

The Right Steps

With some low mileage on the clock, the lightly exposed Trippi mare Love To Boogie could give the Plattner Racing Team some fun this coming Cape Summer Season.

Jumping from the widest of the draw after a break of ten weeks, she showed resolve and courage with a hard-fought victory in Saturday's R250 000 Gr3 Diana Stakes at a sun drenched Durbanville.

On a day of rousing and exciting finishes, Love To Boogie came forward powerfully at the 300m after Red Ginger had led the pack, and held on at 11-1 under a determined ride by Bernard Fayd'herbe to hold off a late challenge from Miss Katalin by 0,30 lengths in a time of 83 secs.

The favourite and defending champion Goodtime Gal, and the in-form Angel's Trumpet, looked dangerous and came home strongly late, but were denied and finished third and fourth respectively.

Love To Boogie, who was coming in fresh off her SA Champions Season Listed Off To Stud Stakes victory on the Greyville polytrack, has won 5 of her 11 starts for 2 places and stakes of R463 525.

Bred by Anthony Peter and raised at Varsfontein, the winner is a daughter of Trippi (End Sweep), out of Jalberry (Jallad), a dual stakes winner of the Gr3 Pretty Polly Stakes and Listed Goldfields Sprint, who was placed in the Gr1 SA Fillies Sprint.

Love To Boogie is a half-sister to 2017 Gr2 Golden Horseshoe winner Purple Diamond (Var), amongst other winners. The winner's granddam Taineberry won the Oaks.

Gr3 Diana S. 1400m

Winner Love To Boogie raced midfield, ran on well in the straight
 Runner-up Miss Katalin came from off the pace, running on well
 Third finisher Goodtime Gal raced handy, kept on well.

Time: this race was run a second slower than the other two 1400m races on the day. The pace wasn't true early on, and the race more or less decided in a sprint for home. Ratings must be seen in that light. We gave the runner-up (80/93/87/85/90) 93, which makes the winner (89/80/92/91/96) 95 and the third (78/83/80/91/100) 96.

95	1	0.00	LOVE TO BOOGIE	(11)	59.0	B Fayd'herbe	11/1
5 b m Trippi - Jalberry (Jallad)							
93	2	0.30	MISS KATALIN	(1)	58.5	C Orffer	9/1
4 b f Trippi - Little Miss Magic (Jet Master)							
96	3	0.40	GOODTIME GAL	(3)	60.0	A Marcus	10/3
6 b m Royal Air Force - Tirza (Silvano)							
92	4	0.70	Angel's Trumpet	(5)	58.5	R Fourie	5/1
91	5	1.20	Hemero	(2)	58.5	D Dillon	28/1
92	6	1.60	Freedom Charter	(7)	59.5	A Dorneyer	27/4
81	7	2.60	Lesedi La Rona	(4)	52.0	R Munger	113/20
84	8	3.35	Platinum Class	(10)	58.5	G Cheyne	13/1
84	9	3.85	Red Ginger	(9)	59.0	A Mgudlwa	28/1
81	10	4.85	Samsara	(6)	59.0	A Andrews	28/1
77	11	5.60	Dynamic Diana	(8)	58.5	R Khathi	27/4
Time: 83s (59.29s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) SP Total %: 116%							
1st T:A Nel O:Mrs S Plattner B:AC Peter							

Trippi Son Too Hot!

The old big race firm of Sean Tarry and jockey S'manga Khumalo got their 2018 Highveld Spring Season off to the best possible start when the promising 3yo Chimichuri Run disposed of a mixed older group with a scintillating run to win the R250 000 Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes.

The Gr3 Umkhomazi Stakes winner, Chimichuri Run was placed at Gr1 level in only four starts as a 2yo, and faced a test of character. But he came through it with flying colours and the R1,1 million chestnut son of Trippi looks to have a classic season ahead of him.

Relaxed near the rear as the super-quick mare Wrecking Ball and the Gokhan Terzi gelding Tar Heel went fast early, Chimichuri Run unwound down the inside from the 400m under S'manga Khumalo, and simply ran away from his hapless opposition as he stormed clear to beat Premier Show by 4,25 lengths in a time of 71,37 secs.

Mike de Kock's nicely bred 4yo Mujallad jumped from a wide draw after a 13 week break but stayed on best of the balance a further quarter length back, with Angel's Power in fourth.

Formerly raced in a partnership of Mayfair Speculators and Chris van Niekerk, and now by the latter alone, the Dakenstein bred Chimichuri Run is a son of Trippi (End Sweep) out of the versatile three time winner Spiced Gold (Kahal) – who won up to 1800m.

Chimichuri Run cost R1,1 million on the Cape Premier Yearling Sale and took his earnings to R598 875 with his third win with 3 places from 6 starts.

Gr3 Spring Spree Stakes 1200m

Winner Chimichuri Run positioned second to last entering the straight; led 200m; only had to be pushed out to win going away; impressive Runner up Premier Show raced 5th; rider Van Der Hoven dropped his off side rein approximately 150m out and only regained it after the finish line; beaten 4,25 lengths

Third Mujallad raced 9th; stayed on; beaten 4,5 lengths

Time: Run 0,47 seconds slower than the Ladies Stakes, this was not a fast run race

We gave the third (prev 92/81/92/78/79) 83 which makes the winner (prev 73/75/89/94/98) 102 and the runner up (prev 91/72/51/89/83) 75

102	1	0.00	CHIMICHURI RUN	(3)	56.0	S Khumalo	1/1
3 ch c Trippi - Spiced Gold (Kahal)							
75	2	4.25	PREMIER SHOW	(6)	55.0	H vd Hoven	28/1
4 b g Mogok - Picture Show (Sapieha)							
83	3	4.50	MUJALLAD	(8)	59.0	R Simons	9/1
4 gr g Redoute's Choice - Raid(NZ) (Pins)							
72	4	5.00	Splendid Garden	(2)	55.0	K Zechner	8/1
76	4	5.00	Angel's Power	(10)	56.5	P Strydom	8/1
73	6	5.50	Clever Guy	(11)	56.0	M v Rensburg	14/1
66	7	6.75	Mrs O	(7)	55.0	M Yeni	9/1
76	8	7.00	Talktothestars	(1)	60.0	M Khan	30/1
65	9	7.75	Wrecking Ball	(5)	56.0	L J Ferraris	20/1
69	10	7.85	Finchatton	(12)	58.0	C Zackey	36/1
63	11	8.00	Just As I Said	(9)	55.5	W Kennedy	20/1
63	12	9.50	Tar Heel	(4)	58.0	J Penny	28/1
Time: 71.37s (59.48s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) SP Total %: 121%							
1st T:SG Tarry O:Mr C J H Van Niekerk B:Drakenstein Stud							

Like The Wind

The old big day firm of Sean Tarry and S'manga Khumalo struck early on Super Saturday with the Trippi colt Chimichuri Run running out a facile winner of the R300 000 Gr3 Umkhomazi Stakes.

The red hot favourite Cue The Music was carried out at the start by Gauteng visitor Ganesh Talai and after that the son of Oratorio was never going like a winner.

His absence allowed S'manga Khumalo to take charge and he tracked the pacy Charlie-Fox on the Gold Medallion third-placer Chimichuri Run.

In the straight, the smart chestnut Chimichuri Run was all over the place but he never looked like being caught and he ran right away from the opposition under a confident ride by the former SA Champion jockey to win by 4,75 lengths (it could have been double that margin had he run straight) in a time of 71,02 secs.

Racing in a partnership of Mayfair Speculators and Chris van Niekerk, the Dakenstein bred Chimichuri Run is a son of Trippi (End Sweep) out of the versatile three time winner Spiced Gold (Kahal).

He cost R1,1 million on the Cape Premier Yearling Sale and took his earnings to R438 625 at his second win with 3 places from 5 starts.

Chimichuri Run was placed in the SA Nursery and the Gold Medallion and looks a very talented 3yo for next season.

Gr3 Umkhomazi Stakes (2yo's) 1200m (turf)

Winner Chimichuri Run (2nd best handicapped) raced 2nd; led 450m; ducked 200m; rider dropped whip 150m; green; won going away Runner-up Desolate Road raced in the rear; was 4 lengths behind the winner entering the straight; ran on

Third Ganesh Talai raced 3rd just 2 lengths behind the winner; no impression

Time: The quickest of the three 1200m races on the card, this was run 6/100th of a second faster than the Gr1 Mercury Sprint! We gave the 4th horse 86 which makes the winner (prev 73/75/94/94) 98, the runner-up (prev 75/80) 85 and the third (prev 67) 79

98	1	0.00	CHIMICHURI RUN	(8)	60.0	S Khumalo	4/1
2 ch c Trippi - Spiced Gold (Kahal)							
85	2	4.75	DESOLATE ROAD	(6)	60.0	B Lerena	44/1
2 ch c Pathfork - Dark Journey (Black Minnaloushe)							
79	3	7.00	GANESH TALAI	(2)	60.0	R Danielson	9/1
2 b g Philanthropist - Indian Torrent(USA) (Gulch)							
76	4	8.00	Mr Bombastic	(10)	60.0	W Kennedy	12/1
73	5	9.25	Cue The Music	(3)	60.0	A Marcus	9/10
72	6	9.75	Jardin	(1)	60.0	M Byleveld	8/1
65	7	12.00	Priceless Ruler	(4)	60.0	S Veale	28/1
64	8	12.50	Celebration Rock	(9)	60.0	K De Melo	28/1
56	9	15.50	Roman Dancer	(5)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	20/1
50	10	17.50	Charlie-Fox	(7)	60.0	A Arries	55/1

Time: 71.02s (59.18s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) SP Total %: 117%
1st T:SG Tarry O:Mayfair Speculators (Ptj) Ltd & Mr C J H van Niekerk
B:Drakenstein Stud

Loving It

In a sweet plan come together for the Plattner Racing Team, a first try at a mile and an introduction to the polytrack did the trick to secure the lightly raced Love To Boogie a first stakes success when the daughter of Trippi bolted in to win the R150 000 Listed Off To Stud Stakes at Greyville on Sunday.

A R550 000 National Yearling Sale graduate, Love To Boogie won on debut as a 3yo in December 2016 and was having only her tenth career start and her third in KZN on Sunday when she beat nine rivals like a true professional.

Aldo Domeyer, who was doing duty at Greyville for the Cape Eagles in the 2018 Rider Cup, had Love To Boogie, first time in blinkers, settled five lengths off the action as Karatage led Final Judgement and Heaps Of Fun.

At the top of the short straight, Love To Boogie (9-2) always looked to be going best and she drew clear to beat the well-performed Final Judgement (5-1) by 2,25 lengths in a time of 94,54 secs.

The winner is trained by Andre Nel and and races in the Sabine Plattner silks.

Bred by Anthony Peter and raised at Varsfontein, the winner is a daughter of Trippi (End Sweep), out of Jalberry (Jallad), a dual stakes winner of the Gr3 Pretty Polly Stakes and Listed Goldfields Sprint, who was placed in the Gr1 SA Fillies Sprint.

Love To Boogie is a half-sister to 2017 Gr2 Golden Horseshoe winner Purple Diamond (Var), amongst other winners. The winner's granddam Taineberry won the Oaks.

Love To Boogie has won 4 races with 2 places from 10 starts for stakes of R307 275.

Off To Stud Stakes (L) 1600m

Winner Love To Boogie raced 4th; led 300m; won well Runner-up Final Judgement was always handy; beaten by two lengths Third Heaps Of Fun (best handicapped) raced 7th; stayed on

Time: The time was a good one. We gave the third (prev 97/80/79/83/87) 89 which makes the winner (prev 72/89/80/92/91) 96 and the runner-up (prev 77/84/79/95/80) 92

96	1	0.00	LOVE TO BOOGIE	(3)	60.0	A Domeyer	9/2
4 b f Trippi - Jalberry (Jallad)							
92	2	2.25	FINAL JUDGEMENT	(1)	60.0	B Lerena	5/1
4 ch f Judpot - Final Claim (Proclaim)							
89	3	3.50	HEAPS OF FUN	(5)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	8/1
5 ch m Visionaire - Dream Starling (Northern Guest)							
77	4	6.00	Trippi's Girl	(10)	57.0	C Zackey	8/1
76	5	6.10	Intergalactic	(9)	57.0	M Yemi	36/1
79	6	6.25	Fantasy Lady	(8)	58.5	K De Melo	18/1
72	7	11.25	Kilauea	(7)	60.0	S Veale	27/4
65	8	12.75	Kahula	(2)	58.5	R Fourie	71/20
51	9	13.25	Karatage	(4)	52.5	W Kennedy	8/1
51	10	14.75	The High Life	(6)	54.0	M Ntuli	50/1

Time: 94.54s (59.09s avg/1000m, or 61km/h) SP Total %: 113%
1st T:A Nel O:Mrs S Plattner B:AC Peter

Gem On The Up

Candice Bass-Robinson has a powerful crop of over 60 2yo's at her disposal this term and she enjoyed the pleasure of watching her duo fight out the finish of the R125 000 Listed Perfect Promise Sprint at a quiet Kenilworth on Sunday.

Mrs Robinson won this feature last year with the crack What A Winter filly Magical Wonderland and she looks to have another decent bunch of youngsters on her hands judging by debut winners Lesedi La Rona and Nous Voila who fought out a thrilling finish.

Aldo Domeyer was aboard Nous Voila, the more fancied of the pair, and she looked a winner when cruising into the lead at the 250m marker, with Lesedi La Rona still finding her stride.

But the two came together and went head and head to the line – Grant van Niekerk getting the Drakenstein owned and bred Durbanville debut winner to put her head down at the right time.

A short head separated them with the winner clocking 72.95 secs for the 1200m.

Third placed Coral Bay, still a maiden, was four lengths back in third, with dual winning topweight Carioca running fourth.

A daughter of Trippi (End Sweep), Lesedi La Rona is out of the three-time winner Barberton Daisy (Western Winter) who won up to 2500m.

Lesedi La Rona (named after a large diamond) is now unbeaten in two starts and took her earnings to R128 125.

Perfect Promise Sprint (L) 1200m

Winner Lesedi La Rona raced at the back early; led 150m; challenged strongly by the runner up all the way to the wire

Runner up Nous Voila (best handicapped) raced 4th; led 250m; challenged winner strongly over the final 150m; lost on the nod

Third Coral Bay raced 3rd and held every chance; beaten 4,10 lengths

Time: Run in a time 0,64 seconds slower than the boys contesting the Somerset 1200, this was not a fast run race

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

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

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

Flying High

Most would say she is unfashionably bred and she did only cost R20 000.

But Too Phat To Fly can run on her day and she stormed home to register her first stakes triumph to take her earnings close on R300 000 in the R150 000 Listed Sweet Chestnut Stakes at Kenilworth on Saturday.

Twice stakes placed, Too Phat To Fly found the Cape Summer Season tough going, but after an eye-catching winning return run early in April, she was easy to back at 7's and duly won a cracker on Saturday.

Corne Orffer and Merysagos left the stalls as if they had a plane to catch, but Richard Fourie wasn't panicking and he had Too Phat To Fly in last and with some ten lengths to make up at the 400m.

As Merysagos started treading water in front, the classy Rose In Bloom moved up looking a winner, with Platinum Class taking off from further back.

But the action was on the outside and produced late in the race, Too Phat To Fly stormed to the front and caught Rose In Bloom flatfooted to win by 1,25 lengths in a time of 88 secs.

The 13-10 favourite Platinum Class ran on steadily without threatening to grab the third cheque a further length back, with Made In Hollywood and Raya Baya sharing the fourth stake.

Bred by Limestone Thoroughbred Trust and consigned by Winterbach Stud, Too Phat To Fly was purchased for R20 000 by Glen Kotzen off the 2016 CTS March Yearling Sale.

She is a daughter of Bezrin out of the one time-winner Sheisachillygirl(Jallad). Glen Kotzen has had plenty of success with this damline.

She now races in the interests of Glen Kotzen and Sean Pillay and has won 3 races with 5 places from 12 starts for stakes of R292 300.

Sweet Chestnut Stakes (L) 1400m

Winner Too Phat To Fly (2nd best handicapped) raced in the rear; led 120m; ran on

Runner-up Rose In Bloom raced 4th and held every chance

Third Platinum Class (best handicapped) was slow into stride losing 2 lengths; was second-last entering the straight; ran on; switched in for a clear run 250m

Time: With Merysagos setting a very brisk pace ahead of the pack, the overall time became (comparatively) by far the fastest of the five races around the turn. We gave the winner (prev 85/77/80/72/94) 96 which makes the runner-up (prev 86/85/86/89/86) 95 and the third (prev 79/72/81/86/97) 89. Ratings could be somewhat optimistic.

99	1	0.00	LOBO'S LEGEND	(2)	60.0	M Yeni	36/1
3 b c Trippi - Gone Wild (Western Winter)							
96	2	1.50	SURCHARGE	(13)	60.0	P Strydom	10/3
3 b c Gimmethgreenlight - Congestion Charge(GB) (Diktat)							
96	3	1.80	LIKE A PANTHER	(1)	60.0	C Murray	61/20
3 b c Captain Al - Della Scala (Galileo)							
96	4	1.90	Noble Secret	(3)	60.0	R Simons	6/1
91	5	4.10	Roy Had Enough	(4)	60.0	W Kennedy	12/1
88	6	5.80	Silver God	(10)	60.0	R Danielson	80/1
85	7	7.05	Throng	(5)	60.0	L Hewitson	36/1
84	8	7.65	Hero's Honour	(8)	60.0	C Maujean	44/1
81	9	9.25	Royal Crusade	(6)	60.0	A Marcus	71/10
74	10	12.85	Greek Fire	(12)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	18/1
74	11	12.95	Darkest Hour	(7)	60.0	C Zackey	66/1
64	12	17.75	Alshibaa	(11)	60.0	R Munger	50/1
0	13	99.99	Majestic Mambo	(9)	60.0	A Delpech	5/1

Time: 110.77s (61.54s avg/1000m, or 58km/h) SP Total %: 116%
1st T:JA Soma O:Messrs L M Nestadt, M A Currie, J Shill, J A Soma & J R van der Linden B:Klawervlei Stud

Soma's Shrewd Move

Veteran trainer Joey Soma pulled an ace out of the pack when stepping the lightly tried Lobo's Legend up to the 1800m in Saturday's R2 million Gr1 SA Classic.

The race was run at a decent gallop with Alshibaa stretching the field. Muzi Yeni had Lobo's Legend in sixth as they came for home and he made his move from behind the looming Surcharge at the 500m.

The in-form Yeni produced Lobo's Legend at the 400m with a superb effort and the son of Trippi ran all the way to the wire to beat the consistent Surcharge by 1,50 lengths in a time of 1:10,77 secs.

Piere Strydom did an outstanding job to overcome the 13 draw on Surcharge and the son of Gimmethgreenlight ran a cracker in second.

Like A Panther was first of the De Kock quartet home. He was a further 0,30 lengths back, with his stablemate Noble Secret also running a game race a short head back in fourth.

KZN raider Roy Had Enough had nothing to come late and ran a 4,10 length fifth.

A R400 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale graduate, Lobo's Legend has won 2 races with 3 places from 6 starts for stakes of R1 360 275.

Bred by Klawervlei Stud, he is a son of Trippi (End Sweep) out of the six-time winner Gone Wild (Western Winter).

Lobo's Legend has been largely unexposed so far and he adds to the 2017/18 season 3yo puzzle.

Gr1 SA Classic (3yo's) 1800m

Winner Lobo's Legend raced 6th; the first three home were virtually in line at the front 400m out; ran on strongly

Runner-up Surcharge (2nd best handicapped) was drawn wide; raced 3rd; marginally led 400m; outpaced by winner

Third Like A Panther raced 4th; beaten two lengths

Time: This comparatively was the fastest of the seven races around the turn. We gave the runner-up (prev 91/85/98/100/94) 96 which makes the winner (prev 70/74/84/88/73) 99 and the third (prev 80/84/85/93/81) 96

99	1	0.00	LOBO'S LEGEND	(2)	60.0	M Yeni	36/1
3 b c Trippi - Gone Wild (Western Winter)							
96	2	1.50	SURCHARGE	(13)	60.0	P Strydom	10/3
3 b c Gimmethgreenlight - Congestion Charge (GB) (Diktat)							
96	3	1.80	LIKE A PANTHER	(1)	60.0	C Murray	61/20
3 b c Captain Al - Della Scala (Galileo)							
96	4	1.90	Noble Secret	(3)	60.0	R Simons	6/1
91	5	4.10	Roy Had Enough	(4)	60.0	W Kennedy	12/1
88	6	5.80	Silver God	(10)	60.0	R Danielson	80/1
85	7	7.05	Throng	(5)	60.0	L Hewitson	36/1
84	8	7.65	Hero's Honour	(8)	60.0	C Maugean	44/1
81	9	9.25	Royal Crusade	(6)	60.0	A Marcus	71/10
74	10	12.85	Greek Fire	(12)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	18/1
74	11	12.95	Darkest Hour	(7)	60.0	C Zackey	66/1
64	12	17.75	Alshibaa	(11)	60.0	R Munger	50/1
0	13	99.99	Majestic Mambo	(9)	60.0	A Delpech	5/1

Time: 1:10.77s (61.54s avg/1000m, or 58km/h) SP Total %: 116%
1st T:JA Soma O: Messrs L M Nestadt, M A Currie, J Shill, J A Soma & J R van der Linden B: Klawervlei Stud

Ladies Double

The roller-coaster talents of Grant van Niekerk often come to the fore in the big races, and just a few weeks after he travelled to Johannesburg to win the Gr2 Charity Mile on Hat Puntano for Mike Azzie, he produced a bit of magic for the Justin Snaith team at home.

With Sihle Cele taking Phelan Lucky to lead his stablemate Bold Respect, who had rushed over from his wide gate, Van Niekerk had Miss Katalin relaxed against the rail in midfield.

Into the winter home straight, he was forced to switch Miss Katalin to centre field for her bid for glory as Bold Respect continued to gallop powerfully, with Pack Leader looking threatening.

Miss Katalin appeared slightly reluctant and had her head twisted to the side as Van Niekerk urged her to run straight. Inside the final 100m, Corne Orffer looked to have done enough as Bold Respect stuck gamely to his task.

But in one of those rare moments of fortune-fuelled genius, Van Niekerk had timed his effort perfectly and Miss Katalin got the verdict by a short head in a time of 84,78 secs. Her win made it two in a row for the girls after Safe Harbour won it last year.

Bold Respect used up plenty of energy to overcome a wide draw and was gallant in defeat.

The top four finishers are all Cape-based horses, with Sean Tarry's Barrack Street best of the visitors in sixth.

Stakes were paid all the way down to tenth, where Virtue finished just over 5 lengths off the winner and banked R30 000 for his efforts.

Bred by Drakenstein and Team Valor International, Miss Katalin is a daughter of Trippi (End Sweep) out of the twice winning Gr1 Empress Club Stakes winner Little Miss Magic (Jet Master) – whose own dam is by champion broodmare sire Al Mufti out of Gr1 Fillies Guineas winner State Treasure.

A R400 000 Cape Ready To Run Sale graduate, Miss Katalin took her stakes earnings to R1 637 000 at her second win with 3 places from her 5 starts.

Lanzerac RTR Stakes (3yo's) 1400m

Winner Miss Katalin raced in midfield; positioned 6th entering the straight; ran on; got up very late

Runner up Bold Respect (2nd best handicapped) raced 2nd; led 210m; lost a good battle with the winner by a short head

Third Pack Leader was always handy; positioned 3rd entering the straight; held every chance; beaten 1,3 lengths; returned making an abnormal respiratory noise

Time: Comparatively, this was the second fastest of the six races around the turn.

We gave the runner up (prev 76/81/85/84/98) 98 which makes the winner (prev 67/76/78/82/80) 93 and the third (prev 77/85/87/69/90) 95

93	1	0.00	MISS KATALIN	(6)	57.5	G v Niekerk	19/1
3 b f Trippi - Little Miss Magic (Jet Master)							
98	2	0.05	BOLD RESPECT	(14)	60.0	C Orffer	7/2
3 b g Bold Silvano - Respectable Lady (Kabool)							
95	3	1.30	PACK LEADER	(12)	60.0	R Fourie	10/1
3b c Philanthropist - First Arrival (Northern Guest)							
92	4	2.05	Sir Frenchie	(11)	60.0	B Fayd'herbe	9/1
92	5	2.10	Big Mistake	(13)	60.0	G Cheyne	28/1
88	6	3.35	Barrack Street	(4)	60.0	A Marcus	6/1
86	7	4.10	Purple Diamond	(7)	60.0	L Hewitson	15/1
86	8	4.20	Endofmarch	(5)	60.0	C Murray	45/1
84	9	4.70	Strategic Power	(3)	60.0	S Veale	55/1
83	10	5.10	Virtue	(16)	60.0	A Dommeyer	36/1
82	11	5.40	Apollo Star	(15)	60.0	D Dillon	30/1
76	12	5.60	Wine Festival	(2)	57.5	C Zackey	45/1
81	13	5.70	Visigoth	(1)	60.0	R Simons	16/1
80	14	6.00	Phelan Lucky	(10)	60.0	S Cele	30/1
77	15	7.25	Wonderwall	(8)	60.0	S Khumalo	28/10
77	16	7.30	Sunday Falls	(9)	60.0	M Byleveld	50/1

Time: 84.78s (60.56s avg/1000m, or 59km/h) SP Total %: 120%
1st T: J Snaith O: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)
B: Drakenstein Stud & Team Valor Int

First Class

The R150 000 Listed Golden Loom Handicap brought the curtain down on the Charity Mile day feature programme and with the thunder and lightning approaching as the field loaded, the race produced the most dramatic and sentimental finish of the day.

There was plenty of emotional adrenalin pumping as Joey Soma's lightly-tried 7yo Graduation Day came home under a finely timed Anton Marcus finish to get the verdict by a nose over De Kock's Alfolk and the speedy filly Hashtag Strat, in a race named in honour of a horse affectionately known as 'Goofy'.

The winner's time was 56,18 secs for the 1000m with under a length separating the top five home.

The sentimental thread was woven by the fact that Anton Marcus was aboard the brilliant Golden Loom at 12 of his 22 wins from his 78 starts.

The late Buddy Maroun trained gelding was the king of speed on the Highveld in a golden age of sprinting that hosted stars like Jet Master, Divine Force, Harry's Charm, Noble Thatch and Turbo Star.

Golden Loom raced for nine seasons and chalked up his final race victory at the age of 10.

The unsound Graduation Day, an R800 000 Cape Premier Yearling Sale purchase, has won 6 of his 10 starts with 3 places and stakes of R448 500.

Bred by Klawervlei, Graduation Day is a son of Trippi (End Sweep) out of the US placed Hide My Grades (Honor Grades).

Golden Loom Handicap (L) 1000m

Winner Graduation Day (best handicapped) was slow into stride; raced 9th; got up in the dying strides

Runner-up Alfolk raced 2nd; led close home; pipped last strides
Hashtag Strat set the pace and was very quickly two lengths clear; kept on strongly all the way to the line

Time: This was by far the fastest of the five races down the straight.

We gave the third (prev 64/77/88/84/78) 89 which makes the winner (prev 87/84/96/107/95) 102 and the runner-up (prev 72/81/88/81/90) 96

104	1	0.00	GRADUATION DAY	(12)	57.5	A Marcus	6/1
7 b g Trippi - Hide My Grades(USA) (Honor Grades)							
98	2	0.10	ALFOLK	(9)	52.0	R Munger	4/1
3 b/br g Lonhro - Alteza Real(AUS) (Exceed And Excel)							
91	3	0.50	HASHTAG STRAT	(10)	52.5	J Penny	22/1
4 b f Great Britain - Stratisfaction (Windrush)							
96	4	0.80	Pera Palace	(11)	52.0	K De Melo	9/2
93	5	0.90	The Thinker	(5)	54.0	D Mansour	15/2
102	6	1.80	Rivarine	(6)	60.0	P Strydom	10/1
96	7	2.80	African Ruler	(2)	59.0	G Larena	15/1
92	8	3.25	Splendid Garden	(7)	58.0	C Zackey	44/1
83	9	4.00	Barrack Street	(4)	52.0	G v Niekerk	7/2
75	10	4.25	All Night Flight	(1)	52.0	M Yeni	44/1
76	11	4.75	Greasepaint	(8)	53.5	JP vd Merwe	66/1
62	12	8.50	Isphan	(3)	54.0	L Hewitson	28/1

Time: 56.18s (56.18s avg/1000m, or 64km/h) SP Total %: 116%

1st T:JA Soma O:Mayfair Speculators (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mr D L Brugman)

B:Klawervlei Stud

Easy For Broadway Trip

The race was confined to graduates of the 2016 BSA National 2yo Sale and weights were allocated in bands according to the individual runner's sales prices. The top three price tags filled the trifecta!

The first-timer What A World was reshod and delayed the start in the thirteen runner field. Once despatched it was the grey Eyeforthegirls who led War Demon and Zen Arcade, with the keen Silva's Bullet fighting early before settling in fourth.

The leader faded in the dash for home, and with the going cutting up badly down the inside, it was not surprising to see the action down the middle and outside. Fresh off his Ascot Saturday success, Anthony Delpech brought Silva's' Bullet with a good looking challenge down the middle at the 350m. But the staying sort lacked the toe to match the speedier brigade and he was outrun late.

The complexion of the race changed late, and running from a wide draw under Randall Simons, Broadway Trip made up eight lengths from near last and drew clear to win like a good horse by 2,25 lengths in a time of 84,52 secs.

Trainer Louis Goosen will be thrilled with the sparkling debut of his Ideal World gelding Zen Arcade, who conceded 2kgs to the winner and banked R200 000 on debut to finish well for second.

Broadway Trip was a R300 000 BSA National 2yo Sale purchase. Bred by Moutonshoek, he is a son of champion producer Trippi (End Sweep) out of the five time winner Alinga (Rock Of Gibraltar). The latter won from a mile to 2000m, which augurs well for the prospects of the winner.

A winner of both his starts, Broadway Trip took his earnings to R684 375 for owners Chris Gerber and Peter White.

BSA August Million (3yo c&g) 1400m

Winner Broadway Trip was drawn wide; raced second last; green; ran on strongly to lead 150m; won going away

Runner-up Zen Arcade (Goosen newcomer at 20/1) raced in the back-end of midfield; ran on strongly

Third Silva's Bullet raced 4th; ducked and was bumped 1100m; led 350m; outpaced by first two

Time: Although not a particularly fast run race, this was comparatively the fastest of the five races around the turn. The other races around the turn were two maiden plates, and a 2400m handicap. In a race that is not easy to rate (and could be much higher) because of a lack of previous form for the runners, we gave the third (prev 72) 78, the runner up 81 and the winner (prev 73) 83

83	1	0.00	BROADWAY TRIP	(12)	58.0	R Simons	37/10
3 b c Trippi - Alinga(AUS) (Rock of Gibraltar)							
81	2	2.25	ZEN ARCADE	(8)	60.0	G Wrogemann	20/1
3 b g Ideal World - Variety (Var)							
78	3	3.25	SILVA'S BULLET	(3)	60.0	A Delpech	32/10
3 b c Silvano - Boston Tea Party (Jallad)							
57	4	7.25	Kimberley Star	(5)	56.0	A Marcus	22/10
50	5	8.00	Two Stroke	(7)	54.0	K De Melo	55/1
50	6	8.10	Alex The Great	(1)	54.0	C Murray	14/1
47	7	9.10	Top Classman	(4)	54.0	C Zackey	66/1
47	8	9.15	Green Field	(10)	54.0	L Hewitson	100/1
39	9	11.90	War Demon	(9)	54.0	S Moodley	17/1
41	10	12.65	Oligarch	(6)	56.0	S Randolph	30/1
44	11	12.90	Leslies legacy	(2)	58.0	W Kennedy	21/2
33	12	13.90	What A World	(11)	54.0	JP vd Merwe	66/1
36	13	15.65	Eyeforthegirls	(13)	58.0	S Veale	36/1

Time: 84.52s (60.37s avg/1000m, or 60km/h) SP Total %: 114%

1st T:AG Laird O:Messrs P E White & M C Gerber B:Moutonshoek