

Born: Sept. 11, 1941 ... Family: wife, Vanessa, and sons, Alexander, Oliver and Mark ... Resident: Whatcombe, Oxfordshire, England ... Paul Frederick Irvine Cole trains in excess of 130 horses on his own private gallops.

He will try for his first championship day victory with his seventh Breeders' Cup starter, Red Sea ... Came closest to winning a Breeders' Cup event with Ibn Bey, whom he trained to a surprise second to Unbridled in the 1990 Breeders' Cup Classic, at odds of 38-1 ... Best horse was Generous, who won the 1991 Epsom and Irish Derbies and also took the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes ...

In 1992 he won the French One Thousand Guineas with Culture Vulture and he had a remarkable weekend in October when he won both the Budweiser International, with Zoman, and the Rothmans International, with Snurge, on consecutive days ... In recent years he has had great success with horses owned by Prince Fahd Salman, Martyn Arbib and Athos Christodoulou. Notable stable stars have been the tough older horses Snurge, Strategic Choice and Posidonas -- who beat Swain when winning the group II Hardwicke Stakes at Royal Ascot in 1998 ...

In September 1998, Richard Quinn, Cole's stable jockey for 17 years, announced that there would be an amicable split. "Richard has never had a retainer with me. I still hope to use him when he is available," Cole said. "We have had good times together and I hope there will be some more." ...

When starting in racing, Cole worked as assistant to Les Kennard, Richmond Sturdy and George Todd. Also worked for a time at Cheveley Park Stud ... Took out first license to train in 1968, when he was at Hill House Stables, Lambourn ... Since 1987, he has trained at Whatcombe Estate, Oxfordshire, in the stables formally owned by Dick Dawson and Arthur Budgett ... In his first year at Whatcombe, Cole won the International Racing Bureau's award for being the leading British trainer overseas.

He also won this award in 1990, 1991 and 1992 ... He enjoys tennis and water skiing and his favorite racetracks are Newbury and Deauville.

Group I Races Won: ENGLAND: Yorkshire Oaks -- Bint Pasha (1987); Cheveley Park Stakes -- Pass The Peace (1988); Dewhurst Stakes -- Generous (1990); Brent Walker Fillies' Mile -- Culture Vulture (1991); Ever Ready Derby -- Generous (1991); King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes -- Generous (1991); IRELAND: Irish Oaks -- Knight's Baroness (1990); Irish Derby -- Generous (1991); Irish St Leger -- Strategic Choice (1995); FRANCE: Prix de la Salamandre -- John de Coombe (1977); Prix de la Foret -- Sarab (1986); Prix d'Ispahan -- Zoman (1992); Poule d'Essai des Pouliches -- Culture Vulture (1992); GERMANY: Grosser Preis der Berliner Bank -- Ibn Bey (1990); Preis von Europa -- Ibn Bey (1989); ITALY: Derby Italiano -- Zaizoom (1987); Gran Premio d'Italia -- Ibn Bey (1987); Gran Premio di Milano -- Snurge (1991), Strategic Choice (1996); Criterium -- Torrismomdo (1993); Oaks -- Bright Generation (1993); Gran Premio della Repubblica -- Great Palm (1993); Derby -- Time Star (1994); CANADA: Rothmans International -- Snurge (1992); USA: Budweiser International -- Zoman (1992).

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