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**SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 20TH WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES
[FIRST DAY]**

The WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES (WSJS), a popular annual event in Japan and throughout the world, is a championship that brings together fourteen outstanding jockeys from Europe, North America, Oceania, Asia and Japan.

This year's Series, which celebrated its twentieth occasion, included following jockeys.

EDGAR PRADO (USA) and **JAVIER CASTELLANO** (USA) from North America; **IORITZ MENDIZABAL** (FRA), **ANDREAS SUBORICS** (GER), and **RYAN MOORE** (GR) representing Europe; **DARREN BEADMAN** (AUS) and **CRAIG WILLIAMS** (AUS) from Oceania; **BRETT PREBBLE** (HK) representing Asia; **EIJI NAKADATE**, **NORIHIRO YOKOYAMA**, **YUTAKA TAKE**, **YASUNARI IWATA** and **SHINJI FUJITA** from the Japan Racing Association, and **KUSUHIKO HAMAGUCHI** from the National Association of Racing.

Today marked the inauguration of the renewed Hanshin racecourse, which had been going through a reconstruction of its facilities focusing on its outer turf course, since mid-April. The outer turf track was extended by 395 meters to 2,089 meters with a 474-meter homestretch that includes a steep hill that rises 1.8 meters right before the goal.

[Day One]

Saturday, December 2, 2006 Hanshin Racecourse 9th Race Post Time: 14:35

2006 GOLDEN SPUR TROPHY

3-year-old & up, 2,000 meters (about 10 furlongs), right-handed, dirt
3-y-o winner of ¥10 million or less, 4-y-o & up winner of ¥20 million or less,
3-y-o 57kg, 4-y-o & up 58kg, 2kg allowance for fillies and mares, 14 runners.

FP	BKT	PP	Horse	Jockey	Weight (kg)	Margin	Odds (win)
1	6	9	Tsurumaru Three (JPN)	Brett Prebble	57	2:06.3	3.7
2	6	10	Zenno Coral (JPN)	Edgar Prado	58	3/4	21.6
3	7	12	Marubutsu Fuji (JPN)	Norihiro Yokoyama	57	Head	3.0
4	5	8	Wonder Speed (JPN)	Shinji Fujita	58	1-1/4	27.5
5	8	13	Recompense (JPN)	Darren Beadman	58	1/2	14.4
6	4	6	Dynamic Ace (JPN)	Ryan Moore	58	2-1/2	41.7
7	8	14	Reportage (JPN)	Yasunari Iwata	58	1	13.5
8	5	7	She'll be Back (JPN)	Craig Williams	56	1/2	10.1
9	3	3	Gassan Green (JPN)	Kusuhiko Hamaguchi	58	1	45.6
10	2	2	Chief Chateau (JPN)	Eiji Nakadate	58	Nose	7.3
11	1	1	Madam Cherokee (JPN)	Javier Castellano	56	Nose	65.0
12	7	11	Shunsai (JPN)	Andreas Suborics	58	Neck	12.4
13	4	5	Great Arrow (JPN)	Yutaka Take	58	3	33.5

14	3	4B	Estrella (JPN)	Ioritz Mendizabal	58	3	78.9
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FP= Final Position **BKT** = Bracket Number **PP** = Post Position **B** = Blinkers
NOTE: Figures quoted under WIN ODDS show the amount of money you get back per single unit (100yen).

WINNING TIME: 2:06.3 GOING: Standard WEATHER: Cloudy
TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: ¥912,124,100

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.9	¥370	PLACE	No.9	¥150
BRACKET QUINELLA	6-6	¥3,980		No.10	¥430
QUINELLA	9-10	¥3,770		No.12	¥130
EXACTA	9-10	¥5,380	QUINELLA PLACE	9-10	¥1,200
TRIO	9-10-12	¥3,620		9-12	¥260
TRIFECTA	9-10-12	¥23,380		10-12	¥1,080

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.6 -11.7 -11.8 -13.4 -13.1 -12.5 -12.6 -12.6 -13.5
Last 4 furlong 51.2 Last 3 furlong 38.7

Positions at each corner: 1st corner (*11,13)(8,10)9(6,7,4)(5,12)2-14,3-1
2nd corner 11,13(8,10)9(6,7,4)(5,12)2-(14,3)=1
3rd corner (11,*12)(13,10)(8,9,5)(6,7,4)(2,3)-14-1
4th corner 12,10(11,13,9,5)(8,7)(6,3)(2,4)(14,1)

2006 GOLDEN SPUR TROPHY

BRETT PREBBLE on board 2nd pick Tsurumaru Three (colt 3-y-o) claimed the GOLDEN SPUR TROPHY, the first leg of the World Super Jockeys Series, to acquire 20 points. **EDGAR PRADO** riding 8th choice Zenno Coral (horse 5-y-o) overtook **NORHIRO YOKOYAMA** mounting the race favorite Marubutsu Fuji (colt 3-y-o) right before the goal, crossing the wire a head in front for a runner-up effort.

The race broke off with **SUBORICS** on board Shunsai and **BEADMAN** riding Recompense saving ground to set the pace. **PREBBLE** settled his colt 2 wide in midfield around 5th position, right behind **PRADO**. **YOKOYAMA**, who settled his colt in midfield, made a move in the backstretch and edged forward, with **PRADO**'s horse stalking right behind on the outside, through the last two corners to take the lead. While **PRADO** maintained the front followed by **YOKOYAMA** in the homestretch, **PREBBLE** urged Trusumaru Three for the last kick, and the colt, responding well to his urgings, exerted a powerful stride to capture **YOKOYAMA**'s colt 100 meters out to a 3/4-length victory. **PRADO**'s mount also showed a strong last spurt, pinning down **YOKOYAMA** right before the goal to earn the runner-up effort.

Comments by Foreign Jockeys:

BRETT PREBBLE riding 2nd pick Tsurumaru Three (colt 3-y-o): "He's a great colt with a potential to become stronger next year. Although the pace was slow, I was able to position him well."

EDGAR PRADO riding 8th pick Zenno Coral (horse 5-y-o): "He broke well and felt good during the race. As it was his first race after his break, I think he will do better in his next race."

DARREN BEADMAN riding 7th pick Recompense (horse 5-y-o): "I was able to race him as instructed, but the pace was too slow for him."

RYAN MOORE partnering 11th pick Dynamic Ace (horse 6-y-o): "Being surrounded by horses during the

race, he stretched well after I was able to steer him to the outside in the homestretch. I would like to race him in a larger racecourse.”

CRAIG WILLIAMS riding 4th pick She'll be Back (filly 4-y-o): “After a slow break, I was able to settle her in good position, but she didn't have much to give after the last corner.”

JAVIER CASTELLANO riding 13th pick Madam Cherokee (mare 5-y-o): “Her start on turf didn't go so well and so I had to race her in the rear. The race development didn't suit her well.”

ANDREAS SUBORICS riding 5th pick Shunsai (horse 7-y-o): “The horse ran well but he stopped going after being narrowed a bit.”

IORITZ MENDIZABAL riding 14th-pick Estrella (horse 5-y-o): “I would have liked to race him a little more toward the front. The horse didn't respond in the homestretch.”

[Day One]

Saturday, December 2, 2006 Hanshin Racecourse 11th Race Post Time: 15:45

2006 GOLDEN WHIP TROPHY

3-year-old & up, 1,600 meters (about 1 mile), right-handed, turf

3-y-o winner of ¥16 million or less, 4-y-o & up winner of ¥32 million or less,

3-y-o 57kg, 4-y-o & up 58kg, 2kg allowance for fillies and mares, 14runners.

FP	BKT	PP	Horse	Jockey	Weight (kg)	Margin	Odds (win)
1	6	9	Eishin Dover (USA)	Craig Williams	58	1:34.1	5.0
2	8	14	Blumenblatt (JPN)	Yasunari Iwata	55	Neck	3.5
3	5	7	Dear Chance (JPN)	Ioritz Mendizabal	56	3/4	25.2
4	3	3	Nihonpillow Keith (JPN)	Andreas Suborics	58	Nose	7.7
5	8	13	Eishin Deputy (JPN)	Darren Beadman	58	Neck	5.0
6	5	8	Mach Jukun (JPN)	Shinji Fujita	58	3/4	17.4
7	1	1	In My Eyes (JPN)	Ryan Moore	58	1/2	8.6
8	7	11	Antique Coin (USA)	Kusuhiko Hamaguchi	58	Neck	12.7
9	4	5	Lavaglut (JPN)	Yutaka Take	58	Head	18.1
10	4	6	Shigeru Dontoike (JPN))	Eiji Nakadate	58	Neck	84.1
11	2	2	Daitaku Albin (JPN)	Edgar Prado	58	Neck	97.6
12	7	12B	Diamond Head (JPN)	Javier Castellano	57	Nose	19.4
13	6	10	Hitori Musume (JPN)	Norihiro Yokoyama	55	4	74.1
14	3	4	Café Bristol (JPN)	Brett Prebble	58	1-3/4	213.7

WINNING TIME: 1:34.1

GOING: Firm

WEATHER: Fine

PAY—OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.9	¥500	PLACE	No.9	¥190
BRACKET QUINELLA	6-8	¥540		No.14	¥160
QUINELLA	9-14	¥1,190		No.7	¥490
EXACTA	9-14	¥2,550	QUINELLA PLACE	9-14	¥460

TRIO	7-9-14	¥8,340	7-9	¥2,240
TRIFECTA	9-14-7	¥36,130	7-14	¥1,240

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: ¥1,949,522,800

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY: ¥7,709,138,900

ATTENDANCE: 30,439

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.3-11.2-12.0-12.1-12.2-11.5-11.0-11.8

Last 4 furlong 46.5 Last 3 furlong 34.3

Positions at each corner: 3rd corner 8,13(7,14)9(3,12)(2,5,11)(1,4,,6)-10

4th corner 8(13,14)(7,9,12)3(5,11)(2,4,6)1-10

2006 GOLDEN WHIP TROPHY

CRAIG WILLIAMS aboard 3rd pick Eishin Dover (colt 4-y-o) claimed the **GOLDEN WHIP TROPHY** to finish the first day of the Series on top with 24 points. A neck behind in second was **YASUNARI IWATA** mounting race favorite Blumenblatt (filly 3-y-o), with **IORITZ MENDIZABAL** riding 10th pick Dear Chance (mare 5-y-o) finishing 3/4 length behind in 3rd.

The race broke off with **FUJITA** on board Mach Jukun and **MENDIZABAL** riding Dear Chance surging out to take the front while **BEADMAN** aboard Eishin Deputy saved ground and eventually took the second position behind **FUJITA**'s colt. Meanwhile, **WILLIAMS** settled his colt around 4th position and waited in mid-pack. Last year's champion of the Series, **IWATA**, took his filly through the wide route, made an early move and edged forward through the last two corners to join the front pack at the beginning of the homestretch. With several horses rallying for the lead in the renewed long homestretch of the Hanshin Racecourse, **MENDIZABAL** took the front in the last 200 meters, but was outrun by **WILLIAMS**' colt and **IWATA**'s filly in the last few strides.

Comments by foreign jockeys:

CRAIG WILLIAMS riding 3rd pick Eishin Dover (colt 4-y-o): "The colt broke in air but he relaxed immediately. I didn't have to use the whip – he just went on his own in the homestretch. He's a great horse."

IORITZ MENDIZABAL riding 10th-pick Dear Chance (mare 5-y-o): "I was able to race her right behind the frontrunner. She was easy to handle and responded well in the last stretch."

ANDREAS SUBORICS riding 4th pick Nihonpillow Keith (horse 5-y-o): "He broke a bit too slowly and so I couldn't settle him as planned. Too bad, because he's a strong horse."

DARREN BEADMAN riding 2nd pick Eishin Deputy (colt 4-y-o): "I was able to position him as instructed but the colt flinched at the horses coming from the outside in the homestretch."

RYAN MOORE riding 5th pick In My Eyes (horse 5-y-o): "The slow pace didn't suit him well. I was able to race him as instructed but we were out of luck. The 1800-meter distance may suit him better."

EDGAR PRADO riding 13th pick Daitaku Albin (horse 6-y-o): "He was easy to ride but he didn't stretch well in the homestretch."

JAVIER CASTELLANO riding 9th pick Diamond Head (colt 3-y-o): "He's a powerful horse. As he doesn't have a strong last kick, I tried to race him smoothly in good position. The result would have been different if he could have stretch a bit more."

BRETT PREBBLE riding 14th pick Cafe Bristol (horse 7-y-o): "The field was too strong for this horse."

2006 WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES POINT CHART

*The following list is alphabetical order

Jockey	Dec. 2, 2006			Dec. 3, 2006			Total, Points for 4 Races	<u>Final Standing</u>
	Golden Spur Trophy	Golden Whip Trophy	Total Points of Day 1	Golden Saddle Trophy	Golden Boots Trophy	Total Points of Day 2		
DARREN BEADMAN (AUS)	10	10	20					
JAVIER CASTELLANO (USA)	2	1	3					
SHINJI FUJITA (JPN)	11	6	17					
KUSUHIKO HAMAGUCHI (JPN)	3	4	7					
YASUNARI IWATA (JPN)	5	15	20					
IORITZ MENDIZABAL (USA)	1	13	14					
RYAN MOORE (GB)	6	5	11					
EIJI NAKADATE (JPN)	2	2	4					
EDGAR PRADO (USA)	15	2	17					
BRETT PREBBLE (HK)	20	1	21					
ANDREAS SUBORICS (GER)	1	11	12					
YUTAKA TAKE (JPN)	1	3	4					
CRAIG WILLIAMS (AUS)	4	20	24					
NORIHIRO YOKOYAMA (JPN)	13	1	14					

*1st: 20 points 2nd: 15 points 3rd: 13 points 4th: 11 points 5th: 10 points 6th: 6 points
 7th: 5 points 8th: 4 points 9th: 3 points 10th: 2 points 11th: 2 points 12th: 1 point
 13th: 1 point 14th: 1 point