

How Much Would You Pay For A Jug Contender?

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Delaware, Ohio--How much would you pay for a Little Brown Jug contender? Last year's champion Bettor's Delight cost John Grant \$65,000 as a yearling at the 2000 Standardbred Horse Sale in Harrisburg, Pa. Runnerup Real Desire was really a bargain, costing just \$16,000 at the same yearling auction.

Red River Hanover, the early favorite to win the 2002 Jug following his 1:48.4 stakes record win in last week's \$1,500,000 Pepsi North America Cup, cost Phyllis Campbell and Jeffrey Snyder \$300,000 as a yearling. Runnerup Mach Three, who did not sell at public auction, recently was purchased for a reported \$2.1-million.

Including Bettor's Delight, the last five Little Brown Jug winners have been bargain basement bargains. Astreos was purchased while in foal for \$8,000, then later sold in a private sale; Blissful Hall was a \$47,000 Tattersalls yearling; Shady Character cost \$28,000 and Western Dreamer \$50,000 as yearlings at Kentucky Standardbred.

Following is a list of current Jug favorites and their yearling prices.

Name	Cost as Yearling	Sale
Allamerican Ingot	\$285,000	Harrisburg
Brad's Gold	40,000	Tattersalls
Henry Clay	47,000	Ky Standardbred
Image Of Dawn	85,000	Tattersalls
Mach Three	2,100,000 *	Private Sale
Million Dollar Cam	270,000	Harrisburg
Monsoon Hall	110,000	Ky Standardbred
Pacific Titan	65,000	Harrisburg
Red River Hanover	300,000	Harrisburg
Royal Mattjesty	210,000	Tattersalls
Three Olives	62,000	Harrisburg
Up Front Western	100,000	Harrisburg
Yankee Landa	36,000	Ky Standardbred

Yankee Sensation	90,000	Ky Standardbred
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