



ROA TODAY

NEWSLETTER

January 2024

From the desk of the CEO

Dear Members

Welcome to the January edition of ROA Today. This is the first edition of our monthly newsletter for 2024 and I'm pleased to announce that a new format of this popular publication will be launched over the next few months.

During the month of January, we have been fortunate to witness some exhilarating feature racing in the Western Cape. Both the L'Omarins Kings Plate and the WSB Cape Met were spectacular racedays and I must congratulate the Cape Derby team on a fantastic success. The Racing Renaissance, Cape Summer Season of Champions continues with the running of the Cape Derby (G1), the Khaya Stables Diadem Stakes (G2), the Cape of Good Hope Nursery (G3), the Vasco Prix du Cap (G3), the Cape Fillies Classic (L) and the Jet Master Stakes (L) on the 24th of February.

The NHA held its 142nd Annual General Meeting on the 17th of January 2024 and was attended by various industry stakeholders and representatives. We are encouraged by the response received from the NHA regarding matters raised by the ROA at the meeting, as well as their willingness to engage with us and others, particularly as it pertains to the consultation process surrounding the Rules Committee. We look forward to taking these and other matters forward on behalf of Owners in a concise and constructive manner and in the best interests of the industry as a whole.

The ROA hosts its twenty fifth Annual General Meeting of Members on Wednesday 7th of February 2024 at 10h00. A report by ROA Chairman, Peter Riskowitz, has been included

in this edition of ROA Today on pages 2-5 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 2023. The Annual Report together with the Notice to the AGM was distributed to members during the month of January. Alternatively, all relevant documentation including proxy forms can be obtained on our website or by calling (011) 683 3220 for further assistance.

On Saturday 3rd of February, all eyes will be on Turffontein as feature racing returns to the Highveld for the first leg of the TAB SA Triple Crown for 3-year-olds, and the Wilgerbosdrift SA Triple Tiara for 3-year-old fillies. The R1,000,000 Tab Gauteng Guineas (G2) and the R750,000 Wilgerbosdrift Gauteng Fillies Guineas (G2) are both run over 1600m at Turffontein. Details of 4Racing's The Championships Season for 2024 can be found on page 6. 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@racehorseowners.co.za to secure your table or call (011) 683 3220. Alternatively, you may make use of our popular WhatsApp Booking Line, details of which can be found on page 15

In closing, I am delighted to announce that we have, to date, paid out over R345 000 in ROA Bonus Races since the start of January 2024. While this amount is significant, with many Members enjoying this benefit, we understand that there are Owners who have missed out on the opportunity as they were either not

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aware of our promotion or, as was the case in several instances, not all Owners racing in partnership are Members of the ROA and therefore 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 join. There is a ROA SUPER BONUS RACE with an added bonus of R40 000, carded for Saturday, 3rd February as well as Saturday 2nd March 2024. 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 17.



Natalie Turner
CEO

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice for the twenty fifth Annual General Meeting of the Racehorse Owners Association NPC taking place on Wednesday 7 February 2024 at 10h00 has been distributed to members together with the Annual Report for the year ended 31 July 2023.

Please note that this year's AGM will be held in person in the Centenary Room, Turffontein Racecourse, Johannesburg and simultaneously via video conference. 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@racehorseowners.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



As chairman of the Racehorse Owners Association ("the ROA"), I herewith present to you my report in respect of the financial year ended 31 July 2023. While my report ostensibly covers the financial year in question, it is relevant to also comment on broader matters relevant to you as members, both from ROA and the wider horse racing industry perspectives.

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) for the year ended 31 July 2023.

The AFS embodied herein clearly reflect the financial position of the group as at 31 July 2023, and the operating results for the year then ended. Without regurgitating the detail contained therein, I deem it appropriate to highlight the following for the benefit of members:

- The ROA returned a bottom-line surplus for the 2023 financial year of R1.97 million against a deficit of R3.06 million in the prior year. While the change comprised of various "swings and roundabouts", certain key items included:
 - o a much-improved performance on the group's unit trust investments, which yielded a gain of some R4.8 million against a loss previously of R2.2 million;
 - o receipt of capital distributions made by the business rescue practitioner of Phumelela Gaming and Leisure of R5.9 million (R1.7 million in 2022);
 - o reversal of a bad debt provision of R1.8 million following part settlement of a debt owed to the ROA (with 2022 having seen a reversal of around R500k on other matters);
 - o conversely, R2.6 million less revenue was received in regard to the collection of nomination and declaration

fees, this following the cessation from 1 August 2022 of collections in regard to the Western Cape; and

- o the requirement, in terms of accounting standards, to accrue for circa R5.3 million in respect of the ROA's committed future contributions to the all-important 4Racing Grooms' Initiative (referred to later).
- In addition to the above, the ROA achieved a return of around R500k more on invested cash and cash equivalents and contributed roughly R1.1 million less to stakes (discussed below), while an accounting, non-cashflow loss of R1.58 million was incurred on the disposal of certain assets no longer required for the purpose of ROA's objectives going forward.
- Pleasing to note is that at financial year end, the value of the group's investment in unit trusts stood at R37.5 million, while cash and cash equivalents amounted to just shy of R17 million. Aggregated, this confirms the ROA's strong liquidity position. The board nevertheless remains aware of the need to deploy these resources diligently so as to ensure longer term financial viability. Furthermore, additional sources of funding are being considered and pursued to supplement existing resources, while expenditure is tightly controlled.
- The ROA's property located at Randjesfontein in Midrand, carried on balance sheet at a little under R196 million, remains a valuable and strategic asset. While options regarding the long-term future of this asset continue to be considered, it will remain a premier training facility at least in the short to medium term. Members will notice from the balance sheet and the relevant note thereto that this asset is now reflected on what is termed the cost

model, as opposed to being shown at fair value as has been the case previously. The primary driver for this change is that the property is a specialised-use asset, making valuation thereof on a comparable basis to other properties in and around the area neither feasible nor practical. The change in disclosure had no financial effect.

KEY OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIC MATTERS

The ROA has in recent years – out of necessity – involved itself in a number of actions and activities not core to its primary objectives, this following the demise of Phumelela Gambling and Leisure, coupled with the severe impact of the Covid-19 pandemic. With the resurrection so to speak of racing across the country post these events through the involvement of various investors and benefactors, re-aligning ourselves to our key function and purpose has become necessary. Consequently we have, among other things, in the past twelve to eighteen months:

- Progressively handed over to the relevant operator certain aspects of and relating to racedays such as catering, eventing, hospitality and maintenance of facilities. While any involvement (albeit limited) with these functions in the Western Cape came to an end around mid-2022, the handover to 4Racing in regard to Turffontein, Fairview and the Vaal has been effected more recently. Notwithstanding this, the ROA will continue to ensure appropriate access, facilities and hospitality for its members, this being a non-negotiable in any arrangement with the operator in question.
- Ceased performing the function of collecting nomination and declaration fees, this rather being the remit of the relevant operators. As mentioned earlier, this ceased in





regard to the Western Cape with effect from 1 August 2022, while that pertaining to the Highveld and Eastern Cape was terminated on 1 August 2023. [The ROA has not been involved in this function in regard to KZN racing].

The ROA's key focus revolves around the promotion, enhancement and growth of the sport of horseracing, with the interests of our members (or owners if you wish) at its core. Having relieved itself of the non-core activities as mentioned above, the ROA board has been able to revisit the association's strategic and primary objectives afresh. While embodying a host of elements, the fundamental aspects hereof have been confirmed to include the following:

Enhancing the ownership experience

The term "ownership experience" is often used rather glibly, with it being paid no more than "lip service" in many instances without satisfactory and impactful actions being taken or implemented to add real value to our owners in the industry. Not only is ensuring satisfactory ownership experience of supreme importance, but genuinely enhancing this is what all players in the industry should be aspiring to, given the fact that owners are probably the single most important category of stakeholders driving our sport.

The ROA, whose constituent members essentially comprise owners, accordingly holds this in the highest of priorities. Acknowledging that certain distractions and non-core activities have, in recent times, occupied the attention and time of the ROA, the board are acutely aware that a lot more needs to be done for its members as well as owners in general. To this end, various actions and initiatives are being and will be progressed either directly or in collaboration or partnership with others in order to:

- ensure greater communication, transparency, clarity and information in regard to all matters affecting owners;

- impart knowledge to owners and potential owners including improving understanding of all relevant aspects of horse ownership and the racing industry;
- ensure that "the voice" of owners is heard without fear of favour by lobbying authorities, engaging on their behalf with operators and other stakeholders, and generally ensuring that owners are treated fairly, genuinely cared about and given the credit that they deserve as a key element in the future of the sport;
- facilitate the process of and options available to becoming an owner, provide guidance in the relationship between owner and trainer and then ensure a great raceday experience.

Stakes maximisation

It is no secret that stakes play a critical and arguably the most vital role in ensuring both the sustainability and growth of the horseracing industry. The knock-on effects of adequate (or rather attractive) stakes levels cannot be over-emphasised. Stakes provide an incentive to owners to racehorses and contribute to their cost of owning horses. At adequate levels this would then support trainers and their grooms, encourage owners (new and existing) to purchase horses and in turn entice breeders to produce more foals – and so it goes "full circle".

The ROA board stands firm in its stance that adequate stakes levels are first and foremost the responsibility of the racing operators. It has thus been encouraging to see an uplift in stakes both directly from operators and in their ability to attract sponsors, all of whom are to be commended. While this leans more toward (but is not limited to) feature races, the board believes that added stakes incentives, especially in regard to maiden races as well as to recognise ROA members, is paramount. Accordingly, the ROA contributed a further R4 million to stakes in the 2023 financial year, with the board

having agreed to further, meaningful incentives for the current 2023-2024 racing calendar.

Philanthropy

Philanthropy is probably best defined as the desire to promote (financially and/or via assistance) the welfare of others, be it in regard to their health, happiness, prosperity or well-being in general. The ROA board considers this a priority, especially in our industry, and is fully committed to playing an active and meaningful role in this arena.

In light of this, the ROA is particularly proud to have partnered with 4Racing in the latter's commendable "Grooms Initiative", this having come to fruition on 1 April 2023. Embodying medical and funeral benefits, much needed in the all-important and historically overlooked grooms' contingent, the ROA has committed an aggregate amount of R6 million (over a 5-6 year period) by way of contributions to this most worthy cause. A retirement funding scheme will also be implemented early in 2024.

STATUTORY AND GOVERNANCE MATTERS

In addition to the statutory information which is contained in the AFS, it is relevant to alert members to the pending winding up of the Thoroughbred Horseracing Trust ("the Trust"). As an integral part of the sale of Kenilworth Racing to the Greg Borz/HollywoodBets consortium, the Trust no longer owns any assets in addition to which it will, going forward, not have any resources at its disposal to fund or progress any projects or activities. The resolution to wind up the Trust taken by its trustees is subject to the sanction of ROA members, and in this regard such proposal will be put to members at the upcoming AGM.

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, which comprise non-executive directors with the addition of Natalie Turner in her capacity as CEO of the ROA, normally meet on three occasions during each year and assist the board in the specific areas encompassed by their respective mandates.

Members are referred to the report by the chair of the SETCOM, Desiree de Andrade, included elsewhere in this Annual Report.

INDUSTRY OBSERVATIONS

It is most disappointing to be witness to the various issues and the periodic "mudslinging" that all too often seem to characterise our industry. Fundamentally, the overarching issues and challenges faced by the many stakeholders are similar, yet there very seldom seems to be an alignment in terms of how to address these in a manner that yields constructive and

productive outcomes. I speak for the full ROA board when I say that it had been hoped that a greater degree of transparency and communication would have evolved throughout as endeavours to promote the wellbeing of the industry have (and certainly should have) taken centre stage over the last few years in particular. As an owner-focused organisation, it is even more disappointing and most concerning to see the impact on owners in many of these instances.

As mentioned earlier, the ROA board remains committed to playing its role in ensuring that owners are provided with clear, unambiguous information, as well as being correctly treated and looked after, such that their interests and vast contribution to our sport are protected and enhanced. Notwithstanding, the board will neither engage in nor act on conjecture, instead using all reasonable endeavours to establish the facts and then proceed or take action considered appropriate with such information at hand.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The unwavering passion and commitment constantly exhibited by my fellow board of directors (executive and non-executive), often in the wake of much criticism and some very trying circumstances, is acknowledged. Likewise, the continuing support of the ROA and indeed horseracing demonstrated by you, our members and owners at large, is to be applauded.

CONCLUSION

Paraphrasing comments made by our CEO, Natalie Turner, in a meeting of the ROA board towards the end of 2023, we ideally need to bridge tradition and innovation in the world of horseracing, adapting to the evolving landscape while preserving the sport's timeless charm. Through the ROA's vision and strategic pillars we, both as an entity and in partnership with key players in the industry, aim to introduce horseracing to new patrons, ignite a new generation of enthusiasts, and maximise the sport's potential whilst simultaneously protecting and enhancing the interests of existing owners and ROA members.

Sincerely

PETER RISKOWITZ
CHAIRMAN

4 DAYS. 4 RACING. 4 YOU!

3 FEB - 27 APR | TURFFONTEIN



THE CHAMPIONSHIPS

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DAY 1 - GUINEAS DAY | 3 FEB

GR2 - GAUTENG GUINEAS (1600M) | WILGERBOSDRIFT GAUTENG FILLIES GUINEAS (1600M)

DAY 2 - CLASSIC DAY | 2 MAR

GR1 - HORSE CHESTNUT STAKES (1600M) | SA CLASSIC (1800M) | WILGERBOSDRIFT SA FILLIES CLASSIC (1800M)

GR3 - JJ THE JET PLANE STAKES (1000M)

LISTED - ACACIA STAKES (1600M) | STORM BIRD STAKES (1000M) | RUFFIAN STAKES (1000M)

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DAY 3 - CHAMPIONS DAY | 6 APR

GR1 - PREMIER'S CHAMPIONS CHALLENGE (2000M) | EMPRESS CLUB STAKES (1600M) | SA DERBY (2450M) | COMPUTAFORM SPRINT (1000M)

GR2 - WILGERBOSDRIFT SA OAKS (2450M) | HAWAII STAKES (1400M) | SA NURSERY (1160M) | SA FILLIES NURSERY (1160M)

LISTED - CARADOC GOLD CUP

DAY 4 - CHAMPIONSHIP FINALE | 27 APR

GR2 - SENOR SANTA STAKES (1160M) | COLORADO KING STAKES (2000M) | CAMELLIA STAKES (1160M) | IGUGU (2000M)

GR3 - PROTEA STAKES (1100M) | PRETTY POLLY STAKES (1100M)

LISTED - GOLD BOWL (3200M)

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4Racing Presents 4-Part of The Championships Season Kicking Off with Guineas Day

The eagerly awaited annual 4Racing's The Championships Season, a thrilling 4-part horseracing extravaganza, is set to make a dazzling return. This year, Champions Day on 6 April introduces a world-class premier World Pool event that allows punters worldwide to participate in a unified pool, generating unprecedented liquidity. The highlight includes a multi-million dollar betting experience and a strategic partnership with the renowned The Hong Kong Jockey Club, celebrated for its extensive and fluid pari-mutuel pools. This collaboration aims to deliver an unparalleled betting venture for local punters, ushering in a new era of horseracing standards in the country.

Racegoers will witness the country's finest thoroughbreds vie for victory in this high-stakes season commencing with Guineas Day, on Saturday, 3 February, boasting a substantial R1,000,000 stake. The day will also kick off the highly anticipated SA Triple Crown and SA Triple Tiara series, with the most recent winner of the Triple Tiara being Richard Fourie and Sean Tarry's Rain in Holland in 2022. 4Racing also have the pleasure of welcoming back Wilgerbosdrift as the sponsor of the 2024 Triple Tiara as well as TAB which will be sponsoring the first leg of the Gauteng Guineas.

The second event of The Championships Season is Classic Day, to be held on Saturday, 2 March, a showcase of timeless horse racing excellence.

The highlight of the season is Champions Day 2024, taking place on Saturday, 6 April -presenting four Grade 1 races and being a World Pool event with worldwide liquidity for the first 10

races, this is set to captivate horseracing enthusiasts globally. Concluding the season is The Championships Finale, taking place on Saturday, 27 April.

"We are thrilled to present a season that not only showcases the peak of South African horseracing, but also delivers an unparalleled global experience for punters and racegoers. The inclusion of Champions Day as a World Pool event elevates the stakes, and is an enticing opportunity for punters to engage like never before. We welcome the Hong Kong Jockey Club to this amazing season and look forward to a spectacular World Pool event," said Fundi Sithebe, 4Racing CEO.

"We're delighted to be further strengthening our ties with South African racing this season, with the inclusion of Champions Day from Turffontein as a World Pool event for the first time, which will give customers from 28 countries the chance to bet on South African racing as well as access to unrivalled pools. World Pool's involvement on Champions Day – part of the excellent 4Racing The Championships initiative – also seeks to raise the profile of a key race in the South African calendar and showcase high-quality action from an increasingly important racing jurisdiction," said Michael Fitzsimons, Executive Director, Wagering Products of the Hong Kong Jockey Club.

The Championships season will also offer punters the chance to walk away with an incredible R100 000 prize courtesy of TAB4Racing's Champions of The Championships. To be part of this one-of-a-kind leader board competition, punters need to strive to be on top of the leader board. The punter with the highest winnings on each day will top the leader board. If a punter is able to top the leader board for all 4 race meetings of The Championships Season, they will win a R100,000 cash prize.

However, it is important to note that in a case where there is no single punter who tops the leader board for all 4 race meetings, the R100 000 cash prize will discontinue, giving three lucky punters an opportunity to win their share of incredible cash prizes worth a total of R 17 500. The first place winner with the highest competition balance at the end of the season will walk away with a R10 000 cash prize, while second place walks away with R5 000, and third place with R2 500. To enter this competition visit: <https://www.tab4racing.com/tabs/competitions/296>

The BSA Sales Catalogue – how does it work?

Article courtesy of Bloodstock South Africa



Photo by Candiese Lenferna

There are many aspects that make up thoroughbred auctions, and it's a lot more than people just simply buying horses.

The first thing you will need to have, and to understand, is a catalogue.

The catalogue will have information on each of the horses that are available on the sale. This is where all the vital information about the horse comes from.

At the top of the page you will have the vendor (seller or consigner of the horse), the lot number (the horses are sold in lot order at sales, so this is very important), and the stable number which is where the horse is situated at the sales complex.

Below that, you will find the name of the horse, and it's breeding, which has the dam (mother) and sire (father) and the rest of the family tree.

The catalogue page shows you if any of the family, including the siblings of the horse on offer, have won any races or earned any black type.

Black type is if a horse has been successful in winning the bigger races (Listed, Grade 3, Grade 2, or Grade 1 races). Horses that have won big races will be written in bold and caps. Horses that have placed (2nd or 3rd) will be in bold but lower case.

The more black type you see on the catalogue page, especially in the more immediate family (higher up on the page), the stronger the horse's pedigree becomes.

You can also see information like what sex the horse is, when it was born, how old the dam (mother) is and how many siblings the horse has. It shows you a bit of information about the sire (father) as well, which races he won and his breeding.

At auctions, you will often see the buyers (including bloodstock agents, trainers and owners) making notes in their catalogues and marking off which horses they like or dislike.

The catalogue is step one on how a Thoroughbred auction works. Check out Bloodstock South Africa's social media platforms @bloodstocksouthafrica to learn more about the ins and outs of the exciting world of thoroughbred auctions!

The catalogue page inserted is of the highest selling yearling from the 2023 BSA sales calendar, Kommetjie Storm.

From Oldlands Stud

STABLE A66		LOT 161
Elusive Fort	Fort Wood (USA)	Sadlers Wells (USA)
	Ever Seeking	L Fall Aspen (USA)
		Secret Prospector (USA)
KOMMETJIE STORM	Captain AI	L Epoque (ARG)
Bay Filly (8th production) 01/11/2021	Adorable	AI Mufti (USA)
	Dacha	L Off To War
		Russian Fox (USA)
		L Riding Light (FR)

By ELUSIVE FORT (2002 - Stud 2010), 7 wins, 1300 - 2450m, inc. SA Derby, Gr.1 Daily News Two Thousand, Gr.1, Horse Chestnut Stakes, Gr.1, Hawaii Stakes, Gr.2, Equus Champion Male Stayer. Half-brother to Gr.3 winner EASYJADEASY. Sire of winners inc. SIREN'S CALL (Gr.1), LAUDERDALE (Gr.1), KOMMETDIEDING (Gr.1), OUT OF YOUR LEGUE (Gr.1), SECRET POTION, CATCH TWENTYTWO, FORT EMBER, ELUSIVE HEART, FREEDOM CHARTER, CHITENGO, ELUSIVE FORTUNE, SPRINKLES, BIG BURN, SWING UPON A STAR.

1st dam
Adorable 3 wins, R245,050, at 3 to 4, 1160 - 1400m, placed 8 times, inc. 2nd Gardenia H. L. Half sister to **Katinka Jaroslaw**, dam of 7 previous foals; 6 runners; **4 winners**: **KOMMETDIEDING** (17 c. by Elusive Fort); **6 wins**, R4,255,100, at 2 to 4, 1200 - 2200m, inc. Vodacom Durban July, **Gr.1**, Cape Town Met, **Gr.1**, Politician Stakes, **Gr.3** placed 9 times, inc. 2nd L'Ormarins Queen's Plate, **Gr.1**, Champions Cup, **Gr.1**, Cape Town Met, **Gr.1** 3rd Daily News 2000 **Gr.1** Horse Chestnut S **Gr.1** Greyville Guineas **Gr.2** Green Point S **Gr.2** Trap Lord (14 c. by King's Apostle (IRE)); **2 wins**, R126,200, at 2 to 3, 1200m, placed 5 times. Too Cute (16 f. by Trippi (USA)); **winner**, R68,000, at 2 - 1000m, placed, from only 5 starts. Quantum King (18 c. by Querari (GER)); **3 wins**, R221,000, at 2 to 3, 1200m, placed 3 times. New Standard (20 c. by Gold Standard); 2-y-o unraced.

2nd dam
DACHA 6 wins, R205,825, at 2 to 4, 1200 - 1400m, inc. Prix Du Cap, **L** (twice), placed 14 times, inc. 2nd Diana S, **Gr.3** 3rd Western Cape Fillies Ch'ship, **Gr.2** Kwazulu-Natal Fries H. **L**. Half sister to **CRUISE COLLECTION**, **Requista** (dam of **CAPTAIN AMERICA**, **AQUITAINE**), Shiver My Timbers (dam of **PIRATE'S GOLD**, **Shukamisa**), dam of 12 foals; 11 runners; **9 winners** inc.:
Katinka (f. by Dominion Royale (GB)); **2 wins**, R85,150, 1200m, 3rd Swallow Stakes, **L**. **Jaroslaw** (c. by Jallad (USA)); **5 wins**, in SA and Britain, R380,730, at 3 to 6, 1000 - 1400m, placed 9 times, inc. 2nd Hawaii Stakes, **Gr.2**, Man O'War Sprint, **L**.
Adorable: see above.

3rd dam
RIDING LIGHT (FR), **3 wins**, in SA and France, at 2 to 3, 1400m, placed, Half sister to Phareta (dam of **KICKBOXER**, **PHARELLIA**); dam of 9 foals; 8 runners; **6 winners** inc.:
DACHA: see above.
CRUISE COLLECTION 6 wins, R236,960, Gold Bracelet, **Gr.2** placed 5 times; dam of **5 winners**:
Sulka, **winner**, R129,875, placed twice, inc. 3rd Golden Horseshoe **Gr.2**, from only 4 starts.
Requista 5 wins, R216,300, at 3 to 4, 1200 - 2000m, placed 7 times, inc. 2nd Spook Express Hcp, **L**, 4th Jacaranda Hcp, **Gr.3**, dam of **7 winners** inc.:
CAPTAIN AMERICA 10 wins, R6,112,925, at 2 to 7, 1400 - 1800m, inc. Horse Chestnut S, **Gr.1**, Gold Challenge, **Gr.1**, Champions Cup, **Gr.1**, Green Point S, **Gr.2**, Matchem S, **Gr.3** placed 19 times, inc. 2nd Cape Guineas, **Gr.1**, Cape Derby, **Gr.1**, Horse Chestnut Stks, **Gr.1**, L'Ormarins Queen's Plate (WFA), **Gr.1**, Champions Cup, **Gr.1**, 3rd J & B Met **Gr.1**, The Sun Met **Gr.1**, L'Ormarins Queen's Plate, **Gr.1**, KRA Guineas **Gr.2**, Green Point Stakes, **Gr.2** (twice).
AQUITAINE 3 wins, R259,900, inc. Jacaranda H. **Gr.3**, 5 places, dam of **1 winner** Shiver My Timbers; **4 wins**, R143,311, 1400 - 2000m, placed 11 times; dam of **11 winners** inc.:
PIRATE'S GOLD 6 wins, R413,080, at 2 to 5, 1450 - 2000m, inc. King's Cup, **Gr.2**, 3rd Darley Arabian Open, **L**, 3rd Gold Circle Derby **Gr.2**, Rising Sun Easter Handicap, **L**.
Sintra; unraced; dam of **5 winners** inc.:
King Fernando 5 wins, R317,200, 13 places, 2nd Betting World Guineas Trial, **L**.
Ondina; **2 wins**, R111,575, at 3, 1600m, placed 4 times; dam of **9 winners** inc.:
Ozymandias 4 wins, R334,550, 1400 - 1450m, placed 10 times, inc. 3rd Hawaii S, **Gr.2**.
Captainofmysoul 5 wins, R410,075, 2nd Diana S, **Gr.3**, Sweet Chestnut S, **L**, Stormsvlei Mile, **L**.

JANUARY 2024

ROA OWNER OF THE MONTH

Trevelen Pillay

It has been a great start to 2024 with some exciting feature races being run, the most recent on the Highveld being the TAB Spook Express Stakes (L) run over 2400m and EXPLOSIVE BOND thundering home to victory at Turffontein. We were thrilled to catch up with in-form owner Trevelen Pillay, as we name him ROA Owner Of the Month for January.

Trevelen has been involved in horseracing from an early age and has been actively involved in thoroughbred ownership since the early 2000's. Today, he boasts ownership of approximately 30 horses, strategically spread across various locations in the country. These horses are owned in Trevelen in various partnerships, as well as the syndicates he is involved with. He is currently the nominee of the Kisten Pillay Racing Syndicate as well as the Power of Five Racing Syndicate.

With his racing interests spread throughout the country, Trevelen's horses are stabled with various trainers including the likes of Candice Dawson, Sean Tarry, Weichong Marwing, Joe Soma, Tony Peter, Weiho Marwing and Paul Matchett on the Highveld, Nathan Kotzen, Mark Dixon and Tienie Prinsloo in KwaZulu-Natal, Mike and Adam Azzie and Glen Kotzen in the Western Cape and lastly Gavin Smith in the Eastern Cape. Trevelen thoroughly enjoys the big feature days and always attends the Durban July, The Cape Met and Gauteng Summer Cup.

When asked about his most memorable victory, Trevelen has had many winners, all of which are special to him, but the most memorable victory is winning the Wilgerbosdrift Gauteng Fillies Guineas in 2023 with LADY OF POWER. With Guineas Day fast approaching, we look forward to MONDIAL running a good race in the TAB Gauteng Guineas on 3 February 2024.

Beyond his endeavors in racehorse ownership, Trevelen is the driving force behind TKP Trading (Pty) Ltd, a Level 1 B-BBEE company formed in 2015. As the managing director of this privately owned entity, he has established TKP Trading as a prominent player in the South African market, specializing in supply chain and staffing solutions across diverse industries.

Despite his demanding professional commitments, Trevelen finds solace and joy in his family interests, which include

an extensive mix of activities ranging from movies and live concerts to soccer and, notably, horseracing. Accompanied by his lovely wife, Kebashni, and their son, Aryan, they frequently visit racecourses across the country to watch their horses run.

In reflecting on his journey as a racehorse owner, Trevelen acknowledges the invaluable support and assistance provided by the Racehorse Owners Association. He credits the ROA for its instrumental role in fostering his continued engagement with the sport, emphasizing how he appreciates interacting with staff members who are readily available to assist with queries and requests. Trevelen advocates for closer collaboration between the ROA and racing authorities nationwide, citing the importance of collective efforts to promote ownership within the industry and enhance the overall racing experience, particularly on feature racedays. He believes that these partnerships will encourage more people to come to the racecourse more often, which in turn benefits all stakeholders.

We thank Trevelen for his continued support and wish him, as well as the Kisten Pillay and Power Of 5 Syndicates a wonderful 2024 and a very successful season ahead.



Life Member Profile

LIFE MEMBER
Loraine Greeff



The Racehorse Owners Association is honored to feature Loraine Greeff as our Life Member of the month in the first edition of ROA Today for 2024.

Loraine grew up in Port Elizabeth in the Eastern Cape and her introduction to the exciting world of horseracing came through her late husband, Stanley Greeff, a towering figure in racing with a distinguished career spanning close to six decades as a trainer. Together, Loraine and Stanley shared a profound love for the sport.

Loraine was ecstatic when Stanley was granted his license to train in Port Elizabeth in 1963, she was very involved in the business and acquired horses of her own. A filly named WEDDING GUEST was Loraine's first horse, who won 7 races and placed in 15 races in the 1970's. Other horses owned, include THRILLING, SILVER NUN and HALO who was part owned by Mrs L F Greeff and Mr A Smuts. The very name, Halo Stables, evokes cherished memories, paying homage to the special filly owned by Loraine and Stanley.

In 1995, the baton of responsibility passed from Stanley to their son, Alan Greeff, who seamlessly stepped into his father's shoes, carrying forth the legacy of their family business. The transition wasn't just about succession, it was about the continuation of a tradition deeply ingrained in the Greeff family ethos. Alan's children, Cailin, Justine, and Nicholas, are all colour holders and actively participate in racing. Cailin and Justine are also stable employees and carry forward the family tradition by contributing to the success of Halo Stables. Stanley sadly passed away in 2009 leaving behind a profound legacy and a family determined to honor his memory.

Today, Loraine continues to play an active role in the business, as she always has been involved in the yard together with the Late Stanley and now with Alan. While Loraine loves racing, she finds solace in her passions, be it tending to her garden, immersing herself in the pages of a good book, or watching rugby.

Loraine has been a member of the ROA for over 25 years and has enjoyed many events organized and run by the ROA, she also appreciates the bonus stakes incentives we currently offer to our members.

We would like to thank Loraine for all her support throughout the years and wish Halo Stables and the entire Greeff family a wonderful year.

► Feature Race Winners



2023

23 December 2023
Highveld – Turffontein

4Racing Sun Chariot Handicap (NB)

United Council

Trainer: Mr R R Sage

Owner: Mr Colin Bird

Breeder: Ascot Stud (Pty) Ltd

TAB Sophomore 1000 (NB)

Golden Sickle

Trainer: Mr A P Peter

Owner: Mrs S Viljoen

Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Betway Labelo Sprint (Gr3)

Rulership

Trainer: Mr A P Peter

Owner: Mr C Baitz

Breeder: Dr G Baitz & Mr C Baitz

29 December 2023
Eastern Cape – Fairview

Fairview 1900 (NB)

Zatara Magic

Trainer: Mr G D Smith

Owners: Messrs Dennis Armstrong, F du Toit, M B Manthe,
A Puggia, Denver Moodley & N D van Vuuren

Breeder: Summerhill Stud (Pty) Ltd

30 December 2023
Highveld – Turffontein

War Of Athena Handicap (L)

Juliet Tango

Trainer: Mr L W Karriem

Owner: Mr M Pandaram

Breeder: Wilgerbosdrift & Mauritzfontein

2024

1 January 2024

KwaZulu Natal – Greyville

Christmas Handicap (L)

Formagear

Trainer: Mr P B Muscutt

Owner: EVN Legal Practitioners Inc (Nom: Mr J C Pieterse)

Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

Flamboyant Stakes (GR 3)

Rockie Reef

Trainer: Mr P B Muscutt

Owner: Estate Late Mr B L Rae & Mrs R V Coetzee

Breeder: Ascot Stud (Pty) Ltd

6 January 2024

Western Cape – Kenilworth

The Trippi Stakes (NB)

Roman Agent

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson

Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Franschhoek Motor Museum Winchester Sprint Cup (NB)

Thunderstruck

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

Owner: Wilgerbosdrift (Pty) Ltd (Nom: Mrs M Slack)

Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

Cartier Sceptre Stakes (GR 2)

October Morn

Trainer: Mrs C L Bass–Robinson

Owner: Mr D G Abery

Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm & Mr D G Abery

ANTHONIJ RUPERT Wine Premier Trophy (GR 2)

Mucho Dinero

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson

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

Cartier Paddock Stakes (GR 1)

Beach Bomb

Trainer: Mrs C L Bass–Robinson

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

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

L'Ormarins King's Plate (GR 1)

Charles Dickens

Trainer: Mrs C L Bass–Robinson

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

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

Glorious Goodwood Chariman's Cup (GR 3)

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)

9 January 2024

Eastern Cape – Fairview

Aloe Handicap (NB)

Idita

Trainer: Mr G D Smith

Owners: Messrs V Patchappen, P Govender, Kenny Govender, Rajan Naidoo & Mrs D Jithoo

Breeder: Lammerskraal Stud

12 January 2024

Eastern Cape – Fairview

Lady's Bracelet (L)

Gold Poker Game

Trainer: Mrs C L Bass–Robinson

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

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

13 January 2024

Western Cape – Kenilworth

Summer Fling Stakes (GR3)

Hold My Hand

Trainer: Mr G S Kotzen

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

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

Highveld – Turffontein

Betway Wolf Power 1600 (L)

Silver Hills

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

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

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

Mother Russia Stakes (GR 3)

Let's Go Now

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

Owner: Kestorm Investments (Nom: Mr Kenneth Pillay)

Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Betway Got The Greenlight Stakes (GR 3)

Main Defender

Trainer: Mr A P Peter

Owners: Messrs J J Habib, G, K & M M Nassif

Breeder: Jagessar Limited

20 January 2024 Highveld – Turffontein

Betway Swallow Stakes (L)

Tropo Veloce

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

Owner: Waste Glass Recovery (Pty) Ltd (Nom: J H de Lange)

Breeder: Piemonte Stud

26 January 2024 Eastern Cape – Fairview

Lakeside Handicap (NB)

Bournemouth

Trainer: Mr A C Greeff

Owners: Messrs D Cicognini, L Grammer, John Lamb,
Mr & Mrs A C Greeff

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

Fairview Mile (NB)

Cherry Ano

Trainer: Mr G D Smith

Owner: Mr H P N Pretorius

Breeder: Summerhill Equestrian – Mr H N P Pretorius

Fairview Merchants (NB)

Winner Evies First

Trainer: Mr J P Nel

Owners: Messrs G P Cox, P W Lunn, G A Mabbott,
D McAnaspie, R Tonna-Barthet & S J Warnock

Breeder: Hemel `N Aarde Stud

27 January 2024 Western Cape – Kenilworth

World Sports Betting Summer Juvenile Stakes (L)

Roman Agent

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson

Breeder: Varsfontein Stud

Cape Racing Sales Cape Slipper (NB)

Little Ballerina

Trainer: Miss C T Dawson

Owners: Ralphs Racing (Pty) Ltd
(Nom: Miss K Ralphs) & Mr L M Nestadt

Breeder: Maine Chance Farms, P&R Doyle,
Silver Ripples (Pty) Ltd

Schweppes Politician Stakes (GR 3)

Green With Envy

Trainer: Mr D M Kannemeyer

Owner: Khaya Stables (Pty) Ltd

Breeder: Khaya Stables (Pty) Ltd

Pongracz Olympic Duel Stakes (L)

Ripple Effect

Trainer: Mr G S Kotzen

Owner: Paardeberg Stud (Nom: Sally Anne Bruss)

Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm & Zenzele Stud (Pty) Ltd

World Pool Cape Flying Championship (WFA) (GR 1)

Dyce

Trainer: Mr Lucky Houdalakis

Owner: Mr D Shawe

Breeder: Titanium Racing

City Of Cape Town Majorca Stakes (WFA) (GR 1)

Princess Calla

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

Owner: Mr M J A Ferreira

Breeder: Maine Chance Farms (Pty) Ltd

Cape Racing Gold Rush (NB)

Rapidash

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith

Owners: Messrs N Jonsson & Douglas Ross

Breeder: Kilimanjaro Bloodstock

World Sports Betting Cape Town Met (GR 1)

Double Superlative

Trainer: Mr S J Snaith

Owner: Mr N Jonsson

Breeder: Patricia Devine Investments (Pty) Ltd

New Turf Carriers Western Cape Stayers (GR 3)

Master Redoute

Trainer: Mr W A Nel

Owner: Mrs S Plattner

Breeder: La Plaisance Stud

28 January 2024 Highveld – Turffontein

Dr Richard Maponya Handicap (L)

Litigation

Trainer: Mr S G Tarry

Owners: Messrs J F & L M F Wernars, H Willson &
Miss Pippa Mickleburgh

Breeder: Avontuur Thoroughbred Farm

Tab Spook Express Stakes (L)

Explosive Bond

Trainer: Mr P F Matchett

Owners: Messrs Jace Chetty, Yagan Nair & Trevelen Pillay

Breeder: Ascot Stud (Pty) Ltd

Feature Races –

February 2024

DATE	KWAZULU-NATAL	WESTERN CAPE	HIGHVELD	EASTERN CAPE
Feb, 3			WSB Gauteng Guineas G2 Wilgerbosdrift Gauteng Fillies Guineas G2	
Feb, 4	Marula Sprint NB			
Feb, 11	umThombothi Stakes NB			
Feb, 17			London News Stakes G3	
Feb, 18	Fever Tree Stakes NB			
Feb, 23				Ibhayi Stakes LR Lady's Pendant LR
Feb, 24		Cape Derby G1 Khaya Stables Diadem Stakes G2 Cape of Good Hope Nursery G3 Prix du Cap G3 Cape Fillies Classic LR Jet Master Stakes LR		
Feb, 25			National Currency Sprint G3 Bauhinia Handicap NB	



Invitation

Attention valued ROA Members

You are invited to book your table in the Elevation Room, 3rd Floor, Turffontein Racecourse by using our new **WhatsApp booking facility** on **079 396 9248**.

By making use of this service, you will all gain access to weekly menu updates as well as special offers for Members on raceday.

Alternatively, you can make bookings by emailing info@racehorseowners.co.za or calling 011 683 3220 during office hours.



ROA Bonus Race Winners

Congratulations to:

- Mr J A Maroun
- Mr D A Simpson
- Mr D C Basel
- Mr G A Basel
- Mrs L C A Bouwer
- Ms D de Andrade
- Mr S Gaskell
- Mrs D de Kock
- Mr S H Pieterse
- Mr St John D Gray
- Mrs S Viljoen
- Miss K Ralphs
- Adv A P Joubert
- Mr J P Koster
- Mr L M F Wernars
- Mr J F Wernars
- Mr A Delpech
- Mr R N Bouwer
- Mr L Clark
- Mr J P Rey
- Mr M J Kapnias
- Mr A M Kapnias
- Mr F Ibragimov
- Mr D Chinsammy
- Mr M A Govender
- Mr A Louw
- Mrs J B Jell
- Mrs G A Rupert
- Mrs M Slack
- Mr B Spong
- Mrs T Spong
- Mr P T Dimakogiannis
- Mr S Poee
- Ms L Louw
- Ms T Laing
- Mr B J Fegen
- Mr A Puggia
- Mr V C Veeramootoo
- Mr L A Marques



ROA Bonus Race Schedule – February

HIGHVELD

- 1 February** – Vaal (Classic Track) – Maiden Plate 1700m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1700m
- 3 February** – Turffontein (Standside Track) – **SUPER BONUS RACE** – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m
- 8 February** – Turffontein (Inside Track) – Maiden Plate 1000m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1450m, WR Maiden Plate 1450m
- 10 February** – Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate 1160m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1160m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1800m
- 15 February** – Turffontein (Inside Track) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m, Maiden Plate 2600m, WR Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m
- 17 February** – Turffontein (Standside Track) – Maiden Plate 1400m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1400m
- 20 February** – Vaal (Classic) – Maiden Plate 1200m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1200m, Maiden Plate 2000m

- 22 February** – Turffontein (Inside Track) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m, Maiden Plate 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 2000m, WR Maiden Plate (F&M) 1600m

- 29 February** – Turffontein (Inside Track) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1450m

EASTERN CAPE

- 2 February** – Fairview (Turf Track) – Maiden Plate (F&M) 1000m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1400m, Open Maiden 1400m
- 9 February** – Fairview (Turf Track) – Maiden Plate 1200m, Open Maide (F&M) 1200m
- 13 February** – Fairview (Polytrack) – Open Maiden 1000m, Open Maiden (F&M) 1600m, Maiden Plate (F&M) 1900m
- 16 February** – Fairview (Turf Track) – Maiden Plate 1600m, Maiden Plate 2000m
- 23 February** – Fairview (Turf Track) – Maiden Plate 1400m, Open Maiden (F&M) 1400m

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Competition Time

All ROA Members in good standing are invited to enter a competition, the prize being an exquisite collection of wine glasses, courtesy of Jenna Clifford.

In order to enter, kindly send an email through to natalie@racehorseowners.co.za with your name and contact details by midnight on Monday 19 February 2024. 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

Competition Winner

The winner of the complimentary table for 6 guests either at the Elevation Room (Turffontein Racecourse) or the Bold Silvano Room (Fairview Racecourse), is

Mr T Teegler

Congratulations on your win!

Welcome! New ROA Members:

Mr M S Lima	Mr S D Osborne
Mr S P Mootin	Mrs M Kotze
Mr K Jukhoop	Mr N Ramiah



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Turffontein Racecourse

Elevation Room (ROA Members) Contact: info@racehorseowners.co.za or (011) 683 3220

Furious Room contact 011 681 1796 or PennyM@4Racing.com

Vaal Racecourse

Contact: info@racehorseowners.co.za or (011) 683 3220

Fairview Racecourse

Bold Silvano Room Contact Gail on (041) 372 1859 or email gailr@4racing.com