
A RECORD BREAKING AUTUMN SALE ON ALL FRONTS

The Autumn Sale, which included the last session of the year dedicated to yearlings, finished today at Deauville. 125 of the 155 yearlings who went through the ring today changed hands (representing a clearance rate of 81%) for an average sale price of €8,864, generating a turnover of €1,116,000. Buyers from the following countries proved very active: Hungary, Slovakia, the Czech Republic, Serbia, Poland, Kazakhstan, Russia, Austria, Croatia, Germany, Spain, Ireland, England, Italy and France.

Right from the start Kevin Ross pushed the bidding up to €36,000 for the second lot of the day (lot 446), a son of Linda's Lad out of a sister to the champion Cirrus des Aigles consigned by the Haras des Capucines. Propelled to the position of leading buyer with 18 lots bought for a total of €139,500, Chris Richner spent €32,000 on lot 452, a son of Siyouni from the family of Group 3 winner and Group 1 placed Summertime Legacy, presented by the Haras du Logis.

Also presented by the Haras du Logis, lot 573 went to Haras de la Cauvinière owner Sylvain Vidal for €32,000. This was a half sister to the Group 3 placed Make It Reel. In the end, the top price of the day was achieved at the end of the session by lot 585, a son of the most promising Kendargent and a close relation to Prix Saint-Alary (**Gr.1**) winner Moonlight Dance. Presented by Jedburgh Stud, he was knocked down for €37,000 to Hervé Bunel (Agence FIPS) acting on behalf of Guy Pariente after some lengthy bidding against the Italian Guido Berardelli (International Bloodstock Management).

On the vendors' side, the Haras de Grandcamp finished at the top of the table with 12 lots sold for a total of €112,500, followed by the Haras du Logis and the Haras des Capucines.

Review of the sale

The 2014 renewal of the Autumn Sale which was held over three days for the first time, with two days dedicated to yearlings (compared to 1 last year) posted record results with most notably a record turnover of €7,612,500, up by 38% compared to the previous year. That clearance rate was 81%, representing an increase of nearly 11%.

Capped by a record top price of €420,000 for a three parts brother to Stormy River, who was unbeaten in two starts, the first day dedicated to horses in training both on the flat and over jumps posted excellent figures with a clearance rate of 83%, a figure up by over 14% compared to last year. Buyers were present across every category of horse on offer, with a particularly strong activity from the National Hunt fraternity. The two days dedicated to yearlings both for the flat and for jumps also brilliantly met expectations. The good National Hunt yearlings achieved excellent figures: 82% of them changed hands and were responsible for 75% of the total turnover for Tuesday. A record top price of €150,000 at the Autumn Sale was achieved by a son of Martaline from one of the finest National Hunt families in France.

At the end of the sale, ARQANA chairman Eric Hoyeau, expressed himself in these terms:

“The Autumn Sale achieved excellent figures which exceeded all our expectations. It is hugely rewarding to achieve a clearance rate of over 80%. The turnover was a record high of €7,612,500, representing an increase of 38% compared to last year. Above all, we thank the vendors who placed their trust in us as well as the buyers who made the journey en masse. »

Review of the 2014 ARQANA yearling sales

Thanks to this last session, ARQANA capped the threshold of selling 1000 yearlings this year. The total turnover generated by the August Yearling Sale, the v.2, the October Sale and the Autumn Sale reached €62,484,000 (including private sales) compared to €54,102,000 on the same day last year which presents a spectacular increase of over 15%. In the same vein, the average yearling price for the four sales reached €58,017.

This year, the yearling market showed a great vitality. At the August Sale, two record highs were achieved, with a percentage of yearlings sold settling at 81.48% and an average of €147,462, a figure up by nearly 10% compared to last year. The v.2, Sale which proved a unanimous success for the second consecutive year, featured a clearance rate of 92%, unheard of for a yearling sale. The October Sale also posted most satisfying figures with most notably excellent average sale price of €36,247, up by 8.3% on 2013, as well as a record median of €26,000.

Statistics for the 2014 Autumn Sale

Sale (including private sales)

Figures	2014	2013	Change
Offered	521	488	
Sold	421	341	
% Sold	80.81%	69.88%	+10.93 points
Average	€18,049	€16,157	+11.71%
Median	9.500%	8.000€	
Turnover (including private sales)	€7,612,500	€5,517,500	+37.97%

Top 5 lots

Lot	Name	Sire	Vendor	Buyer	Price
185	SILVERWAVE	Silver Frost	Alain Couétil	Alain Couétil pour Hspirit	€420,000
245	THE SAINT JAMES	Saint des Saints	Ecurie Sagara	Jonjo O'Neill	€320,000
215	AUVERGNAT	Della Francesca	Philippe Peltier	Highflyer Bloodstock	€220,000
230	BOX OFFICE	Great Pretender	François Nicolle	Jonjo O'Neill	€185,000
179	KINGOVERTHEWATER	Dalakhani	Francis-Henri Graffard	Broadhurst Agency	€155,000

Top 5 buyers

Buyers	Bought	Average	Total
Highflyer Bloodstock	15	€47,933	€719,000
Jonjo O'Neill	4	€177,500	€710,000
Guy Petit	22	€23,682	€521,000
Alain Couétil	1	€420,000	€420,000
T J Bloodstock	8	€46,500	€372,000

Top 5 vendors

Vendors	Sold	Average	Total
Alain Couétil	6	€99,667	€598,000
Haras de la Croix Sonnet	10	€37,700	€377,000
Ecurie Sagara	1	€320,000	€320,000
Haras de Grandcamp	21	€13,857	€291,000
Augustin Adeline de Boisbrunet	4	€66,250	€265,000

Full results of the sale are available online at www.arqana.com

Next sale: Breeding Stock Sale

6 - 9 December, Deauville