, the Deep Run mare Arctic Run, was a half-sister to Arctic Scale, dam of the talented Irish hurdler Red Square Lady.

255 RYANAIR COLLIERS NOVICE CHASE G1

PUNCHESTOWN. Apr 30. 5yo+. 16f.

- UN DE SCEAUX (FR)** 7 11-10 £53,488
b g by Denham Red - Hotesse de Sceaux (April Night)
O-E. O'Connell B-Haras de La Rousseliere & Mme Monique Chaveau TR-W. P. Mullins
- Just Cameron (GB)** 8 11-10 £16,938
b g by Kayf Tara - Miss Fencote (Phardante)
O-Mr And Mrs Paul Chapman B-Mrs A. Dixon & Miss S. J. Dixon TR-Micky Hammond
- Ted Veale (IRE)** 8 11-10 £8,023
b g by Revoque - Rose Tanner (Roselier)
O-Mr John Breslin B-J. Mulcahy TR-A. J. Martin
Margins 3, 4.5. Time 4:04.50. Going Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	14	13	0	£364,898

Sire: DENHAM RED. Sire of 6 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **UN DE SCEAUX** April Night G1, **PRINCE PHILIPPE** Saint Cyrien LR, **TEAM RED** Saint Cyrien LR.

1st Dam: Hotesse de Sceaux by April Night. unraced. Dam of 1 winner:

- 2006: Star de Sceaux (f Maresca Sorrento) ran on the flat in France and over jumps in France.
- 2008: **UN DE SCEAUX** (g Denham Red) 13 wins, Red Mills Trial Hurdle G2, Racing Post Arkle Challenge Trophy Chase G1, Frank Ward Arkle Challenge Cup Nov.Chase G1, Ryanair Colliers Novice Chase G1, Prix Leon Rambaud Hurdle G2, Prix Hypothese Hurdle G3.

Broodmare Sire: APRIL NIGHT. Sire of the dams of 5 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **BRISTOL DE MAI** Saddler Maker G1, **UN DE SCEAUX** Denham Red G1.

UN DE SCEAUX b g 2008

Pampabird	Pampapaul	Yellow God Pampalina
DENHAM RED b 92	Wood Grouse	Celtic Ash French Bird
	Giboulee	Northern Dancer Victory Chant
Nativelee	Native Berry	Ribero Noble Native
	Kaldoun	Caro Katana
April Night	My Destiny	Chaparral Carmelite
	Diarfos	Dionysos II Diana
HOTESSE DE SCEAUX ch 95	Olympe Occitane	Papakiterno Klairon Gorda

See race 131 in the March issue

256 QUEALLY PUNCHESTOWN CHAMPION HURDLE G1

PUNCHESTOWN. May 1. 4yo+. 16f.

- FAUGHEEN (IRE)** 7 11-12 £93,023
b g by Germany - Miss Pickering (Accordion)
O-Mrs S. Ricci B-Dr J. Waldron TR-W. P. Mullins
- Arctic Fire (GER)** 6 11-12 £29,457
b g by Soldier Hollow - Adema (Sternkoenig)
O-Wicklow Bloodstock Limited B-Mr U. Gruning
TR-W. P. Mullins
- Deil' Arca (IRE)** 6 11-12 £13,953
b g by Sholokhov - Daisy Belle (Acatanango)
O-Prof. Caroline Tisdall B-B. & B. Matsuche
TR-David Pipe
Margins 8, 8.5. Time 3:56.30. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	11	11	0	£577,659

Sire: GERMANY. Sire of 8 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **FAUGHEEN** Accordion G1, **FREE EXPRESSION** Bob Back G2.

1st Dam: Miss Pickering by Accordion. unraced. Dam of 1 winner:

- 2006: Molly's Mate (f Goldmark) unraced. Broodmare.
- 2007: Shedaka (f Lahib) unraced.
- 2008: **FAUGHEEN** (g Germany) 9 wins, Stan James Champion Chall. Trophy Hurdle G1, Neptune Investment Bingham Nov Hurdle G1, williamhill.com Christmas Hurdle G1, Herald Champion Novice Hurdle G1, Queally Punchestown Champion Hurdle G1, Coral Ascot Hurdle G2, Liberty Ins. Dorans Pride Novice Hurdle G3.
- 2009: (c Germany)
- 2010: Telmadela (g Definite Article) unraced.
- 2013: (c Fracas)

Broodmare Sire: ACCORDION. Sire of the dams of 6 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **FAUGHEEN** Germany G1, **MISTER HOTELIER** Beneficial G2.

FAUGHEEN b g 2008

Tremolino	Sharpen Up	Atan Rochetta
	Trephine	Viceroyal Quinquina
GERMANY b 91	Big Spruce	Herbager Silver Sari
	Inca Princess	Inca Queen Hall To Reason Silver Spoon
Accordion	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
	Sound of Success	Successor Belle Musique
MISS PICKERING b 01	Creative Plan	Sham Another Treat
	Make Me An Island	Ballymoss Near The Line

See race 92 in the February

257 TATTERSALLS IRELAND CHAMPION NOV. HURDLE G1

PUNCHESTOWN. May 1. 4yo+. 20f.

- NICHOLS CANYON (GB)** 5 11-10 £44,186
b g by Authorized - Zam Zoom (Dalakhani)
O-Andrea & Graham Wylie B-Rabbah Bloodstock Limited TR-W. P. Mullins
- Alpha des Obeaux (FR)** 5 11-10 £13,992
b g by Saddler Maker - Omega des Obeaux (Saint Preuil)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Marie Devilder & Stephanie Fasquelle TR-M. F. Morris

- Outlander (IRE)** 7 11-10 £6,628
b g by Stowaway - Western Whisper (Supreme Leader)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-R. O'Neill
TR-W. P. Mullins
Margins 7, 2.75. Time 4:53.60. Going Good to Yielding.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
2-5	17	8	6	£252,684

Sire: AUTHORIZED. Sire of 24 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **NICHOLS CANYON** Dalakhani G1, **BELTOR** Danehill G2.

1st Dam: Zam Zoom by Dalakhani. unraced. Dam of 2 winners:

- 2010: **NICHOLS CANYON** (g Authorized) Sold 48,000gns yearling at TAOC3. 7 wins, Ascot Underwriting Noel Murless S LR, Prix Denisy LR, 2nd Worthington's St Simon S G3, Tattersalls Ireland Champion Nov. Hurdle G1, JUST EAT Mersey Novices Hurdle G1, Bar One Racing Royal Bond Novice Hurdle G1, Deloitte Novice Hurdle G1, 3rd Neptune Investment Bingham Nov Hurdle G1.
- 2011: **Bright Approach** (f New Approach) Winner at 3, 3rd Weatherbys Private Banking Cheshire Oaks LR.
- 2012: (f Teofilo)
- 2014: (c Pivotal)

2nd Dam: Mantesera by In The Wings. unraced. Own sister to **CLOUD CASTLE**. Dam of **NIDEEB** (c Exceed And Excel: Sportingbet Supports Heros Winter Derby G3)

Broodmare Sire: DALAKHANI. Sire of the dams of 6 Stakes winners.

NICHOLS CANYON b g 2010

Montjeu	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
	Floripedes	Top Ville Toute Cy
AUTHORIZED b 04	Saumarez	Rainbow Quest Fiesta Fun
	Funsie	Vallee Dansante Lyphard Green Valley
Dalakhani	Darshaan	Shirley Heights Delsy
	Daltawa	Mswaki Damana
ZAM ZOOM gr 05	In The Wings	Sadler's Wells High Hawk
	Mantesera	High Line Gay France

See race 166 in the April issue

258 AES CHAMPION 4YO HURDLE G1

PUNCHESTOWN. May 2. 4yo. 16f.

- PETITE PARISIENNE (FR)** 10-7 £46,512
gr f by Montmartre - Ejna (Highest Honor)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-T. de la Heronniere TR-W. P. Mullins
- Buiseness Sivola (FR)** 11-0 £14,729
b g by Archange d'Or - Louve Orientale (Red Ransom)
O-Mr Simon Munir/Mr Isaac Souede B-G.
Trapenard, Ecurie Manue Garcia & T. Trapenard TR-W. P. Mullins
- Thunder Zune (GB)** 11-0 £6,977
gr g by Shamardal - Mussoorie (Linamix)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Hascombe Stud TR-Gordon Elliott
Margins 8.5, 1.75. Time 4:09.30. Going Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
3-4	9	3	5	£123,907

Sire: MONTMARTRE. Sire of 2 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **PETITE PARISIENNE** Highest Honor G1, **KALKIR** Cadoudal G3.

1st Dam: EJINA by Highest Honor. 3 wins at 2 and 4 in France. Dam of 4 winners:

- 2008: DON LUIS (c Poliglote) Winner at 3 in Spain.
- 2009: REGINA EJINA (f Muhtathir) 2 wins at 2 in France.
- 2010: SEVEN EVEN (f Turtle Bowl) 2 wins at 4 in France.
- 2011: **PETITE PARISIENNE** (f Montmartre) Sold 17,460gns yearling at ARAUG. 2 wins, 3rd Eme Derby du Midi LR, AES Champion 4yo

- Hurdle G1, Gala Retail Spring Juvenile Hurdle G1, 2nd Irish Stall. Farms EBF Mares Nov. Hurdle G1.
- 2012: Swingline (f Whipper)
- 2013: (f Turtle Bowl)
- 2014: (f Myboycharie)

2nd Dam: ENODIA by Surumu. 1 win at 3 in France. Dam of **ERINYS** (f Kendor: Prix Madame Jean Couturier LR), **Eubea** (f Anabaa: 3rd Prix Edellec LR). Grandam of **Quartz Jem, Zied**.

Broodmare Sire: HIGHEST HONOR. Sire of the dams of 62 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **PETITE PARISIENNE** Montmartre G1, **HONNEUR AU ROI** Turtle Bowl LR, **NEWS REEL** Vespone LR.

PETITE PARISIENNE gr f 2011

Montjeu	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
	Floripedes	Top Ville Toute Cy
MONTMARTRE gr 05	Linamix	Mendez Lunadix
	Armarama	Persian Bold Rossitor
Highest Honor	Kenmare	Kalamoun Belle of Ireland
	High River	Riverman Hairbrush
EJINA gr 01	Surumu	Literat Surama
	Eidothea	Teotepec Erigone

See race 168 in the April issue

259 IRISH STALL FARMS EBF MARES CHPN. HURDLE G1

PUNCHESTOWN. May 2. 4yo+. 18f.

- ANNIE POWER (IRE)** 7 11-7 £46,512
ch m by Shirocco - Anno Luce (Old Vic)
O-Mrs S. Ricci B-E. Cleary TR-W. P. Mullins
- Analfet (FR)** 5 11-7 £14,729
b m by Califet - Viana (Signe Divin)
O-Gigginstown House Stud B-Mr J. Chereh TR-W. P. Mullins
- Kalane (IRE)** 6 11-7 £6,977
b m by Kalanisi - Fairy Lane (Old Vic)
O-Mr Paul Murphy B-Sunnyhill Stud Ltd TR-Charlie Longsdon
Margins 10, 11. Time 4:33.40. Going Soft.

Age	Starts	Wins	Places	Earned
4-7	14	12	1	£344,816

Sire: SHIROCCO. Sire of 26 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **ANNIE POWER** Old Vic G1, **FOR ME** Galileo LR.

1st Dam: ANNO LUCE by Old Vic. 4 wins at 2 to 4 at home, Germany, Pder Hannoverischen Sparkassen & der VGH G3, 3rd Preis der Diana - Deutsches Stuten Derby G2. Dam of 6 winners:

- 1999: ALOOF (f Rahy) Winner at 3 in France. Broodmare.
- 2000: Anno Mundi (f Red Ransom). Broodmare. Dam of **GIANTOFAMAN** (g Stowaway: 2 wins over hurdles at 5 and 6, boysports.com M.Purcell Mem.Nov Hurdle G2)
- 2001: ANGELENO (f Belong To Me) Winner at 3 in France. Dam of **LADY PIMPERNEL** (f Sir Percy: 5 wins at 2 to 4 at home, USA, Robert J Frankel S G3)
- 2003: **HEAD WAITER** (g Lend A Hand) 7 wins, 2nd Listowel Races Supp.Club Lartigue Hurdle G3, Owens McCarthy Claims H. Chase G3, 2nd Carrickmines Mick Holly H. Chase G2.
- 2004: ATHENEUM (c Noverre) 6 wins at 3 to 5 in Hungary.
- 2005: Manuels Sister (f Lend A Hand) ran twice in N.H. Flat Races. Broodmare.
- 2007: **AIR TROOPER** (g Monsun) 2 wins at 3 in France, Prix de l'Avre LR.
- 2008: **ANNIE POWER** (f Shirocco) 11 wins, Irish Stall. Farms EBF Mares Nov. Hurdle G1, Irish Stall. Farms EBF Mares Chpn. Hurdle G1 (twice), paddypower.com Johnstown Novice Hurdle G2, Coral Ascot Hurdle G2, oibg.com Doncaster Mares' Hurdle G2, 2nd Ladbrokes World Hurdle G1.
- 2009: Kalucci (g Kalanisi)
- 2010: Anna's Star (f Hernando) unraced.

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2nd Dam: ANNA PAOLA by Prince Ippi, Champion 2yr old in Germany in 1980, Champion 3yr old filly in Germany in 1981, 5 wins at 2 and 3 in West Germany Preis der Diana G2. Dam of **ANNO LUCE** (f Old Vic, see above), **ATLAAL** (g Shareef Dancer: Bic Razor Lanzarote H. Hurdle LR, James Capel Novices' Chase LR), Grandam of **POZARICA**, **ANNA**, **ANNUS MIRABILIS**, **ANNA OF SAXONY**, **MIDDLE CLUB**, **PIPING ROCK**, **SADLERS WINGS**, **Anna Mona**, **Andean**, **Anna Royal**, **Ancelin**, **Abyaan**. Third dam of **HELMET**, **EPAULETTE**, **ANNA MONDA**, **SMOOTH OPERATOR**, **AUTUMN GLORY**, **BULLBARS**, **ANNA PALARIVA**, **SUGAR BABY LOVE**.

Broodmare Sire: OLD VIC. Sire of the dams of 28 Stakes winners. NH in 2014/15 - **ANNIE POWER** Shirocco G1, **SHANPALLAS** Golan G1, **KALANE Kalanisi** LR.

ANNIE POWER ch m 2008

Monsun	Konigsstuhl	Dschingis Khan Konigskronung
SHIROCCO b 01	Mosella	Surumu Momasia
	The Minstrel	Northern Dancer Fleur
So Sedulous	Sedulous	Tap On Wood Pendulina
	Sadler's Wells	Northern Dancer Fairy Bridge
ANNO LUCE ch 93	Cockade	Derring-Do Camenae
	Prince Ippi	Imperial Prinzess Addi
Anna Paola	Antwerpen	Waldcanter Adelsweihe

For the second successive season, Annie Power easily plundered the Mares' Champion Hurdle, this time starting at 2-9, having been 1-6 in 2014. Clearly this daughter of Shirocco stands head and shoulders above the other top female hurdlers. Indeed, her only true defeat – in the 2014 World Hurdle – came at the hands of a gelding, while the only other blot on an otherwise immaculate record came when a last-flight fall robbed her of certain victory in the 2015 Mares' Hurdle at Cheltenham.

Annie Power was in utero when her dam, the Gr3 Flat winner Anno Luce, was sold by Darley for €60,000 in 2007. Since her sale Anno Luce has been represented by two notable winners. Air Trooper, a colt by Annie Power's grandsire Monsun, won his first two starts, including the Listed Prix de l'Avre. And Head Waiter, her gelding by Lend A Hand, won a Grade C chase in 2010.

Annie Power's second dam is the champion German filly Anna Paola, a Preis der Diana winner who became the ancestress of numerous Group

performers after her purchase by Darley, two of the most recent being the top Australian colts Helmet and Epaulette. No fewer than five of Anna Paola's daughters produced stakes winners on the Flat, including six Group winners, one being the remarkably tough Annus Mirabilis, who earned more than £1 million in

Europe, Dubai and Japan.

Old Vic, the broodmare sire of Annie Power, was a powerful influence for stamina, as he showed by siring two Grand National winners. The mare's family has produced several other good jumpers, including Atlaal and Sadlers Wings (a Gr1 winner over hurdles).



Annie Power: 'head and shoulders above other female hurdlers'

National Hunt Graded Races

Date	Grade	Race (course)	Dist	Horse	Age	Sex	Sire	Dam	Broodmare Sire	Index
06/04	G2	Keelings Ire, Strawberry Ballybin Hurdle (Fairyhouse)	20f	Dedigout (IRE)	9	G	Bob Back	Dainty Daisy	Buckskin	260
06/04	G2	Rathbary Hardy Eustace Novice Hurdle (Fairyhouse)	16f	Sempre Medici (FR)	5	G	Medicean	Sambala	Danehill Dancer	261
06/04	G3	John & Chich Fowler Mem. EBF Mares Chase (Fairyhouse)	20f	Vroum Vroum Mag (FR)	6	M	Voix du Nord	Naade Mag	Kadaiko	262
06/04	G3	Rea Grimes Percy Maynard Cup Hurdle (Fairyhouse)	16f	Bunsen Sivola (FR)	4	G	Archange d'Or	Louve Orientale	Red Ransom	263
06/04	GrC	Boylesports Irish Grand National H Chase (Fairyhouse)	29f	Thunder And Roses (IRE)	7	G	Presenting	Glen Empress	Lancastrian	264
07/04	G2	Normans Grove Chase (Fairyhouse)	17f	Twilight (FR)	8	G	Muhtathir	Fairlight	Big Shuffle	265
07/04	GrB	Farmhouse Foods Glasscarr Hcp Hurdle (Fairyhouse)	16f	Some Article (IRE)	7	G	Definite Article	Ahead of My Time	Royal Fountain	266
07/04	GrB	INH Stallion Owners EBF Novice Hp Hurdle (Fairyhouse)	24f	Jimmy Two Times (IRE)	6	G	Shantou	Shedan	Perpendicular	267
09/04	G3	Betfred Red Rum Handicap Chase (Aintree)	16f	Surf And Turf (IRE)	9	G	Beneficial	Clear Top Waitz	Topanora	268
09/04	G3	Injured Jockeys Fund Handicap Hurdle (Aintree)	24.5f	Tagliatelle (GB)	6	G	Tagula	Averami	Avanti	269
10/04	G2	E-Lites Top Novices' Hurdle (Aintree)	16.5f	Cyrus Danus (GB)	6	G	Overbury	Barton Belle	Barathea	270
10/04	G2	Weatherbys Champion Open NH. Flat Race (Aintree)	17f	Barthers Hill (IRE)	5	G	Kalanisi	Circle The Wagons	Commanche Run	271
10/04	G3	Alder Hey Children's Charity Hcp Hurdle (Aintree)	20f	Theinval (FR)	5	G	Smadoun	Kineeves	Hard Leaf	272
10/04	G3	Crabbie's Topham Handicap Chase (Aintree)	21.5f	Raidhani Express (GB)	8	G	Presenting	Violet Express	Cadoudal	273
11/04	G3	Crabbie's Grand National Handicap Chase (Aintree)	35.5f	Many Clouds (IRE)	8	G	Cloudings	Bobbing Back	Bob Back	274
15/04	G2	Teenage Cancer Trust Silver Trophy Chase (Cheltenham)	21f	Anay Turge (FR)	10	G	Turgeon	Anayette	Vaguely Pleasant	275
18/04	G2	Jordan Electrics Future Chpn Nov. Chase (Ayr)	20.5f	Tom Gamble (IRE)	7	G	Presenting	Zeferna	Sadler's Wells	276
18/04	G2	QTS Scottish Champion Hurdle (Ayr)	16f	Cheltenham (FR)	9	G	Astarabad	Salamite	Mansonnien	277
18/04	G3	Coral Scottish Grand National Hcp Chase (Ayr)	32.5f	Wayward Prince (GB)	11	G	Alflora	Bellino Spirit	Robellino	278
25/04	G3	Bet365 Gold Cup Handicap Chase (Sandown Park)	29.5f	Just A Par (IRE)	8	G	Island House	Therownhen	Herbit	279
28/04	GrB	Killashree bragbet.com Handicap Hurdle (Punchestown)	16f	Some Article (IRE)	7	G	Definite Article	Ahead of My Time	Royal Fountain	280
29/04	GrA	Guinness Handicap Chase (Punchestown)	20f	Ballyadam Approach (IRE)	10	G	Bob Back	Timely Approach	Good Thyme	281
30/04	GrC	Threeie Black Hills Handicap Chase (Punchestown)	16f	Jacksonslady (IRE)	10	M	Jackson's Drift	Leinster Lady	Lord Chancellor	282
01/05	GrA	EMS Copiers Novice Handicap Chase (Punchestown)	21f	Blood Cotil (FR)	6	G	Enrique	Move Along	Northern Crystal	283
01/05	GrC	HanlonEBF Glencarraig Lady Mares H Chase (Punchestown)	21f	Mallards In Flight (IRE)	9	M	Well Chosen	Lasracha Mairead	Case Law	284
02/05	GrB	Palmerstown House Pat Taaffe Hcp Chase (Punchestown)	25f	Gallant Oscar (IRE)	9	G	Oscar	Park Wave	Supreme Leader	285
02/05	GrB	Setanta Sports Handicap Hurdle (Punchestown)	20f	Sort It Out (IRE)	6	G	Milan	Snowbelle	Flemensfirth	286

Leading National Hunt sires 2014/15 by earnings

Name	YOF	Sire	Rnrs	Wnrs	%WR	Races	AWD	Earnings (£)	Top horse	Earned (£)
King's Theatre	1991	Sadler's Wells	274	126	45.99	222	19.7	2,793,959	The New One	203,606
Presenting	1992	Mitoto	395	134	33.87	201	20	2,103,621	Thunder And Roses	122,661
Milan	1998	Sadler's Wells	306	94	30.72	152	21.1	1,998,823	Jezki	254,238
Oscar	1994	Sadler's Wells	302	100	33.11	152	20.1	1,753,364	Felix Yonger	141,921
Beneficial	1990	Top Ville	336	106	31.55	160	19.6	1,701,764	Living Next Door	83,768
Kayf Tara	1994	Sadler's Wells	281	89	31.67	128	19.2	1,524,844	Special Tiarra	156,007
Flemensfirth	1992	Alleged	300	98	32.67	142	20.2	1,427,806	Foxrock	97,266
Westerner	1999	Danehill	174	61	35.06	92	19.9	1,208,299	Cole Harden	231,418
Cloudings	1994	Sadler's Wells	72	26	36.11	38	22.1	1,022,192	Many Clouds	740,944
Old Vic	1986	Sadler's Wells	161	52	32.30	77	21.8	1,010,554	Killultagh Vic	87,120
Karinga Bay	1987	Arddoss	64	16	25.00	29	21.3	654,033	Coneygree	398,935
Dom Alco	1987	Dom Pasquini	38	16	42.11	23	20.7	629,099	Silviniaco Conti	313,525
Alflora	1989	Niniski	113	33	29.20	47	21.9	584,385	Wayward Prince	156,197
Shantou	1993	Alleged	90	32	35.56	54	20.7	584,123	Polly Peachum	65,315
Heron Island	1993	Shirley Heights	95	37	38.95	60	20.2	572,888	Blue Heron	72,190
Definite Article	1992	Indian Ridge	129	43	33.33	65	19.5	569,210	Some Article	52,111
Dubawi	2002	Dubai Millennium	24	9	37.50	13	17.5	536,172	Dodging Bullets	362,578
Midnight Legend	1991	Night Shift	135	50	37.04	78	19.4	530,796	Sizing John	73,600
Gold Well	2001	Sadler's Wells	69	30	43.48	44	19.4	525,450	Johns Spirit	97,774
Voix du Nord	2001	Valanour	17	11	64.71	29	18.4	507,445	Vibrato Valtat	121,009
Dr Massini	1993	Sadler's Wells	102	33	32.35	47	20.8	504,674	Rocky Creek	77,777
Germany	1991	Trempolino	15	5	33.33	10	17.9	480,797	Faugheen	421,322
Network	1997	Monsun	34	11	32.35	21	21.1	479,154	Saint Are	240,866
Saint des Saints	1998	Cadoudal	24	15	62.50	26	20.3	475,809	Djakadam	190,546
Montjeu	1996	Sadler's Wells	48	17	35.42	29	18.4	449,513	Humane Fly	204,767
Garnet	1989	Spectrum	54	14	25.93	24	20.0	445,468	Road To Riches	309,137
Brian Boru	2000	Sadler's Wells	103	30	29.13	46	20.3	428,176	Next Sensation	53,306
Stowaway	1994	Ship Anchor	63	18	28.57	25	19.3	407,861	Champagne Fever	67,508
Shoekhov	1999	Sadler's Wells	15	4	26.67	9	19.6	400,599	Don Cossack	331,963

Statistics to end of Punchestown

Take a bow, Oscar

King's Theatre maintained his clear lead over Presenting, and Jezki's success at Punchestown ensured that Milan finished well clear of the remainder in third. Oscar and Kayf Tara both moved up one place. Felix Yonger's win in the Champion Chase at Punchestown came ten days after the announcement of Oscar's retirement. He had a superb career and was responsible for such as Cheltenham championship winners Big Zeb, Lord Windermere and Rock On Ruby. Special Tiarra's Grade 1 win at Sandown rounded off a fine season for Kayf Tara.