#### **Starters List**

(KSA Race 9)

1:40 A.M. HK TIME (23.2.2025) **KSA TIME** 8:40 P.M. (22.2.2025)

### Saudi Cup (Group 1)

King Abdulaziz, Saudi Arabia - Dirt - 1800 Metres (Left-handed)

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Approximate Prize Money in HKD: \$156,434,000 1st \$78,217,000, 2nd \$27,376,000, 3rd \$15,643,400, 4th \$11,732,600, 5th \$7,821,700, 6th \$4,693,000, 7th \$3,910,900, 8th \$3,128,700, 9th \$2,346,500, 10th \$1,564,300.

馬號 Card	歷季及近仗成績 Career Record & Form		排位 Draw	馬名 Horse Name	年齡/性別 Age/Sex	配磅 評分 Wt. Rating		練馬師 Trainer	騎師 参 Jockey R	多考赔率 ef. Odds
1	9 (4-2-0) 77161		10	沙特堅堡 Al Musmak (IRE)	4c	126 [112	2] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA		柯棣亨 Muhammad Aldaham	35
2	24 (8-5-2) 27751		11	實現訴求 Defunded (USA)	7g	126 [110	] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA	明先輝 Abdulaziz Meshref	斐爾崇 Antonio Fresu	70
3	14 (9-3-1) 11121		13	特別密碼 El Kodigo (ARG)	4c	126 [116	i] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA		戈鋒天 Gustavo Calvente	35
4	18 (6-5-5) 16323		12	送達駒 Facteur Cheval (IRE)	6g	126 [120	] 法國 FR	雷里雅 Jerome Reynier	巴米高 Mickael Barzalona	14
5	9 (7-0-2) 13131	1	14	青春永駐 Forever Young (JPN)	4c	126 [121	]  日本 JPN	矢作芳人 Yoshito Yahagi	坂井瑠星 Ryusei Sakai	3.1
6	15 (8-2-3) 12331		2	衝擊我心 Intense For Me (ARG)	4c	126 [116	i] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA	明先輝 Abdulaziz Meshref	奥士賓拿 Camillo Ospina	80
7	9 (5-0-2) 11143		9	飆速引擎 Ramjet (JPN)	4c	126 [116	5]  日本 JPN	佐佐木晶三 Shozo Sasaki	三浦皇成 Kosei Miura	30
8	24 (10-2-3) 64311		7	好精力 Rattle N Roll (USA)	6h	126 [113	B] 美國 USA	麥柏嘉 Kenneth McPeek	羅沙理奧 Joel Rosario	11
9	23 (18-3-0) 11111		3	浪漫勇士 Romantic Warrior (IRE)	7g	126 [125	i] 中國香港 HKG	沈集成 C S Shum	麥道朗 James McDonald	2.8
10	37 (11-4-5) 22204	•	1	盈寶奇嶽 Ushba Tesoro (JPN)	8h	126 [119	D] 日本 JPN	高木登 Noboru Takagi	菅原明良 Akira Sugawara	16
11	16 (7-4-0) 14142	i	8	求卓進 Wait To Excel (GB)	6h	126 [106	] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA	達衡立 Thamer Aldaihani	倪奉典 Adel Alfouraidi	50
12	15 (4-4-3) 22211		6	星大道 Walk Of Stars (GB)	6g	126 [117	']  阿聯酋 UAE	司馬邦 Bhupat Seemar	奧斯雅 Tadhg O'Shea	22
13	21 (8-6-0) 22122		4	盈寶威神 Wilson Tesoro (JPN)	6h	126 [117	']  日本 JPN	高木登 Noboru Takagi	川田將雅 Yuga Kawada	30
14	26 (5-5-5) 96213		5	活頓太陽 Wootton'sun (FR)	6g	126 [106	] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA	雅祺達 Abdullah Al Kahtani	方銳拿 Ricardo Ferreira	80
\SR	16 (6-3-1) <i>87110</i>			精銳總部 Scotland Yard (USA)	6h	126 [108	] 沙特阿拉伯 KSA	巴齊樂 Nicholas Bachalard	巫瀾生 Luis Morales	

(14 Starters)

[] International Rating

# \$2-7 1:40 A.M. HK TIME (KSA Race 9) (23.02.2025) KSA Time 8:40 P.M.

(22.02.2025)

FINISH

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Betting Pools: Win, Place, Quinella, Quinella Place, Forecast, Trio, Tierce, Quartet & First 4 Merged Pool.

#### Overseas Expert Column by Bill Esdaile

FOREVER YOUNG boasts exceptional form on dirt and should prove hard to beat once again in the G1 Saudi Cup over 1800m. The Yoshito Yahagi-trained 4YO was successful on the same card in Riyadh 12 months ago, securing victory in the G3 Saudi Derby over 1600m. Since that success, he has finished third in both the G1 Kentucky Derby over 2000m and the G1 Breeders' Cup Classic over 2000m before winning the G1 Tokyo Daishoten over 2000m in his most recent start. Being drawn widest of all in gate 14 is not ideal, but he showed last year that he can attack from off the pace, and with his dirt form being the best on offer, he appears the most likely winner.

The globetrotting ROMANTIC WARRIOR looks to be the chief danger if he can transfer his world-class turf form to the dirt. While this will be a step into the unknown for the Danny Shum-trained 7YO, having won the 10th G1 of his career with victory in the Jebel Hatta over 1800m at Meydan last month. Drawn much closer to the rail in gate three is a significant advantage for the son of ACCLAMATION, and if he proves as effective on the surface, he is likely to play a major role.

WALK OF STARS showed no signs of stopping when landing the first G1 of his career in the Al Maktoum Challenge over 1900m at Meydan. While he proved just shy of top class on turf for Charlie Appleby, the 6YO has looked a transformed character on dirt for Bhupat Seemar. With regular rider Tadhg O'Shea on board, the DUBAWI gelding could take some pegging back if allowed to dictate from an ideal position to attack in gate six.

RATTLE N ROLL overcame a wide draw in gate 10 to make his yearly return a winning one over course and distance in the G3 The Custodian Of The Two Holy Mosques Cup. The manner of his victory suggests he will be a lively player back up at G1 level here from a kinder draw in gate seven.

FACTEUR CHEVAL has proven to be a consistent performer at G1 level on turf before finishing a respectable third behind WALK OF STARS on his dirt debut. A wide draw in gate 12 might not be much of a hindrance for a horse that has been ridden from off the pace in his last few starts, and it would be no surprise if he built on his latest effort now accustomed to the surface.

**SELECTIONS**: 5. FOREVER YOUNG, 9. ROMANTIC WARRIOR, 12. WALK OF STARS, 8. RATTLE N ROLL & 4. FACTEUR CHEVAL

HK Time 1:40 A.M. S2-7 Saudi Cup KSA Time 8:40 P.M. KSA Race 9

#### **Tipsters' Selections**

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5	Forever Young	5	Forever Young	12	Walk Of Stars
9	Romantic Warrior	2	Defunded	5	Forever Young
13	Wilson Tesoro	8	Rattle N Roll	8	Rattle N Roll

#### **Speedmap**

King Abdulaziz Racecourse | 23/02/2025 | 1:40am | (KSA Time: 8:40pm, 22/02/2025) S2-7 | Saudi Cup | Dirt | 1800M Likely Positions After Settling

5. FOREVER YOUNG

2. DEFUNDED

3. EL KODIGO

14. WOOTTON'SUN

6. INTENSE FOR ME

9. ROMANTIC WARRIOR

11. WAIT TO EXCEL

13. WILSON TESORO

10. USHBA TESORO

8. RATTLE N ROLL

Pace: GOOD

WALK OF STARS and AL MUSMAK both have early speed and they should go forward and take up the running. ROMANTIC WARRIOR and FOREVER YOUNG can be positive and settle behind the leaders. USHBA TESORO and RATTLE N ROLL should be at the rear.

(Information as at 20 Feb 2025, 1:00am)

1. AL MUSMAK

12. WALK OF STARS

## HK Time 1:40 A.M. KSA Time 8:40 P.M.

Turf

S2-7 Saudi Cup KSA Race 9



1 沙特堅堡 AL MUSMAK (IRE) 4 b c (35) Night of Thunder (IRE) — Parton (GB) (Kitten's Joy (USA)) Owner(s): Sheikh Abdullah Homoud Almalek Alsabah

達衡立 (沙特阿拉伯) 126 柯棣亨 Lifetime 2025 1st Up (10) Thamer Aldaihani (KSA) [112] Muhammad Aldaham

HK\$1,171,902

NH Rules Non-Turf Dist Track Trk/Dist

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Pos	Date Rac	e Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
7/7	7 16May24 G2	2 Dante S. 3yo GBP192,200	YOR, GB	2051 LH G Turf	128	James Doyle	3	2.09.30	7 19	4/1		Economics (GB) Ancient Wisdom (FR) War Rooms (IRE)	tracked leaders on inside, pushed along and lost 3rd over 3f out, weakened quickly over 2f out, soon behind and eased, tailed off
7/12	2 20Jun24 G3	B Hampton Court S. 3yo GBP150,000	ASC, GB	1993 RH GF Turf	128	Silvestre De Sousa	9	2.04.32	7 7	10/1		Jayarebe (FR) King's Gambit (IRE) Bellum Justum (IRE)	Took keen hold; chased leaders; pushed along over 2f out; ridden over 1f out; faded final furlong
1/6	3 11Jul24 L	Sir Henry Cecil S. 3yo GBP55,000	NEWJ, GB	1600 St GS Turf	131	Silvestre De Sousa	6	1.38.55	1 2.3	11/2		Al Musmak (IRE) Kitty Rose (GB) Lead Artist (GB)	Held up towards rear; headway over 4f out; led over 1f out; stayed on well inside final furlong; ridden out
6/9	2Aug24 G3	3 Thoroughbred S. 3yo GBP100,000	GOO, GB	1600 RH GF Turf	129	Silvestre De Sousa	7	1.35.82	6 4	3/1F		Lead Artist (GB) King's Gamble (IRE) Task Force (GB)	disp ld early: lost position but prom after 1f: wknd over 1f out
1/20	4Jan25 Horse	Open 4yo+ USD95,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	132	Muhammad Aldaham	13	1.53.84	1 4.8	-		Al Musmak (IRE) Tabaretta (FR) Metafored (USA)	led early, easily

Dominant for most of the trip on last month's Saudi and dirt debut, over this course and distance. Much stronger opposition now but that easy defeat of 19 rivals offers hope that this three-times winner on grass in the UK can make an impact.



**2**實現訴求 DEFUNDED (USA) 7 ch g

Dialed In (USA) - Wind Caper (USA) (Touch Gold (USA))

明先輝 (沙特阿拉伯) Abdulaziz Meshref (KSA) [110] Antonio Fresu

126 斐爾崇

Lifetime 2025 1st Up (11)

Turf Non-Turf Dist HK\$18,051,443

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(/(	Owner(s): Muhaideb Abdullah A Alr	núhaideb	,,								Trk/Dist	: 3 (1-0-0)	S/Hvy : —
Pos Date Rac	e Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third		Comments
2/9 30Sep23 G1	Awesome Again S. 3yo+ USD300,000	SA, USA	1800 LH WF Dirt	126	Edwin Maldonado	2	1.47.62	2 2.3			Slow Down Andy (USA) Defunded (USA) Senor Buscador (USA)	stalk ins-2w	d,2nd best
7/14 24Feb24 G1	Saudi Cup 4yo+ USD20,000,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	126	Luis Saez	9	1.49.50	7 11.5	33/1		Senor Buscador (USA) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Saudi Crown (USA)	towards rr o fnl 2 1/2f	of midfield: rdn and no imp
7/12 30Mar24 G1	Dubai World Cup 3yo+ USD12,000,000	MEY, UAE	2000 LH FT Dirt		Adel Al Furaydi	9	2.02.31	7 16.5	66/1		Laurel River (USA) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Senor Buscador (USA)	prom: wnt 2 1f out: wkno	and after 2f: lost 2nd over d ins fnl f
5/15 27Dec24	Open 3yo+ SAR95,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	137	Adel Alfouraidi	1	1.56.33	5 3.5	-		Almulhem (USA) Swift Victory (IRE) New Pursuit (IRE)	no extra nea	ar fin
1/13 17Jan25 Horse No.3	UK Cup 4yo+ SAR150,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Eddie Castro	3	1.54.92	1 3.3	-		Defunded (USA) Buon Viaggio (GB) Daahi (USA)	won going a	away

A former G1 winner in the US - leading throughout - he finished seventh in this last year and also didn't figure in the 2024 Dubai World Cup. On the plus side he won his prep for this over todays course and distance last month. This is a much harder task.



**3**特別密碼 EL KODIGO (ARG) 4 b c (35) Equal Stripes (ARG) — I'm Moving On (ARG) (Not For Sale (ARG))

明先輝 (沙特阿拉伯)

126 戈鋒天 Abdulaziz Meshref (KSA) [116] Gustavo Calvente

14 (9-3-1) 1 (1-0-0) 2025 1st Up Earnings HK\$2,663,852

NH Rules GF+ G : 0 (0-0-0)

Pos	Date Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
1/6	7Sep24 G1 Gran Pren Martin 4yo ARS31,50	+	2400 LH G Turf	128	Gustavo Calvente	5	2.29.38	1 0.8	2.1F		El Kodigo (ARG) Crazy Talent (ARG) Intense for Me (ARG)	took lead & ran on
1/6	6Oct24 G2 Premio CI Casares 4 ARS28,17	/0+	2500 LH ST Dirt	128	William Pereyra	5	2.35.26	1 13	1.4F		El Kodigo (ARG) Look Portal (ARG) Sofware (ARG)	impressive
1/7	2Nov24 G1 Copa De 0 4yo+ ARS34,00	•	2400 LH G Turf	130	Gustavo Calvente	5	2.28.63	1 1.5	2.25F		El Kodigo (ARG) Jazz Seiver (ARG) Intense for Me (ARG)	comfortably
2/20 1	14Dec24 G1 Gran Pren 3yo+ ARS220,0	g ,	2400 LH G Turf	131	Gustavo Calvente	20	2.23.17	2 Hd	2.4F		Intense for Me (ARG) El Kodigo (ARG) Don Feres (PER)	led, headed on line
E	6Jan25 G1 Gran Pren Horse Ramirez 3 UYU8,320		J 2400 LH ST Dirt	132	Gustavo Calvente	9	2.30.78	1 2.5	2.4F		El Kodigo (ARG) Universal Horse (BRZ) Suablenanav Th (URU)	won going away

Though narrowly bettered by rival here Intense For Me on turf at San Isidro two starts back, he is considered the best dirt horse in Argentina. A five-times G1 winner, he will want an electric pace here as he is used to racing over further, his latest victory coming over 2400m in Uruguay.

#### S2-7 Saudi Cup KSA Race 9 HK Time 1:40 A.M. KSA Time 8:40 P.M.

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送達駒 雷里雅 (法國) FACTEUR CHEVAL (IRE) 6 b g Jerome Reynier (FR)

126 巴米高 (12)[120] Mickael Barzalona

Lifetime 2025 18 (6-5-5) 1 (0-0-1) 1st Up Earnings HK\$33.769.361 Turf Non-Turf Dist Track Trk/Dist

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Ribchester (IRE) — Jawlaat (IRE) (Shamardal (USA))

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Pos	Date	Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
1/16	30Mar2	4 G1 Dubai Turf 3yo+ USD5,000,000	MEY, UAE	1800 LH G Turf	126	Maxime Guyon	8	1.45.91	1 SH	20/1		Facteur Cheval (IRE) Namur (JPN) Danon Beluga (JPN)	prom early: in tch w ldrs after 1f: dropped to midfield but gng easily 4f out: hdwy over 1f out: led narrowly but faced chal fnl 110yds: jst did enough
6/13	3 18Jun2	4 G1 Queen Anne S. 4yo+ GBP750,000	ASC, GB	1600 St GF Turf	128	Maxime Guyon	7	1.38.04	6 8.5	7/2		Charyn (IRE) Docklands (GB) Maljoom (IRE)	raced far side of centre, chased one rival, alone and every chance over 1f out, weakened inside final furlong
3/5	5 31Jul2	4 G1 Sussex S. 3yo+ GBP1,000,000	GOO, GB	1600 RH GF Turf	136	Maxime Guyon	4	1.35.97	3 1.8	5/1		Notable Speech (GB) Maljoom (IRE) Facteur Cheval (IRE)	Close up; pushed along 2f out; ridden and ran on inside final furlong; no threat to winner
2/12	2 19Oct2	4 G1 Queen Elizabeth II S. 3yo+ GBP1,156,250	ASC, GB	1600 St S Turf	132	Maxime Guyon	3	1.45.98	2 2	11/2		Charyn (IRE) Facteur Cheval (IRE) Tamfana (GER)	towards rr: in tch w ldrs gng easily 3f out: short of room over 2f out: pressed wnr but carried lft fr over 1f out: no ex towards fin
3/12	2 24Jan2 Horse No.3	5 G1 Al Maktoum Challenge 3yo+ AED3,680,000	MEY, UAE	1900 LH FT Dirt	126	Mickael Barzalona	4	1.56.21	3 7	5/1		Walk of Stars (GB) Imperial Emperor (IRE) Facteur Cheval (IRE)	In rear, some headway over 2f out, kept on, not reach leaders

Showed what he is capable of when winning last March's G1 Dubai Turf over this trip at Meydan. Well below that level when trying dirt for the first time when third in a G1 at Meydan last month. But it wasn't a bad effort and he seemed to act on the surface, only beaten by two hard fit and smart dirt specialists.

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**5** 青春永駐 FOREVER YOUNG (JPN) 4 b c

矢作芳人 (日本) Yoshito Yahagi (JPN)

126 坂井瑠星 [121] Ryusei Sakai

Lifetime 2025 1st Up (14)

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Lifetime 2025

1st Up Earnings

Turf Non-Turf Dist

0 (0-0-0)

. : HK\$33.228.201 (3.1) Real Steel (JPN) — Forever Darling (USA) (Congrats (USA)) Owner(s): Susumu Fujita Earnings Track Trk/Dist Dist/Course/Going Jocke<sub>2</sub> Race Details Track Wt. Odds Dr Race Finish & Margin 1/11 30Mar24 G2 UAE Derby 3yo Forever Young (JPN) Auto Bahn (ARG) Pandagate (USA) MEY, UAE 121 Ryusei 1.57.89 driven to lead 1f out 8/11F USD1,000,000 Dirt 3/20 4May24 G1 Kentucky Derby 3yo USD5,000,000 Hd Mystik Dan (USA) CD, USA 2000 LH FT Ryusei 10 2.03.34 3 8.03 off slw, bumped game Dirt Sierra Leone (USA) Forever Young (JPN) Forever Young (JPN) Mikki Fight (JPN) Sunrise Zipangu (JPN) 2Oct24 [G1] Japan Dirt Classic 3yo JPY119,000,000 OI, JPN 2000 RH ST 126 2.04.10 1 <sup>1.3</sup> 1.7F close up, driven home Ryusei Dirt 3/14 2Nov24 G1 Breeders' Cup Classic 3yo+ USD7,000,000 DMR. USA 2000 LH FT 122 Ryusei 2.00.78 3 2.8 Sierra Leone (USA) Fierceness (USA) Tracked leaders, ridden 2 1/2f out, outpaced 1 1/2f out, driven and kept 5.1 Dirt

Ramjet (JPN) A terrific dirt champion who came from near the back to win the 1600m Saudi Derby on this card last year, coming mighty close to victory in the Kentucky Derby subsequently. A convincing G1 winner in Japan when last seen and it is hard to find fault with him. Big chance.

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**6** 衝擊我心 INTENSE FOR ME (ARG) 4 ch c Fortify (USA) - Intense Look (ARG) (Halo Sunshine (USA))

1/10 29Dec24 G1 Tokyo Daishoten 3yo+ Horse JPY170,000,000

明先輝 (沙特阿拉伯) Abdulaziz Meshref (KSA)

123 Ryusei

2000 RH ST

OI, JPN

126 奥士賓拿 (2) [116] Camillo Ospina

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15 (8-2-3) 0 (0-0-0) HK\$1,329,071

Forever Young (JPN)

Forever Young (JPN)
Wilson Tesoro (JPN)

13 (8-2-2) 2 (0-0-1) 1 (1-0-0) Non-Turf Dist Track

NH Rules GF+ G Y : 0 (0-0-0)

on final furlong, took third close home

driven home for win

os	Date Rac	e Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
1/8	2Jun24 G2	Clasico Forli 3yo+ ARS11,240,000	SI, ARG	1800 LH G Turf	127	Martin Valle	7	1.48.06	1 4	1.7F		Intense for Me (ARG) Comando Secreto (ARG) Puro de Cuba (ARG)	very easily
2/6	29Jun24 G	Gran Premio Estrellas Classic 3yo+ ARS57,600,000	SI, ARG	2000 LH G Turf	127	Martin Valle	1	2.01.94	2 0.5	1.95F		Vundu (ARG) Intense for Me (ARG) Karalis (ARG)	probably best
3/6	7Sep24 G	Gran Premio General San Martin 4yo+ ARS31,500,000	PAL, ARG	2400 LH G Turf	128	Martin Valle	3	2.29.38	3 3.3	3		El Kodigo (ARG) Crazy Talent (ARG) Intense for Me (ARG)	not reach leaders
3/7	2Nov24 G	Copa De Oro - Alfredo Lalor 4yo+ ARS34,000,000	SI, ARG	2400 LH G Turf	130	Martin Valle	7	2.28.63	3 1.8	4.8		El Kodigo (ARG) Jazz Seiver (ARG) Intense for Me (ARG)	not reach winner
I	14Dec24 G <sup>a</sup> Horse No.18	Gran Premio Carlos Pellegrini 3yo+ ARS220,000,000	SI, ARG	2400 LH G Turf	131	Martin Valle	18	2.23.17	1 <sup>Nk</sup>	10.1		Intense for Me (ARG) El Kodigo (ARG) Don Feres (PER)	took lead on line

Nailed classy Argentinian rival here El Kodigo late on when winning a 2400m turf G1 – considered South America's most prestigious race – at San Isidro in December. Now locally trained and moving to a dirt surface. Worth a try at this huge prize.

#### HK Time 1:40 A.M. KSA Time 8:40 P.M. S2-7 Saudi Cup KSA Race 9



7 飆速引擎 RAMJET (JPN) 4 db c

佐佐木晶三 (日本) Shozo Sasaki (JPN)

126 三浦皇成 [116] Kosei Miura

Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings (9)

9 (5-0-2) 0 (0-0-0) HK\$10,375,391 Turf Non-Turf Dist Track Trk/Dist

: 0 (0-0-0) GF+ G

(30) Majestic Warrior (USA) — Nefertiti (JPN) (Gold Allure (JPN)) Owner(s): Koji Maeda

Pos	Date Race	Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
1/11	18Feb24 L	Hyacinth S. 3yo JPY36,200,000	TOK, JPN	1600 LH ST Dirt	126	Kosei Miura	1	1.36.30	1 3	13.9		Ramjet (JPN) Unquenchable (JPN) Habire (JPN)	took lead fnl strides
1/16	27Apr24 G3	Unicorn S. 3yo JPY70,600,000	KYO, JPN	1900 RH ST Dirt	126	Kosei Miura	5	1.58.60	1 2.5	7.3		Ramjet (JPN) Satono Epic (JPN) Mikki Fight (JPN)	ran on to prevail
1/16	5Jun24 [G1	Tokyo Derby 3yo JPY170,000	OI, JPN	2000 RH GD Dirt	126	Kosei Miura	14	2.06.10	1 6	1.7F		Ramjet (JPN) Satono Epic (JPN) Ammothyella (JPN)	as rider pleased
4/15	20ct24 [G1	Japan Dirt Classic 3yo JPY119,000,001	OI, JPN	2000 RH ST Dirt	126	Kosei Miura	4	2.04.10	4 7.3	3.6		Forever Young (JPN) Mikki Fight (JPN) Sunrise Zipangu (JPN)	outfinished
I	29Dec24 G1 Horse No.3	Tokyo Daishoten 3yo+ JPY170,000,000	OI, JPN	2000 RH ST Dirt	123	Kosei Miura	3	2.04.90	3 2	9.5		Forever Young (JPN) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Ramjet (JPN)	outfinished

Has shown great talent on dirt in Japan. But has finished fourth and third behind Forever Young on his last two starts and no obvious reason why that form should be reversed, plus this is Ramjet's first experience out of Japan.

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8 好精力 RATTLE N ROLL (USA) 6 ch h Kenn (11) Owner(s): Sharaf Mohamad Alhariri & Lucky Seven Stable

麥柏嘉 (美國) Kenneth McPeek (USA)

126 羅沙理奧 [113] Joel Rosario

Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings (7) HK\$18,315,613

NH Rules GF+ G : 0 (0-0-0) S/Hvy

'os	Date	Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
6/8	2Sep23	G1 Jockey Club Gold Cup S. 3yo+ USD1,000,000	SAR, USA	2000 LH FT Dirt	126	Brian Hernandez, Jr.	4	2.03.00	6 3.8	2.65F		Bright Future (USA) Proxy (USA) Tyson (USA)	3w pursuit, empty
4/8	30Sep23	G2 Lukas Classic S. 3yo+ USD500,000	CD, USA	1800 LH FT Dirt	123	Brian Hernandez, Jr.	3	1.48.79	4 5.5	2.3F		Clapton (USA) Trademark (USA) Blue Devil (USA)	ins, imprvd btw, altr 1/8
3/8 2	28Sep24	G2 Lukas Classic S. 3yo+ USD500,000	CD, USA	1800 LH SL Dirt	121	Brian Hernandez, Jr.	2	1.50.44	3 3.8	5.57		Hit Show (USA) Cooke Creek (USA) Rattle N Roll (USA)	2-4p, 8p upr, rallied
1/8 2	29Nov24	G2 Clark S. 3yo+ USD600,000	CD, USA	1800 LH FT Dirt	121	Brian Hernandez, Jr.	5	1.49.60	1 0.8	5.76		Rattle N Roll (USA) Most Wanted (USA) Uno Mas Bourbon (USA)	3pbtw,5p5/16,bid,dueld
F	25Jan25 Horse No.13	G3 The Custodian Of The Two Holy Mosques Cup 4yo+ SAR1,500,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Joel Rosario	10	1.52.95	1 4.8	-		Rattle N Roll (USA) Wait To Excel (GB) Wootton'sun (FR)	very easily

Showed his talent along with a fighting spirit when winning a G2 over this trip at Churchill Downs last November. Looked to be in a hopeless position on his debut over this course and distance last month, but weaved his way through to easily outclass 19 rivals.

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**9** 浪漫勇士 (TT) ROMANTIC WARRIOR (IRE) 7 b g Acclamation (GB) - Folk Melody (IRE) (Street Cry (IRE))

沈集成 (中國香港) C S Shum (HKG)

麥道朗 126 [125] James McDonald Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings : 23 (18-3-0) : 1 (1-0-0) . HK\$179,668,247 Turf Non-Turf Dist : 23 (18-3-0) : 0 (0-0-0) : 2 (1-0-0) : 0 (0-0-0)

NH Rules : 0 (0-0-0) GF+ : — G : — Y

	//	(2.8) Owner(s): Peter Lau Pak Fai	(IIVE) (Street City	(IRE))						Lamin	go .	Trk/Dist	: 0 (0-0-0) S/Hvy : —
Pos	Date	Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
1/11	28Apr2	4 G1 FWD QEII Cup HKD28,000,000	ST, HK	2000 RH Y Turf	126	James McDonald	10	2.01.02	1 N	1.9F	TT	Romantic Warrior (IRE) Prognosis (JPN) North Bridge (JPN)	Caught wide early stages before slotting into a midfield spot along the 2-path, swung wide home turn, kept closing doggedly to gain lead 150M, gamely held off the persistent runner up late stages.
1/18	2Jun2	4 G1 Yasuda Kinen 3yo+ JPY388,800,000	TOK, JPN	1600 LH G Turf	128	James McDonald	7	1.32.30	1 0.5	3.6F	TT	Romantic Warrior (IRE) Namur (JPN) Soul Rush (JPN)	Broke well, led or disputed lead early strides, soon settled behind leaders, ridden along and progress from 2f out, led 1f out, quickened clear inside final furlong, advantage reduced close home but always doing enough, ridden out.
1/11	17Nov2	4 G2 BOCHK Jockey Club Cup HKD5,350,000	ST, HK	2000 RH G Turf	128	James McDonald	1	1.59.70	1 43	<sup>3</sup> 1.1F	TT	Romantic Warrior (IRE) Ka Ying Generation (IRE) Nimble Nimbus (NZ)	Began smartly from gate 1, raced in midfield on the inside, 4 lengths or so back, commenced move 600M, hit the front 350M, kept on very well to the line and scored, impressive.
1/11	8Dec2	4 G1 LONGINES Hong Kong Cup HKD40,000,000	ST, HK	2000 RH G Turf	126	James McDonald	1	2.00.51	1 1.5	1.1F	TT	Romantic Warrior (IRE) Liberty Island (JPN) Tastiera (JPN)	Began well, restrained to race in the 4th spot always in touch with leaders, driven 400M and wrestled the lead near 200M, kept on strongly late stages for an authoritative win.
76.	24Jan2 Horse No.7	5 G1 Jebel Hatta 3yo+ AED1,850,000	MEY, UAE	1800 LH G Turf	126	James McDonald	1	1.45.10	1 4.5	6/5	TT	Romantic Warrior (IRE) Poker Face (IRE) Holloway Boy (GB)	In touch, ridden and smooth progress 2f out, quickened to lead final 110yds, soon clear, easily

This superstar has an amazing record outside of Hong Kong, winning in the highest class in Australia, Japan and last month when surging up the Meydan straight to win a G1 over this trip in fantastic style. With his ability and enthusiasm unquestioned all depends on how he handles this surface on his first start away from grass.



10 盈寶奇嶽 (B/TT) USHBA TESORO (JPN) 8 b h

高木登 (日本) Noboru Takagi (JPN)

126 菅原明良 (1) [119] Akira Sugawara

Lifetime 2025 37 (11-4-5) 0 (0-0-0) 1st Up Earnings HK\$129.432.506 Turf Non-Turf Dist Track Trk/Dist

NH Rules GF+ G : 0 (0-0-0)

(16) Orfevre (JPN) — Millefeui Attach (JPN) (King Kar Owner(s): Ryotokuji Kenji Holdings Co Ltd hameha (JPN))

Pos	Date	Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
2/14	4 24Feb24	4 G1 Saudi Cup 4yo+ USD20,000,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	11	1.49.50	2 Hd	11/2	TT	Senor Buscador (USA) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Saudi Crown (USA)	s.s: hld up and bhd: hdwy fr 3f out: rdn 2 1/2f out: styd on wl fr under 2f out: drvn to ld narrowly fnl 25yds: hdd last stride
2/1:	2 30Mar24	4 G1 Dubai World Cup 3yo+ USD12,000,000	MEY, UAE	2000 LH FT Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	5	2.02.31	2 8.5	5/1	TT	Laurel River (USA) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Senor Buscador (USA)	no match for winner
2/1	3 25Sep24	4 [G2] Nippon TV Hai 3yo+ JPY68,000,001	FUN, JPN	1800 LH ST Dirt	128	Yuga Kawada	4	1.52.80	2 1	1.4F		William Barows (JPN) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Meisho Hario (JPN)	closed willingly
10/14	4 2Nov24	4 G1 Breeders' Cup Classic : USD7,000,000	Byo+ DMR, USA	2000 LH FT Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	7	2.00.78	10 14.8	3 25.4	TT	Sierra Leone (USA) Fierceness (USA) Forever Young (JPN)	Held up towards rear, ridden over 3f out, kept on steadily from 1 1/2f out, weakened inside final furlong, never dangerous
4/10	O 29Dec24 Horse No.10	4 G1 Tokyo Daishoten 3yo+ JPY170,000,000	OI, JPN	2000 RH ST Dirt	126	Akira Sugawara	10	2.04.90	4 5.5	8.3		Forever Young (JPN) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Ramjet (JPN)	outfinished

This Japanese contender has an excellent record when travelling to the Middle East and came desperately close to winning this last year, surging from the back only to find Senor Buscador, another huge closer, finishing even faster. Likely to again make an impact.



求卓進 WAIT TO EXCEL (GB) 6 b h 達衡立 (沙特阿拉伯) Thamer Aldaihani (KSA)

126 倪奉典 (8) [106] Adel Alfouraidi

Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings 16 (7-4-0) 2 (0-1-0) HK\$1,947,791

NH Rules GF+ G : 0 (0-0-0)

(50) Postponed (IRE) — Al Baidaa (GB) (Exceed And Excel (AUS))
Owner(s): Prince Faisal bin Khaled bin A/Aziz S/Hvy Pos Date Race Details Dist/Course/Going Wt. Jockey Dr Race Time Finish & Margin Odds Gear Winner/Second/Third Comments Wait To Excel (GB) Mr Trinket (IRE) Okaz Cup Prep 3yo+ SAR130,000 1/18 23Aug24 TAI. KSA 2000 LH FT 135 Muhammad 6 2.12.75 impressive Dirt Aldaham Derevo (GB) Jack Red Cloud (IRE) Mr Trinket (IRE) Allah Kareem (USA) Okaz Cup 3yo+ SAR700,000 17 4/12 20Sep24 TAI, KSA 2000 LH FT 130 Muhammad 4 2.16.50 4 not pace of leaders Aldaham 1/16 16Nov24 2000 LH FT Muhammad 6 1 9.5 \_ Open 4yo+ SAR95,000 KAR, KSA 137 2.05.73 Wait To Excel (GB) much the best My Frankel (GB) Derevo (GB) 4/13 4Jan25 [G1] King Saud Cup 4yo+ SAR800,000 KAR, KSA 2000 LH FT 128 2.07.49 4 Carracci (USA) Alexis not pace of leaders Moreno Mr Trinket (IRÉ) Al Abjar (IRE) 2 4.8 -2/20 25Jan25 G3 The Custodian Of The Two Rattle N Roll (USA) KAR, KSA 1800 LH FT 128 Nawaf 1.52.95 no match for winner Holy Mosques Cup 4yo+ SAR1,500,000 Wait To Excel (GB) Wootton'sun (FR) Almudiani Horse

Ratings suggest that he has an extremely difficult task. He did win over 2000m here last November, but, although second of 20, was powerless to respond to today's Rattle N Roll's late surge here last month.

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**12**星大道 (B/TT) WALK OF STARS (GB) 6 b g

司馬邦 (阿聯酋) **Bhupat Seemar (UAE)** 

奥斯雅 [117] Tadhg O'Shea (6) 1st Up 15 (4-4-3) 1 (1-0-0) Turf Non-Turf Dist

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(22) Dubawi (IRE) — Sound Reflection Owner(s): Athbah Racing	n (USA) (Street Ci	y (IRE))						Earnin	gs :	HK\$8,793,804 Track Trk/Dist	: 0 (0-0-0) Y : — : 0 (0-0-0) S/Hvy : —
Pos Date Race Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
2/13 2Mar24 G2 Al Maktoum Classic 3yo+ AED1,700,000	MEY, UAE	1900 LH FT Dirt	126	Tadhg O'Shea	2	1.58.07	2 1	6/1	B/TT	Military Law (GB) Walk of Stars (GB) Clapton (USA)	Close up, every chance final 600m, stuck to task, not get past winner.
2/13 30Mar24 G2 Godolphin Mile 3yo+ USD1,000,000	MEY, UAE	1600 LH FT Dirt	126	Tadhg O'Shea	3	1.37.49	2 0.8	9/1	B/TT	Two Rivers Over (USA) Walk of Stars (GB) Isolate (USA)	Close up, challenged strongly from 500m out, led final 200m, headed late on.
2/9 22Nov24 L Dubai Creek Mile 3yo+ AED500,000	MEY, UAE	1600 LH FT Dirt	126	Tadhg O'Shea	7	1.36.46	2 0.8	4/6F	B/TT	Meshtri (USA) Walk of Stars (GB) Qareeb (USA)	In touch, ridden 600m and wandered, progress to join leader 200m out, outbattled.
1/9 20Dec24 L The Entisar 3yo+ AED500,000	MEY, UAE	1900 LH FT Dirt	126	Tadhg O'Shea	10	1.56.10	1 11	5/2	B/TT	Walk of Stars (GB) Auto Bahn (ARG) Local Dynasty (IRE)	Dictated, kicked 600m out, soon in complete control, unchallenged.
1/12 24Jan25 G1 Al Maktoum Challenge 3yo+	MEY, UAE	1900 LH FT Dirt	126	Tadhg O'Shea	6	1.56.21	1 2.8	100/30	) B/TT	Walk of Stars (GB) Imperial Emperor (IRE) Facteur Cheval (IRE)	Made running, pressed early, kicked over 2f out, always doing enough, made just about all

Formerly quirky and difficult to win with but has developed into a very smart dirt horse at Meydan and posted a clear career best when winning a 1900m G1 there last month, leading almost throughout with today's rival Facteur Cheval well back in third.



13 盈寶威神 (H)
WILSON TESORO (JPN) 6 b h

高木登 (日本) Noboru Takagi (JPN)

126 川田將雅 [117] Yuga Kawada Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings

21 (8-6-0) 0 (0-0-0) HK\$28,976,786 Turf Non-Turf Dist

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(30) Kitasan Black (JPN) — Chesutoke Rose (USA) (Uncle Mo (USA)) Owner(s): Ryotokuji Kenji Holdings Co Ltd

Pos	Date	Race [	Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
2/13	26Jun2		Teio Sho 4yo+ JPY136,000,001	OI, JPN	2000 RH GD Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	8	2.06.90	2 1.8	3.2F		King's Sword (JPN) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Diktaean (JPN)	outfinished
2/10	8Sep2		Korea Cup 3yo+ KRW1,600,000,000	SEO, KOR	1800 LH WT Sand	126	Yuga Kawada	8	1.51.80	2 5	1.5F		Crown Pride (JPN) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Global Hit (KOR)	no match for easy wnr
1/11	4Nov2		JBC Classic 3yo+ JPY170,000,000	SAG, JPN	2000 RH ST Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	10	2.08.00	1 4	2.1F		Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Meisho Hario (JPN) Kirinji (JPN)	well in command
2/16	1Dec2		Champions Cup 3yo+ JPY228,000,000	CYO, JPN	1800 LH ST Dirt	128	Yuga Kawada	8	1.50.10	2 Nose	5.5		Lemon Pop (USA) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Dura Erede (JPN)	just missed
-6-	29Dec2 Horse No.2		Tokyo Daishoten 3yo+ JPY170,000,000	OI, JPN	2000 RH ST Dirt	126	Yuga Kawada	2	2.04.90	2 1.8	5		Forever Young (JPN) Wilson Tesoro (JPN) Ramjet (JPN)	outfinished

A classy performer in Japan who rarely underperforms and was not beaten far when second to Forever Young last time, having his first run for this stable then. Only Middle East experience when fourth – though well behind – in last year's Dubai World Cup.

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**14** 活頓太陽 (TT) WOOTTON'SUN (FR) 6 b g

雅祺達 (沙特阿拉伯) Abdullah Al Kahtani (KSA) [106] Ricardo Ferreira

126 方銳拿 (5) Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings

HK\$3,862,348

NH Rules : 0 (0-0-0)

(80) Wootton Bassett (GB) — Sous Le Soleil (USA) (Tizway (USA))
Owner(s): Prince Faisal bin Khaled bin A/Aziz

Pos Date Ra	ce Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race Time	Finish & Margin	Odds	Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
9/20 27Jan24 L	The Custodian Of The Two Holy Mosques Cup 4yo+ SAR1,500,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Aseel Alshrar	3	1.52.83	9 7.8	-		Power in Numbers (USA) Scotland Yard (USA) Derevo (GB)	prominent, weakened
6/18 23Feb24	Lucid Tuwaiq Cup 4yo+ USD500,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Aseel Alshrar	2	1.50.49	6 <sup>9.3</sup>	-		Badr (USA) Final Destination (GB) Alwazir (USA)	not pace of leaders
2/19 14Nov24	Open 3yo+ SAR36,000	KAR, KSA	2000 LH FT Dirt	136	Aseel Alshrar	7	2.08.51	2 1	-	TT	Go Fast Traou Land (FR) Wootton'sun (FR) Alkaayef (IRE)	closing at fin
1/15 14Dec24 L	Crown Prince Cup 3yo+ SAR1,000,000	KAR, KSA	2400 LH FT Dirt	130	Ricardo Ferreira	5	2.38.26	1 1.3	-	TT	Wootton'sun (FR) Jack Red Cloud (IRE) (DH)Carracci (USA) (DH)Qontar (GB)	led & clear close home
3/20 25Jan25 G Horse	3 The Custodian Of The Two Holy Mosques Cup 4yo+ SAR1 500 000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Aseel Alsarhani	1	1.52.95	3 5	-	TT	Rattle N Roll (USA) Wait To Excel (GB) Wootton'sun (FR)	no match for winner

Third – but having no chance behind today's rival Rattle N Roll in the closing stages – here last month. Probably requires a long trip than this and very hard to fancy.



15 精鋭總部 SCOTLAND YARD (USA) 6 b h Quality Road (USA) — Leslie's Harmony (USA) (Curlin (USA))
Owner(s): Prince Saud bin Salman Abdulaziz

巴齊樂 (沙特阿拉伯) 126 巫瀾生 Nicholas Bachalard (KSA) [108] Luis Morales

Lifetime 2025 1st Up Earnings (-)

HK\$6,878,935

Turf Non-Turf Dist Track Trk/Dist

0 (0-0-0) 16 (6-3-1) 5 (1-1-0) 11 (6-1-0)

NH Rules GF+ G : 0 (0-0-0)

Pos Date Rac	e Details	Track	Dist/Course/Going	Wt.	Jockey	Dr.	Race	Finish 8		Gear	Winner/Second/Third	Comments
8/14 24Feb24 G1	Saudi Cup 4yo+ USD20,000,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	126	Luis Morales	12	1.49.50	Margin 8	11.5 80/1	Н	Senor Buscador (USA) Ushba Tesoro (JPN) Saudi Crown (USA)	Held up towards rear, ridden 500m out, switched wide entering straight, driven and kept on steadily from under 400m out, never in contention
7/13 30Mar24 G2	Godolphin Mile 3yo+ USD1,000,000	MEY, UAE	1600 LH FT Dirt	126	Luis Morales	12	1.37.49	7	<sup>10.5</sup> 100/1		Two Rivers Over (USA) Walk of Stars (GB) Isolate (USA)	midfield: outpcd over 2f out: kpt on but no ch fnl f
1/17 26Oct24	Open 4yo+ SAR95,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	135	Adel Alfouraidi	7	1.52.11	1	16 _		Scotland Yard (USA) Taking Names (USA) Almaan (USA)	
1/10 21Dec24	Saeed Al Majed Cup 3yo+ SAR150,000	KAR, KSA	2000 LH FT Dirt	128	Adel Alfouraidi	11	2.08.86	1	13.3 _		Scotland Yard (USA) Derevo (GB) Man of the Night (FR)	
14/20 25Jan25 G3 Horse No.14	The Custodian Of The Two Holy Mosques Cup 4yo+ SAR1,500,000	KAR, KSA	1800 LH FT Dirt	128	Adel Alfouraidi	8	1.52.95	14	24 _		Rattle N Roll (USA) Wait To Excel (GB) Wootton'sun (FR)	

Eighth in this last year at long odds, and will probably again not make a serious impact. Didn't figure behind today's rival Rattle N Roll on his latest start.

[] International Rating