

HOW TO READ THE FORM

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| 1 | 8/10 | LEGAL EAGLE | a | <i>SG Tarry</i> | 3 | 60.0 | A Marcus | 116 | 124® | |
| <p>Maiyair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman) (B: Avontuur Farm) <i>Emerald green, yellow stars, black sleeves and cap</i> 5 b g Greys Inn - Young Sensation (National Emblem) 27Sep11; 425k ns (SI 1.26); dam: 28r-6w, 1300-1900m(AR91-MR95), winning foals incl. Legal Eagle (11c Greys Inn; 8w, 1600-2450m; AR116-MR120); White Whisper (09f Var; 3w 1000-1300m; AR78-MR79); 97/116/116/113/104; [CD]previous highest MR: 120; last ran 5 weeks ago</p> | | | | | | | | | | |
| 10 Dec 15 i T 1800 | bg | 105k Cnd | A Marcus | 3-6 120 | 61.0a | 2 | 0.10 Killua Castle62.0 | <i>113.07</i> | 1/4 101 (FS) | hndy;evch |
| 9 Jan 16 n K 1600 | bg | 1m WFA | A Marcus | 8-14 120 | 60.0a | 1 | 1.50 *Legislade60.0 | <i>99.23</i> | 7/1 113 (FS) | B;p;hnd;rowl |
| 30 Jan 16 n K 2000 | bg | 2.5m Cnd | A Marcus | 3-14 120 | 59.5a | 2 | 3.50 Smart Call57.0 | <i>123.6</i> | 16/10 113 (ok) | B;hndy;no x |
| 2 Apr 16 T 1600 | bg | 1m WFA | A Marcus | 4-10 120 | 60.0a | 1 | 3.50 *Captain America60.0 | <i>96.9</i> | 5/10 113 (ok) | pace;won |
| 30 Apr 16 T 2000 | bg | 4m Cnd | A Marcus | 4-13 120 | 60.0a | 1 | 2.10 *French Navy60.0 | <i>121.77</i> | 11/20 113 (ok) | hndy |
| 13 Nov 16 T 1160 | ss | 125k Cnd | C Murray | 7-11 120 | 61.5a | 3 | 2.40 Trip To Heaven61.5 | <i>67.36</i> | 6/1 97 (FS) | md;rolt |
| 3 Dec 16 n K 1600 | bg | 400k Cnd | A Marcus | 3-8 120 | 60.0a | 1 | 0.40 *Marinaresco60.0 | <i>96.92</i> | 1/1 116 (ok) | B;mid;ro wI |

- 1** Official saddle cloth number
- 2** Horse
- 3** Headgear and shoes – a = alumites (af = alumites in front only); b = blinkers; c = cheek pieces; p = pacifiers; x = blinkers/pacifiers
- 4** Trainer
- 5** Draw
- 6** Weight - showing apprentice allowance where applicable (eg 58.0-4.0)
- 7** Jockey
- 8** Sporting Post ability rating (AR)
- 9** Sporting Post race rating (RR) – this is ability rating adjusted for weight in this race and age of the horse; highest is best * likely to run to rating; ? not consistent; ® roving banker; + could improve
- 10** Owner, followed by in brackets the Breeder (B:) and below it colours worn by jockey (in italics)
- 11** Age, colour, sex of the horse, followed by sire, dam and damsire (all in bold), followed by
- 12** Date of birth, sale price (where applicable) with sale venue, dam's race record followed by her winning offspring, followed by the runner's previous AR shown in distance categories (eg 93/112/105/-/- from shortest distance to longest: 1000-1200m, 1300-1500m, 1600-1900m, 2000-2400m, 2400m+), followed by [C][D] if the horse is course and/or distance winner, followed by previous highest official Merit Rating (MR) and when the horse last raced
- 13** Last seven runs of the horse (going back to maximum of 2 years) in date-order
- 14** Course, distance and going at last runs
 Courses: Clairwood (C), Durbanville (L), Fairview (F), Flamingo Park (Q), Greyville (D), Kenilworth (K), Scottsville (S), Turffontein (T), Vaal (V), Zimbabwe (H)
 For course indicators (night racing/new and old courses etc) see 29.
 Distance is followed by bend (b) or straight (s), and going (f=firm, g=good, s=soft, h=heavy)
- 15** Value of race (32k means R32.000, 1.5m means R1.5 million), followed by class of race (Graded and Listed races in bold)
 Race class: MJP (Maiden Juvenile Plate);MP (Maiden Plate); Cnd (Conditions race with weight set according to previous performances of the runners; age and/or sex restrictions are indicated where applicable – f=fillies only, fm is fillies and mares only, a number is that age only); WFA (weight-for-age, where horses meet on level terms, with allowances for age and sex); MR (Merit Rating Handicap with weights set according to official Merit Ratings - MR96 means that a race-weight of 60kg corresponds with MR 96; MR is expressed in half kilos, and weights to be carried by all horses in the race are adjusted accordingly)
- 16** Jockey
- 17** Draw and number of runners
- 18** Official Merit Rating (MR) the horse had at time of entry, not what it produced in the race
- 19** Weight, followed by headgear/shoes (b=blinkers, a=alumites)
- 20** Finishing position
- 21** Lengths behind the winner (or ahead of 2nd horse if winner)
- 22** Winning horse, with weight carried (or 2nd horse and weight if winner)
- 23** Actual racetime of runner (adjusted from winner's official racetime)
- 24** Starting price odds
- 25** Sporting Post ability rating (AR) produced by the runner in that race
- 26** Pace of the race (ok=true pace; F=false; FS= false, race decided in a sprint home; Ff=false where a front-runner was allowed to escape); gf=fast pace throughout;
- 27** Race comment (see Comment explanation box elsewhere for details)
- 28** Expected approximate odds for the horse in this race
- 29** Course and surface indicators – s=sand, a=all-weather (incl polytrack), i=inner track (Turffontein, Vaal, Scottsville), o=outer track (Vaal) or o=old course (Kenilworth), n=new course (at Kenilworth) or n=new racing (at Greyville, Turffontein)

NB Official Merit Ratings (MR) are produced by the official handicappers, who are employed by the National Horseracing Authority (NHA). MR's are mainly used to set weights in handicap races. The Sporting Post ability ratings (AR) are exclusive to Sporting Post. Producing MR and AR is as much science as art, and Sporting Post's AR's reflect differences of opinion with official MR's, often leading to betting opportunities.