

# YEARLINGS FOR SALE

The yearling sales are over for the Johnston team for this year. Among the classy prospects they purchased are these five colts and a filly which are now on offer.

**T**HE last of the annual round of yearling sales has now been held with the Tattersalls December Yearling Sale, which actually took place on November 26, bringing to an end the quest by Mark and his team to secure value for money for our owners while assembling the juvenile class of 2019. So, as Christmas approaches, we are able to offer our readers the chance to acquire a number of exciting prospects

from that and earlier sales, any of which would surely make the ideal Christmas gift.

One of Mark's purchases at last month's sale was a colt Derby winner **Golden Horn**. This bay colt, foaled on March 24, is out of the Peintre Celebre mare, What A Picture.

By Cape Cross, Golden Horn is a hugely exciting first-season sire who had a simply magnificent year in 2015, winning the Dante, Derby, Eclipse, Irish

Champion and Arc de Triomphe, while coming second in the Juddmonte International and the Breeders' Cup Turf. As at mid-November the average and median prices for his progeny at the European yearling sales this year stood at 153,481 and 146,639 gns respectively.

The mare What A Picture raced three times in France without distinction, but is the dam of seven winners from her eight runners. The best of her progeny is Partner Shift (by Night Shift), who won



**Golden Horn colt out of What A Picture**  
£42,700\*



**Slade Power filly out of Jessie Jane**  
£23,300\*

the Listed Grand Prix Anjou Bretagne at Nantes as a four-year-old. Kingsley Park aficionados might recognise her name as the dam of Art History (by Dalakhani), who won five races as a three-year-old for Mark and Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed in 2011.

At Goffs' Sportsman's Sale on October 4, Mark acquired a bay filly, foaled on April 3, by **Slade Power** out of the Dylan Thomas mare, Jessie Jane. The July Cup and Diamond Jubilee winner Slade Power was snapped up by Darley and now stands at Kildangan Stud in County Kildare. His first crop have been juveniles this year and have included Bruce Wayne, second in the Group 3 Round Tower Stakes at the Curragh and the Listed-placed Jack's Point.

Jessie Jane raced in Ireland and landed a Dundalk maiden over an extended 10 furlongs at three. In the paddocks, all three of her previous foals have won; the four-year-old Bittersweet has won twice over a mile at Dundalk in recent weeks, the three-year-old Bucky Larson won twice over a mile at Leopardstown earlier in the year, and the juvenile I'll Have Another (by Dragon Pulse) won a Listed event at Cologne for Kingsley Park and owners Paul and Clare Rooney in September and has also finished second in a Group 3 at Baden-Baden this



**Teofilo colt out of Crystany**  
£26,900\*

autumn. A consistent filly, I'll Have Another has never finished outside the first three in her eight starts to date. Given that Slade Power's average and median prices this autumn both top 30,000 gns, this filly looks particularly well-bought.

At Book 2 of Tattersalls October Yearling Sale, Mark acquired a chestnut colt by **Teofilo** out of the Green Desert

mare, Crystany, foaled on February 23. Again, this colt looks extremely well-bought as Teofilo's average and median prices both currently exceed 50,000gns.

A son of Galileo, Teofilo was the Champion Two-Year-Old in Europe in 2006, after winning both the National

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**Dark Angel colt out of Hartstown House  
£40,400\***



**Authorized colt out of Ballymena Lassie  
£21,300\***

Stakes at the Curragh and the Dewhurst. Retired to stud in 2008, he has sired numerous winners at the top level, including Pleascach, Trading Leather and Havana Gold. At Kingsley Park, he has

been represented by the talented Permian, Mildenerger and Austrian School.

The dam, Crystany, is a daughter of Crystal Music, winner of the Group 1 Fillies' Mile in 2000 and runner-up in

both the Irish 1,000 Guineas and the Coronation Stakes the following year. Crystany herself won a Ripon maiden over six furlongs as a juvenile and was twice Listed-placed at Nottingham and Haydock at three.

In the paddocks, Crystany has produced four winners, including Cosquillas, a winner for the yard who has herself produced the promising Lingfield winner Ticklish. This colt is a full-brother to the filly Vivianite, a Killarney maiden winner this year for Ballygallon Stud Limited who has been racing mostly in Listed company this autumn.

Also at Book 2 of the Tattersalls October Yearling Sale, Mark purchased a bay colt, foaled March 30, by **Dark Angel** out of the Primo Dominie mare, Hartstown House.

The Acclamation sire Dark Angel was a speedy sort, racing only as a juvenile and numbering the Group 1 Middle Park Stakes and the Group 2 Mill Reef Stakes among his successes. Retired to stud in 2008 he has produced a string of Group/Grade 1 winners in Hunt, Battaash, Harry Angel, Mecca's Angel, Lethal Force and Persuasive.

Hartstown House won two races, both over the minimum trip, in Ireland from five career starts. In the paddocks she has produced six winners from nine runners, including Beldale Memory, whose two wins included the Listed Marygate Stakes at York, and Promised Money, a full-sister to this colt, whose two wins, both over five furlongs, included the Listed Tipperary Stakes as a juvenile.

The progeny of Dark Angel have been much in demand this autumn, as current average and median prices of 137,701 and 92,709 gns respectively will testify.

At the Osarus La Teste September Yearling sale, Mark purchased a colt, foaled on April 25, by **War Command** out of the Cape Cross mare, Shiver Stream.

War Command won the Coventry and Dewhurst Stakes as a juvenile, and his first crop were two-year-olds of 2018. So far, he has produced 22 two-year-old winners this year, headed by our own Listed winner, Victory Command.

The dam Shiver Stream was a winner in Italy and was placed multiple times. In the paddocks, she has produced two winners from her four foals of racing age. Testa O Croce (by Orpen) won four times in Italy, including in the Listed Premio Royal Mares at San Siro, after which she was acquired by leading owner Teruya Yoshida, while Shiver In The River (also by Orpen) won twice in France as a three-year-old.



**War Command colt out of Shiver Stream  
£21,500\***

Also at La Teste, Mark acquired a colt, foaled on May 11, by Authorized out of the Giant's Causeway mare, Ballymena Lassie. **Authorized** won the Derby in 2007 and finished second in the Eclipse before landing the Juddmonte International. At stud he has produced a handful of Group 1 winners, the best of whom is the former Johnston-trained Hartnell, who has won four Group 1 events in Australia.

The dam, Ballymena Lassie, had only two runs, in the United States, but in the paddocks she has already produced two winners. Vally Jem, by Dylan Thomas, won three races including the Listed Prix Urban Sea over a mile and a quarter at Le Lion-d'Angers, and was both Group 2 (once) and Group 3 placed (three times). Adriano, by Anabaa, won five races in Morocco after finishing third in a Le Mans maiden as a three-year-old.

**A**S ever, anyone interested in acquiring these horses should contact Mark and his team as soon as possible. No commission, profits or expenses are taken on purchase if the horse is to remain in training at Kingsley Park. Please note that all average and median prices are taken from the Sires' Averages and Medians published in the Racing Post on November 26. ■

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