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## FASIG-TIPTON FRESHMAN GRADUATE



**BLIND LUCK, 2007 FILLY**

**POLLARD'S VISION X LUCKY ONE**

**PURCHASED FOR \$11,000**

**2008 KENTUCKY JULY YEARLINGS SALE**

**CONSIGNED BY FAIRLAWN FARM**

**Blind Luck** is now 3 for 4 lifetime after winning the Grade 1 Oak Leaf Stakes at Oak Tree at Santa Anita on October 4 by an impressive 2 1/2 length margin.

**Blind Luck** suffered her only defeat to the very well bred *Mi Sueno* in the Grade 1 Darley Debutante Stakes at Del Mar on September 5 when she was held up last for a late run and finished 2nd by 1 length.

In the Oak Leaf Stakes (G1), **Blind Luck** was held up, but this time was settled on the rail in 7th in a field of 11 and not taken all the way to the rear. **Always a Princess** (LEROIDESANIMAUX) set the pace with Garrett Gomez and stayed on gamely for 2nd to mean that the first two horses home were by freshman sires. Irish bookmakers, Paddy Power, currently make **Blind Luck** 2nd favorite for the Breeders Cup Juvenile Fillies (G1) at 4-1 behind 7-2 favorite *Hot Dixie Chick* (DIXIE UNION). *Mi Sueno* has been retired from racing with a condylar fracture of the right cannon bone.

**House of Grace** was purchased by Kenny McPeck as agent, at the 2008 Fasig-Tipton Kentucky July sale for \$100,000 and he trained her to win the JP Morgan Chase Jessamine Stakes at Keeneland on October 15 for owners Magdalena Racing. **House of Grace** earned \$90,000 in progeny earnings for freshman sire LIMEHOUSE who stands at Vinery.

**HOUSE OF GRACE, 2007 FILLY**

**LIMEHOUSE X GRACILITY**

**PURCHASED FOR \$100,000**

**2008 KENTUCKY JULY YEARLINGS SALE**

**CONSIGNED BY HEAVEN TREES, AGENT**



## EUROPEAN FOCUS

In what was a great result for the Coolmore Stud connections of Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith, Aidan O'Brien trained the 1st, 2nd and 4th placed finishers home in the Group 1 Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket on October 17. Not only was Coolmore Stud celebrating the performance of their three juvenile colts in this Group 1 event, but they were also celebrating the success of their freshman sires. ORATORIO is the sire of the first two home in **Beethoven** and **Fencing Master** and FOOTSTEPSINTHESAND is the sire of the unlucky 4th placed finisher **Steinbeck**. **Beethoven** went off at 33-1 and he had not given any indication that he would jump-up to win in Group 1 company, but appeared to greatly improve for wearing a visor for the first time. However, **Steinbeck's** front running performance on the stands side rail would have caught the eye of a number of people looking for a very early selection for the 2,000 Guineas in May 2010.

**Hearts of Fire** became the first Group 1 winner for freshman sire FIREBREAK by winning the Gran Criterium (G1) at San Siro in Italy on October 11. FIREBREAK had been a very consistent racehorse and won in graded stakes company at age 2, 3, 4 and 5. He retired at the end of his 5-year-old year with earnings of £1,590,100. He is a sire worthy of attention for those of us in the America. FIREBREAK made 5 starts on the Nad Al Sheba dirt and won the Group 2 Godolphin Mile at the age of 4 and 5 and was 2nd in two other starts including a Group 3. His only poor performance came when he was stretched out to 1 mile and a quarter for the only time in his career in the Group 2 UAE Derby in a race that was won by *Essence of Dubai*.



## CURRENT OCTOBER LEADERBOARD

#	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	\$	#	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	\$
1	MILLER	JOE	\$841,843	31	ADAMS	MIKE	\$333,195
2	EGAN (snr)	JOHN	\$735,132	32	BROWNING	GLENNA	\$330,332
3	GASPER	JOHN	\$707,447	33	FELD	SEAN	\$328,104
4	ROETHEMEIER	DEAN	\$659,883	34	BREDIN	GABRIELLE	\$316,112
5	BAKER	WILLIAM	\$643,447	35	REDFERN	MARK	\$309,345
6	GANS	ALEX	\$642,232	36	FREEMAN	GEMMA	\$309,010
7	MARTIN	MICHAEL	\$633,875	37	WELLS	ROBERT	\$307,800
8	SANSONE	STEVEN	\$609,680	38	WOJCZYNSKI	JUSTIN	\$298,490
9	HARRISON	LAURA	\$602,520	39	CHAPPELL	JEREMY	\$297,881
10	AUBREY	FRANK	\$557,664	40	BAROCH	TOM	\$297,028
11	GREELY	JOHN	\$546,112	41	MARSH	REBECCA	\$295,145
12	REDFERN	JULIET	\$535,620	42	WEIDNER	DIANNE	\$284,121
13	AMOS	DUANE	\$485,056	43	RODEN	ALISTAIR	\$283,664
14	VASSAR	JULIA	\$422,882	44	OSBOURNE	BURKE	\$277,143
15	STANCZAK	BILL	\$405,646	45	FERNUNG	BRENT	\$274,475
16	INGORDO	DAVID	\$393,514	46	FINK	GEORGE	\$273,264
17	EGAN (jnr)	JOHN	\$390,621	47	SOUERS	ELAINE	\$261,257
18	BROWNING	DAVID	\$390,143	48	HURLEY	KELLY	\$258,048
19	STAHL	REANNA	\$389,930	49	JONES	DONNA	\$237,025
20	HILL	JAMIE	\$361,561	50	RECIO	MIKE	\$233,808
21	AMOS	JEN	\$359,326	51	BAROCH	VICKIE	\$233,580
22	BOWEN-REES	JULIAN	\$357,800	52	KIECKHEFER	GRETCHEN	\$220,465
23	STOCKTON	TAMMY	\$349,809	53	KELLEY	PATRICK	\$207,023
24	BELL	GATEWOOD	\$349,534	54	PENNA	MIKE	\$206,909
25	BOVINGTON	DAN	\$349,087	55	FAGAN	DERMOT	\$199,522
26	TARPEY	MATT	\$346,856	56	HESS	JOHN	\$197,664
27	HUGHES	JARED	\$346,127	57	JONES	KATHY	\$178,415
28	EVANS	TOM	\$343,399	58	FELD	JUDE	\$171,821
29	CHAPPELL	EMMA	\$340,900	59	WOOD	ANDREW	\$151,671
30	NICHOLSON	JOE BROWNE	\$337,098				

*All progeny earnings as recorded on the Thoroughbred Times website on Saturday October 17, 2009*



## OVERALL LEADERBOARD

#	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	\$	#	LAST NAME	FIRST NAME	\$
1	MARTIN	MICHAEL	\$2,925,586	31	BAROCH	VICKIE	\$1,510,402
2	INGORDO	DAVID	\$2,771,869	32	HILL	JAMIE	\$1,502,225
3	MILLER	JOE	\$2,686,085	33	RODEN	ALISTAIR	\$1,497,373
4	BAKER	WILLIAM	\$2,676,077	34	STOCKTON	TAMMY	\$1,491,110
5	EGAN (snr)	JOHN	\$2,475,960	35	BROWNING	GLENNA	\$1,489,790
6	ROETHEMEIER	DEAN	\$2,407,688	36	WELLS	ROBERT	\$1,459,442
7	GASPER	JOHN	\$2,298,727	37	MARSH	REBECCA	\$1,458,731
8	BROWNING	DAVID	\$2,287,794	38	STAHL	REANNA	\$1,453,054
9	AMOS	DUANE	\$2,245,684	39	HESS	JOHN	\$1,445,615
10	HURLEY	KELLY	\$2,234,304	40	KELLEY	PATRICK	\$1,427,643
11	WEIDNER	DIANNE	\$2,228,896	41	FELD	SEAN	\$1,421,159
12	HUGHES	JARED	\$2,134,902	42	FELD	JUDE	\$1,333,659
13	SANSONE	STEVEN	\$2,134,172	43	CHAPPELL	JEREMY	\$1,318,177
14	GANS	ALEX	\$2,120,491	44	BOVINGTON	DAN	\$1,312,499
15	REDFERN	MARK	\$2,117,890	45	EVANS	TOM	\$1,297,446
16	PENNA	MIKE	\$2,070,381	46	EGAN (jnr)	JOHN	\$1,282,916
17	GREELY	JOHN	\$2,007,209	47	TARPEY	MATT	\$1,220,219
18	AUBREY	FRANK	\$1,887,964	48	FREEMAN	GEMMA	\$1,181,530
19	REDFERN	JULIET	\$1,879,915	49	BOWEN-REES	JULIAN	\$1,170,939
20	HARRISON	LAURA	\$1,834,206	50	BREDIN	GABRIELLE	\$1,124,893
21	RECIO	MIKE	\$1,821,689	51	JONES	DONNA	\$1,111,246
22	NICHOLSON	JOE BROWNE	\$1,806,366	52	KIECKHEFER	GRETCHEN	\$1,107,676
23	CHAPPELL	EMMA	\$1,788,655	53	WOJCZYNSKI	JUSTIN	\$1,085,557
24	STANCZAK	BILL	\$1,751,138	54	OSBOURNE	BURKE	\$1,079,636
25	FINK	GEORGE	\$1,710,921	55	SOUERS	ELAINE	\$1,064,292
26	FERNUNG	BRENT	\$1,710,254	56	JONES	KATHY	\$969,534
27	ADAMS	MIKE	\$1,642,042	57	BAROCH	TOM	\$953,184
28	VASSAR	JULIA	\$1,638,793	58	WOOD	ANDREW	\$920,008
29	AMOS	JEN	\$1,563,283	59	FAGAN	DERMOT	\$904,339
30	BELL	GATEWOOD	\$1,512,807				

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# OTHER FRESHMAN NEWS

- ◆ A son of a freshman sire did win the Champagne Stakes (G1) at Belmont on October 10, but it was not the result that had been expected. **Dublin** (AFLEET ALEX) had won the Hopeful S (G1) at Saratoga and went off at odds of 3-5, but **Homeboykris** won by 1 1/2 lengths to propel ROMAN RULER to the top of the freshman sire standings. **Dublin** was never nearer than 5th in the field of 6th. Both horses are quoted at 10-1 with Paddy Power Bookmakers for the Breeders Cup Juvenile. *Lookin at Lucky* (SMART STRIKE) is the 2-1 favorite.
- ◆ ROMAN RULER also received a boost to his progeny earnings when **Roman Invasion** finished 3rd in the Grade 1 Dixiana Breeders Futurity at Keeneland. ROMAN RULER was also the sire of the very impressive maiden special weight winner **Connie and Michael** who won the 8th Race at Keeneland on October 17. Making her debut the filly won by 7 3/4 lengths. More must be expected off this highly regarded filly—she won at odds of 5-2 when morning line odds had her at 12-1.
- ◆ **Queen Imidala** became the first stakes winner for Darley freshman sire CONSOLIDATOR when the two-year-old filly won the John W. Galbreath Memorial Stakes at Thistledown on October 3. **Queen Imidala** now has 2 wins in 3 starts.
- ◆ **Pass It Down** defied 19-1 odds and went gate-to-wire to win the Louisiana Stallion Stakes at Louisiana Downs on October 3 and became the first stakes winner for freshman sire FORD EVERY STREAM. The two-year-old filly won by 2 3/4 lengths in a field of seven where **Lunar Fest** (by freshman sire LUNARPAL) and *Happyfromthegitgo* (EASYFROMTHEGITGO) were a heavily favored coupled entry that went off at odds of 1-9. Neither finished in the first 3.
- ◆ Freshman sire MEDALLIST, who stands at Northview Stallion Station in Pennsylvania, also had his first stakes winner on October 3. The Todd Pletcher trained colt **Ibboeye** went off at odds of 1-2 in the New York Breeders Futurity at Finger Lakes and did not disappoint as he won by a comfortable 6 3/4 lengths. In what has been a good October so far for progeny of freshman sires purchased at Fasig-Tipton auctions, **Ibboeye** was a \$120,000 yearling purchase at the 2008 Saratoga Preferred Yearling sale by owners Anstu Stables, Inc.
- ◆ **She Be Wild** (OFFLEE WILD) suffered defeat for the first time, but finished 2nd in the Grade 1 Darley Alcibiades at Keeneland on opening day (October 9). She is now 3-for-4 lifetime. She is still one of the favorites for the Breeders Cup Juvenile Fillies, which should be an interesting race in the freshman sire competition with **Blind Luck**, **Always A Princess** and **Midst** (CLOSING ARGUMENT) all potential starters.



Joe Miller, a Bloodstock Assistant with Kern Thoroughbreds, is currently top of the leaderboard for the month of October. With good progeny earnings from MEDALLIST, ROMAN RULER and LEROIDESANIMAUX, Joe currently has a very good lead from my father, John Egan, Snr., who is putting me to shame by currently lying second for the month.

David Ingordo had briefly taken the lead on the overall leaderboard at the end of September, but once more Michael Martin has regained control at the top. Joe Miller lies 3rd overall with a solid month and John Egan, Snr., in 5th. Dianne continues to lead the Markel contingent as she lies 11th overall. The next issue of *The Freshman* will advise who won this month and also takes a look at the progeny of freshman sires in the Breeders Cup juvenile races.