



**Keeneland September Sale cont.**

"We thought he was the best colt in Wednesday's session, and there are a lot of good-looking pedigrees in Book 1," Mr. Oxley explained.

The Oxleys purchased Forest Secrets for \$425,000 at the 1999 Fasig-Tipton August Sale. Under the tutelage of trainer John Ward, she went on to win the GI Acorn S., GII Rampart H., and GIII Falls City H. Forest Secrets' first foal is the Monarchos colt Forest Command, a promising colt whom the Oxleys campaigned to a third-place finish in last year's GII Super Derby.

"He got a minor injury and has been off, but he'll be back to the races," John reported.

At last year's September Sale, they sold a Pulpit colt out of Forest Secrets to Mary K. Grum for \$320,000. Named Pulpit's Secret, the colt has not started.

The Oxleys have been prominent owners for year and have campaigned, among others, 2001 GI Kentucky Derby hero Monarchos. --LM

**With a Little Luck, \$30k to \$1.24 Million...**

Yesterday, at 11 a.m., Dark Hollow Farm's JoAnn Hayden decided a little preemptive intervention--divine or otherwise--might be in order, and so she put on her good-luck outfit. The four-part equation--comprised of a yellow t-shirt, Dark Hollow pullover, lucky necklace and Dark Hollow ballcap--was meant to improve the

JoAnn Hayden was back at Dark Hollow's base at Maryland, minding the farm, but husband David was in Lexington handling the Dark Hollow consignment, and was all smiles after the sale.

"We had been told by some people on the sales grounds that they thought he was the best physical on the grounds," said Hayden. "He's just a gorgeous colt; he's got the presence, the class, the scope."

On going to Malibu Moon with the mare, Hayden commented, "I like the match-up, and I really like Malibu Moon. It's funny, I never bred to him when he stood for \$3,500 in Maryland, but I've got two by him in this sale. On Saturday, I've got Malibu Moon half to [GSW & GISP] Ready's Image selling [as [hip 1411](#)]."

The story of how the Haydens came to own the colt's dam Kinlin is one less of good luck and more of good karma.

David Hayden explained, "The mare was on our farm. Cam Horton owned her. He had purchased Partner's Hero from us as a yearling, and we had developed a really good relationship. When Partner's Hero came back to stand in Maryland, Cam sent several mares to breed to him, including several to our farm. After the second year, he said, 'You know, the breeding game isn't for us. I know you like the mare, if you want to buy her, you can.' I said, 'Cam, you paid \$300,000 for the mare [as a yearling], and the pedigree's changed since you bought her--Tapit's in there now.' He said that we had always been honest and straightforward with him, and that we could buy the mare for \$30,000. She's a gorgeous mare, and she's by Unbridled. We would have never been able to afford a mare like that."



JoAnn & David Hayden Lydia Williams

chances of the operation's [hip 728](#), a homebred colt by Malibu Moon who was

**HIP 728**

Malibu Moon	A.P. Indy
unnamed, c, 2008	Macoumba
Kinlin	Unbridled
	Secret Red

selling later in the afternoon. Mission accomplished, as it turned out. The colt, a strapping bay son of the Unbridled mare Kinlin, set off a spirited bidding duel that ended with Jerry and Ann Moss's bid of \$400,000. Spendthrift Farm's B. Wayne Hughes was reportedly the underbidder.



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Kinlin had produced two foals by Partner's Hero, but the Haydens, after acquiring the mare, opted to send her to Kentucky to be bred to More Than Ready in the spring of 2005. The resulting foal was the filly Khendum, who was sold to Jerry and Ann Moss for \$500,000 at the 2007 September Sale. Sent to the Vinery stallion once again the next year, Kinlin foaled Epicurus, who Jim Scatourchio purchased for \$340,000 last year at September. While neither horse has started, the connections of both are reportedly high on their chances.

"It was very encouraging to see [bloodstock advisor] David Ingordo and the Mosses come back and buy this colt with confidence, even though [Khendum] hasn't started yet," said Hayden. "You have to have some confidence if you've got a three-year-old filly who hasn't started yet and it's September, but we think enough of her to come back and buy the brother."

Since buying Kinlin for \$30,000, Dark Hollow has now sold three foals from the mare for an aggregate of \$1.24 million.

Dark Hollow Farm was launched by David and JoAnn in the mid-1970s and since has produced some 40 stakes horses, including the aforementioned graded stakes winners Partner's Hero (Danzig) and Ready's Image (More Than Ready), as well as the champion sprinter Safely Kept (Horatius). --LM

**Dynaformer Colt Heading West...**

Alex Solis II and Jason Litt decided market conditions were ripe for a big purchase, and the two bloodstock agents went to \$610,000 to secure a son of Dynaformer out of Stirling (Seeking the Gold) during Wednesday's third session of the Keeneland September sale. "He was as good a colt as we've seen in the whole sale," said Litt, formerly with Three Chimneys, who signed the ticket on the yearling as Solis and Litt Racing Venture. "He was just a lovely Dynaformer, who is as good a stallion as exists in the world right now.

"We figured, if you're ever going to take a shot--he has a stallion's pedigree and looks the part--that this was the market to do it. We have some good clients that all thought if we were ever going to try to hit a home run, that this would be the colt." Litt admitted

	<u>HIP 493</u>	
Dynaformer	Roberto	
unnamed, c, 2008	Andover Way	
Stirling	Seeking the Gold	
	Daijin	

that a few years ago, this colt would have been beyond his reach. "We thought this was tremendous

value," he said of the price tag. "This is a horse that, last year or the year before, we would have had no shot. A couple of years ago, I know Claiborne sold the Dynaformer out of Preach, the half-brother to Pulpit, and he brought \$2.9 million [at the 2007 Keeneland September sale]. We think this is a comparable colt and hopefully we'll get lucky and do all right with him." The bay yearling is out of Stirling, a half sister to GISP Handpainted (A.P. Indy) and GSP Serenading (A.P. Indy). "He had a ton of presence, he's an easy mover with a lot of class to him," Litt said of the yearling. "We've seen a lot of Dynaformers over the years, and one thing we all know is that they're runners." The partnership on the Dynaformer colt has not been finalized, but Litt said it included "just a handful right now." Solis, who purchased this year's GIII San Rafael S. winner The Pamplemousse (Kafwain) for a partnership for \$150,000 at last year's OBS March sale, said the Dynaformer colt will head to California, but a trainer had not been picked out. Solis and Litt also purchased an El Prado (Ire) colt for \$55,000 during Monday's first session of the sale. "At the end of the day there are wonderful horses here and the fact that a lot of people aren't here to take advantage of it just certainly gives us the opportunity to buy a horse like this," Litt added. "So hopefully, we'll get lucky and be talking about this colt next year." The yearling was consigned by Claiborne Farm, agent.



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