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FEBRUARY MIXED SALE SHOWS SIMILAR FIGURES TO 2017 AND 2018

The February Mixed Sale, the first rendezvous of the year at ARQANA, ended with a turnover of €2,350,000. A total of 66% of horses offered changed hands for an average of €9,754.

1/50th share in No Risk At All for Goldford Stud

The second lot to go under the hammer today, a share in **NO RISK AT ALL (lot 217 ter)** was knocked down for €62,000 to Richard Aston (Goldford Stud). The progeny of the young Haras de Montaigu stallion have won at the highest level already, such as Henry VIII Novices' Chase (Gr.1) winner **ESPRIT DU LARGE**, as well as **EPATANTE**, **ROYAL MARIA HAS**, **HIGHWAY TO HELL** etc.

"We're missing National Hunt stallions in England," said Aston. "We've always had a good relationship with Haras de Montaigu. We love Martaline and we've sending mares to No Risk At All since the start of his stallion career. It makes sense for us to invest in him. We'll look forward to using him every year."

Offered from Haras du Cadran, bidding for **PRINCESS BIANCA (lot 419)** reached €82,000 at the end of the session. It was Pierre Talvard that signed the docket for the sister to Group 1 winner **PRINCE GIBALTAR**.

"I'm very happy, and the mare is from a good family with an excellent pedigree," explained Talvard. "I've bought her in association with Monsieur Gribomont, the Ecurie Melanie, and myself. Her dam has already produced good horses, and she doesn't have any

Sadler's Wells blood, which is always an advantage. I'm delighted with the purchase."

ARQANA President Eric Hoyeau said at the end of the sale, «The February Sale has regained its role as a service sale this year, with results similar to those of 2017 and 2018. The percentage of horses sold indicates more selectivity but the good profiles have nevertheless attracted interest and were in demand."

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