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The Thoroughbred Group - eNews

Our new stallion calendar for 2009 has arrived. This is our 3rd edition and we are proud to report that it has been nominated for a Sappi Award. This edition is a collaborative effort by our production team who are congratulated on a fine achievement. Please send us an email if you would like a copy.

STALLION NEWS

We sent out a note about Tamburlaine's rise to prominence and must now also do justice to others sires in our portfolio that are just as hot.

In September Equus Champion filly **Captain's Lover** added another laurel to her sire **Captain Al's** status as SA's record setting stallion. Her win in the Gr3 Prix du Pin made this young sire the first ever SA-bred stallion to get a Group winner in Europe. This filly

has never been unplaced. The form was franked when the filly that she beat next won a Gr2. **Captain's Lover's** 2nd start in France saw her placed in a Gr1 and she has been flown by Team Valor to USA. Her sire had 6 winners in the last week of October which pushed his tally for the month to a whopping 15. At 26th October he heads the log as SA's leading sire of 3yo's by prize money, by number of 3yo winners, by % winners as at last weekend by earnings per runner. as well He is currently 6th on the overall sires list just a shorthead behind Jet Master and **Jallad**.

The Equus Outstanding Sire of 2006 was **Count Dubois**. With the export of all of his top runners, it was to be expected that he would have a quiet spell in 2008 – this was further exacerbated by very small 3rd and 4th crops. His most recent export is Biarritz who joins Mike de Kock's Dubai campaign this year.

LEADING SIRES OF 3YO'S BY % WINNERS (sires of more than 10 runners)

season 2008/2009: 1 August 2008 - 26 October 2008

position on log	wnr/rnr%	sire	mrs	stakes	AEPR	runs	wnr	wns	SW wnr	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
1st	39%	Captain Al	28	704,125	25,147	59	11	13	0	0	0%	18	31%	1	On The Bluff 126,375 18%
2nd	33%	Windrush	21	495,775	23,608	44	7	7	1	1	14%	15	34%	1	Promises To Keep 106,350 21%
3rd	33%	Kahal	21	359,525	17,120	41	7	7	0	0	0%	12	29%	0	Fenerbahce 57,750 16%
4th	32%	National Assembly	28	530,325	18,940	58	9	9	0	0	0%	17	29%	2	Big Commotion 83,875 16%
	32%	Wolfhound	19	247,025	13,001	43	6	6	0	0	0%	8	19%	0	Kings Gold 43,750 18%
5th	27%	Strike Smartly	15	221,450	14,763	25	4	5	0	0	0%	5	20%	0	Bayard Crown 85,950 39%
6th	25%	Western Winter	28	526,575	18,806	50	7	8	0	0	0%	21	42%	0	Chiquita 112,500 21%

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	7	Casey Tibbs	28	476,275	17,010	54	25%	9	1	1	14%	13	24%	0	Big City Life 158,125 33%
4th	6	Wolfhound	19	247,025	13,001	43	32%	6	0	0	0%	8	19%	0	Kings Gold 43,750 18%
	6	Joshua Dancer	28	386,950	13,820	59	21%	6	0	0	0%	18	31%	0	Jay Dee's Obsession 71,450 18%
5th	5	Silvano	24	283,950	11,831	41	21%	5	0	0	0%	10	24%	1	Rudi Rocks 53,600 19%

South Africa's
Record Breaking sire
 and the
first ever SA-bred sire
 to get a
Group winner in Europe
 - now also
SA's Leading sire of 3yo's
 By: Stakes; Number of winners;
 And % of winners

6 winners last week
 and **another 2 last Sunday**
 - that's 15 winners in the past 4 weeks.

By A Champion Sire,
 out of Broodmare of the Year

CAPTAIN AL

Captain Al stands at John Koster's Klawervlei Stud - Bonnievale W.Cape
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Captain's Lover

With only 26 runners he has one quarter the number of runners enjoyed by his competition. At 27% (2nd November) he is ahead of champion sires Fort Wood - 19%, Jet Master - 23% and Western Winter - 24% by % winners. Do the sums and multiply out his runners - he rises to third position on the current sires list.

His statistics will change with his next crop to race as he has a fantastic bunch of yearlings for sale next year. In 2006 he covered many of the mares that made him famous in the first place and then some. Despite his current paucity of runners he had a very good trot these past few weeks - see the table below:- in 12 days to 2nd November he had 3 winners and a very close 2nd from a handful of runners with a very high percentage of earners.

Count Dubois has champion sire statistics:-

96 runners (combined crops)

58 winners = 61%

76 win and placed = 79%

9 stakes winners 9.4%

19 stakes horses = 20%

Ever consistent champion sire Jallad is one of only four sires to have a stakes winner at this stage of the season and maintains his status as one of SA's top five.

COUNT DUBOIS - RECENT RUNNERS

horse	dam	damsire	age	sex	track	date	stake	dist	fin	class	soldkey	
Chamber Of Secrets	Eternal Emerald	Jallad	6	c	K	04/11/2008	17600	1400	2	Pnnc1		
Frankie De Wheels	Yellow Rose	Hard Up	4	c	K	04/11/2008	0	1800	6	MR84	110k Vint (SI 1.08)	
Fashion File	Glowing Model	Flaming Rock	5	f	K	04/11/2008	0	1600	9	MR87F	25k Gw (SI 0.77)	
Karuba	Little Dixie	Jungle Warrior	5	f	K	02/11/2008	37500	1400	1	NP-F		
Count Do All	Al Damirji	Al Mufti	4	c	F	31/10/2008	28125	2000	1	NP	550k Ns (SI 1.78)	
African Rhythm	Sawubona	Fort Wood	5	f	F	31/10/2008	3250	1400	4	MR94	40k Vint (SI 0.4)	
Countess Julia	Julia'S Rose	Complete Warrior	4	f	L	28/10/2008	0	1400	7	MP-F	65k Gw (SI 0.83)	
Skipping Home	Rushin' Home	Russian Fox	4	f	R	27/10/2008	1700	1450	5	MR71F	80k Ty (SI 1.17)	
Sandy Beach	Seattle Hawaii	Seattle Slew	3	f	R	27/10/2008	1750	1000	5	MP-F	200k Ns (SI 0.68)	
African Rhythm	Sawubona	Fort Wood	5	f	F	26/10/2008	6000	1400	3	MR83F	40k Vint (SI 0.4)	
Earl Of Litchfield	Elusive	Dancing Duel	5	c	L	25/10/2008	1775	1600	5	MR90	100k Vint (SI 1.06)	
Rue Pigalle	Victory Parade	Waldoboro	4	f	F	24/10/2008	0	2000	8	NP-F	115k Gw (SI 1.46)	
Even Enchanted	Even Drift	Western Winter	3	f	D	22/10/2008	37500	1600	1	MP-F	80k Vint (SI 0.67)	

LEADING SIRES BY STAKES

season 2008/2009: 1 August 2008 - 2 November 2008

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3,169,775	Kahal	80	39,622	205	24	27	30%	1	1	4%	63	31%	1	Smangaliso 761,450 24%
1,777,250	National Assembly	84	21,158	216	26	27	31%	0	0	0%	63	29%	4	Heraldic Seal 95,875 5%
1,730,025	Muhtafal	73	23,699	201	19	21	26%	3	4	16%	60	30%	2	Battlestar Express 228,125 13%
1,711,525	National Emblem	104	16,457	241	20	25	19%	3	3	15%	64	27%	1	American Emblem 132,075 8%
1,682,725	Jet Master	94	17,901	201	22	26	23%	2	2	9%	52	26%	2	Sofala 148,125 9%
1,674,850	Jallad	106	15,800	234	21	22	20%	1	1	5%	83	35%	2	Sealed With A Kiss 104,375 6%
1,577,125	Captain Al	67	23,539	165	23	27	34%	0	0	0%	54	33%	2	On The Bluff 126,375 8%
1,409,587	Western Winter	87	16,202	171	21	23	24%	1	1	5%	57	33%	1	Chiquita 119,250 8%