

## Corporate Jungle's family tree continues to pay dividends

Last Saturday's Florida Derby (G1) undercard at Gulfstream Park featured an impressive one-length victory by Corporate Jungle in the Appleton Stakes (G3) as the smartly bred four-year-old colt made his stakes debut a winning one.

Sent off as the 2-to-1 favorite, Corporate Jungle negotiated the one-mile race on firm turf in 1:33.99.

The lightly raced colt was coming off a sharp allowance win at a mile on the Gulfstream turf on February 18. His record stands at three wins from six lifetime starts with a bankroll of \$127,260.

Bred in Kentucky by Blandford Stud, Harty, and O'Rourke, the dark bay or brown colt fetched \$210,000 at the 2009 Keeneland September yearling sale.

Corporate Jungle hails from Giant's Causeway's seventh North American crop and represents one of his sire's 64 graded or group stakes winners.

Storm Cat's bestracing son when he was Europe's 2000 Horse



of the Year, Giant's Causeway already has matched his breed-shaping father as a leading general and juvenile sire. For good measure, he currently holds a slim lead on the 2012 general sire list.

Ashford Stud's flagship stallionalso has shuttled to Australia from 2002 to

2005, indeed having little regional impact, and to Argentina twice (2008-2009) for their Southern Hemisphere breeding seasons

As noted in previous profiles, Giant's Causeway has always seemed to enjoy an affinity with Mr. Prospector-line mares.

His son Corporate Jungle is one of six winners from as many starters out of the Carson City mare Lady Carson, winner of four races at ages three and four, including the 1998 Silvery Honey Handicap at Gulfstream.

Lady Carson also foaled Corporate Jungle's full brother, Followmyfootsteps, who captured the 2011 Da Hoss Stakes at Colo-

Corporate Jungle dk. b. or br. c., 2008				
Giant's Causeway97 1670 fls, 115 SWs SI 2.43 DI=2.38	Storm Cat 83 4 wins, \$570,610, SW 1414 fls, 180 SWs SI 3.80 DI=4.00	Storm Bird 78 681 fls, 63 SWs SI 3.10 DI=3.25	Northern Dancer 61	Nearctic 54 Natalma 57
			South Ocean 67	New Providence 56 Shining Sun 62
		Terlingua 76 11 fls, 2 SWs DI=3.63	Secretariat 70	Bold Ruler 54 Somethingroyal 52
			Crimson Saint 69	Crimson Satan 59 Bolero Rose 58
	Mariah's Storm 91 10wins,\$1,449,790,SW 9 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.71	Rahy 85 1128 fls, 92 SWs SI 2.36 DI=1.74	Blushing Groom (Fr) 74	Red God 54 Runaway Bride (GB) 62
			Glorious Song 76	Halo 69 Ballade 72
		Immense 79 6 fls, 3 SWs DI=2.43	Roberto 69	Hail to Reason 58 Bramalea 59
			Imsodear 67	Chieftain 61 Ironically 60
Lady Carson 94 7 fls, 2 SWs DI=4.40	Carson City 87 6 wins, \$306,240, SW 1025 fls, 100 SWs SI 2.02 DI=2.86	Mr. Prospector 70 1178 fls, 181 SWs SI 5.08 DI=3.95	Raise a Native 61	Native Dancer 50 Raise You 46
			Gold Digger 62	Nashua 52 Sequence 46
		Blushing Promise 82 1 fl, 1 SW DI=1.71	Blushing Groom (Fr) 74	Red God 54 Runaway Bride (GB) 62
			Summertime Promise 72	Nijinsky II 67 Prides Promise 66
	Heathers Surprise 80 Unplaced, \$565 12 fls, 1 SW DI=2.38	Best Turn 66 335 fls, 35 SWs SI 2.77 DI=7.36	*Turn-to 51	*Royal Charger 42 *Source Sucree 40
			Sweet Clementine 60	Swaps 52 Miz Clementine 51
		Miss Swapsco 65 10 fls, 2 SWs DI=1.31	Cohoes 54	*Mahmoud 33 Belle of Troy 47
			Soaring 60	Swaps 52 *Skylarking II 47

nial Downs in Virginia as a seven-year-old.

Anchoring our subject's immediate family is his multiple stakes-winning third dam, Miss Swapsco, ancestress to a remarkable cluster of important sires.

Miss Swapsco's daughter Ballade was named 1992 Broodmare of the Year, having produced 1983 champion two-yearold male and sire Devil's Bag, his full brother and prominent sire Saint Ballado, as well as their older full sister and 1980 Canadian Horse of the Year Glorious Song.

In turn, the latter became the dam of 1996 U.S. champion turf male and sire Singspiel (Ire).

Of particular interest, Glorious Song also is the dam of the influential sire Rahy, who rather conveniently appears in the above pedigree as Giant's Causeway's broodmare sire.

As such, Corporate Jungle's rich tail-female line has been reinforced, a novel duplication, 6x3, of blue hen Miss Swapsco.

Easier to recognize is the inbreeding, 4x4, to potent progenitor Blushing Groom (Fr). This is another relatively uncommon pattern one expects to see in a growing number of superior runners.

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