



Karel Miedema's Pedigree Evaluation

Sail from Seattle

Gone West – Seattle Classic by Seattle Slew

Sail from Seattle hails from an in Canada wildly successful family, which has produced a slew of Canadian Champions of both sexes. Several Canadian family members have made their mark, but several of the family members have made their mark in the US in spectacular fashion. The best of the big winners appear to be the filly Dance Smartly, and her dam Classy 'n Smart's half brothers Sky Classic and Regal Classic. Their pedigrees may well hold the key to Sail From Seattle's future success.

Breeder's Cup Turf runner-up Sky Classic was Canadian Champion at 2, 4 and 5, and at stud sired Champions in Canada and Argentina. Sky Classic is by Nijinsky out of stakes placed mare No Class. He is kinbred 3x3 Nearctic x Outing Class, and 3x4 Flaring Top x Track Medal. Flaring Top is Nijinsky's grandam, and a key influence in his pedigree. Track Medal is the dam of No Class' damsire Outing Class. The female line of Outing -Class is significant in the build-up of the pedigree. His third dam Iron Maiden features as kin-line in No Class' dam Classy Quillo, who is 4x4 Iron Maiden x Glamour Girl. The latter pair make for a kin-trio with Nijinsky's Flaring Top.

Breeder's Cup Distaff winner (and Breeder's Cup Juvenile 3rd) Dance Smartly is a daughter of Danzig. She is kinbred 3x4 Nearctic x Outing Class, and kinbred 4x4 Olympia Lou x Art Teacher. Olympia Lou is the dam of Admiral's Voyage (damsire of Danzig). Admiral's Voyage makes a kin-trio with Iron Maiden and Glamour Girl. Art Teacher's dam Teaching makes a kin-trio with Iron Maiden and Glamour Girl as well.

Regal Classic is by Vice Regal, whose grandam Victoriana is kinbred 3x3 Golden Feast x Most Beautiful. Compare this to the kinbreeding in Regal Classic's third dam Quillopoly, who is 3x3x4x4 Indolence x Quick Thought x Blue Grass x Sox. All six of these females are kin-related.

If Danzig, Nijinsky and Vice Regal provide significant links to this female line, then it might be expected that these connections extend into future generations. Let's see.

Sky Classic came to the fore as a stallion with Canadian Horse of the Year Thornfield, whose third dam is by Nijinsky, giving a 2x4 Nijinsky double in Thornfield. Another son, Canadian Champion Older Horse Sky Conqueror has a grandam by Dancing Champ (son of Nijinsky, 2x4). Note that Thornfield and Sky Conqueror are both sons of Conquistador Cielo, whose third dam Tammy Twist is kin to Flaring Top (from Nijinsky) and also to Mrs Peterkin (dam of Dancing Champ).

US Champion sire Smart Strike is a Gr1 winning half brother to Dance Smartly. He's a son of Mr Prospector. Among his top-ten earners to date are Curlin (dam by Vice Regent's son Deputy Minister), Soaring Free (dam by Danzig), Fleetstreet Dancer (dam by Nijinsky), Tenpins (dam by Vice Regal's son Deputy Minister), Shadow Cast (dam by Danzig's son Dayjur), High Strike Zone (half brother to Camden Park, dam by Danzig).

In South Africa, Smart Strike's full brother Strike Smartly is sire of stakes winners Smart Banker (dam by Al Mufti, giving kin-breeding 4x3 Classy Quillo x Lassie Dear), Sweet Theresa (dam by The Prime Minister, a son of Deputy Minister), Bouquet-Garni (dam by Fort Wood, giving Cyane x Outing Class x Change Water x Hail to Reason (sire of Roberto); third dam You're My Lady is by Roberto x Buckpasser mare, and is kin to Al Mufti).

Sail From Seattle's pedigree shows a strong link from the female line to sire Gone West. This sire is kinbred 4x2(4) Miss Dogwood x Tamerett/Mixed Marriage (from the bottom female lines of the sire & dam of Gone West). There are connections to both of these in Sail from Seattle, as he's kinbred 2x2 Secrettame x Seattle Slew, and 2x3x4 Secrettame x My Charmer x Classy Quillo, and 5x4x5 Miss Dogwood x Mixed Marriage x Art Teacher, and 4x4 Mixed Marriage x Cyane. All systems go.

Where From Here

Sky Classic's sire Nijinsky is one, interestingly when taken through Dancing Champ. It seems logical to assume that further strength is gained when that one is combined with Al Mufti, as is the case in Victory Moon. Others with Nijinsky are Lecture and Parade Leader.

Another lead is given by Danzig, who might do well when coming through his champion sire-son Danehill (whose grandam is Spring Adieu). Then there is National Assembly (and son Announce, whose grandam is Spring Adieu), or Camden Park (his sire AP Indy is a grandson of Lassie Dear, his dam is by Danzig and produced highclass winner by Smart Strike). And Dayjur, sire of Modern Day, whose dam is by Roberto.

Hail To Reason has a pivotal role in the pedigree of the dam of Sail From Seattle, and her sire Seattle Slew. This connection can be exploited in a variety of ways. There's

Hail to Reason//Bold Reason/Sadler's Wells/Fairy King, leading to Fort Wood. There's

Hail to Reason/Roberto, which culminates in Al Mufti, Victory Moon, Captain Al. A third way is Hail to Reason/Halo/Machiavellian, going to Mogok, Rakeen, Jet Master.

An interesting one might be Argosy, who is a half brother to Seattle Slew, and is kin to that one as well as to Secrettame, dam of Gone West.

PICK OF THE BUNCH

Suitable mares for Sail From Seattle could include

1. Mares with Nijinsky, notably through *Dancing Champ* (especially when that one is combined with *Al Mufti*, as in *Victory Moon*); *Lecture*, *Parade Leader*;
2. Mares with Danzig, notably through *Danehill* (whose grandam is *Spring Adieu*), or *National Assembly* (and son *Announce*, whose grandam is *Spring Adieu*), or *Camden Park* (sire AP Indy is grandson of *Lassie Dear*, dam is by Danzig and produced highclass winner by *Smart Strike*); *Dayjur* (*Modern Day*, whose dam is by Roberto);
3. Mares with Hail to Reason//Bold Reason/Sadler's Wells/Fairy King, notably *Fort Wood*;
4. mares with Hail to Reason/Roberto, notably *Al Mufti* (*Victory Moon*, *Captain Al*);
5. Mares with Hail to Reason/Halo/Machiavellian, notably *Mogok*, *Rakeen* (*Jet Master*);
6. Mares with Vice Regent/Deputy Minister, notably *Western Winter* (by *Gone West* out of *Vice Regent* mare), *Go Deputy*;
7. Mares with Outing Class, in *Ringaro* (*Spaceship*);
8. Mares with Argosy;

Female Line build-up

(the term 'kinbred' is used to identify close genetic relatives; a benchmark percentage of about 90% is required to qualify; for each dam the kinbreeding percentage is shown as well)

6th dam

Tonga (85%) (by Polynesian 89%)
kinbred 3x3 Blue Grass x Sox 92% (2x2 Unbreakable x Tick On 92%)

5th dam

Quillopoly (81%) (by Princequillo 87%)
kinbred 3x3x4x4 Indolence x Quick Thought x Blue Grass x Sox 92%
kinbred 2x3x3x3 Prince Rose x Quick Thought x Unbreakable x Tick On 90-93%

4th dam

Classy Quillo (80%) (by Outing Class 85%)
kinbred 4x4 Iron Maiden x Glamour Girl 90%
kinbred 3x3x4x4x4 Khaled x Prince Rose x Quick Thought x Unbreakable x Tick On 90%

3rd dam

No Class (76%) (by Nodouble 83%)
kinbred 4x5 Sweet Betty x Iron Maiden 90%
kinbred 4x4 Impromptu x Cosquilla 90%
kinbred 4x4x4 Stardust x Don Bingo x Khaled 91-94%

2nd dam

Classy 'n Smart (75%) (by Smarten 84%)
kinbred 2x3 Cyane x Outing Class 90%
kinbred 4x6x6 Teaching x Iron Maiden x Glamour Girl 90%
kinbred 3x4 Art Teacher x Star Kingdom 90%

1st dam

Seattle Classic (78%) (by Seattle Slew 82%)
kinbred 4x4x3x4 Hail to Reason x Glamour x Cyane x Outing Class 90-92%
kinbred 2x3 My Charmer x Classy Quillo 90%;

Sail From Seattle (79%) (by Gone West 85%)
kinbred 2x2 Secrettame x Seattle Slew 91%
kinbred 2x3x4 Secrettame x My Charmer x Classy Quillo 89-90%
kinbred 5x4x5 Miss Dogwood x Mixed Marriage x Art Teacher 90%
kinbred 4x4 Mixed Marriage x Cyane 90%