

## 2008 News Archive

3 December 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S 7th in KNHS/KWPN Stallion Show**

Our stallion Wang Chung M2S competed tonight in the five-year-old showjumping competition for approved stallions in Hengelo sponsored by the KNHS, the Dutch Equestrian Federation, and the KWPN, the Royal Dutch Studbook of the Netherlands.

Wang Chung M2S and Eddie Brinkman jumped clear in the first round and qualified for the jump-off. They had one fence down in the jump-off, placing seventh overall. The first eight places earned prize money and there were twenty-five stallions in the class.

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23 November 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S 2nd in 1.20 M. Class**

Today our 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S jumped two clear rounds and placed second in a 1.20 m. class in Barchem (Netherlands) with Eddie Brinkman. Fifty-five horses of all ages completed in the class.

On 5 October Wang Chung M2S placed 6th (in a class of 40) at Heeten.

On 26 October at Laag Soeren he jumped clear but had one time fault (in a class of 60).

Wang Chung M2S (by Royal Bravour and out of Harnita by Ahorn) is approved by the Irish Horse Board and the Anglo European Studbook. In February 2008 he won the Future Stallion showjumping title at the CSI\*\* Zwolle Show.

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19 November 2008

### **Daughter of Desir du Chateau Placed 9th in French Mare Showjumping Championship**

Recently in the French 6-Year-Old Championship of Showjumping Mares Ombrelle Rouse (by Morningside Stud's stallion Desir du Chateau and out of a mare by Rox de la Touche) was placed 9th and judged "Tres Bon" by the judges.

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6 October 2008

### **Condios Son Wins CNC\* Michael Leonard Memorial 5 & 6 Year Old Eventing Championship**

Ballintogher Gigolo, a 2002 bay gelding sired by Condios, on Saturday won Eventing Ireland's CNC\* Michael Leonard Memorial 5 & 6 Year Old Championship at Ballindenisk. The horse was bred by Eileen Nugent.

In the 4 & 5 Year Old Pre-Novice class at the same event Shanaclough Saniki, a 2003 bay mare sired by Ekstein, placed second. She is out of the mare Shanalough Surprise and was bred by her rider, John Glynn.

In the O/CNC\*\* Event at Ballindenisk Loughnavatta Papillo, a 2001 bay gelding sired by Condios, placed 11th. He is out of the mare Ballin Clover Penny by Clover Hill, is ridden by Katie O'Sullivan, and was bred by Patrick Heffernan.

In other events in recent weeks, Code Blue, a 2001 gelding sired by Condios, had the following results all at Pre-Novice level: 5th at Clyda, 2nd at Ballinaclough, 5th at Calverstown, and 7th at Kilmanahan. Code Blue is out of the mare The Blue Sky, was bred by Deirdre Ryan, and is ridden by Heidi Hamilton.

And in other events in recent weeks The Reprieve, a 2003 bay gelding sired by Condios, had the following results at Pre-Novice level: 13th at Clyda (two fences down in showjumping but clear in the cross-country) and 22nd at Kilmanahan (clear in showjumping

and cross-country). The Reprieve is out of the mare Femme Fatale M2S; was bred by Morningside Stud; and is ridden by his owner, the young rider Raymond Fennell.

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1 October 2008

### **"Who Will Carry the Torch?": Forthcoming Article in L'Annee Hippique**

"Who Will Carry the Torch?", an article by Tom Reed on stallions that competed in the 2008 Olympics, will soon be published in the 2008/2009 L'Annee Hippique, the equestrian yearbook published by BCM in cooperation with the FEI.

The article may be read on our blog.

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29 September 2008

### **Robo Paddy Withdrawn Due to Injury While Loughnavatta Papillo Confirmed**

Eventing Ireland has announced that Robo Paddy (Condios x Cavalier Royale) has had to be withdrawn due to injury from the 6-Year-Old CCI\* World Breeding Championship for Young Eventing Horses at Le Lion d'Angers. We wish Robo Paddy a speedy recovery.

Eventing Ireland also has announced that Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) has been moved from the reserve list to the list of definitive starters in the 7-Year-Old CCI\*\* World Breeding Championship for Young Eventing Horses. Best of luck to Loughnavatta Papillo and Katie O'Sullivan.

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24 September 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Jumps Well at Varssevelds Hippisch Festijn**

Last week at the Varssevelds Hippisch Festijn (Netherlands) Wang Chung M2S and Eddie Brinkman jumped double-clear and placed 5th on the first day of the competition.

In the final they were the fastest 4-faulter, after having knocked the last fence, and placed 7th.

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22 September 2008

### **Roundthorn Madios Super at Lanaken**

Roundthorn Madios (Condios x Clover Hill) and his rider Catherine Thornton had a super show at the 6-Year-Old World Breeding Championship for Young Jumping Horses in Lanaken (Belgium). The pair did not touch a fence in the first qualifier, the second qualifier, or the first round of the Final class. In the Final the pair had one time fault that prevented them from competing in the jump-off against the clock. Roundthorn Madios placed 14th in the Final.

In the Consolation class for 6-year-olds Diamond Toby (Eksten x King of Diamonds) and his rider Ross Mulholland also had one time fault; they placed 24th out of 123 starters. In the first qualifier Diamond Toby jumped clear in the first round and had one fence down in the second round. In the second qualifier he had one fence down.

In the Consolation class for 5-year-olds Dax van't Abdijhoeve (Desir du Chateau x Clinton) and Pieter Devos had two fences down. The pair had jumped clear and were joint winners of the first qualifier. In the second qualifier Dax had one fence down.

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18 September 2008

### **Son of Desir du Chateau Selected for World Breeding Championship**

Dax van't Abdijhoeve, the 5-year son of Desir du Chateau out of a mare by Clinton, has been selected to represent the Belgium

Warmblood Studbook at the World Breeding Championship for Young Showjumping Horses at Lanaken. His rider and owner is Peter Devos.

As a 3-year-old Dax was the top-selling horse sold at the World Cup Mechelen Auction. In April of this year he placed joint first in the international 5- and 6-year-old class at the CSI\*\*\* Lummen show.

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17 September 2008

### **Two Condios Progeny Nominated to Represent Ireland at World Breeding Championships for Young Eventing Horses**

Eventing Ireland and the Irish Horse Board announced today that Robo Paddy is one of three horses selected to represent the Irish studbook at the 6-Year-Old CCI\* World Breeding Championship for Young Eventing Horses at Le Lion d'Angers (France) on 16-19 October.

Robo Paddy is a 2002 bay gelding sired by Condios and out of the mare Cavaliers Abbey by Cavalier Royale. He was bred by Stephanie Heffernan, is owned by Neil McKay, and is ridden by Steven Smith.

Eventing Ireland and the Irish Horse Board also announced today that Loughnavatta Papillo has been selected as the reserve entry for the 7-Year-Old CCI\*\* World Breeding Championship for Young Eventing Horses. Four horses in this age group were selected and Loughnavatta Papillo will join the team if one of the four is forced to withdraw before the final entry date of 2 October.

Loughnavatta Papillo is a 2001 bay gelding by Condios and out of the mare Ballin Clover Penny by Clover Hill. He was bred by Patrick Heffernan, is owned by Rory Costigan, and is ridden by Katie O'Sullivan.

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14 September 2008

### **Loughnavatta Papillo 2nd in Calverstown CNC\*\***

Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) and Katie O'Sullivan placed second today in the two-star event at Calverstown.

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9 September 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny Selected for World Breeding Championships**

The 6-year-old geldings Rounthorn Madios (Condios x Clover Hill, bred by Denise Gleeson-McDonagh) and Diamond Toby (Ekstein x King of Diamonds, bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan) will represent Ireland at the World Breeding Showjumping Championships in Lanaken, Belgium.

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4 September 2008

### **Latest Article for *Horse International* Magazine**

HOW'M I DOIN'? EVALUATING AND PRICING YOUR FOALS is Tom Reed's latest article for Horse International magazine.

The article can be accessed through our blog.

Next month (October, Issue 9) Horse International is going to publish a very good article by my dear friend Maren Engelhardt about using TB mares in sport horse breeding. The article was going to run alongside my article last month on TBs in sport horse breeding but they ran out of room. Then it was going to run this month but they decided to run my article instead because breeders are evaluating their foals now. I'll take a break next month so Maren's article can be published in my space. It is worth the wait, however, as Maren makes a lot of good points.

In any case, I hope you enjoy this month's article and find it worthwhile.

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26 August 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 9th in International Class**

Today our 7-year-old stallion Ulysses M2S (Ekstein x Voltaire) and his half-owner Rossella de Simone jumped double-clear and placed 9th in a 1.35 m. class at the CSI\*\* Auvers (France) show.

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25 August 2008

### **Diamond Toby Selected to Represent Ireland at the World Breeding Championships**

The Irish Sport Horse Diamond Toby, a 2002 bay gelding by Ekstein out of Duharra Diamond, by King Of Diamonds, has been selected by the Irish Horse Board to represent Ireland at the World Breeding Championships in Lanaken.

Diamond Toby (birth name Elvis the King M2S) was bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan. We sold him as a 3-year-old gelding to the Irish rider Linda Courtney. Diamond Toby has been produced for Linda by Ross Mulholland, and most recently they won the Boomerang Championship at Millstreet and placed 6th in the Dublin Horse Show 6-Year-Old Championship.

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23 August 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 5th and 9th in International Classes**

This weekend our 7-year-old stallion Ulysses M2S and his half-owner Rossella de Simone placed 5th and 9th in 1.35 m. classes at the CSI\*\* Auvers (France) show.

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21 August 2008

### **Announcement of the Death of Ekstein**

Our joy in the fantastic showing in Hong Kong by Hickstead (Hamlet x Ekstein) and Don Porfirio (Indoctro x Ekstein) is greatly diminished by the death of Ekstein. Ekstein died while being walked from his stable to the exercise paddock, apparently of a heart attack or stroke. He was 22 years old.

Ekstein was a world-class KWPN sire that produced an Olympic horse (Joel), dozens of international showjumpers, and a half-dozen approved sons including our own Ulysses M2S. More recently we have seen grand-children of Ekstein reaching the highest levels in sport.

We are saddened by the death of Ekstein but his influence on Morningside Stud's breeding program will endure through his son Ulysses M2S (Ekstein x Voltaire); our stallion prospects Boy Toy M2S (Ekstein x Limmerick x Nimmerdor), Ballistic M2S (Ekstein x Condios x Cor de la Byere), and Chien-Ming Wang M2S (Wang Chung M2S x Ekstein x Cruising); eighteen daughters and grand-daughters; and Ekstein's half-sister Ushiniki.

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21 August 2008

### **Ekstein Grand-son Hickstead Wins Olympic Individual Gold Medal**

Hickstead (Hamlet x Ekstein), who just a few days ago won for Canada the Olympic Team Silver Medal, has today won the Individual Gold Medal in Showjumping.

Hickstead and his rider Eric Lamaze defeated Sweden's Rolf-Goran Bengtsson and his horse Ninja La Silla in the jump-off for the gold medal. Hickstead was the only horse to jump three clear rounds today.

Hickstead is sired by Hamlet (a son of Nimmerdor) and is out of the mare Jomara (sired by our stallion Ekstein). Besides Hickstead and his full-brother Hickstead II (a 2004 stallion approved by Zangersheide), Jomara also produced the international eventing horse Nieco (by the sire Holland).

Congratulations to Eric and Hickstead!

Also in the final today Itot du Chateau and Edwina Alexander (Australia) were in the jump-off for the bronze medal but unfortunately did not jump clear and finished in 10th place. Itot du Chateau is by Le Tot de Semilly and is out of the mare Sophie du Chateau, a half-sister of our stallion Desir du Chateau.

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18 August 2008

### **Ekstein Grand-Son Hickstead Wins Team Silver Olympic Medal**

Hickstead (Hamlet x Ekstein), the second best showjumper in the world in 2007, and the Canadian team have won the Team Silver Medal for Canada at the 2008 Olympics in Hong Kong. Hickstead is ridden by Eric Lamaze.

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17 August 2008

### **Ekstein Son Diamond Toby Crowned Millstreet Boomerang Champion**

Today Diamond Toby (Ekstein x King of Diamonds) won the Millstreet Boomerang Showjumping Championship. This competition was named after Eddie Macken's great international showjumper Boomerang.

Diamond Toby (birth name Elvis the King M2S) was bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan, is owned by Linda Courtney, and is ridden by Ross Muholland. We sold Diamond Toby to Linda Courtney as a 3-year-old gelding.

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10 August 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny Excel in Dublin Horse Show 6 Year Old Championship**

Today in The Cruising 6 Year Old Championship at the Dublin Horse, Roundthorn Madios (Condios x Clover Hill) was crowned Vice-Champion and Diamond Toby (Ekstein x King of Diamonds) placed 6th. Both horses jumped double-clear rounds.

Roundthorn Madios was bred by Denise Gleeson McDonagh, is owned by Patricia Connon, and is ridden by Catherine Thornton. Diamond Toby was bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan, is owned by Linda Courtney, and is ridden by Ross Muholland.

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7 August 2008

### **Morningside Stud Genetics at 2008 Olympics**

Click on 2008 Olympics to read about all the horses in showjumping, eventing and dressage that are related to Morningside Stud's stallions and mares. Of course, the most famous one is the Gold Medal winner Hickstead (Hamlet by Ekstein)!

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7 August 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny to Compete at Dublin Horse Show**

Diamond Toby (Ekstein x King of Diamonds) and Roundthorn Madios (Condios x Clover Hill) have both qualified to compete this week in the 6-Year-Old Championship at the Dublin Horse Show.

Diamond Toby was bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan; Roundthorn Madios was bred by Denise Gleeson McDonagh.

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7 August 2008

### **Loughnavatta Papillo Selected for Stepping Stones Program**

Loughnavatta Papillo, the 2001 gelding sired by Condios, is one of two dozen 6- and 7-year-old horses selected by Eventing Ireland for the Stepping Stones program.

Stepping Stones is a collaborative venture by Horse Sport Ireland and Eventing Ireland to nurture "talented 6 and 7 year old Irish Bred horses and their riders. The objective of the programme is to identify and develop potential team combinations." The horses selected for the program, and their riders, will receive special training.

Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) was bred by Patrick Heffernan and is owned by Rory Costigan. He has already begun competing at international level.

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6 August 2008

### **Latest Article for *Horse International***

Tom Reed's latest article for Horse International magazine, "A Special Role No More: TBs In Sport Horse Breeding", is about the future role of TBs in sport horse breeding.

The article can be read on the blog, accessible on the link above, or in Vol 7 2008 of Horse International. See the Special Offers page for more information on subscribing to the magazine.

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4 August 2008

### **Condios Progeny Continue to Event Well**

Kilminchy Condor is doing very well eventing with his owner and rider Jayne Doherty. This 2002 gelding, sired by Condios and out of

the mare The Jewel of Arlington, placed 7th and 2nd in his first two eventing competitions, at the Pre–Novice level, and this past weekend placed 10th in his first CNC\* event, held at Glenarm. Kilminchy Condor was bred by Dr. Frances Conway.

Robo Paddy also had a very good result in Glenarm this weekend, placing 4th in the CNC\*\* with Steven Smith. Robo Paddy is a 2002 gelding sired by Condios and out of the mare Cavaliers Abbey by Cavalier Royale; he was bred by Stephanie Heffernan.

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3 August 2008

### **Congratulations to Callie Judy!**

Today the US junior eventing rider Callie Judy won the Individual Gold Medal and, with her team–mates, the Team Gold Medal in the 2008 CN FEI North American Junior Rider Eventing Championship aboard Irish Odyssey, a mare sired by Master Imp xx that we found for Judy here in Ireland last summer.

This was their first victory in a CCI\* event and follows two victories in CIC\* events this year.

Well done Callie and congratulations to you and your family!

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2 August 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 3rd in International 1.35 M. Class**

Today Ulysses M2S and Rossella de Simone placed 3rd in the Small Tour Final 1.35 m. class at the CSI\*\* at Valkenswaard (Netherlands).

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1 August 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 6th in International 1.40 M. Class**

Our homebred stallion Ulysses M2S and his co-owner, the Belgian young rider Rossella de Simone, placed 6th today in the Medium Tour 1.40 m. class at the CSI\*\* at Valkenswaard (Netherlands).

Ulysses M2S was the youngest horse in the class, being the only 7-year-old.

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28 July 2008

### **Confident M2S Eventing Well in England**

Confident M2S (by Condios and out of Rainmaker by Chairmaker) has been competing well in England with his rider Lucienne Elms.

This past weekend they placed 9th in a Pre-Novice Plus event in Little Mattingley. Other good placings include 4th in the Pre-Novice at Salperton Park, 3rd in the Pre-Novice at Moreton, and 2nd in the Pre-Novice at West Wilts.

Confident M2S is a 2002 gelding bred by Morningside Stud. Irish eventing rider Carol Gee recently purchased his full-brother, the 2003 gelding Confidant M2S.

In other news from England, Stilo Kontiko (by Condios and out of the mare Blue Labamba) is continuing to perform well. This 2001 gelding bred by Linda Slattery recently placed 1st in the Intermediate class at Stockland Lovell, 31st in the Barbury International \*\*, 26th in the Logleat International \*\*, and 7th in the Intermediate class at Powdowham Castle. In all these events Stilo Kontiko and his rider Jason Hobbs jumped clear in both the showjumping and cross-country phases.

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28 July 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny Perform Well**

In the Pre-Novice event at Kilkguilkey yesterday Ballintogher Gigolo won and Shanaclough Saniki placed 4th.

Ballintogher Gigolo is a 2002 gelding by Condios. He was bred by Eileen Nugent, is owned by Brendan McChesney, and is ridden by Frances Younghusband.

Shanaclough Saniki is a 2003 mare by Ekstein and out of Shanalough Surprise. She was bred by her rider and owner John Glynn.

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27 July 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S 3rd in 1.20 M Class**

Our 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S (Royal Bravour x Ahorn) placed 3rd today in a 1.20 m. class in the Netherlands with Eddie Brinkman. There were 80 starters of all ages in this two-round class with the second round against the clock.

Wang Chung M2S was sired by Royal Bravour and is out of our mare Harnita (Ahorn x Erdball xx). He is approved by the AES and ISH studbooks and is the reigning Zwolle International Show Future Stallion Champion.

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23 July 2008

### **Ziggy Marley M2S Places 5th in FEHL Qualifier**

Ziggy Marley M2S and his rider Katie O'Sullivan placed 5th today in the Future Event Horse League Qualifier (FEHL) at Ballygraffan.

By virtue of placing 6th and 5th in two qualifiers Ziggy Marley M2s is now guaranteed a start in the FEHL Final.

Ziggy Marley M2S is a 4-year-old gelding sired by Roven xx; his dam is our mare Kalista (by Burggraaf). He is owned jointly by Katie O'Sullivan and Morningside Stud.

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20 July 2008

### **Robo Paddy 3rd in Horseware CNC\* 5 & 6 Year Old Championship**

Today at Ballinacoola Robo Paddy and Steven Smith placed 3rd in the Horseware 5 & 6 Year Old Championship.

Robo Paddy was sired by Condios and is out of the mare Cavaliers Abbey by Cavalier Royale. He was bred by Stephanie Heffernan and is owned by Cormac McKay.

And the same event Code Blue was 8th in the Pre-Novice class. He also was sired by Condios and is out of the mare The Blue Sky. Bred by Deirdre Ryan, Code Blue is ridden by Heidi Hamilton.

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19 July 2008

### **Brookpark Matilda 3rd Best Loose-Jumper**

Brookpark Matilda, a three-year-old bay filly sired by Condios and out of the mare Red Stile (by Laughton's Flight), today placed third in The West Cork Horse Breeders Co-operative Society's Loose-Jumping Championship.

Brookpark Matilda was bred and is owned by Tristan Kingston.

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13 July 2008

### **Condios Son 2nd in Pre-Novice Event**

Today Ballintogher Gigolo placed second in the Pre-Novice Event at Grove. This 2002 bay gelding was sired by Condios, bred by Eileen Nugent, is owned by Brendan McChesney, and is ridden by Frances Younghusband.

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11 July 2008

### **Femme Fatale M2S Sold**

Femme Fatale M2S has been sold to a breeder in Ireland. The mare will be put back in foal to Désir du Chateau to produce a full-sibling of the 2008 filly Désir du Temps M2S. Along with this year's filly we have retained a 50% ownership in Angelina M2S and 100% ownership of China Doll M2S and the stallion prospect Boy Toy M2S. Congratulations, Eamonn!

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10 July 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny Perform Well in Showjumping and Eventing**

In the sixth leg in the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series 2008, which took place at the Omagh Show from 4th to 5th July, progeny of Condios and Ekstein achieved the following results:

#### **6/7 Year Old Qualifier**

4th Place by Roundthorn Madios – 2002 bay gelding by Condios out of Clover Heidi by Clover Hill (RID). Bred by Denise Gleeson McDonagh, owned by Patricia M Connon, and ridden by Catherine Thornton.

#### **6/7 Year Old Final**

4th Place by Diamond Toby – 2002 bay gelding by Ekstein out of Duharra Diamond by King Of Diamonds. Bred by Morningside Stud

& John O'Sullivan, owned by Linda Courtney, and ridden by Ross Mulholland;

and

6th Place by Roundthorn Madios.

At the event in Boultra on 6 July the following results were noted:

In the Pre-Novice Event Shanaclough Saniki placed 6th. This 2003 mare is by Ekstein and out of Shanaclough Surprise. She was bred and is ridden by John Glynn.

In the Intro Event The Reprieve placed 11th. This 2003 gelding is by Condios and out of Femme Fatale M2S by Limmerick. He was bred by Morningside Stud and is owned and ridden by Raymond Fennell.

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9 July 2008

### **Pia**

Pia (Calvados x Pilot x Beach Boy), one of our fantastic mares, died today giving birth to the colt Dedalus M2S (by Ulysses M2S). We are fortunate to have several daughters and grand-daughters of Pia in our breeding program (Condia M2S, Acondia M2S, Bumblebee Rose M2S, Cheng Pei-peï M2S, and Désir de l'Esprit M2S). The colt foal is being raised by a foster mother.

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7 July 2008

### **Latest Article for *Horse International***

Tom Reed's latest article for Horse International magazine, "Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence", is about what we can learn from the Holsteiner Verband and its members.

The article can be read on the blog, accessible on the link above, or in Vol 6 2008 of Horse International. See the Special Offers page for more information on subscribing to the magazine.

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6 July 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S 2nd in 1.20 M. Class**

Our 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S jumped double-clear today and placed second in a 1.20 m. class in the Netherlands with Eddie Brinkman.

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2 July 2008

### **Ziggy Marley M2S Places 6th in FEHL Qualifier at Scarteen**

Our 4-year-old gelding Ziggy Marley M2S (by Roven xx and out of Kalista by Burggraaf) placed 6th in his first Future Event Horse League (FEHL) qualifer. He was ridden by his half-owner, the Irish international eventing rider Katie O'Sullivan. Ziggy Marley M2S did a good dressage test, jumped clear (there was thunder, lightning, and an unbelievable amount of rain during his round!), and earned particularly high scores for his canter and jumping technique.

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1 July 2008

### **Recent Results**

On 27 June our 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S (Royal Bravour – Harnita by Ahorn) jumped double-clear and placed 4th in a 1.20 m. competition against the clock in a class in the Netherlands with approximately 80 other horses of all ages.

On 29 June at the Calverstown Event in Ireland the gelding Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) placed 2nd in a Novice Class.

At the same event in a Pre–Novice competition Ballintogher Gigolo (by Condios) placed 11th.

In the fifth leg of the Irish Sport Horse Showjumping Series 2008, which ran from 20th to 21st June, Diamond Toby, a 2002 bay gelding by Ekstein out of Duharra Diamond by King Of Diamonds, placed 4th in the 6/7 Year Old Final.

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20 June 2008

### **Morningside Stud Buys KWPN Mare Closely Related to Ulysses M2S**

Morningside Stud is pleased to announce the purchase of the 6–year–old KWPN mare Vicky (Burggraaf x Quidam de Revel x Voltaire). Vicky is a daughter of Kretienne, the half–sister of our international jumping stallion Ulysses M2S, the former Champion Mare of the KWPN, and the dam of the Selle Francais approved stallion Taloubet du Rouet.

"When Ulysses' dam Gudrun died in foal to Condios in 2003 we were very disappointed because she had not left us a daughter to continue this fantastic damline", reports Tom Reed. "We have tried repeatedly since that time to buy a mare or filly closely related to Gudrun but without success. But now we are delighted to own this grand–daughter of Gudrun and to re–establish this important damline in our breeding program."

Vicky will be put in foal this year to Morningside Stud's super young stallion Wang Chung M2S (Royal Bravour x Ahorn x Erdball xx), the 2008 Zwolle Future Stallion Champion who is approved by the Anglo European Studbook and the Irish Horse Board.

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15 June 2008

### **Diamond Toby 5th in 6/7 Year Old Final at Galway County Show**

Today in the fourth leg in the Irish Sport Horse Showjumping Series 2008 in the 6/7 Year Old Final at the Galway County Show Diamond Toby placed 5th.

Diamond Toby is a 6-year-old bay gelding by Ekstein out of Duharra Diamond by King Of Diamonds. He was bred by Morningside Stud and John O'Sullivan, is owned by Linda Courtney, and was ridden by Ross Mulholland.

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15 June 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 7th and Condios 10th in International Show in the Netherlands**

Yesterday at the CHIO\*\* Show at Hoofd Dorp in the Netherlands our 7-year-old stallion Ulysses M2S jumped double-clear and placed 7th in the 1.35 m. class with his half-owner and rider Rossella de Simone.

And today Condios, in his first Grand Prix since returning to sport after a 2.5 year hiatus, and in only his fourth show, was the fastest four-faulter and placed 10th with Rossella.

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9 June 2008

### **Progeny of Condios Perform Well at Kilguilkey House Event**

Yesterday was a busy day for progeny of Condios at the Kilguilkey House Event.

Code Blue (breeder: Deirdre Ryan) placed 4th at Pre-Novice level with rider Heidi Hamilton.

The Reprieve (breeder: Morningside Stud) placed 6th at Intro level with Raymond Fennell.

Ballintogher Gigolo (breeder: Eyleen Nugent) placed 7th at Intro level with Frances Younghusband.

And Conspiracy M2S (breeder: Morningside Stud) placed 12th at Intro level with Katie O'Sullivan.

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7 June 2008

### **Next Article in *Horse International* Magazine**

As the breeding columnist for Horse International magazine, I write an essay for each edition. In the June 2008 (Vol. 5) issue an article will appear entitled, "Every Man a Rembrandt! Every Breeder a Melchior!" The article is on the uses and mis-uses of breeding indices and rankings. Hope you find it interesting and informative.

The article can also be found on my blog through the link above.

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3 June 2008

### **Condios and Ekstein Progeny Well-Placed in IHB Class**

In the third leg of the Irish Sport Horse Studbook Showjumping Series, which took place at the Mullingar International CSI\*\* Show from 31st May to 2nd June, progeny of Condios and Ekstein performed well. Roundthorn Madios placed 4th and Diamond Toby placed 5th in the 6/7 Year Old Qualifier.

Roundthorn Madios is a 2002 bay gelding by Condios out of Clover Heidi (by Clover Hill). He was bred by Denise Gleeson McDonagh, is owned by Patricia M Connon, and is ridden by Catherine Thornton.

Diamond Toby is a 2002 bay gelding by Ekstein out of Duharra Diamond (by King Of Diamonds). He was bred by Morningside Stud

& John O'Sullivan, is owned by Linda Courtney, and is ridden by Ross Mulholland.

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2 June 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S 5th in 1.20 M. Class**

This past weekend Wang Chung M2S jumped double-clear and placed 5th out of 45 starters in a 1.20 m. class against the clock in the Netherlands.

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1 June 2008

### **Two Sons of Condios Perform Well at Tattersalls International Event**

At the CCI\* International Event at Tattersalls this weekend Robo Paddy (Condios – Cavalier Royale) jumped clear in both the cross-country and showjumping phases and finished on his dressage score. He placed 9th in the field of 120 starters with his rider Steven Smith.

In the same class Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) had one fence down in the showjumping phased but was clear in the cross-country. He placed 26th with his rider Katie O'Sullivan.

Robo Paddy was bred by Stephanie Heffernan and is owned by Cormac McKay. Loughnavatta Papillo was bred by Patrick Heffernan and is owned by Rory Costigan.

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25 May 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 5th in International Class**

Ulysses M2S jumped two clear rounds and placed 5th today in the 1.35 m. class at the CSI\*\* Show at Moorsele (Belgium) with his rider and half-owner, the Belgian young rider Rossella de Simone.

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25 May 2008

### **Conspiracy M2S Events at Flowerhill**

Conspiracy M2S did very well at the Intro event at Flowerhill and would have won the class if it were not for some errant course re-building.

After producing an excellent dressage test (his score of 72.5 % / 27.5 penalty points was the only score to break the 70% barrier) and a clear showjumping phase Conspiracy and his rider Katie O'Sullivan ran into trouble in the cross-country phase when a flag was moved on obstacle 14 after the riders had walked the course. Katie and Conspiracy came out of the water complex and went on the wrong side of the flag. Realizing the mistake, she circled around went through again. But these actions caused time penalties to be assessed (Conspiracy would have placed second, 0.2 points behind the eventual winner, with the time penalties added) but more important the pair was eliminated.

Bad luck on the day but we are pleased with how Conspiracy is taking to eventing.

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21 May 2008

### **Irish Horse Board Approves Wang Chung M2S**

Following an inspection in the Netherlands on 13 May the Irish Horse Board has approved the 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S (Royal Bravour x Ahorn x Erdball xx). He was bred by Morningside

Stud and is the first Irish-bred KWPN-registered stallion approved by the IHB. Earlier, as a 4-year-old, Wang Chung M2S was approved by the Anglo European Studbook.

The IHB's inspection team was led by Ned Campion, who represented Ireland at the highest level in showjumping, including the Mexico City Olympics, as an officer in the Irish Army. The highly regarded veterinary surgeon Tom Hurley was also on the inspection team and he gave the stallion a thorough health exam and, along with Ned Campion, assessed the stallion's conformation, movement, and temperament. The inspection team was rounded off by the successful Irish international rider Enda Carroll, who drove in from his stables in Belgium to serve as test rider. As part of the inspection process Wang Chung also passed a rigorous radiological exam.

In February Wang Chung M2S won the prestigious Future Stallion championship at the CSI\*\* Zwolle International Show. In this two day competition for 25 approved stallions from across Europe Wang Chung placed 4th on the first day and won the class on the second day. His overall ranking earned him the title of Future Stallion Champion -- the first time this honour has been won by an Irish-bred horse.

Wang Chung's is very fertile and he produced an excellent first crop. A filly foal by Wang Chung out of a Cruising mare was sold to South America. His fresh chilled semen can be shipped with next-day delivery in Ireland and throughout the European Union. In the autumn his semen will be frozen.

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18 May 2008

### **Code Blue Wins Pre-Novice Event**

Code Blue, the 7-year-old gelding sired by Condios, today won the Pre-Novice Event with Heidi Hamilton. This was only the third competition for the horse.

Code Blue was bred by Deirdre Ryan of Ennis, Co. Clare.

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16 May 2008

### **Tom Reed Appointed *Horse International* Columnist**

On 22 April 2008 I received an email from Pamela Young, editor of *Horse International*, in which she invited me to become the magazine's columnist on breeding issues. Please visit my blog if you'd like to read my first article.

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12 May 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Jumps Well in 1.20 M Classes**

Today Wang Chung M2S, our 5-year-old stallion, placed 4th in a 1.20 m class in the Netherlands with 55 starters.

On Saturday he placed 11th in a 1.20 m class with 80 starters.

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11 May 2008

### **Loughnavatta Papillo 2nd in Novice Event at Kilmanahan**

Today in the CNC\* Novice Class at the Kilmanahan One Day Event Loughnavatta Papillo placed second with Katie O'Sullivan. The 7-year-old bay gelding earned a dressage score of 76.7% (i.e., 23.3 penalty points) and was clear in both the cross-country and showjumping phases. Thirty-five horses competed in the class.

Loughnavatta Papillo is by Condios and out of the mare Ballin Clover Penny by Clover Hill. He was bred by Patrick Heffernan and is owned by Rory Costigan.

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4 May 2008

### **Conspiracy M2S 6th in Intro Event**

Today at the one day event at Glendoran our stallion Conspiracy M2S (Condios x Corrado I) and Katie O'Sullivan placed 6th in the Intro event. Conspiracy jumped clear in both the showjumping and cross country phases but incurred some time penalties in the cross country.

In the same class Code Blue (also by Condios and bred by Deirdre Ryan) placed 4th.

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30 April 2008

### **Good Start for Roundthorn Madios**

In the Irish Sport Horse Showjumping Series 2008, which kicked off at the County Louth show last week, Roundthorn Madios placed 2nd in the 6/7-Year-Old Qualifier and 3rd in the Final. He now holds 3rd place in the ranking.

Roundthorn Madios is a 2002 bay gelding by Condios and out of Clover Heidi (by Clover Hill). Bred by Denise Gleeson McDonagh, the horse is owned by Patricia Connon and ridden by Catherine Thornton. As a 4-year-old Roundthorn Madios and Catherine Thornton won the National Championship of Ireland and the Balmoral National Championship of Northern Ireland.

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28 April 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Wins 1.10 Class**

Yesterday Wang Chung won a 1.10 m. outdoor class in the Netherlands in a field with 80 starters of all ages. He jumped two clear rounds and had the fastest time in the jump-off.

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28 April 2008

### **Condios Progeny Do Well in International 3-Day Event**

At the CIC\* Ballygraffan International Horse Trials this past weekend Loughnavatta Papillo placed 11th and Robo Paddy placed 21st in a class with 102 starters. Both horses were clear in the cross-country and had no time penalties. Both had one fence down in the showjumping phase.

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19 April 2008

### **Robo Paddy 4th in Novice Event**

Robo Paddy (by Condios and out of the mare Cavaliers Abbey by Cavalier Royale) continued his consistent form by placing 4th today in a CNC\* Novice event at Rademon.

Robo Paddy was bred by Stephanie Heffernan, is owned by Cormac McKay, and is ridden by Steven Smith.

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17 April 2008

### **Ulysses M2S Fifth in International Speed Class**

Today our 7-year-old stallion Ulysses M2S and Rossella de Simone placed 5th out of 64 starters in a one round speed class on the opening day of the three-star international show at Lummen, Belgium.

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13 April 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Places 7th in Outdoor Class**

In his first outdoor class in 2008 Wang Chung M2S placed 7th out of 75 starters in a 1.10 m. class with horses of all ages.

After another outdoor class or two at 1.10 m. Eddie Brinkman will start competing Wang Chung in 1.20 m. classes.

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12 April 2008

### **Conspiracy M2S 1st in Intro Event at Ballyclough**

In a field of 28 starters, Conspiracy M2S (Condios x Corrado I) today won an Intro Event at Ballyclough. With a dressage score of 67% (33 penalty points), Conspiracy took the lead after the dressage phase. With faultless rounds in both showjumping and cross-country Conspiracy kept the lead and finished first, a full point ahead of the second-place horse. This was Conspiracy's second eventing competition.

Also in the class and doing very well was Code Blue (by Condios and out of the mare The Blue Sky), bred by Deirdre Ryan of Ennis. In this his first event Code Blue finished 10th.

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9 April 2008

### **First Irish-Bred Foal by Désir du Chateau is Born**

This morning Désir de Zonah M2S, a bay filly by Désir du Chateau out of the mare Zonah's Tesoro M2S (Boherdeal Clover x Satco xx), was born at Morningside Stud. The filly is tall and very active.

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5 April 2008

### **Two Condios Progeny Well-Placed at CNC\*Novice Event**

Robo Paddy (Condios x Cavalier Royale) and Loughnavatta Papillo (Condios x Clover Hill) placed 5th and 7th, respectively, in the CNC\* Novice class at Tyrella today. Thirty-three horses competed in the class.

Robo Paddy, bred by Stephanie Heffernan, finished on his dressage score while Loughnavatta Papillo, bred by Stephanie's father Patrick Heffernan, added just .4 time penalty points in the cross country.

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4 April 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 8th in International Speed Class**

Today at the CSI\*\* Show in Barbizon (France) Ulysses M2S and Rossella de Simone placed 8th in a 1.30 m. Speed Class. Eighty-five (85) horses competed in the class and the first 22 places earned prize money.

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31 March 2008

### **Ulysses M2S 5th in International Speed Class**

In his first international show in 2008 Ulysses M2S and his rider Rossella de Simone placed 5th in a 1.35 m. Speed Class at the CSIY-A Show in Le Touquet (France).

This international young rider show was also the first outing for Condios in 2.5 years. Condios and Rossella had two fences down in a 1.30 m. class. In the 1.35 m. class Condios jumped clear in the first phase and then had one fence down in the second round. We are very pleased that this partnership is off to a good start.

In the Danish Young Horse Championship held in Herning last month the Condios son Runrig Gangster placed 4th. He scored 9s for jumping technique and scope and 8s for canter and rideability.

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24 March 2008

### **Results from Last Weekend**

Our stallion Wang Chung M2S placed 5th out of 130 starters in a 1.10 m. class in the Netherlands.

Robo Paddy (Condios x Cavalier Royale), bred by Stephanie Heffernan and ridden by Steven Smith, placed 2nd in a field of 24 starters in the CNC\* Novice event at Ballindenisk.

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15 March 2008

### **Robo Paddy Wins CNC\* Novice Event**

Robo Paddy, a 6-year-old gelding sired by Condios, and his rider Steven Smith won today a Novice class at the Horseheaven CNC\* Event in Dromiskin, County Louth. The duo finished on the their dressage score having completed the showjumping and cross-country phases without penalty points added.

This was Steven Smith's first competition with Robo Paddy, which was competed in several events in 2007 by Joseph Murphy. As a 4-year-old Robo Paddy with Murphy was the Vice-Champion of the Future Event Horse League.

Robo Paddy is out of the mare Cavaliers Abbey by Cavalier Royale. He was bred by Stephanie Heffernan of Hillview House Stud in County Offaly.

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14 March 2008

### **Condios Leased for Rossella de Simone**

Condios, Morningide Stud's international showjumping stallion, has been leased for Rossella de Simone. Under the terms of the agreement fresh and chilled semen will be made available to

Morningside Stud's clients throughout the breeding season subject to the stallion's competition schedule.

Condios (Coriano x Landgraf I) is a 13-year-old Holsteiner stallion that showjumped in Grand Prix, Nations Cup, World Cup, and European Championship classes with Danish rider Henrik Gundersen and Irish rider Dermott Lennon from 2002 – 2005. During 2006 and 2007 Condios did not compete but instead was kept busy standing at stud in Ireland.

Rossella de Simone is a 19-year-old showjumping rider who is co-owner of Morningside Stud's 7-year-old stallion Ulysses M2S. Previously trained by Jos Lansink, Rossella is now trained by Ben Schroder who rides along with Jeroen Dubbeldam for BMC in the Netherlands.

Fresh and chilled semen from Condios will be available on or around April 1. All enquiries should be made to Tom Reed at Morningside Stud.

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6 March 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Continues to Showjump Successfully**

Last weekend in the Netherlands Wang Chung M2S and Eddie Brinkman placed 5th in a 1.10 m. class. The stallion jumped two clear rounds and his time in the second round placed him 5th out of 65 competitors of all ages.

Wang Chung will begin jumping 1.20 m. after April 1.

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14 February 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Crowned Champion Future Stallion at Zwolle International Show**

Morningside Stud had some very good results at the CSI2\* Zwolle International Show in the Netherlands.

Our homebred stallion Wang Chung M2S (Royal Bravour x Ahorn x Erdball xx) was crowned the Champion Future Stallion. The Future Stallion competition featured 25 5-year-old approved stallions representing the KWPN, Holsteiner, Belgian Warmblood, Anglo European, Zangersheide, NRPS, and Oldenburg studbooks. On the first day of the competition Wang Chung jumped double-clear with Eddie Brinkman and placed fourth. On the second and final day he a clear first round and placed first after a very quick second round against the clock. After combining the results from these two competitions Wang Chung M2S was crowned the 2008 Champion Future Stallion.

In the Young Stallion competition for 6-year-old approved stallions, the Champion was Vincenzo. Co-owned by Hans Horn and HBC Stud, Vincenzo was sired by Numero Uno and his damsire is the Morningside Stud stallion Ekstein.

In the Young Riders competitions the mare Cruisly (Cruising x Voltaire), a half-sister to Morningside Stud's AES-approved stallion Ulysses M2S (Ekstein x Voltaire), placed 3rd in the Big Tour 1.35-1.40 m class and 12th in Grand Prix while the mare Toscanini (Numero Uno x Ekstein) placed 2nd in the Grand Prix.

For further information please see:

<http://www.zwolleinternational.nl>

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6 February 2008

### **Three Yearlings Sold to South America**

Two yearling fillies and one yearling colt -- Cantopop M2S (by Wang Chung M2S out of Ozy Cruise M2S by Cruising), Condina Bella M2S (by Condios out of Pandina Bella by Landino), and Cherokee M2S (by Condios out of Violetta Bella M2S by Ekstein) -- will soon be departing Ireland for their new home in Montevideo, Uruguay.

These youngsters will join the 5-year-old stallions Kilpatrick Triple C (Condios x Cavalier Royale) and Wind Shear M2S (Ekstein x Orlando) that are showjumping and standing at stud in Uruguay.

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30 January 2008

### **Wang Chung M2S Selected to Represent the Netherlands**

Morningside Stud's 5-year-old stallion Wang Chung M2S has been selected by the Dutch Equestrian Federation to represent the Netherlands at the CSI2\* Zwolle International Show.

Wang Chung M2S will compete with his rider Eddie Brinkman in the Future Stallion classes against other approved stallions representing the KWPN, Holsteiner, Hanoverian, Oldenburg, Zangersheide, Belgian Warmblood, and NRPS studbooks. The show is from 7 – 16 February 2008.

Wang Chung M2S is sired by the great international showjumper Royal Bravour and out of the Ster Preferent mare Harnita (by Ahorn x Erdball xx). He is approved by the Anglo European Studbook and is working his way through the approval process of the Irish Horse Board.

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23 January 2008

### **Irish Riders Buy Prospects Sired by Ulysses M2S and Condios**

Nevie O'Gorman, the national rider from County Galway, purchased Airborne M2S (Ulysses M2S x Cruising) at the end of 2007. This year Nevie will start under saddle this 2005 bay AES-registered gelding and compete him in showjumping age classes next year as a 4-year-old.

More recently, the international rider Greg Broderick purchased the bay 4-year-old KWPN-registered gelding Zeitgeist II M2S (Condios x Elcaro). Greg will compete Zeitgeist II M2S in showjumping age classes this year. In 2007 Greg was the Champion Rider in the

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League.