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**TERWILLIGER WILL BE OFFERED ON TERMS TO NEWCOMERS/REGULARS, WAR CHANT HALF-BROTHER TO A GRADE 1-WINNING CHAMPION MILER, TEAM VALOR BOUGHT OUT PARTNERS IN ORDER TO OFFER HOME-BRED, RISING JUVENILE SHOWING PROMISE AT GOLD MARK TRAINING CENTER**

Team Valor International today is offering interests in the rising 2-year-old home-bred War Chant colt Terwilliger, who is training forwardly for Todd Quast at Gold Mark Farm's training center near Ocala, Florida. Barry Irwin's Team Valor bred the colt in partnership with two partners, both of whom have been bought out so that the stable can own enough of Terwilliger to offer him for syndication.

Terwilliger will be the first Team Valor youngster to be presented simultaneously to both the stable's regular clients and newcomers. The colt is being syndicated on a valuation of \$220,000, into interests of 10 and 5 percent. Team Valor has designed terms to make participation in the promising youngster as attractive as possible.

The 10-percent interests cost \$22,000 and are payable as follows: \$4,000 upon signing, and 3 installments of \$6,000 each due on February 15, April 15 and June 15. The 5-percent interests cost \$11,000 each and are payable as follows: \$2,000 upon signing, and 3 installments of \$3,000 each due on February 15, April 15 and June 15.



"I like this colt and I wanted to be able to offer him to our regular, loyal customers, as well as give newcomers their chance to buy in at the same time and not have to wait until the existing clients have had their 48-hour window first," said Irwin.

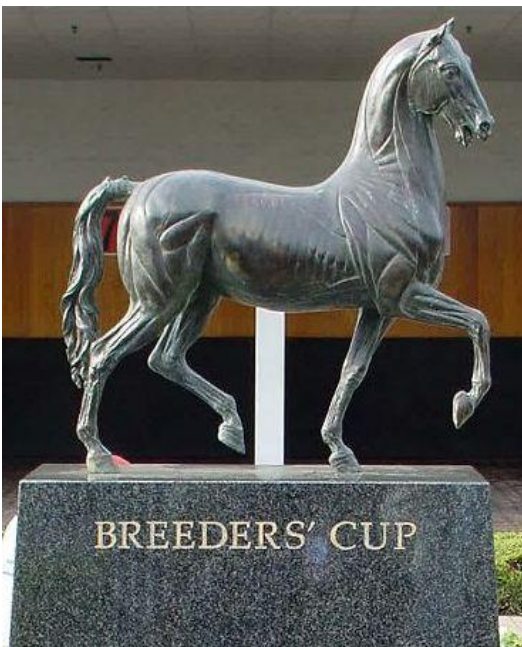
"I have a very good feeling about this guy and I didn't want to put myself in a position to shut anybody out of the opportunity to participate in the partnership that will race the colt."

This year Team Valor home-breds have enjoyed a sensational racing season, as follows:

*Terwilliger in training at Gold Mark Farm.*

- **Pluck** won the Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf, with the majority of owners being newcomers who were offered him at this same time of year in 2009.
- **Animal Kingdom** is another smart youngster in which newcomers joined some of the stable's established breeding partners. He ran second to a Grade 1 colt in his debut and broke his maiden at Keeneland in such impressive fashion that he is being pointed for the 2011 Grade 1 Blue Grass Stakes in Kentucky next spring.
- **Badleroibrown**, who Irwin thinks has the most potential of all the home-breds, ran second in his debut going long at Churchill Downs and is being readied for Keeneland as well.

"All 3 of these youngsters have demonstrated Grade 1 potential," said Irwin, who not so coincidentally imported from foreign lands each of the dams of Pluck (South Africa), Animal Kingdom (Germany) and Badleroibrown (South Africa). Terwilliger is out of a mare from Brazil, whose credentials as a producer trump those of the previous crop of Team Valor home-breds, as she is the dam of a Grade 1 winner and Champion Miler who still holds the national record for a mile.



*Pluck, another Team Valor home-bred colt sired by a domestic stallion and produced by a mare imported by Team Valor, was offered for syndication at this same time last season. He went on to win the \$1-million Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf this year.*

Terwilliger is in full training at Gold Mark and has already showed promise, which is why Irwin acquired 100 percent of him and is confidently offering him for syndication. The well-made, growthy bay colt will continue to train in the sunny climes of Central Florida until Team Valor moves all of its stock to its new barn at Fair Hill training center near Elkton, Maryland, where they will be trained by Graham Motion.

The home-bred colt, who Barry Irwin says has "always looked the part," was the first yearling sent by the stable to be broken and trained in Florida this season and the only colt sent to the elite equine prep school that is posh Gold Mark Farm.

"He has been a looker since day one," Irwin said. "He has that unmistakable look of quality about him. His hallmark is his depth. He has a very good top line and his carriage is impressive. Most top horses have a solid top line, which affords them the strength to maintain an elevated carriage that is so vital to giving their limbs a chance to work beneath them.



*Terwilliger is all man. He is tall (he should top out at a minimum of 16 hands 1 inch at maturity. He has excellent front limbs with a very good pastern angle. He has a good neck, big eye, masculine head, full quarters and an exceptionally ample girth.*

“It is also necessary for them to be able to hold themselves up while they push off behind and reach out in front. He looks like he could be a powerhouse of a horse. He is not over done or too heavy, just a solid, solid, solid young prospect with the look of an all-quality animal.

“When we sent him to Todd, I purposely didn’t say much, because I wanted to see what Todd had to say without me prompting him. When the colt had been there long enough for Todd to be able to evaluate him, I finally couldn’t stand it any longer and I popped the inevitable question: So, whaddya think? Does he act like a runner?

“Todd was definitely impressed and has labeled Terwilliger a very promising youngster. He said because of his size and depth that he wouldn’t expect him to be an early juvenile type that could be expected to run at Keeneland, but that he would be forwardly advanced enough to race at 2 and improve with maturity at 3.”

Terwilliger was produced by Southern Law, a Kentucky-bred mare that found her way to Brazil, with a colt alongside by Dayjur, a Danzig son reckoned to be the best sprinter seen in England last century.



Although half a year younger than his rival 3-year-olds in the Southern Hemisphere, Kentucky-bred Eyjur proved to be a brilliant runner in Brazil, where the son of English Horse of the Year Dayjur himself became a Champion Miler, after winning the Grade 1 Grande Premio Presidente da Republica by nearly 5 lengths in 1:32.262 (1:32 1/5), a clocking that still stands as the national record for the distance on grass a Cidade Jardim (the Garden track). In 8 Brazilian starts, Eyjur had 6 wins, a second and a third, winning 3 times on the main dirt track and 3 times on the grass, from 6 ½ to 8 furlongs.

Eyjur began his storied career running third in his sprint debut, then proceeded to win 6 of his next 7 starts, his lone defeat coming in a Grade 3 race over a mile on dirt. His average winning margin in his half dozen Brazilian wins was just under 3 lengths. To see his dominating victory in his record-breaking Grade 1, click on [Record Mile](#).

Southern Law previously produced a couple of foals for her American owners that Barry Irwin did not like and they were disposed of at public auction. Terwilliger was retained to race because he fit the precise mold of what his breeders wanted when they mated a son of Danzig with Southern Law in hopes of reproducing another Eyjur, who clicked by breeding a son of Danzig to Southern Law.

The dam of Terwilliger is a daughter of leading international sire and broodmare sire Red Ransom, who was raced by the late Paul Mellon and eventually sold after his death to Sheik Mohammed bin Rashid al Maktoum, for whom he has stood with considerable success in England and Australia.

Red Ransom was cut out to be any kind. He became a sensation when running 5 furlongs in :56 2/5 for a track record at Saratoga in his debut, won again at 2 and was second in his debut at 3, after which he broke an ankle and was retired to stud.

In his first crop, he sired an amazing 6 stakes winners in an era of much smaller foal crops. Topping his first crop was Sri Pekan, whose 5 wins in 6 starts at 2 in England included the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot, the Richmond Stakes at Goodwood and the Champagne Stakes at Doncaster.



*Red Ransom crosses well with sires from the Northern Dancer line such as Danzig. He sired 6 juvenile stakes winners in his first crop standing in Kentucky at The Vinery.*

Red Ransom, who died last year at age 22, sire 97 stakes winners and his daughters so far have produced more than 50 stakes winners. Among his 14 Grade 1 winners Red Ransom counted the likes of Electrocutisionist, who won the Dubai World Cup, Perfect Sting, an Eclipse Award winner on turf in the United States where she won the Breeders' Cup Filly & Mare Turf, and Casual Look, a Lane's End Farm runner that took the Classic English Oaks at Epsom Downs .



*Red Ransom's son Electrocutisionist won World Cup for Dubai ruler Sheik Mohammed.*

Daughters of Red Ransom so far have produced the likes of Devil May Care, a Triple Grade 1 winner in New York that was so impressive in winning the Grade 2 Davona Dale Stakes this year in Florida that Todd Pletcher ran her in the Kentucky Derby, and Mahbooba, the Australian-born filly trained in 2010 by Mike de Kock to become a Grade 1 winner and Champion Filly at 2 in South Africa, before being sent to the United Arab Emirates to compete in the Dubai Winter Racing Carnival.

Red Ransom, like his illustrious sire Roberto, excelled when mated with mares from Northern Dancer's sire line. Danzig and his son Danehill, outside of North America, dominate sire lists, especially in the Southern Hemisphere.



*War Chant winning Grade 1 Breeders' Cup Mile.*

Southern Law, the dam of Terwilliger, was mated with Danzig's son War Chant in an effort to take advantage of the successful cross between the bloodlines of Roberto (through his son Red Random) and Northern Dancer (through his son Danzig).

War Chant was a very good and versatile racehorse and he has developed into an all purpose sire standing at Three Chimneys Farm in Midway, Kentucky. Interestingly, War Chant himself is a product of the same cross, being by Northern Dancer's son Danzig out of a mare sired by Kris S., a son of Roberto.

Best in his only start at 2 in Southern California, War Chant lost only 2 starts in his life, one of them being to Team Valor's The Deputy when he was second in the Grade 1 Santa Anita Derby. War Chant won the Grade 2 San Rafael Stakes going a mile on dirt prior to his second on dirt in the Derby at Santa Anita.

Later at 3, War Chant returned to action impressively when defeating older runners running a mile in 1:33 3/5 to win the Grade 2 Oak Tree Breeders' Cup Mile and then completed his career before being whisked off to stud by becoming one of the very few 3-year-olds in the history of the Breeders' Cup to win the [BC Mile](#) (click to see finish).

This season he has been represented by stakes horses in 7 different countries, he has sired a pair of millionaires and his son Chamberlain Bridge won the Breeders' Cup Turf Sprint at Churchill Downs. Over all, War Chant has been represented by major winners on dirt, turf and all-weather.

War Chant is the sire of 25 stakes winners that include \$1,585,372-earner Chamberlain Bridge and Irish Group 1-winning juvenile colt Kingsfort, best in the National Stakes at The Curragh.

He also has been represented by the likes of Brilliant, a \$726,797-earner best at Churchill Downs in the Grade 2 Jefferson Cup; and Cattaloochee War, a \$553,393-earner best at Keeneland in the Grade 3 Transylvania Stakes for former Team Valor client John Ammerman.

War Chant additionally sired Peace Chant, a \$248,357-earner best in the Phoenix Gold Cup sprinting on dirt; Molto Grande, an earner of more than \$1.8 million in Japan, where this season he won a sprint stakes covering 6 furlongs in 1:07-flat; El Roblar, the veteran Southern California Graded stakes horse best in the Grade 3 Ack Ack Handicap on the main track and the filly War Kill, best this season at Keeneland on Polytrack in the prestigious Grade 2 Beaumont Stakes.



To say that Barry Irwin is keen on the Danzig/Red Ransom cross would be putting it mildly, because not only do the mare's owners currently have Terwilliger on the ground, but the mare is back in foal to War Chant again this season, and she is booked back to him for 2011!

Southern Law, in addition to being by stamina influence Red Ransom, was produced by a mare sired by another long-winded horse in Providential, a stallion in which Barry Irwin at one time owned 4 shares. Providential was quite a versatile racehorse when trained by Charlie Whittingham, who managed to win going 1 1/16 miles on grass in 1:40 1/5, yet had the stamina to beat John Henry in a Grade 1 going 1 1/2 miles on the turf.

Terwilliger's dam was produced by the Providential mare Elegance, a 7-time winner and earner of \$310,928 who took the Pago Hop Breeders' Cup at Fair Grounds, the Cornucopia Handicap at Louisiana Downs and placed at Hollywood Park in the Grade 2 Dahlia, Santa Anita in the Grade 2 Buena Vista and Louisiana Downs in the Grade 3 Golden Harvest Handicap.

Elegance, in addition to producing Southern Law, was the dam of \$156,139-earner Louisborg, who won the Prelude Stakes at Louisiana Downs, where he also finished third in the \$1-million, Grade 2 Super Derby, both on the dirt.

Terwilliger is inbred 3 x 4 to Roberto, a member of the Turn-to sire line through Hail to Reason. Irwin says that when he maintained a large broodmare band in the early 1980s that about two-thirds of his mares hailed from the Turn-to line. Pluck is by a Turn-to line sire in More Than Ready, who traces to Turn-to through Southern Halo, then Halo, then Hail to Reason and finally Turn-to. This is the same sire line that produced the great Barbaro.

Dosage-wise, Terwilliger is bred to run as far as horses race and his Dosage Profile is beautifully shaped as follows: 3 5 16 0 2, with a DI of 1.60 and a CD of 0.27.

## FACT SHEET

<b>Name</b>	Terwilliger
<b>Sex</b>	colt
<b>Color</b>	bay
<b>Born</b>	April 10, 2009
<b>Bred</b>	Kentucky
<b>Height at Maturity</b>	16 hands 1 inch
<b>Current Trainer</b>	Todd Quast, Gold Mark Farm, Ocala, Florida
<b>Future Trainer</b>	Graham Motion, Fair Hill, Elkton, Maryland
<b>Sire</b>	War Chant
<b>Dam</b>	Southern Law
<b>Broodmare Sire</b>	Red Ransom
<b>Sire Line</b>	Danzig ... Northern Dancer ... Nearctic
<b>Dam Sire Line</b>	Roberto ... Hail to Reason ... Turn-To
<b>Inbreeding</b>	3 x 4 Roberto 4 x 5 Nearctic
<b>Family</b>	Eyjur (Grade 1-winning Champion Miler), stakes winners Elegance (G2-placed), Louisborg (placed G2 Super Derby), Dundee Belle, Miss Dundee, Kathryn's Doll, Fearless Ego, Paul's Domino, Feel Lucky, Grand And Graceful, etc.
<b>Dosage Profile</b>	3 5 16 0 2
<b>Dosage Index</b>	1.60
<b>Center of Distribution</b>	0.27
<b>Total Valuation</b>	\$220,000
<b>10 %</b>	\$22,000 (\$4,000 down, three payments of \$6,000 due February 15, 2011, April 15, 2011 and June 15, 2010)
<b>5 %</b>	\$11,000 (\$2,000 down, three payments of \$3,000 due February 15, 2011, April 15, 2011 and June 15, 2010)

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