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THIS WEEKEND

FAIRVIEW turf Friday

Best Roving Banker:

R5-(1) Juan Two Three (16/10)

GREVILLE only Friday

Best Roving Banker:

R3-(7) Marriot (14/1)

TURFFONTEIN Saturday

Best Roving Banker:

R2-(1) Exquisite Touch (7/10)

KENILWORTH Saturday

Best Roving Banker:

R3-(2) Hammie's Fan (2/1)

SCOTTSVILLE Sunday

Best Roving Banker:

R4-(1) Lord Balmoral (7/1)

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The long and winding road to the dream of glory in Africa's greatest horseracing event began in earnest today when Gold Circle announced the names of the 69 first entries for the R4,25 million Vodacom Durban July to be run on Saturday 7 July 2018.

Horseracing loves the cliché's but this really is the one race that every owner, trainer, breeder and jockey wants to win. And the cyclical nature of fortune is reflected in the reality that 2017 history-making winning trainer Candice Bass-Robinson and 2016 champion Joey Ramsden are not amongst the 27 proud conditioners who have taken their first baby steps to stardom.

Dean Kannemeyer, who won the race in 2015 with Silvano gelding Power King, is the most recent title-holder and he has a quartet entered, headed by exciting and lightly raced 3yo Silva's Bullet –

coincidentally also a Silvano.

"It's early days but I want to keep my options open. I rate Silva's Bullet highly and if he wins his next start I will be looking at the Daily News. Then we are suddenly serious candidates for the July! It's My Turn is a Cape Derby winner, while Mambo Mime is a Gr3 winner and very capable – he is thriving here in KZN. The Slade is a tough sort and is capable of going on with it this season," added Kannemeyer.

One of the most interesting entries is past winner Legislate, who recently returned from a stint as a stallion in the Drakenstein paddocks, to come back into



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training with Justin Snaith. The Cape champion trainer has eight entries and what a fairytale that would be were he to return to win the race four years later with the son of Dynasty!

Snaith has also entered Sun Met winner Oh Susanna, an exciting 3yo who will be out to write her own chapter of history.

Even the small trainer has a hope. Milnerton-based Harold Crawford has entered Listed Jet Master Stakes winner Perovskia, whose sire Russian Sage twice ran unplaced in the July – in 2008 behind Pocket Power and 2010 behind Bold Silvano.

Perovskia was Crawford's first feature winner in three decades this season and another fairytale lies waiting to be written.

**Gr1 VODACOM DURBAN JULY Entries**

ABASHIRI	M G Azzie/A A A	109
AFRICAN NIGHT SKY	Justin Snaith	108
BANNER HILL	Geoff Woodruff	105
BRAZUCA (AUS)	J A Janse van V	104
CASCAPEDIA (IRE)	Mike de Kock	109
CHARIOT OF GOLD	Sean Tarry	84
CORAL FEVER	Robbie Sage	110
CROWD PLEASER	J A Janse van V	105
DARK MOON RISING	Paul Lafferty	95
DAWN ASSAULT	St John Gray	103
DEO JUVENTE	Geoff Woodruff	112
DO IT AGAIN	Justin Snaith	110
ELUSIVE SILVA	Justin Snaith	107
FORT EMBER	Paul Peter	108
FRENCH NAVY	Sean Tarry	104
GAMBADO	Alec Laird	88
GIRL ON THE RUN	J A Janse van V	100
GLIDER PILOT	Tyrone Zackey	106
GOLD STANDARD	Glen Kotzen	117
GREEK FIRE	M G Azzie/A A A	106
HEAD HONCHO	Andre Nel	95
IT'S MY TURN	Dean Kannemeyer	108
LADY IN BLACK	Dennis Drier	111
LEGEND	Duncan Howells	91
LEGISLATE	Justin Snaith	117

LIEGE	Sean Tarry	110
LIKE A PANTHER	Mike de Kock	106
MAJESTIC MAMBO	Paul Peter	104
MAMBO MIME	Dean Kannemeyer	104
MARDI GRAS	J A Janse van V	90
MATADOR MAN	Sean Tarry	105
MY FAVOURITE BROWN	J A Janse van V	88
NGAGA (AUS)	Andre Nel	102
NOBLE SECRET	Mike de Kock	106
NOTHER RUSSIA	Mike de Kock	112
OH SUSANNA (AUS)	Justin Snaith	121
PACK LEADER	Glen Kotzen	106
PEROVSKIA	Harold Crawford	99
PLATINUM PRINCE	Justin Snaith	101
RABADA	Brett Crawford	112
RED CHESNUT ROAD	Robbie Hill	102
ROY HAD ENOUGH (AU)	Frank Robinson	110
ROY'S RIVIERA (AUS)	Frank Robinson	96
ROYAL CRUSADE	Mike de Kock	101
SABINA'S DYNASTY	Paul Peter	97
SAFE HARBOUR	Sean Tarry	107
SARATOGA DANCER	Duncan Howells	112
SECRET POTION	Geoff Woodruff	102
SHENANIGANS	Sean Tarry	89
SILVA'S BULLET	Dean Kannemeyer	91
SILVAN STAR	Glen Kotzen	108
SILVER GOD	Sean Tarry	93
SILVER THURSDAY	Mike de Kock	103
SIMPLY ROYAL	Sean Tarry	101
SOCIAL ORDER	Sean Tarry	106
STAR EXPRESS	Justin Snaith	109
STEEL ROSE	Glen Puller	106
STRATHDON	Justin Snaith	97
SURCHARGE	Stuart Pettigrew	110
TAKINGTHEPEACE	Mike de Kock	104
THE ROCKETMAN (AUS)	M G Azzie/A A A	92
THE SLADE	Dean Kannemeyer	105
THRONG	Sean Tarry	82
TILBURY FORT	Sean Tarry	97
WARRIOR'S REST	Sean Tarry	102
WHITE RIVER	Brett Crawford	109
WILD WICKET	Duncan Howells	100
WIND CHILL	Joe Soma	103
YAKEEN (AUS)	Mike de Kock	97
(69)		



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WEEKEND RACING

Give Her A Nother

Gr1 Empress Club Stakes Turffontein

It's the Tarry and De Kock show at Turffontein on Saturday. The two power yards boast nine of the thirteen runners between them in the R1 million Gr1 Empress Club Stakes. But the Cape raiders Silvan Star and Gimme Six will keep the locals on their toes.

The gallant chestnut mare Nother Russia ran a superb race earlier this month when pacing it all the way up the long Turffontein straight with champion miler Legal Eagle, before going down a quarter length to the superstar in the Gr1 Horse Chestnut Stakes.

If that massive effort hasn't taken the edge off her, she must be a worthy favourite to land the double in this prestigious contest – and, with all respect, there is no Legal Eagle lurking amongst her twelve opponents.

Glen Kotzen must rate his chances from a 3 draw and with the services of the top-class Richard Fourie, who partners the Silvano mare, Silvan Star. The Ascot Stud-bred galloper enjoyed her first outing here when storming home to beat Gimme Six and Nother Russia over 1450m at the Vaal on 24 March. While she may have been flattered by a less than razor sharp Nother Russia there, the top three all came off runs on Met day.

Gimme Six enjoys the services again of Piere Strydom. The Daisy Fillies Guineas winner ran a smart fifth behind Snowdance in the Majorca prior to showing her wellbeing with that top effort ahead of Nother Russia in her Vaal prep. The daughter of Gimme-thegreenlight has drawn wide, but is likely to be dropped out for a challenge and will be cutting them back late.

Orchid Island ran no kind of race behind Legal Eagle last out and has a mountain to climb to beat her stablemate – and on top of that has the widest draw to temper her aspirations further.

The Sean Tarry duo of Tahini and Heaps Of Fun are both solid mares but may lack a few lengths with Nother Russia under these conditions.

Mike de Kock's Cascapedia returns from a 14 week break following her outstanding London

News Stakes win over Triple Crown winner, Abashiri. She is all class but is probably better over further and may need the run.

Safe Harbour has her second run since returning from a quiet Cape campaign. At best, she is capable of challenging for the places.

The 2016 Starling Stakes victress She's A Giver was outgunned

in the Gr2 Hawaii Stakes last time out and has a wide draw to overcome to challenge here.

Folk Dance ran

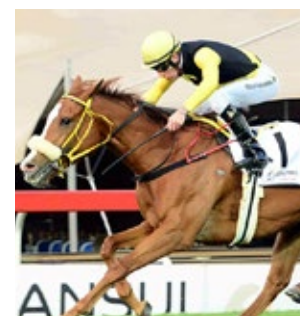
on steadily in the SA Fillies Classic and was under two lengths off exciting winner, Takingthepeace. She has previously proven effective over Saturday's course-and-distance but will need more zip in the finish here.

Fish River gets the blinkers fitted after a quiet trip to KZN when she stayed on without threatening in the Umzimkhulu. Well beaten here in the Gauteng Fillies Guineas, she has a mountain to climb.

The Acacia Handicap winner Simply Royal runs for Ray Danielson and loves the course-and-distance. She asked a lot to take on Nother Russia at level weights but has won 4 from 7 starts and is a progressive and smart 4yo.

Al Danza has hit smart form, winning the Listed Jacaranda Handicap on Classic Day in a thriller. The conditions of this race make Saturday's test a very different ball-game and she will be hard pressed to find a hat-trick.

Nother Russia is a confident choice to make it a double. The Cape raiders have come a long way and can't be underestimated - as they have shown already. Simply Royal could be Tarry's dark horse.



Nother Russia | JC Photos

Gold Soars!

Saturday's Gr1 Turffontein feature is named in honour of one of the greatest fillies to grace the turf in this country.

A daughter of Farnesio out of the El Gran Capitan mare, Elysee, Empress Club was dubbed the 'Gallop Goldmine' by racing commentators and her legion of fans and was renowned for taking on the best of the boys – and beating them!

Legendary trainer Terrance Millard sent out the Argentinian import to make an easy winning debut for the late Laurie Jaffee at the Vaal on 23 March 1991.

She was to go on and win 14 of her next 19 starts, including eight Gr1's, and was a five-time SA champion in the process. Her successes included the J&B Met and Queens Plate. Her 2 year old victories included the Gr2 SA Nursery, the Gr1 Gold Medallion and the Gr2 Gosforth Park Juvenile Fillies.

She won both the Gr1 SA Guineas and the Gr1 SA Fillies Guineas, when the two races were a few weeks apart.

Often talked about was her appearance at Durbanville to contest the Southeaster Sprint on 15 December 1992. She took on and beat crack speedsters Marie Galante and Taban to set a new 1000m track record of 56.5 secs. Durbanville has never seen a bigger event since!

Following her export to the USA, she won the 1994 Gr3 Hillsborough Handicap on the turf at Bay Meadows.

Empress Club retired to Gainesway, then operated by Graham Beck' with a record of 16 wins from 26 starts and earnings of \$1,155,235. Her first foal was a Lyphard colt. Named Azouz Pasha, he was an English stakes winner. Empress Club's other two winners also were Northern Hemisphere winners. Empress Club produced six named foals.

The Empress died at Gainesway farm on 19 December 2004. She was in foal to resident stallion Orientate at the time.

Gr1 Empress Club S. past winners

2015		
1 Majmu	57.5 (7)	13/20
2 Trophy Wife	57.5 (8)	20/1
3 Tamaanee	57.5 (6)	33/1
2016		
1 Inara	60.0 (2)	11/10
2 Sensible Lover	60.0 (1)	14/1
3 Intergalactic	57.5 (5)	14/1
2017		
1 Nother Russia	60.0 (2)	61/10
2 Bella Sonata	60.0 (15)	12/1
3 Tahini	60.0 (4)	25/1

START
3:25PM
TURFFONTEIN

7

PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3
GR1 EMPRESS CLUB STAKES - 1600M
SAME TRAINER:(1-2-5-13)(6-7-8-11)

Tiger Ridge	1 NOTHER RUSSIA (MF de Kock) C Zackey.....	1	60.0
High Chaparral	2 CASCAPEDIA (MF de Kock) C Murray.....	11	60.0
Silvano	3 SILVAN STAR (GS Kotzen) R Fourie.....	3	60.0
Gimmethethegreenlight	4 GIMME SIX (J Snaith) P Strydom.....	10	60.0
Silvano	5 ORCHID ISLAND (MF de Kock) M Yeni.....	13	60.0
Elusive Fort	6 SAFE HARBOUR (SG Tarry) L Hewitson.....	9	60.0
Silvano	7 TAHINI (SG Tarry) S Khumalo.....	4	60.0
Visionaire	8 HEAPS OF FUN (SG Tarry) D Schwarz.....	2	60.0
Phllanthropist	9 SHE'S A GIVER (JAJ v Vuuren) R Simons.....	12	60.0
Captain Al	10 AL DANZA (GV Woodruff) C Maujean.....	6	60.0
Silvano	11 SIMPLY ROYAL (SG Tarry) R Danielson.....	7	60.0
Tiger Ridge	12 FOLK DANCE (PA Peter) K De Melo.....	5	57.5
Canford Cliffs	13 FISH RIVER (MF de Kock) R Munger.....	8	57.5

SO THAT'S WHAT IT'S LIKE...

Call it what you like, that old stuck record about **ten** Breeders' Premierships, about the past few months and **The Thinker's** Merchants, **Champagne Haze** and the **Summerhill** trifecta in the Tommy Hotspur, and another **Visionaire**, **Takingthepeace** and her Gauteng Guineas and Fillies Classic exploits *en route* to the contest for the **Wilgerbosdrift Triple Tiara**.

What you'd never seen before though, was the raucous celebrations and **Nico Kritsiotis'** euphoria as **Takingthepeace** broke the sound barrier in one of the greatest home runs in Turffontein's 150 year history.

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WEEKEND RACING

Go With The Queen

East Cape Oaks (L) Fairview

Trainer Alan Greeff is bang in form after saddling four winners at Fairview last week and he goes into Friday's R150 000 Listed East Cape Oaks with a five-pronged attack, headed by the 2yo stakes winner Queen Forever.

The 2017 Listed Lady's Slipper winner, Queen Forever is the officially highest-rated galloper in the field and looks set to relish the stamina test at her first time beyond the mile. She was a bit unlucky when encountering traffic and finishing within a length of Sabbatical in the East Cape Guineas.

Widow's Lamp is the epitome of consistency and is another who looks well suited to the 2000m. She was eased late in running when second in the Oaks Trial and will be a serious challenger.

Esteemal is the first of the Snaith pair. The daughter of Captain Al scored a long overdue second win last time and must be a major factor at her first run here.

Woodstock Fairy is another Cape raider. She stays well but has plenty to do at the weights.

Gitango Tonight has lost form recently.

Searching shed her maiden certificate at her penultimate start on the polytrack. The well bred galloper was staying on well over shorter last time and will enjoy the extra.

The R1 million sale graduate Summer Moon is way out of the reckoning on her official rating but is lightly tried and looks very capable of improving out of sight in this company. She stayed on for fourth in the Oaks Plate last time.

Giovanna has poor recent form and both her career victories have been on the polytrack – so she looks unlikely.

Three Times A Lady has pulled the best of the draw but took a while to win her maiden, which she did at her penultimate start on the polytrack. She is bred to go this trip and could improve into the places.

Piera is the fifth of the Greeff quintet and has been battling since winning her maiden on the polytrack here in November.

Data Link took eleven runs to win her maiden and followed that with a modest fourth in a low-key handicap. This could be too much for her at this stage.

Corne Spies one-time winner Joking Dice looks hard-pressed to assert

herself at these weight terms in this company.

Queen Forever and Widow's Lamp should fight this out. They will both enjoy the extra and it is likely to come down to luck in running.

START
16:15PM
FAIRVIEW

7

PA6/PICK SIX5/JACKPOT4
EAST CAPE OAKS (3YO FILLIES)(L) - 2000M
SAME TRAINER:(1-5-7-9-10)(3-8)

Gimmethgreenlight	1	QUEEN FOREVER(AC Greeff) G Cheyne	9	60.0
Go Deputy	2	WIDOW'S LAMP(Y Bremner) L Hewitson	12	60.0
Captain Al	3	ESTEEMAL(J Snaith) G v Niekerk	8	60.0
Var	4	WOODSTOCK FAIRY(C Bass-Robinson) R Khathi	4	60.0
Irish Flame	5	GIOVANNA(AC Greeff) T Gould	7	60.0
Gitano Hernando	6	GITANGO TONIGHT(GD Smith) M Yeni	6	60.0
Jay Peg	7	SEARCHING(AC Greeff) B Fayd'herbe	3	60.0
Silvano	8	SUMMER MOON(J Snaith) C Orffier	11	60.0
Twice Over	9	THREE TIMES A LADY(AC Greeff) S Khathi	1	60.0
Await The Dawn	10	PIERA(AC Greeff) X Ndlovu	2	60.0
Crusade	11	DATA LINK(SB Kotzen) C Murray	5	60.0
Crusade	12	JOKING DICE(C Spies) M Thackeray	10	60.0

'Where's The Discretion?' - Trainer

Ashburton trainer Duncan Howells had his feature victory celebrations dampened at Greyville on Wednesday when the Stipes withdrew sensational Listed KZN Stakes winner Neptune's Rain's starting stall certificate.

Howells expressed his disappointment with what he felt was a lack of discretion and flexibility shown, given the special circumstances of the double delay of the feature.

"These are sprinting fillies. The race was delayed ten days. They are naturally going to be slightly above themselves. I could see on the way to the start that Neptune's Rain was above herself. The fillies were dripping with sweat at the start. We have also not been able to get much work into them. There was a delay with a shoe issue at the start and a troublesome filly drawn near the rail. Neptune's Rain was forced to stand for a while. She did rear in her gate but loaded like a lamb with the hood. She has ten runs under the belt and has had no issues at the start. I feel that no discretion is being shown," he said following the withdrawal of the stalls certificate. [Read more](#)

Red Light - Spells Danger!

Given the recent public focus and attention around on-course ambulance and medical services, the apparent failure of the ambulance to track the runners in the eighth race at Greyville on Wednesday is puzzling.

The Sporting Post has learnt from reliable sources that a handler was kicked at the start of this race.

The video footage of the start clearly shows the runners jumping under starter's orders and the lead vehicle pulling away as the ambulance driver and his passenger alight from their vehicle, which appears to remain at the start. The handler was attended to and the race proceeded without incident – and without the ambulance.

The official Stipes report makes no reference to the handler being kicked or the ambulance being obliged to remain at the start.

Surely the handler's injury was grounds for a false start, given the limited medical resources on course?

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- #320 colt *Lynty's Legacy* family of **VICTORY MOON, WILLIAM LONGSWORD**
- #365 filly *Matoaka* dam own sister to **THE APACHE** (Equus Champion)
- #241 colt *Rocket Rhumba* half brother to **African Dream** (6 wins); dam half sister to Gr2 **MEADOW MAGIC**
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Tiger On A Roll

Davy Russell, the oldest jockey in the race, capped a magnificent riding career when he rode Tiger Roll, one of the most accomplished little horses of the last few years, to a dramatic last-gasp victory in the 171st Randox Health Grand National at Aintree on Saturday.

In a race watched by over 600 million television viewers worldwide, Tiger Roll stayed out of trouble – and there was plenty of it, with many of us wondering if we really needed to be watching.

Tiger Roll was a second National winner in three years for Michael O'Leary, Ryanair's chief executive, and a second for trainer Gordon Elliott who won it with Silver Birch in 2007 before he had ever saddled a winner in Ireland.

The race was shown live on Tellytrack but there were complaints from various punters that Saftote was not functioning properly. We have not been able to ascertain what the nature of the problems were.

There were also a few negative comments about the race on our Facebook page and thankfully all the 38 starters were safely in their stables on Saturday night, although 26 did not finish.

The Stars Are Set To Shine

Gold Circle's 2018 SA Champions Season launches at Greyville Race Course on Friday 4 May with the running of three Gr2 features.

Entries for the R500 000 IOS Drill Hall Stakes over 1400 metres, as well as the R600 000 Daisy Guineas and R500 000 Daisy Fillies Guineas, both over 1600 metres, were received on Monday.

SA Champions Season, often referred to as the National Championship of horseracing in South Africa, showcases the very best the sport of horse racing has to offer from the beginning of May to the end of July each year, and attracts contestants from all over the country.

Comprising 25 Race Meetings and 217 races, Champions Season boasts more than R46-million in prize money including 13 Grade 1 races; 9 Grade 2 races; 9 Grade 3 races and 7 Listed races.

The R4,25-million Vodacom Durban July, run annually on the first Saturday of July, is the jewel in Gold Circle's crown and once again approximately 55 000 racegoers will descend on Greyville Race Course to enjoy the 12-race VDJ extravaganza.

The Golden Horse Casino Sprint Race Day at Scottsville on 28 May; the Daily News 2000 at Greyville on Saturday 2 June; the Rising Sun Gold Challenge at Greyville on Saturday 10 June and the eLan Gold Cup at Greyville on 28 July are the other major Grade 1 race days on the calendar.

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25 For Wonder Winx!

Champion Winx matched Black Caviar's record of 25 wins in a row after her second consecutive win in the A\$4 million Gr1 Queen Elizabeth Stakes at Royal Randwick on the weekend.



Winx

Winx has stormed deeper into racing history, ridiculing fears her pursuit of a 25th consecutive victory would end in defeat- or retirement.

The wonder mare proved she is better than ever with resounding victory in the 2000m contest, laying the plat-

form for an historic tilt an unprecedented fourth Cox Plate at Moonee Valley in October.

Restrained in last place until the 600m mark, Winx eased to the outside of the 10-horse field before overhauling Darren Weir's Gailo Chop with a trademark withering sprint.

Her signature surge catapulted her almost four lengths past Gailo Chop and to a world record 18th Group 1.

And she matched Black Caviar's feat of stringing together 25 wins in a row, an achievement which left trainer Chris Waller sobbing inconsolably.

Randwick was packed as Winx took her earnings to almost \$19 million – more than \$5million more than previous record-holder Makybe Diva, the triple Melbourne Cup winner.

Jockey Hugh Bowman beamed with relief and joy as he returned Winx to scale before a rapturous crowd.

"I'm so proud of her, so proud to be apart of it." he said

Winx is now likely to be spelled immediately in preparation for her bid to become the first horse to win four Cox Plates.

Australia's Big Money Earners:

- 1 Winx A\$18,988,430
- 2 Makybe Diva A\$14,526,690
- 3 Sunline A\$11,351,610
- 4 Northerly A\$9,341,850
- 5 So You Think A\$8,813,497

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Sling Could Be King



Singapore Sling | JC Photos

Won by Alec Laird's London News in 1997, and Mike de Kock with Irridescence in 2006 and Archipenko in 2008, the HK\$24 million Gr1 Audemars Piguet Queen Elizabeth II Cup to be run at Sha Tin on Sunday 29 April is likely to host an internationally representative 2018 renewal.

Overseas raiders have captured the APQEII Cup 12 times since it was first opened to outside competition in 1995, with Maine Chance Farms Silvano winning it in 2001.

A classic winner from Japan, the best of Hong Kong's talented 10-furlong cohort and a top contender from Aidan O'Brien's powerful team are among eleven horses selected for a world class edition of the race, one of three Gr1 features on Champions Day.

Also on the bill are the HK\$18 million Champions Mile (1600m) and the HK\$16 million Chairman's Sprint Prize (1200m). This year marks the first time that all three races will be staged on one day.

The HK\$16 million Chairman's Sprint Prize (1200m) is in its third year as a Gr1 contest and last year ranked 34th in World's Best 100 Group 1 Races, making it Hong Kong's highest-rated race.

A field of 12 top-class sprinters is slated to go to post, including the best from Hong Kong and Japan, and leading speedsters from Europe.

The 12 selections for the HK\$18 million Champions Mile feature our own Philanthropist son Singapore Sling from the Tony Millard stable, who ran such an outstanding race in the Hong Kong Derby, as well as the rest of Hong Kong's best milers and Ireland's Lancaster Bomber from the O'Brien stable.

Lancaster Bomber has placed second five times at Gr1 level, including when behind World Approval in last season's Breeders' Cup Mile at Del Mar.

The line-up also includes the current Hong Kong season's two in-form Gr1 milers: the John Moore-trained Beauty Generation secured the Hong Kong Mile in December and followed up with an elite win in the Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup (1400m); Seasons Bloom snared the Stewards' Cup for the Danny Shum stable in January under Joao Moreira.

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Candice Delpesch Speaks Out

On Saturday, 7 April 2018, during the running of the Gr1 SA Classic at Turffontein, Majestic Mambo stumbled, dislodging SA Champion Jockey, Anthony Delpesch. While the rest of the field – including the on-course ambulance – continued across the finish line, Anthony was left lying at the 350m mark. While time stands still in situations like that and everything feels exaggerated, it would be not be unfair to say that too much time elapsed before Anthony was attended to.

From the track, the first responders transferred him into the on course ambulance, which drove him to the track's first aid facility. There, Anthony was seen by the Chief Medical Officer and despite complaining of pain in his hands and feet, was deemed to have concussion. He was transferred into another ambulance and transported by road to Milpark Hospital's casualty department.

His wife Candice, who unusually was watching from home in Durban, immediately left home and was making her way to the airport to catch a flight to Joburg. While driving to the airport, she was having to field calls, trying to relay Anthony's Medical Aid details in order to get him admitted as somehow, these did not travel with him.

Sequence of events

By the time Candice arrived at the hospital at 8pm on Saturday evening, the hospital was ready to discharge Anthony and send him home after a CT scan came back clear. Tex Lerena was present and insisted that Anthony stay overnight admission for observation. Luckily they listened and at 10pm Anthony was re-admitted into a general ward, with Candice in a chair by his side.

Anthony was next seen by a doctor at 6am on Sunday morning and an MRI scheduled for lunchtime. Still complaining of pain in his hands and feet as well as having increasing difficulty breathing, it was not until 9pm on Sunday night that Anthony finally had his vital signs checked, at which point it was discovered that his oxygen saturation levels were at 52 – dangerously below normal levels of 95-100.

On Monday, a neurosurgeon advised that the MRI results revealed a herniated disc in his neck which was exerting pressure on his spinal cord. Surgery was scheduled for the following day. The

surgical team talked Anthony and Candice through the proposed operation on Tuesday morning, explaining that it entailed the removal of the herniated disc material to be replaced by a bone graft, followed by a cervical fusion to stabilise the joint. When Anthony nodded his understanding, the doctor exclaimed, "Don't move your head, you can sever your spinal cord." "I was horrified," says Candice.

Speaking out

Although the operation was successfully performed on Tuesday, 10 April 2018, as with any injury and major surgery, it is going to be a long road to recovery. Candice has courageously agreed to talk to me about the accident. Given the extremely private nature of the Delpesch family, it's a responsibility I take seriously. And I think everyone else should too.

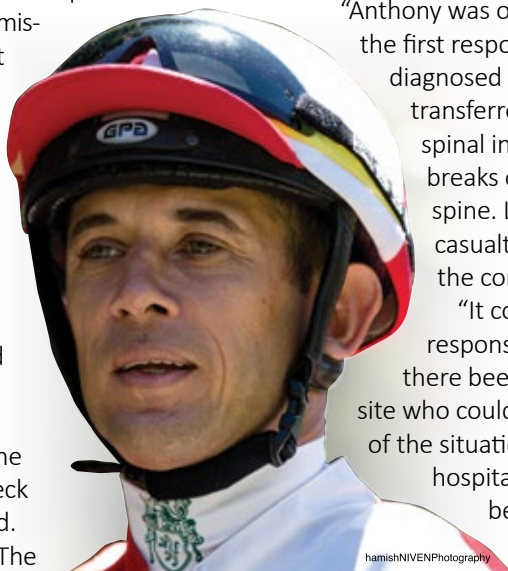
While these are difficult details for the family to share, Candice says enough is enough. "In my 26 years with Anthony, I've never once raised my voice or stated any opinion about racing or how Anthony has been treated, but I know if we don't stand up together now, nothing is going to be done."

"Anthony has devoted his life to racing. He understands the risks and accepts there are injuries associated with the job, but it's his passion and if there are falls, the support should be there."


First response

"Anthony was on the ground for far too long before the first responders reached him. He was incorrectly diagnosed on course as having a concussion and was transferred to hospital by road with his serious spinal injury. If that ambulance had jammed on its breaks or hit a bump, he could have severed his spine. Lastly, he was incorrectly admitted to the casualty department, which delayed him getting the correct care he so badly needed."

"It comes down to the quality of the first response and the chain of communication. Had there been a properly experienced trauma medic on-site who could have correctly assessed the seriousness of the situation, Anthony would have been airlifted to hospital. The handover to casualty would have been strong and Anthony would have been admitted to the ICU immediately.



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Anthony is lucky to be alive and not a quadriplegic.”

The Hard Truth

In response to the statement issued by Phumelela regarding race day safety measures, Candice says, “We have experienced the total opposite of this response. This is not the first time this has happened and it’s not isolated to a single centre. In December 2015, Anthony suffered a bad fall when his horse flipped over in the starting stalls at Kenilworth. The on course medic pronounced him fit to go home. Pippa Mickleburgh drove him to his hotel, where he was in so much pain, he hardly slept. The next morning Larry Wainstein helped him get a set of crutches. It was 22 December so he couldn’t get a direct flight home, and had to fly from Cape Town to Johannesburg and then to Durban. Three airports, three wheelchairs and 24 hours later, he drove himself to Hillcrest hospital for an X-ray to find out he had a broken leg.”

“In December 2016, Anthony fell at Turffontein and again, was discharged by the on course doctor. He drove to the airport, caught a plane back to Durban and then drove himself to the hospital where he was diagnosed with a broken collar bone that had to have a plate put in two days later. In 2017, he fell at Greyville. The medic put the stethoscope over the body protector and wondered why he couldn’t hear anything. And then he was sent home with a concussion,” continues Candice.

During the international meeting a few years ago, S’ manga Khumalo was similarly left on the track for far too long before being attended to. Then there was the debacle over the Jarred Samuel incident at Greyville. We’ve just seen Gavin Lerena seriously injured in a fall at Turffontein and while that was handled effectively, mainly thanks to the intervention of Gavin’s family, it is clear that Anthony’s case was not.

Candice says, “I am angry, disappointed and feel let down by our racing authorities at how our jockeys are treated. If we can produce world class riders that hold their own all over the world, surely they deserve world class support?”

Time of the essence

While nothing can undo the events of 7 April, it is entirely possible to improve things going forward.

It is accepted that the time it takes an injured person to receive appropriate action after an accident has a direct influence on not only their immediate survival, but also on their recovery time. The first three minutes are critical and the first hour post trauma is commonly referred to as the ‘golden hour’ as it is a vital treatment window that can dictate whether a patient lives or dies – and if they do live, what that their quality of life will be.

While we cannot control accidents, we can control how they are dealt with. There should be clear, accepted and above all, standardised emergency protocols.

The first response should be immediate. There is no point

in having an ambulance follow riders and having support staff on-site if they cannot get to a stricken jockey fast enough. Every moment wasted is a potential life-saving opportunity lost.

On-site support needs to be of the highest standard and the chain of communication has to be effective to ensure appropriate treatment at the hospital.

Emergency details should be on hand at all times. A severely injured or unconscious jockey may not be able to communicate their emergency contacts or details. There should be a line of communication to next of kin and emergency contacts, as well as relevant media to relieve strain on family members.

Nice to Haves

Candice recalls Anthony being injured during his stint in Hong Kong where the HKJC sent a car to drive her to the hospital and back every day and had a member of staff stationed outside Anthony’s hospital room until he was discharged, to ensure he was well taken care of.

While it will be argued that we are not Hong Kong, there is plenty that can be done to make a difficult process easier both for our jockeys as well as for their families.

Candice had to secure her own transfer from Durban to Joburg, she has had to hire a car, book into a hotel, buy meals and spend a fortune on airtime communicating with all Anthony’s family, friends and well wishers. While these are necessary consequences, not everyone has the same resources. Would it not make life a lot easier and less stressful having a specific point of contact and some kind of budget / contingency planning available for incidents like these?

While there have been a number of people who have been an invaluable support, Candice says it’s been the little things such as the Lerena family bringing her a curry for dinner one night, or a kind nurse who drove her to a local Pick n Pay to buy toiletries and essentials that have meant a lot. “They’re small things, which aren’t really small things, you know?” she says quietly. I blink hard and nod silently over the lump in my throat.

When you know better, do better

Candice confirms that Anthony is getting stronger and better every day and thanks everyone for their on-going love and support. But now that he is out of immediate danger, she is focussing on the bigger picture. “This is not just about us, but now that it has happened, it’s our responsibility to see that something gets done. We are lucky that Anthony is a senior jockey and we have the resources and infrastructure to cope with something like this, but what about the rest? If this is how Anthony, our National Champion Jockey, is treated, what chance does anyone else have? We have to realise, we are playing with people’s lives here. Things have to be sorted out.”

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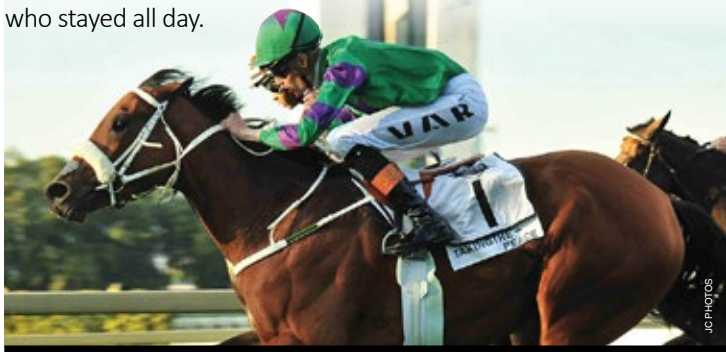
Carlita Tops

The KZN Breeders Series Log for 2yo's is dominated by the combination of Piemonte Stud and Alan Greeff who lead – with top Oratorio filly, Carlita, and the Crusade colt Alfeo, respectively. 212 juveniles vie for just 28 places on the race day. There are two races – 1 each for colts and fillies respectively for stakes of R200 000 each over 1200m. The KZN Breeders Race Day takes place on 30 June at Greyville racecourse, and is exclusively for KZN-bred horses registered with the KZN Breeders Premium Scheme.

Over The Hill?

One of former champion SA owner Markus Jooste's business initiatives — the re-naming of the famous Epsom Hill as Poundland Hill at the Investec Derby Festival — has been scuppered by Britain's The Jockey Club, which has stepped in to cancel the deal. In a statement, Epsom GM Simon Durrant said: "Due to the widely reported issues concerning Steinhoff International, we have mutually agreed that Poundland, one of its brands, will not be involved with The Hill at the Investec Derby Festival in June. In future the famous Hill will carry the name Horseplay On The Hill." Some irony there.

Will She, Won't She? There has been some speculation as to whether Takingthepeace will stay the 2450m of the SA Oaks in her bid for SA Triple Tiara glory on 5 May. While her sire Visionaire has so far produced predominantly sprinter-milers, the filly's damline is where the key lies. Her dam won up to 1450m but was also Gr3-placed over 1800m. Damsire Rambo Dancer won a Gr1 over 2400m and his full-sister won the English Oaks. While he produced many top stayers, including Pick 6, Bianconi, Coastal Waltz and Major Hero, Rambo Dancer as a broodmare sire significantly produced the Gr1 Derby and Gr2 Gold Vase winner Seal, who stayed all day.

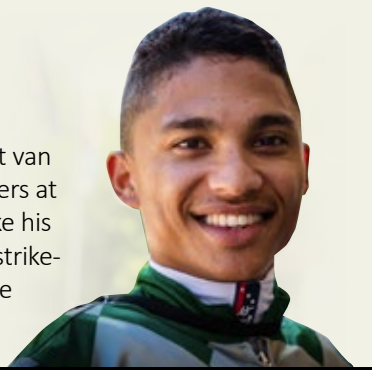


Sire Power!

Redoute's Choice stallion Time Thief, who recently celebrated his first Gr1 winner in Australia, has joined an illustrious line-up of sires as Highlands Stud part of Ridgemont hosts a stallion parade on 25 May 2018. From exciting newcomer Canford Cliffs, to Oratorio and Flower Alley, there is something for everybody. For more information, or to reserve a place at Highlands, interested parties can contact Amanda Carey on: (082) 465 4020 or email Amanda@ridgemont.co.za

Big 4

Sun Met winning jockey Grant van Niekerk booted home 4 winners at Kenilworth on Saturday to take his season tally to 82 with a win strike-rate of 20%. He is tenth on the national log.



ISLAND IMPACT

Met winning rider JP van der Merwe made an immediate impact at the Champ de Mars on Saturday. He struck in just the third ride of his debut meeting for Rameshwar Gujadhur's yard in the 5th race, as he rode Independence to his first win in 16 months, JP produced the double when clinching the feature, the Noble Salute- Evaco 17th Anniversary Cup (Gr3), courtesy of Nottinghamshire. The five-year old ran a cracker to score his 4th win in Mauritius.

Family Fun

Richard Fourie gave a superbly judged front-running display to win the fourth at Kenilworth on Saturday on the Tiger Dance filly Kamaishi. Trained by Mike Robinson, the win was a special moment for his wife Luella as it was her first success in her own silks. To add to the sentimentality of the occasion, the silks design was created by their young daughter Caitlin.

Save The Date Klawervlei Stud will host its Farm Sale on 15 June. The auction, which has quickly grown into one of the country's most popular events on the thoroughbred calendar, will, once again be preceded by the Betting World/Tab Golf Day. The latter will be hosted at the Silwerstrand Golf Resort in Robertson, and will take place one day before the Sale. Graduates of the Farm Sale continue to do well, and they include Saturday's impressive debut winner Three Stars, among many others.

Nationals - Paperwork

BSA have reminded buyers that a ruling in the Consumer Protection Act requires every person applying for a buyers card, whether a first time buyer or platinum card holder, to submit a copy of their ID, together with their proof of residence. In order to smooth the process and to avoid delays in issuing buyers cards for the Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale, they have requested that the requisite documentation be sent to them as soon as possible.

WINTER ON FIRE

The leading sire by aggregate at last week's April Yearling Sale, What A Winter followed up on Saturday on the track with a smart winner in the Drakenstein Stud-bred Clouds Unfold, who registered a second win from three starts. What A Winter has a draft of 19 on offer at next week's Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale. See our sale preview supplement.



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 family of **Smanjemanje**



#346 filly Spectral
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#365 filly Matoaka
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#241 - colt Rocket Rhumba
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 dam half sister to **Meadow Magic**



#23 filly Dune Dance
 half sister to **Matador Man**



#234 filly Maculate
 half sister to **The Rising Legend**



#320 colt Lynly's Legacy
 family of **Victory Moon**, **William Longsword**



#412 colt Fast Draw dam half sister to
GeePee S (6 wins, Gr1 Allan Robertson)



#118 filly unnamed
 half sister to **Irish Flame** (Equus Champion)



#286 colt Star Crusade
 Family of multiple Gr1 winners **Stellite** & **Zirconium**



PERSONALITY

Cautiously Optimistic

Gary Grant

In response to market factors, the TBA / BSA has undergone some fairly radical changes over the past few years. We caught up with Gary Grant ahead of this year's National Yearling Sales.

The Team

In order to draw a clear distinction between the responsibility of breed affairs and their sales arm, June 2016 saw the TBA setting up a Bloodstock South Africa sales board made up of Council members Rennie Price (Chairman), Lee Scribante and Mark Greene and a management team comprising Gary Grant, Chris Haynes and Michael Holmes to take over the running of the sales arm.

"Chris and I are both Chartered Accountants and have been in business together for nearly 25 years, mostly through Equine Group. Michael has a BCom in marketing, he runs Michael Holmes Bloodstock and prior to that, he was with Chris Smith Bloodstock. It's a good fit in terms of a management team and between the three of us we have nearly 80 years' experience in the industry," he says with satisfaction.

"Chris assumes responsibility for marketing and liaison with vendors and buyers. Mike stages the event, Chris directs the communications with vendors and buyers and I look after the financial side of the business, so that's pretty much how we operate."

Operations

With a dramatic rationalisation, the team has pulled the business sharply back into focus and swung the balance sheet from a R6 million loss in the 2016 financial year to a R2 million profit for 2017. "It's imperative that Bloodstock SA makes a profit because that's where the TBA's funding comes from and that in turn allows them to make contributions to the industry."

In addition to turning BSA around and making a profit, we are also putting money back in breeders pockets with reduced levies and commissions and reduced entries and acceptance fees.

"It's important to us to look after our

vendors- without them we don't have a business," he says pointedly. "We're trying hard to help them in terms of where they place horses but more importantly, get them paid on time."

He confirms that the days of waiting for ever are over. "80% is being paid at 30 days and by 60 days, we're up to 90-95%." Significantly, they haven't had one write-off so far and have collected every cent.

The strategy is paying dividends. "The number of horses we sold last year was more than the year before. Nationals was oversubscribed, the KZN sale is oversubscribed and we've got 260 entries for the mare sale which is about a quarter more than last year. If we're getting support from vendors, I believe we must be doing something right."

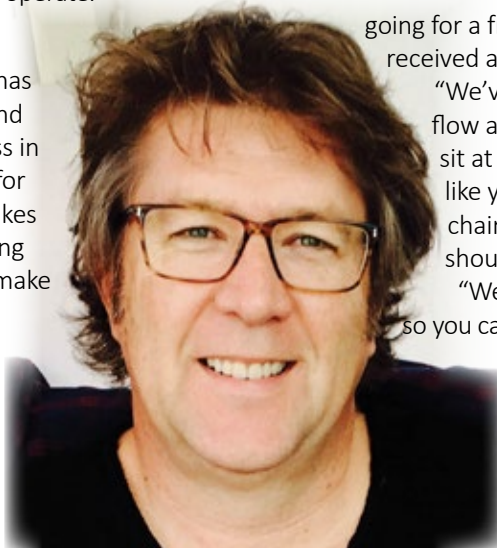
"We're not by any means the finished article, but we're making strides and believe we're improving with each sale."

Custodians

While that covers vendors, they have not forgotten about buyers. "I think our sales complex compares favourably with many complexes around the world – certainly the ones I've been to – and I think our sales ground is of equal, if not better standards – but we've done some refurbishment and revamping. We are going for a fresher, more modern appearance and have received a lot of compliments on how it's looking."

"We've opened up the arena to give it more of a flow and we now have tables where buyers can sit at a table and relax and don't have to feel like you're sitting in a movie theatre in a row of chairs. From a buyer's perspective, the yard too, should offer a good viewing experience."

"We've changed the caterers and built a deck, so you can escape the sale and have a bite and glass of wine. There's a good coffee station and we've upgraded the restaurants, including the Enchanted Garden which was popular last year, and it's perfect to escape to if you are in the mood for something simple but tasty after a couple of hours of looking."



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“In the last few years, we’ve had a divided industry and I think the sales haven’t been as much fun as they used to be. It’s our intention to try and get everybody back under one roof and enjoy the camaraderie that goes with the sales. We want to focus on getting people to reconnect and talk and enjoy themselves and enjoy the sale. It’s not just business – racing is many people’s pleasure and leisure and we shouldn’t lose sight of that.”

They have also revived the relationship with Emperor’s Palace as a title sponsor and Gary says, “It’s a good fit and one that we’re very pleased to be able to re-establish.”

Logistics

The sale offers 526 lots spread over three sessions from Tuesday, 24 – Thursday, 26 April and the gavel will be wielded by the capable hands of Steve Davis, Andrew Miller and Graeme Hawkins, supported by a new-look bid spotting team.

“With the long weekend coming up, we’ve tried to finish a little earlier on Thursday and not sell on the weekend so that people can be at home with their families. At the end of the day, it is business and we try to operate during business hours, which is consistent with how the rest of the world does things.”

In a break with tradition, the sale no longer pairs with Champions Day. “Last year we followed, believing the sale and race day were related, but actually they’re not. As soon as you go into early May, you start clashing with the international fixtures and it curtails certain internationals attending our sale, so we’ve gone back to the April slot. The timing is good for attendance by international and local buyers.”

“There are a few people coming from Hong Kong and a few agents from the UK, so we’re pretty pleased with the international interest so far. There are a couple of bigger agents and a few faces we’ve not seen before, so we’re looking forward to having them. We’ve had very good interest in terms of credit applications, more so than previous years, which we take as a good sign.”

What’s On Offer

“The National Yearling Sale is our best sale of the year and I think the catalogue speaks for itself. The depth in stallions is good and we’ve got a wonderful range of 59 vendors.”

One of the big changes is splitting the catalogue into two sections. “For want of a better expression, we have a session 1 comprising lots 1 – 231,” explains Gary. “These were selected by panel based on a combination of pedigree and conformation, so they’re really high quality individuals and as far as their page is concerned and in theory you should be able to buy blind as a lot of the homework has been done for you.”

He acknowledges there has been a certain amount of resistance to the fact that the minimum bid is R100k for this portion. “It’s not

radical and is a trend that’s consistent with sales around the world. The median for this sale last year was R175k and more than half the horses sold for more. These are the best on offer and I don’t think a vendor would be willing to part company with them for less than R100k.”

“The session 2 portion also has quality individuals, although their pedigree pages might be a little lighter. Overall, I think we’ve got a great selection and think there are yearlings for the full buying bench. No matter what your budget, there should be something for everyone.”

Value Adds

BSA offer bonuses for selected Gr1’s and Gr2’s and have implemented a series of maiden juvenile bonuses. “We offered a maiden juvenile bonus of R40k for 2017 sales graduates which we are bumping up to R50k for 2018 and they have been very well received. It’s quite a nice injection for those owners and nice for them to get cash back early. If you look at the price range of horses that qualified, many have more than paid back their purchase price already, so I think it’s working well. I think we’re seeing bigger juvenile fields and hopefully the stakes bonus is part of the reason for that. If we can help new buyers have quick return, they may look at buying a classic horse a little further down the line.”

There are no sales races. “The only sale that has a sales race attached is the KZN sale and that’s because it’s a KZN Breeders initiative,” he confirms.

Predictions

“I think the top end will be strong. Last year we had more money than horses at the top end of the market and I think breeders took note of that, which has helped form a strong catalogue.”

“It’s going to be difficult to compare because of the split catalogue, but if you asked for my dream result, it would be an increase in the median and clearance rate. I’d like to get the median up because that’s a barometer for the breeders as a whole - if you could get a median of R200k, you’re starting to have a chance of making some money.”

Secondly, the clearance rate is one of the key factors – we want to sell the horses. If we could achieve a 90% clearance rate I’d be happy. It’s a brittle market, so it’s probably a bit unrealistic, but if I’m shooting high, that’s where I’d be aiming. Things often start off poorly, but a lot of business gets done after the sale. I think our breeders are pretty beleaguered, so for us, we’d really like to get the horses sold.”

“Sentiment is a lot more positive, so hopefully people are not so intent on sitting on their hands with a wait and see approach. I think a lot of people kept their powder dry for Nationals because there is such a range and because it is a selected sale. I’d say we’re cautiously optimistic.”



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Turffontein Medical Services

Phumelela Gaming has moved to allay concerns about the provision of medical services at Turffontein. This follows certain matters being brought to the attention of Phumelela Gaming's racing management after the unfortunate injuries recently suffered by jockeys Anthony Delpech and Gavin Lerena. Phumelela Gaming said it would like to dispel misconceptions among the public.

The company said it was committed to the health and safety of participants in horseracing events at all its facilities, and released the following statement:

"Our Chief Medical Officer (CMO) is responsible for overseeing medical operating procedures and has close to 30 years direct experience as a Medical Doctor in the sport. The CMO is supported by a track-based medical team consisting of a Race Medical Doctor, Advanced Life Support (ALS) paramedics, Registered Nurses, and an event ambulance crew staffed up to Intermediate Life Support (ILS) level.

In addition, all horse racing events are externally supported by Netcare 911 emergency medical services to provide transportation from the arena medical centre to pre-determined trauma facilities, including Netcare Milpark Hospital which is Level 1 accredited trauma centre.

Contrary to what has been reported in certain media publications, Phumelela Gaming continuously maintains and updates its medical operating procedures specifically according to the different racing events held around the country.

In general, these operating procedures provide for an ALS First

Responder, a marked ILS event ambulance and a veterinarian vehicle to follow the pack. In the event of a rider coming off a horse, it is required that the event ambulance continues to follow the field while the First Responder, who as previously stated is well equipped, attends to the injured jockey. This allows for preliminary treatment to be initiated while the event ambulance returns to the site of the fall. The event ambulance is then utilised to remove the injured jockey to the track-based medical facility where the patient can be fully examined by the designated Race Medical Doctor.

In the event that an injured jockey needs to be transferred to a hospital, an external emergency medical service provider is utilised with preference being given to Netcare 911. The medical operating procedures further provide for airlifting of critical injury cases by helicopter directly from the track.

Phumelela Gaming would like to reassure race participants, their families and spectators that the necessary measures are absolutely in place to provide for the medical treatment and care of injured jockeys.

Races are further monitored by CCTV in order to ensure the soonest possible detection of an incident, which is then reported to the medical teams via radio.

In the hope of advancing these assurances subsequent to the recent injury of Gavin Lerena and Anthony Delpech, additional steps have now been introduced to ensure the proper identification of all medical resources active on the track, including First Responders.

We wish the recently injured riders well in their recovery and thank those involved for raising their concerns with Phumelela Gaming."

Read more about Anthony Delpech on page 11



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#15 Forries On Friday - half sister to **FORRIES WALTZ** (Gr2 in Dubai); dam is half sister to **LIMERICK** (dam of Gr1 **NOAH FROM GOA** Gr1/Gr2 placed in SA & Dubai)

SOFT FALLING RAIN colt

#97 first foal; dam (by Var) is half sister to **LIMERICK** (dam of Gr1 **NOAH FROM GOA** (Gr1/Gr2 placed in SA & Dubai) and to dam of **FORRIES WALTZ** (Gr2 in Dubai)

GIMMETHEGREENLIGHT colt

#36 Whendovescry - first foal; dam **Silvan Spirit** (by Silvano) is only runner for her 2-time winning dam, from Gr1 **SOHO SECRET** family

TRIPPI filly

#90 Azdavay - FULL sister to two 3-time winners, half sister to a winner; UK-bred dam (by Elusive Quality) is out of **Maeander** (Gr2 placed in France), the next dam **MASSARAAT** full sister to Champion **MIESQUE**

MASTER OF MY FATE filly

#216 Fate Mistress - dam (by Silvano) is half sister to 5 winners incl Gr1 **TOP SELLER**, from female line of Gr1 **AL NITAK**, **THE SHEIK**, **SHOE EXPRESS**, etc

PHILANTHROPIST filly

#257 Quick Wit - 3rd foal; dam **Saucy Savannah** is half sister to 5 winners incl Gr1 **PICK SIX**, out of half sister to Gr2 **BRIDAL PATHS**

TWICE OVER filly

#448 half sister to 4 winners incl **OCEAN'S SWIFT**; dam is half sister to 3 winners out of half sister to Gr3 **CAPTAIN CORAGEOUS**

PHILANTHROPIST filly

#456 l'Amour - half sister to 6 winners; dam is half sister to 5 winners incl **MIDNIGHT LINE** (Gr2/Gr3 in UK & USA) out of **MIDNIGHT AIR** (Gr3 in UK; half sister to dams of Gr1 **JAN VERMEER**, Gr1 **TOGETHER**, Gr1 **IMPERIAL BEAUTY**)



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Forty Years Down The Line

The National Yearling Sale is widely accepted as the holy grail of our thoroughbred sales programme. South Africa's time honoured nursery of champions is a show with the minimum of bells and whistles, where the honour roll of winners does the serious talking.

A total of 526 lots will come under the hammer commencing Tuesday 24 April in a bumper catalogue spanning three days and encompassing all of South Africa's leading sires and top breeders.

High Flyers

The 21st century poster boy of this sale, the 2013 R425 000 buy Legal Eagle, won the G1 H F Oppenheimer Horse Chestnut Stakes for a third year running just over a week ago to take his earnings to well over R11 million in a timely reminder that the dreams are here for the buying.

Beyond the champion miler, past alumni of this outstanding sale include recently exported Equus Champion Marinaresco, the Gr1 winner Captain America, another past Horse Of The Year and outstanding sire Dynasty, as well as his champion sons Futura and Legislate.

Horse Of The Year National Colour and Equus Champion, and smart young sire, Elusive Fort are two other prominent names on the achievement list.

Fine Selection

Our leading sires are all on show, with promising younger

producers Elusive Fort, Gimmethegreenlight, Querari, Twice Over and What A Winter balancing the needs equation.

Stallions represented by first SA yearlings at the sale include Capetown Noir, Captain Of All, Flower Alley, Kingsbarns, Linn-gari, Soft Falling Rain, Time Thief, Vercingetorix and Wylie Hall.

The exciting Galileo sire Nathaniel, whose very first crop produced European Horse Of The Year and five time Gr1 winner Enable, is also represented.

The damlines are strong, with 13 Gr1 winners represented, including two of our finest racemares of recent years, in Triple Tiara winner Cherry On The Top and top-class Met winner River Jetz.

Housekeeping

For the first time in recent years, the sale will be divided into two sessions. The first session, which runs up to lot 231, continues into the second day. Each day of trading will commence at 11h30, with the first day ending on lot 170. Day two will see lots up to 350 go under the hammer, while the third and final day will host the balance of the yearlings on offer.

BSA CEO Michael Holmes confirmed that the sale is set to be one of the most well-attended in many years, with a host of local and international enquiries suggesting a vibrant buying bench.

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Silvano Colt Tops April Sale

Combining the 2017 CTS March and April Select Sale into one sale for 2018 made for a 323-lot catalogue, split in three parts.

A Select session of 117 lots, with a minimum bid of R50k, and a second session of 205 lots with a R20k minimum bid, both qualifying for the CTS Millions races. A third session of 21 lots without Million tickets, where the minimum bid was R15k, rounded things off.

Buyers responded as expected, with eighteen of the twenty highest prices coming from the Select session. Vaughan Marshall secured the R700k top lot, a Silvano colt from Klawervlei. The yearling's dam is a stakes winner by Captain Al out of Gr1 winner Roxanne. This is the female line of Legislate.

Second top price of R525k was for a Captain Al filly from Klawervlei, on a bid from Jacques Chowles on behalf of Itlaaq (Pty) Ltd. The filly is the first foal of a Trippi half sister to three stakes performers by Captain Al.

The Select portion of the sale had 81 yearlings sold, with a median of R110k. The top price in the non-Select second session was shared by two colts, a What A Winter from Drakenstein and Silvano from Klipdrif, both going for a highly respectable R260k. This session saw 118 yearlings sold, with a median of R45k. [The sale price list is here](#)

The CTS View

"We're in a true buyers' market," said CTS CEO Wéhann Smith after the Select Session of the April Yearling Sale at Durbanville turned over R13,22-million on Thursday – admittedly disappointing for some of the vendors, but with any number of bonuses to smaller investors.

"The going was tough, but one has to look at both sides of the spectrum. Traditionally this is a sale that produces excellent thoroughbreds and for once the smaller buyers had many opportunities to secure beautifully-bred yearlings at very decent prices.

"We saw the top of the market hold strong, with 12 lots fetching R300,000 or more and four getting above the R500,000 mark with a highest price of R700,00. There were several bargain buys in the middle and lower market between R50,000 and R200,000 and the traditionally smaller buyers were active and smiling. They'll be cashing in on their investments, in the near future."

The CTS April Yearling Sale reached an aggregate of R20,335-million after two days of bidding. In total, 208 of 288 lots offered were sold at a combined average for the three sessions of R97,764 and a median of R60,000.

Klawervlei Stud topped the vendor's list with 37 yearlings sold at an average of R204,324.

Chris van Niekerk's Rainbow Beach Trading was the leading buyer, securing nine yearlings at an average R178,888 per purchase,.

What A Winter, Master Of My Fate and Vercingetorix were the leading three sires.

Light At The End Of The Tunnel!

In the aftermath of the CTS April Yearling Sale there is little question that the South African thoroughbred sales industry is going through a phase of major correction and adjustment on all fronts.

But we all knew that! Innovation and experimentation is the name of the game in tough times and the trial of Cape Thoroughbred Sales having combined the CTS March and Emperors Palace Select Sale into what was effectively another regional sale, just ten days prior to Nationals, was a calculated move that may well need a review before the sales calendar programming is rostered for 2019.

"I'm waiting for Joburg" was the phrase often uttered ahead of "I'll have another" at the admittedly well attended sale at the country course on Thursday and Friday, which was characterised by typical CTS five-star hospitality, but a serious lack of cash and genuine buyers. And, as acknowledged by some breeders, an overall absence of genuine depth in the broad catalogue.

While we are clearly feeling the knock-on effects of the vacuum left by Markus Jooste, and to a lesser extent the competitive edge provided by the late Adriaan van Vuuren, the real impact on breeders across the board that were possibly never even supported by either of those big buyers in the very recent 'good old days', is the minor 'flooding' of the market over the past four months of the Mayfair Speculators horses.

Large numbers of unraced 2yo's and a host of raced – and in many cases proven horses – have been put together by the former Mayfair trainers as they battled to balance the books in the aftermath of the fallout from the Steinhoff saga.

This has surely drained the cash reserves – not everybody's got unlimited buckets of the green stuff – and has meant a possible reallocation of spend for many prospective buyers.

Add to this the notable absence of some other major players, possibly still stung and reeling from South African horseracing's darkest December in memory, and there has probably never been a more appropriate time for a joining of hands and renewed flexibility in terms of providing much-needed relief for hard-pressed breeders, as that group reflect and possibly reconsider the numbers and the way they run their own businesses.

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Leading The Pack - Highlands

Highlands Stud part of Ridgemont, perennially among South Africa's leading breeders, will once again be offering an outstanding draft of yearlings at the 2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale at the end of April.

The draft includes yearlings by such standout stallions as Dynasty, Duke Of Marmalade, Twice Over and Var, with Highlands' own promising sires Jackson, Pathfork and Potala Palace also represented.

The farm's outstanding resident sire Dynasty has five well bred yearlings in the draft. The four times Equus Outstanding Stallion is responsible for Corvette Captain (Lot 11) – a half-brother to Equus Champion French Navy, who has earned over R5 million in prize money.

Another cracking Dynasty colt in the draft is It's Complex (Lot 86), whose stakes placed dam is a half-sister to Gr1 winner and Highlands sire Potala Palace. Other Dynasty sired lots of interest is the full-brother to dual Gr1 winner Eyes Wide Open (Lot 193), the colt whose three time winning dam is a half-sister to the Fort Wood sired July winner Hunting Tower (Lot 387), and Wolfgang (Lot 389). The latter hails from the same family as Hong Kong Gr1 winner and multiple Equus Champion J J The Jet Plane.

Dynasty's triple Gr1 winning son Jackson got off quickly with a winner from his early first 2yos, and Jackson has two colts in

the draft. His son Leicester Square (Lot 146), is out of a 3 time winning half-sister to champion and outstanding broodmare First Arrival, while Jackson colt Hidden Legacy (Lot 197) is out of a stakes placed half-sister to British Gr1 winner Stradivarius, a leading contender for major races once again in 2018.

Highlands' successful sire, and Gr1 winner, Pathfork has two in the draft – a full-brother to smart filly Via Sacra (Lot 314), and a colt out of a five time stakes winning daughter of champion sire and broodmare sire Fort Wood (Lot 427).

Singspiel's Gr1 winning son Potala Palace has already had a stakes performer from his early 2yos, and the regally bred Potala Palace is responsible for Court Jester (Lot 379). This colt is out of a winning daughter of Gr2 winner Dance Along – a half-sister to champion Consensual (dam of champion Just Sensual).

Champion Sire of 2YOS last season, Var, is the sire of Ibra (Lot 25) – a daughter of Elusive Quality sired Flamboyant Stakes second Salsabeel, while European champion, and 1 sire, Twice Over is the sire of Morse (Lot 271) – a colt out of Fort Wood sired East Cape champion Short List.

Cartier champion, and classic sire, Duke Of Marmalade is the sire of a filly (Lot 518) whose dam is seven time stakes winner Pirate Lady, while Gr1 winner and Gr1 sire Seventh Rock is responsible for Aristarchus. The latter is a bay son of winning Giant's Causeway mare Lunar Landscape, whose relatives include Australian Gr1 winners Lady Of The Pines and Caledonian Boy.

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#26	Sea Scape	c	MASTER OF MY FATE ex Sea Of Calm (USA)
#58	Cassimbo	c	ORATORIO (IRE) ex Torra Bay (AUS)
#69	Vivant	c	ORATORIO (IRE) ex Viva
#310	Before The Dawn	f	ORATORIO (IRE) ex Varikate
#327	Ode	f	ORATORIO (IRE) ex Without Malice
#418	Double The Fun	c	TWICE OVER (GB) ex Gaiety Girl (USA)
#512	Big Bay	c	VAR (USA) ex Paradise Beach (IRE)
#98	Serenity	f	VAR (USA) ex Bambina Stripes (ARG)
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O's On The Go!

The Avontuur policy of patience and giving them time is paying massive dividends for the progeny of their internationally proven stakes winner producing sire Oratorio.

His daughter Carlita showed her class in the Listed Eastern Cape Fillies Nursery and recently it was the turn of the beautiful grey, Mardi Gras out of Sarabande, who won in fine style.

There are high hopes for the Oratorio yearlings, who make up the bulk of the Avontuur National class of 2018.

First up is Lot 58, Cassimbo out of Torra Bay (AUS) who is a powerful, very attractive colt from an internationally successful female line. Lot 69 – Vivant – out of Viva is a strong, robust brother to Live Life and Cold as Ice. “Viva is one of our foundation mares and she hasn’t thrown a colt in a long time, which makes this boy a wonderful surprise,” says Avontuur GM Pippa Mickleburgh.

The two fillies are Lot 310 called Before the Dawn, a high quality first foal out of the Var mare, Varikate. Lot 327 is out of Without Malice, herself by Jet Master, and according to Pippa you can clearly see the Jet Master looks in this filly, nicely named Ode.

Two fillies and a colt make up champion sire Var’s contingent. Lot 98, called Serenity out of Gr 1 winning mare Bambina Stripes (ARG) is a beautiful young lady, whose name suits her perfectly. The second filly is Lot 210 called Beautiful Mind out of Model IQ. “She is out of the stalwart line of Wise Dame who has done very well for Avontuur over the years and as Model IQ has mostly thrown colts, it’s wonderful to have this gorgeous Var filly,” Pippa says. The Var colt is Lot 512 called Big Bay out of Paradise Beach (IRE). He is a racy, athletic bay colt, who looks like a typical speedy VAR.

Lot 206, named Gabreira, is from the last full crop of Champion Sire Captain Al out of stakes winning mare Miss Ipanema. He is a big, strong, strapping colt and a half-brother to the talented two year old Carioca, so should do well.

A Captain Of All colt called Candyman out of Candy Vous (ARG) is a smart, strong, powerful individual full of beans and from a lovely imported female line.

Master of my Fate is the current leading first season sire and his classy high-quality colt out of Sea of Calm (USA) hails from a great family and Lot 26, Seascape, should not disappoint.

Lot 418 is a tall, dark and handsome colt called Double The Fun by Twice Over (GB) and out of the imported mare Gaiety Girl (USA).

Pippa’s Avontuur lounge at Germiston – Quality Streets and the rest – is open and ready to host visitors!

Quality The Key - Drakenstein

Drakenstein have an exceptional draft of 23 yearlings (9 offered as agent) on offer at the 2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

The draft includes yearlings by South African standouts such as Captain Al, Dynasty, Silvano, Trippi, Var and Drakenstein’s own What A Winter, as well as Newsells Park’s very exciting Galileo horse Nathaniel.

The latter, winner of both the Gr1 King George VI and Queen Elizabeth II Stakes and Gr1 Coral-Eclipse, made a devastating start to his stud career with his first crop producing 2017 Cartier Horse Of The Year Enable and four other stakes winners.

Nathaniel’s only lot on the 2018 National Sale is Rain In England (Lot 171) – a grey colt whose winning dam is a half-sister to South African champion Dancer’s Daughter.

Drakenstein’s champion sire Trippi has four lots in the draft. They include an own brother to Winter Derby hero Liquid Mercury (Lot 37), a full-brother to Gr1 Golden Horseshoe hero Afrikaburn (Lot 91), a colt out of Gr1 SA Oaks winner Ash Cloud (Lot 95), and a colt whose four time winning dam is a sister to Horse Of The Year Irish Flame (Lot 174).

Another star sire standing at Drakenstein is four time Gr1 winner and current Leading Second Crop Sire What A Winter. The latter is sire of Winters Calling (Lot 117), a half-brother to the useful Cardinal Call, out of the smart, stakes placed winner of three Clarion Call.

Cartier Champion, and Drakenstein Stud resident, Duke Of Marmalade has seven smart yearlings in the draft. The proven classic sire’s lots include a colt out of a winning half-sister to Trippi sired Gr1 winner Deo Juvente (Lot 81), a filly out of a stakes placed Smarty Jones daughter of champion Circle Of Life (Lot 160), a half-brother to Cape Guineas second White River (Lot 175), and a colt out of a Gr3 daughter of Australian champion sire/broodmare sire Encosta De Lago (Lot 419). Duke Of Marmalade also has a colt out of Gr3 winner Milden Magic (Lot 203), a colt out of Kahal’s millionaire daughter Mannequin (Lot 479), and a half-brother to eight time stakes winner Silver Bluff (Lot 451), who hails from an outstanding family.

Deceased champion sire Captain Al has a very smart colt on his hands in the form of Captain Zee (Lot 75). This colt is a full-brother to Irridescence Stakes winner Red Disa and Gr1 Cape Fillies Guineas runner up Tick Tock (dam of promising 2yo William The Silent).

Reigning champion sire Silvano has a colt out of Jet Master sired stakes winner Star Jet (Lot 47), while European champion Twice Over has a filly whose granddam won the Listed Ladies Mile and hails from the same family as European champion Indian Skimmer (Lot 319).

Outstanding sire Dynasty has Oscar Wilde (Lot 189) – a half brother to 3 winners and out of the Western Winter sired Equus Champion and multiple Gr1 winner Lady Windermere.

In-form sire Visionaire has a smashing half-brother to Lanzerac Ready To Run Stakes winner Miss Katalin in the form of Magic Vision. This bay colt is out of the Jet Master sired Gr1 Empress Club Stakes winner Little Miss Magic and hails from the wonderful Miss Lindeman family.



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LOT 27 - OUR MAN IN HAVANA - colt by Gimmethgreenlight - Secret Mission by Fort Wood. Own-brother to **HACK GREEN** (Umkhomazi S G2). Dam is half-sister to **PROMISEFROMMYHEART, COVENANT, SECRET HEART**, etc.



LOT 67 - MASTER OF ILLUSION - colt by Master Of My Fate - Victorian Secret by Captain Al. Dam is own-sister to **SNOWDANCE** (Cape Fillys Guineas G1, Majorca S G1, etc). Family of **BELA-BELA, RABIYA, SECRET OF VICTORIA**, etc.



LOT 124 - CONVEXITY - colt by Gimmethgreenlight - Congestion Charge by Diktat. Own-brother to **SURCHARGE** (5 wins incl Tony Ruffel S G3, Secretariat S L; 2nd SA Classic G1, Gauteng Guineas G2, etc). Family of **INDIAN HAVEN, COUNT DUBOIS**, etc.



LOT 181 - ONLY ONE LIKE YOU - colt by Captain Al - Justthewayyouare by Fort Wood. Own-brother to **CAPTAIN SPLENDID** (4 wins, R807,625). Dam is half-sister to **MASTER OF MY FATE** and My Guiding Star (dam of **HASHTAGYOLO**, etc).



LOT 185 - KLINDINI - colt by Silvano - Kiss And Fly by Jet Master. Half-brother to **Kiss Me Hardy** (6 wins, R611,375; 2nd Protea S G3, etc). Family of **MASON DIXON, KISS ME QUICK, KISS AGAIN, TOP JET, AT THE SAVOY**, etc.



LOT 230 - POLICY TARGET - colt by Master Of My Fate - Princess Polly by Royal Chalice. Half-brother to **MASTER PLAN** (Champions Cup G1), **POLYPHONIC** (Gerald Rosenberg S G2) and **GREAT RUMPUS** (5 wins, R521,475). Family of **YOUNG RAKE**, etc.

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SILVANO

#16 FULL sister to 2 multiple winners incl **Royal Crusade** & half sister to 2 multiple winners incl **WINTER FANTASY** – all the previous foals of dam Gr1 **ROYAL FANTASY** (full sister to Equus Champion **ROYAL APPROVAL**)

#494 filly, 2nd foal; dam (by **Lemon Drop Kid**) is half sister to 4 winners incl dam of **Lucky Miss** (Gr2/Gr3 3rd in Chile), out of half sister to Champion Sire **STORM CAT**

ARCHIPENKO

#42 half brother to 4 winners in UK & France; dam **SPECIALE** (SW in France) is half sister to **COMMON WORLD** (Gr3, Gr2/Gr3 placed in GER & UK), to dam of **I AM A STAR** (Gr1/2/3 in Australia, Gr1/Gr2 placed)

#46 half brother to a multiple winner in UK; dam is half sister to **TACTICAL CAT** (G1; G1 2nd in USA; sire), **Storm Passage** (G2 3rd; sire) and dam of **SUSIE BEE** (SW; SP), all out of **TERRE HAUTE** (SW; G3 placed in USA)

#525 colt, first foal; dam (by **Dubawi**) is half sister to a winner in UK, out of **PRYKA** (13w, Gr1/Gr3; Gr1/Gr3 2nd; Champion Sprinter in Argentina)

DUKE OF MARMALADE

#48 FULL sister to **ORANGE SUN** (SW, SP in Italy), half sister to 10-time winner in Italy and a winner in Dubai; dam (won – by **Sadler's Wells**) is full sister to **Olympian Odyssey** (3rd Gr1 2000 Guineas) and half sister to **DORMELLO** (Gr3 in France), **FIELD OF DREAM** (SW in UK & Italy), **RANSOM HOPE** (SW in Italy), all out of **FIELD OF HOPE** (Gr1/2/3 in France)

#92 half sister to 3 multiple winners incl **ARABIAN BEAT** (Gr1 at 2; Gr1/Gr3 placed); dam (by **Al Mufti**) is full sister to Champion **ARABIAN LASS**, **PRAIRIE BREEZE**, **PRINCELY AFFAIR** & dam of **SMART BANKER**, etc.

WHAT A WINTER

#337 half brother to a winner; dam (by **Al Mufti**) is 3-part sister to Champion Sire **CAPTAIN AL**, and half sister to **BATTLESTAR EXPRESS**, out of half sister to Gr1 **CAPTAIN AL**, Gr1 **SHADOW DANCING** (dam of Gr1 **THUNDER DANCE**)

MASTER OF MY FATE

#307 half sister to a multiple winner; dam **TUVANA SILVA** (4x SW; 5x SP) is half sister to 6 winners incl **Zopot Casino** (Gr2 placed)

#408 half brother to 2 winners; dam (by **Al Mufti**) is half sister to 4 winners incl dam of Gr3 **EVENTUAL ANGEL** & Gr3 **EXIT HERE**, out of **Evangelista**, from E-family of **ELUSIVE FORT**, **EMPRESS CLUB**, etc.

BOLD SILVANO

#240 half brother to 3 multiple winners in UK & SA, incl **ROYAL HONOUR**; dam is half sister to 14 winners incl **JOVIAL** (G1/G2 in USA; sire), **BRAVE NOTE** (G3/G2 in USA & France), **NEVER FORCE** (SW/SP in USA), **EXOTIC DOLL** (SW in USA)

#322 FULL brother to **Star Profile** (Gr3 3rd at 2); dam (by **Western Winter**) is out of **SILVER ARC** (Gr1 at 2)

#100 half sister to 4 winners incl **CASPAR NETSCHER** (6w in UK, GER, NA; multiple Gr2/Gr3) and **BELLA SONATA** (Gr2; Gr1/2/3 placed); dam (by **Slingspiel**) is half sister to **STAGECRAFT** (Gr2/Gr3; sire), **MULLINS BAY** (Gr3; sire) & to dams and grandams of SW's in Europe (as agent)

#242 full sister to a winner, half sister to **PRECIOUS PANSY**; dam is half sister to 3 winners in UK, out of full sister to **APTITUDE** (G1/G2 in USA; sire) and **SLEEP EASY** (G1/G2 in USA) (as agent)

#356 colt, 2nd foal; dam is half sister to 3 winners incl **ROYAL ZULU WARRIOR** (Gr2/Gr3) and **FIGHTING WARRIOR** (Gr1 at 2) (as agent)

#368 colt, 2nd foal; dam is full sister to Equus Champion **BIG CITY LIFE** (4x Gr1; Gr1/2/3 placed) and **CASH REGISTER** (Gr3); dam of **Speedpoint** Gr3 2nd) (as agent)

#459 colt, 2nd foal; dam (by **Fort Wood**) is full sister to **QUEEN'S BAY** (3x Gr3; 3x Gr2 placed), **Draw Bridge** and dam of **BOUQUET-GARNI** (Gr1 SA Derby), all out of SW **DAPHNE DONELLY**, from female line of **DANEHILL** (as agent)

FLOWER ALLEY

#126 half sister to 7 winners incl **COPPER PARADE** (11w, 2x Gr1; Gr1/Gr2 placed), **COPPER TRADER** (11w, SW), **Copper Jet** (6w, Gr2 placed), **Field Star** (SP); dam (by **Al Mufti**) is full sister to dam of **COPPER FORCE** (4w, SW; Gr1 2nd)

SOFT FALLING RAIN

#115 half sister to 7 winners incl **ELUSIVE GOLD** (Gr1 Cape Guineas), **RICH STRIKE** (Gr3), **AVENUE OF GOLD** (Gr3; Gr2 placed), **SEATTLE GOLD** (SW); dam (by **Al Mufti**) is half sister to Horse Of The Year **ENCHANTED GARDEN**

WYLIE HALL

#105 half sister to **SILVAN STAR** (Gr3, SW); dam is half sister to Champion **BOLD SILVANO** (Gr1/2/3; sire), out of **Bold Saffron** (SP; half sister to **CAPE SAFFRON** (10w, Gr3; Gr1/Gr3 placed)

IDEAL WORLD

#275 half sister to 5 winners incl **Seven Veils** (SP; dam of **Sniper Shot** Gr3 3rd), out of **SILKY DANCER** (Gr3; 2nd Gr1 Cape Fillies Guineas)

NOBLE TUNE

#374 filly, first foal; dam (by **Var**) is half sister to 3 winners incl **Scandal** (Gr2 placed), from Gr1 **SOHO SECRET** female line

NATIONAL YEARLING SALE

Ascot - Proud History Of Winners

The Eastern Cape based Ascot Stud will offer an exceptional draft of yearlings at the 2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

The farm's 22 strong draft (five yearlings are offered as agent for Riyo Stud) includes lots by such top class local stallions as Silvano and What A Winter, as well exciting young sires Duke Of Marmalade, Flower Alley, Master Of My Fate, Noble Tune, Soft Falling Rain and Wylie Hall.

The now deceased Archipenko (who was raced by Ascot's Dr Ashley Parker) has three colts on offer, namely a fine looker out of the stakes winning War Chant mare Speciale (Lot 42), a colt whose dam is a half-sister to Hollywood Futurity winning sire Tactical Cat (Lot 46) and a colt out of a Dubawi daughter of Gr1 winner Pryka (Lot 525).

One of the standout lots in the draft is a Silvano filly out of Gr1 Thekwini Stakes winner Royal Fantasy (Lot 16) – which makes her a sister to the talented filly Simply Royal and talented feature race contender 3yo Royal Crusade. Dual champion sire Silvano is also the sire of a filly (Lot 494) who hails from the same family as champion sires Storm Cat and Royal Academy.

Ascot's homebred July winner Bold Silvano has no fewer than seven yearlings in the draft, with his contingent including a half brother to Aquanaut Handicap winner Royal Honour (Lot 240), a sister to Gr3 filly Star Profile (Lot 322), and a ¾ sister to Gr2 Joburg Spring F&M Challenge winner Bella Sonata and ½ sister to German 2000 Guineas winner Caspar Netscher (Lot 100).

Redoute's Choice's dual Gr1 winning son Wylie Hall has a very smart daughter in the form of Lady Of Choice – a half-sister to G3 Final Fling Stakes winner Silvan Star (Lot 105).

Leading first crop sire and champion sprinter What A Winter has a colt (Lot 337) from the same family as champion sire Captain Al, while proven Gr1 sire, and Cartier Champion Duke Of Marmalade's two fillies include a full sister to an Italian stakes winner (Lot 48), and a half-sister to Gr1 SA Nursery winner Arabian Beat (Lot 92).

Wilgerbosdrift's two sires Flower Alley and Soft Falling Rain both have smart looking yearlings in the draft. Proven Gr1 sire Flower Alley's daughter Copper Alley (Lot 126) is a half-sister to 7 winners, headed by multiple Gr1 winner Copper Parade, while former Equus Champion Soft Falling Rain's daughter Captive Gold is a half-sister to four stakes winners, including exported Cape Guineas winner Elusive Gold (Lot 115).

Ascot will also sell yearlings by proven sire of champions Ideal World, as well as lots by such well performed and promising stallions as Master Of My Fate and Noble Tune.

Buyers have good reason to pay close attention to this draft, with Ascot's previous National Sale drafts having included such stand outs as Bold Silvano, triple Gr1 winner Smart Banker, Cape Guineas winner Elusive Gold and recent graded stakes winners Bella Sonata, Coral Fever, Search Party and Silvan Star.

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Mauritzfontein Making Magic

Mauritzfontein, whose past National Sales graduates include the likes of July winning champion Marinaresco, will be offering 28 (two as agent) high quality yearlings at this year's National Sale.

Sires represented in the draft include such local standouts as Captain Al, Dynasty, Querari, Silvano, and Var, while successful resident sire Ideal World has four in the draft. Young sires Flower Alley and Soft Falling Rain are also represented by first local yearlings in the Mauritzfontein draft.

Captain Cherry (Lot 113) is bound to be popular, as this colt is a son of deceased champion sire Captain Al and Equus Champion, and Triple Tiara winner, Cherry On The Top.

Outstanding sire Dynasty has four in the draft including Fortune (Lot 65) –a half-brother to short-lived G3 winner Zen Arcade, and Spero Optima (Lot 202). The latter is the first foal of Gr2 KRA Fillies Guineas winner Maybe Yes.

Champion sire Silvano is responsible for a colt (Lot 20) whose second dam won the G1 Moyglare Stud Stakes, while proven international sire Oratorio (recently represented by his 50th stakes winner) has a filly (Lot 85) whose dam is the Gr1 Golden Slipper winner All Afire.

Equus Champion Soft Falling Rain has four lots in the draft including a half-sister to Champion Juvenile Cup winner Kimberley Star (Lot 80), and a colt out of Fort Wood's Gr3 Yellowwood Hcp runner up Erin (Lot 147).

Var, last season's Champion Sire Of 2YO's, is represented in the Mauritzfontein draft by three yearlings. Among them is a filly out of a Silvano sired stakes winning sister to the dam of promising 2yo Goliath Heron (Lot 89) and a colt out of Fort Wood's Gr3 Fillies Mile winner Close The Gap (Lot 120), with the latter bred on the same cross as Gr1 winning sprinter Contador.

Ideal World, sire of champions Hermoso Mundo and Smart Call, has four smart lots here. They include a full-brother to Gr1 performer Persian Rug (Lot 4), a ¾ sister to Met winner Smart Call (Lot 232), and a filly out of a ½ sister to Gr2 winning filly Winterinthewoods (Lot 432).

Gr1 winner Byword, who stands alongside Ideal World, has three yearlings on offer –including a half-brother to smart performers Fear Not and Free State (Lot 455), while Gr1 Travers Stakes winner Flower Alley's son Whitcomb (Lot 114) is out of a full-sister to champion and Triple Tiara winner Cherry On The Top.

Former top-class racemare Jet Trail, who ran third in the Gr1 Cape Fillies Guineas, is represented in the draft by a colt by proven Gr1 sire Count Dubois (Lot 443).

Other interesting lots in this powerful draft include a Twice Over filly from the wonderful Denise's Joy family (Lot 107), a Querari filly from the family of Horse Chestnut (Lot 321), and an Elusive Fort half-brother to smart stakes performer Supercede as well as the promising filly Talitha Borealis (Lot 291)

Klipdrift's Quest For Excellence

The Klipdrif draft includes yearlings by many of South Africa's best stallions, with all of Captain Al, Elusive Fort, Gimmethegreenlight, Querari, Silvano, Trippi and What A Winter all represented in the draft. Their contingent also includes seven yearlings out of stakes winning racemares as well as siblings to such top class performers as In The Fast Lane, Let's Rock 'n Roll, Punk Rocker, Lizarre, and Gr1 winner Talhatchie.

Former champion sire Captain Al has three in the draft, a colt out of a stakes winning sister to Gr1 winners Red Ray and Nania (Lot 63), a filly out of Jet Master's Gr3 winning daughter Bit On The Side (Lot 104), and a colt, closely related to champion Captain's Lover, out of G2 Sceptre Stakes winner Joshlin (Lot 179).

Another champion sire represented in the draft is Silvano. The latter, who has four July winning sons to his name, is the sire of the filly Keep On Dancing (Lot 151). The latter is a half-sister to no fewer than seven stakes horses, including Equus Champions In The Fast Lane and Let's Rock 'N Roll and top Dubai performer Light The Lights. Keep On Dancing is also a half-sister to this season's G1 3yo Pack Leader.

Silvano is also sire of In Abundance (Lot 194), a colt whose dam is an own sister to Champion Sprinter and short-lived sire Cataloochee and a full-sister to exported Gr2 Betting World Derby winner Silvano's Jet (Lot 49).

Champion Sire Trippi is represented by a pair of closely related colts—a full-brother to 2yo stakes winner Jane S Piddy, Gr1 winner Talahatchie and the stakes placed dam of champion Lady In Black (Lot 131) and a half-brother to Singapore champion Lizarre (Lot190).

Klipdrift's successful resident sire Elusive Fort has a colt out of a half-sister to four stakes horses—notably champion Almah (Lot 328), and a colt whose eight time winning dam is a half-sister to champion sprinter Basic Instinct (Lot399).

Another top-class young stallion represented in the Klipdrif draft is Oasis Dream's Gr1 winning son Querari. The latter, whose runners include this season's brilliant Guineas winner Monks Hood, is the sire of a filly whose dam is a half-sister to Equus Champion and Dubai Gr1 winner Sun Classique (Lot 294), a filly from the same family as champion racemare Laisserfaire (Lot 445), and a half-sister to the very smart stakes placed, at two, Another Idea (Lot 470).

Other lots of interest in this sizable draft include a What A Winter half-sister to Gr3 winner Punk Rocker and Cape Fillies Guineas third Taffety Tart (Lot 14), a Gimmethegreenlight colt out of four time stakes winner Comtesse Dubois (Lot123), a Master Of My Fate filly from the family of Real Princess and Imperious Sue (Lot 165), and a Byword colt out of Fort Wood's Gr1 SA Fillies Classic winner Urabamba (Lot 309). The last named is a half-brother to Gr3 performer Copiapo and promising 2yo winner Ella Va.



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3 Fashion Fillies at Nationals

#18 WHAT A WINTER filly
2nd foal; half sister to a winner; dam **Rozelana** (6w; SP) is half sister to 9 winners incl **NATIONAL FLAME** (11w, Gr3; Gr1/2/3 placed) and to dam of **EYES WIDE OPEN** (4w, 2x Gr1), out of half sister to Gr1 **ALASTOR**

#329 ELUSIVE FORT filly
3rd foal; half sister to Zouaves, a 5-time winner; dam (won) is half sister to 8 winners incl **Zanzamar** (4w; Gr1/Gr3 placed in SA & Dubai) and **Ziparana** (2w; Gr1 2nd)

#471 JACKSON filly
2nd foal; half sister to a multiple winner; dam (won) is half sister to 3 winners incl **Countess** (2w, SP) and to dam of **MAGICO** (7w, Gr3; Gr1/2/3 placed) and **MAGICAL WONDERLAND** (5w, Gr2; Gr2 2nd)



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LOT 37
BACKGAMMON colt by
TRIPPI - SKIP POKER by SKIP AWAY



LOT 47
SILVER SKY colt by
SILVANO - STAR JET by JET MASTER



LOT 56
TRAVELLING LIGHT filly by
GIMMETHGREENLIGHT - TINA'S TRIP by TRIPPI



LOT 75
CAPTAIN ZEE colt by
CAPTAIN AL - ZEIGLER by ELLIODOR



LOT 78
SHINNECOCK colt by
VAR - ACQUAVELLA by DANEHILL DANCER



LOT 81
colt by DUKE OF MARMALADE - AFRICA BLUE
by HORSE CHESTNUT



LOT 95
TAMBORA colt by
TRIPPI - ASH CLOUD by BLACK MINNALOUSHE



LOT 117
WINTERS CALLING colt by
WHAT A WINTER - CLARION CALL by KABOOL



LOT 160
filly by DUKE OF MARMALADE - GRACIE JONES
by SMARTY JONES



LOT 166
SILVER HOST colt by
SILVANO - HOSTA by FRENCH DEPUTY



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LOT 174
MISSION TRIP colt by
TRIPPI - IRISH MAY by DYNASTY



LOT 175
WILLIAM CAVENDISH colt by DUKE OF MARMALADE -
IRISH TORRENT by GIANT'S CAUSEWAY



LOT 189
OSCAR WILDE colt by
DYNASTY - LADY WINDERMERE by WESTERN WINTER



LOT 192
MAGIC VISION colt by
VISIONAIRE - LITTLE MISS MAGIC by JET MASTER



LOT 203
MAGIC DUKE colt by DUKE OF MARMALADE - MILDEN
MAGIC by NATIONAL EMBLEM



LOT 319
filly by TWICE OVER - WAYWARD
by KING'S APOSTLE



LOT 419
DUKE OF ABERCORN colt by DUKE OF MARMALADE -
GALAXY GAL by ENCOSTA DE LAGO



LOT 479
ORANGE MARMALADE colt by
DUKE OF MARMALADE - MANNEQUIN by KAHAL



LOT 481
URBAN ROCK colt by SEVENTH ROCK - MARY STUART
by BLACK MINNALOUSHE



LOT 487
MARCH MARCH colt by
TWICE OVER - MIRABILE by SPECTRUM



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NATIONAL YEARLING SALE

Another Top Strike For Lammerskraal?

The Ceres based Lammerskraal Stud, responsible for the 2015 National Sales topper, will be represented by an exceptional draft of 16 yearlings at the 2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

Lammerskraal will be offering yearlings by proven sires Captain Al, Duke Of Marmalade, Gimmethegreenlight, Judpot, Querari, Silvano, Var and What A Winter, as well as by such exciting young stallions as Master Of My Fate, Soft Falling Rain and Wylie Hall.

Deceased champion sire Captain Al is the sire of Captain Max (Lot 201), a bay son of the stakes placed Western Winter mare Maxixe. The latter is a full-sister to triple Gr1 winner and Equus Champion Capetown Noir and to Gr3 winning millionaire Across The Ice.

Captain Max is bred on the same Captain Al/Western Winter cross as Gr1 winners Carry On Alice and Tap O' Noth.

Broodmare Of The Year Akinfeet, dam of Capetown Noir, is represented in the draft by Whisky Tango (Lot 83), a filly from the first crop of Redoute's Choice's multiple Gr1 winning son Wylie Hall.

Multiple Equus Champion and Leading First Crop Sire What A Winter has two in the draft, notably August Red (Lot 79). This chestnut colt is out of a stakes winning half-sister to five stakes winners, including Gr1 winners Nania and sire Red Ray, sired by What A Winter's own sire Western Winter.

What A Winter also has a half-brother to Gr3 winner Fromafar (Lot 103), while another in the draft bound to favour is the Var filly out of Zimbabwean star Control Freak (Lot 125). This filly, whose relatives include star sprinter Bull Valley, is bound to be popular with buyers seeking a speedy racehorse!

Cartier Champion and proven classic sire Duke Of Marmalade's quartet in the draft includes Imperious Duke (Lot 170), whose Gr1 winning dam is a daughter of champion and Met winner Imperious Sue, and True To Life (Lot 205). The latter, a half-sister to 2 winners, is out of a stakes winning Medaglia D'Oro half-sister to Gr1 Champions Challenge winner Deo Juvente.

Simply Superb Sandown!

James Armitage's Sandown Stud will once again be offering a quality draft at the Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

Sandown will be represented by five classy yearlings at next week's sale, with the draft including lots by such high-class stallions as Duke Of Marmalade, Elusive Fort, Flower Alley and Philanthropist.

Cartier Champion, and classic sire, Duke Of Marmalade is the sire of Larentina (Lot 245), a regally bred filly sporting a female line of the highest order. She is a half-sister to two winners, including Fillies Mile second Aurelia Cotta, and is from the same family as five time Gr1 winner Duke Of Marmalade himself! Other notable runners from this family include US Horse Of The Year and outstanding sire A P Indy, champion South African sire Al Mufti, Investec Derby winner Ruler Of The World and US champion and top stallion Lemon Drop Kid.

Wylie Hall, a multiple G1 winning son of the great Redoute's Choice, has one member of his first crop in this draft in the form of Ballantine Hall (Lot 305). He is a colt out of a winning Var half-sister to Algoa Cup winner Forest Of Dean and hails from the same family as Gr1 Triple Tiara 1600 winner Kournikova.

Gr1 winner, and proven Gr1 sire, Flower Alley is the sire of Banha Bridge (Lot 339) – a half-brother to two winners including Gr3 Tony Ruffel winner Belong To Me. This colt's second dam is a US stakes winning half-sister to 29 time G3 winner Boom Towner.

Equus Champion Elusive Fort, whose numerous high class runners include current stars Elusive Heart and Secret Potion, is responsible for Cove Fort (Lot 434). This grey colt, bred on the same Elusive Fort/Western Winter cross as Gr1 Thekwini Stakes winner Lauderdale, is out of a four time winning half-sister to Gr3 winner Princess Faberge (dam of Algoa Cup winner Forest Of Dean) and G1 Triple Tiara 1600 winner Kournikova.

Philanthropist has made waves this year through the deeds of his top class Hong Kong based son Singapore Sling, and the son of Kris S is represented in the Sandown draft by Place Du Marche (Lot 519). The latter is a half-sister to 3 winners, notably exported Gr3 Matchem Stakes winner Reim.

The stud, responsible for breeding Equus Champion French Navy among others, has been enjoying a purple patch of success of late, with recent winners to have emerged from Sandown including the very talented filly Brave Move – a winner of her last four races on the bounce, and a future feature race contender.

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MASTERCLASS at Nationals



WHAT A WINTER colt

#79 August Red - 2nd foal;
dam **ADOBE PINK** is half sister to Gr1 **RED RAY**,
Gr1 **NANIA**, Gr2 **BRUTAL FORCE**,
Gr2 **BISHOP'S BOUNTY**, **VALOR RED**
– all five by What A Winter's sire Western Winter



WYLIE HALL filly

#83 Whisky Tango - Half sister to 7 winners incl
Equus Champion **CAPETOWN NOIR**,
Gr3 **ACROSS THE ICE**, **Premier Dance**, **Maxixe**;
dam Equus Champion Broodmare **Akinfeet** is out of
Gr2 **DANCE EVERY DANCE**



WHAT A WINTER colt

#103 Armando - Half brother to 4 winners
incl Gr3 **FROMAFAR**; US-bred dam is half sister to 3 winners
incl **Curiosity** (dam of **Curgone** – won in USA)



VAR filly

#125 Cavivar - 3rd foal; half sister to **Misterioso**;
dam **CONTROL FREAK** is out of **Time Control**
(half sister to dam of Gr1 sprinter **BULL VALLEY**)



DUKE OF MARMALADE colt

#170 Imperious Duke - 3rd foal; half brother to
Double Appeal; dam Gr1 **IMPERIOUS STAR** is
half sister to **BLUE HEATHER** and to dam of
SUNSET TRIPP – all out of Champion Older
Female Gr1 **IMPERIOUS SUE**



SOFT FALLING RAIN colt

#208 Broadside - 2nd living foal; dam is FULL sister to Horse
Of The Year **YARD-ARM** & half sister to Gr3 **DONYA**
(dam of Triple Crown winner Gr1 **ABASHIRI**),
to **MAST ABEAM**, to **Camara** (dam of
CURRENT EVENT), etc.



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BREEDING

Jet Master — A Lasting Legacy

There can be little doubt that the late Jet Master was one of the finest thoroughbred stallions ever bred in South Africa.

The strapping bay was Champion Sire in South Africa on seven occasions and was also Champion 2YO Sire in 2004-2005.

Jet Master, whose offspring won the Gr1 J&B Met five years running, from 2007 to 2011, left behind more than 70 stakes winners and over 130 stakes horses. He sired 22 Gr1 winners, who were produced by daughters of 16 different stallions.

Jet Master enjoyed particular success with Northern Guest, with that cross producing all of July winning sire Pomodoro, as well as Equus Champions J J The Jet Plane and In The Fast Lane. The champion left behind 48 Gr1 performers, with Jet Master's offspring winning the majority of South Africa's top races, including the Vodacom Durban July twice with Pocket Power and Pomodoro.

First Best

Like many top stallions in the past, Jet Master's very first crop proved his best.

From a foal crop of 77 registered foals, the champion produced 16 stakes winners, including four Gr1 winners. This crop was headed by arguably Jet Master's finest son, triple Horse Of The Year, Pocket Power. Remarkably, Jet Master would go on to produce at least one Gr1 winner in each crop barring his final crop - which still managed to produce 10 black type performers.

While it has taken some time, there are now signs that South Africa's Joint Horse Of The Year of 1999 may continue to exert his influence on the South African stud book, through his sons and daughters at stud.

Jet Master is sire of the top two sires on the First Crop Sires List for 2017-2018 at the time of writing and is also enjoying increasing success as a broodmare sire. His sons, Pomodoro and Master Of My Fate, are busy fighting to head the First Crop Sires List, with both bays having winners over the past weekend.

Former July winner, Pomodoro, was represented by a really eye catching winner at Turffontein, when daughter, Return Flight, broke her maiden by 11.25 lengths, while his paternal half-brother, Master Of My Fate, is sire of Twist Of Fate. The latter made it win number two from just four outings when scoring over 1200m (beating fellow Master Of My Fate son, Lucky Dancer) at Kenilworth on Saturday and he looks a smart sort.

Improvement Likely

What is so encouraging about both Master Of My Fate and Pomodoro is that neither raced at two, and one can but think the offspring of both stallions should only improve with time and distance.

To date, there is little separating the two sires' in terms of prize money, although Master Of My Fate has had five winners, as



Jet Master

opposed to Pomodoro's two. Pomodoro, on the other hand, has already produced a pair of smart stakes horses (Cirillo and Royal Italian), as well as Saturday's hugely impressive winner, Return Flight.

Interestingly, both Pomodoro and Master Of My Fate are closely inbred to Northern Dancer, with Pomodoro's dam, Golden Apple, being sired by Northern Guest (Northern Dancer), and Master Of My Fate's dam by the Lyphard (Northern Dancer) sire, Elliodor. With both Master

Of My Fate and Pomodoro represented by a number of well related juveniles yet to face the starter, the future surely looks bright for both stallions.

Another young son of Jet Master now standing at stud is the talented Divine Jet, a half-brother to short-lived Gr1 SA Classic winner, Divine Jury, and bred on the same Jet Master/AI Mufti cross as champion Yorker and Gr1 Empress Club Stakes winner Little Miss Magic. A striking individual, Divine Jet was one of the most promising 3yos of his generation, when the bay won the first three starts of his career.

Daughters

On the broodmare front, Jet Master's daughters made a considerable splash when responsible for a pair of Equus Champions last season. The bay son of Rakeen was damsire of both Lady In Black (Champion 2YO Filly) and the exported Edict Of Nantes (Champion 3YO Colt/Gelding), with the former having gone on to win the recent G3 Umzimkhulu Stakes this season. Lady In Black, who was also second to Met winner, Oh Susanna (Street Cry), in the 2018 G1 Cartier Paddock Stakes, is out of the Jet Master mare, Mystery Dame, while Edict Of Nantes was produced by the sire's daughter, Pagan Dance. This season, Jet Master daughters are once again making their mark. Among the notable winners representing Jet Master as a broodmare sire in 2017-2018 are Lanzerac Ready To Run Stakes winner, and millionaire, Miss Katalin, Listed Jacaranda Handicap winner Al Danza (Captain Al), and G3 Chairman's Cup hero, Our Emperor (Dynasty). (Oaks Trial second, Our Shining Star, is another smart performer, whose dam is a daughter of Jet Master, as is CTS 1600 second Captain And Master). Jet Master is also broodmare sire of this season's talented three-year-olds, Cot Campbell and The Sun Also Rises, both of whom by champion sire Trippi, along with Miss Katalin.

Other notable winners out of Jet Master mares include the graded stakes winners Rivarine (Var), Eventual Angel (Right Approach), Exit Here (Jay Peg), Here Comes Billy (Muhtafal) and Silvano's Jet (Silvano).

At the time of writing, Jet Master is currently South Africa's fifth leading Broodmare Sire (by earnings), with his daughters having produced the winners of over R9.2 million this season alone.

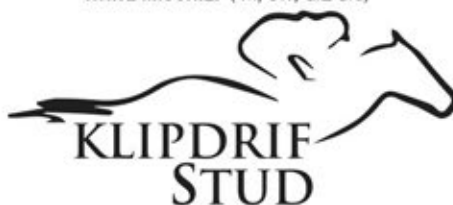
MUST-SEE CHECKLIST

All The Big Sires

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- #49 SILVANO**
FILLY – FULL sister to **SILVANO'S JET** (3w, Gr2; Gr1 2nd) and **Jetano** (2w; SP), out of **STATE COACH** (5w, SW)
- #63 CAPTAIN AL**
COLT – 3rd foal; half brother to a winner; dam **VALOR RED** (2w, SW) is FULL sister to Gr1 **RED RAY** (sire), Gr1 **NANIA**, Gr2 **BRUTAL FORCE**, Gr2 **BISHOP'S BOUNTY**
- #104 CAPTAIN AL**
FILLY – FULL & half sister to 2 winners, out of **BIT ON THE SIDE** (6w, Gr3; SP – by **Jet Master**)
- #123 GIMMETHGREENLIGHT**
COLT – 3rd foal; dam **COMTESSE DUBOIS** (4w, Gr3; Gr3 placed) is 3-part sister to **BIARRITZ** (7w, Gr2/Gr3; Gr1/2/3 placed), **COUNTESS CORLIA** (5w, Gr3; Gr2/3 placed)
- #131 TRIPPI**
COLT – FULL brother to **JANE S PIDDY** (2w, SW), half brother to Gr1 **TALAHATCHIE**, Gr3 placed **Mystery Dame** (dam of Champion 2yo **LADY IN BLACK**) & dams of **LIZARRE**, **SOLID SPEED**, etc
- #151 SILVANO**
FILLY – half sister to 9 winners incl Champions **LET'S ROCK 'N ROLL** & **IN THE FAST LANE**, Gr2 winner **LIGHT THE LIGHTS** and SW **PACK LEADER**, **ROCK THE COUNTRY**
- #165 MASTER OF MY FATE**
FILLY – first foal; dam **Highly Decorated** (4w; Gr2/Gr3 placed) is half sister to 2 winners out of **SPRING GARLAND** (5w, Gr2/Gr3), from female line of **IMBONGI**, **VICTORY MOON**, etc
- #179 CAPTAIN AL**
COLT – 2nd foal; dam **JOSHLIN** (4w, Gr2/Gr3) from female line of Champion **CAPTAIN'S LOVER** (**Captain Al**), **EBONY FLYER**, etc
- #190 TRIPPI**
COLT – half brother to 5 winners incl **LIZARRE** (7w, Gr3; Gr1 placed; Champion Older Horse in Singapore), **Lake Arthur** (6w; Gr3 placed); dam (won) full sister to Gr1 **TALAHATCHIE** & half sister to dam of Champion 2yo **LADY IN BLACK**
- #194 SILVANO**
COLT – FULL brother to 3-time winner, half brother to 3 winners; dam FULL sister to Champion **CATALOOCHEE** (5w, Gr1/Gr2; sire)
- #294 QUERARI**
FILLY – 2nd foal; dam is half sister to Champion **SUN CLASSIQUE** (9w, 4x Gr1), to dam of **HOUTZEN** (5w, Gr3; Gr2 placed) and full sister to dam of **Sail For Gold** (3w; Gr3 placed)
- #309 BYWORD**
COLT – half brother to 2 multiple winners incl **Copiapo** (2w; Gr3 placed); dam **URABAMBA** (3w, Gr1; Gr2 placed) is half sister to **Ghost Writer** (won; 2x Gr1 placed)
- #328 ELUSIVE FORT**
COLT – second foal; dam is half sister to 6 winners incl Champion Stayer **ALMAH** (8w in SA & UK, Gr2; Gr2/Gr3 placed); dam of **SENSIBLE LOVER** - 3 wins, Gr3; Gr1/2/3 placed), Gr2 **ZAMBUCCA** and Gr3 **ZAMBOMBA**
- #338 ORATORIO**
COLT – first foal; dam (5w) is half sister to 5 winners incl **Richmond Park** (3w; Gr3 placed), out of half sister to Champion Stayer **MILLEVEROF** (7w, Gr1/Gr2)
- #342 ORATORIO**
FILLY – half sister to 2 multiple winners; dam (won; by **Western Winter**) is half sister to Gr1 **THE SHEIK** and Gr1 **AL NITAK**, out of Champion Broodmare **JESSAMINE**
- #347 JUDPOT**
COLT – second foal; dam (3w) is half sister to 3 winners incl **What About Me** (won; Gr3 3rd), out of **Rock Concert** (won, Gr1 3rd; full sister to Gr1 **ROCK OPERA** & Gr2 **HIT SONG**)
- #362 WHAT A WINTER**
FILLY – second foal; dam is half sister to 4 winners incl **MISS MISCHIEF** (6w, SW), **WHITE MISCHIEF** (4w, SW; Gr2 3rd)
- #392 MASTER OF MY FATE**
COLT – half brother to a multiple winner; dam (by **Dansill**) is half sister to 6 winners incl **ARMIGER** (Gr1; 2x Gr1 2nd in UK), **Besiege** (2w; Gr2 3rd in UK), **Migration** (SP in UK), **Quota** (won; SP in UK; dam & g'dam of SWs), and dam of **LAW ENFORCEMENT** (Gr1 in Italy)
- #399 ELUSIVE FORT**
COLT – dam (8w) is half sister to 13 winners incl Champion **BASIC INSTINCT**, SW **HEAT OF THE NIGHT**, Gr3 **CAMBERLEY**, SW **ONE LAST TRICK**, etc
- #445 QUERARI**
FILLY – second foal; dam (won – by **Jet Master**) is half sister to 8 winners incl **BLAKE** (9 wins, Gr2/Gr3; Gr1/2/3 placed), **Nzumba** (6w; SP) and dam of **Like A Panther** (2 wins; Gr1 3rd), from female line of Champion **LAISSERFAIRE** & sire **TIME THIEF**
- #470 QUERARI**
FILLY – half sister to 3 winners incl **Another Idea** (2w; 2x SP); dam is half sister to 6 winners from family of Champion **WHISTLING DIXIE**, Gr1 **GRAND EMPORIUM**, Gr1 **NDABENI**, Gr2 **SINGAPORE SLING**
- #480 VERCINGETORIX**
FILLY – 3rd foal; half sister to a winner; dam **Margaret Court** (4w; Gr3 placed) is half sister to 6 winners incl **SILICONE VALLEY** (6w, Gr2; Gr2/Gr3 placed), from **PARTY TIME** family
- #490 PHILANTHROPIST**
FILLY – half sister to 4 winners, incl **Pelican Point** (4w; dam of **Turbo** – 3w, SP); dam (won) half sister to 4 winners incl **The In Scene** (7w, Gr3 3rd), **Hot Spice** (5w; Gr3 2nd)
- #513 PHILANTHROPIST**
FILLY – second foal; half sister to **Turbo** (3w, SP); dam (4w – by **Jet Master**) is half sister to 3 winners, out of half sister to **The In Scene** (7w, Gr3 3rd), **Hot Spice** (5w; Gr3 2nd)



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The Winter Is Here!

Highlands part of Ridgemont, who enjoyed a champagne start to their Cape Winter Series sponsorship in 2017 when African Night Sky became the first horse since the mighty Pocket Power to win the Cape Triple Crown, are once again the big brand name behind the series this year.

The R1-million Winter Series for 3-year-olds comprises three testing legs from a mile to 2400m.

The Cape winter conditions make it a testing spectacle of ability and endurance and it takes a top horse to wear the crown.

Rocket Countdown, who sprang a 36-1 shock in the Selangor Cup in November, heads the 16 first entries for the Highlands Stud Winter Guineas over 1600m at Kenilworth on Saturday, 28 April.

The R250 000 Grade 3 race will be run on the summer course with its longer run-in.

Rocket Countdown went on to finish seventh in the R1-million Cape Guineas, beaten little more than four lengths.

He is one of four entries trained by Candice Bass-Robinson whose father, Mike, won the Winter Guineas eight times since 1997, most recently with subsequent Vodacom Durban July winner Marinaresco in 2016.

Rocket Countdown has the worst of the draw at No 16 and has to shoulder a 2kg penalty as a Grade 2 winner.

Doublemint is the only other penalised entrant and he will carry 1kg extra for his success in the Gr3 BMW Politician Stakes on the day of the L'Ormarins Queen's Plate.

He is trained by Justin Snaith who scored with Readytogorightnow (2013) and African Night Sky 12 months ago. Other notable winners include subsequent July hero Power King (2014), Variety Club (2012) and Act Of War three years later.

The last two were both trained by Joey Ramsden who has the only filly in the race, Made In Hollywood. She is second only to Rocket Countdown on merit ratings and has also been entered for the Listed Sweet Chestnut Stakes on the same card.

The Winter Guineas is a good race for favourites who have been successful in five of the last seven runnings.

The supplementary entry stage is on Friday 20 April with declarations on Monday 23 April.

The second leg is the R250 000 Gr3 Winter Classic run over 1800m on the Kenilworth Winter Course on Saturday 26 May.

The series reaches a climax with the running of the R250 000 Gr3 Winter Derby run over 2400m on the Kenilworth Winter Course on Saturday 30 June.

A bonus of R250 000 will be paid to owner/s of the horse that wins all three legs. [View the entries here](#)

Top Colt May Go To Stud

Equus 2017 Champion two-year-old colt Mustaaqem may suffer a premature end to his racing career.

Mustaaqem (14-10 favourite), faded steadily over the final 300m of the Gr3 Man O'War Sprint on Classic Day, finishing near eight lengths off the surprise winner Pinnacle Peak. He was found to have bled, which explains his surprise weakening in the race.

A disappointed Mike de Kock, said: "This was like a bolt of lightning to us, Mustaaqem has never before shown signs of bleeding. He's had knee problems, chips were removed, but he's recovered and barring some stiffness after his comeback run he was doing well in work at home."

De Kock said that Angus Gold, Racing Manager to Sheikh Hamdan of Dubai, will be discussing Mustaaqem's future with the Sheikh. They could well decide that Mustaaqem be sent to stud without going to the racetrack again.

"Mustaaqem is a very good and valuable horse and as we know his full-brother Rafeef has been well accepted at stud in South Africa. His blood will be good for the South African breeding industry. I don't foresee a problem with full-brothers at stud in the same country. They are different horses and will produce different types of progeny.

"Nothing has been finalised yet, however. It is up to Sheikh Hamdan to make the call. We'll be hoping Mustaaqem stays in South Africa."

Mustaaqem, by Redoute's Choice from National Colour, has won two from four, including the Gr1 SA Nursery by four lengths.

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LOT 35 - SANSKRIFT filly by DUKE OF MARMALADE - SHINA by LOMITAS



LOT 44 - SOLAR FLARE filly by QUERARI - SPRING AHEAD by JOSHUA DANCER



LOT 61 - VOICE OF REASON filly by SILVANO - VALDOVINO by AL MUFTI



LOT 134 - DARK MISTRESS filly by SILVANO - DAWN CHORUS by GIANT'S CAUSEWAY



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Wilgerbosdriif & Mauritzfontein	181	8	4,42%
Moutonshoek	115	3	2,61%
Highlands Stud	134	3	2,24%
Klawerviel Stud	329	7	2,13%



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National Pride - Riethuiskraal

Riethuiskraal Stud, whose graduates include such outstanding fillies as Crimson Palace and National Colour, will once again be represented by a strong draft at the Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

The Stilbaai based farm brings seven yearlings, including lots by such popular and proven sires as Querari, Duke Of Marmalade and Ideal World.

Leading sire Querari, whose recent graded winners include Monks Hood, Wonderwall and Pinnacle Peak, has two in the draft. His daughter Enrapture (Lot 54) is out of a half-sister to Gr2 The Debutante winner Carry On Katie, dam of none other than multiple Equus Champion filly Carry On Alice.

Querari is also responsible for Dancing Sword (Lot 306), a filly who hails from the same Party Time family as such outstanding fillies as In The Fast Lane, Lambarina, Heaps Of Fun and US graded stakes winner Consumer Credit.

Cartier Champion, and sire of more than 50 stakes horses the world over, Duke Of Marmalade is responsible for Lord Melbourne (Lot 128). The latter is a half-brother to seven winners, including Gr3 Matchem Stakes hero Changingoftheguard and the very speedy five time stakes winner Gilded Moon. Lord Melbourne's dam is a full-sister to the Riethuiskraal bred Crimson Palace, a Gr1 winner in both South Africa and the USA.

Kingmambo's top class son Ideal World has three in this draft, including a colt whose dam is a half-sister to the stakes placed dam of reigning Horse Of The Year Legal Eagle (Lot 335), and a colt whose relatives include the Ideal World sired champion Hermoso Mundo (Lot 406).

Irish 2000 Guineas winner, and proven Gr1 sire, Black Minnaloushe is also represented in the Riethuiskraal draft. His offering is Abraham Lincoln (Lot 396), a colt who is out of a stakes placed daughter of champion and Gr1 Paddock Stakes winner League Title.

Features To Come

Fri 20 April	(L) East Cape Oaks (3yoF) 2000m Fairview (T)
Sat 21 April	Gr1 Empress Club S. (F&M) 1600m Turffontein (S) (L) Spook Express Hcp (F&M) 2400m Turffontein (S)
Sun 22 April	(L) The Sledgehammer 1800m Greyville (T) (L) The Scarlet Lady (F&M) 1800m Greyville (T)
Fri 27 April	(L) East Cape Nursery (2yo's) 1200m Fairview (T)
Sat 28 April	Gr3 Winter Guineas (3yo's) 1600m Kenilworth (S) (L) Sweet Chestnut S. (3yo's) 1400m Kenilworth (S)

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#245 DUKE OF MARMALADE

half sister to 2 multiple winners (from 2 runners) incl **Aurelia Cotta** (2w, Gr3 2nd), from same female line as Duke Of Marmalade (LASSIE DEAR)

#305 WYLIE HALL

colt, 2nd foal; dam (won – by Var) is half sister to **FOREST OF DEAN** (8w, Gr3) and **Royal Ridge** (4w, Gr3 2nd)

#339 FLOWER ALLEY

half brother to 2 winners incl **BELONG TO ME** (5w, Gr3; Gr3 3rd); dam (2w) from black-type US female line

#434 ELUSIVE FORT

half brother to 2 winners; dam (4w – by Western Winter) is half sister to 5 winners incl **KOURNIKOVA** (5w, Gr1; Gr2 placed; dam of 3 SW's in UK & GER), **PRINCESS FABERGE** (5w, Gr3; dam of **FOREST OF DEAN** – 8w, Gr3)

#519 PHILANTHROPIST

half sister to 3 winners incl **REIM** (8w, Gr3; Gr3 2nd); dam is half sister to 7 winners out of **Maranera** (Gr1/Gr2 placed in Chile)

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QUERARI

Lot 54 - Filly

ENRAPTURE

Dam is half sister to **CARRY ON KATIE** (Gr2; Gr1/2/3 placed); dam of dual Equus Champion **CARRY ON ALICE** - 4x Gr1), out of half sister to Gr1 SA Derby winner **KALE**

QUERARI

Lot 306 - Filly

DANCING SWORD

Dam is half sister to 8 winners incl dam of **Visuality** (Gr1/2/3 placed), out of **Hyperdrive** (Gr2 placed); half sister to dam of Equus Champions **LET'S ROCK 'N ROLL** and **IN THE FAST LANE**

BLACK MINNALOUSHE

Lot 396 - Colt

ABRAHAM LINCOLN

Half brother to a winner; dam **Diamond Sceptre** (SP) is half sister to 5 winners incl **Gawain** (SP), out of Champion **LEAGUE TITLE** (Gr1/Gr2; Gr1/Gr2 placed)

IDEAL WORLD

Lot 335 - Colt

CHURCHILL COLLEGE

First foal. Dam is half sister to **Young Sensation** (Gr2 placed; dam of twice Horse Of The Year **LEGAL EAGLE**) and to **Young Warrior** (Gr2 placed), out of **FAIR MODEL** (Gr1/Gr2; Gr1/2/3 placed)

IDEAL WORLD

Lot 351 - Colt

RADAMES

Half brother to 3 winners; dam **ASMARA** (SW; Gr2 placed) is half sister to 6 winners incl dams of **Zimbabwe Champion SUMMER SILENCE**, **THE THINKER** (Gr2), **CHESTNUT'S ROCKET** (Gr3)

IDEAL WORLD

Lot 406 - Colt

ESCADRILLE

Half brother to 2 winners; dam (2 wins in UK) is half sister to 3 winners out of **ESPERADA** (2x Gr1, **Champion 2yo Argentina**), from E-family and **Champions EMPRESS CLUB**, **ECURIE**, **EPOQUE** and **ELUSIVE FORT**, etc

DUKE OF MARMALADE

Lot 128 - Colt

LORD MELBOURNE

Half brother to 7 winners incl **CHANGINGOFTHEGUARD** (Gr3, SW) and **GILDED MOON** (SW); dam is half sister to **Champion CRIMSON PALACE** (7 wins, Gr1 in SA & USA, Gr3 in UK)

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BLACK TYPE RESULTS

GREYVILLE (poly)**Wednesday, 18 April**

Course Variant: 0,46s slow

This was the meeting originally scheduled to take place at Scottsville on 15th April. As well as the variable normal watering that takes place on the poly track, 42mm of rain fell in the seven days leading up to this meeting. The going was posted as standard. There is no false rail on this circuit, and there was a light north easterly head wind of around 10km/h.

Kwazulu-Natal Stakes (L) R150,000**SA Fillies Sprint On Radar**

The feature postponed from Scottsville on Sunday to Greyville midweek saw a field of 12 line up after five withdrawals from the 16 plus reserve carded originally.

The Louis Goosen trio of Hashtag Strat, Captain's Girl and Effortless Reward were out early and showed the way, with Neptune's Rain ridden quietly and ten lengths off the leader.

In the run for home Captain's Girl hit the front and looked to pinch a winning lead as Neptune's Rain was switched out from something of a losing looking position by Anton Marcus.

With five lengths to make up inside the final 250m, Marcus found a gap and straightened his mount before riding a beautifully balanced finish to catch the leader and go on to win by a length in a time of 57,5 secs.

The favourite Jo's Bond loomed up down the inside but needed the run and faded out to run last and 8,25 lengths off the winner.

The Highlands bred Neptune's Rain is a daughter of Antonius Pius out of the three time winning Rich Man's Gold mare, Water Is Gold.

A R425 000 CTS March Yearling Sale purchase, Neptune's Rain has won 4 races with 6 places from 11 starts and stakes of R539 925.

Kwazulu-Natal Stakes (F&M) (L) 1000m

Winner Neptune's Rain was difficult to load, and received a seven day suspension for this; lost one length at start; raced in the backend of midfield; ran on best of all over the final 400m; led 60m; won going away Runner up Captain's Girl was drawn wide; raced 2nd; led 500m; beaten 1 length Third Miss Varlicious raced 6th; running on at finish; beaten 2,5 lengths

Time; The time was good, and this compar-

atively was the fastest race on the card We gave the runner up (prev 85/78/93/90/78) 92 which makes the winner (prev 91/96/92/98/98) 102 and the third (prev 66/68/70/73/83) 73

S 393	1	0.00	NEPTUNE'S RAIN	(10)	61.5	A Marcus	6/1
<i>3 b f Antonius Pius - Water Is Gold (Rich Man's Gold)</i>							
S 393	2	1.00	CAPTAIN'S GIRL	(12)	60.0	G Wrogemann	18/1
<i>4 b f Noordhoek Flyer - Captain's Heart (Captain Al)</i>							
D 572	3	2.50	MISS VARLICIOUS	(6)	54.0	J Samuel	22/1
<i>6 b m Var - Qui Success (Qui Danzig)</i>							
D 518	4	2.55	<i>Queen Of Alamo</i>	(3)	55.5	C Zackey	28/1
D 363	5	2.80	<i>Lunar Rush</i>	(8)	60.0	L Hewitson	8/1
K 305	6	2.90	<i>Via Sacra</i>	(5)	55.5	M Byleveld	11/1
F 334	7	5.40	<i>Anneline</i>	(4)	57.0	R Fourie	15/1
D 423	8	5.65	<i>Vine Street Star</i>	(2)	55.5	D De Gouveia	71/10
D 311	9	5.90	<i>Marsala</i>	(7)	54.0	W Kennedy	28/1
S 488	10	6.90	<i>Hashtag Strat</i>	(9)	58.5	S Veale	27/4
S 393	11	8.15	<i>Effortless Reward</i>	(11)	58.5	ES Ngwane	16/1
K 376	12	8.25	<i>Jo's Bond</i>	(1)	61.5	G v Niekerk	26/10

Time: 57.5s (57.5s avg/1000m, or 63km/h) **SP Total %:** 115%

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

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date	close	high	low	volume
18Apr	1740	1740	1740	660
17Apr	1740	1749	1701	1283
16Apr	1749	1749	1705	210
13Apr	1701	1701	1701	0
12Apr	1701	1701	1701	1500
11Apr	1700	1745	1680	28,066
10Apr	1680	1698	1600	59193
09Apr	1678	1678	1501	3750
06Apr	1501	1550	1501	2900
05Apr	1500	1500	1499	36192

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 7 April 2018)

horse	age	sex	points	races
Legal Eagle	6	c	284	4
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
Takingthepeace	3	f	100	2
Coral Fever	5	c	94	3
Captain America	7	c	90	3
Nother Russia	5	f	84	3
Marinaresco	5	c	78	2
Will Pays	6	c	76	3
Wonderwall	3	c	76	3
Last Winter	4	c	70	2
Lobo's Legend	3	c	70	1
Tap O' Noth	3	c	70	1
Monks Hood	3	c	60	2
Social Order	4	c	50	3
Silicone Valley	7	c	50	1
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
Tandava	5	c	50	1
The Thinker	4	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
Fort Ember	5	f	40	2
Trip To Heaven	6	c	38	1
Green Top	3	f	36	2
Like A Panther	3	c	34	2
Bella Sonata	5	f	32	2
Magical Wonderland	3	f	30	1
Rocket Countdown	3	c	30	1
Just Sensual	4	f	30	1
Attenborough	4	c	28	1
Brutal Force	6	c	28	1
Pagoda	4	c	26	1
Cascapedia	4	f	25	1
My Friend Lee	4	f	25	1
Myfunnyvalentine	4	f	25	1

Spring Valley Stud

2018



JUDPOT colt

#475 - second foal; dam **MAGIC SMOKE** is the only runner of her dam **High Places**



VISIONAIRE colt

#276 - half brother to 2 winners; dam **SILVER NUN**, out of winning half sister to dam of Equus Champion **BOLD ELLINORE** and **Emperor Napoleon**



LINNGARI colt

#227 - half brother to 2 winners (from 2 runners); dam **PRECEDENT** is half sister to **LEGALITY**, out of **LEGAL FIND**



PHILANTHROPIST colt

#514 - half brother to 4 multiple winners incl **Cotton Candy**; dam **Pewter** (by **Rakeen**) is half sister to **GLOWING THATCH**, **PAINTED GLORY**, and to dams of **GEORDOBA**, **DAY LILY DELIGHT**, **TRITON**, **ARION**, etc, from **LILY-family**



QUERARI filly

#215 - half sister to a winner; dam (5w, by **National Assembly**) is half sister to 8 winners incl **O CAESOUR** and dam of **Dante's Legacy**, from female line of **National Assembly's Champions NATIONAL CURRENCY**, **ENCHANTRESS**



CRUSADE filly

#433 - half sister to 2 multiple winners incl **Just As I Said**; dam is half sister to 5 winners from family of **Gr1 SARABANDE**



JUST AS WELL filly

#298 - first foal; dam **THE ANGELUS** is half sister to **Jet Goddess** and **Pimp My Ride**, out of **Stud Muffin** (half sister to **Gr1 SIMONSIDE**)



ORATORIO filly

#438 - first foal; dam **Ikati** out of winning half sister to **SLEEK BRAASHEE** (dam of **Sheik's Braashee**), out of **Gr1 SLEEK WINE**



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ATO (Royal Academy)

Charlie-Fox 2c (Marquise by Right Wing)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Corazon 2f (Spanish Wisdom by Rakeen)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

AWAIT THE DAWN (Giant's Causeway)

Abramo 2c (Allyandro by Western Winter)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

CRUSADE (Mr Greeley)

John Snow 2c (Speedy Guest by Northern Guest)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Crimean Queen 2f (Victoria by Albert Hall)

[Greyville 7 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\) 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Crusade's Promise 2f (Royal Promise by Royal Academy)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

Louis The Seventh 2c (Esterel by Var)

[Turffontein 1 Juvenile Plate 1160m \(21/04\)](#)

Highland Heather 2f (Khorkina by Personal Hope)

[Scottsville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(22/04\)](#)

DUKE OF MARMALADE (Danehill)

Son Of The Duke 2c (Schiffer by Var)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(20/04\)](#)

Santa Clara 2f (Shina by Lomitas)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

European Roller 2f (Cape Sugarbird by Trippi)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

IRISH FLAME (Dynasty)

Perpetual Flame 2c (Case Stated by London News)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

JACKSON (Dynasty)

Rumbleinthejungle 2c (Diva Taahirah by Lake Coniston)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Mystical Son 2c (Magical Eve by Oratorio)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Lady Jackson 2f (GeePee S by Goldkeeper)

[Turffontein 1 Juvenile Plate 1160m \(21/04\)](#)

Sorry Miss Jackson 2f (Winter Kill by Western Winter)

[Scottsville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(22/04\)](#)

MARCHFIELD (A P Indy)

Beautiful Beat 2f (Beautiful Noise by Centenary)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

MASTER OF MY FATE (Jet Master)

Kawakami 2f (Miss Kiri by Jallad)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

Lickerio 2c (Cochineal by Fort Wood)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Master Silva 2c (Silver Vanity by Silvano)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Master Of The Sea 2c (Ocean Island by Counter Action)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Flames Are Flying 2f (Keep On Dreaming by Surging River)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

NOBLE TUNE (Unbridled's Song)

Paths Of Victory 2c (Victory Garden by Solskjaer)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Incredible Tune 2f (Miss Filly by Modern Day)

[Fairview 2 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(20/04\)](#)

Kirav's Tune 2c (Orange Blossom by Miesque's Approval)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

I Write The Songs 2f (African Love by Fantastic Light)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

ORATORIO (Danehill)

Mitra Music 2f (Mitra by Jallad)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(20/04\)](#)

Van Halen 2c (Rock Concert by Lecture)

[Turffontein 1 Juvenile Plate 1160m \(21/04\)](#)

Di Me 2c (Irish Heroine by Selkirk)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Euphoric 2c (Without Malice by Jet Master)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

POTALA PALACE (Singspiel)

Watsonia 2f (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)

[Fairview 2 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(20/04\)](#)

Palace Rose 2f (Stargazer Pink by Jallad)

[Scottsville 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(22/04\)](#)

Thay Thay 2c (Imperial Rule by Al Mufti)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

TWICE OVER (Observatory)

Blackbeard 2c (Pirate Queen by Captain Al)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

WHAT A WINTER (Western Winter)

Tasunke 2f (Roczinta by Rock of Gibraltar)

[Fairview 2 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(20/04\)](#)

Whatapleasure 2f (Shaan Madary by Darshaan)

[Fairview 2 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(20/04\)](#)

Celestial Storm 2f (Levitate by Spaceship)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1200m \(21/04\)](#)

Little Winter 2f (My Pretty Princess by Favorite Trick)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

WHERE'S THAT TIGER (Storm Cat)

Blackburn Roc 2c (Royal Prognosis by Jet Master)

[Scottsville 2 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1000m \(22/04\)](#)



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2nd season sires - 3yo's

AWAIT THE DAWN (Giant's Causeway)

Cristian 3c (Picturesque by Al Mufti)

[Fairview 6 Derby Plate \(3yo's\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

Piera 3f (Boreal Applause by Royal Applause)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Oaks \(3yo's Fillies\)\(Listed\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

Bakkies 3c (Jordie by Fard)

[Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

Await The Sunset 3f (Forest Edge by Complete Warrior)

[Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

Ekuseni 3c (Snooty Lady by Northern Guest)

[Turffontein 10 MR 65 Handicap 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

BYWORD (Peintre Celebre)

Wishful Words 3f (Linsumi by Linney Head)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(20/04\)](#)

Regal Girl 3f (Chillon Castle by Sharp Romance)

[Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

Dunas Douradas 3f (Scarlet Sheila by Red Ransom)

[Turffontein 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

CRUSADE (Mr Greeley)

Grey Halo 3c (Silver Halo by Mogok)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Epic Sword 3c (Silver Moon by Model Man)

[Greyville 6 MR 72 Handicap 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Data Link 3f (Maxine by Mogok)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Oaks \(3yo's Fillies\)\(Listed\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

Joking Dice 3f (Slew per Jet by Jet Master)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Oaks \(3yo's Fillies\)\(Listed\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

EIGHTFOLD PATH (Giant's Causeway)

Noble Duke 3c (Reigning Queen by King of Kings)

[Scottsville 3 MR 74 Handicap 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

Passioneight 3f (Passionate by Jallad)

[Scottsville 8 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1950m \(22/04\)](#)

Marzipan Path 3f (Sweet As Nectar by Sapieha)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

IRISH FLAME (Dynasty)

Sunny Bill Du-Toy 3c (Miss Virgo by Fastnet Rock)

[Greyville 4 Maiden Plate 1800m \(20/04\)](#)

Irish Brave 3c (Case Stated by London News)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Giovanna 3f (Raw Deal by Tiger Ridge)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Oaks \(3yo's Fillies\)\(Listed\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

MARCHFIELD (A P Indy)

Green Field 3c (Jade Empress by National Assembly)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Spring Poetry 3f (Lundy's Lass by Lundy's Liability)

[Turffontein 6 Progress Handicap \(F&M\) 1600m \(21/04\)](#)

ORATORIO (Danehill)

King's Music 3c (Outcome by Muhtafal)

[Greyville 4 Maiden Plate 1800m \(20/04\)](#)

Aldo's Chase 3c (Sermonize by Strike Smartly)

[Greyville 5 MR 64 Handicap 1600m \(20/04\)](#)

War-King 3c (Guest Among Men by Among Men)

[Greyville 6 MR 72 Handicap 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Seraphic 3f (Menorah by Var)

[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(20/04\)](#)

Regal Graduation 3f (Royal Aspen by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 6 Progress Handicap \(F&M\) 1600m \(21/04\)](#)

Sequined 3f (Scintilla by Silvano)

[Kenilworth 7 MR 85 Handicap \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

Supreme Orator 3c (Supreme Lecture by Lecture)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 76 Handicap 1600m \(21/04\)](#)

Love Theme 3f (Lewinsky's Lover by Jallad)

[Scottsville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(22/04\)](#)

TWICE OVER (Observatory)

Young Gun 3c (Rubirosa by Rakeen)

[Greyville 4 Maiden Plate 1800m \(20/04\)](#)

Three Times A Lady 3f (Monyela by Fort Wood)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Oaks \(3yo's Fillies\)\(Listed\) 2000m \(20/04\)](#)

Over You 3f (Me 'n You by Captain Al)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate\(F&M\) 1600m \(21/04\)](#)

Double Black 3f (Royale Noir by Black Minnaloushe)

[Kenilworth 7 MR 85 Handicap \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

WHAT A WINTER (Western Winter)

What A Fizz 3c (Pasadora Fizz by Slew Gin Fizz)

[Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate 1400m \(21/04\)](#)

What A Winner 3c (Bella Diva by Eli's Star)

[Kenilworth 5 MR 84 Handicap 1000m \(21/04\)](#)

Travel In Style 3f (Fly Jet Fly by Jet Master)

[Kenilworth 7 MR 85 Handicap \(F&M\) 1400m \(21/04\)](#)



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Notable Maiden Winners

POMODORO

Rated **AR 80 RETURN FLIGHT** (2f Heading Home by Special Preview)

Maiden Juvenile Plate (fillies) Turffontein (inner) (1450m) (14/3)

Having only her second career outing here, Return Flight was taken straight to the front by Lyle Hewitson and led throughout. She raced just a length clear for most of the journey before cruising clear over the final 400m to score with some in hand by eleven and a quarter. She should improve on her rating.

Horses To Follow

DUKE OF MARMALADE

Rated **AR 75 SANS REGRETS** (2f State Coach by Jet Master)

Maiden Plate (F&M) Durbanville (1250m) (17/3)

Easy to back at 6/1 on the off, Joey Ramsden's newcomer raced fourth during the early part of the race. She ran on strongly over the final 400m and finished a very promising third. This daughter of Duke Of Marmalade is half-sister to horses staying a mile and more, notably highclass Silvano's Jet and Varster (by Var). She should improve plenty when given some ground.

SEVENTH ROCK

Rated **AR 106 ROCKY VALLEY** (4g Valley Of Rubies by Mogok)

Pinnacle Stakes Turffontein (stand side) (1000m) (17/3)

Now a winner of five from twelve in total, Candice Dawson's charge has silently been progressing very nicely since returning from a break a year ago. Up with the speed throughout, Rocky Valley was out at the weights with most here and held off some very useful opponents.

Winners Bred Abroad

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Powered Beauty (AUS) 3 b g Fastnet Rock- Imperial Beauty(USA)
(Imperial Ballet)

Vaal 1500m (10/04)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Baahir (AUS) 5 b g Galileo- Canashito(GB) (Oasis Dream)

Vaal 1200m (12/04)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Power Tower (AUS) 3 b g Husson- Making Mischief(IRE)
(Medaglia d'Oro)

Kenilworth 2000m (14/04)

Is Your Horse One To Follow?

Check the **Horses for the Notebook**
on this page

- see how promising the Sporting Post
ability ratings (AR) say they are.

SPORTS AND BETTING

English FA Cup - Semi Finals

Preview



The FA Cup Semi-Finals will take place this weekend. Manchester United and Tottenham will battle it out for a place in the final at Wembley on Saturday while Chelsea, last season's losing finalists, will face Southampton on Sunday.

**Please note that this article was written prior to Premier League midweek games from 17-19 April.*

To catch up with Chadley Nagel previews [CLICK HERE](#)

1ST SEMI-FINAL

MANCHESTER UNITED

After stopping Manchester City winning the league against them in the Manchester derby, Jose Mourinho's side handed it to Pep Guardiola's team on a plate by losing 1-0 at home to relegation-bound West Brom. The big question is, which United side will we see on Saturday? The side that beat the table-toppers on their own turf or the one that lost at home to the team at the bottom of the log?

TOTTENHAM

Tottenham succumbed to a 3-1 loss at Wembley against newly-crowned Premier League champions Manchester City last weekend – their first league defeat in 2018. The performance was a disappointing one for Mauricio Pochettino's side, though ultimately, a top four place has been all but secured.

PREDICTION: Kane to Score Anytime & Tottenham Win (19/10)

2ND SEMI-FINAL

CHELSEA

After storming to the league title in record-breaking fashion last season, Chelsea have endured a season to forget with the Blues set to miss out on a place in next season's Champions League. Conte will be hoping for FA Cup success to provide some much-needed cheer to Chelsea's faltering season, but the big question is whether the motivation is still there within the squad and the coaching staff.

SOUTHAMPTON

Southampton reached the FA Cup semi-finals for the first time in 15 years after a 2-0 victory over Wigan in Mark Hughes' first game in charge – their only win in seven matches at the time of writing. This is their 12th semi-final outing, having won just four of their previous 11.

PREDICTION: Chelsea Win & Both Teams to Score (43/20)



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