



GRAND PRIX D'AMERIQUE SALES RESULTS 2018 Thursday 25 & Friday 26 January

The two days of the 2018 Prix d'Amerique Sale showed a clear rebound compared to the previous edition, where the tightened format proved beneficial with the majority of the final figures showing increases all around.

A total aggregate of €3,723,000 was registered during the auction, up 34 points from 2017 to a level that had not been achieved since 2011. The average and median prices followed the same path (€22,000 for the former and €12,000 for the latter), while the clearance rate was at 69%, the best in 20 years.

The Staying Power of the Breeding Stock Section

The first session (Thursday 25), reserved for breeding stock and stallion shares, set the sale off on the right note, with strong demand for young mares with good coverings and strong support for the stallion shares on offer. This was shown by a 71% clearance rate for an average of €15,500.

A share in the champion **BOLD EAGLE** made the top price, with the well-known Albanian professional Lutfi KOLGJINI, a huge fan of French racing, coming out on top at €128,000.

Of the mares, **BREATH MONEY** (SAM BOURBON), sold in foal to BRILLANTISSIME, made €60,000 to Frederic BROUILLOUX, the breeder of the top price at the Young Stallions 2017 Sale in Deauville with a son of Frederic Sauque's champion.

Another leading light proved to be Gilles LAVIELLE's **AMBRA SOMOLLI** (COKTAIL JET), in foal to CHARLY DU NOYER, that joins the "Ecajeul" Stable having made €50,000.

FIREFLY bought for €220,000 by Vincent MARTENS

The sale continued on Friday 26 with two sessions reserved for horses-in-training.

Eagerly awaited, the lots offered from Haras de la Brosse (Jean-Pierre DUBOIS) did not disappoint, with **FIREFLY** (READY CASH), a relation of the champions QUALITA and MARA BOURBON as well as the promising trotters FOLLOW YOU and FABULOUS WOOD made the top price. It was the MARTENS Brothers that went to €220,000 following a protracted bidding war with Lutfi KOLGJINI.

A recent winner in excellent style on the cinders, **FRENCH DARLING** (LOVE YOU) went to Jean-Marc SOUICI for €160,000, while Thierry DUVALDESTIN went to €150,000 to secure **CHELTENHAM** (BACCARAT DU PONT) to ensure he stayed in his boxes.

With more than €2,400,000 changing hands, these sessions proved to be very popular with 70% of horses sold in the morning, and 64% in the evening.

Final Results

Offered: 243
Sold: 168
Total Aggregate: €3,723,000
Average: €22,161

Information & catalogues

www.arqana-trot.com

01.41.12.08.00

02.31.81.81.00