EWSLETTE March 2022

From the desk of the CEO Contents

Dear Members

Welcome to the March edition of ROA Today.

This month has delivered some inspiring feature racing on the Highveld and this coming Saturday, the 2nd of April, sees the culmination of the World Sports Betting SA Triple Crown and the Wilgerbosdrift SA Triple Tiara. While the Triple Crown is no longer in contention all eyes will be on the filly Rain in Holland, who contests the Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks (G2). If successful she will be the fifth winner of the Wilgerbosdrift SA Triple Tiara series winning the R1 Million added bonus. Igugu was the first to achieve this honour in 2011 followed by Cherry On The Top in 2013, Summer Pudding in 2020 and War of Athena last year. Saturday also sees the running of the HF Oppenheimer Horse Chestnut Stakes (G1) over 1600m, the WSB Man O' War Sprint (G3) and the WSB Caradoc Gold Cup (G3) over 2850m. The first race is off at 11:45 and to those who will not make it to the course, please tune into to Racing 240 on DSTV in order to keep up to date with all the Derby Day racing action.

The ROA was proud to announce the increase to the Stake of the Gr1 HSH Princess Charlene Empress Club Stakes to be contested over 1600 metres at Turffontein Racecourse on Saturday 16 April 2022. Turn to page 2 for more

information on this exciting event as well as the opportunity to enter a raffle where all proceeds will be paid over to charities in the area.

I'm also very pleased to report that during the months of February and March, the ROA paid a total of R97 500 to members through the awarding of bonus stakes on selected races on the Highveld. Please turn to page 9 for an updated schedule of bonus races programmed for the remainder of the season in all 3 of our racing jurisdictions.

The National Yearling Sales takes place at the TBA Complex in Germiston on Thursday 28th and Friday the 29th of April 2022. We invite you to visit us at the sale and use the opportunity to engage with myself and other members particularly on the future benefits to owners. You can find the online catalogue at www.bsa.co.za.

The Highveld Feature season culminates on Champions Day, Saturday April 30th and we are pleased to announce that the Highveld Feature Season Awards will return to being a live event this year, where our champions, both equine and human will be celebrated and rewarded for their efforts over the season. The event will take pace on Saturday 21 May 2022 and more details will follow in due course.

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I would like to take this opportunity to welcome two new members to the ROA team from the 1st of April. Caroline Burns takes the role of Finance and Administration Manager and Annick Breton strengthens our team as a dedicated representative and race day co-ordinator in the Western Cape. We wish these ladies well and look forward to working together in the best interests of racina.

In closing I would like to send warm wishes to you and your families over the upcoming holidays. Please stay safe and I look forward to seeing you all back at the races in the near future.



Natalie Turner CEO





The Racehorse Owners Association is thrilled to announce the running of The HSH Princes Charlene Empress Club Stakes (Grade 1) over 1600 metres on Saturday 16 April 2022.

The theme for this year's Royal Race Day is "A Touch of Class with the Sport of Kings" and it will take place at Turffontein Racecourse. With contributions from our regular supporters, we have been able to increase the stake of this premier race to R1,25 million.

Mike Wittstock, the father of HSH Princess Charlene, has from the outset been an enthusiastic supporter of this event and numerous charities, as well as schools from disadvantaged backgrounds in the south and east of Johannesburg, have benefitted as a result of his involvement.

We are pleased to announce that this year the following charities have been identified as worthy recipients of our fundraising efforts;

THE HAMLET FOUNDATION

The Hamlet Foundation is recognised as a Place of Hope. It is a fully registered NPO that was established in 1954. They have developed a school for 270 intellectually disabled children, a residential centre for 60 intellectually disabled adults and a protective workshop for 200 intellectually disabled adult workers. All are totally dependent on the Foundation for food, shelter, clothing and training. Their aim is to develop and empower individuals towards achieving their maximum potential, thus enabling them to lead as normal a life as possible.

www.hamlet.org.za



UNITED CEREBRAL PALSY ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH AFRICA

This Association implores the more fortunate South Africans to "please give with a loving heart".

About 40 severely mentally and physically handicapped children and young adults are cared for at the Harry Kessler Centre in Townsview, most of whom have been abandoned by their families due to challenging circumstances. Their primary goals include providing quality nursing care and stimulation in the form of creative occupational therapy, Aqua Hydro Therapy, Speech therapy, Physiotherapy and Stimulating visits and outings to events and places of interest. Cerebral Palsy occurs before, during or after birth when the brain is damaged through lack of oxygen. The severity of the disability means that the residents require constant care, intense therapy and stimulation to enable them to reach their maximum potential and lead happy and fulfilled lives.

www.ucpa.za.org



United Cerebral Palsy Association of South Africa

EARTH CENTRE NPC

The Earth Centre NPC is a long-established organisation specialising in the field of Equine Facilitated Therapies. Their extensive experience and working alongside their horses in supporting the disabled, the vulnerable and the disadvantaged in our community places them in a position to uplift, empower and educate those most at risk. They partner with 11 special needs schools in Gauteng, building long-lasting relationships with each of them to provide essential therapeutic services to their students. They reach out further into the most vulnerable communities through quarterly programmes in Soweto, Zandspruit, Cosmo City and by partnering with various other organisations, providing physical and social relief and building capacity in these communities. Their Therapy Riding Programmes cater for people with disabilities such as Cerebral Palsy, Down Syndrome, Autism, ADD / ADHD and the Deaf. They work with passion, dedication and creativity to deliver sustainable change.



www.earthcentre.org.za

It is our privilege to be linked to the selection of the organisations mentioned here as well as to be donating to these worthy causes.

Unfortunately, due to Covid-19 restrictions, the day will be impacted in terms of on course attendance and international travel by South African Sport of Kings Group based in Monaco. This group of business men have been extremely generous in fund raising and they have enjoyed several visits to South Africa in the past.

Another promotion linked to the involvement of HSH Princess Charlene, has been to encourage a dress code on the day with ladies elegantly dressed with hats or fascinators and gentlemen smartly attired. This has been in keeping with the race being held on the royal day and exciting prizes will be on offer to patrons who make the added effort and dress appropriately. The day also sees the running of the Spook Express Stakes (Listed) over 2400m. We are looking forward to an excellent day's racing with South Africa's champion fillies and mares as well as entertainment and hospitality. Details of planned promotions on the day will be advertised in due course.

Mr Wittstock has kindly donated a magnum of the limited edition Chalbert Wine. This bottle will be raffled off on race day and all proceeds from the raffle will be distributed to charities identified above. If you would like to buy a raffle ticket kindly email penny@racingassociation.co.za or call the ROA Offices on 011 683 3220.



UPDATED COVID REGULATIONS

To all Stakeholders

In order for racecourses to strive for 50% capacity on course we will be required to continue to:

Only grant access to fully vaccinated spectators on course

or

Spectators will be required to provide a negative covid test (that is less than 72 hours old)

Other covid protocols in place include:

The wearing of masks when inside, and not seated at a hospitality venue No masks required outside To adhere to social distancing of 1 metre

Maintaining this approach will allow us to significantly increase attendance on course and assist in the long-term sustainability of the sport.

Once again, we would like to thank all stakeholders for their support and patience during these unprecedented times.

With these latest amendments to the covid regulations, we are moving ever closer to normality, and we look forward to hosting full events again soon.

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ROA OWNER OF THE MONTH

MARCH 2022 JOE SOMA

Joe Soma's stable has had a good month by winning the World Sports Betting Grade 1 Classic (R1,5 million) over 1800m at Turffontein with Red Saxon (owned in partnership with Ms S Bhana) on 5 March. This was followed up with winners on 17 March – Bellevarde, 19 March Ice Man Cometh and 22 March Calibre Crest. The Grade 1 Classic victory was the 11th Grade 1 winner in Joe's career and we proudly announce Joe Soma as the ROA's Owner of the Month.

Soma is a third generation racing man, following in the footsteps of his grandpa (Tony Magua) and his father (Gabriel). His father had a huge influence on his career and taught him to wear his trainers' badge with pride. Much of his life has been influenced by the industry and besides being a respected trainer, he owns many of the horses in his stable in partnership with his patrons. He enjoys his punting, with his favourite bet being the Pick 6, and has won his fair share over many years. Joe is always very transparent with his runners, as he believes the cake is big enough for everyone to get a slice. He loves going to the sales – diligently working through the paddocks pre– sale, and off his "bush racing" budget (quote from Paul Lafferty), he clearly has a very good eye for a champion.

The stable enjoys a totally committed team of 18 staff members under the strong leadership of Joe who firmly believed in jockey Julius Mariba and took a decision for him to ride Red Saxon on Classic day. Mariba rode the perfect race and achieved his first Grade 1 career win against a very strong and competitive field. This victory has been life changing for Mariba and his family. The efforts of Red Saxon's groom Elias Mabunda –who was awarded with the Studio 88 Golden Grooms prize– is also worthy of praise.

Joe has three children who opted not to follow in their father's racing footsteps. He currently has 35 horses in his care and a special place in his heart goes to Special Preview and Got The Greenlight who boasted 8 wins (5 of which were Grade 1's), 10 places from 21 starts. Got The Greenlight was recently sold to stud, and will be standing at Camargue Stud in Kwa Zulu Natal. Joe was incredibly emotional and excited by his win with Red Saxon and dedicated the victory to Got The Greenlight – there was not a dry eye in the house.

Feature Race Winners

26 February 2022

(Western Cape – Kenilworth) Cape Racing Cape Of Good Hope Nursery (G3)

We're Jamming Jockey: Aldo Domeyer Trainer: Piet Steyn Owner: Mr ELP Steyn

Kenilworth Fillies Nursery (G3)

Epsom Girl Jockey: Richard Fourie Trainer: Piet Steyn Owner: Mr ELP Steyn

Kenilworth Cup (L)

Salvator Mundi Jockey: Craig Zackey Trainer: Justin Snaith Owner: Mr Greg Bortz & Mrs PA Isdell

Racing 240 Jet Master Stakes (L)

Silver Operator Jockey: Anton Marcus Trainer: Adam Marcus Owner: Messrs RM Sewgoolam & KP Truter

Khaya Stables Diadem Stakes (G2)

Cosmic Highway Jockey: Keagan De Melo Trainer: Dean Kannemeyer Owner: Khaya Stables (Pty) Ltd

Jonsson Workwear Cape Derby (G1)

Pomp And Power Jockey: Richard Fourie Trainer: Justin Snaith Owner: Messrs Greg Bortz & EA Braun & Greenacres Trust (Nom: Mr NM Shirtliff)

Prix Du Cap (G3)

Princess Calla Jockey: Anton Marcus Trainer: Adam Marcus Owner: Mr MJA Ferreira

27 February 2022 (Highveld – Turffontein) Ruffian Stakes (L)

River Queraress Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: ASSM Racing Syndicate

(Nom: Mr A Chadha)

Storm Bird Stakes (L) Karangetang

Jockey: Keagan De Melo Trainer: Johan Janse Van Vuuren Owner: Messrs JF & LMF Wernars, Varun Kewal, W Pirzl & Mr LW & Mrs NJ Evered-Hall

Bauhinia Handicap (L)

Heavens Girl Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: Messrs Marc Peter, John-Paul Peter & DT Peter

4 March 2022 (Eastern Cape – Fairview) Breeder's Guineas (L)

Europeana Jockey: Charles Ndlovu Trainer: Alan Greeff Owner: Mr AN & The Hon Mrs GR Foster

5 March 2022 (Highveld – Turffontein) Wilgerbosdrift Hawaii Stakes (G2)

Al Muthana (AUS) Jockey: S'Manga Khumalo Trainer: Mike de Kock Owner: Estate Late Sheikh Hamdan bin Rashid al Maktoum

Wilgerbosdrift SA Fillies Classic (G1) Rain In Holland

Jockey: Richard Fourie Trainer: Sean Tarry Owner: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert)

WSB SA Classic (G1)

Red Saxon Jockey: Julius Mariba *Trainer: Joe Soma Owner: Miss S Bhana & Mr JA Soma*

WSB Club Prive Acacia Stakes (G3) Pin Up

Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: Hyperpaint Syndicate (Nom: Mr JT Peter)

WSB.co.za Aquanaut Handicap (L)

Shangani

Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: Messrs JF & LMF Wernars & H Willson

12 March 2022

Drum Star Handicap (L)

Zillzaal Jockey: Keagan De Melo Trainer: Sean Tarry Owner: Al Adiyaat South Africa (Pty) Ltd

Derby Trial (L)

Litigation Jockey: Gavin Lerena Trainer: Sean Tarry Owner: Messrs JF & LMF Wernars, H Willson & Miss Pippa Mickleburgh

Ormond Ferraris Oaks Trial (L)

Light Of The Moon Jockey: Muzi Yeni Trainer: B/Y Botes/Vosloo Owner: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs GA Rupert)

Senor Santa Stakes (G2) Smorgasbord

Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: Messrs JF & LMF Wernars, H Willson & Mrs TJ Wernars

18 March 2022 (Eastern Cape – Fairview)

East Cape Fillies Nursery (L)

Chere For Me

Jockey: Kyle Strydom Trainer: Jacques Strydom Owner: Messrs Vishal Mungroo, Nad Moodley, Trishen Moodley, Kevin Naidoo & Shephard Shumba, Messrs JVA Strydom, KP Shooter, Mrs MO Strydom & Money Talks Syndicate

19 March 2022 (Highveld – Turffontein) Jacaranda Handicap (L)

Rouge Allure

Jockey: Denis Schwarz Trainer: Stephen Moffatt Owner: Summerhill Stud Syndicate (Nom: Mr MJB Goss) and Mr AR Rapp

Sycamore Sprint (G3) Big Burn

Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Paul Peter Owner: ASSM Racing Syndicate (Nom: Mr A Chadha)

25 March 2022 (Eastern Cape – Fairview) East Cape Guineas (L)

Jockey: Warren Kennedy Trainer: Gavin Smith Owner: Dennis Armstrong

East Cape Sprint Cup (L)

Global Drummer Jockey: Juan Paul van der Merwe Trainer: Gavin Smith Owner: Vega Veeramootoo

26 March 2022 (Highveld – Turffontein) Protea Stakes (G3)

Karagetang

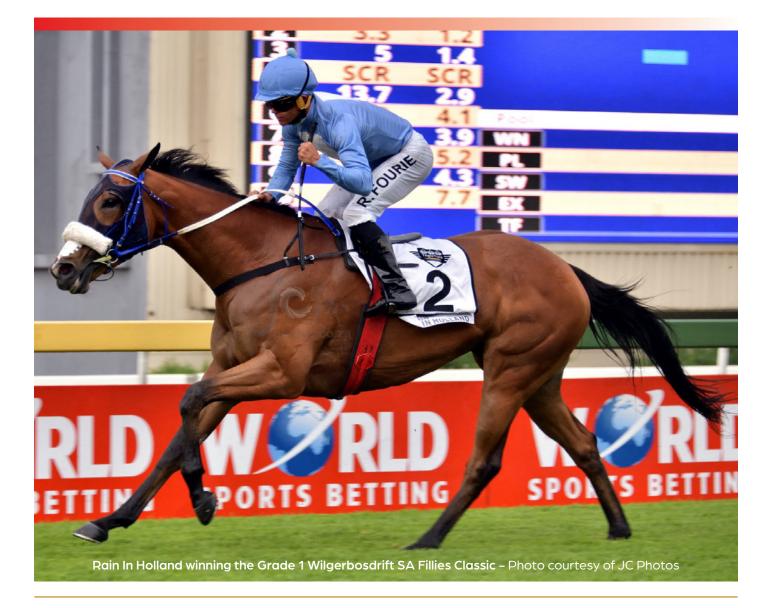
Jockey: Keagan De Melo Trainer: Johan Janse van Vuuren Owner: Messrs JF & LMF Wernars, Varun Kewal, W Pirzl & Mr LW & Mrs NJ Evered-Hall

Pretty Polly Stakes (G3)

Galla Vanting Jockey: Craig Zackey Trainer: Lucky Houdalakis Owner: Messrs GJ Geyer & K Jansen

Colorado King Stakes (G2) Second Base

Jockey: Keagan De Melo Trainer: Johan Janse van Vuuren Owner: Mrs A Devachander & Messrs JF & LMF Wernars



Feature Races – April 2022

DATE	W Cape	Gauteng	E Cape	KZN
Apr, 2		WSB SA Derby G1 Wilgerbosdrift H F Oppenheimer Horse Chestnut Stakes G1 Wilgerbosdrift SA Oaks G2 WSB Caradoc Gold Cup G3 WSB Man O' War Sprint G3		
Apr, 3				Byerley Turk G3 Umzimkhulu Stakes G3 KwaZulu-Natal Stakes LR
Apr, 15			East Cape Oaks LR Glenlair Trophy LR Fairview Flying Five NB	
Apr, 16		HSH Princess Charlene Empress Club Stakes G1 Spook Express Stakes LR		
Apr, 17				The Sledgehammer LR The Scarlet Lady LR Highland Night Cup NB
Apr, 23	Variety Club Mile G3 Sweet Chestnut Stakes LR			
Apr, 29			East Cape Nursery LR	
Apr, 30		Premier's Champions Challenge G1 Computaform Sprint G1 Gerald Rosenberg Stks G2 Camellia Stks G2 Gold Bowl G3 SA Nursery G2 S A Fillies Nursery G2		

ROA Bonus Races

Highveld

Sat 2 April – Turffontein Standside	MP 1400m MP F&M 1400m
Sat 16 Apr - Turffontein Standside	MP 1600m MP F&M 1600m

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Wed 6 Apr – Kenilworth	MP 1600m MP F&M 1400m
Wed 11 May – Kenilworth	MP 1400m MP F&M 1400m

*Additional bonus races for Highveld and Western Cape (May to July) to be announced in due course.

Eastern Cape	
May 6th	1400 FM 1900 open
June 10th	1200 FM 1200 open
June 24th	1000 open 1400 FM
July 22nd	1200 FM 1200 open



RA Bonus Race Winners

Congratulations to:-Messrs JF & LMF Wernars, H Willson, W Pirzl & Mr LW & Mrs NJ Evered-Hall Mr MK Nkale & Hyperpaint Syndicate (Nom: Mr JT Peter) Mr GR Sadleir Mr KP & Mrs NM Backos Messrs G Bortz & AJ Scheckter



All ROA Members in good standing are invited to enter a competition to win two cases of Sir Rufane Donkin 2018 Vintage Brut MCC. This is a limited–edition Méthode Cap Classique.

In order to enter, kindly send an email through to <u>natalle@racingassociation.co.za</u> with your name and contact details by midnight on the 22nd of April 2022. All eligible entries will be entered into a random draw and the winner will be announced in the April edition of ROA Today.



PRESENTS

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Studio 88 Highveld Golden Grooms Initiative

Americo Macucule

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Americo said "My best moments are when Smorgasbord won the MR96 Handicap race in December 2021 and went from strength to strength and won the Senor Santa Stakes (G2). This horse is my greatest treasure and my wish is that he continues to conquer all"





Molahlei Elias Radebe

Also known as "Rasta" is an employee at Paul Peter Racing Stables. He says "I have always loved my job but my greatest achievement is being Big Burn's groom. We have an unbreakable bond and I'm proud of all her achievements. My proudest moment was when she won Sycamore Sprint (G3) this month.

Amos Keteyi

The 38yo Amos, was born in the Eastern Cape and has 1 son. He came to Johannesburg in 2004 to start his career working with horses. Amos started working for Geoff Woodruff in 2005 and worked for Geoff until he relocated to the Cape in 2020. During his time with Geoff, he looked after the multiple Summer Cup winner Master Sabina, the Oaks winner Secret Potion and Song Master amongst others.

Amos joined Candice Dawson and the CK Racing team in 2020. Amos currently has 3 horses in his care, including the recent winner of the Tommy Hotspur, Gallic Princess, who, he says, is his favourite. Gallic Princess looked an absolute picture in the parade ring prior to her win, and Candice and the entire CK Racing team are very proud to have such a caring and professional horseman in the team.



REST IN PEACE MIKE RATTRAY

Mike Rattray was a true gentleman of the turf and he has given honour, by his association, to the sport of horseracing. He was Chairman of the Durban Turf Club and a long-standing member of the Racehorse Owners Association.

Rattray's role in racing has been enormous and industry roleplayers will all have their own fond memories. From

our perspective, we honour his introduction to the South African breeding industry of the famous Western Winter, the stallion who holds the record for his progeny having won more Grade 1 races than any other stallion in SA's racing history and his acquisition of Rainbow Bridge, who was voted Horse of the Year in 2021, after the passing of highly respected Chris Gerber. Rattray clearly had a devotion to animals as he founded the Mala Mala game reserve in 1964. Frankie Detorri who participated in the SA International Jockeys' event had the privilege of visiting Mala Mala. He had travelled to many countries but said his visit to that reserve to witness the beauty of Africa, is a memory that will always remain with him.

On behalf of the Members of the ROA, we extend our sincere condolences to Norma and the Rattray family and friends.







RACING FESTIVAL

WORLD SPORTS BETTING TRIPLE CROWN & WILGERBOSDRIFT TRIPLE TIARA

PREVIEW SHOW

PRESENTER: LYALL COOPER FEATURING: SEAN TARRY, KABELO MATSUNYANE AND SHALANDRA BUNSEELALL

FEATURING PROGRESS UPDATES FROM TRAINERS ACROSS THE HIGHVELD

CATCH THE SHOW ON RACING 240 DSTV CHANNEL 240 THUR FROM 20:20 | REPEATING ON FRI FROM 21:30 & SAT FROM 09:30

Welcome to new ROA members:

Lady C O'Reilly Fundi Sithebi Dean Smith Abigail van der Merwe Joanne Gardner



The winners of the complimentary table for 6 guests at either **the Elevation Room** (Turffontein Racecourse), **The 1881 Lounge** (Kenilworth Racecourse) or **The HB Christian room** (Fairview Racecourse) is...

Mr C Narayanasami

Congratulations on your win!







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