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RACING
THIS WEEKEND

FAIRVIEW TURF Friday
Best Roving Banker:
R3-(4) Outlandos D'armour (12/10)

VAAL Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
R2-(4) Masaqaat (16/10)

KENILWORTH Saturday
Best Roving Banker:
R8-(8) Warrior Tiger (5/1)

HOLLYWOODBETS
GREYVILLE TURF Sunday
Best Roving Banker:
R4-(4) Baby Shooz (1/1)

You may have missed...

Friday 1 November
Hollywoodbets Greyville – race 7
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Best Handicapped
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Discovering Diamonds

After being unceremoniously condemned to an undignified demise in the dusty reaches of Kimberley on 9 December, Northern Cape racing is likely to be given a three year stay of execution with a knight in shining armour coming to the rescue of one of South Africa's proudest racing jurisdictions.

There have been more mixed messages, about-turns and fake news generated from the day the two-man Joburg hit squad went in to deliver the death warrant to a shell-shocked group of trainers back in August.

Not surprisingly, a reaction followed, questions were asked in the media – we were also slammed in the process – and the situation was compounded when local trainers were given until end September to confirm in which direction they would be headed. Talk about mercenary!

Another uproar followed at this unreasonable time-frame requirement.

Then in mid September, Phumelela CEO John Stuart announced that options were being evaluated in conjunction with Gold Circle and other stakeholders, and that more details would be 'released soon'.

And since then the local stakeholders and the racing public have waited for news. The Sporting Post regularly gets requests for updates.

As we stated previously, the closure of the Kimberley racing community has widespread humanitarian and economic implications. We are talking families being uprooted and a massive hole in the cog of the broader racing economy.

On Thursday we spoke to a few of the local trainers

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Breeder: Limestone Thoroughbred Trust

DISCOVERING DIAMONDS

again. They are deeply thankful that they may be allowed to continue. But they are still asking for answers – like, ‘how the hell did this happen?’

They are also concerned at a lack of a genuine turn-around strategy.

“There is a massive mistrust between us and the racing operator. We have been shabbily treated. There have been no apologies. We want them to embrace Kimberley – and not adopt a like it or lump it ‘houding’, as they have,” said one.

Another trainer mentioned that the stakes cuts – while accepted as a necessary lifeboat – had not been properly explained- and where do they eventually lead?

“Take an MR 62 Handicap on this coming Monday’s card. It pays out a first cheque of R23 200. That race gross is R40 000. Yet in July, the first cheque was R30 000 and the gross was R48 000. They mention stakes cuts of 12%- yet I calculate some are as much as 27%. We were already at the bottom of the food chain. Why skin us to the bone?”

There was also a concern that operational costs like feed and wages were on the up.

“Like most people countrywide, we have already had to tighten belts and cut staff. Shocking in a country with a 29% unemployment rate. And I’m worried – like when an owner drinks his champers and enjoys leading in his winner. Then he ends up getting a winning cheque of R16 000. After the champagne has worn off, he is going to think that he fell into a time warp and is back in the 1970’s,” said another trainer.

“So we wait. Let’s hope our rescuers have a love of the game, compassion for people and business acumen. This can’t be allowed to happen again – we really are prepared to all pull together to make it work.”

The next Flamingo Park racemeeting is on Monday 11 November.

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De Kock's Riding A Wave

Gr3 Victory Moon Stakes Vaal Saturday

Moving from an under the lights slot at Turffontein to the bright sunshine of the Vaal, Saturday's R350 000 Gr3 Victory Moon Stakes, a traditional Summer Cup preliminary, has attracted a quality field.



Green Haze | JC Photos

The race is weighted on merit rating bands with penalties for Gr1, Gr2 and Gr3 wins and after Saturday's six winner rout by the Mike de Kock team, all eyes will be on the high-class 4yo Soqrat, who goes beyond the mile for only the second time in his career.

Soqrat's first try at 1800m ended with a meritorious 0,40 length defeat by the star racer Rainbow Bridge in the Gr1 Champions Cup at Hollywoodbets Greyville on Super Saturday. But the Vaal is a different track and this will be a test of note.

Mike de Kock is on record to that effect: "I'm very keen to see how he goes over 1800m in this sort of field. If I'm happy with the effort that he produces, I'm going to let him take his place in the Summer Cup."

He added that purely on breeding it's a bit difficult to calculate Soqrat's best distance.

"His sire Epaulette is fast but there is some staying ability on the dam's side. His breeding is not that great but at times you almost scratch your head and wonder why he is so good. He's come back well, he's working nicely and he's a very straightforward horse at the end of the day."

Soqrat, a proven lethal miler, already showed his class with a facile win in a Pinnacle Stakes last month where he carried 62kg and won well. He is yet to run a poor race and has competed in Gr1 company in three provinces.

His stablemate Noble Secret is looking for further and made no show behind Barahin in last weekend's Charity Mile. Racing is bound to bring him on and raise his game.

The SP top-rated Green Haze impressed with a five length win against weaker last time and the son of Gimmethegreenlight looks nicely weighted here off the 51kg mark.

Gr3 Victory Moon Stakes past winners

2016

1 Bezanova	54.0 (6) 9/1
2 Liege	57.0 (1) 3/1
3 Bold Rex	54.0 (9) 7/1

2017

1 Girl On The Run	50.0 (5) 11/2
2 Coral Fever	51.0 (9) 11/1
3 Master Switch	54.0 (7) 28/1

2018

1 Takingthepeace	53.5 (8) 10/3
2 Sabina's Dynasty	55.5 (1) 27/4
3 Cash Time	52.0 (13) 36/1

START
4:30PM
VAAL

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PAG/PICK SIXES/JACKPOT4
GR3 VICTORY MOON STAKES - 1800M
SAME TRAINER:(1-4)(8-12-13)

Epaulette
Oratorio
Pierro
Dynasty
Admire Main
Duke Of Marmalade
Gimmethegreenlight
Dynasty
Brave Tin Soldier
Lateral
Mogok
Silvano
Twice Over

1 SOQRAT(MF de Kock) C Murray	3	62.0
2 DIVINE ODYSSEY(JAJ v Vuuren) C Maujean	7	58.0
3 ROY HAD ENOUGH(F Robinson) P Strydom	9	57.0
4 NOBLE SECRET(MF de Kock) R Munger	8	57.0
5 UNAGI(GM Alexander) D Schwarz	10	54.0
6 SEVILLE ORANGE(M Houdalakis) W Kennedy	6	51.5
7 GREEN HAZE(AG Laird) M Yeni	4	51.0
8 SHENANIGANS(SG Tarry) K Matsunyane	11	51.0
9 SOLDIER ON(ST Pettigrew) M v Rensburg	2	51.0
10 ALI BON DUBAI(GV Woodruff) N Klink	13	51.0
11 MASTER MAGIC(D Nieuwenhuizen) K Zechner	1	51.0
12 AL MUTAWAKEL(SG Tarry) L J Ferraris	12	51.0
13 SECOND REQUEST(SG Tarry) J Gates	5	50.0

Soldier On is another who looks to box competitively off his 51kgs and, if not in need of it after a 13 week break, he must be a contender for a place cheque.

The fairer sex have a good record in the race, having won it the last two years. They may find it tougher though this time round with the likes of Second

Request and Seville Orange racing off form.

Unagi tends to lift his game for the bigger occasion but doesn't strike one as a likely winner.

Consolation July winner Shenanigans should be staying on at the

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business end but looks hard-pressed to challenge the more fancied runners.

Divine Odyssey was scratched as a precaution at the start of last Saturday’s Charity Mile after putting his legs over the gates. The son of Oratorio is a talented sort but is likely to need this.

KZN Derby winner Roy Had Enough was beaten 5 lengths by Soqrat last time and now strips a fitter horse and 3kgs better off with the De Kock charge. Is that enough to turn the tables?

Master Magic registered his fourth win from 16 starts last time but steps up in class and faces stronger.

The lightly tried Al Mutawakel gets thrown in the deep end in an interesting move by the astute Sean Tarry. He won his first three on the roll but was then beaten at 5-10at his first start after three months off when 1,80 lengths off Seattle Force – who was unplaced last Saturday in the Java Handicap.

While Green Haze is the horse to beat, Soqrat’s class could shine through.

Moon Over The Vaal

The switch of the Gr3 Victory Moon Stakes from the traditional Turffontein slot to the Vaal was on special request from the new sponsor.

This is according to Phumelela’s Clyde Basel who told the Sporting Post that Socrasyncs Torro Ya Africa, who had also recently stepped in as sponsors of the Algoa Cup at Fairview, had requested that their big day be headlined by a quality feature.

“The sales team sat down with the race programmers and consensus was reached to move the Victory Moon to the Vaal. The sponsors have some big things planned on the day for their guests, including a celebrity line-up of Lady Zamar, Doctor Khumalo and DJ King Destroy. There is an hour gap between the Gardenia Stakes and the Victory Moon Stakes on the afternoon to accommodate the on-course festivities. We are happy to adopt a flexible approach to accommodate our sponsors and this now becomes one of the Vaal’s major days of the year,” said Basel.

Socrasync is currently in a joint venture with Eastern Cape company Toro Ya Africa in a Transnet project for the construction of the East Bank entrance at the Port of Ngqura. Socrasync Civil and Construction is the product of the amalgamation of skills coming from different industries. The Company is fully in compliance with BEE requirements on a Level Two basis and is also committed to women empowerment, employment equity, employee skills development and reducing the high unemployment rate facing the country. They have a footprint in most provinces.

Gimme The Graft

Woolavington Stakes (L) Kenilworth Saturday

When a horse stumps the Snaith yard, then you know he is an enigma. That honour falls to the Silvano gelding Strathdon. The 6yo is a former winner of the Woolavington Stakes. But he has not won a race in close on two years – despite being fancied to go in on countless occasions.



Gimme One Night | Chase Liebenberg

A name that many punters don’t enjoy hearing anymore, Strathdon won the Woolavington when it was run at Durbanville in 2017. He carried 54kgs and was ridden by Richard Fourie. After seven straight tries, the top jock jumps ship to stablemate Elusive Silva on Saturday and Anton Marcus takes the controls on the Foster family’s galloper.

The Woolavington is weighted on merit rating bands and despite the fact that Moody’s and Standard & Poor would probably have slapped him with a downgrade by now, Strathdon tops the SP ratings.

The son of Silvano certainly has the class on his day but may just need it after a break of 15 weeks post his Gold Cup effort where he ran downfield after the race was earmarked as his season target. That’s not an ideal prep, but the Snaith yard have been in good form and he could prove us all stupid again.

The 2018 Greyville 1900 winner Elusive Silva won a cracker over a distance short of his best at his penultimate start when flashing up from the clouds over the Kenilworth 1400m to beat stablemate Platinum Prince. He failed to kick in the Settlers Trophy at Durbanville last time, but has to be much better than that.

Brett Crawford's solid stayer Gimme One Night has the advantage of a prep run under the belt after also failing to impress in the Gold Cup last season. Back on home turf, the son of Gimmethegreenlight would only need to reproduce the acceleration shown in the Gold Vase and the Consolation July to have a shout here.

Woolavington Stakes (L) past winners

2016		
1	Ovidio	62.0 (2) 9/2
2	Francia	54.0 (7) 2/1
3	My World	53.0 (1) 7/1
2017		
1	Strathdon	54.0 (1) 17/10
2	Speed Of Africa	52.0 (6) 7/1
3	Benjan	52.0 (7) 8/1
2018		
1	Benjan	52.0 (1) 31/4
2	Olivander	56.0 (10) 27/4
3	Ballad Of The Sea	52.0 (3) 57/20

Topweighted 2019 Cup Trial winner Kampala Campari tries the trip for the first time and could just need the outing after a 15 week break when well beaten by the top-class Rainbow Bridge in the Gr1 Champions Cup.

Aldo Domeyer has his second feature ride since returning from Hong Kong when he partners the consistent Man About Town. The Gitano Hernando entire looks held by Elusive Silva and made a respiratory noise at his season opener last month.

Herodotus was prominent for a long way and stayed on without looking like beating Belgarion in

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4:15PM
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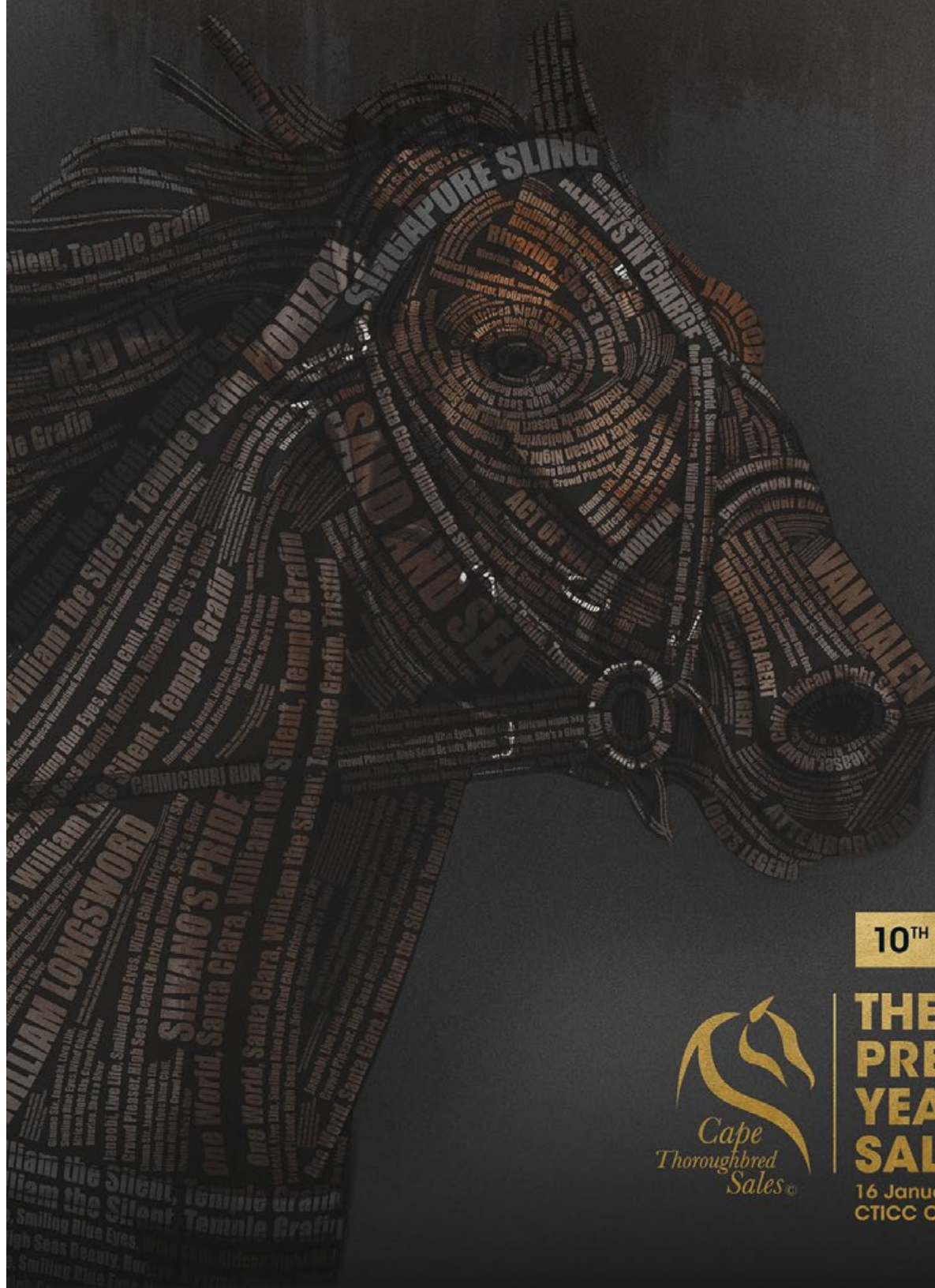

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PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3
WOOLAVINGTON STAKES (LISTED) - 2400M
SAME TRAINER:(1-11)(3-4)(6-13)(8-9-10)

Querari	1	KAMPALA CAMPARI(A Nel) B Fayed'herbe	1	61.0
Trippi	2	HERODOTUS(GS Kotzen) M Winnaar	9	58.0
Silvano	3	ELUSIVE SILVA(J Snaith) R Fourie	12	58.0
Silvano	4	STRATHDON(J Snaith) A Marcus	3	58.0
Gitano Hernando	5	MAN ABOUT TOWN(ELP Steyn) A Domeyer	2	56.5
Gimmethegreenlight	6	GIMME ONE NIGHT(BJ Crawford) C Orffer	7	55.0
Royal Air Force	7	DHARMA(GV Woodruff) A Andrews	10	53.5
Horse Chestnut	8	PACIFIC CHESTNUT(C Bass-Robinson) K De Melo	5	53.5
Duke Of Marmalade	9	CELESTIAL PRINCE(C Bass-Robinson) M Byleveld	11	52.0
Teofilo	10	BALLAD OF THE SEA(C Bass-Robinson) S Mbhele	13	52.0
Silvano	11	SILVER DE LANGE(A Nel) S Veale	8	52.0
Twice Over	12	MELIORA(GR Puller) O Noach	4	52.0
Jackson	13	HEAVEN'S EMBRACE(BJ Crawford) G Cheyne	6	50.0

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the Settlers at his last start. The Trippi gelding failed to fire the last time he went the 2400m – in the Winter Derby – but may well be worth another chance. And the Kotzen-Winaar combo have been in red hot form.

Pacific Chestnut made a respiratory noise last time when making no show in the Settlers. The Horse Chestnut gelding is comfortable over even further than this and cannot be fancied on current standing.

Of the rest, Winter Derby winner Dharma stays well and with two runs in the bag should start upping his fitness levels – and that over a trip he has proven very effective.

The Saith coupling look to dominate, but Gimme One Night could give them both a fright. A tricky race and include Herodotus and Dharma in the bigger permutations.

KZN Stars Are Out

Laisserfaire Stakes (L) Kenilworth Saturday

The Champion KZN combination of Dennis Drier and jockey Sean Veale bid for their third successive victory in the Listed Laisserfaire Stakes at Kenilworth on Saturday. They won it with Sommerlied in 2017 and Anime last year.



In The Stars | Candiese Marnewick

The Summerveld duo have enjoyed fluctuating fortunes over extended campaigns during their sometimes testing Cape summer campaigns but always have a 'bomb' or two in their attack – as they showed at Kenilworth on Tuesday when stepping out the Varsfontein owned and bred Var flyer, Croisette.

And another filly in the same flag from the same farm carries their hopes on Saturday.

The lightly raced 4yo In The Stars had no joy in three starts in the Cape last season, but won her two subsequent outings at Hollywoodbets Scottsville in impressive fashion. She hasn't seen action for 13 weeks, but has run well fresh and off a mark of 52kgs could be worth following.

The SP top-rated Casual Diamond is one of a pair of runners from the Snaith yard. The 5yo daughter of Var may lack the recent form credentials but certainly not the class or ability to challenge here.

Stablemate and Gr1 Allan Robertson Championship winner Miss Florida was not persevered with in her only run since then when

finishing dismally in the Golden Slipper. The daughter of Captain Al has the speed to challenge and is the mount of stable jockey Richard Fourie.

One of a trio of Ridgemont Racing runners, Mushi Sterek has won two of her 4 starts – but was coughing when disappointing last time. She could bounce back.

Stablemate Booms A Daisy has her first run as a 4yo and as a winner of three of her last four starts needs to be taken seriously. She has not run for 20 weeks and with her fitness an unknown, she will have to be taken on trust.

Candice Bass-Robinson has thrown the kitchen sink at this fillies and mare handicap, with a quintet of runners representing the Milnerton stable.

Topweighted Freedom Charter flew up to be narrowly held by Anime in this race last year and comes off an excellent effort in the Diana Stakes when pressing the class act Front And Centre all the way to the line. She won the Poinsettia Stakes last term and while she cannot be left out, this could be just too sharp for her.

Crowded House has maintained a consistent formline but may be better over more.

Aldo Domeyer enjoys his first feature ride since his return from abroad and partners Lesedi La Rona who was reported not striding out in the Diana Stakes. She would have a shout at best.

Laisserfaire Stakes (L) past winners

2016

1	Beach Goddess	57.5	(3)	10/1
2	Chevauchee	59.0	(10)	8/1
3	Our Destiny	58.5	(2)	35/1

2017

1	Sommerlied	60.0	(12)	7/1
2	Casual Diamond	52.0	(7)	6/1
3	Felicity Flyer	54.0	(4)	36/1

2018

1	Anime	54.0	(1)	9/1
2	Freedom Charter	58.0	(3)	18/1
3	Casual Diamond	55.0	(7)	113/20

Third of the Ridgemont attack and, strategically possibly, the mount of Anton Marcus, the Listed Champagne Stakes winner Nastergal needed it when failing to show at her first start as a 4yo. On best credentials shown last season, she cannot be ignored.

Nous Voila returns from an eleven month break and will need it.

Of the balance, Canukeepitsecret and Rush Hour Girl would both have place prospects at best.

START
3:40PM
KENILWORTH

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PA4/PICK SIX/JACKPOT2
LAISSERFAIRE STAKES (F&M)(LISTED) - 1100M
SAME TRAINER:(1-2-5-7-12)(6-8)(9-11)

Elusive Fort
Judpot
Captain Al
What A Winter
Duke Of Marmalade
Captain Al
Trippi
Var
Stratum
Windrush
Zoustar
Elusive Fort
Master Of My Fate
Where's That Tiger

1	FREEDOM CHARTER	(C Bass-Robinson) B Fayd'herbe	7	62.5
2	NOUS VOILA	(C Bass-Robinson) K De Melo	2	61.5
3	CANUKEEPISECRET	(VH Marshall) M Byleveld	5	60.5
4	CELESTIAL STORM	(GR Puller) M Winaar	12	59.5
5	NASTERGAL	(C Bass-Robinson) A Marcus	3	57.0
6	MISS FLORIDA	(J Snaith) R Fourie	14	55.5
7	LESEDI LA RONA	(C Bass-Robinson) A Domeyer	8	55.5
8	CASUAL DIAMOND	(J Snaith) R Khathi	11	54.5
9	MUSHI STEREK	(BJ Crawford) C Orffer	4	53.5
10	RUSH HOUR GIRL	(PP Kruger) O Noach	1	52.5
11	BOOMS A DAISY	(BJ Crawford) G Cheyne	10	52.0
12	CROWDED HOUSE	(C Bass-Robinson) S Mbhele	9	52.0
13	IN THE STARS	(DR Drier) S Veale	13	52.0
14	ICON PRINCESS	(JMT Stewart) D Ashby	6	52.0



Java Handicap (L)
Atyaab
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ex Sylvaner (Dandasinga)
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MF de Kock



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2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale R150 000

WINNER

GR3 HSH PRINCESS CHARLENE STARLING STAKES

OWNERS: Messrs S Poriazis, WG de Koker and
W Volschenk

TRAINER: David Nieuwenhuizen

BREEDER: Digteby Stud

EARNED: R423 375

SPIRIT OF THE GROOVE

(Visionaire - Band Of Angels by National Assembly)

2018 Emperors Palace Ready To Run Sale R240 000

WINNER

EMPERORS PALACE READY TO RUN CUP BROUGHT TO YOU BY BSA

OWNERS: Equine Hub SA (Pty) Ltd Nom: Mark Yong

TRAINER: Sean Tarry

BREEDER: Tmen Stables

EARNED: R703 875

BARAHIN

(Gimmethethegreenlight - Mocha Special by Silvano)

2017 National Yearling Sale R2,6-Million

WINNER

GR2 PEERMONT EMPERORS PALACE CHARITY MILE

OWNER: Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum

TRAINER: Mike De Kock

BREEDER: Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

EARNED: R1,823,125

PRINCE OF KAHAL

(Kahal - Vogue by Model Man)

2016 KZN Yearling Sale R120 000

WINNER

LISTED GOLDEN LOOM HANDICAP

OWNER: Robert Chung

TRAINER: Roy Magner

BREEDER: Clifton Stud

EARNED: R1,160,788

Images: Candiese Marnewick



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Barahin Tops Log

Following his fluent Charity Mile victory last Saturday, Barahin is now at the top of the log for the R2-million Gr1 Summer Cup to be run over 2000m at Turffontein on Saturday 30 November, alongside stable companion Soqrat.



Yellowwood Handicap winner Queen Supreme has been supplemented | JC Photos

Barahin is now quoted as the 2-1 favourite for the Summer Cup with Zillzaal next best at 7-1 with Cascapedia and Roy's Had Enough at 8-1.

See the Hollywoodbets [latest betting here](#)

Four horses were supplemented into the race and they are Bize and Flying Winger from the Alec Laird yard, St John Gray's Dawn Assault and perhaps the most interesting of all, Yellowwood Handicap winner Queen Supreme from the Mike de Kock yard.

Earlier, De Kock withdrew Hawwaam, Buffalo Bill Cody and Like A Panther while also pulled out were Doosra and Come The Day.

Barahin and Soqrat were handed top weight of 60kg and they will have to concede 5.5kg to the third highest weighted runner who is Infamous Fox at 54.5kg. Queen Supreme has been allotted 48.5kg and has come on to the log in 12th position with Dawn assault at No 13.

Another horse to make a move is former Cape Derby winner Atyaab, who comes on in position No 9 following Saturday's win in the Listed Java Handicap.

Soqrat will be running in the Gr3 Victory Moon Handicap at the Vaal on Saturday after which De Kock will decide whether he will run in the Summer Cup.

Final Entries close at 11am on Monday 18 November. Declarations are due by 11am on Tuesday 19 November after which the final field will be announced.

The draws will be made at a function on Wednesday 20 November 2019.

[View the latest log here](#)

Sky Commences Met Bid

The Fred Crabbia-owned 2017 Cape Winter Series star African Night Sky, now in the care of Dean Kannemeyer, is likely to take his first step to a tilt at the Sun Met in the R350 000 Gr2 Cape Merchants at Kenilworth on 23 November.

The son of Dynasty has not seen action since running 5th and 7,25 lengths behind Do It Again as favourite to win the 2018 Vodacom Durban July.

Off a slow early pace, he fought his rider Grant van Niekerk and was taken up to lead. Van Niekerk was widely criticised for the ride.

African Night Sky transferred from the Snaiths to Kannemeyer and has been given a long break after an injury.

"He has had a gallop and we will probably start him over the 1200m with an eye on the Sun Met on 1 February," Dean Kannemeyer told the Sporting Post.

African Night Sky, who has won from 1200m to 2400m, is one of 27 entries for the Gr2 Cape Merchants.

He became the first horse after Pocket Power to win the Cape Winter Series Triple Crown and is held in high regard – even returning as a 6yo.

A notable non appearance amongst the Merchants first entries are Justin Snaith's Equus Champion Sprinter Kasimir, who won the race last year.

Kannemeyer's smart 3yo African Warrior, who ran a cracker in the Matchem recently, has been priced up as a 4-1 favourite by Hollywoodbets in their ante-post market for the 1200m handicap.

[Click here to see the betting](#)

First supplementary entries close at 11h00 on Friday 8 November, with final supps due by 11h00 on Wednesday 13 November.

Declarations are due by 11h00 on Thursday 14 November.

[Read more here](#)

Uncle George - 80 Up

A man who trained horses for over half a century, George Uren celebrated his 80th birthday on Tuesday.

He told the Sporting Post that he spent it 'quietly' at his home in Port Elizabeth.

George Uren called it a day and relinquished his licence at the end of the last season.

He received a Lifetime Achievement Award from the industry – all of fifty two years after he started training horses in Zambia.

"The game has changed a lot in the decades that I trained horses. It has evolved. I miss it but I am frankly happy to be on the other side of the fence and relaxing. I will leave it to the youngsters. It's a complicated industry today with so many facets to it," he mused as he recalled that he grew up in Johannesburg but moved with his parents to Zambia in November 1953.

"I remember the move well. I turned 14 the next day. Those were good years. I have been involved with horses all my life. I showjumped and won a few races as an amateur jockey. But I was always a bit heavy. My brother was a better rider," he recalls modestly.

George started training in 1967 and then moved to Zimbabwe in January 1970.

In a rare training feat, he won the Castle Tankard twice – in 1978 and 1979 – with Taranaki. He had many good horses in Zimbabwe and says they were great days.

He moved to South Africa in 1984 and initially spent two years in PE.

"I took a while to settle down. I tried KZN – it wasn't for me. And then I moved to Cape Town. I liked that less. So I went back to PE in the late 80's. That has been my home ever since. It's a wonderful place to race and to live," he says.

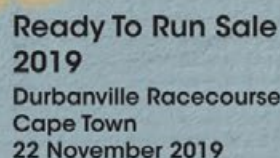
George's memory is good and he says that he was fortunate to train many good horses in his thirty odd years in the Eastern Cape.

We asked him which one would rank amongst the best of them.

"It's difficult to say! But probably Central Pacific was one of my best. Willie Uys won the East Cape Derby on him in 2004. The horse that won the July the next year – Dunford – was third. So it was a good year and it is always an honour to keep the silverware at home," he said.



More details at www.capethoroughbredsales.com



RACING

CTS Entries Close Tomorrow

Note - entries close at 11h00 on Friday

Sean Tarry's Pomodoro grey Invisible was the big mover this week on the CTS Ready To Run Stakes log after running unplaced, but just over 5 lengths off Mill Queen in Saturday's Gr3 Starling Stakes.

Invisible is now the top-ranked filly as she jumps from 21st position to 7th.

Last season's Premiers Champion Stakes third-placer Rock The Globe – also from the Tarry yard – remains the log-topper.

Entries for the race close at 11h00 on Friday 8 November.

The rest of the log standings are largely unchanged for prospective contestants in the R2,5 million CTS Ready To Run Stakes to be fought out at Kenilworth on 23 November

The 1400m race is restricted to eligible graduates of the 2018 CTS Ready To Run Sales.

Supplementary entries are due by 11h00 on Wednesday 13 November.

Declarations are due by 11h00 on Thursday 14 November.

[See the log here](#)

Million For A Maiden

There will be 20 maidens lining up for the R1-million Monaco Maiden Sprint over 1160m at Turffontein on Saturday 16 November.

What is interesting is that no trainer is allowed to have more than one runner in the race – the same rule applying to the three reserve runners. In that way it gives smaller stables the chance to get a runner into the richest maiden race in the country.

The race was first run in 2012 and was sponsored by HSH Princess Charlene of Monaco with the whole concept of giving the underdogs an equal footing against the big trainers.

"Since then, the race has been funded by trainers and owners through the nomination fee, as well as sponsors organised by Larry Wainstein (CEO of the Racing Association) and myself," said Mike Wittstock, father of Princess Charlene, at Wednesday's draw.

There were 64 entries for the race and 62 of them were still in at the declaration stage. However, once a trainer had a horse in the race, he or she was not allowed a second runner.

The first 20 names drawn got into the field directly with the final three being the reserve runners in the order they were drawn.

[See the field – click here](#)

LOCAL

Top Trainer JR Calls It A Day

South African horseracing will bid farewell to one of its great characters and leading trainers at the end of November.

Former Cape champion trainer Joey Ramsden has decided to close down his South African operation.

Whatever his personal reasons for making this sea change in lifestyle, there is little doubt that he will go down in history as some of the collateral damage, which includes many individuals and sectors of the racing and breeding industry here, of the Joostegate scandal.



Joey Ramsden | Gold Circle

While he was a top trainer long before Markus Jooste's arrival, Joey was one of the men most exposed when the former Steinhoff boss hit a brick wall back in December 2017.

"We're taking a sabbatical as both Steph and I feel that this is the right decision for ourselves and our family to take a step back for a while and reassess in the future. Goodhope Racing will be closing its doors on 30 November 2019. We thank you all for your understanding in what has been an extremely testing time and an extremely hard decision we've had to make," writes Joey in an email that has done the rounds of racing's unforgiving bush telegraph in the past few hours.

He goes on to say that they need to reiterate that this is not a knee jerk reaction to any 'news' that's been released – 'we simply needed to take the time to speak with our family, friends, staff and owners before we made anything public', he writes.

He adds that naturally the horses in their care will be looked after as per their usual high standards until new homes are found.

"Having been lucky enough to have trained many Champion racehorses it has been the staff behind me that have made it all possible and it has been heartbreaking to tell them and I can't thank them enough for their loyalty and their understanding. It's been a privilege and an honour to train in this beautiful country and I'm going to miss Cape Town very much," he says in closing.

Joey obtained his trainers licence in 1995 and has been Cape Champion Trainer four times. He has trained 20 Gr1 winners of 26 Gr1 races, including Variety Club, Attenborough, Just Sensual, Winter Solstice, The Conglomerate and Red Ray.

He has three young daughters, Holly, Zara and Ruby who he once said keep him busy and broke! His partner Stephanie Grentell worked for Inglis in Australia before meeting Joey.

There is no question that Joey Ramsden will be missed and that South African racing is poorer for his departure.

We wish him well and let's afford him and his family the courtesy of the privacy that they deserve.

INTERNATIONAL

Munger For Singapore

Ryan Munger has been granted a 12-month licence to ride in Singapore. His contract will commence on January 1 2020.

Munger, who chose this career path after he was inspired to follow into the footsteps of his jockey-uncle Stuart Randolph, enrolled at the South African Jockey Academy in 2011 and after rapidly rising through the ranks, now figures among the leading jockeys on the national log.

Crowned Zimbabwe champion jockey in the 2017-2018 season, the Durban-born Munger was first based in Johannesburg. He moved to Cape Town in October 2018 to briefly join trainer Glen Kotzen as his stable jockey before going freelance shortly after.

Last year, Munger finished eighth on the national log on 127 winners. He is currently in eighth place on 31 winners.

He has racked up around 570 winners, including four at Gr3 level and six in Listed races.

His first Gr3 wins came in the Caradoc Gold Cup with Ilitshe at Turffontein in 2017, while other notable feature wins at Turffontein include the Gr3 Graham Beck Stakes with National Park last November and the Gr3 Pretty Polly Stakes with Palace Of Dreams in March.

In terms of overseas experience, Munger participated in an apprentice jockeys' challenge in Abu Dhabi back in 2014

Horse Of The Year?

Bricks and Mortar capped a brilliant year with a spectacular win in Saturday's \$4 million Longines Gr1 Breeders' Cup Turf at Santa Anita Park.

This was the seventh consecutive win for the five-year-old Chad Brown trainee who maintained a perfect six for six in 2019 with five Gr1 successes.

Acclimate shot right to the front along with Bandua and the pair set fractions of :24.81, :48.44, and 1:13.26.

Bricks and Mortar, with Irad Ortiz Jr. aboard, sat comfortably in fifth and waited to make a final big move. With seemingly perfect timing, Bricks and Mortar shot like a cannon to the front to duel it out with United who had taken up the lead in the stretch. Bricks and Mortar, with his perfect 2019 record on the line, got the best of United and finished first by a head for Klaravich Stables and William H. Lawrence. Anthony Van Dyck continued on for third followed by Zulu Alpha and Alounak.

"This is a special horse," said winning jockey Irad Ortiz Jr. who has been aboard Bricks and Mortar for each of his six wins this year. "He might be the best I've ever ridden."

Not only did Bricks and Mortar maintain his perfect record on the year with his win but he also brought his lifetime earnings above the \$7 million mark with a career record of 13: 11-0-2 making him a leading contender for Horse of the Year.

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INTERNATIONAL

Cup Drama On Tuesday

The international raiders almost pulled off another famous victory in the A\$8 million Lexus Melbourne Cup on Tuesday, but Prince Of Arran (second), Il Paradiso (third) and Master Of Reality (fourth) were ultimately denied by Vow And Declare, a four-year-old chestnut gelding bred, trained and owned by Australian interests.

Having finished second in the Stella Artois Caulfield Cup, Vow And Declare went one better on a sun-soaked day at Flemington to deliver a first Melbourne Cup win for one of Australia's leading jockeys, Craig Williams, who coveted the trophy above all others.

Master Of Reality, owned by six-time Melbourne Cup winner Lloyd Williams and trained by Joseph O'Brien, hit the front in the home straight and looked to have ended Dettori's Melbourne Cup hoo-doo, only for the Danny O'Brien-trained Vow And Declare to surge past him on the inside rails and win by a head.

In a dramatic postscript, Master Of Reality was demoted to fourth place after Dettori's mount was deemed to have caused interference to Aidan O'Brien's galloper Il Paradiso, who flashed home late under Wayne Lordan and was promoted to third place after the protest was upheld.

Last year's placegetter Prince Of Arran loomed large in the home straight and appeared poised to go two places better than 12 months ago, but ultimately his trainer Charlie Fellowes had to settle for second – a result which delivered a \$1.1 million (approximately £590,000) payday for his connections.

Fellowes said: "I'm remarkably proud of this horse, to do what he's done two years in a row is an incredible achievement. I don't think he's finished outside the top three in six races in Australia now, which is an amazing record.

"For a brief second I thought he was going to win, but it wasn't to be. We'll enjoy tonight, then regroup and plot a path to next year's Melbourne Cup."

Prince Of Arran's jockey, Michael Walker, said: "Charlie and the team have done an amazing job with this horse. I love the horse and I just wanted to win it for him and the team. I feel like I've let them down a bit, but once the dust has settled I'm sure I'll look back with a bit of pride."

For Dettori, the quest to claim the elusive prize continues, having now tried and failed to win the 'race that stops a nation' for a 17th time.

It was a third runner-up finish for the flamboyant Italian, after he narrowly missed out on both Central Park (1999) and Willie Mullins' Max Dynamite (2015).

"I feel like crying," was his only comment in the immediate aftermath of the 159th edition of the two-mile contest.

"I'm shattered for Frankie, that was his race," said part-owner Nick Williams. "He gave our horse every chance, and nothing would have been better to have won the race with him in the saddle."

"I'm more gutted for Frankie than I am for myself," added Joseph O'Brien. "I'll be back next year, but I don't know if Frankie is ever going to win this race."

Of the other Europeans, defending champion Cross Counter ran a creditable race to finish in eighth place for his trainer, Charlie Appleby. His pilot William Buick was satisfied with the performance, saying: "I thought he ran a huge race, but he was slowly away and never really had the chance to go at them."

Mer De Glace ultimately fell short in his bid to complete a clean sweep of the Victorian Spring Racing Carnival's major races, as the Caulfield Cup winner could only manage sixth place under jockey Damian Lane.

BSA Graduate Flies High

Former Bloodstock South Africa graduate Yulong Prince, who raced in South Africa under the name of Surcharge, picked up his first Australian victory on Tuesday when he won the Listed Furphy Plate at Flemington on Melbourne Cup day for trainer Chris Waller and jockey Nash Rawiller.

One of three winners on the day for his jockey, the five-year-old Yulong Investments owned Yulong Prince recorded a courageous neck win in Tuesday's eighth race, the Listed Furphy Plate when accounting for runner up Looks Like Elvis and third-place finisher So You Win respectively.

The Varsfontein Stud bred entire was making his fifth start in Australia for his trainer, with Yulong Prince having finished fifth in the Gr3 Coongy Cup at his previous start.

Formerly in the care of Stuart Pettigrew and then Mike de Kock, Yulong Prince has now won seven of 18 outings, and he holds an entry for the upcoming Gr1 Seppelt Mackinnon Stakes – a race worth AUS\$2 000 000! Yulong Prince was a R200 000 buy from the 2016 National Yearling Sale.

His Varsfontein Stud based sire Gimmethegreenlight has been in devastating form in recent weeks, with his recent star performers including Gr2 Western Cape Fillies Championship winner Third Runway and Saturday's Gr2 Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile winner Barahin.

Yulong Prince, originally offered for sale on the 2016 Val De Vie Yearling Sale, is out of the twice placed Diktat mare Congestion Charge, and his close relatives including successful South African sire Count Dubois, Irish 2000 Guineas hero Indian Haven, and Italian classic heroine Evading Tempete.





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INTERNATIONAL

Carnival Countdown

Will any South African horses feature among the nominations for the \$12.74 million programme 2020 Dubai World Cup Carnival which close on 11 November?

The international showcase opens on 2 January and runs for ten weeks, including nine consecutive Thursdays through 27 February.

The final night will be Super Saturday, 7 March 2020, a seven-race, \$2.7 million dress rehearsal meeting for the world's richest race day, the \$35 million Dubai World Cup meeting on 28 March 2020.

Among its 61 Thoroughbred fixtures, the DWC Carnival will host two Gr1's, 10 Gr2's, 10 Gr3's and 10 Listed races along with four Purebred Arabian pattern races made up of three Gr1's and one Gr2.

Handicaps are open to horses rated 90 and upward, with purses ranging from \$135,000-\$175,000, while 11 route and sprint conditioned affairs for sophomores on both dirt and turf—featuring two Gr3's and three Listed fixtures—lead to the \$2.5 million Gr2 UAE Derby on Dubai World Cup night.

The 2019 DWC Carnival saw horses from Australia, Denmark, France, Ireland, South Korea, Sweden, Turkey, UK and USA ship in to win or place in its races.

More information? [Please click here](#)

Meydan This Evening

Racing at Meydan this evening a six-race Gulf News-sponsored card on the same dirt surface as the \$12 million Dubai World Cup, is highlighted by a pair of AED 210,000 handicaps, as well as an intriguing 2-year-old affair.

The last named, the Baby & Child Trophy, is a 1400m maiden for juvenile fillies that includes more than one promising debutante launching their career amid a bit of buzz. Five fillies have been declared for the curtain-raiser, including two for Doug Watson with stable jockey, Pat Dobbs, electing to partner Rio Angie. Owner Hamid Radan purchased her for a hefty \$320,000 at the Fasig-Tipton Midlantic Sale in May of this year. A daughter of Honor Code, she is a half-sister to eight winners, headed by Quantum Miss, whose biggest success was in New York's Grade 3 Cicada Stakes. Sam Hitchcott partners Watson's second runner, Tapi Sioux, a daughter of Tapiture and the first foal out of Netti Sioux, a winner on the all-weather in Canada.

"We like both our two, who have been pleasing us at home and it is a shame we have to run them together, but they are nice fillies," Watson said. "Obviously, it is their first racecourse appearance, so a new experience. You do not know the strength of the opposition, but hopefully they can go well."

Tapi Sioux is owned by Ali Al Aneizi, as is Early Motion, added to the field on Tuesday by Musabbeh Al Mheiri after the race received only four initial entries on Monday. A daughter of Into Mischief, she is half-sister to a winner and a granddaughter of Queens Court Green, a multiple G1 winner on dirt.

Watson and Hitchcott combined to win a 1200m Meydan maiden

in December 2016 with subsequent UAE 1000 Guineas and UAE Oaks heroine Polar River, and her half-sister, Down On Da Bayou, is a fascinating newcomer for Salem bin Ghadayer. The mount of Royston Ffrench, who will be sporting the silks of His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohd Al Maktoum, she is a daughter of Super Saver and was acquired for €190,000 at Arqana in May.

The field is completed by Majhoola, a first runner for owners Imperium Racing and a daughter of Trappe Shot to be ridden by Connor Beasley, atop the early jockeys' standings after a flying start to the season for Ahmad bin Harmash.

The best of the handicaps over the same 1200m as the Group 1 Dubai Golden Shaheen sponsored by Gulf News is the Reach By Gulf News, which attracted a competitive field of eight with the weights headed by Rodaini, a 1400m Dubai World Cup Carnival winner for Abdullah Saeed Al Naboodah in February. Representing the Bin Harmash and Beasley combination, the 5-year-old Exchange Rate gelding is undefeated at 1200m, having landed his debut over the trip, as a juvenile, at Leicester in May 2016, the only previous occasion he has competed at the distance.

Bin Harmash said: "He is ready for a race. With his rating of 100, there are limited options, so this looks a good spot to get him back in action. He has always shown plenty of speed, so hopefully the trip will suit first time back." [Read more here](#)



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Short Heads

Bernie's Back

Top Cape heavyweight jockey Bernard Fayd'herbe returned to office after a three months recuperative leave of absence at Kenilworth on Saturday and picked up two winners – including his unfancied first ride back, Lady Lu. Two races later he scored on Gold Medal – and it's clear from the photo that owner Marsh Shirliff is happy to have his favourite jockey back. "I had to do a lot of work," Bernie related to Michael Clower. "Dougie Whyte helped me. I went on a new diet. And I rode the Equicizer every day."



Chase Liebenberg

SPOIL SPORTS

After his dream weekend recently when he rode 3 feature winners over 3 days, jockey Morne Winnaar didn't escape the Stipes attention by daring to show some emotion after a top treble- and duly saluted on Algoa Cup winner Cat Daddy, prior to the finish line. He was fined R750. He hasn't ridden enough winners in recent years to commit this offence – so surely a warning would have sufficed?



Chase Liebenberg

6 Aldo Domeyer takes six rides at Kenilworth on Saturday and expects to spend the summer season in the Cape before returning to Hong Kong. "If all goes well I plan to move to Hong Kong on a semi permanent basis. I can't live away from my family in the long term," he said. "I'm riding for the right people, and I've picked up a lot of things. You are challenged to improve to survive over there, and have to ride close to your best all the time. I definitely think it has made me a better rider" he told Tabnews.

Nineteen

Maine Chance Farms' resident sire Querari is enjoying a good run and he was represented by his 19th stakes winner this weekend when his daughter Mill Queen won the Gr3 HSH Princess Charlene Starling Stakes at Turffontein on Saturday. The Digteby bred Mill Queen made it win 3 from only 5 starts. The classy filly, who was produced by the Grey Eminence mare Moulin Grise, was a R140 000 buy from the 2018 Emperors Palace National Yearling Sale. Mill Queen was one of two winners on Saturday for Querari- Fleeced winning over 1200m at Kenilworth on the same day. Querari has 12 lots at this month's CTS Ready To Run Sale – including Lady Warrior (#49), a full-sister to Fleeced.

111



Simply Supreme

Although he has recently set up a training establishment with his father Aidan in Ireland, young jockey Donnacha O'Brien retained his Irish champion jockey title on Sunday in what has been an historic season of 111 wins. He says he has no plans of retirement yet. In a battle that gripped the nation, O'Brien finished the season 8 wins ahead of Colin Keane; the first time two jockeys reached a century of winners in Ireland.

Saturday's impressive Yellowwood Handicap winner Queen Supreme is one of four supplementary entries for the Gr1 Summer Cup. Mike de Kock said after the race: "Queen Supreme is headed for a Gr1. She's Paddock Stakes and Sun Met material, she's that good. Our next stop will probably be the Paddock Stakes, though we'll have to deal with travelling to Cape Town which is never easy."

2 Cheveley Stud's young Redoute's Choice sire Wylie Hall enjoyed a quickfire double over the past weekend. His 3yo The Alchemy-bred daughter Wylie's Flame broke her maiden at Fairview on Friday. She is out of the Western Winter mare Happy Hostess. Wylie Hall's second winner over the weekend came when the Michael Leaf bred filly Pay Pay romped home to shed her maiden at Kenilworth on Saturday. The multiple Gr1 winning Wylie Hall has two colts at this month's CTS Ready To Run Sale.



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Gold Strike

Australia-based SA jockey Barend Vorster has been granted a one-day visiting jockeys' licence for the Singapore Gold Cup meeting on 10 November.

He will ride Gold Strike in the Gr1 Dester Singapore Gold Cup for Cliff Brown.

PERSONALITY

SA Racing's Own 'Faf'

Wayne Agrella

While he will be warming the reserve bench for South Africa at the World Sports Betting International Jockey Challenge at Turffontein next Saturday, the tough as teak Port Elizabeth-based Wayne Agrella says joining Yvette Bremner's powerful Dippin' Blu Stables as first choice rider recently could make this his best season ever.

The 37 year old Joburg-born Agrella, a South African national champion apprentice of 2002/3, is an eloquent and charmingly philosophical conversationalist – something that probably flies in the face of the generally held perception of his tough guy demeanour.

Having just heard that he had received the call-up for the South African Team to take on a powerful International side at Turffontein on 16 November, Wayne told the Sporting Post on Tuesday that life was often about plugging away at the basics and being in the right place at the right time.

"The chasm spanning the talents of one jockey versus the next is not ten or twenty lengths or 100 winners over a season. It's all about getting the opportunities and using them properly. Simply put- most guys are capable of riding winners, given the better horses," he says reflectively, recalling his recent slump.

"I was enjoying riding for Steph Miller in Kimberley. It's a good place – in fact, anywhere is a good place when you are riding winners and earning a living, believe me! But then I got injured and was out of action. I started trying to build myself up again. But human nature is a funny thing. You get one ride a meeting. It's not usually one of the better rides either. Then you ask for more – the trainer says you are not at work every day all day. But when you know you aren't getting the rides, or getting paid, and the drive to get up at sparrow and do the hard yards when the other jocks are flying in and picking the plums, is a tough call. It's a catch 22. You try hard. You keep banging your head against the door. And then, hey presto- one day, mine opened!"

And it was that timing again.

Wayne says he had just walked into the Fairview dining room after his solitary ride on an afternoon, when he greeted Hedley McGrath.

"Hedley summoned me over. He said, sit down my boy. He asked me straight out- 'if I gave you a chance, would you do your best?' It felt surreal. It wasn't 1 April, either. I said, what a question – of course!"

The rest is history, with Wayne now sponsored by Fat Frank Clothing and first call jockey to the powerful Yvette Bremner yard – currently seventh on the national log, and a team with an impressive away strike record, as they demonstrated again at Turffontein on Charity Mile day.

"This is really a wonderful opportunity. I can handle pressure as I know my ability. Good horses get themselves out of trouble.

Riding slow horses is no fun, believe me. The Dippin' Blu team are world-class and collectively have some of the best owners in the game.

Yvette Bremner is a top horsewoman and it's not easy succeeding in a man's world. Carl Hewitson has decades of experience. My brother Rocky knows everything there is to know about stable management. The entire team is professional. I'm really excited about the challenge," he says confidently.

On his weight, Wayne says that he is restricted to 58kgs but is in prime fitness and his weight is right down.

"I can't thank Mark Wright enough. He financed my return to health, fitness and a proper diet programme. It has made the world of difference to me."

Wayne says he loves playing squash and it's a great way to keep fit.

"The only man in racing I haven't managed to ever beat on the squash court is Dennis Bosch. Don't even hint that I was suggesting a challenge, please! He is super competitive and world-class," says Wayne admiringly of the man who gave him his first winner.

"I won on Razor Boy for Dennis at Clairwood on Saturday 2 November 1999. Coincidentally, my elder Brother Rocky won on the same horse at Scottsville four days



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WAYNE AGRELLA

earlier! I beat Weichong Marwing – so that was no mean feat. But sadly I picked up a week's suspension and they didn't give me the credit of a qualifying ride. So I missed out on the traditional academy braai too! But I have gotten over that character building early trauma," he laughs.

A former Westonaria and Jacques Fourie High School pupil, Wayne, who also has three sisters, grew up in Johannesburg and is the son of a champion boxer.

"My brother was at the Academy and we were all short – so I went too. I loved it. We were brought up tough and played rugby – in fact I could have given Faf de Klerk a lesson or two."

He proudly pulls out a scrapbook pic of himself on the front page of a newspaper scoring a try. He has strong opinions on the standard of rugby today.

"It's not the tough hard game that we used to play. The referee used to be miles from the scrum and the two packs of forwards were already climbing into each other. It's almost elegantly soft today. I think we need to reduce the cash bonuses and reintroduce some patriotism into all our sport."

And on the subject of national pride, he is really proud to have got the SA call-up.

"I must thank RA CEO Larry Wainstein and the SA team captain Muzi Yeni for the confidence when they asked me to step in as a reserve. I'm not a spring chicken – the Dippin' Blu job and the call-up would have been even nicer a decade ago- but they are lifechanging honours today, nevertheless. And even that blonde Faf de Klerk did his time warming the bench," he grins in reference to the Springbok hero who has captivated the world on social media since his chat to Prince Harry in his Rainbow Nation speedo.

Wayne is the only jockey still riding from his first year at the SA Jockey Academy.

"Nathan Danster had that bad car accident. Lisa Jones went overseas and got married. I was eventually transferred to PE and to Uncle Barry Steenkamp. Those were great days. He was a superb teacher," he says sentimentally.

Wayne tells how he topped the national apprentice log for three years – Warren Kennedy was two years ahead of him and achieved the same feat from PE.

"It doesn't happen anymore. To think we did it with one, maybe two meetings a week, whereas the other guys had plenty of meetings in the major centres. And look how well Warren is doing today! He is a top jockey and he cut his teeth right here in the Windy City," he adds with pride.

Wayne was also the leading PE-based rider from the 2010/11 season for three years while riding for the likes of Barry Steenkamp, Justin Snaith and Dorrie Sham.

So he has shown that timing is crucial. What about saying all the right things?

"Minding your p's and q's in the public space of the post-race interview is borne out of respect for the owner, trainer and the viewing and punting public. They put bread on our table. But I think that Andrew Fortune is living proof that expressing oneself frankly, and stating the hard truths that people don't always want to hear, doesn't stop you from becoming a champion jockey either!" he laughs.

Frankly Speaking...



Wayne's sponsor is South African Triathlete and professional Ironman, Travis McGrath – son of leading owner Hedley McGrath.

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Payers & Racing – What's The Truth?

Owner Mark Sham is conducting a survey that he has financed as a private endeavour with the sole aim of demonstrating to the National Horseracing Authority that their inaction in routing out defaulters is having a material adverse effect on the future and sustainability of the industry.

He has called on all service providers, participants and stakeholders in the racing and breeding industry to step up and make a difference.

With the assistance of an accounting professional, it is intended to collate all the information received in a financial report, which will be submitted to the NHRA.

The aim of the report is to give the racing regulator a comprehensive and detailed view of the financial position of the various categories of suppliers within the industry, as far as their debtors are concerned and the extent of the bad debt.

"You will appreciate that for the planned report to have the intended credibility and force, we need to disclose your name, against the information supplied, in the report. By providing the information to us you consent to the disclosure of your name in the report," says Mr Sham, who added that the confidential report was solely for the NHRA's information and would not be disclosed to the media.

Mr Sham told the Sporting Post on Monday that the initial response to the request for information had been heartening and that he enjoyed the backing and support of some major players.

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SALE REVIEW

All Eyes On The Futura!

While it was off the highs of the past two years, Sunday's BSA Emperors Palace Ready To Run Sale stood up well given the present economic climate and the inevitable toxic fallout from recent stakes cuts.

The Springboks' thrilling World Cup victory 24 hours earlier certainly buoyed the vibe and ensured that most present were smiling.

A handsome Futura colt, named Castle On The Hill, fetched more than double the second highest priced lot when the hammer fell at R1,3 million to the bid of EIB.



Top-selling Futura colt | Candiese Marnewick

Mark Greene of Ndoro Stud bred Castle On The Hill. The colt is from the first crop produced on their farm at Agter-Groenberg in Wellington – near the old Arc En Ciel.

The topseller's sire Futura is often regarded as the best son of Dynasty.

He was trained first by Brett Crawford and then by Justin Snaith, and won nine of only 18 outings while banking an impressive total of R4 337 575. The versatile star, who won from 1200-2000m, collected four Gr1 wins during his career, winning all of the Gr1 J&B Met, Gr1 L'Ormarins Queen's Plate and back to back runnings of the Gr1 Champions Cup.

He lifted three Equus Awards in 2014/15, when he was named South Africa's Horse Of The Year, Champion Older Horse and Champion Middle Distance Horse.

Catalogued as #91, the 2yo half-brother to two winners is closely inbred to Western Winter and is out of an own sister to Gr2 performer Full Mast. His dam is also a half-sister to stakes winner Grandalea, from the family of champion racehorse and rising young sire, Capetown Noir (Western Winter).

The sale aggregate, with 24 more lots sold this year was R14 350 000 – down 12,5% on last year's R16 675 000.

112 of the 145 catalogued lots were sold on Sunday at an average of R128 125 (down 32% year on year) and a median of R80 000 (down 38,5% year on year).

Boosted by his top lot, Drakenstein stallion Futura, selling his second crop, topped the sires averages and aggregate with 3 of his 4 lots selling for a gross R1 610 000 at an average of R536 667.

Top purchaser on aggregate was EIB whose 5 lots cost R1 565 000 at an average of R313 000.

Summerhill sold 40 of 57 catalogued lots for an aggregate of R3 755 000 at an average of R93 875.

[See the price list here](#)

'Don't Insult Our Horses' – KZN Owner

A KZN owner has taken exception to what he deems to be 'disparaging' remarks about the ability of his horse and suggests that in a tough economic climate and testing times for the industry, it is poor sportsmanship for the media to further compound negativity and 'effectively discriminate against smaller owners and trainers'.

The irony for stalwart and passionate owner Collin Naidoo is that the Yogas Govender trained Querari filly Enrapture stormed home at Hollywoodbets Greyville the previous Wednesday at her third outing.

She had been earmarked, quite accurately as it turns out, as one of a 'Three To Follow' in the Winning Ways show on 2 September with Paul Lafferty and James Goodman having a bit of a dig.

The show has a wide appeal in the new 'uncensored' format on Youtube, but it's obvious that the duo's outspoken approach does not always appeal to everybody.

"It might win a race and you will be lucky to catch it in the right race at the right time. Its more of a pink-booker than a black-booker," chirped the hosts of the popular show that was so cutting edge it was booted off the Tellytrack channel recently.

Co-host James Goodman told the Sporting Post, in response to Mr Naidoo's criticism, that the show was intended to inform and entertain, and only had the best interests of the sport of racing at heart. He added that comments were made tongue-in-cheek and absolutely never intended to offend any owner or trainer.

"We have had lots of success from the Three To Follow insert. We were having a friendly dig at the guy who suggested the horse. We are honestly thrilled for the owners and the trainer that Enrapture won at her third start and we hope she wins plenty more. We hope Mr Naidoo understands that we were not targeting anybody maliciously," he added.

An owner of many years standing, Mr Naidoo contacted the NHRA and then came to the Sporting Post in a quest for a public apology for what he labelled 'unnecessary and selective criticism'.

"I keep a lot of horses. I support a variety of stables. I pay my bills. I love the game. I don't think it's good practice to have this denigrating type of commentary about a horse that had only run twice – and had already earned a third cheque. Everybody is entitled to a point of view but don't be nasty," he added.

"We love the game. No harm intended," added James Goodman, who reminded racing fans to subscribe to the Winning Ways show on Youtube.

BREEDING

Emperors Palace Ready To Run Sale

Something For Everybody!

KZN-based Mechanical Engineer Zane Kirsten gave Sunday's Emperors Palace Ready To Run Sale a thumbs-up and was extremely pleased what he secured with his budget. He says the concept of a possible quick return was a winner and the quality of horse available was 'excellent'.

Zane, who has been an owner for ten years and races only with trainer David Niewenhuizen, spoke to the Sporting Post after the sale and was pleased with what he had bought.

"A nicely bred Stonehill Stud-bred Trippi half-sister to five winners out of a winning Fort Wood own sister to two graded horses. David liked her and we thought she moved really well. One never knows but we hope she is on the track by February. And the fillies filled the top six places in the Ready To Run Cup on Saturday. So we live in hope of something nice to look forward to come next November," he added.

Johan Loftus of Nodoro Stud, who bred the R1,3 million topseller, told the Sporting Post that after 41 years in the game – he started at Varsfontein in 1979 – he was 'still learning every day'.

"Just goes to show. We couldn't get a bid past R70 000 at the National Yearling Sale. In the interim he naturally matured and Paul Matchett, who prepped him, was thoroughly impressed with the way he moved and what he showed. He is a lovely specimen – I always say the foal you see at two days of age is the horse you will have," he confirmed.

He wished the purchaser, Empire International Bloodstock, who were the leading buyers, laying out R1565 000 for their 5 lots, plenty of fun with the exciting colt who will race under the Brett Crawford Racing banner.

International buyers at the sale included Ricky Maingard and Bernard Lincoln.

Other top local owners who bought well were Nick Jonsson (6 lots- R1470 000), the enthusiastic Suzette & Basie Viljoen got their 5 lots for R840 000, while staunch patron Peggie So-masundram got 5.

Summerhill's R3 755 000 and Far End Racing's R3,2 million kept the two top vendors very busy again, while Cape-based Hemel 'n Aarde sold 4 lots for a gross R935 000.

View the full [price list here](#)

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date	close	high	low	volume
06Nov	230	230	212	5,004
05Nov	230	250	230	2,942
04Nov	230	250	210	384,600
01Nov	225	225	225	500
31Oct	225	230	210	8,910
30Oct	230	230	211	54,668
29Oct	225	225	211	57,450
28Oct	229	230	215	25,711
25Oct	230	230	230	50
24Oct	230	230	220	7,980
23Oct	230	230	215	306,070
22Oct	230	240	230	168,215
21Oct	231	245	230	209,678
18Oct	240	245	240	5,300

Drier Finds The Beach



Sean Veale wins on Croisette | Chase Liebenberg

Avontuur's top class sire Var looks to have another exciting prospect on his hands in the form of Croisette, who gave trainer Dennis Drier and jockey Sean Veale a happy start to their Cape Summer campaign on Tuesday.

Owned and bred by Varsfontein Stud, she stamped herself a filly to watch when she romped home to a four and a half length debut win, when scoring over 1000m.

Sent off an 8-11 tote favourite, Croisette had been second in a barrier trial on her only previous racecourse outing.

Out of the Windrush mare Sunsational, the three-year-old is bred on the same Var/Windrush cross as Gr2 The Debutante winner A Womens Way.

Twice Leading Sire of 2Yo's in South Africa, and sire of more than 90 stakes horses, Var is set to be represented by two daughters in Saturday's Listed Gardenia Stakes (Ilha Da Varlette, Nawaasi) and by Casual Diamond in the Listed Laissezfaire Stakes on the same afternoon at Kenilworth.

Var has four lots at this month's CTS Ready To Run Sale.

Don't miss our sale preview next week!



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NEWS

An eBucks Ninja Tells...

Against the backdrop of stake reductions, it's become significantly more necessary to tap into the various big value sales races, as well as the added stakes programmes on offer.

It softens the blow when a juvenile maiden winner (from a BSA sale) gets an extra R60k. And it's less of an issue that the stake of the Nursery has been cut by R50k when the winner (assuming it came off the CTS RTR sale) picks up an extra R250k.

Oscar Foulkes writes that there are now so many of these programmes that they have become almost as confusing as Vitality rewards. To make things easy, here's a quick and dirty guide to the various race/stake incentives.

Cape Premier Yearling Sale

No sales races for the 2019 sale.

Cape Yearling Sale

BSA Added Stakes Programme (i.e. R60k to the first 120 juvenile maiden winners). From 2020, there will be a sales race for graduates.

National Yearling Sale

BSA Added Stakes Programme

Klawervlei Farm Sale

Farm Sale race for R225k (at least a 10% chance of getting a run)

KZN Yearling Sale

BSA Added Stakes Programme
KZN Millions Race on July day (5% chance of getting a run)

National 2YO Sale

BSA Added Stakes Programme

RTR

BSA Added Stakes Programme
RTR race for R1 million (10% chance of getting a run) *Ed – this stake is yet to be finalised

Sales race for R1.25 million (10% chance of getting a run)
R250k to each of the first three juvenile stakes-winners

It's very important to note that a BSA two-year-old that breaks its maiden in

open company does not qualify for the added stakes. The fine print gets important with these things.

I regard myself as something of an eBucks Ninja, so of course I'd find a way of maximising the benefits of these various incentives.

You see, we've bought horses at sales throughout the year – and paid the owner's premium – so some of our CTS RTR horses are not only eligible for the raft of RTR incentives, but they've also picked up eligibility to various other programmes. All this information will be on the stable doors.

So, using the hypothetical example of a CTS RTR horse that originally came from the KZN sale, it would get an extra R60k for breaking its maiden.

If it then went on to win the Summer Juvenile Stakes on Met day it would get an extra R250k by way of RTR incentive.

It could run in the R1 million sales race on July day, and of course it would also be eligible for the R1.25 million Ready to Run Stakes in November.

It could end up earning more money than the Champion colt or filly of its generation! In the same way that eBucks change their rules on a regular basis, both BSA and CTS have shifted the goalposts.

Bloodstock South Africa no longer pay an extra R150k to the winners of specified Grade I and II races. Perhaps part of the reason is that payment of the owner's premium is not obligatory, so the revenue is not maximised.

CTS, on the other hand, enforce this. And, while the three times R250k incentive for the first three juvenile stakes-winners may not be paid out, they have undertaken to roll it over should parts of it not be won.

So, it's money that remains available for the ecosystem of their RTR graduates. Their premium revenue in 2019 delivers a surplus of roughly R700k, which mitigates their subsidy of the R2.5 million stake in the past.

For many years, I've beaten the drum that buying at RTR is a no-brainer.

Scooping additional stakes by way of broader eligibility adds to that compelling list of reasons.

More Winning Ways

Why do Tellytrack broadcast the sound on a four-horse race from Carlisle and ignore the final race from Hollywoodbets Greyville?

James Goodman and Paul Lafferty provide their insights.

[Click here to watch the show](#)



Leading racing photographer Candiese Marnewick & Gold Circle's Warren Lennerna will tie the knot at the Summerhill Chapel on Saturday morning. This will be followed by a lunch for family and close friends at Hartford House. The happy couple assure us that they will be back at their posts at Hollywoodbets Greyville on Sunday – so no rest for the wedded, as it were!

The Groom-to-be assures us that their honeymoon at the Champagne Sports Resort in the Berg is on hold until later in the month.

The Sporting Post wishes them a long and happy life together and thanks them sincerely for their support.



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

HERE & ELSEWHERE - SARAH WHITELAW

More Than Magic



The evergreen veteran sire More Than Ready was responsible for a sixth individual Breeders' Cup winner this weekend when his brilliant daughter Uni won the Gr1 TVG Breeders' Cup Mile at Santa Anita on Saturday to become her outstanding sire's sixth individual Breeders' Cup winner.

The Southern Halo son's progeny have now won seven Breeders' Cup races with his son Roy H capturing two Sprints on two occasions.

By comparison, the world's premier sire Galileo has five Breeders' Cup winners to his name, as does multiple US champion Tapit, and the weekend's result is another feather in the cap of a truly remarkable stallion.

Ever Ready

More Than Ready's previous Breeders Cup winners were Roy H (Gr1 Breeders' Cup Sprint –twice), Pluck (Gr2 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf), More Real (Gr2 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies), Rushing Fall (Gr1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf), and Regally Ready (Gr2 Turf Sprint).

An increasingly successful broodmare sire whose daughters are going from strength to strength, More Than Ready is also broodmare sire of a pair of 2019 Breeders' Cup winners in the form of Structor (Gr1 BC Juvenile Turf) and Four Wheel Drive (Gr2 BC Juvenile Turf Sprint).

The Vinery veteran is also damsire of the weekend's group/graded stakes winners Samizdat (Gr3 Asian Beau Stakes) and Sally's Curlin (Gr2 Chilukki Stakes).

Interestingly, while Sally's Curlin, as her name suggests, is a daughter of Curlin, Structor was sired by Curlin's classic winning son Palace Malice.

More Than Ready went close to enjoying yet more high-profile success on Saturday when top class 3yo Bivouac (out of the More Than Ready mare Dazzler) ran second, beaten half a length, in the Gr1 Coolmore Stud Stakes at Flemington. The talented Bivouac (Exceed And Excel) already has five black type wins to his name including a victory in the Gr1 De Bortoli Golden Rose this year.

Bivouac joins the likes of Structor, Samizdat, Sally's Curlin, Always Shopping, Exhilarates, Regal Glory, Dark Choice, and Four Wheel Drive (a first Breeders' Cup winner for American Pharoah) among ten graded or group winners produced by daughters

of More Than Ready in 2019 thus far.

Teddy Bares It

The in-form sire, second to subsequent champion South African sire Trippi (End Sweep) in the 2000 Gr1 Vosburgh Stakes, is one of a lengthy list of important and influential stallions descended in female line from the mighty mare La Troienne (Teddy).

Other notable sires descended from the legendary mare include Buckpasser, Caerleon, Private Account, The Axe II and Bimelech.

More Than Ready's broodmare sire Woodman (a ¾ brother to South Africa's successful but short-lived sire Secret Prospector) is another influential stallion to trace back in female line to La Troienne.

In recent times, the likes of Flatter (A.P. Indy), Sky Mesa (Pulpit), Mineshaft (A.P. Indy), Easing Along (Storm Cat), and Bernstein (Storm Cat) are other La Troienne descendants who have enjoyed success at the top level.

More Than Ready is also on the verge of reaching another notable milestone in his remarkably consistent career, with the twenty-two-year-old's current total of stakes winners standing at 198.

He has enjoyed notable success once again this year, with his tally of 13 lack type winners including not only Uni, but also Gr1 Just A Game Stakes winner Rushing Fall, Gr2 Miss Grillo Stakes winner and Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies Turf contender Selflessly, and fellow graded/group winners Roy H and Catholic Boy.

Top Level

Uni and Rushing Fall are two of More Than Ready's 24 Gr1 winners, with this list not only including six individual Breeders' Cup winners, but also a pair of Golden Slipper winners, Travers Stakes winner Catholic Boy, Haskell Invitational hero Verrazano, and former South African champion Entisaar.

No fewer than eight of his Gr1 winners were produced by mares sired either by Danehill or one of Danehill's sons.

The sire's successful South African based son Gimmethegreenlight kept his male line in focus in this country over the weekend with his son Barahin landing the Gr2 Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile at Turffontein on Saturday.

Barahin, a colt from the same female line as influential stallions (and father and son) Fappiano and Quiet American, claimed his third graded victory, and fifth from only ten starts, with a facile Charity Mile win.

Barahin provided Gimmethegreenlight with a second graded race winner from as many weekends, with the L'Ormarins Queen's Plate winner also sire of the previous weekend's Gr2 Western Cape Fillies Championship winner Third Runway.

South Africa's Leading First Crop Sire of 2015/16, Gimmethegreenlight- unlike a number of other previous leading first crop sires- has built on his early success, and he looks set to go from strength to strength with what looks like another big season ahead for him.

Gimmethegreenlight has been responsible for 20 stakes winners, with his stellar first crop producing no fewer than an impressive 14 black type horses, headed by Gr1 winner Gunner and four other graded stakes winners.

His second crop includes six stakes winners, including exported Gr1 Daily News 2000 winner Surcharge (now racing as Yulong Prince), while Gimmethegreenlight's third crop is currently responsible for three stakes winners headed by top-class graded stakes winners Barahin and National Park.

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BREEDING

The Things We Do For Love

Jan and Kate Peskens live on Spring Meadow Stud, an idyllic rural property outside Port Elizabeth surrounded by indigenous milkwood trees and a verdant ridge sheltering them from the Indian Ocean's brisk winds. Bushbuck stray down through the thickets into the back garden, whilst, upfront stands former Eastern Cape Horse of the Year, Blaze of Fire. He was owned by the Peskens and their charismatic Bushy Park neighbour - the big hearted, Hedley McGrath.

A quantity surveyor by qualification, and owner of steel engineering firm, Algoa Structures, Jan has put in his own hard labour and capital to establish Spring Meadow. It's truly a "hobby" stud with only three mares that have produced seven foals to date. Breeding on such a small scale is not a commercial proposition, but a genuine act of devotion to raising a few happy and healthy thoroughbreds.

Mark van Deventer writes that but, as anyone who deals with sentient beings knows, it can be a rollercoaster ride of occasional highs and many jarring lows. The past week has been one such traumatic saga for the Peskens who lost their five-time winning mare, Vivalda under tragic circumstances. Both visibly moved by the dramatic sweep of events, Jan and Kate recounted the story, starting Friday, 18th October.

"Everything up to this point had gone fine with the foal-carrying mare, but there had been load-shedding, so I went down at 18h30 to check on a faulty gate at the entrance to our farm. It was opportune to go to our stables nearby, where I was shocked to find Vivalda laying down in distress with her guts out," Jan recalls.

Neighbour Nicky Bartlett of Danika Stud got an alarmed call, and immediately abandoned the guests she was entertaining to dart across to Spring Meadow. With her swift intervention they managed to pull the foal out. The PE racing fraternity may be small but rally around in times of pressing need. With no other vets immediately available, the race day vet in PE, Dr Charles Haywood came rushing through to try salvage the situation.

Unfortunately, the mare was too far gone and had to be shot. Even though dead, she was then milked every 1 ½ hours with her essential colostrum supplied to the vulnerable foal. Calls were made to find a surrogate mother, and this is where the dreaded bureaucracy around African Horse Sickness regulations became a massive impediment to quickly doing the right thing and saving a life.

Hemel 'n Arde's David Hepburn Brown kindly offered one of Marsh Shirtliff mares, Butterfly Girl, who had lost a foal, to take over surrogate duties. However, permission is required to move horses from different zones around the country by the Department of Agriculture and Veterinary Services (DAFF). With no government officials available on Friday night, another option to the Western Cape transfer suggestion had to be considered.

Red Tape

Enter the official, Danielle Pienaar, who tried her best within the rules, supporting the option to contact David Southey in Coles-

berg. His Fort Wood mare, Wood Sprite had lost her foal that same day, so it was worth taking a chance. This triggered a stressful 12-hour road trip from Port Elizabeth to the Karoo town and back whereupon Jan, assisted by Kate, their daughter Jacqueline and Nicky Bartlett, tried to introduce the filly to the mare, who was doing poorly. It turned out that Wood Sprite had suffered internal injuries from foaling, requiring constant dripping and antibiotics to keep her going.

Working shifts through Sunday night, Jan, Kate and Jacqueline were relieved to see the struggling mare accept the filly as her own. However, Wood Sprite was declining fast and collapsed due to a failing heart rate. After consultation with David Southey, it was agreed that the mare would be euthanized.

These staunch Eastern Cape horse lovers are a resilient bunch. Even with two deceased mares on the casualty list they were not going to be deterred from finding a solution to save the foal. Horse transporters are, in practice, rarely stopped for checks but breaking the law, whilst tempting when under duress, was not a serious option.

Hedley McGrath takes up the story: "These A.H.S. restrictions are maddening but all along we still wanted to play by the book. The foal desperately needed a surrogate mother and David Hepburn Brown had a suitable candidate. Bev Parker and Danielle Pienaar were grinding through the paperwork on Monday and a foal I.D. was still needed. By 14h00 we'd got that to D.A.F.F. and a permit for the road journey to Hermanus in the Cape was granted."

With Nicky Bartlett's head staff member, Micheal assisting with driving responsibilities together with a mentally shattered Jan Peskens on the float, the bewildered foal was whisked off on yet another arduous journey. Stopping every two hours for feeding, in conditions that were stormy and windy, it made for glacier-slow progress. The bedraggled mercy team only clocked in at 23h00 on the Hemel n Aarde farm.

After lurching from one tragic loss and setback to the next, things were to suddenly work out favourably. Highly experienced stud man, David Hepburn Brown assumed a calming role, assuring Peskens that it would turn out fine. Indeed, as if by magic, the mare called the foal straight away, who started drinking immediately. Jan, who admits to being fearful that the mare would not accept the foal, recounts, "There was no need for a bottle. Butterfly Girl was instinctively caring, nudging the foal to sleep. It was a total adoption."

Jan calculates the bid to save the foal involved slogging 2600km around South Africa. Sleep deprived and emotionally wrung out, he and Kate sat pensively on Friday at their regular table slot overlooking Fairview racecourse. They'd come to watch Nickelback, their Blaze of Fire homebred out of the mare they'd lost a few days before, Vivalda, having a second career start with ace trainer, Yvette Bremner. [Read more here](#)



progeny of Blaze of Fire

BLACK TYPE RESULTS

DIGEST DIARY

TURFFONTEIN
Saturday, 2 November

Course Variant: 0.97s slow (straight) – 2.11s slow (bend)
37.5mm of rain fell in the 24 hours prior to this meeting and with 24mm of irrigation having been added earlier in the week, the penetrometer read 27. The going was posted as Soft. There was a 24km/h westerly head wind. The false rail was out from 3m in the back straight to 7.5m on the bend, with a 7.5m spur at the 700m mark.

Gr2 Emperors Palace Charity Mile R1000,000

Now For Summer!

An in-form Mike de Kock strengthened his Summer Cup claims when his Gimmethegreenlight colt Barahin, a fellow with something of a mixed relationship with the punting public, streaked clear to bag the first cheque in Saturday's R1 million Peermont Emperors Palace Gr2 Charity Mile at a festive Turffontein. Given his weight pull with his stablemate Hawwaam and his wellbeing at the time, Barahin was touted by his multiple champion trainer as the horse to beat in the Vodacom Durban July but could do no better than a modest staying on tenth, some five lengths off Do It Again. With one ordinary pipe-opening effort under the belt early last month, he was something of an unknown factor in his second start as a 4yo. And with originally carded rider Anton Marcus fulfilling his Ridgemont engagements – just one ride in the end – down in the Cape, punters were left very aware of the smart colt's ability, but not knowing how exactly to approach him. But he left us in little doubt! The late withdrawal at the start of Johan Janse van Vuuren's Divine Odyssey (7-1) failed to delay the jump and the field was sent on their way, with Approach Control leading Chijmes and Tristful early on. Into the home run, Chijmes maintained the lead – but when Callan Murray found a gap at the 350m, it was race over. Four backhanders sent Barahin on his way and the 4yo strode out well to draw clear and beat Chijmes by 3,50 lengths in a time of 98,1 secs. Cascapedia and Flying Winger dead-heated for third, a further 3,25 lengths back. The favourite Zillzaal had every chance but could no better than eighth and ten lengths off the winner. Barahin has won 5 of his 10 starts with 3 places for stakes of R1 823 125. Bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein, Barahin is a son of Gimmethegreenlight (More Than Ready) and is out of the Silvano mare Mocha Special, a one-time winner. The winner, one of seven Mike de Kock Summer Cup entries still in the running

for the big race on 30 November, was a R2,6 million buy from the 2017 National Yearling Sale.

He races in the blue and white of Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum – the same silks worn by De Kock's last Charity Mile winner, Muwaary (2015).

Emperors Palace Charity Mile 1600m
Winner Barahin raced 7th; took the lead 400m out, to win unchallenged
Runner-up Chijmes raced 2nd; ran on strongly, but no chance with winner
D/H third Flying Winger was drawn wide; raced at the back entering the straight; ran on well
D/H third Cascapedia raced 10th; stayed on
Time: Although steady early, the pace did pick up before halfway and the overall time was comparatively the fastest of the ten races around the turn. We gave the runner-up (prev 82/104/93/92/105) 105 which makes the winner (prev 102/104/111/105/103) 118, the joint-third Flying Winger (prev 85/99/95/94/95) 89 and joint-third Cascapedia (prev 103/97/86/101/81) 98

118	1	0.00	BARAHIN	(3)	58.5	C Murray	6/1
4 b c	Gimmethegreenlight - Mocha Special (Silvano)						
105	2	3.50	CHIJMES	(2)	56.0	D Schwarz	25/1
4 ch g	Ato - Sophie's Choice (Russian Revival)						
89	3	6.75	FLYING WINGER	(13)	52.0	M Mjoka	66/1
5 b h	Alado - Midfield Scortcher (Sportsworld)						
98	3	6.75	Cascapedia	(4)	56.0	G Lerena	16/1
6 b m	High Chaparral - Janoubi (GB) (Dansili)						
98	5	7.00	Tilbury Fort	(7)	56.5	R Danielson	20/1
90	6	7.25	In The Dance	(10)	53.0	N Juglall	13/1
102	7	7.50	Infamous Fox	(5)	58.5	M Byleveld	8/1
95	8	9.00	Zouaves	(14)	57.0	M v Rensburg	20/1
87	9	10.00	Zillzaal	(6)	54.5	P Strydom	47/20
88	10	10.50	Marchingontoegether	(12)	55.5	W Kennedy	44/1
83	11	11.75	Noble Secret	(15)	54.5	M Yeni	66/1
88	12	11.85	Camphoratus	(11)	56.5	G Wright	45/1
77	13	12.00	Tristful	(1)	52.0	S Veale	14/1
79	14	13.00	Approach Control	(9)	53.5	S Khumalo	14/1
42	15	28.00	Pilou	(8)	52.0	L J Ferraris	36/1

Time: 98.1s (61.31s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) **SP Total %:** 105%
1st T:MF de Kock O:Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum
B:Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

Great Cause
Mike de Kock's Barahin stormed to victory in the Gr2 Charity Mile and booked himself a berth in the forthcoming Summer Cup.

Each of the Charity Mile runners were partnered with a charity and celebrity – sadly for those linked to Divine Odyssey, they never got a run as the son of Oratorio was withdrawn at the start after putting his legs over the gates.

The charity who drew Barahin and will win the R150 000 first prize is Animal Allies who was represented by 7de Laan star Hildegard Whites.

Director of the organisation, Desire Friedland explained their aim is to help abused, abandoned and suffering animals who desperately need help.

“We have realised the only way to end this is through education and sterilization. By focusing on these we are hoping to decrease the amount of suffering, unwanted animals and subsequently reduce the euthanasia rate.”

Features To Come

Sat 9 Nov

(L) Laisserfaire S. (F&M)
1100m Kenilworth

Woolavington Stakes
2400m Kenilworth

Gr3 Victory Moon Stakes
1800m Vaal

(L) Gardenia Hcp (F&M)
1000m Vaal

Sat 23 Nov

Gr2 Cape Merchants
1200m Kenilworth

Gr2 Concord Cup
1600m Kenilworth

Gr3 Fillies Mile (3yoF)
1600m Turffontein (S)

Sat 30 Nov

Gr1 Gauteng Summer Cup
2000m Turffontein (S)

Gr2 Dingaans (3yo's)
1600m Turffontein (S)

Gr2 Ipi Tombe Ch. (F&M)
1600m Turffontein (S)

Gr2 Merchants
1160m Turffontein (S)

Gr3 Magnolia Hcp (F&M)
1160m Turffontein (S)

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Gr3 Graham Beck Stakes R200,000

Cool Bananas For Zackey

In a drama filled race, Mike de Kock registered a quick feature double on a grand day at the office when the handsome New Zealand-bred Frosted Gold, having his first start as a gelding, overcame a troubled passage to win the R200 000 feature.

On My Mind stumbled as the gates opened, unseating jockey Nooresh Juglall, and the riderless Tarry juggernaut caused a bit of chaos in the process. Juglall was okay, suffering a few aches and pains. Then Callan Murray miraculously managed to stay aboard the winner's stablemate Tallinn, when the unbeaten Silvano filly's stirrup leather appeared to break at around the 700m.

Before the race a wide awake Muzi Yeni found Steak And Ale's lost shoe en route to the start. So plenty happened in a race that, bar the favourite, unfolded mostly according to plan, with the 7-1 Frosted Gold showing his class after a 14 week break, and underscoring his trainer's opinion that he was an unlucky loser of the Gr1 Gold Medallion back in May.

Jockey Craig Zackey is riding with renewed vigour since returning from sick leave, and he rode a brave race on a galloper he described as a 'very good horse'.

"The loose horse was out for me," he laughed saying that the riderless On My Mind 'almost put me over the rail'.

Frosted Gold unleashed his effort off the inside rail at the 300m and ran on powerfully to hold the filly Magic School (22-1) by a length in a time of 86,34 secs.

Riverstown (8-1) ran third, with topweight Eden Roc running a slightly improved race to run fourth. His stablemate and favourite Putontheredlight finished a distance back. Mike de Kock paid tribute to the patience of owner Dave Maclean, who was running the New York Marathon on Sunday.

"He is a horse that has had his issues. Frosted Gold has had the Vets and Physio's – Dave Maclean has been a soldier and it is a deserved success," he added, quipping that Anton Marcus had missed out on two feature winners on the day.

The winner was purchased by Form Bloodstock off the Blandford Lodge draft at the 2018 Melbourne Premier Yearling Sale for A\$180 000. He is by Vinery Stud's All Too Hard, the Champion Three-Year-Old Colt in Australia in 2012/13 and a half-brother to Australia's famous galloper Black Caviar. Frosted Gold is out of the Verglas mare Mary Dór – a winner in France and a full sister to Gr1 performer, Stormy River. He has won 4 races with 2 places from his

6 starts for stakes of R908 500. The Dingaans could be next up for Frosted Gold.

Gr3 Graham Beck Stakes (3yo's) 1400m

Winner Frosted Gold (2nd best handicapped) was slow into stride; raced 8th; led 60m; won going away

Runner-up Magic School carried 0.9kg overweight; raced 3rd; led 500m; outpaced late by winner

Third Riverstown raced 5th; ran on strongly, but no chance with winner

Time: Comparatively the fourth fastest of the ten races around the turn, the race was run slowly early on and developed into a sprint. The riderless horse On My Mind was problematic to the leaders over the final 300m.

We gave the fifth horse 81 which makes the winner (prev 107/107/107/106/96) 103, the runner-up (prev 77/87/82/87/85) 88 and the third (prev 87/88) 91

103	1	0.00	FROSTED GOLD	(8)	59.0	C Zackey	29/4
3 gr g	All Too Hard - Mary d'Or (FR) (Verglas)						
86	2	1.00	MAGIC SCHOOL	(7)	52.5	D Schwarz	22/1
3 ch f	Philanthropist - Magic Approach (Right Approach)						
91	3	1.05	RIVERSTOWN	(1)	55.0	W Kennedy	8/1
3 b c	Byword - Carraig Aonair (IRE) (Fastnet Rock)						
98	4	2.50	Eden Roc	(4)	60.0	R Danielson	21/4
81	5	4.50	Steak And Ale	(12)	55.0	M Yeni	44/1
78	6	5.50	John Hancock	(2)	55.0	L J Ferraris	44/1
75	7	6.50	Shango	(11)	55.0	M v Rensburg	30/1
74	8	6.75	Rooi Tom	(14)	55.0	J Penny	66/1
69	9	8.50	Ballon D'or	(9)	55.0	K Matsunyane	55/1
63	10	10.50	Land Of The Brave	(3)	55.0	M Byleveld	66/1
54	11	13.50	Stop For Nothing	(13)	55.0	R Munger	66/1
33	12	20.00	Tallinn	(10)	54.5	C Murray	73/20
0	13	99.99	Putontheredlight	(5)	55.0	P Strydom	57/20
0	14	99.99	On My Mind	(6)	55.0	N Juglall	13/1

Time: 86.34s (61.67s avg/1000m, or 58km/h) **SP Total %:** 112%
1st T:MF de Kock O:Mr D D MacLean B:bred in New Zealand

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 2019/2020

(updated to 3 November 2019)

horse	age	sex	points	races
Barahin	4	c	50	1
Prince Of Kahal	5	c	50	1
Third Runway	3	f	30	1
Vistula	4	f	30	1
One World	4	c	25	1
Queen Supreme	4	f	25	1
Infamous Fox	5	c	24	1
Chijmes	4	c	24	1
Zouaves	6	c	23	1
Chimichuri Run	4	c	21	1
Gin Fizz	3	f	12	1

Doing The Splits

Turffontein, 2 November

	1st call	400m mark	fin	avg/ 1000	1st call /400	400 /fin
1400m						
Gr3 Starling Stakes	28.46	61.01	86.31	(61.7)	32.55	25.30
Ready To Run Cup	29.01	61.21	86.65	(61.9)	32.20	25.44
Gr3 Graham Beck	29.66	62.12	86.56	(61.8)	32.46	24.44
MR92 Handicap	29.75	61.39	86.25	(61.6)	31.64	24.86
1600m						
Maiden Plate (f&m)	42.05	75.18	101.47	(63.3)	33.13	26.29
Maiden Plate	40.85	74.90	100.63	(62.9)	34.05	25.73
Gr2 Charity Mile	40.96	73.94	98.25	(61.4)	32.98	24.31
1800m						
Gr3 Yellowwood	55.71	89.53	112.50	(62.5)	33.82	22.97
2000m						
MR76 Handicap	69.61	103.96	128.78	(64.4)	34.35	24.82
2400m						
Java Handicap (L)	94.49	129.14	154.16	(64.2)	34.65	25.02

The most striking statistic here is the 400m to finish time of Queen Supreme, winner of the Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap over 1800m. The race was run slow early on before developing into a sprint. The 400m to finish time recorded was considerably faster than the same segment in any of the other races.

After a steady first segment the pace in the Gr2 Charity Mile picked up, and this race did then prove, comparatively, to be the fastest of the nine races around the turn.

Just 0.4 seconds (approximately 2.1 lengths) separated the winners of the four 1400m races, and surprisingly the MR92 Handicap was the fastest. The Gr3 Graham Beck winner Frosted Gold was the fastest over the final 400m amongst these, but as with the Yellowwood, this race was slowly run early before developing into a sprint.

BLACK TYPE RESULTS

Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap R200 000

De Kock's Met Filly

The Paddock Stakes and Sun Met were mentioned by the high-riding Mike de Kock as possible engagements for Saturday's Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap winner Queen Supreme.

That's fighting talk from the multiple champion trainer after his 4yo daughter of Exceed And Excel had demolished her opposition at her first attempt at stakes opposition and beyond a mile.

"She's a proper racehorse and she certainly looks Gr1 material. She is owned by a whole bunch of good friends. Isn't that what it's actually all about?" chimed De Kock as he reached the summit of a memorable day at Turffontein, that started with the Boks setting the tone down at Yokohama.

Callan Murray has put the memories of a trying overseas campaign well behind him and he was a mere passenger as he booted home his fourth winner of a cracking day at the office.

The Irish-bred Queen Supreme (12-10) opened her stakes account in style off a solid formline of 3 wins from 4 starts when she cruised into the lead and won easily by 4,25 lengths in a time of 112,72 secs under her 52kgs.

Ronnie's Candy and KZN visitor Roy's Riviera ran into the trifecta in another race.

The 1800m contest was run slowly early and turned into a dash for home – the 400m to finish time was considerably faster than the same segment in any of the other races on the afternoon.

Bred by Thomas Hassett, Queen Supreme is a daughter of the unraced Gone West mare Call Later, who has now produced three Stakes winners including Be Ready, a son of New Approach who won the Listed Flying Scotsman Stakes.

Queen Supreme was purchased as a yearling at Goffs by Mayfair Speculators for €130 000.

Her victory rounded an excellent day for Exceed And Excel after he sired the first two in the Gr1 Coolmore Stud Stakes in Australia through Exceedance and Bivouac.

Exceed And Excel has sired 164 individual Stakes winners, third only behind Galileo and Dubawi amongst active European stallions.

Queen Supreme has won 4 races with 1 place from 5 starts for stakes of R333 450.

Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap 1800m

Winner Queen Supreme raced 5th; led 400m; ran on well to win without being unduly pressed

Runner-up Ronnie's Candy raced 8th; was two lengths behind the eventual winner at 400m; ran on, but no chance with winner

Third Roy's Riviera raced 6th; ran on

Time: There was no real pace during the early part of the race and as a result the race developed into a sprint. Which gives background to why Queen Supreme registered by far the fastest time over the final 400m of the ten winners in races around the turn. We gave the third (prev 101/100/83/101/96) 101 which makes the winner (prev 76/80/85/87) 96, and the runner-up (prev 98/74/85/84 – has done 107) 104

96	1	0.00	QUEEN SUPREME	(4)	52.0	C Murray	12/10	
								4 ch f Exceed And Excel - Call Later(USA) (Gone West)
104	2	4.25	RONNIE'S CANDY	(5)	59.5	W Kennedy	11/1	
								4 ch f King Of Kings - Bennie And the Jets (Jet Master)
101	3	4.50	ROY'S RIVIERA	(3)	58.5	P Strydom	20/1	
								5 b m All Too Hard - Donna Amata(AUS) (Anabaa)
92	4	6.75	Bize	(6)	56.5	S Khumalo	17/4	
86	5	7.75	Pretty Border	(9)	54.5	R Munger	33/1	
83	6	9.00	Flying Fable	(11)	54.5	M Yeni	36/1	
87	7	9.75	Secret Potion	(13)	57.0	M v Rensburg	40/1	
87	8	11.00	Perfect Tigress	(8)	58.0	C Zackey	13/1	
78	9	11.25	Rouge Allure	(10)	54.0	M Byleveld	60/1	
70	10	13.00	Western Dance	(1)	52.0	N Klink	75/1	
62	11	17.00	Rabia The Rebel	(14)	52.0	C F Dicken	75/1	
63	12	22.00	Second Request	(7)	57.0	L J Ferraris	33/1	
42	13	27.00	Emily Jay	(12)	52.0	J Penny	75/1	
43	14	35.00	Insignis	(2)	60.0	G Lerena	8/1	

Time: 112.72s (62.62s avg/1000m, or 57km/h) **SP Total %:** 112%

1st T:MF de Kock O:Mauritzfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Miss J B Slack) & Messrs M F de Kock, L M Nestadt, J R van der Linden & Mrs N P Malherbe B:bred in Ireland

Gr3 Starling Stakes (3yo Fillies) R200 000

Run Of The Mill - Not!

David Nieuwenhuizen and Gavin Lerena got the Charity Mile day feature action at Turffontein on Saturday off to a flyer when the Querari daughter Mill Queen franked last season's 2yo form with a courageous victory in the R200 000 HSH Princess Charlene of Monaco Gr3 Starling Stakes.

A runner-up behind the top-class Gabor in the Gr1 Thekwini Stakes on Super Saturday, Gavin Lerena took full advantage of Mill Queen's favourable pole position draw as she was positioned in the box seat behind Wisteria Walk and Lady Legend.

The previously unbeaten Wisteria Walk had worked hard to get over from the widest draw and her work-rate took its toll at the 200m as she just ran out of puff with Mill Queen running fresh and full of enthusiasm.

The 18-10 favourite got the better of the duel and went on to beat the gallant

Wisteria Walk by 0,30 lengths in a time of 85,60 secs.

The 66-1 Kayla's Champ ran the race of her life to grab third cheque a further 0,70 lengths back.

It was a confidence boosting feature victory for Gavin Lerena, who only recently returned from an extended break.

Bred by Digteby Stud, and thus something of a belated present for that top farm's Judy Stegeman who celebrated her birthday on Friday, Mill Queen is by Maine Chance Farms' G1 winning sire Querari (Oasis Dream) out of Grey Eminence' three-time winner, Moulin Grise.

Querari was the leading sire of 2yo's in 2018/19 and rounded off a good week, having sired the winners of the first three races at Hollywoodbets Greyville last Wednesday.

A R140 000 National Yearling Sale graduate, Mill Queen is a winner of 3 races with 2 places from 5 starts and took her bank to R423 375.

Gr3 Starling Stakes (3yo fillies) 1400m									
Winner Mill Queen (2nd best handicapped) raced 4th; led 200m; all out at finish									
Runner-up Wisteria Walk set the pace; kept on strongly after being headed; just beaten									
Third Kayla's Champ raced 10th; 3 lengths behind the eventual winner at 400m; ran on well late									
Time: Run at a fair pace, this comparatively was the third fastest of the ten races around the turn. We gave the winner (prev 80/85/87/94) 94 which makes the runner-up (prev 81/89) 93 and the third (prev 77/79/89/93/87) 91.									
94	1	0.00	MILL QUEEN	(1)	58.0	G Lerena	18/10		
3 b f Querari - Moulin Grise (Grey Eminence)									
93	2	0.30	WISTERIA WALK	(14)	58.0	M v Rensburg	20/1		
3 b f Veringetorix - Wooden Doll (Fort Wood)									
91	3	1.00	KAYLA'S CHAMP	(5)	58.0	J Greyling	66/1		
3 b f Noordhoek Flyer - Denschogar (Al Mufti)									
90	4	2.75	Shivers	(10)	60.0	C Maujean	50/1		
89	5	3.00	Cockney Pride	(8)	60.0	C Zackey	17/2		
83	6	3.75	Sidonie	(4)	58.0	P Strydom	5/2		
86	7	4.00	League Of Her Own	(2)	60.0	C F Dicken	50/1		
78	8	5.25	Invisible	(7)	58.0	L J Ferraris	50/1		
77	9	6.25	Palace Of Dreams	(12)	59.0	C Murray	25/1		
69	10	8.50	Lady Legend	(13)	58.0	G Wright	66/1		
68	11	8.75	Swept Off My Feet	(11)	58.0	W Kennedy	33/1		
63	12	10.25	Golden Belle	(6)	58.0	R Danielson	9/1		
63	13	10.30	Snow Palace	(3)	58.0	M Yeni	14/1		
63	14	10.50	Glory Days	(9)	58.0	W Agrella	33/1		
Time: 85.6s (61.14s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) SP Total %: 115%									
1st T:D Nieuwenhuizen O:Messrs S Poriazis, W G de Koker & W Volschenk B:Digteby Stud									

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BLACK TYPE RESULTS

Emperors Palace RTR Cup	R1 000 000
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Tarry's Got The Spirit

SA Champion trainer Sean Tarry made it a glorious hat-trick of victories in the Emperors Palace BSA Ready To Run Cup when the diminutive Visionaire grey Spiritofthegroove came from the clouds to deny the Gary Alexander coupling in the final 100m. From a humble start five months ago when winning a Workriders Maiden Plate at the Vaal on debut, Spiritofthegroove was thrown into the deep end and held her own at stakes level down in Durban in the SA Champions Season last term. With two eyecatching starts under the belt as a 3yo, she was the highest rated runner in the field – but her awful draw deterred many on Saturday and she was allowed to start at 9-2.

The PE raider Her Eminence led Enjoy The View and Blue Spark early, and kept plugging away as they went into the final 350m . That was the moment that the Alexander duo of Gaian Glory and Just Kidding made their bid.

With Denis Schwarz riding a confident race on Gaian Glory, she looked to have done enough, but had no answer to the finishing burst of Spiritofthegroove who stormed down the inside rail to win going away by 2.25 lengths in a time of 85.90 secs.

Just Kidding was another who was finishing with determination, but she couldn't quite get there and was beaten into third a further 1,50 lengths back, to round off a Visionaire trifecta.

Wayne Agrella produced the PE raider Blushing Bride, a stablemate to the pacemaker, for fourth and a handy R60 000 cheque that will more than cover the Bremner travel expenses. Pinch Pot was the last horse to earn a cheque, when he banked R12 000 for tenth finish.

Marco van Rensburg, who said he had erred last time on the inside track, by pressing the button too early on Spiritofthegroove chirped that Sean Tarry had been 'on his case for three weeks'. "He kept asking if I was the right jockey. Now he knows! The filly isn't big but she is all heart and she floats – she has a beautiful action," he said.

Trainer Sean Tarry said that he 'had gotten lucky'. "Three months ago I didn't think she could lose it. Then we got the draw and 40 mms of rain. And as for Marco! After the last run, in my mind he wasn't going to ride her again. Two bites of the cherry is usually it. But he did his spade work. And he rode a top race in the end," he said.

Bred by Tmen Stables, Spiritofthegrove is
raced by Equine Hub SA (Pty) Ltd and is a

daughter of Lammerskraal sire Visionaire (Grand Slam) out of one-time winning National Assembly mare, Band Of Angels. She has earned at all her 6 starts and took her win tally to two, with earnings of R703 875 – a handsome early return on her purchase price of R240 000.

Emperors Palace RTR Cup (3yo's) 1400m

Winner Spintoffthegroove (2nd best handicapped) was drawn wide; raced 15th of 16; didn't find the clearest of passages; got the lead close home, to win impressively going away Runner-up Gaian Glory (best handicapped) raced 13th; led 350m; outpaced by winner Third Just Kidding was hampered 1200m, when racing 14th; ran on strongly

Time: This marginally was the slowest of the four 1400m races, and comparatively the fifth fastest of the ten races around the turn. We gave the fourth (prev best 83) 83 which makes the winner (prev 73/82/84/94/93) 96, the runner-up (prev 77/82/91/95) 89 and the third (prev 79/75/83/65/74) 85

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20-20 Vision

For a second year in a row, the Emperors Palace Ready To Run Cup was won by a Sean Tarry trained daughter of Lammerskraal Stud's Gr1 sire Visionaire.

The sire, whose daughter Vi Va Pi Pa won the Ready To Run Cup last year, was the dominant factor in the 2019 R1 million feature, with Visionaire the sire of Spirittoft-hegroove, Gaian Glory and Just Kidding, the first three home.

With Denis Schwarz riding a confident race on Gaian Glory, she looked to have done enough but had no answer to the finishing burst of Spiritofthegroove who stormed down the inside rail to win going away by 2.25 lengths in a time of 85.90 secs.

A third winner of the race in as many years for her trainer, Spiritofthegroove had been runner up in the Gr2 Gagasi FM Debutante Stakes last season, and last time out ran fourth to Vistula in the G2 Joburg Spring F&M Challenge.

South Africa's Leading First Crop Sire of 2014-2015 and Leading Second Crop Sire a year later, Visionaire has three lots on this month's CTS Ready To Run Sale.

Java Handicap (Listed)	R150 000
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Six Of The Best

The post-race professors may have enjoyed a field day of it after Mike de Kock rounded off a Charity Mile day six-timer at Turffontein on Saturday with the stayer Atyaab.

The big son of Dundee, a winner of an apparently below-par Gr1 Cape Derby earlier this year, has not set the world alight since that peak moment at a sunny Kenilworth in January.

But an analysis of his recent form, including an epistaxis soundness issues at his last start 22 weeks ago when making up numbers and outclassed in the Daily News, suggested that he was not the worst value at 10-1 under 60kgs in a beatable looking line-up.

Add in a bang in-form trainer-jockey combination, then how did we miss this one?

In the final analysis, a horse always suggested by his top trainer to be looking for a minimum of 2400m, won going away by 1,25 lengths in a time of 154,14 secs.

An \$260,000 Inglis Easter purchase for Shadwell from the Arrowfield Stud draft, Atyaab is from the first crop of High Chaparral's champion son Dundee and is a half-brother to stakes-winner Vesper and the fifth winner from Gr2 winner Sylvaner. Atyaab races in the famous blue and white silks of Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum.

He has won 4 races with 4 places from 12 starts for stakes of R996 437. In the less than star-studded staying ranks he could go on from here.

Java Handicap (L) 2400m

Winner Atyaab was slow into stride; raced 3rd; led 400m; ran on well

Runner-up Factor Fifty raced 4th; challenged, but well held by winner

Third Bondiblu carried 0,5kg overweight; raced in the rear; was some three lengths behind the eventual winner at 400m; ran on

Time: Although the pace looked to be a fair one for a race of this distance, this comparatively was only the 8th fastest of the ten races around the turn. We gave the third (prev 79/84/91/89/81) 87 which makes the winner (prev 103/80/100/86/77) 108 and the runner-up (prev 72/79/82/82/87) 89

108	1	0.00	ATYAAB	(2)	60.0	C Murray	10/1
4 b g	Dundeel	- Sylvaner(NZ)	(Danasinga)				
89	2	1.25	FACTOR FIFTY	(8)	52.0	K Zechner	18/1
4 ch f	Marchfield	- Tanover	(Model Man)				
87	3	2.50	BONDILU	(10)	53.0	C Maujean	30/1
7 b m	Seoul Armour	- Blue Paradise	(Jallad)				
4	4	3.50	Diamond Dancer	(7)	52.0	M Thackeray	25/1
101	5	0.00	Dawn Assault	(3)	62.0	W Kennedy	4/1
80	6	10.00	Flichty by Farr	(4)	55.5	D Schwarz	9/1
79	7	12.50	American Indian	(6)	57.0	L J Ferraris	27/4
56	8	19.00	Dromedaries	(9)	52.0	M Yeni	5/1
63	9	19.15	Seattle Force	(1)	54.0	MvRensburg	57/20
60	10	19.25	Fat	(5)	53.0	S Khumalo	18/1

Time: 154.14s (64.23s avg/1000m, or 56km/h) **SP Total %:** 112%

1st T:MF de Kock O:Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum B:bred in Australia

BLACK TYPE RESULTS

Golden Loom Handicap (Listed) R150 000

Prince Of Aha!

Apprentice Denis Schwarz completed a rare four-timer on the gallant Roy Wagner-trained 5yo Prince Of Kahal, when the gelding flashed up in the final strides of the Listed Golden Loom Handicap in the most exciting finish of Charity Mile day. Under a length separated the top three home in the 1000m dash run in honour of one of our great sprinters, affectionately know as ‘Goofy’.

Prince Of Kahal only knows one way run and that is turning on the jets late – his last four victories having been achieved from 1000m to 1450m in the same fashion.

Relishing the underfoot conditions, Prince Of Kahal (4-1) turned on the jets from lengths back to get the verdict by a short head from a rejuvenated William The Silent (28-1) with Yvette Bremner’s well travelled PE raider Quinlan (8-1) back in third.

The winner’s time was 57,36 secs.

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 has earned R1 160 788 with his 9 wins and 9 places from 28 starts for long-time South African racing supporter, Hong Kong-based Robert Chung.

He looks like he should pay to follow.

Golden Loom Handicap (L) 1000m
Winner Prince Of Kahal raced 14th of 15; ran on well to lead 120m out; kept on strongly
Runner-up William The Silent raced midfield; ran on; challenged winner strongly final 100m, narrowly beaten
Third Quinlan raced handy; ran on strongly
Time: By far the fastest of the three sprinting events (the other two were maiden races), the time looked to be a good one on the day. Not more than three lengths covered the best part of the field going through the 400m. We gave the fourth 88 which makes the winner (prev 102/98/104/106/106) 111, the runner-up (prev 78/102/93/83/94) 102 and the third (prev 111/97/79/111/110) 105

111	1	0.00	PRINCE OF KAHAL	(14)	61.0	D Schwarz	41/10
5 ch g Kahal - Vogue (Model Man)							
102	2	0.05	WILLIAM THE SILENT	(13)	57.0	M Yeni	28/1
4 b g Var - Tick Tock (Captain Al)							
105	3	0.90	QUINLAN	(11)	60.0	W Agrella	8/1
5 b g Sail From Seattle - Quatrain (Al Mufti)							
88	4	2.00	Oravar	(9)	54.5	C Murray	15/1
105	5	2.25	Rebel's Champ	(15)	62.5	R Danielson	8/1
92	6	2.75	Rivarine	(2)	57.5	G Larena	11/1
81	7	3.25	Bold Eagle	(6)	53.5	C Maujean	9/1
73	8	4.50	Great Shaka	(12)	52.0	J Penny	75/1
83	9	4.80	Attenborough	(5)	57.0	L J Ferraris	22/1
80	10	5.00	Valbonne	(8)	56.0	R Munger	16/1
68	11	6.25	Winter Storm	(3)	53.0	C Zackey	45/1
74	12	6.45	Angel's Power	(10)	56.0	S Khumalo	25/1
78	13	6.50	Down To Zero	(4)	58.0	M v Rensburg	16/1
54	14	9.25	Mythical Bolt	(1)	52.0	N Juglall	8/1
58	15	10.50	Russian Prince	(7)	56.0	P Strydom	28/1
Time: 57.36s (57.36s avg/1000m, or 63km/h) SP Total %: 108%							
1st T:RR Wagner O:Mr R W S Chung B:Clifton Stud							

HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE (turf)
Sunday, 3 November

Course Variant: 1.49s slow
With rain and irrigation totalling 49.5mm in the seven days leading up to this meeting, the penetrometer read 22 and the going was posted as Good. There was a 28km/h southerly tail wind. The false rail was out 5.5m.

Model Man Mile (3yo's)(Listed) R150 000

The Right Path

Ridgemont jockey Anton Marcus found himself back amongst the feature winners on Sunday when Fools Gold showed his last run was all wrong and galloped all the way to win the R150 000 Model Man Mile. Marcus acknowledged that the handicappers are obviously a lot smarter than he is. “His stablemate Into The Future (rated 89) gave him a hiding in work last week. So I thought we had a problem taking him on here. Just goes to show that the truth is stranger than fiction sometimes,” laughed the former champion.

From the yard of Robbie and Shannon Hill, the Limestone Thoroughbred Trust bred Fools Gold showed his class when romping to a facile four length win in a time of 96,76 secs.

Brooklyn (25-1) was a well beaten second 4 lengths adrift, with Gauteng visitor Battle Of Alesia plodding into third.

Out of the Goldmark mare Jodi’s Gold, Fools Gold made it 2 wins with 1 place from 5 starts for stakes of R180 375.

He is a son of the prolific winner producing Irish champion Pathfork, who continues to up his game.

A Distorted Humor half-brother to this year’s Gr1 Preakness Stakes winner War Of Will, Pathfork has two colts on offer at this month’s CTS Ready To Run Sale.

Model Man Mile (3yo's) (L) 1600m
Winner Fools Gold (2nd best handicapped) set the pace a length clear; quickened in straight; won well
Runner-up Brooklyn raced 6th, some three lengths behind the eventual winner; ran on hard ridden, but no chance with winner
Third Battle Of Alesia raced 4th; ran on
Time: Run at a fair pace, the time was comparatively the second fastest on the card. We gave the winner (prev 81/86/95/77) 95 which makes the runner-up (prev 66/52/73/76) 87 and the third (prev 79/75/79/80/90) 86

95	1	0.00	FOOLS GOLD	(2)	60.0	A Marcus	4/1
3 b g Pathfork - Jodi's Gold (Goldmark)							
87	2	4.00	BROOKLYN	(1)	60.0	L J Ferraris	25/1
3 b c Var - Lady Brooke (Fort Wood)							
86	3	4.30	BATTLE OF ALESIA	(5)	60.0	W Kennedy	53/20
3 ch c Vercingetorix - Fortification (Fort Wood)							
86	4	4.35	Special Blend	(3)	60.0	S Randolph	93/20
83	5	5.60	Into The Future	(4)	60.0	G Wright	40/1
76	6	8.90	Captain Demonami	(9)	60.0	M Yeni	36/1
70	7	9.20	Jack's Bird	(7)	57.5	K De Melo	13/2
70	8	11.40	Monarchy	(8)	60.0	S Moodley	4/1
56	9	18.15	Swagger Jagger	(6)	60.0	S Khumalo	40/1
Time: 96.76s (60.48s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) SP Total %: 110%							
1st T:RA Hill/SR Hill O:Messrs N S Naidoo & Y Naidu, Triveshan Naidoo & Mr K & Mrs V Naiken B:Pathfork Syndicate							

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It was a busy weekend on the local feature front at Turffontein and Hollywoodbets Greyville. The NHRA Handicappers released their assessments of the various races on Monday afternoon.

Gr2 Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile

BARAHIN has seen his merit rating increased from 122 to 131 after his emphatic success under top weight in the Grade 2 Peermont Emperors Palace Charity Mile (handicap) run over 1600m.

The Handicappers felt strongly that FLYING WINGER would not have run below his rating in finishing 4th in a race of this nature and used him as the line horse. As such, his 105 rating remains unchanged.

Runner-up CHIMES was raised from 117 to 119, while third placed CASCAPEDIA remains unchanged on 117 after a good effort over a distance which was arguably short of her very best.

The only drop was for INFAMOUS FOX, who goes from 122 to 119.

Gr3 HSH Princess Charlene Starling Stakes

Joint highest rated MILL QUEEN has had her rating increased from 110 to 112 after she won the HSH Princess Charlene Starling Stakes for three-year-old fillies over 1400m at Turffontein on Saturday. In this race, fifth placed COCKNEY PRIDE and sixth placed SIDONIE were used as the line horses and therefore remain unchanged.

SIDONIE had run with plenty of credit in the Grade 2 Joburg Spring F&M Challenge against females of all ages in her most recent start and this provides a valuable yardstick to where the three-year-old fillies fit in against their elders. Clearly, SIDONIE only managing to finish sixth against her generation in this race strongly suggests that the younger crop of females is well up to scratch.

Runner-up WISTERIA WALK was raised from 98 to 111, while third placed KAYLA’S CHAMP goes up from 98 to 110. Also going up to 110 (from 94) is fourth placed SHIVERS. LEAGUE OF HER OWN was picked up from 94 to 100, INVISIBLE was raised from 83 to 93, and LADY LEGEND goes from 80 to 85. The only drop was to SNOW PALACE, who was cut from 108 to 105.

Gr3 Graham Beck Stakes

FROSTED GOLD has had his rating increased from 112 to 114 after he made a winning seasonal debut as a gelding

and captured the Graham Beck Stakes for three-year-olds over 1400m.

It was considered very unlikely that sixth placed JOHN HANCOCK would have run below his rating in a contest of this calibre. Accordingly, he was used as the line horse and his rating remains unaltered.

Runner-up MAGIC SCHOOL goes up from 96 to 100, while third placed RIVERSTOWN was raised to 104 from 93. Fifth finisher STEAK AND ALE was raised from 89 to 95, to make him equal to JOHN HANCOCK and to seventh placed SHANGO. BALLON D'OR goes up from 80 to 85 in the only other change. There were no ratings drops in this race.

Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap

QUEEN SUPREME has had her rating increased from 97 to 110 after the once-beaten Irish import easily beat her opposition in the Grade 3 Yellowwood Handicap for fillies and mares over 1800m. Here, runner-up RONNIE'S CANDY and third placed ROY'S RIVIERA were both used as line horses and thus their ratings remain as they were.

Four horses had their ratings dropped following this race. FLYING FABLE goes from 101 to 99, SECRET POTION drops from 106 to 103, RABIA THE REBEL goes from 84 to 83 (she had in fact already been dropped to 83 after her latest race and following publication of the Yellowwood Handicap weights), and SECOND REQUEST was cut from 107 to 104.

Listed Golden Loom Handicap

PRINCE OF KAHAL has seen his rating increase from 118 to 123 after he landed the Golden Loom Handicap over 1000m, in the process recording his third consecutive win at Graded or Listed level.

Here, fourth placed ORAVAR and fifth placed REBEL'S CHAMP exactly replicated the form relative to each other which they had shown behind GIMME A WAVE in a pinnacle plate on 8 October and were accordingly considered to make for very good line horses. Naturally, their ratings remain unchanged as a consequence.

Runner-up WILLIAM THE SILENT (who caught the eye in his first start since the corresponding race in 2018) was raised from 110 to 114, while third placed



QUINLAN goes from 116 to 119 in his first Highveld appearance since he finished 4th in the Grade 1 Computaform Sprint in the Autumn.

Several horses had their ratings dropped. BOLD EAGLE went from 103 to 101, ATTENBOROUGH drops from 110 to 108, WINTER STORM is down from 102 to 99, DOWN TO ZERO was trimmed to 110 from 112, and RUSSIAN PRINCE drops from 108 to 103.

Listed Java Handicap

ATYAAB has had his rating raised from 114 to 117 after last season's Grade 1 Cape Derby winner made a winning debut as a gelding in the Java Handicap over 2400m. Third placed BONDIBLU was used as the line horse and so remains unchanged, but runner-up FACTOR FIFTY goes up from 94 to 99 and looks to be a useful staying filly in the making.

The only other changed made to any runner from this race was to FLICHTY BY FARR, who drops from 103 to 102.

Peermont Emperors Palace Ready To Run Cup (Non Black Type)

Top rated SPIRITOTHEGROOVE remains unchanged on a mark of 107 after she easily won the valuable Peermont Emperors Palace Ready To Run Cup for three-year-olds over 1400m.

SPIRITOTHEGROOVE was by a long way the best weighted runner in this race restricted to graduates of the 2018 BSA Ready To Run Sale, while runner-up GAIAN GLORY was the second best weighted runner and as such also remains unchanged.

Interestingly, the first six places were all occupied by fillies, who generally have enjoyed a good record in this event down the years.

Fourth placed BLUSHING BRIDE and fifth placed ANNATJIE were used as joint line horses and so remain unchanged, but third finisher JUST KIDDING goes up from 84 to 88. PINCH POT (a maiden having his third start) now qualifies for a rating and was given a mark of 77. BLONDE BABE drops from 79 to 76, and in the only other change ENJOY THE VIEW was cut to 95 from 97.

Listed Model Man Mile

Top rated FOOLS GOLD received a small upward adjustment to his rating and goes from 102 to 103 after he thrashed his field to win the Model Man Mile (formerly the KZN Guineas Trial) for three-year-olds over 1600m at Greyville.

Fourth placed SPECIAL BLEND was used as the line horse and so remains unchanged on a mark of 94.

Runner-up BROOKLYN was raised from 82 to 95, while third placed BATTLE OF ALESIA goes from 89 to 94, thus putting both of these horses in line with both the winner and with SPECIAL BLEND.

In other words, the four would meet on the correct terms if they were to clash in a handicap race.

Two horses received ratings drops, with JACK'S BIRD going from 100 to 94, and SWAGGER JAGGER dropping from 83 to 81.

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LEADING BREEDERS by STAKES														SEASON 2019/2020 • 1 August - 3 November 2019	
Stakes	Breeder	rnr	AEPR	runs	wnr	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wnr	SW wns	SW wnr/rnr%	plcs	plc/rnr%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes	
5,901,813	Klawervlei Stud	289	20,421	666	58	65	20%	2	2	3%	190	29%	0	Silver Operator	147,000 2%
5,692,125	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	182	31,275	451	47	57	26%	2	2	4%	148	33%	5	Barahin	583,250 10%
4,747,338	Summerhill Stud	175	27,128	471	38	45	22%	0	0	0%	138	29%	1	Gaia Glory	296,625 6%
2,998,600	Highlands	110	27,260	277	30	38	27%	1	1	3%	77	28%	1	Pretty Young Thing	188,250 6%
2,732,863	Maine Chance	84	32,534	207	26	36	31%	0	0	0%	62	30%	1	Tallinn	194,375 7%
2,540,400	Drakenstein Stud	91	27,916	200	27	29	30%	0	0	0%	73	37%	4	Calls To Heaven	108,900 4%
2,064,350	Varsfontein Stud	71	29,075	180	19	21	27%	1	1	5%	59	33%	0	Third Runway	218,750 11%
1,764,475	Moutonshoek	87	20,281	239	17	20	20%	0	0	0%	66	28%	1	Takatul	122,300 7%
1,750,600	Nadeson Park Stud	61	28,698	163	16	20	26%	0	0	0%	55	34%	2	Orchid Street	166,250 9%
1,696,450	Lammerskraal Stud	56	30,294	113	20	20	36%	0	0	0%	28	25%	1	Green Haze	83,875 5%
1,591,225	Ascot Stud	64	24,863	158	18	19	28%	0	0	0%	48	30%	2	Jack Of Hearts	163,800 10%
1,459,125	Clifton Stud	38	38,398	105	11	15	29%	1	3	9%	33	31%	0	Prince Of Kahal	490,125 34%
1,393,300	Scott Bros	80	17,416	215	14	14	18%	1	1	7%	51	24%	0	Class Of Eight	113,875 8%
1,251,675	Favour Stud	66	18,965	170	13	16	20%	0	0	0%	46	27%	0	Coyote Girl	116,900 9%
1,248,038	La Plaisance Stud	59	21,153	111	11	13	19%	0	0	0%	41	37%	1	Crome Yellow	156,250 13%
1,164,963	Piemonte Stud	47	24,786	117	13	14	28%	0	0	0%	34	29%	0	Ninotto	121,875 10%
1,115,700	Graystone Stud	24	46,488	89	7	10	29%	0	0	0%	28	31%	1	Lake Kinneret	170,500 15%

LEADING SIRES by STAKES														SEASON 2019/2020 • 1 August - 3 November 2019	
Stakes	Sire	rnr	AEPR	runs	wnr	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wnr	SW wns	SW wnr/rnr%	plcs	plc/rnr%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes	
3,272,213	Gimmethgreenlight	107	30,581	257	24	29	22%	2	2	8%	81	32%	3	Barahin	583,250 18%
2,895,650	Silvano	127	22,800	277	31	36	24%	1	1	3%	78	28%	1	Silver Operator	147,000 5%
2,782,975	Oratorio	93	29,924	229	25	32	27%	1	1	4%	73	32%	0	Viva Rio	211,625 8%
2,737,163	What A Winter	107	25,581	254	27	32	25%	1	1	4%	80	31%	0	Sarah	157,500 6%
2,688,988	*Dynasty	93	28,914	209	27	32	29%	2	2	7%	69	33%	1	Kelpie	167,750 6%
2,649,075	*Captain Al	91	29,111	198	23	26	25%	1	1	4%	83	42%	3	El' Zara	142,550 5%
2,632,988	Var	106	24,840	273	27	31	25%	0	0	0%	91	33%	2	Okavango Delta	138,100 5%
2,532,087	Querari	109	23,230	245	29	31	27%	1	1	3%	60	24%	0	Querari Ferrari	121,875 5%
2,348,238	Visionaire	96	24,461	234	13	15	14%	0	0	0%	57	24%	0	Spiritofthegroove	544,500 23%
2,131,125	Master Of My Fate	97	21,970	220	20	23	21%	0	0	0%	69	31%	0	Goliath Heron	163,500 8%
2,104,475	Pathfork	68	30,948	190	23	25	34%	1	1	4%	59	31%	0	Path Of Choice	112,350 5%
2,008,162	Elusive Fort	96	20,918	245	20	20	21%	0	0	0%	76	31%	1	Oyster King	111,625 6%
1,983,825	Twice Over	102	19,449	249	18	19	18%	0	0	0%	86	35%	1	Twice To Sydney	121,875 6%
1,901,225	Duke Of Marmalade	77	24,691	165	20	22	26%	0	0	0%	55	33%	1	Dancing Feather	131,625 7%
1,899,050	*Sail From Seattle	60	31,651	160	19	23	32%	0	0	0%	57	36%	2	Bellingham Bay	141,400 7%
1,866,125	Ideal World	77	24,235	184	12	16	16%	2	2	17%	56	30%	1	Vistula	300,000 16%
1,792,575	Philanthropist	86	20,844	225	17	20	20%	0	0	0%	61	27%	2	Stream Of Kindness	158,850 9%

LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by STAKES														SEASON 2019/2020 • 1 August - 3 November 2019	
Stakes	Sire	rnr	AEPR	runs	wnr	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wnr	SW wns	SW wnr/rnr%	plcs	plc/rnr%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes	
1,717,887	Querari	58	29,619	137	21	22	36%	1	1	5%	38	28%	0	Querari Ferrari	121,875 7%
1,597,288	Visionaire	46	34,724	93	7	7	15%	0	0	0%	27	29%	0	Spiritofthegroove	544,500 34%
1,470,975	Vercingetorix	48	30,645	94	13	19	27%	0	0	0%	23	24%	2	Tallinn	194,375 13%
1,353,900	What A Winter	52	26,037	127	13	15	25%	1	1	8%	38	30%	0	Sarah	157,500 12%
1,327,425	Gimmethgreenlight	46	28,857	93	11	14	24%	1	1	9%	28	30%	3	Third Runway	218,750 16%
1,237,175	*Captain Al	42	29,457	89	12	14	29%	0	0	0%	36	40%	1	El' Zara	142,550 12%
1,221,000	*Dynasty	37	33,000	79	13	16	35%	0	0	0%	32	41%	0	Kelpie	167,750 14%
1,144,850	Oratorio	42	27,258	99	10	15	24%	1	1	10%	23	23%	0	Viva Rio	211,625 18%
1,103,350	Duke Of Marmalade	45	24,519	100	10	12	22%	0	0	0%	39	39%	0	Dancing Feather	131,625 12%
1,013,700	Master Of My Fate	97	19,126	124	11	11	21%	0	0	0%	37	30%	0	Silva Magic	92,500 9%
1,000,425	Flower Alley	39	25,652	88	12	13	31%	0	0	0%	29	33%	0	Rock Aloe	96,775 10%
988,950	Captain Of All	38	26,025	93	10	11	26%	0	0	0%	23	25%	0	Golden Tractor	126,000 13%
955,162	Elusive Fort	45	21,226	111	12	12	27%	0	0	0%	25	23%	0	Oyster King	111,625 12%
938,375	*Soft Falling Rain	36	26,066	74	9	11	25%	0	0	0%	19	26%	1	Gin Fizz	156,625 17%
896,150	Twice Over	47	19,067	113	8	8	17%	0	0	0%	41	36%	0	Over The Odds	78,000 9%

LEADING SIRES by AEPR											SEASON 2019/2020 • 1 August - 3 November 2019				with 20 or more rnr	
Stakes	Sire	rnr	AEPR	runs	wnr	wns	wnr/rnr%	SW wnr	SW wns	SW wnr%	plcs	plc/rnr%	SP	top earner with stakes & % of total stakes		
1,246,013	*Kahal	25	49,841	80	8	12	32%	1	3	13%	26	33%	0	Prince Of Kahal	490,125 39%	
1,899,050	*Sail From Seattle	60	31,651	160	19	23	32%	0	0	0%	57	36%	2	Bellingham Bay	141,400 7%	
2,104,475	Pathfork	68	30,948	190	23	25	34%	1	1	4%	59	31%	0	Path Of Choice	112,350 5%	
1,470,975	Vercingetorix	48	30,645	94	13	19	27%	0	0	0%	23	24%	2	Tallinn	194,375 13%	
3,272,213	Gimmethgreenlight	107	30,581	257	24	29	22%	2	2	8%	81	32%	3	Barahin	583,250 18%	
2,782,975	Oratorio	93	29,924	229	25	32	27%	1	1	4%	73	32%	0	Viva Rio	211,625 8%	
873,675	Irish Flame	30	29,123	76	10	10	33%	0	0	0%	26	34%	0	Drunken Sailor	86,725 10%	
2,649,075	*Captain Al	91	29,111	198	23	26	25%	1	1	4%	83	42%	3	El' Zara	142,550 5%	
838,550	*Just As Well	29	28,916	96	8	9	28%	0	0	0%	27	28%	0	Georgina Rose	127,875 15%	
2,688,988	*Dynasty	93	28,914	209	27	32	29%	2	2	7%	69	33%	1	Kelpie	167,750 6%	
938,375	*Soft Falling Rain	36	26,066	74	9	11	25%	0	0	0%	19	26%	1	Gin Fizz	156,625 17%	
988,950	Captain Of All	38	26,025	93	10	11	26%	0	0	0%	23	25%	0	Golden Tractor	126,000 13%	
1,000,425	Flower Alley	39	25,652	88	12	13	31%	0	0	0%	29	33%	0	Rock Aloe	96,775 10%	
2,737,163	What A Winter	107	25,581	254	27	32	25%	1	1	4%	80	31%	0	Sarah	157,500 6%	
2,632,988	Var	106	24,840	273	27	31	25%	0	0	0%	91	33%	2	Okavango Delta	138,100 5%	

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Ridgemont Highlands' five time Gr1 winning sire Canford Cliffs had 2 good winners this week.

His 4yo daughter Canford Springs won in Australia on Wednesday.

Under jockey Leah Kilner, Canford Springs romped home to a debut win when scoring a 2.3 length triumph over 1106m at Grafton. The filly, victorious in a barrier trial previously, is out of the Encosta De Lago mare Sorenstam.

Canford Cliffs also enjoyed a 2yo win in Britain the previous day, when his daughter Lafontaine claimed a nursery at Kempton. Out of a mare by the Drakenstein Stud based Duke Of Marmalade, two-year-old Lafontaine stayed on gamely in the closing stages of the one mile race to post a neck triumph.

Her Irish 2000 Guineas winning sire Canford Cliffs boasts 34 stakes horse, including recent Gr2 Antler Luggage Fillies Classic dead-heater La Falaise.

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LEADING TRAINERS by STAKES

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trainer	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ runs
SG Tarry	253	39	15%	59	23%	34%	23	9%	115	45%	3,910,838	15,458
J Snaith	325	41	13%	63	19%	35%	47	14%	159	49%	3,603,162	11,087
PA Peter	240	37	15%	51	21%	27%	24	10%	117	49%	3,486,675	14,528
MF de Kock	157	28	18%	42	27%	38%	17	11%	75	48%	3,197,750	20,368
AC Greeff	288	45	16%	72	25%	33%	36	13%	140	49%	3,183,638	11,054
BJ Crawford	193	38	20%	38	20%	42%	19	10%	100	52%	3,030,962	15,704
Y Bremner	255	29	11%	30	12%	33%	32	13%	118	46%	2,474,400	9,704
GS Kotzen	193	20	10%	19	10%	42%	27	14%	80	41%	2,202,375	11,411
GM Alexander	106	16	15%	13	12%	46%	15	14%	47	44%	1,890,875	17,838
GD Smith	294	21	7%	14	5%	29%	24	8%	95	32%	1,697,575	5,774
GB Puller	119	17	14%	18	15%	33%	15	13%	53	45%	1,632,875	13,722
A Nel	138	14	10%	16	12%	19%	18	13%	70	51%	1,478,200	10,712
DR Drier	118	15	13%	18	15%	50%	9	8%	49	42%	1,401,025	11,873
JAJ v Vuuren	117	14	12%	16	14%	44%	17	15%	54	46%	1,389,450	11,876
VH Marshall	108	17	16%	12	11%	42%	7	6%	48	44%	1,346,600	12,469
SD Gray	118	12	10%	9	8%	22%	14	12%	50	42%	1,325,150	11,230
AG Laird	79	12	15%	14	18%	43%	12	15%	43	54%	1,324,800	16,770
G v Zyl	91	12	13%	21	23%	33%	11	12%	46	51%	1,251,875	13,757
PF Matchett	142	14	10%	8	6%	25%	11	8%	54	38%	1,249,275	8,798
D Kannemeyer	103	11	11%	24	23%	21%	17	17%	48	47%	1,153,275	11,197
C Bass-Robinson	185	8	4%	12	6%	17%	17	9%	71	38%	1,146,975	6,200
RR Magner	111	8	7%	9	8%	33%	10	9%	42	38%	1,132,475	10,202
DS Bosch	75	15	20%	9	12%	56%	4	5%	31	41%	1,117,725	14,903
D Nieuwenhuizen	85	10	12%	6	7%	50%	11	13%	39	46%	1,090,050	12,824
DA Sham	99	11	11%	4	4%	25%	7	7%	38	38%	948,350	9,579
WGC Miller	130	14	11%	14	11%	29%	14	11%	58	45%	905,500	6,965

LEADING JOCKEYS by WINS

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jockey	rides	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	1st four	1st four%	stakes	stks/ rides
W Kennedy	463	81	17%	102	22%	38%	58	13%	252	54%	7,216,825	15,587
G Cheyne	263	61	23%	80	30%	39%	30	11%	148	56%	4,117,563	15,656
M Yeni	583	60	10%	87	15%	21%	81	14%	274	47%	5,756,513	9,874
R Fourie	192	43	22%	67	35%	37%	29	15%	120	63%	3,173,362	16,528
C Murray	190	36	19%	42	22%	40%	15	8%	85	45%	3,412,700	17,962
R Danielson	186	35	19%	49	26%	37%	22	12%	95	51%	2,934,350	15,776
S Khumalo	254	34	13%	30	12%	33%	40	16%	129	51%	3,411,825	13,432
C Maujean	284	34	12%	25	9%	48%	27	10%	132	46%	2,915,050	10,264
R Munger	370	31	8%	28	8%	18%	35	9%	150	41%	2,737,963	7,400
K De Melo	202	26	13%	44	22%	27%	32	16%	102	50%	2,583,112	12,788
D Schwarz	164	21	13%	19	12%	53%	19	12%	75	46%	2,512,325	15,319
L J Ferraris	200	19	10%	18	9%	22%	24	12%	80	40%	2,035,250	10,176
N Klink	130	18	14%	16	12%	38%	14	11%	59	45%	1,109,450	8,534
C F Dicken	150	18	12%	5	3%	20%	10	7%	59	39%	1,536,938	10,246
S Veale	172	17	10%	24	14%	42%	14	8%	70	41%	1,727,950	10,046
D Dillon	191	16	8%	18	9%	39%	22	12%	90	47%	1,874,725	9,815
L Mxothwa	189	16	8%	12	6%	42%	21	11%	77	41%	1,395,350	7,383
M Byleveld	178	15	8%	12	7%	50%	15	8%	74	42%	1,482,263	8,327
M v Rensburg	164	15	9%	18	11%	17%	22	13%	61	37%	1,862,225	11,355
M Winnaar	93	13	14%	10	11%	40%	14	15%	47	51%	1,429,625	15,372
S Moodley	121	13	11%	5	4%	60%	7	6%	36	30%	1,090,025	9,008
C Habib	203	13	6%	8	4%	13%	14	7%	61	30%	1,246,913	6,142
C Orffer	103	12	12%	19	18%	32%	13	13%	49	48%	1,062,012	10,311
S Randolph	165	12	7%	12	7%	33%	17	10%	72	44%	1,403,350	8,505
S Brown	141	11	8%	3	2%	100%	7	5%	48	34%	1,020,475	7,237
T Juglall	125	11	9%	7	6%	29%	9	7%	32	26%	733,250	5,866
W Agrella	73	10	14%	8	11%	38%	8	11%	42	58%	865,850	11,861
X Ndlovu	88	10	11%	8	9%	13%	10	11%	38	43%	800,200	9,093



Candice Marnewick

Joshua Solomons rode his first winner yesterday

Solomons had his first race ride in April at Hollywoodbets Scottsville, finishing unplaced on the Michael Roberts-trained Master Of Fire.

Then And Now

Greenhorn apprentice Joshua Solomons made a major contribution to Wednesday's Hollywoodbets Greyville Pick 6 dividend of R 68 624 when he steered the 28-1 Dune Dance home for Dennis Drier in the penultimate leg of the exotic. It was a momentous occasion for the Capetonian, who was registering his career first winner at his 15th ride.

Getting There

Justin Snaith says his yard has not quite kicked into top gear yet. That's a frightening thought for his colleagues as the former SA Champion saddled 50% of the winners on Tuesday's Kenilworth card. He is in second spot on the national log with 45 winners and stakes of R3,6 million. He may struggle to reach his



Justin Snaith is looking to another big season

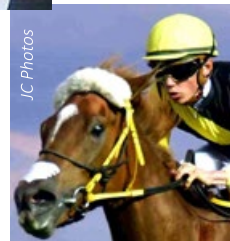
R25,2 million total of last season in view of the recent stakes slaughter, but remains a trainer to follow and build all your exotic bets around.

Charity Champs

Mike de Kock and Callan Murray are our trainer-jockey combo of the week after a dazzling Charity Mile day at Turffontein last Saturday. The multiple champion De Kock saddled 6 winners, of which Murray rode 5, including a Gr2, Gr3 and Listed. Frosted Gold was the only De Kock winner not ridden by Murray. Craig Zackey



Mike de Kock and Callan Murray have forged a winning partnership



JC Photos

partnered the NZ-bred grey to victory in the Gr3 Graham Beck Stakes – a race in which Murray's mount Tallinn broke a stirrup leather.

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BEST RATINGS

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No Stopping De Kock

Barahin best & Atyaab at last makes good on controversial Cape Derby win rating

MALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
113	Sir Frenchie	5	Choisir	bred in Australia	25Oct	1	Cnd	1200	Fairview	113/110/-/-/-
111	Prince Of Kahal	5	Kahal	Clifton Stud	2Nov	1	MR116	1000	Turffontein	111/106/-/-/-
107	Bold Respect	5	Bold Silvano	Ascot Stud	29Oct	3	Cnd	1000	Kenilworth	117/106/-/-/-
105	Quinlan	5	Sail From Seattle	K Fourie	2Nov	3	MR116	1000	Turffontein	111/57/-/-/-
105	Rebel's Champ	5	Rebel King	Nine Bridges Association	2Nov	5	MR116	1000	Turffontein	113/-/-/-/-
103	Russet Air	4	What A Winter	Lammerskraal Stud	29Oct	1	Cnd	1000	Kenilworth	103/98/-/-/-
103	Bishop's Bounty	6	Western Winter	Lammerskraal Stud	25Oct	2	Cnd	1200	Fairview	115/106/-/-/-
103	Frosted Gold	3	All Too Hard	bred in New Zealand	2Nov	1	Cnd-3	1400	Turffontein	107/103/-/-/-
102	William The Silent	4	Var	Drakenstein Stud	2Nov	2	MR116	1000	Turffontein	102/-/-/-/-
101	Dutch Philip	5	What A Winter	Rex Stud	25Oct	3	Cnd	1200	Fairview	119/104/-/-/-

FEMALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
105	Singforafa	3	Potala Palace	NJ Swart	24Oct	1	Cnd	1000	Vaal	105/81/-/-/-
102	Via Seattle	5	Sail From Seattle	Ascot Stud	27Oct	1	Cndfm	1200	Fairview	102/99/-/-/-
100	Fly Away	3	What A Winter	Narrow Creek Stud	31Oct	1	Cndfm	1000	Vaal	100/-/-/-/-
98	Third Runway	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Varsfontein Stud	26Oct	1	Cnd3f	1400	Kenilworth	74/98/-/-/-
96	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	2Nov	1	Cnd-3	1400	Turffontein	94/96/-/-/-
95	Generous Lady	4	Philanthropist	Highlands	23Oct	7	MR99	1400	Greyville	76/97/-/-/-
95	Gin Fizz	3	Soft Falling Rain	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	26Oct	1	Cnd	1450	Turffontein	98/98/-/-/-
94	Mill Queen	3	Querari	Digteby Stud	2Nov	1	Cnd3f	1400	Turffontein	85/94/-/-/-
94	Dancing Feather	3	Duke Of Marmalade	Maine Chance	3Nov	3	MR92f	1400	Greyville	-/94/93/-/-
93	Statute	5	Dynasty	Cheveley Stud	3Nov	2	MR92f	1400	Greyville	94/93/-/-/-

MALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
118	Barahin	4	Gimmethgreenlight	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	2Nov	1	MR125	1600	Turffontein	87/118/111/105/-
108	Atyaab	4	Dundeel	bred in Australia	2Nov	1	MR114	2400	Turffontein	-/91/95/103/108/
105	Chijmes	4	Ato	Summerhill Stud	2Nov	2	MR125	1600	Turffontein	79/105/97/-/-
102	Infamous Fox	5	Foxwedge	bred in Australia	2Nov	7	MR125	1600	Turffontein	63/115/112/78/-
101	Dawn Assault	6	Call To Combat	Graystone Stud	2Nov	5	MR114	2400	Turffontein	59/92/106/106/106/
98	Tilbury Fort	6	Horse Chestnut	GJ Armitage	2Nov	5	MR125	1600	Turffontein	70/107/103/105/-
96	Viva Rio	3	Oratorio	Gold Star Stud	25Oct	1	Cnd-3	1600	Fairview	63/96/-/-/-
95	Fools Gold	3	Pathfork	Limestone Thoroughbred Trust	3Nov	1	Cnd-3	1600	Greyville	81/95/-/-/-
95	Zouaves	6	Sail From Seattle	Danika Stud	2Nov	8	MR125	1600	Turffontein	109/112/94/-/-
93	Finchatton	8	Right Approach	Wilgerbosdrift	24Oct	4	MR88	1600	Vaal	90/104/90/97/-

FEMALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
104	Ronnie's Candy	4	King Of Kings	Graystone Stud	2Nov	2	MR112	1800	Turffontein	105/107/104/-/-
101	Roy's Riviera	5	All Too Hard	bred in Australia	2Nov	3	MR112	1800	Turffontein	67/101/101/101/100/
98	Cascapedia	6	High Chaparral	bred in Ireland	2Nov	3	MR125	1600	Turffontein	-/103/103/106/-
96	Queen Supreme	4	Exceed And Excel	bred in Ireland	2Nov	1	MR112	1800	Turffontein	-/87/96/-/-/-
94	Master Keys	4	Master Of My Fate	Ms Nothemba Monzi	27Oct	2	MR94f	1600	Fairview	74/95/-/-/-
92	Bize	4	Mambo In Seattle	Moutonshoek	2Nov	4	MR112	1800	Turffontein	-/84/96/97/97/
92	Aurelia Cotta	5	Ashaawes	GJ Armitage	26Oct	1	MR84f	1600	Turffontein	-/94/92/68/76/
90	In The Dance	4	Gimmethgreenlight	Lammerskraal Stud	2Nov	6	MR125	1600	Turffontein	95/100/-/-/-
89	Factor Fifty	4	Marchfield	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	2Nov	2	MR114	2400	Turffontein	-/78/88/82/89/
88	Camphoratus	5	Byword	R & Mrs Pickering	2Nov	12	MR125	1600	Turffontein	76/104/99/104/-

3yo MALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
103	Frosted Gold	3	All Too Hard	bred in New Zealand	2Nov	1	Cnd-3	1400	Turffontein	107/103/-/-/-
98	Eden Roc	3	Var	Varsfontein Stud	2Nov	4	Cnd-3	1400	Turffontein	107/100/-/-/-
97	Silver Operator	3	Silvano	Klawervlei Stud	26Oct	1	Cnd-3	1400	Kenilworth	-/97/-/-/-
96	Viva Rio	3	Oratorio	Gold Star Stud	25Oct	1	Cnd-3	1600	Fairview	63/96/-/-/-
96	Urban Rock	3	Seventh Rock	Drakenstein Stud	26Oct	2	Cnd	1450	Turffontein	87/96/-/-/-
95	Captain Tatters	3	Gimmethgreenlight	GJ Royden-Turner	26Oct	2	Cnd-3	1400	Kenilworth	95/95/-/-/-
95	Fools Gold	3	Pathfork	Limestone Thoroughbred Trust	3Nov	1	Cnd-3	1600	Greyville	81/95/-/-/-
94	Invidia	3	Twice Over	Klawervlei Stud	24Oct	2	Cnd	1000	Vaal	96/96/-/-/-
93	Foreign Source	3	Bold Silvano	Ascot Stud	25Oct	2	Cnd-3	1600	Fairview	91/102/-/-/-
93	Liverpool Champ	3	Capetown Noir	Summerhill Stud	3Nov	2	MR78	2000	Greyville	-/73/85/93/-

3yo FEMALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
105	Singforafa	3	Potala Palace	NJ Swart	24Oct	1	Cnd	1000	Vaal	105/81/-/-/-
100	Fly Away	3	What A Winter	Narrow Creek Stud	31Oct	1	Cndfm	1000	Vaal	100/-/-/-/-
98	Third Runway	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Varsfontein Stud	26Oct	1	Cnd3f	1400	Kenilworth	74/98/-/-/-
96	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	2Nov	1	Cnd-3	1400	Turffontein	94/96/-/-/-
95	Gin Fizz	3	Soft Falling Rain	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	26Oct	1	Cnd	1450	Turffontein	98/98/-/-/-
94	Dancing Feather	3	Duke Of Marmalade	Maine Chance	3Nov	3	MR92f	1400	Greyville	-/94/93/-/-
94	Mill Queen	3	Querari	Digteby Stud	2Nov	1	Cnd3f	1400	Turffontein	85/94/-/-/-
93	Pretty Young Thing	3	Jackson	Highlands	26Oct	2	Cnd3f	1400	Kenilworth	98/93/-/-/-
93	Wisteria Walk	3	Vercingetorix	Maine Chance	2Nov	2	Cnd3f	1400	Turffontein	89/93/-/-/-
91	Kayla's Champ	3	Noordhoek Flyer	Gary Player Stud	2Nov	3	Cnd3f	1400	Turffontein	72/93/-/-/-

SIGNPOSTS

2nd season sires - 3yo's

CAPETOWN NOIR (Western Winter)

Brandina 3g (Bedouin by Var)

[Fairview 4 Guineas Plate \(3yo Fillies\) 1400m \(08/11\)](#)

Clifton Cougar 3g (Radiant Lass by Northern Guest)

[Vaal 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Capetown Dream 3g (Dreambeliever by Jet Master)

[Vaal 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

CAPTAIN OF ALL (Captain Al)

Le Warrior 3g (Run For Toti by Ravishing)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Plate 1200m \(08/11\)](#)

Captain Anne Bonny 3g (Coco by Royal Air Force)

[Fairview 4 Guineas Plate \(3yo Fillies\) 1400m \(08/11\)](#)

Capitana 3g (Sunshine Girl by Northern Guest)

[Vaal 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Holy Guacamole 3g (Fort Belvedere by Fort Wood)

[Vaal 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Little Rain 3g (Lute Of Jade by Western Winter)

[Vaal 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

What You Are 3g (Twinkle Star by Counter Action)

[Vaal 5 Graduation Plate 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

FLOWER ALLEY (Distorted Humor)

Consol Queen 3g (Solo Dancer by Al Mufti)

[Vaal 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

White Lace 3g (A Daughters Legacy by Windrush)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1600m \(09/11\)](#)

Rosemary Meadow 3g (Julietta by National Assembly)

[Kenilworth 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1600m \(09/11\)](#)

Three Peaks 3g (Trimontium by Var)

[Vaal 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Hawthorn 3g (Emerald Lake by Tiger Ridge)

[Vaal 10 MR 68 Handicap \(F&M\) 2000m \(09/11\)](#)

Rose Dancer 3g (Magnificent Maggie by Joshua Dancer)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(10/11\)](#)

Painting The Sky 3g (Seeking The Wind by Jallad)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

LINNGARI (Indian Ridge)

One-Oh-Wonder 3g (Fuselage by Jet Master)

[Vaal 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Levi 3g (Beloved Jean by Jallad)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

Lamberti 3g (Spider Spider by Danske)

[Greyville 4 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

Grey Linngari 3g (Corre Solta by Ski Champ)

[Greyville 4 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

SOFT FALLING RAIN (National Assembly)

Floreana 3g (Isabella Island by Western Winter)

[Fairview 1 Workriders Maiden Plate 1000m \(08/11\)](#)

Sambuca 3g (Anise by Victory Moon)

[Vaal 5 Graduation Plate 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Montreal Mist 3g (Esterel by Var)

[Vaal 7 Gardenia Stakes \(F&M\)\(Listed\) 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Hardfallingrain 3g (Serra Nuda by Fort Wood)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 78 Handicap 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Hot Tin Roof 3g (Kitti Cat by Tiger Dance)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(10/11\)](#)

TIME THIEF (Redoute's Choice)

Time For Launch 3g (Moon Mission by Victory Moon)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Plate 1200m \(08/11\)](#)

Good Times Roll 3g (Gouldikova by General Nediym)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Plate 1200m \(08/11\)](#)

VERCINGETORIX (Silvano)

Dominica 3g (Darrie by Captain Al)

[Fairview 8 MR 78 Handicap \(F&M\) 1000m \(08/11\)](#)

Lady Of Arveni 3g (Foreshadow by Captain Al)

[Vaal 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Foxy Vixen 3g (Ivor's Girl by Northern Guest)

[Vaal 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Sarafina 3g (Sehaba by Galileo)

[Vaal 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Ikigai 3g (Al Shiba by Al Mufti)

[Vaal 5 Graduation Plate 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Irrevocable Dream 3g (Irredeemable by Captain Al)

[Vaal 5 Graduation Plate 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Celtic Voyager 3g (Cat's Paw by Black Minnaloushe)

[Kenilworth 8 MR 78 Handicap 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Binoche 3g (Jenna The Pink by Captain Al)

[Kenilworth 9 MR 74 Handicap \(F&M\) 1000m \(09/11\)](#)

Empress Ella 3g (Ella Es Asia by Sunray Spirit)

[Greyville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1000m \(10/11\)](#)

Mount Anderson 3g (Gilded Minaret by Al Mufti)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

Olmecca Black 3g (Ulwandle by National Assembly)

[Greyville 3 Maiden Plate 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

Cherry Road 3g (Monroe by Model Man)

[Greyville 5 MR 76 Handicap \(F&M\) 1600m \(10/11\)](#)

WYLIE HALL (Redoute's Choice)

Dads Roots 3g (Fairs Fair by Dynasty)

[Fairview 2 Maiden Plate 1200m \(08/11\)](#)

Bollinger 3g (Champagne 'n Roses by Goldmark)

[Kenilworth 1 Maiden Plate 1200m \(09/11\)](#)

Wiley Kim 3g (Kimberley Club by Fort Wood)

[Vaal 3 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Fluorescent 3g (Essenelles by Encosta de Lago)

[Vaal 4 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(09/11\)](#)

Notable Maiden Winners

NOBLE TUNE

Rated **AR 81 Hellofaride** (3c Time And Tide by Baroon)

Maiden Plate Turffontein (stand side) (1600m) (2/11)

An eye-catching third when running on stoutly from a wide draw on debut, Mike De Kock's charge was drawn well and relished the extra. He was soon up handy, and ridden to lead as they approached the 200m marker, cruising clear below the distance to score by three.

VAR

Rated **AR 86 Croisette** (3f Sunsational by Windrush)

Maiden Plate (F&M) Kenilworth (1000m) (5/11)

Making her debut here, this full sister to Valbonne was always in the red. Highly rated by connections, Croisette led throughout and cruised in by four and a half without ever having to engage the upper gears.

SIGNPOSTS CONTINUED

Horses To Follow

VISIONAIRE

Rated **AR 96 Spiritofthegroove** (3f Band Of Angels by National Assembly)

Ready To Run Cup Turffontein (stand side) (1400m) (2/11)
Drawn very wide in the soft going Sean Tarry's charge found herself positioned 15th of the 16 turning for home. She didn't find the clearest of passages in the straight and was still six lengths behind very useful runner-up Gaian Glory 400m out. She quickened in impressive fashion at the business end, to win going away after striking the front just 50m or so from home.

GIMMETHEGREENLIGHT

Rated **AR 118 Barahin** (4c Mocha Special by Silvano)

Gr2 Charity Mile Turffontein (stand side) (1600m) (2/11)
Now a winner of five of his ten career starts, Mike De Kock's charge raced 7th here, and was visibly cruising as he moved through to take up the running 400m out. He quickly went clear to win with authority by three and a half.

EXCEED AND EXCEL

Rated **AR 96 Queen Supreme** (4f Call Later by Gone West)

Gr3 Yellowwood Handicap Turffontein (stand side) (1800m) (2/11)
Still behind at weight-for-age, Mike De Kock's charge has now won four of her five starts. Always handy here, Queen Supreme quickened in good style when the slowly run race developed into a sprint 400m out and won very easily by four. There should be more to come, although on ratings she still has some way to go to challenge the best. The expected weight-for-age improvement will help in that respect.

WHAT A WINTER

Rated **AR 100 Fly Away** (3f Ignition Lady by Argonaut)

Graduation Plate (F&M) Vaal (classic) (1000m) (31/10)
A powerful front runner, Paul Peter's charge has now won three of her five outings. She quickly took the helm here and in new course record time comfortably accounted for her serious rival in the betting market, Tropic Sun.

SILVANO

Rated **AR 92 Kilindini** (3c Kiss And Fly by Jet Master)

MR78 Handicap Kenilworth (old) (1400m) (5/11)
Now a winner of two from four, Brett Crawford's charge couldn't have been more impressive here. Confidently ridden, Kilindini raced seventh of the eight early on. He quickened well at the top of the short old course home straight, and won going away after striking the front 200m from home.

Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Alameery (AUS) 3 g Snitzel- Judged(AUS) (High Yield)

Turffontein 1160m (2/11)

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Atyaab (AUS) 4 g Dundee- Sylvaner(NZ) (Danasinga)

Turffontein 2400m (2/11)

Frosted Gold (NZ) 3 g All Too Hard- Mary d'Or(FR) (Verglas)

Turffontein 1400m (2/11)

Queen Supreme (IRE) 4 ch f Exceed And Excel- Call Later(USA) (Gone West)

Turffontein 1800m (2/11)

SPORTS AND BETTING

Battle Of The Top Two

Liverpool vs Man City | Sunday 10 November | Anfield | 18:30



Before we head into the third international break of the season, gameweek 12 serves up a mouth-watering clash as the league's top two teams, Liverpool and Manchester City, do battle at Anfield in

the biggest game of the Premier League season so far.

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TO WIN

Liverpool 17/10

Draw 51/20

Man City 15/10

LIVERPOOL

Liverpool currently hold a six-point advantage over Manchester City after 11 games and can stretch that to nine with victory at home this weekend – and a nine-point lead may be too much to overhaul, even for a team as impressive as City. The Reds have turned Anfield into a fortress and they haven't lost there in 46 Premier League matches stretching back to April 2017. How can any visiting team be favourites there?! There's no place in world football like Anfield. It is one of the most intimidating grounds for a side to visit and Klopp's men always expect to win in front of their home faithful.

MANCHESTER CITY

Manchester City are really capable of beating any team in their own backyard, but it would even surprise them to be priced up as favourites to win at Anfield. Being labelled 'favourites' at Old Trafford, Stamford Bridge and the Emirates Stadium would even be right, but no visiting team in world football right now should be installed as favourites ahead of Liverpool at their intimidating Anfield fortress. Guardiola, as brilliant as he's been since moving to England in 2016, has failed to win in his four trips to Liverpool. Last season, the Spanish boss picked up his first point at Anfield in a goalless draw to avoid suffering his third consecutive league defeat – and City's sixth – away to Klopp's men.

PROBABLE LINE-UPS:

Liverpool: 4-3-3

Alisson; Alexander-Arnold, Lovren, Van Dijk, Robertson; Fabinho, Wijnaldum, Henderson; Salah, Firmino, Mane.

Man City: 4-3-3

Ederson; Walker, Stones, Otamendi, Mendy; De Bruyne, Fernandinho, Gundogan; Bernardo, Aguero, Sterling.

Is Your Horse One To Follow?

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

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

CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

A Maiden No More

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

Dancing To Victory

Fairview 27 October

The listed Algoa Cup over 2000m topped the bill on Sunday and here we saw a smart performance from the Western Cape raider CAT DADDY. Sent off a well-supported favourite at 2/1, Glen Kotzen's charge raced in midfield for most of the journey. He quickened well in the short home straight and won going away after striking the front 200m from home.

Five of the afternoon's nine races were staged over 1600m and in comfortably the fastest of these, a MR94 Handicap, the former Cape Town campaigner CHAKRI registered her third career victory. In touch throughout, the daughter of Dynasty ran on stoutly at the business end of the race and after a thrilling tussle with the KZN raider MASTER KEYS, she got the verdict on the nod.

In terms of distance, the easiest victory on the card was recorded by BELL TOWER when landing the MR75 Handicap over 1600m. Soon positioned close to the speed, the Ideal World mare took up the running 400m out and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to score by three and a half.

Titbits Freely available at 12/1 on the off, VIA SEATTLE impressed when running on from the rear to win the conditions plate over 1200m going away.

Producing The Goods

Kenilworth 29 October

The going was Good to Soft in Cape Town on Tuesday. The pinnacle stakes over 1000m was comparatively the fastest of the three sprinting events and here we saw a smart performance from the 4yo RUSSET AIR. Nibbled at on course into 17/2 from 10's, the son of What A Winter was always handy. He quickened well from what resembled a cavalry charge 300m out and

after striking the front 100m later he went on to score by a half from another of his sire's progeny WHAT A WINNER.

The other two sprints were both maiden plates over 1200m and in what proved to be the faster of these COUNT JACK got off the mark. Making only his second race course appearance here, Brett Crawford's charge raced fourth for most of the journey. He put his head in front shortly after passing the 300m marker and challenged strongly by the rallying pacemaker ALPHA PAPPA all the way to the wire, he only got the verdict by a third of a length.

The stable of Brett Crawford were also on the mark in the faster of the two 1600m events when KELPIE gained her third win from just six starts in the MR84 Handicap. Usually one to race handy, this dynasty filly adopted a change of tactics here and raced from the front. She was a length clear at the top of the short old course home straight, and despite the efforts of both HONEY PIE and her fancied stable companion FLAME TREE over the final 400m, she won going away.

Titbits Only beaten a neck, the 21/20 favourite ACADEMIC GOLD didn't find the clearest of passages, and took up a bump to boot, when running on stoutly from midfield to finish second in the opening maiden plate for 3yo's over 1200m.

Not An Illusion

Hollywoodbets Greyville 30 October

On what was a very competitive program the only outright favourite to oblige on Wednesday's poly track card was ENRAPTURE in the slower of the two 1400m events, a maiden plate. Soon up handy, the daughter of Querari took up the running 200m out and won going away by three from the running on BASETSANA.

Run in a time 1,31 seconds faster than that of Enrapture was the MR73 Handicap in which SPRING BREEZE also won with authority. Easy to back at 7/1 on the off,

Last Week's Top Rated
SPEED RATINGS winners incl.

Waiting For Rain won 18/1
 Chatty Cathy won 10/1
 Spring Breeze won 7/1
 Merlin From Berlin won 11/2
 Duran won 21/4
 Spiritofthegroove won 9/2
 Kisumu won 4/1
 Chakri won 33/10

Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

FAIRVIEW (FRI)

Race 1: (9) Pollymania 15
 Race 2: (5) Andrea 16
 Race 3: (4) Outlandos D'amour 69
 Race 4: (2) Brandina 40
 Race 5: (6) Tom Tom 48
 Race 6: (14) Keanan's Rock 42
 Race 7: (1) Star Chestnut 68
 Race 8: (9) Gimme Katrina 45

VAAL (SAT)

Race 1: (2) Madame Patrice 23
 Race 2: (11) Capitiana 22
 Race 3: (5) Flower Of Scotland 6
 Race 4: (3) Virtuosa 34
 Race 5: (5) What You Are 64
 Race 6: (8) Silver God 67
 Race 7: (1) Green Plains 82
 Race 8: (9) Soldier On 98
 Race 9: (11) Indian Song 50
 Race 10: (4) Itsmydarlin 32

KENILWORTH (SAT)

Race 1: (2) Bollinger 11
 Race 2: (1) Vikram 57
 Race 3: (1) O Sole Mio 21
 Race 4: (7) Black Belt 41
 Race 5: (4) Search Party 87
 Race 6: (10) Rush Hour Girl 75
 Race 7: (5) Man About Town 82
 Race 8: (7) Al Wahed 48
 Race 9: (12) Duchess Of Prussia 38

HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE (SUN)

Race 1: (4) Talia Al Ghul 16
Race 2: (2) Blackball 67 (nb)
 Race 3: (8) Let's Blaze 12
Race 4: (4) Baby Shooz 29 (NAP*)
 Race 5: (1) Arizona Sunset 36
 Race 6: (5) White Lightning 67
 Race 7: (1) Nikiya 47
 Race 8: (12) Buffalo Soldier 72

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Nathan Kotzen's charge led throughout. She raced a length clear for most of the journey before extending that advantage to three over the final 400m. Poorly drawn SAN'S DANCER ran on well from the back to finish runner up in this race.

The MR99 Handicap was not surprisingly the faster of the two 1200m races and here the lightly weighted MASTER OF ILLUSION caused an upset. Freely available at 11/1 in this his first outing of the season, Dennis Drier's charge was soon up handy. He was ridden to lead approaching the 200m pole and kept on strongly late to fend off the determined challenge of the more fancied SOCRATES.

Titbits Not the quickest into stride, NINOTTO ran on well from midfield when winning the MR68 Handicap over 1000m.

New Course Record

Vaal 31 October

One would have expected a race to be short of pace with just four runners, but that certainly wasn't the case in the graduation plate over 1000m. Taken straight to the front by Warren Kennedy, the aptly named filly FLY AWAY set a brisk gallop throughout. She kept on strongly at the business end of the race and with the remainder some 13 lengths adrift, she beat the strongly fancied TROPIC SUN by two and a half. The time was 55,35 seconds and this was a new course record.

Surprisingly the faster of the two 1450m maiden plates that opened up proceedings was the workrider's affair in which the well exposed KISUMU got off the mark. Soon up handy, this daughter of Soft Falling Rain was ridden to lead 400m out and comfortably accounted for the running on MY KINGDOM by a length and three quarters.

Two 2000m maiden races followed and in by far the faster of these SELL HIGH

opened his account. Nicely positioned in seventh during the early part of the race, Dorrie Sham's charge was always travelling well. He put his head in front going through the 400m and won well from the always handy OUR MAN IN HAVANA.

Titbits Now a winner of two from eight, CAPTAIN FLYNT showed real guts and determination when holding off a spirited challenge from ZEAL AND ZEST in the middle stakes over 1800m.

Upsets Aplenty

Hollywoodbets Greyville 1 November

There were a number of upsets on Friday evening's poly track card and none more so than the Sporting Post's top rated runner MAA NONU when winning the faster of the two 1200m events, a MR79 Handicap. Freely available at 33/1 on the off, Lizanne Forbe's charge led throughout. He kept on strongly in the short home straight and just had enough in hand to beat WILLIAMS LAND by a neck. The runner up didn't find the clearest of passages and was gaining nicely at the finish.

The MR78 Handicap was the faster of the two 1600m races and here WHAT A BLAST gained his third career victory. Running on stoutly from midfield, the Visionaire gelding struck the front 200m out and won going away from the ultra-consistent TECHNO CAPTAIN.

One of just two favourites to oblige on the card, SILVA MAGIC won the faster of the two 2000m events. Making her fifth appearance in the maiden ranks here, the daughter of Master Of My Fate raced in the rear early on. She made headway quickly early in the home straight and in what proved to be a real thriller, she got the verdict by a short head over MAGIC MOUNTAIN (also came from the rear).

Titbits Lightly raced FEVER ran on well from midfield when opening his account in maiden company over 1600m.

FASTEST TIMES

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

FAIRVIEW (TURF) 27 OCTOBER

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good

Course Variant: 1,65s slow

1000m (1) Sir Caleb	57,82
1200m (1) Via Seattle	70,17
1400m (1) Coyote Creek	86,66
1600m (5) Chakri	99,56
2000m (1) Cat Daddy	124,02

KENILWORTH (OLD) 29 OCTOBER

Penetrometer 24 – Going G/Soft

Course Variant: 1,65s slow

1000m (1) Russet Air	59,20
1200m (2) Count Jack	73,62
1400m (1) Esteemal	87,23
1600m (2) Kelpie	100,82
2000m (1) Rosalie Runs	130,84
2400m (1) Over The Odds	155,60

GREYVILLE (POLY) 30 OCTOBER

Going Standard

Course Variant: 0,86s slow

1000m (1) Ninotto	57,96
1100m (1) Duran	65,46
1200m (2) Master Of Illusion	69,89
1400m (2) Spring Breeze	83,74
1600m (1) Call Me Tonight	96,70
2000m (1) Smart Sox	124,33

VAAI (CLASSIC) 31 OCTOBER

Penetrometer 21 – Going Good

Course Variant: 0,39s fast

1000m (1) Fly Away	55,35
1200m (1) Battle Creek	69,45
1450m (2) Kisumu	88,79
1600m (1) Youcanthurrylove	96,75
1800m (1) Captain Flynt	109,45
2000m (2) Sell High	122,80

GREYVILLE (POLY) 1 NOVEMBER

Going Standard

Course Variant: 1,67s slow

1000m (1) Coyote Girl	59,13
1200m (2) Maa Nonu	70,82
1400m (1) Orchid Street	84,05
1600m (2) What A Blast	96,87
1800m (2) Silva Magic	123,61

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

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