

National Yearling Sale
 22-24 APRIL
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RACING THIS WEEKEND

FAIRVIEW Friday
 Best Roving Banker:
R3-(8) Sugar Gum (1/1)

TURFFONTEIN Saturday
 Best Roving Banker:
R4-(1) War Room (7/10)

DURBANVILLE Saturday
 Best Roving Banker:
R7-(3) Snowy Mountain (16/10)

HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE Sunday
 Best Roving Banker:
R7-(5) Blackball (2/1)



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DAY 23

The Show Goes On

With their stars National Park and Legal Eagle both back in full work, Yvette Bremner's Dippin Blu yard at Fairview enters their 23rd day on an improvised internal structure after a stabbing incident last month led to an upheaval in the top team's personnel ranks.

While there is no guarantee that either will run, the only horse to have defeated Hawwaam on his Gauteng home ground, National Park (127), and the former SA Horse Of The Year, Legal Eagle (123) are in the nominations for the 20 March Fairview meeting.

While the horse-stabbing incident, allegedly by a Groom in the employ of the Dippin Blu team, in early February apparently led to dissent in the ranks of their staff, the Fairview outfit dominated the news for over a week as they coped with absent Grooms, refused to not be allowed to care for their horses and race, and employed private security to counter threats. The Port Elizabeth High Court granted an order in their favour on 19 February.

Their yard has since been reduced through rationalisation from 112 horses inhabiting four barns to 80 (including 24 babies) in three barns.

The alleged perpetrator of the stabbing incident was dismissed by an independent CCMA Commissioner after failing to turn up for a hearing. His next CCMA hearing is on 18 March and all of the other Bremner Grooms are due at the CCMA on 23 March.

Bremner stable spokesman and leading owner Hedley McGrath told the Sporting Post today that the team had improvised through the loyal commitment of their staff, including Carl Hewitson, Rocky Agrella, Juhany van den Berg, as well as through the assistance of a local missionary organisation who had made a team of six people available.

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DAY 23 - THE SHOW GOES ON

These folk are apparently being assisted with getting their lives back on track after setbacks in their personal lives.

"We have been forced to make a plan logistically with feed too. All our feed is pre-packed off-site too and is tailored for each individual horse and delivered. The same applies to our oat-hay, teff and lucerne. It's been tough, but we have resolved not to be forced to stop doing something we love and have a passion for," he added, confirming that they believed that they had been compliant in all processes and together with their legal team, hoped to see a resolution in the not too distant future.

The yard has ticked over well in the past month, with the smart Via Seattle raising the rafters, going down narrowly in the Listed Lady's Pendant last Friday.

An outside observer who visited the yard this week told the Sporting Post that the Bremner stables were an example. "They are immaculate and clean – spic 'n span- and the equine inhabitants are all happy. It's remarkable how they have managed to do what they have done," he said,

Regrettably all horses are still being accompanied in training, in the paddocks, on the walkers and to the races by the private security guards.

Hedley would not be drawn on what must be the exorbitant costs of the security employed.

"The safety of our people and our horses are a non-negotiable aspect. It is just so sad that we have had to resort to this way of life. At the same time it goes to show what can be done with commitment and loyalty, and a measure of innovation."

Racing at Fairview starts at 12h05 on Friday.

View To A Thrill!

The Fairview Friday ten-race programme opens what should be a cracking weekend of racing.

It is interesting to note that Ascot Stud's progressive sire Global View, who produced his fourth first crop winner from just six runners, when his 2yo daughter Storyland romped to a facile debut win at Fairview last Friday, has another debutante in the third race.

The Gary Player Stud-bred Frosty Rain, a R150 000 National Yearling Sale purchases, is out of the winner producing Al Mufti Mare, Torrential Rain. Alan Greeff and Greg Cheyne are a hot combination and it would not surprise to see Global View maintain his streak.

Currently South Africa's Leading First Crop Sire by earnings and individual winners, Global View is also the sire of first crop winners Delicasea (unbeaten in two starts), Global Drummer and Fireview. Both Storyland and Delicasea are entered for the Listed East Cape Fillies Nursery.

A son of the world's premier sire Galileo, Global View won the Gr3 Generous Stakes at two and Gr2 American Turf Stakes as a three-year-old, and he is bred on the same Galileo/Storm Cat cross as Coolmore sires, and multiple Gr1 winners, Churchill and Gleneagles.

SATURDAY'S RACING

A Classic Showdown

Gr1 SA Classic Turffontein

The 1800m test could be the key for the proven class horses as they line up for the R1 million Gr1 SA Classic on Saturday. Ikigai won the Guineas so well, he looks sure to find the 1800m, but unlikely to try the SA Derby. Then there are the likes of Green Laser and Youcathurrylove lower down the ratings who have the legs. It has the makings of a fascinating race and looks tougher to unravel than the fairer sex equivalent.



Ikigai | JC Photos

A son of Vercingetorix, Ikigai has won the Tony Ruffel and the Gauteng Guineas in the manner of a really decent 3yo and now steps up to the 1800m with plenty in his favour. If he stays, he should go very close.

Second of the Tarry trio, Shango, won the Dingaans in good style on Summer Cup Day and then showed resolution when beating the older Approach Control in a January prep start. He missed the Gauteng Guineas on a vet's certificate and comes in here with a wide draw to beat.

Being a son of Captain Of All, there must be some stamina doubts and only time will clarify that aspect.

Mike De Kock's New Zealand-bred Frosted Gold has earned himself something of a bridesmaid tag behind the Tarry horses over the last ten months. If he stays the 1800m he must be a threat as he has maintained a consistent form-line throughout his 3yo campaign and could be ready to turn the tables.

Astrix showed up prominently in the Gauteng Guineas after a break when finishing under four lengths behind Ikigai. He has a very wide draw to overcome and will need to improve a little bit.

Corne Spies' Imperial Ruby has done little wrong since a surprise maiden win on Summer Cup Day. The son of Silvano has won three of his last four starts and beat Christopher Robin going away last time.

While he has a wide draw to overcome and is probably better suited to the SA Derby test, he could be dangerous in the hands of Piere Strydom.

The 2yo Gr1 winner Got The Greenlight returned to action with a weak fourth in the Tony Ruffel stakes and then, wisely or not, travelled to Cape Town in pursuit of the rich CTS 1600

prize. While he only finished only 3,3

lengths off Count Jack and earned a cheque, he returns home off a less than ideal prep but may have the class to assert himself.

Battle Of Alesia has been a model of consistency after his maiden and was staying on without

Gr1 SA Classic past winners

Year	Horse	Rating	Time
2017	1 Heavenly Blue	60.0 (9)	2/1
	2 Al Sahem	60.0 (4)	16/10
	3 Furiosa	60.0 (1)	14/1
2018	1 Lobo's Legend	60.0 (2)	36/1
	2 Surcharge	60.0 (13)	10/3
	3 Like A Panther	60.0 (1)	61/20
2019	1 Hawwaam	60.0 (5)	11/10
	2 Barahin	60.0 (1)	61/20
	3 National Park	60.0 (7)	15/4

START	8	PA6/PICK SIXS/JACKPOT4
3:55PM	8	GR1 SA CLASSIC (3YO'S)
Turffontein		1800m - SAME TRAINER:(1-2-10)(3-12)
		(6-9-14)(13-16)
Captain Of All	1 SHANGO(SG Tarry) G Lerena	12 60.0
Vercingetorix	2 IKIGAI(SG Tarry) L J Ferraris	4 60.0
All Too Hard	3 FROSTED GOLD(MF de Kock) C Zackey	3 60.0
Gimmethgreenlight	4 GOT THE GREENLIGHT(JA Soma) B Fayd'herbe	6 60.0
Gimmethgreenlight	5 GREEN LASER(RR Sage) M v Rensburg	2 60.0
Vercingetorix	6 ASTRIX(PA Peter) S Moodley	17 60.0
Pomodoro	7 LEOPOLD(JAJ v Vuuren) C Maujean	1 60.0
Gimmethgreenlight	8 YOUCANTHURRYLOVE(F Habib) S Khumalo	7 60.0
Vercingetorix	9 BATTLE OF ALESIA(PA Peter) C Habib	9 60.0
Seventh Rock	10 ROCK THE GLOBE(SG Tarry) K De Melo	10 60.0
Silvano	11 IMPERIAL RUBY(C Spies) P Strydom	13 60.0
Vercingetorix	12 MARSHALL(MF de Kock) C Murray	14 60.0
Time Thief	13 ROOI TOM(PF Matchett) D Schwarz	11 60.0
Elusive Fort	14 WESTERN FORT(PA Peter) W Kennedy	16 60.0
Master Of My Fate	15 MASTER SUPREME(C Dawson) R Danielson	8 60.0
Silvano	16 WHISKYTANGFOXTROT(PF Matchett) D L Habib	15 60.0
Eightfold Path	17 FOLLOW MY PATH(CE Erasmus) - reserve 1	5 60.0

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threatening when fourth behind Shango in the Dingaans. He could be looking for this ground and may be better than rated.

Rock The Globe is the third of the Tarry trio and has his second run since an undistinguished showing in the Cape Guineas. He did win his last start but looks to have back-end of quartet prospects in this field.

Youcanthurrylove definitely stays the 1800m and won four of his first seven starts before pulling up distressed after the Gauteng Guineas. If he is over that setback, he is certainly one for the bigger perms.

Paul Matchett's Rooi Tom tries the 1800m for the first time after winning a good race in MR88 company at the Vaal last time. His connections have not exposed him to a lot of feature racing against his own age group but he looks capable of running a place.

Secretariat Stakes winner Leopold finished four lengths off Ikigai in the Gauteng Guineas, but has the scope for improvement and he looks sure to enjoy the step up in trip. He jumps from the pole position draw.

Marshall is the second of the De Kock duo and has his third run since a break after pulling up unsound in the Dingaans. He has done little wrong and has a chance if overcoming his wide draw.

Third of the Paul Peter trio, Western Fort, is the mount of stable jockey Warren Kennedy and could be the stable elect on his lightly raced form profile. But his wide draw will not be in his favour.

Sea Cottage Stakes winner Green Lazer, was not disgraced when staying on for third behind Ikigai last time. The son of Gimmethegreenlight is well drawn and it will be in his favour that he has won over the 1800m.

Master Supreme hails from the in-form Candice Dawson yard and this good-looking son of Master Of My Fate posted an eye-catching maiden follow-up when winning over 2000m at Turffontein in a lowly rated handicap. Having just his fourth start, he is largely unexposed and could be just about anything.

Whiskytangofox trot has run two fair races after shedding his maiden certificate at the Vaal in early January. He does have a wide draw to overcome and his form may not be strong enough to assert himself in this company.

It's a race where one needs to go with a few. Ikigai and Frosted Gold look best, with the Got The Greenlight and Shango inclusions. The list doesn't end there.

The advertisement features a jockey in a yellow and red outfit riding a dark brown horse on a grass track. In the background, there are banners for 'vodacom' and 'acom'. On the left, a blue banner displays the 'Durban July' logo and text: 'EARLY ANTE-POST BETTING NOW AVAILABLE' and 'Hollywood BETS'. At the bottom, it says 'Visit www.hollywoodbets.net or www.hollywoodbets.mobi'.

It's Tough!

Competing against the best of your age and winning from a mile to 2450m in the space of eight weeks takes some kind of special horse!

The great Horse Chestnut won the inaugural SA Triple Crown in 1999, Sorrento stallion Louis The King did it in 2014, and Abashiri was the star of the show in 2016.

The R6-million SA Triple Crown for 3-year-olds is the richest series of races in Africa.

The alternate first leg, the R1-million Cape Guineas run at Kenilworth on Saturday 21 December 2019, was won by Brett Crawford's Kilindini. He is not entered on Saturday as he has left for Hong Kong where he will join the stable of Tony Millard.

The Gauteng legs commenced with the rain delayed R1-million Gr2 Gauteng Guineas won by Ikigai under the lights at Turffontein on Wednesday 12 February.

The third and final leg will be the R2-million Gr1 SA Derby to be run over 2450m at Turffontein on Saturday 4 April.

A bonus of R2 million will be paid to the owner/s of the horse that wins all three legs of the Triple Crown.

Derby Countdown

A total of 139 horses (up from 96 at the same stage in 2019) remain engaged for the 2020 Investec Derby at Epsom Downs on Saturday, June 6, following the first scratchings deadline, details of which were revealed today.

The 241st running of the premier Classic takes place on the second day of the Investec Derby Festival and carries a total prize fund of at least £1.5 million, making it the most valuable race run in Britain.

Those remaining in the race were all entered as yearlings in December 2018. There is a £9,000 second entry stage on Tuesday, 7 April and an £85,000 supplementary entry stage on Monday, 1 June.

Aidan O'Brien registered a record-equalling seventh Investec Derby victory in 2019, courtesy of Anthony Van Dyck, and Ireland's multiple champion trainer has 47 entries going forward as he chases an unprecedented eighth success in the 12-furlong showpiece.

O'Brien's formidable team includes Innisfree, Year Of The Tiger and Mogul, who filled the places in that order behind Kameko (Andrew Balding) in the rearranged G1 Vertem Futurity Trophy at Newcastle in November. The G1 National Stakes runner-up Armory and G2 Royal Lodge Stakes victor Royal Dornoch are also engaged for the Ballydoyle trainer.

The total number of entries trained by the O'Brien family stands at 55, with four entries each for Aidan O'Brien's sons Joseph, who rode Camelot (2012) and Australia (2014) to Investec Derby success, and Donnacha, who landed the 2018 Investec Oaks on Forever Together and commenced his training career at the end of 2019.

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Seconds Look Unlikely!

Wilgerbosdrift Gr1 SA Fillies Classic Turffontein

Trainer Paul Peter was the big buyer at Friday's Cape Yearling Sale and he now faces another major assignment this weekend. He saddles the unbeaten Summer Pudding in the R1 million Wilgerbosdrift SA Fillies Classic and, while she probably looks the best bet in years to wear the SA Triple Tiara, some stiff competition will keep her honest.



Summer Pudding | JC Photos

The beautifully bred and well-related Summer Pudding has won her first four starts with authority and overcame what her trainer labelled was the 'most difficult' leg of the SA Triple Tiara for her last time. Now stepping up to what should be a more favourable trip, she stands out as the one to beat – but had the Oratorio filly Rio's Winter stalking her in the Guineas.

Beaten just a quarter length there, Rio's Winter has the more favourable draw and Piere Strydom will be keen to set the record straight.

Corne Spies' Listed Devon Air Stakes winner What You Are looks to be in the deep end as she tries ground – she is a daughter of champion sprinter Captain Of All – after plenty of travelling in her 3yo career. She caught the eye when staying on behind Benji over 1100m at the Vaal in her first run back home.

The 2019 Emperors Palace Ready To Run Cup runner-up Gaian Glory gets the services of Cape heavyweight Bernard Fad'herbe and was outgunned when 8 lengths behind Ikigai in the Tony Ruffel Stakes last time. Back against her own sex, she surely has place cheque prospects if she stays.

Starling Stakes winner Mill Queen returned from a break to run under a length fourth behind Summer Pudding in the Gauteng Fillies Guineas. That was a cracking effort and if the daughter of Querari can get some luck from her draw, she must go into the quartet mix.

A smart third in the Fillies Mile when beaten just over a half length by Summer Pudding, Marygold may have found things a bit hot in the Fillies Guineas when running just out of the money. With a nice draw in her favour, she could be one for the bigger perms if ridden with restraint.

Keep Smiling is bound to prefer the extra here after failing to make any impact in the Guineas last time. Her form over more ground, and her eye-catching second to Summer Pudding in the Fillies Mile, suggest she could be the surprise package – but she has a wide draw to beat.

Dancing Feather travels from Summerveld and is the only raider in the race. The daughter of Duke Of Marmalade has shown some above average ability and could be the quartet kicker. Her regular pilot Warren Kennedy rides the favourite, so he may have her tactical measure.

Kayla's Champ is solidly held by Summer Pudding on her last two starts and may have an outside place chance at best.

Snow Palace looks well held on her recent form and cannot be fancied.

Virtuosa ran a forward race in the first leg of the SA Triple Tiara when only fading out late to be beaten just under 4 lengths by

Summer Pudding. She was in the mix till very late and she may prove more effective being ridden with some restraint.

Poorly drawn, Magic School was beaten over 5 lengths in the Gauteng Fillies Guineas after failing to show from a slow start. She now goes a further 200m and there must be some doubt that she will cope with it.

Second of the Laird duo, Flying High was comprehensively beaten in the Gauteng Fillies Guineas last time and looks well held by the top trio here.

A one-time winner and the third of the Alexander trio, Just Kidding looks to be outgunned on what she has shown so far. That said, she could up her game over the extra.

Crying out for more ground and

with a classic look about her, Summer Pudding

should set up a Triple Tiara date with a big run here.

She looks tough to beat

Gr1 SA Fillies Classic past winners

2017	1 Orchid Island	60.0 (13) 4/1
	2 Safe Harbour	60.0 (11) 41/10
	3 Bi Pot	60.0 (5) 21/2
2018	1 Takingthepeace	60.0 (14) 6/1
	2 Green Top	60.0 (7) 13/1
	3 Secret Potion	60.0 (3) 15/1
2019	1 Return Flight	60.0 (2) 15/4
	2 Nafaayes	60.0 (1) 26/10
	3 Blossom	60.0 (11) 16/1

START 3:20PM
Turffontein

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PA5/PICK SIX4/JACKPOT3
GR1 SA FILLIES CLASSIC (3YO'S)
1800m - SAME TRAINER:(4-13)(6-10-14)(7-9)

Silvano	1 SUMMER PUDDING (PA Peter) W Kennedy...11	60.0
Oratorio	2 RIO'S WINTER (S Moffatt) P Strydom.....1	60.0
Querari	3 MILL QUEEN (D Nieuwenhuizen) G Lerena.....13	60.0
Flower Alley	4 MARYGOLD (AG Laird) S Khumalo.....2	60.0
Noordhoek	5 KAYLA'S CHAMP (PF Matchett) D L Habib.....5	60.0
Philanthropist	6 MAGIC SCHOOL (GM Alexander) D Schwarz...14	60.0
Captain Of All	7 WHAT YOU ARE (C Spies) C Maujean.....4	60.0
Flower Alley	8 KEEP SMILING (SG Tarry) L J Ferraris.....12	60.0
Potala Palace	9 SNOW PALACE (C Spies) C Zackey.....3	60.0
Visionaire	10 GAIAN GLORY (GM Alexander) B Fayd'herbe...9	60.0
Duke Of Marmalade	11 DANCING FEATHER (G v Zyl) K De Melo.....6	60.0
Visionaire	12 VIRTUOSA (MF de Kock) C Murray.....7	60.0
Judpot	13 FLYING HIGH (AG Laird) R Simons.....10	60.0
Visionaire	14 JUST KIDDING (GM Alexander) N Juglall.....8	60.0

Cherry Picking

The fillies are catered for with the R3.75-million / R4-million Wilgerbosdrift SA Triple Tiara, the richest series of races for fillies in Africa.

The Mike de Kock trained Galileo flyer Igugu was the first filly to win the Triple Tiara. That was in 2011 and Ormond Ferraris-trained Cherry On The Top emulated that feat in 2013.

The alternate first leg was the R1-million WSB Gr1 Cape Fillies Guineas run at Kenilworth on Saturday 14 December 2019 and won by Adam Marcus' Mississippi Burning.

The very well-related Summer Pudding won the rain-delayed first Gauteng leg, the R500 000 Wilgerbosdrift Gr2 Gauteng Fillies Guineas on 12 February under the lights at Turffontein.

Saturday's favourite Summer Pudding is by champion sire Silvano (Lomitas) out of seven-time winning stakes winner Cherry On The Cake (Strike Smartly) – the latter a half sister to 2013 SA Triple Tiara winner Cherry On The Top (Tiger Ridge)..

The third leg is the R750 000 Wilgerbosdrift Gr2 SA Oaks to be run over 2450m on the Turffontein Standside on Saturday 4 April.

A bonus of R1 million will be paid to the owners of the filly that wins all three legs of the Triple Tiara.

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CAPE YEARLING SALE

Rain Rules On A Summer Day

KZN-based Pound Bloodstock acquired the top two selling lots – both sons of deceased champion Soft Falling Rain – at the 2020 BSA Cape Yearling Sale held in glorious summer weather at the Mistico Equestrian Centre near Paarl on Friday.



Top lot #104, Edgartown, a son of Soft Falling Rain | Candiese Lenferna

It was KZN-based Garth Puller who bought the top lot in 2019 – a R360 000 daughter of Soft Falling Rain – and while high-riding Paul Peter had writer's cramp, signing for 27 lots, Puller's Summerveld neighbour Sterling Miller grabbed the limelight this time round when paying the same price for Mauritzfontein's # 104, a half-brother to three

winner, including the smart Miranda Frost.

The handsome colt is out of a winning own sister to globetrotting Maiden Cup winner Mr Brock.

Miller's Pound Bloodstock also signed the chit at R300 000 for the second highest price lot – # 41, another son of Soft Falling Rain – consigned by Wilgerbosdrift – out of a daughter of Mike de Kock's Cape Fillies Guineas winner Emerald Beauty.

With 23 of the 179 lots withdrawn and 38 not sold, 118 yearlings found buyers for an aggregate of R7 905 000. This total was down 22% on 2019, when 26 more were sold.

The average of R66 992 stood up nicely and was 3% up on last year.

In contrast, the median of R40 000 was down 20% year on year.

Wilgerbosdrift was the top vendor with 13 of their 17 babies selling for an aggregate R1 470 000, with an average of R113 077.

Paul Peter Racing topped the buyer charts, their 27 lots costing a total of R1 710 000 at an average of R63 333.

Soft Falling Rain headed the sire listing on aggregate, 8 of his 9 progeny selling for R1,4 million at an average of R175 000.

[View the sale prices here](#)

Good Times Good Buys!

Good weather, a diverse catalogue and the prospects of finding a value-for-money buy with the hopes of a shot at the linked sales race on Cape Derby Day in 2021 contributed to a good turnout at the Cape Yearling Sale on Friday.

A striking feature of this year's sale was the healthy attendance, with trainers and buyers from all over South Africa participating in one of the country's best value for money thoroughbred auctions.

The magnificent Mistico Equestrian Centre again played an admirable role in hosting the sale, which has proven a smash hit with buyers and vendors alike. A tough economic market ensured that once again, the sale proved a buyers' market, and it was great to see so many buyers leaving the sale with the horses they wanted.

A number of Cape trainers picked up some bargain buys, while Gauteng conditioner Paul Peter came away having purchased 27 yearlings, his buys including the sales' top filly, the Varsfontein Stud consigned Mychancetodream (# 138), a filly by Ascot Stud's very promising Galileo sire Global View, who was knocked down for R240 000.

The well bred Mychancetodream is out of the twice winning Silvano mare Silvery Dream, a half-sister to the Glen Kotzen trained dual Gr1 winner Eyes Wide Open.

Deceased sire Soft Falling Rain supplied three of the top four colts sold and had previously been responsible for the sales topping yearlings at both the 2018 and 2019 sales!

The exciting prospect of finding a potential winner of the inaugural BSA Cape Yearling Sale Cup, scheduled to be run on the prestigious Cape Derby Day in February 2021, was the talk amongst many buyers.

Graduates of the Cape Yearling Sale will also be in line to earn the R60 000 bonus payable by BSA to maiden winners of Juvenile races in South Africa.

The National Yearling Sale now lies on the horizon.

It will be held at the TBA Complex in Germiston and commences on Wednesday 22 April at 11H30 with lots 1 – 170 offered.

On Thursday 23 April the sale continues at 11h30 with lots 171 – 340. The third and final session is on Friday 24 April when lots 341 – 479 are sold.



ORATORIO

SACRED BLUES 3 b f - Ladysingstheblues (National Emblem) **WON** Greyville, 1900m, 28 Feb

SONG OF THE FOREST 4 b f - Psychic Secret (Announce) **WON** Scottsville, 1400m, 1 Mar

CHANTYMAN 5 b g - Sea Of Calm(USA) (Quiet American) **WON** Scottsville, 1000m, 1 Mar

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Massive Fine For Smith

Top US jockey Mike Smith has been hit with a nine-day whip ban and huge fine for his ride on runner-up Midnight Bisou in the inaugural \$20 million Saudi Cup on Saturday.

Smith, winner of the international jockeys' challenge in Saudi Arabia on Friday, will forfeit 60 per cent of his share of the \$3.5 million prize-money for second place in the world's richest race.

Smith was fined more than \$200,000 for excessive use of the whip aboard Midnight Bisou. The fine is the largest ever handed down to a jockey for a riding infraction.

Under Saudi racing rules covering the February 28 and 29 cards, a jockey is permitted to strike a horse no more than 10 times. The stewards ruled that Smith struck Midnight Bisou 14 times. He was given eight days for the whip violation plus an additional day for using the whip with no regard for the horse's stride.

The fine was based on the money Smith earned for riding the second-place finisher, who earned \$3.5 million. Smith's 10% cut comes out to \$350,000. Under a sliding scale that includes fines of up to 100%, Smith has to forego 60% of his personal earnings or \$210,000

On a night of deep frustration for the Hall of Fame jockey, Smith had earlier picked up a two-day ban for failing to weigh in after the fifth race.

Midnight Bisou was held up in rear in the Saudi Cup before mounting a challenge against the inside rail in the home straight.

The Steven Asmussen-trained five-year-old made up a lot of ground to get within touching distance of Maximum Security, who kept finding for Luis Saez to score by 0.75 lengths.

Smith, whose record in the world's biggest races has earned him the nickname 'Big Money Mike', landed a \$30,000 bonus for winning the jockeys' challenge on the eve of the Saudi Cup card at King Abdulaziz racecourse in Riyadh.

World's Richest Race Drama

Not quite a Cinderella story, nor a fairy-tale – the story of Maximum Security (USA) has been pure drama.

The Kentucky-bred son of New Year's Day, who was disqualified from the most important dirt race in America and went on to earn a 3-year-old championship, took his show on the road and turned tragedy into comedy, bringing smiles to the face of his fans and connections with a determined victory in the world's richest race, the \$20 million Saudi Cup on Saturday.

Breaking alertly from post seven under Luis Saez, the Jason Servis-trained charge was caught in a chess match throughout with Pegasus World Cup winner Mucho Gusto (USA) and Irad Ortiz Jr, stalking the speedy pair of Capezzano (USA) and North America (GB) in tandem before Mucho Gusto forged past those two and Maximum Security quickly followed.

Ortiz then went wide around the lone turn, forcing the eventual winner at least five-wide turning for home and then coming out even more at the top of the stretch.

Saez acted quickly and shifted paths to inside the eventual fourth-place finisher, forging past and then holding off the late charge of runner-up and fellow American champion Midnight Bisou (USA), as well as globetrotting Gr1 winner Benbatl (GB).

The final margin was three-quarters of a length, with two lengths separating the aforementioned top-class mare and Godolphin colour-bearer.

The order of finish was completed by Mucho Gusto, Tacitus (USA), Gold Dream (JPN), Chrysoberyl (JPN), Mjjack (IRE), Magic Wand (IRE), Gronkowski (USA), Mckinzie (USA), Great Scot (GB), North America and Capezzano. The final time for 1800m on dirt was 1:50.58.

Owned by Gary and Mary West, Mrs. John Magnier, Michael Tabor and Derrick Smith, the West homebred won for the seventh time in nine starts and increased his career earnings to \$11,801,900. He adds today's win to top-level victories in the Cigar Mile, Haskell Invitational and Florida Derby.

Luis Saez, jockey, Maximum Security, said: "Oh my god, this is amazing, to win the race, to be here, to travel from far away and to have a victory for United States, for Panama, for all my people, this is something I don't have words for. This is the true Kentucky Derby winner. I'm so glad to be on the horse. This is a big deal. I would like to thank god, the owners for letting me ride the horse and I would like to thank my brother. I know you are watching me, I love you."

Jason Servis, trainer, Maximum Security said: "You know, I was a little upset with Irad Ortiz who kept me tearing me out down the backside and who carried me out in the turn and when Max dropped inside he came down on me, but that is a story for another day. Really, that horse has got a lot of heart, he is some horse, he is amazing. It's got to be some vindication. He ran hard, I thought he was creased up in behind. He was really doing good. I am a bit superstitious and didn't want to over-talk him but the last three days, when he breezed the mile and one (1800m), he just ran and came off the track there was just a presence about him and I tried to stay calm, but I was really feeling good the last few days. Seven in the Florida Derby, seven in the Kentucky Derby, seven in the Haskell, he drew the seven in the Pennsylvania Derby and that is when he ended up in the clinic, and then when he drew the seven for this race...I was a little apprehensive about sending Garrett (son and work-rider) up to the stage because I was thinking if he draws 13 or 14 he will feel bad. When he pulled out the seven I texted (part-owner) Mary West and she is like 'you are kidding, right?' It's a good story. I have a great team with Coolmore and the Wests and they have great managers. We will have a conference call tomorrow morning and take it from there."

MV Magnier, representing part-owners Coolmore, Maximum Security said: "All I can is that we are very lucky people that Gary and Mary West let us into the horse and all I can say, it is an absolute credit to the two gentlemen on my left, the job they have done with this horse, it's quite incredible. There were a couple of flutters all right, but Jason was very confident beforehand. The best man was riding. He gave him a fantastic ride."

INTERNATIONAL

Lyle's Got To Be Bigger In Japan!

Reigning SA Champion Jockey Lyle Hewitson will open his Japan campaign on Sunday.

The South China Morning Post reports that Hewitson has flown out to Japan to join the powerful Northern Farm operation, who will have first call on his services on a two-month contract.

He was going through all the paperwork like undergoing a medicals, setting up bank accounts and other issues earlier this week before two days of trackwork at the Miho training centre.

Hewitson then goes into lockdown on Friday night before the weekend's cards, where he has secured a Gr2 mount on Sunday.

"I can't wait to sit on some good stock and get some confidence back in my riding," he said. "I think it's going to be a good move to experience something new and succeed a bit more."

Hewitson hopes to return to Hong Kong for another stint down the road and is particularly thankful to those who kept backing him in.

A two-time champion here, the 22-year old was never able to build any real momentum after a two-week suspension derailed him early in the season.

Hewitson wasn't afforded many opportunities after that and has been forced to battle on a host of long-shots, finishing his contract with three wins, nine seconds and 11 thirds from 251 rides and a tick over HK\$7.3 million in prize money.

A ROYAL WIN

SHS Princess Charlene Of Monaco celebrated her first winner as an owner when Bella Rosa won over 1450m at the Vaal on Tuesday.

Bella Rosa, sporting Princess Charlene's black-red-and-white silks with the Monaco Coat Of Arms, had five lengths to find with 200m to run and looked unlikely to get close, but she suddenly took off under Diego De Gouveia, swooped on the leader and won going away.

Tabnews report that trainer Stuart Pettigrew, a shrewd and under-rated horseman who fully deserves to have his name connected to a patron of this ilk, was understandably delighted with the feat.

Pettigrew commented: "It's just fantastic to have Princess Charlene in the yard, I am privileged and honoured. She's one of the most down-to-earth people I've met. Last year, at the time when Turffontein staged the Princess Charlene Maidens, she came to Randjesfontein with a helicopter and visited us at the stables."

Bella Rosa, by Count Du Bois from a well-related mare by Black Minnaloushe, was a R200 000 purchase at the 2018 CTS Cape Premier Yearling Sale. Bred at Klawervlei, she has a good female line and half her purchase price is recovered after six runs.

NEWS

Gates Open For Jason

Apprentice rides 60th winner

South Africa's only brother-sister training partnership of Barbara Kennedy & Wayne Badenhorst saddled their second winner at Hollywoodbets Scottsville on Sunday when the Elusive Fort gelding Frankie Two Shoes escaped the maiden ranks.



A proud Jason Gates shows off his blazer | Candiese Lenferna

The in-form apprentice Jason Gates, who also received his white blazer on the day for riding his 60th winner, was aboard the 12-1 shot who kept on powerfully to win by 3 lengths from Red Hot Night and the fancied 18-10 favourite James Peter, who was ridden by the winning trainer's husband, Warren Kennedy in third.

Gates, who rode a smart double at the Vaal on Thursday, appears to have matured after bumping his head a few times along the way – being labelled 'lazy' by a trainer and also running into

a measure of trouble with the Stipes.

The interestingly named Frankie Two Shoes, who was in command for a long way, was winning at his 17th starts and had previously accumulated 7 places for R99 000 in earnings.

Former Dean Kannemeyer assistant Barbara Badenhorst's Mom Janet owns the Limpo Trading-bred gelding.

It was the family partnership's second winner from 14 runners runners this season.

Hawwaam Is Home

The Mike de Kock yard have revealed Hawwaam was sent back to Randjesfontein after the Sun Met and has stayed in work.

David Thisleton writes that Hawwaam's ultimate goal is an overseas campaign but it was decided by the connections that rather than subject him to a long an arduous journey straight after his Met run they would wait until after the EU Audit on African Horse Sickness, which is due to take place this year, to see whether there would then become the advantage of a shorter route in the foreseeable future.

Hawwaam has been entered in the Grade 1 Premier's Champions Challenge, which he won with consummate ease last year, and his route into that race will either be through the Gr1 HF Oppenheimer Horse Chestnut Stakes or a Pinnacle Stakes event.

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4 ch g VAR - Amur Affair (Tiger Ridge) **WON** Kenilworth, 1200m, 29 Feb
2 b f IDEAL WORLD - Queen Bess (Trippi) **WON** Turffontein, 1450m, 29 Feb
4 ch f IDEAL WORLD - Dancing Lady(ARG) (Ride The Rails) **WON** Scottsville, 1950m, 26 Feb
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Industry Reacts To Welfare Concerns

Bloodstock SA CEO Michael Holmes confirmed to the Sporting Post on Tuesday that a minimum first bid of R10 000 had been introduced at sales with immediate effect.

The National Horseracing Authority announced on Monday that an NHA official, accompanied by a representative from the Highveld Horse Care Unit, visited an Mpumalanga farm on Thursday and returned on Saturday with the support of the South African Police Services, armed with a Court Order to confiscate fifteen thoroughbred horses from the farm in question.

The horses were transported to the Highveld Horse Care Unit, where six had to be euthanased due to their extremely poor condition. BSA CEO Michael Holmes also said that they were working closely with the Highveld Horse Care Unit to ensure that the surviving horses are homed and cared for.

It is commendable that the NHA took decisive and prompt action. The sad thing is that the damage was already done and that anybody could technically walk into a sales venue with an ID and qualify to become a bidder.

The Sporting Post has been contacted by various owners and breeders, who have expressed their sadness and disgust with the actions of the individuals involved. Criminal charges may follow, according to the NHA.

The buyer of the horses from an earlier sale, whose name is known to the Sporting Post, is apparently not licenced with the NHA and is alleged to have misrepresented certain facts. It is not known what the intention was with the purchased horses.

It is not a regulatory requirement that buyers at any thoroughbred auctions require to be registered with any industry regulatory body. The sales company has not done anything wrong.

The question of liability and blame is obviously an emotional one. The introduction of the minimum bid can certainly go some way towards the curtailment prospects of cheap multiple purchases, which can be a warning signal that the purpose of purchase may not fall within the general sport or recreational spectrum which vendors would find acceptable.

“If a person that is not registered within racing structures wishes to buy, they should at least produce an accreditation and certification that they are, let’s say, a member of a polo club, for example. We will never fully curtail potential abuse, but we need to implement restrictions and controls,” suggested one distraught owner.

The issue of welfare is one of the leading challenges facing horseracing in the 21st century and was discussed at the recent Asian Racing Conference as the morally correct course of action in a world where social norms demand that everything be done within the reasonable bounds of control to ensure optimal protection for horses.

The Thoroughbred Breeders Association, in conjunction with other trade organisations, has recently announced a new initiative, with the establishment of an independent working group, to provide sustainable recommendations for equine welfare.

No Whips In League Racing

Senior jockeys will be banned from using the whip for encouragement for the first time in British racing when a £1.8m series of races based on a league format launches later this year.

The Racing League, the brainchild of Jeremy Wray, a former chairman of Swindon Town FC, will unfold across six evening meetings this summer, each of which will have six handicaps with a prize fund of £50,000 per race.

While details of the participants, human and equine, have yet to be confirmed, 12 teams, each consisting of between two and four trainers, three jockeys and 30 horses, will field a runner in each of the 36 races, with league points awarded according to their finishing positions.

All of the meetings – at Doncaster, Lingfield, Newcastle and Windsor – will be televised by Sky Sports Racing, and jockeys will wear team colours rather than the silks of the horse’s owner.

The team with the most points at the end of the competition will earn a bonus prize shared between the team members, stable staff and a team ambassador who will be “picked at random from the public at the start of the competition”.

The Racing League’s decision to ban the use of the whip for anything but “safety and correction purposes” could prove controversial, not least as the British Horseracing Authority has only recently launched a consultation on use of the whip following a recommendation from the independent Horse Welfare Board.

It also remains to be seen how punters and racegoers will react to top jockeys riding a finish with only hands and heels, as is the case in a limited number of contests for apprentice and conditional riders.

“I’m conscious that at the moment, the whip is again a centre of attention,” Wray said, “but my understanding of the welfare report that came out [last week] is that what we’re doing is probably in line with future thinking of what they need to look at. If the Racing League provides 36 races of data for people to analyse, that can only help, surely.”

Under the BHA’s rules for hands and heels races, riders who mistakenly use their whip for encouragement face a fine or suspension but their mounts are not disqualified for betting purposes. The same rules are expected to apply for Racing League events.

The full list of Racing League fixtures will be confirmed within the next few weeks, and the inaugural meeting will be held on 16 July.

· *The Guardian*

PERSONALITY

The Summerveld *Sizzler!*

Garth Puller

Pragmatic is Garth Puller's middle name. The man who has achieved multiple accolades over his half century in the game was the proud inaugural winner of the Hollywoodbets Sizzling Summer Challenge after the final racemeeting in the novel series at Hollywoodbets Greyville on a wet last Friday evening.

The R750 000 competition was run over three months and gave trainers, jockeys and owners the opportunity to earn points for every KZN racecourse appearance. The top six in each individual category were rewarded with a certificate and cheque from R100 000 to the first finisher, up to R10 000 to sixth placer.

Garth told the Sporting Post on Monday that the energy and initiatives introduced into KZN racing by Gold Circle and the Hollywoodbets team was something that the entire industry nationally should embrace and take serious note of.

"Sometimes when we are doing the same things over and over in the same situation, we fail to see the opportunities that minor changes and doing things slightly differently may bring about. The energy and passion that Hollywoodbets brings to the KZN racing table is there for all to see. The root problems of racing still need to be addressed obviously, but when there is a vibe and a tangible enthusiasm and genuine will to improve the show for all stakeholders, that is contagious and it will snowball and raise spirits," he said, as he spoke of the thrill and needle that the Sizzling Summer Challenge had injected.

How does one invigorate and excite a man who reached the pinnacle multiple times during his decades in the saddle, rode 7

winners on a sunny Kenilworth afternoon 40 years ago, and has won most of the Gr1 trophies in South Africa?

"Just goes to show. Create a competitive platform, offer an incentive, involve the public and keep it alive and buzzing on social media. I don't believe there is a trainer in this province that didn't buy in and say let's give it a go. I haven't seen the stats or turnover figures, but I am sure that field sizes were bolstered and I know interest was created from the chirps and feedback on course. Human nature is just like that – we respond to challenges instinctively. And ultimately, everybody wins- from Hollywoodbets to Gold Circle and KZN racing."

Asked if his victory was a plan come together and whether he had adopted a strategy, Garth modestly admitted that he had maintained a 'business as usual' approach in the early stages.

"Look, my yard was probably perfectly suited to making a big bid in this competition. I have 90 horses but don't quite have the feature firepower to match the big guns in the SA Champions Season. So for now, my focus is on the quieter local season months and I was leading the KZN Championship when the competition started on 1 December."

Interestingly, Garth is still at the top of the regional log in terms of both winners and stakes – his 36 winners and 103 placed horses having earned stakes of R3 276 375 prior to Wednesday's Hollywoodbets Greyville meeting.

He added that the Sizzling Summer competition format was positive in that it allowed the smaller yards to also target the owner/horse category.



GARTH PULLER

Garth noted that the table-topping horses like Bint El Malak, Jeydan's Shreya and Explosive Beauty had run 6 or 7 times each.

"I have a 3yo, Twice Golden, who I hold in high regard. He won 3 races from his 4 starts in the competition period. But here's an example where I wouldn't have risked overracing a younger promising 3yo in order to leverage the log standings. His future is more important than the short term gains. But the sound older horses can race regularly, and well done to Paul Lafferty and his team, and owner Brian Riley for Bint El Malak's achievement in winning the owner/ horse category. Warren Kennedy is also riding so well and certainly deserves the championship title this season."

Garth said there were suggestions late in the competition to move some of the polytrack racing to the turf.

"If anybody wondered if people weren't taking the incentive seriously, then think again! I personally argued against the idea of switching surfaces as it would effectively have been moving the goalposts after the game had started," he added.

Garth won his last ever race as a jockey on 27 December 2005 and also his first that he saddled as a trainer when Foreign Gal scored at Clairwood under Anton Marcus on 1 August 2012.

He started out with one horse and has built his string to 90. We asked him what he felt about Summerveld and what the secret to his growth and success was in an industry where many trainers were under serious pressure.

"Look it's very hard work as a start. I don't play golf or enjoy much relaxation. I get to the yard before 04h00 and I leave after 18h30 in the dark. I am hands-on and involved. I'm probably a bad delegator in the managerial sense but have a great team of personnel and support players. Michael Clarke and Samantha Swanepoel are my assistants, Eric and Bishop my Head Grooms, Gareth Howells is our farrier, Mem Bosma and Annie Palmer our physio's. Cathy Steele is my rock-solid PA in Cape Town, and my fiancé is Wendy Heyns. Everybody plays their key role in a team effort," he reflected.

Garth says that when he leaves in the evening, he knows what's happening with every single horse. "And I'm from the coast, so Clairwood will always be my favourite. But Summerveld is world-class and we are lucky to have the facility."

On his 90-strong string, Garth feels that he probably owns 'too many shares' himself.

"But I am fortunate to enjoy some great support from a diversity of owners. David Ferraris also uses us, since his Dad Ormond called it a day, to introduce his Hong Kong-destined purchases to racing. Which adds a nice dimension to the daily challenges of running a successful team. As I have said before, I'd love to have a few Group competitive horses for the champions season."

Garth, a recipient of the Anita Akal trophy at the 2018 KZN Racing Awards, where his name was inscribed alongside famous contributors to the sport like Felix Coetzee, Chris Saunders, Roy and Gladys Meaker

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and Des Scott, said that Hollywoodbets also played a key role in supporting and sponsoring trainers. And he was one of those fortunate enough to race under the purple and yellow flag.

"It's no secret that the costs of training – like living- have soared in recent years. So any support is gratefully received. Owen Heffer and his team are different class and racing must keep them involved."

And was he taking Wendy on an overseas trip with the R100 000 cheque to celebrate the big win?

"You're joking. I'd love to. But In this game, the money goes out the back door quicker than it comes in the front door! It's spent on horses already. So while we are proud to have won the inaugural Sizzling Summer Challenge and hope it becomes an institution, we won't be splashing out this year. Good luck to the players in the Sizzling Punter's Challenge. That's going to stimulate plenty of interest during March, I believe!"

Sizzling Summer Challenge - Trainer Standings

- 1- G B Puller (935 points)
- 2- P V Lafferty (757.5 points)
- 3- A Wright (750 points)
- 4- M D Miller (637.5 points)
- 5- D R Drier (626 points)
- 6- W Whitehead (580 points)

Bonji Goes To Hollywood!



Former SA Champion Jockey Anthony Delpech has joined Hollywoodbets as a brand ambassador.

Anthony is seen on the left of the pic with Sizzling Summer Challenge winners Paul Lafferty (back), with Warren Kennedy and Garth Puller holding Bint El Malak.



Kenilworth Cup (Listed)

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Short Heads

Good Buy

Milnerton trainer Piet Steyn's seasoned eye for value found him the Pomodoro colt Katak for just R20 000. A good winner on debut, Katak made it two wins from as many starts when flashing up late to score by a length over 1600m at Kenilworth on Saturday afternoon. He was ridden by Grant Behr. Bred by Highlands, he is another smart prospect to have emerged from Gr1 Premier's Champion Stakes winner Potala Palace's second crop of runners, with Katak joining the likes of Singforafa (Gr3 Strelitzia Stakes), Palace Of Dreams (Gr3 Pretty Polly Stakes) and Snow Palace (third Gr1 Thekwini Stakes).



Faith Returns

It was great to see last season's Gr2 SA Fillies Nursery winner Basadi Faith back to winning ways again as the Paul Matchett-trained filly notched up her first win as a 3yo at Turffontein on Saturday, a Pinnacle Stakes over 1000m on the Inside track. The Favour Stud bred daughter of Varsfontein stallion Master Of My Fate was a bargain R45 000 Cape April Yearling Sale buy. She went wrong in the Gr1 Allan Robertson Championship and this was her second run of the season. She's one to watch.



Red Hot

Varsfontein sire Master Of My Fate has had a good run of success over the past few weeks, and the former Gr2 Premier Trophy winner sired five winners over four days prior to us going to print. Master Of My Fate had a trio of winners over the weekend, with his progeny Alaskan Fate, Basadi Faith, and Masters Beauty winning at Fairview, Turffontein and Hollywoodbets Scottsville respectively. The son of champions Jet Master and Promisefrommyheart added to his run when his sons Phantom Rolls and Master Newton won their respective races at Fairview on Monday afternoon.



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Lisa's History

Top New Zealand jockey Lisa Allpress made history on Friday, when she became the first female to ride a race winner in Saudi Arabia. Allpress was competing in the inaugural international jockeys' challenge and won one of the four races in the series, aboard Matmon. Allpress, who last season won the NZ jockeys premiership for the third time, said she was thrilled with the 'ground-breaking' win, the Gulf Times reported. "I came here with no expectations. I just wanted to enjoy the experience, but we have been very well looked after and I want to thank everyone who has organised it."



IN HIS ELEMENT

Saturday's A\$1 million Gr1 Australian Guineas winner Alligator Blood's 3rd dam is Tracy's Element (Last Tycoon), who Ormond Ferraris trained to become SA Champion 2yo of 1993, and Champion Sprinter of 1994. She won 11 races, including 4 Gr1's, amongst them the Smirnoff Plate, Computaform Sprint and Star Sprint- all against colts. Sold back to Australia for stud, she produced 9 winners, including Typhoon Tracy, who was even better than her, winning 6 Gr1's in Australia. Kylikwong, a full sister to Typhoon Tracy, ran 4 Gr1 places without winning any Graded races. It's her unraced daughter that produced the star miler Alligator Blood. Thanks to Robin Bruss.



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Cheltenham Countdown

The Festival™ presented by Magners is now just over a week away and the Tizzard family opened the doors to its stables on the Dorset/Somerset border earlier this week to showcase their hopes for the four-day spectacular, which runs from Tuesday, 10 March to Friday, 13 March inclusive. Their representative for the feature £625,000 Magners Cheltenham Gold Cup will be Lostintranslation, who earlier in the campaign recorded a decisive success in the Gr1 Betfair Chase at Haydock Park in November but has not been seen out since pulling up in the Gr1 Ladbrokes King George VI Chase at Kempton Park on Boxing Day. The Cheltenham Gold Cup went to team Tizzard in 2018 with Native River, who is currently on the sidelines with a tendon injury.

Bint Banks The Bucks

Summerveld trainer Paul Lafferty was thrilled his charge **Bint El Malak** could win the lucrative Hollywoodbets Sizzling Summer Horse challenge for stalwart owner Brian Riley.

David Thiselton writes on www.goldcircle.co.za that Riley also owns the third-placed horse Explosive Beauty in partnership with Sherwin Jerrier.

Lafferty said, "Brian and Sherwin are two of the gentlemen of the game, every stable would like to have people of this ilk in their yard."

Lafferty said that once Bint El Malak, a four-year-old Kings Chapel filly, had gathered 14 points with a win on the first day of the challenge, which stretched out over three months from December 1 to February 29, it was decided to try and win it.

That first win was in a qualified maiden in her 13th start, but nevertheless she started out her handicapping career in fine style with two seconds, a win, a third and a sixth. This increased her tally to 75 points and she finished eight clear of Wendy Whitehead's Jayden's Shreya.

Lafferty said, "I didn't think she would improve that much, but she did and is still in fine shape so will probably be out again soon."

The competition came at the right time for the yard because in about October last year they had finally overcome a persistent virus which had blighted them for about a year.

The yard then hit form and Lafferty finished second in the Sizzling Summer Trainer's competition.

He said, "Garth Puller was too strong but I think we had the highest percentage if I'm not mistaken. Well done to the Puller yard. Alyson Wright in third place also pressed hard and won a number of races for their clients, who have got to be happy."

Lafferty praised Hollywoodbet for the initiative in providing this excellent incentive.

Lafferty and team are determined the yard will never be affected so badly by a virus again and have taken extreme precautions. He said, "We check bloods everyday and it was a very tough time, the blood pictures were shocking. But the horses have come well and now we take many measures, including spraying the boxes with viruscides and administering herpes injections every three months."

KZN Racing Diaries



WINNING FORM

Taking The Next Step TO GLORY

Another interesting weekend of racing awaits with the running of the second leg of the SA Triple Crown and the Wilgerbosdrift Triple Tiara.

The S.A Classic will see Ikigai bid to continue his successful run of form by winning the second leg of the Triple Crown and, judging by the manner in which he won the first leg, he should be very hard to beat.

Summer Pudding attempts to retain her unbeaten record in the S.A Fillies Classic. She tries the trip for the first time but, based on her showings so far, she should be hard to beat with Warren Kennedy in the saddle again.

The team at Winning Form have agreed that the abovementioned horses will be extremely hard to beat but have made mention that these races have been known to produce a surprise or two over the years.

After a mammoth 12 race programme at Turffontein on Saturday, racing will then head to Hollywoodbets Greyville where an eight race programme is carded on Sunday.

The Hollywoodbets Sizzling Summer Challenge may be over, but the Hollywoodbets Sizzling Punters' Challenge is already in full swing. Sunday will mark the third racemeeting where punters can win a share of R100 000 during the month of March.

**For more information on the challenge and to enter the competition you can log in at www.punters.hollywoodbets.net*

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4 b f - Allez Afrique (Jet Master) **WON** Turffontein, 1200m, 29 Feb
5 b g - Maximum Break (Western Winter) **WON** Vaal, 1200m, 18 Feb
4 ch f - Colour Burst (Lizard Island) **WON** Scottsville, 1200m, 16 Feb
2 b f - River Jetez (Jet Master) **WON** Kenilworth, 1100m, 8 Feb
3 ch g - Jet Aglow (Jet Master) **WON** Vaal, 1000m, 6 Feb
4 b g - Secret Risk (London News) **WON** Flamingo Park, 1300m, 3 Feb

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3 ch f - Cash Register (Casey Tibbs)
WON Fairview, 1400m, 28 Feb

Gr3 Kenilworth Fillies Nursery

DELTA QUEEN

2 b f - River Jetez (Jet Master)
WON Kenilworth, 1200m, 22 Feb

Gr3 Tommy Hotspur Hq

RIVARINE

6 b g - River Jetez (Jet Master)
3rd Turffontein, 1000m, 12 Feb

HERE & ELSEWHERE - SARAH WHITE LAW

The Magic Mares

When Golden Ducat (Philanthropist) captured the recent Gr1 ARF Commemorative Cape Derby, he became the third G1 winner, from as many runners, for his Gr3 Prix Du Cap winning dam Halfway To Heaven, following Rainbow Bridge (Ideal World) and Hawwaam (Silvano).

South Africa's Broodmare Of The Year for 2018-2019, the Jet Master sired Halfway To Heaven thus joins a list of some of history's greatest broodmares in producing three Gr1 winners. Since 1940, eight mares in South Africa have produced three Gr1 winners, with this list including, in more recent times, the likes of Teclafields (Northfields) and First Lisa (Double First).

The former is dam of African Lion (Champions Cup), Circle Of Life (Garden Province Stakes) and Zebra Crossing (J&B Met), while First Lisa's trio of Gr1 winners including full-siblings Divine Fashion (Garden Province Stakes) and Counter Action (Champion Stakes, Queen's Plate), as well as Gr1 Paddock Stakes winner Perfect Order (Elliodor).

Internationally, there are a number of broodmares to have thrown three Gr1 winners since the pattern race system was first conceived in 1971.

Theatrical mare Green Room never raced but she has produced a trio of Gr1 winners in the form of Lord Shanakill (Prix Jean Prat), Together Forever (Fillies' Mile), and Forever Together (Investec Oaks), with Lord Shanakill a son of Speightstown, and Together Forever and Forever Together daughters of Galileo.

Legendary broodmare Fall Aspen (Pretense) is one of the greatest broodmares of the modern era. The Gr1 Matron Stakes winning mare left behind no fewer than four Gr1 winners (sired by four different stallions) – Fort Wood (Grand Prix de Paris, champion sire), Timber Country (Preakness Stakes), Hamas (July Cup), and Northern Aspen (Gamely Handicap).

The remarkable Fall Aspen, who produced a grand total of eight graded/group winners, continues to be a major force in pedigrees today, and her daughters have gone on to produce such notable Gr1 winners as Dubai Millennium (sire of outstanding sire, and promising sire of sires, Dubawi), Elnadim, Mehthaaf, and Medaaly.

Perhaps the most dominant mare in recent times has been the late, great Urban Sea (Miswaki), whose wins included an upset triumph in the 1993 Prix de l'Arc De Triomphe. The chestnut really made her mark at stud, however, with Urban Sea's four individual Gr1 winners headed by Epsom Derby winning half-brothers and outstanding stallions Galileo and Sea The Stars, both of whom have sired classic winners. Also dam of the Gr1 winners Black Sam Bellamy (a full-brother to Galileo) and My Typhoon (Diana Stakes) and four other stakes winners, Urban Sea's daughters are also now making their mark, with Urban Sea the granddam of Gr1 winners Athena and Bracelet.

Inbreeding to Urban Sea has already proved successful, with this pattern producing, among others, Investec Derby winner Masar. In contrast to Fall Aspen and Urban Sea, a stakes winner at both two and three, the remarkable New Zealand based Eight Carat (Pieces Of Eight) failed to trouble the judge and failed to win in five starts. Lack of racing success, however, failed to prevent the mare (whose third dam was a full-sister to breed shaping sire Royal Charger) from becoming a magnificent broodmare.

Broodmare Of The Year in New Zealand on three occasions,

Eight Carat left behind five individual Gr1 winners in the form of Diamond Lover (Railway Stakes), Kaapstad (VRC Sires' Produce Stakes), Marquise (Captain Cook Stakes), Mouawad (Australian Guineas), and the champion Octagonal. Both Octagonal, whose progeny included champion racehorse and sire Lonhro, and Kaapstad went on to enjoy success at stud, while Eight Carat's broodmare daughters went on to form their own dynasties.

Among the notable female line descendants of Eight Carat are top sire Commands, and the Gr1 winners Danewin, Don Eduardo, Verry Elleegant (inbred to Eight Carat), Shooting To Win, Emerald Dream, Tristalove, Hiyaam, and De Beers.

In stark contrast, the unbeaten Personal Ensign (Private Account) was as good at stud as she was brilliant on the racetrack. Never beaten in 13 starts, and a remarkable winner of the 1988 Gr1 Breeders' Cup Distaff, Personal Ensign not only produced three Gr1 winners, Miner's Mark (Jockey Club Gold Cup), My Flag (Breeders' Cup Juvenile Fillies) and Traditionally (Oaklawn Handicap), but her daughter My Flag emulated Personal Ensign in becoming both a Breeders' Cup winner and the dam of a Breeders' Cup winner, with her daughter Storm Flag Flying landing the 2002 Gr1 Breeders' Cup Fillies Juvenile. Personal Ensign also ranks as the granddam of young Cape sire Fire Away (War Front) and the latter's Gr1 winning half-brother Mr Speaker (Pulpit).

The Gr1 winning Toussaud (El Gran Senor) was another top-class racemare, and she proved even more successful than Personal Ensign at stud. She produced four Gr1 winners (to four different stallions) in the form of Chester House (Mr Prospector), Empire Maker (Unbridled), Chiselling (Woodman) and Honest Lady (Seattle Slew).

Honest Lady is the dam of Gr1 Forego Stakes winner, and Gr1 sire First Defence (Unbridled's Song), Chester House sired Gr1 winners Divine Park and Ventura, while Empire Maker became a top stallion in his own right and is the grandsire of US Triple Crown winner, and prominent young stallion, American Pharoah (Pioneer of The Nile).

A stakes winning daughter of dual Derby winner Kahyasi, Hasili is one of the greatest mares of the modern era, with her sons and daughters faring well on both the track and at stud. Not only is she dam of five Gr1 winners (including two Breeders' Cup winners), she is also dam of champion sire, and top broodmare sire, Dansili.

Hasili also ranks as the granddam of successful South African sire Ideal World (Kingmambo), and is granddam of Gr1 winner Romantica, and group winners Mirage Dancer and Obligate..

Similar to Personal Ensign, Dahlia was a great champion, who went on to prove outstanding at stud. The daughter of Vaguely Noble made a mockery of the idea that tough racemares don't succeed at stud – with Dahlia's victories, from 46 starts, including major races in France, Ireland, Britain, Canada and the USA. Twice Horse Of The Year in Britain, Dahlia went on to produce four Gr1 winners in the form of Dahar, Dahlia's Dreamer, Rivlia, and Delegate, and she is granddam of St Leger winner, and Gr1 sire, Nedawi, and third dam of Gr1 Gold Cup victor Rite Of Passage (Giant's Causeway).

In more recent times, the Canny Lad sired Shantha's Choice produced three Gr1 winners in the form of Manhattan Rain, Platinum Scissors and Redoute's Choice, with the latter going on to become a multiple champion sire in Australia, whose progeny include Australia's multiple champion sire Snitzel. Manhattan Rain is the sire of Golden Slipper She Will Reign and former Met winner Whisky Baron.

BREEDING

Oratorio's Weekend Treble

Avontuur's triple Gr1 winning sire Oratorio had another good weekend, when the evergreen son of Danehill supplied a trio of South African winners.

The Gr1 Irish Champion Stakes winner had three winners in KwaZulu Natal this weekend, with Oratorio's first success coming courtesy of his three-year-old daughter Sacred Blues.

Trained by Garth Puller, the Terry Andrews bred Sacred Blues got off the mark when shedding her maiden over 1900m at Hollywoodbets Greyville on Friday night.

Out of the National Emblem mare Ladyisingtheblues, Sacred Blues had been second two starts previously.

Oratorio went on to enjoy a double at Hollywoodbets Scottsville on Sunday, with his Song Of The Forest and Chantyman landing races four and six respectively.

The Louis Goosen trained Song Of The Forest made it win number four, when the Oratorio filly stayed on under Billy Jacobson to score a short head win over 1400m, while her paternal half-brother Chantyman picked up his seventh win when defying 62kgs to win over 1000m on Sunday.

Bred by Avontuur in partnership with Zenzele Stud, Chantyman took his earnings to over R620 000 with his win on Sunday.

The Oratorio progeny have already banked more than R6.6 million this season, with his notable representatives including Gr2 New Turf Carriers Western Cape Stayers winner Snapscan, Gr2 New Turf Carriers Merchants winner Mardi Gras and the subsequently exported Racing Association Stakes winner/Gr1 Cape Guineas runner up Viva Rio.

All Paths Lead To...

Ridgemont Highlands Irish champion Pathfork, who is currently standing at Sandown Stud, had a notable double on Wednesday at Hollywoodbets Greyville.

Three-year-old Retail Therapy got off the mark, breaking her maiden when victorious by a short head over 1200m. Trained by Johan Janse Van Vuuren, the Dr Ian Heyns bred Retail Therapy had been fourth on her previous start and she has now won or placed in six of her nine starts.

Pathfork's second success came when his son Final Assembly powered home in the closing stages to land his second victory by just over three parts of a length.

Trained by Lezeanne Forbes, the gelded Final Assembly is out of the National Assembly mare Jungle Assembly, and is thus bred on the same Pathfork/National Assembly as multiple stakes winner Madame Speaker.

Winner of both the Gr1 boylesports.com Vincent O'Brien National Stakes and Gr2 Galileo European Breeders Fund Futurity Stakes in 2010, Pathfork is having a fine season this year, with his leading representatives including Gr3 Lebelo Sprint/Gr3 Tommy Hotspur winner Mr Flood, Gr3 London News Stakes heroine Jet Start and Model Man Mile victor Fools Gold. A half-brother to 2019 Gr1 Preakness Stakes winner War Of Will, Pathfork is currently responsible for 17 black type horses, including Gr1 Allan Robertson Championship winner Mighty High.

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date	close	high	low	volume
04Mar	178	179	160	253,262
03Mar	179	179	160	550,837
02Mar	160	160	160	0
28Feb	160	169	126	95,209
27Feb	160	169	155	179,030
26Feb	169	169	150	8,571
25Feb	168	168	168	1,201
24Feb	168	168	150	13,758

SCORECARD

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 1 March 2020)

horse	age	sex	points	aces
One World	4	c	178	4
Russet Air	4	c	170	3
Vardy	4	c	150	2
Queen Supreme	4	f	129	3
Zillzaal	4	c	100	1
Kasimir	5	c	92	2
Rainbow Bridge	5	c	90	3
Hawwaam	4	c	80	3
Chimichuri Run	4	c	74	3
Soqrat	4	c	71	2
Clouds Unfold	4	f	70	1
Golden Ducat	3	c	70	1
Mississippi Burning	3	f	70	1
Run Fox Run	4	f	68	2
Celtic Sea	4	f	62	2
Snapscan	4	f	50	1
Barahin	4	c	50	1
Mr Flood	4	c	50	2
Prince Of Kahal	5	c	50	1
Mardi Gras	5	c	50	1
Bold Respect	5	c	50	1
Al Mutawakel	4	c	44	1
Sachdev	3	c	42	2
Twist Of Fate	4	c	40	2
Third Runway	3	f	32	2
King Of Gems	3	c	30	1
Ronnie's Candy	4	f	30	1
Summer Pudding	3	f	30	1
Shango	3	c	30	1
Vistula	4	f	30	1
Ikigai	3	c	30	1
Atyaab	4	c	28	1
Dharma	4	c	25	1
True To Life	3	f	25	1
Jet Start	5	f	25	1
Infamous Fox	5	c	24	1



The Story Unfolds!

Global View now 4 Winners from 6 Runners

Ascot bred **Storyland** - Global View x Irish Tale (Lecture)

4 length winner on debut – Fairview Friday 28 Feb

*** South Africa's Leading First Crop Sire by earnings & individual winners ***

Ascot-bred
Via Seattle
2nd, Lady's Pendant(L)
Foreign Source
3rd, Ibhayi Stakes(L)
- Fairview Friday,
28 Feb

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BLACK TYPE RESULTS

**FAIRVIEW (turf)
Friday, 28 February**

Course Variant: 1.54s slow (straight) – 2.78s slow (bend)
Added to the 22mm of rain in the seven days leading up to this meeting was 18mm of irrigation. As a result of this the penetrometer read 30, and the going was posted as Soft. There was an east south easterly cross wind of around 25km/h, and the false rail was out 2.5m to the 1200m mark, increasing to 5m to the 800m. There was a 5m spur at the 800m mark.

Ibhayi Stakes (3yo's)(Listed) R150 000**Cash In The Bank!**

Woodhill Racing master Glen Kotzen is an astute traveller on the best of days and the Paarl conditioner celebrated a 100% strike at Fairview on Friday when he picked up a smart feature double with his only two runners on the card.

No doubt still smarting after the agonising disappointment of having his Cape Derby favourite Viva Rio scratched a week earlier from the Gr1 after being sold to Hong Kong, Kotzen saddled Fours A Crowd at Kenilworth last Wednesday for her third win in five starts since joining his yard, and cemented the bounce back with a delightful feature double on Friday. Glen opened his account with the strategically placed Var filly Point Of Sale for Drakenstein Stud in the R150 000 Listed Ibhayi Stakes.

Just a maiden winner before Friday, Point Of Sale carried a handy 51 kgs with Sandile Mbhele declaring a half over. Getting weight from the boys, she was cleverly ridden by Sandile Mbhele to take them on early and strode out smartly to beat fellow Capetonian Stopalltheclocks (7-2) by 1,75 lengths in a time of 84,82 secs. Topweight and local star Foreign Source (19-10) may have needed the run after a 15 week break and he ran on into third, a further 1,25 lengths back.

Bred and raced by Drakenstein Stud, Point Of Sale has won 2 races with 4 places from 8 places for stakes of R213 750. She is by champion Var (Forest Wildcat) and is the fourth foal of the four-time winning Casey Tibbs mare, Cash Register – an own sister to the Kotzen's 2009 Vodacom Durban July winner, Big City Life. Her full-brother Speedpoint was a speed merchant and her Oratorio half-sister Snapscan was an impressive winner for the Kotzen team of the 2800m Gr2 Western Cape Stayers on Sun Met day – so the family is super versatile!

Ibhayi Stakes (3yo's)(Listed) 1400m

Winner Point Of Sale (best handicapped) was unruly and nervous in the stalls; raced 3rd; led 200m; won well
Runner-up Stopalltheclocks carried 0.9kg

overweight; raced 4th one length behind the eventual winner; shifted in away from the crop 200m; jockey Fourie was fined R1000 for striking this horse more than 12 times
Third Foreign Source was nervous in the stalls; raced 7th of the 8 just 2 lengths behind the runner-up; did not settle in the early stages; ran on

Time: Although comparatively this was the fastest of the five races around the turn, the pace was steady early, and the field was very tightly bunched. This probably goes down as a false run race. We gave the third (prev 90/93/102//93/99) 101 which makes the winner (prev 80/84/82/88/95) 89 and the runner-up (prev 79/83/87/83/79) 91

K 290	1	0.00	POINT OF SALE	(1)	50.5	S Mbhele	3/1
3 ch f Var - Cash Register (Casey Tibbs)							
K 331	2	1.75	STOPALLTHECLOCKS	(8)	53.5	R Fourie	7/23 b
g Trippi - Tick Tock (Captain Al)							
F 166	3	3.00	FOREIGN SOURCE	(7)	60.0	G Cheyne	19/10
3 b c Bold Silvano - Bahamian Express (Bahamian Bounty)							
F 294	4	4.25	Hooves Of Troy	(6)	56.0	M v Rensburg	16/1
F 294	5	5.50	Verbarium	(3)	57.0	T Gould	23/4
K 333	6	8.75	Viking Moon	(2)	58.5	B Fayd'herbe	12/1
F 294	7	12.00	Bold Strike	(4)	53.0	C Maujean	50/1
F 294	8	12.75	Bayou Boss	(5)	55.0	K Minnie	50/1
Time: 84.82s (60.59s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) SP Total %: 114%							
1st T:GS Kotzen O:Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)							
B:Drakenstein Stud							

Lady's Pendant (F&M)(Listed) R150 000**Woodhill Feature Double**

Trainer Glen Kotzen enjoyed a profitable afternoon at Fairview on Friday. He won the Ibhayi Stakes and was on the mark again in the very next race when Louis Mxothwa steered the well-travelled Elusive Fort mare Elusive Heart to victory in the weather delayed R150 000 Listed Lady's Pendant for Chrigor Stud and Peter de Beyer.

With local star World Radar failing to go on with it and pulling up lame and almost 8 lengths off the winner, Elusive Heart (13-2) showed her courage when staving off a courageous challenge from the talented Via Seattle (18-1) to win the 1200m straight contest by a short head in a time of 68,23 secs.

The lesser fancied of the substantial Greeff coupling, Outlandos D'Amour ran third and a further 2,25 lengths back.

Bred by Narrow Creek Stud and a winner of the 2018 Gr3 Prix Du Cap, Elusive Heart has now won 5 races with 8 places from 25 starts for stakes of R735 225. She is by triple Gr1 winning Equus champion Elusive Fort (Fort Wood) out of the one-time winning Redeem My Heart (Indigo Magic).

Her win was good timing on the same day as the regional sale at Mistico as she is a R100 000 Cape Yearling Sale graduate, when the 2016 renewal was held at Val De Vie.

Lady's Pendant (F&M)(Listed) 1200m

Winner Elusive Heart (best handicapped) raced in the rear 2 lengths behind the

DIGEST DIARY

Features To Come

Fri 6 Mar	(L) Breeders Guineas 1600m Fairview (T)
Sat 7 Mar	Gr1 SA Classic 1800m Turffontein (S)
	Gr1 Wilgerbosdrift SA Fillies Classic 1800m Turffontein (S)
	Gr2 Hawaii Stakes 1400m Turffontein (S)
	Gr3 Acacia Handicap 1600m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Aquanaut Handicap 2450m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Storm Bird Stakes 1000m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Ruffian Stakes 1000m Turffontein (S)
Sat 14 Mar	Gr2 Senor Santa Stakes 1160m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Drum Star Handicap 1800m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Bauhinia Handicap 1000m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Derby Trial 2000m Turffontein (S)
	(L) Oaks Trial 2000m Turffontein (S)
Fri 20 Mar	(L) East Cape Fillies Nursery 1200m Fairview (T)
Sun 22 Mar	(L) Kings Cup 1600m Greyville (T)

eventual runner-up; ran on strongly to lead last stride

Runner-up Via Seattle (2nd best handicapped) raced 6th; led 150m; piped last stride

Third Outlandos d'Amour raced 5th; ran on

Time: By far the fastest of the three 1200m races, this comparatively was the second fastest of the afternoon's four sprint races. We gave the fourth 92 which makes the winner (prev 99/101/95/97/103) 101, the runner-up (prev 79/102/72/82/84) 101, and the third (prev 77/91/80/97/98) 93

F 283	1	0.00	ELUSIVE HEART	(6)	59.0	L Mxothwa	13/2
5 b m Elusive Fort - Redeem My Heart (Indigo Magic)							
F 297	2	0.10	VIA SEATTLE	(4)	59.0	M v Rensburg	18/1
5 b m Sail From Seattle - Artic Song (Al Mufti)							
F 297	3	2.35	OUTLANDOS D'AMOUR	(9)	59.0	M Byleveld	17/2
4 b f Captain Al - Roxanne (Western Winter)							
F 267	4	2.60	Vivir	(1)	59.0	T Gould	50/1
F 185	5	3.10	Miss Smarty Pants	(7)	59.0	C Maujean	25/1
F 282	6	4.60	Sunshine Mint	(3)	59.0	X Ndlovu	10/1
F 257	7	7.85	World Radar	(8)	56.0	G Cheyne	23/20
F 259	8	7.90	Dancing In Seattle	(2)	60.0	W Agrella	11/2
F 297	9	10.15	Carlita	(5)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	14/1
Time: 68.23s (56.86s avg/1000m, or 63km/h) SP Total %: 113%							
1st T:GS Kotzen O:Chrigo Stud (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs S Hattingh) & Mr P G de Beyer B:Narrow Creek Stud							

BLACK TYPE RESULTS

KENILWORTH (new)**Saturday, 29 February**

Course Variant: 1.04 s slow (straight) 0.92s slow (bend)
 With no rain in the week leading up to this meeting 50mm of irrigation was added. The penetrometer read 21 and the going was posted as Good. There was a strong south easterly head wind of around 32km/h, and the rail was in its original position with a 2m spur at the 600m mark.

Kenilworth Cup (Listed)**R150 000****Mbhele Knockout!**

Fresh off a feature success at Fairview on Friday, promising Sandile Mbhele rode a grandstand finish to win the R150 000 Listed Kenilworth Cup at a sun-drenched Kenilworth on Saturday on the 45-1 long-shot, Mercurana.

The half-brother to Candice Bass-Robinson's sensational 2017 Vodacom Durban July winner Marinaresco didn't boast the greatest of form coming into Saturday's 3200m feature. He was also in under sufferance off his 77 rating.

But he clearly stays all day and under a galloping weight assisted by a superbly judged finish, he scythed through a narrow gap down the centre and got the better of Snaith's free running Swift Surprise (11-4) to win by a neck in a time 213,43 secs. Strathdon (5-2) was always thereabouts and just failed to kick when it counted, finishing a half length back in third. Peter Wrensch would have been thrilled with his soldier Troop The Colour (25-1), who took off late in his inimitable late dash style to grab fourth, a further half length back in fourth.

The game pacesetter Dynasty's Blossom stopped late to finish just over two lengths off the winner.

Just under four lengths covered the field, with the mercurial past Cape Guineas winner Tap O'Noth finishing last under top weight.

Bred by Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein, Mercurana is a 4yo gelded son of Ideal World (Kingmambo) out of the twice winning Fort Wood mare, Fortuna.

A winner of 3 races with 2 places from 15 starts, Mercurana has banked R198 800. He cost R300 000 on the National Yearling Sale.

Kenilworth Cup (Listed) 3200m

Winner Mercurana was the 45/1 outsider of the eight horse party; raced in the rear; was at the back 2.5 lengths behind the leader at 200m; bumped twice 50m; ran on best late Runner-up Swift Surprise (best handicapped) raced 3rd; outrun late Third Strathdon raced 6th; ran on strongly
Time: By far the slowest of the three races around the turn comparatively, there was

no pace on at all early, and very tightly bunched 200m out, just 2,5 lengths covered all. As usual, a false run staying race, decided in a sprint home. We gave the fourth 72 which makes the winner (prev 73/67/75/73/72) 74, the runner-up (prev 87/84/80/82/93) 73 and the third (prev 95/103/88/96/101) 90

K 352	1	0.00	MERCURANA	(8)	52.0	S Mbhele	45/1
4 b g	Ideal World - Gay Fortuna (Fort Wood)						
K 337	2	0.20	SWIFT SURPRISE	(7)	52.0	A Andrews	11/4
4 b g	Twice Over - Peonie Paradise (Badger's Drift)						
K 337	3	0.70	STRATHDON	(3)	60.0	R Fourie	5/2
6 ch g	Silvano - Wintersweet (Western Winter)						
K 352	4	1.20	Troop The Colour	(5)	52.0	O Noach	25/1
F 488	5	1.60	Cedar Man	(2)	55.5	K De Melo	12/1
K 337	6	2.10	Dynasty's Blossom	(1)	59.5	C Orffer	17/4
F 298	7	3.60	Celestial Prince	(6)	52.0	G Chayne	10/1
K 337	8	3.70	Tap O'Noth	(4)	62.0	M Byleveld	15/4
Time:	213.43s (66.7s avg/1000m, or 54km/h)		SP Total %: 118%				
1st	T:C Bass-Robinson	O: Messrs F Green, Bryn Ressel & N M Shirtliff					
B:	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein						

Mercurana's Big Jump

The NHA Handicappers have reported back on this past weekend's feature races.

Listed Kenilworth Cup (Handicap)

MERCURANA has seen his rating adjusted from 77 to 97 after his success in the Listed Kenilworth Cup (Handicap) over 3 200m on the Kenilworth summer course on Saturday. It must be borne in mind that MERCURANA was fully 18 pounds under sufferance as the race was benchmarked 93 MR = 52kg, and together with the minimum 2-pound increase which is mandatory for any win in a handicap, this equals the 20 point increase he received. That is to say, were the race to be run again MERCURANA would have to carry 53 kgs, or 1 kg (2 pounds) more than the 52 kgs he carried here.

The Handicappers took the view that third placed STRATHDON made for the best line horse and as such he remains unchanged on 109, however runner-up SWIFT SURPRISE (who was also under sufferance) was raised from 91 to 95. Fourth placed TROOP THE COLOUR was raised from 67 to 80. He in fact ran to 92 on literal numbers, but the handicappers were of the view that he was flattered by his margin of defeat in a race which was slowly run and as such he only received half of the achieved adjustment.

The only drop was for DYNASTY'S BLOSSOM, who goes from 108 to 106.

Listed Ibhayi Stakes

POINT OF SALE remains unchanged on a mark of 96 after she shouldered bottom weight to victory in the Ibhayi Stakes

for three-year-olds over 1400m on the Fairview turf course on Friday. Third placed FOREIGN SOURCE was used as the line horse and so remains unchanged on 107. Rating the race in this way in fact has POINT OF SALE running to 95, one pound below her rating.

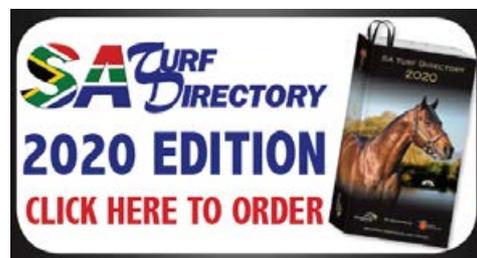
The only horse to get a ratings increase was runner-up STOPALLTHECLOCKS, who goes up from 91 to 96, but there were drops for several runners. Fourth placed HOOVES OF TROY is down from 104 to 102, VIKING MOON drops from 105 to 103, and lastly BOLD STRIKE is down from 78 to 76.

Listed Lady's Pendant

ELUSIVE HEART was given a slight rating's increase from 105 to 106 after she captured the Lady's Pendant for fillies and mares over 1200m at Fairview on Friday. Third placed OUTLANDOS D'AMOUR was considered the best line horse to use in assessing this race and remains unchanged on 101 as a result, but runner-up VIA SEATTLE was raised from 98 to 105. Fourth placed VIVIR was the only other horse to receive a rating's increase and goes from 86 to 93.

Three horses were given a drop, with MISS SMARTY PANTS trimmed from 105 to 104 and CARLITA dropping to 100 from 102. The remaining drop was for WORLD RADAR, who goes from 105 to 101.

It is worth noting that on this occasion the veterinary surgeon reported her to be both not striding out and in season, however, the Handicappers considered that WORLD RADAR has lost a considerable amount of Weight For Age since she was awarded a 105 rating for her debut win and dropped her on that basis. It was also taken into account that WORLD RADAR did not run to her 105 rating when winning two subsequent races following her debut success, nonetheless she won both races very easily and didn't need to equal a mark of 105 to win. However, with the WFA loss since last July (when she received her 105 rating) it was felt that, all these considerations notwithstanding, a rating of 101 looks fairer at this juncture.



LEADING BREEDERS by STAKES

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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
22,214,210	Klawervlei Stud	383	58,001	1489	117	150	31%	4	7	3%	425	29%	6	Invidia 2,815,750 13%
14,272,247	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	220	64,874	960	93	130	42%	8	10	9%	302	31%	13	Rainbow Bridge 785,000 6%
9,628,547	Highlands	150	64,190	663	65	90	43%	3	3	5%	202	30%	5	Count Jack 2,652,511 28%
8,200,037	Summerhill Stud	216	37,963	1013	60	82	28%	0	0	0%	260	26%	1	Chijmes 426,300 5%
6,354,049	Drakenstein Stud	112	56,733	455	43	58	38%	6	9	14%	150	33%	9	Clouds Unfold 695,000 11%
6,224,699	Varsfontein Stud	99	62,876	453	44	58	44%	4	5	9%	152	34%	4	Kilindini 761,625 12%
5,002,299	Maine Chance	116	43,123	483	39	63	34%	1	1	3%	133	28%	3	Prince Of Venice 211,625 4%
4,797,525	Lammerskraal Stud	69	69,529	279	35	48	51%	1	2	3%	79	28%	6	Russet Air 968,750 20%
3,834,762	Normandy Stud	45	85,217	218	19	26	42%	1	1	5%	65	30%	1	Sachdev 1,373,750 36%
3,502,662	Moutonshoek	118	29,684	519	31	41	26%	0	0	0%	139	27%	1	Le Tigre 173,750 5%
3,499,750	Ascot Stud	79	44,301	351	30	38	38%	0	0	0%	117	33%	6	Super Silvano 269,750 8%
3,317,700	Nadeson Park Stud	93	35,674	414	27	37	29%	0	0	0%	116	28%	5	Techno Captain 188,000 6%
3,120,850	Scott Bros	103	30,300	530	25	27	24%	2	2	8%	130	25%	2	Double 'O' Eight 229,550 7%
2,987,699	Favour Stud	82	36,435	386	23	33	28%	0	0	0%	100	26%	3	Twist Of Fate 263,000 9%
2,520,587	Hemel 'n Aarde Stud	97	25,985	418	19	28	20%	0	0	0%	110	26%	1	Glacier Girl 158,825 6%



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Juddmonte's new shining star Kingman received the greatest endorsement from his employers in the announcement of their mating plans for 2020 as he will cover Kind, the dam of the great Frankel.

Now 19, Danehill mare Kind has also produced Frankel's Gr1 Galileo brother Noble Mission as well as stakes winners Bullet Train and Joyeuse. She slipped her Galileo foal in 2019, her ninth visit to the Coolmore colossus.

Racing Post reports that Kingman, who is now up to £150,000 after producing Classic winner Persian King from his first crop of three-year-olds, has been granted an extensive list of quality Juddmonte mares and many follow a familiar pattern.

It includes Deliberate (dam of Kingman's dual Gr2-winning colt Headman), Helleborine (dam of Kingman's Coventry Stakes winner Calyx) and Trojan Queen (dam of Kingman's Hampton Court Stakes winner Sangarius).

Others to be booked are Gr1 winners Capla Temptress and Romantica, Gr2 winner Starformer, Famous Name's sister Big Break, Amser (a Frankel half-sister to Timepiece and Passage Of Time) and Gr3 winners Dandhu and Fount.

LEADING SIRES by STAKES

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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
11,050,123	Silvano	166	66,567	674	63	85	38%	8	9	13%	206	31%	10	Sachdev 1,373,750 12%
10,021,672	*Captain Al	117	85,655	500	50	70	43%	5	7	10%	180	36%	11	One World 2,289,375 23%
8,550,510	What A Winter	143	59,794	623	51	71	36%	5	6	10%	215	35%	7	Russet Air 968,750 11%
7,026,938	Jackson	84	83,650	335	28	44	33%	1	1	4%	85	25%	1	Count Jack 2,652,511 38%
7,005,937	Twice Over	123	56,959	524	41	46	33%	1	1	2%	161	31%	2	Invidia 2,815,750 40%
6,991,024	Oratorio	116	60,267	556	53	78	46%	3	4	6%	165	30%	5	Viva Rio 488,375 7%
6,969,788	Gimmethegreenlight	147	47,414	631	49	67	33%	3	3	6%	178	28%	10	Barahin 593,250 9%
6,847,775	Var	132	51,877	578	49	72	37%	4	7	8%	173	30%	4	Vardy 1,186,250 17%
6,389,337	*Dynasty	112	57,048	498	43	61	38%	3	4	7%	155	31%	7	Sovereign Secret 826,900 13%
6,147,598	Querari	143	42,990	617	49	61	34%	2	2	4%	172	28%	4	Rio Querari 605,350 10%
5,525,400	Master Of My Fate	134	41,234	597	48	55	36%	0	0	0%	172	29%	2	Driving Miss Daisy 477,500 9%
5,241,136	Ideal World	100	52,411	437	38	48	38%	4	5	11%	142	32%	3	Rainbow Bridge 785,000 15%
5,210,999	Vercingetorix	71	73,394	305	30	47	42%	1	3	3%	86	28%	4	Ikigai 854,375 16%
4,828,113	Pathfork	94	51,363	447	46	61	49%	3	5	7%	122	27%	1	Mr Flood 307,400 6%
4,489,287	Elusive Fort	123	36,498	586	36	47	29%	2	4	6%	174	30%	1	Fact 202,925 5%

LEADING SIRES of 3YO'S by STAKES

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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
5,627,198	Jackson	47	119,728	194	17	27	36%	1	1	6%	43	22%	1	Count Jack 2,652,511 47%
5,065,999	Vercingetorix	68	74,500	302	28	45	41%	1	3	4%	85	28%	3	Ikigai 854,375 17%
4,752,337	Twice Over	57	83,374	255	20	23	35%	0	0	0%	71	28%	0	Invidia 2,815,750 59%
4,654,350	Silvano	62	75,070	252	23	32	37%	4	5	17%	77	31%	2	Sachdev 1,373,750 30%
4,058,273	Querari	72	56,365	353	34	41	47%	1	1	3%	96	27%	1	Rio Querari 605,350 15%
3,959,212	Captain Of All	57	69,460	231	25	30	44%	1	1	4%	66	29%	0	Cartel Captain 1,097,750 28%
3,704,923	*Captain Al	50	74,098	215	27	35	54%	1	1	4%	75	35%	2	Mississippi Burning 790,062 21%
3,527,712	What A Winter	64	55,121	312	24	28	38%	2	2	8%	108	35%	1	Three Two Charlie 609,850 17%
3,188,074	*Dynasty	45	70,846	199	24	33	53%	0	0	0%	66	33%	1	Sovereign Secret 826,900 26%
3,083,475	Master Of My Fate	76	40,572	347	30	31	39%	0	0	0%	100	29%	1	Driving Miss Daisy 477,500 15%

LEADING SIRES of 2YO'S by STAKES

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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
444,175	Var	6	74,029	11	3	6	50%	1	1	33%	3	27%	0	Delta Queen 171,875 39%
381,775	Captain Of All	20	19,089	40	4	5	20%	0	0	0%	13	33%	1	Dad's Catch 96,875 25%
368,125	*Captain Al	4	92,031	9	2	4	50%	1	2	50%	2	22%	1	Erik The Red 270,625 74%
333,375	What A Winter	16	20,836	28	3	3	19%	0	0	0%	15	54%	1	Portico 77,200 23%
304,150	Gimmethegreenlight	13	23,396	20	3	3	23%	0	0	0%	11	55%	1	Favorita 71,875 24%
244,100	*Soft Falling Rain	10	24,410	17	4	4	40%	0	0	0%	6	35%	0	Cool Runnings 62,500 26%
207,800	Querari	14	14,843	25	2	2	14%	0	0	0%	10	40%	0	Slalom Queen 58,000 28%
188,500	Global View	7	26,929	10	4	5	57%	0	0	0%	2	20%	0	Delicasea 72,500 38%
158,400	Judpot	6	26,400	13	1	2	17%	0	0	0%	7	54%	0	War Room 116,000 73%

LEADING SIRES by STAKES on Polytrack

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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
1,731,950	Oratorio	48	36,082	142	22	24	46%	0	0	0%	42	30%	0	Petra 164,450 9%
1,441,550	Master Of My Fate	66	21,842	163	12	15	18%	0	0	0%	55	34%	0	Master Newton 149,800 10%
1,389,050	Var	53	26,208	138	14	18	26%	0	0	0%	51	37%	0	Okavango Delta 148,250 11%
1,304,275	Querari	53	24,609	122	12	16	23%	0	0	0%	33	27%	0	Spring Breeze 168,750 13%
1,131,625	Duke Of Marmalade	36	31,434	89	14	18	39%	0	0	0%	24	27%	0	Seville 128,375 11%
1,083,850	*Sail From Seattle	33	32,844	101	12	18	36%	0	0	0%	35	35%	0	Seattle Mermaid 144,275 13%
1,061,675	What A Winter	45	23,593	111	12	14	27%	0	0	0%	40	36%	0	Ambra 143,050 13%
991,125	Visionaire	46	21,546	107	9	10	20%	0	0	0%	36	34%	0	What A Blast 132,650 13%
951,775	Pathfork	40	23,794	93	12	15	30%	0	0	0%	23	25%	0	Gentleman's Way 128,625 14%

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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	620	85	14%	124	20%	33%	78	13%	291	47%	13,484,838	21,750
J Snaith	718	86	12%	113	16%	33%	91	13%	328	46%	10,811,296	15,058
BJ Crawford	431	74	17%	93	22%	35%	56	13%	224	52%	10,164,531	23,584
MF de Kock	365	55	15%	83	23%	33%	49	13%	176	48%	8,923,800	24,449
PA Peter	503	85	17%	105	21%	34%	43	9%	232	46%	7,803,625	15,514
AC Greeff	645	119	18%	172	27%	40%	88	14%	352	55%	7,146,888	11,080
C Bass-Robinson	442	38	9%	40	9%	33%	46	10%	185	42%	5,879,122	13,301
GS Kotzen	486	56	12%	60	12%	35%	55	11%	196	40%	5,789,320	11,912
Ashley Fortune	262	18	7%	29	11%	17%	27	10%	84	32%	4,753,525	18,143
VH Marshall	255	32	13%	29	11%	34%	31	12%	106	42%	4,661,786	18,282
Y Bremner	490	51	10%	45	9%	38%	53	11%	213	43%	4,109,025	8,386
DR Drier	279	32	11%	29	10%	48%	24	9%	120	43%	4,066,900	14,577
JAJ v Vuuren	320	41	13%	50	16%	36%	39	12%	140	44%	3,843,450	12,011
GD Smith	652	53	8%	32	5%	25%	53	8%	219	34%	3,567,750	5,472
GB Puller	282	36	13%	31	11%	39%	35	12%	114	40%	3,372,250	11,958
D Kannemeyer	249	37	15%	54	22%	33%	33	13%	128	51%	3,331,525	13,380

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	953	175	18%	227	24%	36%	115	12%	511	54%	15,562,575	16,330
G Cheyne	575	125	22%	178	31%	42%	78	14%	337	59%	9,282,275	16,143
K De Melo	521	78	15%	87	17%	37%	63	12%	273	52%	7,126,184	13,678
A Marcus	255	73	29%	162	64%	35%	51	20%	176	69%	7,351,935	28,831
R Fourie	392	73	19%	115	29%	35%	62	16%	230	59%	7,809,547	19,922
S Khumalo	630	65	10%	68	11%	29%	86	14%	278	44%	7,121,225	11,304
C Maujean	652	64	10%	52	8%	35%	66	10%	274	42%	5,617,175	8,615
M Yeni	656	64	10%	91	14%	20%	87	13%	293	45%	6,339,638	9,664
M v Rensburg	542	59	11%	60	11%	28%	61	11%	234	43%	5,300,000	9,779
L J Ferraris	446	54	12%	43	10%	33%	50	11%	187	42%	6,049,600	13,564
R Danielson	338	53	16%	68	20%	37%	43	13%	162	48%	4,740,100	14,024
C Murray	362	52	14%	71	20%	32%	36	10%	153	42%	7,051,525	19,479
G Lerena	257	47	18%	76	30%	32%	31	12%	142	55%	5,265,700	20,489
R Munger	552	46	8%	39	7%	26%	48	9%	206	37%	3,833,738	6,945
D Schwarz	461	45	10%	35	8%	43%	46	10%	184	40%	6,170,075	13,384
M Byleveld	456	42	9%	34	7%	35%	42	9%	184	40%	5,616,772	12,317

LEADING TRAINERS/JOCKEYS by WINS %

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trainer/ jockey	runs	wins	win %	fav	fav %	wfav %	2nd	2nd %	stakes	stks/ runs
BJ Crawford/A Marcus	56	19	34%	33	59%	42%	12	21%	1,703,198	30,414
AC Greeff/G Cheyne	274	82	30%	137	50%	42%	43	16%	4,320,263	15,767
S von W Smit/D R Lerena	59	17	29%	13	22%	54%	6	10%	706,850	11,981
C Bass-Robinson/A Domeyer	57	14	25%	11	19%	45%	8	14%	2,570,061	45,089
PA Peter/W Kennedy	263	63	24%	84	32%	37%	32	12%	5,664,125	21,537
MF de Kock/C Murray	160	36	23%	51	32%	37%	16	10%	5,373,300	33,583
Y Bremner/R Fourie	47	11	23%	14	30%	43%	4	9%	694,225	14,771
BJ Crawford/G Cheyne	69	15	22%	12	17%	25%	7	10%	1,427,475	20,688
C Dawson/W Kennedy	48	10	21%	13	27%	31%	7	15%	864,800	18,017
C Lensley/M Yeni	61	12	20%	14	23%	21%	8	13%	610,350	10,006
SG Tarry/R Danielson	161	30	19%	45	28%	33%	21	13%	2,723,000	16,913
GB Puller/L J Ferraris	58	11	19%	9	16%	33%	8	14%	939,100	16,191
J Snaith/R Fourie	315	58	18%	94	30%	34%	50	16%	6,708,660	21,297
G v Zyl/W Kennedy	140	25	18%	38	27%	34%	15	11%	2,242,825	16,020
D Kannemeyer/K De Melo	189	33	17%	50	26%	34%	25	13%	2,847,925	15,068
LJ Human/N Klink	118	20	17%	21	18%	38%	15	13%	937,875	7,948



Gold Circle

Serino Moodley is improving fast

Wednesday Double

Gold Circle's January 2020 Jockey of the Month Serino Moodley – he rode 9 winners in that month- only recently came out of his time as an apprentice but has made the most of his opportunities since becoming a fully fledged jockey. He rode a double at Hollywoodbets Greyville yesterday, booting home Final Assembly (11-2) for Lezeanne

Forbes and Winter Sun (21-10) for Michael Roberts. He has surpassed his last season total of 31 winners, chalking up his 32nd yesterday.



Gavin Smith's runners can be included in all bets

In Bright Form

The 53 year old Gavin Smith saddled three winners at Fairview on Monday to take his season total to 56, at an 8% win strike-rate. The Hollywoodbest sponsored veteran, a multiple past East Cape Champion, appears to have struck form in association with jockey Marco van Rensburg and has 21 runners at

Fairview on Friday, with Sugar Gum a likely winner of the third.



Sean Tarry and Luke Ferraris can enjoy a big day on Saturday

Top Duo

SA Champion trainer Sean Tarry and SA Champion apprentice Luke Ferraris have forged a winning partnership and team up eleven times at Turffontein on Classic Day.

The 51 year old Tarry has saddled 50 Gr1 winners ranging from 1000m to 3200m, and will be aiming for many more. Luke Ferraris rode his maiden Gr1 winner on Miss Florida in the

Gr1 Allan Robertson Championship last year. Ikigai and Keep Smiling are their two Gr1 hopes on Saturday.

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MALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
115	Chantyman	5	Oratorio	Avontuur Farm & Zenzele Stud	1Mar	1	Cnd	1000	Scottsville	115/91/-/-/-
110	Wynkelder	6	Kahal	Kjell Foundation	1Mar	1	Cnd	1500	Scottsville	110/110/-/-/-
110	Kasimir	5	Captain Al	Drakenstein Stud	22Feb	1	Cnd	1200	Kenilworth	121/109/-/-/-
109	Chimichuri Run	4	Trippi	Drakenstein Stud	22Feb	2	Cnd	1200	Kenilworth	116/109/-/-/-
109	Russet Air	4	What A Winter	Lammerskraal Stud	22Feb	3	Cnd	1200	Kenilworth	112/98/-/-/-
103	Hudoo Magic	4	Choisir	bred in Australia	29Feb	2	MR103	1200	Kenilworth	103/103/93/94/-
103	Rebel's Champ	5	Rebel King	Nine Bridges Association	29Feb	4	Cnd	1000	Turffontein	113/-/-/-/-
102	Ready Steady Go	5	Gimmethgreenlight	Nadeson Park Stud	22Feb	4	Cnd	1200	Kenilworth	102/99/-/-/-
101	Foreign Source	3	Bold Silvano	Ascot Stud	28Feb	3	Cnd-3	1400	Fairview	91/102/-/-/-
100	Noble Joshua	4	Noble Tune	Rathmor Stud	1Mar	2	Cnd	1500	Scottsville	56/100/100/86/-

FEMALES (up to 1600m)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
111	Basadi Faith	3	Master Of My Fate	Favour Stud	29Feb	1	Cnd	1000	Turffontein	111/-/-/-/-
102	Pretty Young Thing	3	Jackson	Highlands	22Feb	1	Cndfm	1400	Kenilworth	98/102/-/-/-
102	Front And Centre	4	Dynasty	Highlands	22Feb	2	Cndfm	1400	Kenilworth	86/112/102/104/-
102	Captain's Girl	6	Noordhoek Flyer	DGM Southey	1Mar	2	Cnd	1000	Scottsville	103/-/-/-/-
101	Elusive Heart	5	Elusive Fort	Narrow Creek Stud	28Feb	1	Cndfm	1200	Fairview	103/101/82/97/-
101	Via Seattle	5	Sail From Seattle	Ascot Stud	28Feb	2	Cndfm	1200	Fairview	102/99/-/-/-
99	Mighty High	4	Pathfork	Maine Chance	29Feb	2	Cnd	1000	Turffontein	111/-/-/-/-
96	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	29Feb	1	Cnd	1200	Turffontein	96/96/-/-/-
95	Santa Clara	4	Duke Of Marmalade	Maine Chance	22Feb	5	Cndfm	1400	Kenilworth	90/106/98/91/-
94	All Of Me	4	Var	Boland Stud	3Mar	1	MR92f	1000	Vaal	94/84/-/-/-

MALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
105	Imperial Ruby	3	Silvano	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	20Feb	1	MR92	2000	Vaal	36/68/90/105/83/
102	Crown Towers	4	Camelot	bred in Australia	22Feb	1	Cnd	1600	Kenilworth	86/102/96/-/-
102	Capoeira	4	Oratorio	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	22Feb	2	Cnd	1600	Kenilworth	59/102/104/102/-
100	Q The Music	6	Querari	La Plaisance Stud	28Feb	3	MR98	1600	Greyville	87/100/-/-/-
96	Golden Ducat	3	Philanthropist	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	22Feb	1	WFA-3	2000	Kenilworth	75/86/-/96/-
96	Sachdev	3	Silvano	Normandy Stud	22Feb	2	WFA-3	2000	Kenilworth	84/97/-/96/-
95	Rooi Tom	3	Time Thief	Hemel 'n Aarde Stud	20Feb	1	MR88	1600	Vaal	84/95/-/-/-
95	Twice Golden	3	Twice Over	Welcome Home Farming	26Feb	1	MR87	2400	Scottsville	-/59/80-/95/
95	American Landing	5	Dynasty	M De Broglio	28Feb	2	Cnd	2000	Fairview	-/92/89/95/93/
95	Special Blend	3	Vercingetorix	JR & Mrs Slade	28Feb	3	MR89	1900	Greyville	94/94/95/-/-

FEMALES (1600m and more)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
97	Ella's World	4	Ideal World	SR Rosseau	1Mar	3	MR87f	1950	Scottsville	-/91/97/96/-
90	Destinys Game	4	Master Of My Fate	GJ Armitage	20Feb	1	MR84f	1600	Vaal	76/90/85/81/-
90	Inn A minute	3	Greys Inn	DGM Southey	26Feb	2	MR69	1950	Scottsville	77/-/90/-/-
90	Railtrip	4	Trippi	Summerhill Stud	26Feb	4	MR87	2400	Scottsville	84/93/93/93/90/
87	Dynasty's Blossom	5	Dynasty	Highlands & G Jaffee	29Feb	6	MR109	3200	Kenilworth	80/83/97/93/96/
86	Secret Depths	4	Elusive Fort	PG de Beyer	25Feb	1	MR87f	1800	Kenilworth	85/87/86/86/-
85	Arizona Sunset	5	Mogok	R Piersch	1Mar	1	MR87f	1950	Scottsville	50/88/85/72/84/
85	Tartan Dancer	3	Ideal World	Riethuiskraal Stud	3Mar	1	Cndfm	1600	Vaal	76/85/58/-/-
85	Ballet Shoes	3	Twice Over	Klawervlei Stud	18Feb	2	MR84f	2000	Vaal	-/72/-/85/-
84	Tahitian Orana	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Nadeson Park Stud	20Feb	1	MR74f	1600	Vaal	66/84/-/-/-

3yo MALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
105	Imperial Ruby	3	Silvano	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	20Feb	1	MR92	2000	Vaal	36/68/90/105/83/
101	Foreign Source	3	Bold Silvano	Ascot Stud	28Feb	3	Cnd-3	1400	Fairview	91/102/-/-/-
96	Golden Ducat	3	Philanthropist	Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein	22Feb	1	WFA-3	2000	Kenilworth	75/86/-/96/-
96	Sachdev	3	Silvano	Normandy Stud	22Feb	2	WFA-3	2000	Kenilworth	84/97/-/96/-
95	Twice Golden	3	Twice Over	Welcome Home Farming	26Feb	1	MR87	2400	Scottsville	-/59/80-/95/
95	Rooi Tom	3	Time Thief	Hemel 'n Aarde Stud	20Feb	1	MR88	1600	Vaal	84/95/-/-/-
95	Special Blend	3	Vercingetorix	JR & Mrs Slade	28Feb	3	MR89	1900	Greyville	94/94/95/-/-
92	Marshall	3	Vercingetorix	Al Adiyaat	18Feb	3	MR99	1600	Vaal	83/94/-/-/-
91	Stopalltheclocks	3	Trippi	Drakenstein Stud	28Feb	2	Cnd-3	1400	Fairview	87/91/-/-/-
90	Wolfgang	3	Dynasty	Highlands	23Feb	1	MR88	1000	Greyville	90/-/-/-/-

3yo FEMALES (any distance)										
AR	horse	age	sire	breeder	date	fin	class	distance	course	aptitude
111	Basadi Faith	3	Master Of My Fate	Favour Stud	29Feb	1	Cnd	1000	Turffontein	111/-/-/-/-
102	Pretty Young Thing	3	Jackson	Highlands	22Feb	1	Cndfm	1400	Kenilworth	98/102/-/-/-
96	Spiritofthegroove	3	Visionaire	Tmen Studs	29Feb	1	Cnd	1200	Turffontein	96/96/-/-/-
92	Gallic Princess	3	Vercingetorix	The Alchemy	3Mar	1	MR92f	1450	Vaal	90/92/-/-/-
90	Inn A minute	3	Greys Inn	DGM Southey	26Feb	2	MR69	1950	Scottsville	77/-/90/-/-
89	Point Of Sale	3	Var	Drakenstein Stud	28Feb	1	Cnd-3	1400	Fairview	88/95/-/-/-
89	Phil's Dancer	3	Philanthropist	AC Peter	29Feb	1	MR84f	1400	Kenilworth	83/89/-/-/-
89	Stage Dance	3	Duke Of Marmalade	Ascot Stud	3Mar	2	MR92f	1450	Vaal	74/89/-/-/-
88	Travelling Light	3	Gimmethgreenlight	Varfontein Stud	1Mar	4	Cnd	1000	Scottsville	98/-/-/-/-
87	Miss Florida	3	Captain Al	N Jonsson	22Feb	9	Cndfm	1400	Kenilworth	95/87/-/-/-

SIGNPOSTS

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

CAPTAIN OF ALL (Captain Al)

Springs Of Carmel 2f (House Of Lorraine by Dynasty)
[Turffontein 3 Ruffian Stakes \(Listed\) 1000m \(07/03\)](#)

FLOWER ALLEY (Distorted Humor)

Zernez 2f (Biasca by Fort Wood)
[Turffontein 3 Ruffian Stakes \(Listed\) 1000m \(07/03\)](#)

FUTURA (Dynasty)

Karnallie 2g (Ariza by Parade Leader)
[Turffontein 4 Storm Bird Stakes \(Listed\) 1000m \(07/03\)](#)

GLOBAL VIEW (Galileo)

Frosty Rain 2f (Torrential Rain by Al Mufti)
[Fairview 3 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1000m \(06/03\)](#)

SOFT FALLING RAIN (National Assembly)

Wuhan 2c (Qin Wei by Western Winter)
[Fairview 4 Maiden Juvenile Plate 1200m \(06/03\)](#)

TIME THIEF (Redoute's Choice)

Oh Heavenly 2f (Simply Uncanny by Canny Lad)
[Fairview 3 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1000m \(06/03\)](#)

Surf And Sand 2f (Ocean's Swell by Jay Peg)
[Fairview 3 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1000m \(06/03\)](#)

Time Lapse 2f (Sheena's Palace by Exceed And Excel)
[Fairview 3 Maiden Juvenile Plate \(Fillies\) 1000m \(06/03\)](#)

WILLOW MAGIC (Dubawi)

Willow Express 2c (Delmonica by Western Winter)
[Turffontein 4 Storm Bird Stakes \(Listed\) 1000m \(07/03\)](#)

2nd season sires - 3yo's

CAPTAIN OF ALL (Captain Al)

Brandina 3g (Bedouin by Var)
[Fairview 7 Breeders Guineas \(Listed\) 1600m \(06/03\)](#)

Scarborough Fair 3g (Olympic Affair by Tamburlaine)
[Fairview 7 Breeders Guineas \(Listed\) 1600m \(06/03\)](#)

Go Daddy 3g (Gamalakhe by Northern Guest)
[Greyville 6 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 2000m \(08/03\)](#)

Straight Shooter 3g (Bindella by Jallad)
[Greyville 6 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 2000m \(08/03\)](#)

CAPTAIN OF ALL (Captain Al)

Hola Chiquita 3g (Senorita Casey by Toreador)
[Fairview 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1200m \(06/03\)](#)

Miss Bonaparte 3g (Spanish Isle by Russian Revival)
[Turffontein 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1400m \(07/03\)](#)

Foxy Lady 3g (First Power by Jet Master)
[Durbanville 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1250m \(07/03\)](#)

What You Are 3g (Twinkle Star by Counter Action)
[Turffontein 7 Gr1 SA Fillies Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Shango 3g (Scorched by Jet Master)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Elementary 3g (Our Dizzy Emblem by National Emblem)
[Greyville 2 MR 78 Handicap \(Turf\) 1000m \(08/03\)](#)

Simply Russian 3g (Russian Foxtrot by National Emblem)
[Greyville 3 MR 78 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(08/03\)](#)

FLOWER ALLEY (Distorted Humor)

How And Why 3g (What If by Qui Danzig)
[Durbanville 6 MR 76 Handicap \(F&M\) 1250m \(07/03\)](#)

Keep Smiling 3g (Queen Of All by Jallad)
[Turffontein 7 Gr1 SA Fillies Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Marygold 3g (Glenrossal by Anytime)
[Turffontein 7 Gr1 SA Fillies Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Juniper Lane 3g (Gin Rummy by Tapit)
[Greyville 2 MR 78 Handicap \(Turf\) 1000m \(08/03\)](#)

LINNGARI (Indian Ridge)

Blushing Bride 3g (Marry Me Mullins by Mullins Bay)
[Fairview 7 Breeders Guineas \(Listed\) 1600m \(06/03\)](#)

Linnbara 3g (Nontanda by Al Mufti)
[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1600m \(08/03\)](#)

SOFT FALLING RAIN (National Assembly)

Friends Forever 3g (Juror by Strike Smartly)
[Turffontein 2 Maiden Plate 1600m \(07/03\)](#)

Late At Night 3g (Clandestine by Fort Wood)
[Durbanville 3 MR 94 Handicap 1400m \(07/03\)](#)

Horatius 3g (Laverna by Parade Leader)
[Durbanville 4 MR 79 Handicap 1400m \(07/03\)](#)

Power To Command 3g (Lavender Sky by Elliodor)
[Greyville 6 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 2000m \(08/03\)](#)

TIME THIEF (Redoute's Choice)

Good Times Roll 3g (Gouldikova by General Nediym)
[Fairview 1 Workriders Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1200m \(06/03\)](#)

A Moment Apart 3g (Five Star Landing by Jet Master)
[Durbanville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(07/03\)](#)

My Sister Jill 3g (Soleil d'Or by Model Man)
[Durbanville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(07/03\)](#)

Rooi Tom 3g (Eskimo Inn by Greys Inn)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

VERCINGETORIX (Silvano)

Glory Days 3g (Dream Of Gold by Sadler's Wells)
[Fairview 7 Breeders Guineas \(Listed\) 1600m \(06/03\)](#)

Tostada 3g (Zabrina by Western Winter)
[Durbanville 2 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 1250m \(07/03\)](#)

Bassam 3g (Besma by Western Winter)
[Turffontein 2 Maiden Plate 1600m \(07/03\)](#)

Academic Gold 3g (Gold Academy by Goldkeeper)
[Durbanville 6 MR 76 Handicap \(F&M\) 1250m \(07/03\)](#)

Ikigai 3g (Al Shiba by Al Mufti)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Marshall 3g (Musayha by Not For Sale)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Astrix 3g (Victory Dance by Victory Moon)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Battle Of Alesia 3g (Fortification by Fort Wood)
[Turffontein 8 Gr1 SA Classic \(3yo's\) 1800m \(07/03\)](#)

Mai Tai 3g (Mirth by Encosta de Lago)
[Greyville 3 MR 78 Handicap \(F&M\)\(Turf\) 1200m \(08/03\)](#)

Main Dreamer 3g (Cool Dreamer by Encosta de Lago)
[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1600m \(08/03\)](#)

WYLIE HALL (Redoute's Choice)

Arion Express 3g (Valhalla by Fort Wood)
[Durbanville 1 Maiden Plate \(F&M\) 2000m \(07/03\)](#)

Soul Surfer 3g (Ado Annie by Trippi)
[Greyville 5 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 2000m \(08/03\)](#)

El Ballero 3g (Malaguena by Cordoba)
[Greyville 8 Maiden Plate \(Turf\) 1600m \(08/03\)](#)

Notable Maiden Winners

I AM INVINCIBLE

Rated **AR 77 Akwaan** (3g Born To Rock by Fastnet Rock)
Maiden Plate Vaal (1400m) (27/2)

The focus of good support in two of his four previous outings, Mike De Kock's charge was having his first run since being gelded here. Always handy, Akwaan only had to be pushed out in order to take up the running 300m from home, and went on to score very cosily by two.

FLOWER ALLEY

Rated **AR 74 Lemon Delight** (2f Minerva by Western Winter)
Maiden Juvenile Plate (f) Kenilworth (1000m) (29/2)

Easy to back in a fifteen runner field here on debut, Candice Bass-Robinson's charge raced fifth early on. She quickened in good style at the business end of the race and in what was comparatively the second fastest of the afternoon's five sprinting events won going away from the two 2/1 joint favourites.

Horses To Follow

ACT OF WAR

Rated **AR 80 Daichi** (2c Darrie by Captain Al)
Juvenile Plate Fairview (turf) (1000m) (28/2)

A comfortable winner of his only previous outing, this son of Act Of War flew out of the pens here and was very quickly 3 lengths clear. He kept up a strong gallop throughout and, in a time which comparatively proved to be the fastest of the afternoon's four sprint races, cruised in by seven and a quarter.

TRIPPI

Rated **AR 90 Guru's Pride** (3g Generous Anna by General Nadiym)
MR98 Handicap Greyville (poly) (1600m) (28/2)

After finishing well down field on debut last May, Guru's Pride was given an eight month break. He's been going from strength to strength since his return and has now won three in a row. He raced at the back of the field of nine and finished best of all to get up late.

Winners Bred Abroad

another **AUSHORSE** winner

Akwaan (AUS) 3g I Am Invincible- Born To Rock(AUS)
(Fastnet Rock)

Vaal 1400m (27/02)

Is Your Horse One To Follow?

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

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

SPORTS AND BETTING

Man United vs Man City Preview

English Premier League | Sunday 8 March | Old Trafford | 18:30



The "noisy neighbours", Manchester City, travel four miles from the Etihad stadium to Old Trafford on Sunday afternoon to square off against Manchester United in the 182nd Manchester Derby.

The Red Devils will be desperate to complete a league double over City after beating the Citizens 2-1 in the reverse fixture earlier this season thanks to goals from Anthony Martial and Marcus Rashford.

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TO WIN

Manchester United 9/2

Draw 34/10

Manchester City 11/20

MANCHESTER UNITED

United fans are buzzing about Bruno Fernandes. The former Sporting Lisbon captain has come and changed their fortunes by contributing two goals and two assists in the league. The Red Devils had been missing Paul Pogba due to injury, but since the arrival of Bruno, some fans are saying Pogba who? Rightly so, he runs the game with ease and looks two or three levels above every player at United.

The Red Devils will be heading in the right direction with both Pogba and Bruno in the heart of the team. Pogba has been seen at Carrington continuing his rehabilitation and Solskjaer will be hopeful he can have the world cup winner back to full fitness for the business end of the campaign. Pogba is touch and go but Marcus Rashford will definitely miss this match.

MANCHESTER CITY

Manchester City marched on last weekend in a game that was more of a contest than first anticipated, against Aston Villa at Wembley to lift their seventh trophy out of eight that are available to English teams. Guardiola tinkered with his team's tactics and played Phil Foden in a wider role than he is used to and he excelled. Go back a few days earlier than that where he similarly played Gabriel Jesus in a wide role and he put in a hardworking shift and also excelled above expectation.

Aymeric Laporte and Leroy Sane are the only players unavailable due to injury for City. Sane's absence has been filled by Algerian Riyad Mahrez but Laporte is the lynchpin that cannot seem to be replaced. Guardiola has found it difficult without the Frenchman who brings calm and composure that allows his team to play out from the back.

Probable line-ups:

Manchester United: 4-3-1-2

Manchester City: 4-3-3

PREDICTION: Manchester City Win & Both Teams to Score (37/20)

CLOCKWATCHING WITH STEVE FURNISH

A Reason For Being

A REVIEW OF THE WEEK'S BEST SPEEDRATINGS

First Of A Sequence

Fairview 24 February

A maiden plate over 1000m got proceedings underway on the poly track on Monday and here we saw a very easy win for the former Gauteng campaigner MARMARA SEA. Having his first outing in the Eastern Cape over a distance thought to be well short of his best, the son of Soft Falling Rain raced in midfield early on. He was ridden to lead 150m out by Greg Cheyne and with a ton in hand he cruised clear to score by three and a quarter.

The only other race over 1000m was the bill topping MR82 Handicap and in a time 0,77 seconds faster than that of Marmara Sea, AMBRA registered her fourth career victory. Soon up handy, Alan Greeff's charge ran on strongly in the short home straight and won well from her stable companion ALOYSIUS by a length and a quarter.

The novice plate for the girls was by far the faster of the two 1200m events and here we saw a very comfortable victory for the Sail From Seattle mare MICROBE. Freely available at 16/1 on the off, Jacque Strydom's charge was soon positioned close to the speed. She put her head in front going through the 300m and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to beat the well-supported CLOUD BREAK by three and three quarters.

Titbits A facile winner of her first start after relocating from the Western Cape last time out, FEE FI FOE FUM again won with authority when landing the MR74 Handicap over 1300m.

Delving Deep

Kenilworth 25 February

A MR90 Handicap topped the bill in Cape Town on Tuesday and in what proved to be by far the fastest of the three 1400m events, the 3yo CAPTAIN FLINDERS gained his second win. Taken straight to the front by Sihle Cele, the son of Captain Al led

throughout. He raced a length and a quarter clear for most of the journey and that proved to be just enough to hold off the all-out PINK FLOYD by a third of a length.

The only other distance to stage more than one race was 1800m where very marginally the faster of the two was the MR68 Handicap won by GREY PRINCESS. Another to win from the front, Michael Robinson's charge was always in command and won well by three quarters from the running on MISS LA DEE DA.

SECRET DEPTHS in the MR87 Handicap over 1800m was the best bet on the card for many and in what proved to be a very false paced affair she did do the business. She quickened best of the six when the race developed into a sprint in the home straight, and in an event where just three quarters of a length covered the first five home, she got the verdict by a half.

Titbits At the back as the six runners turned for home in the opening maiden plate over 2000m, the 20/1 outsider of the party AUGUST LEAVES ran on best of all, and won going away by three quarters.

Ready For War

Hollywoodbets Scottsville 26 February

There were a number of easy victories in Pietermaritzburg on Wednesday and none more so than that of BRUNILDA in the girl's division of the maiden 1200m. The best bet on the card for most, Garth Puller's charge raced in midfield during the early part of the race. She cut through the field quickly in the straight and cruised clear over the final 300m to score by six.

Another to win with authority on this card was KEEP ON DANCING when getting off the mark in the maiden plate over 1400m. Soon up handy, the 33/1 favourite was ridden to lead going through the 300m and with some in hand she won well by two from the always handy TO THE MAX.

Last Week's Top Rated SPEED RATINGS winners incl.

Microbe	won 16/1
Cherry Pop	won 7/1
Opening Gambit	won 7/1
Elusive Heart	won 13/2
Seeking Wisdom	won 25/4
Secret Depths	won 11/2
Keep On Dancing	won 33/10
First Sighting	won 63/20

Top speed ratings for this weekend

(Ratings shown have already been adjusted to allocated weights)

FAIRVIEW (FRI)

Race 1:	(8) Pollymania 10
Race 2:	(1) Quinlan 79
Race 3:	(8) Sugar Gum 12
Race 4:	(7) Wangan Midnight 6
Race 5:	(4) Fortune Flies 77
Race 6:	(11) Sauvage 46
Race 7:	(2) Luna Wish 55
Race 8:	(7) Seattle Swing 54
Race 9:	(1) Sir Frenchie 76
Race 10:	(9) Royal Fort 42

TURFFONTEIN (SAT)

Race 1:	(4) Sapphire Rock 25
Race 2:	(2) Bassam 18
Race 3:	(4) Varina 33
Race 4:	(1) War Room 41
Race 5:	(7) Rouge Allure 78
Race 6:	(6) Matador Man 102
Race 7:	(7) What You Are 59
Race 8:	(2) Ikigai 78 (NAP*)
Race 9:	(5) D'Arrivee 85
Race 10:	(7) Glider Pilot 84
Race 11:	(9) Singfonico 74
Race 12:	(8) Crown Guardian 63

DURBANVILLE (SAT)

Race 1:	(1) Nippy Sweetie 17
Race 2:	(2) Foxy Lady 18
Race 3:	(4) Bernie 58
Race 4:	(1) Magic Mike 50
Race 5:	(7) Freedom Seeker 60
Race 6:	(7) Proclaimer 37
Race 7:	(4) Cape Xtreme 43
Race 8:	(7) Over The Way 44

HOLLYWOODBETS GREYVILLE (SUN)

Race 1:	(4) Walls Of Dubrovnik 9
Race 2:	(5) Constantine 58
Race 3:	(11) Song Of The Forest 42
Race 4:	(7) Camphoratus 81
Race 5:	(10) Stunning Guest 17
Race 6:	(9) Strawberryoptart 20
Race 7:	(1) Marchingontgether 81
Race 8:	(3) Mana Santana 17

Nap bets

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

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

DAICHI (G Smith, E-Cape)

STORYLAND (G Smith, E-Cape)



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CLOCKWATCHING CONT.

Two low grade handicaps over 1950m brought the meeting to a close and in the faster of these, the MR69 affair, the easy to back DEPOSITION registered his second career victory. Easy to back at 12/1 on the off Alyson Wright's charge was always handy. She ran on strongly over the final 300m and just had enough in hand to beat the running on INN A MINUTE (raced 11th of the twelve) by a quarter.

Titbits Now a winner of three from eight, TWICE GOLDEN ran on well from midfield when winning the MR87 Handicap over 2400m going away.

Shrewdly Targeted

Vaal 27 February

Five of the nine races at the Vaal on Thursday were staged over 1400m. The MR80 Handicap was the fastest of these and here the Kimberley based LADY OF LIBERTY extended her unbeaten record at the circuit. Now a winner of all three sorties to the track, Dennis Cason's charge led throughout. She was always clear and won without any anxious moments by a length and three quarters.

Another to win well from the front on this card was FIFE in the Middle Stakes over 2400m. Freely available at 13/2 on the off, the daughter of Silvano was always two and a half lengths clear. The pack headed by ODD ROB chased hard over the final 400m, but try as they might they couldn't reduce Fife's advantage.

A work rider's maiden plate over 2000m had opened up proceedings and here we saw a very easy victory for EVER FAIR. Nibbled at on course into 5/1 from 8's, Joey Soma's charge was always handy. She put her head in front shortly after passing the

400m marker and drew clear easily in the closing stages of the race to score by three and a half.

Titbits Having his first run since being gelded, AKWAAN only had to be pushed out when easily accounting for his fifteen rivals in the maiden plate over 1400m.

Listed Double

Fairview 28 February

Two listed races topped the bill on Friday's turf card and in the first of these to be run, the Ibhayi Stakes, we saw a very comfortable victory for the Western Cape raider POINT OF SALE. Confidently ridden by Sandile Mbhele, Glen Kotzen's charge sat third for most of the journey. She quickened nicely at the business end of the race and won well by two after striking the front 200m from home.

The stable of Glen Kotzen were also on the mark in the listed Lady's Pendant Stakes over 1200m when ELUSIVE HEART registered her fifth career victory. Positioned at the back going through halfway, the Elusive Fort mare quickened best of all over the final 600m and in what proved to be a real thriller she got up in the very last stride to deny the locally trained VIA SEATTLE (raced 6th – led 150m).

A Juvenile Plate over 1000m had gotten the meeting underway and here we saw an impressive front running performance from the Gavin Smith trained DAICHI. Very quickly three and a half lengths clear, this very speedy son of Act Of War soon had the rest under pressure. He kept up a strong gallop throughout and in what comparatively proved to be the fastest of the afternoon's four sprint races, he came home lonely by

seven and a quarter.

Titbits With the pace throughout, the Gavin Smith trained STORYLAND drew clear easily over the final 200m when easily accounting for her thirteen rivals in the maiden juvenile plate for the girls over 1200m.

FASTEST TIMES

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

FAIRVIEW (POLY) 24 FEBRUARY

Going Standard	
Penetrometer 0,70s slow	
1000m (2) Ambra	57,36
1200m (2) Microbe	70,39
1300m (2) Cherry Pop	75,67
1600m (1) Marmalade Cat	97,98
1900m (1) Jurist	116,26

KENILWORTH (NEW) 25 FEBRUARY

Penetrometer 20 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,25s slow	
1000m (1) Fours A Crowd	58,19
1400m (3) Captain Flinders	85,77
1600m (1) Ronaldo	99,63
1800m (2) Grey Princess	113,47
2000m (1) August Leaves	126,05

SCOTTSVILLE (INSIDE) 26 FEBRUARY

Penetrometer 24 – Going G/Soft	
Course Variant: 1,13s slow	
1000m (1) First Sighting	57,09
1200m (3) Brunilda	69,62
1400m (1) Keep On Dancing	84,70
1950m (2) Deposition	120,17
2400m (2) Twice Golden	152,28

VAAL 27 FEBRUARY

Penetrometer 22 – Going Good	
Course Variant: 0,70s slow	
1200m (1) Little Rain	70,55
1400m (5) Lady Of Liberty	81,87
1600m (1) One-Oh-Wonder	95,88
2000m (1) Ever Fair	124,97
2400m (1) Fife	150,47

FAIRVIEW (TURF) 28 FEBRUARY

Penetrometer 30 – Going Soft	
Course Variant: 1,54s slow	
1000m (1) Daichi	57,05*
1200m (3) Elusive Heart	68,94*
1400m (1) Point Of Sale	85,19*
1600m (2) Fools Garden	99,27*
2000m (2) Exclusivity	126,28*

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Hollywoodbets SIZZLING SUMMER CHALLENGE

GRAND FINALE

Winning Form-sponsored jockey Warren Kennedy, Hollywoodbets sponsored-trainer Garth Puller and four-year-old filly Bint El Malak all reigned supreme in the inaugural Hollywoodbets Sizzling Summer Challenge. Prize money worth R750,000 was awarded to the top 6 in the horse, trainer, and jockey categories at a presentation at Hollywoodbets Greyville's Shorthead Bar on Friday night, with the winners walking away with R100 000 each.

Kennedy went into the final race-day of the challenge with an 82-point lead and extended it further to finish the competition on 1242.5 points, 88 points ahead of Anton Marcus back in second. Marcus finished the competition with 1154.5 points, 38.5 points ahead of Keagan de Melo in third with 1116 points. Kennedy, who was delighted with his win, said it was a fantastic challenge that created a buzz in the jockey room. "It feels really good to win it, especially being sponsored by Winning Form! I must also say that it was a lovely format and the guys in the jockey room were counting the points after every race." He further added that the challenge assisted him in pursuit of the jockey's championship. "The jockey's championship is my main priority this season, and the Sizzling Summer Challenge added extra impetus to get those wins!"

Puller won the trainers log by a unanimous 177.5 points over Paul Lafferty in second. Puller, who amassed 935 points in the competition, was ecstatic about the victory and complimented Hollywoodbets on the great initiative. He admitted that towards the end of the competition he did strategize. "The initiative was to get more horses to the course, and towards the end when I found myself on top, I did strategize to get the most points possible." He is delighted with the strides Hollywoodbets has made in horse racing. "I am a big fan of Hollywoodbets and the work they're doing in racing, it's just amazing" added Puller.

Bint El Malak, the four-year-old daughter of King's Chapel, managed to accumulate 75 points in the competition, eight more than the Wendy Whitehead-trained Jayden's Shreya back in second. Trainer of Bint El Malak, Paul Lafferty, was overjoyed with the win. "This prize really couldn't have happened to a better owner (Brian Riley), he's such a great guy." Lafferty ended by thanking the team at Hollywoodbets for their fantastic work.

The presentation concluded with the launch of the new Sizzling Punters' Challenge, proudly presented by Hollywoodbets and tabGOLD, which will see R100 000 in cash prizes awarded to punters throughout the month of March.

