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SUBJECT: RESULTS OF THE 1ST HANSHIN CUP (JPN-GII)

The HANSHIN CUP was newly established this year as part of JRA's movement to integrate a systematized program for short-distance turf runners into its racing calendar. Since modern racing have increased its attention to speed horses, the JRA has made efforts to give sprinters/milers the opportunity to develop their talents not only within Japan but on an international scale, collaborating with fellow racing clubs in Australia, Dubai, England and Hong Kong in launching attractive international grade-race series for sprinters and milers; the Global Sprint Challenge and the Asian Mile Challenge. The success of both series have triggered high interest on a global scale and the HANSHIN CUP is expected to serve as another opportunity for some of the most outstanding sprinters/milers as their season-end target.

Designated as an international race from its inaugural year, the HANSHIN CUP welcomed COURT MASTERPIECE (by Polish Precedent, GB) trained by Edward Dunlop, who also saddled two-time Cartier Horse of the Year, Ouija Board (by Cape Cross, GB) in the Japan Cup and finished third. COURT MASTERPIECE also ran in the Mile Championship at Kyoto last month, finishing seventh to Daiwa Major (by Sunday Silence, JPN).

THE 1st HANSHIN CUP (JPN-GII)

Sunday, December 17, 2006

Hanshin Racecourse

11th Race

Post time: 15:45

3-year-old & up, 1,400 meters (about 7 furlongs), turf, right-handed

Total prize money: ¥ 150,100,000 (about US\$ 1,305,000 US\$ 1 = ¥ 115)

3-y-o 56kg (about 123 or 124lbs), 4-y-o & up 57kg (about 126lbs), 2kg allowance for fillies & mares

1kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere Bred born in 2003

Safety factor: 18 runners (Foreign Trained Horses: 4)

FP	BKT	PP	Horse	S&A	Weight (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin (L3F)	Odds (win)
1	5	10	Fusaichi Richard (JPN)	C3	56.0	Kurofune Fusaichi Airedale	Y. Fukunaga K. Matsuda	F. Sekiguchi Northern Farm	1:20.6 (35.2)	10.1
2	4	7	Precise Machine (JPN)	H7	57.0	Mayano Top Gun Be Silent	M. Matsuoka K. Hagiwara	S. Iketani Shiraoui Farm	Neck (35.1)	9.9
3	7	13	Meiner Scherzi (JPN)	C3	56.0	Grass Wonder Aladeya	Y. Take R. Inaba	K.Thoroughbred Club Ruffian Y. Tomita	Head (35.5)	7.6
4	6	11	Asakusa Den'en (GB)	H7	57.0	Singspiel Whitewater Affair	S. Fujita M. Kono	G. Tahara F. Sekiguchi	Neck (34.9)	7.9
5	8	16	Symboli Gran (IRE)	C4	57.0	Grand Lodge Valixa	Y. Shibayama Y. Hatakeyama	Symboli Stud T. Wada	1-1/2 (35.4)	5.7
6	2	4	New Very (JPN)	H8	57.0	Fuji Kiseki Brilliant Very	H. Shii H. Otonashi	H. Kondo Northern Farm	Neck (35.5)	89.8
7	7	14	Cheerful Smile (JPN)	M6	55.0	Sunday Silence Golden Colors	Y. Iwata Y. Ikee	Academy Co. Ltd. K. Shimizu	Neck (34.9)	64.8
8	5	9	Venus Line (JPN)	M5	55.0	Fuji Kiseki Hokuto Pendant	S. Akiyama N. Hori	Turf Sport Sakai Bokujo	Nose (35.0)	61.7
9	3	6	Court Masterpiece* (GB)	H6	57.0	Polish Precedent Easy Option	O. Peslier E. Dunlop	Gainsborough Gainsborough Stud ManagementLtd	Nose (35.2)	3.6
10	7	15	Tamamo Hot Play (JPN)	H5	57.0	Fuji Kiseki Hot Play	K. Watanabe K. Minai	Tamamo K. Shinsei Bokujo	1-3/4 (35.3)	42.2
11	4	8	Cosmo Schindler (AUS)	C4	57.0	Green Desert Anniegetyourgun	K. Take T. Kayo	Big Red Farm Gainsborough Stud (Australia) Pty Ltd Arrowfield Group Pty Ltd	1/2 (34.9)	10.0
12	3	5	Tagano Bastille (JPN)	C3	56.0	Brian's Time Wien Concert	K. Ikezoe K. Ikezoe	R. Yagi Sakurai Bokujo	Neck (35.1)	98.5
13	1	2	Daiwa Passion (JPN)	F3	54.0	Forty Niner Sun Rouge	K. Hasegawa S. Masuzawa	K. Oshiro M. Tagami	Neck (36.4)	97.3
14	6	12	Blue Shotgun (JPN)	H7	57.0	Sakura Bakushin O Ogi Blue Venus	H. Miyuki K. Take	Ogifushi Racing Club Co. Ltd. Take Bokujo	Head (35.2)	89.1
14	8	18	Orewa Mattereduze (JPN)	H6	57.0	Sunday Silence Curly Angel	Y. Shibata H. Otonashi	Y. Odagiri Northern Farm	DH (36.2)	7.2
16	8	17	Tsurugaoka Hayate (JPN)	G6	57.0	Air Dublin Air Passion	M. Monteriso M. Ito	K. Matsumoto Fujiwara Breeding Stud	2-1/2 (36.0)	231.0
17	2	3	Daiwa Memphis (JPN)	H5	57.0	Warning Impact	S. Kumazawa S. Masuzawa	K. Oshiro Hokusei Bokujo	2 (36.5)	111.7
			Suteki Shinsukekun (USA)	C3	56.0	Danzig Autumn Moon	C. Lemaire H. Mori	Y. Sakae Monticule	Scratched	

FP=Final Position, BKT=Bracket Number, PP=Post Position, B=Blinkers, L3F=Time of Last 3 Furlongs (600m)

NOTE 1: *=Foreign contender

NOTE 2: Figures quoted under WIN ODDS show the amount of money you get back per single unit (100yen).

