TODAY NEWSLETTER November 2023

From the desk of the CEO

Dear Members

Welcome to the November edition of ROA Today.

This month saw some exhilarating racing both in the Eastern Cape and on the Highveld.

The 103rd running of the Algoa Cup didn't disappoint with a three-day festival as part of the broader 4321 Charity Event that started with the Allied Steelrode Charity Mile from the previous weekend at Turffontein and ending with the Jonsson Workwear Algoa Cup.

The festival took place over the weekend of the 3rd to the 5th of November with the running of the Racehorse Owners Association Stakes (L) on the Friday and a full to capacity Bold Silvano Room at Fairview Racecourse. Saturday featured the final of the 4Racina Grooms Soccer Tournament, as well as a fashion show featuring designers from all over the Eastern Cape. The grandstand came alive while DJ Primo kept all guests entertained for most of the day. Sunday's racing events were the culmination of the Festival and the Jonsson Workwear Algoa Cup (L) run over 2000m was won by the Justin Snaith raider, Future Swing with JP Van der Merwe onboard. I must extend congratulations to all the parties involved in making this event happen. The atmosphere on course was electric and I believe this festival will only go from strength to strength in the future. Turn to page 7 for a photographic review of the three-day event.

The 2023 Betway Summer Cup was run in front of a bustling crowd at "The Big T" on Saturday 25th November and I must acknowledge 4Racing and Betway on putting together a superb event. Special thanks must be made to Betway, not only did they raise the stake of the main race to a fantastic R5 million, but their amazing gesture of giving every Groom taking care of a horse in the final field of the Betway Summer Cup a guaranteed R20 000 incentive was an incredible way of recognising the contribution of the most hard-working and dedicated members of the horseracing industry. To Joburg Tourism Company, Jonsson Workwear, New Turf Carriers and South African Airways a massive thank you for all of your support. The racing was of a very high standard and with 5 Graded Races on the day, patrons were treated to some inspired performances. I congratulate all connections and especially those of Royal Victory, who took the main race piloted by Muzi Yeni. Turn to page 4 for a full recap of the special day. Peter Victor who partowns Royal Victory is also our ROA Owner of the Month, turn to page 13 for this popular feature article.

We now turn our attention to the Western Cape for The Racing Renaissance Cape Summer Season of Champions. This begins with the running of the of illustrious Grade 1 World Sports Betting Fillies Guineas on Saturday 2 December. We wish the very best to all participants and a very successful season to Cape Racing.

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In closing I would like to inform members that the ROA administration offices will be closed from Thursday 14th December to Wednesday 3rd January 2024 and contact details for bookings will be communicated to members in our December edition of ROA Today. I also take this opportunity to inform members that the Annual General Meeting of the Racehorse Owners Association will take place in February next year and we will distribute the necessary correspondence in due course.

I wish you a safe and successful few weeks as we wind down and move towards the end of a busy year.



Natalie Turner **CEO**

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SUMMER CUP

THE PEOPLE'S RACE

Muzi Yeni wins his first ever Betway Summer Cup with Royal Victory, as the 'people's race' lives up to the hype

Sturdy and Peter Victor, with the first KZN-based runner this century to win the Betway Summer Cup, as Royal Victory embraced

the 'Summer Reign' theme of the People's Race to emerge as Turffontein racing royalty.

The Gr2 Jonsson Workwear Dingaans was another cracker of a race and won in brilliant fashion by Purple Pitcher with jockey Kabelo Matsunyane thundering home to nab Gimmeanotherchance on the line for a famous win in the final stride for owner Stinkie Pooe and trainer Robyn Klaasen.

A huge

crowd was in attendance at the home of South African horseracing, as 4Racing and Betway staged an unforgettable day of thrilling thoroughbred racing, with the backdrop of breath-taking Joburg views and thumping entertainment headlined by a fantastic Half Time Show featuring DJ Zinhle and Lady Du.

The race day was pure excitement from start to finish, but it wasn't just the incredible racing that stole the show on a family fun Jozi day, in which the event's theme of 'Summer Reign' burst into vibrant life on a sweltering day on the Highveld.

The glitzy Red Carpet dazzled with Johannesburg's finest socialites and the who's who of the horseracing and sporting industries.

Big race rider Muzi Yeni and Royal Victory stormed home to win the R5 million 2023 Betway Summer Cup, which lived up to its billing as one of South Africa's biggest and best race days at a packed Turffontein Racecourse on Saturday, 25 November 2023.

ROTAL VICTORY

The Highveld's richest horse racing event, the Betway Summer Cup, witnessed a heart-pounding showdown in a thrilling Gr1 main race that had the crowd at the Big T on their feet! It was an imperious 2.25 length victory for trainer Nathan Kotzen and owners Brandon Wiese, Natasha The likes of former national cricket captain Graeme Smith, Kaizer Chiefs Marketing and Commercial Director

Jessica Motaung, former Bafana Bafana internationals Siphiwe Tshabalala, Lucky Legwathi and Hlompho Kekana, as well as sports broadcaster Motshidisi Mohono, were among those who brought glitz and glam to the Red Carpet, along with 4Racing CEO Fundi Sithebe, Purple Group CEO and 4Racing Board Chairperson, Charles Savage, and glamorous Gauteng MEC for Economic Development, Tasneem Motara.

In keeping with the theme of the Betway Summer Cup being the 'People's Race' all the hard-working Grooms who lovingly nurtured the horses in the final field of the Betway Summer Cup were awarded an amazing R20 000 each by Betway, and they all left the course as winners, regardless of where their charges finished.

The renowned DJ Zinhle had everyone dancing with her beats, making the whole racecourse pulsate with energy and when Lady Du hit the stage, the crowd went wild!

The fashion on the day was absolutely incredible, with everyone interpreting the 'Summer Reign' theme in various ways. African Luxury Design House and partner-Excelsior Lusso showed off their amazing new collection – Lekgawa Ia di Kgosigadi on models strutting down the red carpet, turning heads and making jaws drop.

The Betway Summer Cup's destination partner, Joburg Tourism Company, added to the People's Race theme with a fantastic on-course Joburg Summer Fashion Market, showcasing 20 local SMME's who displayed their wares to the crowds at Turffontein.

Other event sponsors were national carrier South African Airways, Jonsson Workwear, New Turf Carriers and Volkswagen's Lindsay Saker Alberton, the motor partner for the 2023 Betway Summer Cup.

"The 2023 Betway Summer Cup was more than just a race - it was a fantastic celebration of the very best of horseracing on the Highveld – and it was a huge success! We would like to thank Betway for their continued support and partnership with 4Racing, which helped us raise the bar to another level this year. From the heart-stopping racing to the star-studded Red Carpet and mind-blowing music performances and hospitality, it was a day which well and truly ushered in a 'Summer Reign' and was thoroughly enjoyed by all punters and racegoers. This is our blueribbon event, and I am extremely proud of its massive success. A huge congratulations to all the winning connections on a day which really showed the tremendous passion for racing on the Highveld," said Fundi Sithebe, 4Racing CEO.

"This year's Betway Summer Cup was yet another success with stakes increasing to a record R5 million, making it one of the richest horse racing events in Africa. We are thrilled to have partnered with 4Racing for another year, and this event was a showcase of the success this partnership can bring. Congratulations to all the winners and most importantly to the participating grooms who walked away with R20 000 each. We look forward to strengthening the partnership with 4Racing even further and taking this fantastic race day to even greater heights next year," said Betway South Africa's Jonathan Blumberg.

The 2023 Betway Summer Cup was a day of sporting excellence, high-end fashion, and unparalleled entertainment. The thrilling winning moments, followed by some fantastic music and entertainment was the day's ultimate showstopper that will linger long in the memory.







BETWAY SUMMER CUP 2023 WINNERS

Race 1: 4RACING WELCOMES YOU TO THE BETWAY SUMMER CUP MAIDEN JUVENILE PLATE Winner: ALMOND SEA





Race 2: BETWAY CONDITIONAL MAIDEN PLATE Winner: VIRGIN RIVER

Race 3: BETWAY SUMMER CUP CONSOLATION Winner: PERFECT WITNESS





Race 4: NEW TURF CARRIERS MERCHANTS (Grade 3) Winner: DYCE

Race 5: BETWAY FILLIES MILE (Grade 3) Winner: GIMME A NOTHER





Race 6: JONSSON WORKWEAR DINGAANS (Grade 2) Winner: PURPLE PITCHER





Race 7: BETWAY SUMMER CUP (Grade 1) Winner: ROYAL VICTORY

Race 8: RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION STAYERS Winner: BREEZE OVER





Race 9: JOBURG TOURISM CARRY ON ALICE STAKES (Grade 3) Winner: MRS BROWNING

Race 10: SOUTH AFRICAN AIRWAYS MR 84 HANDICAP Winner: JET DYNASTY



2023 Algoa festival











Feature Races – December 2023

DATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	WESTERN CAPE	HIGHVELD	EASTERN CAPE
Dec, 2		WSB Cape Fillies Guineas G1 WSB Green Point Stakes G2 Southern Cross Stakes G2 Cape Summer Stayers HcpL		
Dec, 3	River Indigo Handicap NB			
Dec, 8				Founders Trophy NB
Dec, 9			WSB Grand Heritage NB WSB Heritage Consolation NB	
Dec, 10		Cape Merchants G2		
Dec, 16		Hollywoodbets Cape Guineas G1 Ridgemont Highlands Peninsula Hdcp G3 Hollywoodbets Victress Stakes G3 Commonwealth Plate NB The Summer Coronation NB		
Dec, 17			MDK Ipi Tombe Challenge G2	
Dec, 23			Betway Lebelo Sprint G3 Sophomore 1000 NB Sun Chariot Handicap NB	
Dec, 26	Flamboyant Stakes G3 Christmas Stakes LR			
Dec, 29				Fairview 1800 NB
Dec, 30			War Of Athena Handicap L	

Feature Race Winners



3 November 2023 Eastern Cape – Fairview Racehorse Owners Association Stakes (L) Zoomie

Trainer: Brett Crawford Owner: Mr T Gujadhur Breeder: Mr S M Jerrier

4 November 2023 Highveld – Turffontein National Colour Stakes (L)

Golden Sickle Trainer: Mr A P Peter Owner: Mrs S Viljoen Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Betway Victory Moon Stakes (Gr3)

Atticus Finch Trainer: Mr A P Peter Owner: Mrs S Viljoen Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Western Cape – Durbanville

Woolavington Stakes (L)

Mucho Dinero Trainer: Mr S J Snaith Owner: Mr N Jonsson Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

5 November 2023 Eastern Cape – Fairview Betway Wedgewood Handicap (NB)

Flowe Of Saigon Trainer: Mr G S Kotzen Owners: Miss G Burg & Mr M J T Wickens Breeder: Wickensburg Stud

Jonsson Workwear Algoa Cup (L)

Future Swing *Trainer:* Mr S J Snaith *Owners:* Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert), Kalinga Holdings (Pty) Ltd & Mrs P A Isdell *Breeder:* Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

11 November 2023 Western Cape – Durbanville

Laisserfaire Stakes (L) Baltic Secret

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith Owners: Maine Chance Farms (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Dr W A & Mrs N Jacobs) Breeder: Maine Chance Farms (Pty) Ltd

Cape Mile (Gr3)

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Trainer: Mr P A W Botha Owners: Mr & Mrs T D Andrews, Greg & Des Delponte & Mr M P Williams Breeder: Mr T D Andrews

Western Cape Fillies Championship (Gr2)

Rascova Trainer: Mr G S Kotzen Owners: Itssa It & Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd Breeder: Cheveley Stud

12 November 2023 Highveld – Turffontein

Summer Pudding Handicap (L)

Silver Sanctuary Trainer: Mr M F de Kock Owners: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert) Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

17 November 2023 Eastern Cape – Fairview

November Stakes (NB) Khaya's Hope

Trainer: Mr G D Smith Owner: Khaya Stables (Pty) Ltd Breeder: Khaya Stables (Pty) Ltd

25 November 2023 Highveld – Turffontein New Turf Carriers Merchants (Gr3)

Dyce Trainer: Mr Lucky Houdalakis Owner: Mr D Shawe Breeder: Titanium Racing

Betway Fillies Mile (Gr3)

Gimme A Nother Trainer: Mr M F de Kock Owner: Mauritzfontein (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs J B Jell) Breeder: Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

Jonsson Workwear Dingaans (Gr2)

Purple Pitcher *Trainer:* Miss R L Klaasen *Owner:* Mr S S Pooe *Breeder:* Bush Hill Stud

Betway Summer Cup (Gr1)

Royal Victory Trainer: Mr N Kotzen (Jnr) Owner: Messrs P J Victor, B J Wiese & Natasha Sturdy Breeder: Dr M Thomson, Ambiance Stud

Racehorse Owners Association Stayers (NB) Breeze Over

Trainer: Messrs M G Azzie & A A Azzie Owners: Messrs S M Leahy & C H J Higgs Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

Joburg Tourism Carry On Alice Stakes (Gr3)

Mrs Browning *Trainer:* Mr S G Tarry *Owners:* Messrs J F & L M F Wernars, H Willson & Hyperpaint Syndicate (Nom: Mr J T Peter) *Breeder:* Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

26 November 2023 Western Cape – Kenilworth

The Futurity Plate (NB) Sweetie Darling Trainer: Mr G S Kotzen Owner: Itssa It & Business Solutions (Pty) Ltd Breeder: Patricia Devine Investments (Pty) Ltd

Schwepps Summer Bowl (NB)

Enemy Territory (IRE) Trainer: Mr B J Crawford Owner: Ridgemont (Nom: Mr Wayne Kieswetter) Breeder: Barnane Stud

The Bantry Bay Stakes (NB)

Thunderstruck Trainer: Mr S G Tarry Owner: Wilgerbosdrift (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs M Slack) Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

City Of Cape Town Sophomore Sprint (L)

Future Variety *Trainer:* Mrs C L Bass-Robinson *Owner:* Bass Racing (Pty) Ltd T/A Centenary Syndicate *Breeder:* Lammerskraal Stud

Cape Punters Cup (Gr2)

Hluhluwe Trainer: Mr S J Snaith Owner: Mr N Jonsson Breeder: Drakenstein Stud (Nom: Mrs G A Rupert)

ROA Bonus Race Schedule – December

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5 December	Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m, WR Maiden Plate 1000m
7 December	Vaal (Classic Track) – Maiden Plate 1450m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1450m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1800m
9 December	Vaal – Maiden Plate (A) 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1200m
12 December	Turffontein (Standside Track) — Maiden Plate (A) 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m, WR Maiden Plate 2000m
14 December	Vaal (Classic Track) – Maiden Plate 1000m, Maiden Plate 1450m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1450m, WR Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m
17 December	Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate 1160m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m
21 December	Vaal – Maiden Plate 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m
23 December	Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate (A) 1400m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1400m, Maiden Plate 2400m

	28 December –	Vaal (Classic Track) – Maiden Plate 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1200m
	30 December –	Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m
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	1 December –	Fairview (Polytrack) – Maiden Plate 1000m, Maiden Plate 1600m, Open Maiden (F&M) 1600m
	8 December –	Fairview (Polytrack) – Open Maiden (F&M) 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1400m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1900m
	15 December –	Fairview (Polytrack) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1200m, Open Maiden 1400m, Maiden Plate 1900m
GM)	19 December –	Fairview (Polytrack) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m, Open Maiden 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m
	22 December –	Fairview (Poly/turf Track) – Maiden Plate 1300m (Poly)

29 December – Fairview (Polytrack) – Maiden Plate 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1300m

Congratulations

to trainer Corrie Lensley on winning the lucky draw entered at the ROA Trainer Roadshow.

Corrie has won a Compression Hood valued at R1 890 courtesy of Mogul Equine – South Africa





Life Member Profile

LIFE MEMBER TONY MOODLEY



The Racehorse Owners Association is thrilled to present Tony Moodley as our Life Member in the November Edition of ROA Today!

Tony Moodley's passion for the sport started at a very young age. He grew up in a little town called Shakaskraal and years after moving up to Johannesburg, he attended a speakeasy in Alberton where many trainers and jockeys would socialize. It was at this event that Tony was introduced to Scott Kenny. A few months later he purchased his first horse named SEE A PENNY. Described as a big, chestnut Summerhill Stud bred colt sired by ONLY A POUND, who went on to win quite a few races for Tony.

In his 31 years of owning racehorses, Tony's standout memory is lifting the Gr1 Summer Cup trophy on 29 November 2008, when the Mike de Kock-trained "RUDRA", won the prestigious race for the partnership. IRRIDESCENCE has also earned Tony and his partners the Gr1 SA Fillies Classic in 2005, and two 3rd place runs in the Durban July respectively with EQUAL IMAGE in 2006 and BOUND BY HONOUR in 2008.

Among the equine athletes who have produced great results for Tony, he also owned horses named HAVASHA, KISS FOR KATE, CHECCETTI and LOCO POR GANAR. His past trainers include Scott Kenny, the Late Danie Burger Jnr, Patrick Shaw, Geoff Woodruff, Mike de Kock, Sean Tarry and his current trainer is Lucky Houdalakis who conditions WAR QUEEN and PEAK PREDATOR.

Tony is the proud owner of TM Stainless Steel (Pty) Ltd, a family owned and operated company that started in 1990. The establishment designs and manufactures a variety of food and beverage processing plants, from dairies to breweries as well as pharmaceutical companies. One of the most compelling aspects of Tony Moodley's story is the integration of family into both his business and racing endeavors. His wife Pat plays a pivotal role, managing the financial aspects of his racing ventures, ensuring that there are never any accounts that are paid late. Tony's son Nishen (who also works in the family business) serves as the racing manager, ensuring that all horses are well and provides feedback on every detail. His daughter Dr Arshnee Moodley, lives in Denmark and is an Associate Professor at Copenhagen University. Tony also treasures his role as a grandfather. He has four grandchildren who are his greatest blessings. In addition to his passion for racing, Tony is an avid supporter of soccer and Formula 1.

As a member of the Racehorse Owners Association for 26 years, Tony appreciates our assistance and hospitality when required and the manner in which the ROA looks after their members over the years.

We wish Tony and his lovely family all the best for the season and thank him for the support.

NOVEMBER 2023

ROA OWNER OF THE MONTH

Peter Victor

ROYAL VICTORY was victorious on the 25th of November, being the first KwaZulu-Natal based runner this century to win the Grade 1 Betway Summer Cup, as he ran a brilliant 2000m race at the Big T. It was only fitting that we caught up with the elated Peter Victor who part-owns this 4-year-old gelding, as we proudly announce him our Owner of the month after a thrilling Summer Cup event.

Peter grew up in Dinwiddie, Germiston, and was an avid racing enthusiast from his younger years. He then started owning horses in 2015. His horses were trained by Erico Verdonese who also produced Peter's first win in May 2016 with a horse named SHE'S A FLIRT. Juan Nel is one of Peter's current trainers in the Eastern Cape and he has horses conditioned by Corrie Lensley and Lucky Houdalakis on the Highveld, and with Nathan Kotzen in KwaZulu-Natal, who earned Peter his first Gr1 winner with ROAYL VICTORY. This gelding is also part owned by Brandon Wiese and Natasha Sturdy.

Peter continued his winning streak by leading in another winner with his other partners just three days after this magnificent win, as TERRA TIME (trained by Lucky Houdalakis) won Race 3 at the Vaal on 28 November 2023.

Peter successfully established and runs his own company called Black Cresent (Pty) Ltd. His wife Belinda and their son Michael are both passionate about racing too. Belinda has recently acquired her own colours, starting her wonderful ownership journey and has joined the Racehorse Owners Association. All winners give Peter joy but winning the Summer Cup will remain etched in his memory as the pinnacle of his racing experience—a moment where elation and accomplishment combined created the best feeling in his journey as an owner.

We wish Peter, his family, partners and trainers many more successes in the racing seasons ahead. Congratulations are in order to the entire Summer Cup winning connections.

ROA Bonus Race Winners

















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815.00

Mr A C Greeff Mrs G L A Greeff Mr P du Toit Mr E G van den Berg Mr P I S Mfenyana Mr A Delpech Miss C Lotz

Competition Time

All ROA Members in good standing are invited to enter a competition, the prize being a classy box framed miniature of your silks from Odds On Colours.

In order to enter, kindly send an email to natalie@racehorseowners.co.za with our name and contact details by midnight on 11 December 2023. All eligible entries will be entered into a random draw and the winner will be announced in the December edition of ROA Today! T's & C's apply



Competition Winner



The winner of the voucher towards a framed on-course photo in any region , is **Mr Phillip Richards** Congratulations on your win!

Welcome! New ROA Members:

Mr R Chetty	Mrs K van der Merwe
Mr S Govender	Mr D van der Merwe
Mr K Rajagopal	Mr M J van Staden
Mr S Rajagopal	Mr H P Vanmali
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