

PEDIGREE ANALYSIS

Nutan a second Group 1 star for his sire and dam

IT is remarkable how often a stallion who has either died or been exported will get previously elusive Group 1 and classic stars after he is no longer available, and this summer the former Coolmore team member Duke Of Marmalade (by Danehill) has added his name to that list.

He got a string of listed and Group 3 scorers from his earliest crops but that is not enough to maintain interest in a regally-related horse who was himself a multiple Group 1 star and so his export was inevitable.

Drakenstein Stud Farm in South Africa is his new home, last month his daughter Star Of Seville won the Group 1 Prix de Diane (French Oaks) and at Hamburg last Sunday his son Nutan was a five-length winner of the Group 1 IDEE 146th Deutsches Derby.

The emergence of two classic stars for the stallion will likely ensure plenty of attention is drawn to his final Irish-conceived crops.

Nutan was born in Ireland, was bred by Juergen Imm and is trained by Peter Schiergen, and the victory also identified his dam as one of the most exciting young mares in Europe as he is the second Group 1 winner from her first three foals.

Neele (by Peintre Celebre) was only beaten a head when runner-up in a Group 3 contest at Hamburg as a three-year-old, beaten by the

Schiergen-trained Avanti Polonia and finishing six lengths clear of her closest pursuer, but her pedigree gave her every chance of gaining compensation at stud.

At the time of her retirement her major pedigree claim to fame was that her dam Night Teeny (by Platini) was a half-sister to Night Petticoat (by Petoski), the Group 2 Preis der Diana (German Oaks) heroine who gave us the classic winners Next Desert and Next Gina.

Next Desert (by Desert Style) won the Group 1 Deutsches Derby in 2002, the year before Next Gina (by Perugini) took the Group 1 Preis der Diana, and their dam has come up with three more blacktype earners since then.

Since Neele went to stud her full-sister Night Of Magic has won the Group 2 Oaks d'Italia and their half-sister Night Serenade (by Golan) is a listed scorer, also over middle-distances.

Four of Neele's first five foals are by sons of Danehill (by Danzig) and the exception is her two-year-old daughter Nazbanou (by High Chaparral).

Her first born is Nymphaea (by Dylan Thomas) who won the Group 1 Grosser Preis von Berlin over 12 furlongs at Hoppegarten two years ago, almost a year after she was runner-up in the Group 1 Preis der Diana. She was also pattern placed in



Duke Of Marmalade – two European classic winners in 2015

England, France and Turkey and was last in action when out of the frame behind We Are in the Group 1 Prix de l'Opera in October.

The mare's other runner is her second foal Nocturne (by Rock Of Gibraltar), a middle-distance scorer in Germany, and her yearling daughter of Holy Roman Emperor has already been named Navaro Girl.

Nutan is lightly-raced and

has been a wide-margin winner twice this season, performances that came either side of a third place finish behind Shimrano in the Group 2 Oppenheim-Union-Rennen at Cologne last month.

It will be very interesting to see how he gets on against stronger opposition, and if he stays in training as a four-year-old, especially as he is a Duke Of Marmalade half-brother to Nymphaea.

Tamayuz reaches career landmark

DERRINSTOWN Stud stallion Tamayuz (by Nayef) reached a career landmark last Saturday when his daughter Blond Me won the Listed Coral Distaff over a mile at Sandown, the victory making her the 10th individual blacktype scorer for her sire.

A Group 1-winning miler from the famous stallion-producing family of Galileo (by Sadler's Wells) and Sea The Stars (by Cape Cross), Tamayuz's roll of honour also includes the Group 1-winning sprinter G Force and the juvenile Group 2 scorer Sir Prancealot, the latter a Tally-Ho Stud stallion whose first foals made up to 120,000gns at auction last year.

Blond Me was bred by Wardstown Stud Ltd, she is

trained by Andrew Balding, and she has now won two of her four starts, all of them in the past three months.

It will be interesting to see how her career turns out, but no matter what she achieves on the track she is already a very valuable prospective broodmare and not just because she's a stakes-winning daughter of a regally-related stallion.

The fourth foal of her winning dam Holda (by Dock-sider), and a half-sister to two winners, this 65,000gns Tattersalls October Yearling Sale graduate is out of a half-sister to the Australian Group 1 star Glass Harmonium (by Verglas) and to this year's pattern scorer Arab Spring (by Monsun).

That Sir Michael Stoute-trained five-year-old is

entered in the Group 1 Qipco Irish Champion Stakes and, as many will know, he is a Ballymacoll Stud homebred and a representative of one of their most famous families.

Blond Me's grandam, therefore, is Spring Symphony (by Darshaan), a winning full-sister to the Group 2 Great Voltigeur Stakes winner Hard Top and what could be described as being a three-parts sister to that horse's half-brother Conduit (by Dalakhani), the St Leger, King George and dual Breeders' Cup Turf hero.

Their dam Well Head (by Sadler's Wells) is a half-sister to the classic and Champion Stakes winner Spectrum (by Rainbow Quest), to the Grade 1-placed Grade 2 scorer Stream Of Gold (by

Rainbow Quest) and also to Ballet Shoes (by Ela-Mana-Mou), the winning dam of the outstanding Petrushka (by Unfuwain).

She won her only start at two and was unplaced in her only start at four, but she excelled in between, winning the Group 1 Irish Oaks by five and a half lengths, adding the Group 1 Yorkshire Oaks and the Group 1 Prix de l'Opera, and taking third place in the Group 1 1000 Guineas at Newmarket.

If you go further back in the family you will find the classic-placed Group 1 Coronation Cup winner Saddlers' Hall (by Sadler's Wells) and the Arc-placed Yorkshire Oaks, St Leger and 12-length Oaks-winning heroine Sun Princess (by English Prince) among others of note.

BREEDING NOTES

Marmalade's Big week continues

■ BIG Orange continued the great recent run for former Coolmore sire Duke Of Marmalade (by Danehill) when winning the Group 2 Princess of Wales's Arqana Racing Club Stakes over 12 furlongs at Newmarket on Thursday. The Michael Bell-trained four-year-old is a gelded son of the now Drakenstein Stud-based stallion. He was bred by Stetchworth & Middle Park Studs, he is out of Miss Brown To You (by Fasliyev) and his dam is a winning half-sister to the Hong Kong and Singapore Grade 1 star Military Attack (by Oratorio).

Shalaa shows Spirit of success

■ SHALAA completed a quick big-race double for trainer John Gosden when taking the Group 2 Arqana July Stakes over six furlongs at Newmarket. The Mogeely Stud-bred juvenile is a son of the Irish National Stud ace Invincible Spirit (by Green Desert) and his dam Ghurra (by War Chant) is a Grade 3-placed half-sister to the Group 1 Middle Park Stakes scorer Hayil (by Dayjur).

Chaparral's Singh set for Leger

■ MR Singh won the Group 3 Bahrain Trophy over 13 furlongs at Newmarket, a second win from five starts for Lady Bamford's homebred three-year-old. The colt is trained by John Gosden, he is a son of the late dual Derby hero High Chaparral (by Sadler's Wells), and he is out of the Group 2-placed Sundari (by Darshaan). His third dam Emmaline (by Affirmed) is a blacktype-winning half-sister to the US Grade 1 stars Bates Motel (by Sir Ivor) and Hatim (by Exclusive Native).

Another Bolger star two-year-old

■ The Jim Bolger-trained and bred Sanus Per Aquam was an impressive winner of the seven-furlong two-year-old contest at Leopardstown on Thursday evening. He is a son of Bolger's star Teofilo, now an established sire, out of Fainne, a Peintre Celebre mare whose dam was Hymn Of The Dawn. The success was another notable one for Jim Bolger as that mare is also the dam of Dawn Approach, Bolger's star colt of 2013.

Dream makes winning debut

■ BALLYLINCH Stud's sprint star Dream Ahead (by Diktat) struck again when the Andre Fabre-trained Nordic Dream made a winning debut over six furlongs at Maisons-Lafitte last Sunday. The colt was bred by Ammerland Verwaltung GmbH & Co Kg, he is out of Nyramba (by Night Shift) and he is a half-brother to the US Grade 3 scorer Nordic Truce (by Yes It's True). His dam is a pattern-placed stakes winning half-sister to the 10 furlong listed scorer Cape Amber (by Cape Cross), his third dam is the Group 1 July Cup runner-up Gayane (by Nureyev), and he comes from the family of the triple classic heroine Oh So Sharp (by Kris).

Success for Poet's Voice daughter

■ MIDNIGHT Malibu made it fourth time lucky when taking the five furlong maiden at Nottingham. The daughter of Poet's Voice (by Dubawi) was bred by the partnership of Kabansk Ltd & Rathbarry Stud, she is trained by Tim Easterby and she is the first foal out of the pattern-placed Midnight Martini (by Night Shift). She comes from the family of the Group 1 winning sprinter Prohibit (by Oasis Dream).

O'Connor strikes again at Haydock

■ THE Roger Varian-trained chesnut Haalick made a winning debut over seven furlongs at Haydock last Friday, making him the latest winner for the classic-winning Ballyhane Stud stallion Roderic O'Connor (by Galileo). He was bred by Storway Ltd, he is out of the listed scorer Lucky Pipit (by Key Of Luck) and his grandam is the 10-furlong blacktype scorer Meadow Pipit (by Meadowlake).



Sanus Per Aquam and Kevin Manning winning easily for trainer Jim Bolger