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NEWSLETTER

From the desk of the CEO



Dear Members

Welcome to the September edition of RA Today.

As we make our way towards our summer racing season and hopefully a move to a lower Covid-19 Alert Level in South Africa, I hope to see many owners and their guests returning to our racing venues across the country.

This month we had the pleasure of announcing our regional award winners for the 2020/2021 season. Turn to page 2 for more on our winners from the Eastern and Western Cape as well as from the Highveld. We congratulate all of our champions, both human and equine and wish them a successful season ahead.

I take this opportunity to update members on the call for nominations to the RA Board, the process of which was finalised on September 15th. One nominee was received for each representative region, the nominees being Ms Desiree De Andrade (Gauteng), Mr S.T. Dev Naidoo (Eastern Cape) and Mr Ashwin Reynolds (Western Cape). Due to the resignation of Brian Riley and the vacancy created, Ms De Andrade

will be appointed to the Board. Likewise, due to the vacancy already existing for an Eastern Cape representative, Mr Naidoo will be appointed to the Board. Mr Kevin Sommerville has elected not to stand for re-election and this therefore creates a vacancy for a Western Cape representative. Mr Reynolds has accepted his nomination and will be appointed to the RA Board to fill this vacancy. We welcome these new members to our Board and believe they will make a valuable contribution going forward. Members will be informed once directors have been officially appointed. Details of nominees are available on page 8.

This month we have an exciting new benefit for RA members in good standing. The Tote betting platform is one that contributes directly into racing. Increased Tote turnovers result in higher stakes as well as improved racing operations. For this reason, betting via the Tote is an ideal way to advance the interests of owners and other racing stakeholders. We are pleased to have partnered with Tabonline and Betontab to bring you a promotion exclusive to RA members. More details on the offer are published on page 9.

Our feature season gets underway with the running of the Joburg Spring Challenge (G2) and the Joburg Spring Fillies and Mares Challenge (G2) at Turffontein on October 2nd. We are pleased to have contributed an additional R100 000 to the stakes of both of these graded races. Saturday also sees the running of the Matchem Stakes (G3) and Diana Stakes (G3) both over 1400m at Durbanville. Feature racing extends to the Eastern Cape later in October with the Racing Association Stakes (L) and the

Algoa Cup (L). The RA has bolstered the stakes of these races to R150,000 and R200,000 respectively. We are proud to have supported 55 minor races in the Western Cape with a R10 000 increase to the stake of each race.

In conclusion, I would like to thank all our members for their continued support. We look forward to the challenges ahead and rejuvenation of our industry. If you have not renewed your membership as yet, I encourage members to reach out to myself or to the Board at anytime with concerns or suggestions you may feel appropriate. We welcome open communication in order that we can serve the industry and our owners to the best of our ability.

Welcome to the Summer Feature Season!

Natalie Turner, CEO

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RACING ASSOCIATION REGIONAL AWARDS

The Racing Association was not able to host events on the Highveld, in the Western and Eastern Cape for the 2020/2021 regional awards due to the Covid-19 pandemic and the impact brought on by the level 3 lockdown and its related restrictions. However, we considered it important to honour the equine and human winners who entertained racing enthusiasts throughout the racing season and where possible, winners were awarded trophies at various racemeetings in the three provinces.

HIGHVELD:

Equine winners:

Champion two year old filly:

Winner: Sheela, owned by Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert), trained by MG/AA Azzie and bred by Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert)

Champion two year old colt/gelding:

Winner: Smorgasbord, owned by Messrs LMF Wernars, JF Wernars & Mr H Willson & Mrs T J Wernars, trained by Paul Peter and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein



Natalie Turner presents the trophy for the Regional Champion two year old colt/gelding, Smorgasbord to Laurence Wernars. Trainer Paul Peter is pictured on the right

Champion three year old filly:

Winner: War of Athena, owned by Mr RS Wentzel and Dr RE Waterman-Wentzel, trained by Paul Matchett and bred by Summerhill Stud

Champion 3 year old colt/gelding:

Winner: Malmoos, owned by Late Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum, trained by Mike de Kock and bred by Varsfontein Stud

Champion older horse:

Winner: Gotthegreenlight, owned by Messrs D Chinsammy, H Adams and JA Soma, trained by Joe Soma & bred by Nadeson Park Stud

Champion sprinter:

Winner: Rio Querari owned Mrs RD Edmondson & Bryn Ressel & Dr JA Warner, trained by Justin Snaith bred by Normandy Stud

Champion Middle distance horse:

Winner: Summer Pudding owned by Mauritzfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs JB Jell) trained by Paul Peter and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein

Champion Stayer:

Winner: African Adventure, owned by Messrs JT Peter & JA Soma, trained by Joe Soma and bred by Mr and Mrs JR Slade

Champion Horse of the season:

Winner: War of Athena, owned by Mr RS Wentzel and Dr RE Waterman-Wentzel, trained by Paul Matchett and bred by Summerhill Stud



Proud owners of the Highveld Champion Horse of the Season Rosemary Waterman-Wentzel and Roy Wentzel were presented with the winning trophy at Turffontein Racecourse on 11 September. (Photo left to right): Natalie Turner, Paul Matchett, Sarah Clarke, Rosemary Waterman-Wentzel and Roy Wentzel)

Human Winners:

Champion Work Rider

Joe Gwingwizha

Champion Groom of the Season

Jack Landile

Champion Apprentice

Luke Ferraris

Champion Jockey

S'Manga Khumalo

Champion Trainer

Paul Peter

Champion Breeder

Summerhill Stud

Champion Owner

Chris van Niekerk

WESTERN CAPE:

Equine winners:

Juvenile Male of the Year:

Winner : Ambiorix – Owned by Burns Racing (Nom: David Allan),
trained by Vaughan Marshall, and bred by Oldlands Stud

Juvenile Filly of the Year:

Winner : Kailene – Owned by Messrs RG Hampson & RG Philips, Estate late Mr BA Schwegmann & Mr HF Schwegmann,
trained by Glen Kotzen and bred by Mr PU van Schoor.

3 Year old Male of the Year:

Winner: Jet Dark – Owned by Messrs CT Crowe and N Jonsson,
trained by Justin Snaith and bred by Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

3 Year old Filly of the Year:

Winner: Captain's Ransom - Owned by Mrs S Viljoen,
trained by Justin Snaith and bred by Moutonshoek



Suzette Viljoen holds her trophy for the three year old filly of the year (Western Cape provincial award) Captain's Ransom awarded to her at Durbanville Racecourse on 14 September. Viljoen also walked away with the Champion Stayer winning trophy, Champion Horse of the Season (Eastern Cape provincial award) presented to Atyaab AND owner of the season for the Eastern Cape when she attended the hand-over meeting at Fairview on 10 September.

Older Male of the Year:

Winner: Rainbow Bridge – Owned by Mr and Mrs M L P Rattray,
trained by Eric Sands and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein

Older Female of the Year:

Winner: Run Fox Run – Owned by Ridgemont (Nominee: Mr Wayne Kieswetter),
trained by Brett Crawford and bred by Mill Park, Quality TB Joint Venture SA

Champion Sprinter of the Year:

Winner: Rio Querari – Owned by Messrs RD Edmondson & Bryn Ressel & Dr JA Warner,
trained by Justin Snaith and bred at Normandy Stud

Champion Miler of the Year:

Winner: Rainbow Bridge – Owned by Mr and Mrs M L P Rattray,
trained by Eric Sands and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein

Champion Middle Distance Horse of the Year:

Winner: Linebacker – Owned by Mesdames C Gabler & Jane Truter & Mr K P Truter, trained by Vaughan Marshall, and bred by Klawervlei Stud

Champion Stayer of the Year:

Winner: Silver Host – Owned by Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert), Nancy Hossack & Mr N Jonsson, trained by Justin Snaith and bred at Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert)

Horse of the Year:

Winner: Rainbow Bridge – Owned by Mr and Mrs M L P Rattray, trained by Eric Sands and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein

Human Winners:

- WP Grooms’ School Workrider of the Year** – Ms E Watkinson
- Cape Apprentice of the Year** – Josh Solomons
- Cape Jockey of the Year** – Grant van Niekerk



Western Cape Jockey of the Year Grant van Niekerk

- Cape Trainer of the Year** – Justin Snaith
- Acknowledgement of Achievement Award** – Connections of Kommetdieding
Trainer: Harold Crawford/Michelle Rix and Owner Ashwin Reynolds
- Owner of the Year** – Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert)

EASTERN CAPE:

Equine winners:

Champion two year old filly:

Winner: Sound Check – Owned by Messrs G and M du Toit
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Ascot Stud

Champion two year old colt/gelding:

Winner: Whatever Next – Owned by Mr Anthony Williams & Mr and Mrs Greeff,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Mr A N Foster

Champion three year old filly:

Winner: Santa Therese – Owned by Messrs CG and LF Scribante and Mr and Mrs Steven Jell,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Wilgerbosdrift and Mauritzfontein

Champion 3 year old colt/gelding:

Winner: Global Drummer – Owned by Mr VC Veeramootoo
trained by Gavin Smith and bred by Ascot Stud

Champion older filly/mare:

Winner: Carioca – Owned by Messrs GD Tooch, GL Blank, LH Paletz, Joel Wilensky and D Yutar,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

Champion older Colt/Gelding

Winner: Marmara Sea – Owned by Mrs M Slack & Mr MB Javett,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Wilgerbosdrift

Champion sprinter:

Winner: Carioca – Owned by Messrs GD Tooch, GL Blank, LH Paletz, Joel Wilensky, and D Yutar,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

Champion Stayer:

Winner: Atyaab, owned by Mrs S Viljoen,
trained by Zietsman Oosthuizen and bred by Arrowfield Pastoral Pty Ltd & Planette Thoroughbred

Champion Poly Track Colt/Gelding:

Winner: Marmara Sea – Owned by Mrs M Slack & Mr MB Javett,
trained by Alan Greeff and bred by Wilgerbosdrift

Champion Poly Track Filly/Mare –

Winner: Beneficiary, owned by Money Talks Syndicate (Nom: Mr JVA Strydom), Mrs MO Strydom & Mr JVA Strydom,
trained by Jacques Strydom and bred by Mr TD Andrews

Champion Horse of the season:

Winner: Atyaab, owned by Mrs S Viljoen, trained by Zietsman Oosthuizen and
bred by Arrowfield Pastoral Pty Ltd & Planette Thoroughbred

Human Winners:

Champion Work Rider

- Gilbert Shuping & Nkosikhona Mphotye

Champion Groom of the Season

- Robert Boti Fiks



RA staff member, Marilyn Smith awards the trophy for the Champion Groom of the Season (Eastern Cape) to Robert Boti Fiks

Champion Apprentice

- Yuzah Ramzan

Champion Jockey

- Greg Cheyne

Champion Local Jockey

- Charles Ndlovu



The Eastern Cape Champion Local Jockey Charles Ndlovu, receives his provincial award at the racemeeting at Fairview on 10 September.

Champion Trainer

- Alan Greeff

Champion Owner

- Suzette Viljoen

The Racing Association wishes to thank the photographers JC Photos, Chase Liebenberg and Pauline Herman for providing photographs for the newsletter.

NOMINEES TO THE RA BOARD

DESIREE DE ANDRADE



- Qualifications – BA LLB LLM (Masters in Media Law) Studies were at University of Port Elizabeth and Masters Degree at Wits University. I also studied journalism at Rhodes University as part of my BA
- Admitted Attorney of the High Court of RSA, practising in commercial law as Mogul Consulting since 2007. This practice deals primarily with mergers & acquisitions and provides legal advice to bouquet of SMEs and large companies in South Africa and internationally. We have a full company secretarial service in South Africa and work with various well-known CEOs and directors of companies in the technology, manufacturing, sports, property, mining and others.
- Shareholder and Director of Mogul Equine (Pty) Ltd, which supplies equine equipment including compression hoods and related items for the benefit of horses.
- Shareholder and Director of USA Delaware tech company which focuses on payment processing
- Racehorse owner holding shares in various horses. In total our family owns 14 horses.
- Passion – my family and my equine family.

Goals in relation to RA – to bring balance



ASHWIN REYNOLDS

A little about me personally, I was born in CPT on 20th November 1973 and attended Grassy Park High School in Grassy Park. I am married and have been blessed with 2 sons. I have always been in the construction industry with a 2 year working stint in the UK in 2003/2004. I founded Shine The Way 1065 in 2006 which is now a 6GB construction company working predominantly for the Department of Transport and Public Works in the Western Cape.

I have always had a passion for horseracing from an early age and was fortunate enough to purchase my first horse in 2015. I currently have horses in CPT with Harold/Michelle Crawford, Peter Wrench, Adam Marcus and Glenn Kotzen; in Gauteng with Ashley Fortune; and in KwaZulu Natal with MJ Odendaal and Nathan Kotzen.



DEV NAIDOO

Dev was born and bred in East London and he is passionate about numerous interests that he is involved in. He is very much a family man and he and his wife Michele have three children and a grandchild. He has horses in the Kotzen stable in Eastern Cape. He also is very much involved in religion and although he is a Hindu, he has been very much involved in numerous Catholic development projects and has in fact had the honour of being blessed by Mother Theresa.

Dev has been involved in the construction industry since leaving school having been involved in projects ranging from R1 million to R75 million. He is at this stage working towards semi-retirement. Dev has held numerous senior positions within various Building organisations and the advantage of this is that he has been able to focus on transformation and development of less fortunate people which gives him great pleasure.



As a valued RA member, TAB would like to extend a betting promotion to you:



- Should you take 10 Tote pool bets through www.tabonline.co.za or www.betontab.co.za, within 30 days of accepting this offer. Your account will be credited with 10% of the total stake value on the 1st 10 Tote pool bets taken post offer acceptance, WIN or LOSE.
- To accept this offer, please send an email from yourself to promotions@phumelela.com, with your TAB account number in the subject line, then in the body of the email “**RA0921 accepted**”.
- Should you not have an account with TAB, please open an account [here](#) or send an email to ccustomer@phumelela.com and a Customer Care Agent will contact you.
- This offer is only valid for the addressee and all other T&C’s can be found [here](#).
- This offer expires 31 October 2021.



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We would also appreciate any feedback or suggestions on your customer experience and what you would like to see changed from an online betting experience. Please provide feedback to promotions@phumelela.com

Feature Races - October 2021

DATE	W Cape	Gauteng	E Cape	KZN
Oct, 2	Matchem Stakes G3 Diana Stakes G3	Joburg Spring Challenge G2 Joburg Spring Fillies & Mares Challenge G2		
Oct, 10				Beach Beauty Mile NB
Oct, 17				Michaelmas Handicap LR
Oct, 23	Western Cape Fillies Championship G2 Cape Classic G3			
Oct, 29			Racing Association Stakes LR Wedgewood Handicap NB Cradock Place Stakes NB Algoa Cup (L)	
Oct, 30	Ready to Run Stakes (presented by Cape Thoroughbred Sales) NB	Charity Mile G2 Graham Beck Stakes G3 HSH Princess Charlene Starling Stakes G3 Yellowwood Handicap G3 Golden Loom Handicap LR Java Handicap LR		
Oct, 31				Model Man Mile LR

RA OWNER OF THE MONTH



SEPTEMBER 2021

IAN LEVITAN

We welcome Ian Levitan to our auspicious group of Owners of the Month (September) following his victory with the Paul Peter trained Big Burn (Elusive Fort x Ignition Lady by Argonaut) at Turffontein on Saturday 4 September in the Lady's Stakes. Big Burn is owned in partnership with the ASSM Racing Syndicate comprising RA members Arun Chadha and Vaughn Rippon. She has earned stakes totalling R388 000 by producing 3 wins and a 2nd place from 4 starts.

Ian, who hails from Gauteng, joined the RA in 2010. He currently has 8 horses in training as well as 7 brood mares at Narrow Creek farm. His most successful charge at present is Catch 22 who has earned the 2nd

place in two group 1 races. Catch 22, who is a full brother to Big Burn, is currently in Mauritius en route to England and the plan is to race him in Dubai.

On a personal note, Levitan is involved in the steel industry. While he thanked the RA for their positive influence and efforts within horseracing, he expressed concern at the current plight of the industry in general but is looking forward to us turning the corner and heading for pre-Covid times. He has sound relationships with most of the successful trainers and has been involved in horseracing in all of South Africa's major racing provinces, Eastern and Western Cape and KZN but he remains committed to racing in Gauteng.

Feature Race Winners



4 September 2021 (Highveld – Turffontein)

The Lady's Stakes (NB)

Big Burn

Jockey: Warren Kennedy

Trainer: Paul Peter

Owner: ASSM Racing Syndicate
(Nom: Mr A Chadha) and Mr I Levitan

Spring Spree Stakes (L)

Vaseem

Jockey: Muzi Yeni

Trainer: Roy Magner

Owner: Mr AJ van Bassen &
Ms T van Bassen

24 September 2021 (Eastern Cape- Fairview)

Walmer Handicap (NB)

Bold Diva

Jockey: Warren Kennedy

Trainer: Gavin Smith

Owner: Messrs TF Zeeman,
PT Zeeman, FM Carruthers &
GD Smith

25 September 2021 (Western Cape – Durbanville)

Settlers Trophy (L)

One Way Traffic

Jockey: Richard Fourie

Trainer: Justin Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson & Bjorn Nielsen



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RA Bonus Races

Eastern Cape

Fri 17 Sep - Fairview Turf	MP 1000m
	MP 1600m
	MP F&M 1600m
Fri 22 Oct - Fairview Turf	MP F&M 1200m
	MP 1400m
	MP F&M 1600m

Congratulations to Mrs S Viljoen, Mr A van Schaik and Mr EA Braun for winning the Bonus Races in the Eastern Cape on 17 September 2021.



Highveld

Sat 2 Oct - Turffontein Inside	MP 1450m
	MP F&M 1450m
Sat 30 Oct - Turffontein Standside	MP 1160m
	MP 1600m
	MP F&M 1600m
Sat 27 Nov - Turffontein Standside	MP 1600m
	MP F&M 1600m
	MP 2000m
Sat 11 Dec - Vaal	MP 1600m
	MP F&M 1600m
Sat 18 Dec - Turffontein Standside	MP 1160m
	MP F&M 1160m



Western Cape

Sat 23 Oct - Kenilworth	MP 1400m
	MP F&M 1400m
Sat 6 Nov - Kenilworth	WR MP 1200m
Sat 20 Nov - Kenilworth	WR MP 1000m
	MP F&M 1000m



Competition Time

All members in good standing are invited to enter a competition, the prize being a beautiful Carrol Boyes platter courtesy of Innovative Glass Design.

In order to enter, kindly send an email through to natalie@racingassociation.co.za with your name and contact details by midnight on the 25 October 2021.

All eligible entries will be entered into a random draw and the winner will be announced in the October edition of RA Today. T's and C's apply.



Life members

Mr MW Bass
Mr RB Dunn

Mrs VA Foulkes
Mr GW Jooste

Mr B Riley
Mr M Winstanley

Welcome to new RA members:

Howard Schweggman
Ignatius Fourie
Marlene Papenfus
Evered-Hall Lance
Colin Naidoo
Dylan Binda
Renee Anne Gossayn
Jessica Motaung
Peter Pascoe
Vasan Harry
Bryan Spong
Melandie Taljaardt
Marc Greene



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HORSERACING INDUSTRY.

Competition Winner

JENNA CLIFFORD
Design Jewellers

The winner of the exquisite collection of crockery, courtesy of Jenna Clifford is **Darryl Yutar**.

Congratulations on your win!



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