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GOFFS SALES TALK

ALHAARTH COLT IS THE REAL DEAL

A strong trade throughout the day, mirrored in a fine set of final figures for the opening session, notable pinhooking successes and a large attendance that included many luminaries from the bloodstock world, saw the Goffs Orby Million Sale get off to a fine start yesterday, writes *Ryan McElligott*.

The revised sale produced nine lots that made €300,000 or more in the first session, compared with seven for the entire 2004 Orby Sale.

Taking centre stage was a smashing son of **Alhaarth (Lot 56)** from Seamus Burns' Lodge Park Stud, which fell to Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum's Shadwell Estate Company for €550,000. Described as *'the real deal'* by auctioneer Hugh Bleahan, the colt entered an auditorium filled with an expectant silence and lived up to his billing.

"I thought that he was one of the good looking horses in the sale," remarked Sheikh Hamdan, who eventually proved too strong for Charlie Egerton.

The April-born bay is the first foal out of the Listed-placed **Alluring Park (Green Desert)**, who is a full-sister to the top class Japanese runner **Shinko Forest**. The second dam is the Gr.1 Irish Champion Stakes winner **Park Express (Ahoonora)**, whose other progeny include the Gr.3 Matron Stakes scorer and Irish Champion Stakes runner-up **Dazzling Park**.

A short while later Shadwell struck again for a €320,000 **King's Best** filly (**Lot 69**) from Ballybin Stud. A €70,000 purchase here last November, she is a half-sister to a trio of Stakes performers including the Gr.2 Lowther Stakes runner-up **Seraphina (Pips Pride)**. Also set to carry Sheikh Hamdan's silks is a son of **Kingmambo** from Eading Farm Ltd that made €360,000. The third last lot into the ring, he is out of a **Sadler's Wells** full-sister to the Irish Oaks winner **Ebadiyla**. The second dam is the three times Listed winner **Ebaziya**, also the dam of **Enzeli (Kahyasi)** and **Edabiya (Rainbow Quest)**.

Goffs Million Yearling Sale Top Lots – Day One



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Lot	Sex	Sire – Dam	Vendor	Buyer	Price (€)
56	c	ALHAARTH – Alluring Park	Lodge Park Stud	Shadwell Estate Co	550,000
118	c	DANEHILL – Brigitta	Grangecon Stud	John Warren B/S	525,000
105	c	ROCK OF GIBRALTAR – Biraya	Marhill House Stud	M A Jarvis	410,000
131	f	ROCK OF GIBRALTAR – Cassandra Go	Ballyhimikin Stud	John Magnier	400,000
164	c	MONTJEU – Dafariyna	Meadowlands Stud	J Howard Johnson	360,000
204	c	KINGMAMBO – Ebaraya	Eadling Farm	Shadwell Estate Co	360,000
75	f	GALILEO – Ardmelody	Grangemore Stud	Pegasus Farms	330,000

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ALHAARTH

CHAMPION EUROPEAN 2-Y-0 AND GR.1 CLASSIC SIRE

His 2005 winners include Gr.1 winner **PHOENIX REACH**, Gr.2 winner **BANDARI** and the Stake winning 2-y-o **WATERWAYS**, as well as the Gr.1 Classic placed **HALLOWED DREAM**.

See his **2 colts** and **7 fillies** still to sell at Goffs this week



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DANEHILL AND SON

Danehill's passing has only served to increase demand for his offspring and a colt (**Lot 118**) from his final crop, offered by Grangecon Stud, was snapped up by John Warren for €525,000.

"He is a very special horse. He is obviously a type for the Goffs Million and has sire potential. He is as nice a colt as you could wish to see," stated Warren, whose purchase is the second foal of the **Sadler's Wells** mare **Brigitta**. She is a full-sister to the Gr.1 Racing Post Trophy winner **Commander Collins** while the second dam is the Gr.3 Prix du Bois winner **Kanmary (Kenmare)**, whose other progeny include a Breeders Cup Sprint winner in **Lit De Justice** and the multiple Classic-placed **Colonel Collins** (both by **El Gran Senor**).

While that sire was being represented by his final offspring, one of his sons is only beginning his career at stud and a stunning colt from the first crop of the seven times Gr.1 winner **Rock Of Gibraltar** created quite a stir upon his entrance to the ring with bidding reaching the €100,000 mark within seconds. The Marlhill House Stud offering was eventually secured by Michael Jarvis for €410,000, who said, *"I thought that he was in the top two in the sale today. I would hope that he will be a two-year-old for the second half of next season and he's been bought for a patient man,"* said Jarvis.

Lot 105 is a three-parts-brother to David Wachman's Silver Flash Stakes heroine **Maroochydore** (Danehill) and is a half-sister to the high-class Hong Kong runner **Bowman's Crossing (Dolphin Street)**.

Rock Of Gibraltar also supplied a gorgeous filly from Ballyhimikin Stud that caught the eye of John Magnier, who went to €400,000 for the March-born bay. *"She's a fine filly and a fast looking sort, she is a real Queen Mary filly,"* observed Demi O'Byrne.

Lot 131 is the third foal out of the crack sprinter **Cassandra Go (Indian Ridge)**, whose victories include the Gr.2 King's Stand Stakes and Gr.2 Temple Stakes. She is a half-sister to the Gr.3 Coventry Stakes victor **Verglas (Highest Honor)** and the French Listed winner **Persian Secret (Persian Heights)**; dam of the Gr.3 Prix de Meautry scorer **Do The Honours**).

MONTJEU AND GALILEO

O'Byrne earlier struck for a cracking daughter of **Montjeu (Lot 32)** from Thomastown Castle Stud for whom he gave €280,000. A strong sort, the March-born filly is a half-sister to three winners out of the 1998 Gr.1 Moyglare Stakes runner-up **Fear And Greed (Brief**

Truce). She is a daughter of the **Thatching** mare **Zing Ping**, whose siblings include the Listed scorer **Bluebeard (Bluebird)** and the dam of this season's Stakes-winning juvenile **Clare Hills**.

"She's a lovely filly and it's quite extraordinary what the sire has done. This filly could win the race," said O'Byrne.

A notable pinhooking success was achieved by another of Montjeu's offspring (**Lot 164**) - this from Meadowlands Stud, who was bought by Howard Johnson for €360,000, having cost nearly €105,000 at Newmarket last December. He is the second foal of the unraced **Dafariyna (Nashwan)**, a daughter of the Gr.3 Cork & Orrey Stakes winner **Dafayna (Habitat)**, who is a half-sister to the 2000 Guineas winner **Doyoun**.

Few, if any, fillies will have enjoyed such a significant pedigree update as an athletic **Galileo** filly (**Lot 75**) from Grangemore Stud, whose Montjeu half-brother **Scorpion** recently added the St Leger to his victory in the Gr.1 Grand Prix de Paris earlier in the season. Bought by Herve Barjot on behalf of Pegasus Farms for €330,000, the filly is out of **Ardmelody (Law Society)**, whose other progeny include the Gr.2 Orchid Handicap heroine **Memories (Don't Forget Me)**, the Gr.1 runner-up **Garuda** and the Stakes-winning **Danish Rhapsody** (both by **Danehill**). Ardmelody is a half-sister to the Minstrel Stakes hero **Rimpa (Last Tycoon)** out of a half-sister to the great stayer **Ardross**.

"She has a fantastic pedigree and although a May foal, she has plenty of scope and has good residual value," observed Barjot.

DARLEY PURCHASES

Also in attendance was Sheikh Mohammed, whose Darley operation secured a number of choice lots headed by a €310,000 **Marju** colt (**Lot 126**) from Gerrardstown House Stud. He is a half-brother to three winners including this season's highly promising two-year-old **Dickensian (Xaar)**. They are out of the winning **College Chapel** mare **Cappella**, who is a half-sister to the Gr.3-placed juvenile **Queenfisher**.

Other Darley purchases featured a €260,000 Xaar colt (**Lot 99**) from Lynn Lodge Stud, who is a half-brother to this season's classy juvenile **Killybegs (Orpen)** and a **Desert Style** half-sister (**Lot 192**) to the Gr.1 Cheveley Park Stakes heroine **Carry On Katie (Fasliyev)**, from Swordlestown Stud, that cost €250,000.

BBA (Ireland) went to €270,000 for a daughter of **Titus Livius** from Knockatrina House. **Lot 138** is a half-sister to three winners including the Gr.3

The real value in October is at Doncaster

Two days of highly rated Flat and NH Horses-in-Training followed by three days of Yearlings by leading stallions

Doncaster October Sales

H-in-T 17-18 Oct
Final entries by 30 Sept
Yearlings 19-21 Oct
Catalogues available

www.dbsauctions.com



The above filly is on offer as **Lot 242** today at Goffs. Offered by Abbeville & Meadow Court Studs, as agent, she is a German foaled daughter of **Sinndar**, out of a **Darshaan** mare – the same cross which is responsible for this season's Gr.1 Irish Oaks and Gr.1 Prix Vermeille victrix **Shawanda**.

Greenlands Stakes heroine **Moon Unit (Intikhab)**. They are out of **Chapka (Green Desert)**, a half-sister to the excellent French and Irish Derby hero **Old Vic (Sadler's Wells)** and the family goes back to another top drawer performer in the 2000 Guineas winner **High Top**.

One of the early pacesetters was supplied by Forenaughts Stud, whose **Sadler's Wells** colt fell to Dermot Weld for €260,000. The bay is a half-brother to the Listed-winning **Siege (Indian Ridge)** out of a **Reference Point** half-sister to the Yorkshire Oaks winner **Helenic**. The latter's offspring include the top class Breeders Cup Filly & Mare Turf heroine **Islington** and the German Gr.1 winner **Greek Dance**.

"I thought that he was a lovely horse and I haven't bought him for anybody in particular. We'll see how the sale goes," said Weld, who will be hoping his new charge can emulate his Cartier Million winners **Rinka Das** and **The Caretaker**.

CHANCE TO HELP HOMELESS

At the end of today's trade there will be chance to bid for the race sponsorship package donated by Punchestown Racecourse, which will be auctioned by Goffs in aid of Focus Ireland, the organisation founded by Sr Stanislaus Kennedy to help Ireland's 5,000 homeless people.

The race will be held on Sunday, 5th February 2006, at a key trial meeting in the build up to Cheltenham, and the package includes full racename branding, prominent parade ring and race day signage, racecard advertising, trophy presentation to the race winner and a box for 20 in the Panoramic Stand – the total value in excess of €13,000.

For the unlucky underbidders, there is also an opportunity to contribute and have a great day out at a fundraising lunch for Focus Ireland to be held in Punchestown on Sunday, 20th November 2005.

DAY ONE STATISTICS (€)

2005

Catalogued	206
Offered	190
Sold	171
Aggregate	16,622,000
Average	97,205
Median	60,000

Today's Pinhooking Table is on page 15

FIRST CROP SIRE RESULTS (€)

BEAT HOLLOW

202 f ex Dundel 28,000

DILSHAAN

15 c ex Welsh Harp 38,000

FATH

124 f ex Campestral 30,000

GOLAN

52 f ex Alenteja 40,000

60 c ex Alpine Symphony 55,000

129 f ex Carranza 17,000

178 f ex Daymoon 20,000

INVINCIBLE SPIRIT

44 c ex Adjisa 40,000

48 c ex Akebia 10,000

JOHANNESBURG

106 f ex Bloomin Thunder 90,000

KYLLACHY

125 c ex Candescant 70,000

MIZZEN MAST

92 f ex Barrister Kathleen 60,000

NOVERRE

33 f ex Zinnia 170,000

34 f ex Zonda 120,000



SIRE OF CHAMPION MILER STARCRAFT

SOVIET STAR

Sire of 4 GR.1 HORSES IN 2005, including **STARCRAFT**, and of an outstanding crop of two-year-olds, including **STEPPING UP, GIN JOCKEY, BASRA** and **ROSINKA**.

See his 5 colts and 3 fillies selling at Goffs this week



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36	c	ex Abbeville	22,000
98	f	ex Belle Etoile	57,000
162	c	ex Crystal Blue	42,000
205	c	ex Ela's Gold	45,000

REDBACK

8	c	ex Villa Nova	48,000
167	c	ex Dalal	55,000

ROCK OF GIBRALTAR

65	f	ex Amitie Fatale	20,000
70	f	ex Anna Karenina	125,000
105	c	ex Biraya	410,000
131	f	ex Cassandra Go	400,000
136	f	ex Champagne Girl	96,000
142	f	ex Chelsea	27,000
150	f	ex Clodora	60,000
166	f	ex Dajarra	37,000

SAKHEE

23	c	ex Wish Me Luck	105,000
160	f	ex Crimson Glory	40,000

STREET CRY

14	c	ex Wedding Gift	48,000
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TOBOUGG

27	f	ex Zafaaf	18,000
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TRADITIONALLY

51	f	ex Alegranza	30,000
61	f	ex Alriyaah	15,000
177	c	ex Dark Albatross	55,000

VAL ROYAL

199	c	ex Dry Lightning	24,000
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EBF STATUS

All lots entered in Goffs Million Sale have been correctly identified as to their EBF status with the following exceptions:-

Lot 331 Giant's Causeway – Lady Upstage
is EBF/BC nominated

Lot 334 Grand Slam – La Gandilie
is by a BC sire

Please note that the 2 yearlings listed below **can be nominated** to the EBF at a cost of \$3,000 (or sterling/euro equivalent) by 15th February 2006, OR at \$6,000 (or sterling/euro equivalent) by 30th June 2006:

Lot 334 Grand Slam – La Gandilie
Lot 603 More Than Ready – True Love

For further information please contact the EBF Office on 01638 667960.

WITHDRAWALS:

Lots 379, 511, 586

DONCASTER BLOODSTOCK SALES TALK

OCTOBER YEARLING SALE PREVIEW

The year's Doncaster Bloodstock October Yearling Sale catalogue, which is published on 28th September, carries a photograph of the prolific performer **Mecca's Mate**, who has won six races and £58,632 to date, including the Listed Land O'Burns Fillies Stakes at Ayr, since being sold for just 3,500gns by Melbourne Hall Stud to her trainer David Barker at the 2002 sale. It is fitting that the daughter of **Paris House** graces the cover as she was bred and sold at Doncaster by the late Cherry Tagart, who was a great supporter of DBS over the years. This year's sale includes one of her final consignments of yearlings and may throw up another DBS/Melbourne Hall graduate in the mould of Gr.1 winner **Cape of Good Hope** or Group winner **Yorkies Boy**.

The 465 lots include relations to both those good horses in Melbourne Hall's consignment. They feature a half sister to **Yorkies Boy** by **Primo Valentino** and a half-brother to the dam of **Cape of Good Hope**.

Catridge Farm Stud always have a really good batch at Doncaster and their entries include a colt by **Atraf**, who is a half-brother to the Stakes winning two-year-old and former DBS yearling **Fortunately**. Another former Stakes winning DBS yearling is **Shuffling Kid** and his half-brother by **Forzando** is consigned by P Baldwin.

New Hall Stud were the vendors of **Donna Blini** at Doncaster and they will be sending a **Desert Style** colt, who is half-brother to seven winners, including the Stakes winner **Desert Kaya** out of the Gr.3 winner **Desert Dawn**.

The first yearlings by **Kyllachy** were particularly well received at Doncaster's St Leger Yearling Sales, which

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Namid GR.1 WINNING CHAMPION SPRINTER & CHAMPION FIRST CROP SIRE 2004

GROUP SIRE OF 18 INDIVIDUAL 2-Y-O WINNERS IN 2005

His 2005 successes include **Belle Artiste** (Gr.3 Derrinstown Stud 1000 Guineas Trial), **Resplendent Glory** (Gr.3 Laurent Perrier Champagne Sprint & LR Scurry Stakes) and the winning 2-y-o's **Curtil** (LR Harry Rosebery Stakes), **Northern Empire** (also 2nd Gr.2 July Stakes & LR National Stakes), **Namaya** (also 3rd Gr.2 Railway Stakes), **Gallery Girl** (also 2nd Gr.3 Firth of Clyde Stakes), **Briland** (also 5th Gr.2 Queen Mary Stakes), **That's Hot** (2 wins), **Zambach** (2 wins), **Violet Ballerina**, **Nerys**, etc.

SEE HIS **5 COLTS** AND **10 FILLIES** SELLING AT **GOFFS SALES** THIS WEEK.

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