



## PEDIGREE PROFILE

# Bold Chieftain's pedigree features close family ties

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Bold Chieftain collected the richest prize of his career on November 4 as he scored a half-length victory against Celtic Dreamin in the \$250,000 California Cup Classic Handicap at the Oak Tree meeting at Santa Anita Park.



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The four-year-old Chief Seattle colt covered 1 1/4 miles on the new Cushion track surface in a spry 1:47.23. Runners left in his wake included seven-time Grade 1 winner Lava Man.

### BOLD CHIEFTAIN

Bold Chieftain entered off a fourth-place finish in the Bay Meadows Breeder's Cup Handicap (G3) on turf on September 22. The dark bay or brown colt has now won three of his previous four starts, and his career mark stands at seven wins from 13 lifetime starts with earnings of \$465,775.

Bold Chieftain was bred in California by Ernest L. Langbein, William Morey, Kenneth Robinson, and Dwaine Hall.

He is the fourth winner out of the stakes-placed Seattle Dancer mare Hooked On Music. His older half brother, Capt. Fly Hook, by Fly Till Dawn, was stakes-placed. His older half sister, Hooked On Niners, by Mr. Greeley, was multiple Grade 3-placed.

Daughters of Seattle Dancer have combined, so far, to produce 36 stakes winners. A half brother to Seattle Slew, Seattle Dancer, was a record \$13.1-million yearling purchase and, later, a multiple Irish Group 2 winner.

Bold Chieftain's female family, both immediate and extended, is other wise quite unremarkable. He represents his tribe's richest member since his fourth dam, \*Tudorette, was imported from England to the United States in the late 1950s.

Bold Chieftain hails from the second crop of the Seattle Slew stallion Chief Seattle, who will stand at Empire Stud in Hudson, New York, for \$5,000 in 2008.

Chief Seattle was purchased by Godolphin Racing for a reported \$4-million following his second-place finish behind Anees in the 1999 Breeders' Cup Juvenile (G1). After being shipped to the United Arab Emirates to prepare for the Kentucky Derby (G1), he was returned

### Bold Chieftain, dk. b. or br. c., 2003

Chief Seattle 97 273 fls, 9 SWs SI 1.26 DI=2.40	Seattle Slew 74 14 wins, \$1,208,726 Champion 1050 fls, 114 SWs SI 4.76 DI=2.14	Bold Reasoning 68 61 fls, 10 SWs SI 4.95 DI=3.80	Boldnesian 63	Bold Ruler 54 Alanesian 54
	Skatingonthinice 86 8 wins, \$171,757, SW 7 fls, 0 SWs DI=3.92	My Charmer 69 12 fls, 4 SWs DI=0.94	Reason to Earn 63	Hail to Reason 58 Sailing Home 48
		Icecapade 69 565 fls, 73 SWs SI 2.27 DI=3.22	Poker 63	Round Table 54 Glamour 53
Hooked On Music 91 6 fls, 1 SW DI=1.08	Rain Shower 80 9 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.80	Nijinsky II 67 851 fls, 155 SWs SI 5.77 DI=3.00	Fair Charmer 59	Jet Action 51 Myrtle Charm 46
			Northern Dancer 61	=Nearco (Itly) 35 *Lady Angela 44
	Venetian Dancer 80 Unraced 11 fls, 0 SWs DI=2.53	My Charmer 69 12 fls, 4 SWs DI=0.94	Shenarigans 63	Irish Castle 67 Comely Nell 62
Lancaster Sound 67 8 fls, 0 SWs DI=5.18	Norcliffe 73 257 fls, 18 SWs SI 1.71 DI=1.56	Northern Dancer 61	Bold Forbes 73	Nearctic 54 Natalma 57
			Flaming Page 59	Bull Page 47 Flaring Top 47
			Poker 63	Round Table 54 Glamour 53
Fair Charmer 59	Buckpasser 63	Drama School 66	Fair Charmer 59	Jet Action 51 Myrtle Charm 46
			Tom Fool 49 Busanda 47	
			Northern Dancer 61 *Stalina 49	
*Tudorette 51	Nearctic 54	*Tudorette 51	*Tudorette 51	=Nearco (Itly) 35 *Lady Angela 44
			*Tudor Minstrel 44 =Papyrette (GB) 32	

to Kentucky only to be withdrawn from the race on account of fever. A series of training setbacks led to his early retirement soon thereafter.

Chief Seattle is also the sire of 2006 Canadian champion three-year-old male Shillelagh Slew and '06 La Canada Stakes (Can-G2) winner Seafree.

Bold Chieftain's pedigree is highlighted by the 2x2 cross of his paternal and maternal grandsires, Seattle Slew and Seattle Dancer, which creates inbreeding to their common dam, the influential matron My Charmer.

One of Bold Chieftain's well-known contemporaries who demonstrates this same unusual pattern of half brothers as grandsires is 2005 champion two-year old male Stevie Wonderboy, a son of A.P. Indy stallion Stephen Got Even out of a Summer Squall mare.

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