



FRENCH RACING & BLOODSTOCK NEWS



Sales news



A photo catalogue is now available online for the second annual Osarus yearling sale, to be held on Friday from 2pm at La Teste de Buch, near Bordeaux. Around half the 121 yearlings entered in the sale are featured in the photo catalogue, and all lots are eligible for French-bred premiums as well

as the €6,000 Osarus bonus for the first winning graduate. Some of the highlights of the entries, consigned largely by the leading studs of South West France, are the following lots, rich in black-type: Lot 7 **CHICABELLE**, a **BERNEBEAU** half-sister to six winners, out of a half-sister to Gr 3 winner **MARIE DE KEN**, who is dam of Gr 2 winners and Gr 1 placed individuals **ANA MARIE** and **CHARMO**. Lot 9 **MAGIC CAT** is a **HIGH YIELD** daughter of a half-sister to Gr 1 scorer **METAL PRECIEUX** and Gr 3 winner **TWO O'CLOCK** Jump. Lot 17 **SHAHEER**, a **MESHAHEER** daughter of the half-sister to Group performer **HIGH FLYER**, dam of American Gr 1 winners **RIVER FLYER** and **VICTORY RIDE**. Lot 20 **LE VERGER**, a son of **BACHIR** and Gr 3 Prix d'Arenberg winner **ELLA NICO**. Lot 23 **SILENCE DE TERCEY** is a filly by **LAYMAN** and from the maternal family of **DANCING BRAVE** while another interesting Layman youngster is Lot 25, a filly out of a Listed-placed half-sister to dual American Gr 1 hero **RIVER BAY**. Lot 29 is a filly by **BALLINGARRY** and out of a half-sister to twice Gr 1 runner up and successful sire **KALDOUNEVEÉS**. As her name indicates, Lot 33 **GAT SISTER** is a full sister to Listed victrix **Gat**, by the Haras d'Ayguemorte's proven sire **NOMBRE PREMIER**. Lot 45 is a daughter of **Kaldounevéés** and Listed winner **LA GROUPIE**, half-sister to dual Gr 2 winner **SPRING STAR**. Lot 81 **ULTIME BERE** is a **HIGH YIELD** son of a Listed runner-up, full-sister to **SCHOLAR'S STUDIO**, winner of an American Gr 2. Lot 83 **BLANCHE VERTE** is a **GREEN TUNE** half-brother to four winners including Gr 3 scorer **BLANCHE**. By **BIG SHUFFLE**, Lot 92 is the grandson of Yorkshire Oaks second and Irish Oaks third **GREEN LUCIA**. Lot 115 **CAP CORAIL (MIESQUE'S SON)** is half-brother to a Listed winner in Madrid and his third dam won the Gr 1 Prix Saint-Alary and finished second in five Gr 1 contests including the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe. ■

Stud of the week

HARAS DU PETIT TELLIER

Patrick Chedeville represents the fifth generation of his family in the breeding industry, and is based at the Haras du Petit Tellier which he runs with his partner Antoinette Tamagni-Bodmer. The Normandy stud is home to three stallions, **WAY OF LIGHT**, **MESHAHEER** and **VESPONE**, and was also the birthplace to the latter which they later presented at ARQANA's Deauville sales to be sold for €68,602. Three years later, after **Vespone** had lifted the Gr 1 Prix Jean Prat and Grand Prix de Paris, the Petit Tellier sold his half-brother **PURPLE MOON** in 2004 for €550,000 and he went on to finish second in both the Melbourne Cup and Hong Kong Vase. **Vespone** returned to his birthplace to begin his stallion career in 2006 and got off the mark with his first crop last week thanks to **PORZAPONE** who scored at Lyon-Parilly. **Porzapone** cost €30,000 as a yearling at Deauville last October, where he was snapped up by **Vespone's** former trainer Nicolas Clément for the Norwegian Ecurie Mister Ess, whose colours were also carried by the stallion. This was a deserving first victory for **Vespone**, whose ten progeny to have raced to date have all taken prize money. The Petit Tellier also enjoyed a successful day at Longchamp on Sunday as they raised **MUNDYBASH**, winner of the Listed Prix de Boulogne and sold for €75,000 at Deauville, as well as **RABAHHLA** who took the closing handicap. ■

Racing news

All eyes will be on France at the weekend as Longchamp's Arc Trials day should reveal vital clues for the 4 million Euro Qatar Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe on 4th October. French handlers look to have a strong hand for Sunday's three mile and a half contests, with Classic heroine **STACELITA (MONSUN)** primed to build on her reputation in the Gr €1 300,000 Qatar Prix Vermeille. Last year's Arc winning trainer Alain de Royer Dupré could be triple-handed in the event with three-year-old **ASHALANDA (LINAMIX)** in addition four-year-olds **ARMURE (DALAKHANI)** and recent Gr 1 winner **ALPINE ROSE (Linamix)**. Prince of Wales's Stakes scorer **VISION D'ETAT (CHICHICASTENANGO)** heads the home defence in the Gr 2 Qatar Prix Foy, while the Gr 2 Qatar Prix Niel could attract the likes of Grand Prix de Paris hero **CAVALRYMAN (HALLING)**, the highly-regarded **BEHESHTAM (PEINTRE CÉLÈBRE)** who will attempt to redeem himself after disappointing in the same race, and of impressive Clairefontaine Listed winner **TOPCLAS (KUTUB)**. ■

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