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RTC PREMIER CUP
IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL

Women's Day

SUNDAY 8TH MARCH 2020

RACE BOOK

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How to Read the Race Book

A B
1. (7)



D E H
ABSOLUTE RED (IND) ch.g.7
(Rebuttal(USA) - Cahermee Queen(USA) — G
Owner:
Trainer:
Jockey:

F
60.5Kgs

A Number carried by the Horse.

B Draw Number of the horse at the Starting Gates.

C Silk Colour Worn by the Jockey of the Horse.

D Name of the Horse.

E Colour, Age and Sex of the Horse.

F Weight Carried by the Horse including Jockey.

G Sire / Mare.

H Age

NOTICE

No person shall be admitted in the vicinity of the Weighing Room/Saddling Enclosure except Owners, Trainers, Jockeys or other persons having the care of a horse engaged in the particular Race.

PADDOCK

The paddock is reserved only for Stewards, Committee Members and Officials. Owners, Trainers, Jockeys and attendants of horses actually running in the race will also be permitted to enter the Paddock.



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RTC GOVERNOR'S CUP RACEDAY



WEDNESDAY 15TH APRIL 2020

AT THE NUWARA ELIYA RACECOURSE, FROM 10AM ONWARDS

Happy

Women's Day

*o all the incredible ladies! Shine on..
not just today, but everyday!*





A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF GUEST
HON. MR. S.B. DISSANAYAKE
MINISTER OF LANDS AND LAND DEVELOPMENT

Royal Turf Club has led by example to all other sports bodies in the country, that "if there is true commitment and professionalism, you can achieve great heights". Thanks to their pioneering efforts and skills the horseracing industry in Sri Lanka, is on the threshold of a new era.

As the Member of Parliament from Nuwara Eliya, I offer my most sincere thanks to "The Creator of RTC" and Executive Committee for their tireless efforts to make horseracing reach the heights it has reached today.

I would like to thank the Royal Turf Club for the jobs provided to the locals, foreign officials brought down to our country and efforts made to help boost the tourism industry by continuing this tradition.

I wish all the very best to the RTC committee for their immense contribution for making this 2020 RTC Premier Cup in Celebration of International Women's Day happen in grand level.

Let me take this opportunity to wish all participants in this memorable event, the very best of luck!

S. B. Dissanayake M.P.
Minister of Lands and Land Development



A MESSAGE FROM THE ROYAL TURF CLUB PRESIDENT

As the first female President of the Royal Turf Club, which is also a first in Asia, it is with great pride and humility that I welcome all revelers to the April Horse Racing and holiday Season. It is also noteworthy that the first of our races fall on 'International Women's day'.

The new racing season starts with the RTC Premier Cup In Celebration of International Women's Day followed by RTC Magic Million Cup and concluding with the Grand(est) event of the season, the RTC Governors Cup on 15th April 2020.

I warmly welcome our Chief Guest Hon. S. B. Dissanayake M.P. on this first race day of the season.

I am pleased to mention that this is the fifth season of racing that RTC is conducting at Nuwara Eliya. Royal turf Club keeping with its motto 'Racing at the highest level',

The Horse racing industry has had a long vibrant history in Sri Lanka, where it thrived in the late 1940's and early 1950's and after which it became almost nonexistent. However, racing stayed alive in the picturesque Nuwara Eliya throughout these past years mostly due to the commitment and the enthusiasm of the small Horse community of Nuwara Eliya.

I am deeply grateful to the past Ministers of Sports, Government & Ministry of Sports officials, our loyal Sponsors, Horse Owners, trainers & Jockey's, the horse community & enthusiasts and mostly the Media that stood with us and supported us all the way.

I also thank the committee members of RTC for their strong commitment towards making this season a success.

Nihara Jayatilleke

President

Royal Turf Club

RTC PREMIER CUP IN CELEBRATION OF INTERNATIONAL *Women's Day*



MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF STIPENDIARY STEWARDS

The Royal Turf Club Nuwara Eliya has led by example and It is thanks to their pioneering effort that Horse Racing in Sri Lanka has virtually come back to life.

The picturesque race course is one of the highest in the world and it's also one of the most challenging tracks going. Undulating and left handed it has a very sharp bend just before turning into the home straight.

Horses thrive and revel in the conditions and over the last four years, RTC has gradually been building up on their infrastructure which goes a long way in ensuring that the welfare of the horse is never compromised.

The second Sunday 8th of March 2020 will usher in a new season which will be overseen by Mr. Wayne Wood, a man who has played a huge role in the resurrection of Racing under Rules in Sri Lanka.

Cyrus J. Madan
Chairman of Stipendiary Steward
Royal Turf Club



A MESSAGE FROM THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

I am relishing being back in Sri Lanka to support the Royal Turf Club in conducting the 2020 Summer Racing carnival in Nuwara Eliya.

I have a great responsibility not only to the Royal Turf Club and those who will participate in horse racing from Owners, Trainers, riders, stable lads but also to the people of Sri Lanka. My desire is to make the 2020 Racing Festival one that all will have fond memories of horse racing on the scenic Nuwara Eliya racecourse nestled between the city and golf course and the tranquil waters of Lake Gregory.

Lets all work together for the common goal of making racing in Sri Lanka the must go to destination for any racing enthusiast. I know that with the support of all participants past and present and of the people of Sri Lanka we can all be proud of the 145 year history of thoroughbred racing in this country. There is a desire of many to see this sport grow and prosper so as to provide income for many Sri Lankans. Lets join with the Committee in taking thoroughbred racing on an upward journey.

Wish everyone a successful 2020 Horse Racing Festival

Finally, I am extremely touched by all the well-wishers and offers of support since my return to Nuwara Eliya.

Lets race as one

Wayne Wood

Chief Executive officer / Stipendiary Stewards
Royal Turf Club

RACE 1
1400M
10:30 A.M

INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CUP

Class 2 Handicap 1400M of LKR 50,000

1st 30,000, 2nd 12,500 & 3rd 7,500 For horses rated 61 to 80 LHW 52kgs

1. (3)



SILVER STREAK (IND) gr.g 9

60Kgs

Verglas - Optimal

Owner: Mr W R M. Ramsis Peter Fernando

Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe

Jockey: K Sanjeewan

2. (4)



BRILLIANT CUT (IND) ch.h 8

56.5Kgs

Burden of Proof (USA) - Clear Cut

Owner: Mr D Ajantha De Soyza

Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe

Jockey: A Dilan

3. (1)



CAPTAIN HADDOCK (IND) dk.b.g 8

56.5Kgs

Admiral of the fleet (USA) - Belladee (IRE)

Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: Irvan Singh

4. (2)



ANOTHER ACE (IND) b.m 8

52Kgs

Ace (IRE) - Lady Moura

Owner: Mr Hasanga Jayaratne

Trainer: S Sridher

Jockey: S Imran

RACE 2
1070M
11:10 A.M

ALPINE HOTEL TROPHY

Class 5 Handicap 1070M of LKR 40,000
1st 24,000, 2nd 10,000 and 3rd 6,000
For horses rated 00 to 20 LHW 52kgs



1. (3)



CRIMSON QUEST (IND) b.m 8
C P West (USA) – Precious Pearl
Owner: Mr & Mrs Gamini Jayaratne
Trainer: S Sridher
Jockey: S Imran

61Kgs

2. (4)



KRABI (IND) b.m 8
Ravel (USA) – Samarinda
Owner: Dr. M. Dhanawardene Guruge
Trainer: S D Mahesh
Jockey: Kuldeep Singh

58.5Kgs

3. (2)



WAITING FOR GLORY (IND) b.m 9
Senure (USA) – Warrior Queen
Owner: Mr Hasanga Jayaratne
Trainer: S Sridher
Jockey: S Asgar

57.5Kgs

4. (5)



ARIES (SL) ch.c. 3
Owner: Mr. Anuka Soza
Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe
Jockey: A Dilan

53Kgs

5. (1)



GOLDIE GIRL (IND) b.m 6
Tampa Bay - Goldielocks
Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards
Trainer: S D Mahesh
Jockey: Irvan Singh

53Kgs

RACE 3
1070M
11:50 A.M

Hi MAGAZINE TROPHY

Class 3 Handicap 1070M of LKR 50,000

1st 30,000, 2nd 12,500 and 3rd 7,500

For horses rated 41 to 60 LHW 52kgs



1. (4)



GAZAKI (IND) b.m 13

59.5Kgs

Burden of Proof (IRE) – Acer

Owner: Mr W R M Ramsis Peter Fernando

Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe

Jockey: K Sanjeewan

2. (2)



GLITTERING (IND) b.m 9

59Kgs

Ace (IRE) - Raziya

Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: Irvan Singh

3. (5)



ARABIAN GOLD (IND) ch.g 8

58Kgs

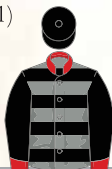
Burden of Proof (IRE) – Arabian Race

Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: Kuldeep Singh

4. (1)



VIGOROUS (IND) b.m. 9

58Kgs

Lucifer Sam (USA) – Taxido

Owner: Mr D Ajantha De Soyza

Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe

Jockey: S D Janaka

5. (3)



STAR SCHOLAR (IND) ch.g 7

54.5Kgs

Ace (IRE) – Scholastic Giant (USA)

Owner: Mr & Mrs Gamini Jayaratne

Trainer: S Sridher

Jockey: S Imran

6. (6)



CHARMING GREY (IND) gr.g 9

52Kgs

Charmo (Fr) – Cool Camp

Owner: Mr W R M Ramsis Peter Fernando

Trainer: Jayantha Wijesinghe

Jockey: M Ishan


RACE 4
1070M
12:30 P.M


DAILY MIRROR CUP





Class 4 Handicap 1070M of LKR 40,000
1st 24,000, 2nd 10,000 and 3rd 6,000
For horses rated 21 to 40 LHW 52kgs


1. (1)  **STAR ACE (IND)** b.m 8 59Kgs
Ace (IRE) – Star Spangled
Owner: Mr Hasanga Jayaratne
Trainer: S Sridher
Jockey: Yogaraj

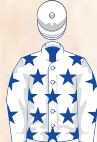
2. (7)  **STORMONT (IND)** b.g 9 59Kgs
Admiral of the fleet (USA) – Star Fire Girl
Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards
Trainer: S D Mahesh
Jockey: Kuldeep Singh

3. (6)  **HONORIOUS (IND)** dk.b g 8 58.5Kgs
Ace (IRE) – Sea Honour
Owner: Fearless Stables & Stud Farm
Trainer: S V Madialagan
Jockey: K Sanjeevan

4. (4)  **TORPEDO (IND)** ch.h 9 57.5Kgs
Hurricane State (USA) – Miss Pinky
Owner: Fearless Stables & Stud Farm
Trainer: S V Madialagan
Jockey: S D Janaka

5. (5)  **RAZOR WIND (IND)** Ch.m. 8 56.5Kgs
Varenar (Fr) – Touch a Star
Owner: Messrs Gamini Jayaratne & JRS Irugalbandara
Trainer: S Sridher
Jockey: M Mark

6. (3)  **NIGHT KING (IND)** b.g 6 55Kgs
Charmo (Fr) – Fresh Broccoli (USA)
Owner: Miss Nishara Jayaratne
Trainer: S.Sridher
Jockey: S Imran

7. (2)  **ZULU FANTASY (IND)** b.g 9 54.5Kgs
Mathematician - Sayonara
Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards
Trainer: S D Mahesh
Jockey: Irvan Singh

RACE 5
1400M
01:10 P.M

RTC PREMIER CUP

Class 1 Terms Race 1400M of LKR 70,000

1st 42,000, 2nd 17,500 and 3rd 10,500 For horses rated 81 and above.

H&G 56.5kgs F & M 55kgs

1. (5)



BAASHAGAR (IND) ch.h 9

56.5Kgs

Kingda Ka (AUS) – Le Reve

Owner: Mr & Mrs Gamini Jayaratne

Trainer: S Sridher

Jockey: S Asgar

2. (1)



CARLTON (IND) b,h 9

56.5Kgs

Diffident (Fr) - Celestrella

Owner: Mrs Anita Dorai

Trainer: S Sridher

Jockey: K Sanjeewan

3. (3)



ROSWALD (IND) ch.g 11

56.5Kgs

Placerville (USA) – Avec Plaisir (Ger)

Owner: Mrs Suranji Jayakody & Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: P Dinesh

4. (6)



SANTOS (IND) ch.h 9

56.5Kgs

Tejano (IRE) – Sabre Dance

Owner: Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: Kuldeep Singh

5. (4)



WESTERN WIND (IND) b,h 8

56.5Kgs

West Virginia (USA) – Miraflores

Owner: Mr Gamini, Mrs Chamari & Miss Nishara Jayaratne

Trainer: S Sridher

Jockey: S Imran

6. (2)



ALCAZABA (IND) ch.m 10

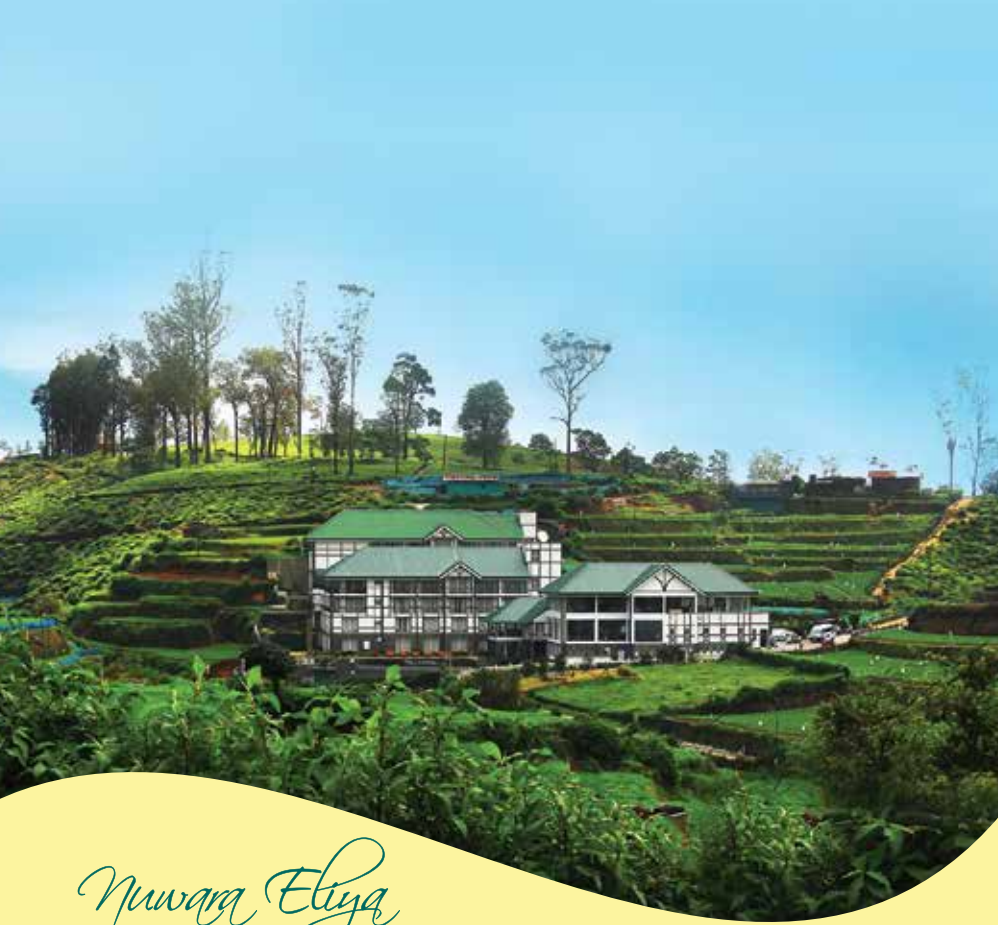
55Kgs

Burden of Proof (IRE) – Alhambrah

Owner: Miss Deepthika Jayakody & Mr & Mrs Edwards

Trainer: S D Mahesh

Jockey: Irvan Singh



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