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**GREYVILLE** poly Friday
*Best Roving Banker:*
**R7-(4) China Pearl (4/1)**

**TURFFONTEIN** Saturday
*Best Roving Banker:*
**R7-(8) Secret Captain (4/1)**

**KENILWORTH** Saturday
*Best Roving Banker:*
**R4-(1)Man About Town(4/1)**

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# Island In The Sun

**The oldest racecourse in the Southern Hemisphere will become the new stage for 200 South African racehorses when the Champ de Mars hosts the first of 37 meetings on 24 March, headlined by the Duchess Of York Cup.**

Mauritius has been the only genuine second-hand market for decades for South African owners looking to offload or take a profit, and the influence of our horses every season can be gauged when the import numbers are viewed against the Indian Ocean Island's total racing active equine population of just 425 horses.

Weichong Marwing and Derreck David have been confirmed as the SA jockey contingent, with an unnamed third pending.

Horseracing is all of 106 years old in the popular holiday destination and going strong. But an insider tells us that it is not without the problems faced by many racing jurisdictions worldwide.

"We have a passionate culture of gambling on the horses, but the Government is not a great friend of the sport and there is little collaboration before issuing directives. Like the example of field sizes having been set at a minimum of 6 horses. No explanation or rationale has been tendered," said the source, who preferred to remain anonymous.

He said that the authority granted to the PMU- Pari

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Mutuel Urbain- the French state-controlled betting system, to broadcast international racing in Mauritius, a country historically satisfied with a once weekly dose of passion, has served to further drain the engine-driving betting turnover on local racing.

"Despite the glut of offshore racing, the locals still prefer the real live product and the hometown heroes," he adds.

The Mauritius Turf Club had planned to hold 40 racemeetings this season but have only been allowed 37, with three Sunday meets dropped. The popular International Jockeys' Challenge, to be held on 1 and 2 December, will thus be the only weekend of racing all season.

There is some real quality in the SA draft. Recent Gr2 Merchants winner The Thinker and multiple Gr1 star Seventh Plain are amongst the list of new season imports. Interestingly, the Mauritius Turf Club freely publishes the names of the new gallopers, and are willing to talk about them.

The same transparent public spirited approach does not apply to our own National Horseracing Authority, who despite the fact that this is by far our biggest export market, do not publish any names of Mauritius exports in their weekly calendar.

On enquiry as to why this glaring gap on the NHA calendar, we were informed that it would be 'given due attention'. And as if to show that they are the almighty power over all information related to the sport in this country, they refused to disclose any further details.

"Due to a court case pending, we are unable to disclose any information regarding Mayfair Speculators/Mr M Jooste's exported horses," says the response, which adds that we may want to 'contact Mr D Brugman'. The Racing Manager has not returned messages – certainly not to us- since the Jooste storm broke in early December.

The only reference we could track to the NHA's reference of a 'court case pending' is Absa's legal action against Mayfair Speculators, which was postponed earlier this month to 30 April in order to give the parties an opportunity to reach agreement out of court. How does that have a bearing on withholding information from the public? No financial figures are ever published and we weren't asking for them.

The policing body of our sport referring the media to the owner representative on a matter of process that should be published for all stakeholders' information purposes leaves a bad taste. The puzzle deepens when pondering why the NHA published the registrations of change of ownerships for the Mayfair Speculators horses that remained racing locally.

Export certificates are required by most receiving countries on export as a means of maintaining their individual stud book records. Our research has shown that Mauritius and Hong Kong, as 'non-breeding' destinations, do not require this.

An official of the South African Reserve Bank assures us that in terms of exchange control regulations, all proceeds of horses sold for export are repatriated back to South Africa. This is monitored through the recipient's bankers.

We await the National Horseracing Authority getting their house in order and maintain our protest of their policy to selectively protect information.

This story will continue.

SATURDAY AT KENILWORTH

# Last Rays Of Summer

## Gr3 Prix Du Cap Kenilworth

**The Listed Irrisdescence Stakes winner of her 2yo season, the gallant Rose In Bloom is not particularly well in on the conditions of this weight-for-age plus penalties contest. But she is overdue to score a first win in her 3yo term after placings in some serious features. If the 1400m doesn't catch her out, she could prove the value under Robert Khathi.**

Goodtime Gal | *Wayne Marks*

Joint topweight Goodtime Gal has found things tough with relatively ordinary efforts in the Majorca Stakes and Paddock Stakes. The daughter of Royal Air Force is best around this trip and can improve on her sixth to Just Sensual last year.

A runner-up there was Andre Nel's Captain's Flame, who will be a popular choice from the 1 draw. The daughter of Captain Al is getting on and hasn't won in ages – but she is very smart and a difficult lady to peg back, when out front.

Miss Katalin finished third behind Rose In Bloom in the Irridescence Stakes last season but achieved a big win with a devastating late run in the Lanzerac Ready To Run Stakes at her penultimate start. She ran on smartly at her last start to beat a small field over Saturday's course and distance and can challenge for serious money here.

Final Judgement was outgunned in the Majorca Stakes last time out and prior to that travelled to PE where she was beaten out of the money in the Listed Lady's Bracelet. The choice of Richard Fourie to ride course and distance winner Elusive Heart, suggests the latter is the stable elect.

Elusive Heart failed to feature in the Sophomore Sprint last time but should prove more competitive against her own sex. The daughter of Elusive Fort boasts a rare victory over the trip (on the old course) over Snowdance and is worth including in bigger perms.

Seattle Gold failed to find her feet in the summer features but is a strong front-runner at best.

The well-bred and lightly raced Love To Boogie is a difficult customer to assess. She came back to win well after a six month break but is unexposed and goes this trip for the first time.

Goodtime Gal and Captain's Flame are powerful forward gallopers and capable of fighting this out. A hot pace seems assured and that could play into the hands of Rose In Bloom and the improving Miss Katalin, who can run them all down late.

**Gr3 Prix Du Cap**
*past winners*

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|---|---|---|---|
| **2015** | | | |
| 1 | Hammie's Hooker | 60.5 | ( 4) 4/1 |
| 2 | Red Flame | 55.5 | ( 5) 5/2 |
| 3 | Maybe Yes | 58.5 | ( 2) 9/1 |
| **2016** | | | |
| 1 | Cuvee Brut | 57.0 | ( 1) 18/10 |
| 2 | Flying Ice | 53.5 | ( 9) 33/1 |
| 3 | Petty Officer | 57.0 | ( 2) 25/1 |
| **2017** | | | |
| 1 | Just Sensual | 56.5 | ( 1) 1/1 |
| 2 | Captain's Flame | 58.0 | ( 4) 18/1 |
| 3 | Gimme Six | 54.0 | ( 3) 15/1 |

**START 4:50PM KENILWORTH** — **7** — **PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3**
**Gr3 PRIX DU CAP (F&M) - 1400M**
**SAME TRAINER:**(2-5)(3-4)(7-9)

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Royal Air Force | 1 | **GOODTIME GAL** *(M Robinson)* | **M Byleveld** | 6 | **60.0** |
| Captain Al | 2 | **CAPTAIN'S FLAME** *(A Nel)* | **A Andrews** | 1 | **60.0** |
| Ideal World | 3 | **LOUISIANA** *(BJ Crawford)* | **C Orffer** | 8 | **59.0** |
| Sail From Seattle | 4 | **SEATTLE GOLD** *(BJ Crawford)* | **G Cheyne** | 9 | **59.0** |
| Trippi | 5 | **LOVE TO BOOGIE** *(A Nel)* | **K De Melo** | 2 | **59.0** |
| Gitano Hernando | 6 | **WHOSE THAT GIRL** *(C Bass-Robinson)* | **A Domeyer** | 10 | **59.0** |
| Judpot | 7 | **FINAL JUDGEMENT** *(GS Kotzen)* | **L Mxothwa** | 3 | **59.0** |
| Gimmethegreenlight | 8 | **ROSE IN BLOOM** *(J Ramsden)* | **R Khathi** | 4 | **55.5** |
| Elusive Fort | 9 | **ELUSIVE HEART** *(GS Kotzen)* | **R Fourie** | 5 | **55.5** |
| Trippi | 10 | **MISS KATALIN** *(J Snaith)* | **C Murray** | 7 | **55.5** |

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SATURDAY AT KENILWORTH

# Saluting Summer

## Jet Master Stakes (L) Kenilworth

**Dean Kannemeyer has two in the field, headed by the supremely consistent Summer Sky.**

Summer Sky | *Gold Circle*

The 4yo son of Trippi ran on steadily over the course and distance last time and with a 2kg swing at the weights looks set to reverse his 0,75 length defeat by Perovskia. A winner of 4 of his 16 starts, Morne Winnaar, who won on him three runs back , looks to have plenty in his favour from a 1 draw with a handy galloping weight.

Joey Ramsden's chestnut flyer Macduff is a versatile son of Street Flyer, who has never quite found his correct trip. He stumbled in running when finishing just under 5 lengths behind Bishop's Bounty in the Diadem Stakes.

Our Mate Art started his 4yo season like a horse going places, winning two on the trot, including the Matchem Stakes. While racing in strong company, he failed to impress in either the Green Point Stakes or the Peninsula Handicap and is a difficult sort to catch right. On best form he would have an undeniable shout.

The bang in-form Richard Fourie pilots Piet Steyn's consistent Waiting For Rain. The son of Black Minnaloushe never runs a bad race and won a cracker at his last start when beating Benjan in a tight finish. Off his 51kg mark, he may well be good enough to grab what would be a deserved first stakes success.

Mambo Mime was a class 3yo but he has been dogged by bad luck on the health front . He beat Milton at his penultimate start and then looked dangerous briefly in the straight before fading to 6 lengths behind Eyes Wide Open in the Peninsula Handicap. He is an above average sort and worth including in quartets.

Harold Crawford's Perovskia is one of the best produce of Russian Sage and steps up in class after two hard fought wins in handicap company. He may battle to hold Summer Sky at the 2kg weight turnaround but should be in the shake up.

Catkin enjoys a 5kg turnaround in the weights with Fifty Cents for a 2,55 length beating last time and comes in fresh off an 11 week break. The son of Horse Chestnut is very game and can run well fresh.

Fifty Cents survived an objection by the then promising 3yo Horizon to win this race in 2016 and the 5yo is currently in prime form – having won 3 of his last 4 starts. He was a particularly facile winner at Fairview last time and if over the exertions of the travel, he must go into selections.

Summer Sky ticks all the boxes. He is a horse who can be ridden from off the pace and can also go up and make them gallop. He is the pick to beat Waiting For Rain and Our Mate Art.

**START 5:25PM KENILWORTH** — **8** — **PA6/PICK SIX5/JACKPOT4**
**JET MASTER STAKES (LISTED) - 1600M**
**SAME TRAINER:**(4-7)(6-8)

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| Lateral | 1 | **MILTON** | *(WG Prestage)* | **D Dillon** | 9 | **61.0** |
| Trippi | 2 | **FIFTY CENTS** | *(J Snaith)* | **C Murray** | 3 | **60.0** |
| Artie Schiller | 3 | **OUR MATE ART** | *(C Bass-Robinson)* | **A Domeyer** | 10 | **60.0** |
| Horse Chestnut | 4 | **CATKIN** | *(J Ramsden)* | **M Byleveld** | 8 | **57.0** |
| Encosta De Lago | 5 | **MAC DE LAGO** | *(D Katz)* | **G Cheyne** | 7 | **54.0** |
| Mambo In Seattle | 6 | **MAMBO MIME** | *(D Kannemeyer)* | **G Behr** | 2 | **54.0** |
| Street Cry | 7 | **MACDUFF** | *(J Ramsden)* | **R Khathi** | 5 | **54.0** |
| Trippi | 8 | **SUMMER SKY** | *(D Kannemeyer)* | **M Winnaar** | 1 | **51.0** |
| Russian Sage | 9 | **PEROVSKIA** | *(HWJ Crawford)* | **L Africa** | 6 | **51.0** |
| Black Minnaloushe | 10 | **WAITING FOR RAIN** | *(ELP Steyn)* | **R Fourie** | 4 | **51.0** |

FRIDAY AT FAIRVIEW

# Sparkling Gems

## Lady's Pendant (L) Fairview

**Gavin Smith saddles the eight-time winning Easy Street, who carries top weight of 60kgs and must play a part in the finish. The daughter of Brave Tin Soldier is a cracker over this course and distance. The one concern is that she has been reported not striding out at her last two starts.**

Alan Greeff and Greg Cheyne won this race last year with that top-class mare Clear Sailing and team up with former Kotzen runner, Our Destiny. The daughter of Var has had two quiet local runs but was fancied here last year when a decent fifth to Clear Sailing.

Princess Peach | *Chase Liebenberg*

Andre Nel looks to be over the worst of the yard's virus and he travels with the Querari mare Hoist The Mast, who starts first time in the Eastern Cape. She ran above herself when storming home and almost upsetting Gr1 winner Just Sensual in the Gr2 Southern Cross Stakes three runs back.

Now racing under new ownership, the 4yo Star Burst Galaxy is in prime form and her formline shows her to be a veritable ATM. A course and distance winner, she cannot be left out and jockey Callan Murray knows her well.

Brett Crawford's Clifton Sunset has her first run at Fairview and the daughter of Canford Cliffs had good form before returning form a two month rest and casting shoe in running. The jockey-trainer are very effective with their intermittent trips to this centre.

The Justin Snaith pair of Twinkle Toes and Angel's Trumpet will enjoy plenty of support, with the latter the better on her outstanding fourth after being hampered in the Gr2 Sceptre Stakes.

The Glen Kotzen yard have a serious strike rate when raiding from their Paarl home-base and send out a decent pair of Anneline and Gr2 The Debutante winner, Princess Peach. The latter has not found a winning strike in four starts as a 3yo, but has had her excuses and could be a value bet if things go her way. The daughter of Captain Al ran on well late for third behind star Magical Wonderland in the Gr2 Sceptre Stakes at her last start.

Candice Bass – Robinson also brings a pair of runners up from the Cape. Aldo Domeyer rides Felicity Flyer, who appears to be the stable elect. The daughter of Noordhoek Flyer is a game sort but choked up in the Sceptre Stakes, where she ran well downfield. On her best form she must have a chance of place money.

With no banker in sight, it may pay to go wide. Star Burst Galaxy and Easy Street are two class acts, with the likes of Princess Peach, Hoist The Mast and Angel's Trumpet the dangers.

**START 4:00PM FAIRVIEW** — **7** — **PA6/PICK SIX5/JACKPOT4**
**LADY'S PENDANT (F&M)(LISTED) - 1200M**
**SAME TRAINER:**(3-13)(4-12)(5-10)(6-11-14)

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| Brave Tin Soldier | 1 | **EASY STREET** | *(GD Smith)* | **JP vd Merwe** | 2 | **60.0** |
| Var | 2 | **STAR BURST GALAXY** | *(T Laing)* | **C Murray** | 5 | **59.0** |
| Captain Al | 3 | **TWINKLE TOES** | *(J Snaith)* | **R Khathi** | 10 | **59.0** |
| Black Minnaloushe | 4 | **ANNELINE** | *(GS Kotzen)* | **L Mxothwa** | 3 | **59.0** |
| Noordhoek Flyer | 5 | **FELICITY FLYER** | *(C Bass-Robinson)* | **A Domeyer** | 8 | **59.0** |
| Var | 6 | **OUR DESTINY** | *(AC Greeff)* | **G Cheyne** | 6 | **59.0** |
| Canford Cliffs | 7 | **CLIFTON SUNSET** | *(BJ Crawford)* | **C Orffer** | 14 | **59.0** |
| Querari | 8 | **HOIST THE MAST** | *(A Nel)* | **A Andrews** | 11 | **59.0** |
| Harry Hall | 9 | **FAVOUR'S PRIDE** | *(C Spies)* | **J Penny** | 7 | **59.0** |
| Fort Wood | 10 | **SCANDOLA** | *(C Bass-Robinson)* | **K Zechner** | 13 | **59.0** |
| Fort Wood | 11 | **EXCELLENT** | *(AC Greeff)* | **X Ndlovu** | 9 | **59.0** |
| Captain Al | 12 | **PRINCESS PEACH** | *(GS Kotzen)* | **C Zackey** | 1 | **58.0** |
| Querari | 13 | **ANGEL'S TRUMPET** | *(J Snaith)* | **G Lerena** | 12 | **56.0** |
| Sail From Seattle | 14 | **PEPPER OAK** | *(AC Greeff)* | **T Gould** | 4 | **56.0** |

# CTS Graduates Triumphant

*HK$10,000,000 THE HONG KONG CLASSIC CUP (HKGr1) - 1800m Sha Tin - won by **SINGAPORE SLING** (CPYS 2015). Purchase price: **R225,000**; earnings to date: **R15,272,010**.*

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# Guineas Fields Today

The exciting Paul Peter-trained Majestic Mambo has been priced up as favourite to win the R1-million Gr2 Gauteng Guineas to be run over 1600m at Turffontein on Saturday 3 March.

This race is the first leg of the SA Triple Crown and the unbeaten son of Mambo In Seattle has to be among the runners capable of winning all three legs. He has won all three of his races over 1800m and the Guineas could be his toughest task as there could well be better milers in the race.

The final fields for the Gauteng Guineas and Gauteng Fillies Guineas will be published later today.

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# Eagle Is Back

**Champion Legal Eagle will get his chance to set the record straight in the R4 million Gr1 President's Champions Challenge as the Sun Met fourth placer is one of 18 horses nominated to run in the big race on Saturday 5 May.**

His 2017 conqueror Deo Juvente, and third-placed Nother Russia, who was just another short head behind Legal Eagle in the three-horse photo finish last season, are also amongst the entries.

An interesting entry is Majestic Mambo for the Paul Peter yard as the unbeaten three-year-old also looks a strong candidate for SA Triple Crown honours. This entry gives Peter the option of running him in this event or the SA Derby which is run on the same day.

**See the entries here**

# Bold July Bid

**Pivotal son Wings Of Desire's connections are to consider running him in the Vodacom Durban July Handicap at Greyville before he takes up stud duties at Heversham Park Farm later this year.**

The Racing Post reports that the 5yo was trained by John Gosden in Britain for owner-breeder Lady Bamford to win the Gr2 Dante Stakes at York on only his third start in 2016, Wings Of Desire was purchased by Heversham Park in December, in a deal brokered by bloodstock agent Richard Venn.

The five-year-old son of Pivotal was also fourth in Harzand's Derby and subsequently earned a career-high Racing Post Rating of 119 for his valiant second to the year-older Highland Reel in the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes.

Wings Of Desire boasts a true Classic pedigree as a brother to the Royal Ascot scorer Eagle Top and Oaks third The Lark, out of Gull Wing, a Listed-winning half-sister to Pivotal's dual Oaks heroine Sariska. He came out of quarantine last week and is likely to go into training with Ormond Ferraris.

The feature is run on 7 July.

# Brett's Baron Opens Innings

**Phillipi trainer Brett Crawford reaches a new career milestone with his first Dubai runner at Meydan this evening as Sun Met winner Whisky Baron steps out in the Gr2 Zabeel Mile.**

The eighth meeting of the 2018 Dubai World Cup Carnival is a high-quality one including three turf feature races, highlighted by the Zabeel Mile Sponsored by District One Legacy.

The race was won last year by Championship (Silvestre De Sousa) who is back to defend his crown.

Colm O'Donoghue will partner Whisky Baron who returns from a break and is thought to likely need the outing.

Mike de Kock who has both Janoobi (Jim Crowley) and Noah From Goa (Christophe Soumillon) in the Zabeel Mile, is an old adversary of Championship among the ten declared.

Crowley's mount was a very game second in this year's Al Fahidi Fort, whereas Noah From Goa was an even fifth in that race. The latter also chased Championship home in the Zabeel Mile last year, having finished third to him in the Al Fahidi Fort.

Trained by Ahmad bin Harmash for Sheikh Mansoor bin Mohd Al Maktoum, Championship was one of the stars of the early part of the 2017 carnival, winning the 1400m Group 2 Al Fahidi Fort before landing the Zabeel Mile. Sadly, a setback ruled him out for the rest of the season and he only returned to racecourse action in this year's Al Fahidi Fort three weeks ago, when he beat just one of his eight rivals.

Bin Harmash also saddles Treasury Notes (Connor Beasly) for Sheikh Rashid bin Dalmook Al Maktoum. The 6-year-old was an excellent second in a 1400m turf handicap last Thursday on what was just his second UAE outing and first since March last year.

"We were very pleased with Treasury Notes last week on his first run after a break. He has a nice low draw in two, whereas Championship has the outside gate". Bin Harmash said: "That is not a problem though, as he likes to race prominently and should be able to from there. With a bit of luck in running hopefully both should run well in an open race."

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PERSONALITY

# Riverton Celebrates A Century

Duncan Barry

**On 11 February 2018, the Barry family celebrated a very special milestone – a century at Riverton. As that is pretty special in anyone's book, we caught up with Robertson's gentleman farmer.**

Duncan always greets you warmly, usually accompanied by quip or two and never fails to find the positive – even when things are looking less than rosy. Being asked after his wife at a sale one day, Duncan shot back, "She's not here." Then, alluding to the fact he'd sustained a few bruises in the auction ring, "She doesn't like seeing me suffer," before flashing a smile to show there were no hard feelings.

But the smile and the enthusiasm never wanes and year on year, Riverton produces honest soldiers that serve their owners well. Everything off the farm is 100% handcrafted, with Barry growing the feed the horses are raised on and taking such a hands on approach to watching them grow that even years after leaving the farm, Riverton horses still respond to his whistle. That sort of care and attention to detail is rare these days, but Riverton is a place where grace is said before meals, where one starts early in the morning and works until the job is done and where business is still conducted with a handshake.

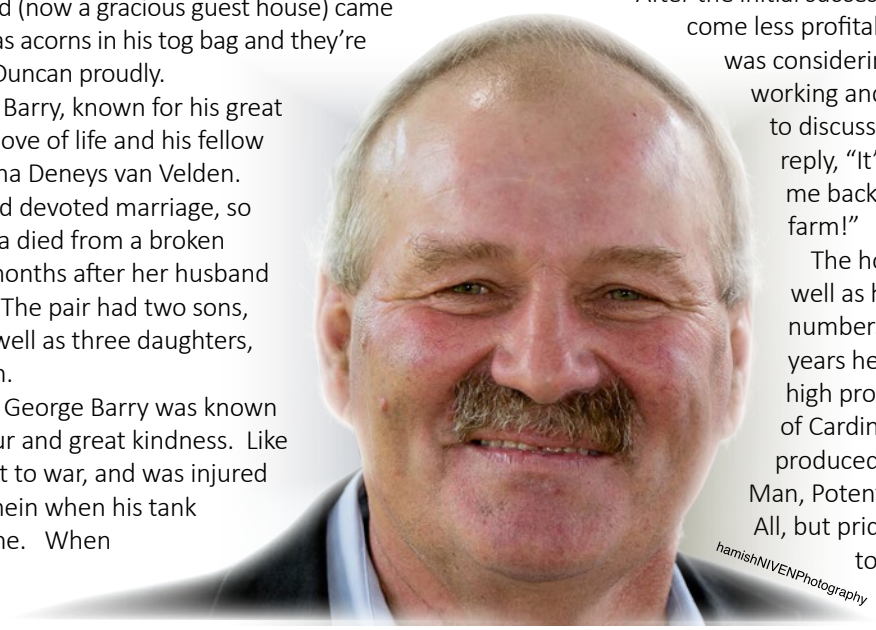
## Heritage

The family are descendants of the Honourable Joseph Barry and his nephews who traded by ship and established stores, churches, schools and counting houses across the Overberg in the 1800s. Barry & Nephews significantly opened up trade opportunities for Overberg farmers as the overland route was a hazardous, long and expensive journey that discouraged trade with Cape Town. By the late 1850s Barry & Nephews were loading a million pounds of wool direct for London at Port Beaufort and their custom built SS Kadie steamship was navigating 35km from Port Beaufort up the Breede River to Malgas.

The land that Riverton stands on was purchased for Duncan's grandfather, Duncan van Reenen Barry, in 1918 while he was away fighting World War 1. "The Algerian oak trees that stand watch over the old homestead (now a gracious guest house) came with him from France as acorns in his tog bag and they're still going today," says Duncan proudly.

Duncan van Reenen Barry, known for his great sense of humour and love of life and his fellow man, married Hubertha Deneys van Velden. The pair had a long and devoted marriage, so much so that Hubertha died from a broken heart two and a half months after her husband passed away in 1962. The pair had two sons, George and Alfred as well as three daughters, Noelle, Helen and Jean.

Much like his father, George Barry was known for his sense of humour and great kindness. Like his father, he also went to war, and was injured in the battle of El Alamein when his tank was blown up by a mine. When he returned to South Africa, he worked briefly as an accountant, but returned to the farm full time when his father became ill. George married kindergarten teacher, Philippa Jeffery and like the generation before, had a long and happy marriage and were blessed with three children, Janet, Patricia and Duncan who now runs Riverton with his wife Natasha and their three children.




## Celebration

Duncan says, "It's a privilege, more than anything else, to have grown up here. The celebration was organised for 11 February because one of my aunts would have turned 90 that day, so we thought we would make it on the 11th and get everyone to celebrate her birthday at the same time, but unfortunately she passed away at the end of last year. But we were very blessed to have my dad's last remaining sister with us. She is 93 now and still very together and helped raise the new flag we've had made."

As befits a celebration of this magnitude, friends and family flew in from far and wide and congregated in Robertson for a full weekend's celebration. "It was just great to get everyone together. We had my dad's side of the family as well as my mom's side. Obviously not everyone was able to make it but we had over 100 people and some close neighbours also involved. It was great and well organised as usual by my wife."

## Horses

The farm has historically focussed on wine and fruit, but in 1967, George started breeding Thoroughbreds with Dr Tommy Foulkes and the imported French sire Jamaico first put Riverton on the map. "They were very successful," says Duncan. "They topped the sales average one year and we've got lucky and had some nice horses and some Gr1 winners." As per the old horseman's motto that it's good luck to keep a grey horse in your barn, fortune has favoured Riverton in the form of grey stallions ever since, including Russian Fox and the current inmate, Blue Tiger.

Duncan is the reason there are still horses at Riverton today. After the initial success, the horses started to become less profitable and by the mid-80's, George was considering giving up. He rang Duncan, working and travelling in Ireland at the time, to discuss his thoughts and received the reply, "It's your call Dad, but don't expect me back if there are no horses on the farm!"

The horses are Duncan's passion as well as his pride and joy. Although the numbers are relatively small, over the years he has been rewarded by some high profile runners, including the likes of Cardinal Fury (the first Gr1 winner produced under Duncan's care), Domino Man, Potent Power and new sire Captain Of All, but prides himself on their high winners to runners ratio.

DUNCAN BARRY

## BSA Cape Yearling Sale

Riverton offers four colts on BSA's forthcoming Cape Yearling Sale at Mistico and Duncan talked us through his draft.

Lot 3 is called Marco Polo and is by Pathfork out of Remarkable. "This is a lovely big, scopey colt. I actually don't know why it's taken me so long to go back to a Mr Prospector horse. Awesome Power was the last one and he wasn't too bad!" he quips. "Since then haven't been back to a Mr Prospector horse, but eventually I've done it. He's from an old Odessa family and this is a very, very nice horse."

Lot 24 is named Asterix and is by Vercingetorix (who was famously pinhooked and produced by Riverton's Groom's Consortium) out of the Grooms' Consortium mare, Victory Dance. "This is a very nice colt with a lot of scope and is probably one of the nicer yearlings she's had. It's a strong female line that one would expect to produce a decent sort and I think this is the best chance so far."

Lot 62 is a thoroughly Riverton product, being from the family of Domino Man by Blue Tiger out of a mare named Kadie. "Dad imported the third dam, Seavah, from the UK and bred all those good horses out of her. Kadie was the little Barry ship that sailed from Cape Town to the Breede River mouth and up to Malgas. The mare has perhaps been a little disappointing, but her 2005 colt, Captain James (named after Captain James Fowler who captained the Kadie) looked like a decent horse, but was killed in a float accident with What A Winter's brother, What A Question." Knowing how much time, effort and planning goes into Duncan's matings, why Blue Tiger for Kadie this time round? "Honestly? She's an old mare that didn't want to travel. Blue Tiger hasn't done it yet, but he hasn't had the chances. This one's called Unleashed Power and he's a nice colt," he says firmly.

Rounding off the draft is Lot 84, by talking horse Master Of My Fate from the same family as Kadie. And his dam has produced two 4-time winners to date. "This is a colt with a lot of scope. He's going to be a big horse," says Duncan. He has been named Master Mount. "I must have named that!" he quips.

## Highlight

Asked to name the highlights of his breeding career, Duncan doesn't hesitate long. "It was probably having three Gold Medallion winners in 4 years. Two were bred for Riverton (Potent Power and Captain Of All) and Link Man was bred for the Tawny Syndicate. For a small stud to have dominated a race like that three times out of 4 years was quite special. Hopefully we'll produce something again this year !"

Captain Of All holds a special place in his heart and Duncan has repaid him with loyal support in his breeding career. "I've got a yearling going to Joburg and one to Durban and I've got 4 foals on the ground and 4 or 5 in foal to him." Duncan speaks highly of the physical types he is producing, "They are very nice. They are more leggy than he is. If he passes on any of his speed, which he will, we should have some early speedsters and being horses that have scope, go on to run a mile. Captain Of All's pedigree is Captain Al out of a Fard mare, which goes back to Forty Winks and Drum Beat, so it's all speed, but he got mares that got a mile, and I think we'll have some milers on what I've seen. He's very exciting. He's got a big syndicate and has been well supported with over 100 mares every year. There are a lot of shareholders and they've all used him, so he's had a wide variety of mares and I think we're going to have some fun."

# Fond Farewells To A Great Man

**A memorial service was held in Durban on Monday afternoon following the passing last week of one of KZN racing's senior statesmen and long established supporters in Ben Jonsson.**

Mick Goss (left) with Ben Jonsson

A Chairman of the SA Jockey Academy, Mr Jonsson – known to many as Benji – served as a local executive of the Jockey Club, now known as the National Horseracing Authority (NHA), and also as a head executive of the Jockey Club.

"He was like a father to the apprentices, he was held in such high regard," his great friend of decades standing, Bill Lambert, told Gold Circle's David Thiselton.

Mr Jonsson's love of horseracing included riding in amateur races in the 1940s. He rode at such venues as Lions River Karkloof, Hilton Road, Greytown, Isipingo, Mooi River and Maritzburg.He won a few races and extracted much enjoyment from this pastime.

He also never missed a professional racemeeting as a spectator and loved to have a flutter. In the 1940s he kept a carefully compiled register of every bet he ever took and also recorded the gate fee in the accounts record.

One of a set of triplets, his elder sibling, the late Hugh, was the breeder of Jet Master, one of the greatest South African stallions of all time.

The late Mr Jonsson's connection to Mick Goss and his family started when, as a young man recently out of school, Ben made his first investment in a racehorse, acquiring a colt from Mick Goss's grandfather, Pat Goss Snr, in the mid 1940's for the princely sum of £50.

Legend has it that Ben had only £35 from his savings to spend, and had to borrow the remaining £15 from his employer, which he redeemed at £2 a month. Unable to afford the training fees, Ben leased the colt to the grandfather of David Pianel, famous for his association with the studs of the Rowles family (Ivanhoe) and Sydney Press' Coromandel Stud.

Ben's colt was no champion. He won two heats on the same day at the Lions River gymkhana. But he went on to own many good horses – the likes of the Qui Danzig galloper, What A Question, amongst them.

In his latter years he would still attend virtually every KZN meeting. He was by this time quite a prolific owner together with his son NIck.

Mr Jonsson founded the successful company Jonsson Workwear, which is now owned by Nick. Jonsson Workwear have also become loyal supporters of South African racing and among the races they sponsor is the prestigious Gr1 Garden Province Stakes, which is run on Vodacom Durban July day.

A saddened Bill Lambert summed it up, "He was a wonderful, wonderful man … this is just too much."

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# Steyn For Vaal

**After trainer Louis Goosen's highly successful migration from the Vaal to Ashburton, another man is moving in exactly the opposite direction.**

Deshone Steyn

Deshone Steyn, long-time assistant to Sean Tarry in KZN, has called time on his assistant trainer's license and starts out on his own at the Vaal next month.

"I've had close on 12 years with Sean and I think that's enough. It's just the right time," he said.

Steyn was active at the Shongweni Sale last Tuesday. "I have 10 nice horses to start with. I am serving out my notice and will slowly move to the Vaal. All my family are up there – I'm just not looking forward to the cold weather."

# Tarry Geared For Big Season

**Trainer Sean Tarry has confirmed that his horses are fit and well and that he is looking for some big performances from his charges during the forthcoming Highveld Autumn and KZN Champions Seasons.**

Sean Tarry

According to reports, Tarry has earned over R10 million in each of the last three Highveld Autumn seasons and he is expected to cut back the current lead of close on R7 million held by the rampant Justin Snaith on the SA Champion trainer table.

In an exclusive chat to the Sporting Post, the multiple SA champion announced that former Charles Laird Assistant trainer Lorenzo Karriem has taken the reins of his KZN Sattelite yard from Deshone Steyn, who left last week.

"I want to wish Deshone everything of the best in his new venture. He has been with me since Succesful Bidder's win in the 2007 Drill Hall Stakes and he has played a prominent role in the yard's success. A change is as good as a holiday and I hope things work out well for him."

Sean said that former jockey Lorenzo Karriem would be taking over the day-to-day running of the KZN yard.

"He has had a good grounding of experience with top trainers like Joey Ramsden and Charles Laird and we have a vibrant team ethic and a solid base of top horses and good owners. I want to welcome Lorenzo and wish him success."

As for the recent Randjesfontein Sale of horses out of his yard, Sean said that he was fortunate to have some young horses coming in to replace the older horses.

"That's the nature and cycle of the game. We lose a few and we gain a few. I am looking forward to being very competitive in the forthcoming feature seasons. We have the established structure in place and now we just need a bit of luck to go our way on the track," he said.

# Laird Calls Time

**Longstanding trainer Charles Laird has called it a day.**

The multiple Gr1 winning conditioner told Tabnews: "I haven't officially handed in my licence yet, but sold my last 15 at the Shongweni sale last Tuesday, and am not training anymore. About 90% of my stable was owned by Markus Jooste and since December they have been selling off anything worth racing, so it was time to call it a day."

Part of one of South Africa's great racing dynasties, Laird took out his licence in September 1995, taking over from his father Russell after five years with the yard. Things got off to a great start when National Emblem won the John Skeaping at his very first meeting, and Charles still rates the great racehorse and stallion as "the best I have trained".

Prior to that, he had worked as a handicapper at Turffontein, for the TBA and at a stud farm – so he has experienced racing from many different sides.

After going to stud, National Emblem also provided Laird with a couple of latter day superstars in Nhlavini and Rebel King, and he also mentions Our Giant, Warm White Night, Seventh Rock and July hero Hunting Tower as others that stand out from a long career.

Asked about his future plans, Laird said he was "busy consolidating and winding up the CC and business. After that I will think about what to do next."

# Owning The World

**There aren't too many jockeys that buy their own racehorses, nevermind taking their place among the little people in racing's cheap seats.**

"I've done pretty much everything in racing from handling to riding work and now I've got the opportunity to be a jockey. Having my own horse just seemed a normal thing to do," says Aldo Domeyer. Aldo purchased the 4yo Philanthropist gelding Wish To Land as a package deal along with a Black Minnaloushe gelding Mini Loushe from Plattner Racing, transferring them both to Alan Greeff in PE.

"I used to work for Plattner and this horse showed quite a bit if you look at his early form. He's a big horse and I've always maintained that big horses come to hand a bit later than the smaller, more compact ones. The initial idea was to get a few friends involved, but I was quite fond of him so then I thought I'd rather keep him myself." **Read more here**


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# A Passion for Fashion

## ROXY JOUBERT LAUNCHES 'JOCK'

**Growing up as a horsey kid in Cape Town – well, the Western Cape (I think one needed a visa to travel in and out of Malmesbury in those days), there were not too many options in terms of riding fashion. Lairds was about it (although you did have a choice between the Milnerton or the Wynberg branch). I still recall Andy McPherson personally assisting my mom in helping get me kitted out on my very first visit and I was traumatised when they closed their doors a few years ago.**

In those days, there wasn't a great deal to choose from in terms of riding gear- the height of excitement was a pair of plaited (rather than plain) reins and pretty much everything in my (and my horse's) riding wardrobe came with a Lairds label as standard. Breeches were white or cream , jackets were black (unless you were a hunt master) and leather was available in any colour as long as it was brown (yes I am THAT old).

Forward on about a million years and you now have tack shops open most days of the week (and their websites active when they are not), you can purchase anything you like any time of the day or night, from just about anywhere in the world at the click of a button and not only can you get just about anything you want in just about any colour you want, you can even get it with sparkles- with a price tag to match your poor life choice.

Interestingly, while equestrian leisure (and leather) wear has moved on, it has taken a bit longer for things to change on the race track, but one person determined to change all that, is Roxy Joubert, CEO of Jock Performance Race Wear.

### Who is Roxy?

Roxy will be familiar to racing fans as the rider of one of Kenilworth's lead horses and more recently as top class SA jockey Bernard Fayd'herbe's gorgeous other half. However, there is far more to Roxy than just being a racing WAG. Combining her flair for style and design with her lifestyle as Bernard's number one supporter, she has designed and created a proudly South African range of racing wear named 'Jock', which has recently launched to great acclaim. As it's always fun to support our racing family, I caught up with Roxy on just how it all started.

Roxy grew up around horses and rode from the age of 5. So far so run of the mill. However, her foray into fashion came via a rather unconventional route. A serious motocross accident in 2008, resulted in serious medical and surgical intervention which rendered Roxy unable to walk for two years.

However, the shy smile and elegant attire that we know from race days hides a deceptively tough and determined streak. Roxy got back on her feet and eventually back on a horse. A grey, off the track Thoroughbred, as it happens, named Ringing Bells, who inadvertently started her on the path to where she is today.

### Small Beginnings

With her good looking new mount, Roxy took up showing and had a particular idea in mind for what she wanted to wear in the show ring. "I wanted something very specific for my jacket and there was just nothing around. Australia and New Zealand seem to lead the way as far as showing goes, so I looked at everything they had available and then designed and tailored my own. When I wore it in the ring, everyone loved it and wanted to know where I'd got it from. It got such an amazing response that my mother said why don't I start making them for other people, so since 2010 I've been designing my own line of show wear under the RJ Equestrian Attire label."

### Opportunity Knocks

When she became Bernard's partner, Roxy's life and focus underwent a natural shift. Watching Bernard train and ride both at home and abroad, she realised that while the equestrian wear market was broad, there was a definite gap as far as race wear was concerned. "I noticed that there are few really good brands on the market and very few using technical fabrics, so I saw an opportunity for making something more modern with more technical designs, fabrics and colours."

With Bernard as her product tester as well as her primary client, it took about a year going back and forth, designing, testing and finishing before she hit on the right recipe, but finally, Jock Performance Race Wear was born.

### Logo

First, the name. "I couldn't use 'Jockey', but I wanted something relating to racing, so I looked at a

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few options. Jono Snaith helped a lot and in the end I settled on Jock. It's beautiful, clean and simple which helps a lot for branding purposes as the more detailed you get, the more limited you are in terms of what you can do. I'm really happy with it and so many people – in and out of racing – have complimented me on the logo."

In addition to Bernard, Roxy gathered as much help and advice as she could in designing her range. "Greg Cheyne is a supplier for jockey wear as a side business and when I started, I approached him and he offered a lot of advice."

## Range

Depending on your chosen discipline, equestrian riders (and suppliers) have cottoned on to the fact that riders come in all shapes and sizes and that there are advantages and challenges to each. Most of us have our inches a little more unevenly distributed that we might like and jockeys are no exception, so the Jock breeches come in a range of options in terms of waist size and leg length and of course, standard and light weight.

The product she is most proud of to date is her performance race vest, available in either short or long sleeves as well as a choice of colours. "The European market would probably use this as a base layer. Here, under their silks, jockeys usually wear either a lycra or mesh top, depending on weight. If they are riding light, obviously they try and wear less." The vest, which can be ordered either with the Jock logo on the collar or unbranded for those who would like to add their own sponsorship details, has been designed with comfort and performance in mind. It is made from a high performance fabric that is hard wearing, breathable and specifically cut and tailored for racing. "One of the biggest factors for jockeys is getting things on and off between races, so stitching plays a big role. We also use compression technology to help prevent muscle fatigue. And everything is 50% UV proof," she adds proudly.

Roxy personally checks each item and even does some of the packaging herself, adding a personal touch.

## It's a lifestyle

In addition to her technical range, she has launched a lifestyle range including her popular Supa Fit peak cap and wardrobe staples of cotton t-shirts in black or white, in both mens and womens sizes. "How that came about was that there are a number of big equestrian brands that are so good you can wear them as leisure wear. You get show shirts that are so beautiful you can style them with jeans. I often get comments and people don't even realise I'm wearing sports wear. With the Jock logo and design, I thought it would make a good lifestyle brand."

As with the technical range, the designs are clean and ascetic with the emphasis on comfort and shipping is available both locally and internationally.

Roxy is also fine-turning a range of track wear that will be launched in the near future.

## Launch

Roxy did a huge amount of homework as well as legwork before going live, setting up her website and social media platforms as well as having her range professionally photographed – with the help of a few friends. The lifestyle shoot was done at Snaith Racing and they had a studio shoot for the technical wear, featuring Bernard, Callan Murray and Martin Seidl (who will be the Jock flagbearer in Germany).

"It has been hard work, but it's been a lot of fun and everyone has been so supportive. All the guys have given me feedback and helped me fine tune things and I've learnt and taken a little from everyone, so every garment has a story to tell. But Bernard has been my biggest inspiration, sounding board and support. Whenever I got discouraged and said I didn't think it would work, he'd be there to say no, keep going, so we've really done it together."

## Big hit

All the hard work has paid off and the range launched to huge demand. "I didn't expect it to take off so fast – it's gone viral! People are really enjoying the logo and the pricing, which is attractive to the international market. I've had orders from Australia and Hong Kong and just did a big order for Karis Teetan. When we posted the photo shoot pics on Facebook, Martin had about 30 orders straightaway. Then Christophe Soumillon shared some photos on Twitter and the phone hasn't stopped ringing!" So much so that she sold out her race wear range within a week of going live and is working flat out to produce new stock.

Christopher won in his new Jock kit in Dubai over the weekend and with three European stores to stock the brand from 1 April, it seems the sky's the limit.

Stock can be ordered either directly from Roxy or via the Jock website (http://www.jockracing.com/) or Facebook page and there are also Instagram and Twitter feeds. Grab yours while stocks last !

**Cape Yearling Sale**
**Mistico Estate**
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**DEBUT Maiden Juvenile Plate Winner**
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## Short Heads

# Island Hopping

After the news that veteran Weichong Marwing will be riding in Mauritius for the Gilbert Rousset yard, the latest is that Mauritius Hall Of Famer Derreck David could be set for a return to the island where he has achieved great heights in past years. The South African-born David became one of only 14 jockeys to be inducted to the Mauritius Hall Of Fame in 2015. He will be engaged by the Alain Perdrau yard. SA jockeys found themselves under fire in the middle of the last Mauritius season and very few locals were expected to be brave enough to take up contracts in the new term, which starts next month.

# BIPOT BLISS

Top class Richard Fourie is now on 65 winners for the season with a 17% win strike-rate after he rode a hat-trick at Kenilworth on Saturday, including the Bipot. The exotic has been in existence for just under 5 years and there is no history of any other jockey having achieved this feat.

# Fatty At Fairview

Former Joey Ramsden trained & Mayfair Speculators-owned Gr2 Joburg Merchants winner Brutal Force has his first run for his new owner partnership of Michael Brown, Hedley McGrath & Braam van Huyssteen at Fairview on Friday. The one-time sales record-breaker, affectionately known as 'Fatty', ran a good fourth in the Gr1 Cape Flying Championship on Met day. He is now trained by Yvette Bremner.

# Amateurs

Commentator Alistair Cohen asked if a secrecy bill had been passed at Flamingo Park on Monday. Firstly, the reasons for the delay at the start of the second race was not communicated- and then no word was forthcoming on a late withdrawal in the same race. It is frustrating amateurism and unacceptable as this is basic process as we race 364 days a year. Obviously the NHA and Tellytrack are not talking to each other.

# VINTAGE VAR

Avontuur's top class producer, and last season's SA Champion 2yo sire, Var is maturing like those excellent reds on his home turf and he produced an outstanding 2yo treble last Saturday. This was highlighted by a pair of very impressive debut winners in the form of the Robbie Sage-trained William The Silent and Vaughan Marshall's Zinedine, respectively. Joey Ramsden's Carioca completed the Var two-year-old treble when she won at her fourth start. Can Var defend his title this term?

# Mystery

Mike de Kock has reported that two of of his runners bled at Meyday last Thursday evening. Suyoof and Icy Trail, both unplaced in a handicap over 1600m on turf, bled during the race. "Bleeding has been a problem for us this season, more so than in previous years, and we can't offer an explanation why. We can't put our finger on it," said De Kock.

While veteran retired trainer Ian Jayes simply blames schooling, the old starting stalls bugbear raised its ugly head at Turffontein on Saturday, where the trainer of the first race winner, William The Silent, called the goings on 'wrong and offside'. Robbie Sage enjoyed a race of mixed emotions after two horses – including his own Dewali – were withdrawn at the start. " Dewali is probably even better than the winner, but ended up standing in the stalls for five minutes. That's wrong. It's offside." The Stipes made a tacit acknowledgement that the fault lay with the poor behaviour of the Candice Dawson-trained Vardo, by not punishing Dewali. But the damage to betting turnover and owner costs had already been done.

# More Farce Than Class

The Karaka New Zealand Sale first session ended with a female streaker in the ring. Bookmaker Rob Waterhouse tweeted his assessment of the uncatalogued lot: "An unusual and appealing lot going through the ring : an athletic, precocious type, good stride- plenty of bounce, if a shade frisky. My grandmother might dismiss as 'lacking breeding' and, no doubt, might be expensive to keep in work."

# 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.

A **full explanation** of the point system and the complete list of point earners is on the **Sporting Post website**.

## TOP EARNERS for 2017/2018

(to 18 February 2018)

| horse | age | sex | points | races |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Legal Eagle | 6 | c | 184 | 3 |
| Oh Susanna | 3 | f | 172 | 3 |
| Snowdance | 3 | f | 170 | 3 |
| Eyes Wide Open | 3 | c | 120 | 2 |
| Liege | 5 | c | 100 | 1 |
| Sergeant Hardy | 4 | c | 100 | 1 |
| Captain America | 7 | c | 90 | 3 |
| Marinaresco | 5 | c | 78 | 2 |
| Tap O' Noth | 3 | c | 70 | 1 |
| Last Winter | 4 | c | 70 | 2 |
| Wonderwall | 3 | c | 62 | 2 |
| Milton | 6 | c | 50 | 1 |
| Let It Rain | 5 | c | 50 | 1 |
| Hat Puntano | 4 | c | 50 | 1 |
| Bishop's Bounty | 4 | c | 50 | 1 |
| The Thinker | 4 | c | 50 | 1 |
| Silicone Valley | 7 | c | 50 | 1 |
| Copper Force | 4 | c | 46 | 1 |
| Girl On The Run | 5 | f | 45 | 2 |
| Sail South | 7 | c | 43 | 1 |
| Live Life | 4 | f | 42 | 2 |
| White River | 3 | c | 40 | 2 |
| Trip To Heaven | 6 | c | 38 | 1 |
| Nother Russia | 5 | f | 37 | 2 |
| Bella Sonata | 5 | f | 32 | 2 |
| Rocket Countdown | 3 | c | 30 | 1 |
| Monks Hood | 3 | c | 30 | 1 |
| Just Sensual | 4 | f | 30 | 1 |
| Magical Wonderland | 3 | f | 30 | 1 |
| Brutal Force | 6 | c | 28 | 1 |
| Fort Ember | 5 | f | 28 | 1 |
| Attenborough | 4 | c | 28 | 1 |
| Will Pays | 6 | c | 26 | 2 |
| Pagoda | 4 | c | 26 | 1 |
| Coral Fever | 5 | c | 26 | 1 |
| Champagne Haze | 5 | c | 25 | 1 |
| Our Mate Art | 4 | c | 25 | 1 |
| Our Emperor | 4 | c | 25 | 1 |
| Strathdon | 4 | c | 25 | 1 |
| Cascapedia | 4 | f | 25 | 1 |
| My Friend Lee | 4 | f | 25 | 1 |
| Alfolk | 3 | c | 25 | 1 |
| Do It Again | 3 | c | 24 | 2 |
| Master's Eye | 6 | c | 24 | 1 |
| Edict Of Nantes | 4 | c | 20 | 1 |
| Lady In Black | 3 | f | 20 | 1 |
| Star Express | 5 | f | 20 | 1 |
| Dutch Philip | 3 | c | 18 | 1 |
| The Slade | 4 | c | 18 | 1 |
| Social Order | 4 | c | 18 | 1 |
| Like A Panther | 3 | c | 18 | 1 |
| Rose In Bloom | 3 | f | 17 | 1 |
| Cot Campbell | 3 | c | 16 | 1 |

# Identity Crisis

## Trainer Speaks

**Yet another case of mistaken identity has had punters and racing enthusiasts hot under the collar.**

With the NHA's procedures having run their course, we chatted to Clinton Binda to find out what happened.

### How matters unfolded

At the Vaal meeting on Tuesday, 6 February 2018, Clinton Binda brought three horses to the course – Whorly Whorly and Trouble Maker carded to run in race 3 and Night Shadow, carded to run in race 5.

Whorly Whorly is a long-standing Binda inmate, while Trouble Maker (Captain Al – Badger's Cove) and Night Shadow (Silvano – Saratoga Shadow) were relatively new. The two horses had arrived at the yard in late 2017 as part of a consignment of 8 horses from PE. Both horses were to race in the interests of the Hollywood Syndicate & Dreamstar Racing and were both making their debut for the yard on Tuesday, 6 February.

Clinton saddled his two runners for the third race, a 1000m MR86 Handicap, which saw Whorly Whorly finishing 1.4 lengths off the winner in 5th place and Trouble Maker finishing 9.2 lengths last in the field of 10.

### Where the problem surfaced

Ahead of race 5, it was discovered that the horse presented as Night Shadow was not, in fact, a 6yo Silvano gelding, but was instead found to be the 6yo Captain Al gelding named Trouble Maker that had been carded to run in the third race. Clinton's runner for the 5th race was immediately scratched.

### Objection

An objection was lodged by a member of the Central Provinces Stipendiary Board in terms of Rule 68.3.4 (that the HORSE ran in a RACE for which it was not entered), which was heard at the NHA offices at Turffontein on Friday, 9 February 2018. The Board reached the unanimous opinion that the horse named NIGHT SHADOW ran in the 3rd Race on 6 February 2018 at the Vaal Racecourse under the name TROUBLE MAKER and accordingly upheld the objection.

In terms of Rule 69.6 the horse that ran as TROUBLE MAKER was disqualified from the 3rd Race on 6 February 2018 at the Vaal Racecourse and all records pertaining to TROUBLE MAKER in relation to Race 3 on this particular day are to be expunged from the official records.

Following the objection, an inquiry into the incident was held at the NHA offices at Turffontein on Wednesday, 14 February 2018 where Clinton Binda was charged with a contravention of Rule 72.1.45 (no PERSON shall present a HORSE to race where the HORSE in question is not the HORSE identified in the passport and/or is not the HORSE carded for the RACE in question). The Inquiry Board entered a plea of not guilty on his behalf, then found him guilty of the charge. They imposed a penalty of a fine of R20 000.00, of which R10 000.00 is wholly suspended for a period of 1 (one) year, provided that during this period he is not convicted of a contravention of the same rule.

Miss Tanya Pilgrim, the NHA Horse Identifier on duty at the Vaal Racecourse on Tuesday, 6 February, 2018, was suspended pending a disciplinary hearing.

### From the horse's mouth

Now that the matter has been settled by the NHA and all the parties dealt with, Clinton Binda has chosen to share his version of events.

"There has been a lot of discussion about it and I wanted to explain from my side how it happened," he explains. "First and foremost, I understand that it was a serious mistake, but I'd like to stress that it was a genuine mistake that required a 'perfect storm' of build up mistakes for the wrong horse to run on race day. Unfortunately that's what happened. Night Shadow and Trouble Maker arrived in my yard as part of a group of 8 horses. Obviously when they arrived, we ID'd the horses, but we don't have a scanner, so we did it off the passport ID page. The two horses look very similar and somewhere, somewhere along the line, someone got confused. There are a lot of scenarios that could have happened – it's possible that the wrong horse arrived with the wrong sticker – but who knows. The two horses have very similar markings and we got it wrong, it's as simple as that."

Apart from a difference in height, both horses are plain bays with a tiny white star and since their arrival, each horse has been trained as the other, with no-one ever suspecting they'd got them the wrong way round.

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# Global Storm Warning

Storm Cat

**The influence of former US champion sire, Storm Cat, continues to be felt across the globe. The multiple US champion remains a factor in racing the world over, through a legion of sons, grandsons and great-grandsons, and also continues to be a very important broodmare sire.**

Storm Cat, ninth on the 2018 Broodmare Sires List, who ended 2017 as the third leading Broodmare Sire in North America, enjoyed another memorable stint as a damsire last year. The son of fellow important broodmare sire, Storm Bird, was represented by an impressive 23 stakes winners as damsire, headed by the Gr1 winners, Churchill, Clemmie, Decorated Knight, Happily and Satono Aladdin. Interestingly, all but Satono Aladdin were sired by Galileo.

To date, Storm Cat is broodmare sire of over 240 stakes winners, including important and or promising stallions Speightstown (Gone West), Lord Kanaloa (King Kamehameha), Sky Mesa (Pulpit) and Dialed In (Mineshaft). Now, however, it is Storm Cat's own sons who are making their mark as broodmare sires.

## Giant's Causeway

The 2018 List of Leading Sires Of Broodmares is headed by Storm Cat's best sire son, Giant's Causeway, whose maternal grandson, Gun Runner (Candy Ride), won the recent Gr1 Pegasus World Cup Invitational.

Giant's Causeway, who is also damsire of local champion and Wilgerbosdrift based sire, Soft Falling Rain (National Assembly), is still a relatively young broodmare sire, but he has already made his mark in this sphere, with the triple US champion sire already featuring as broodmare sire of 59 stakes winners. Giant's Causeway mares have proved effective when mated to a range of stallions, from varying sire lines. To date, Giant's Causeway is broodmare sire of Gr1 winners sired by all of Gun Runner, National Assembly, More Than Ready, Casino Prince, Malibu Moon, Deep Impact, Kitten's Joy, Fastnet Rock, Lemon Drop Kid, Union Rags, General Nediym, Danehill Dancer, and Northern Afleet.

Barring US Horse Of The Year, Gun Runner, and SA champion, Soft Falling Rain, top performers produced by daughters of Giant's Causeway include Verrazano (Haskell Invitational, Wood Memorial), Eden's Moon (Las Virgenes), Beauty Parlour (French 1000 Guineas), Evening Jewel (Del Mar Oaks), Hawkbill (Coral-Eclipse) and Free Drop Billy (Breeders Futurity).

Giant's Causeway's best sire son, Shamardal, remarkably, is also fast becoming a high class broodmare sire, with the former champion already damsire of Irish 2000 Guineas winning sire, Awtaad (Cape Cross).

## Forest Wildcat

Now deceased, Forest Wildcat, whose son, Var, enjoyed such a memorable Saturday this past weekend with his 2yo's, is currently 15th on the Leading Broodmare Sires List. Forest Wildcat is damsire of recent Gr2 Al Fahdi Fort winner Jungle Cat (Iffraaj) and Saturday's Gr3 Fair Grounds Handicap hero, Synchrony (Tapit), and has a total of 61 black type winners to his name as a broodmare sire.

He is also damsire of Gr1 winners Callback (Street Sense), Evita Argentina (Candy Ride), Paradise Woods (Union Rags), Lady Aurelia (Scat Daddy), Sean Avery (Cherokee Run) and promising young Australian sire, Foxwedge (Fastnet Rock). The latter is already sire of G1 winners, Foxplay and Volpe Veloce.

## Forestry

While not in the same class as Giant's Causeway and Stormy Atlantic as a Storm Cat sired sire, Forestry is fast becoming a top class broodmare sire. His tally of more than 30 stakes winners as a broodmare sire includes a Kentucky Derby winner and champion (Nyquist), and three Breeders' Cup winners (Bobby's Kitten, Nyquist and Rushing Fall). Retired millionaire, Green Mask (Mizzen Mast) is another high class galloper produced by a daughter of Forestry.

The former Gr1 King's Bishop Stakes winner, who is from the same family as Mr Prospector and Seattle Slew, is also leading sire of promising US 3yo, Instilled Regard (Arch), the winner of the 2018 Lecomte Stakes.

## Hennessy & Johannesburg

Storm Cat's Gr1 winning son, Hennessy, was a champion sire of 2yos, whose offspring won major races all over the world. The deceased chestnut was also a successful broodmare sire, with more than 50 stakes winners, headed by G1 winners Irish Lights, Mi Sueno, Sassy Image and Careless Jewel. He is damsire of G1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf winner, Hootenanny (Quality Road), who is now standing at stud in Kentucky.

Hennessy's most famous son, Johannesburg, best known as the sire of the great stallion, Scat Daddy, is also fast becoming a top class broodmare sire.

Currently 23rd on the US Broodmare Sires list, Johannesburg is already damsire of Gr1 winners Seventh Heaven (Irish and Yorkshire Oaks), Jet Setting (Irish 1000 Guineas), Collected (Pacific Classic) and KZN sire, Crusade (Middle Park Stakes).

## Tale Of The Cat

Closely related to Johannesburg, Tale Of The Cat is one of Storm Cat's most successful sons in terms of numbers. The sire of over 100 stakes winners himself, Tale Of The Cat is also broodmare sire of more than 50 stakes winners, headed by Gr1 winners Amazing Maria (Falmouth Stakes), Dortmund (Santa Anita Derby), Sailor's Valentine (Ashland Stakes), Declassify (Triple Bend Hcp) and It's Tricky (CCA Oaks). Tale Of The Cat is damsire of recent South African Gr3 winner, Doublemint (Twice Over).

Other sons of Storm Cat with at least one Gr1 winner include Bernstein, Stormy Atlantic, Tabasco Cat and Tiger Ridge. Inevitably, inbreeding to Storm Cat is becoming a factor in pedigrees. That pattern has already resulted in such Gr1 winners as Harmonize (Del Mar Oaks) and Lady Aurelia (Prix Morny, King's Stand Stakes), as well as Saturday's Gr2 Barbara Fritchie Stakes winner, Locust Point.

# The Full Monty

## 2018 BSA Cape Yearling Sale

### Sunday 25 February starts 13h00 at Mistico, Paarl

**Buyers ruled the roost at the 2017 Cape Yearling Sale where the average price of 2016 was more than halved.**

The bottom line is that history proves that this regional sale remains one of South Africa's best value for money markets and the honour roll of winners is a tribute to the outstanding quality produced by our resilient breeders in tough times.

The 2017 average was R60 545 while the median was R40 000. In 2016 the average was R134 200 and the median R90 000. But those numbers hardly tie up with the big names to come out of the sale!

Classic prospect Surcharge

Exciting classic hope and Gr2 Gauteng Guineas entry Surcharge was the most recent big name to come under the hammer at the Cape Yearling Sale. He follows in the golden hoofprints of champions Pocket Power, Hammie's Hooker and Mother Russia, as well as Gr1 winners O Caesour, Sarabande, Silver Arc, Sparkling Gem, Royal Bencher and Villandry, as well as a host of stakes winners.

The class of 2018 is packed with some diverse youngsters from many of the country's top farms. Proven stallions of the ilk of Elusive Fort, Gimmethegreenlight, Judpot, Querari, Twice Over and What A Winter are all represented at the one day sale.

Well performed sires with first South African crop yearlings on offer include Captain Of All, Flower Alley, Soft Falling Rain, Time Thief, Vercingetorix and Wylie Hall.

If you are buying to win the Met or the Queen's Plate, you find yourself in the right place. But the announcement of the Emperors Place Breeze-Up Sale for Johannesburg on 4th November also opens up wider options – what about a potential pinhook opportunity?

"I have inspected a large majority of the lots on offer and there are some outstanding specimens from proven breeders who have the track record of producing winners. I would not hesitate to recommend a pin-hook into the Emperors Palace Breeze-Up Sale in November," said Jehan Malherbe, the internationally proven senior statesman of South African Bloodstock Consultants. **Click here to read more**

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# R50 000 Maiden Bonus

**Bloodstock South Africa have announced a 25% increase in their Maiden Juvenile Race Incentive on the eve of Sunday's Cape Yearling Sale at Mistico Equestrian Centre outside of Paarl.**

In addition to recognizing their qualifying Graded Stakes Winners, all qualifying Bloodstock South Africa Sales graduates who win a Maiden Juvenile Race during their Two Year Old career will receive the added stakes bonus which has been increased to R50 000.

The bonus, for all qualifying Maiden Juvenile Plate winners, will be paid to eligible candidates in all of South Africa's racing jurisdictions, be it Cape Town, Durban, Johannesburg, Kimberley or Port Elizabeth. This is a further incentive for prospective buyers, with the added carrot of the pinhook investment platform offered by the new Emperors Palace Breeze-Up Sale in Johannesburg on 4 November- see below. Tick the box, win a maiden juvenile plate and the R50 000 bonus is yours!

# New Breeze-Up Sale

**The renewal of the powerhouse association between respective industry leaders Bloodstock South Africa and Emperors Palace has seen the announcement last week of the Emperors Palace Breeze-Up Sale to be held in Johannesburg on Sunday 4 November.**

An award-winning hospitality and gaming resort, Emperors Palace, has played a key role in sales support and race sponsorship in partnership with South Africa's leading Thoroughbred Auction House, Bloodstock South Africa (BSA) and the new sale – being held at the TBA Sales Complex in Germiston a day after the running of the Charity Mile raceday at Turffontein – has been welcomed by breeders and buyers.

BSA is the Sales division of the Thoroughbred Breeders Association of South Africa, which celebrates the remarkable milestone of a century of representing the interests of all South African breeders in 2020.

Michael Holmes, Bloodstock South Africa CEO said that he was thrilled to be a part of the renewal of the partnership with Emperors Palace. "When it comes to providing five star service and world-class hospitality, Bob Yearham and his team at Emperors Palace have written the text books. The partnership is a winner!"

Bob Yearham, Peermont Chief Operating Officer for Gaming, reciprocated the positivity: "We are honoured to once again have our brand associated with Bloodstock South Africa. Emperors Palace has been involved with some incredible horseracing events and we feel it is a natural synergy. The link of the new sale to the Charity Mile Day in which we are passionately involved, is a marriage made in heaven."

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## LEADING BREEDERS by STAKES

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| Stakes | Breeder | rnrs | AEPR | runs | wnrs | wns | wnr/ rnr% | SW wnrs | SW wns | SW/ wnr% | plcs | plc/ rns% | SP | top earner with stakes & % of total stakes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 11,448,350 | Summerhill Stud | 286 | 40,029 | 1336 | 82 | 111 | 29% | 2 | 2 | 2% | 332 | 25% | 2 | Big Bear | 1,312,500 | 11% |
| 11,000,275 | Klawervlei Stud | 306 | 35,949 | 1262 | 89 | 115 | 29% | 4 | 5 | 4% | 379 | 30% | 6 | Omega Onslaught | 298,775 | 3% |
| 10,086,625 | Drakenstein Stud | 95 | 106,175 | 370 | 41 | 56 | 43% | 2 | 3 | 5% | 120 | 32% | 8 | Oh Susanna | 3,687,375 | 37% |
| 8,969,400 | Maine Chance | 136 | 65,951 | 560 | 46 | 71 | 34% | 6 | 6 | 13% | 156 | 28% | 5 | Liege | 1,203,250 | 13% |
| 7,821,725 | Moutonshoek | 105 | 74,493 | 461 | 28 | 43 | 27% | 2 | 2 | 7% | 119 | 26% | 1 | Undercover Agent | 3,885,625 | 50% |
| 7,009,963 | Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein | 163 | 43,006 | 643 | 57 | 73 | 35% | 3 | 4 | 5% | 199 | 31% | 5 | Zen Arcade | 484,375 | 7% |
| 6,685,725 | Highlands | 128 | 52,232 | 571 | 55 | 70 | 43% | 3 | 5 | 5% | 144 | 25% | 5 | Eyes Wide Open | 878,000 | 13% |
| 4,693,888 | Varsfontein Stud | 91 | 51,581 | 387 | 30 | 43 | 33% | 2 | 3 | 7% | 121 | 31% | 8 | Surcharge | 445,000 | 9% |
| 4,598,800 | Scott Bros | 136 | 33,815 | 647 | 38 | 48 | 28% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 180 | 28% | 4 | Premier Show | 215,475 | 5% |
| 4,233,875 | Ascot Stud | 80 | 52,923 | 335 | 27 | 37 | 34% | 2 | 3 | 7% | 107 | 32% | 5 | Bold Respect | 558,750 | 13% |
| 4,097,988 | Rex Stud | 9 | 455,332 | 44 | 3 | 3 | 33% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 18 | 41% | 1 | Dutch Philip | 3,823,975 | 93% |
| 3,873,150 | Hemel 'n Aarde Stud | 97 | 39,929 | 454 | 34 | 46 | 35% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 130 | 29% | 2 | Tommy Waterdevil | 194,200 | 5% |
| 3,813,050 | Cheveley Stud | 54 | 70,612 | 227 | 21 | 29 | 39% | 2 | 4 | 10% | 68 | 30% | 2 | Snowdance | 1,516,000 | 40% |
| 3,757,775 | IR Heyns | 44 | 85,404 | 211 | 20 | 31 | 45% | 1 | 1 | 5% | 73 | 35% | 3 | Rings And Things | 618,700 | 16% |
| 3,261,900 | Avontuur Farm | 57 | 57,226 | 211 | 15 | 17 | 26% | 1 | 2 | 7% | 67 | 32% | 3 | Legal Eagle | 1,450,500 | 44% |

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES

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| Stakes | Sire | rnrs | AEPR | runs | wnrs | wns | wnr/ rnr% | SW wnrs | SW wns | SW/ wnr% | plcs | plc/ rns% | SP | top earner with stakes & % of total stakes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 15,365,613 | *Captain Al | 136 | 112,982 | 530 | 49 | 67 | 36% | 5 | 9 | 10% | 188 | 35% | 11 | Undercover Agent | 3,885,625 | 25% |
| 9,905,000 | Silvano | 201 | 49,279 | 748 | 72 | 96 | 36% | 5 | 7 | 7% | 223 | 30% | 11 | Marinaresco | 537,500 | 5% |
| 8,768,725 | Trippi | 120 | 73,073 | 485 | 47 | 69 | 39% | 1 | 2 | 2% | 186 | 38% | 6 | Miss Katalin | 1,628,750 | 19% |
| 8,722,500 | Dynasty | 123 | 70,915 | 443 | 52 | 78 | 42% | 10 | 12 | 19% | 112 | 25% | 6 | Liege | 1,203,250 | 14% |
| 7,443,326 | What A Winter | 74 | 100,585 | 256 | 31 | 35 | 42% | 1 | 1 | 3% | 73 | 29% | 2 | Dutch Philip | 3,823,975 | 51% |
| 7,213,463 | Var | 192 | 37,570 | 772 | 59 | 77 | 31% | 1 | 1 | 2% | 236 | 31% | 3 | Speedpoint | 263,500 | 4% |
| 5,777,775 | Querari | 94 | 61,466 | 380 | 38 | 54 | 40% | 2 | 2 | 5% | 111 | 29% | 2 | Rings And Things | 618,700 | 11% |
| 5,309,250 | *Kahal | 109 | 48,709 | 532 | 44 | 60 | 40% | 1 | 1 | 2% | 161 | 30% | 4 | Pure Blonde | 273,350 | 5% |
| 5,084,000 | *Sail From Seattle | 121 | 42,017 | 483 | 48 | 69 | 40% | 1 | 2 | 2% | 128 | 27% | 0 | Via Seattle | 203,750 | 4% |
| 4,823,575 | Gimmethegreenlight | 128 | 37,684 | 526 | 40 | 50 | 31% | 1 | 2 | 3% | 134 | 25% | 5 | Surcharge | 445,000 | 9% |
| 4,424,775 | *Western Winter | 67 | 66,041 | 296 | 25 | 32 | 37% | 2 | 2 | 8% | 98 | 33% | 3 | Last Winter | 1,143,750 | 26% |
| 4,117,650 | **Street Cry | 6 | 686,275 | 28 | 5 | 8 | 83% | 1 | 2 | 20% | 8 | 29% | 2 | Oh Susanna | 3,687,375 | 90% |
| 3,651,275 | Ideal World | 78 | 46,811 | 339 | 26 | 39 | 33% | 1 | 2 | 4% | 101 | 30% | 3 | Zen Arcade | 484,375 | 13% |
| 3,568,500 | Elusive Fort | 77 | 46,344 | 361 | 31 | 37 | 40% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 111 | 31% | 2 | Fort Ember | 432,400 | 12% |
| 3,556,650 | Jay Peg | 89 | 39,962 | 399 | 24 | 37 | 27% | 1 | 1 | 4% | 115 | 29% | 2 | Omega Onslaught | 298,775 | 8% |

## LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by STAKES

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| Stakes | Sire | rnrs | AEPR | runs | wnrs | wns | wnr/ rnr% | SW wnrs | SW wns | SW/ wnr% | plcs | plc/ rns% | SP | top earner with stakes & % of total stakes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 11,101,963 | *Captain Al | 48 | 231,291 | 203 | 25 | 35 | 52% | 3 | 6 | 12% | 76 | 37% | 3 | Undercover Agent | 3,885,625 | 35% |
| 7,078,276 | What A Winter | 60 | 117,971 | 238 | 28 | 32 | 47% | 1 | 1 | 4% | 69 | 29% | 2 | Dutch Philip | 3,823,975 | 54% |
| 4,678,275 | Trippi | 38 | 123,113 | 151 | 17 | 23 | 45% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 66 | 44% | 3 | Miss Katalin | 1,628,750 | 35% |
| 4,033,425 | **Street Cry | 4 | 1,008,356 | 19 | 4 | 7 | 100% | 1 | 2 | 25% | 5 | 26% | 2 | Oh Susanna | 3,687,375 | 91% |
| 3,519,575 | Querari | 42 | 83,799 | 170 | 19 | 26 | 45% | 2 | 2 | 11% | 48 | 28% | 1 | Rings And Things | 618,700 | 18% |
| 3,381,050 | Silvano | 80 | 42,263 | 258 | 32 | 40 | 40% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 78 | 30% | 3 | Vacquero | 175,000 | 5% |
| 3,315,438 | Var | 70 | 47,363 | 285 | 27 | 33 | 39% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 101 | 35% | 1 | Speedpoint | 263,500 | 8% |
| 3,278,325 | Dynasty | 50 | 65,567 | 166 | 20 | 28 | 40% | 3 | 4 | 15% | 34 | 20% | 3 | Eyes Wide Open | 878,000 | 27% |
| 3,219,850 | Gimmethegreenlight | 74 | 43,511 | 307 | 26 | 33 | 35% | 1 | 2 | 4% | 75 | 24% | 2 | Surcharge | 445,000 | 14% |
| 2,927,575 | *Sail From Seattle | 64 | 45,743 | 265 | 30 | 41 | 47% | 1 | 2 | 3% | 69 | 26% | 0 | Via Seattle | 203,750 | 7% |

## LEADING SIRES of 2YO'S by STAKES

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| Stakes | Sire | rnrs | AEPR | runs | wnrs | wns | wnr/ rnr% | SW wnrs | SW wns | SW/ wnr% | plcs | plc/ rns% | SP | top earner with stakes & % of total stakes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 472,100 | Var | 17 | 27,771 | 23 | 6 | 7 | 35% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 6 | 26% | 0 | Val-La-Ree | 128,125 | 27% |
| 377,375 | *Sail From Seattle | 17 | 22,199 | 27 | 5 | 5 | 29% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 10 | 37% | 0 | Star Flyer | 74,000 | 20% |
| 365,050 | What A Winter | 14 | 26,075 | 18 | 3 | 3 | 21% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 4 | 22% | 0 | Agent Of Fortune | 218,750 | 60% |
| 356,550 | Bold Silvano | 9 | 39,617 | 17 | 3 | 5 | 33% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 3 | 18% | 0 | Mazari | 139,500 | 39% |
| 273,200 | Crusade | 7 | 39,029 | 19 | 3 | 3 | 43% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 8 | 42% | 0 | Lady Abigail | 87,500 | 32% |
| 233,750 | Oratorio | 9 | 25,972 | 12 | 3 | 3 | 33% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 4 | 33% | 1 | Van Halen | 81,375 | 35% |
| 219,400 | Pomodoro | 7 | 31,343 | 15 | 1 | 1 | 14% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 7 | 47% | 1 | Cirillo | 78,000 | 36% |
| 167,000 | Querari | 8 | 20,875 | 10 | 2 | 2 | 25% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 5 | 50% | 0 | River Rafting | 65,625 | 39% |
| 156,500 | Noble Tune | 9 | 17,389 | 17 | 1 | 1 | 11% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 9 | 53% | 0 | Awesomely Tuned | 77,500 | 50% |

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES on Polytrack

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| Stakes | Sire | rnrs | AEPR | runs | wnrs | wns | wnr/ rnr% | SW wnrs | SW wns | SW/ wnr% | plcs | plc/ rns% | SP | top earner with stakes & % of total stakes | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1,573,325 | *Sail From Seattle | 55 | 28,606 | 152 | 21 | 26 | 38% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 46 | 30% | 0 | Candy Crush | 147,750 | 9% |
| 1,418,525 | Trippi | 41 | 34,598 | 109 | 11 | 18 | 27% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 53 | 49% | 0 | Miracle Bureau | 269,225 | 19% |
| 1,011,475 | Silvano | 44 | 22,988 | 90 | 15 | 17 | 34% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 21 | 23% | 1 | Viento | 101,875 | 10% |
| 972,500 | Gimmethegreenlight | 48 | 20,260 | 109 | 9 | 13 | 19% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 30 | 28% | 0 | Accidental Tourist | 150,000 | 15% |
| 943,000 | Querari | 32 | 29,469 | 83 | 10 | 13 | 31% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 26 | 31% | 0 | Desert Wisdom | 107,850 | 11% |
| 917,975 | *Kahal | 36 | 25,499 | 84 | 9 | 11 | 25% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 22 | 26% | 0 | Kahula | 131,000 | 14% |
| 909,575 | *Antonius Pius | 33 | 27,563 | 120 | 12 | 15 | 36% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 27 | 23% | 0 | Golden Shamrock | 113,625 | 12% |
| 907,775 | Var | 70 | 12,968 | 177 | 8 | 8 | 11% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 48 | 27% | 0 | Stola | 81,675 | 9% |
| 855,063 | *Captain Al | 42 | 20,359 | 95 | 9 | 11 | 21% | 0 | 0 | 0% | 35 | 37% | 1 | Flight Captain | 129,100 | 15% |

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**Breeding operations not based in RSA - **Statistics for Breeders & Sires reflect ALL earnings, incl. restricted races & handicap races**

The 6yo Eclipse Award winner Forever Unbridled (Unbridled's Song) sets off from her winter home base at Fair Grounds in New Orleans in mid March en route to Dubai and a bid to make racing history as she goes 2000m for the first time.

Can Charles Fipke's mare become the first of her sex to win the $10 million Dubai World Cup?

Forever Unbridled is a three-time Gr1 victress, and overall a winner of 8 of her 17 starts, finishing in the top three 15 times. She has earned $3,186,880 and comes in fresh off her biggest victory in the Longines Breeders' Cup Distaff in November.

While her owner has had a few horses race there over the years, Forever Unbridled would be trainer Dallas Stewart- a former assistant to D Wayne Lukas - first runner in Dubai. Jockey John Velazquez, who has been aboard for three of her victories, won the Dubai World Cup in 2005 with Roses in May at Nad Al Sheba. The 2017 Dubai World Cup winner Arrogate is also by Unbridled's Song.

## LEADING TRAINERS by STAKES

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| trainer | runs | wins | win % | fav | fav % | wfav % | 2nd | 2nd % | 1st four | 1st four% | stakes | stks/ runs |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| J Snaith | 705 | 101 | 14% | 124 | 18% | 33% | 78 | 11% | 312 | 44% | 18,199,950 | 25,816 |
| SG Tarry | 668 | 55 | 8% | 86 | 13% | 23% | 63 | 9% | 244 | 37% | 11,645,100 | 17,433 |
| C Bass-Robinson | 558 | 64 | 11% | 70 | 13% | 31% | 47 | 8% | 232 | 42% | 11,528,500 | 20,660 |
| BJ Crawford | 415 | 58 | 14% | 72 | 17% | 29% | 51 | 12% | 189 | 46% | 9,733,900 | 23,455 |
| MF de Kock | 400 | 70 | 18% | 128 | 32% | 35% | 50 | 13% | 215 | 54% | 7,460,363 | 18,651 |
| PA Peter | 349 | 56 | 16% | 68 | 19% | 32% | 32 | 9% | 150 | 43% | 5,406,913 | 15,493 |
| GS Kotzen | 484 | 51 | 11% | 53 | 11% | 30% | 41 | 8% | 178 | 37% | 5,238,975 | 10,824 |
| AC Greeff | 542 | 73 | 13% | 107 | 20% | 33% | 76 | 14% | 272 | 50% | 5,148,625 | 9,499 |
| MG & AA Azzie | 300 | 39 | 13% | 54 | 18% | 24% | 46 | 15% | 134 | 45% | 4,795,250 | 15,984 |
| D Kannemeyer | 253 | 36 | 14% | 48 | 19% | 42% | 32 | 13% | 110 | 43% | 4,339,200 | 17,151 |
| DR Drier | 302 | 40 | 13% | 63 | 21% | 37% | 38 | 13% | 148 | 49% | 4,316,438 | 14,293 |
| AG Laird | 255 | 35 | 14% | 55 | 22% | 35% | 29 | 11% | 109 | 43% | 3,861,725 | 15,144 |
| DC Howells | 321 | 36 | 11% | 55 | 17% | 31% | 40 | 12% | 140 | 44% | 3,758,275 | 11,708 |
| J Ramsden | 305 | 34 | 11% | 45 | 15% | 29% | 38 | 12% | 130 | 43% | 3,757,250 | 12,319 |
| GD Smith | 653 | 40 | 6% | 42 | 6% | 31% | 68 | 10% | 223 | 34% | 3,481,050 | 5,331 |
| Y Bremner | 419 | 48 | 11% | 48 | 11% | 23% | 37 | 9% | 185 | 44% | 3,419,900 | 8,162 |

## LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS

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| jockey | rides | wins | win % | fav | fav % | wfav % | 2nd | 2nd % | 1st four | 1st four% | stakes | stks/ rides |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| A Delpech | 417 | 109 | 26% | 170 | 41% | 39% | 73 | 18% | 268 | 64% | 11,413,638 | 27,371 |
| L Hewitson | 777 | 84 | 11% | 92 | 12% | 26% | 84 | 11% | 337 | 43% | 8,523,838 | 10,970 |
| K De Melo | 610 | 73 | 12% | 82 | 13% | 33% | 67 | 11% | 279 | 46% | 7,103,325 | 11,645 |
| A Domeyer | 361 | 72 | 20% | 111 | 31% | 35% | 42 | 12% | 215 | 60% | 6,713,875 | 18,598 |
| C Murray | 516 | 72 | 14% | 97 | 19% | 32% | 62 | 12% | 223 | 43% | 6,049,950 | 11,725 |
| M Yeni | 692 | 70 | 10% | 113 | 16% | 23% | 68 | 10% | 310 | 45% | 6,415,001 | 9,270 |
| A Marcus | 283 | 66 | 23% | 130 | 46% | 34% | 47 | 17% | 169 | 60% | 7,395,713 | 26,133 |
| R Fourie | 373 | 65 | 17% | 85 | 23% | 29% | 50 | 13% | 194 | 52% | 6,247,425 | 16,749 |
| G Wrogemann | 540 | 65 | 12% | 61 | 11% | 36% | 60 | 11% | 235 | 44% | 7,039,563 | 13,036 |
| G Cheyne | 415 | 62 | 15% | 93 | 22% | 30% | 62 | 15% | 236 | 57% | 5,607,625 | 13,512 |
| G v Niekerk | 297 | 61 | 21% | 59 | 20% | 29% | 42 | 14% | 179 | 60% | 15,137,125 | 50,967 |
| G Lerena | 275 | 57 | 21% | 104 | 38% | 33% | 51 | 19% | 165 | 60% | 5,648,663 | 20,541 |
| C Zackey | 609 | 52 | 9% | 55 | 9% | 22% | 54 | 9% | 232 | 38% | 5,334,638 | 8,760 |
| K Zechner | 573 | 48 | 8% | 42 | 7% | 14% | 56 | 10% | 219 | 38% | 4,447,651 | 7,762 |
| R Munger | 705 | 48 | 7% | 25 | 4% | 36% | 46 | 7% | 220 | 31% | 4,055,650 | 5,753 |
| P Strydom | 301 | 45 | 15% | 58 | 19% | 21% | 39 | 13% | 132 | 44% | 5,494,638 | 18,255 |
| B Fayd'herbe | 239 | 42 | 18% | 55 | 23% | 31% | 31 | 13% | 124 | 52% | 6,720,225 | 28,118 |

## LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %

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| trainer/ jockey | runs | wins | win % | fav | fav % | wfav % | 2nd | 2nd % | stakes | stks/ runs |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| BJ Crawford/A Delpech | 19 | 10 | 53% | 10 | 53% | 50% | 2 | 11% | 659,150 | 34,692 |
| MF de Kock/A Delpech | 78 | 27 | 35% | 39 | 50% | 49% | 11 | 14% | 2,714,350 | 34,799 |
| PA Peter/G Lerena | 36 | 11 | 31% | 18 | 50% | 33% | 7 | 19% | 1,281,875 | 35,608 |
| GV Woodruff/G Lerena | 33 | 10 | 30% | 16 | 48% | 50% | 6 | 18% | 767,900 | 23,270 |
| J Ramsden/A Marcus | 33 | 10 | 30% | 15 | 45% | 47% | 5 | 15% | 899,600 | 27,261 |
| D Kannemeyer/A Delpech | 72 | 20 | 28% | 35 | 49% | 43% | 16 | 22% | 1,947,225 | 27,045 |
| J Snaith/G v Niekerk | 108 | 29 | 27% | 29 | 27% | 34% | 17 | 16% | 8,282,650 | 76,691 |
| AC Greeff/A Domeyer | 59 | 15 | 25% | 28 | 47% | 39% | 8 | 14% | 844,550 | 14,314 |
| LW Goosen/G Wrogemann | 76 | 18 | 24% | 18 | 24% | 39% | 15 | 20% | 1,676,125 | 22,054 |
| J Snaith/B Fayd'herbe | 142 | 30 | 21% | 38 | 27% | 32% | 16 | 11% | 5,494,100 | 38,691 |
| MF de Kock/C Murray | 120 | 25 | 21% | 51 | 43% | 31% | 16 | 13% | 2,146,450 | 17,887 |
| ML Roberts/A Arries | 56 | 12 | 21% | 9 | 16% | 22% | 4 | 7% | 809,475 | 14,455 |
| AC Greeff/G Cheyne | 198 | 39 | 20% | 68 | 34% | 31% | 44 | 22% | 2,763,575 | 13,957 |
| G v Zyl/W Kennedy | 95 | 19 | 20% | 16 | 17% | 50% | 13 | 14% | 1,301,850 | 13,704 |
| J Snaith/R Fourie | 75 | 15 | 20% | 24 | 32% | 33% | 10 | 13% | 1,181,425 | 15,752 |

Vaughan Marshall – master in getting a top 2yo ready

## Goal!

The 66 year old Milnerton-based Vaughan Marshall is one of the great 2yo trainers of the modern era and his record was underlined again on Saturday when Var colt Zinedine streaked home to win on debut. He looks special! VHM, as he is affectionately known, has trained close on 1400 career winners and puts his success down to teamwork, hard work and choosing his purchases properly. Zinedine is very likely to be in the Marshall KZN Champions Season raiding party next month.

Keagan de Melo – maturing into a polished rider

## Head Honcho

The 24 year old Keagan de Melo looks set to be finally realising his true potential as a freelancer. The man known as 'Marshmallow' was in fine form at Scottsvile on Sunday, booting home a hat-trick of winners, including the feature on Head Honcho for Andre Nel. Scottsville was the scene of De Melo's first win on Western Gem for Bart Rice on 9 August 2010, and it was the start of a journey that would see the young man clock up close on 500 winners.

Steph Miller and Ryan Munger are in great form

## Diamond Duo

Trainer Steph Miller and jockey Ryan Munger were in sizzling form at Flamingo Park on Monday with a hat-trick of winners- including a runaway feature win in the Kimberley 1400 with Roquebrune. Stef Miller has grown in her role since tragedy struck with the passing of her legendary husband Peter in 2011 and the tragic loss of her son Sean in 2012. The underrated Munger rode his first winner on 30 December 2012 at Clairwood on Nordic Lass for Dennis Drier. The combination has a healthy 20% win strike-rate.

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**TURFFONTEIN (stand side)**
**Saturday, 17 February**

Course Variant: 0.35s slow (straight)

With 12mm of irrigation added to the 16.7mm of rain that fell in the seven days leading up to this meeting, the going was posted as good, off a penetrometer reading of 23. There was a moderate north easterly cross/tail wind, and the false rail was out from 3m on the back straight, to 5m on the bend, with a 5m spur at the 700m mark.

**Gr Tommy Hotspur Handicap R250,000**

# Champagne Daze!

The Gary Alexander Racing Team produced an emotional longshot surprise in a race named after the greatest horse they have trained.

Horseracing has a habit of scripting fairytales and this was one with many players. Like the Alexander family, who trained the winner and produced such wonderful memories with the great Tommy Hotspur. Like Lyle Hewitson, who rode a beautifully judged race and took a step closer to joining Michael Roberts and Gavin Lerena in his recordbreaking apprentice win tally. Like Mick Goss and his Summerhill Stud, who bred the winner and his champion half-brother, Pierre Jourdan, and also claimed a terrific feat by producing the top three in this Gr3 cracker.

After Talktothestars had jumped slowly and made some ground, Lyle Hewitson had Champagne Haze – with head turned slightly sideways – stone last at the halfway mark as the speed merchants Wrecking Ball and Rebel's Champ showed the way.

With the revitalised 7yo Greasepaint bursting into the lead at the 350m, Hewitson angled Champagne Haze to the outside and he burst between two horses to catch the leader and win going away by 1,70 lengths in a time of 56,56 secs.

A thrilling victory and a great effort over a distance he has never won over and in what was meant to be a prep run for his Senor Santa double bid next month.

Roy Magner's Greasepaint continues to earn his keep and ran another gallant race. While he has not won in ages, a 9th career victory looks within reach if he maintains this level of enthusiasm.

Pure Blonde was a neck back in third, with Tandava shading Sporting Monarch for fourth.

None of the 3yo's stamped any claim for a possible Computaform Sprint berth. Angel's Power appeared to go wrong in running and finished trailed off.

Champagne Haze has won 6 races with 7 places from his 23 starts for stakes of a healthy R2 268 950.

A R280 000 CTS Johannesburg RTR Sale, the winner is by Kahal (Machiavellian) out of the prolific four-time winner Vin Fizz (Qui Danzig) and was bred at Summerhill Stud.

**Gr3 Tommy Hotspur Handicap 1000m**

Winner Champagne Haze raced detached at the rear early; ran on strongly to lead 70m; won going away

Runner-up Greasepaint raced handy; led 160m; hanging badly

Third Pure Blonde raced midfield; was 2 lengths behind the runner-up at 400m; kept on

**Time:** This was by far the fastest of the afternoon's four sprint races. We gave the third (prev 71/65/96/94/96) 94 which makes the winner (has done 106) 110 and the runner up (prev 78/74/84/88/86) 86

| | | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 110 | **1** | 0.00 | **CHAMPAGNE HAZE** | (15) | 61.0 | L Hewitson | 18/1 |
| *5 b g Kahal - Vin Fizz (Qui Danzig)* | | | | | | | |
| 86 | **2** | 1.70 | **GREASEPAINT** | (14) | 53.5 | F Herholdt | 12/1 |
| *7 ch g Kahal - Lady Red (Russian Revival)* | | | | | | | |
| 94 | **3** | 1.90 | **PURE BLONDE** | (12) | 57.5 | R Simons | 113/20 |
| *5 b g Kahal - Legally Blonde (Qui Danzig)* | | | | | | | |
| 83 | **4** | 2.90 | *Tandava* | (6) | 54.0 | K Zechner | 13/1 |
| 78 | **5** | 3.20 | *Sporting Monarch* | (13) | 52.5 | M Yeni | 18/1 |
| 79 | **6** | 3.45 | *Whorly Whorly* | (8) | 52.0 | D Schwarz | 10/1 |
| 77 | **7** | 3.95 | *Brigtnumberten* | (10) | 52.0 | R Munger | 13/1 |
| 85 | **8** | 5.45 | *Wrecking Ball* | (5) | 59.5 | J Penny | 167/20 |
| 68 | **9** | 5.55 | *Golden Man* | (11) | 52.0 | M v Rensburg | 36/1 |
| 72 | **10** | 5.95 | *Clever Guy* | (4) | 54.5 | R Danielson | 22/1 |
| 80 | **11** | 7.25 | *Talktothestars* | (1) | 60.5 | Wei Marwing | 15/1 |
| 67 | **12** | 8.00 | *Queen Laurie* | (9) | 56.0 | C Zackey | 36/1 |
| 60 | **13** | 8.10 | *Rebel's Champ* | (7) | 52.0 | D David | 113/20 |
| 46 | **14** | 11.80 | *Splendid Garden* | (3) | 53.5 | JP vd Merwe | 10/1 |
| 32 | **15** | 17.30 | *Angel's Power* | (2) | 57.0 | P Strydom | 11/1 |

**Time:** *56.56s (56.56s avg/1000m, or 64km/h)* **SP Total %:** *116%*

*1st* **T:***GM Alexander* **O:***Messrs J F & L M F Wernars, Pravin Chetty, B G Gardner, A B Giuricich, J Labuschagne, G P Sadie & D A Simpson & Mesdames J P Gardner & A P Whicher* **B:***Summerhill Stud*

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## Features To Come

| | |
|---|---|
| Fri 23 Feb | **(L) Lady's Pendant** (F&M) 1200m Fairview (T) |
| Sat 24 Feb | **Gr3 Vasco Prix Du Cap** (F&M) 1400m Kenilworth (S) |
| | **(L) Jet Master Stakes** 1600m Kenilworth (S) |
| Fri 2 March | **(L) Ibhayi Stakes** (3yo's) 1400m Fairview (T) |
| Sat 3 March | **Gr2 Gauteng Guineas** 3yo's) 1600m Turffontein (S) |
| | **Gr2 Gauteng Fillies Guineas** (3yoF) 1600m Turffontein (S) |
| | **Gr2 Hawaii Stakes** 1400m Turffontein (S) |
| | **Gr3 Acacia Hcp** (F&M) 1600m Turffontein (S) |
| | **(L) Aquanaut Hcp** 2450m Turffontein (S) |
| Fri 9 March | **(L) Breeders Guineas** (3yoF) 1600m Fairview (T) |
| Sat 10 March | **(L) Bauhinia Hcp** (F&M) 100m Turffontein (S) |
| | **(L) Storm Bird S.** (2yo's) 1000m Turffontein (S) |
| | **(L) Ruffian S.** (2yoF) 1000m Turffontein (S) |
| Sat 17 March | **(L) Drum Star Hcp** 1800m Turffontein (I) |

## Phumelela Shareprice

| *date* | *close* | *high* | *low* | *volume* |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 21Feb | 1450 | 1450 | 1263 | 61,567 |
| 20Feb | 1399 | 1450 | 1306 | 11,978 |
| 19Feb | 1450 | 1500 | 1450 | 5,930 |
| 16Feb | 1500 | 1501 | 1500 | 135,044 |
| 15Feb | 1549 | 1549 | 1549 | 3,150 |
| 14Feb | 1500 | 1549 | 1500 | 22,226 |
| 13Feb | 1550 | 1600 | 1500 | 82,359 |
| 12Feb | 1500 | 1525 | 1500 | 291,710 |
| 9Feb | 1600 | 1650 | 1600 | 1,151,981 |
| 8Feb | 1520 | 1520 | 1520 | 547,336 |
| 7Feb | 1650 | 1650 | 1650 | 7,527 |
| 6Feb | 1650 | 1700 | 1500 | 1,576 |
| 5Feb | 1650 | 1650 | 1650 | 17,751 |

# SIGNPOSTS

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

**BYWORD** (Peintre Celebre)
Bishops Crown 2c (Close To Paradise by Clodovil)
*Greyville 10 Barrier Trials (Polytrack) 1000m (23/02)*
Wordbuster 2c (Linsumi by Linney Head)
*Greyville 10 Barrier Trials (Polytrack) 1000m (23/02)*

**CRUSADE** (Mr Greeley)
Malvasia 2c (Skinny Dip by Tiger Ridge)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*

**EIGHTFOLD PATH** (Giant's Causeway)
Eight Got Zip 2c (Flashy by Gold Press)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*

**IRISH FLAME** (Dynasty)
Agata 2f (Ladora by Jallad)
*Fairview 1 Juvenile Plate (Fillies) 1000m (23/02)*

**MASTER OF MY FATE** (Jet Master)
Zagara 2f (Congestion Charge by Diktat)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*

**NOBLE TUNE** (Unbridled's Song)
Kirav's Tune 2c (Orange Blossom by Miesque's Approval)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*
Call Me Blue 2f (Bistro Belle by Rambo Dancer)
*Fairview 1 Juvenile Plate (Fillies) 1000m (23/02)*

**ORATORIO** (Danehill)
Carlita 2f (Auburn Annio by Point Given)
*Fairview 1 Juvenile Plate (Fillies) 1000m (23/02)*

**POMODORO** (Jet Master)
Trini's Pomodoro 2c (Millie's Fan by Fanatic Dane)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*
Opensea 2c (Elsabee by Silvano)
*Greyville 10 Barrier Trials (Polytrack) 1000m (23/02)*

**POTALA PALACE** (Singspiel)
Watsonia 2f (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)
*Fairview 1 Juvenile Plate (Fillies) 1000m (23/02)*

## 2nd season sires - 3yo's

**AWAIT THE DAWN** (Giant's Causeway)
Morninghasbroken 3f (Cwebe Cwebe by Muhtafal)
*Greyville 2 Maiden Plate (Polytrack) 1000m (23/02)*
Piera 3f (Boreal Applause by Royal Applause)
*Fairview 6 Novice Plate (F&M) 1800m (23/02)*
Mattina 3f (April Showers by Western Winter)
*Turffontein 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m (24/02)*
Come As You Are 3f (Beauty Queen by Jallad)
*Greyville 2 Maiden Plate (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

**BYWORD** (Peintre Celebre)
Flaming Desire 3f (Seraphim Falls by Kahal)
*Greyville 4 Qualified Maiden Plate (F&M)(Polytrack) 1700m (23/02)*
Camphoratus 3f (Wild Camphor by Horse Chestnut)
*Greyville 7 MR 76 Handicap (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*
Generous Notion 3f (Sishebo by Kahal)
*Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m (24/02)*
Take My Word 3f (Cantorist by Kashani)
*Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m (24/02)*
Blow Torch 3c (Acetylene by Jallad)
*Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate 1600m (24/02)*
Dunas Douradas 3f (Scarlet Sheila by Red Ransom)
*Turffontein 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m (24/02)*
Words 3f (Lavishly by West Man)
*Turffontein 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m (24/02)*
Bellatrix 3f (World Of Stars by Sportsworld)
*Turffontein 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m (24/02)*
Fly By Skye 3c (Wings Over Skye by Jet Master)
*Greyville 4 MR 64 Handicap (Polytrack) 1600m (25/02)*
Flaming Desire 3f (Seraphim Falls by Kahal)
*Greyville 8 Maiden Plate (F&M)(Polytrack) 2000m (25/02)*

**CRUSADE** (Mr Greeley)
Dr Henry 3c (Magic Treasure by Goldkeeper)
*Greyville 3 Qualified Maiden Plate (Polytrack) 1700m (23/02)*
Subtropical 3c (Sahara by Mogok)
*Greyville 6 MR 72 Handicap (Polytrack) 1400m (23/02)*
Epic Sword 3c (Silver Moon by Model Man)
*Greyville 6 MR 72 Handicap (Polytrack) 1400m (23/02)*
Data Link 3f (Maxine by Mogok)
*Fairview 8 Maiden Plate 2400m (23/02)*
Tommy The Builder 3c (Linda Grandeza by Grand Lodge)
*Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate 1600m (24/02)*
Pretty Ballerina 3f (Hollywood Strip by Tiger Hill)
*Turffontein 6 MR 66 Handicap (F&M) 1600m (24/02)*

**EIGHTFOLD PATH** (Giant's Causeway)
Mbali 3f (Rattled by Alami)
*Greyville 7 MR 72 Handicap (Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*
Awesome Angel One 3c (Awesome Beauty by Cataloochee)
*Greyville 7 MR 72 Handicap (Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

**IRISH FLAME** (Dynasty)
Ingabangabonga 3f (Lady Gray by Badger Land)
*Kenilworth 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m (24/02)*
Irish Marsh 3f (Marsh Gas by Mogok)
*Greyville 2 Maiden Plate (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

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**MARCHFIELD** (A P Indy)
March Affair 3f (Wild Liasion by Captain Al)
*Fairview 6 Novice Plate (F&M) 1800m (23/02)*
Chinkapin 3f (Quickwood by Fort Wood)
*Fairview 6 Novice Plate (F&M) 1800m (23/02)*
Unrivalled 3c (Rosie Perez by Cordoba)
*Fairview 8 Maiden Plate 2400m (23/02)*
Royal Tattoo 3c (Persnikitty by Black Minnaloushe)
*Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate 1600m (24/02)*
Unicorn 3f (Tanover by Model Man)
*Kenilworth 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m (24/02)*
Middlemarch 3c (Romantic Girl by Al Mufti)
*Kenilworth 6 MR 80 Handicap 1800m (24/02)*
March Preview 3c (Notimefortea by Windrush)
*Greyville 4 MR 64 Handicap (Polytrack) 1600m (25/02)*

**ORATORIO** (Danehill)
Vittorio 3c (Tiger Strike by Tiger Ridge)
*Greyville 3 Qualified Maiden Plate (Polytrack) 1700m (23/02)*
Sacred Touch 3c (Red Growler by Fort Wood)
*Fairview 8 Maiden Plate 2400m (23/02)*
Divine Odyssey 3c (Divine Right by Dynasty)
*Turffontein 1 Maiden Plate 1160m (24/02)*
Bayeto 3c (Aretha by Centenary)
*Kenilworth 2 Maiden Plate 1400m (24/02)*
Supreme Orator 3c (Supreme Lecture by Lecture)
*Kenilworth 9 MR 70 Handicap 1600m (24/02)*
Orakal 3c (Kalaam by Kahal)
*Kenilworth 9 MR 70 Handicap 1600m (24/02)*
Grande Maestro 3c (Felix The Cat by Black Minnaloushe)
*Greyville 1 Maiden Plate (Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

**TWICE OVER** (Observatory)
Twice As Smart 3f (Smart Empress by Strike Smartly)
*Greyville 7 MR 76 Handicap (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (23/02)*
Mighty And Magic 3c (Strategic Quest by Rainbow Quest)
*Turffontein 1 Maiden Plate 1160m (24/02)*
Studio Blues 3f (Six Blue Notes by Qui Danzig)
*Kenilworth 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m (24/02)*
Kanishiwa 3f (Spanish Gold by Rich Man's Gold)
*Kenilworth 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m (24/02)*
Second Chance 3f (Late Summer by Gone West)
*Kenilworth 5 Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m (24/02)*
Lovemetwotimesgirl 3f (Magical Cove by National Assembly)
*Greyville 2 Maiden Plate (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

**WHAT A WINTER** (Western Winter)
Supreme Winter 3c (Supreme Duel by Royal Chalice)
*Kenilworth 1 Maiden Plate 1000m (24/02)*
War Trumpet 3c (Clarion Call by Kabool)
*Kenilworth 1 Maiden Plate 1000m (24/02)*
Royal Marine 3c (Irish Royal by Kalanisi)
*Kenilworth 1 Maiden Plate 1000m (24/02)*
Cape Xtreme 3c (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)
*Kenilworth 9 MR 70 Handicap 1600m (24/02)*
Regent Seven 3c (Pacific Princess by Sportsworld)
*Greyville 4 MR 64 Handicap (Polytrack) 1600m (25/02)*
Lady Lisha 3f (Miss Symphony by Kabool)
*Greyville 6 MR 60 Handicap (F&M)(Polytrack) 1200m (25/02)*

# Notable Maiden Winners

**VAR**
Rated AR 93 **William The Silent** (2c Tick Tock by Captain Al)
*Juvenile Plate Turffontein (stand side) (1000m) (17/2)*
Easy to back at 15/1 on the off, Robbie Sage's charge was soon up handy. He got the better of a good battle with the odds on favourite Van Halen 250m out, and won going away by two and three quarters.

**TIGER RIDGE**
Rated AR 82 **Savannah King** (3c Art Of Africa by Elliodor)
*Maiden Plate Vaal (outside) (1400m) (15/2)*
After showing good improvement last time out, this son of Tiger Ridge was taken straight to the front by Piere Strydom and led throughout. He was a length and a half clear going throughout the 400m and only having to be pushed out at the business end of the race won going away by four and three quarters.

# Horses To Follow

**SEVENTH ROCK**
Rated AR 85 **Seven Lives** (3g The Cat Returns by Tale Of The Cat)
*MR74 Handicap Vaal (outside) (1000m) (15/2)*
An impressive winner in the maiden ranks on his second career outing last time out, Paul Peter's charge carried top weight of 60.5kg here. He wasn't the quickest into stride when the gates opened and raced in the rear early on. Once given rein he quickly worked his way through the field, to win going away by a length and a half.

**BYWORD**
Rated AR 85 **Crown And Country** (2c Crown Office by Horse Chestnut)
*Juvenile Plate Scottsville (1200m) (18/2)*
Now unbeaten in two starts, Dennis Drier's charge was soon up handy here. He was ridden to lead shortly after passing the 200m marker and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to score by three. He's likely to improve on his rating.

# Winners Bred Abroad

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**Sirtain** (AUS) 4g Not A Single Doubt- Falqueen(AUS) (Falbrav)
*Vaal 1000m (13/02)*

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**The Rocketman** (AUS) 3g Foxwedge- Sister Havana(NZ) (General Nediym)
*Vaal 2000m (13/02)*

**Is Your Horse One To Follow?**

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# Proudly SA In Hong Kong!

**Philanthropist's smart son Singapore Sling cemented his candidacy for next month's BMW Hong Kong Derby with a smart win in the HK$10 million Hong Kong Classic Cup at Sha Tin on Sunday.**

Singapore Sling winning the Hong Kong Classic Cup | *HKJC*

The victory was Chad Schofield's biggest in Hong Kong and the rider ended a memorable Chinese New Year race day with a four-timer that also featured the Class 1 Chinese New Year Cup Handicap (1400m) on Dundonnell.

"It's a fantastic day," Schofield, 24, said. "To win the two feature races is a privilege. It was my birthday a couple of days ago so it was the ideal present."

Singapore Sling returned at 9/1 in a Hong Kong Classic Cup market dominated by Nothingilikemore, the only horse ahead of the South African import in last month's Hong Kong Classic Mile. But the 1.8 jolly failed to sparkle this time, running home a disappointing fourth behind the Tony Millard-trained bay. There was nothing sub-par about Singapore Sling. Millard's latest stable star looked a picture pre-race and delivered a performance to match.

"It really surprised me, the kick The Golden Age gave – he kicked strongly and maintained the momentum he'd built up. My bloke ran a really strong race though. He felt better today than he did at the mile; he was as strong at the line as he was at any other point in the race," Schofield said after his mount had clocked 1m 46.99s.

That ranks as the second fastest Classic Cup at the current distance, just one hundredth of a second off Rapper Dragon's 2017 time.

Exultant chased determinedly under Zac Purton to put down his own Derby marker but had to settle for second, a length and a half behind the winner.

Bred by Drakenstein Stud, Singapore Sling, a R225 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate, is by Philanthropist out of the three-time winning Western Winter mare, Sing Dixie Sing.

It was a second Hong Kong Classic Cup success for Millard. The handler took the prize in 2011 with Ambitious Dragon, a horse that went on to win the Derby and subsequently proved his merit as one of Hong Kong's all-time greats.

"Ambitious Dragon was a true champion and this horse is still building up to be talked of in the same voice – he has to still do it. There was nothing wrong with his win today, though," Millard said.

"After the mile, Beverly (Millard) was of the opinion that he'd got a little bit of spring in his stride and he has come on from that. We just need to keep him like this all the way through. It was a hard fought win and I'm certainly happy that he finished off strongly."

Schofield has no concerns about another step up in distance in the final leg of the three-race Four-Year-Old Classic Series on 18 March, the BMW Hong Kong Derby.

"The 2000 metres in the Derby will be no problem," Schofield said. "He's just on the right path, he's getting better all the time, he's relaxing, and mentally and physically I'm very happy with him. He's a lovely horse to have heading into the Derby."

Schofield's four-timer also included the Richard Gibson-trained Wishful Thinker in race 10 and the Millard-trained debutant Silver Fig in race four.

Philanthropist has two lots on Sunday's Cape Yearling Sale: #10 & #11.

*Part contribution from Hong Kong Jockey Club*

SPORTS AND BETTING

# English Premier League Rivalry

Manchester Utd vs Chelsea | Sun 25 Feb | Old Trafford | 16:05

It's that time of the season again where all heads turn to Old Trafford, with Jose Mourinho welcoming his former employers, Chelsea, to his new home in Manchester United. They're located too far away from each other for this match to be considered a derby, however, the rivalry has grown immensely in recent years – even more so after the 'Special One' left the Blues to join the Red Devils. Chelsea have lost just once to United since the post-Ferguson era, and that defeat came in this fixture last season – with Mourinho claiming bragging rights for the first time since his departure.

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## TO WIN

Man United 11/10
Draw 9/4
Chelsea 26/10

## MANCHESTER UNITED

Manchester United look to pull further away from their rivals as they hope to cement their second spot behind Manchester City, who have all but wrapped up the Premier League title already.

Their recent form in the league suggests that they'll give any team a chance, but against Chelsea, Mourinho will certainly be eyeing another home win against his former side. Domestically, the Red Devils come into this tie in very inconsistent form – winning two of their last four games, while losing the other two.

Mourinho has his own philosophy which will take some getting used to by the fans, with the Portuguese tactician adopting a very cautious approach in comparison to Jurgen Klopp's heavy-metal style and Pep Guardiola's Tiki-taka.

## CHELSEA

Chelsea will be gunning to avoid another unwanted tag of being 'fallen champions' as they hope to end the season off on a high.

Antonio Conte took the Premier League by storm in his opening season, winning the title with a three-man defence, something that had never been achieved before.

The Blues haven't been their usual selves, dropping points in games that they should have won quite comfortably. Conte's men are currently fourth on the standings, but could go second if they beat Man United and Liverpool fail to do wonders against West Ham.

It's tough to put your finger on the Blues' problems right now, although we could narrow it down to players not wanting to play for the manager – a similar story to what happened to Mourinho at Chelsea – or injuries to key players in their busiest of schedules.

**PREDICTION:** Manchester United (11/10)

CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

# Seeking Early Gains

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

## Be With The Boys

**Scottsville 11 February**

The going was once again posted as good to soft in Pietermaritzburg on Sunday. 1600m took the lion's share of the eight races, and the fastest of these three maiden plates was the only division for the boys won by the well exposed SPICE ROADS. Drawn wide and slow into stride to boot, Wendy Whitehead's charge raced in midfield for most of the journey. He ran on best of all in the home straight, and under a well-judged ride from Stuart Randolph, he got up late to deny the marginally more fancied TARANAKI.

The two 1000m races were also both maiden plates and in the faster of these (also the boy's division) the Kildonan gelding VISION OF TRUST got off the mark. Sent off an uneasy second favourite Paul Gadsby's charge made all. He was always in command and although the well-supported favourite GREAT DICTATOR chased hard, he won comfortably by a length.

Surprisingly the slower of the two 1400m events was the bill topping MR96 Handicap won by MONKS HOOD. Another to set off a little sluggish, this talented 3yo raced at the back of the seven early on. He quickened well at the top of the straight and went on to score with some in hand after striking the front 200m out.

**Titbits** *The Dennis Drier trained DAYDREAM BELIEVER came from the rear when getting off the mark in the girl's division of the maiden plate over 1000m.*

## Eye On The Prize

**Fairview 12 February**

They raced on the poly track on Monday where victory in the fastest of the three 1900m races (a MR68 Handicap) went to MINDS EYE. Soon positioned close to the speed, Tara Laing's charge took up the running 300m out and just held on by the narrowest of margins from the well handicapped SANCTUARY.

The bill topping MR97 Handicap was not surprisingly the faster of the two 1200m races and here victory went to another Tara Laing inmate in MIRACLE BUREAU. In what was a small but very strung out field, the son of Trippi raced third for most of the journey. He ran on strongly in the short home straight and with the rest comfortably beaten he got the better of SPRING STEEL (led 150m) by a half.

They also ran two races over 1300m and by far the quicker of these was the MR62 Handicap won by ON THAT NOTE. Sent off as one of three co-favourites at 5/1, this Tiger Ridge filly was skilfully guided over from a poor draw by Teague Gould and raced handy. She quickened well early in the straight and with the benefit of first run she beat SPACE TATTOO by a half. The runner up was positioned at the back of the twelve going through the 400m and did well to get as close as she did.

**Titbits** *MORETHANTHAT and SO ENCHANTING both ran on very well from off the pace when 2nd & 3rd respectively in the MR68 Handicap over 1900m*

## Full Speed Ahead

**Vaal 13 February**

The inside track was running fast on Tuesday where the only race over a sprint distance was the opening maiden plate won by SIRTAIN. Sporting blinkers for the first time, Mike De Kock's charge led throughout. He began to draw clear from the 300m marker and hard ridden won with authority by just over four.

The afternoon's feature event was a MR 104 Handicap and in what proved to be by far the faster of the two 2000m events the lightly raced GLIDER PILOT registered his second career victory. Just five went to post and going through the 400m two lengths covered all. Tyrone Zackey's charge quickened best of all from there onwards and with only two and a quarter lengths covering all at the wire, he won by a length and a quarter with some in hand.

The MR86 Handicap was the faster of the two 1400m events and here we saw a smart performance from the 3yo FULL MAST. Not the quickest into stride when the gates opened, the son of Go Deputy raced in the rear early on. Once given rein though he finished best of all, and got up late to beat DAN THE LAD (led 200m) by a length.

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

| | |
|---|---|
| Elusive Wolf | won 10/1 |
| Sunset Eyes | won 57,20 |
| Destiny Duchess | won 47/20 |
| Red Revolution | won 2/1 |
| Breaking Barriers | won 15/10 |
| Sailor Girl | won 5/4 |
| Nicole | won 19/20 |
| Written | won 3/8 |

### Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

**FAIRVIEW (FRI)**
**Race 1: (1) Carlita 23 (nb)**
Race 2: (2) Afrikaburn 68
Race 3: (7) Strawberry Girl 16
**Race 4: (1) Brutal Force 77 (NAP**)**
Race 5: (1) True Master 71
Race 6: (3) Gitango Tonight 19
Race 7: (8) Hoist The Mast 78
Race 8: (11) Data Link 7

**GREYVILLE (FRI)**
Race 1: (5) Mr Bombastic 7
Race 2: (2) Great Dictator 30
Race 3: (4) National Aim 13
Race 4: (The Gardner Girl 5
Race 5: (8) Tropical Wonder 38
Race 6: (9) Master Sam 48
Race 7: (5) Shwanky 65

**TURFFONTEIN (SAT)**
Race 1: (3) Autumn Rain 11
Race 2: (1) Exquisite Touch 90
Race 3: (1) Flying Feather 12
Race 4: (3) Psychic 12
Race 5: (1) Let's Twist 8
Race 6: (10) Rose Water 33
Race 7: (8) Secret Captain 85
Race 8: (9) Starcraft Prince 45
Race 9: (3) Great Shaka 38

**KENILWORTH (SAT)**
Race 1: (5) Flower Of Carmel 25
Race 2: (1) Manetheren 6
Race 3: (3) Money Buys Love 12
Race 4: (4) The Silva Fox 4
Race 5: (5) Unicorn 4
Race 6: (5) Tsitsikamma Dance 57
Race 7: (10) Miss Katalin 76
Race 8: (8) Summer Sky 95
Race 9: (12) At Long Last 45

**GREYVILLE (SUN)**
**Race 1: (1) Beaufort 25 (NAP*)**
Race 2: (13) Roy's Barbel 15
Race 3: (4) Ryker 57
Race 4: (14) Sweet Refrain 39
Race 5: (11) Skyfire 39
Race 6: (4) Stockade 28
Race 7: (7) Gadget Man 44
Race 8: (11) Live In Love 9

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** Fancied ** Strongly fancied*
**** Very strongly fancied*

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CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

**Titbits** *SHENANIGANS didn't find the clearest of passages when only beaten a short head in the MR82 Handicap over 2000m.*

## Valentine's Sunset

**Scottsville 14 February**

Racing returned to Pietermaritzburg on Valentine's Day where we saw a powerful front running performance from SUNSET EYES in the MR88 Handicap over 1200m. Just two lengths covered all going through halfway. Once given rein though Brett Crawford's charge quickened well and with the rest some five lengths adrift, he beat the useful 3yo SNIPER SHOT by three quarters.

The two 1400m races were both maiden plates and in the faster of these (the girl's division) the well-supported favourite BREAKING BARRIERS got off the mark. Always handy, Dennis Drier's charge took up the running 120m out and won going away by a length and a half.

The MR82 affair was the faster of the two handicaps over 1600m and here the Silvano filly PARABOLA registered her third victory from just seven starts. Positioned second last as the nine runners turned for home, Brett Crawford's charge ran on best of all over the final 600m and got up in the very last stride to deny the much more fancied SUPER SPARKLE (led 200m).

**Titbits** *CAPRIVI was baulked for a run 250m out before finishing strongly tofill second position in the MR62 Handicap over 1950m.*

## Always In Command

**Vaal 15 February**

With 24mm of rain falling in the 24 hours leading up to this meeting, the going was soft on the outside track on Thursday. Four of the afternoon's ten races were staged over 1400m and marginally the fastest of these was the maiden plate won by SAVANNAH KING. Taken straight to the front by Pierre Strydom, this lightly raced son of Tiger Ridge led throughout. He ran on strongly at the business end of the race and only having to be pushed out won going away by four and three quarters.

Another to win from the front with lengths to spare was SILVER SPINE in the faster of the two maiden events over 1200m. Soon two lengths clear the heavily supported Silvano gelding won with no anxious moments by three and a quarter.

Just 28/100th of a second separated the three 1000m races where quickest home was GREAT SHAKA in the MR66 Handicap. Always handy, this consistent son of Great Britain ran on strongly over the final 400m and got the better of the not so sound 6yo MANX PARK by a length.

**Titbits** *Racing in the rear after being a little slow into stride, the lightly raced 3yo SEVEN LIVES won the MR74 Handicap over 1000m going away with some in hand.*

### Notebook

*Horses worth following at their next few starts...*

**GLIDER PILOT** (T Zackey, Gauteng)
**MONKS HOOD** (A Gordon, KZN)
**SEVEN LIVES** (P Peter, Gauteng)

## FASTEST TIMES

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

**SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 11 FEBRUARY**
Penetrometer 24 – Going G/Soft
Course Variant: 0,30s Slow

| | |
|---|---|
| 1000m (2) Vision Of Trust | 56,73 |
| 1200m (1) River Ayre | 69,14 |
| 1400m (2) Everlasting Love | 81,79 |
| 1600m (3) Spice Roads | 95,25 |

**FAIRVIEW (POLY) 12 FEBRUARY**
Going Standard
Course Variant: 0,45s slow

| | |
|---|---|
| 1200m (2) Miracle Bureau | 69,70 |
| 1300m (2) On That Note | 75,65 |
| 1600m (1) Wish To Land | 96,37 |
| 1900m (3) Minds Eye | 116,56 |

**VAAL (INSIDE) 13 FEBRUARY**
Penetrometer 23 – Going Good
Course Variant: 0,48s fast

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|---|---|
| 1000m (1) Sirtain | 56,73 |
| 1400m (2) Full Mast | 81,91 |
| 1700m (2) Red Revolution | 103,19 |
| 2000m (2) Glider Pilot | 121,30 |
| 2400m (1) Antonello | 150,76 |

**SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 14 FEBRUARY**
Penetrometer 27 – Going G/Soft
Course Variant: 0,35s fast

| | |
|---|---|
| 800m (1) Mr Bombastic | 47,24 |
| 1000m (1) Vision To Kill | 56,52 |
| 1200m (1) Sunset Eyes | 67,95 |
| 1400m (2) Breaking Barriers | 83,88 |
| 1600m (2) Parabola | 95,50 |
| 1950m (2) Verdier | 119,67 |

**VAAL (OUTSIDE) 15 FEBRUARY**
Penetrometer 27 – Going Soft
Course Variant: 0,46s slow

| | |
|---|---|
| 1000m (3) Great Shaka | 57,52 |
| 1200m (2) Silver Spine | 71,94 |
| 1400m (4) Savannah King | 83,10 |
| 1600m (1) Gold Shades | 97,39* |

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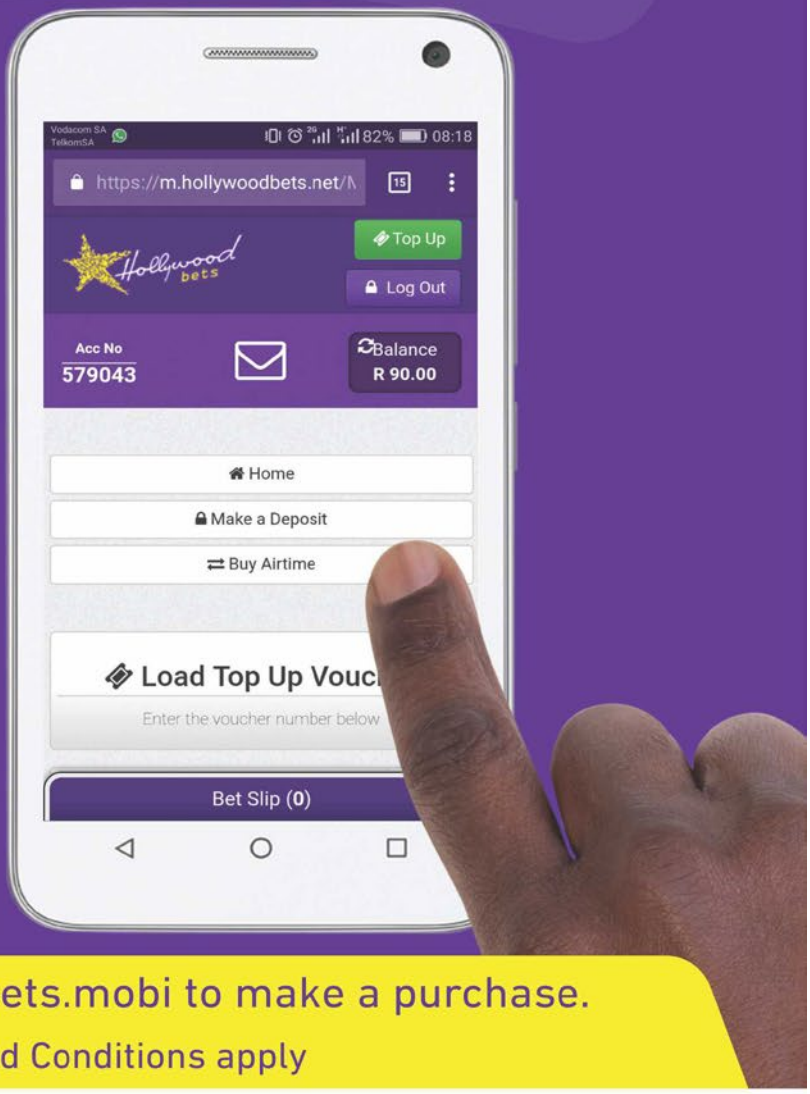


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