

Hi

Firstly I have to say that I am gutted over the injury and exit from the competition of Skywalker Puma. Hopefully his injury can be remedied, even if only to allow him to operate at stud in the future. Good luck to him.

As I watched the 2nd round heats and then mused over the results I was struck by how many **Westmead Hawks** were making it through into Round three, so I thought I'd do a bit of analysis and the results are very revealing. Of the 48 dogs who will compete in the third round, 8 of them are sired by "**The Hawk**" - so 17% of the remaining participants in this year's Derby are sired by him. That may or may not have been done before but it surely underlines what an outstanding stud he is proving to be! Another stat came to light and that is that **Head Bound** has six of his through – not bad for a thirteen year old stud who barely ran a race himself before suffering race-career-ending injury! **Kinloch Brae** is next with five through. So, three stud dogs dominate the Derby at present, and are responsible for 19 of the 48 strong field (about 40% - some statistic) as we approach the third round.

Call me an anorak if you want but I have always had a strong interest in the bloodline side of the game and, having got myself totally immersed in my research, I thought I'd have a look further back to see what grand-sires were well represented and then found myself going back and back in time. **Head Honcho** is grand-sire to eight as is **Sonic Flight** but both of these stats are humbled by another. Fully 32 of the 48 remaining runners feature the great **Pigalle Wonder** in their top sire line – a quite astonishing statistic. Even more amazing, ultimately **each – that's every one of those remaining in this year's**

competition - of the 48 runners left in the 2013 Irish Derby features a coursing dog of the 1880's, namely **Greentick**, in his top sire line!

I'm not at all informed on genealogy, or dna transmission, or the fine detail of line-breeding. Nor do I have any inkling of breeding statistics etc; I do however find that stat to be mind-bogglingly and absolutely amazing – for what it is worth. Maybe it isn't. Maybe that is how successful breeding eventually pans out and if anybody has a viewpoint please respond.

Anyway, just out of interest, I thought I'd publish a round by round analysis of the remaining sires and their progeny, and I hope to update it after each round. This is the list with 48 left in:-

Sires

Accordello 1 **Holycross Gerry**

Aries Son 2 **Kilgraney Bolt** **Kilgraney Tomson**

Big Daddy Cool 2 **Cabra Buck** **Hot Pursuit**

Black Shaw 1 **Oneco Impact**

College Causeway 1 **Bouncy Bocko**

Crash 2 **Borna Gem** **Rockview Turbo**

Droopys Maldini 1 **Kereight King**

Droopys Scolari 2 **Fridays Carroll** **Stateside Troika**

Express Ego 1 **Ballyanna Foxtrot**

Foley's Folley 1 **Isabels Boy**

Head Bound 6 Airforce Diva Drumurrer Vixen Head For Fame
Mall Brandy Paradise Madison Ringtown Snowey

Hometown Boy 1 Clydal Jack

Hondo Black 4 Farloe Trent Holdem Spy Nothing Simple
Slippery Robert

Kinloch Brae 5 Barefoot Bandit Ballymac Vic Glenanore
Dancer Holborn Junior Tyrur Amelia

Kiowa Sweet Trey 1 Graduation Day

Royal Impact 3 Melodys Diamond Melodys Sonic Skywalker
Star

Scarty Lad 1 Bold Three

Slip The Lark 1 Droopys Jet

Top Honcho 2 Slippery Sooty Tyrur Sugar Ray

Tyrur Big Mike 1 Tynwald Galaxy

Tyrur Ted 1 Tyrur Pirlo

Westmead Hawk 8 Abbeyville Tipp Carrowgarriff
Droopys Adler Droopys Margo El Flutter Fairhill Paddy Hawaii
Kinsale Sidaz Eagle

Grand Sires

Brett Lee **Crash** (Borna Gem Rockview Turbo) Tyrur Big Mike (Tynwald Galaxy).

Craigie Mo Town **Kinloch Brae** (Barefoot Bandit Ballymac Vic Glenanore Dancer Holborn Junior Tyrur Amelia).

Cry Havoc **Royal Impact** (Melodys Diamond Melodys Sonic Skywalker Star)

Droopys Kewell **Droopys Maldini** (Kereight King) **Droopys Scolari** (Fridays Carroll Stateside Troika).

EJ'sDouglas **Hondo Black** (Farloe Trent Holdem Spy Nothing Simple Slippery Robert)

Elite State **Foley's Folley** (Isabels Boy)

Head Honcho **Head Bound** (Airforce Diva Drumurrer Vixen Head For Fame Mall Brandy Paradise Madison Ringtown Snowey) **Top Honcho** (Slippery Sooty Tyrur Sugar Ray)

Just The Best **Big Daddy Cool** (Cabra Buck Hot Pursuit)

Larkhill Jo **Slip The Lark** (Droopys Jet)

Oswald Cobble Pot **Kiowa Sweet Trey** (Graduation Day)

Roanokee **Scarty Lad** (Bold Three)

Stan's Boy Flyer **Hometown Boy** (Clydal Jack)

Sonic Flight **Westmead Hawk** (Abbeyville Tipp Carrowgarriff Droopys Adler Droopys Margo El Flutter Fairhill Paddy Hawaii Kinsale Sidaz Eagle)

Top Honcho **Black Shaw** (Oneco Impact) **Express Ego**
(Ballyanna Foxtrot) **Tyrur Ted** (Tyrur Pirlo)

Late Late Show **Aries Son** (Kilgraney Bolt Kilgraney Tomson)

Westmead Hawk **Accordello** (Holycross Gerry)

Go Wild Teddy **College Causeway** (Bouncy Bocko)

Grand Grand Sires and beyond

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Gun Law Osti and thus:- **Brett Lee Crash** (**Borna Gem** **Rockview Turbo**) **Tyrur Big Mike** (Tynwald Galaxy). 3 **Do not count – see Greentick**

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Head Honcho and thus:- **Cry Havoc** **Royal Impact** (Melodys Diamond Melodys Sonic Skywalker Star) 3 **Do not count – see Greentick**

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Walkabout Sid and thus:- **Head Honcho** **Head Bound** (Airforce Diva Drumurrer Vixen Head For Fame Mall Brandy Paradise Madison Ringtown Snowey) **Top**

Honcho (Slippery Sooty Tyrur Sugar Ray) 8 Do not count – see Greentick

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and thus:- **Just The Best Big Daddy Cool** (Cabra Buck Hot Pursuit) **Elite State Foley's Folley (Isabels Boy)** 3 Do not count – see Greentick

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Staplers Jo and thus:- **Larkhill Jo Slip The Lark** (Droopys Jet) 1 Do not count – see Greentick

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and New Tears and thus:- **Roanoke Scarty Lad** (Bold Three) 1 Do not count – see Greentick

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Frightful Flash and thus:- **Sonic Flight Westmead Hawk** (Abbeyville Tipp Carrowgarriff Droopys Adler Droopys Margo El Flutter Fairhill Paddy Hawaii Kinsale Sidaz Eagle) 8 Do not count – see Greentick

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and thus:- **Westmead Hawk**
Accordello (**Holycross Gerry**) **1** **Do not count – see Greentick**

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Head Honcho and thus:- **Top Honcho** **Black Shaw** (**Oneco Impact**) **Express Ego** (**Ballyanna Foxtrot**) **Tyrur Ted** (**Tyrur Pirlo**) **3** **Do not count – see Greentick**

Pigalle Wonder sired Tivoli Dreamer, imported to Australia in 1966, ancestor of Temlee and Head Honcho and thus:- **Go Wild**
Teddy **College Causeway** (**Bouncy Bocko**) **1/32** **Do not count – see Greentick**

Hi There sired Crazy Parachute, ancestor of Larkhill Jo and thus:-
Droopys Kewell **Droopys Maldini** (**Kereight King**) **Droopys Scolari** (**Fridays Carroll** **Stateside Troika**).**3/3** **Do not count – see Greentick**

Beaded Brow (**Coursing 1908**), sired Babylon, ancestor of Molotov and thus:- **Craigie Mo Town** **Kinloch Brae** (**Barefoot Bandit** **Ballymac Vic** **Glenanore Dancer** **Holborn Junior Tyrur Amelia**). **5/8**

Beaded Brow (Coursing 1908), sired Babylon, ancestor of HB's Commander and thus:- **Oswald Cobble Pot** **Kiowa Sweet** **Trey** (Graduation Day) 1/8

Beaded Brow (Coursing 1908), sired Babylon, ancestor of Sandman and thus :- **Late Late Show** **Aries Son** (Kilgraney Bolt Kilgraney Tomson) 2/8

Greentick (Coursing UK 1884-6), grand-sired The Dickens, imported into Australia in 1915, who grand-sired Hey Vern and thus:- **EJ's** **Douglas** **Hondo Black** (Farloe Trent Holdem Spy Nothing Simple Slippery Robert) 4/5

Greentick (Coursing UK 1884-6), grand-sired The Dickens, imported into Australia in 1915, who grand-sired Gable Dodge and thus:- **Stan's** **Boy Flyer** **Hometown Boy** (Clydal Jack) 1/5

Greentick (Coursing UK 1884-6), grand-sired Hi There who himself grand-sired Larkhill Jo and thus:- **Droopys Kewell** **Droopys Maldini** (Kereight King) **Droopys Scolari** (Fridays Carroll Stateside Troika).3/8

Greentick (Coursing UK 1884-6), grand-sired **Pigalle Wonder**, who grand-sired **32** runners, as listed above.

Greentick (Coursing UK 1884-6), grand-sired **Beaded Brow**, who grand-sired **8** runners, as listed above.