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**TURFFONTEIN** Saturday  
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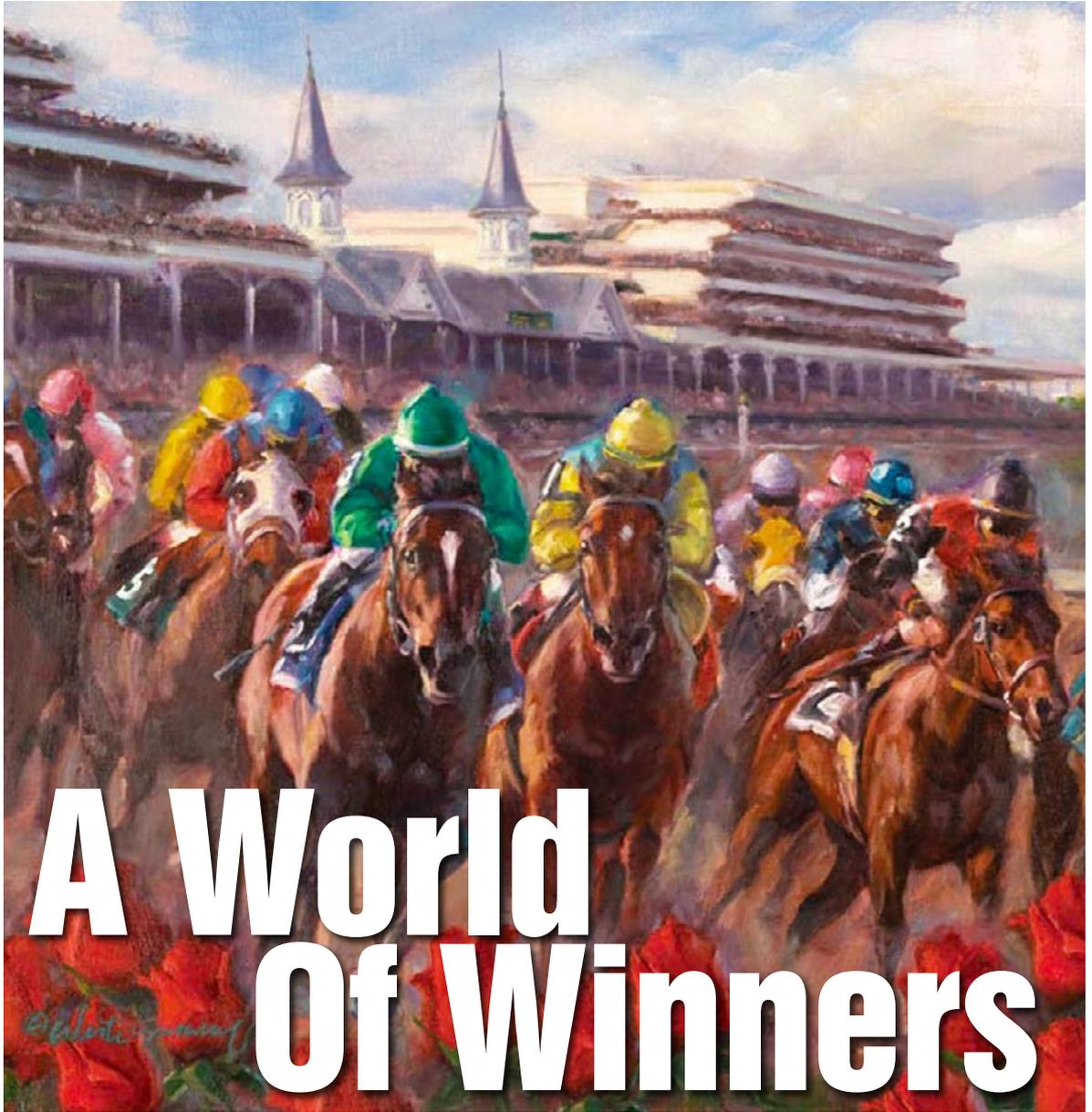
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# A World Of Winners

20000km as the crow flies spans the great divide between Turffontein, Churchill Downs and Newmarket. But while distance divides us, high quality horseracing well and truly unites the Sport Of Kings this weekend.

Lovers of this great game can look forward to a Global Super Saturday of gargantuan proportions with major racedays on three different continents offering something for every taste.

South African punters will enjoy full television and betting coverage of the Champions Day meeting at Turffontein and the QIPCO 2000 Guineas at Newmarket on Saturday.

There will however sadly be no betting or live Tellytrack coverage of the Kentucky Derby meeting at Churchill Downs on Saturday.

Gauteng's richest raceday has been lavishly covered in the ensuing pages .



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## AT CHURCHILL DOWNS Run For The Roses...

Four-time Kentucky Derby winning trainer Bob 'Arrogate' Baffert doesn't have a runner in the 143rd

running of America's Greatest Horserace on Saturday and will probably be the only man leaving Kentucky on Saturday morning as 150 000 plus racegoers stream through the Churchill Downs gates.

The first leg of the prestigious Triple Crown carries a stake of \$2 million, with the winner banking \$1 240 000, the equivalent of almost R17 million!

At the all important draw ceremony for the USA's longest surviving sports event on Wednesday, the more fancied runners had mixed fortunes, with favourite Classic Empire, coming out of post position 14.

Closely behind Classic Empire is Always Dreaming out of post position 5 and McCracken jumping from stall-gate 15.

The Mark Casse trained Classic Empire, a son of Pioneerof The Nile, was last year's 2-year-old champion and Breeders' Cup Juvenile winner.

The \$475 000 Keeneland September graduate started this year with a loss, but won the Arkansas Derby last month to show he definitely still seems to have it at age 3.

Always Dreaming won the Florida Derby comfortably in perhaps the best race of the spring.

He's trained by the legendary Todd Pletcher and will be ridden by top jockey John R. Velazquez, who won the Derby back in 2011. Always Dreaming will also head into the big race on a two-game winning streak.

There are also a lot of things to like about the fancied McCracken. The Ian Wilkes-trained horse is intimately familiar with Churchill Downs, where he has three wins in three starts as a juvenile. McCracken is also a strong finisher who likes to come from behind, a trait that has served many Derby winners well.

Irish War Cry, a New Jersey-bred horse, won the Wood Memorial in a fast time.

Thunder Snow has looked impressive racing in Dubai. Irap was the winner of the Blue Grass at 31-1. Victor Espinoza, who won the Triple Crown on American Pharoah, rides Gormley, who is the best of the California horses, who frankly appear to be weaker than usual this year.

Javier Castellano, the champion jockey four times running, rides Gunnevera.

Patch, a lightly raced long shot entrant, has one eye and jumps from the outside 20 gate.. A few other one-eyed horses have run in the race over the years, including Pollard's Vision in 2004 and Cassalera in 1982.

There will be six other graded stakes races on Churchill's Saturday card, including the Turf Classic and the Distaff.

Paradise Woods, who crushed the field in the Santa Anita Oaks, is the favourite in the Kentucky Oaks for 3-year-old fillies to be run on Friday.

*The Kentucky Derby post time is 00h34 SAST (Sunday)*



## AT NEWMARKET On The Rowley Mile...

The 2000 Guineas was first run on 18 April 1809 and is the first race in the QIPCO British Champions Series and the curtain-raising Classic of the British Flat season.

The £500 000 Gr1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas is open to three-year-old colts and fillies and is run on the Rowley Mile at Newmarket. The fairer sex are more inclined to contest their own version of the race, the QIPCO 1000 Guineas, which is run on Sunday.

Interestingly, the last filly to triumph in the 2000 Guineas was Garden Path in 1944.

In 2011, the legendary Frankel put up one of the most devastating 2000 Guineas performances of all time, destroying the opposition with a show of front-running brilliance to give jockey Tom Queally his first Classic winner and the late trainer Henry Cecil his 25th.

While Galileo's son Churchill is a strong local fancy to give trainer Aidan O'Brien his eighth win on Saturday, and make him the most successful conditioner in the classic, the threat from across the channel cannot be underestimated.

"He seems fine at the moment. Everything has gone well and it's so far so good with him," the Ballydoyle handler said of Churchill.



Al Wukair | *Racing Post*

O'Brien, who was last successful with Gleneagles in 2015, could also run Lancaster Bomber, Peace Envoy and Spirit Of Valor, but there

was no Caravaggio amongst the confirmations.

Master French trainer Andre Fabre is expecting a very bold show from second favourite Al Wukair.

Unbeaten at two, he reappeared this season in the notable French trial, the Prix Djebel, where he easily disposed of a Gr1 winner in National Defense.

Fabre has not won the opening Classic of the season since Pennekamp struck gold in 1995, but feels Al Wukair has the qualities needed to secure him a third Guineas.

"I am quite confident that he will be in the first three on Saturday, but I am a bit concerned that he was not a Gr1 winner as a two-year-old, something that most Guineas winners have already achieved, including both of mine (Zafonic and Pennekamp)."

*The QIPCO 2000 Guineas post time is 16h35 (SAST Saturday)*

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## AT TURFFONTEIN CHAMPIONS DAY...

# Legal Aid For All

## Gr1 Premier's Champion Challenge Turffontein

South Africa's champion Legal Eagle is set to register his seventh Gr1 success, bidding for a second consecutive success in this R4 million race.

Legal Eagle has won ten of his seventeen starts, from a mile to 2450m, and has become a pillar of reliability for punters and handicappers alike. His recent victory in the Horse Chestnut Stakes after a two month break was a facile one and he is on track gain a few more votes for his second consecutive Horse Of The Year title.

Mike de Kock makes a bold move by taking on the Eagle with Empress Club Stakes winner Nother Russia, who has improved leaps and bounds. She escapes a penalty for winning a Gr1 race, as the weights for the Champion Challenge were published prior to the Empress Club Stakes. Including her 2.5kg sex allowance, Nother Russia now gets 4.5kg from Legal Eagle, making her quite competitive against the champion.

Multiple Gr1 winning French Navy has not won a race since January 2016. There always seems to be something better than him when competing at the highest level.

Dual Summer Cup winner Master Sabina disappointed when backed to 14/10 three weeks ago. He's effective over the course and distance and can do better, but taken on Legal Eagle at level weights is no simple matter.

Deo Juvente is Master Sabina's stablemate. He has not seen the winner's enclosure since his 2015 Gr2 Victory Moon Stakes victory. He meets Brazuca on a kilo better terms for a 3 length beating

### Gr1 Champions Chall. past winners

2014	
1 Yorker	60.0 (8) 18/10
2 Tellina	58.5 (3) 7/2
3 Pomodoro	57.5 (9) 5/1
2015	
1 Wylie Hall	58.5 (5) 11/2
2 Majmu	54.0 (6) 8/10
3 No Worries	58.5 (8) 33/1
2016	
1 Legal Eagle	60.0 (4) 11/20
2 French Navy	60.0 (11) 10/1
3 Brazuca	54.5 (7) 11/2

over the course and distance in the Colorado King Stakes at their penultimate clash. Brazuca at last cracked a decent prize when winning the Gr2 Colorado King Stakes and ran third in this race last year.

SA Oaks winner Juxtapose looks well held by Nother Russia on their Empress Club efforts.

Front running Stonehenge will no doubt do the required

for stable mate Legal Eagle, but his recent form does not suggests he'll achieve any more than just that.

START  
4:20PM  
TURFFONTEIN

9

PA7/PICK SIX6  
Gr1 THE PREMIER'S CHAMPIONS CHALL - 2000M  
SAME TRAINER: (1-5-7)(2-4)

Grey's Inn	1 LEGAL EAGLE(SG Tarry) A Marcus	8	60.0
Jet Master	2 MASTER SABINA(GV Woodruff) G Lerena	6	60.0
Teofilo	3 BRAZUCA(JJ v Vuuren) A Delpech	5	59.0
Trippi	4 DEO JUVENTE(GV Woodruff) C Murray	7	59.0
Count Dubois	5 FRENCH NAVY(SG Tarry) S Khumalo	3	58.0
Captain Al	6 CELTIC CAPTAIN(Gareth Van Zyl) W Kennedy	2	58.0
Seventh Rock	7 STONEHENGE(SG Tarry) L Hewitson	1	58.0
Judpot	8 JUXTAPOSE(S Ferreira) C Maujean	9	57.5
Tiger Ridge	9 NOTHER RUSSIA(MF de Kock) C Zackey	4	55.5

# Singing The Blues

## Gr1 SA Derby Turffontein

This is a disappointing field for the third leg of the SA Triple Crown, with few runners worthy of competing at Gr1 level for a R1 million stake.

Heavenly Blue, who won the SA Classic last time will be asked to justify his position at the top of the ante-post boards for the Vodacom July. SA Classic runner-up Al Sahem was conclusively beaten in that race and looks to have it all to do to turn the tables. Still, he has only his fifth career start and he might well have improvement to come.

Furiosa ran on for third in the SA Classic, some three lengths off winner Heavenly Blue.

Derby Trial winner Pagoda goes for his hat-trick of wins, but has some leeway to make up given his official MR of 92 (increased from 84 after his Derby Trial win).

The rest look to be making up numbers.

King Of Blues is unexposed at feature level, and has only won once in seven starts. Captain At Sea beat a weakfish MR 74

Handicap field last time. Okavango Delta looks held by Pagoda, who is gave him a seven lengths beating in the Derby Trial last time and is 4kg better off. Lee's Pick started at 40/1 when second to Pagoda in the Derby Trial, but is 7kg worse off after a 3-length beaten by Pagoda.

The small field suggests the possibility of a modest early pace in the 2450m race and lesser emphasis on staying ability.

### Gr1 SA Derby past winners

2014	
1 Louis The King	58.0 (4) 16/10
2 As You Like	58.0 (10) 16/1
3 Earl Of Derby	58.0 (8) 33/1
2015	
1 Legal Eagle	58.0 (14) 5/1
2 Deputy Jud	58.0 (8) 5/1
3 French Navy	58.0 (7) 3/1
2016	
1 Abashiri	60.0 (10) 1/6
2 Rocketball	60.0 (8) 40/1
3 Samurai Blade	60.0 (9) 10/1

START  
3:00PM  
TURFFONTEIN

7

PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3  
Gr1 SA DERBY (3YO'S) - 2450M  
SAME TRAINER: (2-3)

Snitzel	1 HEAVENLY BLUE(MF de Kock) C Murray	5	60.0
Silvano	2 AL SAHEM(SG Tarry) A Delpech	3	60.0
Fastnet Rock	3 FURIOSA(SG Tarry) S Khumalo	4	60.0
Mogok	4 PAGODA(GV Woodruff) G Lerena	1	60.0
Captain Al	5 CAPTAIN AT SEA(Gareth V Zyl) M v Rensburg	6	60.0
The Sheik	6 KING OF BLUES(PA Peter) C Zackey	7	60.0
Philanthropist	7 LEE'S PICK(BO Wiid) M Yeni	8	60.0
Var	8 OKAVANGO DELTA(RR Sage) L Hewitson	2	60.0

## Champion Curtain Call

Gold Circle and Prosport International have entered into a five year agreement to promote a festival around the Gold Cup meeting.

Mike Makaab of Prosport says that they intend to make it a 'real experience' without detracting from the horseracing.

"Saturday will be a party day culminating in a top-class concert in the evening" says Makaab.

He promised 'some of the best names in SA music'.

"We have engaged with City and Province and they are super excited that we will be creating another festival to attract tourists," says Hawkins.

## GR1 COMPUTAFORM SPRINT

# Heaven At Last?

## Gr1 Computaform Sprint Turffontein

**Out-of-province visitors tend to more than hold their own in the Gr1 Computaform Sprint and with a quartet of them in the line-up, Carry On Alice will have to be at her best to defend her title in the 1000m weight-for-age contest. The away team hold the marginal upper hand in the past seven runnings with Noble Heir (2010), Val De Ra (2011), What A Winter (2013) and Copper Parade (2014) showing that the winner can hail from any corner of the country.**

Sean Tarry saddles the SP top-rated pair of Trip To Heaven and Carry On Alice. Trip To Heaven has not run in 14 weeks since flying late to go down narrowly to Carry On Alice in the Cape Flying Championship, after a heart-breakingly slow start. He's a multiple Gr2 winner from 1160m to 1450m and is way overdue to register a Gr1 win in what looks to be his best season yet. Anton Marcus is an interesting booking for the champion sprinter elect.

That said, Carry On Alice looks well set to defend last year's Computaform title. A Gr1 winner at 2,3,4 and 5, she runs over a course and distance on which she has proven herself to be lethal. There should be little between her and Trip To Heaven.

Talktothestars can match strides with the best over the sprints on his day, but has not been his old self lately. He has not looked like earning in his three runs since returning from a dull Cape campaign and has tumbled from a career high rating of 121 under a year ago to his present mark of 110.

Gr2 Joburg Merchants winner Brutal Force is unbeaten at

### Gr1 Computaform S. past winners

<b>2014</b>		
1 Copper Parade	60.0 (13)	16/1
2 Via Africa	57.5 (1)	14/10
3 Contador	60.0 (3)	9/2
<b>2015</b>		
1 Alboran Sea	55.5 (13)	6/1
2 Carry On Alice	55.5 (10)	8/1
3 Captain Of All	60.0 (9)	16/10
<b>2016</b>		
1 Carry On Alice	57.5 (14)	9/10
2 Talktothestars	60.0 (13)	10/1
3 Barbosa	60.0 (9)	8/1

this track in three starts and may present the major obstacle to the Tarry duo.

Justin Snaith brings recent KZN Stakes winner Jo's Bond up from the coast. She beat Carry On Alice in the Gr2 Southern Cross Stakes, and now faces her on 2kg worse terms. Elusivenchantment was beaten a length on the same weight terms by Jo's Bond last

time.

Gr2 Hawaii Stakes winner Rafeef drops in trip and gets the blinkers added.

Lebelo Sprint winner Rivarine travelled for the Cape Flying Championship, but was never in the race

to finish eighth lengths behind Carry On Alice. He is 2kg worse off here.

The 7yo Pivotal Pursuit looks stretched at level weights with the proven speed merchants.

Wrecking Ball managed to stay on well for second in the Senor Santa, then ran almost four lengths behind Brutal Force in her last outing, over the course and distance. She looks well held on that. Moofeed ran on late from way back last time to get within a length of Brutal Force, while Pillar Of Hercules is 4.5 kg worse off with Brutal Force on their last start, when he was a length adrift.

# Hour Of Truth

## Gr1 SA Nursery Turffontein

**Trainers Tarry and De Kock hold the aces for R1 million Gr1 SA Nursery. Tarry won this race two of the past three years with fillies, but there are no members of the fairer sex in the 2017 renewal.**

Anton Marcus is aboard Gr3 Protea Stakes winner Barrack Street, who goes for his fourth win in five starts and heads the Tarry twosome in a race where Mike de Kock saddles a colt said to be the most expensive youngster to set hoof on a racecourse in this country. That is Mustaaqem, full-brother to Gr1 Computaform Sprint candidate Rafeef. The Australian-bred Redoute's Choice colt blitzed to an impressive win on debut by seven lengths.

Corne Spies saddles two opponents. The stronger looks to be Protea Stakes runner-up Laurent Du Var. He needs to give Barrack Street 2kg and find just under a length, which looks tough.

Wonderwall, another Tarry entry, had two outings in the Cape to launch his career, running second to Bold Respect in the Kuda Sprint on Met day. He was ahead of Barrack Street there, in receipt of 2kg by 5 lengths, but Barrack Street has shown better form since. Wonderwall cleared his maiden slate at his third outing at odds-on disposing of Naafer easily – that one went on to ratify the form next time out. The two clash again in a supporting sub-plot of sorts and could make for an interesting race within a race.

Quinlan has been conclusively beaten twice by Barrack Street – in both the Storm Bird and the Protea Stakes, and being 2kg worse off should play the minor fiddle again.

Clinton Binda's Whorly Whorly is one of only two multiple winners in the field. He received 2kg and a three length beating

### START 1:15PM TURFFONTEIN

## 4

PA2/PICK SIX1  
Gr1 SA NURSERY (2YO'S) - 1160M  
SAME TRAINER:(2-10)(3-4)(5-8)(6-7)

Rebel King	1	ALEX THE GREAT(RR Magner) R Simons	4	60.0
Dynasty	2	BARRACK STREET(SG Tarry) A Marcus	6	60.0
Poet's Voice	3	BOATSWAIN(RR Sage) G Lerena	7	60.0
Great Britain	4	COASTAL TORRENT(RR Sage) L Hewitson	2	60.0
Antonius Pius	5	LAURENT DU VAR(C Spies) C Zackey	1	60.0
Redoute's Choice	6	MUSTAAQEEM(MF de Kock) C Murray	8	60.0
Lonhro	7	NAAFER(MF de Kock) A Delpech	3	60.0
Sail From Seattle	8	QUINLAN(C Spies) P Strydom	10	60.0
Great Britain	9	WHORLY WHORLY(C Binda) A Fortune	9	60.0
Querari	10	WONDERWALL(SG Tarry) S Khumalo	5	60.0

### START 3:35PM TURFFONTEIN

## 8

PA6/PICK SIX5/JACKPOT4  
Gr1 COMPUTAFORM SPRINT - 1000M  
SAME TRAINER:(1-13)(2-12)(5-8)(7-11)

Trippi	1	TRIP TO HEAVEN(SG Tarry) A Marcus	7	60.0
Western Winter	2	BRUTAL FORCE(J Ramsden) P Strydom	4	60.0
Overford	3	TALKTOTHESTARS(FC de Beer) C Maujean	11	60.0
Var	4	DOLLAR DAZZLER(AG Laird) Wei Marwing	14	60.0
Redoute's Choice	5	RAFEEF(MF de Kock) C Murray	10	60.0
Pivotal	6	PIVOTAL PURSUIT(GM Alexander) A Fortune	13	60.0
Black Minnaloushe	7	SPLENDID GARDEN(MG Azzie) JP vd Merwe	17	60.0
Duke Of Marmalade	8	MOOFEED(MF de Kock) C Zackey	3	60.0
Windrush	9	DOING IT FOR DAN(LW Goosen) K Zechner	1	60.0
Var	10	ISCA(G v Zyl) W Kennedy	6	60.0
Var	11	RIVARINE(MG Azzie) L Hewitson	16	58.5
Captain Al	12	PILLAR OF HERCULES(J Ramsden) A Delpech	2	58.5
Captain Al	13	CARRY ON ALICE(SG Tarry) S Khumalo	12	57.5
Captain Al	14	JO'S BOND(J Snaith) R Fourie	9	57.5
Elusive Fort	15	ELUSIVENCHANTMENT(DC Howells) G Lerena	8	57.5
Great Britain	16	WRECKING BALL(G Maroun) R Mungler	5	56.0
Noordhoek Flyer	17	RONNIE ROCKET(J Vos) - reserve 1	15	60.0

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## GR1 SA NURSERY

by Barrack Street in the Gr3 Protea Stakes.

Australian-bred Boatswain made a cracking debut when showing pace and running a two length third to Barrack Street in the Gr3 Protea Stakes. He faces his conquerors (Laurent Du Var ran second there) on worse terms – and he meets Barrack Street on a 5kg turnaround. That gives him plenty to do.

His stablemate Coastal Torrent followed Mustaaqem home on that one's debut and was then beaten five lengths next time by Wonderwall. He looks by both again.

Alex The Great shed his maiden at his fifth start last week, getting the better of the Mike de Kock-trained Mutawaary over 1200m at Turffontein. On a line through Alfolk he looks held by Barrack Street.

### Gr1 SA Nursery past winners

<b>2014</b>		
1 Carry On Alice	55.5 (7) 7/2	
2 Banaadeer	58.0 (3) 6/10	
3 Isphan	58.0 (2) 25/1	
<b>2015</b>		
1 Arabian Beat	58.0 (12) 16/1	
2 Shaama	55.5 (11) 4/1	
3 Mystical Twilight	58.0 (9) 66/1	
<b>2016</b>		
1 Cloth Of Cloud	57.5 (6) 15/10	
2 Rivarine	60.0 (1) 8/1	
3 Double Appeal	60.0 (3) 14/1	

# This Oaks Is Truly Classic

## Gr2 Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks Turffontein

**Favourites have a pretty good record in the SA Oaks. In the last dozen years eight of them have won, four of those odds-on. The two longest priced winners were Arcola (25/1) in 2010 and Ash Cloud (16/1) in 2014 – both bred by Varsfontein manager Carl de Vos. Third highest odds for a winner was the 9/1 of last year's winner Juxtapose – bred by Varsfontein! A check of this year's twelve runners throws up Varsfontein-bred and owned runner Bi Pot - what odds history repeats?**

Stamina should be the key for the 2450m SA Oaks, which carries a stake of R1 million as third leg of the Wilgerbosdrift Triple Tiara – but there will be no winner of that triple. The first two legs had different winners, who are both in the field again, sharing the highest official MR at 99 – Smiling Blue Eyes for Sean Tarry and Orchid Island for Mike de Kock.

Smiling Blue Eyes was a convincing winner of the Fillies Guineas at long odds, and had been fully expected to also get the second leg, SA Fillies Classic. Somehow she wasn't herself in that race, and despite starting favourite ran way below best.

Orchid Island had been the punter's choice for the Fillies Guineas, when finishing third. Based on that outcome she was made second favourite to Smiling Blue Eyes in the SA Fillies Classic, and took the honours after the favourite failed. That Classic was rather a strange race, slow run and decided in a sprint, with less than a length covering the first five home. Bi Pot ran third, just ahead of Belle Rose and Oriental Oak – all three are in the Oaks, their new MR's reflecting the close finish of the Classic- but not necessarily their real ability.

The Oaks will be an interesting re-match, not just for the top rated pair, but for all of the top-five Classic finishers. In terms of stamina, the breeding of all five passes muster.

Smiling Blue Eyes is by Dynasty out of Sage Blue, making her

full sister to mile-and-a-half winner Sage Throne and half sister to Daily News winner Russian Sage.

Orchid Island is by Silvano, her dam Ilha Grande a 2000m winning daughter of Ilha da Vitoria. That makes her a half sister to SA Oaks winner Ilha Bela.

Bi Pot is by Judpot, sire of last year's Oaks winner Juxtapose, out of Alexandra Bi, a mare by Darshaan who also is the dam of SA Derby runner-up Pavlovich and 2600m winner Masterly (by Jet Master).

Belle Rose is by Golden Sword, runner-up in the Irish Derby, out of sprint/miler Vin Fizz. Belle Rose has already won over 2000m, so probably take after her sire stamina-wise.

Oriental Oak is by Silvano out of sprint/miler Quickwood. She's a full sister to Nightingale who stays 2000m, and has herself won over 2000m, so probably takes more after her sire than dam stamina-wise.

That all of them sprinted home so well in the SA Classic make this test of stamina all the more intriguing. Nothing is clear cut.

Captain Gambler and Being Fabulous ran sixth and seventh in the Fillies Classic, beaten three and four lengths at odds of 30/1. The difference in ratings between these two and the five who finished on front of them in the Classic is no reflection of reality – prior to the Classic the difference in ratings was quite different. As there's doubt about the reliability of the Fillies Classic outcome, Captain and Being should certainly not be ruled out for Oaks trifecta's and quartets.

The remaining runners have official MR's which puts them well below classic standard. Best of them is Marcus' mount Wind Chill, who finished a close second to Belle Rose in the Oaks Trial, at level weights. Belle Rose's subsequent showing in the Fillies Classic may give Wind Chill some hope, although the fact that the Classic wasn't a true run race puts a different face on things. The Oaks will tell.

Parabola, Costa del Sol and Royal Utopia ran behind Belle Rose and Wind Chill in the Oaks Trial, in receipt of between four to six kilos.

It is difficult to see them change the order at level weight here.

That leaves Emerald Bay, whose rating of MR 71 says it all.



Fillies Guineas winner Smiling Blue Eyes has a point to prove in the Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks | JC Photos

### Gr2 SA Oaks past winners

<b>2014</b>		
1 Ash Cloud	58.0 (12) 16/1	
2 Mohave Princess	58.0 (7) 5/1	
3 Coby	58.0 (1) 20/1	
<b>2015</b>		
1 Pine Princess	58.0 (11) 28/10	
2 Siren's Call	58.0 (12) 12/10	
3 Patchit Up Baby	58.0 (5) 20/1	
<b>2016</b>		
1 Juxtapose	60.0 (7) 9/1	
2 Fortissima	60.0 (6) 9/1	
3 Peggy Jay	60.0 (2) 11/2	

START  
2:25PM  
TURFFONTEIN

6

PA4/PICK SIX3/JACKPOT2  
Gr2 SA OAKS (3YO FILLIES) - 2450M  
SAME TRAINER: (1-4) (3-10)

Silvano	<b>1 ORCHID ISLAND</b> (MF de Kock) A Delpach..... 10	<b>60.0</b>
Dynasty	<b>2 SMILING BLUE EYES</b> (SG Tarry) S Khumalo..... 11	<b>60.0</b>
Judpot	<b>3 BI POT</b> (GV Woodruff) C Maujean..... 2	<b>60.0</b>
Golden Sword	<b>4 BELLE ROSE</b> (MF de Kock) C Murray..... 1	<b>60.0</b>
Silvano	<b>5 ORIENTAL OAK</b> (RR Sage) A Fortune..... 6	<b>60.0</b>
Captain Al	<b>6 CAPTAIN GAMBLER</b> (J Ramsden) R Fourie..... 3	<b>60.0</b>
High Chaparral	<b>7 BEING FABULOUS</b> (JJ v Vuuren) G Lerena..... 4	<b>60.0</b>
Silvano	<b>8 WIND CHILL</b> (JA Soma) A Marcus..... 9	<b>60.0</b>
Mogok	<b>9 COSTA DA SOL</b> (G v Zyl) W Kennedy..... 8	<b>60.0</b>
Silvano	<b>10 PARABOLA</b> (GV Woodruff) P Strydom..... 5	<b>60.0</b>
Ideal World	<b>11 ROYAL UTOPIA</b> (C Dawson) C Zackey..... 7	<b>60.0</b>
Mullins Bay	<b>12 EMERALD BAY</b> (E Verdonese) L Hewitson..... 12	<b>60.0</b>

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- 15<sup>th</sup> The Right Road
- 15<sup>th</sup> Twelve Oaks
- 18<sup>th</sup> Zeb
- 20<sup>th</sup> Secret Star
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Lindleys Lane
- 22<sup>nd</sup> Starpath (250k race)
- 28<sup>th</sup> Pathway to Glory
- 29<sup>th</sup> South Side



Pathway to Glory winning at Greyville

MAY 2017

### Eight Pathfork yearlings at Nationals

Thursday, day 2:

- #187 colt out of Irish dam from Gr1 family (*Varsfontein*)
- #241 colt from family of Nania, Brutal Force, Red Ray (*Lammerskraal*)
- #308 filly out of SW Belle Of Choice (*The Alchemy*)
- #314 filly from international family (*Maine Chance*)
- #315 half brother to multiple winners (*Hemel 'n Aarde*)

Friday, day 3:

- #438 half brother to stakes winner (*Klipdrif*)
- #476 half sister to Gr2/Gr3 placed 2yo (*La Berg*)

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## GREYVILLE ON SUNDAY

# Hoist The Sail

## Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes Greyville

**New Predator is out to make it a double following last year's victory in this 1400m race, which is contested at weight-for-age plus Gr1 and Gr2 penalties. While Johan Janse van Vuuren's yard has suffered the debilitating effects of a virus and their horses have not been running up to par, New Predator has managed to maintain his form. A smart second behind Rafeef in the Hawaii Stakes was followed by a third to Legal Eagle in the Horse Chestnut at his two most recent starts.**

Brett Crawford has two in the race, including the SP top-rated Sail South. The latter ran on strongly at his last start for a three length third to Legal Eagle in the Queen's' Plate. If anywhere near fitness after a 17 week break, he will challenge for honours.

Second of the Crawford attack is the Gr1 winner Captain America, the current topweight for the July handicap. He placed in both Queen's Plate and Sun Met.

Topweight Marinaresco has been rested since his fifth place in the Met, where he recorded a career-best rating. He may find this on the sharp side, although the expected fast pace would be to his advantage.

Victorious Jay has pulled the best draw and won his last start in good style ten weeks ago. He was on the classic fringes as a 3yo.

Gr2 Senor Santa winner Champagne Haze has drawn well at 2 and looks to be distance suited.

No Worries makes his first appearance since an ordinary run in the Summer Cup and has the headgear removed. He looks well held by New Predator.

Black Arthur, supported in the ante-post betting for this year's July but by no means certain yet of getting a run, has his first

### Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes past winners

<b>2014</b>	
1 Beach Beauty	57.5 (9) 28/10
2 Rio Carnival	60.0 (11) 12/1
3 Capetown Noir	60.0 (7) 2/1
<b>2015</b>	
1 Ice Machine	59.0 (3) 3/1
2 Bouclette Top	58.0 (5) 15/2
3 Ashton Park	58.0 (10) 9/2
<b>2016</b>	
1 New Predator	56.0 (4) 7/2
2 Triptique	59.0 (10) 33/1
3 Ice Machine	59.0 (7) 5/1

outing since being gelded, as does Baritone. They both may need a run.

Bulleting Home came good at his last start when a runaway winner of the Gr3 King's Cup over the polytrack mile. Saratoga Dancer and Ten Gun Salute both are looking for further than this.

Port Elizabeth trainer Yvette Bremner raids with Kingvoldt, who

has found good form recently and who once raced off a career peak MR 113 rating – which would be good enough to be competitive here.

### START 4:10PM GREYVILLE

# 8

PA6/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT4  
Gr2 DRILL HALL STAKES (TURF) - 1400M  
SAME TRAINER:(2-6)(5-10)(9-12)(11-13)(15-16)

Silvano	<b>1 MARINARESCO</b> (C Bass-Robinson) B F'herbe	6	<b>60.0</b>
Captain Al	<b>2 CAPTAIN AMERICA</b> (B J Crawford) C Orffer	4	<b>59.0</b>
Kahal	<b>3 CHAMPAGNE HAZE</b> (GM Alexander) A Fortune	2	<b>59.0</b>
New Approach	<b>4 NEW PREDATOR</b> (J J van Vuuren) G Lerena	3	<b>59.0</b>
Silvano	<b>5 BLACK ARTHUR</b> (J Snaith) A Delpech	12	<b>59.0</b>
Sail From Seattle	<b>6 SAIL SOUTH</b> (B J Crawford) R Fourie	11	<b>58.0</b>
Western Winter	<b>7 BULLETING HOME</b> (SG Tarry) S Khumalo	9	<b>58.0</b>
Jay Peg	<b>8 VICTORIOUS JAY</b> (VH Marshall) M Byleveld	1	<b>58.0</b>
Mambo In Seattle	<b>9 SARATOGA DANCER</b> (DC Howells) C Zackey	5	<b>58.0</b>
Trippi	<b>10 BARITONE</b> (J Snaith) C Murray	7	<b>58.0</b>
Kahal	<b>11 NO WORRIES</b> (Gareth Van Zyl) W Kennedy	13	<b>58.0</b>
Henrythenavigator	<b>12 TEN GUN SALUTE</b> (DC Howells) K De Melo	10	<b>58.0</b>
Lithuanian	<b>13 BUDAPEST</b> (Gareth Van Zyl) A Forbes	16	<b>58.0</b>
Western Winter	<b>14 KINGVOLDT</b> (Y Bremner) K Zechner	8	<b>58.0</b>
Seul Amour	<b>15 JUST ASK ME</b> (G v Zyl) - reserve 1	14	<b>58.0</b>
Judpot	<b>16 ROCKETBALL</b> (G v Zyl) - reserve 2	15	<b>58.0</b>

# Class On The Horizon

## Gr2 Daisy Guineas Greyville

**Justin Snaith has won the KZN Guineas twice in the past three years and looks to hold a powerful hand again, with the coupling of SP top-rated Copper Force and the Gr2 winner Zodiac Ruler. Copper Force came out fresh after his second to William Longsword in the very false run CTS Mile on Met-day, running a good race in the Byerley Turk three weeks ago. He was collared late there by Africa Rising.**

Stablemate Zodiac Ruler also comes in off two seconds – in the Investec Cape Derby behind Edict Of Nantes, and then when outdone by Horizon a fortnight ago. The two meet under the same weight conditions here. It'll be interesting to see which of the two has greater scope for improvement.

Top-rated on the official merits is Mike de Kock's Gauteng Guineas winner Janoobi. He finished just behind Copper Force in the CTS Mile, then scored a fluent win in the Gauteng Guineas next time. He was reported not striding out in the SA Classic last time.

Byerley Turk winner Africa Rising must be considered on his current form and this Gr1 placed 2yo has the confidence of already having beaten Copper Force.

Secretariat Stakes winner Matador Man should come on with the benefit of his sprint prep at Turffontein last Thursday, when beaten six lengths by Romi Boy.

The Gr1 Premiers Champion Stakes winner Gunner has not fulfilled the promise shown as a 2yo.

Summer Sky disposed of an average field with a degree of authority after a four month break, when opening his season on 2 April at Scottsville. He looks well qualified to go the mile and could be the dark horse.

Stable companions Secret Captain and Gingerbread Man look outgunned on paper, but the former did run a cracking race when

fourth to Doosra in the Graham Beck Stakes last year and was on the edge of the places in the Dingaans. He could be better than his rating.

East-Cape Guineas winner Gimme The Stars goes for his fifth win on the trot, but on ratings has a bit to find in this company. The same goes for Mess, who ran a fair post- maiden race to finish a close second behind Bonnie

Prince and steps up to a mile for the first time.

### Gr2 SA Guineas past winners

<b>2014</b>	
1 Legislate	58.0 (4) 11/2
2 Bezanova	58.0 (5) 22/1
3 Captain America	58.0 (7) 1/1
<b>2015</b>	
1 The Conglomerate	60.0 (7) 7/1
2 Mac de Lago	60.0 (1) 20/1
3 Light The Lights	60.0 (2) 33/1
<b>2016</b>	
1 Black Arthur	60.0 (5) 33/10
2 Rabada	60.0 (11) 7/2
3 Mambo Mime	60.0 (6) 10/1

### START 3:35PM GREYVILLE

# 7

PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3  
Gr2 GUINEAS (3YO'S)(TURF) - 1600M  
SAME TRAINER:(2-6)(4-5)(9-11)

Silvano	<b>1 JANOوبي</b> (MF de Kock) P Strydom	1	<b>60.0</b>
Visionaire	<b>2 AFRICA RISING</b> (SG Tarry) L Hewitson	3	<b>60.0</b>
Dynasty	<b>3 HORIZON</b> (C Bass-Robinson) B Fayd'herbe	7	<b>60.0</b>
Zoffany	<b>4 ZODIAC RULER</b> (J Snaith) R Fourie	5	<b>60.0</b>
Royal Air Force	<b>5 COPPER FORCE</b> (J Snaith) A Delpech	4	<b>60.0</b>
Toreador	<b>6 MATADOR MAN</b> (SG Tarry) S Khumalo	10	<b>60.0</b>
Gimmethereenlight	<b>7 GUNNER</b> (PM Gadsby) I Sturgeon	12	<b>60.0</b>
Gimmethereenlight	<b>8 GIMME THE STARS</b> (Y Bremner) K Zechner	11	<b>60.0</b>
Querari	<b>9 GINGERBREAD MAN</b> (DC Howells) C Zackey	8	<b>60.0</b>
Trippi	<b>10 SUMMER SKY</b> (D Kannemeyer) G Lerena	2	<b>60.0</b>
Captain Al	<b>11 SECRET CAPTAIN</b> (DC Howells) K De Melo	9	<b>60.0</b>
National Emblem	<b>12 MESS</b> (C Dawson) M Byleveld	6	<b>60.0</b>

GREYVILLE ON SUNDAY

# Rocking The Daisies

## Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas Greyville

Ektifaa, an Australian-bred daughter of More Than Ready, travelled down to the Cape to pick up the Gr2 Choice Carriers – where she beat the likes of Sail and Final Judgement, whom she meets here – and then went back home and beat the boys in the Gr3 Tony Ruffel



Ektifaa looks the part | JC Photos

Stakes. At her next starts she was out of the money in the Gr2 Gauteng Fillies Guineas and the Man O' War Sprint and it could be that she's overrated or has issues. This race will tell whether or not she deserves her place at the top of the Sporting Post race ratings.

Dennis Drier has two runners and from a decent draw Sail looks the stable elect. She chased Gimme Six in the Umzimkhulu Stakes, when beaten just over a length into third, and meets her conqueror on a match winning 2kg turnaround here. Final Judgement was less than a length behind Gimme Six ((and ahead of Sail), and also is 2kg better off, so might well prove best of the trio this time. Dawn Calling ran almost four lengths fourth in the Umzimkhulu, and looks again held by all three.

A Womens Way finished fifth in the Umzimkhulu Stakes where she had all of Gimme Six, Final Judgement, Sail and Dawn Calling ahead of her. Given the ratings from that race she's unlikely to do better here, although it's not always right to hang everything on the outcome of just one race.

Lady Of The House took on the best during the Cape season, producing career best rating in the Fillies Guineas and Majorca Stakes. She's lightly raced and likely to improve again, making her her seriously competitive if she's fit and ready to run after a break.

Al Danza ran a decent third in the Sycamore Sprint and then won a Graduation over the Turfontein 1450m readily next time. She could have place prospects. Visuality was a length second to Al Danza in that Graduation race. Earlier, she'd been nabbed late by Anna Pavlova in the Three Troikas, and Anna has been unable to frank that form subsequently.

### Gr2 SA Fillies Guineas past winners

2014		
1	Maybe Yes	58.0 (2) 16/1
2	Not Sulking	58.0 (9) 11/1
3	In The Fast Lane	58.0 (1) 15/10
2015		
1	Alexis	60.0 (5) 8/1
2	Inara	60.0 (3) 3/1
3	Ataab	60.0 (10) 20/1
2016		
1	Bela-Bela	60.0 (10) 11/2
2	Nightingale	60.0 (5) 9/2
3	Negroamaro	60.0 (9) 5/1

START  
3:00PM  
GREYVILLE

6

PA4/PICK SIX3/JACKPOT2  
Gr2 FILLIES GUINEAS (3YO'S)(TURF) - 1600M  
SAME TRAINER: (3-9)(6-7)

More Than Ready	1	EKTIFAA(MF de Kock) C Murray	7	60.0
Judpot	2	FINAL JUDGEMENT(GS Kotzen) R Fourie	6	60.0
Philanthropist	3	SAIL(DR Drier) S Veale	2	60.0
Gimmethelight	4	GIMME SIX(J Snaith) A Delpech	8	60.0
Dynasty	5	LADY OF THE HOUSE(BJ Crawford) A Marcus	9	60.0
Trippi	6	DAWN CALLING(DC Howells) K De Melo	10	60.0
Var	7	A WOMENS WAY(DC Howells) P Strydom	1	60.0
Captain Al	8	AL DANZA(GV Woodruff) G Lerena	5	60.0
Horse Chestnut	9	THE HIGH LIFE(DR Drier) I Sturgeon	11	60.0
Visionaire	10	VISUALITY(SG Tarry) S Khumalo	3	60.0
Silvano	11	PHILAE(A Nel) G v Niekerk	4	60.0

## THIS WEEKEND... Guaranteed Pick 6 Pools

**Bold marketing initiatives to offer guaranteed Pick 6 pools get under way at the Champions Day racemeeting at Turfontein on Saturday with a R4.5-million golden carrot set to entice players of the popular exotic.**

One of the 'big four' race meetings on the SA calendar, Joburg's richest raceday features Gauteng's richest race in the Gr1 R4-million Premier's Champions Challenge.

The Pick 6 pool on the meeting starts with a R1.1-million carryover and should soar way over the R5-million mark (TAB's official estimate is R5.1 million).

Explaining the thinking behind the idea of a guaranteed minimum pool, TAB boss Vee Moodley said: "Many of our customers have said that only knowing the approximate pool a few minutes before the off hampers their play. These customers tend to base the amount they spend on the Pick 6 on the actual pool size, not our estimates, and to encourage them to spend more we will guarantee minimum pool levels for major race meetings."

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Should a pool fail to reach the guaranteed amount, TAB will make up the difference subject to the condition that all commingling partners are able to bet into the pool as scheduled.

"Obviously if a local or international commingling partner is prevented from betting into the pool for whatever reason, for example a loss of connectivity, the guarantee will fall away. Once the pool exceeds the guaranteed amount, the actual pool total will be displayed and paid out as normal," said Moodley.

TAB is also guaranteeing a minimum R2.7-million Pick 6 pool for the Daisy Guineas meeting at Greyville this Sunday, when the pool will start with a R750,000 carryover.

Sporting Post readers questioned whether the amounts referred to were nett or gross and some were unaware that the Pick 6 was commingled.

"We only refer to nett amounts with guarantees and projections and the Pick 6 is a commingled bet. That despite the fact that we still have the first-timer rule applying. Something that is actually out of line with international practice," said Moodley.

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# Kats in the cradle

Kat Coetzee

**We are used to the name Felix Coetzee being up in racing lights, what is not quite such common knowledge is that the Coetzee family has an equally talented and hard-working member in their eldest daughter, Katherine, who is currently taking Hong Kong by storm with her rock vocals at Happy Valley every Wednesday night. I caught up with her on a recent visit to Cape Town and got a unique, behind the scenes look at what goes into the Happy Wednesday concept.**

I confess to not being entirely sure what to expect. I researched (read: internet stalked) her a little beforehand, so had a rough idea of what she looked like (which turns out to be nothing like her dad) but she sounded nice via our Voice note exchanges and we eventually found a mutually agreeable time to catch up at Knead in Wembley Square.

I've always wondered about people who perform for a living as most have very separate and distinct 'on stage' and 'off stage' personas. Even though we are (mostly) off stage (a notebook and pen can be intimidating) it was interesting to meet the girl behind the name, so to speak.

I have been privileged to spend some time in Felix's company and while the petite blonde perhaps doesn't resemble her famous father that much, it is in their demeanor that the resemblance is striking. There is a very similar energy, focus and professionalism.

## About Kat

Katherine Alice Coetzee, better known to fans as Kat Aklysm, was born in Durban and spent her formative years travelling South Africa, Mauritius and Hong Kong as Felix's job demanded. Although there is a strong horse influence from her dad's side and she enjoys interacting with horses, Kat never took to riding. Her mother, Janine, fostered an interest in ballet and the performing arts and that's where Kat found her niche.

While at school in Hong Kong she got into dancing and singing training. Unfortunately she couldn't attend theatre school in Hong Kong because she was fluent in Cantonese, but the school taught in Mandarin. However, when one door closes, another inevitably opens and she enrolled at theatre school in Cape Town instead, where she studied musical theatre and obtained a teaching qualification.

## Spreading her wings

Kat spent some time in London and started gigging on the strength of her voice and guitar skills. She met and worked with renowned theatre producer Richard Loring. The two wrote a show together and she credits him with teaching her how to create something 'shiny' and produce it on stage.

Next she got a job with Peter Toerien at Theatre On The Bay which she really enjoyed, but it was admin-based and she longed to be on stage. "So I picked up my guitar, applied at a local bar and kept getting booked," she says with a broad grin.



Hamish Niven

Through performing at venues in and around Cape Town, she met a group of musicians and started learning rock vocals. It was a learning curve after her more classical training and she lost her voice for a few weeks while she made the transition. She spent two years gigging around Cape Town, with personal highlights including being invited to play at Artscape on New Years Eve twice.

## Hong Kong

Deciding she needed a break, Kat flew to Hong Kong to spend some time with Felix, who is contracted to the Hong Kong Jockey Club mentoring their apprentices. "The band broke up at the same time and I wondered whether it was perhaps a sign," she muses. As a precaution, she packed her trusty guitar.

Once in Hong Kong, Kat approached the first bar she found, asked whether she could come and play and got the thumbs up. "It was a sleepy Monday night and once I started singing, the bar really filled up and I got five more bookings on the back of that first night."

Hans Ebert, better known in racing circles as the RacingB\*tch, is a music exec and part of the force behind Happy Valley's 'Happy Wednesday' concept. He is also a family friend. After hearing Kat perform, Hans was sufficiently impressed that he offered her and her guitarist Jay Apungan a residential gig at Happy Valley's beer garden and Kat and her band are fast becoming a popular Happy Wednesday feature.

When I ask whether she is starting to get recognized, she laughs and says yes. So much so that there are now two queues of fans after races – one wanting autographs from the jockeys and the other for those seeking autographs and photo ops with Kat and her band.

Does she enjoy Hong Kong? "Hong Kong is very cosmopolitan, and I grew up as a bit of a 'child of the world', so I feel comfortable there. It's a cool place to be because it's always changing and always staying current." In terms of the HKJC set-up and Happy Wednesday in particular, she says that everything runs like clockwork. "My first night at Adrenaline, the CEO Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges came up and chatted to me after I'd sung Paradise City. There aren't too many CEO's who take the time to

## KATS IN THE CRADLE

make other people feel important. It is a great organization to be part of.”

With things going well at the HKJC and Kat keeping busy with other gigs for the rest of the week, she has decided to stay in Hong Kong for the time being.

Despite being a creative, she is very structured and organized in her approach and it is clear she spends a great deal of time and effort planning her look as well as her sound. “I usually get up at about 11 and by then my dad’s already gone to work. We live at the Hong Kong Jockey Club facilities in Sha Tin, which is about an hour from Happy Valley. There are lots of things I need to do to look shiny on stage, including my hair and make-up. I don’t have the most cooperative hair,” she grimaces. Her look – even during the day- is standard issue rock chick black and her blonde hair is swept up on one side and plaited back off her face. “I based it on an Anime character,” she explains. “By 2pm I’m ready to go and head off to Happy Valley. At 3:30pm we do a sound check which takes about an hour and then we rehearse. After that, we go and grab something to eat, because once the races start, the evening tends to go really fast.”

## Happy Wednesday

What is the Happy Wednesday crowd like? “When the gates open, people literally rush in to grab their seats. People are there to be entertained and have fun, but the focus is very much on the racing. We are careful to be very respectful of the race day activities and only play at strict intervals between races so that we don’t upset the horses.”

In between songs, the band stays in a holding area near the stage so that they can interact with the crowd. “The whole event is very well organized and everything runs like clockwork,” she continues. “Everyone is passionate about they do and dedicated to their job and it’s all about the public and making sure they

have a good time. We keep things fun, and try and link with what’s just happened on the track, like Joao Moreira winning 8 races- people are there for the racing after all. But it does get easier as the night wears on.”

Do they play at Sha Tin as well? “No, Happy Valley is aimed at a younger crowd with a focus on entertainment and the weekend meetings at Sha Tin are more serious and more for the serious punter and racing fan, but we do play at other venues during the week.”

## Dedication

Kat does covers of well-known songs, which are easily recognizable and easy for people to sing along to. They are usually done by about 11pm and she surprises me by saying that they pack up and try to get home as early as possible. “We’re gigging every night, so you need to make sure you’re getting enough sleep.”

Kat credits her love of rock music to dad Felix, who is a huge Guns ‘n Roses fan. “He once waited ages at the Grand Hyatt just to see Axl Rose,” she confides.

Having always related to Felix in terms of his professional, race riding side, it is interesting to get an insight into him from a more personal perspective, but like any successful sportsman, a lot of his life was dedicated to his job. “People talk about hard work – it’s another level with him,” she says with obvious respect and admiration. “He was always very disciplined and would never drink or eat before a ride – that was almost a lack of professionalism to him. But he taught me that hard work does pay off.” It is clear she has inherited his work ethic and she works hard at her stage performance as well as her music.

“I originally learnt to play the piano and the guitar and that’s when I developed a love for the minor chords. My dad taught me to love rock music while Hong Kong was more emo and more into music like Green Day, Muse and so on.”

## Future

She is working on some original material, with the hopes of touring with her band and possibly being signed up to a label at some point. Where does she draw her inspiration? “Sometimes you just hear something that makes your heart jump, but I feel if you want to write great music, you need to listen to great music and great musicians and figure out what makes the world fall in love with them. I listen to a lot of music for educational purposes.” But it’s not all work- although her professional focus is on rock, she prefers listening to funk for recreation – “funk makes me happy,” she smiles.

Her favourite part of the job is the adrenaline of being on stage. “I enjoy being able to express myself creatively and do what I want and get people to enjoy it.” The worst part of the job? “The false eyelashes. Seriously, that glue is painful!” she laughs. “But literally that is it. I love what I do. It doesn’t get boring, or monotonous, and if you do think it’s in danger of heading in that direction, you just add in something to challenge yourself. I also think it’s important to be around people who pull you up, not bring you down. I’m really lucky to be able to do this full time.”

If anyone wants to follow Kat or perhaps see her perform, she plays at the Hard Rock, Mason Eight, Hemingways and Carnegie’s and you can also follow her on social media via @KatAklysmMusic or @FastTrackHK

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## Short Heads

**Duke Rules** The European Champion Older Horse of 2008, Cartier Champion and five time Gr1 winner Duke Of Marmalade added to his growing tally of over 50 stakes horses at Chantilly on Sunday. His 4yo son Marmelo won the Gr3 Prix de Barbeville, a 3000m stamina test, in the hands of Christophe Soumillon, by over 2 lengths. There will be plenty of interest in the international stakes producing Drakenstein stallion's 21 yearlings offered for the first time on the BSA National Yearling Sale which commenced on Wednesday.



## Straight Shooting Jooste

South African owner Markus Jooste's global hoofprint extended further on Monday with Frankel's 3yo son Straight Shooter's easy debut win in a mile maiden for unraced three-year-old colts and geldings at Saint-Cloud. The colt, trained

by Andre Fabre, eased clear of his rivals under Pierre-Charles Boudot with Zaryio, a gelding by Rio De La Plata, seven lengths back in second.

Straight Shooter, who holds entries in the Prix du Jockey Club and Grand Prix de Paris, was bred by Serge Boucheron out of the unraced Machiavellian mare Straight Lass. Started 2/5 favourite (ie 1.40 for a win on the French Tote – there are no bookies), rated RPR 94.

## MAGIC is Real

Joao Moreira won his first Gr1 Audemars Piguet Queen Elizabeth II Cup last Sunday when Neorealism repelled Pakistan Star's late rally to ensure a fourth Japanese victory in the HK\$20 million feature.

"It's so special to win such a race, and a race that I haven't won before!" said Moreira after crossing the line a fist-pumping neck ahead of the Hong Kong Derby runner-up Pakistan Star, with last year's APQEII Cup victor, Werther, a further short-head away in third.

## Dazzling Dozen

A field of 12 colts have been left in the Gr1 QIPCO 2000 Guineas at Newmarket on Saturday headed by the long term ante-post favourite Churchill (Ire) (Galileo {Ire}). The dual Gr1 winning juvenile is one of four potential Ballydoyle challengers along with Peace Envoy (Fr) (Power {GB}), Lancaster Bomber (War Front) and Spirit Of Valour (War Front).

## STARTING OVER?

Either the system and process is an issue, the skills and management are lacking, or our horses are simply badly schooled.

The KZN start woes continued for the second weekend running with a false start marring the Gr3 Strelitzia Stakes at Scottsville, Sunday. The combination of angry jockeys and inexperienced 2yo fillies is a toxic cocktail and the KZN starter really did not look to be in control of matters at the 1100m. "You come and sit on the (expletive deleted) horse" and "Why can't we load more than one horse at a time?", were just two comments from the jockeys directed at the hapless starter, who may want to take a leaf out of the way the Champ de Mars team do things. Horses are not loaded like snails with long intervals between them in Mauritius.

With a long season ahead, it may be time for Gold Circle to meet with jockeys, trainers and the NHA to sort out a simmering problem.

## ZECHNER'S ZIM DERBY

Fencing Master filly Solinski won the Zimbabwe Derby on Sunday, leading from start to finish over 2400m. Karl Zechner rode for trainer Kirk Swanson. The winning margin was 4 lengths. SA jockeys also filled the minor places with Life Is Good (Bronkhorst/Simons) second, Flasher On The Run (Brown/Swanson) in third and fourth cheque to Crystalline (Chambers/Stidolph). Solinski is owned by the Dixie Chick Syndicate, Dubbles Draper, Jackie and Duncan Cockledge, Ursula Malan and C. John Smith. Solinski is out of a Sobieski (USA) mare and was bred in Zimbabwe at Sarahdane Stud.

## Snow Good?

Godolphin's 2017 UAE Derby winner Thunder Snow will line up in Saturday's Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs in Louisville. Sunny weather is forecast and we are thus unlikely to see Thundersnow - this phenomenon occurs when a thunderstorm produces snow instead of rain.

Past Kentucky Derby winners with weather-related names include Thunder Gulch in 1995 and Typhoon II in 1897. Other winners with less 'weatherish' names include Sunny's Halo, Whirlaway and Wintergreen. "Thunder Snow is a colt of the highest class and I hope that he can step up in the Kentucky Derby" trainer bin Suroor said.

## Little Promise

Odds-on favourite Hernando's Promise has always been the Bookies best buddy but his shares dropped to new lows with punters at Kenilworth on Saturday. He appeared to go to start striding short and was never in the hunt – finishing stone last 7 lengths back in a weak field of maidens. The 7-10 shot was reported by the Vet to have returned striding short. Seems punters were done a dirty – as he came back the way he went down.

## PERSONALITY

# Six Of The Best

## Corrie Lensley

**Trainers to saddle 6 winners on a day in South Africa include Theo de Klerk, Terrance Millard, Andy Smith, Gavin Smith and Gary Alexander. The latest addition is Corrie Lensley who joins Gary Alexander in saddling 6 winners on two separate occasions after bringing home 6 winners on 13 February 2017 and again on 3 April 2017.**

We caught up with the Kimberley conditioner in his hospital bed, where Corrie had spent 3 days undergoing tests for high blood pressure. We ring off to let the doctors do their thing and when we call back later, Corrie is back at the yard. "I've been in hospital for 4 days. I have to see what my horses look like!"

### About Corrie

Corrie hails from a farming community in Ellisras and got into racing via his uncle, Boet Horn, a farrier and small-time trainer. His uncle introduced him to Pat Shaw's father, Bernie and Charl du Toit who trained for Frik Kroon. "My love for race horses comes from guys like Willie de Beer and Nick Joubert who were old school trainers. We lived a few kilometres away and used to hike or go by bike to see the horses."

After his national service, Corrie served an apprenticeship as a fitter and turner on the mines. A keen rugby player, who played at provincial level for Stellaland before a knee injury put paid to dreams of a professional career, Corrie maintains that "horses were always my first priority."

He joined Bill Human, first as a stable employee and then as an assistant. "I was a bush trainer. I went bush racing a lot, but the perception people have of bush racing is what goes on in the Transkei and places like that. This is something completely different. A lot of our trainers came through bush racing – even some of the top Cape trainers came through the Cape Hunt which is basically bush racing," he explains.

Corrie spent a few years in the private sector before rejoining the racing fold and being granted his license in 2003. He initially trained from Bloemfontein before moving to a private facility in Potgietersrus, raiding to Bloemfontein and Kimberley. "I used to drive my own truck. It was 780km there and 780km back, but I wouldn't have done it unless I enjoyed it." He finally relocated to Kimberley 8 years ago.

### Life in Kimberley

Corrie is fiercely proud of his horses, his team and his racing centre. "I've got 78 stables and they're full - I haven't got space for a mouse!" he says proudly. Managing that many isn't easy and former trainer of Goldmark, Johan de Bruin, came on board as an assistant three months ago. "You don't train a horse like Goldmark without being a horseman!"

The feedroom is managed by two women and Corrie explains, "If you look at a family, who

does the feeding? The women! I've got a list and one horse gets this much and another something different and they do it to the letter. It's like feeding their children."

Having multiple runners on race days requires a lot of coordination and it does take a lot out of him. "Some horses are not the easiest to saddle, but you get through it. At the end of the day, it's management. I sit down and make a list of every horse. My wife, Emmie, prints 5 or 6 copies and I've got 2 guys who get the horses ready at the stables. Emmie packs my colours and each set goes into its own bag with the jockey's name and the race he's in. When the guys get to the races, they just take the colours out of the bag and they can see 'Muzi Yeni, race 4'. The same applies in reverse. "We don't have valets here – the jockeys take things off and drop it on the floor and colours often disappear." After replacing four or five sets, Corrie had had enough. "Now we have one of our feed-room ladies who collects the colours and puts them back into those plastic bags and then they all get washed at home. It works."

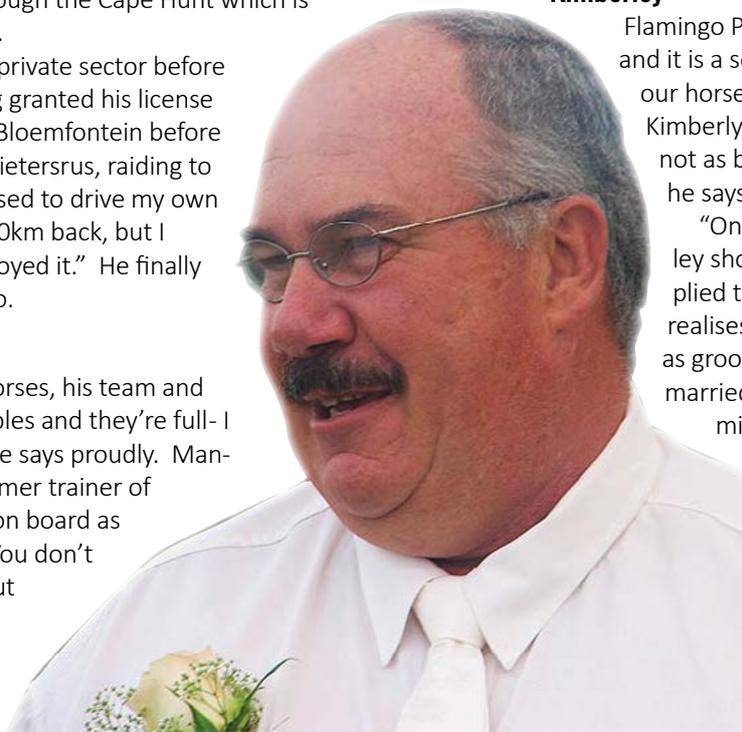
The other mainstay is his youngest daughter, Lizanna. My son and eldest daughter are studying, but I can always call on Lizanna who lives with us and is in matric. While I was in hospital, we needed feed and Lizanna went and got a bakkie load for me. Without Emmie and Lizanna I couldn't manage."

Corrie has struck up a very successful partnership with Muzi Yeni and says, "Muzi started riding for me when I was a battler and he was a 4kg claimer. We had this love-hate relationship, but along the line we've developed a good understanding. I tell him what a horse likes or doesn't like, but I leave him to ride. I'm very loyalty orientated and I will walk through fire for someone who is loyal to me. I'm also using Matthew Thackeray and Jarryd Penny – they're likeable guys."

### Kimberley

Flamingo Park comes in for a lot of criticism and it is a sore point for Corrie. "People say our horses aren't looked after and that Kimberley is a \*\*\*\* hole etc. Kimberley is not as bad as people make us out to be, he says emphatically."

"On Facebook someone said Kimberley should be closed down. My wife replied to them and asked if that guy realises that there's 110 guys working as grooms. Of those 110 guys, most are married and have a family. Make no mistake – we pay the same keep and wages as Joburg. I'm feeding MDK Speed Max and Millard cubes which costs us R60 more per bag than in Joburg. In fact, if I went to Joburg, I'd be able to train a horse cheaper feed-wise than we do here, so we're not training for the sake of training, we



## CORRIE LENSLEY

do it for the love of the game.”

“The biggest problem is that we haven’t got enough racing and stabling for our horse population,” he continues. “Except for the visitors’ boxes, every box at Flamingo is full and we only race 2 – 4 times a month and have 34–38 meetings a year. Look at the nominations and acceptances – our fields are almost always full! I went to Australia a few years ago. They have many more racetracks than we do and the guys in the backwaters are treated just the same as us. We don’t get much coverage for our race cards or write-ups after our races. It’s sad.”

### Horses for courses

Flamingo Park is our last remaining sand track and Corrie says, “The late Peter Miller did a very good job and now we have Jaap Visser who works very hard to maintain it. Remember our race track is also our work track. We have around 450 horses on it every day, so it gets a lot of wear and tear and the sand gets milled naturally by the horses, but the surface is very nice. There’s not a lot of kickback and if managed correctly, it’s a very even surface. Every horse has a chance from wherever they run. If they had this at the Vaal, that track never would have closed.”

Corrie feels strongly that Kimberley has an important role to play in local racing. “I’m not saying people send R2 or R3million horses here, but some of these trainers do a helluva good job keeping owners in the game. Some horses are putrid on grass, but here they can earn a living for their owners. Even in a weak field of maidens, someone has to come first and there’s prize money to be won. Rock A Bye Baby ran in Durban and then came to Kimberley and won 5 in a row. Jaguar ran once on grass, then came here, won 8 and ran so many places he’s earned over R500 000 for his owner. There are a lot of horses in Durban and Cape Town that haven’t made that kind of money.”

“Nick Shearer and Lyle Anderson inspect our horses before racing like at any other course in South Africa. If horses are not looking good and sound, they take them out. I got fined R40 000 for something very silly about 4 or 5 months ago – we get the same fines and fall under the same rules as any other trainer in SA – we just don’t have the same horses. A battling horse that wins a maiden in Kimberley has already given its owner joy. If I’ve made an owner happy, he might get another horse.

He’ll maybe give it to another trainer,” he acknowledges good-naturedly, “but it might get to me eventually.”

### The Big 6

Corrie’s first set of 6 came on 13 February 2017, 10 days before his 53rd birthday and regular rider Muzi Yeni piloted home 5 of them. His second six came on 3 April and again Muzi was on 5.

Was six something he planned for? “At the final gallops, Johan said ‘you know Corrie, I can see 7 winners the way the horses worked’ and I agreed.

The same happened with the second 6. It was the way the horses worked at that moment. It wasn’t an expectation – I thought maybe 4 or 5 would be nice, but I never thought 6. The horses were just well enough on the day. I had 3 seconds that day and a few exactas as well. All the stars lined up, the horses were ready on that day and that was it.”

“I won the 2012 SA Fillies Nursery with a first timer called King’s Temptress. She’d never seen the grass or been to a racecourse except the one she trained on, but she won at 150-1. You can Google it – there were lots of articles!” he laughs. “Winning a graded race is a major thing in a trainer’s life. It’s something I never thought I’d realise, but when I did it was over-the-moon sh\*t. The photos are hanging in my house and will go to my son when I die one day. It’s something no-one can take away from me. I think winning 6 ranks up there with that,” he reflects.

However he remains philosophical. “You have to look at what’s happening today. You talk about it and enjoy the glory, but tomorrow what’s behind you is behind you and you start work all over again. On every race day there are 110 horses, 9 races and only 9 winners. If you take a horse to a 1000m race with 14 runners, there are 13 other guys doing the same as you. To win, everything must line up in those 60 seconds and be 100%. That’s what makes racing so interesting and why even one winner is special.”

### Looking ahead

Are there designs on a championship title? “To win something like that would be the biggest achievement in my life because it would mean that for a whole year I was on top and doing everything right. It would definitely be the best thing that’s ever happened to me. It does take a toll - you start early and leave late – but I’m definitely going to try for it.”

## SCORE CARD

How horses performed in South Africa’s black type races, expressed in points based on the kind of races and how far behind the winner they finished.

### Full EXPLANATION

of the point system and the complete list of point earners is on the Sporting Post website

### TOP SCORERS for 2016/2017

(to 30 April 2017)

horse	age	sex	points	races
Legal Eagle	5	c	285	4
Whisky Baron	4	c	150	2
Carry On Alice	5	f	118	3
Master Sabina	7	c	100	1
Trip To Heaven	5	c	97	2
Safe Harbour	3	f	96	3
Nightingale	4	f	84	2
New Predator	4	c	84	4
Captain America	6	c	84	3
Gold Standard	3	c	82	3
Kangaroo Jack	4	c	82	3
Edict Of Nantes	3	c	81	2
Heavenly Blue	3	c	74	2
Orchid Island	3	f	70	1
Just Sensual	3	f	70	1
Bela-Bela	4	f	70	1
William Longsword	3	c	70	1
Jo’s Bond	4	f	68	2
Bezanova	6	c	50	1
Champagne Haze	4	c	50	1
Brazuca	4	c	50	1
Rafeef	4	c	50	1
Search Party	4	c	50	1
Icy Trail	4	c	50	1
Marinaresco	4	c	48	3
Red Ray	6	c	46	1
Star Express	4	f	42	2
The Conglomerate	5	c	37	1
Silver Mountain	4	f	34	2
Master Switch	5	c	34	1
Tevez	7	c	31	1

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date	close	high	low	volume
3May	2150	2150	2000	608
2May	2185	2220	2185	10,925
28Apr	2185	2185	2100	286,742
26Apr	2100	2100	2000	114
25Apr	2120	2120	2120	118
24Apr	2209	2209	2095	138,849
21Apr	2100	2100	2100	60,118
20Apr	2100	2100	2002	1,920
19Apr	2110	2110	2110	0
18Apr	2110	2110	2110	0

# Silvano Tops The Charts

*"This fellow walks like he just came into money!"*

**The words of trainer Dean Kannemeyer after Form Bloodstock had signed the chit at R4 million for the sales topper in the first session of the Bloodstock SA National Yearling Sale at the TBA Sales Complex in Germiston on Wednesday.**

South Africa's most well established sale got under way in its 41st year with a vibrant local and international bench setting the tone early, with the 122 lots sold for an aggregate of R43 305 000 and an average of R354 959.

After some spirited bidding, the hammer fell with the early benchmark being set by the Lammerskraal Stud bred #42, a magnificent bay colt out of an own sister to the outstanding performers Capetown Noir and Across The Ice.

A foreign buyer went all the way to R4 million and Dean Kannemeyer confirmed that he was looking forward to training Matador Step.

"He ticked all the boxes. An athletic and really magnificent specimen! I know that he was shortlisted by many and it was clear that he was going to go for money. I have trained the family and they can run. I'm just very pleased that our buyer dug deep and wanted him," said an elated Kannemeyer.

Lammerskraal Stud Manager Sally Bruss described him as 'a beautiful colt with depth, quality and a wonderful temperament'.



Lot 42 - Silvano colt bred by Lammerskraal Stud

The top selling filly is also headed for a top Cape yard after Snaith Racing went to R3,6 million for the Cheveley Stud bred unnamed Captain AI filly out of the prolific Royal Academy mare, Mystic Spring.

A half-sister to 6 stakes winners, including current Snaith champion Bela-Bela, and the ill-fated Rabiya, she is a three-parts sister to Captain AI Gr1 winners All Is Secret and Sunday's impressive Gr3 Poinsettia Stakes winner, The Secret Is Out.

Mauritzfontein bred the Gimmethegreenlight colt Mochalate Malbec (#55) who attracted plenty of spirited attention and eventually slotted in at third highest seller on the day at R2,6 million.

A good looking specimen, Shadwell SA bought the son of a winning sister to Gr2 winner Mochachino, from the family of July winner Hunting Tower, and influential US sire and Gr1 winner Fappiano.

Form Bloodstock was the top buyer on aggregate with their 9 lots totalling R9 310 000.

The second session of the sale kicked off at 11h00 today with the third and final session on Friday 5 May at 11h00.

There's still time –

[read more here in the Sale Preview](#)

## Features To Come

Sat 13 May **(L) East Cape Derby** (3yo's)  
2400m Fair (T)

**(L) Dahlia Plate** (2yo's)  
1200m Fair (T)

Sat 20 May **(L) Syringa Hcp** (F&M)  
1600m Turffontein (I)

**Gr3 Winter Classic** (3yo's)  
1800m Kenilworth

**(L) Olympic Duel S.** (F&M)  
1200m Kenilworth

**(L) Stormsvlei Mile** (3yoF)  
1600m Kenilworth

Sun 21 May **Gr2 Betting World 1900**  
1900m Greyville (P/T)

**(L) East Coast Cup** (F&M)  
2000m Greyville (P/T)

Fri 26 May **(L) Glenlair Trophy**  
3200m Fair (T)

Sat 27 May **Gr1 Tsogo Sun Sprint** (3yo's)  
1200m Scottsville

**Gr1 COP Fillies Sprint** (F&M)  
1200m Scottsville

**Gr1 Gold Medallion** (2yo's)  
1200m Scottsville

**Gr1 Allen Robertson Championship** (2yoF)  
1200m Scottsville

**Gr3 Cape Of Good Hope Nursery** (2yo's)  
1200m Kenilworth

**(L) Kenilworth Fillies Nursery**  
1200m Kenilworth



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## SUMMERHILL SALE

# SA'S First 'Pop Up' Auction

## History Suggests A Treasure Trove

**The Summerhill Sale of Broodmares & Weanlings takes place at the School of Excellence, Summerhill Stud on Mother's Day, Sunday 14 May from 11h00.**

**The Sale will be conducted by Livestock Auctions and includes a unique first appearance by Australian Lady Auctioneer, Stephanie Grentell.**

When you don't have the dough, you simply have to make a plan, which means 'innovate' in modern speak.

That's been the story of ten times champion breeders Summerhill Stud for as long as they've been in business, and it's served them well to this day.

The current tax dispensation for bloodstock breeders, the first export protocols with the EU, the South African Equine Trade Council, the KZN Breeders Premium Scheme, the Ready To Run, Vuma Feeds and the revolution it ushered into the feeding of thoroughbreds, the School Of Management Excellence and their international staff scholarship scheme, name it, they've been at it, and their fingers have been in the pie for almost four decades at what the world at large would call the 'art of survival'.

While you might have thought that as a mature organisation, their ideas would have been dulled by the passage of time, but that's an underestimation of the verve that populates the younger set and the energy it inspires in their elders.

The latest idea was born with the recent decision to 'tidy up' the numbers, which spawned the notion of a 'pop up' auction.

South Africa has never been short of enterprise: after all, this nation has produced more world class companies than any other of its size, and racing has been as generously endowed in the field of enterprise as any other game in town.

Judging by the popular response to the return of the 'old firm' of former TBA CEO Jan Naude, Sales Manageress Caroline Simpson and financial regulator, Marge Engelbrecht under the style of Livestock Auctions, it seems the Mooi River outfit has found a winner, not to mention the enthusiastic applause at the announcement that the internationally-acclaimed auctioneer, Clive Gardner will be back on the rostrum alongside Brandon Leer, the man who sold the most expensive buffalo in history at R168million.

Looks like we're in for a bumper afternoon's entertainment, come the 14th of May, more so as Australian Steph Grentell's guest appearance will mark the first lady to wield the gavel in South African racing history.

It didn't take long for Jan Naude to recall the old Summerhill-induced three payment buyers' incentive either, so those who turn up will not only have the spectacle of South Africa's biggest bloodstock bonanza in two decades to look forward to, they will have the additional benefit of being able to stretch their payments over 90 days.

It's an awfully long time since South Africa witnessed a sale of this scale and calibre, and we have to reach back to the days when Summerhill staged the last of their national broodmare and weanling sales in 1997, to find something approaching the present offering.

Since then, the Midlands nursery has served as a veritable 'production line' for more than 170 Stakes winners, 33 of them having excelled as champions or Group One winners.

With these odds and a record number of breeders' titles for the modern era, it would take a brave man to bet against this sale yielding another trove of supreme treasures.

Viewing is from Thursday 11 May by appointment.

Please contact Amorette Maitre on [info@summerhill.co.za](mailto:info@summerhill.co.za) to request a copy of the catalogue, or Megan Romeyn on 033 263 1081 who will be able to assist with accommodation options in the area.

## Grey's Inn For Highlands

**Zabeel stallion Grey's Inn, sire of Gr1 winners Legal Eagle and King Of Pain, is to stand at Highlands Stud, a part of Ridgemont, in Robertson for the first 6 weeks of the 2017 breeding season.**

The move is made in the light of the great success of the stallion, one of the best South African domestic and international performers and rated internationally (TRC) as the best stallion in SA.

Karoo breeders will not be abandoned by the horse because he will return to Rosedene after his stint at Highlands – and Karoo breeders are of course welcome to travel mares to him in that 6 week period – but at the same time, access to the horse for Western Cape breeders is now made easier for the early season period.

The success of Legal Eagle is the current headline news for Grey's Inn perhaps with more to come. Meanwhile he sires juvenile winners and 3 year olds and up, with the majority winning at 1200-1600m as befits a multiple Gr1 winner and placer at home and abroad.

His AEPR is second only to Captain Al (source Sporting Post).

Grey's Inn stands for a fee of R 30,000 + VAT Live Foal\*\*. Bookings for his stay at Highlands will be controlled by Highlands- please contact Mike Sharkey on 082 372 2682 or [highstud@iafrica.com](mailto:highstud@iafrica.com)

Graeme Koster of Rosedene Stud is also available for comment although bookings will be referred to Highlands for the period.

The AllanStallions Scale of Fees as published will apply throughout the season to Grey's Inn subject to availability.

\*\*Number of Services (all plus VAT all Live Foal)

- 1 Service R 30,000.00
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## BREEDING

# Mr P.'s Derby Dominance

**Mr Prospector has enjoyed success as a stallion in all three legs of the US Triple Crown. His son Conquistador Cielo won the 1982 G1 Belmont Stakes (by 14 lengths). Another son Tank's Prospect took the G1 Preakness Stakes in 1985, and Fusaichi Pegasus provided Mr P. with a Kentucky Derby winner when successful in the 2000 Run For The Roses.**

**Interestingly, these winners aren't among the better sire sons of Mr Prospector, at least not when compared to the likes of Gone West, Seeking The Gold, Fappiano and Machiavellian.**

The descendants of the breed shaping giant have made their mark on the Kentucky Derby since 1990 when Unbridled (by Fappiano) won the race. That was followed by eleven subsequent wins for members of the clan, the latest American Pharoah, who went on to win the Triple Crown.

Unbridled has played a significant role in Mr P.'s success rate in the Kentucky Derby. He got 1996 winner Grindstone (whose son Birdstone was responsible for 2009 surprise winner Mine That Bird). Unbridled's son Empire Maker (second to another Mr P. descendant Funny Cide in the 2003 Kentucky Derby) sired Derby runner up Pioneerof The Nile (sire in turn of American Pharoah). Unbridled became the broodmare sire of 2013 Derby winner Orb (Malibu Moon), who is inbred to Mr Prospector. So are 2014 Derby winner California Chrome and 2009 victor Mine That Bird.

Mr Prospector line sires with Kentucky Derby winners include Distorted Humor (sire of Funny Cide and grandsire of I'll

Have Another), Quiet American (sire of Real Quiet), Our Emblem (sire of War Emblem) and Elusive Quality (sire of Smarty Jones).

Mr Prospector's son Not For Love is broodmare sire of Kentucky Derby/Preakness Stakes winner and dual Horse Of The Year California Chrome, while another son Carson City is damsire of Barbaro.

It's Derby-time again, and this year at least five of the leading contenders fit the bill.

**Always Dreaming** (G1 Florida Derby winner) is by Empire Maker's promising son Bodemeister. Irish War Cry (G2 Wood Memorial winner) is by leading sire Curlin (a grandson of Mr P.). He is bidding to give Curlin a trio of Triple Crown races, following Curlin's sons Exaggerator (Preakness Stakes) and Palace Malice (Belmont Stakes). Curlin's sire Smart Strike is broodmare sire of shock Derby winner Mine That Bird.

**Battalion Runner** (runner up in the G2 Wood Memorial) is by Unbridled's Song (Unbridled).

He is inbred to Mr Prospector's grandson Unbridled, through his sire and damsire Tapit (who is out of an Unbridled mare).

**Classic Empire** (2yo champion, and at 3 winner of the G1 Arkansas Derby) is by Pioneerof The Nile, also the sire of American Pharoah. Classic Empire's grandam is by Mr P. stallion Miswaki.

**Hence** (Sunland Derby), is by Machiavellian's grandson Street Boss, by Street Cry, who got Derby winner Street Sense. Hence (yet another inbred to Mr Prospector) is from the same family as Classic Empire. In the South African context,



Mr Prospector

this is the family also of Marchfield (AP Indy), and siblings Home Guard (Forli) and Peaceable Kingdom (Native Dancer).

There are others who aren't direct male line descendants of Mr P. but who are inbred to him. They include Gunnevera (Dialed In), Mccracken (Ghostzapper), State Of Honor (To Honor And Serve) and Girvin (Tale Of Ekati).

Mr Prospector has also made his presence felt in the Derby through numerous broodmares. Pulpit, out of Mr Prospector mare Preach, is grandsire of California Chrome and through champion sire Tapit also of Derby hope Tapwrit.

What odds Mr P. pops up again in the pedigree of the 2017 Kentucky Derby winner?

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Stakes	Breeder	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
23,298,126	Klawervlei Stud	379	61,473	1928	134	187	35%	9	12	7%	527	27%	10	William Longsword 4,065,000 17%
15,463,738	Summerhill Stud	330	46,860	2008	103	158	31%	6	7	6%	522	26%	1	Africa Rising 825,750 5%
11,245,388	Maine Chance	175	64,259	876	72	103	41%	4	5	6%	292	33%	10	Janoobi 1,416,250 13%
8,983,038	Avontuur Farm	58	154,880	293	19	31	33%	5	7	26%	86	29%	3	Live Life 3,701,875 41%
8,713,725	Highlands	159	54,803	829	59	89	37%	4	7	7%	223	27%	8	Trip To Heaven 809,375 9%
8,645,075	Varsfontein Stud	104	83,126	559	52	72	50%	6	7	12%	168	30%	13	Captain America 996,250 12%
6,766,625	Ascot Stud	97	69,759	539	47	68	48%	3	4	6%	173	32%	6	Bold Respect 690,000 10%
6,454,850	Drakenstein Stud	96	67,238	468	42	56	44%	3	3	7%	170	36%	7	Singapore Sling 1,383,750 21%
5,548,700	Scott Bros	158	35,118	922	46	56	29%	1	2	2%	223	24%	6	Front Rank 285,100 5%

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
18,393,288	Captain Al	176	104,507	874	83	118	47%	10	11	12%	277	32%	13	William Longsword 4,065,000 22%
17,412,150	Silvano	204	85,354	1053	104	157	51%	9	12	9%	360	34%	17	Janoobi 1,416,250 8%
13,705,575	Trippi	163	84,083	848	73	102	45%	4	6	5%	283	33%	11	Live Life 3,701,875 27%
9,346,638	Dynasty	139	67,242	661	59	90	42%	8	12	14%	192	29%	11	Just Sensual 876,250 20%
8,675,463	*Kahal	144	60,246	901	65	109	45%	3	4	5%	249	28%	3	Champagne Haze 382,500 4%
8,284,213	Var	190	43,601	938	71	92	37%	3	4	4%	291	31%	6	Normanz 282,050 3%
6,990,963	Elusive Fort	77	90,792	532	40	57	52%	1	1	3%	163	31%	5	Safe Harbour 2,226,000 32%
6,642,088	*Western Winter	114	58,264	574	48	68	42%	2	2	4%	155	27%	4	Attenborough 1,162,025 17%
6,525,900	Gimmethgreenlight	89	73,325	473	43	63	48%	5	8	12%	155	33%	7	Green Pepper 648,125 10%

## LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by STAKES

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
10,225,263	Captain Al	51	200,495	295	35	52	69%	3	3	9%	84	28%	4	William Longsword 4,065,000 40%
7,527,600	Trippi	52	144,762	274	31	48	60%	2	3	6%	81	30%	3	Live Life 3,701,875 49%
7,390,150	Silvano	79	93,546	349	42	59	53%	3	6	7%	126	36%	8	Janoobi 1,416,250 19%
5,842,500	Gimmethgreenlight	67	87,201	432	35	54	52%	4	7	11%	142	33%	6	Green Pepper 648,125 11%
4,401,275	Dynasty	55	80,023	248	27	44	49%	4	7	15%	70	28%	2	Just Sensual 876,250 20%
4,112,825	Elusive Fort	43	95,647	299	20	23	47%	0	0	0%	74	25%	2	Safe Harbour 2,226,000 54%
3,853,538	Var	80	48,169	405	31	43	39%	2	3	6%	134	33%	2	Exquisite Touch 253,750 7%
3,574,975	Philanthropist	58	61,638	290	18	24	31%	2	2	11%	85	29%	3	Singapore Sling 1,383,750 39%
3,573,625	*Western Winter	46	77,688	246	23	30	50%	1	1	4%	70	28%	2	Attenborough 1,162,025 33%

## LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by AEPR

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
10,225,263	Captain Al	51	200,495	295	35	52	69%	3	3	9%	84	28%	4	William Longsword 4,065,000 40%
7,527,600	Trippi	52	144,762	274	31	48	60%	2	3	6%	81	30%	3	Live Life 3,701,875 49%
1,740,900	Royal Air Force	15	116,060	55	4	5	27%	0	0	0%	13	24%	1	Copper Force 1,500,625 86%
2,077,875	Just As Well	18	115,438	90	7	12	39%	0	0	0%	20	22%	0	Chili Con Carne 1,348,125 65%
4,112,825	Elusive Fort	43	95,647	299	20	23	47%	0	0	0%	74	25%	2	Safe Harbour 2,226,000 54%
7,390,150	Silvano	79	93,546	349	42	59	53%	3	6	7%	126	36%	8	Janoobi 1,416,250 19%
5,842,500	Gimmethgreenlight	67	87,201	432	35	54	52%	4	7	11%	142	33%	6	Green Pepper 648,125 11%
1,812,475	Count Dubois	22	82,385	133	10	15	45%	1	1	10%	32	24%	1	Edict Of Nantes 895,625 49%
4,401,275	Dynasty	55	80,023	248	27	44	49%	4	7	15%	70	28%	2	Just Sensual 876,250 20%

## LEADING SIRES of 2YO'S by STAKES

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
975,200	Var	31	31,458	73	11	12	35%	0	0	0%	30	41%	1	Varallo 129,375 13%
964,925	Bold Silvano	12	80,410	31	5	6	42%	0	0	0%	9	29%	1	Bold Respect 690,000 72%
866,738	*Sail From Seattle	35	24,764	75	11	13	31%	0	0	0%	27	36%	3	Autumn In Seattle 138,813 16%
824,650	Querari	19	43,403	45	6	6	32%	0	0	0%	23	51%	1	Wonderwall 274,375 33%
734,175	Antonius Pius	32	22,943	85	6	8	19%	1	1	17%	18	21%	1	Neptune's Rain 196,125 27%
685,600	Captain Al	28	24,486	55	6	6	21%	1	1	17%	28	51%	1	Call To Account 101,250 15%
683,400	Gimmethgreenlight	22	31,064	41	8	9	36%	1	1	13%	13	32%	1	Green Plains 202,250 30%
592,575	What A Winter	22	26,935	47	6	7	27%	1	1	17%	18	38%	1	Dutch Philip 113,750 19%

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES on Polytrack

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
1,917,000	Silvano	61	31,426	168	23	28	38%	0	0	0%	49	29%	0	Scent 165,600 9%
1,728,550	*Western Winter	47	36,778	148	20	26	43%	1	1	5%	35	24%	0	Icy Spirit 192,500 11%
1,646,875	Captain Al	57	28,893	157	19	24	33%	1	1	5%	41	26%	0	My Pal Al 157,500 10%
1,489,013	*Kahal	62	24,016	200	14	21	23%	0	0	0%	52	26%	1	Top Form 198,650 13%
1,459,750	Miesque's Approval	59	24,742	251	14	16	24%	0	0	0%	73	29%	0	Emperor Niarchos 122,725 8%
1,427,450	Var	71	20,105	213	13	17	18%	0	0	0%	60	28%	0	Juan Two Three 127,500 9%
1,397,350	Dynasty	43	32,497	129	15	21	35%	0	0	0%	39	30%	0	Inviting Lily 187,925 13%
1,305,975	Visionaire	41	31,853	129	15	21	37%	0	0	0%	30	23%	0	Breakfast Club 130,500 10%

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THE GUINEAS  
DYNASTY

Highlands, a part of Ridgemont, had plenty to celebrate on Saturday when their champion Dynasty sired the winner-bred by them- of the first leg of the Cape Winter Series – sponsored by them for the first time.

African Night Sky won the Gr3 Winter Guineas and became the third individual Guineas winner this season for Dynasty.

Dynasty's previous Guineas winners include Act Of War, Alexis, and the champion Beach Beauty, and this season he has also produced Just Sensual (Gr1 Cape Fillies Guineas) and Smiling Blue Eyes (Gr2 Gauteng Fillies Guineas)

Dynasty can add to his season tally of 8 stakes winners, with Barrack Street a favourite for the Gr1 SA Nursery on Saturday and the well performed Smiling Blue Eyes a contender in the Gr2 SA Oaks. His exciting son Horizon also lines up in Sunday's Gr2 Daisy Guineas at Greyville.



## THERE ARE THOSE WHO'VE BEEN COUNTING US OUT...

So you'd have to concede, we haven't been doing too badly of late. Senor Santa (Gr.2) ace **Champagne Haze**; Oaks Trial laureate **Belle Rose**, beaten a half-length in the Classic (Gr.1); last-to-first victrix in the Three Troikas (Gr.3), **Anna Pavlova**; Ipi Tombe (Gr.2) heroine **Intergalactic**. Dual Stakes winner and Durban July (Gr.1) entry, **The Elmo Effect**; Byerley Turk (Gr.3) hero, **Africa Rising** and Caradoc Gold Cup (Gr.3) victor, **Ilitshe**.

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**LEADING TRAINERS by STAKES**

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trainer	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ runs
SG Tarry	1057	159	15%	212	20%	35%	129	12%	495	47%	23,558,900	22,288
J Snaith	981	129	13%	211	22%	25%	125	13%	455	46%	14,817,025	15,104
MF de Kock	521	80	15%	131	25%	29%	68	13%	274	53%	12,444,350	23,886
BJ Crawford	562	80	14%	80	14%	43%	67	12%	268	48%	11,996,761	21,346
C Bass-Robinson	658	66	10%	86	13%	22%	70	11%	285	43%	11,625,713	17,668
VH Marshall	469	49	10%	54	12%	33%	32	7%	162	35%	9,376,663	19,993
GV Woodruff	365	62	17%	82	22%	38%	38	10%	183	50%	8,220,313	22,521
AC Greeff	794	111	14%	132	17%	27%	76	10%	346	44%	7,079,725	8,917
J Ramsden	359	48	13%	70	19%	36%	48	13%	186	52%	6,755,075	18,816
M Houdalakis	438	53	12%	44	10%	30%	47	11%	190	43%	5,946,025	13,575
GS Kotzen	553	64	12%	66	12%	39%	55	10%	232	42%	5,942,400	10,746
JJ v Vuuren	272	46	17%	50	18%	46%	21	8%	119	44%	5,826,925	21,423
DC Howells	509	50	10%	86	17%	37%	49	10%	211	41%	5,249,713	10,314
GM Alexander	382	49	13%	43	11%	28%	39	10%	155	41%	5,154,550	13,494
G v Zyl	518	48	9%	51	10%	18%	58	11%	237	46%	5,093,625	9,833
DR Drier	402	60	15%	83	21%	36%	34	8%	166	41%	5,026,438	12,504

**LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS**

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jockey	rides	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ rides
G Lerena	602	128	21%	206	34%	34%	95	16%	369	61%	15,212,088	25,269
A Delpech	584	120	21%	252	43%	27%	104	18%	355	61%	14,972,400	25,638
G Cheyne	681	115	17%	156	23%	29%	91	13%	394	58%	11,500,175	16,887
A Marcus	430	114	27%	234	54%	33%	64	15%	297	69%	17,832,825	41,472
C Zackey	1035	107	10%	79	8%	28%	94	9%	400	39%	10,041,663	9,702
A Fortune	643	103	16%	149	23%	26%	76	12%	329	51%	8,076,176	12,560
R Fourie	497	103	21%	140	28%	36%	85	17%	287	58%	8,885,900	17,879
M Yeni	1102	103	9%	114	10%	28%	132	12%	459	42%	8,868,475	8,048
L Hewitson	1018	101	10%	101	10%	18%	93	9%	399	39%	9,203,939	9,041
S Khumalo	622	99	16%	145	23%	36%	83	13%	299	48%	11,374,200	18,286
P Strydom	412	81	20%	116	28%	32%	61	15%	232	56%	10,401,425	25,246
M v Rensburg	760	77	10%	50	7%	34%	73	10%	298	39%	6,612,801	8,701
JP vd Merwe	811	75	9%	53	7%	26%	66	8%	296	36%	6,245,938	7,702
A Domeyer	399	70	18%	77	19%	39%	56	14%	219	55%	6,310,988	15,817
K De Melo	550	68	12%	77	14%	35%	56	10%	254	46%	5,814,588	10,572
C Murray	728	68	9%	76	10%	28%	70	10%	283	39%	7,867,050	10,806

**LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %**

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trainer/ jockey	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	stakes	stks/ runs
DR Drier/A Marcus	25	10	40%	14	56%	43%	3	12%	603,925	24,157
A Nel/A Domeyer	78	25	32%	31	40%	58%	13	17%	1,634,150	20,951
J Ramsden/A Marcus	32	10	31%	17	53%	41%	5	16%	1,842,875	57,590
M Robinson/R Fourie	46	14	30%	16	35%	44%	8	17%	1,025,875	22,302
BJ Crawford/G Cheyne	69	20	29%	19	28%	63%	6	9%	4,271,000	61,899
PA Peter/G Lerena	49	14	29%	12	24%	25%	9	18%	1,194,800	24,384
JJ v Vuuren/G Lerena	53	15	28%	17	32%	59%	7	13%	2,787,050	52,586
D Kannemeyer/A Delpech	124	33	27%	59	48%	34%	28	23%	2,517,300	20,301
AC Greeff/A Fortune	55	15	27%	17	31%	29%	4	7%	818,750	14,886
GV Woodruff/G Lerena	55	15	27%	29	53%	41%	5	9%	2,238,175	40,694
MF de Kock/A Delpech	77	20	26%	32	42%	34%	10	13%	2,339,925	30,389
GS Kotzen/R Fourie	118	30	25%	36	31%	44%	23	19%	2,914,825	24,702
CS Laird/A Marcus	109	27	25%	41	38%	39%	8	7%	1,984,200	18,204
SG Tarry/P Strydom	54	13	24%	20	37%	40%	7	13%	1,117,300	20,691
RR Magner/G Lerena	55	12	22%	16	29%	38%	9	16%	933,575	16,974
AC Greeff/G Cheyne	281	60	21%	90	32%	27%	35	12%	3,622,975	12,893

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Mike de Kock looks poised for a rewarding day on Saturday

**The Tarry Stopper**

Mike de Kock saddles 13 runners at Turffontein on Champions Day this Saturday. The eight times SA Champion is R11 million in arrears of rampant log-leader and title holder, Sean Tarry. With the likes of Mustaaqem taking on Barrack Street in the Gr1 SA Nursery, Heavily Blue looking to hold Al Sahem in the Gr1 SA Derby, Rafeef chasing

Carry On Alice in the Gr1 Computaform Sprint and Nother Russia looking to strike Legal Eagle off the roll in the Gr1 Premier's Champions Challenge, De Kock looks set for a bumper day.

Certainly a yard to build our first bumper guaranteed pool Pick 6 around!

**On Speed Dial**

Log leader Gavin Lerena – one of the game's great competitors

Gavin Lerena is 8 wins ahead of Anthony Delpech and 13 in front of Greg Cheyne as he settles into the saddle for the final 3 months charge for home in the 2016/17 season. The SA Champion jockey in the 2014/15 term, 'Speed Dial' Lerena boasts a host of top-class achievements – including Sher-gar Cup success at Ascot and the

international title in Hong Kong- since riding his first winner at Clairwood aboard Waves Of Argosy for trainer Jeff Freedman on 3 November 2002.

He has 9 decent rides at Turffontein on Champions Day and will only turn 32 on 2 July this year – a young man with a bright future!

**Super Glue**

Samuel Goldwyn once said he'd take fifty percent efficiency to get one hundred percent loyalty. This week's SP Combo Stars Vaughan Marshall

and Avontuur jockey MJ Byleveld don't feature in the top rankings on the strike-rate tables. But the Milnerton pair have stuck like glue through racing's thicks and thins – take the bitter-sweet winning of the Cape Guineas



with Anton Marcus riding William Longsword, as an example. Sportsmanship and commitment have always been top of their priorities and they celebrated an outstanding and well deserved feature double at Scottsville on Sunday.

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## BLACK TYPE RESULTS

**KENILWORTH (new)****Saturday, 29 April****Course Variant: 1.37s fast (straight) 1.37s slow (bend)**

Despite the much needed heavy rain that fell on Wednesday the penetrometer down the straight read 20, and around the turn 21. This was confirmed by the times, most notably down the straight. Racing around the turn was comparatively much slower, but that was mainly due to the false rail being out 4m from the 1700m mark. Compared to the strong headwinds of the summer season, the regular southerly was moderate at 14-19km/h.

93	1	0.00	<b>AFRICAN NIGHT SKY</b>	(14)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe
10/13 b g	Dynasty - Starzene(USA) (Cozzene)					
91	2	1.25	<b>OUR MATE ART</b>	(13)	60.0	A Domeyer 5/1
3 b g	Artie Schiller - Laureidean Dream(USA) (Stravinsky)					
87	3	3.00	<b>LOADSHEDDER</b>	(6)	60.0	G v Niekerk 16/1
3 b g	Gimmethgreenlight - Orange Dancer(IRE) (Danerhill Dancer)					
87	4	3.10	Perovskia	(4)	60.0	G Behr 30/1
84	5	4.35	Turbulent Air	(2)	60.0	A Marcus 7/2
81	6	5.00	Verdier	(3)	60.0	R Fourie 14/1
81	7	5.70	Candid	(10)	60.0	G Cheyne 55/1
80	8	6.10	Newlands	(12)	60.0	D Dillon 72/10
78	9	6.85	I Travel Light	(1)	60.0	P Strydom 37/10
78	10	7.25	Best Nut Ever	(8)	60.0	O Noach 66/1
77	11	7.65	Elevated	(5)	60.0	P Botha 21/2
76	12	8.15	Mangrove	(11)	60.0	C Orffer 55/1
73	13	9.40	Ollivander	(9)	60.0	M Byleveld 30/1
72	14	9.70	Rinjani	(7)	60.0	S Cele 36/1
<b>Time:</b> 99.1s (61.94s avg/1000m, or 58km/h)						
<b>SP Total %:</b> 117%						
<b>1st T:</b> J Snaith <b>O:</b> Mr A L A Crabbia <b>B:</b> Highlands						

**SCOTTSTVILLE****Sunday, 30 April****Course Variant: 1.00s fast (straight) 0.40 seconds fast (bend)**

With no rain and just 4mm of irrigation during the previous seven days, the going was good. The times down the straight were fast, which suggests that the ground was a little firmer than the penetrometer reading of 22 would suggest. The wind was a light 6km/h north easterly. The false rail was out 4m, which accounts for the times being comparatively slower around the turn.

**Gr3 Winter Guineas (3yo's) R250,000****Star Gazing**

Justin Snaith has a serious candidate for Cape Winter Series glory after African Night Sky mowed down his opposition to win the Gr3 Winter Guineas, first leg of the triple. Not that it'll be easy. Winter Solstice and Power King came close to glory, but only multiple champion Pocket Power's has his name on the silverware, for his feat in 2006.

Dropped out early by Bernard Fayd'herbe, African Night Sky was closer to last than first as Rinjani and Our Mate Art carted them along. Into the home run, Our Mate Art continued to gallop strongly as Turbulent Air looked dangerous, with Rinjani going out the back door. Fayd'herbe angled African Night Sky out wide for his run up the outside rail and into the final 200m it was clear the rest had no answers. African Night Sky powered home to beat Our Mate Art, with Loadshedder coming out of the pack to grab third.

The lightly raced African Night Sky is by Dynasty out of imported Cozzene mare Starzene, who won six races from 1800m to 2450m. Bred by Highlands Stud, he was a R850.000 Cape Premier Sale purchase. African Night Sky has now won 3 races, with one place from 6 starts, for stakes of R269.400.

The Highlands Stud sponsored series continues with the 1800m Winter Classic on 21 May and 2400m Winter Derby on 24 June.

**Gr3 Winter Guineas (3yo's) 1400m**

Winner African Night Sky (3rd best handicapped) raced 8th; ran on best of all to lead with a furlong to go; won going away. Runner-up Our Mate Art raced 2nd; led 300m; outpaced latter stages by winner. Third Loadshedder raced 4th, a length and a half behind the runner-up; no impression.

**Time:** Comparatively the fastest of the six races around the turn. We gave the runner-up (prev 87/82/74/78/90) 91 which makes the winner (prev 78/85/88/93/89) 93 and the third (prev 63/71/73/74/76) 87.

**Sweet Chestnut S. (3yF)(L) R150,000****What's In A Name**

Whose That Girl started favourite and scored a smart win in the first leg of the R600 000 Fillies & Mares Winter Series. Fourteen fillies lined up at the 1400m marker as an unseasonal heat wave cloaked the Cape Peninsula. Allowed to relax about five lengths off as Seattle Gold led Whispering Light and California Girl for home, Whose That Girl made up good ground under Aldo Domeyer to stave off challenges halfway down the straight. The filly came up the outside with a strong run at the 300m and held on well to beat the fast-finishing Sylvanite. The winner's stablemate Extradite came out of the pack to run third.

Bred by Narrow Creek Stud, Whose That Girl was bought by Mike Bass for R85.000 at the CTS March Yearling Sale. She is by

Gitano Hernando out of seven-time winning All Fired Up mare Casual Gal, and is her sire's first stakes winner. Whose That Girl has now won 3 races, with 3 places from 12 starts, for earnings of R236.900.

The 2nd leg of the F&M Winter Series is the Stormsvlei Mile 1600m, Sunday 21 May.

**Sweet Chestnut Stakes (3yof)(L) 1400m**

Winner Whose That Girl (best handicapped) raced 5th; led 200m; ran on strongly. Runner-up Sylvanite raced 10th; was less than 3 lengths behind winner at halfway; ran on.

Third Extradite raced 7th; was a length behind winner at halfway; ran on.

**Time:** This was the second fastest of the six races around the turn, although they visibly slowed the pace at the start of the bend. It could have been run faster. We gave the third (prev 81/85/82/82/84) 81 which makes the winner (prev 88/82/87/90/80) 87 and the runner-up (prev 64/62/74/68/77) 85.

87	1	0.00	<b>WHOSE THAT GIRL</b>	(7)	60.0	A Domeyer 3/1
3 b f	Gitano Hernando - Casual Gal (All Fired Up)					
85	2	0.75	<b>SYLVANITE</b>	(11)	60.0	R Fourie 14/1
3 b f	Silvano - Sugar Almond (Al Mufti)					
81	3	2.25	<b>EXTRADITE</b>	(13)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe 8/1
3 b f	Mambo In Seattle - Summer Angel (Jet Master)					
80	4	2.35	Seattle Gold	(9)	60.0	G Cheyne 16/1
75	5	4.10	Anneline	(1)	60.0	M Byleveld 17/2
75	6	4.30	Big Bang Theory	(5)	60.0	C Orffer 61/10
74	7	4.50	Silver Captain	(6)	60.0	D Dillon 20/1
72	8	5.00	Nutbush Citlimits	(4)	60.0	O Noach 30/1
71	9	5.50	Felicity Flyer	(14)	60.0	K Steyn 14/1
70	10	5.80	Primrose Lane	(3)	60.0	C Bantam 25/1
69	11	6.30	California Girl	(12)	60.0	A Marcus 72/10
59	12	9.55	Whispering Light	(10)	60.0	G Behr 50/1
57	13	10.30	China Pearl	(8)	60.0	S Cele 16/1
0	14	99.98	Step out	(2)	60.0	G v Niekerk 25/1
<b>Time:</b> 86.74s (61.96s avg/1000m, or 58km/h)						
<b>SP Total %:</b> 116%						
<b>1st T:</b> C Bass-Robinson <b>O:</b> Messrs R Brooks, T Govender & H D M Otto & Mrs M H Mason <b>B:</b> Narrow Creek Stud						

**In Full Flight Handicap (L) R150,000****Attenborough Flies Late**

Attenborough returned from a break to gain a spectacular victory in the R150.000 sprint handicap. Having his first run as a gelding, Attenborough was allowed to dawdle near the rear as Guinness led the stampede down the straight 1100m. The well backed Purple Tractor moved up dangerously at the 250m, but he had no answer to the dazzling turn of foot shown by Attenborough, who was switched out by Anton Marcus and made up many lengths very late to win going away. Disappointment of the race was Red Chesnut Road, who finished second-last after appearing to have every chance.

Attenborough was bred by Pippa Mickleburgh, by Western Winter out of four-time winning Caesour mare In Camera. A R2 million Cape Premier Yearling Sale graduate, Attenborough has now won 4 races, with 7 places from 11 starts, for stakes of R1.344.025.

**In Full Flight Handicap (Listed) 1100m**

Winner Attenborough raced in the backend of midfield; ran on best of all to lead close home; won going away.

Runner-up Purple Tractor raced 6th with just half a length covering the first six at halfway; led 150m; outrun late by winner.

Third Exelero raced 4th; led 300m; no extra.

**Time:** In what was the fastest race of the day comparatively, Attenborough broke the course record by 1.01 seconds.

We gave the third (prev 98/98/79/93/59/65) 98 which makes the winner (prev 93/96/101/75/96) 104 and the runner-up (prev 88/69/73/49/94) 91.

104	1	0.00	<b>ATTENBOROUGH</b>	(16)	56.0	A Marcus 9/2
3 b g	Western Winter - In Camera (Caesour)					
91	2	1.00	<b>PURPLE TRACTOR</b>	(12)	52.0	G Cheyne 61/10
3 b c	Gimmethgreenlight - Fortify (Fort Wood)					
98	3	1.25	<b>EXELERO</b>	(10)	56.5	L Hewitson 66/1
6 b g	Western Winter - Landaulet (Badger Land)					
106	4	1.50	Search Party	(14)	60.5	C Orffer 10/1
89	5	1.60	Horse Guards	(11)	52.0	S Veale 25/1
86	6	1.85	Rodney	(7)	52.0	G Wright 17/2
93	7	3.35	Top Form	(6)	58.0	B Fayd'herbe 12/1
93	8	4.10	Night Trip	(4)	59.0	A Domeyer 30/1
96	9	4.20	Barbosa	(1)	60.5	K De Melo 25/1
98	10	4.25	Gulf Storm	(8)	61.5	R Fourie 30/1
79	11	5.00	Elusive Path	(3)	53.5	M Byleveld 12/1
76	12	6.25	Guinness	(2)	55.0	C Zackey 21/2
73	13	6.50	Kingston Boy	(13)	54.0	A Forbes 50/1
69	14	6.55	Natal	(5)	52.5	M Ntuli 66/1
77	15	7.80	Red Chesnut Road	(15)	57.5	C Murray 17/2
61	16	9.80	Perival	(9)	54.5	G v Niekerk 72/10
<b>Time:</b> 60.89s (55.35s avg/1000m, or 65km/h)						
<b>SP Total %:</b> 118%						
<b>1st T:</b> J Ramsden <b>O:</b> Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) <b>B:</b> PLV Mickleburgh						

## BLACK TYPE RESULTS

## Gr3 Strelitzia Stakes (2yoF) R200,000

## That Rain Can Run

The 1100m feature was marred by a false start and fun and games at the stalls, but Neptune's Rain produced a professional performance to register her second victory from three starts in the R200.000 feature sprint.

Going off a generous 10-1, Neptune's Rain held on from 14/10 favourite Made In Hollywood to win well. Gold Image lacked early toe but rattled through late, a further two lengths back in third and stablemate Princess Peach fourth.

Winning Form sponsored trainer Duncan Howells said that Neptune's Rain had produced 'very good work and been beaten by an exceptional filly last time'. Jockey De Melo echoed the sentiment, saying to have been very disappointed when she was beaten last time, and that he'd ridden her a little more conservatively this time round.

The Highlands bred Neptune's Rain is by Antonius Pius out of three-time winning Rich Man's Gold mare Water Is Gold. A R425.000 CTS March Yearling Sale purchase, Neptune's Rain has now won 2 races, with 1 place from 3 starts, for stakes of R196.125.

## Gr3 Strelitzia Stakes (2yoF) 1100m

There was a false start, which will have impacted on these inexperienced youngsters. Winner Neptune's Rain raced a handy, to lead 250m out.

Runner-up Made In Hollywood raced 5th; ran on, but no chance with winner. Third Gold Image raced 3rd; led 300m; outpaced by first two.

**Time:** Although this was the second slowest of the five sprint races, it was nonetheless a good time in its own right. We gave the runner-up (prev 78/87/85) 93 which makes the winner (prev 74/76) 96 and the third (prev 78/70) 87.

96	1	0.00	NEPTUNE'S RAIN	(8)	60.0	K De Melo	10/1
2 b f Antonius Pius - Water Is Gold (Rich Man's Gold)							
93	2	1.25	MADE IN HOLLYWOOD	(11)	60.0	A Marcus	
14/102 b f Querari - Sheer Fantasy (IRE) (El Prado)							
87	3	3.25	GOLD IMAGE	(9)	60.0	C Zackey	37/10
2 ch f Horse Chestnut - Velvets Reflection (Tamburlaine)							
84	4	4.00	Princess Peach	(12)	60.0	R Fourie	21/2
70	5	8.75	Awesomeness	(1)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	16/1
70	6	8.85	Under The Stars	(5)	60.0	M Yeni	21/2
63	7	11.10	Holly's Vision	(6)	60.0	W Kennedy	36/1
63	8	11.15	Lolita Delago	(3)	60.0	L Hewitson	55/1
50	9	15.40	Vanity Fair	(7)	60.0	S Veale	17/2
49	10	15.90	Great Aim	(4)	60.0	M Byleveld	20/1
41	11	16.90	Roy's Mojarrá	(2)	58.0	A Domeyer	100/1
23	12	22.90	Flamboyant	(10)	58.0	G v Niekerk	36/1

**Time:** 62.01s (56.37s avg/1000m, or 64km/h)

**SP Total %:** 119%

1st T:DC Howells O:Mr D D MacLean B:Highlands

## Gr3 Godolphin Barb S. (2yo) R200,000

## The Lassie Legacy

Once-raced maiden Woljayrine, who'd made an inauspicious debut three weeks ago, blew his seven opponents away to win the R200.000 sprint. The biggest outsider in the field, Woljayrine was kept to his 1 draw station all the way by MJ Byleveld and went on strongest to beat some highly rated opposition.

The fancied unbeaten Varallo took an awkward jump out of the gates and this would have done his prospects little good as Autumn In Seattle dashed off into his customary role as pacesetter, ahead of the favourite Sir Frenchie. Woljayrine was always in the firing line and kept grinding away as the leaders faltered, beating Sir Frenchie by a length. Varallo found his feet late to head Mujallad into fourth.

A R250.000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale graduate, Woljayrine was bred by Favour Stud by Jay Peg out of the seven-time winning Wolfhound mare Woelfin whose 4th dam is a full sister to Bold Ruler. Woljayrine has no less than three lines of Lassie Dear, 5x4x3.

He has won one of his 2 starts, taking his stakes account to R125.000.

## Gr3 Godolphin Barb S. (2yo's) 1100m

Winner Woljayrine raced 5th; was one of six virtually in line at the front 300m out; led 200m; hanging; kept on well.

Runner-up Sir Frenchie raced 7th, some three lengths off the pace; ran on.

Third Varallo was always handy.

**Time:** This was the second fastest of the three 1100m races and a good time in its own right. We gave the fourth horse (prev 90/87/85) 85 which makes the winner (prev 67) 88, the runner-up (prev 80/49/83/83) 93 and the third (prev 75/92) 90.

88	1	0.00	WOLJAYRINE	(1)	56.0	M Byleveld	30/1
2 ch c Jay Peg - Woelfin (Wolfhound)							
93	2	1.00	SIR FRENCHIE	(6)	60.0	A Delpech	37/10
2 b c Choisir - Volando(AUS) (Viscount)							
90	3	2.25	VARALLO	(7)	60.0	A Marcus	16/10
2 b c Var - Covenant (Western Winter)							
85	4	2.35	Mujallad	(4)	58.0	C Murray	9/2
89	5	2.60	Argo Magic	(3)	60.0	A Forbes	36/1
86	6	3.60	Autumn In Seattle	(5)	60.0	R Fourie	4/1
75	7	5.60	Real Vision	(2)	58.0	ES Ngwane	12/1
70	8	7.35	Elegant General	(8)	58.0	L Hewitson	30/1

**Time:** 61.64s (56.04s avg/1000m, or 64km/h)

**SP Total %:** 115%

1st T:VH Marshall O:Mr T Y Lin & Ms Joelle Ng B:Favour Stud

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## Gr3 Poinsettia Stakes (F&amp;M) R250,000

## Secret Solved

Gr1 winning 2yo The Secret Is Out put a miserable Cape summer campaign behind her with an eye-opening victory, wearing blinkers first time. Facing an accomplished field of 13 speedsters, The Secret Is Out looked to have her work cut out and went off at 17/2 in the R250.000 sprint.

From her wide draw MJ Byleveld had the 3yo relaxed and sticking to her station about five lengths off the pace, as Neala and Old Em showed the way ahead of Vision To Kill and Real Princess. At the 400m, Real Princess loomed up with Live Life unleashing her challenge down the centre. At this stage The Secret Is Out had a mountain to climb but started finding her stride, flying up late on the outside to beat the longshot Vision To Kill by a half length going away. In a finish dominated by the 3yo's, favourite Live Life was back in third.

The Secret Is Out is bred by the BBP Syndicate, by Captain Al out of six-time winning Secret Of Victoria (Goldkeeper). That makes her a full sister to Gr1 winning champion 2yo All Is Secret.

The Secret Is Out has now won 4 races, with 1 place from 8 starts, for earnings of R722.275.

## Gr3 Poinsettia Stakes (F&amp;M) 1200m

Winner The Secret Is Out raced midfield, 9th; ran on strongly to win going away. Runner-up Vision To Kill raced 7th; shifted; ran on; outpaced late by winner.

Third Live Life (26/10 favourite) raced 6th; led 150m; outpaced late.

**Time:** Comparatively this was the second fastest of the five sprint races on the card. We gave the 4th horse (prev 85/86/80/93/92) 93 which makes the winner (prev 93/88/96/89/87) 101, the second (prev 83/62/86/86/88) 93, and the third (prev 73/91/95/100/100) 97.

101	1	0.00	THE SECRET IS OUT	(14)	58.5	M Byleveld	
17/23 b f Captain Al - Secret Of Victoria (Goldkeeper)							
93	2	0.50	VISION TO KILL	(5)	55.5	M Yeni	36/1
3 b f Kildonan - Royal Vision (Alami)							
97	3	0.55	LIVE LIFE	(10)	57.5	A Domeyer	26/10
3 b f Trippi - Viva (National Assembly)							
93	4	0.80	Neala	(2)	57.0	D Dillon	16/1
92	5	1.05	Frosty Friday	(12)	57.0	W Kennedy	55/1
88	6	2.05	Old Em	(3)	57.0	L Hewitson	30/1
90	7	2.30	Captain's Flame	(6)	58.0	G v Niekerk	12/1
87	8	2.35	Miss Varlicious	(1)	57.0	C Murray	44/1
92	9	2.85	Real Princess	(4)	60.0	A Marcus	3/1
89	10	3.60	Nightingale	(11)	60.0	A Delpech	16/1
81	11	4.10	Strategic Move	(7)	57.0	C Zackey	55/1
81	12	4.15	Chestnuts n Pearls	(9)	57.0	S Veale	36/1
75	13	5.90	Our Destiny	(8)	57.0	R Fourie	61/10
74	14	6.00	Chevauchee	(13)	57.0	G Cheyne	12/1

**Time:** 67.43s (56.19s avg/1000m, or 64km/h)

**SP Total %:** 119%

1st T:VH Marshall O:Messrs G M Miller & B G Nelson B:BBP Syndicate



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## 1st & 2nd season sires - 2yo's

### **AWAIT THE DAWN** (Giant's Causeway)

Await The Day 2f (Full Term by Lecture)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Morning Catch 2c (Catch The Wind by Jet Master)

[Kenilworth 6 Somerset 1200 \(2yo's\)\(Listed 1200m \(06/05\)\)](#)

### ASCOT STUD STALLION

### **BOLD SILVANO** (Silvano)

Pepper Dust 2f (Pepper Belle by National Assembly)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Star Profile 2f (West Wacker by Western Winter)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

### **BYWORD** (Peintre Celebre)

Camphoratus 2f (Wild Camphor by Horse Chestnut)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

### CRUSADE freshman sire **Scott Bros.**

### **CRUSADE** (Johannesburg)

Brave Endeavour 2c (Hermana by Qui Danzig)

[Fairview 7 MR 64 Handicap \(Turf\) 1400m \(05/05\)](#)

Weekend Warrior 2c (Love Leah by Restructure)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

Epic Sword 2c (Silver Moon by Model Man)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

### **DAN DE LAGO** (Encosta de Lago)

Run For Your Life 2c (Thecatcanrun by Tale of the Cat)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

### **GIMMETHGREENLIGHT** (More Than Ready)

Klawerkate 2f (Eradikate by Parade Leader)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Masgegede 2f (Dear Sissy by Unknown)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Green Plains 2f (Savannah Leigh by Jet Master)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Rose In Bloom 2f (Raise The Bar by Goldkeeper)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

Green Lily 2f (Wild Lyric by Western Winter)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

### **IRISH FLAME** (Dynasty)

Ghost Flame 2f (Invisible Arrow by Hussonet)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

### **MAIN AIM** (Oasis Dream)

Mainly Me 2c (Merlene by Shalford)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Leslie Shadowliner 2c (Daisy Delux by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

### **MARCHFIELD** (A P Indy)

Green Field 2c (Jade Empress by National Assembly)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Man From Seattle 2c (Western Revival by Zafonic)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

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### **ORATORIO** (Danehill)

Arabian Passion 2c (National Arabian by National Assembly)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

### HIGHLANDS Stallion • **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

### **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

Bella Cavallo 2f (Lizzy's Grace by Tara's Halls)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Twelve Oaks 2f (Land Of Wilkes by Diesis)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Bedazzled Joker 2c (Sapphire Silk by Windrush)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Turf\) 1000m \(07/05\)](#)

Tweed Valley 2f (Brora by Right Approach)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

### **PHILANTHROPIST** (Kris S)

Outlander 2f (Zili by Parade Leader)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

### **WHAT A WINTER** (Western Winter)

Arctic Rush 2f (Miss Micky by Jet Master)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\)\(Turf\) 1000m \(05/05\)](#)

Cape Xtreme 2c (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

Fancifilly 2f (Sublimity by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 5 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery \(2yo's\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Dutch Philip 2c (Upity Ann by Dominion Royale)

[Kenilworth 6 Somerset 1200 \(2yo's\)\(Listed 1200m \(06/05\)\)](#)

Nanna Anna 2f (La Special by Special Preview)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

Magical Wonderland 2f (Magical Miss by Al Mufti)

[Kenilworth 7 Perfect Promise Sprint \(2yo Fillies\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(06/05\)](#)

## 2nd season sires - 3yo's

### **DAN DE LAGO** (Encosta de Lago)

Yourmyworld 3f (Cozy Corner by Rambo Dancer)

[Kenilworth 1 Workrider's Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(06/05\)](#)

### **GIMMETHGREENLIGHT** (More Than Ready)

Aunt Polly 3f (Perfect Polly by Model Man)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(06/05\)](#)

Green Pepper 3f (Pimento by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 12 Gr2 Camellia Stakes \(F&M\) 1160m \(06/05\)](#)

Gimme Six 3f (District Six by Mujadil)

[Greyville 6 Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Gimme The Stars 3c (Cosmic Jet by Jet Master)

[Greyville 7 Gr2 Daisy Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Gunner 3c (Play Nice by Captain Al)

[Greyville 7 Gr2 Daisy Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

Land Of The Gods 3c (Woodland Spirit by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

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## **GOLDEN SWORD** (High Chaparral)

Belle Rose 3f (Vin Fizz by Qui Danzig)

[Turffontein 6 Gr2 SA Oaks \(3yo Fillies\) 2450m \(06/05\)](#)

## **MAIN AIM** (Oasis Dream)

Aim For Glory 3c (Antonia's Law by National Assembly)

[Fairview 8 MR 72 Handicap \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

Madiba Dance 3c (Sovereign Beat by National Emblem)

[Fairview 8 MR 72 Handicap \(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

## **MEET AT MALAMALA** (Western Winter)

Hokanui 3c (Call For Caviar by Russian Revival)

[Greyville 9 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1200m \(07/05\)](#)

**HIGHLANDS** Stallion • **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

## **PATHFORK** (Distorted Humor)

Silken Summer 3f (Dancing Summer by Mr Greeley)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

## **PHILANTHROPIST** (Kris S)

Hour Glass 3f (Time Piece by Elliodor)

[Fairview 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(05/05\)](#)

No Doubt 3f (Trinity House by Captain Al)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1600m \(05/05\)](#)

Lee's Pick 3c (Boreal Applause by Royal Applause)

[Turffontein 7 Gr1 SA Derby \(3yo's\) 2450m \(06/05\)](#)

Flash Fire 3f (La Rosita by Fasliyev)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\) 1600m \(06/05\)](#)

Sail 3f (Cutty Sark by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 6 Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas \(3yo's\)\(Turf\) 1600m \(07/05\)](#)

## Notable Maiden Winners

### **QUERARI**

*Rated AR 81 ZARNITSA (2f Verbatim by Var)*

Maiden Plate (F&M) Greyville poly (1000m) (28/4)

Far from disgraced in the non-black type Sentinel Stakes earlier in the month, Zarnitsa was having her first start on the poly here. She led throughout, and cruised clear over the final 400m to score by six and a half.

### **REBEL KING**

*Rated AR 81 REBEL'S CHAMP (2c Anne Bonny by Captain Al)*

Maiden Plate Turffontein inner (1200m) (29/4)

Backed into favouritism during the morning, Paul Peter's charge was soon up handy. He put his head in front early in the short home straight, and with the rest some six lengths adrift he comfortably accounted for the deposed favourite Pillaroftheearth by three quarters.

### **TWICE OVER**

*Rated AR 84 SAND AND SEA (2c Sea Point by Spectrum)*

Juvenile Plate Scottsville (1200m) (3/5)

Backed into favouritism on his debut, despite being pitched in against some very useful previous winners in this Juvenile Plate, Dennis Drier's charge raced a few lengths off them in midfield for most of the journey. He quickened well when asked for his effort 400m out, and despite racing very green, he got up late to win going away. Bound to be better than rated.

## Horses To Follow

### **QUERARI**

*Rated AR 88 ROMI'S BOY (3g Larking Around by Montjeu)*

Progress Plate Turffontein inner (1200m) (27/4)

Pitched in against very useful sorts in all five of his previous outings, Romi's Boy was having his first start since being gelded here. Taken straight to the front by Pierre Strydom, this son of Querari led throughout. He was three lengths clear coming off the strip, and despite the efforts of the chasing Doosra, he almost doubled his advantage over the final 400m.

### **SAIL FROM SEATTLE**

*Rated AR 77 ZOUAVES (3g Zayna by Jallad)*

MR87 Handicap (3yo's) Turffontein inner (1450m) (29/4)

Sent off a rather uneasy favourite at 26/10, Geoff Woodruff's charge was a little slow into stride when the gates opened and as a result he raced at the back of the six for most of the journey. He ran on best of all in the short home straight, and won going away by two, after striking the front 150m from home.

### **CAPTAIN AL**

*Rated AR 81 ALILEO (3f Sidera by Galileo)*

MR89 Handicap (F&M) Turffontein inner (1200m) (29/4)

A fluent winner in the maiden ranks in her only previous race-course appearance, Mike De Kock's charge was taking a huge step up in class here. Nicely positioned in fifth coming off the strip, this daughter of Captain Al had the courage to go through a tight gap 150m from home and got up late to score by three quarters.

### **WESTERN WINTER**

*Rated AR 104 ATTENBOROUGH (3g In Camera by Caesour)*

In Full Flight Handicap (L) Scottsville (1100m) (30/4)

Racing for the first time since being gelded, Joey Ramsden's charge was coming off a three month break here. Content to race in the backend of midfield for most of the journey, Attenborough cut through the field like a knife when given rein, and in a time 1.01 seconds faster than the course record set by Captain Alfredo (in this event last season), he won impressively going away.

### **DYNASTY**

*Rated AR 93 AFRICAN NIGHT SKY (3g Starzene by Cozzene)*

Gr3 Winter Guineas (3yo's) Kenilworth (1600 bend) (29/04)

This gelding has now won 3 from 6 runs, scoring here in fine style. He looks a serious contender for the Cape winter triple crown, given that his dam (AR 99) won up to a mile and a half.

## Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

**Agencefrancepresse** (AUS) 3g Lope de Vega- Belle Bizarre (AUS) (Dauberval) Flamingo Park 1200m (24/04)

**My Angelface** (UK) 4f Pivotal- Triskel(GB) (Hawk Wing) Vaal 1700m (25/04)

**Embrasiatic** (ARG) 5m Asiatic Boy- Embrasable(ARG) (Equalize) Turffontein 1200m (29/04)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

**David's Flower** (AUS) 6g Astronomer Royal - Marie Doree (FR) (River Bay) Borrowdale 1600m (30/04)

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CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

# One & One Is One

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

## Lot To Like About Susanna

**Kenilworth 26 April**

Five of the eight races in Cape Town on Wednesday were run over 1200m and the fastest of these was the MR68 Handicap won by SUN AT MIDNIGHT. Not the quickest into stride, the daughter of Elusive Fort raced in the rear early on. She ran on best of all at the business end of the race and under a well-judged ride from Richard Fourie, she got up late to deny the marginally more fancied ELUSIVE EMPRESS.

Race two on the card was a maiden juvenile plate over 1200m and here we saw an impressive performance from the Justin Snaith trained OH SUSANNA. Backed into the red at the track, the daughter of Street Cry was soon up handy. She was ridden to lead as they approached the 200m marker and with a ton in hand went on to score easing down by six. One to follow.

The stable of Justin Snaith were also on the mark when Northern Ballet registered her fourth career victory in the MR78 Handicap over 2500m. Trying the distance for the first time here, the Silvano filly was content to amble along in the backend of midfield for most of the journey. She began to take closer order rounding the turn and racing on the grandstand side she got up late to deny the always handy PADDINGTON.

**Titbits** Nibbled at into 37/10 from 5/1, the aptly named SHREWDY ran on well from the rear when getting up late to open her account in the girl's division of the maiden 1200m.

## Speed The Key

**Turffontein 27 April**

By far the fastest of the four 1200m races on the inner track on Thursday was the progress plate in which ROMI'S BOY registered his second career victory. Sent off a well-supported favourite at 14/10 (op 22/10), Alec Laird's charge was taken straight to the front

by Pierre Strydom and led throughout. He very quickly had the field well strung out, and always clear, he came home lonely by five and three quarters.

The only other distance to stage more than one race was 1450m where the faster of the two was the novice handicap in which LEBANESE TRACTOR caused a bit of an upset. Easy to back at 21/2 on the off, Paul Peter's 3yo was always handy. She ran on strongly over the final 400m and in what proved to be a real thriller she only got the verdict over the front running SEATTLE TANGO by the narrowest of margins.

Another to win well from the front on this card was PRINCE OF KAHAL in the maiden plate over 1000m. Holding just a three quarter length advantage coming off the strip, the 2yo in open company quickened nicely in the short home straight and won well by two and a quarter.

**Titbits** The always handy 3yo SEATTLE SEAHAWK won the maiden plate over 1450m going away by two and three quarters.

Gaining at the finish, REBUKED was baulked for a run between the 400m and 200m poles when beaten less than half a length in the MR80 Handicap over 1200m.

## 7 From 22

**Fairview 28 April**

Topping the bill in Port Elizabeth on Friday was a pinnacle stakes over 2400m and here victory went to the top weighted ALGHADEER. The only outright favourite to win on the card, Grant Paddock's charge raced in midfield early on. He had moved up to third on entering the long home straight, and went on to score with authority by two and three quarters after striking the front 400m out. Alghadeer has now won 7 of his 22 starts.

**Last Week's Top Rated SPEED RATINGS winners incl.**

Stratocruiser ..... won 17/2  
Embrasiatic ..... won 7/1  
Lawdy Miss Clawdy .... won 7/1  
Sun At Midnight ..... won 9/2  
Noodle ..... won 7/2  
Zoaves ..... won 26/10  
Supreme Orator ..... won 29/20  
Oh Susanna ..... won 8/10

## Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

**FAIRVIEW (FRI)**

Race 1: (9) Miss Aphrodite 17  
Race 2: (11) Run For Your Life 2  
Race 3: (5) Cream Of Chrome 11  
Race 4: (2) Stokvel 7  
Race 5: (10) Lotus Elan 54  
Race 6: (5) One Love 56  
Race 7: (14) Impressionist 51  
Race 8: (12) Reef Of Fortune 44

**TURFFONTEIN (SAT)**

Race 1: (4) Bankable Teddy 86  
Race 2: (1) Just As I Said 66  
Race 3: (9) Kanonkop 79  
Race 4: (2) Barrack Street 53  
Race 5: (1) Daring Diva 44  
Race 6: (2) Smiling Blue Eyes 61  
Race 7: (1) Heavenly Blue 77  
Race 8: (1) Trip To Heaven 105  
**Race 9: (1) Legal Eagle 101 (NAP\*\*)**  
Race 10: (3) Trophy Wife 78  
Race 11: (9) Arpad 46  
**Race 12: (9) Exquisite Touch 98 (nb)**

**KENILWORTH (SAT)**

Race 1: (5) Miss Mymoney 3  
Race 2: (8) Varside 15  
Race 3: (1) Colorado Rose 11  
Race 4: (4) All Mine 51  
**Race 5: (1) Ovar 53 (EW)**  
Race 6: (7) Kasimir 42  
Race 7: (5) Regal Ruby 20  
Race 8: (15) Elusive Stars 38

**GREYVILLE (SUN)**

Race 1: (9) So Vain 8  
Race 2: (2) Bobby's Express 11  
Race 3: (9) Pina Colada 22  
Race 4: (5) The Lion Guard 31  
Race 5: (10) Tin Soldier 57  
Race 6: (1) Ektifaa 64  
Race 7: (1) Janoobi 68  
Race 8: (6) Sail South 101  
Race 9: (3) Luckdragon 1

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## CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

The stable of Grant Paddock were also on the mark in the faster of the two 1400m races, a MR76 Handicap, when STRAWBERRY LIPS gained her second win from just six outings. Always available at around 25/1, the lightly weighted daughter of Ideal World raced in midfield during the early part of the race. She ran on stoutly in the straight and in what proved to be a real thriller she got up in the very last stride to deny the always handy (led 250m) BONNE VIE.

The MR75 Handicap was the faster of the two 1600m races on the card and here it was nice to see the Elusive Fort gelding GRAPE VINE back in the number one box. Winning for the first time since September '15, Justin Snaith's charge also came from off the pace. He ran on best of all, and hard ridden all the way to the wire, he got the better of the front running, THE CAT by a half.

**Titbits** *The newcomer PINNACLE PEAK beat the even money favourite Dickensian going away when causing an upset in the juvenile plate over 1000m.*

## FASTEST TIMES

(Number of races run in each category shown in brackets)  
\* Times taken by Clockwatcher

**KENILWORTH (NEW) 26 APRIL**

Penetrometer 20 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,13s slow	
1200m (5) Sun At Midnight	72,06
1400m (1) Hanabi	88,39
1600m (1) Second Nature	102,97
2500m (1) Northern Ballet	161,59

**TURFFONTEIN (INNER) 27 APRIL**

Penetrometer 22 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,10s fast	
1000m (1) Prince Of Kahal	57,85
1200m (4) Romi's Boy	70,48
1450m (2) Lebanese Tractor	88,10
1600m (1) Guns And Roses	99,43

**FAIRVIEW (TURF) 28 APRIL**

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant:	
1000m (1) Pinnacle Peak	57,66
1200m (2) Reef Of Fortune	69,01
1400m (2) Strawberry Lips	83,21
1600m (2) Grape Vine	96,46
2400m (2) Alghadeer	152,04

**GREYVILLE (POLY) 28 APRIL**

Going Standard	
Course Variant: 0,82s slow	
1000m (3) Zarnitsa	58,50
1200m (2) Respect At Bay	70,56
1600m (3) Just Cruised In	95,95*

## Beating Older Rivals

Greyville 28 April

The first three races on the poly on Friday night were run over 1000m and marginally fastest of these was the opening maiden plate won by ZARNITSA. Racing in open company the 2yo led throughout. She was two lengths clear coming off the bend and drew clear easily in the short home straight to score by six and a half.

They also ran three races over 1600m, and quickest against the clock in these was the MR66 Handicap in which the top weight JUST CRUISED IN registered his second career victory. Allowed to ease right out to 59/10 from 5/2 at the track, Gavin Van Zyl's charge was always handy. He was ridden to lead as they approached the 200m marker and comfortably accounted for the well-supported LEDIMASPRINCESS (8/1 into 5/1) by a length and a half.

The two remaining races were both staged over 1200m, the faster of which was the bill topping MR88 Handicap won by RESPECT AT BAY. Confidently ridden by Eric Ngwane, the Mullins Bay mare raced at the back for most of the journey. She quickened best of all in the straight and under a well-judged ride she got up late to win going away.

**Titbits** *Positioned in the rear for most of the journey, TRIP QUEENS was flying at the finish when a one length runner up in the MR68 affair over 1600m.*

## Notebook

Horses worth following at their next few starts...

**OH SUSANNA** (J Snaith, W-Cape)

## SPORTS AND BETTING

## The Chase Continues

Arsenal vs Man United | Sun 7 May | Emirates Stadium | 17:00

The chase for top four continues on Sunday as Arsenal host Manchester United. Both sides come off disappointing results last weekend, but a win here could boost some confidence in their respective camps for the last few weeks of the season. The long-lasting rivalry between Arsene Wenger and Jose Mourinho will continue with both managers seeking to compete in Europe's elite tournament next season. Mourinho hasn't lived up to his standards this campaign while Wenger has been under criticism and begged not to sign a new contract by majority of the Gunners fans. Arsenal lie sixth on the log while the Red Devils are burning in fifth spot.

Jesse Nagel's previews [CLICK HERE](#)

## ARSENAL

After what has been a somewhat disastrous season for Arsenal, last weekend made it the most devastating for Gunners fans with it set in stone that Arsene Wenger's side will finish below their arch-rivals Spurs for the first time in 22 years.

The Gunners have a mountain to climb now, sitting well outside the top four with two games in hand over third-placed Liverpool. Anything but a victory against Manchester United this weekend could all but end Arsenal's hopes of competing in next season's UEFA Champions League.

## MANCHESTER UNITED

Off the back of a disappointing setback last weekend, drawing 1-1 at home to Swansea, Manchester United find themselves in an uncomfortable position despite Arsenal and crosstown rivals, Manchester City, also failing to win.

The Red Devils did, however, set a new club record, going 25 matches unbeaten in the Premier League – the most in the club's top-flight history. However, the draw also set an unwanted record for United, as it was their 10th home draw in the league this season; also the most in the club's history. Speaking on his side's draw against Swansea, Mourinho added that United's fixture list is 'not human.

## PROBABLE LINE-UPS:

**Arsenal: 3-4-2-1**

**Cech; Gabriel, Koscielny, Monreal; Ox-lade-Chamberlain, Ramsey, Xhaka, Gibbs; Ozil, Sanchez; Giroud.**

**Manchester United: 4-2-3-1**

**De Gea; Valencia, Carrick, Blind, Darmian; Young, Herrera; Lingard, Rooney, Martial; Rashford.**

## PREDICTION:

**Sanchez to Score First (4/1)**

## TO WIN

**Arsenal 19/20 Draw 49/20**

**Manchester United 11/4**

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**R304 740**  
FOR R600 FRIDAY 14  
Newton Park



**R237 377**  
FOR R5000 SUNDAY 30  
Internet



**R433 199**  
FOR R20 SUNDAY 2  
Estcourt



**R370 025**  
FOR R444 TUESDAY 4  
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**R272 395**  
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