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## RACING

THIS WEEKEND

**FAIRVIEW** poly Friday  
Best Roving Banker:  
R7-(3)Razed In Black(4/1)

**GREYVILLE** poly Friday  
Best Roving Banker:  
R6-(5) Ishnana (5/1)

**FAIRVIEW** turf Saturday  
Best Roving Banker:  
R10-(8)Princess Rebel(2/1)

**TURFFONTEIN** Saturday  
Best Roving Banker:  
R6-(1) New Zealand (6/10)

**GREYVILLE** poly Sunday  
Best Roving Banker:  
R8-(2) Silver Prancer (3/1)

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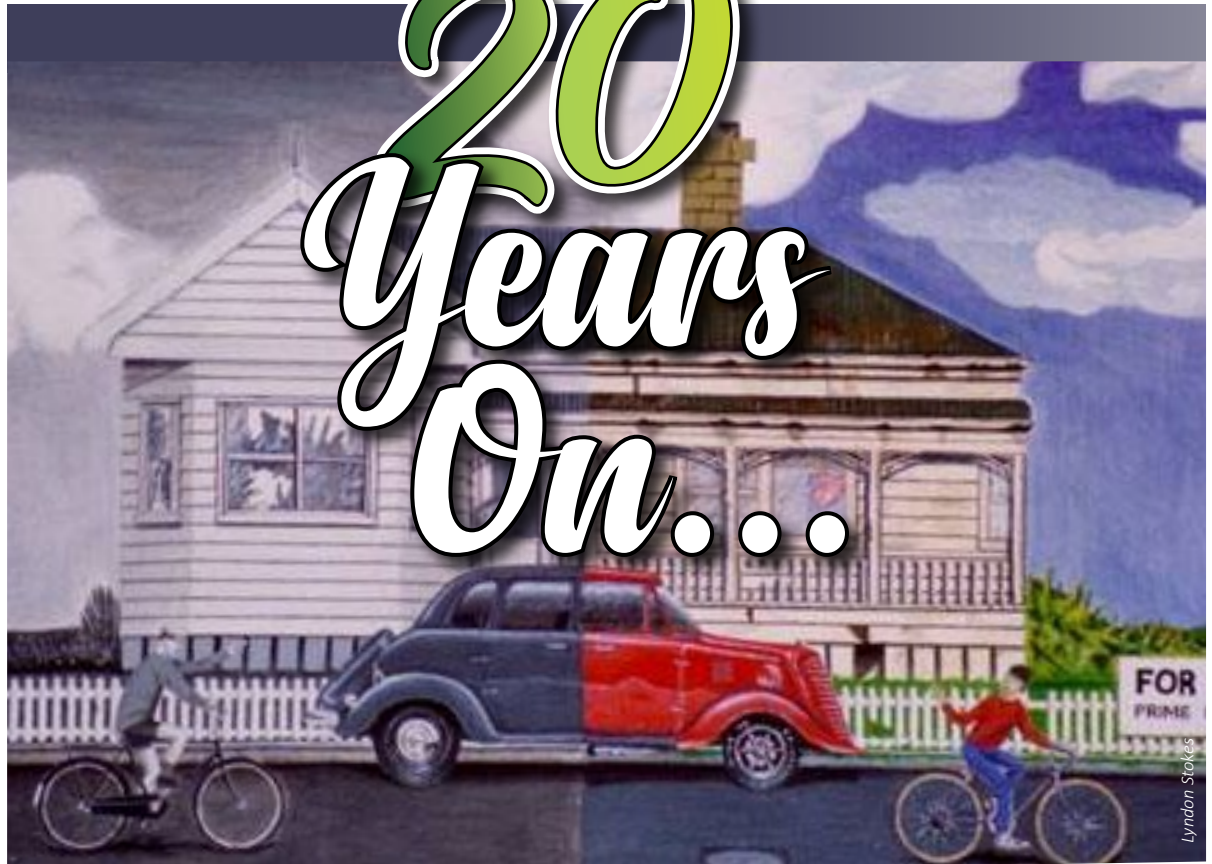
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Old associations, sentimental connections and fond memories of twenty years ago gather dust on the shelves of time but will enjoy the light of day again with the running of the East Cape Derby on Saturday.

The outstanding Trigger Finger filly Annie won this race two decades ago. It's tough for a lady- no matter the vintage of the year.

Men typically are faster than women. Apparently because they have a significantly greater maximum aerobic capacity- or the rate at which oxygen can be used to produce energy.

The same applies to horses and that is where much of the fascination lies in the East Cape Derby.

Phumelela East Cape Racing General Manager Luciano Passerini told the Sporting Post that they were expecting a great turnout for a race that is always a spectacle.

"The Derby was moved to Fairview on the clo-

sure of Arlington in 2013. Interestingly, the last filly to win it was Annie in 1998," he added.

Twenty years on, the fairer sex probably have their best shout in years with Alan Greeff's Queen Forever and Yvette Bremner's Widow's Lamp taking on twelve males.

And in one of those lovely typically horseracing twists of irony to their no-holds barred clash on Saturday, Yvette Bremner was working for Alan Greeff in the Annie era of the late 90's. The daughter of Trigger Finger was raced by Veronica Foulkes and ended up winning nine races from 800m to 2400m.

"I recall the day like yesterday when Annie did her tendon. We ran down to see her. I was bawling my eyes out," says Yvette, who added that Annie was a



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## TIME FLIES

superstar and hated being beaten.

Yvette's boss of the time, Alan Greeff, said he couldn't believe how the time had flown.

"It can't be twenty years! Good grief, I'm getting old," reflected the champion trainer as he remembered the sad moment.

"It was a small field. She was red hot odds-on. Piere Strydom was aboard. The old-timers were so sharp- my late Dad took just one look and said she won't race again. He was right."

On comparisons with Queen Forever and Annie, Alan would not be drawn and said that they were two very different horses. He said Annie was absolutely brilliant – albeit nothing much to look at.

"Greg Cheyne had the choice of rides between Queen Forever and Kimberley Star for Saturday. It was much of a muchness. A toss of the coin really. There is little to choose between my two. But Queen Forever is a runner – that's obviously dependant on if she stays!" said the man who knows what it takes to win the Derby.

Yvette, now a successful trainer in her own right, said that Widow's Lamp showed nothing in her work.

"Just as Annie took on the boys and never wanted to be beaten in her work, so Widow's Lamp is unfazed. She keeps her energy for race day. But she is so naughty at the moment – a sign she is in the pink of health and wellbeing. Lyle had the choice of rides. He was on Belonje originally – until Widow's Lamp won the Oaks! Then he felt she would have a serious shout here."

Yvette said that Belonje was a runner but that he was a serious stayer in the making and would likely go 3200m as a 4yo.

"He is a so well-bred. But was small at the sale and we got him for R150 000. He is now 16,3 ha and growing! He is very immature and playful. He is one for the notebook though!"

The inevitable twists and turns of the Annie story has further irony woven in.

Sally Bruss of Lammerskraal bred Widow's Lamp and had the privilege of hosting the champion broodmare Annie in the Lammerskraal ranks for years.

"Mr Mike Rattray made a business decision in the 90's to breed for quality. He decided to limit the broodmare band to 50 and buy in well-performed, well-bred athletes with proven race performance. Welsh Woman, dam of champion Celtic Grove, was the first and Annie was also acquired from Veronica Foulkes after she retired from racing," recalls Sally, who proudly adds that her former boss was a forerunner of a policy that has proven a winner internationally.

Annie produced Equus Champion Ice Cube and multiple stakes winner and Durban July placed Jagged Ice, amongst a host of winners. She was euthanized four years ago – that old injury incurred in the East Cape Fillies Guineas two decades earlier proving to be her undoing.

Pressed on whether she felt Widow's Lamp would stay the 2400m, Sally said that the Go Deputy stamina influence could count in her favour.

"There is plenty of speed dominance in her damline. But she looks like a stayer and she settles nicely. We have her full-brother in training with Geoff Woodruff and he says he looks a staying sort. We sold her half-sister by Master Of My Fate at Nationals. But she came up late and they got her for R300 000. Thankfully we have a gorgeous Visionaire colt weanling right here with us. We will be rooting for Widow's Lamp!"

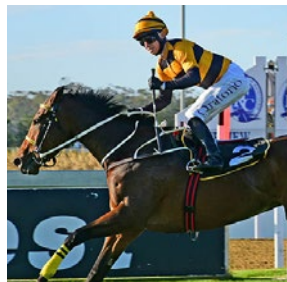
The East Cape Derby will be run on Saturday at 15h05 – watch it live on Tellytrack Dstv 239

## SATURDAY RACING

## Times Are Changing

## East Cape Derby (L) Fairview

It has been twenty years since the Trigger Finger filly Annie won the then MTN Dion Gr3 East Cape Derby run at Arlington. On Saturday the fairer sex have two standout local ladies in the 57th running of a race not won by a hometown galloper since 2009.



Widow's Lamp | Pauline Herman

The Listed East Cape Derby moved to Fairview in 2013 following the closure of Arlington and despite the reduced status has still managed to attract a quartet of visitors – no doubt the R218 000 first cheque being a major incentive to travel the 750km up the Garden Route.

Yvette Bremner's East Cape Oaks winner Widow's Lamp has continued to show a game and consistent run of form, culminating in her first stakes score when tried over the 2000m for the first time at her last start. There is everything reason to believe she will relish the trip here and, while she is yet to take on the boys, she is a very talented girl and should be right there.

The other fairer sex contender is Queen Forever, who had no luck when chasing Widow's Lamp home in the Oaks. This daughter of Gimmethgreenlight was a well beaten 2,25 lengths, but has a massive chance if she stays the 2400m.

Justin Snaith saddles a coupling of the Listed East Cape Guineas winner Sabbatical and recent Durbanville maiden winner Streetfighting Man.

Sabbatical was bumped last time when going down a half length to Kimberley Star and meets the Greeff runner on 2kgs worse terms on Saturday. The son of Silvano has drawn wide but enjoys running at them late and should be storming home in the final 200m.

His stablemate Streetfighting Man battled to win his maiden but got it right at his 9th start and now tries ground. If he lifts his game and stays, he comes in as a dark horse.

Kimberley Star holds Sabbatical and was considered good enough to travel to Cape Town on Sun Met day for the Invest-

ec Cape Derby. He is bred to stay all day and with the services of Aldo Domeyer from a pole position draw

East Cape Derby (L)  
past winners

## 2015

1 St Tropez	58.0 (3) 15/20
2 Master's Eye	58.0 (7) 6/1
3 My World	58.0 (2) 7/2

## 2016

1 Captain Splendid	60.0 (13) 16/1
2 Welsh Emperor	60.0 (8) 2/1
3 King Of Chaos	60.0 (3) 16/1

## 2017

1 Dorset Noble	60.0 (3) 16/10
2 Story Of My Life	60.0 (6) 25/1
3 En Gee Oh	60.0 (9) 12/1

START  
3:05PM  
FAIRVIEW

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PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3  
EAST CAPE DERBY (3YO'S)(LISTED) - 2400M  
SAME TRAINER:(1-13)(2-7)(3-10)(6-8)(9-14)

Ideal World	1	<b>KIMBERLEY STAR</b> (AC Greeff) A Domeyer.....	1	<b>60.0</b>
Silvano	14	<b>SABBATICAL</b> (J Snaith) B Fayd'herbe .....	14	<b>60.0</b>
Main Aim	6	<b>DESERT CHIEF</b> (SB Kotzen) C Zackey .....	6	<b>59.0</b>
Twice Over	7	<b>RUN RED</b> (A Nel) R Khathi .....	7	<b>59.0</b>
Dynasty	11	<b>AMERICAN LANDING</b> (BJ Crawford) R Fourie.....	11	<b>59.0</b>
Antonius Pius	5	<b>GOLDEN SHAMROCK</b> (GD Smith) M Yeni .....	5	<b>59.0</b>
So You Think	4	<b>STREETFIGHTING MAN</b> (J Snaith) G v Niekerk.....	4	<b>59.0</b>
Mullins Bay	3	<b>CHAPPAQUIDDICK</b> (GD Smith) J Penny .....	3	<b>59.0</b>
Philanthropist	2	<b>BELONJE</b> (Y Bremner) R Munger.....	2	<b>59.0</b>
Ideal World	13	<b>MULTI GOLD</b> (SB Kotzen) C Murray.....	13	<b>59.0</b>
Curved Ball	10	<b>THE DICTATOR</b> (E Kaknis) S Fortune .....	10	<b>59.0</b>
Bold Silvano	12	<b>MAHIR</b> (JVA Strydom) M Thackeray .....	12	<b>59.0</b>
Gimmethgreenlight	8	<b>QUEEN FOREVER</b> (AC Greeff) G Cheyne .....	8	<b>57.5</b>
Go Deputy	9	<b>WIDOW'S LAMP</b> (Y Bremner) L Hewitson .....	9	<b>57.5</b>



## SATURDAY RACING

is a top three choice.

Sharon Kotzen's Desert Chief is a kilo better off with Kimberley Star for a 1,25 length defeat last time. The son of Main Aim is held by Sabbatical on his penultimate start.

Andre Nel travels from the West Coast with the lightly tried Twice Over colt Run Red, who has his second run after a three month break. He is difficult to assess here but is obviously highly thought of.

Brett Crawford's American Landing, whose sister won the Gerald Rosenberg Stakes last Saturday, won his maiden at his penultimate start and then followed up with a fair third in handicapped company. He looks progressive and has only his fifth start.

Belonje is stablemate to Widow's Lamp and is held by Kimberley Star on his last run.

We are going with the fillies to dominate this race after a two decade absence. Sabbatical and Kimberley Star are the obvious dangers.

## Dahlia Dominance

### Dahlia Plate (L) Fairview

Trainer Alan Greeff and his long-time arch rival Gavin Smith boast a veritable stranglehold over the Listed Dahlia Plate. On Saturday the duo saddle eight of the ten runners in the 1200m feature and it is very likely that they will dominate matters again.



Madame Speaker | Pauline Herman

Smith won the race last year with the smart filly Joking and Greeff the year prior to that with the now Mauritius-based, Oomph. Only two fillies take on the eight males and, as in the East Cape Derby, it is a member of the fairer sex who stands out.

Listed East Cape Nursery winner Madame Speaker represents the Greeff yard and meets the boys whom she beat there on 2kgs worse terms.

### Dahlia Plate (L) past winners

<b>2015</b>	1 Juan Two Three	58.0 (10) 28/10
	2 Captain Swarovski	58.0 (9) 18/10
	3 Rosslyn Chapel	56.0 (1) 100/1
<b>2016</b>	1 Oomph	60.0 (2) 4/10
	2 Turbo	58.0 (7) 33/1
	3 Bollemakiesie	60.0 (3) 10/1
<b>2017</b>	1 Joking	53.0 (11) 10/1
	2 Coyote Creek	55.0 (7) 30/1
	3 Seattle Flame	58.0 (2) 22/10

Alfeo, Say No More, Aloysius and Born A Bully ran second, third, fourth and fifth respectively in the Nursery and were so comprehensively outplayed, it is difficult seeing any of them reversing the placings.

Born A Bully gets Richard Fourie and was slow off and raced with his tongue over the bit. He may be worth another chance with better luck.

2:35PM  
FAIRVIEW

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DAHLIA PLATE (2YO'S)(LISTED) - 1200M  
SAME TRAINER:(1-2-6-7)(3-5-9-10)

Crusade	1 ALFEO(AC Greeff) A Domeyer	9	60.0
Await The Dawn	2 ALOYSIUS(AC Greeff) G Cheyne	5	58.0
Eightfold Path	3 BORN A BULLY(GD Smith) R Fourie	4	58.0
Sail From Seattle	4 SAY NO MORE(G Paddock) R Khathi	8	58.0
Querari	5 THE HIGHWAY MAN(GD Smith) M Yeni	2	58.0
Pathfork	6 MADAME SPEAKER(AC Greeff) T Gould	3	57.5
Jay Peg	7 FAIRYINTHEMIST(AC Greeff) X Ndlovu	6	55.5
The Apache	8 CAPE LEOPARD(JVA Strydom) M Thackeray	10	55.0
Sail From Seattle	9 SUPER SOCKS(GD Smith) J Penny	1	55.0
What A Winter	10 TUNDRA(GD Smith) R Munger	7	55.0

## Vodacom Durban July - The First Log

The first Gr1 Vodacom Durban July log was published on Wednesday 9 May.

Gold Circle, in consultation with the Handicappers, have published the first in a series of logs, which will reflect the horses in order of preference as to the make up of the final field, at the time of publication.

The log always promotes a lot of healthy debate amongst experts.

Justin Snaith Sun Met winner Oh Susanna missed her prep in the Daisy Fillies Guineas last Friday but tops the table and her appearance in the Gr1 Woolavington is eagerly awaited.

Saturday's impressive Gr1 winner Coral Fever is at number 2 – but his participation is still in the balance as he may not suit Greyville.

It is interesting, for example, to see Summer Cup winner Liege at number 3, while SA Oaks winner Secret Potion and Paul Peter hard-knocker Fort Ember are well ahead of a promising 3yo like White River.

Mike Azzie's Triple Crown winner Abashiri ran a cracking second in the Premier's Champions Challenge last Saturday and finds himself at 6. [View the full log here](#)

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## NEWS

## Jooste And I Are Friends’ - Rian du Plessis

**For the first time since the Steinhoff scandal erupted in early December, a friend of Markus Jooste has answered questions about his relationship with the former Steinhoff CEO, who resigned under a cloud.**

Rian du Plessis, CEO of Phumelela, explained to Netwerk 24 why he was appointed as a representative of Jooste’s family trust.

On Tuesday Netwerk24 reported on the application made to the Cape High Court by the Mayfair Investment companies to have the arrangements with their creditors formalised and made orders of the court.

In court papers, Mayfair Speculators was described as a company involved in throughbred breeding and racing, with direct and part ownership of approximately 400 horses. The company also has an interest in the French based Mayfair Speculators STET, which owns 100 horses.

The schedule for the creditors meeting held at the end of March, which were handed in as addendums to the court papers, show that Du Plessis represented various interests

The Silver Oaks Trust, who has a subordinate claim of R108,7million against Mayfair Holdings;

Pavilion Capital Investments Limited, who has a subordinate claim of R420million against Mayfair Holdings and

Formal Holdings, who has a subordinate claim of R867,5million against Mayfair Speculators

Du Plessis, who is overseas, replied by email:

“Markus Jooste and I met in January 1979 as students at the University Of Stellenbosch. Our families have become close and personal friends.”

According to Du Plessis, Jooste had asked him to become a trustee of the Silver Oaks Trust.

Du Plessis said the trust had been established as a vehicle for the benefit of the Jooste family.

He was appointed as a trustee in February 2018.

He explained that the trust is the sole shareholder in Mayfair Holdings, who in turn was sole shareholder in Mayfair Speculators.

Du Plessis said that the Mayfair companies had proposed a scheme of arrangement in terms of section 155 of the Companies Act to their creditors in order to allow them sufficient time to dispose of their assets – including horses in training – in an orderly manner, so as to ensure that all creditors are paid in full.

“In my opinion, and in particular regard to the orderly disposal of the horses, this is the best outcome for all stakeholders in the South African racing industry, as well as for the animals themselves.”

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Jooste was a director from December 2005 to December 2017. After he resigned from Steinhoff, he also resigned as a director of other entities, including the Mayfair companies.

From 2006, Jooste held 1,8% or 1,3 million shares in Phumelela and increased his interest to 4,6% or 4,7 million shares, which he held indirectly, apparently through Kalamojo Trading & Investments. [Read more here](#)

## Top Stipe Remembered



Mike Tillett

“A bible takes pride of place on the desk of Michael Tillett. It contains the rules of the Jockey Club of South Africa and is studied as religiously as any clergyman would peruse the scriptures.” So ran an article on former Chairman of the Western Cape Stipendiary Board, Mike Tillett, who we are sad to report passed away recently at his home in Knysna.

It is rare for regulatory officials to be remembered with fondness by turf goers, but Mike certainly proved the exception to the rule.

Firm, but fair, he was respected by all who knew him. As someone who dedicated his life to racing and racing control, it would be remiss not to doff our hat at his passing.

[Read the full tribute to Mike Tillett](#)

## Deryl Says Thank-You

**Racing in general becomes a small circle in which everyone knows someone who is connected to someone who knows someone in the game.**

Hence I was shocked to hear of my doings and suspension being laid bare in the Sporting Post for all to see.

**Ed – for background:**

*The National Horseracing Authority confirmed that at an inquiry held in Durban on 15 March 2018, adjourned and resumed on 13 April 2018, Jockey Deryl Daniels was charged with and pleaded guilty to a contravention of Rule 72.1.25, read with Rule 72.1.26. The charge related to Jockey Daniels conducting himself in an improper manner on Racecourse property.*

[Read further – click here](#)

## Seoul Hosts ARC

**The 37th Asian Racing Conference will be held in Seoul, South Korea from 13 to 18 May. The theme of this year’s conference is Innovate, Collaborate and Transform.**

The first ARC was held in Tokyo in 1960, attended by 69 delegates from 12 racing organisations representing 7 countries. An ARC has been held approximately every 2 years since that time, with delegate numbers swelling to more than 800 from more than 30 countries, including many delegates from Europe, North and South America. The ARF’s activities include:

Promoting and facilitating the internationalisation of racing  
Quality control of ‘black type’, which the ARF carries out through its Asian Pattern Committee

Harmonization of the rules of racing and of drug control across its members throughout the region

Assisting the development of racing throughout the ARF footprint. A delegation from Phumelela, including CEO Rian du Plessis and Clyde Basel, as well as RA CEO Larry Wainstein will be attending.

**The full cards for Weekend Racing with ratings & tips can be purchased [here](#)**

## LOCAL

## Attenborough Leads CTC Charge

**With twelve Graded races run over the past weekend, there are 26 individual point scoring horses as the 2018 Charity Turf Challenge got under way. The exciting competition commenced in the fourth race at Greyville on Friday evening.**

Top equine honours went to Attenborough from the stable of Joey Ramsden who won the Gr1 Computaform Sprint in dominant fashion. Having paid over R15 on the Tote, the four year old son of Western Winter picked up the long shot bonus of 5 points to take his total to 25 points and leads the competition by 5 points from the well supported Coral Fever who got the better of Abashiri after a long duel in the Gr.1 Premier's Champions Challenge.

Perhaps the biggest surprise on the weekend was the competition's most heavily supported entry, Snowdance, who had to settle for second place in the Gr2 Daisy Guineas at Greyville behind the Duncan Howells' Captain Al filly, Fiorella.

The Racing South Africa team have thanked racing fans in advance for their patience whilst they process all manual entries and payments received this week. [See the leaderboard here](#)

## Legal Eagle - What Went Wrong?

**Draw a line through the run. That's what champion trainer Sean Tarry said on Monday morning after Equus Horse Of The Year Legal Eagle turned in the most disappointing showing of his career in Saturday's Gr1 R4-million Champions Challenge over 2000m at Turffontein.**

The six-year-old multi-millionaire was beaten eight lengths into eighth spot, his biggest losing margin since his debut run over 1160m back in October 2014 when he was inexperienced and obviously needed more ground.

Legal Eagle set the pace under replacement jockey S'Manga Khumalo, led the field into the straight and was as well in contention as ever racing through the 400m mark, but there was nothing to come from him this time; he faded out steadily in an uncharacteristically weak finish.

"Legal Eagle pulled up well, he is sound and happy and this is not a question of wear and tear or that he's lost his zest for racing. The way the Champions Challenge was run simply didn't suit him and was the reason for his disappointing performance.

"We were quite upbeat about giving Legal Eagle a chance, letting him come from off the pace. It didn't work out that way. He was slow off by half a length, rushed up and then found himself in front, in full stride and setting a hot pace. Things just didn't play out the way we wanted. Restraining him from that position was not possible; would have made things worse."

Tarry said that Legal Eagle would be enjoying his customary long winter holiday on the farm and that he'd be prepared for the Cape summer season in the way he's done it over the last several years, with a prep run in Gauteng in November leading to the big Cape features in January.

"We won't be taking Legal Eagle to KwaZulu-Natal. If he'd run a smart race on Saturday that would've been a consideration but we're not desperate to prove anything, we will stay with the pattern he is accustomed to. If he is to race in Durban it will have to be next year."

- Tabnews/Turf Talk



Legal Eagle | JC Photos

## Snaith's July Powerhouse

**SA trainer championship log leader Justin Snaith has eight entries in the July in his bid to win Africa's greatest horseracing event for the third time. The Cape-based family operation won the race when the outstanding grey filly Dancer's Daughter dead-heated with Pocket Power in 2008.**

They also trained Legislate to victory in an action-packed and dramatic 2014 renewal. Snaith, who has enjoyed a terrific season so far, which included a watershed first win in the Gr1 Sun Met, holds the power hand with the top three in the betting. His champion 3yo Oh Susanna was withdrawn with a bruised heel from her engagement last Friday.

"Gaynor Rupert joined us at Summerveld on Saturday to visit her star filly. The withdrawal was a precautionary move and Oh Susanna literally missed one day of work. She is jumping out of her skin and well on track for the Gr1 Woolavington on 2 June. She will take some beating there," reflected Jono Snaith in a chat with the Sporting Post on Tuesday.

The R4,25 million 2200m Vodacom Durban July will be run at Greyville on Saturday 7 July and always attracts plenty of interest and public debate.

Trainer Sean Tarry, who had a relatively quiet Champions Day by his own high standards, still has seven entries in the Vodacom Durban July running after scratching all of French Navy, Safe Harbour, Silver God and Throng. The quartet were withdrawn on Monday at 11h32, with no reasons given.

Have an ante-post bet on the July: [www.hollywoodbets.net](http://www.hollywoodbets.net)

## 1900: Final Field Today

A host of Vodacom Durban July contenders will be making an early bid for a big race invite by throwing their hats into the ring for a berth in the R500 000 Gr2 World Sports Betting 1900, the traditional July campaign opener to be run at Greyville on Saturday 19 May.

The race declares today.

Follow all the action on [www.sportingpost.co.za](http://www.sportingpost.co.za).

## Anton Out Of Action

**Former SA Champion jockey Anton Marcus commenced rehabilitation on Monday after undergoing surgery on Saturday.**

Marcus was thrown from the rather wayward White River in the pre-race parade for the Daisy Guineas at Greyville on Friday evening, a half hour after winning the Daisy Fillies Guineas on Fiorella.

Ironically Marcus was wheeled in to have a plate and screws inserted into his wrist in the middle of the Champions Day meeting at Turffontein on Saturday where he was carded to ride the fancied Legal Eagle and boom 3yo Majestic Mambo. Neither ran a place.

The KZN-based rider expects to be out for at least four weeks and his absence will be a major blow at a crucial time for Ashburton trainer Duncan Howells, with whom he has formed a winning partnership.

Marcus joins the injured list which includes fellow top jockeys, Anthony Delpech and Gavin Lerena.



# CHAMPIONS DAY G1 DOUBLE



## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNING CONNECTIONS

G1 Computaform Sprint: **Attenborough**  
Sold for **R 2 000 000** at Cape Premier Sale  
Bred by Avontuur Stud

G1 SA Derby: **Hero's Honour**  
Sold for **R 300 000** at CTS Ready to Run Sale  
Bred by Summerhill Stud

G2 SA Oaks: **Secret Potion**  
Sold for **R 100 000** at CTS March Sale  
Bred by Dr IR Heyns

G2 Camelia Stakes: **Green Plains**  
Sold for **R 350 000** at the Cape Premier Sale  
Bred by Gary Player Stud

G3 Gold Bowl: **Let It Rain**  
Sold for **R 1 300 000** at Cape Premier Sale  
Bred by Highlands Stud

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## INTERNATIONAL

## History & Shocks

**Saxon Warrior stormed home in the Newmarket sunshine on Saturday to provide Aidan O'Brien with a ninth QIPCO Gr1 2000 Guineas victory.**

Sent off a 3/1 shot under the trainer's son Donnacha O'Brien- the jockey following his brother Joseph's footsteps in claiming a Classic success as a teenager- last year's Racing Post Trophy winner burst through with a couple of furlongs to go and stayed on to score by a length and a half.

Tip Two Win ran a massive race in second at 50/1, while the well-backed 5/2 favourite Masar could not build on the promise of his wide-margin Craven win and had to settle for third under William Buick.

It was a 300th Gr1 success for Aidan O'Brien, who was not on hand to see his son win the Guineas, with the trainer overseeing Mendelssohn's run in the Kentucky Derby at Churchill Downs, which was a less happy experience!

On Sunday Billesdon Brook stunned her connections and most punters by winning the Gr 1,000 Guineas at 66-1, the longest-priced runner to land this Classic in its 210 years.

She became the biggest success in the career of her 30-year-old jockey, Sean Levey, and is the second Classic winner trained by Richard Hannon.

Levey is being hailed by some as the first black jockey to win a British Classic race, though he describes himself as "international", born in Swaziland to an Irish father, a former jockey, and a Swazi mother.

## Justified!

**Trainer Bob Baffert smashed a jinx that stood for 136 years when the unbeaten Justify splashed through the slop to win the Gr1 Kentucky Derby by 2½ lengths on Saturday.**

Not since Apollo in 1882 had a colt won the roses without racing as a 2-year-old. Now, Baffert is in position to make another run at the Triple Crown. Three years ago, he trained American Pharoah to the sport's first sweep of the Derby, Preakness and Belmont in 37 years and just the 12th ever.

The Derby record for most wins by a trainer is within Baffert's grasp, too. With his fifth victory, the 65-year-old snapped a tie for second and trails only Ben Jones with six.

Justify is just as impressive. The imposing chestnut colt with the blaze running from his eyes to the tip of his nose improved to 4-0 — winning his races by a combined 21½ lengths. The favourite won for the sixth year in a row, the longest such run since the 1970s.

Mike Smith earned his second Derby victory, becoming at 52 the second-oldest winning jockey. Bill Shoemaker was 54 when he won with Ferdinand in 1986.

Smith crossed the finish line at Churchill Downs with only a few specks of mud on his white and green silks in the rainiest Derby in the race's 144-year history. Nearly 3 inches fell on the crowd of 157,813 throughout the day.

A \$500 000 buy Justify is out of Johannesburg stallion Scat Daddy out of the Ghostzapper mare, Stage Magic. Owned by WinStar Farm, LLC, China Horse Club, LLC and SF Racing, LLC.

## Zim Win For Cape-Bred

**Roman Discent, the biggest outsider in the field at 66-1, won the \$50,000 Gr1 Castle Tankard at Borrowdale Park on Saturday and, to quote the winning trainer Bridget Stidolph, "surprised everyone on Borrowdale Racecourse".**

It was almost a clean sweep for the Stidolph yard as she also saddled second-placed Simona and fourth-placed Mathematician. Kilrain from the Mike de Kock yard, who finished third, went off favourite at 13-10.

Matthew Thackeray rode a brilliant race on the son of Dynasty, coming from behind and to fight out a tight finish with Simona and winning by the proverbial whisker. Kilrain, ridden by MJ Byleveld, also ran on well and was only a neck behind the second horse at the line.

Roman Discent was bred by Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm and is owned by Ryan Sherwood, Scott Buchan, Neil Evans, Gary Carter, Merlyn Chant and Paula Lewis.

## 8000 Up For Asmussen

**Steve Asmussen reached a notable landmark when he became only the second trainer in American racing history to record 8000 victories when Lookin At Lee took the third race at Churchill Downs on Saturday.**

The [www.racingpost.com](http://www.racingpost.com) reports that according to Equibase statistics, only the late Dale Baird, the winningmost trainer of all time with 9,445 wins, leads Asmussen in career victories in North America.

Speaking to the Blood-Horse, Asmussen reflected on his achievement, saying: "It's an incredible accomplishment and I'm extremely proud of the all the help we have, they put so much hard work and passion into this, and how fortunate we've been to have such great horses."

Hall of Fame trainer Asmussen, 52, also trained Curlin to win two races in Dubai in 2008, including the World Cup. Leading trainer by races won nine times in the States, he holds the world record for single-year victories with 650 in 2009 and has twice won the Eclipse Award as outstanding trainer.

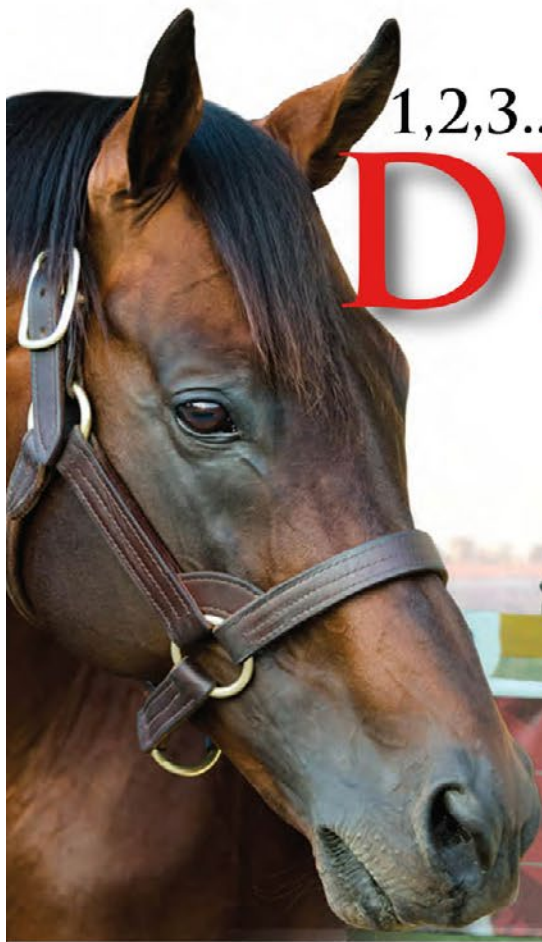
He has trained the Horse of the Year on four occasions with Curlin (2007, 2008), Rachel Alexandra (2009) and Gun Runner (2017).

Asmussen's landmark success came in a \$76,000 allowance race in which Lookin At Lee was winning for the first time since coming second to Always Dreaming 12 months previously in the Kentucky Derby.

As a comparison, our own master trainer Mike de Kock landed his 3000th career winner when Janoobi snatched victory in the Betting World Gauteng Guineas at Turffontein in March 2017.

*Racing Post / Additional by SP Editorial staff*





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## **ROMAN DISCENT**

(DYNASTY X TOGA)

CASTLE TANKARD (GRADE 1)

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TRAINER: B. STIDOLPH

OWNERS: R. SHERWOOD, S.N BUCHAN, N. EVANS, G. CARTER, M.K CHANT & MRS P.J LEWIS



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(DYNASTY X SABINA PARK)

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JOCKEY: PIERE STRYDOM

TRAINER: PAUL PETER

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## PERSONALITY

# No Question - SHE'S THE BOSS

Ashley Fortune

**Life in the constant shadow of a giant is no walk in the park. But shadows can't exist without light and our brand new lady trainer Ashley Fortune loves the dynamics of her new role. She labels her and her semi-retired champion jockey husband Andrew, the Yin and Yang of South African racing.**

South Africa's newest and most upwardly mobile lady trainer made history at Turffontein on Champions Day by saddling her first winner – in a Grade 3 race – and ridden by her stepson, Aldo Domeyer.

It doesn't get much better than that for a famous South African racing family – certainly judging by the pleased as punch, Candyman, and the enthusiastic reaction from the Turffontein crowd after a long and tough day.

"Nobody planned it like that! We really made history? Wow, I will take that with both hands but now life goes on and we have to saddle our next winner," says the obviously pragmatic Ashley, who balances her new occupation with the demands of motherhood – and 'another big baby' in their Walkerville household in the form of husband Andrew.

The obvious question arises – who is the boss?

"Horses are my life and this is all I have ever wanted to do since my school days," says Ashley, who recalls that when other kids were aspiring to be doctors, dentists and civil engineers, all she ever wanted was a job – any job – with horses.

And now she has got a real job in racing – and she is the boss!

"Andrew loves to let the whole world know he is around. When he arrives on course, everybody is aware of it. I am exactly the opposite. If I had his personality, we wouldn't have lasted five minutes," she laughs.

## Inspiration

As to her inspiration, she says her husband is top of the tree. But Ashley has read the autobiography of Australian trainer Gai Waterhouse, widely regarded as the most successful female trainer in the world.

"There are a lot of parallels that I can identify with Mrs Waterhouse. And lady trainers have a great record in this country. I have read



of the likes of Anne Upton, Eileen Bestel and Jean Heming, and then we have at least fifteen current fairer sex conditioners making a living in what is largely a man's world!"

"I have been wanting to go on my own for five years already. Andrew always said – 'you can't train before you become a Fortune!' We married in September 2016 – that was my clearance, I suppose! It has taken a long time to get to where we are today."

Ashley was born in Harare on 20 July 1981. She lived with her parents and a younger sister on a farm near a small town called Ruwa. Her Dad was a transport contractor and the facility allowed space to store the vehicles – but more importantly, horses too!

"We were horse crazy from an early age. I spent my life doing polocrosse. It gave me a great foundation for what I do today."

She recalls that she was an 'okay' student at Chisipite High School but couldn't wait to spend more time with horses.

She lost her sister thirteen years ago and her folks are 'just down the road' in Parys. She tries to see them often as she can.

## Lifechanger

It was while working for champion trainer Noelene Peech in Zimbabwe that Ashley met the charming South African jockey who was to change her life forever.

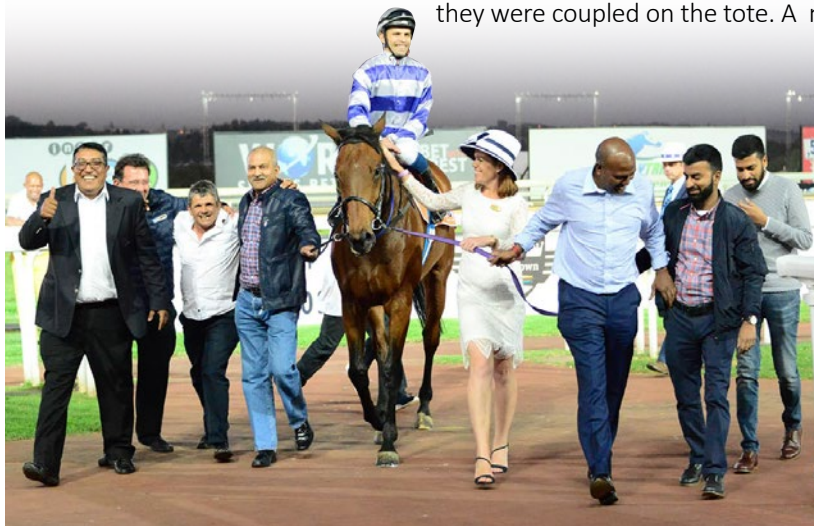
"We clicked from day one. He talked a lot. Nothing has changed! Funny enough, he is also a good listener and is a very intelligent guy with great life experience. Nothing seems to scare him."

The charismatic jockey only returned to ride in the last meeting of that season but by then numbers had been exchanged and they were coupled on the tote. A move followed to Cape Town

just before the Met of 2009.

"So 'Winnie Wallflower' joined forces with 'Mr Love The Limelight' and we have been together ever since!" she laughs, adding that they have a beautiful son together. Andrew's two oldest children also live with them.

"Sean Peter Fortune is five years old. We initially named him after Andrew's late great friend, Kimberley trainer Peter Miller. But I





## ASHLEY FORTUNE

was pregnant when Peter's son Sean died tragically. So we chose to call our new son Sean."

Ashley explained that they have horses on their Walkerville property and Sean is already an accomplished rider. "I have to stop him from pulling a horse out at the Vaal to work in the mornings! It's quite scary. No question – this apple hasn't fallen far from the tree!"

When it comes to the business side of things, Ashley says they are keen to build up their string and give their owners a fair deal and a happy experience.

"We have 30 horses in training and have received support from so many people. Hassen Adams, as an example, is a seasoned major owner and to know that he has the confidence to give us horses is a major boon. We have a great growing band of owners and cherish and value them all. Andrew doesn't believe in cheesy emails – he speaks to people. It is something he does very well."

As to the guidance and direction in terms of stable management, Ashley says that Andrew is the first man at work every day and has a great all-round stable management knowledge. "I have given him one morning off a week, as I don't want him to burn himself out," she says with a smile.

"I have also picked the brains of the likes of Alan Greeff, Shane Humby, Darryl Hodgson, Clinton Binda, the Alexanders and my neighbour Gokhan Terzi. They are so willing to give advice and help. There are plenty of good people in what can be a very cut throat game at times," she says.

## Coaching

Ashley does a lot of the rehab and physio work on her horses herself and Wayne Agrella has been a staunch supporter in terms of riding work. She adds that Andrew also comes in handy with coaching of their work-riders.

"He tweaks their seat and shows them how to look better on a horse. That has built their confidence."

She went on to say that she was incredibly fortunate to have commenced with horses in training.

"It is not easy with me being largely an unknown. Having Andrew around gives our owners the confidence that things will be okay. I joke a lot and dig a lot. We laugh a lot. But I really couldn't have done it without him."

Andrew Fortune had the last word  
– but what's new?

"I realise Ashley is starting in tough times. Guys are leaving the game and here we are opening our doors! I read somewhere that some of the world's greatest businesses have started during a downturn or recession. So we are under no false illusions and are ready to go out there and roll up our sleeves and get our hands dirty. More winners will come – in the meanwhile let's bring the fun back into racing again! Good grief, some of the miserable faces at the racecourse tells me not everybody is enjoying it," he said with a broad smile.

## BREEDING

**A Busy Month Ahead!**

**The Cape Breeders Club will be hosting their annual Stallion Services auction at the Mistico Equestrian Centre on 24 May.**

Then on 29 May, they will be hosting an exciting seminar, with a line-up of top international speakers.

The time for the stallion services auction is 09h30 for 10h00, with guests set to be welcomed by an array of canapés as well as delicious champagne.

This auction will immediately be followed by the 2018 Cape Mare Sale.

A list of stallion services set to be offered will be announced at a later date.

While the stallion auction is a popular annual event on the South Africa calendar, the Cape Breeders Club are delighted to announce that a seminar, featuring array of topics concerning breeding and racing, will be held at the lovely Glen Carlou Wine Estates in Simondium on May 29th.

A date not to be missed, the seminar of 2018 is due to get underway at 10h00 sharp, and will conclude late!

The speakers for the one day event are as follows:

Byron Rogers, who will be speaking on True Nicks.

Stuart Angus, who will give a presentation on yearling sales and prep.

Dr Alan Guthrie, who will be discussing piroplasmiasis.

Robin Matthews MD, who talks on acuity verification services.

Mike Nefdt, who will be talking about the latest on social media.

There will also be a feedback session on the latest stage of passport and movement control.

A dinner will follow the seminar, allowing guests the chance to mingle and network with the various speakers.

All interested parties that are keen on attending this seminar are requested to RSVP to Wendy Probert at [secretary@capebreeders.co.za](mailto:secretary@capebreeders.co.za) by no later than Wednesday 23 May. [Seminar details here](#)

**Cape Mare Sale**

**The BSA 2018 Cape Mare Sale will be held at the Mistico Equestrian Centre near Paarl on Thursday 24 May.**

254 lots by a variety of local and international stallions have been catalogued and the sale starts at 11h00.

The online catalogue is available [here](#)

The Cape Breeders Club will be hosting their annual stallion services auction just prior to the sale. [Invitation here](#)

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## Short Heads

### July Moves

Justin Snaith, who last won the race on an objection in 2014 with Legislate, now has the top three in the Hollywood Vodacom Durban July betting after Do It Again's smooth victory in Friday night's Gr2 Daisy Guineas. Cape Winter Series champion African Night Sky and Sun Met winner Oh Susanna are joint favourites at 7's with Do It Again next at 8-1. Snaith's Legislate is at 40-1. Harold Crawford's Drill Hall winner Perovskia is 50-1, alongside Takingthepeace, who failed in her SA Triple Tiara bid on Saturday. Go to hollywoodbets.net for more.

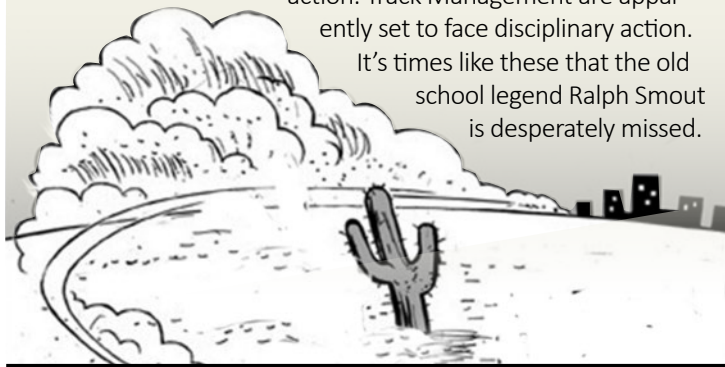
### SUSANNA IS SET

Jono Snaith has confirmed that Sun Met winner Oh Susanna is over the bruised heel that saw her scratched as a precautionary measure from the Daisy Fillies Guineas on Friday evening. She will make her KZN debut in the Gr1 Woolavington on 2 June and then go straight into the July – which will then be her second run after a four month rest.

## All Tracked Up

There was more dust kickback on the Greyville turf on Friday evening's SA Champions Season opener than on a Monday at Flamingo Park. To their credit, and in a first in racing operator public statements in South Africa, Gold Circle has apologised unreservedly for the inadequate preparation of the Greyville track last Friday night and assured the public and stakeholders of action. Track Management are apparently set to face disciplinary action.

It's times like these that the old school legend Ralph Smout is desperately missed.



## Rad Move



Robbie Fradd's decision to take up a contract with the powerful Gilbert Rousset yard in Mauritius will leave a major hole in the Queensland riding ranks. The veteran takes over the vacancy left by the departure of the injured Weichong Marwing and is likely to have his first ride this Saturday.

### JUD'S FOURTH

The Ascot Stud-bred Coral Fever became Varsfontein's AP Indy stallion Judpot's fourth Gr1 winner when he won the R4 million Premier's Champions Challenge at Turffontein on Champions Day. A smart R130 000 National Yearling Sale buy, Coral Fever took his stakes earned to over R3,4 million. Trainer Robbie Sage told the Sporting Post that they still needed to consider suitability to the Greyville circuit if Coral Fever is to take his place in the big race on 7 July.

## Var Power

William The Silent became Avontuur super sire Var's (Forest Wildcat) second SA Nursery winner at Turffontein on Saturday after Vacherin in 2009. Var is also sire of Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery runner-up and National Sale record-breaker Ghaalla, as well as Speedpoint, who ran a gutsy third behind stablemate Attenborough in the Gr1 Computaform Sprint.

## Long Leave

Dave Mollett flew out of SA on Sunday headed for Thailand to spend some time with his in-laws, before going to the UK to visit his children. The seasoned journalist was over the moon at being given a generous four month paid leave of absence by Business Day – after 33 years of service. Charl Pretorius will deputise for him.

## Money Talks

The imbalance in the interprovincial stakes pot is puzzling. The Listed features at Kenilworth on Sunday were run for R125 000 apiece, while the Listed Dahlia Plate at Fairview on Saturday is worth R150 000. Which is the major of the two racing centres?

## Twist & Shout

Joey Ramsden saddled his fifth Listed Somerset 1200 winner in six seasons and gave Varsfontein sire Master Of My Fate (Jet Master) his first stakes winner when Twist Of Fate won the Kenilworth Sunday feature. The Mauritius based River Palace Racing Syndicate are enjoying great fun for their R20 000 outlay at sale. The youngster is now headed for the R750 000 Gr1 Tsogo Sun Gold Medallion at Scottsville's big sprint day on 26 May.



# 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 5 May 2018)

horse	age sex	points	races
Legal Eagle	6 c	284	4
Coral Fever	5 c	194	4
Snowdance	3 f	184	4
Oh Susanna	3 f	172	3
Nother Russia	5 f	154	4
Attenborough	4 c	128	2
Eyes Wide Open	3 c	120	2
Takingthepeace	3 f	100	2
Liege	5 c	100	1
Sergeant Hardy	4 c	100	1
Will Pays	6 c	90	4
Captain America	7 c	90	3
Marinaresco	5 c	78	2
Wonderwall	3 c	76	3
Let It Rain	5 c	75	2
Hero's Honour	3 c	70	1
Lobo's Legend	3 c	70	1
Tap O' Noth	3 c	70	1
Last Winter	4 c	70	2
Monks Hood	3 c	60	2
Secret Potion	3 f	54	2
Do It Again	3 c	54	3
Milton	6 c	50	1
Hat Puntano	4 c	50	1
Perovskia	4 c	50	1
Bishop's Bounty	4 c	50	1
Tandava	5 c	50	1
The Thinker	4 c	50	1
Abashiri	5 c	50	2
Social Order	4 c	50	3
Silicone Valley	7 c	50	1
Fiorella	3 f	50	2
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
Silvan Star	5 f	42	3
Surcharge	3 c	40	2

## Master's First Stakes Winner

**Varsfontein Stud's promising young stallion Master Of My Fate has made a great start with his first two-year-olds this season, and the son of Jet Master hit the headlines once again when represented by his first stakes winner at Kenilworth on Sunday.**

Twist Of Fate, who was Master Of My Fate's very first winner, became his talented sire's very first black type winner when he scored an impressive victory in the Listed Somerset 1200 over 1200m this weekend.

The Favour Stud bred colt made it win number three, from five outings, when carrying top weight of 60kgs to an eye catching neck victory in the feature.

Twist Of Fate, yet to finish out of the money, is now likely to contest the G1 Tsogo Sun Gold Medallion at Scottsville at the end of the month.

The 2018 Somerset 1200 winner is one of five first crop winners, thus far, to represent Gr2 Premier Trophy and Gr2 Peninsula Handicap hero Master Of My Fate.

Others representing the Varsfontein Stud resident include feature race contender Goliath Heron, debut winner Master Keys, and Kuda Sprint contender Lucky Dancer.

Master Of My Fate, whose half-sister My Guiding Star is dam of unbeaten Gr3 Flamboyant Stakes winner Hash-tagyolo, enjoyed notable success at the recent Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale.

His yearlings made up to R900 000, with two other Master Of My Fate sired lots making R600 000 apiece.

## Features To Come

Sat 12 May	<b>East Cape Derby (L)</b> 2400m Fairview (T)
	<b>Dahlia Plate (L)</b> 1200m Fairview (T)
Sat 19 May	<b>Gr2 Betting World 1900</b> 1900m Greyville (P/T)
	<b>East Coast Cup (L)</b> 2000m Greyville (P/T)
Sun 20 May	<b>Syringa Handicap (L)</b> 1600m Turfontein (I)

## What The Handicapper Thought

After the running of Saturday's Gr1 Computaform Sprint thriller at Turffontein, the official ratings have been adjusted, with Joey Ramsden's Attenborough rising from a 110 to a 114.

This is how they treated the balance:

Pinnacle Peak- 103 to 112

Speedpoint- 98 to 109

Queen Laurie- 95 to 100

Rocky Valley- 107 unchanged

Exquisite Touch- 112 to 109

Naafer- 113 to 110

Graduation Day- 101 unchanged

Trip To Heaven- 117 to 114

Rebels Champ- 99 unchanged

Down To Zero- 98 unchanged

Sergeant Hardy- 123 unchanged

Champagne Haze- 115 unchanged

Wrecking Ball- 104 to 102

Bishops Bounty- 117 unchanged

Golden Man- 88 to 86

ASCOT BRED CHAMPIONS

# Coral Fever

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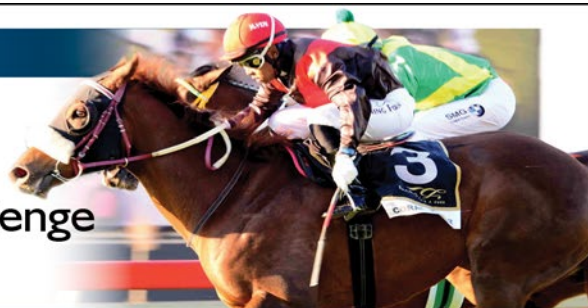
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## BREEDING

# Justification!



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**Justify, the unbeaten winner of Saturday's 144th Gr1 Kentucky Derby, is yet another feather in the cap of the short-lived sire, Scat Daddy.**

The 2018 Gr1 Santa Anita Derby winner was one of four starters in the Kentucky Derby for Scat Daddy, whose other runners, Flameaway, Combatant and Mendelssohn, fared poorly, finishing 13th, 18th and last respectively. This quartet hail from their sire's penultimate crop.

Scat Daddy, the first sire since 1923 to be represented by as many as four runners in the Derby, is enjoying another fine year, with Justify, 18 length UAE Derby winner, Mendelssohn (also victorious in last year's Gr1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf), and Blue Grass Stakes second, Flameaway. By far and away the best son of his sire Johannesburg, Scat Daddy has over 20 Gr1 winners to his credit and he looks to have the potential to leave a lasting mark on the stud book, despite dying young, at the age of 11.

## Royal Ascot

Despite being a multiple Gr1 winner on the dirt, Scat Daddy truly made his mark as a top international stallion with a remarkable strike rate at the Royal Ascot meeting. His group winning Ascot offspring include all of No Nay Never (Norfolk Stakes), Acapulco (Queen Mary Stakes), Lady Aurelia (King's Stand Stakes, Queen Mary Stakes), Caravaggio (Commonwealth Cup, Coventry Stakes), and Sioux Nation (Norfolk Stakes). Scat Daddy's high class son, No Nay Never, one of two Gr1 Prix Morny winners sired by him, was recently represented by his first winner when daughter, Mae Never No, won at Belmont Park last week. Another son of Scat Daddy, millionaire Handsome Mike, is currently North America's sixth Leading First Crop Sire by earnings.

Scat Daddy's grandsire, Hennessy, made his mark on both this year's Kentucky Derby and Kentucky Oaks –not only is the son of Storm Cat the great grandsire of Justify, but his multiple Gr1 winning son, Henny Hughes, is broodmare sire of Oaks winner, Monomoy Girl.

Justify is the first Kentucky Derby winner since 2008 hero, Big Brown, descended in male line from the mighty Northern Dancer (himself winner of the Kentucky Derby in 1964).

Other Kentucky Derby winners descended from "The Dancer" include Ferdinand, Sea Hero, and Charismatic, with the Kentucky Derby having been by and large dominated by Mr Prospector and his legion of descendants. Remarkably, considered he is thought of by many as the most influential stallion of all time, Northern Dancer was represented by just a single starter in the Kentucky Derby, with his son Giboulee finishing seventh in 1977.

## Storm Bird

Northern Dancer's son, Storm Bird (male line ancestor of Scat Daddy), however, made his mark in the 1999 Kentucky Derby, when the first three home, Charismatic (Summer Squall), Menifee (Harlan), and Cat Thief (Storm Cat), all traced back to that former champion and Dewhurst Stakes winner. Not only is Justify a son of a truly exceptional stallion in Scat Daddy, however, he is from a female line with a history of producing high class performers over the years.

The chestnut is directly descended in female line from the Colin mare, Noontide, whose other numerous top class performers include the remarkably durable champion, Stymie (Equestrian). The latter, whose 35 wins ensured Stymie retired as the then all-time leading money earner in the USA, was Champion Handicap Male back in 1945. Out of the Gr3 placed Stage Magic (Ghostzapper), Justify is a half-brother to G2 Californian Stakes third The Lieutenant (Street Sense).

His second dam is Gr1 CCA Oaks third, Magical Illusion, with the 2018 Kentucky Derby's first three dams all black type performers.

Justify's second dam is a daughter of Blue Grass Stakes winner, Pulpit (best known as the sire of Tapit –grandsire of Monomoy Girl), who is a close relative of Johannesburg.

Thus Justify is inbred to the important mare, Narrate (Honest Pleasure), the latter being a descendant of the mare, Feola (Friar Marcus), also ancestress of Japanese champion and outstanding sire, Deep Impact (Sunday Silence), whose son Saxon Warrior won Saturday's Gr1 Qipco 2000 Guineas.

## Hawaii

Interestingly enough, Justify is also inbred to South African, and US Turf, Champion Hawaii (Utrillo). Hawaii, whose name can also be found in the pedigree of Friday's Kentucky Oaks winner, Monomoy Girl (Tapizar), notably appears twice in the pedigree of Justify.

The former Claiborne Farm based resident is found in the pedigree of Justify's sire, Scat Daddy, whose grandsire Hennessy is out of the Hawaii mare Island, Kitty, and dam, Stage Magic. The latter is a daughter of brilliant racehorse and sire Ghostzapper, whose granddam, Thirty Zip, is out of the Hawaii mare Sailaway. Ghostzapper, whose tally of high class winners include ten Gr1 winners, enjoyed plenty of success over the weekend, with daughters, Holy Helena and Proctor's Ledge, winning the Gr2 Sheepshead Bay Stakes and Gr2 Longines Churchill Distaff Turf Mile respectively.

The 2004 US Horse Of The Year featured as broodmare sire of two US Gr1 winners on Saturday, with Justify being joined by American Gal (Humana Distaff) as a Gr1 winner whose dam was sired by Ghostzapper. Justify is the first US classic winner produced by a Ghostzapper mare, but, given the quality of daughter that Ghostzapper has sired, he is unlikely to be the last.

## LEADING BREEDERS by STAKES

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Stakes	Breeder	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
17,322,825	Summerhill Stud	319	54,304	1872	104	149	33%	4	5	4%	481	26%	5	Takingthepeace 1,400,000 8%
16,952,425	Klawervlei Stud	343	49,424	1751	114	157	33%	8	9	7%	514	29%	8	Lobo's Legend 1,350,775 8%
12,416,550	Drakenstein Stud	105	118,253	520	55	76	52%	4	5	7%	166	32%	10	Oh Susanna 3,687,375 30%
11,658,363	Maine Chance	151	77,208	765	62	101	41%	7	8	11%	218	28%	8	Liege 1,203,250 10%
10,926,038	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	194	56,320	966	84	119	43%	8	9	10%	295	31%	9	Zen Arcade 484,375 4%
10,179,413	Moutonshoek	122	83,438	628	45	69	37%	3	3	7%	166	26%	4	Undercover Agent 4,141,875 41%
9,035,050	Ascot Stud	84	107,560	450	38	54	45%	5	7	13%	142	32%	8	Coral Fever 3,135,000 35%
8,582,875	Highlands	143	60,020	758	67	91	47%	4	7	6%	198	26%	7	Eyes Wide Open 878,000 10%
8,108,213	Varsfontein Stud	101	80,279	545	43	61	43%	3	4	7%	176	32%	14	Surcharge 1,445,000 18%

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES

SEASON 2017/2018 • 1 August - 6 May 2018

Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
19,150,863	*Captain Al	156	122,762	736	67	95	43%	10	14	15%	251	34%	18	Undercover Agent 4,141,875 22%
15,046,688	Silvano	217	69,340	1074	94	144	43%	9	11	10%	336	31%	19	Silvan Star 633,900 4%
12,172,800	Trippi	130	93,637	661	62	90	48%	3	4	5%	248	38%	9	Miss Katalin 1,663,250 14%
11,426,775	Dynasty	136	84,020	618	65	100	48%	12	15	18%	168	27%	11	Liege 1,203,250 11%
10,872,076	Var	213	51,043	1045	77	110	36%	3	5	4%	315	30%	10	William The Silent 693,750 6%
8,506,200	Querari	115	73,967	559	50	75	43%	5	6	10%	170	30%	6	Monks Hood 1,030,875 12%
8,321,301	What A Winter	92	90,449	379	37	45	40%	1	1	3%	107	28%	3	Dutch Philip 3,847,975 46%
8,295,275	Gimmethgreenlight	149	55,673	740	54	67	36%	2	3	4%	205	28%	12	Surcharge 1,445,000 17%
7,739,638	Judpot	123	62,924	616	42	48	34%	1	2	2%	169	27%	7	Coral Fever 3,135,000 41%

## LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by STAKES

SEASON 2017/2018 • 1 August - 6 May 2018

Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
12,776,463	*Captain Al	50	255,529	274	30	47	60%	5	8	17%	98	36%	5	Undercover Agent 4,141,875 32%
7,679,826	What A Winter	63	121,902	319	32	39	51%	1	1	3%	91	29%	3	Dutch Philip 3,847,975 50%
7,028,750	Trippi	41	171,433	218	26	35	63%	1	1	4%	90	41%	4	Miss Katalin 1,663,250 24%
5,845,813	Silvano	83	70,431	404	44	69	53%	2	2	5%	128	32%	7	Charlot Of Gold 261,750 4%
5,565,425	Gimmethgreenlight	74	75,208	430	31	38	42%	2	3	6%	117	27%	7	Surcharge 1,445,000 26%
4,844,325	Querari	48	100,923	244	21	30	44%	3	4	14%	72	30%	2	Monks Hood 1,030,875 21%
4,504,700	Dynasty	56	80,441	250	28	36	50%	4	5	14%	63	25%	5	Eyes Wide Open 878,000 19%
4,442,600	Await The Dawn	40	111,065	237	20	26	50%	1	1	5%	59	25%	0	Hero's Honour 1,354,600 30%
4,222,801	Var	72	58,650	397	32	41	44%	0	0	0%	135	34%	2	Speedpoint 369,100 9%

## LEADING SIRES of 2YO'S by STAKES

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
1,741,850	Var	35	49,767	78	13	16	37%	1	1	8%	21	27%	3	William The Silent 693,750 40%
1,007,850	Oratorio	22	45,811	56	8	13	36%	2	2	25%	17	30%	4	Carita 214,375 21%
920,275	*Sail From Seattle	33	27,887	89	12	12	36%	0	0	0%	29	33%	1	Star Flyer 91,500 10%
765,975	Pomodoro	15	51,065	42	4	5	27%	0	0	0%	17	40%	2	Cirillo 318,000 42%
717,450	Bold Silvano	17	42,203	46	4	8	24%	1	2	25%	7	15%	0	Bold Eagle 334,375 47%
713,375	Querari	23	31,016	49	8	10	35%	1	1	13%	16	33%	3	Arianos Shadow 156,250 22%
705,250	Captain Al	21	33,583	46	6	6	29%	1	1	17%	18	39%	2	Celtic Sea 167,000 24%
641,475	What A Winter	29	22,120	60	5	6	17%	0	0	0%	16	27%	0	Agent Of Fortune 218,750 34%

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES on POLYTRACK

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Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
2,013,888	*Sail From Seattle	68	29,616	203	26	32	38%	0	0	0%	64	32%	0	For Luck Sake 172,300 9%
1,845,600	Trippi	49	37,665	149	14	22	29%	0	0	0%	69	46%	0	Miracle Bureau 269,225 15%
1,645,025	Visionaire	50	32,901	125	16	24	32%	0	0	0%	41	33%	0	We're Watching You 207,100 13%
1,620,613	Silvano	58	27,942	139	20	27	34%	0	0	0%	34	24%	1	Argenteus 172,500 11%
1,500,950	Var	86	17,453	243	14	15	16%	0	0	0%	73	30%	1	Miss Varlicious 143,875 10%
1,416,000	Querari	44	32,182	136	16	22	36%	0	0	0%	41	30%	0	Desert Wisdom 176,600 12%
1,346,825	Gimmethgreenlight	57	23,629	152	13	18	23%	0	0	0%	40	26%	0	Accidental Tourist 150,000 11%
1,181,375	*Antonius Pius	37	31,929	154	14	18	38%	1	1	7%	42	27%	0	Golden Shamrock 123,925 10%

## LEADING SIRES by STAKES on SAND

SEASON 2017/2018 • 1 August - 6 May 2018

Stakes	Sire	rns	AEPR	runs	wns	wns	wnr/ rnr%	SW wns	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/ rns%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes
726,625	*Kahal	19	38,243	121	8	13	42%	0	0	0%	39	32%	0	Red Special 231,900 32%
691,450	Mambo In Seattle	21	32,926	105	6	12	29%	0	0	0%	29	28%	0	Seattle Wonder 132,350 19%
461,500	Bold Silvano	7	65,929	54	3	9	43%	0	0	0%	20	37%	0	Two Gussy 205,450 45%
449,050	A P Arrow	9	49,894	78	5	8	56%	0	0	0%	22	28%	0	Portman Square 150,025 33%
403,075	Seventh Rock	15	26,872	61	5	7	33%	0	0	0%	23	38%	0	Rock Burner 116,100 29%
375,050	Var	15	25,003	62	3	6	20%	0	0	0%	13	21%	0	Roquebrune 216,250 58%
343,325	Elusive Fort	10	34,333	40	4	6	40%	0	0	0%	12	30%	0	Notacademicatall 159,200 46%
335,775	Philanthropist	12	27,981	54	6	7	50%	0	0	0%	12	22%	0	Phil's Power 67,950 20%

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or  
Art?



Sire of Candice Bass-Robinson SA Champions Season hopeful Our Mate Art, Artie Schiller will return to stand in Victoria at Stockwell Thoroughbreds at Diggers Rest. The son of El Prado has stood the past two seasons at Aquis Stud in NSW. Artie Schiller continues to produce high quality performers in both the Northern and Southern Hemispheres, shuttling back to his native USA each year. He has an imposing record of more than A\$50 million in progeny earnings and had 39 stakes winners among his 571 winners to date from 827 runners. His best performed Australian progeny include Gr1 Coolmore Stud Stakes winner Flying Artie and Gr1 Rosehill Guineas winner Laser Hawk. The winner of the 2017 Gr3 Matchem Stakes, Our Mate Art was bred by Grandlodge Thoroughbreds Pty Ltd, Vic and Ken Bee Sports Pty Ltd. He was withdrawn from the Drill Hall Stakes last Friday evening.



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**LEADING TRAINERS by STAKES**

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trainer	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four %	stakes	stks/ runs
J Snaith	877	126	14%	157	18%	32%	98	11%	397	45%	20,769,800	23,683
SG Tarry	960	100	10%	150	16%	27%	100	10%	377	39%	17,816,275	18,559
C Bass-Robinson	738	81	11%	97	13%	28%	76	10%	320	43%	13,201,550	17,888
MF de Kock	584	95	16%	177	30%	33%	72	12%	303	52%	12,648,588	21,659
BJ Crawford	582	80	14%	110	19%	25%	76	13%	272	47%	12,030,250	20,671
AC Greeff	765	109	14%	153	20%	36%	102	13%	384	50%	7,842,200	10,251
GS Kotzen	630	66	10%	63	10%	27%	57	9%	245	39%	7,160,250	11,365
MG & AA Azzie	398	49	12%	63	16%	24%	54	14%	170	43%	6,922,600	17,393
PA Peter	477	67	14%	83	17%	28%	42	9%	194	41%	6,839,938	14,339
DR Drier	428	56	13%	84	20%	38%	51	12%	204	48%	5,806,463	13,567
GV Woodruff	381	50	13%	78	20%	33%	44	12%	163	43%	5,750,025	15,092
JAJ v Vuuren	363	49	13%	60	17%	30%	52	14%	181	50%	5,588,000	15,394
J Ramsden	392	45	11%	64	16%	30%	49	13%	176	45%	5,446,275	13,894
D Kannemeyer	363	49	13%	62	17%	44%	41	11%	157	43%	5,334,875	14,697
RR Sage	118	19	16%	11	9%	64%	9	8%	50	42%	5,218,275	44,223
AG Laird	356	41	12%	62	17%	32%	40	11%	148	42%	5,028,588	14,125

**LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS**

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jockey	rides	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four %	stakes	stks/ rides
A Delpech	532	139	26%	214	40%	38%	98	18%	346	65%	14,523,638	27,300
L Hewitson	1093	133	12%	152	14%	30%	129	12%	502	46%	13,639,863	12,479
M Yeni	1016	106	10%	156	15%	24%	102	10%	446	44%	13,748,076	13,532
A Marcus	418	104	25%	199	48%	34%	77	18%	263	63%	11,218,613	26,839
C Murray	764	98	13%	136	18%	32%	85	11%	315	41%	9,929,325	12,996
A Domeyer	497	97	20%	147	30%	35%	69	14%	300	60%	9,777,775	19,674
R Fourie	525	96	18%	116	22%	31%	68	13%	284	54%	10,121,225	19,279
K De Melo	835	96	11%	108	13%	30%	97	12%	371	44%	9,774,525	11,706
G Cheyne	585	95	16%	136	23%	33%	87	15%	342	58%	8,109,975	13,863
G Wrogemann	815	93	11%	84	10%	36%	86	11%	344	42%	10,325,876	12,670
G v Niekerk	461	88	19%	97	21%	28%	68	15%	271	59%	17,473,625	37,904
R Munger	985	76	8%	41	4%	37%	64	6%	317	32%	6,205,250	6,300
G Lerena	347	74	21%	131	38%	32%	61	18%	210	61%	7,116,626	20,509
C Zackey	872	72	8%	73	8%	25%	82	9%	332	38%	9,078,901	10,412
W Kennedy	593	63	11%	57	10%	28%	64	11%	241	41%	5,790,300	9,764
K Zechner	759	60	8%	50	7%	14%	71	9%	282	37%	5,812,176	7,658

**LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %**

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trainer/ jockey	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	stakes	stks/ runs
DS Bosch/A Marcus	22	10	45%	15	68%	47%	7	32%	721,775	32,808
BJ Crawford/A Delpech	30	12	40%	16	53%	31%	7	23%	881,725	29,391
GV Woodruff/G Lerena	43	14	33%	22	51%	45%	7	16%	1,073,800	24,972
MF de Kock/A Delpech	104	32	31%	48	46%	46%	15	14%	3,200,075	30,770
J Ramsden/A Marcus	33	10	30%	15	45%	47%	5	15%	899,600	27,261
D Kannemeyer/A Delpech	78	22	28%	37	47%	43%	17	22%	2,110,975	27,064
AC Greeff/A Domeyer	68	19	28%	35	51%	43%	8	12%	1,100,275	16,181
PA Peter/G Lerena	39	11	28%	19	49%	32%	7	18%	1,309,675	33,581
J Snaith/G v Niekerk	199	47	24%	54	27%	35%	29	15%	9,727,775	48,883
C Bass-Robinson/G v Niekerk	46	11	24%	5	11%	0%	7	15%	4,388,050	95,392
PL Lunn/K De Melo	48	11	23%	6	13%	50%	5	10%	768,175	16,004
AC Greeff/G Cheyne	279	62	22%	104	37%	34%	61	22%	4,390,725	15,737
J Snaith/B Fayd'herbe	154	32	21%	41	27%	29%	18	12%	6,093,225	39,566
J Snaith/R Fourie	82	17	21%	26	32%	31%	10	12%	1,315,925	16,048
DS Bosch/G Wrogemann	62	13	21%	9	15%	67%	4	6%	911,175	14,696
JAJ v Vuuren/R Simons	54	11	20%	10	19%	60%	4	7%	892,800	16,533

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Anton Marcus – genius in the saddle

**Super Stuff!**

Anton Marcus' injury on Friday evening creates a major hole in the SA Champions Season riding ranks, with Anthony Delpech and Gavin Lerena already on the sidelines. But Marcus left us with a lingering memory of a top-drawer ride to get Fiorella home to beat Snowdance in the Daisy Fillies Guineas. Bernard

Fayd'herbe, who rode the narrowly beaten favourite, didn't know where Marcus arrived from. They don't call him Superman for nothing! Read more about Anton on page 6.



Veteran Robbie Sage – enjoying a good season

**Sage On Target**

Veteran trainer Robbie Sage generally operates below the radar and avoids the public limelight enjoyed by some of his colleagues. He earns the accolades this week for a terrific feature double on Champions Day. Sage saddled the Gr2 SA Nursery winner William The Silent as well as the R4 million Gr1 Premier's Champions Challenge star, Coral Fever – a

July candidate. Sage has had some big names in his care – the 2008 Cape Guineas winner Pointing North is one that springs to mind.



Ashley Fortune and Aldo Domeyer – Gold Bowl strike

**The A & A Team**

The family combination of Aldo Domeyer and his stepmother Ashley Fortune get our vote this week after a superbly strategized tactical victory with Dynasty gelding Let It

Rain in Saturday's Gr3 Gold Bowl at Turffontein. Superior fitness coupled with a courageous decision to stretch the opposition 'to the point that their lungs burnt', in the

words of a past SA Champion jockey resulted in an unlikely success. Read more about Ashley on page 10.

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## BLACK TYPE RESULTS

**GREYVILLE (turf)****Friday, 4 May**

Course Variant: 0,46s fast

With no rain or irrigation in the seven days leading up to this meeting the penetrometer read 20, and the going was posted as good. There was a tail wind of around 20km/h, and despite the false rail being out 6m the course was running fast.

**Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes R500,000****Dogs Are Barking!**

Milnerton trainer Harold Crawford proudly carried his giantkiller label at Greyville on Friday evening courtesy of his one-horse raiding party Perovskia when he opened the 2018 SA Champions Season in glorious fashion with a victory in the R500 000 Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes.

The opening feature of South Africa's national championship season was decimated by scratchings which reduced the field to just nine runners. But the thrilling finish more than made up for the lack in numbers, as Callan Murray rode a beautifully judged race to get the unheralded Vodacom Durban July hopeful Perovskia home in a Cape top-two finish, with the year younger Undercover Agent capitulating late.

Corne Orffer took recent Byerley Turk winner Undercover Agent out to lead after Joburg visitor Will Pays had lost two lengths at the jump.

Into the home run Captain Aldo and Prince Of Kahal chased the leader, who was relishing his task as Orffer gave him some more rein.

Callan Murray had been stalking the leaders though and he switched the 4yo gelding Perovskia out for a run at the 300m. Undercover Agent dug deep but Perovskia was too strong and he asserted himself under a well balanced ride to give long-standing owner Mike Mort his second Drill Hall Stakes winner and got the verdict by a neck in a time of 82,16 secs.

Will Pays had no luck at the start, as he often does, but ran on stoutly for third with the gallant topweighted 7yo Sail South in fourth.

A 2015 BSA National 2yo Sale R70 000 graduate, Perovskia was bred by Gary Player Stud and is a son of Equus Champion 3yo Russian Sage (Jallad) out of the one-time winner What A Gal (Qui Danzig). Perovskia has won 6 races with 5 places from 14 starts and took his earnings to

R710 750 – ten times his purchase price!

**Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes 1400m**

Winner Perovskia raced 4th; challenged 200m; won good battle with runner up Runner up Undercover Agent (2nd best handicapped) set the pace; fought on doggedly; beaten 0,15 lengths  
Third Will Pays lost 2 lengths at the start; raced 7th of the nine; ran on strongly in the straight; beaten 1,15 lengths

**Time:** This comparatively was the fastest race on the card

We gave the runner up (prev 95/88/84/95/102) 102 which makes the winner (prev 80/84/8686/95) 105 and the third (prev 106/97/80/105/105) 105

105	1	0.00	<b>PEROVSKIA</b>	(3)	57.0	C Murray	18/1
<i>4 b g Russian Sage - What A Gal (Qui Danzig)</i>							
102	2	0.15	<b>UNDERCOVER AGENT</b>	(4)	55.0	C Orffer	19/20
<i>3 b c Captain Al - Secret Risk (London News)</i>							
105	3	1.15	<b>WILL PAYS</b>	(5)	58.5	C Zackey	9/1
<i>6 b g Imperial Stride - Rattlebag (Jallad)</i>							
102	4	3.15	<i>Sail South</i>	(1)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	113/20
93	5	3.90	<i>Captain Aldo</i>	(6)	57.0	L Hewitson	22/1
89	6	4.40	<i>Prince Of Kahal</i>	(2)	55.0	R Danielson	66/1
91	7	4.50	<i>Saratoga Dancer</i>	(8)	57.0	A Marcus	71/10
88	8	5.50	<i>Lord Balmoral</i>	(7)	57.0	M Byleveld	16/1
88	9	5.75	<i>Copper Force</i>	(9)	57.0	G v Niekerk	9/1
<b>Time:</b> 82.16s (58.69s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 116%							
1st T:HWJ Crawford O:Mr J M Mort B:Gary Player Stud							

**Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas R500,000****Melting Moments**

Justin Snaith's Cape Summer Season dual Gr1 winner Snowdance found one too good for her on an action-packed Friday evening at Greyville when Ashburton-based Fiorella got her head in front in the final stride to win the R500 000 Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas.

Deceased champion Captain Al produced the top two home in the opening classic of the SA Champions Season – but in the wrong order for many, with the local lady Fiorella capitalising on the suspect fitness of the thirteen-week rested Cape star.

Starting at short odds-on, Bernard Fayd'herbe rode a confident race on Snowdance as the long-striding Cheveley Stud bred galloper carted her field along and looked a winner right up to the 200m marker.

Even when Anton Marcus gathered Fiorella late in his customary style, Snowdance dwarfed her and looked to have things under control.

But Bernard Fayd'herbe hit the panic button late as Snowdance changed legs but had to put up the white flag as the gutsy 11-1 shot Fiorella pulled off a massive win to score by a short head in a time of 96,73secs.

The top two were 1,25 lengths ahead of Elusive Heart, with Roy's Riviera a fair fourth.

Owner Dave Maclean was on hand to collect the winner's trophy and it is good to see him competing actively this season in the black-type league. He also owns, amongst others, the smart 3yo Neptune's Rain, who featured prominently in last Sunday's Poinsettia finish and has been labelled a Gr1 filly by Howells.

A R700 000 National Yearling Sale purchase, the Varsfontein-bred Fiorella has now won 4 races with 4 places from 9 starts and stakes of R606 625.

A daughter of late champion sire Captain Al (Al Mufti), she is out of Caesour's SA Oaks winner Arcola – a half sister to fellow Oaks winners Ash Cloud and Princess Of Light. She is bred on the same cross as ill-fated Paddock Stakes winner Emerald Cove.

**Gr2 Daisy Fillies Guineas 1600m**

Winner Fiorella was always handy; 3rd entering the straight; got up dying strides  
Runner up Snowdance (best handicapped) set the pace; piped last strides; beaten 0,1 lengths

Third Elusive Heart raced 2nd and held every chance; beaten 1,35 lengths

**Time:** Run 0,3 seconds faster than the Daisy Guineas, the time was a decent one.

We gave the fourth (prev best 87) 88 which makes the winner (prev 86/84/88/85/88) 93, the runner up (prev 79/86/104/98/93) 93 and the third (prev 82/90/76/93/85) 90

93	1	0.00	<b>FIGORELLA</b>	(3)	60.0	A Marcus	11/1
<i>3 b f Captain Al - Arcola (Caesour)</i>							
93	2	0.10	<b>SNOWDANCE</b>	(5)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	5/8
<i>3 b f Captain Al - Spring Lilac (Joshua Dancer)</i>							
90	3	1.35	<b>ELUSIVE HEART</b>	(7)	60.0	R Fourie	11/1
<i>3 b f Elusive Fort - Redeem My Heart (Indigo Magic)</i>							
88	4	2.60	<i>Roy's Riviera</i>	(8)	60.0	L Hewitson	28/1
87	5	2.85	<i>Lady In Black</i>	(9)	60.0	S Veale	10/3
76	6	7.85	<i>Twice As Smart</i>	(4)	60.0	S Randolph	28/1
76	7	7.95	<i>She's A Dream</i>	(2)	60.0	K De Melo	50/1
71	8	10.20	<i>Desert Rhythm</i>	(6)	60.0	S Khumalo	28/1
69	9	10.95	<i>London Secret</i>	(1)	60.0	R Danielson	66/1
<b>Time:</b> 95.73s (59.83s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 115%							
1st T:DC Howells O:Mr D D MacLean B:Varsfontein Stud							

**How Good Is Your Horse?**

**75% of all 2yo Gr1 winners** have **ability ratings (AR)** of more than 95

**97% of all Gr1 winners age 3yo & up** have **ability ratings (AR)** of more than 95

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## Gr2 Daisy Guineas R600,000

## Snaith Does It Again

Just as things looked to be turning pear-shaped, Justin Snaith pulled the SA Champions Season launch on Friday evening out of the fire with an exciting win by his Twice Over gelding Do It Again in the R600 000 Gr2 Daisy Guineas.

The withdrawal of stable star Oh Susanna with a bruised heel from the Guineas early on Friday morning, was followed by an uncomfortable showing by Copper Force (not enjoying the conditions) in the Drill Hall Stakes, then a heartstopping narrow defeat for their dual Gr1 winner Snowdance in the Daisy Fillies Guineas.

But the Daisy Guineas victory for the handsome son of Twice Over righted the ship and set the foundation for a big season. After Wonderwall had shown the way and local hope Sniper Shot had slipped into the lead at the 300m, Do It Again was seen making massive strides and he hit the front at the 200m to win going away by 1,25 lengths in a time of 96,03 secs.

Do It Again has won 3 races with 2 places from 5 starts for stakes of R707 500. He was knocked down to John Freeman for R1,1 million at the 2016 National Yearling Sale Bred by Northfields, Do It Again is a son of Twice Over (Observatory) out of the six-time winning Sweet Virginia (Casey Tibbs). Described as the best horse he trained by Phillipi trainer Riaan Van Reenen, the slightly built Sweet Virginia is out of the Royal Prerogative Millie Bovana. She was victorious in the 2005 Gr3 Final Fling Stakes, and walloped the boys in the Gr3 Winter Classic and Winter Derby.

## Gr2 Daisy Guineas 1600m

Winner Do It Again lost 2 lengths at the start; raced at the back of the eight; hard ridden to lead 200m won going away Runner up Sniper Shot (3rd best handicapped) raced 7th; ran on and challenged 150m; outpaced latter stages by winner; beaten 1,25 lengths

Third Tap O'Noth (2nd best handicapped) lost one length at the start; positioned sixth entering the straight; ran on; beaten 2,25 lengths

**Time:** Run 0,3 seconds slower than the Fillies Guineas, the race slowed rounding the turn and very tightly bunched entering the straight developed into a sprint

100	1	0.00	<b>DO IT AGAIN</b>	(8)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	31/4
<i>3 b g Twice Over - Sweet Virginia (Casey Tibbs)</i>							
98	2	1.25	<b>SNIPER SHOT</b>	(7)	60.0	K De Melo	14/1
<i>3 ch g Judpot - Seven Veils (Rich Man's Gold)</i>							
96	3	2.25	<b>TAP O' NOTH</b>	(3)	60.0	M Byleveld	18/10
<i>3 b c Captain Al - Wintersweet (Western Winter)</i>							
94	4	2.75	White River	(4)	60.0	C Orffer	26/10
93	5	3.50	Mardi Gras	(5)	60.0	R Danielson	71/10
92	6	4.00	Kazaar	(1)	60.0	R Fourie	12/1
89	7	5.25	Wonderwall	(2)	60.0	S Khumalo	8/1
71	8	13.25	Premier Show	(6)	60.0	C Murray	45/1
<b>Time:</b> 96.03s (60.02s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 115%							
1st T: J Snaith O: Messrs N Jonsson, B Kantor & W J C Mitchell							
B: Northfields Stud							

## TURFFONTEIN (stand side)

Saturday, 5 May

Course Variant: 0,58s fast (straight) – 0,28s slow (bend)

No rain fell in the week leading up to this meeting and with just 6mm of irrigation the penetrometer read 21 and the going was posted as good. The false rail was set at zero in the back straight moving out to 5m on the bend with a 5m spur. There was a moderate west/south westerly headwind of around 11km/h.

## Gr1 SA Derby R2,000,000

## On The Mark

Comeback Kid Mark Khan defied fitness doubts and the generous betting odds to grab his fourth SA Derby winner when steering longshot Hero's Honour home for Gary Alexander in the R2 million Gr1 SA Derby at Turffontein on Saturday.

A maiden winner, Hero's Honour was trying the 2450m for the first time on Saturday and taking on some big guns. But he produced the goods to give Gary Alexander his third SA Derby success and the jockey-trainer combination a second after Timber Trader won the race in 2002.

Khan had Hero's Honour relaxed in fifth as Walter Smoothie and Gambado showed the way all the way around. At the 400m, Aldo Domeyer produced Ashley Fortune's Cash Time down the centre with what looked to be a winning surge. But Hero's Honour slipped down the rail and took command as Surcharge and Noble Secret took off late.

At the line, the multiple champion jockey had judged it to perfection and the 55-1 shot Hero's Honour registered an impressive win by 1,50 lengths in a time of 155,09.

Surcharge rounded off a perfect SA Triple Crown consolation – banking a second cheque in all three legs, with the De Kock runner Noble Secret a further quarter length back in third.

Hero's Honour was a first Gr1 winner for Lawrence and Jarryd Wernars, whose familiar white, red and black silks are seen across the country.

A R300 000 2016 CTS Johannesburg Ready To Run Sale graduate, Hero's Honour has won 2 races with 2 places from 6 starts for stakes of R1 354 600.

Bred by Summerhill, the winner is by Await The Dawn – a son of Giant's Causeway who stood for less than two years at Summerhill Stud before he died of a heart attack in October 2014,

Hero's Honour is out of the versatile four-time winner Grail Maiden (Galileo), who

won from 1200m to 2400m, and no doubt imparted her staying genes to her son.

## Gr1 SA Derby 2450m

Winner Hero's Honour was positioned 5th entering the straight; led 200m

Runner up Surcharge (best handicapped) lost a shoe in running; raced 3rd last entering the straight 5 lengths behind the winner; ran on strongly closing stages; beaten 1,50 lengths

Third Noble Secret raced 7th; ran on late with runner up; beaten 1,75 lengths

**Time:** Run only marginally slower than the SA Oaks, the time was a very moderate one We gave the eighth horse (prev 71/82/73/82/86) 86 which makes the winner (prev 56/72/72/79/84) 92, the runner up (prev 85/98/100/94/96) 90 and the third (prev 81/74/91/92/96) 87

90	1	0.00	<b>HERO'S HONOUR</b>	(1)	60.0	M Khan	55/1
<i>3 b g Await The Dawn - Grail Maiden (AUS) (Galileo)</i>							
88	2	1.50	<b>SURCHARGE</b>	(10)	60.0	P Strydom	10/3
<i>3 b c Gimmethgreenlight - Congestion Charge (GB) (Diktat)</i>							
87	3	1.75	<b>NOBLE SECRET</b>	(2)	60.0	R Simons	61/20
<i>3 b g Dynasty - Arabian Secret (Al Mufti)</i>							
87	4	1.85	Cash Time	(13)	60.0	A Domeyer	14/1
85	5	3.25	Royal Crusade	(3)	60.0	M Yeni	22/1
85	6	3.35	Forafewdollarsmore	(7)	60.0	L Hewitson	20/1
85	7	3.45	Walter Smoothie	(4)	60.0	M v Rensburg	22/1
84	8	3.70	Gambado	(8)	60.0	R Fourie	22/1
82	9	4.80	Majestic Mambo	(5)	60.0	K De Melo	10/3
79	10	6.90	The Rocketman	(6)	60.0	C Zackey	14/1
78	11	7.20	Like A Panther	(14)	60.0	C Murray	9/1
75	12	9.00	Silver God	(9)	60.0	R Danielson	36/1
74	13	9.75	Throng	(12)	60.0	S Khumalo	36/1
67	14	14.00	Greenwood Drive	(11)	60.0	G Wrogemann	55/1
<b>Time:</b> 155.09s (63.3s avg/1000m, or 57km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 121%							
1st T: GM Alexander O: Messrs J F & L M F Wernars, B G Gardner, B G P Sadie & Mrs J P Gardner B: Summerhill Stud							

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date	close	high	low	volume
08May	1500	1500	1500	392
07May	1600	1600	1600	0
04May	1600	1600	1600	0
03May	1600	1600	1500	600
02May	1500	1600	1500	1,233
30Apr	1600	1690	1435	2,464
26Apr	1600	1600	1599	1,111
25Apr	1600	1600	1400	375
24Apr	1600	1700	1600	33,455
23Apr	1700	1700	1630	1,456
20Apr	1625	1730	1625	5,749
19Apr	1740	1740	1740	0
18Apr	1740	1740	1740	660

## BLACK TYPE RESULTS

**Gr1 Computaform Sprint R1,000,000****In Focus**

Despite a 50% win strike-rate for visitors over the past 8 years, Joey Ramsden and Justin Snaith were the only away trainers prepared to take their chances in the prestigious Gr1 sprint and Snaith looked to be the more likely to get lucky, with the fancied Sergeant Hardy a popular choice. But on a tough day for punters and the form book, that was not to be as Richard Fourie settled Attenborough four lengths off the rush led by Down To Zero, Pinnacle Peak and Wrecking Ball.

In a race won by top horses over the years, Attenborough made it look so easy as he took off under a left-handed ride and charged up the outside to score a deserved win by a length in a nice time of 56,32 secs. The former PE-based Man O'War Sprint winner Pinnacle Peak showed plenty of pace and hung on for second, ahead of the winner's stablemate Speedpoint, who also showed the benefit of a second run in Gauteng.

While it was a first Computaform Sprint winner for Joey Ramsden, one of his former charges in the soldier Copper Parade won it for Yvette Bremner in 2014.

This was the top-class Richard Fourie's Gr1 sprint success. That seems quite extraordinary given his long association with the Snaith yard.

Top sprinters Sergeant Hardy and Trip To Heaven both finished well downfield.

A R2 million purchase by Mayfair Speculators off the Cape Premier Yearling Sale, Attenborough has now won 5 races with 9 places from 21 starts and stakes of R2 025 025.

Attenborough was purchased out of the Mayfair Speculators unbundling and was having his second run for his new owners on Saturday.

The handsome 4yo was bred by Pippa Mickleburgh and is a son of the late champion Western Winter (Gone West) out of the four-time winning Caesour mare, In Camera.

**Gr1 Computaform Sprint 1000m**

Winner Attenborough raced 10th; 3 lengths behind the runner up; led 100m; won going away

Runner up Pinnacle Peak raced 3rd; led 300m; outpaced late by winner; beaten one length  
Third Speed Point was always handy; kept

on strongly; beaten 2,20 lengths

**Time:** Comparatively the second fastest of the four sprint races, the time was a good one We gave the runner up (prev 76/74/87/86/99) 99 which makes the winner (prev 99/97/82/104/102) 105 and the third (prev 73/88/93/87) 94

105	1	0.00	<b>ATTENBOROUGH</b>	(13)	60.0	R Fourie	16/1
<i>4 b g Western Winter - In Camera (Caesour)</i>							
99	2	1.00	<b>PINNACLE PEAK</b>	(7)	58.5	C Zackey	12/1
<i>3 b g Querari - Pinnaquin (Count Dubois)</i>							
94	3	2.20	<b>SPEEDPOINT</b>	(9)	58.5	C Murray	28/1
<i>3 b c Var - Cash Register (Casey Tibbs)</i>							
88	4	3.10	<i>Queen Laurie</i>	(15)	57.5	C Maujean	55/1
93	5	3.20	<i>Rocky Valley</i>	(10)	60.0	G Wrogemann	12/1
86	6	3.45	<i>Exquisite Touch</i>	(5)	57.5	L Hewitson	71/20
88	7	3.70	<i>Naafer</i>	(16)	58.5	M Yeni	16/1
89	8	4.00	<i>Graduation Day</i>	(6)	60.0	R Danielson	20/1
89	9	4.20	<i>Trip To Heaven</i>	(8)	60.0	S Khumalo	71/10
85	10	4.45	<i>Rebel's Champ</i>	(12)	58.5	A Domeyer	28/1
85	11	4.55	<i>Down To Zero</i>	(1)	58.5	C Orffer	22/1
87	12	4.65	<i>Sergeant Hardy</i>	(4)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	71/20
84	13	5.45	<i>Champagne Haze</i>	(11)	60.0	M Khan	10/1
75	14	6.25	<i>Wrecking Ball</i>	(3)	57.5	R Klunger	30/1
76	15	6.95	<i>Bishop's Bounty</i>	(14)	60.0	G v Niekerk	22/1
67	16	9.70	<i>Golden Man</i>	(2)	60.0	K Zechner	66/1

**Time:** 56.32s (56.32s avg/1000m, or 64km/h) **SP Total %:** 119%  
1st T: J Ramsden O: Messrs R Breitenbach, R D P Caboche-Adam, E G Hart De Keating, P O'Doherty, Miss Pippa Mickleburgh, Mr J & Mrs C Brooks & Mr & Mrs D Naik B: PLV Mickleburgh

**Gr1 Premier's Champions Chall. R4,000,000****Colin Bird's Gr1 Joy!**

With the anticipated return clash of dual SA Horse Of The Year Legal Eagle and champion mare Nother Russia failing to materialise at Turffontein on Saturday, it was Robbie Sage's Vodacom Durban July entry Coral Fever who came of age to register a big win in the R4 million Gr1 The Premier's Champions Challenge.

The progress that Coral Fever has made is particularly rewarding as the veteran trainer nursed him back from a career threatening spiral fracture early on.

Winning Form-sponsored Muzi Yeni knows Coral Fever well and had him settled near the rear as Legal Eagle carted the field along under replacement rider S'Manga Khumalo.

At the top of the straight Legal Eagle continued to gallop strongly, as Nother Russia and Abashiri made forward moves, with the Kotzen mare Silvan Star weaving her way through down at the rail.

Coral Fever and Triple Crown winner Abashiri came together at the 300m marker as Legal Eagle faded out and it was left to the pair to fight things out.

With Abashiri running a vastly improved race, Muzi Yeni rode confidently to get

Coral Fever to rally and he went on to grab the big cheque by 0,25 lengths in a time of 122,15 secs.

Mike and Adam Azzie will be heartened by Abashiri's improved run, while Cape visitor Silvan Star ran another excellent race to run into third.

Legal Eagle ran 8 lengths downfield in a very rare flat performance.

A R130 000 National Yearling Sale graduate, the Ascot Stud-bred Coral Fever races for Colin Bird and Sylvia Vrska and is a son of Judpot (AP Indy) out of the two-time winner, Coral Tree (Rich Man's Gold).

Coral Fever has now won 6 races with 7 places from 20 starts for stakes of R3 545 650.

**Gr1 Premier's Champions Challenge 2000m**

Winner Coral Fever raced 10th; ran on strongly to lead 180m

Runner up Abashiri (2nd best handicapped) was slow into stride; raced 7th; ran on with winner and challenged strongly; beaten 0,25 lengths

Third Silvan Star raced second last; ran on; beaten 4 lengths

**Time:** Legal Eagle set off at a brisk pace and kept it up for most of the journey. As a result the time was a good one

We gave the runner up (prev 100/106/102/100/98) 104 which makes the winner (prev 92/99/97/103/102) 106 and the third (prev 98/92/93/100/98) 91

106	1	0.00	<b>CORAL FEVER</b>	(7)	59.0	M Yeni	71/10
<i>5 ch g Judpot - Coral Tree (Rich Man's Gold)</i>							
104	2	0.25	<b>ABASHIRI</b>	(5)	58.0	C Orffer	11/1
<i>5 b g Go Deputy - Donya (Elliodor)</i>							
91	3	4.00	<b>SILVAN STAR</b>	(10)	55.5	R Fourie	10/1
<i>5 b m Silvano - Bold Choice (Lecture)</i>							
93	4	5.25	<i>Nother Russia</i>	(6)	57.5	C Zackey	71/20
86	5	6.35	<i>Safe Harbour</i>	(2)	55.5	L Hewitson	10/1
95	6	7.15	<i>Deo Juventa</i>	(8)	60.0	C Murray	18/1
89	7	7.85	<i>Dawn Assault</i>	(3)	58.0	M v Rensburg	30/1
93	8	8.10	<i>Legal Eagle</i>	(4)	60.0	S Khumalo	47/20
88	9	8.35	<i>French Navy</i>	(11)	58.0	R Danielson	36/1
80	10	12.85	<i>Glider Pilot</i>	(9)	58.0	K Zechner	20/1
76	11	13.10	<i>Fort Ember</i>	(13)	56.5	K De Melo	22/1
53	12	28.10	<i>Brazuca</i>	(12)	59.0	B Fayd'herbe	45/1
41	13	32.50	<i>Orchid Island</i>	(1)	57.5	A Domeyer	36/1

**Time:** 122.15s (61.08s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) **SP Total %:** 116%  
1st T: RR Sage O: Ms Sylvia Vrska & Mr Colin Bird B: Ascot Stud

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## Gr2 SA Nursery

R1,000,000

## Right Noises

Top Cape jockey Aldo Domeyer rode the first leg of a feature double as he and trainer Robbie Sage delivered a knockout blow in the Champions Day Pick 6 opener. The Var colt William The Silent got the better of the more fancied Cirillo to win a prolonged duel and grab the silverware in the R1 million Gr2 SA Nursery.

William The Silent and the Sean Tarry-trained Cirillo were quickest out and they led the charge down the outside of the track. At the 400m, Domeyer asked William The Silent for an effort and he started a gradual drift towards the inside, carrying Cirillo with him.

The two went hammer and tongs with Khumalo throwing the left-handed whip at his mount, but the 45-1 William The Silent always had his measure and went on to win by a short head in a time of 67.3 secs. Chimichuri Run came out of the pack late to keep the 16-10 favourite Bold Eagle out of the top three.

Chesney van Zyl's unbeaten Bold Eagle never got into the race and may be looking for further.

The Drakenstein Stud-bred William The Silent is a son of Var (Forest Wildcat) out of the five-time winner Tick Tock (Captain Al). A R600 000 National Yearling Sale purchase, William The Silent has won two of his three starts for stakes of R693 750. His win here was a demonstration of just how the 2yo's improve. William The Silent had run 10 lengths behind Bold Eagle in the Storm Bird Stales last time out after winning well on debut.

## Gr2 SA Nursery

1160m

Winner William The Silent raced with the pace throughout; ran on strongly to win a good battle on the nod

Runner up Cirillo also raced with the pace throughout; challenged strongly; lost on nod  
Third Chimichuri Run raced 5th 1.75 lengths off the pace at 400m; beaten 1.60 lengths

**Time:** The second fastest of the three 1160m races, the time was a good one  
We gave the runner up (prev 75/79/93) 98 which makes the winner (prev 88/69) 98 and the third (prev 73/75) 94

98	1	0.00	<b>WILLIAM THE SILENT</b> (13)	60.0	A Domeyer	45/1
<i>2 b c Var - Tick Tock (Captain Al)</i>						
98	2	0.10	<b>CIRILLO</b> (4)	60.0	S Khumalo	10/3
<i>2 b c Pomodoro - Miss Wordsworth (Lake Coniston)</i>						
94	3	1.60	<b>CHIMICHURI RUN</b> (9)	60.0	R Danielson	10/1
<i>2 ch c Trippi - Spiced Gold (Kahal)</i>						
93	4	1.70	<b>Bold Eagle</b> (8)	60.0	W Kennedy	16/10
90	5	2.95	<b>In Cahoots</b> (7)	60.0	L Hewitson	13/1
89	6	3.25	<b>Affranchi</b> (2)	60.0	C Zackey	36/1
88	7	3.65	<b>Epic Dream</b> (5)	60.0	G Wrogemann	28/1
85	8	4.65	<b>Mr Flood</b> (11)	60.0	K Zechner	27/4
79	9	6.65	<b>Louis The Seventh</b> (6)	60.0	R Fourie	18/1
77	10	7.25	<b>Royal Italian</b> (10)	60.0	G v Niekerk	36/1
68	11	10.00	<b>Hit The Green</b> (1)	60.0	C Murray	20/1
58	12	13.50	<b>Dewali</b> (3)	60.0	M Yeni	22/1
45	13	17.90	<b>Benji</b> (12)	60.0	K De Melo	36/1

**Time:** 67.3s (58.02s avg/1000m, or 62km/h) **SP Total %:** 119%  
1st T:RR Sage O:Mr Colin Bird B:Drakenstein Stud

## Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery

R400,000

## Taking The Candy

St John Gray opened Champions Day at Turffontein on Saturday with a bomb as the unfancied twice-raced maiden Ronnie's Candy powered home to win the R400 000 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery.

Raymond Danielson did the honours aboard the chestnut daughter of King Of Kings who was having her first start at Turffontein.

Taking on the likes of Pretty Polly Stakes winner Celtic Sea and recordbreaking yearling Ghaalla, Ronnie's Candy was lagging at the rear as Mazari led Captain's Princess.

At the 250m marker Ronnie's Candy turned on the jets and she accelerated away to hold off a challenge from Ghaalla to score by 2,50 lengths in a time of 67,92 secs.

Debut winner Captain's Princess stayed on for third, with Celtic Sea running a disappointing race in fourth.

A Graystone Stud home-bred, Ronnie's Candy is by the ill-fated King Of Kings (Sadler's Wells) out of the three-time winner Bennie And the Jets (Jet Master). His sire, English Two Thousand Guineas winner King of Kings died at stud from heart failure in February 2015. The son of legendary sire Sadler's Wells was 20 years old.

Ronnie's Candy has won once with two places from her three starts for stakes of R266 250.

## Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery

1160m

Winner Ronnie's Candy raced detached by 2 lengths at the back; ran on strongly to lead 200m; won going away

Runner up Ghaalla (3rd best handicapped) raced 6th; ran on; beaten 2,5 lengths

Third Captain's Princess set the pace; kept on; beaten 3 lengths

**Time:** Run 0,62 seconds slower than the SA Nursery, this was comfortably the slowest of the 3 x 1160m races

We gave the third (prev 80) 85 which makes the winner (prev 69/74) 94 and the runner up (prev 85) 87

94	1	0.00	<b>RONNIE'S CANDY</b> (3)	60.0	R Danielson	36/1
<i>2 ch f King Of Kings - Bennie And the Jets (Jet Master)</i>						
87	2	2.50	<b>GHAALLA</b> (5)	60.0	R Fourie	2/1
<i>2 b f Var - Fidelity (Captain Al)</i>						
85	3	3.00	<b>CAPTAIN'S PRINCESS</b> (4)	60.0	G Wrogemann	16/1
<i>2 b f Captain Al - Jet Flyer (Jet Master)</i>						
85	4	3.30	<b>Celtic Sea</b> (6)	60.0	S Khumalo	1/1
73	5	7.30	<b>Mazari</b> (2)	60.0	C Zackey	20/1
72	6	7.35	<b>I Like It</b> (8)	60.0	P Strydom	44/1
72	7	7.45	<b>Casual Wear</b> (9)	60.0	C Maujean	28/1
53	8	13.85	<b>Three Stars</b> (7)	60.0	L Hewitson	12/1
45	9	16.35	<b>Rock Sensation</b> (1)	60.0	G v Niekerk	22/1

**Time:** 67.92s (58.55s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) **SP Total %:** 114%

1st T:SD Gray O:Mr St John D Gray B:Graystone Stud

## Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg Stakes

R400,000

## Striker's Back!

Trainer Paul Peter hit the Champions Day boards with his final runner on the Highveld Season closer. Sabina's Dynasty was an impressive winner of the R400 000 Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg Stakes and she could well go on from here.

The half-sister to dual Sansui Summer Cup star Master Sabina runs for Piere Strydom and lifted her game again to register her first stakes success, on an afternoon that saw her champion sire enjoy a Gr1, Gr2 and Gr3 winner.

Sabina's Dynasty was astutely purchased as a maiden for R170 000 off the 2017 August Kenilworth Sale as part of her owner-breeder Mike de Broglio's dispersal.

She has improved into her 4yo season and never let the side down since and impressed on Saturday when changing legs late to go on by the game Bi Pot to win by a half lengths in a time of 126,64 secs.

Girl On The Run was prominent for much of the 2000m trip and stayed on for third a further 2,30 lengths back, with the 18-10 favourite Wind Chill a disappointing fourth. The winner was bred by Mike de Broglio and is a daughter of Dynasty (Fort Wood) out of the versatile five-time winner Sabina Park (Sportsworld), who won the SA Oaks in 2004. The latter was bought for R55 000 by De Broglio off Varsfontein's 2002 National Yearling Sales draft.

The 4yo Sabina's Dynasty has won 4 races with 10 places from 18 starts for stakes of R620 725. Piere Strydom has been through something of a dry spell and this will hopefully be a booster in advance of more opportunities in the SA Champions Season features.

## Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg Stakes

2000m

Winner Sabina's Dynasty had to ease at the 1400m mark; raced 5th 3 lengths off the pace; led 50m

Runner up Bi Pot (best handicapped) raced 2nd; led 300m; outrun late; beaten 0,5 lengths  
Third Girl On The Run set the pace; outrun latter stages; beaten 2,8 lengths

**Time:** The first half of the race was run 6 seconds slower than the Champions Challenge; very slowly run

We gave the third (prev 92/92/92/85/90) 92 which makes the winner (prev 77/86/82/80/89) 97 and the runner up (prev 92/98/80/78/77) 96

97	1	0.00	<b>SABINA'S DYNASTY</b> (2)	59.0	P Strydom	9/2
<i>4 b f Dynasty - Sabina Park (Sportsworld)</i>						
96	2	0.50	<b>BI POT</b> (3)	59.0	C Maujean	22/1
<i>4 b f Judpot - Alexandra Bi(IRE) (Darshaan)</i>						
92	3	2.80	<b>GIRL ON THE RUN</b> (8)	59.0	R Simons	113/20
<i>5 ch m Silvano - Girl From Grenada (Badger Land)</i>						
92	4	3.70	<b>Wind Chill</b> (6)	60.0	M Yeni	18/10
86	5	6.00	<b>Simply Royal</b> (4)	59.0	R Danielson	4/1
86	6	6.10	<b>Cold Cash</b> (7)	59.0	D Schwarz	50/1
85	7	6.40	<b>Patchit Up Baby</b> (1)	59.0	R Fourie	71/10
83	8	7.70	<b>Pennington Sands</b> (5)	59.0	R Mlunger	36/1
69	9	15.00	<b>Tambalang</b> (9)	59.0	S Khumalo	15/1

**Time:** 126.64s (63.32s avg/1000m, or 57km/h) **SP Total %:** 117%  
1st T:PA Peter O:Messrs A E Mandelstam & J D Rabinowitz, J T Peter & Adv M Witz B:M De Broglio

## BLACK TYPE RESULTS

**Gr2 Camellia Stakes R400,000****Plains - And Simple!**

The 2017 Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery winner Green Plains finally recaptured her winning game almost a year after winning the big one when she skated clear of her field to capture the R400 000 Gr2 Camellia Stakes at Turffontein on Saturday.

Back at home and in fine fettle and a stronger galloper as a 3yo, she spreadeagled her field to register an easy win and restore some sanity on a tough day for punters – and for her champion trainer! S'manga Khumalo always had Green Plains in touch s Spring Wonder and Winter's Forge led the way.

At the 300m she was unleashed and Green Plains put a few lengths between herself and the rest to beat stablemate Myfunnyvalentine by 4,40 lengths, with the speedy Winter's Forge staying on well for third a head back.

A R350 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale Book 1 graduate, Green Plains took her win tally to 4 with 4 places from 11 starts

for stakes of R896 250.

Bred by Gary Player Stud, she is a daughter of exciting young sire Gimmethgreenlight out of the one-time winning Jet Master mare, Savannah Leigh.

**Gr2 Camellia Stakes 1160m**

Winner Green Plains (2nd best handicapped) raced 3rd; led 380m; won going away Runner up Myfunnyvalentine raced 7th; ran on; beaten 4,40 lengths  
Third Winter's Forge raced 2nd; led 600m; outpaced by winner; beaten 4,5 lengths

**Time:** This was by far the fastest of the four sprint races

We gave the third (prev 92/66/92/64/89) 87 which makes the runner up 79/79/85/90/94) 90 and the winner (has prev done 96) 106

106	1	0.00	<b>GREEN PLAINS</b>	(13)	59.5	S Khumalo	8/1
<i>3 b f Gimmethgreenlight - Savannah Leigh (Jet Master)</i>							
90	2	4.40	<b>MYFUNNYVALENTINE</b>	(12)	60.0	L Hewitson	31/4
<i>4 b f Captain Al - Give Me Five (Goldkeeper)</i>							
87	3	4.50	<b>WINTER'S FORGE</b>	(14)	58.5	R Fourie	22/1
<i>3 b f Western Winter - Forge Ahead (Parade Leader)</i>							
82	4	6.40	Tahini	(4)	60.0	R Danielson	18/1
82	5	6.45	Secret Star	(11)	60.0	A Domeyer	20/1
81	6	6.75	Arissa	(15)	60.0	R Simons	18/1
79	7	7.25	Heaps of Fun	(5)	60.0	D Schwarz	28/1
74	8	7.95	Radiant Splendour	(7)	58.5	M Khan	15/1
80	9	8.05	Dagmar	(3)	52.0	R Munger	9/1
73	10	8.85	Spring Wonder	(9)	60.0	G Wrogemann	36/1
69	11	9.25	Covered In Snow	(2)	58.5	M Yeni	10/1
67	12	9.85	La Bella Mia	(8)	58.5	C Murray	36/1
69	13	9.90	My Friend Lee	(6)	60.0	K Zechner	36/1
63	14	10.70	Schippers	(1)	58.5	M v Rensburg	18/1
60	15	12.10	Green Pepper	(10)	60.0	P Strydom	18/10
<b>Time:</b> 66.38s (57.22s avg/1000m, or 63km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 120%							
1st T:SG Tarry O:Mr C J H Van Niekerk B:Gary Player Stud							

**Gr2 SA Oaks R1,000,000****The Tonic**

The Takingthepeace 2018 SA Triple Tiara dream gave us all a great ride while it lasted. But it sadly came undone at the final hurdle at Turffontein on Saturday.

Woodruff's last victory in this race dates all the way back to Festive Occasion in 2007 but he would have enjoyed the big win on Saturday with a daughter of an SA Derby winner that he trained himself.

After Azkur had lost many lengths at the start, Lyle Hewitson took Sean Tarry's Chariot Of Gold out to lead from the break and the champion apprentice took charge of the 2450m race from.

Gunter Wrogemann positioned the SA Fillies Classic third-placer Secret Potion about seven lengths off the action and he gradually built her up in the straight as Chariot Of Gold came under pressure inside the 300m.

Wrogemann took the race by the scruff of the neck early enough and his timing proved spot on as Secret Potion showed an appreciation for the extra ground to win by 1,20 lengths in a time of 154,52 secs.

A R100 000 CTS March Yearling Sale purchase by Geoff Woodruff, Secret Potion has won 4 races with 3 places from 8 starts for stakes of R935 600.

Bred by Dr Ian Heyns, the winner is a daughter of SA Derby winner Elusive Fort (Fort Wood) out of Lemon Drop Girl (Parade Leader).

**Gr2 SA Oaks 2450m**

Winner Secret Potion raced 6th entering the straight; led 150m

Runner up Flichity By Farr (2nd best handicapped) raced 9th entering the straight 4 lengths behind the winner; ran on; beaten 1,20 lengths

Third Chariot Of Gold set the pace; hanging; outpaced latter stages; beaten 2 lengths

**Time:** The time was a moderate one We gave the runner up (prev 88/74/8892/78) 90 which makes the winner (prev 72/76/77/81/89) 92, the third (prev 52/62/72/67/79) 89, and the fourth (Takingthepeace prev 58/89/90/91/91) 88

92	1	0.00	<b>SECRET POTION</b>	(4)	60.0	G Wrogemann	71/10
<i>3 b f Elusive Fort - Lemon Drop Girl (Parade Leader)</i>							
90	2	1.20	<b>FLICHTY BY FARR</b>	(2)	60.0	M v Rensburg	22/1
<i>3 ch f Go Deputy - Flichity (Western Winter)</i>							
89	3	2.00	<b>CHARIOT OF GOLD</b>	(9)	60.0	L Hewitson	6/1
<i>3 b f Silvano - Quest For Gold (Jallad)</i>							
88	4	2.75	Takingthepeace	(11)	60.0	C Murray	61/20
84	5	4.75	Silver Thursday	(3)	60.0	R Munger	71/10
79	6	7.75	Gottalottaluv	(14)	60.0	P Strydom	22/1
78	7	8.75	Pretty Ballerina	(1)	60.0	R Fourie	16/1
77	8	8.95	Our Shining Star	(7)	60.0	C Maujean	18/1
73	9	11.45	Green Top	(5)	60.0	M Yeni	6/1
71	10	12.75	Aurelia Cotta	(8)	60.0	C Zackey	50/1
70	11	13.25	Cashel Palace	(6)	60.0	R Simons	16/1
61	12	18.25	Forest Express	(10)	60.0	S Khumalo	30/1
61	13	18.65	African Dynasty	(15)	60.0	W Kennedy	45/1
45	14	27.95	Azkur	(13)	60.0	K De Melo	22/1
42	15	29.45	Pilgrim's Progress	(12)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	44/1
<b>Time:</b> 154.52s (63.07s avg/1000m, or 57km/h) <b>SP Total %:</b> 118%							
1st T:GV Woodruff O:Mr S M Jerrier B:R Heyns							

**Doing The Splits**

Turffontein, 5 May

	first call	false rail	400	finish	f/call/f/rail	f/rail/finish	400/finish
<b>1600m</b>							
Juv Plate (f)	27,90	58,50	75,18	98,64	30,60	40,14	23,46
Juv Plate	28,86	59,39	76,67	99,75	30,53	40,36	23,08
MR100	27,65	57,46	73,96	97,41	29,81	39,95	23,45
<b>2000m</b>							
Champions C	50,05	80,10	97,65	122,34	29,60	42,24	24,75
Gr2 Gerald R	55,92	86,46	103,40	126,75	30,54	40,15	23,35
<b>2450m</b>							
Gr2 SA Oaks	82,55	112,72	130,05	155,03	30,17	42,31	24,98
Gr1 SA Derby	82,55	112,89	131,05	154,97	30,34	42,08	23,92
<b>3200m</b>							
Gr3: Gold Bowl	-----	162,39	180,99	207,68	----	45,29	26,69
w/out Let It Rain	135,70	165,81	184,02	207,84	30,11	42,03	23,82

Legal Eagle set off at a very brisk clip in the Gr1 Champions Challenge and not surprisingly ran out of gas at the business end of the race. In contrast, nobody really wanted the lead in the Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg and they were very tightly bunched for the first half of a slowly run race.

The MR100 Handicap was run at a good pace throughout.

Allowed a big lead throughout, Let It Rain was easily 15 lengths clear going through the 400m in the Gr3 Gold Bowl and the segments show this (3 seconds is approximately 15,75 lengths). He only held on by a length.

They set off at a good pace in the both the Oaks and Derby and the segments were similar throughout. The pace did vary at times in the Oaks though, most notably on the bend and between the false rail and the 400m



**Gr3 Gold Bowl R500,000****Golden Day**

South Africa's newest lady trainer, the Vaal-based Ashley Fortune, saved her best for last on Champions Day, saddling her first career winner in fairytale fashion. Ashley's stepson Aldo Domeyer did the riding honours with a clever end-to-end display of tactical thinking in the R500 000 Gr3 Gold Bowl on the well-related Let It Rain, who races in the familiar royal blue and silver of top owner, Hassen Adams. At the 300m, the top Cape jockey glanced at the big screen and smelt the sweet scent of victory, with the rest 15 lengths away and not exactly quickening. With the challenges coming very late and the post looming, Aldo couldn't believe his luck as he glanced triumphantly at the stands as the 26-10 favourite Just Cruised In arrived too late and went down by a length.

Let It Rain's winning time was 207,59 secs. Now a winner of 7 races with 11 places from 30 starts and stakes of R1 230 388, the 5yo gelding was a R1,3 million Cape Premier Yearling Sale purchase and was bred by Highlands.

He is by Dynasty (Fort Wood) out of the one-time winning Gardener's Delight (Giant's Causeway).

Dynasty enjoyed a terrific Saturday with his progeny also winning the Gr1 Castle Tankard in Zimbabwe, as well as the Gr2 Gerald Rosenberg at Turffontein.

Let It Rain is a half brother to 4 winners, including Equus Champion, Gr2 Godolphin Mile winner and present day Wilgerbos-drift sire, Soft Falling Rain.

**Gr3 Gold Bowl 3200m**

Winner Let It Rain raced well clear throughout; was over 15 lengths clear going through the 400m; tired late

Runner up Just Cruised In (2nd best handicapped) raced 7th; ran on strongly final 400m; beaten 1 length

Third Kitty's Destiny raced sixth; ran on strongly final 400m; beaten 1,5 lengths

**Time:** Although not particularly fast, the time in this very false run race, was a fair one.

We gave the winner (prev 91/54/90/91/86)

91 which makes the runner up (prev

65/72/72/79/85) 74 and the third

(39/75/81/91/91) 81

91	1	0.00	LET IT RAIN	(6)	59.5	A Domeyer	8/1
5 b g	Dynasty - Gardener's Delight(USA) (Giant's Causeway)						
74	2	1.00	JUST CRUISED IN	(2)	52.5	W Kennedy	2/1
4 b g	Just As Well - Modraj (Machiavellian)						
81	3	1.50	KITTY'S DESTINY	(3)	56.0	M Yenni	5/1
5 ch g	Argonaut - Ricochet (Sportsworld)						
80	4	2.70	Cool Chardonnay	(7)	56.0	K Zechner	11/1
73	5	2.95	Storm Warning	(1)	53.0	G v Niekerk	18/1
90	6	3.00	Hermoso Mundo	(10)	61.0	B Fayd'herbe	13/1
73	7	7.80	Pagoda	(4)	56.5	G Wroegemann	8/1
66	8	9.30	The Elmo Effect	(5)	54.5	C Maujean	15/1
62	9	10.70	Parisienne Chic	(11)	53.5	M v Rensburg	15/1
56	10	12.30	Odd Rob	(8)	52.0	R Munger	13/1
50	11	16.50	Ilitshé	(9)	52.0	L Hewitson	28/1

**Time:** 207.59s (64.87s avg/1000m, or 55km/h) **SP Total %:** 116%  
1st T: Ashley Fortune O: Messrs H Adams, D Chinsammy & Mrs T Chinsammy B: Highlands

**KENILWORTH****Sunday, 6 May**

Course Variant: 0,73s slow (straight)  
Rain and irrigation totalled just 11mm in the seven days leading up to this meeting and as a result the penetrometer on both tracks read 22, and the going was posted as good. There was a 28km/h south easterly headwind and the rail was in its original position with a 2m spur at the 600m mark

**Perfect Promise Sprint (L) R125,000****Gem On The Up**

Candice Bass-Robinson has a powerful crop of over 60 2yo's at her disposal this term and she enjoyed the pleasure of watching her duo fight out the finish of the R125 000 Perfect Promise Sprint (L) at Kenilworth. Mrs Robinson won this feature last year with the crack What A Winter filly Magical Wonderland and she looks to have another decent bunch of youngsters on her hands judging by debut winners Lesedi La Rona and Nous Voila who fought out a thrilling finish. Aldo Domeyer was aboard Nous Voila, the more fancied of the pair, and she looked a winner when cruising into the lead at the 250m marker, with Lesedi La Rona still finding her stride. But the two came together and went head and head to the line – Grant van Niekerk getting the Drakenstein owned and bred Durbanville debut winner to put her head down at the right time.

A short head separated them with the winner clocking 72.95 secs for the 1200m. Third placed Coral Bay, still a maiden, was four lengths back in third, with dual winning topweight Carioca running fourth. A daughter of Trippi (End Sweep), Lesedi La Rona is out of the three-time winner Barberton Daisy (Western Winter) who won up to 2500m. Lesedi La Rona (named after a large diamond) is now unbeaten in two starts and took her earnings to R128 125.

**Perfect Promise Sprint (L) 1200m**

Winner Lesedi La Rona raced at the back early; led 150m; challenged strongly by the runner up all the way to the wire  
Runner up Nous Voila (best handicapped) raced 4th; led 250m; challenged winner strongly over the final 150m; lost on the nod  
Third Coral Bay raced 3rd and held every chance; beaten 4,10 lengths

**Time:** Run in a time 0,64 seconds slower

than the boys contesting the Somerset

1200, this was not a fast run race

We gave the runner up (prev 79) 81 which makes the winner (prev 73) 81 and the third (prev 71) 65

81	1	0.00	LESEDI LA RONA	(2)	58.0	G v Niekerk	9/2
2 b f	Trippi - Barberton Daisy (Western Winter)						
81	2	0.10	NOUS VOILA	(7)	58.0	A Domeyer	8/10
2 b f	Judpot - Zosma(USA) (Street Cry)						
65	3	4.10	CORAL BAY	(6)	56.0	R Fourie	9/1
2 b f	Ideal World - Bonze (Fort Wood)						
73	4	4.40	Carioca	(4)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	6/1
65	5	5.65	Racine	(5)	58.0	M Byleveld	18/1
60	6	6.05	Dalai's Promise	(1)	56.0	C Orffer	22/1
61	7	7.30	Twin Falls	(3)	58.0	G Cheyne	13/1

**Time:** 72.95s (60.79s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) **SP Total %:** 115%  
1st T: C Bass-Robinson O: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert) B: Drakenstein Stud

**Somerset 1200 (L) R125,000****Master Of Faster**

Not to be outdone by his Milnerton neighbours, high-riding Joey Ramsden achieved the feature exacta when he produced the top two home in the R125 000 Listed Somerset 1200 – at the same time marking Varsfontein stallion Master Of My Fate's maiden stakes winner.

The charismatic Brit, fresh off a sensational Gr1 victory with Attenborough in the Computaform Sprint on Champions Day, looks to be building a winning affinity with the progeny of the smashingly handsome first season sire son of Jet Master.

It was just four months ago that JR saddled Master Of My Fate's first winner – Twist Of Fate winning on his L'Ormarins Queen's Plate Festival Day One debut.

On Sunday at Kenilworth – far from any glitz and glamour or madding crowds – the Favour Stud bred colt rattled off a third career win from his five starts, with a sustained finish under topweight.

But after his stablemate Arabian Air and the pacy Sailor Sam had showed the way down the middle inside, Bernard Fayd'herbe brought Twist Of Fate through to challenge and he went on to a smart win by a neck in 72,31 secs.

Owned by the Mauritius-based River Palace Syndicate, the Favour Stud-bred Twist Of Fate is out of the twice winning Counter Action mare, Crescent Lily, a winner of the Listed Breeders Guineas at Fairview. He looks very well bought at R20 000 off the CTS March Yearling Sale.

**Somerset 1200 (L) 1200m**

Winner Twist Of Fate raced second to last; ran on well to lead 150m

Runner up Arabian Air set the pace; shifted right across the track in running; challenged strongly final 150m; beaten 0,2 lengths  
Third Crown Guardian raced at the back 2,25 lengths behind the winner; ran on; beaten 3,20 lengths

**Time:** Comparatively the clear second fastest of the four sprint races, the time was a decent one.

We gave the runner up (prev 84) 86 which makes the winner (prev 78/79/79/82) 91 and the third (prev 75) 78

91	1	0.00	TWIST OF FATE	(8)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	6/1
2 b c	Master Of My Fate - Crescent Lily (Counter Action)						
86	2	0.20	ARABIAN AIR	(1)	58.0	D Dillon	21/10
2 b c	Silvano - Arabian Empress (Al Mufti)						
78	3	3.20	CROWN GUARDIAN	(9)	58.0	R Fourie	6/1
2 b c	Gimmethgreenlight - Jewel In Her Crown (Jallad)						
74	4	3.30	Frank Lloyd Wright	(6)	56.0	G v Niekerk	41/10
75	5	4.30	Mr Crumford	(2)	58.0	G Cheyne	71/10
72	6	5.55	Fabian	(7)	58.0	A Domeyer	71/10
66	7	7.80	Savea	(5)	58.0	G Behr	36/1
65	8	7.85	Jephthah	(4)	58.0	M Byleveld	55/1
62	9	9.10	Sailor Sam	(3)	58.0	C Orffer	20/1

**Time:** 72.31s (60.26s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) **SP Total %:** 114%

1st T: J Ramsden O: River Palace Racing Syndicate B: Favour Stud

# SIGNPOSTS

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

### ATO (Royal Academy)

Charlie-Fox 2c (Marquise by Right Wing)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

Seven Colours 2c (Rainbow Ridge by National Emblem)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

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

Aloysius 2c (Rush To Stardom by Windrush)

[Fairview 6 Dahlia Plate \(2yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(12/05\)](#)

### CRUSADE (Mr Greeley)

Alfeo 2c (Singapura Cat by Black Minnaloushe)

[Fairview 6 Dahlia Plate \(2yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(12/05\)](#)

Steelheart 2f (Modern Minstral by Modern Day)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

### DUKE OF MARMALADE (Danehill)

Blitz Bok 2c (Pacific Gem by Model Man)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

### EIGHTFOLD PATH (Giant's Causeway)

Brave Luciano 2c (Cante Libre by Kahal)

[Turffontein 4 Workriders Maiden Plate 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

Born A Bully 2c (Love Leah by Restructure)

[Fairview 6 Dahlia Plate \(2yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(12/05\)](#)

### MARCHFIELD (A P Indy)

Tango Steps 2f (Tango Queen by Jet Master)

[Fairview 3 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1400m \(12/05\)](#)

### MASTER OF MY FATE (Jet Master)

Petipa 2f (Pawlova by Acatenango)

[Fairview 3 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1400m \(12/05\)](#)

### NOBLE TUNE (Unbridled's Song)

Play Another Tune 2c (Another Goat by Victory Moon)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(11/05\)](#)

Wait A Sec 2f (In A While by Rakeen)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

French Nobility 2f (Liste Secrete by Peintre Celebre)

[Fairview 3 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1400m \(12/05\)](#)

Romanesca 2c (Touch Of Nobility by Elusive Quality)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

Paradise Song 2f (Jet To Paradise by Jet Master)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

### POTALA PALACE (Singspiel)

Tibetan Rouge 2c (Lily Lafitte by Casey Tibbs)

[Fairview 2 Workriders Maiden Plate 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

Royal Soldier 2c (Soulja Gal by Street Cry)

[Turffontein 2 Workriders Maiden Plate 1160m \(12/05\)](#)

Watsonia 2f (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)

[Fairview 3 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1400m \(12/05\)](#)

### THE APACHE (Mogok)

Cape Leopard 2c (Darley Rose by Fusaichi Pegasus)

[Fairview 6 Dahlia Plate \(2yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(12/05\)](#)

### WHAT A WINTER (Western Winter)

Vertical Descent 2c (Lavender Sky by Elliodor)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(11/05\)](#)

What A Red 2f (Desert Rouge by Slew The Red)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(11/05\)](#)

Snowballed 2f (Kilcross by Antonius Pius)

[Turffontein 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1160m \(12/05\)](#)

Tasunke 2f (Rocintia by Rock of Gibraltar)


[Fairview 3 Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1400m \(12/05\)](#)

Tundra 2c (Lena by Woodman)

[Fairview 6 Dahlia Plate \(2yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(12/05\)](#)

Pickawinner 2c (Pikachu by Caesour)

[Greyville 10 Barrier Trial 1000m \(13/05\)](#)



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# SIGNPOSTS

## 2nd season sires - 3yo's

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

Tough Girl 3f (Harem's Secret by Jet Master)

[Greyville 5 MR 60 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1600m \(11/05\)](#)

Stradivari 3c (La Pucelle by National Assembly)

[Turffontein 7 Workriders Maiden Plate 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

Until Dawn 3f (Hot Reception by Muhtafal)

[Turffontein 8 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

Quakeshake 3f (Jet Park by Jet Master)

[Greyville 6 MR 62 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1400m \(13/05\)](#)

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

Taranaki 3c (Urabamba by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1800m \(11/05\)](#)

Flaming Desire 3f (Seraphim Falls by Kahal)

[Greyville 4 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Eternal Words 3f (Eternal Lady by Jallad)

[Greyville 8 MR 76 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1400m \(11/05\)](#)

Wishful Words 3f (Linsumi by Linney Head)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

### **CRUSADE** (Mr Greeley)

Grey Halo 3c (Silver Halo by Mogok)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1300m \(11/05\)](#)

Data Link 3f (Maxine by Mogok)

[Fairview 6 MR 69 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 2200m \(11/05\)](#)

Jaunita 3f (Perakeen by Rakeen)

[Turffontein 3 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

Cantata Mundi 3f (Onda Punk by Punk)

[Turffontein 6 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(12/05\)](#)

Cruiseberry 3f (Mulberry by Wolfhound)

[Turffontein 8 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

National Crusade 3f (National Display by National Assembly)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

Kinsky's Crusade 3f (Countess Kinsky by Kahal)

[Greyville 3 MR 72 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

Calladdi 3c (Carina Coleman by The Sheik)

[Greyville 4 MR82 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

### **EIGHTFOLD PATH** (Giant's Causeway)

Passioneight 3f (Passionate by Jallad)

[Greyville 4 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Tiffany's At Eight 3c (Special Guest by Mogok)

[Turffontein 2 Workriders Maiden Plate 1160m \(12/05\)](#)

Vat Sixty Eight 3f (Whiskey Way by Concertino)

[Turffontein 6 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(12/05\)](#)

Three Ships 3f (Scotch Cat by Mogok)

[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(13/05\)](#)

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

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

[Greyville 3 MR 64 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1800m \(11/05\)](#)

Irish Marsh 3f (Marsh Gas by Mogok)

[Greyville 4 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Giovanna 3f (Raw Deal by Tiger Ridge)

[Fairview 5 MR 71 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Romano 3c (Ever Peron by Silvano)

[Fairview 5 MR 76 Handicap 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

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

Close To My Heart 3f (Roxie Heart by Dynasty)

[Fairview 5 MR 71 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Honey's Legacy 3f (Honeytrap by Primo Dominie)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

Green Field 3c (Jade Empress by National Assembly)

[Fairview 5 MR 76 Handicap 1600m \(12/05\)](#)

### **ORATORIO** (Danehill)

Bayeto 3c (Aretha by Centenary)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1300m \(11/05\)](#)

King's Music 3c (Outcome by Muhtafal)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1800m \(11/05\)](#)

Sacred Touch 3c (Red Growler by Fort Wood)

[Fairview 4 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Daydream Believer 3f (Fine Feather by Best By Test)

[Greyville 8 MR 76 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1400m \(11/05\)](#)

Music Master 3c (Fine Wood by Fort Wood)

[Turffontein 5 Workriders Maiden Plate 2400m \(12/05\)](#)

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

[Greyville 5 MR 78 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1200m \(13/05\)](#)

Torio Lake 3c (Purple Lake by Lake Coniston)

[Greyville 7 MR 82 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1400m \(13/05\)](#)

Seraphic 3f (Menorah by Var)

[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(13/05\)](#)

### **TWICE OVER** (Observatory)

Good Lord Padmore 3c (Fire Tread by All Fired Up)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1800m \(11/05\)](#)

Ohsobright 3f (Sidera by Galileo)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1200m \(11/05\)](#)

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

[Fairview 5 MR 71 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1900m \(11/05\)](#)

Libra 3f (Sleek 'n Sassy by Captain Al)

[Fairview 8 MR 84 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1300m \(11/05\)](#)

Steffi's Graft 3f (Sublime Surge by Elliodor)

[Fairview 10 MR 66 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1300m \(11/05\)](#)

Ezieza 3f (Escoleta Fitz by Fitzcarraldo)

[Turffontein 6 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(12/05\)](#)

Run Red 3c (Foxtrot Baby by Lizard Island)

[Fairview 7 East Cape Derby \(3yo's\)\(Listed\) 2400m \(12/05\)](#)

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

Lady Lisha 3f (Miss Symphony by Kabool)

[Greyville 7 MR 62 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1400m \(11/05\)](#)

Sunny 3c (Gold Trip by Trippi)

[Fairview 2 Workriders Maiden Plate 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

Fort Winter 3c (Fort Fox by Fort Wood)

[Fairview 10 MR 76 Handicap 1000m \(12/05\)](#)

Winter Blues 3c (Dancing Penny by Danske)

[Greyville 4 MR82 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(13/05\)](#)

Cause And Effect 3f (Karma by Dr Fong)

[Greyville 5 MR 78 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1200m \(13/05\)](#)



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## Notable Maiden Winners

### FORT WOOD

Rated **AR73 BIEN VENUE** (2c Cio-Cio by Exchange Rate)

*Maiden Juvenile Plate Vaal (outside) (1200m) (3/5)*

Not the quickest into stride when the gates opened, Sean Tarry's charge raced in midfield during the early part of the race. He was ridden to lead approaching the 100m marker and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to score by a length and three quarters.

## Horses To Follow

### KING'S CHAPEL

Rated **AR69 BOCKSCAR** (4g Jellaba by Rakeen)

*MR68 Handicap Vaal (outside) (1200m) (3/5)*

After showing promise in his first two outings, this son of King's Chapel was off the track for 18 months. He's ran on well from off the pace to win both starts since his return, and won here quite a bit more easily than the official margin would suggest.

### TWICE OVER

Rated **AR100 DO IT AGAIN** (3g Sweet Virginia by Casey Tibbs)

*Gr2 Daisy Guineas Greyville (turf) (1600m) (4/5)*

Highly regarded by his stable from day one, Do It Again has been progressing very nicely, winning three of his six outings. He did have to work to get on terms here, but once realising what was expected of him, he won well.

### KING OF KINGS

Rated **AR94 RONNIE'S CANDY** (2f Bennie Andthe Jets by Jet Master)

*Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery Turffontein (stand side) (1160m) (5/5)*

After catching the eye running on stoutly from off the pace when placed in each of her first two starts, St John Gray's charge raced detached by two lengths at the back here. The field was always very tightly bunched though, and once given rein she quickened well. She struck the front going through the 200m and won going away by two and a half.

## Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

**Excellistic** (AUS) 33f Bernardini- Quality Time(AUS)  
(Elusive Quality)

*Scottsville 1400m (02/05)*

another **AUSHORSE** winner

**Atyaab** (AUS) 2c Dundee- Sylvaner(NZ) (Danasinga)  
*Turffontein 1600m (05/05)*

### Is Your Horse One To Follow?

Check the **Notable Maiden Winners & Horses for the Notebook** on this page

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

## SPORTS AND BETTING

## Battle For Top-Flight

Ajax vs Kaizer Chiefs | Saturday 12 May | Cape Town Stadium | 15:00



Ajax Cape Town will be fighting for their lives when their battle for top-flight status comes to its final round. In their way, is a Kaizer Chiefs side pushing for a third-place finish, which would see

the Glamour Boys qualify for next year's CAF Confederations Cup. The Urban Warriors' fate lie in their own hands, knowing that victory would keep them in the Absa Premiership, while anything but would put them in an uncomfortable relegation/play-off scramble. For one last time this season, let's take a look at the PSL's biggest encounter of the weekend.

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

### TO WIN

Ajax Cape Town 3/1

Draw 24/10

Kaizer Chiefs 17/20

### AJAX CAPE TOWN

Ajax Cape Town head into this clash with much to play for. Muhsin Ertugral's side have been drawn into an unwanted relegation battle this season, but have the chance to set things straight when they host Kaizer Chiefs on the final day of the campaign.

Ajax are currently 15th on the log standings, but because of SuperSport United and Baroka FC being held to stalemates last weekend, three points would guarantee safety. It's that simple.

The Cape-based side have enjoyed hosting Amakhosi in recent seasons, losing just once in the last seven meetings. It is about winning, however, with Ajax managing to better Chiefs on four of those occasions.

### KAIZER CHIEFS

Amakhosi will be gunning for a top three finish, which would almost overshadow the disappointment by the fans, left by Steve Komphela. With Kaizer Chiefs out of the Nedbank Cup, the only way into next year's CAF Confederations Cup would be to finish third – by matching the result of Maritzburg United, or bettering it.

In his two games as interim boss, Patrick Mabedi has given us no indication of what to expect in his final game. Against Golden Arrows – a fixture he should have won – Chiefs showed no fight and no passion, almost as if Komphela was still in charge.

And then against Maritzburg United – a fixture deemed unwinnable before kick-off – Mabedi gets the best out of the team, even pulling the likes of Sibusiso Khumalo and Edmore Chirambadare out of the Kaizer Chiefs archives.

**PREDICTION:** Ajax Cape Town (3/1)



CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

# In Another Country

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

## 6 From 12

**Scottsville 29 April**

The listed In Full Flight Handicap was the fastest of the three 1100m races in Pietermaritzburg on Sunday and here we saw a smart performance from the Western Cape visitor BOLD RESPECT. Soon up handy, Brett Crawford's charge raced prominent throughout. He was ridden to lead as they approached the 400m marker, and with the rest comfortably beaten he kept on strongly to fend off his stable companion SUNSET EYES.

The Gr3 Poinsettia Stakes was not surprisingly the faster of the two 1200m races and here the Sporting Post's best handicapped runner at 16/1 SOMMERLIED registered her sixth career victory. Not the quickest into stride when the gates opened, Dennis Drier's charge raced seventh for most of the journey. In a tightly bunched field though she was always positioned close to the speed. She put her head in front approaching the 200m pole and kept on strongly late to beat the gaining NEPTUNE'S RAIN by a neck.

The only other distance to stage more than one race was 1600m where by far the faster of the two events was the MR86 Handicap won by ALSHIBAA. Always top of the boards, Mike De Kock's charge was soon positioned close to the speed. He put his head in front shortly after passing the 200m marker and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to score by two and a quarter.

**Titbits** Now unbeaten in three starts, CUE THE MUSIC won the Gr3 Godolphin Barb Stakes over 1100m going away by three.

Saddle cloth number 12 won the opening maiden plate. The name of the horse was NUMBER EIGHT.

## Splendid Sixth Win

**Turffontein 1 May**

They raced on the inner track on Worker's Day where the quickest home in the four 1600m races was MAMBO SYMPHONY when causing an upset in the MR84 Handicap. Freely available at 22/1 on the off, Sporting Post's best handicapped runner was always handy. He was

asked to take up the running early in the short home straight and comfortably accounted for the much more fancied HELIOS by two and three quarters.

Another to win with authority on this card was GHOST RIDER when getting off the mark in the maiden 1600m. Nicely drawn in gate 2, the son of Captain Al was soon positioned close to the pace. He put his head in front approaching the 200m marker and drew clear easily in the latter stages of the race to score by four.

A MR96 Handicap over 1200m topped the bill and here it was nice to see the 6yo SPLENDID GARDEN gain his sixth career victory. Positioned second last turning for home, poorly drawn Splendid Garden looked to have more than enough to do. Once into stride though, the Black Minnaloushe gelding ran on best of all and won going away after striking the front 50m from home.

**Titbits** The 22/1 shot REVELATION came from the back of midfield when easily accounting for his twelve rivals in the MR68 Handicap over 1600m.

## Speed The Key

**Scottsville 2 May**

Racing returned to Pietermaritzburg on Wednesday where the fastest of the three 1200m races was the MR74 Handicap won by the grey ELUSIVE WOLF. In the rear early on, Dennis Bosch's charge ran on best of all when the race began in earnest and under a well-judged ride from Gunter Wrogemann, he got up late to deny the front running GOOD TO GIVE.

The MR86 Handicap was by far the faster of the two 1000m events and here SHE'S A FORTRESS won with authority. Out of the pens in a flash, the daughter of Fort Wood very quickly gained a length advantage. She kept up a healthy gallop throughout, and won without any anxious moments by two and three quarters.

In terms of distance, the easiest victory on the card was recorded by MISS CALYPSO when getting off the mark in the girl's division of the maiden juvenile plate over 1200m. Soon

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

Sommerlied ..... won 16/1  
 Splendid Garden ..... won 12/1  
 Tribal Fusion ..... won 6/1  
 Pumpkin Queen ..... won 16/10  
 Mac 'n Scar ..... won 8/11  
 Tia ..... won 8/11  
 Sky High ..... won 3/4  
 Return Flight ..... won 1/3

## Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

**FAIRVIEW (FRI)**

Race 1: (7) Tin Tan 13  
 Race 2: (5) Ohsobright 6  
 Race 3: (1) Incomodation 7  
 Race 4: (6) Big Jay's 7  
 Race 5: (3) Sanctuary 35  
 Race 6: (6) Data Link 41  
 Race 7: (11) Sao Paulo 68  
 Race 8: (13) Libra 66  
 Race 9: (14) Equestris 40  
 Race 10: (16) Harvey Spector 38

**GREYVILLE (FRI)**

Race 1: (6) Prince Ardent 15  
 Race 2: (11) Goldings 31  
 Race 3: (9) First Apostle 27  
 Race 4: (14) Maybe 29  
 Race 5: (14) Aznerak 39  
**Race 6: (5) Ishnana 63 (NAP\*)**  
 Race 7: (11) Lady Lisha 42  
 Race 8: (8) Dunzie 38

**TURFFONTEIN (SAT)**

Race 1: (4) Go Thuli Go 10  
 Race 2: (5) Battle Front 14  
 Race 3: (1) Hurrnicane Lass 14  
 Race 4: (8) Queen Of War 12  
 Race 5: (1) Imoto 11  
**Race 6: (1) New Zealand 16 (NAP\*\*)**  
 Race 7: (11) Candela 14  
**Race 8: (14) Alnaisl 7 (nb)**

**FAIRVIEW (SAT)**

Race 1: (7) Seattle Empress 7  
 Race 2: (2) Perfect Peace 28  
 Race 3: (2) Klever Kathy 17  
 Race 4: (2) Chick With Stick 7  
 Race 5: (12) Armstrong's Boy 54  
**Race 6: (6) Madame Speaker 38 (NAP\*)**  
 Race 7: (13) Queen Forever 63  
 Race 8: (1) Brutal Force 77  
 Race 9: (1) Star Burst Galaxy 67  
 Race 10: (12) Arcsign 51

**GREYVILLE (SUN)**

Race 1: (2) Farland 8  
 Race 2: (2) Lucara 19  
 Race 3: (10) Vanity Fair 41  
 Race 4: (9) Socrates 56  
 Race 5: (2) Rainbowinthesky 44  
 Race 6: (12) Arran Isles 21  
 Race 7: (12) Minaloushe Venture 52  
 Race 8: (2) Silver Prancer 21

**Nap bets**

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## CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

prominent, Gavin Van Zyl's charge took up the running 500m out and went on to win going away by four.

**Titbits** *Returning from an eighteen week break here, the Western Cape visitor MADE TO CONQUER won the bill topping MR87 Handicap over 1950m very comfortably by three and a quarter.*

## Better Than Margin Suggests

**Vaal 3 May**

A half of the eight races on the outside track on Thursday were run over 1200m and stopping the clock in the fastest time amongst these was BOCKSCAR when completing a smart double in the MR68 Handicap over 1200m. Sent off a strong favourite, Sean Tarry's charge was easily five lengths adrift of the front running CERTIFIABLE going through the 400m. He quickened in good style from there onwards though, and just as if scripted he got up very late to score by a neck.

Three of the four remaining races were run over 1400m and quickest home amongst these was KING OF MANI when causing an upset in the MR67 affair. Freely available at 30/1 on the off, the 4yo son of Kahal was soon positioned up with the speed. He kept on strongly over the final 400m and just held on from the 6yo WOTTAHOTIE by a neck.

A MR62 Handicap over 1600m rounded off the afternoon's fare and here we saw a comfortable victory for SNOW PATH. Backed into favouritism at the track, Brian Wiid's charge raced second early on. She put her head in front shortly after passing the 400m marker and won going away by two and three quarters.

**Titbits** *Detached at the rear after losing two lengths at the start, runner up SAINTS*

*ALIVE ran on stoutly over the final 400m when beaten less than a length in the girl's division of the maiden juvenile plate over 1200m.*

## Shocking Stuff

**Greyville 4 May**

Run in a time 2,9 seconds faster than either of the other two 1400m events was the Gr2 Drill Hall Stakes, and here we saw a smart performance from the visiting PEROVSKIA. Freely available at 18/1 on the off, Harold Crawford's charge was soon up handy. He ran on strongly in the short home straight and after a thrilling tussle with the favourite UNDERCOVER AGENT, he got the verdict by a head.

The Gr2 Fillies Guineas was next up and here another upset was to be had when the 5/8 favourite SNOWDANCE got rolled. Off the track since winning the Gr1 Majorca Stakes at Kenilworth on Met Day, Justin Snaith's charge attempted to make all. Perhaps just in need of the run though, she was pipped in the very last stride by the 11/1 shot FIORELLA.

The stable of Justin Snaith did go one better in the more slowly run Gr2 Guineas though, when DO IT AGAIN landed the spoils. Never the quickest into stride, the highly regarded Twice Over gelding raced at the back early. He ran on best of all when the race developed into a sprint 400m out and went on to score a bit more easily than the official winning margin of a length and a quarter would suggest.

**Titbits** *TRIBAL FUSION had the rest well beaten when getting the better of WOLJAYRINE by a half in the pinnacle stakes over 1200m*

## Notebook Horses worth following at their next few starts...

**BOCKSCAR** (S Tarry, Gauteng)  
**CUE THE MUSIC** (D Bosch, KZN)  
**DO IT AGAIN** (J Snaith, KZN)  
**MADE TO CONQUER** (J Snaith, KZN)

## FASTEST TIMES

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

### SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 29 APRIL

Penetrometer 25 – Going G/Soft	
Course Variant: 0,68s fast (straight)	
1100m (3) Bold Respect	60,81
1200m (2) Sommerlied	67,49
1400m (1) Ashfahan	83,27
1500m (1) Gimme A Brake Nate	92,80
1600m (2) Don Pierro	97,11

### TURFFONTEIN (INNER) 1 MAY

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 1,28s slow	
1000m (1) Arikel	59,33
1200m (1) Splendid Garden	71,03
1600m (4) Mambo Symphony	97,93
2000m (1) Bosphorus	126,75
3000m (1) Tapenzee	191,85*

### SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 2 MAY

Penetrometer 23 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,03s slow	
1000m (2) She's A Fortress	56,08
1200m (3) Elusive Wolf	68,79
1400m (1) Excellistic	85,04
1600m (1) Haylor	96,30
1750m (1) Pumpkin Queen	107,89
1950m (1) Made To Conquer	120,99

### VAAL (OUTSIDE) 3 MAY

Penetrometer 23 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,76s slow	
1200m (4) Bockscar	70,34
1400m (3) King Of Mani	82,99
1600m (1) Snow Path	95,98

### GREYVILLE (TURF) 4 MAY

Penetrometer 20 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,46s fast (turf)	
1000m (1) Outlandos D'amour	58,50T
1000m (2) Jardin	58,40P
1200m (1) Tribal Fusion	69,59T
1400m (3) Perovskia	82,16T
1600m (2) Fiorella	95,73T
2000m (1) Big Blue Sea	124,67T
2400m (1) Top Classman	151,85T

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