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THIS WEEKEND

FAIRVIEW POLY Friday
Best Roving Banker:
R4-(1) At The Office (12/10)

TURFFONTEIN Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
R2-(3) Port Key (5/2)

KENILWORTH Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
R3-(6) Double Reward (1/1)

HOLLYWOODBETS
GREYVILLE POLY Sunday
Best Roving Banker:
R2-(1) Dickens (12/10)

You may have missed...

Friday 30 August
Fairview – race 9
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Best Handicapped

Tundra
WON 8/1 😊



Pauline Herman Photography

Park's Pride! Hedley McGrath, Marilyn Smith, Kayla Bremner McGrath, Yvette Bremner & Mark Wright

PE's National Pride

Whether we are talking racing or politics it's amazing the difference a year makes. Twelve months ago National Park was bizarrely not considered good enough to make the nominations list in the 2yo category. On Wednesday evening the fabulous athlete was crowned East Cape Horse Of The Year and Champion 3yo Colt/ Gelding.

The saga of what went down in that strange omission a year ago has probably been filed with the then Convenor of the East Cape Awards panel, Thulani Khanyile, who has since left the industry.

Despite being included in the nominations after an outcry from the National Park owners, the smart galloper was overlooked with the committee siding with Alfeo, a deserving recipient in the end, who had won 3 of his 6 starts, including a stakes feature.

But in sport and life, all that acrimony is now muddy

water under the bridge as Wednesday evening's function hailed National Park a horse with a great record and a bright future.

National Park's big moment of the season came when he downed Hawwaam in the Gr2 Gauteng Guineas at Turffontein in February.

He is a son of Gimmethegreenlight (More Than Ready) out of six-time winner, Fancy Park (Camden Park).

A R240 000 National Yearling Sale graduate, National Park was bred by Knysna-based Rob Knuppe's Missing U

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HIGHLANDS



Cup Glory for Son of CANFORD CLIFFS (IRE)

WAR GLORY (IRE) 2013
by Canford Cliffs - Attracted to You (IRE)
Wins Britain & Ireland's Richest Race on Saturday
Chelmsford City Cup, 1400m £100,000
Trainer: R Hannon, Owner: Mr Mohamed Saeed Al Shahi, Jockey: S M Levey.

PE'S NATIONAL PRIDE

Syndicate, who also races the gelding in partnership with Hedley McGrath, Bryn Ressel and Mark Wright.

The Missing U Syndicate's Rob Knuppe and his partner, Port Elizabeth Attorney Jonathan Connellan, were absent from the celebrations, but can feel justly proud of their achievement with a Camden Park mare that was picked up for just R5 000.

A breeder with an extraordinary strike-rate from small numbers, Knysna-based Rob Knuppe said he was 'thrilled and proud'. He explained that he had scientifically matched the sadly now deceased Fancy Park with Gimmethegreenlight.

"I worked out that she was the perfect match. She was also only the second mare I ever sent to Gimmethegreenlight. The first produced a foal that died suddenly as a 2yo," said Rob.

National Park has not seen action since May, when he chased Twist Of Fate home in the KZN Guineas at Hollywoodbets Greyville.

With no races open to him in Port Elizabeth, he looks a perfect candidate for a tilt at the L'Ormarins Queen's Plate in a massive Cape Summer Season that includes SA Horse Of The Year Do It Again, Sun Met winner Rainbow Bridge and De Kock's bomb, Hawwaam.

With all of his great victories having been achieved with the duress of having to travel, the champion's top lady-trainer Yvette Bremner could well be tempted to base a small string in the Cape. Against the very best, National Park needs to be at the top of his game.

Yvette has proven that she has refined the long distance travel-and-strike attack. She demonstrated it at Kenilworth last December when her super-fast 4yo Princess Rebel ran her high-class opposition off their feet to win the R400 000 Gr2 Southern Cross Stakes.

See all the award winners on page 3

One Year Later...

Just as National Park was announced as the Horse Of The Year and the music was being turned up at Fairview last evening, the outgoing East Cape Horse Of The Year Starburst Galaxy gave birth to a beautiful Oratorio filly foal 1000km away at Avontuur Stud near Somerset West. The extraordinary timing was not lost on Avontuur GM Pippa Mickleburgh, who was thrilled to announce the birth.

"She's gorgeous. Mum is a champion and was a star for her first foal. She's now going to Silvano," said the veteran Breeder, who was also excited to hear that Oratorio's daughter Carlita had been named Champion 3yo Filly.

Bred by Dr Ian Heyns, Star Burst Galaxy is out of the three-time winning Majestic Star (Doowaley).

Originally purchased off the 2015 Emperors Palace Select Yearling Sale for R800 000, she changed hands and was trained by Tara Laing for Etienne Braun and Paul Loomes.

WEEKEND RACING

It's Competitive!

Sophomore Sprint (L) Kenilworth Saturday

With much of the field having their first run as a 3yo, Western Cape racing's opening feature of the season, the R150 000 Listed Sophomore Sprint, sets the tone for what should be a sizzling summer on all fronts.



Three Two Charlie | JC Photos

As the name indicates, the class are now in their second year at school.

Apparently the word 'sophomore' is derived from the Greek terms, sophos, meaning 'wise', and moros, meaning 'foolish, dull'. So while the connotation is not exactly flattering, these are some of our potential future equine stars that could be entertaining us over the next few seasons.

Run over the Kenilworth straight 1200m, the race is restricted to 3yo's and the weights are framed with a base of 52kgs for maidens and one-time winners, with each additional win attracting a 2kg penalty. Over and above that, Graded and Listed winners are hit with penalties. After all that, nine one-time winners and a maiden will line up at level weights.

The Sporting Post top-rated King Of Gems was a 12-1 winner of his debut start over the course and distance in April and after two fair sprints, he produced an eye-catching fourth under two lengths off Snow Report in the Langerman. While his stablemate Finding Camelot finished a length ahead there, and on jockey engagements appears to be the stable elect, King Of Gems must be a serious contender.

While Finding Camelot is also the officially top-rated runner in the field, he could find the 1200m on the sharp side and has already shown a preference for the mile.

Captain Tatters beat Langerman winner Snow Report on debut and then ran on well for second behind the Hong Kong-bound Armando in the Somerset 1200. Rested 17 weeks, it is difficult discarding the Fourie – Snaith combination on any day, and he should be included.

The speedy Ground Control was a length behind Captain Tatters in the Somerset, and then choked up when trailed off at his only start this term. He looks much better than that and could make amends.

Three Two Charlie followed up Durbanville maiden win with a 3,25 length third behind Armando in the Cape Nursery. His first start this season saw him staying on

Sophomore Sprint (L) past winners

Year	Rank	Name	Time	Age	Sex	Weight
2017	1	Lord Balmoral	55.0	(4)	18/10	
	2	Bishop's Bounty	57.0	(2)	7/2	
	3	Pillar Of Hercules	55.0	(3)	8/1	
2018 (Jan)	1	Sir Frenchie	56.0	(5)	15/1	
	2	Bold Respect	56.0	(3)	2/1	
	3	Woljayrine	58.0	(7)	15/1	
2018 (Sep)	1	Pleased to meet you	58.0	(2)	16/10	
	2	Elusive Trader	60.0	(1)	9/1	
	3	Top Of The Class	58.0	(3)	11/1	

START
4:25PM
Kenilworth

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PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3
SOPHOMORE SPRINT (3YO'S)(LISTED)
- 1200M - SAME TRAINER:(1-2)(3-5)

Camelot	1	FINDING CAMELOT (BJ Crawford) C Orffer	3	60.0
Kingsbarns	2	KING OF GEMS (BJ Crawford) D Dillon	1	60.0
Trippi	3	CONSTABLE (C Bass-Robinson) K De Melo	8	60.0
Gimmethegreenlight	4	CAPTAIN TATTERS (J Snaith) R Fourie	9	60.0
What A Winter	5	THREE TWO CHARLIE (C Bass-Robinson) G Cheyne	6	60.0
Gimmethegreenlight	6	DJOCKOVIC (J Ramsden) O Noach	10	60.0
Var	7	GROUND CONTROL (VH Marshall) M Byleveld	7	60.0
Captain Al	8	CALL ME AL (M Robinson) A Andrews	4	60.0
Where's That Tiger	9	WARRIOR TIGER (Piet Botha) G Behr	2	60.0
Soft Falling Rain	10	HARDFALLINGRAIN (GS Kotzen) M Winnaar	5	60.0

WEEKEND RACING

late behind the highly regarded Macthief at Durbanville last week. He will be sharper this time.

His stablemate Constable has not seen action since his course and distance maiden victory fourteen weeks ago. He has plenty of scope for improvement.

Djokocovic had excuses in the Langerman and may be better reverting to the sprint track.

Piet Botha's Warrior Tiger looks to have it tough as a thrice raced maiden.

Call Me Al ran green on debut but then improved to win his second start. He is another who could be anywhere on the improvement scale.

Glen Kotzen's Hardfallingrain has produced two good runs over Saturday's track and trip – winning his second start. He falls into the same category as Call Me Al.

King Of Gems, Captain Tatters and Ground Control could be the three to fight it out – with Three Two Charlie the fit dark horse. The recent maiden winners have scope and a surprise cannot be ruled out.

Two Strong Men

The Sophomore boasts some good winners over the years- most noteworthy probably are 2012 victor Tevez and Hong Kong export Strongman (2013). The latter, a half-brother to SA Horse Of The Year Do It Again, raced under the name of Horse Of Fortune in the East.

The Avontuur-bred Caesour gelding Tevez bowed out of a distinguished track career in February this year. Mike Bass and daughter Candice Bass-Robinson trained the soldier who had his first start at Kenilworth seven years ago. Tevez peaked with a terrific double in the Merchants of 2013/14. The well-related gelding retired with 9 wins and 22 places from 54 starts for stakes of over R1,5 million.

Glen Puller trained Strongman to win the Sophomore in 2013 under Karl Neisius. The 8yo retired just a month after Tevez following his victory in the Gr1 Macau Hong Kong Trophy at Taipa. After winning his first three starts for Puller, he was exported and won another seven races- amassing well over R20 million in stakes. Strongman was bred by Northfields Stud, by Stronghold out of Casey Tibbs daughter, Sweet Virginia.

NEWS

EAST CAPE RACING AWARDS

Winners

CHAMPION 2YO FILLY
Luna Wish

CHAMPION 2YO COLT/GELDING
Hooves Of Troy

CHAMPION 3YO FILLY
Carlita

CHAMPION 3YO COLT/GELDING
National Park

CHAMPION OLDER FILLY/MARE
Princess Rebel

CHAMPION OLDER COLT/GELDING/HORSE
Quinlan

CHAMPION SPRINTER
Princess Rebel

CHAMPION STAYER
Onesie

CHAMPION POLY TRACK COLT/GELDING
Let's Play Ball

CHAMPION POLY TRACK FILLY/MARE
Maverick Girl

CHAMPION JOCKEY
Greg Cheyne

CHAMPION TRAINER
Alan Greeff

CHAMPION APPRENTICE
Lyle Hewitson

CHAMPION OWNER
Messrs CG & LF Scribante

HORSE OF THE YEAR
National Park

CHAMPION GROOM
Mr B Magquthela

CHAMPION WORK RIDER
Mr M Mkhwambi

CHAMPION LOCAL JOCKEY
Teaque Gould

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Alan Greeff – New Record – 176 Wins

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Greg Cheyne – New Record – 116 Wins

LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
George Uren: 1970 – 2019

Watch The Interviews

In an effort to promote transparency and act as the bridge connecting the sport of horseracing's loyal punters to the people, jockeys and trainers, whose insights could help them back winners on a daily basis, TAB Online will now afford punters the opportunity to view post-race interviews on their website.

And they will be up about 10 minutes after each interview has been broadcast live on Tellytrack.

TAB state that the good news is, you will not have to spend a single cent of your money on a subscription fee. It is free, so you can spend a little extra on punting.

These interviews will be up for every single meeting in South Africa and you can even watch them on your cell phone. You are also provided the option of changing the video resolution, just in case you are looking to save data.

Another positive is that these videos will be archived on the site so you can go back as far back as three months or more to refresh your memory if you wish. [Here's the link](#)

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KIMBERLEY

Kimberley - Another Phumelela Disaster

This industry is far too sensitive to accept constructive criticism. Right now we need people of courage to save us and say what it takes – without fear of reprisal.

Vastly experienced racing personality and former trainer James Goodman put pen to paper and poses a few questions of his own.

Closing the Kimberley track is just another of the long list of Phumelela disasters.

Under their watch racecourses have been closed and the land sold. Stakes have not kept up with inflation. And now Kimberley to be closed because it runs at a R23m loss.

Phumelela has known this for years but done nothing to alleviate the loss. This loss is not sudden! Why the loss? Phumelela suggest it is running costs.

Then why not start by cutting the running costs by creating local staff for the running of the race meetings?

There should be no subsidies.

Create a workable operation – budget properly and get the racecourse to fit the framework,

Maybe change the Kimberley festival to be a self-sufficient event. I can just imagine how much that costs!

Love or hate Kimberley, it is a working part of our industry which gives many horses a second chance. It fills a gap on Mondays.

If management had just rather sat down and talked to the Kimberley racing community about cutting the losses by way of some very strict money saving initiatives – surely they would have preferred austerity measures with a business plan, as opposed to closure?

Sadly, I am sure the Kimberly community would. But not Phumelela.

It has always been mooted that the industry would be wealthier by not running racemeetings in SA. Well this is simply the next step in that process and backs the theory.

Phumelela has not got racing in SA's interest as its core business – overseas betting is the focus. It has been an enrichment programme for shareholders.

But that has collapsed.

The share price says it all and share prices in the public domain reflect the health of the company. It's critical!

He writes that one only has to look at the controversy caused by Bradford Smith's personal views on Randjesfontein and then the announcement on Thursday of the closing of Kimberley.

What I have to say will probably not please many in positions of power in racing.

Who actually cares if Bradford Smith says Randjesfontein is not what it should be?

Remember he comes from a racecourse and training centre where everything is pristine. He built it out of the desert. He also had a hand in building Randjesfontein.

The hullabaloo was simply caused by him saying that, in his opinion, the centre is not what it should be.

The knee-jerk reaction was to pull Winning ways, censure Goodman, and then implement ridiculous propaganda type damage control by getting trainers from Randjesfontein to counter Smith's comments.

It's childish and shows how sensitive this industry is to criticism.

Is Randjesfontein really in the pristine condition they would have us believe by the slew of trainers extolling the virtues of the centre on Tellytrack?

There is plenty wrong.

The sand tracks are much narrower, as is shown by the base not being fully covered by sand. The rails are antiquated.

The horse rings are the same as 20 years ago, with more wear and tear. Fences and the posts and rails are dilapidated. The stables could do with a coat of paint and the doors and window frames are crying out for a varnish.

The Bullring is a restaurant cum bar, that lacks soul. It has no atmosphere and lacks class. Whoever built it cannot be proud of it! Chairs and tables are uncomfortable. I am sure it runs at a huge loss.

Randjesfontein was the premier training centre in South Africa and that is why Brad Smith was head-hunted to build Qatar. I am quite sure that training horses at the centre works – as is borne out by the successes of the resident trainers!

So, while Randjesfontein adequately serves as a centre to train horses, why does it languish in the condition it does?

I was at Randjesfontein on Friday 16 August and these were my observations. Smith was there during October 2018 and maybe the tracks were being redone.

The heart of this problem is Phumelela and their employees are reactive, as is shown by the response on Tellytrack. I believe racing should be proactive.

How much better would this have been handled if they had just said: "Hey, there MIGHT well be some substance to this view so let's handle it at source and see what comes up!"

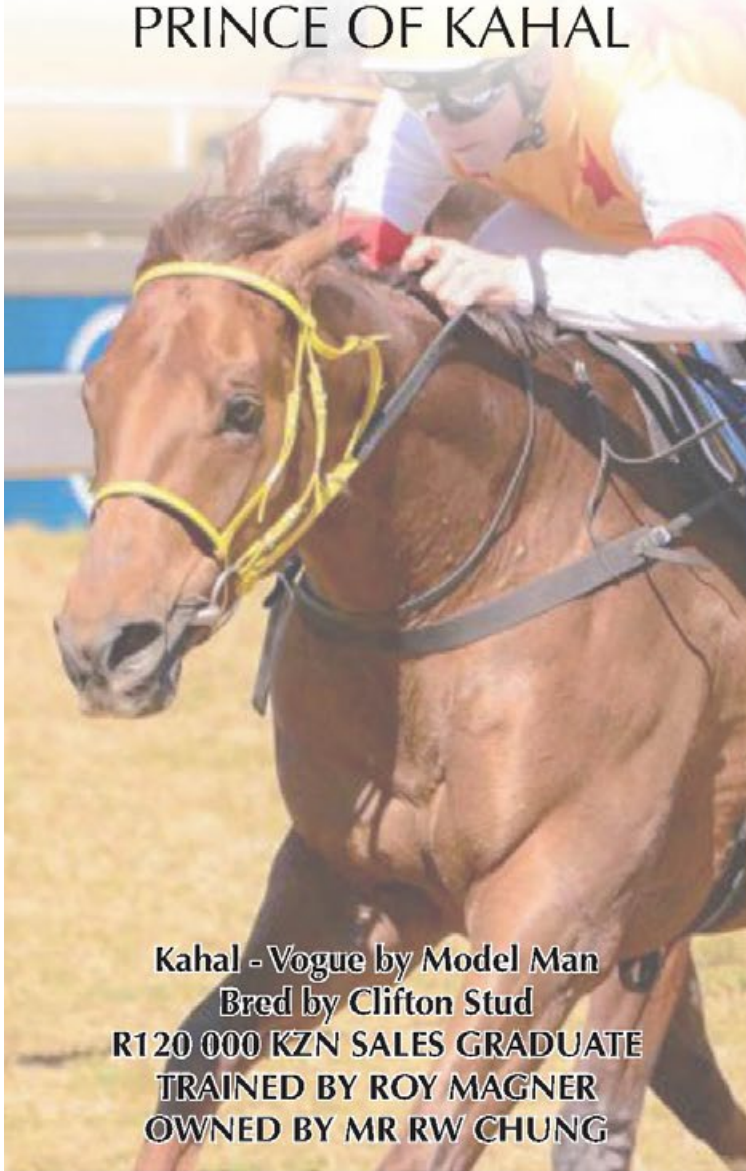
To produce a whole host of TV interviews with trainers saying how wonderful everything is – when they patently know all is not great – is a source of great worry.

We need people of courage to save us. Let's have the forum to say what it takes in the interests of the betterment of the game – and not individual power players – without fear of reprisal.

Come on people, please, let's do it!

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KIMBERLEY

Racecourse Closure Shock

Flamingo Park Racecourse will stage its last meeting on Monday 9 December.

“The decision is based purely on commercial factors,” explained Phumelela Racing Executive Patrick Davis on Thursday last week.

“A financial analysis conducted on Kimberley Racing in isolation from the other racecourses, indicated it was losing around R23.5 million a year. It has the lowest TAB turnover of any of local race meeting at around R3 million.

“It is also one of the least cost-effective meetings to stage as we have to bring in people like stipes, judges etc from other centres. The last race meeting will take place on Monday 9 December after which Flamingo Park will close as both a training facility and a racecourse.”

Davis and Racing Association CEO Larry Wainstein recently went to Kimberley to discuss the move with the Kimberley trainers and their staff, also assuring them they would not be left in the lurch.

“Phumelela will support the trainers and all their grooms to relocate to another venue. Over the next month or so we will be in discussions as to where they wish to move. The options are the Vaal, Port Elizabeth and Cape Town,” said Davis.

“The general consensus is that they will go in different directions.”

As a result of the closure, the 2020 fixture list has been juggled to accommodate 20 of those 36 meetings. The plan is they will be held at either the Vaal or Port Elizabeth and will be programmed with Kimberley-level stakes and race programmes.

“We will also include some kind of protection clause for former Kimberley-based trainers at those extra meetings,” said Davis.

Press release by Phumelela Gaming & Leisure on Thursday 29 August 2019

Now It's Kempton

With stakeholders and the racing public still reeling from the announcement of South African horseracing's worst kept secret, the dumping of Northern Cape Racing, a British track could follow a similar route.

The Jockey Club plans to sell Kempton Park, with plans afoot to build 3000 houses on the 230-acre site where racing has been run since 1878,

Ladbrokes signed a new five-year deal on Thursday to back the two day Winter Festival at Kempton, but this will not be changing anybody's minds to sell for £600m.

The likelihood that Kempton would be closed appeared to recede in March 2018 when an assessment of Spelthorne council's green belt land found Kempton was 'strongly performing' in fulfilling the purposes of the green belt.

Competition - That Could Be The Answer!

In something of a bizarre twist following the announcement on Thursday of the closure of Kimberley, the Gauteng Gambling Board has called for expressions of interest to develop, own and operate a racemeeting licence and to operate a Totalisator licence in Gauteng.

The undated notice in the possession of the Sporting Post states that there is currently only one licence for both in Gauteng and as the statement confirms, that was issued at the dawn of the democratic dispensation in SA.

In the interests of fostering competition in the horseracing betting industry, the board wishes to establish whether there is an appetite and need for additional racemeeting and totalisator licences.

The closing date for submissions of interest is 30 September 2019.

Read more on www.sportingpost.co.za

Cape In Shape?

Western Cape Owners and Trainers have been invited to an address which will cover a number of changes which have to be considered to ensure the racing industry's sustainability.

All owners, and not only Racing Association Members, together with trainers have been invited to the meeting by RA CEO, Larry Wainstein.

The meeting is to be held at Kenilworth Racecourse on Monday 9 September at 18h00.

Various interest groups have expressed an interest in having a long overdue say. It could be an interesting evening!

Inquiries may be addressed to the Racing Association's Jeanette Schuter at Tel: 021 762 3094.



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PERSONALITY

Kimberley Racing

Death Of A Racecourse

The two men from Johannesburg walked in to the hastily arranged meeting at Flamingo Park. Months of uncertainty and rumour crashed head-on in a screeching collision as they said Kimberley would close on 9 December. They rattled off a few numbers, looked slightly apologetic and shrugged their shoulders. That was it. A community wiped out in a matter of minutes.

The mostly salt-of-the-earth Kimberley racing community is currently still reeling in shock after both Phumelela and the Racing Association quite matter-of-factly pulled the plug on careers and lives a week ago.

Decades of tradition, a dream initiated by Harry Oppenheimer, of blood, sweat and tears. It all went up in smoke – and all they got from the bearers of the tragic news, Patrick Davis and Larry Wainstein, was three months and some unrealistic offers of compensation to sort themselves out.

These are sensitive days. Few are prepared to go on record – and we know that bad things happen to people who express their opinion in this game. But how much worse can it actually get?

“One gets the sense that they have hardly applied their minds. Wainstein did most of the talking- why? The RA doesn’t have a strong representation down here. And shouldn’t they have been the balancing act with their member’s interests when it came to negotiations with Phumelela? The irony is, neither of the messengers arrived with a pen or paper. They said the numbers were in their heads. That’s insensitive arrogance personified,” suggested an unimpressed local.

The alleged loss figures of R23,5 million per year are being questioned as inflated and ‘convenient’ as no supporting documentation or a presentation was provided to back up the story.

“The security here costs R60 000 per month. The bus costs R35 000. That’s just two sets of expenses that could be better managed. But we are not privy to anything. Zero consultation.

What happened to the constitution, the law of the land and plain common courtesy?” asked an angry owner.

The rumour mill about the track’s closure has been circulating for many months. Trainer Leon Lotz approached the Sporting Post months ago as he was wary of purchasing more horses.

They say that Wainstein told them a few months ago it wouldn’t happen ‘if I could help it.’

“That’s the real pain of it. They never came to talk to us. They never said things are chronic. They never asked for input, suggestions or for a solution that was workable. They were walking around here at the Kimberley Festival on 3 August as if we were looking forward to a big season ahead. Now it’s a half-baked poorly thought out gun-to-the-head ransom demand and there is three months left to rip out our roots – our children – our homes,” added the owner, who said he would be relinquishing his colours.

He also questioned the complete absence of the National Horseracing Authority in the process.

“The NHRA are the custodians of the sport. Should they not exercise a policing oversight role? This is a logistical and PR time-bomb of enormous impact. Shooting hundreds of horses as a result of a grossly mismanaged racing industry is going to look great on the front page of the Sunday papers. I’m sure new owners and sponsors will be queueing up. It’s a shocking indictment on the fatcats who drive the BMW’s and live on expense accounts. I’m starting to understand why ordinary people resort to radical action. Wait till the ANC and EFF hear what the industry has done to honest, hard-working people.”



KIMBERLEY RACING



Cliffie Miller

Corrie Lensley

Jarrett Rugg

Oppenheimer

Diamonds were discovered close on 150 years ago in the Northern Cape.

The late Harry Oppenheimer's great passion for horseracing, coupled with his support for the Chief Race Steward of the then Griqualand West Racing Club, 'Sailor Malan', saw him donate the land in 1957 – the racecourse still used today after undergoing a multimillion rand refurbishment in 2005 and being renamed, Flamingo Park.

The closure of racecourses, while a symptom of the collateral damage of the economic realities facing the sport, is a naturally emotive issue. And with Clairwood the most recent casualty in 2014, following the likes of Arlington, Bloemfontein, Newmarket and Germiston, the demise of the only sand track in the country and a vital cog in the wheel of equine excellence – or a lack of it – will be a blow.

"I was shocked to hear they are closing Flamingo Park at the end of this year," trainer Leon Lotz told the Sporting Post in June, after picking up on the track rumblings that have been doing the rounds for some time.

Lotz, who conceded that he was not the top trainer in the Northern Cape or anywhere else for that matter, said that he felt that the closure would have a knock on effect on the 'food chain' for the breeders and owners as a start. His old owners in Hoopstad wanted to renew their colours, but they decided tonight not to and just handed him the horses that he bought recently.

"Kimberley is an alternative for horses that are not good enough to race in the bigger centres. It's an option for owners to earn with horses that don't make the grade elsewhere. As smaller trainers we purchase at the second-hand markets like the Shongweni Sale and the Super Sale at Greyville. We may be at the very bottom of the ladder, but Kimberley is an important cog in the wheel."

He is 100% correct – KZN trainers are already asking, where to now, for their polytrack slow-coaches who did so well on the sand.

Looking at his personal position, Lotz said that his farm was within striking range of both Flamingo Park and Fairview, but that the latter was much stronger.

"I was looking at the options and have spent considerable cash relative to my personal budget in the past few months and had intended to go and bid on a few horses at Greyville in June. I decided not to put a noose round my neck, given this news," he added.

Lotz also made the point that since Stipendiary Steward David Rahlilly had been permanently based in the Northern Cape, the centre was being strictly policed and professionally managed.

While Flamingo Park racing cannot match betting turnovers

achieved on a Monday in the bigger racing centres, the point made by Lotz that it is a strategic component in the SA horseracing economy is fair comment.

Sleepless Nights

Trainer Jarrett Rugg says he is one of the 'luckier guys'. At the age of 37 he doesn't have a wife and kids to worry about.

"I took over from my late Dad's cousin Duncan McKenzie two years ago. This is a major shock. We have all existed from month to month here – but life has been good. Now I suffer sleepless nights and headaches. Duncan has offered to help me at Fairview. And we have been given six months rent-free there. But I am worried – I only have 33 horses. I may have to leave some behind. I will have to up my keep costs as wages are more expensive on the coast. My owners have pledged their support," he said.

A born-and-bred local, reigning champion conditioner Cliffie Miller said on the SP comments platform that this was a very sad time.

"I have lived my life and given everything to this place for 43 years - now it has come to this. Easy to say we must move, but some of us have property that's paid for – and we can't just pack up and go. Will the operator help towards a new property seeing that they uprooted me? We have families living on the property, with kids - where to now? All the horses can't go to the other centres- must we kill them for the sake of survival? We can't do that, I'm sorry. But if we now all of a sudden are running at that loss why did this not happen earlier? "

We asked in an email not even a month ago about the rumours- but they were in denial about it. We must pray that somebody out there sees our plight and comes to the rescue for the only sand track in the country. I can only pray to God for guidance."

Tragedy

Emmie La Grange, who is assistant to her husband Corrie Lensley – they got married at Flamingo Park- said she was deeply concerned about the impact on the families and the community – with HIV prevalent- the 280 odd horses, and all the cats and dogs that made up the colourful community.

The Lensley yard is one of the few to employ female Grooms. Emmie is worried what happens now as females are unlikely to be able to move to the coast or Vaal.

"Our staff are our family. I help the children with their homework. We put plasters on their feet. We have one little chap who goes to a model 'C' school here with our help. What happens now? This is a unique situation as the staff and their families live on the premises."

Corrie, who says that he could probably have 20% of his current string running in a stronger centre – but not necessarily winning races- says that behind the mines and the government, he felt that horseracing was probably the third biggest provider of employment in the region.

"The local co-op stock all our feed – they employ people too. There are other peripheral service providers who will suffer too," adds former multiple champion trainer Corrie.

He lamented the devastating reality of the majority of the horses having to be culled.

"The sport horse market here is limited. One can sit for months looking for a home for two horses. Now flooding the market with hundreds of horses could be catastrophic," he says sadly.

How was this tragedy allowed to happen?

NEWS

Don't Adjust Your Set

Tellytrack viewers can expect two short breaks in the television transmission every day from 8 September to 15 September at around 07h29 and 09h00 due to the spring solar outage.

The longest breaks in transmission will be on Wednesday 11 and Thursday 12 September.

The time and duration of the daily outage will vary, with a progressively shorter outage for the 3 to 4 days either side of 11 and 12 September.

A solar outage – also called a sun transit or sun fade – is an interruption or distortion of geostationary satellite signals caused by interference (background noise) of the sun, when the sun aligns directly with a satellite and the earth station it is receiving or transmitting data to.

It usually occurs briefly twice per year after the March equinox and before the September equinox for the Southern Hemisphere.

Given that all geostationary satellites are over the same geographic plane—the equator—and orbiting at the same distance, 36 000 km, the solar outage will apply to every antenna at a given location.

For instance, if there are four antennas looking at four different satellites, the solar outage will travel through all four satellites and antennas at that location on the same day. The four events will happen at different times of day for each satellite, as Earth's rotation creates alignment.

As Tellytrack uses two different satellites for incoming racing – the Measat and the IS-20 – the solar outages will happen twice daily. - *Tabnews*



Set For Summer

The R2 million Summer Cup is our first Gr1 of the season and is run over 2000m at Turffontein on 30 November.

The first entries close at 11h00 on Wednesday 25 September.

The NHRA Handicappers will publish a series of Logs from 27 September.

Second entries close at 11h00 on Monday 4 November on which dates the weights are published.

The final chance for entries closes at 11h00 on Monday 18 November.

Declarations are due by 11h00 on Tuesday 19 November. The final field will be announced the same day.

Draws will be done on Wednesday 20 November.

Phumelela Gaming & Leisure reserves the right to have an input into the compilation of the Logs and in determining the Final Field.

[Get your tickets here](#)

Nic's Good Buy!

Justin Snaith and Richard Fourie were in top form at Kenilworth on Wednesday with a lovely treble, that included a second straight victory for the Silvano gelding, Sachdev.

"I thought Nic Jonsson had overpaid initially. But, now he's looking cheap!" said Snaith after Fourie had produced the gelding late in the 1200m contest.

South Africa's Champion Sire of 2018-2019, the triple G1 winning Silvano looks to have produced another very high-class performer.

A three-parts brother to the Silvano sired Gr1 Cape Derby winner Bravura, the Normandy Stud-bred Sachdev made it two wins from as many starts with an impressive display. Sent off 33-10 favourite, Sachdev powered home from well off the pace and got up close home to win by two lengths going away. The gelding has now won both starts, with both of Sachdev's wins coming over 1200 metres.

Sachdev, a R1,3 million buy from the 2018 Cape Premier Yearling Sale, is one of several promising three-year-olds representing Silvano this season, with others including Gr3 Langerman runner-up Silver Operator, who runs at Kenilworth on Saturday.

Champion Sire in South Africa on four occasions, Silvano's 21 individual Gr1 winners include four Vodacom Durban July winners as well as the hugely exciting young sire Vercingetorix.

Betfair Told To Back Off

The Hong Kong Jockey Club has issued a 'cease and desist' to Betfair Pty Limited, labelling the wagering operator's decision to offer a betting exchange on Hong Kong racing as 'cavalier' and 'unconscionable'.

Betfair unilaterally announced its intended expansion into Hong Kong racing on August 21 and commenced offering the betting exchange on the opening meeting of the Hong Kong season at Sha Tin on Sunday, September 1.

The letter references the Jockey Club's concerns over Betfair's owner, the publicly-listed Crown Resorts Limited, and allegations levelled against Crown Resorts in recent weeks. [Read the letter here](#)



Short Heads

Name In The Hat?

“Making himself at home, Hat Puntano beginning to look like the sensational multiple Gr1 winner he was at the races”. Mick Goss was referring to the multiple Argentinian Gr1 winner and the subsequent Charity Mile star, who has settled in well into his new domain of the Summerhill stallion barn. Gaynor Rupert’s Drakenstein Stud, the Vilela family of former Samsung connection and ten-time champion breeders, Summerhill Stud, have joined forces to bring the son of Hat Trick to the market. His service fee is available on application.



Pamela May van Zyl

Lotsa Fun

Avontuur’s triple Gr1 winning sire Oratorio (Danehill) enjoyed two winners over the past weekend. Operetta made it three on the trot when winning the Ladies Stakes run over 1200m at Turffontein on Saturday. The 4yo Operetta is unbeaten since being fitted with blinkers – this being her sixth victory. Out of the Var mare Varsity Queen, Operetta was bred by Pippa Mickleburgh and she was an R180 000 buy from the 2017 CTS Ready To Run Sale.

Asking Questions

The Mauritius Stipes take issue with items like slipped saddles and changes in riding tactics. They ask the questions – why are our officials not doing the same?

What’s Retirement?

Racing legend and former champion jockey Garth Puller celebrated his 68th birthday as we went to print on Tuesday. He says he has no plans to retire soon. “Sitting idle at home could age me,” he quipped.

ABSOLUTE MONSTER

A 14 length win for the Charlie Appleby-trained Ghaiyyath (Dubawi-Night-time, by Galileo) in the Gr1 Grosser Preis von Baden run over 2400m at Baden-Baden in Germany on Saturday may have paved the way for a tilt at the Qatar Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe- providing Enable with some pretty hefty competition! This was the first attempt at the distance for the Godolphin-owned 4yo. Jockey William Buick labelled the winner an ‘Absolute Monster.’

Summer's Cool

The Gr1 Gauteng Summer Cup is no longer on the Asian Pattern Committee’s hit list for a status downgrade, for the moment. Phumelela Racing Executive Patrick Davis told Short Heads that they have decided not to change the conditions away from that of a handicap. “The stake remains at R2m and we will do all we can to encourage out of town participation to boost the race. We will continue to contribute towards the travel costs of raiders as has been the case in the past.”

Resting

Bernard Fayd’herbe has had his recovery slot extended to 30 November on the advice of his doctors. He was anticipated back in the saddle in a matter of weeks and his absence leaves the Cape jockey ranks a touch on the thin side.



Hamish NIVEN Photography

Big Brother

The NHRA have launched an exciting advance in Racing Control technology. The ‘Virtual Boardroom’ is a facility which enables officials based at HO to have real-time and review access to the live video patrol footage of any race-meeting countrywide, and to actively participate as members of a Stipendiary Board at the race meeting.



PRINCE CHARMING

The Varsfontein bred Gimmethegreenlight entire Yulong Prince - known here as Surcharge - has been entered for the A\$8 million Gr1 Melbourne Cup and the A\$5,15 million Caulfield Cup. Now a 5yo in the care of Chris Waller, Yulong Prince ran just under 4 lengths off the winner when making his first Australian start. He won or placed in 10 of his 11 South African starts, winning the Gr1 Daily News 2000, Tony Ruffel Stakes and Secretariat Stakes, and also finishing second in the Gr1 SA Derby, Gr1 SA Classic and Gr2 Gauteng Guineas.

INTERNATIONAL

Let The River Run!

Our 2018/19 Equus Outstanding Breeders Drakenstein Stud celebrated another big winner on Sunday when the Trippi gelding White River sauntered in to win the Gr1 The Courts Mammoth Maiden Cup run at the Champ de Mars.

In the process, he made it five wins from five starts this season.

A winner of the Duchess and the Barbé, the former Brett Crawford-trained Cape Guineas runner-up now based with the Rameshwar Gujadhur yard gave jockey Manoël Nunes his first Maiden Cup success.

Relaxed in midfield, White River cruised away from his opposition for a classy win and while Alshibaa tried his heart out, he had to settle for second.

Former Greyville 1900 winner Ten Gun Salute ran third.

White River was owned here by Messrs W P Drew & B Kantor, Mesdames A M Doyle, D Nagle & Paul Shanahan & Klawervlei Out of Irish Torrent (USA) by Giant's Causeway (USA), he was a R1,1 million graduate of the 2016 Cape Premier Yearling Sale where he was signed for by Peter & Ross Doyle Bloodstock Ltd.

White River looks set to secure the Mauritius Horse Of The Year title.

The island's premier test of stamina, the race was initially run for maidens and was first won by Creeper all the way back in 1843.

Since 1983, when won by Noble Salute, the race has been run over 2400m.

Simons Gets A Flyer

SA jockey Randall Simons enjoyed a confidence boosting start to his Mauritius contract when he won at his third ride on Sunday.

Simons only rode his first work on Wednesday last week and demonstrated plenty of cheeky confidence as he booted Consul Of War home in the fifth race for his new employers, the Preetam Daby yard.

Simons, who rode two winners for the De Kock yard at Turffontein the previous weekend, went close in the final race of the day when the judge had to be called upon to split the top five runners. His mount Never Fear was placed second.

Simons was joined by another South African in Diego De Gouveia, who arrived to take up his contract with the Rameshwar Gujadhur yard on Friday.

The 2019 Gr1 Cape Derby winning rider, Diego De Gouveia takes up a position recently vacated by multiple SA Champion, Piere Strydom.

Diego, aka 'Digz', confirmed the decision to the Sporting Post and said that he was looking forward to the challenge. "I am young and feel that I should take my chances. I would really like to thank all the local owners and trainers who have given me so many great opportunities," he said as he packed his bags on a trip that could set the standard for his future career. Whatever the outcome, the experience is likely to be a value-add!

Like dual SA champion Lyle Hewitson, Diego came through the tough school of the workrider ranks. He rode for a year in Zimbabwe and attended the British Racing School in 2016.

The Rameshwar Gujadhur yard are currently the top-ranked Mauritius stable on stakes.

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INTERNATIONAL

Big Day For Hong Kong

Hong Kong's 2019/20 season opened on Sunday with an enthusiastic crowd of 68 271 cheering on their sporting heroes in an atmosphere of positivity at Sha Tin racecourse.

Racegoers roared loudest for 13-time champion jockey Douglas Whyte, who saddled his first winner as a trainer.

Mr. Winfried Engelbrecht-Bresges, the Hong Kong Jockey Club's Chief Executive Officer, said: "We know that we are in challenging times here in Hong Kong but I found it very encouraging to see the positive energy that was created at the racecourse on Sunday.

"The first-race atmosphere, the excited anticipation from the racegoers, was extremely good and the results, from a sporting point of view, were extremely pleasing: It was great to see Douglas Whyte have his first winner with only his second runner."

The CEO was also delighted with the five successes on the day for Hong Kong's home-grown riders, all of whom are products of the world renowned HKJC Apprentice Jockeys' School.

"Our Hong Kong-grown talent has done extremely well today," he said. "You can see the confidence in Vincent Ho, in how he rides, and it is encouraging for them to win five of the 10 races despite the significant increase in competition from our new arrivals, who also did well today without winning."

Turnover was HK\$1.28 billion, while the attendance was the fourth highest in the last 25 years.

"We are very pleased to see the total attendance at 68,000 – that is a positive outcome and exceeded the expectation I had," Mr. Engelbrecht-Bresges admitted.

"I was really surprised that we could hold up the attendance to this level, which is similar to the crowd we had here on the opening day in 2017. I hope this shows Hong Kong racing is strong and we hope we can continue with this positive momentum.

"The turnover was up by HK\$35 million to HK\$1.28 billion, and again, I have to admit that I expected it to be much lower today. Our commingling turnover has gone up from HK\$158 million on this day last year to over HK\$209 million. That shows the competitiveness of the overseas market."

Mr. Engelbrecht-Bresges thanked the city's racing fans for the "tremendous support and the resilience they have shown" in a challenging situation. "We have got the first race meeting off the ground with a positive start and that emphasises the strong support we have from our fans. I would also like to thank our staff for their dedication to make this happen" he said.

Aldo & Dougie - Dream Start

South African racing fans enjoyed a thrilling opening to the 2019/20 Hong Kong Racing season at Sha Tin on Sunday with Cape star rider Aldo Domeyer booting home a double and the Durban-born Doug Whyte saddling his first winner as a trainer.



Douglas Whyte celebrates his first win as a trainer | HKJC.com

With plenty of the attention focussed on the Sha Tin debut of dual SA Champion jockey Lyle Hewitson, it was Domeyer who demonstrated his ability and the benefit of the experience of last season as he got two early for trainer Tony Cruz.

Domeyer, who rode 13 winners when only based in Hong Kong for four months last season, celebrated a dream start when he steered California Gungho to victory in the fourth. He followed up in the fifth for the same trainer on Sunshine Warrior.

Dougie Whyte was Hong Kong champion jockey for thirteen straight seasons and he became only the second man after Tony Cruz to move straight from riding to training.

Whyte had seven runners at his first meeting and got off the mark with his second in the shape of the Australian-bred gelding Adonis for owner Johnson Chen.

"It's phenomenal. It's fantastic!" Whyte said after the six-year-old had chosen the most opportune moment to break his own maiden.

"It's lovely to have the support and to be able to achieve my first winner on the first day; it's Hong Kong, this is my home, so it's a special feeling," he continued.

Whyte's first Hong Kong win as a rider was Fireball, 23 years ago this month, and the South African found comparison between that historic marker and today's breakthrough victory.

"It's just as emotional, it's a good feeling," he said. "I'm a lot more mature now and I've had a lot of success since, so to have a winner as a trainer, it's not about that, it's about the effort and the time that's gone into this horse."

Winning jockey Regan Bayliss received praise for his successful ride. The Australian, 22, broke his hand during a late-season stint last term, but returned with zero ill-effects and his confidence evidently high.

HERE & ELSEWHERE - SARAH WHITE LAW

The Sparkling Sea



Urban Sea

The 1993 Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Urban Sea has had an impact as a broodmare second to none in recent times, with the deceased chestnut responsible for the Derby winning half-brothers, and outstanding sires, Galileo (Sadler's Wells) and Sea The Stars (Cape Cross).

The remarkable Urban Sea produced a total of 8 stakes winners, notably the Gr1 winners Galileo, Sea The Stars, My Typhoon (Giant's Causeway) and Black Sam Bellamy (Sadler's Wells).

Galileo, recently responsible for his 300th individual stakes winner, and Sea The Stars have dominated major European races in recent times, and both now have a plethora of sire sons at stud.

In 2019 alone, Galileo and Sea The Stars have been responsible for 11 Gr1 winners, with their offspring taking such races as the Investec Derby, Gold Cup, Grand Prix de Paris, Juddmonte International, Prince Of Wales's Stakes, 1000 Guineas, Irish Oaks, and Irish 1000 Guineas.

Between them, Galileo and Sea The Stars accounted for four young stallions, touted among the ten most promising young sires around in a recent Thoroughbred Racing Commentary article, while Galileo is also responsible for top sires New Approach, Frankel, and Teofilo, among others.

Galileo is also firmly established as an outstanding broodmare sire, a claim it is surely only a matter of time that his brilliant half-brother will lay claim to.

Derby Dream

Sea The Stars and Galileo's remarkable dam is also now making her presence felt through her daughters and granddaughters, with the Urban Sea impact - Urban Sea appears in the pedigree of each and every one of the runners in the 2019 Gr1 Investec Derby - showing no sign of slowing.

Urban Sea's remarkable influence was once again underlined at Friday night's meeting at the Curragh.

Promising 2yo filly, Cayenne Pepper, (by Galileo's son, Australia) made it three wins from three starts, when she accounted for So Wonderful (War Front) in the Gr3 Flame Of Tara Irish EBF Stakes. Not only is Cayenne Pepper (who is inbred to Urban Sea's dam, Allegretta) descended in female line from Allegretta, but both Flame Of Tara runner up, So Wonderful, and third place-getter, A New Dawn, (Zoffany) are descended in female line from Urban Sea. While Cay-

enne Pepper's dam, Muwakaba, (Elusive Quality) is out of a Nureyev half-sister to Urban Sea, So Wonderful's dam, Epsom Oaks runner up, Wonder Of Wonders (Kingmambo), is a granddaughter of Urban Sea and A New Dawn's third dam is also Urban Sea.

Urban Sea is the granddam of Friday night's Gr3 Snow Fairy Fillies Stakes winner, Goddess (Camelot), with the latter (a three-parts sister to this season's high-class 3yo, Sir Dragonet, (Camelot)) being produced by Urban Sea's increasingly successful daughter, Cherry Hinton (Green Desert). Urban Sea appears in the pedigree of four of the first five home in the Snow Fairy Fillies Stakes, another fine achievement for this broodmare extraordinaire.

Cherry On The Cake

A three-parts sister to Sea The Stars, Gr3 Blue Wind Stakes runner up, Cherry Hinton (the granddam of A New Dawn) is fast compiling an impressive record at stud. Not only is the daughter of Urban Sea the dam of the aforementioned Goddess, Cherry Hinton is also dam of Goddess' Gr1 Belmont Oaks winning own sister, Athena, Irish Oaks winner, Bracelet (by Camelot's sire Montjeu) and Gr2 Rockfel Stakes heroine, Wading (Montjeu). Cherry Hinton is also ancestress of a growing number of stakes performers, including A New Dawn and the high-class filly, Just Wonderful (Dansili). The latter both won the Gr2 Rockfel and Gr3 Flame Of Tara Stakes at two, before training on to take second spot in the Gr1 Belmont Oaks at three.

Another daughter of Urban Sea to make her mark at stud is the Epsom Oaks runner up, All Too Beautiful. That daughter of Sadler's Wells only had a handful of foals, but her three black type performers included fellow Oaks second, Wonder Of Wonders, Italian stakes winner, Victory Song (Dansili), and Gr3 performer Sparrow, dam of recent Gr3 Chester Vase winner, Sir Dragonet. Stakes winner and Oaks third Alluringly (Fastnet Rock) was produced by a daughter of All Too Beautiful.

Top Class

Yet another daughter of Urban Sea to make her mark at stud is Pretty Polly Stakes winner and Irish Oaks runner up, Melikah. The daughter of Lammtarra is ancestress of a host of top-class performers including Derby winner, Masar, and fellow group/graded stakes winners, Khawlah, Masterstroke (Monsun), Vancouverite (Dansili) and Moonlight Magic.

Both Moonlight Magic and UAE Derby winner, Khawlah (dam of Masar), were sired by Cape Cross, the sire of Urban Sea's outstanding son, Sea The Stars. Urban Sea, to whom recently retired Investec Derby winner, Masar (New Approach) is closely inbred, clearly rates as the leading individual broodmare of her generation and her influence looks set to continue for decades to come. Inbreeding to Urban Sea's dam, Allegretta (Lombard), is also on the increase, with this pattern having already produced the group/graded stakes winners, Armanade (Sea The Stars), the aforementioned Cayenne Pepper, and Tantheem (Teofilo), as well as Gr1 performer Frankly Awesome (Frankel) and recent Windsor Castle Stakes winner, Southern Hills (Gleneagles).

NEW FOALS



New foals

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Canford Cliffs ex Promise Of Rain

born 12 August 2019

Listen To The Rain...

A lady born to run. That's how the Ridgemont Highlands team are describing Canford Cliffs' new-born daughter out of a Dynasty half-sister to international champion, and sadly short-lived sire, Soft Falling Rain.

The Giant's Causeway mare Gardener's Delight, who had a 100% strike rate with her runners, produced Equus champion Soft Falling Rain and the Group-winning speedster, Splendid Garden. This is the same family as New Zealand classic winner Clean Sweep, Gr1 Kentucky Oaks winner Gal In A Ruckus and Breeders' Cup star Eldafer.

The youngster's Mom is Promise Of Rain, and her 3yo full-brother Nimitz ran a cracking second last Thursday at the Vaal on debut for Mike de Kock.

Dad is Canford Cliffs (Tagula), who won five Gr1 races in a row and is currently the sire of 30 black type performers internationally. He has had a good recent run with the former European star having multiple success in both Australia and the UK over the weekend, and into Monday.

The triple Royal Ascot winner enjoyed a British double on Saturday with his son War Glory lifting the Chelmsford City Cup for Richard Hannon, and another son, 2yo Spantik, romping home to shed his maiden over a mile at Lingfield. On Monday Bungee Jump picked up the eighth win of her career when victorious at Chepstow.

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Willow Magic ex Aces Wild

born 9 August 2019

More Magic

Ten-times South African champion breeders Summerhill Stud continue to produce the 'magic' year in and year out, and the 2019 foal crop has again got their iconic boss Mick Goss excited.

While the great farm's stallion roster has evolved over the years, they do stand the first Gr1 winning son of Dubawi at stud in South Africa and the magnificent chestnut athlete Willow Magic has stamped his foals with his unique quality and athleticism.

Trained by Sean Tarry, Willow Magic won the Gr1 SA Nursery and Gr2 Dingaans. He went on to also place in the Gr1 Gold Challenge, Gr1 Gold Medallion, Gr1 Post Merchants and Gr1 Premiers Champions Stakes.

The only British stallion to ever sire 100 Group winners in no time at all, his Dad Dubawi is the sire of 38 Gr1 winners and counting, with 16% Stakes winners and 10% Group winners- this makes him one of the world's greatest stallions.

Willow Magic is out of a three-time winner La Willow, by Tierce.

The filly foal, born on 9 August, is a daughter of Alami mare Aces Wild, who won 5 races for trainer Roy Magner from 1450m to 1800m.

Willow Magic's first crop were offered at the 2019 National Yearling Sale, where 9 of the 11 sold for an aggregate R2 295 000 - averaging at R255 000.



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Ice Off To Aus

The Gr2 Gold Bracelet winner Flying Ice was recently acquired in the USA by private treaty from Team Valor, for export to Australia in 2020. She is in foal to Noble Mission.

This was tweeted on Sunday by Alistair Brown of Equarius Bloodstock.

Lane's End Galileo stallion Noble Mission is a three-time Gr1-winning Champion. He is out of the stakes-winning Danehill mare Kind (Ire), making him a full brother to the magnificent multiple Gr1-winning champion Frankel (Ire)—already a leading sire in Europe.

When Anthony Delpech steered her to victory in the Gold Bracelet at Greyville in 2016, Flying Ice was the late Neil Bruss' last winner here after 44 years before he departed for Saudi Arabia.

A R125 000 BSA National Yearling Sale purchase, the Lammerskraal Stud-bred Flying Ice is a daughter of Triple Crown-winner producing Go Deputy out of the twice winning Western Winter mare, Strawberry Ice.

A responding retweet from the SA Equine Health & Protocols said that it was wonderful to see SA bloodstock being freely traded in international markets, which should be the norm once the current onerous export protocols from here are addressed.

They added that two-way trade between South Africa and the EU will be beneficial to everyone.

The formation of the Import/Export Task team in August 2015 was in response to the need to take direct and focused action regarding the successful export of horses from South Africa.

On their website, they indicate December 2019 as the target date for conclusion of protocols with targeted non-EU countries and agreement of design of quarantine station.

Another Hill?

The Foster family owned and bred Black Knap won the Maiden 1800m at Kenilworth on Wednesday by over nine lengths and the Vaughan Marshall charge looks a decent sort in the making.

A Dynasty half-brother to Cape Guineas winner Tap O'Noth and the enigmatic stayer, Strathdon, Black Knap is out of the one-time winning Western Winter mare, Wintersweet. Interestingly, she only won at 1000m.

Byleveld told Michael Clower: "My biggest problem was stopping him when we went down to the start. First time out he only got going late and had it been a mile I think he would probably have won that day. This was a fantastic win and I don't think he is going to stop here."

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04Sep	295	295	295	0
03Sep	295	295	295	2,500
02Sep	270	270	270	1,382
30Aug	250	270	230	7,139
29Aug	230	230	230	2,000
28Aug	210	230	200	291,805
27Aug	230	230	212	3,300
26Aug	230	230	230	14,345
23Aug	230	230	230	10,250
22Aug	230	230	205	77,500
21Aug	220	220	201	52,357
20Aug	220	220	200	78,921
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Saturday, 31 August**

Course Variant: 2.02s slow

No rain in the week leading up to this meeting, and with 29mm of irrigation the penetrometer read 21. The going was posted as Good. There was a 24km/h south westerly cross/head wind. The false rail was out from 5m on the back straight to 10.5m on the bend, with an 11m spur at the 500m mark.

Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes R250 000**Spring Has Sprung!**

As if we haven't already had enough drama with just one month of the new term behind us, the first graded stakes feature of the 2018/19 season, the R250 000 Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes, produced a dramatic finish with a dead-heat and an objection crowning a thrilling 1200m dash.

The pacy Russian Prince led favourite Prince Of Kahal, Valbonne and Angel's Power into the straight, with Post Merchants winner La Bella Mia being given a patient ride by Muzi Yeni.

Into the final stages, S'manga Khumalo looked to have timed his effort perfectly as Angel's Power – second in this race in 2016 and 2017 and fourth last year – moving forward powerfully to grab the consistent Prince Of Kahal.

But in a grandstand finish, the Roy Magner charge Prince Of Kahal came right back in game fashion to give the talented Denis Schwarz his third winner on the day and force the dead heat in a time of 71,78 secs. Schwarz objected against the shared result but the judges didn't agree that the Azzie's Angel's Power had done enough to justify demotion. A son of Kahal (Machiavellian) out of the five-time winning Model Man mare Vogue, Prince Of Kahal was bred by Clifton Stud and was bought for R120 000 at the KZN Yearling Sale. He took his stakes earnings to R855 038, with his seventh win and ninth place from 26 starts.

The 7yo Angel's Power, who finally got the Spring Spree Stakes that he has sought for four straight years, is a son of Miesque's Approval (Miesque's Son) out of the Mogok mare, Angel Child. He was purchased at the 2014 National 2yo Sale for R100 000. He took his stakes earnings to R766 700, with his sixth win and 19th place from 41 starts.

Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes 1200m

Dead-heat winner Prince Of Kahal raced 2nd going through the 400m; hanging in and shifted away from the crop 400m; led 300m; found extra when challenged 100m out Dead-heat winner Angel's Power raced 5th at 400m, about two lengths behind joint winner; joined that one 100m out and went together all the way to the wire Third Zouaves raced 9th at 400m, about three lengths behind Prince Of Kahal; ran on

Time: This comparatively was the fastest race on the card. We gave the fifth horse 96, which makes Angel's Power (prev 83/90/92/88 – has done 100) 96, Prince Of Kahal (prev 102/102/102/98/104) 106, and the third (prev 103/107/101/111/105) 109.

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7 b g	Miesque's Approval - Angel Child (Mogok)						
106	1	0.00	PRINCE OF KAHAL	(3)	57.5	D Schwarz	14/10
5 ch g	Kahal - Vogue (Model Man)						
109	3	1.00	ZOUAVES	(4)	60.5	M v Rensburg	7/1
6 b g	Sail From Seattle - Zayna (Jallad)						
98	4	1.10	La Bella Mia	(5)	55.5	M Yeni	14/1
96	5	1.60	Social Order	(2)	55.5	J Mariba	20/1
99	6	1.75	Clever Guy	(9)	57.0	R Munger	25/1
107	7	2.25	Will Pays	(7)	61.5	C Murray	12/1
91	8	2.50	Valbonne	(8)	55.0	W Kennedy	22/1
84	9	3.25	Bold Eagle	(6)	53.0	C Maujean	157/20
92	10	4.00	Down To Zero	(10)	57.5	K Zechner	17/1
86	11	4.50	Russian Prince	(11)	56.0	R Danielson	25/1
85	12	6.25	Doostra	(12)	58.0	C Habib	44/1

Time: 71.78s (59.82s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) **SP Total %:** 112%
1st T:RR Magner O:Mr R W S Chung B:Clifton Stud

**Handicappers
Spring In**

The NHA Handicappers have published their official analysis and ratings adjustments following Saturday's feature at Turffontein.

PRINCE OF KAHAL and ANGEL'S POWER have had their merit ratings increased by three pounds apiece after they shared top honours in a tight finish to the Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes (handicap) over 1200m on the inside track at Turffontein on Saturday, 31 August 2019.

The race produced a good handicap finish, with 2,5 lengths covering the first eight finishers and only 6.25 lengths from first to last in a 12 runner field.

Third placed ZOUAVES and fourth placed LA BELLA MIA were used as the joint line horses. With no second placed horse, this is the lowest way to rate a handicap race and accordingly PRINCE OF KAHAL goes up from 113 to 116, while ANGEL'S POWER was upped from 104 to 107. As an aside, ANGEL'S POWER has contested this event in all four years of its existence, previously finishing 2nd in 2016 and again in 2017, and 4th in 2018.

Being the line horses, the ratings of both ZOUAVES and LA BELLA MIA remain unchanged on 119 and 109, respectively.

WILL PAYS – winner of this race in 2017 – drops from 121 to 119, BOLD EAGLE (who had little luck in running) was given a small drop from 104 to 103, DOWN TO ZERO (who had a tough draw of 10) was only marginally trimmed from 113 to 112, and RUSSIAN PRINCE was cut from 110 to 108.

- Press release by the NHRA, 2 September

DIGEST DIARY

Features To Come

- Sat 7 Sep **(L) Sophomore Sprint**
1200m Kenilworth
- Sat 28 Sep **(L) Settlers Trophy**
2000m Durbanville
- Sat 5 Oct **Gr3 Matchem Stakes**
1400m Durbanville
- Gr3 Diana Stakes**
1400m Durbanville
- Gr2 Joburg Spring Challenge**
1400m Turffontein (I)
- Gr2 Joburg Spring F&M Challenge**
1400m Turffontein (I)

**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 SCORERS for 2018/2019

(complete season to 31 July 2019)

horse	age sex	points	races
Rainbow Bridge	4 c	370	8
Do It Again	4 c	366	5
Soqratt	3 c	330	7
Kasimir	4 c	308	5
Hawwaam	3 c	270	4
Chimichuri Run	3 c	188	5
Celtic Sea	3 f	186	4
Undercover Agent	4 c	176	6
Tilbury Fort	5 c	142	3
Clouds Unfold	3 f	142	4
Oh Susanna	4 f	139	4
Cirillo	3 c	137	4
Twist Of Fate	3 c	132	5
Return Flight	3 f	130	3
Pacific Trader	4 c	126	2
Casapedia	5 f	121	5
Front And Centre	3 f	120	3
Nafaayes	3 f	110	4
Eden Roc	2 c	100	2
Got The Greenlight	2 c	90	2
Silvano's Pride	3 f	90	2
Head Honcho	5 c	90	2
Atyaab	3 c	88	2
Coral Fever	6 c	88	2
Legal Eagle	7 c	87	3
Camphoratus	4 f	84	2
Eyes Wide Open	4 c	80	2
Bold Respect	4 c	79	4

LEADING TRAINERS by STAKES

SEASON 2018/2019 • 1 August - 31 July 2019

trainer	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ runs
SG Tarry	1380	165	12%	232	17%	33%	157	11%	606	44%	30,710,838	22,254
J Snaith	1101	159	14%	233	21%	34%	125	11%	535	49%	25,196,313	22,885
MF de Kock	672	109	16%	179	27%	30%	102	15%	355	53%	23,013,867	34,247
BJ Crawford	834	122	15%	177	21%	34%	103	12%	418	50%	13,702,050	16,429
AC Greeff	1128	177	16%	249	22%	34%	140	12%	545	48%	12,563,363	11,138
PA Peter	816	120	15%	158	19%	35%	103	13%	382	47%	11,662,505	14,292
C Bass-Robinson	829	82	10%	86	10%	34%	93	11%	349	42%	10,563,975	12,743
Y Bremner	842	109	13%	116	14%	30%	112	13%	401	48%	9,719,476	11,543
J Ramsden	399	42	11%	34	9%	26%	38	10%	162	41%	8,251,524	20,681
A Nel	522	76	15%	82	16%	30%	70	13%	271	52%	8,069,425	15,459
GS Kotzen	788	74	9%	79	10%	28%	86	11%	299	38%	8,037,938	10,200
GD Smith	1203	87	7%	84	7%	24%	110	9%	434	36%	7,511,063	6,244
VH Marshall	506	49	10%	56	11%	30%	59	12%	217	43%	7,449,263	14,722
GV Woodruff	438	52	12%	75	17%	36%	55	13%	203	46%	6,903,485	15,761
DR Drier	464	68	15%	89	19%	38%	49	11%	220	47%	6,799,075	14,653



Chase Liebenberg

Muzi's Flying

Muzi - Can't keep a good man down!

Muzi Yeni spilt the anticipated Cane Lime 'n Soda celebration on the laps of exotic punters at Kenilworth on Wednesday when he booted home the Glen Puller monster Jay Rock for his 29th winner of the term – he is top of the jockey log. It's been a great start for the Winning Form-sponsored rider who ended last season on a bit of a low,

when beaten by Lyle Hewitson amid controversy. While he has a three month suspension hanging over his head, Muzi is focussed and it's showing in his stats.

LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS

SEASON 2018/2019 • 1 August - 31 July 2019

jockey	rides	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ rides
L Hewitson	1559	219	14%	299	19%	27%	229	15%	816	52%	27,540,172	17,665
M Yeni	1822	215	12%	267	15%	27%	237	13%	854	47%	20,304,443	11,144
A Marcus	640	189	30%	396	62%	36%	102	16%	440	69%	33,084,637	51,695
G Lerena	724	172	24%	316	44%	35%	109	15%	445	61%	21,265,538	29,372
G Cheyne	881	160	18%	257	29%	33%	133	15%	510	58%	12,960,925	14,712
R Fourie	644	140	22%	218	34%	35%	85	13%	397	62%	22,783,462	35,378
W Kennedy	1138	139	12%	128	11%	39%	144	13%	547	48%	17,169,973	15,088
R Munger	1333	127	10%	101	8%	32%	143	11%	549	41%	11,786,233	8,842
K De Melo	828	97	12%	91	11%	26%	100	12%	391	47%	11,693,839	14,123
B Fayd/herbe	453	88	19%	86	19%	41%	51	11%	238	53%	10,116,588	22,332
L J Ferraris	844	81	10%	69	8%	30%	77	9%	299	35%	9,990,111	11,126
C Zackey	1044	78	7%	79	8%	24%	108	10%	377	36%	10,468,136	10,027
M v Rensburg	689	77	11%	71	10%	23%	64	9%	275	40%	8,151,311	11,831
A Domeyer	385	77	20%	105	27%	37%	61	16%	237	62%	8,001,675	20,784
S Veale	621	72	12%	83	13%	35%	51	8%	257	41%	7,632,325	12,290
R Simons	624	68	11%	82	13%	26%	53	8%	252	40%	8,974,671	14,382



Alan Greeff is leading the big guns

No Grief!

Alan Greeff was crowned PE champion trainer for the umpteenth time at the East Cape Racing Awards at Fairview Racecourse last evening. He also holds sway at the top of the National log at the moment, marginally ahead of Gauteng dynamo Paul Peter. Alan, who has a long history starting with his late Dad Stanley in the Eastern Cape, has trained 20 winners for stakes of R1,3 million in a flying first month.

LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %

SEASON 2018/2019 • 1 August - 31 July 2019

trainer/ jockey	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	stakes	stks/ runs
JAJ v Vuuren/A Marcus	36	18	50%	27	75%	59%	5	14%	1,355,662	37,657
PA Peter/C T Ndlovu	26	11	42%	16	62%	63%	5	19%	797,125	30,659
PA Peter/G Lerena	63	21	33%	36	57%	42%	10	16%	2,172,197	34,479
GB Puller/A Marcus	34	11	32%	23	68%	35%	5	15%	837,300	24,626
GS Kotzen/A Marcus	35	11	31%	27	77%	33%	6	17%	1,037,675	29,648
BJ Crawford/A Marcus	132	40	30%	66	50%	44%	24	18%	4,096,725	31,036
MF de Kock/G Lerena	82	25	30%	41	50%	37%	14	17%	5,458,485	66,567
MG & AA Azzie/G Lerena	37	11	30%	19	51%	42%	1	3%	864,923	23,376
SD Gray/G Lerena	36	10	28%	19	53%	37%	10	28%	921,325	25,592
AC Greeff/B Fayd/herbe	41	11	27%	15	37%	40%	4	10%	799,825	19,508
AC Greeff/G Cheyne	414	108	26%	195	47%	33%	75	18%	7,167,425	17,313
GV Woodruff/G Lerena	109	27	25%	59	54%	36%	23	21%	3,185,187	29,222
A Nel/A Domeyer	51	13	25%	19	37%	47%	9	18%	1,047,875	20,547
A Nel/B Fayd/herbe	48	12	25%	11	23%	55%	7	15%	1,002,400	20,883
J Snaith/R Fourie	477	113	24%	186	39%	35%	68	14%	19,010,175	39,854
C Dawson/G Lerena	41	10	24%	16	39%	19%	4	10%	1,036,324	25,276



Vaughan Marshall and MJ Byleveld have enjoyed a good start

2 Men From Milnerton

Milnerton trainer Vaughan Marshall and his stable jockey MJ Byleveld enjoyed a nice double at Kenilworth on Wednesday – despite their most fancied runner on the day, the odds-on Cane Lime 'n Soda, finishing second. The Avontuur-sponsored MJ has ridden 6 winners in a flying start, with 4 (at a strike of 17%) for Marshall. That augurs well after

a quiet last season of just 20 winners for the established combination.

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Sprinters Set The Pace

Age isn't a hinder, with 5, 6 and 8yo males on a high

MALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
111	Quinlan	5	Sail From Seattle	K Fourie	23Aug	1	MR110	1000	Fairview	111/57/-/-/-
109	Zouaves	6	Sail From Seattle	Danika Stud	31Aug	3	MR118	1200	Turffontein	109/112/94/-/-
107	Will Pays	8	Imperial Stride	Northfields Stud	31Aug	7	MR118	1200	Turffontein	114/115/-/-/-
106	Prince Of Kahal	5	Kahal	Clifton Stud	31Aug	1	MR118	1200	Turffontein	106/98/-/-/-
105	Sir Frenchie	5	Choisir	bred in Australia	23Aug	3	MR110	1000	Fairview	111/100/-/-/-
104	Filippo	5	Toreador	Piemonte Stud	28Aug	1	MR104	1200	Scottsville	105/-/-/-/-
99	Clever Guy	6	Argonaut	DGM Southey	31Aug	6	MR118	1200	Turffontein	103/97/-/-/-
99	Dutch Philip	5	What A Winter	Rex Stud	23Aug	6	MR110	1000	Fairview	119/104/-/-/-
99	Ishnana	5	Al Miqdaam	RM Smith	28Aug	3	MR104	1200	Scottsville	99/75/-/-/-
98	Mastagambit	4	Master Of My Fate	Lammerskraal Stud	25Aug	1	MR98	1400	Greyville	89/98/-/-/-

FEMALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
98	La Bella Mia	5	Gimmethgreenlight	Nadson Park Stud	31Aug	4	MR118	1200	Turffontein	103/83/-/-/-
96	Outlandos d'Amour	4	Captain Al	Klawervlei Stud	30Aug	1	MR88f	1200	Fairview	96/-/-/-/-
94	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	31Aug	2	MR104	1200	Turffontein	94/-/-/-/-
93	Mushi Sterek	4	Stratum	bred in Australia	27Aug	1	MR90f	1250	Durbanville	93/-/-/-/-
91	Regal Graduation	5	Oratorio	AC Dickerson & DJ Fraser	28Aug	4	MR104	1200	Scottsville	94/98/-/-/-
91	The Fifth Wave	3	Crusade	K Soal	28Aug	1	Cndfm	1160	Turffontein	91/78/-/-/-
91	Ancient Spirit	5	Fastnet Rock	bred in Australia	1Sep	1	MR92f	1200	Greyville	91/85/-/-/-
91	Gaian Glory	3	Visionaire	Summerhill Stud	31Aug	2	Cndfm	1450	Turffontein	82/91/-/-/-
90	Travelling Light	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Varsfontein Stud	21Aug	1	Cndfm	1000	Greyville	98/-/-/-/-
90	Crowded House	4	Elusive Fort	The Alchemy	27Aug	5	MR90f	1400	Durbanville	87/90/-/-/-

MALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
106	Union Jack	7	Captain Al	Ridgemont	30Aug	3	MR103	1600	Fairview	103/106/-/-/-
102	Lake Kinneret	5	Kahal	Graystone Stud	29Aug	1	Cnd	1600	Vaal	85/102/-/-/-
99	Puget Sound	5	Sail From Seattle	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	29Aug	3	Cnd	1600	Vaal	84/101/-/95/-
99	Unagi	6	Admire Main	Summerhill Stud	29Aug	5	Cnd	1600	Vaal	84/108/107/103/-
95	Full Mast	5	Go Deputy	Lammerskraal Stud	29Aug	2	Cnd	1600	Vaal	-/105/97/-/-
93	Platinum Prince	6	Silvano	Patricia Devine Inv	24Aug	6	MR99	1700	Kenilworth	-/104/98/93/-
91	Bohica	3	Capetown Noir	Summerhill Stud	31Aug	3	MR72	1600	Turffontein	64/91/-/-/-
90	Dharma	4	Royal Air Force	TD Andrews	24Aug	3	MR99	1700	Kenilworth	81/82/90/82/89/
90	Lets Play Ball	4	Curved Ball	B Le Roux	30Aug	4	MR103	1600	Fairview	88/90/-/-/-
89	Flash Burn	4	Byword	Haras de Saint Pair	29Aug	4	Cnd	1600	Vaal	68/89/-/75/-

FEMALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
94	Twice As Smart	5	Twice Over	Riverton Stud	28Aug	5	MR98f	1600	Scottsville	88/99/-/82/-
93	Heart Of A Legend	5	Antonius Pius	Riverton Stud	28Aug	2	MR98f	1600	Scottsville	83/93/-/-/-
92	Raven Girl	5	Philanthropist	Drakenstein Stud	23Aug	2	Cndfm	2000	Fairview	61/90/92/92/-
91	Red Al	4	Captain Al	Riverton Stud	28Aug	3	MR98f	1600	Scottsville	-/91/82/84/88/
90	Meryl	5	Tiger Ridge	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	23Aug	1	Cndfm	2000	Fairview	90/96/98/99/98/
90	Studio Blues	5	Twice Over	Daytona Stud	23Aug	3	Cndfm	2000	Fairview	73/89/83/90/91/
90	O' Keeffe	6	Gimmethgreenlight	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	25Aug	4	MR92f	2000	Greyville	58/86/91/90/-
89	Irish Wonder Girl	4	Irish Flame	Bush Hill Stud	25Aug	2	MR92f	2000	Greyville	66/77/90/89/-
88	Gottalotlalu	5	Var	CF & Mrs de Vos	25Aug	3	MR92f	2000	Greyville	-/76/75/88/88/
88	Delia's Delight	5	Dynasty	Normandy Stud	23Aug	4	Cndfm	2000	Fairview	80/91/-/88/-

3yo MALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
94	Arapaho	3	Elusive Fort	Klawervlei Stud	24Aug	1	MR80	1400	Turffontein	94/94/-/-/-
94	Macthief	3	Time Thief	Millstream Farm	27Aug	1	MR77	1250	Durbanville	94/-/-/-/-
91	Bohica	3	Capetown Noir	Summerhill Stud	31Aug	3	MR72	1600	Turffontein	64/91/-/-/-
91	Winter Chill	3	What A Winter	GJ Royden-Turner	28Aug	1	MP	1200	Scottsville	91/-/-/-/-
88	Leicester Square	3	Jackson	Riethuiskraal Stud	25Aug	1	MP	2000	Greyville	54/76/78/88/-
87	Lighthearted	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Nadson Park Stud	20Aug	1	MR72	1400	Turffontein	82/87/-/-/-
84	Justaguything	3	Just As Well	B Le Roux	28Aug	2	MP	1200	Scottsville	86/-/-/-/-
84	Mister Vargus	3	Var	TM Clarke & RP Foden	27Aug	2	MR77	1250	Durbanville	89/-/-/-/-
83	Three Two Charlie	3	What A Winter	Beaumont Stud	27Aug	3	MR77	1250	Durbanville	89/-/-/-/-
83	Marshall	3	Vercingetorix	Al Adiyaat	24Aug	1	MP-3	1160	Turffontein	83/-/-/-/-

3yo FEMALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
94	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	31Aug	2	MR104	1200	Turffontein	94/-/-/-/-
91	The Fifth Wave	3	Crusade	K Soal	20Aug	1	Cndfm	1160	Turffontein	91/78/-/-/-
91	Gaian Glory	3	Visionaire	Summerhill Stud	31Aug	2	Cndfm	1450	Turffontein	82/91/-/-/-
90	Travelling Light	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Varsfontein Stud	21Aug	1	Cndfm	1000	Greyville	98/-/-/-/-
88	Mary O	3	Oratorio	Connemara Stud	21Aug	2	MR76f	1400	Greyville	77/88/-/-/-
87	Magic School	3	Philanthropist	Drakenstein Stud	20Aug	2	MR84f	1160	Turffontein	87/-/-/-/-
86	Frosted Steel	3	Captain Al	Klawervlei Stud	24Aug	1	MP-3f	1160	Turffontein	86/-/-/-/-
83	Princess Nicole	3	Soft Falling Rain	Cheveley Stud	20Aug	1	MR84f	1160	Turffontein	83/77/-/-/-
83	Just Kidding	3	Visionaire	Summerhill Stud	20Aug	2	MR76f	1400	Turffontein	79/83/-/-/-
82	Chilly Winter	3	What A Winter	NP Butcher	24Aug	1	MR70f	1000	Kenilworth	82/71/-/-/-

SIGNPOSTS

2nd season sires - 3yo's

CAPETOWN NOIR (Western Winter)

Transonic 3g (Jeet Jet by Jet Master)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1100m \(08/09\)](#)

Johnny Jet 3g (Luxurious Jet by Jet Master)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1100m \(08/09\)](#)

CAPTAIN OF ALL (Captain Al)

Captain Garrett 3g (Lola Bud by Mogok)

[Kenilworth 1 Workriders Maiden Plate 1200m \(07/09\)](#)

Captain Hindsight 3g (Uber Rock by Rock of Gibraltar)

[Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate 1000m \(07/09\)](#)

Self-Mastery 3g (Shanti by Pissaro)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 1100m \(08/09\)](#)

Bella Bellarina 3g (Dancing Natasha by Sail From Seattle)

[Greyville 5 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1000m \(08/09\)](#)

KINGSBARN (Galileo)

King Of Gems 3g (Sapphire Gem by Trippi)

[Kenilworth 6 Sophomore Sprint \(3yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(07/09\)](#)

Queensbarns 3g (My Sanctuary by Antonius Pius)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 75 Handicap \(F&M\) 1400m \(07/09\)](#)

LINGARI (Indian Ridge)

Lamberti 3g (Spider Spider by Danske)

[Greyville 2 Maiden Plate \(Polytrack\) 2000m \(08/09\)](#)

SOFT FALLING RAIN (National Assembly)

Rain Keeps Falling 3g (Southern Cross by Mutakddim)

[Kenilworth 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(07/09\)](#)

Floreana 3g (Isabella Island by Western Winter)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate \(3yo Fillies\) 1400m \(07/09\)](#)

Hardfallingrain 3g (Serra Nuda by Fort Wood)

[Kenilworth 6 Sophomore Sprint \(3yo's\)\(Listed\) 1200m \(07/09\)](#)

Mawsool 3g (Imperial Rose by Jet Master)

[Turffontein 7 Pinnacle Stakes \(F&M\) 1400m \(07/09\)](#)

Sweet Resistance 3g (Cape Floral by Fort Wood)

[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1400m \(08/09\)](#)

TIME THIEF (Redoute's Choice)

Zodiac Star 3g (Roczinta by Rock of Gibraltar)

[Fairview 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\)\(Polytrack\) 1000m \(06/09\)](#)

Clock Stopper 3g (Herathenavigatrix by Henrythenavigator)

[Turffontein 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(07/09\)](#)

VERCINGETORIX (Silvano)

Ikigai 3g (Al Shiba by Al Mufti)

[Turffontein 3 Maiden Plate 1000m \(07/09\)](#)

Prince Of Venice 3g (Princess Stephanie by Kahal)

[Greyville 6 MR 78 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1000m \(08/09\)](#)

WYLIE HALL (Redoute's Choice)

Bernardo 3g (Castle Queen by Captain Al)

[Fairview 3 MR 72 Handicap \(Polytrack\) 1300m \(06/09\)](#)

Bollinger 3g (Champagne 'n Roses by Goldmark)

[Kenilworth 1 Workriders Maiden Plate 1200m \(07/09\)](#)

Notable Maiden Winners

VERCINGETORIX

Rated **AR 77 Glory Days** (3f Dream Of Gold by Sadler's Wells)
Maiden Plate (F&M) Fairview (turf) (1200m) (30/8)

Yvette Bremner's charge had the rest over eleven lengths behind her when a runner up to the very highly rated World Radar in her only previous start. World Radar has won with authority since and so it was no surprise to see Glory Days heavily supported here. She led throughout, and only having to be pushed out at the business end of the race, cruising in with plenty in hand in weak company.

JUDPOT

Rated **AR 77 Wild Date** (3f Albizia by Fort Wood)

Maiden Plate (3yo's) Turffontein (inner) (1600m) (31/8)

Taking a big step up in distance after running on from the rear to finish fourth over 1000m in her only previous outing, Geoff Woodruff's charge was always likely to improve here. She again came from towards the rear after being a little slow into stride, and drew clear easily after striking the front 200m from home.

Horses To Follow

ORATORIO

Rated **AR 82 Star Vega** (4f Majestic Star by Doowaley)

MR82 Handicap (F&M) Greyville (poly) (1400m) (1/9)

Now a winner of two from four, this son of Oratorio was positioned at the back of the eleven turning for home. He cut through the field like a knife in the short home straight and won going away by a length and a quarter after hitting the front 50m from home.

Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Mushi Sterek (AUS) 4f Stratum- Coablo(AUS) (Vettori)

Durbanville 1250m (27/08)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Ancient Spirit (AUS) 5m Fastnet Rock- Miss Concorde(IRE)

(Encosta de Lago)

Greyville 1200m (01/09)

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CTS Premier Team On The Ground



Ric Wylie, Kerry Jack and John Kramer

A Cape Thoroughbred Sales inspection team comprising of New Zealander Ric Wylie, Kerry Jack and the evergreen John Kramer have started yearling inspections for January's 2020 Cape Premier Yearling Sale.

Wylie, whose expertise lies with "conformation and assessing what a young horse may develop into", has only visited South Africa once before. He consults to a varied group of owners and breeders around the world and his horsemanship is well documented.

Wylie commented in an interview recently:

"Foals can change dramatically in their growth and a successful sale depends on a satisfied buying bench. That starts with selection of the right individual for that specific sale."

Kramer needs no introduction. He has long been one of South Africa's most established and recognised horse inspectors and his expert advice and trained eye have been integral to the selection processes at many sales over many decades.

Jack, Bloodstock Manager for CTS, has worked closely with Kramer over a number of years and last year also shared the duties with UK expert, Grant Pritchard-Gordon. She has emerged as an expert in her own right.

"We started in Hermanus on Monday with Hemel N Aarde Stud, Nadeson Park and Oldlands Stud. We'll be moving on to Robertson on Tuesday to see the youngsters at Klawervlei and a few others. The entire process will take about two weeks, we'll be travelling to other parts of the country next week," said Jack.

The 2020 Cape Premier Yearling Sale will be held on 16 January, a week after the running of the L'Ormarins Queens Plate.

"The new date will add more excitement to the LQP Festival, and CTS will host several pre-sale events for guests and buyers," said Wéhann Smith, CEO of CTS.

SPORTS AND BETTING

Euro 2020 Qualifiers

Preview



Matchday five of the Euro 2020 Qualifiers throws up plenty of exciting ties with the matchup between Germany and Netherlands being the main eye-catcher on the

menu this weekend. We take a look at 10 of the biggest blockbusters from the 10 qualifying groups, while trying to find the best market in each encounter to make some profitable cash.

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FRIDAY 6 SEPTEMBER

19/20 Germany | Draw 26/10 | Netherlands 49/20 (20:45)
Over 2.5 Goals seems the way to go at 6/10.

28/10 Slovakia | 21/10 | Croatia 21/20 (20:45)

At 23/20, Both Teams to Score is certainly the way to go here.

37/20 Scotland | 39/20 | Russia 33/20 (20:45)

Back Under 2.5 Goals here at 9/20.

1/4 Wales | 39/10 | Azerbaijan 11/1 (20:45)

For value, take Wales on the (-1) Handicap at 8/10.

5/2 Slovenia | 2/1 | Poland 12/10 (20:45)

Slovenia have won one of their last 12 competitive games and despite home advantage, Poland are tipped to come out on top.

SATURDAY 7 SEPTEMBER

22/10 Kosovo | 21/10 | Czech Republic 13/10 (15:00)

A stalemate is on the cards here at 21/10.

1/14 England | 8/1 | Bulgaria 35/1 (18:00)

Put your money on the Home Team Totals market and back Over 2.5 at 6/10.

1/10 France | 7/1 | Albania 25/1 (20:45)

I'd fancy France to Score In Both Halves at 6/10.

1/25 Turkey | 10/1 | Andorra 52/1 (20:45)

Turkey are expected to Win Both Halves here at 5/10.

51/20 Serbia | 22/10 | Portugal 11/10 (20:45)

My money is on the visitors here at a profitable 11/10.

TREBLE @ 6/1

Poland Win 12/10

Turkey Win Both Halves 5/10

Portugal Win 11/10

CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

Making Money At The Office

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

Winning Move

Hollywoodbets Greyville 25 August

A MR98 Handicap over 1400m topped the bill on the poly track on Sunday and in what not surprisingly proved to be the faster of the two races over the distance, we saw a smart performance from the Master Of My Fate gelding MASTAGAMBIT. Now a winner of three from seven, Dennis Drier's charge raced seventh of the eight for most of the journey. He quickened best of all in the short home straight and with the rest well beaten he got up late to beat the front running STREAM AHEAD going away. Three of the afternoon's eight races were staged over 2000m and stopping the clock in the fastest time amongst these was SAMSONITE when winning the MR85 Handicap. In the rear turning for home, the son of A P Arrow quickened well at the top of the straight and in what proved to be a real thriller he got the verdict over GIBRALTAR GREEN by a quarter of a length. The runner up also came from the rear and after having to switch 300m out, his rider dropped the rein late on.

The only other distance to stage more than one race was 1200m where quickest home was TRIPPLE EXPLOSION in the MR70 Handicap. Swiftly guided over from a wide draw by Musi Yeni Tripple Explosion raced handy in second. He put his head in front going through the 400m and just held on by the narrowest of margins from his fellow 6yo GREAT DICTATOR.

Titbits Always top of the boards, BLONDE BABE won the opening maiden plate for the girls over 1000m easing down by a length and three quarters.

Back On Track

Durbanville 27 August

Three of the eight races at the country course on Tuesday were run over 1250m and in the fastest of these, we saw a smart performance from the lightly raced 4yo MUSHI STEREK. After winning impressively

by five on debut, something was clearly amiss when not persevered with last time out. Clearly back on track now though, this daughter of Stratum again made all and won with some in hand by two and a quarter.

The only other distance to stage more than one race was 1400m where the faster of the two was not surprisingly the MR90 Handicap in which the Sail From Seattle filly VOMANDLA caused an upset. Allowed to drift right out to 16/1 from 17/2 at the track, Andre Nel's charge was soon positioned close to the speed. She was ridden to lead shortly after passing the 300m marker and kept on strongly late to beat the luckless FAYE by a half. The runner up didn't find the clearest of passages and finished well.

A maiden plate over 1600m had opened up the meeting and here the Justin Snaith trained SILVER HOST won in eye catching fashion. In touch throughout, this 3yo son of Silvano was forced to switch 400m out. He showed a very nice turn of foot over the final 100m though and won going away by a length from his marginally more fancied stable companion WINTER IS OVER.

Titbits The well-supported 3yo LARENTINA didn't find the clearest of passages at the business end of the maiden plate for the girls over 1400m, but despite that, she won by a length and a quarter with some in hand.

Poorly drawn MACTHIEF came from the back when comfortably accounting for a useful looking field in the MR77 Handicap over 1250m.

Not Such A Surprise

Hollywoodbets Scottsville 28 August

As is often the case in Pietermaritzburg the distance of 1200m took the lion's share of the races. A MR104 Handicap was the fastest of the four and here it was nice to see the 5yo joint top weight FILIPPO gain just reward for his consistency. Now a winner of five from 22, the son of Toreador raced in the rear early on. He quickened well from halfway and after striking

Last Week's Top Rated SPEED RATINGS winners incl.

Linnger Longer won 50/1
 Diamond Dancer won 11/1
 Statute won 33/4
 Samsonite won 15/4
 Blonde Babe won 53/20
 Princess Penelope won 51/20
 Perfect Air won 49/20
 Maidens Prayer won 9/20

Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

FAIRVIEW (FRI)

Race 1: (1) Natural Jade 11
 Race 2: (1) Speechmaker 12
 Race 3: (1) Alphabet Street 38
Race 4: (1) At The Office 20 (NAP)**
 Race 5: (6) Finley Hill 33
 Race 6: (5) Ollivander 62
 Race 7: (10) Noble Duke 46
 Race 8: (8) Ladysmith 29

TURFFONTEIN (SAT)

Race 1: (6) Clock Stopper 25
 Race 2: (3) Port Key 32
 Race 3: (3) Touch Of Fate 21
 Race 4: (4) Live By Night 21
 Race 5: (4) Maroon Bells 15
 Race 6: (10) Emerald Bay 37
 Race 7: (1) Schippers 81
Race 8: (5) Strikeitlikeamatch 49 (EW)
 Race 9: (4) Premier Show 65

KENILWORTH (SAT)

Race 1: (3) Bollinger 6
 Race 2: (12) What A Lover 15
Race 3: (6) Double Reward 5 (NAP*)
 Race 4: (3) Viva Rio 19
 Race 5: (4) Waiting For Rain 64
 Race 6: (4) Captain Tatters 40
 Race 7: (3) Nasty Harry 61
 Race 8: (6) Howl 37

HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE (SUN)

Race 1: (5) Quant Master 26
Race 2: (1) Dickens 32 (NAP)**
 Race 3: (9) Frozen Tune 41
 Race 4: (9) Into The Groove 38
 Race 5: (3) Kinsky's Crusade 42
 Race 6: (9) Prince Of Venice 40
 Race 7: (5) Pantsula 45
 Race 8: (1) What A Thrill 24

Nap bets

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

Notebook

Horses worth following at their next few starts...

LARENTINA (A Sands, W-Cape)
MACTHIEF (B Crawford, W-Cape)
MASTAGAMBIT (D Drier, KZN)
SILVER HOST (J Snaith, W-Cape)


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CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

the front 250m from home, he kept on strongly late to beat the rallying favourite CABO DA CRUZ by a quarter of a length.

After losing out by the narrowest of margins at Hollywoodbets Greyville just three days earlier, GREAT DICTATOR was sent off favourite to win the MR68 Handicap over 1000m and he duly landed the odds. Always handy, the 6yo Great Britain gelding was ridden to lead 150m out and won well by a half.

A maiden plate for the girls over 1400m brought the meeting to a close and here the column's top rated selection LINNGER LONGER caused a major upset. Freely available at 50/1 on the off, this poorly drawn Linngari mare was soon well positioned by Deon Sampson. She took up the running 200m out and just held on by the narrowest of margins from the rallying pacemaker CLASS OF EIGHT.

Titbits Positioned fifteenth of the sixteen for most of the journey, the lightly raced BRASS BELL was flying at the finish when a 2,5 length runner up in the opening maiden plate over 1200m.

A Merry Dancer

Vaal 29 August

Trainer Paul Peter has been in devastating form of late and with four of the six runners in the opening MR88 Handicap over 2000m here it was no surprise to see him get off the mark early again. What was a surprise though was that the winner DIAMOND DANCER was the lessor fancied of his runners. Taken straight to the front by Callan Murray the 11/1 shot led throughout. He kept on strongly at the business end of the race and comfortably accounted for the favourite (his stable companion) POPSICLE TOES by a length and a half.

The two 1800m races were both maiden handicaps and in by far the faster of these the 25/1 shot MOUNT RAINIER got off the mark. Placed just once in his ten previous racecourse appearances, Stephen Moffatt's charge raced in midfield during the early part of the race. He ran on well

from halfway and in what proved to be a real thriller he got the verdict on the nod over the well-supported second favourite GENTLEMAN'S WAGER.

The graduation plate was the faster of the two 1000m races that brought the meeting to a close and here the lightly weighted 3yo ARISTACHUS registered his second career victory. Set to shoulder just 51kg taking into account apprentice Dickson's allowance, the Seventh Rock gelding was soon up handy. He was ridden to lead as they approached the 200m marker and kept on strongly late to beat the always handy ALEX THE GREAT by a quarter of a length.

Titbits At the back of the twelve 350m out, the Mike De Kock trained newcomer NIMITZ was flying at the finish when only beaten a short head in the maiden plate over 1200m.

Deat-Heat For Spring

Turffontein 31 August

Run in a time 4/100th of a second faster than the graduation plate won by ROCKIN RUSSIAN, the maiden plate won by the aptly named STOP FOR NOTHING was the faster of the two 1400m races on Saturday's card. Freely available at 35/1 on the off Stephen Moffatt's charge was a little slow into stride and raced in the rear early on. He ran on best of all at the business end of the race and got up late to deny the Mike De Kock trained first timer ARNICAMONTANA.

The Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes topped the bill and in what proved to be the fastest of the afternoon's three 1200m events a dead heat was declared between the well-supported favourite PRINCE OF KAHAL and ANGEL'S POWER. Nicely positioned in second Prince Of Kahal took up the running 300m out. He was joined by Angel's Power 200m later and after a thrilling tussle below the distance the judge couldn't separate them.

Four 1600m races made up the afternoon's fare and in the fastest of these, a

MR88 Handicap, the easy to back LONE SURVIVOR registered his sixth career victory. Always handy, the top weight took up the running 150m out and comfortably accounted for the younger MARCH TO GLORY (led 400m) by three quarters.

Titbits At the head of affairs throughout, ATOMIC BLONDE quickened nicely over the final 400m when winning the maiden plate for 3yo's over 1600m by six.

FASTEST TIMES

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

GREYVILLE (POLY) 25 AUGUST

Going Standard	
Course Variant: 0,33s slow	
1000m (1) Blonde Babe	57,97
1200m (2) Tripple Explosion	69,89
1400m (2) Mastagambit	82,16
2000m (3) Samsonite	120,76

DURBANVILLE 27 AUGUST

Penetrometer 22 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,41s slow	
1250m (3) Mushi Sterek	73,97*
1400m (2) Vomandla	84,66*
1600m (1) Silver Host	99,34*
1800m (1) Elusive Fortune	111,65*
2400m (1) Metropolitan	159,96*

SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 28 AUGUST

Penetrometer 22 - Going Good	
Course Variant: 1,03s slow	
1000m (1) Great Dictator	57,50
1200m (4) Filippo	68,85
1400m (1) Linnger Longer	85,02
1600m (1) Statute	96,02
2400m (1) Before Noon	151,49

VAAI (CLASSIC) 29 AUGUST

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,78s slow	
1000m (2) Aristachus	56,75
1200m (1) Sambuca	71,00
1500m (1) Princess Penelope	91,13
1600m (1) Lake Kinneret	94,85
1800m (2) Mount Rainier	109,53
2000m (1) Diamond Dancer	123,36
2400m (1) Gold Griffin	150,52

TURFFONTEIN (INNER) 31 AUGUST

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 2,02s slow	
1200m (3) Prince Of Kahal/Angel's Power	71,78
1450m (2) Stop For Nothing	90,66
1600m (4) Lone Survivor	98,84



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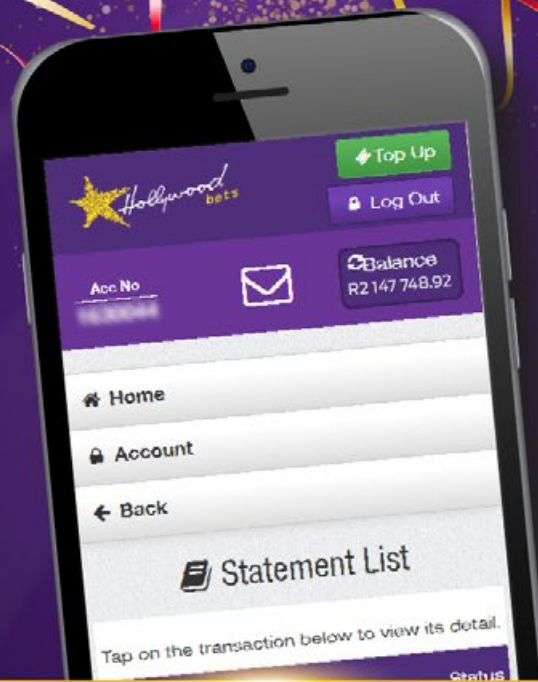


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