

The MarketWatch *Broodmare of the Year*

*A Review of the Top Mares Producing Quality
Thoroughbred Race Horses in 2010*



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HONORING THE TOP BROODMARES OF 2010

Every Thoroughbred breeder or student of bloodlines has a favorite candidate for annual broodmare honors. Each spring for many years *The Blood-Horse MarketWatch* has reviewed leading dams from the previous year and presented a MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year award. Two years ago we opened the polling to our readers, making the award representative of more Thoroughbred industry voices.

Decisive winners emerged in 2009 and 2010. Aletta Maria—dam of grade I winners Cetewayo and Dynaforce and seven other stakes winners or black type-placed horses—was last year's clear winner with 31% of the ballots, about 10 points clear of the runner-up. In 2009 the results were similar, with Justenuffheart—producer of champion Dreaming of Anna and graded scorers Lewis Michael and Justenuffhumor—garnering 32% of all votes.

For 2011's award we present an expanded roster of candidates. Some of the names are repeat nominees, while others enter consideration for the first time this year.

Mares featured in the past two years whose progeny continue to shine include Aurora, Chipeta Springs, Kelli's Ransom, Private Feeling, and Weekend Storm. Their profiles are available to *MarketWatch* subscribers in the 2009 and 2010 archives and are reproduced in the PDF available free online in the MarketWatch Blog (<http://cs.bloodhorse.com/blogs/market-watch>).

Please enjoy the broodmare profiles presented on the following pages and review the associated data charts. When you have settled on a single mare you believe deserves the leading broodmare award, place your vote on the MarketWatch Blog—but be aware, the poll closes April 17, 2011. 🗳

Abbreviations: *Comparable Index (CI)* measures a broodmare's success as a producer. *Class Performance Index (CPI)* measures her success as a racehorse. *Unr* is unraced; *FORA* is foals of racing age; *Rnrs* is runners; *Wnrs* is winners; *SW* is stakes winners; *GSW* is graded or group stakes winners; *G1SW* is grade I or group I stakes winners.

Please vote for the MarketWatch Thoroughbred Broodmare of the Year:



- Aurora
- Binche
- Born Gold
- Carson Jen
- Chipeta Springs
- Gabriellina Giof (GB)
- Get Lucky
- Kelli's Ransom
- Lady Shirl
- Liable
- Pretty Discreet
- Private Feeling
- Riveting Drama
- Vertigineux
- Weekend Storm

Leading Dams* by Comparable Index		
Mare	CI	CPI
Tranquility Lake	3.05	30.10
Minidar	2.87	17.08
Magnificent Style	2.84	5.08
Lady Lochinvar	2.72	3.58
Get Lucky	2.69	12.38
The Faraway Tree (GB)	2.68	2.72
Memories of Silver	2.59	43.67
Brulay	2.57	8.28
Aurora	2.55	16.85
Flanders	2.53	89.69
Pietra Dura (GB)	2.49	N/A
Liable	2.48	7.33
La Paz	2.44	5.64
Habibti	2.43	17.50
Easter Bunnette	2.41	1.32
Debit Account	2.40	3.33
You	2.40	34.22
Jersey Girl	2.40	24.55
Confidently	2.40	Unr.
Unbridled Elaine	2.39	59.36

Leading Dams* by Class Performance Index		
Mare	CI	CPI
Flanders	2.53	89.69
Unbridled Elaine	2.39	59.36
Memories of Silver	2.59	43.67
You	2.40	34.22
Beyond Perfection	1.56	31.41
Tranquility Lake	3.05	30.10
Golden Ballet	2.12	26.58
Salt Champ (ARG)	1.84	24.69
Jersey Girl	2.40	24.55
I Ain't Bluffing	2.05	23.07
Lady Shirl	1.66	22.23
Habibti	2.43	17.50
Minidar	2.87	17.08
Aurora	2.55	16.85
Surya	1.81	16.20
A Lady From Dixie	2.11	16.03
Miss Houdini	2.04	14.99
Katy Nowaitee (GB)	1.74	14.93
Nyramba (GB)	2.05	13.07
Get Lucky	2.69	12.38



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*Broodmares represented by at least one North American graded stakes winner in 2010.

AURORA

A MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year nominee in 2009, Aurora has perhaps a more compelling claim to the title this year. Her stakes-winning daughter Acoma (by Empire Maker) had her most lucrative year on the track, and her son Arch (by Kris S.) announced his presence through the stellar campaign of his son Blame, who finished a nose short of Zenyatta for Horse of the Year honors.

The family to which Aurora belongs has been no stranger to outstanding broodmares, responsible for Kentucky Derby winners Clyde Van Dusen and Iron Liege, and for Broodmares of the Year Iron Reward (dam of Swaps) and Courtly Dee.

Courtly Dee was one of those mares whose production record evokes awe: 18 foals, 17 starters, 15 winners, among them an amazing eight stakes winners. All four of her stakes-winning colts took graded contests and two were grade I winners; of her fillies three of four black-type winners won graded races, topped by champion 2-year-old filly Althea. But no matter their racing credentials, all but one of Courtly Dee's 11 daughters foaled stakes horses, and all but one of those foaled graded or group winners.

Althea proved a worthy successor to her dam. From five foals, four won stakes. Of them, Aurora has done the most to uphold the family honor. Success began with her first foal, a dark-hued son of Kris S. named Arch. Winner of his only start at 2, Arch was not far enough along to become a classics candidate. However, at Saratoga


DANZIG, b, 1977	Northern Dancer, 1961	Nearctic, 1954	Nearco
			Lady Angela
		Natalma, 1957	Native Dancer
			Almahmoud
AURORA b, m May 15, 1988	Pas de Nom, 1968	Admiral's Voyage, 1959	Crafty Admiral
			Olympia Lou
		Petitioner, 1952	Petition
ALTHEA, ch, 1981	Alydar, 1975	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer
			Raise You
		Sweet Tooth, 1965	On-and-On
			Plum Cake
Courtly Dee, 1968	Never Bend, 1960	Nasrullah	
		Lalun	
	Tulle, 1950	War Admiral	
		Judy-Rae	

he coasted to a nine-length allowance win that set him up to score in the 10-furlong Super Derby (gr. I) in September. Two weeks later Arch took on older horses in the Fayette Stakes (gr. III) at Keeneland; not only did he set a new track record but he defeated the previous season's Belmont winner Touch Gold. Arch has been a quietly successful sire, having been represented by Canadian Horse of the Year Arravale, British heavyweight Les Arcs, Alabama and Gazelle stakes (both gr. I) winner Pine Island, and Overarching, three-time champion sprinter in South Africa. In 2009 Arch's 3-year-old son Blame, out of the Seeking the Gold mare Liable, was finding his racing sea legs so to speak. He finished the year with a flurry of wins, taking the Fayette Stakes (gr. II) at Keeneland and the Clark Handicap (gr. II) at Churchill Downs. In 2010 Blame proved himself seaworthy, winning four of five starts; three grade Is, including the Breeders' Cup Classic at the expense of the previously perfect darling of the racing world Zenyatta.

Aurora's second foal and second stakes winner Alisios was a full brother to Arch and a decent sort at a more modest level, winner of three of seven on the main track and four of seven over the turf. He won 1 1/16-mile turf stakes races at Hawthorne and Fair Grounds, topped by the listed Woodchopper Handicap.

Aurora's third foal, Festival of Light, by A.P. Indy, raced in his homeland without success. The Godolphin runner found a more agreeable milieu when sent to the Persian Gulf. At 4, Festival of Light won three in a row in Dubai and was named Dubai's Horse of the Year.

Aurora's next few foals slacked off a bit, but her 2005 filly Acoma proved Aurora had lost none of her genetic punch. Acoma placed in her debut before winning three in a row, ending with the Dogwood Stakes (gr. III) at Churchill Downs. An ambitious trip east resulted in a second in the Monmouth Oaks (gr. III). Back home in Kentucky, she finished the year on the turf with two graded wins. The bay miss won her first start at 4, the Azeri Stakes (gr. III) at Oaklawn Park and finished third behind Zenyatta in Oaklawn's grade I Apple Blossom Handicap, before adding the Early Times Mint Julep Handicap (gr. IIIT) and the Cardinal Handicap (gr. IIIT) at Churchill Downs. In 2010 Acoma achieved the grade I that had previously eluded her, winning the Juddmonte Spinster Stakes at Keeneland. Acoma ended her racing career with a fifth-place finish in the Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic. She retired with more than \$1 million and with the promise of carrying on the family tradition of excellence.

Aurora died in February 2011 after foaling an Empire Maker full sister to Acoma. She also leaves behind Amara, an unraced 3-year-old Bernardini filly, and Arania, her 2-year-old Dynaformer filly. 



Acoma

**Aurora, 1988, b. mare
Danzig—Althea, by Alydar**

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
1	11	9	7	5	4	3	2	\$2,618,325

BEST PROGENY:

- **Acoma** by Empire Maker. G1SW
- **Alisios** by Kris S. SW
- **Arch** by Kris S. G1SW
- **Aztec Pearl** by A.P. Indy. SP
- **Festival of Light** by A.P. Indy. G3SW

2010 GSW:

- **Acoma—Juddmonte Spinster S. (gr. I)**

BINCHE

Ason of Mr. Prospector out of the Buckpasser mare Playmate, Woodman earned honors as Irish champion 2-year-old with wins in his first three starts. However, he looked as if his love for the game was waning when he lost his unbeaten record in the Dewhurst Stakes (Eng-I) on his final juvenile outing. When that impression was confirmed on his first start at 3, he was promptly retired. "Woodmania" was prompted by the appearance of the stallion's 1988 first crop of 47 foals that yielded six stakes winners, including French champion Hector Protector; English champion Mujtahid; and Eclipse champion Hansel. Ironically, although he would continue to throw high-class performers throughout his career—notably champion Timber Country; the brilliant European mare Bosra Sham; French champion Way of Light; and the top-class European runner Hawk Wing—Woodman's stock was never to rise quite as high again as it was after his first crop were 3.

Woodman turned out to be a less than spectacular sire of sires, but the achievements of his daughters will ensure that he's a factor in future pedigrees. One of those daughters, Binche, comes from an outstanding European family whose immediate foundation mare is her third dam, Peace II. Bred by Sir John Musker, Peace II was a daughter of the French classic winner Klairon. Racing in the colors of U.S. Ambassador to the U.K. John Hay "Jock" Whitney, Peace II won the Blue Seal Stakes at Ascot in 1968 and was third in the following year's One Thousand Guineas Trial. For Whitney, she produced black-type winners in three successive years. Peace II's fourth foal, Quiet Harbour, failed to win (although she became a multiple stakes producer) and the mare was barren in 1975, but in the next six years she would produce four more foals for Whitney, among them two additional stakes winners.

Juddmonte Farms acquired Peace II and several of her daughters following Whitney's death. For Juddmonte, Peace II produced four more foals, the most notable of which were two sisters to Quiet Fling and Peaceful. De Stael, a minor winner, subsequently became dam of four stakes winners, including champion turf mare Wandesta. Balabina, a winner over 1½ miles, didn't produce anything quite as good as Wandesta, but three of her offspring captured black-type events, including the Rainbow Quest filly Binary. Given her ability and her pedigree, Binary would have been regarded as something of a disappointment as a broodmare, her only black-type winner being the Nureyev colt Binary File.

Binary's Woodman daughter, Binche, was thought promising in the early stages of her career, but after a paddock accident injury she didn't get back into training until relatively late in her 3-year-old career. When she did finally get to the track, she showed little, finishing off the board in two starts.

Binche's first foal, Louviere, a filly by Alhaarth, also failed to win. However, her second foal is Proviso, a daughter of Dansili. Winner of the Prix du Calvados (Fr-III) and group I-placed in England at 2, Proviso continued to show good form at 3, when she was a listed winner and several times group-placed, including group I-placed in France. At 4 in that country, she won two of four starts, including the Prix du Pin (Fr-III). Sent to the U.S. in search of that elusive grade I win, Proviso was first past the post in the Juddmonte Spinster Stakes (gr. I) but was disqualified to second in the stewards' room, then took fourth in the Breeders' Cup Ladies' Classic (gr. I).

WOODMAN, ch, 1983	Mr. Prospector, 1970	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer
		Gold Digger, 1962	Raise You
BINCHE ch, m March 29, 1999	Playmate, 1975	Buckpasser, 1963	Tom Fool
		Intriguing, 1964	Busanda
BINARY(GB), ch, 1993	Rainbow Quest, 1981	Blushing Groom, 1974	Swaps
		I Will Follow, 1975	Glamour
	Balabina, 1984	Nijinsky II, 1967	Red God
		Peace II, 1966	Runaway Bride
			Herbager
			Where You Lead
			Northern Dancer
			Flaming Page
			Klairon
			Sun Rose II

Proviso went on a tear in 2010, taking the Frank E. Kilroe Mile, Just a Game Stakes, Diana Stakes, and Abu Dhabi First Lady Stakes (all gr. IT). She ended her career finishing seventh to her old rival Goldikova in the TVG Breeders' Cup Mile (gr. IT).

Byword, Binche's third foal and a son of Peintre Celebre, has also improved with age. A winner of his first two starts in 2009, including the listed Prix Pelleas in France, and then fourth in a pair of group races, he won three of his first four starts in 2010, taking the Prix Jacques Laffite, Prix du Muguet (Fr-III), and Prince of Wales's Stakes (Eng-I), with a second to Goldikova in the Prix d'Ispahan (Fr-I) prefacing his Royal Ascot win. Subsequently, he was third in the Juddmonte International (Eng-I) and fourth in the Qatar Prix Foy (Fr-II). He remains in training this year.

Binche's fourth foal, the 2007 Beat Hollow filly Askew, suffered a fatal breakdown on her second outing when looking a likely winner of an 11-furlong maiden at Limerick in Ireland. Binche is also dam of 3-year-old filly Epinois and an unnamed 2-year-old colt, both by Dansili and unraced. She has a 2010 filly by Oasis Dream, was barren for 2011, and visits Oasis Dream this year. 🐾



Proviso

Proviso								
Binche, 1999, ch. mare								
Woodman—Binary (GB), by Rainbow Quest								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
6	7	5	4	2	2	2	2	\$2,511,620
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Byword (GB) by Peintre Celebre. G1SW Proviso (GB) by Dansili (GB). G1SW 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Byword (GB)—Prince of Wales's S. (Eng-I), Prix du Muguet (Fr-II) Proviso (GB)—Just a Game S. (gr. IT), Abu Dhabi First Lady S. (gr. IT), Frank E. Kilroe Mile H. (gr. IT), Diana S. (gr. IT) 								

BORN GOLD

The mare Born Gold could have been a candidate for the MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year award anytime in the last three years, since her “piece de resistance” Goldikova came to the fore in the 2008 racing season. But 2011 has become the ideal year to honor her, as her production record is essentially complete and we can appreciate in full the achievements of this remarkable mare.

Born Gold was born to be special, either on the race-track or as a broodmare. As a 3-year-old, her third dam Glaneuse won the Prix Malleret and Prix Chloe before venturing versus males to win the Gran Premio del Jockey Club (then a listed race, now a group I contest) in Italy. Glaneuse produced only four named foals, all winners, the best being another mare that beat the boys at the top level, Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (Fr-I) winner Gold River (by Riverman). Glaneuse's eldest daughter Gracious has founded a powerful family of group winners, including two-time Ascot Gold Cup (Eng-I) winner Royal Rebel. As a broodmare, Gold River concentrated on quality over quantity, producing only four foals, all winners, three of them stakes winners. Her best racing offspring was Lyphard's

BLUSHING GROOM (Fr), ch, 1974	Red God, 1954	Nasrullah, 1940	Nearco
		Spring Run, 1948	Mumtaz Begum
	Runaway Bride, 1962	Wild Risk, 1940	Menow
		Aimee, 1957	Boola Brook
BORN GOLD ch, m February 17, 1991	Lyphard, 1969	Goofed, 1960	Rialto
		Northern Dancer, 1961	Wild Violet
RIVIERE D'OR, b, 1985	Gold River, 1977	Riverman, 1969	Tudor Minstrel
		Glaneuse, 1966	Emali
			Nearctic
			Natalma
			Court Martial
			Barra II
			Never Bend
			River Lady
			Snob
			Glamour

daughter Riviere D'or, a group III winner at 2 and victress of the Prix Saint-Alary (Fr-I) at 3, when she also ran second in the Prix de Diane Hermes (Fr-I). Riviere d'Or produced her best foals early, her first being the dual group I filly Gold Splash—winner of the Coronation Stakes (Eng-I) and Prix Marcel Boussac Criterium des Pouliches (Fr-I) and her second being the winner Born Gold.

As is normal for well-bred fillies such as Born Gold, once she had proved she had some talent but was not up to black-type racing, she was retired to the stud to produce the next generation of runners. And what a group she has been responsible for! From 1996 to 2008, she missed only one year, and from 12 foals, 11 have been winners, three are group winners, and two group-placed. And the only non-winner was placed. She is as close to an old-fashioned 100% producer as she could be without attaining the distinction.

Born Gold started off with a minor winner that has since produced winners. Second up was Gold Round, winner of the Prix Cleopatre (Fr-III) and dam of two stakes winners, one at group level. Next in line was Born Something, a winner at 2, placed in the Prix de la Grotte (Fr-III), an important Guineas trial, at 3, and stakes-placed four times in the U.S. Following her were a doughty gelding who rang up seven wins from 81 attempts, a filly with a win in two starts, and the group-placed Red Tune, who has scored three times from 77 starts to date. Then came Born Gold's second group winner, Gold Sound, who scored in the Prix de Guiche (Fr-III) and ran second in the Prix Noailles (Fr-III). After this run, Born Gold took her year off.

First in the second sequence for Born Gold was another minor winner, and second came Goldikova, whom one need not spend time praising, as all the world knows of her accomplishments. Perhaps producing such a prodigy drained her dam a bit, for it was the foal that followed her in the produce record that was the only non-winner. Two more winners came next, and Born Gold was barren again in 2009 before producing Anodin—a full brother to Goldikova—in 2010.

A sterling record as a broodmare, a source of consistent quality, dam of five black-type horses, and, incidentally, dam of one of the leading milers in the world over the last three years. All of these point to Born Gold as a worthy recipient of this award. 🐾



Goldikova

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Born Gold, 1991, ch. mare Blushing Groom (FR)—Riviere D'or, by Lyphard								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
5	13	12	12	11	3	3	1	\$7,213,867
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Born Something (IRE) by Caerleon. G3SP Goldikova (IRE) by Anabaa. G1SW Gold Round (IRE) by Caerleon. G3SW Gold Sound (FR) by Green Tune. G3SW Red Tune (FR) by Green Tune. G3SP 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Goldikova (IRE)—Queen Anne S. (Eng-I), TVG Breeders' Cup Mile (gr. IT), Prix Rothschild (Fr-I), Prix d'Isphahan (Fr-I), Qatar Prix de la Foret (Fr-I) 								

CARSON JEN

Carson Jen's promise as a broodmare got off to a quick start when her first two foals, both by Storm Cat-line stallions, became stakes winners.

Gulf Coast Bloodstock went a different direction for her third foal, however, and bred the daughter of Carson City in 2005 to Malibu Moon, a son of A.P. Indy. The next year Carson Jen was sent to a different Northern Dancer-line stallion (Northern Dancer is the grandsire of Storm Cat) in Dixie Union and then in 2007 to Bernardini, another son of A.P. Indy. The decision to stray from the Storm Cat line may have raised doubts early on when her first foals started to rack up stakes victories.

Her first foal, a son of Exploit named E Z Warrior, won the Hollywood Juvenile Championship Stakes (gr. III) at 2, then came back in 2007 to win the San Miguel Stakes and place in the grade I King's Bishop. Carson Jen's second foal, J Z Warrior, is a daughter of Harlan's Holiday, who is by Storm Cat's son Harlan. J Z Warrior won as a juvenile and later captured four stakes including the Dearly Precious Stakes at Monmouth Park. The filly also placed in the Nassau County Stakes (gr. III) at 3.

Then came B Z Warrior, a colt by Malibu Moon, who did not make a start at 2 and ended up with three wins in 18 starts, earning a total of \$93,699. Next the colt by Dixie Union, Z Z Warrior, made one start—albeit a winning one—at 3.


What could have been the expectations for Carson Jen's fifth foal? Whatever concerns may have lingered, A Z Warrior erased them by winning her first time out as a juvenile at Hollywood Park and following her maiden victory with a second in the Sorrento Stakes (gr. III) behind Wickedly Perfect. A Z Warrior, a homebred for Ahmed Zayat, would go on to win the grade I Frizette Stakes at Belmont Park and in her first start of 2011 she took third in the Santa Anita Oaks (gr. I).

One key with Carson Jen may be inbreeding to Northern Dancer. E Z Warrior carries Northern Dancer 4Sx5D, while J Z Warrior shows Northern Dancer 5Sx5D with additional inbreeding to Raise a Native—a son of Northern Dancer's broodmare sire Native Dancer—in the fifth generation on the sire side through Affirmed's Exclusive Native and in the fourth generation on the dam side through Mr. Prospector (the sire of Carson City). B Z Warrior had no Northern Dancer inbreeding but was inbred 3sx3D to Mr. Prospector and 5Sx5d to Northern Dancer's son Nijinsky II. Z Z Warrior is an unknown because his racing career was cut short by injury. He did have inbreeding to both Mr. Prospector, through his daughter She's a Talent, and Northern Dancer, as the grandsire of Dixie Union. A Z Warrior also has inbreeding to both marquee stallions: 5sx5D Northern Dancer, through Northern Fable (third dam of Bernardini), and 5Sx3D Mr. Prospector, through Fappiano, the sire of Quiet American, who is Bernardini's broodmare sire.

Carson Jen also is a lesson on why breeders should not dismiss a foal out of an unraced mare. Her dam, Calamitous Jen, never made a start but hails from a female line of pro-

CARSON CITY, ch, 1987	Mr. Prospector, 1970	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer
		Gold Digger, 1962	Raise You
	Blushing Promise, 1982	Blushing Groom, 1974	Nashua
Summertime Promise, 1972		Red God	
		Nijinsky II	
CALAMITOUS JEN, ch, m April 1, 1996	Deputy Minister, 1979	Vice Regent, 1967	Northern Dancer
		Mint Copy, 1970	Victoria Regina
	ROBERTINA, 1984	Roberto, 1969	Bunty's Flight
Bring Out the Band, 1974		Shakney	
		Hail to Reason	
CALAMITOUS JEN, dkb/br, 1990	Roberto, 1969	Bramalea	
		One for All	
	Bring Out the Band, 1974	Bold Tribute	

ducers. Calamitous Jen is out of Robertina, a stakes winner by Roberto who produced nine winners, including a stakes winner, from 13 foals. Robertina's dam Bring Out the Band, by One for All, produced 100% winners from 12 foals, including two stakes winners. Carson Jen's fourth dam, Bold Tribute, delivered only two foals, but Bring Out the Band was a grade I stakes winner.

As a racehorse, Carson Jen displayed some of this quality. She finished in the money 11 times out of 14 starts, won four times, and placed in four stakes. Zayat thought enough of her first foal to pay \$1.2 million for E Z Warrior as a 2-year-old in training. He apparently acquired J Z Warrior privately and later sold her as a racing or broodmare prospect at the Keeneland November sale for \$1.125 million. Zayat now owns Carson Jen and became the breeder of record for her offspring beginning in 2007 with Z Z Warrior. Carson Jen has a yearling by J Be K and delivered a foal Feb. 20 by Pioneer of the Nile. 



A Z Warrior

Carson Jen, 1996, ch. mare Carson City—Calamitous Jen, by Deputy Minister

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
1	7	5	5	5	3	2	1	\$968,490

BEST PROGENY:

- A Z Warrior by Bernardini. G1SW
- E Z Warrior by Exploit. G3SW
- J Z Warrior by Harlan's Holiday. SW

2010 GSW:

- A Z Warrior—Frizette S. (gr. I)

CHIPETA SPRINGS

Gio Ponti's return to the track for a 5-year-old campaign keeps his dam, Chipeta Springs, in the spotlight as a candidate for MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year. Since the Eclipse Awards were inaugurated in 1973, only two horses have managed to win titles in both the older male and turf male divisions in the same year. The first was John Henry, who captured both on the way to Horse of the Year honors in 1981. The other is Gio Ponti, who was awarded both titles in 2009 after winning four grade I turf races and running a game second to Zenyatta in that year's Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I). Throughout much of 2010, Gio Ponti appeared ready to improve on his stellar 2009 campaign, and indeed he recaptured the title of champion turf horse. But a pair of grade I victories on the grass were accompanied by three second-place showings in which he averaged less than a length behind the race winner.

Stakes-placed on the racetrack, Chipeta Springs is a daughter of Alydar. One of the finest American racehorses never to earn an Eclipse, Alydar finally earned his championship by leading the sire standings in 1990—unfortunately, the year of his death. Since then, he has gained a reputation as a fine broodmare sire, with his daughters having produced 158 stakes winners including champions Mahogany, Yamanin Paradise, Ajina, Anees, Peinte Celebre, Mountain Angel, Diamond Biko, and Co Animadora.

Chipeta Springs is responsible for three of those stakes winners. Prior to Gio Ponti, she produced Fisher Pond, a long-winded son of A.P. Indy who captured the 2002 Lawrence Realization Handicap. Gio Ponti (by Tale of the Cat) followed in 2005, and Chipeta Springs has since produced Bon Jovi Girl, a 2006 daughter of Malibu Moon who won listed stakes at 2 and 3. Bon Jovi Girl also placed in four graded races in 2009, including the Gazelle Stakes (gr. I).

Chipeta Springs is from the family of Vipsania, a French-bred daughter of 1935 Ascot Gold Cup winner Tiberius and (on the distaff side) the granddaughter and great-granddaughter of winners of the St. Leger Stakes. Sent to Argentina, she produced Agrippine to the cover of 1933 Ascot Gold Cup winner Foxhunter—like Tiberius, a son of the 1927 Ascot Gold Cup winner Foxlaw. With such a stamina-steeped pedigree, one would expect Agrippine to have founded a line of dour stayers. But her daughter Jungle Queen was sired by Claro, winner of the 1946 Irish Two Thousand Guineas, and that infusion of miler speed was apparently enough to widen this family's genetic potential. Jungle Queen produced three fine fillies in Jungle Duchess, champion juvenile filly in Argentina in 1970/1971, Sunny Day III, winner of the Premio Maipu (Arg-II), and Gold Sun, winner of the Gran Premio Internacional Ciudad de Buenos Aires (Arg-I). In addition, Jungle Queen produced two stakes-winning colts, though neither had much long-term influence.


A daughter of the American expatriate Solazo (by Beau Max, by Bull Lea), Gold Sun became a stakes producer in the United States, but her most important foal was her daughter Solar Slew (by Seattle Slew). Bred to Palace Music, Solar Slew produced two-time Horse of the Year Cigar, who, unfortunately, proved sterile following his retirement and is now a pensioner at the Kentucky Horse Park's Hall of Champions. Solar Slew is also the dam of Puerto Rican champion Mulca (by Raised Socially).

Jungle Queen continued her family in Argentina through Jungle Princess, a full sister to Jungle Duchess. Jungle Princess produced

ALYDAR, ch, 1975	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer, 1950	Polynesian
		Raise You, 1946	Geisha
CHIPETA SPRINGS b, m March 7, 1989	Sweet Tooth, 1965	On-and-On, 1956	Case Ace
		Plum Cake, 1958	Lady Glory
SALT SPRING (Arg), dkb/br, 1979	Salt Marsh, 1970	Tom Rolfe, 1962	Nasrullah
		Saline, 1962	Two Lea
Jungle Mythologic, 1971	Jungle Mythologic, 1971	Mount Athos, 1965	Ponder
		Jungle Queen, 1956	Real Delight
			Ribot
			Pocahontas
			Sailor
			Queen Caroline
			Sunny Way
			Rosie Wings
			Claro
			Agrippine

Jewellery, winner of the 1990 Copa de Plata (Arg-I) but unsuccessful in five starts when transferred to the United States.

Jungle Mythologic, a 1971 daughter of the good English stakes winner Mount Athos and Jungle Queen, was good enough to place in a group III race but outdid her swifter half sisters as a producer by foaling Salt Spring (ARG) (by Salt Marsh). Winner of the 1985 Copa de Plata (Arg-I), Salt Spring was also a stakes winner at 5 and 6 in the United States, her biggest American win coming in the 1985 Yerba Buena Handicap (gr. IIIT). Aside from Chipeta Springs, her most noted foals are grade III-placed Salt Ridge (by Cox's Ridge) and his full sister Salty Gal, dam of 2002 Donn Handicap (gr. I) winner Mongoose and 2006 Fred W. Hooper Handicap (gr. III) winner Hesanoldsalt.

Now 22, Chipeta Springs has as her youngest foal of racing age an unraced 2007 colt, Man On the Moon, by Malibu Moon. She was not covered for 2008 and produced the filly Antonia Autumn in 2009 and a colt in 2010, both to the cover of Bernstein. 



Gio Ponti

Chipeta Springs, 1989, b. mare Alydar—Salt Spring (ARG), by Salt Marsh

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
1	13	11	10	7	3	1	1	\$5,916,528

BEST PROGENY:

- Bon Jovi Girl by Malibu Moon. SW
- Fisher Pond by A.P. Indy. SW
- Gio Ponti by Tale of the Cat. G1SW

2010 GSW:

- Gio Ponti—Man o' War S. (gr. IT), Shadwell Turf Mile S. (gr. IT)

GABRIELLINA GIOF (GB)

Few mares have more cosmopolitan pedigrees than English-bred Gabriellina Giof, whose ancestry includes animals from Argentina, Canada, England, France, Ireland, Italy, and the United States. She continued the international theme by becoming a stakes winner in two countries before embarking on a successful broodmare career.

Most breeders prefer good race mares as broodmare prospects, and Gabriellina Giof certainly had some ability. A winner of the Criterium Femminile as a juvenile in Italy, she went on to win the listed Manhattan Beach Stakes and run second in the San Clemente Handicap (gr. IIT) in the United States as a 3-year-old. Essentially a miler, she did all of her racing on the turf, racking up a total of four wins and six seconds from 26 starts.

Her first three foals were bred by Arnold Zetcher. The first, the 2005 Hennessy filly Gabby's Hen, was nothing to write home about, winning one of nine starts. But her second foal is Gabby's Golden Gal, a member of Medaglia d'Oro's first crop along with Rachel Alexandra. Gabby's Golden Gal proved no match for Rachel Alexandra when


ASHKALANI, ch, 1993	Soviet Star, 1984	Nureyev, 1977	Northern Dancer
		Veruschka, 1967	Special
	Ashtarka, 1987	Dalsaan, 1977	Venture
		Asharaz, 1967	Marie d'Anjou
GABRIELLINA GIOF(GB) ch, m January 24, 1998	Cure the Blues, 1978	Stop the Music, 1970	Habitat
PAOLA QUATRARO, b, 1987		Quick Cure, 1971	Dumka
	Retrousse, 1980	Naskra, 1967	Sicambre
		Cantadora III, 1970	Vareta
			Hall to Reason
		Dr. Fager	Speedwell
		Iskra	Nasram
		Cacique	Iskra
		Boci	Boci

the two fillies crossed paths in the 2009 Kentucky Oaks (gr. I), but she rebounded to score a wire-to-wire win in her next start, the one-mile Acorn Stakes (gr. I). She returned to that form in January 2010, winning the seven-furlong Santa Monica Handicap (gr. I) over the Pro-Ride surface at Santa Anita but did not start again until a poor showing in November's Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Filly and Mare Sprint (gr. I). Sold for \$1.25 million at the 2010 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky November mixed sale, she is now a broodmare in Japan.

As a racer, Gabby's Golden Gal was a natural speedster with a taste for running on or near the lead, qualities shared by her year-younger half sister Always a Princess (by Leroidesanimaux). The attractive chestnut flashed ability winning the 2010 Indiana Oaks (gr. II) and has since confirmed that ability by taking 2011's El Encino and La Canada Stakes (both gr. II), both at the expense of 2010 champion 3-year-old filly Blind Luck.

Gabriellina Giof came by the miler speed she transmitted to her daughters honestly. She is a daughter of 1996 Dubai Poule d'Essai des Poulains (Fr-I) winner Ashkalani, whose sire, Soviet Star, won the same classic in 1987. Soviet Star, in turn, is by Nureyev, rated as the top miler in France in 1980. Another line to a top miler comes through Ashkalani's dam Ashtarka, whose sire, 1981 Hungerford Stakes (Eng-III) winner Dalsaan, is by the crack miler and fine sire Habitat.

On the distaff side Gabriellina Giof's dam, Paola Quatraro, was a multiple winner in Italy. She is by 1980 Laurel Futurity (gr. I) winner Cure the Blues, a good sire in both Ireland and New York, out of Retrousse, whose only stakes victory came in the 1983 Gran Premio Citta di Napoli (Ity-III). Retrousse, in turn, is by the good racer and sire Naskra out of Cantadora III, a Peruvian import of Argentine parentage who won five stakes in her native country. Cantadora III's branch of Bruce Lowe Family 32 also includes Peruvian classic winner This Flower, a dual group I winner.

Following Always a Princess, Gabriellina Giof produced Short Takes, a 2008 son of Lemon Drop Kid who was sent to England but ran out of the money in his only start as a juvenile. Gabriellina Giof's only other produce is an as yet-unnamed 2-year-old filly by Johannesburg, but given the quality of what Gabriellina Giof has already produced and the fact that she is only 13, she should still get several opportunities to add to what is already a fine produce record. 



Gabby's Golden Gal

Gabriellina Giof (GB), 1998, ch. mare Ashkalani (IRE)—Paola Quatraro (IRE)

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
2	5	4	4	3	2	2	1	\$1,023,473

BEST PROGENY:

- Always a Princess by Leroidesanimaux (BRZ). G2SW
- Gabby's Golden Gal by Medaglia d'Oro. G1SW

2010 GSW:

- Always a Princess—Indiana Oaks (gr. II)
- Gabby's Golden Gal—Santa Monica H. (gr. I)

GET LUCKY

Sometimes luck is a matter of timing. Perhaps in no other realm is this more true than in the world of the Thoroughbred. Had two pillars of the racing industry, E.R. Bradley and Ogden Phipps, not had the savvy and the wherewithal to take advantage of the moment, the dynasty leading to 2010 MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year Get Lucky might never have come to pass. It was merely a matter of being in the right place at the right time.

Truth be told, E.R. Bradley wasn't actually physically present at the right time, but he was there in spirit and in pocketbook. The place was the 1930 December sale at Newmarket, where Bradley, through his agent, purchased La Troienne, a 4-year-old non-winning small, undistinguished, delicate brown mare (in foal to Gainsborough) being culled from the powerful stable of famed French breeder Marcel Boussac.

Bradley imported the daughter of Teddy-Helene de Troie, by Helicon, and her impact on Idle Hour Farm became legendary. If pretty is as pretty does, the plain La Troienne was downright beautiful: dam of five stakes winners, two champions, and seven stakes-producing daughters that... well, the rest, as they say, is history.

When Bradley died in August 1946, his estate was up for grabs, and as August also happens to be the month of the annual hajj to the racing mecca Saratoga, the timing was impeccable for someone to seize the opportunity of a lifetime. Such a man was Robert Kleberg, owner of the King Ranch in Texas, who learned that the estate was available for purchase as a package deal. At the time, he, along with Ogden Phipps, was a guest of John Hay Whitney at Whitney's Greentree estate adjacent to the racecourse. As any good guest might have done, Kleberg proffered the idea to Phipps and Whitney. By early November the deal had been struck, and for \$2,681,545 the Bradley estate was divvied up among the three racing stalwarts.

While all three reaped rewards, perhaps Phipps received the greatest benefit. To him fell two daughters of La Troienne in foal to Triple Crown winner War Admiral. In 1947 Businesslike produced stakes-winning filly Busanda (dam of Buckpasser) and Baby League foaled stakes winner and future Kentucky Broodmare of the Year Striking. Who could foresee as these two fillies grew up together in the expansive fields of Claiborne Farm that generations later their paths would cross again and with great success.

Striking's journey continued through her stakes-winning Nasrullah daughter Glamour to stakes-placed Intriguing, who produced, to the cover of Buckpasser, Numbered Account, 1971's champion 2-year-old filly, who foaled the grade I-winning Northern Dancer filly Dance Number, who, in turn, is the dam of grade III winner Get Lucky—all for the Phipps family.

Get Lucky has produced 13 named foals, eight of those bred by the Phippses before the mare was sold (in foal to Monarchos) at the 2002 Keeneland November sale to a partnership of Ben Walden Jr. and Philip Steinberg for \$300,000. Six of Get Lucky's foals have been by A.P. Indy. Of those six, three have been graded stakes winners and two others have produced grade I stakes winners. Three are strongly connected to 2010, through a grade I sprinter, a Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I) winner, and a leading freshman sire.

The handsome Girolamo, Get Lucky's 11th foal and the last by A.P. Indy, made a belated appearance in the year but won the six-

MR. PROSPECTOR, b, 1970	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer, 1950	Polynesian
		Raise You, 1946	Geisha
	Gold Digger, 1962	Nashua, 1952	Case Ace
		Sequence, 1946	Lady Glory
GET LUCKY b, m April 6, 1988	Northern Dancer, 1961	Nearctic, 1954	Nasrullah
		Natalma, 1957	Segula
DANCE NUMBER, b, 1979	Numbered Account, 1969	Buckpasser, 1963	Count Fleet
		Intriguing, 1964	Miss Dogwood
	Northern Dancer, 1961	Nearco	Nearco
		Native Dancer	Lady Angela
Numbered Account, 1969	Almahmoud	Almahmoud	
	Tom Fool	Tom Fool	
Buckpasser, 1963	Busanda	Busanda	
	Swaps	Swaps	
Intriguing, 1964	Glamour	Glamour	

furlong Vosburgh Stakes (gr. I) at Belmont in his second start back. Having disappointed in the Sentient Jet Breeders' Cup Sprint, he rebounded to finish a close third in the Hill 'n' Dale Cigar Mile (gr. I).

Get Lucky's A.P. Indy daughter Supercharger produced Derby winner Super Saver (by Maria's Mon) and if the stars align, she has put herself in position to be the first mare to have back-to-back Derby winners as her 3-year-old Distorted Humor son Brethren is making Triple Crown noise by winning the Sam F. Davis Stakes (gr. III), an important Derby prep, after being undefeated at 2 in 2010.

Another Get Lucky daughter by A.P. Indy, She's a Winner, is already following in the family tradition, having produced multiple stakes winners, including grade I winner Bluegrass Cat (by Storm Cat), who finished second on the leading freshman sire list in 2010.

With these jewels in her crown, Get Lucky deserves her place at the top of the Baby League branch of the La Troienne dynasty. ♀



Girolamo

Get Lucky, 1988, b. mare
Mr. Prospector—Dance Number, by Northern Dancer

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
1	15	13	8	8	4	3	1	\$1,817,195

BEST PROGENY:

- Accelerator by A.P. Indy. G3SW
- Daydreaming by A.P. Indy. G2SW
- Girolamo by A.P. Indy. G1SW
- Harborage by Monarchos. SW

2010 GSW:

- Girolamo—Vosburgh S. (gr. I)

KELLI'S RANSOM

Kelli's Ransom may not have left much of an impression on the racetrack, but she certainly made her mark in the breeding shed, producing two of the more exciting graded winners of 2009, one of whom was named a champion in the United Arab Emirates. In 2010 she hangs her hopes on a single star: Devil May Care, who proved herself worthy to face her male counterparts in the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I).

A daughter of the hardy Red Ransom, Kelli's Ransom was bred in Kentucky in 1999 by Gerald A. Ford's Diamond A Racing. Ford had purchased Kelli's Ransom's dam, Musical Minister, for \$350,000 in 1998 at the Keeneland November sale. At the time, Musical Minister was a half sister to three stakes winners, and her value would increase the following year when her half sister Pico Tenerife (by Red Ransom), already a listed winner and grade I-placed, would win a pair of grade III turf races for Eugene Melnyk.

Kelli's Ransom made her debut at 3 going 5½ furlongs at Hollywood Park, finishing fifth as the favorite. She made three more starts and finished second in all three.

Back in Kentucky, Kelli's Ransom got off to a good start as a broodmare—commercially if not competitively. First foal Runaway Ransom was a profitable sales yearling but went unplaced in two starts. Kelli's Ransom's second foal, Speedy Dollar, sold for six figures as a 2-year-old in training. He won a pair of races in England then was blanked in five starts in Hong Kong.



Devil May Care

ADAM COBLANES

RED RANSOM, b, 1987	Roberto, 1969	Hail to Reason, 1958	Turn-to
		Bramalea, 1959	Notbirdchance
KELLI'S RANSOM b, m February 21, 1999	Arabia, 1977	Damascus, 1964	Nashua
		Christmas Wind, 1967	Rarelea
MUSICAL MINISTER, b, 1991	Deputy Minister, 1979	Mr. Prospector, 1970	Sword Dancer
		Aladancer, 1968	Kerala
			Nearctic
			Bally Free
			Northern Dancer
			Victoria Regina
			Bunty's Flight
			Shakney
			Raise a Native
			Gold Digger
			Northern Dancer
			Mock Orange

Sent to the red-hot Distorted Humor in 2005, Kelli's Ransom delivered a late May foal that possessed the speed of his one-turn star sire, but had the ability to carry it a long way, perhaps off the stamina and stoutness of the blood of Red Ransom and Kelli's Ransom's broodmare sire, Deputy Minister. Named Regal Ransom, Sheikh Mohammed's bloodstock agent John Ferguson went to \$675,000 to buy him at the Fasig-Tipton Florida 2-year-old sale in 2008. Unveiled at Saratoga, Regal Ransom rolled to a wire-to-wire win, going seven furlongs in 1:22.42. Regal Ransom was so highly thought of, he made his second start a month later in the Norfolk Stakes (gr. I) at Oak Tree at Santa Anita but faded over the synthetic surface to finish eighth.

Having been sent to winter in Dubai, Regal Ransom was on the fast track for the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I). After finishing second to stablemate Desert Party twice at shorter distances, Regal Ransom turned the tables in the nine-furlong Saeed & Mohammed al Naboodah Group UAE Derby (UAE-II), winning by a half-length. He was later the highweighted 3-year-old male at 7-9½ furlongs on the UAE Free Handicap. He and Desert Party were then sent to Churchill Downs for the Derby. Regal Ransom's good looks drew raves from horsemen during training hours; however, he was unable to run up to them, finishing eighth. After a freshening, Regal Ransom returned to win the Super Derby (gr. II) at Louisiana Downs. He finished the year with another disappointing run on synthetics, an eighth-place finish in the Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I).

Soon after Regal Ransom's 2009 Super Derby score, his younger half sister—another May foal—by A.P. Indy's son Malibu Moon showed plenty of guts in the grade I Frizette. Named Devil May Care, she outbattled even-money favorite Awesome Maria to win by a head in 1:35.07 for the mile. Much like her older brother, Devil May Care struggled over the synthetic surface at Oak Tree, finishing 11th in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies (gr. I).

John Greathouse purchased Devil May Care as a yearling. He races her in his family's Glencrest Farm colors.

While Regal Ransom's 2010 efforts were shades of his former self, Devil May Care upheld the family honor. She won the March 20 Bonnie Miss Stakes (gr. II) at Gulfstream in her second outing with a performance that had her connections forsaking the Kentucky Oaks (gr. I) to fulfill their Derby dreams. Although she finished 10th, she encountered some traffic problems after making a strong move into the stretch. She rebounded well, tackling the prestigious Mother Goose Stakes and the 10-furlong Betfair TVG Coaching Club American Oaks (both gr. I).

Any further accolades for Kelli's Ransom will be posthumous; she died of complications from laminitis after foaling a colt by Posse in April 2009. 🐾

Kelli's Ransom, 1999, b. mare Red Ransom—Musical Minister, by Deputy Minister

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
3	11	9	8	7	4	3	1	\$2,594,637

BEST PROGENY:

- Devil May Care by Malibu Moon. G1SW
- Regal Ransom by Distorted Humor. G2SW

2010 GSW:

- Devil May Care—Mother Goose S. (gr. I), Bonnie Miss S. (gr. II), Betfair TVG Coaching Club American Oaks (gr. I)

LADY SHIRL

Lady Shirl may be best known as the dam of grade I winner Shakespeare (by Theatrical), who earned \$1,293,780 in three seasons of racing. However, in 2010, she was represented by a pair of graded stakes winners in Lady Shakespeare and Perfect Shirl, both bred and raced by Charles Fipke.

Lady Shakespeare, a full sister to Shakespeare, had shown flashes of brilliance at 3 in 2009, winning the Ontario Colleen Stakes at Woodbine and finishing a good fourth in the Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup Stakes (gr. IT) at Keeneland, so her 2010 success was not unexpected. She began the season by finishing second in both the Marshua's River Stakes and in the Orchid Stakes (gr. IIIT), both at Gulfstream Park. Returning to Keeneland, she took the Grey Goose Bewitch Stakes (gr. IIIT) for her first graded victory. Lady Shakespeare improved her rating in her final start of the season, taking the New York Stakes (gr. IIT) at Belmont Park. The chestnut mare has been working toward her 5-year-old debut at Payson Park in Florida.

Perfect Shirl, by Perfect Soul, began 2010 as an unraced 3-year-old. She broke her maiden in her fourth start, a mile

THAT'S A NICE, ch, 1974	Hey Good Lookin, 1966	Noholme II, 1956	Star Kingdom
		Lady Vale, 1958	Oceana
	Our Bonnie S., 1958	Palestinian, 1946I	Royal Vale
		Chickdale, 1953	Lady Page
LADY SHIRL b, m May 1, 1987	Native Heritage, 1967	Raise a Native, 1961	Sun Again
		Tim's Princess, 1962	Dolly Whisk
CANONIZATION, b, 1976	Heatherglow, 1972	The Axe II, 1958	Olympia
		Brilliantly, 1959	Beauty Treat
	Heatherglow, 1972	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer
		Tim's Princess, 1962	Raise You
Heatherglow, 1972	The Axe II, 1958	Tim Tam	
	Brilliantly, 1959	Princess Turia	
Heatherglow, 1972	The Axe II, 1958	Mahmoud	
	Brilliantly, 1959	Blackball	
Heatherglow, 1972	The Axe II, 1958	Hill Prince	
	Brilliantly, 1959	Glamour	

and an eighth turf contest at Woodbine in June. After adding an allowance victory on the Woodbine Polytrack, she tasted graded glory in the Lake George Stakes (gr. IIIT) at Saratoga in July. She then tried grade I company, finishing third in the Del Mar Oaks. Her season ended with an eighth-place finish in the Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup Stakes at Keeneland in October. Like her half sister Lady Shakespeare, she has been preparing for 2011 at Payson Park.

Lady Shirl, born on May 1, 1987, was bred in Illinois by Irish Acres Farm. Her sire, That's a Nice, was a dual grade III winner on the turf who earned \$377,948 in 48 starts. He sired 19 stakes winners in 22 crops, with Lady Shirl his only North American graded stakes winner and leading earner.

Canonization, dam of Lady Shirl, was a stakes-placed winner of 8 races. A daughter of the Raise a Native sire Native Heritage, Canonization produced seven winners from seven foals, including stakes-placed One Wild Woman, who earned \$175,238. Lady Shirl was by far Canonization's best offspring at the track and in the breeding shed. Canonization traces back to the important broodmare Striking, through Striking's stakes-winning daughter Glamour.

Lady Shirl was precocious enough to win at first asking at 6 furlongs on the dirt at 2, but she didn't show her real class until switched to the turf. On

that surface she won or placed in 15 stakes. The highlight of her career came at age 4, when she won the 1¼-mile Flower Bowl (gr. IT) at Belmont Park. She retired in 1994 at age 7, having earned \$951,523 in 41 starts.

In all, Lady Shirl has produced seven winners from eight foals to race. In addition to Shakespeare, Lady Shakespeare, and Perfect Shirl, she has stakes winner Fantastic Shirl (by Fantastic Light) and stakes-placed Winning Talk (by Victory Speech) among her offspring. And Lady Shirl's legacy should continue: Not only are Lady Shakespeare and Perfect Shirl scheduled to continue their careers, but Lady Shirl has 2-year-old filly Shirl's Soul, full sister to Perfect Shirl, waiting in the wings. In addition, Shakespeare's first-crop of 2-year-olds race in 2011, promising lyrical returns. ♀



Perfect Shirl

ADAM COGLIANESE

Lady Shirl, 1987, b. mare
That's a Nice—Canonization, by Native Heritage

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
1	11	9	8	7	4	3	1	\$2,572,602

BEST PROGENY:

- Lady Shakespeare by Theatrical (IRE). G2SW
- Perfect Shirl by Perfect Soul (IRE). G2SW
- Shakespeare by Theatrical (IRE). G1SW
- Winning Talk by Victory Speech. SP

2010 GSW:

- Lady Shakespeare—New York S. (gr. IIT), Grey Goose Bewitch S. (gr. IIIT)
- Perfect Shirl—Lake George S. (gr. IIT)

LIABLE

Claiborne Farm runners can usually be picked out by their clever one-word names, and 2010's champion older male Blame adds to that tradition. Bred and raced by Claiborne Farm and Adele Dilschneider, he ran in Dilschneider's colors, but the Claiborne connections were obvious. Blame is by Arch out of Liable.

Blame and Liable descend from one of Claiborne's most important broodmares—Rough Shod II, whose family exerts a remarkable influence on the breed through such important horses as Gamely, Lt. Stevens, Nureyev, and Sadler's Wells. Liable was bred by Claiborne Farm and Nicole Perry Gorman, whose late husband, William Haggin Perry, bred horses in the name of The Gamely Corporation.

Liable was unraced at 2, and won three of seven starts at 3. At 4 she scored three more times and met another milestone when third in the Wild Flower Stakes in May, going six furlongs on dirt at Lone Star behind Little Sister and Prospector's Song. In October at Keeneland, she ran second in the A.P. Indy Stakes, a 5½-furlong turf event, won by Ayrial Delight.

Liable retired with six wins from 15 starts and earnings of \$235,071. She was a sprinter, so probably needed to be bred to stallions that offered to stretch her offspring out a little in distance to make the big scores.

Liable's first foal was Apt, a 2001 filly by A.P. Indy, who was unplaced in one start and has produced three winners from her first three foals. Liable's second foal, born in 2004, was the Arch gelding Curvature, who raced four years, won six times, and earned \$191,209. Although not a stakes horse, he was a useful miler and showed that the cross with Arch could get a decent runner.


Next, Liable was bred to Dynaformer, from the same Roberto line as Arch, and foaled Tend in 2005. A winner at 2, Tend won a restricted stakes over seven furlongs at Delta Downs at 3. At 4 he was gelded and subsequently picked up several stakes placings at Fair Grounds, Woodbine, and Turfway. He ran third in the Holiday Cheer Stakes on New Year's Day 2011 and won the 6½-furlong Forego Stakes on January 29, both run at Turfway. His earnings currently stand at \$361,917.

In 2006 Liable produced a big colt by Arch named Blame. Twice a grade II winner at 3, Blame rounded into grade I form at 4, winning the Stephen Foster Handicap, Whitney Handicap, and Breeders' Cup Classic (all gr. I). He was elected champion older male of 2010 and narrowly missed Horse of

SEEKING THE GOLD, b, 1985	Mr. Prospector, 1970	Raise a Native, 1961	Native Dancer
		Gold Digger, 1962	Raise You
LIABLE b, m May 10, 1995	Con Game, 1974	Buckpasser, 1963	Nashua
		Broadway, 1959	Sequence
BOUND, b, 1984	Nijinsky II, 1967	Northern Dancer, 1961	Tom Fool
		Flaming Page, 1959	Busanda
	Special, 1969	Forli, 1963	Hasty Road
		Thong, 1964	Flitabout
			Nearctic
			Natalma
			Bull Page
			Flaring Top
			Aristophanes
			Trevisa
			Nantallah
			Rough Shod II

the Year in voting, bowing to Zenyatta.

Liable was barren in 2007, and has a 3-year-old filly by Arch named Might who placed in her first outing in February 2011. She was barren to Dynaformer in 2009, and produced a 2010 filly by Tiznow that unfortunately died. She is barren again to Tiznow. She is, not surprisingly, booked back to Arch for 2011.

As a multiple stakes producer and dam of one of the stars of 2011, she certainly deserves consideration as MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year. 



Blame

Liable, 1995, b. mare								
Seeking the Gold—Bound, by Nijinsky II								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
4	6	5	5	3	2	1	1	\$4,931,790
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blame by Arch. G1SW • Tend by Dynaformer. SW 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blame—Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I), Stephen Foster H. (gr. I), William Donald Schaefer S. (gr. III), Whitney H. (gr. I) 								

PRETTY DISCREET

On a sloppy Saratoga Race Course in 1995, Pretty Discreet was the final 3-year-old filly to enter the gate for the prestigious Alabama Stakes (gr. I). Winless in her previous five outings, the Private Account filly went straight to the front, opened up a big lead down the backstretch, and coasted home a winner by eight lengths at odds of 42-1.

Despite her emphatic score Pretty Discreet never approached the top of her class on the racetrack. She was beaten 21 lengths by champion 2-year-old filly Flanders in the Frizette Stakes (gr. I) and 25 lengths by champion 3-year-old filly Serena's Song in the Gazelle Handicap (gr. I). She would close the gap on that pair in the breeding shed, and while all three are grade/group I producers, Pretty Discreet arguably has proved the superior broodmare.

Success was not immediate, however, and Pretty Discreet's first three foals—all by the Danzig stallion Boundary—collected only a single victory in 24 starts among them. Subsequent matings brought a reversal of fortune. Bred to Wild Again, she produced stakes winner Pretty Wild, runner-up in the Hopeful and Futurity Stakes (both gr. I). To Forestry, she produced the brilliant Discreet Cat, winner of the Hill 'n' Dale Cigar Mile (gr. I) while equaling Easy Goer's track record of 1:32.40.



Discreetly Mine

PRIVATE ACCOUNT, b, 1976	Damascus, 1964	Sword Dancer, 1956	Sunglow
		Kerala, 1958	Highland Fling
PRETTY DISCREET b, m April 1, 1992	Numbered Account, 1969	Buckpasser, 1963	My Babu
		Intriguing, 1964	Blade of Time
PRETTY PERSUASIVE, b, 1988	Believe It, 1975	In Reality, 1964	Tom Fool
		Breakfast Bell, 1970	Busanda
PRETTY PERSUASIVE, b, 1988	Bury the Hatchet, 1973	Tom Rolfe, 1962	Swaps
		Christmas Wishes, 1967	Glamour
			Intentionally
			My Dear Girl
			Buckpasser
			Reveille II
			Ribot
			Pocahontas
			Northern Dancer
			Happy Mood

Her 2010 stakes winner was the exciting colt Discreetly Mine. Already grade I-placed at 2, the son of Mineshaft earned a Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I) berth with a win in the Risen Star Stakes (gr. II). In the summer he was reinvented as a sprinter, taking three more graded events, including the grade I King's Bishop.

With her grade I performers, Pretty Discreet holds the rare distinction of having produced three offspring to merit Beyer Speed Figures above 110. This feat, accomplished with three unique sire lines, is one that only two U.S. Broodmares of the Year in history—In Neon and Toussaud—can claim.

Pretty Discreet is a homebred for the late E. Paul Robsham, whose widow, Joyce, now manages the breeding operation.

Private Account has already sired a Broodmare of the Year in undefeated champion Personal Ensign and his daughters are responsible for 109 stakes winners to date, including Eclipse champions Aldebaran and Smuggler. Private Account's dam, Numbered Account, is a product of La Troienne descendants Buckpasser and Intriguing (through similarly-bred Busanda and Striking, respectively), and Buckpasser appears 3x4 in Pretty Discreet, as he is also broodmare sire of Believe It, sire of Pretty Discreet's dam, Pretty Persuasive.

Although unplaced in her lone start, Pretty Persuasive was a full sister to 1987 Kentucky Oaks (gr. I) winner Buryyourbelief, and their immediate family traces back to 1954 Acorn Stakes winner Happy Mood, by Mahmoud. In consecutive seasons Happy Mood produced fillies by Northern Dancer, whose second dam is also a daughter of Mahmoud. The first filly was 1969 Canadian Oaks winner Cool Mood, granddam of Canadian Triple Crown champions With Approval and Izvestia, and of 1997 Belmont Stakes (gr. I) winner Touch Gold. The second filly, Christmas Wishes, became granddam of Buryyourbelief and Pretty Persuasive.

Sadly, Buryyourbelief died in training and Pretty Persuasive produced only two foals. Pretty Discreet is the only daughter and looks poised to continue the family's influence, even beyond her grade I-winning sons. Both of her non-winning Boundary daughters are stakes producers, as is her unraced Awesome Again daughter Discreetly Awesome, dam of Matron Stakes (gr. II) winner and multiple grade I-placed Awesome Maria.

Pretty Discreet has an unraced 3-year-old full brother to Discreet Cat named R Ranger and was bred to Street Sense in 2010. 🐾

Pretty Discreet, 1992, b. mare								
Private Account—Pretty Persuasive, by Believe It								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
4	11	11	9	7	3	2	2	\$3,218,532
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discreet Cat by Forestry. G1SW Discreetly Mine by Mineshaft. G1SW Discreet Treasure by El Prado (IRE). G3SP Pretty Wild by Wild Again. SW 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discreetly Mine—Risen Star S. (gr. II), Jersey Shore S. (gr. III), Amsterdam S. (gr. II), King's Bishop S. (gr. I) 								

PRIVATE FEELING

Priate Feeling was a modest sprinter, winning two races and \$18,245 from seven starts. But blood tells, or so conventional wisdom says, and Gulf Coast Farms believed enough in those bloodlines to pay \$130,000 for the mare (then in foal to Grand Slam) at the 2004 Keeneland November mixed sale. Their faith has since paid off, for from her first three foals Private Feeling is now the dam of a two-time champion and a multiple grade II winner.

Private Feeling descends from 1978 Monmouth Oaks (gr. I) winner Sharp Belle. Sharp Belle was unable to reproduce herself in the paddocks, though she did produce eight winners from nine foals. Her daughter Regal Feeling (by Clever Trick) was as good as any of them. On retirement, Regal Feeling produced Grand Charmer as her first foal and Ring My Bell as her third. Private Feeling is her fifth foal.

Private Feeling is by multiple grade III winner Belong to Me, a speedy son of Danzig out of the stakes-winning Exclusive Native mare Belonging, herself a daughter of 1967 champion handicap mare Straight Deal. Belong to Me has been a good stallion, his best runners including 2008 champion turf female Forever Together and the multiple grade I winner Jersey Girl. His fillies have been better than his colts, and he is already the maternal grandsire of 19 stakes winners.

Private Feeling is responsible for two of those stakes winners. The first, the Mr. Greeley colt Kensei, won the 2009 Dwyer Stakes (gr. II) and the Jim Dandy Stakes (gr. II) but came up empty in the stretch of the Travers Stakes (gr. I) and finished sixth behind champion Summer Bird. Kensei finished his sophomore campaign with a third in the Jerome Handicap (gr. II). He has not posted a win since his 3-year-old glory days but he is stakes-placed in 2010 and 2011.


As good as Kensei was, he was eclipsed by Lookin At Lucky, Private Feeling's 2007 colt by Smart Strike. More precocious than Kensei, Lookin At Lucky stalked the pace in the juvenile Best Pal Stakes (gr. III) to come away with a victory in his second lifetime start. Four weeks later the colt handled a less than ideal trip in the Del Mar Futurity (gr. I) with aplomb, winning by a measured length.

Placed a little closer to the pace in the 2009 Norfolk Stakes, Lookin At Lucky, with smooth efficiency, won by nearly two lengths. But a post on the extreme outside and a wide trip in the Grey Goose Breeders' Cup Juvenile (gr. I) proved a little too much to overcome, as Looking At Lucky yielded to European invader Vale of York (IRE) by a head. The son of Smart Strike finished his season with a win in the CashCall Futurity (gr. I) to wrap up divisional honors and a spot as the winter book favorite for the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I).

As good as Lookin At Lucky was at 2, he was better at 3. Lookin At Lucky enhanced his status as a Derby contender by winning the Rebel Stakes (gr. III) at Oaklawn Park in his 3-year-old debut. Returned to his California base by trainer Bob Baffert, Lookin At Lucky disappointed in the Santa Anita Derby (gr. I), finishing third to Sidney's Candy on the synthetic Santa Anita track. A sixth-place Derby finish may have tarnished Lookin At Lucky's reputation a bit, but he polished it well with a strong winning performance in the Preakness Stakes (gr. I). Off for a three-month summer vacation, Lookin At Lucky returned even better, winning the nine-furlong IZOD Haskell Invitational Stakes (gr. I) at Monmouth Aug. 1 and followed up that victory with a trip to the Indiana Derby (gr. II) win-

BELONG TO ME, dkb/br, 1989	Danzig, 1977	Northern Dancer, 1961	Nearctic
		Pas de Nom, 1968	Natalma
PRIVATE FEELING b, m February 14, 1999	Belonging, 1979	Exclusive Native, 1965	Admiral's Voyage
		Straight Deal, 1962	Petitioner
REGAL FEELING, b, 1986	Clever Trick, 1976	Icecapade, 1969	Raise a Native
		Kankakee Miss, 1967	Exclusive
	Sharp Belle, 1975	Native Charger, 1962	Hail to Reason
		Sleek Dancer, 1968	No Fiddling
			Nearctic
			Shenanigans
			Better Bee
			Golden Beach
			Native Dancer
			Greek Blond
			Northern Dancer
			Victorine

ner's circle in early October. These two races set him up to contend for the Breeders' Cup Classic (gr. I) in which he faced older horses, including the formidable Zenyatta and the equally formidable Blame, for the first time. He accounted himself well, threatening eventual winner Blame in the stretch and then weakening to fourth at the finish. Nonetheless, Lookin At Lucky lost none of his lustre and at year's end was given the Eclipse Award as champion 3-year-old male, the first since Spectacular Bid in 1978-'79 to parlay a 2-year-old championship into one at 3.

Private Feeling sports a pedigree featuring the close relatives Northern Dancer and Icecapade (both by Nearctic out of Native Dancer mares) 3x3x4. In addition, she carries extra crosses of Native Dancer through sons at the fourth and fifth generation, making her line bred 5x5x5x4x6 to the legendary "Gray Ghost." She did not have a foal in 2008 but has been busy since, producing the Afleet Alex son Nationalism in 2009, a Mr. Greeley colt in 2010, and a Smart Strike filly Feb. 12 of this year. 



Lookin At Lucky

Private Feeling, 1999, b. mare								
Belong to Me—Regal Feeling, by Clever Trick								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
4	6	3	2	2	2	2	1	\$3,904,477
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Kensei by Mr. Greeley. G2SW Lookin At Lucky by Smart Strike. G1SW 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Lookin At Lucky—Indiana Derby (gr. II), IZOD Haskell Invitational S. (gr. I), Rebel S. (gr. II), Preakness S. (gr. I) 								

RIVETING DRAMA

Horseman Harold Queen bred and raised Thoroughbreds on his Hal Queen Farm in Lodi, Ohio, for nearly three decades before deciding to move the horses south to enjoy the sunshine of his Ocala residence. “We learned a long time ago that our Florida-breds were superior to our Ohio-breds,” the septuagenarian says.

As it happens, one of the broodmares involved in the interstate shuffle was Riveting Drama, an unraced daughter of Notebook whom Queen had purchased as a 2-year-old in training. While recurring shin splints kept Riveting Drama from starting, her speed in early training earned the mare a place in the breeding shed. At the time of her homecoming—the bay broodmare was a Florida-bred herself—Riveting Drama had four Ohio-bred foals on the ground. The first three, sired by modest Kentucky stallions, already were winners—including her first foal, Drama’s Way (by Farma Way), who took an Ohio-bred stakes as part of her two-race, two-win career. The fourth Buckeye foal, sold to Japan, would go on to earn more than a half-million dollars in that nation’s lucrative races.

Four runners, four winners are a fine start for a mare, but Riveting Drama’s best was yet to come, along with validation of Queen’s decision to move his stock to Florida.

Racing as a homebred, the 2004 filly Coffee Can (by Kissin Kris) was Riveting Drama’s first Sunshine State produce and her second black-type daughter, earning the distinction with a third-place effort in a modest stakes as a 4-year-old.


Modesty was not part of the plan for Riveting Drama’s next offspring. Named Big Drama, the dark bay or brown son of Ocala Stud Farm’s stalwart Montbrook has had a dominating career. Four juvenile stakes wins included a grade III effort in the 2008 Boyd Gaming’s Delta Jackpot. In his sophomore season Big Drama repeated as a stakes winner and came close to a couple of bigger scores. Interference disqualified him to second in the Swale Stakes (gr. II) in his season debut. Fifth in the BlackBerry Preakness (gr. I) before a winning effort in a Charles Town sprint stakes, Big Drama narrowly missed annexing the grade II West Virginia Derby while stretching out to nine furlongs, falling short by a neck. A campaign refocused on sprint contests made 2010 a standout year for Big Drama. A listed win in June at Calder marked the colt’s return to the track after a nearly 10-month hiatus. Four weeks later he was back in action to pick up the Smile Sprint Handicap (gr. II) over the same course. A couple of seconds in grade I races at Saratoga served as preparation for Big Drama’s biggest win to date: the 2010 Sentient Jet Breeders’ Cup Sprint (gr. I), which sealed his claim to the year’s Eclipse sprint championship. Big Drama was back in action in mid-January to win the Mr. Prospector Stakes (gr. III) by daylight.

Big Drama did not serve as his dam’s sole representative at the tracks last year. Little Drama—by Queen’s homebred Rubiano son Burning Roma—broke his maiden in his second out in the Frank Gomez Memorial Stakes and finished his juvenile year with two wins for nearly \$100,000 earnings. Distance considerations make Little Drama a likelier candidate for the Preakness than for the Kentucky Derby, but either way a third in February’s Hutcheson Stakes (gr. II) proved that the chestnut colt has carried over his form going into his sophomore season.

Riveting Drama, a daughter of the winning Hyperborean mare Special Token, descends from a mostly undistinguished branch

NOTEBOOK, b, 1985	Well Decorated, 1978	Raja Baba, 1968	Bold Ruler
		Paris Breeze, 1971	Missy Baba
	Mobcap, 1977	Tom Rolfe, 1962	Majestic Prince
		Cap and Bells, 1958	Tudor Jet
RIVETING DRAMA b, m January 6, 1994	Hyperborean, 1980	Icecapade, 1969	Ribot
		La Queenie, 1965	Pocahontas
SPECIAL TOKEN, b, 1986	Accept My Token, 197	Accipiter, 1971	Tom Fool
		Betoken, 1964	Ghazni
			Nearctic
			Shenanigans
		Prince John	
		Batta	
		Damascus	
		Kingsland	
		Dunce	
		Token Tune	

of a female family that traces back to Mannie Gray, ancestress of Horses of the Year Affirmed and Zev and Hamburg and of the great juvenile champion Domino.

The Notebook-Special Token mating that produced Riveting Drama was repeated two years later and yielded Can’t Stop Lynne, a 17-time winner who earned \$266,345. Proving that some mares are better as runners and others as producers, Riveting Drama’s full sister has a single runner and no winners from four foals of racing age. Riveting Drama has a pedigree free of Northern Dancer, Mr. Prospector, and Seattle Slew—the major sire line influences of the current era. Grandsire Raja Baba represents a lesser line of Seattle Slew’s sire Bold Ruler, however, and broodmare sire Hyperborean is by Icecapade, who was bred on the identical Nearctic/Native Dancer cross as Northern Dancer. Perhaps the most notable aspect of Riveting Drama’s immediate pedigree is 3x4 inbreeding to the siblings Cap and Bells (granddam of sire Notebook) and Dunce (broodmare sire of granddam Accept My Token). 



Big Drama

Riveting Drama, 1994, b. mare Notebook—Special Token, by Hyperborean								
'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
2	9	7	7	7	3	1	1	\$3,673,305
BEST PROGENY:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Drama by Montbrook. G1SW • Coffee Can by Kissin Kris. SP • Drama’s Way by Farma Way. SW • Little Drama by Burning Roma. SW 								
2010 GSW:								
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big Drama—Sentient Jet Breeders’ Cup Sprint (gr. I), Smile Sprint H. (gr. II) 								

VERTIGINEUX

Mighty mare Vertigineux had a pair of success stories in 2010 to earn her a nomination as 2010 MarketWatch Broodmare of the Year with major accomplishments on the track and in the sale ring. No one-hit wonder as the dam of Horse of the Year Zenyatta, Vertigineux boosted her claim to the title with the fall-of-the-hammer price on the first yearling out of her second foal, Balance (by Thunder Gulch), a three-time grade I winner herself in 2006-07. The yearling, a colt by A.P. Indy, sold for a Keeneland September sale and yearling market-topping \$4.2 million—quite a price in an economically challenging year.

Such is the demand for perhaps the American Stud Book's hottest family; one with a long trail of black type behind it.

Vertigineux, by Kris. S., has no inbreeding within her first five generations and has limited linebreeding, with Bull Dog appearing 6x5x6, Princequillo 3x7, and Papyrus 5x6.

Both of Vertigineux' big runners are sired by grandsons of Mr. Prospector that give a 5x5 pedigree cross with Nashua, as the broodmare sire of Mr. Prospector and of Roberto, the grandsire of Vertigineux. Balance is a daughter of Thunder Gulch, by Mr. Prospector's cham-

KRIS S., dkb/br, 1977	Roberto, 1969	Hail to Reason, 1958	Turn-to
		Bramalea, 1959	Nothirdchance
VERTIGINEUX dkb/br, m March 8, 1995	Sharp Queen, 1965	Princequillo, 1940	Nashua
		Bridgework, 1955	Rarelea
FOR THE FLAG, b, 1978	Forli, 1963	Aristophanes, 1948	Prince Rose
		Trevisa, 1951	Cosquilla
	In the Offing, 1973	Hoist the Flag, 1968	Occupy
		Mrs. Peterkin, 1965	Feale Bridge
			Hyperion
			Commotion
			Advocate
			Veneta
			Tom Rolfe
			Wavy Navy
			Tom Fool
			Legendra

pion son Gulch, and Zenyatta is by Street Cry, whose sire, Machiavellian, is by "Mr. P."

Vertigineux' tail-female line draws a straight line through one of the most successful Thoroughbred operations of the 20th century: Newstead Farm. Taylor Hardin built the Virginia nursery into a powerhouse of top pedigrees prior to his death in 1976. His family dispersed the farm's bloodstock in November 1985 at Keeneland, and it remains one of the top grossing dispersals of all time, with 42 horses and 20 stallion shares bringing in more than \$46 million in a single session. The 42 mares brought more than \$37 million, good for an average of more than \$880,000.


Neither Vertigineux nor her dam, For the Flag, was prolific on the racetrack. Both were modest winners from limited starts.

For the Flag began her racing career in England and returned to the United States during her 3-year-old campaign. As a broodmare, though, her second through fifth foals were all stakes performers. Later in her career she resided at Don Robinson's Winter Quarter Farm near Lexington. Owned by Eric Kronfeld, old age caught up with For the Flag, and she was euthanized in 2008. She had not had a foal since 1999.

"She was a mare, no matter who you bred her to, you got a foal you could sell," Robinson told *The Blood-Horse* in 2008. "She had the Newstead breeding, and the family was so good, just a beautiful family. And if her

foals didn't vet, it didn't matter. They could all run a little bit."

Following the female line back, Vertigineux' third dam is Mrs. Peterkin. A stakes-winning daughter of Tom Fool, Mrs. Peterkin threw three major stakes winners in Massachusetts Handicap (gr. II) winner and sire Dancing Champ; Kentucky Oaks (gr. II) winner Sweet Alliance, the dam of Shareef Dancer, who brought \$3.3 million as a yearling in 1981 and won the Irish Sweeps Derby (Ire-I); and California Oaks winner Whydidju.

A true "blue hen," Mrs. Peterkin had every right to be a top broodmare as she was a half sister to major winners Hasty Doll, Rich Tradition, and Sky Clipper. 



Zenyatta

Vertigineux, 1995, dkb/br. mare Kris S.—For the Flag, by Forli

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
5	7	5	5	4	3	2	2	\$8,577,654

BEST PROGENY:

- Balance by Thunder Gulch. G1SW
- Where's Bailey by Aljabr. SW
- Zenyatta by Street Cry (IRE). G1SW

2010 GSW:

- Zenyatta—Clement L. Hirsch S. (gr. I), Vanity H. (gr. I), Apple Blossom Invitational S. (gr. I), Lady's Secret S. (gr. I), Santa Margarita Invitational H. (gr. I)

WEEKEND STORM

A faint silver lining provided to horse racing by the weak economy is that older stars remain on the track longer. Instead of heading to the breeding shed last year, Court Vision, a son of Gulch, treated racing fans to seven more performances in graded stakes company and continued enhancing the reputation of his dam, Weekend Storm.

Court Vision, now 6, started his 2010 campaign with a bang, winning his third grade I in the Gulfstream Park Turf Handicap after Take the Points got disqualified. His next couple of starts resulted in a gutsy second behind Karelian in the Maker's Mark Mile Stakes (gr. IT) at Keeneland, and a loss by a neck to General Quarters in the Woodford Reserve Turf Classic (gr. IT) on the Kentucky Derby Presented by Yum! Brands (gr. I) undercard. Owned by a partnership of primarily IEAH Stables, WinStar Farm, and Resolute Group Stables throughout the year, Court Vision raced in the stable of trainer Rick Dutrow Jr.

Court Vision's next big race came in the Woodbine Mile Stakes (gr. IT) where he was overlooked at odds of 7-1 and rolled to a 1¼-length victory over The Usual Q.T.



Court Vision

STORM BIRD, b, 1978	Northern Dancer, 1961	Nearctic, 1954	Nearco
		Natalma, 1957	Lady Angela
WEEKEND STORM b, m May 5, 1992	South Ocean, 1967	New Providence, 1956	Native Dancer
		Shining Sun, 1962	Almahmoud
WEEKEND SURPRISE, b, 1980	Secretariat, 1970	Bold Ruler, 1954	Bull Page
		Somethingroyal, 1952	Fair Colleen
	Lassie Dear, 1974	Buckpasser, 1963	Chop Chop
		Gay Missile, 1967	Solar Display
			Nasrullah
			Miss Disco
			Princequillo
			Imperatrice
			Tom Fool
			Busanda
			Sir Gaylord
			Missy Baba

Court Vision's lifetime record through March 4, is eight wins from 26 starts and earnings of more than \$2.6 million.

The mating of the late Weekend Storm (she died in 2009 due to complications during foaling) with Gulch had certainly been lucrative, having produced four foals of racing age that are all winners and include two graded stakes winners. Besides Court Vision, Weekend Storm produced grade II winner Garcia Marquez. Weekend Storm is an unraced daughter of Storm Bird out of Weekend Surprise, the dam of leading U.S. sire and 1992 Horse of the Year A.P. Indy and grade I classic winner Summer Squall, a full brother to Weekend Storm.

One reason the cross with Gulch, a son of Mr. Prospector, seems to work so well could be a concentration of the influential sire Teddy, particularly through his sons and full brothers Bull Dog and Sir Gallahad III. Gulch's dam Jameela, by Rambunctious, is linebred 6x6x6x5x6 to Teddy. Additional strains of Teddy also come through Raise a Native and Gold Digger, the sire and dam of Mr. Prospector. Now look at Weekend Storm's lineage and you'll find her second damsire Buckpasser inbred 4x4 to Teddy and South Ocean, the dam of Storm Bird, inbred 5x5 to Teddy.

A similar pattern can be seen in one of Weekend Storm's other stakes winners, Lord Snowden, a son of Seeking the Gold and winner of the 2009 Native Dancer Stakes. Like Gulch, Seeking the Gold is a son of Mr. Prospector out of a mare inbred to Teddy. His dam

Con Game has influences 5x5x5x6 to Teddy through Bull Dog, Sir Gallahad III, and La Troienne. She also is inbred 4x4 to Blue Larkspur, a sire that has blended well with the Teddy line.

One of Weekend Storm's other more recent successful offspring is Smart Surprise, a 2004 daughter of Smart Strike, who won four stakes in 2009 including the Hendrie Stakes (gr. III) at Woodbine. She retired having finished in the money 21 times out of 22 starts and banked \$508,709 in earnings. The same year her full sister, Weekend Strike, became stakes-placed in the Sweetest Chant Stakes at Gulfstream Park. Like Gulch, Smart Strike is also a son of Mr. Prospector. His dam, Classy 'n Smart, does not have any inbreeding to Teddy, but she does bring in an additional strain of Nasrullah, making Smart Surprise inbred 5x6x5 to Nasrullah, as well as inbred 4x5 to Native Dancer and inbred 6x5x7 to Princequillo.

Weekend Storm, 1992, b. mare Storm Bird—Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat

'10 GS Wins	Foals	Named FORA	Runners	Winners	SWs	GSWs	G1SWs	Progeny Earnings
2	13	12	11	10	4	3	1	\$5,950,746

BEST PROGENY:

- City Weekend by Carson City. SP
- Court Vision by Gulch. G1SW
- Garcia Marquez by Gulch. G2SW
- Lord Snowden by Seeking the Gold. SW
- Smart Surprise by Smart Strike. G3SW
- Weekend Strike by Smart Strike. SP

2010 GSW:

- Court Vision—Gulfstream Park Turf H. (gr. IT), Woodbine Mile S. (gr. IT)

Leading Dams

The charts below identify leading broodmares by number of progeny graded stakes wins in 2010 and lifetime. Race record and best win are for the subject mare. Best stakes placing is shown if higher level than best win. Runners, Winners, Stakes Winners, Graded Stakes Winners, Grade I Stakes Winners, and Lifetime Progeny Earnings all refer to the mare's produce records as racehorses.

Leading Dams* by No. Progeny Graded Stakes Wins in 2010

Broodmare	Breeding	Race record	Best win (Best pl.)	Rnrs	Wnrs	SWnrs	G5Wnrs	G1SWnrs	Lifetime Progeny Earnings	2010 GSWins
Binche	Woodman—Binary (GB), by Rainbow Quest	2-0-0-0		4	2	2	2	2	\$2,511,620	6
Born Gold	Blushing Groom (FR)—Riviere D'or, by Lyphard	7-1-2-0	Wnr	12	11	3	3	1	\$7,213,817	5
Fair Exchange	Storm Cat—Exchange, by Explodent	4-0-0-1		2	2	1	1	1	\$910,160	5
Lucky One	Best of Luck—Twilight Spectre, by Imp Society	15-1-2-1	Wnr	1	1	1	1	1	\$2,418,712	5
The Faraway Tree (GB)	Suave Dancer—Sassalya, by Sassafra (FR)	14-2-3-2	Wnr (G3SPI)	5	2	1	1	1	\$1,157,228	5
Vertigineux	Kris S.—For the Flag, by Forli	3-0-0-0		5	4	3	2	2	\$8,577,654	5
Jewel of the Night	Giant's Causeway—Jeweled Lady, by General Meeting	2-0-0-0		1	1	1	1	1	\$1,182,943	4
Kobla	Strawberry Road (AUS)—Winglet, by Alydar	2-0-0-0		3	2	1	1	1	\$2,341,875	4
Liable	Seeking the Gold—Bound, by Nijinsky II	15-6-2-1	Wnr (SPI)	4	3	2	1	1	\$4,923,590	4
Pretty Discreet	Private Account—Pretty Persuasive, by Believe It	13-3-3-2	G1SW	9	7	3	2	2	\$3,218,532	4
Private Feeling	Belong to Me—Regal Feeling, by Clever Trick	7-2-0-1	Wnr	2	2	2	2	1	\$3,888,437	4
Rahrahsixboombah	Rahy—Saratoga Ten, by Saratoga Six	6-1-1-1	Wnr	3	2	1	1	1	\$1,239,205	4
Wishes and Roses	Greinton (GB)—Anniversary Wish, by Beau's Eagle	6-3-2-1	SW	5	4	3	1	0	\$1,294,293	4
Call Her Magic	Caller I. D.—Malibu Magic, by Encino	13-7-2-0	SW	5	4	1	1	1	\$739,830	3
Coral Necklace	Conquistador Cielo—Private Banking, by Private Account	2-1-0-1	Wnr	3	3	3	1	0	\$1,697,503	3
Elbow	Woodman—Elvia, by Roberto	7-2-2-0	Wnr	3	3	2	1	0	\$771,657	3
Great Majesty	Great Above—Mistic Majesty, by His Majesty	15-4-4-0	Wnr	7	5	2	1	1	\$2,148,911	3
Java Gal	Java Gold—Why Me Lord, by Bold Reasoning	3-1-0-0	Wnr	7	5	1	1	0	\$1,262,562	3
Kelli's Ransom	Red Ransom—Musical Minister, by Deputy Minister	4-0-3-0		5	3	2	2	1	\$2,558,378	3
Muskoka Ice	It's Freezing—Muskoka Weekend, by Nostrum	27-0-6-0		8	8	1	1	1	\$1,047,874	3
My Lady Amelia	Real Courage—Royal Valley, by Regal and Royal	31-4-8-1	Wnr	4	3	2	2	0	\$1,624,888	3
Nini Princesse (IRE)	Niniski—Princesse Timide, by Blushing Groom (FR)	22-6-3-3	Wnr	10	9	3	2	0	\$872,075	3
Queenie Belle	Bertrando—Lady Argyle, by Don B.	22-6-6-2	G2SW	3	2	1	1	1	\$1,876,254	3
River Princess	Alwuhush—Spanish Play, by Great Gladiator	49-7-4-8	Wnr	5	4	1	1	0	\$897,606	3
Shandra Smiles	Cahill Road—Beyond the Storm, by Great Above	8-1-2-0	SW	4	2	1	1	1	\$832,961	3

Leading Dams* by No. Progeny Graded Stakes Wins Lifetime

Broodmare	Breeding	Race record	Best win (Best pl.)	Rnrs	Wnrs	SWnrs	G5Wnrs	G1SWnrs	Lifetime Progeny Earnings	Lifetime GSWins
Vertigineux	Kris S.—For the Flag, by Forli	3-0-0-0		5	4	3	2	2	\$8,577,654	21
Born Gold	Blushing Groom (FR)—Riviere D'or, by Lyphard	7-1-2-0	Wnr	12	11	3	3	1	\$7,213,817	15
Aurora	Danzig—Althea, by Alydar	11-5-1-0	SW (G3SPI)	7	6	4	3	2	\$2,618,325	10
Griffe de Paris (BRZ)	Telescopico (ARG)—April In Paris, by Locris (FR)	9-4-0-3	G1SW	8	8	5	5	3	\$981,119	10
Ice the Champagne	El Gran Senor—Jamra, by Icecapade	2-0-0-0		9	9	3	3	2	\$848,531	10
Kings Lynn	Mt. Livermore—Til Forbid, by Temperence Hill	24-3-7-3	Wnr (G3SPI)	7	6	3	3	1	\$854,845	10
Li'l Ms. Leonard	Nostalgia's Star—Pink Native, by Be a Native	18-8-0-2	Wnr	5	5	2	2	1	\$5,859,387	10
Private Feeling	Belong to Me—Regal Feeling, by Clever Trick	7-2-0-1	Wnr	2	2	2	2	1	\$3,888,437	10
Lotta Kim	Roar—Kim's Blues, by Cure the Blues	4-2-2-0	SW (G2SPI)	1	1	1	1	1	\$3,506,730	9
Magnificent Style	Silver Hawk—Mia Karina, by Icecapade	9-2-2-2	G3SW	9	8	6	4	1	\$2,006,012	9
Palangana	His Majesty—Countess North, by Northern Dancer	5-1-1-1	Wnr	6	4	1	1	1	\$2,344,670	9
Princesa's Passion	Marquetry—Sizzlin Sunshine, by Sunshine Forever	0-0-0-0		4	3	1	1	1	\$2,871,838	9
Weekend Storm	Storm Bird—Weekend Surprise, by Secretariat	0-0-0-0		11	10	4	3	1	\$4,196,673	9
Binche	Woodman—Binary (GB), by Rainbow Quest	2-0-0-0		4	2	2	2	2	\$2,511,620	8
Flanders	Seeking the Gold—Starlet Storm, by Storm Bird	5-4-0-0	G1SW	10	8	2	2	1	\$2,657,576	7
Kobla	Strawberry Road (AUS)—Winglet, by Alydar	2-0-0-0		3	2	1	1	1	\$2,341,875	7
Lady Lochinvar	Lord At War (ARG)—Lady Winborne, by Secretariat	5-1-0-2	Wnr	7	7	2	2	0	\$1,672,706	7
Lucky One	Best of Luck—Twilight Spectre, by Imp Society	15-1-2-1	Wnr	1	1	1	1	1	\$2,418,712	7
No Matter What	Nureyev—Words of War, by Lord At War (ARG)	10-3-0-0	G1SW	5	5	3	3	1	\$2,394,656	7
Pretty Discreet	Private Account—Pretty Persuasive, by Believe It	13-3-3-2	G1SW	9	7	3	2	2	\$3,218,532	7
The Faraway Tree (GB)	Suave Dancer—Sassalya, by Sassafra (FR)	14-2-3-2	Wnr (G3SPI)	5	2	1	1	1	\$1,157,228	7
Tranquility Lake	Rahy—Winters' Love, by Danzig	27-11-7-3	G1SW	4	3	3	3	1	\$1,968,953	7

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Leading Dams* by 2010 Progeny Wins			
Mare	Starts	Wins	Places
Heavenly Note	31	10	7
Plus Beau	41	10	8
Taxable Deduction	38	10	11
Tracy	15	9	2
Born Gold	33	8	5
Precious Feather	36	8	9
Stirling Bridge	36	8	10
Binche	14	7	3
Box of Joy	22	7	8
Freedom Reigns	22	7	6
Great Majesty	25	7	8
Liable	15	7	5
Onemiracleatime	19	7	5
Stormack	23	7	6
Vertigineux	11	7	1

Leading Dams* by Lifetime Progeny Wins			
Mare	Starts	Wins	Places
Weekend Storm	229	55	61
Born Gold	294	48	68
Double's Lass	252	48	63
Thirty Eight Steps	161	46	38
Taxable Deduction	198	43	57
Jessica's Halo	174	41	49
Great Majesty	155	40	37
Potluck Dinner	191	40	55
Riveting Drama	136	39	37
Plus Beau	230	37	67
Crafty Oak	217	36	61
Deputy's Mistress	202	34	54
Majestic Fire	230	34	49
Champagne Glow	196	33	56
Hooked On Music	164	33	46
My Sweet Country	184	32	50
Felidia (IRE)	150	31	48
Heavenly Note	208	31	53
Muskoka Ice	137	31	36
Stirling Bridge	180	31	51
Vertigineux	66	31	12

Leading Dams* by 2010 Progeny Grade I Wins		
Mare	2010 Gr. I Wins	Lifetime Gr. I Wins
Binche	5	5
Born Gold	5	12
Vertigineux	5	16
Kobla	3	4
Liable	3	3
Lucky One	3	5

Leading Dams* by Lifetime Progeny Earnings						
Mare	Rnrs	Wnrs	SW	GSW	G1SW	Earnings
Vertigineux	5	4	3	2	2	\$8,577,654
Born Gold	12	11	3	3	1	\$7,213,817
Chipeta Springs	10	7	3	1	1	\$5,916,528
Li'l Ms. Leonard	5	5	2	2	1	\$5,859,387
Liable	4	3	2	1	1	\$4,923,590
Weekend Storm	11	10	4	3	1	\$4,196,673
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Pretty Discreet	9	7	3	2	2	\$3,218,532
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Flanders	10	8	2	2	1	\$2,657,576
Aurora	7	6	4	3	2	\$2,618,325
Lady Shirl	8	7	4	3	1	\$2,572,602
Kelli's Ransom	5	3	2	2	1	\$2,558,378
Binche	4	2	2	2	2	\$2,511,620
Piano	6	4	1	1	1	\$2,433,274
Lucky One	1	1	1	1	1	\$2,418,712
No Matter What	5	5	3	3	1	\$2,394,656
Palangana	6	4	1	1	1	\$2,344,670
Kobla	3	2	1	1	1	\$2,341,875
Penpont (NZ)	7	7	2	2	2	\$2,241,631
Brassy	4	3	1	1	1	\$2,218,271
Great Majesty	7	5	2	1	1	\$2,148,911
Supercharger	3	3	1	1	1	\$2,117,833

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