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The **Gr.1 St. Leger** Festival at Doncaster staged some top class racing and British breeding was to the fore, with Darley Stud and Godolphin having particular reason to celebrate. The jewel, of course, was their homebred **Mastery (GB)**, by Sulamani, taking the world's oldest classic in a battling finish with their other representative Kite Wood, by Galileo.

This was not their only success however, as two children of their first season DUBAWI took two of the principal races for two-year-olds in their colours. Another of their homebreds, **Poet's Voice (GB)** won the **Gr.2 Champagne Stakes**, while **Sand Vixen (GB)**, bred by Mrs Mette Campbell-Andenaes and sold both as a yearling and a Craven breeze-up horse at Tattersalls, consigned by Templeton Stud and Seven Springs Stables, looked a class act in the **Gr.2 Flying Childers Stakes**. Both will probably head for the Championship races, the Gr.1 Dewhurst Stakes and Gr.1 Cheveley Park Stakes.



Motivator (GB)

The other Group race for two-year-olds, the **Gr.2 May Hill Stakes**, went to another British first season sire, the Royal Stud's **MOTIVATOR (GB)**, who ran in the colours of the Royal Ascot Racing Club, managed by agent John Warren and Harry Herbert, and it was in the same colours that **Pollenator**, bought for 50,000gns at Tattersalls Part 2, took the prize in the gamest fashion. An excellent week for British breeding was completed by four-year-old **Fantasia (GB)**, by Sadler's Wells, who won the **Listed Sceptre Stakes**, sponsored by the Japan Racing Association, for her breeders Ronchalon Racing/Fittocks Stud.



Pivotal (GB)

Regal Parade (GB), by Cheveley Park Stud's world class stallion PIVTOAL (GB), landed his sire his third Gr.1 winner of the year, following Sariska (GB) and Virtual (GB), when taking the **Gr.1 Haydock Sprint Cup** early in the month, his ability to run well over seven furlongs serving him well over the softened six. He could well go back up to seven in the Gr.1 Prix de la Foret and he has a good turn of foot. Bred by Highclere Stud and one of its principals, Harry Herbert, he was twice a graduate of Tattersalls, as a yearling and as a horse-in-training. To complete quite a day for the stallion, his two-year-old son Emerald Commander won the **Listed Ascendant Stakes** at Haydock in the manner of a future Group winner, from **Nideeb (GB)**, by Exceed And Excel, who also looks a useful sort.

Juddmonte Farms' homebred **Confront (GB)**, by their leading stallion DANSILI, looked a horse with a real future when landing his second **Listed** race on the trot on the same Haydock card, this time over a mile. He made all, having come from behind before, and seems to be improving fast now, making him worthy of consideration for a race on Arc weekend and perhaps the Gr.1 Prix de la Foret.

Juddmonte farms is, of course, a very large organisation, but small can be beautiful too, as eight-year-old **Mac Love (GB)**, by Cape Cross, won the **Gr.3 Select Stakes** at Goodwood, his second this year, for trainer Steff Liddiard, who leads up her own horses.

Juddmonte, however, had further success when their four-year-old **Doctor Fremantle (GB)**, by Sadler's Wells, took the **Gr.3 Dubai Duty Free Arc Trial** at Newbury and on the following day, both two-year-old Group races went to British homebreds. Gary and Leslie Middlebrook's **Distinctive (GB)**, by TOBOUGG, who now stands in Devon at East Burrow Farm, won the **Gr.3 Firth of Clyde Stakes** for fillies at Ayr, sponsored by Laundry Cottage Stud, and Sheikh Hamdan Al Maktoum's **Awzaan (GB)**, by Alhaarth, looked a great prospect for the future when taking the **Gr.2 Mill Reef Stakes** at Newbury.

The Three-day Ascot meeting at the end of September has grown enormously in stature and British-breds had a good weekend, headed by **Hibaayeb (GB)**, by Darley sire SINGSPIEL, who showed great determination to land the **Gr.1 Fillies' Mile**, sponsored for many years now by leading British nursery Meon Valley Stud, in Hampshire. Like her sire she should improve with time and could be a formidable three-year-old.

Another Darley sire, DUBAI DESTINATION, sired the winner of the **Listed Rosemary Stakes**, **Ahla Wasahl (GB)**, who will probably run at the Dubai Carnival, and the Saturday wound up with a most welcome victory for the Royal Studs, when **Golden Stream (GB)**, by Sadler's Wells, landed her second Listed win of the year when taking the October Stakes over seven furlongs.



Hibaayeb (GB)



Singspiel