

From the desk of the CEC

Dear Members

Welcome to the first edition of the ROA Today newsletter for 2023. The new year brings with it a new purpose, a time to reflect on things which are important and a refocus on goals and objectives we would like to achieve for our members going forward.

The Annual General Meeting of the Racehorse Owners Association will take place on Wednesday 8th February via video conference. Details of the meeting can be found on page 2. A report by ROA Chairman, Peter Riskowitz, has been included in this edition of ROA Today for ease of reference. In the report, Peter provides an overview of the activities of the Association for the year under review. He covers financial and statutory matters as well as industry developments. For a more in-depth evaluation of the financial and statutory aspects of the Association please refer to the Annual Report 2022. The Annual Report together with the Notice to the AGM was distributed to members during the course of this week. Alternatively, all relevant documentation can be found on www.racingassociation.co.za or by calling (011) 683 3220 for further assistance.

All eyes will be on Hollywoodbets Kenilworth Racecourse this coming Saturday for the running of the World Sports Betting Cape Town Met (G1). This feature raceday always produces top quality racing and I'm certain this year will be no exception. With the building venues already sold out, an anticipated crowd of 10 000 patrons are expected on course to witness this iconic event.

The Pongracz Cape Flying Championship (WFA)(G1) and the Schweppes Majorca Stakes (WFA)(G1) as well as the New Turf Carriers Western Cape Stayers (G2) make up the balance of the Graded Races on the day. Race number 7 is the World Sports Betting Gold Rush over 1600m and this race will be run for a gross stake of R 7,500,000. Saturday's meeting has also been classified as a World Pool event by the Hong Kong Jockey Club and that adds a new tote betting dimension to Cape Town's greatest race. Turn to pages 5-7 for more information and for those members who enjoy having a wager, I suggest you don't miss out on what will be a glorious and hopefully profitable raceday. The event will be broadcast live on Racing240 and streamed on GallopTV. It will also be shown from 16h00 on the Arena Show on SABC, while SuperSport Variety 4 will show it from 16h30 to 17h30.

On Saturday 4th February, feature racing returns to the Highveld for the first leg of the World Sports Betting SA Triple Crown for 3-year-olds, and the Wilgerbosdrift SA Triple Tiara for 3-year-old fillies. The R1,000,000 WSB Gauteng Guineas (G2) and the R750,000 Wilgerbosdrift Gauteng Fillies Guineas (G2) are both run over 1600m at Turffontein. I remind members to please book in advance in order to ensure adequate hospitality and catering services are on offer on the day. Kindly email info@racingassociation.co.za to secure your table or call (011) 683 3220.

In closing, I am delighted to announce that we have, to date, paid out over R240 000 in ROA Bonus Races since the start of January 2023. While this amount is

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significant, with many members enjoying the benefit, we understand that there are owners who have missed out on the opportunity as they were either not aware of our promotion or, as was the case in several instances, not all owners racing in partnership are members of the ROA and the full bonus could not be awarded. I would be appreciative if members would make known to fellow owners the benefits of being an ROA member and encourage owners, who are not yet members to ioin. There are two ROA SUPER BONUS RACES with added bonuses of R40 000 each, carded for Saturday, 4th February 2023, and there is still time to become a member. A full schedule of ROA bonus races on the Highveld and in the Eastern Cape for the month ahead can be found on page 13.

I wish all of the very best to all of the connections participating in the upcoming season and to all our members a healthy and prosperous 2023.



Natalie Turner CEO

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice for the twenty fourth Annual General Meeting of the Racehorse Owners Association NPC taking place on Wednesday 8 February 2023 at 10h00 has been distributed to members together with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 July 2022.

Please note that this year's AGM will be held via video conference and members wishing to participate should kindly register via the link provided with the Notice in order to gain access to the meeting. Should you not be able to attend, proxy forms are available to vote on the various resolutions put to members at the meeting.

All documents are available on www.racingassociation.co.za. Alternatively contact our offices on (011) 683 3220 or caroline@racingassociation.co.za should you require a copy to be sent to you directly or if you have any queries on the registration process.



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

PETER RISKOWITZ

It gives me pleasure as chairman of the Racehorse Owners Association NPC ("the ROA") to present to you my report in respect of the financial year ended 31 July 2022 as well as covering aspects relevant to the ROA and indeed the horseracing industry as a whole for calendar 2022.

ANNUAL REPORT AND FINANCIAL MATTERS

The annual report of the ROA is presented herewith and, among other things, incorporates the annual consolidated and separate financial statements ("AFS") of the ROA and its subsidiary (Randjesfontein Training Centre (Pty) Ltd) for the year ended 31 July 2022.

As was previously alluded to, the ROA board has, with effect from the year under review, moved to reporting in terms of the International Reporting Standard ("IFRS") for Small and Mediumsized Entities as opposed to "full blown" IFRS as was the case in the past. The board assessed and satisfied itself that it was neither required nor considered beneficial to continue reporting in terms of the latter. As a consequence, and without in any way limiting or negatively impacting the information conveyed to

members, the AFS for the 2022 financial year are not as extensive or as cumbersome as in prior years. We trust that this will be well received by members and any other readers of the AFS.

The financial position of the group as at 31 July 2022, and the operating results for the year then ended, are clearly set out in the accompanying AFS. A few aspects are nevertheless worthy of mention, namely:

 As was anticipated and mentioned in my corresponding report for the 2021 financial year, the reduced impact of the COVID-19 pandemic made for a much-improved result yearon-year (ie 2022 as against 2021). Having reported a net loss of R14.82 million in the prior year, a much reduced loss of R3.1 million was recorded for the year under review.



- While the board considered it necessary to continue making contributions to stakes, the requirement and magnitude thereof was substantially reduced as racing operations were able (post the extensive COVID restrictions) to return to some degree of "normality". The ROA nevertheless contributed a very meaningful amount to stakes in the order of R5.1 million. This was however down from R11.8 million in the previous year, the latter having been seen as essential (and providing a "parachute" of sorts) given the near-demise of the industry as a whole at the time.
- Income received by the ROA in the form of nomination and acceptance fees (R10.9 million against R7.9 million a year earlier) on the back of increased racing and stake levels, together with the resumption of membership fees, meant that total revenue increased from circa R8 million to around R12 million. It is noted that the collection of nomination and acceptance fees by the ROA is no longer a viable nor sustainable model, with this being phased out progressively. Alternate sources of income are being pursued.
- Impacting the result for the year was a reduction during the
 period in the value of the ROA's financial investments of
 roughly R2.2 million, this having been brought about by
 struggling global markets as well as the impact of the
 Ukranian war. Fortunately the aforementioned value
 reduction is recorded as an accounting loss and has not
 translated into a realised (cash) loss, with a reversal thereof
 hopefully coming to fruition over time.
- Given that financial assets in the form of accessible unit trusts together with cash and cash equivalents stood at about R39 million at financial year end, the ROA's continued liquidity and operation as a going concern is assured for the foreseeable future.
- A key asset of the ROA's (on balance sheet at circa R195 million) remains its investment in the training facility at Randjesfontein in Midrand. This property and the facility

lends itself to some very exciting prospects and can be put to much greater use. To this end, the board is exploring some possibilities aimed at bringing this to fruition..

STATUTORY MATTERS

A number of changes in the ROA's board of directors took place during the year under review. This information, together with detail of the directors in office as at the date of the approval of the AFS by the board, is clearly set out in the Directors' Report contained in the AFS. Confirmation of directors will of course take place in the normal course at the ROA's upcoming Annual General Meeting ("AGM") on 8th February 2023.

Members will be asked at the AGM to consider certain changes to the ROA's Memorandum of Incorporation ("MOI"). These changes relate predominantly to enhancing the ROA's status as a Public Benefit Organisation ("PBO"), as well as further refining the criteria on which directors are considered for nomination to the board. Details thereof and the accompanying motivations are contained in and communicated to members in the Notice of AGM.

BOARD SUB-COMMITTEES

The board has two formally constituted sub-committees, these being the Social, Ethics and Transformation Committee ("SETCOM") and the Finance, Audit and Risk Committee ("FINCOM") respectively. These committees meet at various times during the year, normally on three occasions in each case. The committees comprise non-executive directors, with the addition of Natalie Turner in her capacity as CEO of the ROA.

The board considers it imperative that the composition of each committee is reviewed from time to time to ensure that it constitutes members possessing appropriate skills and the desire



to carry out the mandate of that particular committee. Changes in the constitution of the board also necessitate changes to these committees from time to time.

A brief report by the chair of the SETCOM, Desiree de Andrade, is included elsewhere in this Annual Report and embodies, inter alia, that committee's key objectives. Without in any way detracting from the content thereof, the board, through the SETCOM regards it essential that the ROA plays an active role in transformation across the industry. Additionally, a high priority for the board and the SETCOM is the promotion and support of worthy initiatives and projects aimed at enhancing the wellbeing of various constituents within the industry. This includes grooms, workriders and horses themselves.

The FINCOM, which "doubles up" as a Remuneration Committee ("Remco"), is currently chaired by myself. Having regard to the change in board members in recent months, the composition of the FINCOM is (at time of writing) being reviewed and will be reconstituted shortly. The mandate of this committee has been expanded somewhat in the last couple of years, with its functions now encompassing oversight of the financial function and the company's financial reporting, risk and compliance — this together with the Remco aspect aforementioned.

INDUSTRY DEVELOPMENTS

The past year or so has, as we all know well, seen significant and far reaching developments throughout the horseracing industry.

Among other things, 4Racing's assumption of the assets and operations of Phumulela in and around December 2021, followed by the entry into the Western Cape Racing arena by Greg Bortz,

his investment company and Hollywoodbets has helped revitalise what was a rapidly flagging industry. The substantial investments, energy and desire that has accompanied, and continues to accompany, these efforts and initiatives is to be applicated.

While many significant events and changes have taken place in the past twelve to eighteen months, there remains much to do and progress to be made throughout all spheres of the industry in order to approach a situation which sustainably resembles the era when horseracing in South Africa was at a high. To this end, I see the following factors as key pre-requisites:

- Firstly, attaining (and then maintaining) stakes levels throughout so as to ensure sustainability for all players in the industry. This is essential in order to ensure that the trend of ever-decreasing numbers in terms of breeders, the horse population, trainers, owners and other participants can be arrested – and then turned around. While the onus rests first and foremost on the operators to provide and/or secure adequate funds for stakes (at attractive levels), the ROA is nevertheless committed (on a discretionary basis) to assist by contributing, from time to time, by way of "top ups". To this end circa R5.1 million was contributed in the 2022 financial year, with a similar amount already committed in the current racing season.
- Secondly, greater engagement and co-operation across the industry and between its stakeholders would surely enhance efficiencies and create a situation where all are "singing from the same hymn sheet" so to speak. Given the near demise of the industry as a whole in the not too distant past, one would have thought and expected that this would be the case, but alas has unfortunately not come to fruition.

Since joining the board of the ROA, and then assuming the chairmanship around the middle of 2021, I have increasingly learnt and realised that we find ourselves in an industry fraught with a multitude of unfortunate circumstances and history which sadly continue to cloud peoples' judgement and opinions, as well as their willingness to engage and find a basis for mutual co-operation. It remains my sincere hope that the various players and entities that constitute the horseracing industry in South Africa will find it in themselves to put aside their differences for the benefit and advancement of the sport in our country.

 Thirdly, certain industry processes and stipulated requirements require urgent attention and change in order to encourage participation in and to attract new owners to the industry. Besides being archaic in many respects, cumbersome paperwork and unreasonable costs are having the opposite effect of discouraging new entrants.

INDUSTRY AWARDS

Pleasingly, the past year saw the resumption of both regional and the national Equus Awards in person as opposed to the "virtual" functions and ceremonies that were unavoidable during the restrictive COVID period. These functions were seemingly very well received, with all those involved in the staging of these events to be complimented for their respective efforts.

The winners have been well publicised, both in the relevant monthly ROA Newsletters as well as in the racing press. Suffice to add that we again congratulate all these worthy winners. Recognition, particularly of course for the human recipients thereof, is and should always be a key element in promoting the level of enthusiasm associated with the sport (or industry) within which they find themselves. Hopefully the accompanying recognition will further enhance their passion for the sport, and that this passion will encourage others.

CONCLUSION

With the continuing evolution of the horseracing landscape in the country, largely on the back of the multitude of changes that have taken place and continue to take place, the ROA progressively reviews its objectives, purpose and indeed positioning in the industry. Fundamentally, the ROA purports to serve the interests of its constituents, namely you the members, including ensuring that owners have a voice (and that it is heard) in all relevant forums. Certain initiatives and possibilities are being explored to see how this can best be achieved within the confines within which we operate. Any firm developments in this regard will of course be timeously and adequately communicate to members.

APPRECIATION

I am fortunate to chair a board which is constituted, without exception, by directors (executive and non-executive) who are passionate about horseracing and have the interests of all who comprise the industry at heart. I thank them for their commitment and support.

On behalf of the board, I extend our gratitude to you, our members, for your continuing involvement in our unique sport and of course for your support of the ROA.

Sincerely



PETER RISKOWITZ



Tab Met Day media release

As was the case last year, the World Sports Betting Cape Town Met race meeting at Hollywoodbets Kenilworth this Saturday is the first Hong Kong Jockey Club (HKJC) World Pool event of the year and that gives TAB customers a rare opportunity to bet into the world's biggest tote pools on South African races.

Last year an astounding R650 million was bet with the HKJC tote on eight of the 12 races at the WSB Met meeting and that total is set to be bettered come Saturday because there will be World Pools on nine races.

All TAB pools on the first three races will be hosted locally and the normal betting rules will apply. Hong Kong World Pools will be in operation from Races 4 to 12 and all Win, Place, Exacta, Swinger and Quinella bets placed with TAB on those races will be commingled into the massive World Pools. There will be no Swinger on Race 4 because there are only six runners, but Exacta (first two correct order) and Quinella (first two any order) bets can be played.

The benefit for TAB customers is that they can bet huge amounts without any concerns that their wagers will significantly reduce payouts. As an example, last year Quinella pools averaged R20.5 million and Swingers R19.4 million.

Hong Kong tote rules will apply in all commingled pools and Hong Kong rules for Place bets are different to the normal TAB Place rules that local horseplayers are accustomed to. Hong Kong Place rules:

- * 4-6 declared runners payouts FIRST, SECOND
- * 7 or more declared runners payouts FIRST, SECOND, THIRD

All other tote pools on Races 4 to 12 will be hosted by TAB including three carryover pools:

- * R1-million TAB Pick 6 carryover; likely pool R10 million
- * R1-million TAB Quartet carryover on the Met; likely pool R5 million
- * R200,000 BiPot Two carryover; likely pool R1,000,000

On the next page is a table setting out locally hosted pools and Hong Kong pools.



MET DAY CARRYOVER BONANZA!

Sat 28 Jan | Hollywoodbets Kenilworth

R1,000,000 PICK 6 CARRYOVER LIKELY POOL:

R10 MILLION!





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RACE	SA HOSTED POOLS			HKJC HOSTED POOLS
RACE	EXOTICS	DOUBLE/PICK 3	RACE BETS	RACE BETS
RACE 1	JACKPOT 1	DB P3	W PL SW EX TR QT	
RACE 2	BIPOT 1	DB P3	W PL SW EX TR QT	
RACE 3	PA	DB P3	W PL SW EX TR QT	
RACE 4	PICK 6	DB P3	TRQT	W PL EX QU
RACE 5	JACKPOT 2	DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 6		DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 7	BIPOT 2	DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 8		DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 9	JACKPOT 3	DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 10		DB P3	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 11		DB	TRQT	W PL SW EX QU
RACE 12			TRQT	W PL SW EX QU

Below is a full breakdown of betting with TAB on the meeting:

ALL RACES: Win, Place, Swinger, Exacta, Quinella (FIRST, SECOND any order -available ONLY Races 4-12), Trifecta, Quartet, Rolling Double (Races 1-2; 2-3; 3-4 etc), Pick 3 (Races 1-3; 2-4; 3-5 etc) AND BiPot One (RACES 2-7), BiPot Two (RACES 7-12), Place Accumulator (RACES 3-9), Pick 6 (RACES 4-9), Jackpot One (RACES 1-4), Jackpot Two (RACES 5-8), Jackpot Three (RACES 9-12).

NOTE: All bets R1 unit; minimum bet R6 except SWINGER, QUINELLA minimum bet R2. EACHWAY bet of R3 Win and R3 Place, as well as 3-horse EXACTA or TRIFECTA Box or 4-horse SWINGER Box for R6 total cost can be taken. TAB Rules PICK 6: If first-timer wins, first horse to finish of those to have run before also qualifies. TAB PLACE rules: Less than 6 runners no Place betting; 6-7 runners payouts FIRST, SECOND; 8-15 runners FIRST, SECOND, THIRD; 16 or more runners FIRST, SECOND, THIRD, FOURTH. Fractional betting: Trifecta, Quartet, BiPot, PA, Pick 6, Jackpot. ALL TO COME (WIN or PLACE) any 2 or more races.

PLEASE NOTE RACES 4 to 12: Win, Place, Swinger (7 or more runners), Exacta, Quinella commingled with Hong Kong Jockey Club. HKJC rules will apply.





- TAB Win, Place, Exacta, Swinger & Quinella (first 2, any order) bets on Races 4 to 12 will go into Hong Kong's mega World Pools.
- World Pools often total over R100 million on a single race - so have a full go and don't worry about your bet reducing the payout!
- Local TAB pools include likely R10-million Pick 6 and R5-million Quartet on the big race.

TAB betting opens Sun 22 Jan www.tab4racing.com

Feature Race Winners



17 December 2022 Western Cape – Kenilworth

Hollywoodbets Cape Guineas (Gr 1)

Charles Dickens

Trainer: Candice Bass-Robinson

Owner: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)
Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

Peninsula Handicap (Gr 2)

Nexus

Trainer: Justin Snaith
Owner: Nancy Hossack

Breeder: Rathemor Stud (Nom: Mr M A McHardy)

Victress Stakes (Gr 3)

Marina

Trainer: Candice Bass-Robinson

Owner: Mauritzfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs J B Jell),

Messrs M W Bass, F Green & Bryn Ressell & Greenacres Trust

(Nom: Mr N M Shirtliff)

 $\textit{Breeder:} \ \textbf{Wilgerbosdrift \& Mauritzfontein}$

Summer Coronation Plate (NB)

Rascova

Trainer: Glen Kotzen

Owner: Itssa It & Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd.

Breeder: Cheveley Stud

Commonwealth Plate (NB)

Speeding Bullet

Trainer: Justin Snaith

Owner: Mr Greg Bortz & Ms Gina Goldsmith

Breeder: Mr S M Jerrier

24 December 2022 Highveld – Turffontein

Lebelo Sprint (Gr 3)

Taikonaut

Trainer: Roy Magner
Owner: Mr R W S Chung
Breeder: Cheveley Stud

Secretariat Stakes (L)

Jimmy Don

Trainer: Erico Verdonese

Owner: Messrs A D & D R Dowling
Breeder: Mr W J Engelbrecht (Jnr)

30 December 2022 Eastern Cape – Fairview

Fairview 1900 (NB)

Grazinginthegrass

Trainer: Allan Greef

Owner: ASSM Racing Syndicate (Nom: Mr A Chadha) &

Mr M F de Kock & Mrs N P Malherbe

Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

2023

1 January 2023

Kwa-Zulu Natal - Greyville

Flamboyant Stakes (G3)

Canadian Summer

Trainer: Darryl Moore

Owner: Mr Preggie Somasundram

Breeder: Oldlands Stud

Christmas Stakes (L)

Bella Siccome

Trainer: Paul Lafferty

Owner: Messrs C J Williamson, C M Hill, J Small,

NR Tovey & Mrs MA Tovey

Breeder: Maine Chance Farms (Pty) Ltd

2 January 2023 Highveld – Turffontein

London News Stakes (Gr 3)

Puerto Manzano (ARG)

Trainer: J A Janse van Vuuren

Owner: Messrs J F & L M F Wernars & Mrs T J Wernars

Breeder: Haras Carampangue

Tony Ruffel Stakes (G 3)

Royal Victory

Trainer: Nathan Kotzen

Owner: Messrs P J Victor, B J Wiese & Natasha Sturdy

Breeder: Dr M Thomson, Ambiance Stud

Three Troikas Stakes (G 3)

Miss Cool

Trainer: Candice Dawson

Owner: Itssa It & Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd

Breeder: Mike Jolly Breeding

7 January 2023 Western Cape – Kenilworth

L'Ormarins King's Plate (Gr 1)

Al Muthana (AUS)

Trainer: Ricky Maingard

Owner: Messrs D K Bundhoo, P G Joubert, K Kathapermal,

M H Maingard & T R McCrow & Mrs M M M Bundhoo

Breeder: Shadwell Stud Australasia Ltd, NSW

Cartier Paddock Stakes (Gr 1)

Make It Snappy

Trainer: Brett Crawford

Owner: Hollywood Syndicate (Nom: Mr A Delpech)

Breeder: Ridgemont Highlands

Anthonyj Rupert Wyne Premier Trophy (Gr 2)

Rascallion

Trainer: Vaughan Marshall

Owner: Greenacres Trust (Nom: Mr N M Shirtliff) & Mr Bryn

Ressell

Breeder: Dr V Kritzinger

Cartier Sceptre Stakes (Gr 2)

Princess Calla

Trainer: Sean Tarry

Owner: Mr M J A Ferreira

Breeder: Maine Chance Farms (Pty) Ltd

Merchants On Long Chairmans Cup (Gr 3)

Chrome Yellow

Trainer: Andre Nel
Owner: Mrs S Plattner

Breeder: La Plaisance Stud

The Franschhoek Motor Museum Winchester Sprint Cup (NB)

Mr Cobbs

Trainer: Candice Bass-Robinson

Owner: Mr T Govender & Greenacres Trust

(Nom: Mr N M Shirtliff)

Breeder: Klawervlei Stud

Trippi Stakes (NB)

Golden Tatiana

Trainer: Glen Kotzen

Owner: Mrs D Jithoo, Messrs R P Macnab & S Poriazis, Mr F L & Mrs P Oostendorp & 3 A Racing Syndicate

(Nom: Mr W A W Bowman)

Breeder: Mr P G de Beyer

8 January 2023 Kwa-Zulu Natal – Scottsville

African Holly Handicap (NB)

Aunty Lizzy

Trainer: Kumaran Naidoo Owner: Miss Trinisha Pillay,

Messrs Kenny Govender & S Govender

Breeder: Mr Bruce Le Roux

9 January 2023 Eastern Cape – Fairview

Aloe Handicap (NB)

Pinnacle

Trainer: Gavin Smith

Owner: Messrs Nivash Rajpal, Kugen Pillay, Mugesh Pillay, Calvin Naidoo, Raymond Davies & Andre van Schaik

Breeder: Ridgemont Highlands

13 January 2023 Eastern Cape – Fairview

Lady's Bracelet (L)

And We Danced

Trainer: Sharon B Kotzen

Owner: Mr Andy Williams & Mr D & Dr S M Hepburn-Brown
Breeder: World Wide Bloodstock (Nom: Mr Andy Williams

14 January 2023 Western Cape – Kenilworth

Jamaica Handicap (L)

Evening Primrose

Trainer: Gareth van Zyl Owner: Miss Y Singh

Breeder: Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

15 January 2023

Kwa-Zulu Natal - Scottsville

Michael Roberts Stakes (L)

Cape Eagle

Trainer: Andre Nel
Owner: Mrs S Plattner
Breeder: La Plaisance Stud

21 January 2023 Western Cape – Kenilworth

Politician Stakes (Gr 3)

Rockpool

Trainer: Justin Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson & Nancy Hossack

Breeder: Applewood Trading (Pty) Ltd T/A Ndoro Stud

22 January 2023 Highveld – Turffontein

Sea Cottage Stakes (Gr 3)

Billy Bowlegs

Trainer: Alec Laird

Owner: Mrs Laura de Haast, Messrs S Govender,

K Nagendran & International Racing Club

(Nom: J da Mata)

Breeder: Wicklow Stud



ROA OWNER OF THE MONTH

January 2023

Eugene Arundel

With the new year already showcasing some amazing feature racing on the Highveld and in the Western Cape a set of racing colours that we are getting used to seeing in the winners' enclosure all around the country is the dark blue, white spot and striped cap of Itssa It & Business Solutions (Ptv) I td

We have therefore chosen to kick off the new year by congratulating ROA member Eugene Arundel, nominee for Itssa It & Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd, as our ROA owner of the month for January 2023.

When chatting to Sandy Arundel, we learnt that they own 35 horses and 5 in partnership. These equine athletes are spread quite evenly around the country and race in three racing jurisdictions, Johannesburg, Durban and Cape Town. They have horses with Sean Tarry, Candice Dawson and Glen Kotzen who saddled Rascova to win the Summer Coronation Plate (NB) in December 2022. Two other trainers who enjoy their patronage are Eric Sands and Wendy Whitehead. Wendy earned them an amazing double with Grande Lupo and Ravens Sword earlier this month. They enjoy great relationships with all of their trainers and made special mention of Wendy Whitehead and the Woodhill Racing team who communicate exceptionally well, which has of course made for a really fun experience in their respective yards.

Their first fully owned horse ran in December 2021 and their first winner, Sundance Kid, a 3yo gelding won in February 2022. This first win is ultimately still one of their most memorable victories to date. Another special moment would be their most recent feature race win, the Grade 3 Three Troikas Stakes with Candice Dawson and Miss Cool, who is a promising 3yo filly.

The Arundel's have various business interests including sales and rentals of large commercial generators and IT mobility equipment. When it comes to family interests, travelling and quality time with family is of utmost importance to Eugene and Sandy and of course, horseracing.



With the extensive travelling consuming a lot of their time the Arundel's do not spend as much time as they would like racing up on the Highveld, however, they look forward to racing here one day and we look forward to hosting them. It has been extremely refreshing to watch their horses progress and perform so well over the last few months and we cannot wait to see what is next for this family in horseracing. Congratulations and all the best for the year ahead.

Feature Races -

February 2023

DATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	WESTERN CAPE	HIGHVELD	EASTERN CAPE
Feb, 4			WSB Gauteng Guineas G2 Wilgerbosdrift Gauteng Fillies Guineas G2 Tommy Hotspur Stks G3	
Feb, 5	umThombothi Stakes NB			
Feb, 18			Egoli Mile NB	
Feb, 19	Fever Tree Stakes NB			
Feb, 24				lbhayi Stakes LR Lady's Pendant LR
Feb, 25		Cape Derby G1 Khaya Stables Diadem Stakes G2 Cape of Good Hope Nursery G3 Prix du Cap G3 Cape Oaks LR Jet Master Stakes LR BSA Yearling Cup NB BSA Yearling Cup (Fillies) NB		
Feb, 26			Acacia Stakes G3 Storm Bird Stakes LR Ruffian Stakes LR Bauhinia Handicap NB	

ROA Bonus Race Winners

















ROA Bonus Race Schedule February

HIGHVELD

- **2 February** Vaal (Classic Track) Maiden Plate 1450m
- 4 February Turffontein (Standside) Super Bonus Races Maiden Plate 1160m. Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m
- 9 February Vaal (Classic Track) Maiden Plate 1000m, Maide
- 12 February Turffontein (Inside Track) Maiden Plate (F&M)
 1200m, Maiden Plate 2000m, Maiden Plate (F&M)
 2000m, Maiden Plate 1200m
- 16 February Turffontein (Standside) Maiden Plate 1600m Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m, WR Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m
- **18 February** Turffontein (Inside Track) Vaal Classic Track Maiden Plate 1500m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1500m
 Maiden Plate 1800m
- 21 February Maiden Plate 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1200m

- 23 February Turffontein (Inside Track) Maiden Plate 1000m,
 Maiden Plate 1600m, WR Maiden Plate (F&M) 1800m
- **26 February** Turffontein (Standside) Maiden Plate 1160m,
 Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m Maiden Plate 2400m

EASTERN CAPE

- 3 February Fairview (Turf) Maiden Plate 1200m, Maider
- **10 February** Fairview (Turf) Maiden Plate 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m
- 17 February Fairview (Turf) Maiden Handicap (F&M) 1400m, Maiden Plate 2400m
- **24 February** Fairview (Turf) Maiden Handicap 1000m, Maiden Handicap 1400m
- 28 February Fairview (Poly) Maiden Plate 1200m, Maiden



Studio 88 Highveld Golden Grooms Initiative

Lawrence Nkiwane

The ROA is thrilled to feature the man who takes care of a horse that has been an absolute pleasure to follow on the highveld over the last few months. Puerto Manzano (ARG).

Lawrence has groomed Puerto Manzano since he arrived at the yard as a baby. He says that his horse is well behaved, and he is very proud of this gelding. Lawrence knew that Puerto Manzano would win the Summer Cup and more graded races as this horse never disappoints. He expressed his gratitude for being able to be this horse's groom and can't wait to see his future runs!

Puerto Manzano (ARG) – Summer Cup Gr1 2022 & London News Gr3 2023 winner





Zolani Velem

Zolani started in the industry after he matriculated in 2017 by working for Dorie Sham before she closed operations and then went on to work for Lucky Houdalakis and became the work rider of Mr Flood. He joined Roy Magner Racing in 2021 and has been taking care of very decent horses. Zolani recons his best horse to groom thus far in his career is Taikonaut. He loves how sweet and relaxed this horse is in the stable but when he arrives on track, he turns into a bit of a beast and becomes competitive.

The Roy Magner yard appreciates that he is a very good groom and an excellent work rider with soft hands.

Taikonaut - Winner Lebelo Stakes Gr3 2022



Eastern Cape Epol Grooms Initiative

Thembelani Mkhuthukana (Jacky)

"Jacky", as most know him, has been working for the Sharon Kotzen yard for the last 3 years, and has started work riding in 2017. He loves taking care of "And We Danced" and believes the filly will go on to win many more.

Thembelani's home was recently broken into, and all of his clothes were stolen. We are truly grateful to Epol as this bonus could not have gone to anyone who needed it more at this time.

And We Danced – Lady's Bracelet (L) winner 2023



Competition Time

All members in good standing are invited to enter a competition to win a case of L'Ormarins Brut Rosé Vintage and 6x Coupe Champagne Glasses. In order to enter, kindly send an email through to natalie@racingassociation.co.za with your name and contact details by midnight on the 20 February 2023. All eligible entries will be entered into a random draw and the winner will be announced in the February edition of ROA Today. T's & C's apply.





Welcome to new ROA members:

Miss K Mitchlev

Mr K W Paddock

Mr T P Zackey

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Mr E C Garrat Mr B J Fegen

Mr P J du Toit

Mr P J Magee

Mr G P Cox

Mr W G Jackson

Mr S Moodley

Mr J J Habib

Welcome to new ROA Social members:

Mr M Tulleken

Mr S Moodley





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Elevation Room (ROA Members) Contact: <u>info@racingassociation.co.za</u>

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