



RACE BOOK

RTC CHRISTMAS RACE DAY

SUNDAY 11TH DECEMBER 2016



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MESSAGE FROM HON. MINISTER OF SPORT



As the Minister of Sports, I am happy to Extend my Christmas greetings to the horse racing community and sports lovers in Sri Lanka.

ROYAL TURF CLUB has achieved a remarkable success in all forms of the game, within a short period of time, due to their true commitment and professionalism.

I am very thankful to RTC for developing and transforming the Nuwara Eliya racecourse to an international level sports venue. I stand ready to provide all the support and guidance required to develop this sport in Sri Lanka.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy new year. May this new year be filled with joy & happiness!

Dayasiri Jayasekara (M.P.)
Minister of Sport



MESSAGE FROM HON. MINISTER



It is with great pride and joy that I send my message for the RTC race book.

While maintaining the old traditions of horse racing in Nuwara Eliya RTC has brought renewal to the sport, strengthening true sportsmanship, and introducing dope testing and other measures necessary to bring the Sport to an International level.

The contribution that RTC's methodical approach to racing has made to the Local Economy is significant. 2016 saw a significant increase in Local as well as Foreign tourists in Nuwara Eliya. In addition a number of new jobs have been created on the Race Course due to the horse population increasing considerably. In addition RTC has sponsored many charity events such as, cancer care trust, cancer society, animal welfare and other chairities for the poor and needy of nuwara eliya, which I greatly appreciate.

As MP for Nuwara Eliya I offer my most sincere thanks to the RTC organising committee for their tireless efforts to make Racing reach the heights it has reached today.

I would like to wish all of you, a very merry Christmas and a prosperous and happy New year 2017!

Navin Dissanayake (M.P.)
(Nuwara Eliya District)
& Minister of Plantation Industries



MESSAGE FROM RTC PRESIDENT



11th December 2016 signifies the Christmas Race Day of the Royal Turf Club. The Festival of Christmas involves heightened economic, religious and social activity for centuries in many countries across the world. The greatest thing about this festive holiday season, is a chance for families to come together and celebrate as one.

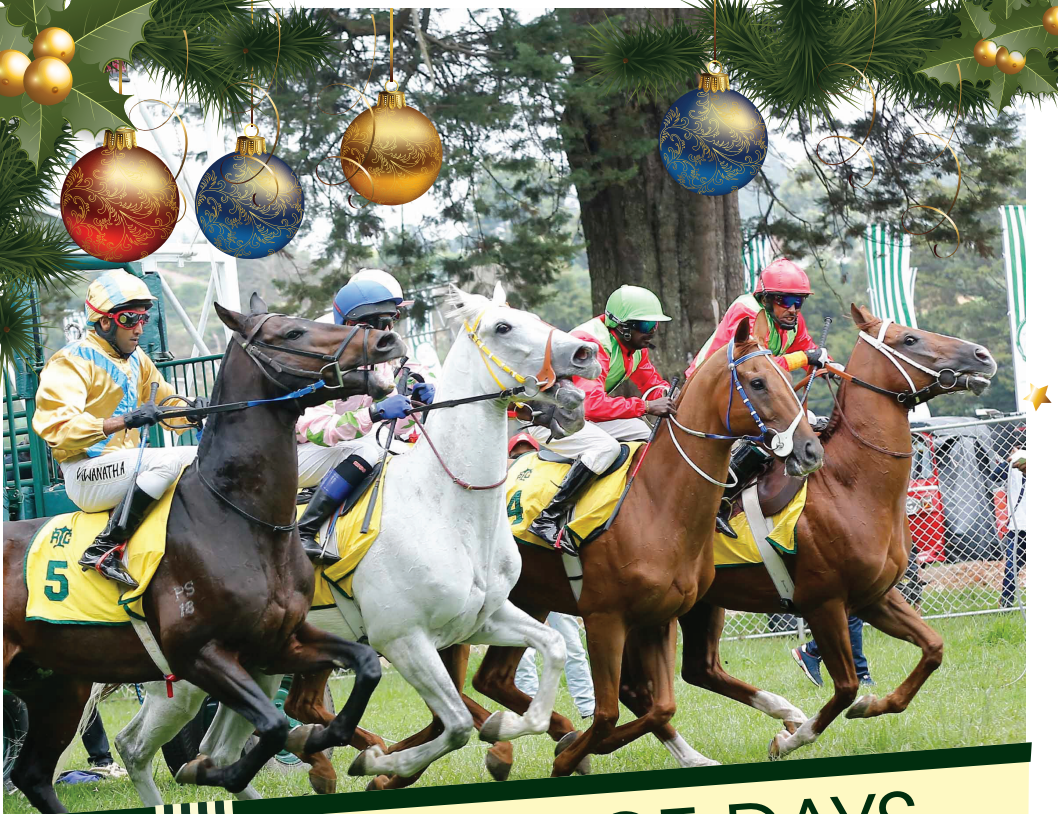
We at the Royal Turf Club have taken every step to make this a memorable and spectacular horse racing finale for this year. This event shall be the perfect day to celebrate your holiday with family, colleagues and friends with fun, laughter, joy and goodwill. As the president, I have no doubt that this event will provide everyone long and enjoyable holiday memories.

As the end of 2016 approaches, I am very proud of RTC for bringing horse racing to International standards. The developments made to the race course have been spectacular and Racing at the Highest Levels is assured. The equine hospital has saved many lives in 2016 and will continue to do so in 2017. We also hope to Complete the Sandtrack and the Equine pool by mid 2017. I am also proud to note that we have a truly Professional team selected from Various countries. Mr Wayne Wood CEO, Mr Sinclair Marshal Stipendary Steward and Clerk of Scales, Mr Nikhil Punna Stipendary Steward, Mr Cyrus Madan Consultant and Chief Stipendary Steward and Dr Balaji Medical Consultant have made a huge contribution to RTC.

There will be a card of seven races and Rs.1.7 million in total prize money. Also we are expecting the participation of a record number of horses. The event day is poised to be colourful and by far the most memorable occasion with the fashion show conducted by the iconic and leading horse owner at RTC and RTC Fashion Consultant Ms. Deepthika Jayakody, live music by the famous Corrine Almeida, Christmas carols and many more entertainment throughout the day.

Royal Turf Club Committee and myself wish you a merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! May the year 2017 be best year for the equine sport in our country.

Suranjith Premadasa
RTC President



2017 RACE DAYS
FEBRUARY 11TH, MARCH 18TH AND APRIL 2ND, 16TH, 30TH



RACE 01 10-30am

RTC Christmas Charity Cup

1400M Class5

Handicap of SLRs 145,000

1st 75,000, 2nd 40,000, 3rd 20,000 4th 10,000

For horses rated 00 to 20 Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

1. STORMY PETREL b.m.5
(Burden of Proof (IRE) – Stormy Affair)

Anjali Stables

BLACK, red sleeves, black and red quartered cap.

S. V. Madialagan

(1)

60

R.Selvaraj



2. TORPEDO ch.h.5
(Hurricane State (USA) – Miss Pinky)

Mr. Anura Delgoda

Gold,Blue crossed sashes,gold cap,blue cross.

S. V. Madialagan

(5)

60

A. Vishwanath



3. COSMOPOLITAN dk.b.f.4
(Strength to Succeed – Salanga)

Mr. Anuka Soza

BLUE,White hoops and Blue and White quartered Cap.

Jayantha Wijesinghe

(2)

58.5

S. Pradeep



4. KRABI b.f.4
(Ravel (USA) / Samarinda)
Dr. M. Dhanawardene Guruge
DARK YELLOW, Red Stars
S. P. A. Raju

(4)

58.5

Aneel



5. SALSA DANCER b.f.3
(Charmo (Fr) – Salsera)
Ms. Renuka Damyanti
YELLOW, green sleeves, green star on cap.
S. P. A. Raju.

(3)

55.5

S. D. Mahesh



RACE 02 11-05am

German Embassy Advent Cup

1400M Class4

Handicap of SLRs 187,500

1st 100,000, 2nd 50,000 3rd 25,000 4th 12,500

For horses rated 21-40. Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

1. **DON HASA** dk.b.h.7

(7)

60.5

(Strength to Succeed – Fleet Footed)

Mr. Gamini & Mrs. Chamari Jayaratne

Rep. Jayaratne Stud & Agricultural Farm

Fluoro Green, cerise collar and cuffs and fluoro green cap

Sridher Selvaratnam

S. Suganthan



2. **CAPTAIN HADDOCK** b.g.4

(3)

60

(Admiral of the fleet (USA) / Belladee)

Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards

RED, green crossed sashes and red cap

S. P. A. Raju

S. D. Mahesh



3. **COLORATO** b.g.4

(4)

59.5

(Serious Spender / Colorful Lady)

Ms. Deepthika Jayakody & Charini Suriyage

PINK, green stars and cap

S. P. A. Raju

L. Dayalan



4. **CRIMSON QUEST** b.m. 4

(1)

57.5

(C P West (USA) – Precious Pearl)

Jayarathne Stables Rep. Mr. Gamini & Mrs. Chamiri Jayaratne

Fluoro Green, cerise collar and cuffs and fluoro White cap

S. V. Madialagan

R. Selvaraj



5. **HUNHAR** b.g.4

(2)

56

(Kingda Ka (USA) / Hekayaat (GB))

Royal Turf Club

DARK Green

Jayantha Wijesinghe

N. Rupa



6. **ZULU FANTASY** b.g.5

(5)

56

(Mathematician / Sayonara)

Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards.

RED, green crossed sashes and green cap

S.P.A. Raju

Aneel



7. **ROYAL OAK** b.h.5

(6)

53.5

(Strength to Succeed – Lady of the Lake)

Jayarathne Stud Farms. Rep. Mr. Hasanga Jayaratne.

Fluoro Green, cerise sash, blue sleeves, cerise armlets and blue cap

Sridher Selvaratnam

S. Dasaradhan



RACE 03 11-40am

Sports Ministry Challenge Cup

1200M Class2

Handicap of SLRs 335,000

1st 175,000, 2nd 100,000 3rd 40,000 4th 20,000

For horses rated 61-80. Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

1. CELESTIAL FIRE dk.b.f. 4
(Arabian Gulf (GB) – Dannenberg)
Mr. Anura Delogoa
GOLD, blue crossed sashes and cap
S. V. Madialagan

(3)

60.5

A. Vishwanath



2. GAZAKI b.m.9
(Burden of Proof / Acer)
Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards
RED,green crossed sashes and red cap
S. P. A. Raju

(4)

56.5

Aneel



3. SANDSTORM ch.h.7
(Tejano / Summer Dust)
Ms. Deepthika Jayakody
PINK,green stars and cap
S. P. A. Raju

(5)

56.5

L. Dayalan



4. ARRABIAN GOLD ch.g.8
(Burden of Proof (IRE) / Arabian Rose)
Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards
RED,green crossed sashes and White cap
S. P. A. Raju

(1)

55

N. Rupa



5. ICELANDIC b.g.7
(Oratorio – Concept (GB))
Jayaratne Stud Farms Rep. Mr. Hasanga Jayaratne
Fluoro Green, cerise sash,blue sleeves cerise armlets
and blue cap.
S. V. Madialagan

(2)

53

S. Suganthan



RACE 04 12-15pm

RTC Christmas Gold Cup 1800M Class I

Handicap of SLRs 490,000 plus trophy

1st 250,000 plus a trophy, 2nd 125,000, 3rd 75,000,
4th 40,000

For horses rated 80 & Above. Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

1. ALCAZABA ch.m.6
(Burden of Proof / Alambrab)
Ms. Deepthika Jayakody
PINK, green stars and cap
S. P. A. Raju

(3)

62.5

Aneel



2. MEHERAN dk.b.g.5
(C.P.West (USA) – Killarney)
Mr. Gamini & Mrs. Chamari Jayaratne
Fluoro Green, cerise collar and cuffs and fluoro green cap
Sridher Selvaratnam

(1)

59.5

S. Suganthan



3. ROSWALD ch.g.7
(Placerville (USA) – Avec Plaisir(Ger))
Ms. Deepthika Jayakody
PINK, green stars and green cap
S. P. A. Raju

(2)

58

L. Dayalan



4. SILVER STREAK gr.g.6
(Verglas / Optimal)
Ms. Deepthika Jayakody.
PINK, green stars and White cap.
S. P. A. Raju

(6)

57

N. Rupa



5. CHARLEMAGNE b.g.6
(Burden of Proof (IRE) – Corsican Gal)
Mr. James Mathew
BLACK, red sleeves, black & red quartered cap
S. V. Madialagan

(5)

56.5

A. Vishwanath



6. SPEARHEAD ch.g.10
(Burden of Proof / Imposing)
Mr. and Mrs. Rienzie Edwards.
RED, green crossed sashes and red cap.
S. P. A. Raju

(4)

56

S. D. Mahesh



RACE 05 12-50pm

Nuwara Eliya Plantation Trophy

1400M Class3

Handicap of SLRs 255,000

1st 140,000, 2nd 70,000 3rd 30,000 4th 15,000

For horses rated 41-60. Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

1. CHARMING GREY gr.g.5

(Charmo / Cool Camp)

Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards.

RED, green crossed sashes and red cap

S.P.A.Raju

(2)

59

L. Dayalan



2. SUPREME ch.m.7

(Burden of Proof (GB) / Supervite)

Ms. Deepthika Jayakody.

PINK, green stars and cap

S. P. A. Raju

(1)

55.5

K. Sanjeevan



3. ABSOLUTE RED ch.g.6

(Rebuttal / Cahermee Queen)

ROYAL TURF CLUB

DARK Green

Jayantha Wijesinghe

(4)

55

N. Rupa



4. VIGORIOUS b.m.6

(Lucifer Sam (USA) – Taxido)

Mr. Anura Delgoda

Gold, blue crossed sashes and cap

S. V. Madialagan

(5)

55

A. Vishwanath



5. GLITTERING b.m.5

(Ace / Raziya)

Mr. & Mrs. Rienzie Edwards.

RED, green crossed sashes and green cap

S. P. A. Raju

(3)

53.5

Aneel



RACE 06 01-25pm

Nuwara Eliya Winter Cup

1200M

3/4 bred Handicap of SLRs 97,500

1st 45,000, 2nd 25,000 3rd 15,000 4th 7,500 and 5th 5,000

Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

Riders are not permitted to carry a whip

1. AIRBORNE II br.h.4

(3)

58

Mr. Hasanga Jayaratne

Rep. Jayaratne Stud & Agricultural Farm

Fluoro Green, cerise sash, blue sleeves cerise armlets and blue cap.

Sridher Selvaratnam

S. Dasaradhan



2. QUEEN OF THE HILL b.f.4

(2)

57.5

Mr. R.M.C.K Rajapaksha.

YELLOW, black epaulets, black cap.

Jayantha Wijesinghe

M. Ishan



3. MILLENNIUM QUEEN br.m.7

(1)

52

Mr. Sudakar

Yellow, blue chevrons and cap

A. V. K. D'Silva

S.Pradeep



Alcazaba wins the
Class 1, RTC First Diwali Festival Cup
with L. Dayalan



RACE
07
02-00pm

Pony welfare Cup

1000M

1/2 bred Handicap of SLRs 97,500

1st 45,000, 2nd 25,000 3rd 15,000 4th 7,500 and 5th 5,000

Lowest Handicap Weight 52kgs

Riders are not permitted to carry a whip

1. CITY SHOT gr.c.3

Mr. S Loganathan

WHITE, maroon dots, maroon sleeves, white cap, maroon dots.

Jayantha Wijesinghe

(3)

58

S. Dasaradhan



2. REABATH b.m.10

Vasanthi Stables Rep. Mrs. R. Damyanti

YELLOW, green sleeves, green star on cap.

A. V. K. D'Silva

(2)

56

K. Sanjeevan



3. ARUNDATHI ch.m.7

Mr. S. Periyasamy

YELLOW, red band, red arm-bands.

Jayantha Wijesinghe

(1)

54

M.Ishan



Proud owner of Alcazaba Ms Deepthika Jayakody being interviewed by Mr Cyrus Madan while Nihara Jayathilaka Social Secretary RTC, Trainer SP Raju, RTC Legal Consultant Panduka Keerthinanda, Winning Jockey L. Dayalan, Mr Channa Wickramasinghe, President RTC Mr Suranjith Premadasa, Former Mayor Nuwara Eliya Mahinda Dodampegamage, RTC Treasure Nisitha Rupasinghe, and Stipendiary Steward Nikhil Punna



RESULTS & STIPENDIARY STEWARDS INCIDENT REPORT

ROYAL TURF CLUB RACE MEETING ON SATURDAY 29th OCTOBER, 2016 AT NUWARA ELIYA RACECOURSE

Stipendiary Stewards:	Cyrus Madan(Chief), S.A.Marshall, Nikhil M.Punna
Judge:	Helmut Hendrics / Sudarshanna Deshapriya
Starter:	Nikhil Punna
Veterinarians:	Dr Jeyentrabalaji Thangaraj
Sampling:	Sri Lanka Anti-Doping Agency
Weather:	Clear
Track:	Firm

Race 1(47) – THE PEGASUS CUP -1070M HANDICAP CLASS 5

For horses who have not won a race since May 2015.

SALSA DANCER (L Dayalan) and THE CARDINAL (S Suganthan) were led to the start. The Start of the race was delayed by about 8 minute as SALSA DANCER(L Dayalan) who was being led to the Start was late in getting there. SNOW QUEEN (S. Vishwanath) jumped a little awkwardly at the start did not appear to be inclined to raise a gallop in the initial stagers. SALSA DANCER was slow into stride.

RACE No.2 THE MAYOR'S CUP – 1400M HANDICAP CLASS 2

SANDSTORM was permitted to be withdrawn on Veterinary grounds.

There was no pace whatsoever in the initial stages of the race and it only picked up after the two horses passed the 800 metre marker. On rounding the turn, GAZAKI (Irvan Singh) shifted out and pushed out ICELANDI (S, Suganthan) who was on his outside. After the pair straightened up ICELANDIC (S.Suganthan) lugged in under the whip and inconvenienced GAZAKI (Irvan Singh) on his inside. Both jockeys were called in and severely cautioned and advised to exercise better control of their mounts in the future.

HORSE No.3 ICELANDIC carried on overweight 1.5 Kg

RACE 3(48) RTC GENTLEMENS CUP CLASS 4&5 HANDICAP DIST.1400M

ZULU FANTASY was permitted to be withdrawn on Veterinary Grounds. COLLORATO (SD MAHESH) drawn 4 reared up and fly jumped out of the gates. Thereby loosing a distance at start.

TRAINER S.P.A. RAJU WAS ASKED TO GIVE THE GELDING GATE PRACTICE AND TAKE CORRECTIVE MEASURES. The winner TORPEDO (A. VISHWANATH) was sporting bandages on his hind legs. In the last 300 mts. Of the race, the bandage on the right hind leg came loose and opened up. Trainer S.V.MADIALAGAN was severely reprimanded and told that a similar incident in future would be treated severely.

HORSE No.7 TORPEDO carried an overweight of 1.5Kgs

RACE No.4 RTC PRESIDENTS CUP CLASS 3 HANDICAP DIST.1400M.

HORSE No.3 ABSOLUTE RED was led to the start without the rider.

HORSE NO.3 ABSOLUTE RED carried an overweight of 2.5 Kgs.

Horse No.4 GLITTERING was led to the start by the handler although jockey K.SANJEEVAN was astride.



CHARMING GREY (S.D.Mahesh) Drawn 4. Veered out as the gates opened and lost ground. Jockey reported the he showed the tendency to run out throughout the race. Trainer S.P.A.Raju was asked to take remedial measures.

The Winner was observed to cut an erratic course in the straight. Jockey S.SUGANTHAN was severely reprimanded and fined a sum of rupees Two Thousand for not exercising proper control over his mount.

OBJECTION

An objection was lodged against the winner ABSOLUTE RED by the Trainer 3rd placed horse namely GLITTERING, on grounds furnished by him.

The Stipendiary Stewards after viewing the video footage and interviewing the jockeys and the trainer, unanimously decided to overrule the objection.

Race No.5(49)RTC THE FIRST DIWALI FESTIVAL CUP 1600M.

The start of the race was delayed by about SIX Minutes. Jockey L.Dayalan rider of ALCAZABA was severely reprimanded for standing up the in the stirrups and exulting before passing the winning post.

SPEARHEAD (M.MOHANRA) was observed to race wide throughout the race.
HORSE NO.5 CHUL BUL PANDY carried an overweight of 1.5Kgs.

RACE No.7 FESTIVAL OF LIGHTS CUP HANDICAP 1000M.

A dead heat was declared for first place between horse No. 1 CITY SHOT and Horse no.2 REABATH. It was observed that in a no whip race jockey S.DASARADHAN used his reins to whip his mount a number of times.

OBJECTION

The trainer of horse No.2 REBATH who dead heated for the first place with Horse No.1 CITY SHOT lodged an objection against the rider of Horse No.1 CITY SHOT, on the grounds that he had gained unfair advantage by using his reins like a whip in a NO WHIP RACE, had he not done so the trainer felt that his ward REABATH would have been the winner. The Stipendiary Stewards after interviewing the jockeys and the trainer and viewing the video footage of the race were unanimous to in their verdict to uphold the objection and the revised order of the placing is as mentioned below.

1st REABATH
2nd CITY SHOT
3rd ARUNDHATI

Cyrus Madan

Chief Stipendiary Steward



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