

TRAINING REPORT

27th running of the Japan Cup

8th running of the Japan Cup Dirt

Training Report of Foreign Entrees

November 23, 2007 (Friday)

FOREIGN ENTRIES—JAPAN CUP DIRT

At Tokyo Racecourse

JACK SULLIVAN (USA, 6g, chestnut)

-walked, jogged, lightly cantered 3/4 lap (dirt course)

(Exercised from 6:53 to 7:08 ridden by A. Morris)

“We’re happy with the horse. He seems to like the Tokyo course. We’re ready, and it’s all up to the horse and jockey now. We’re hopeful for a good run tomorrow. Ten owners are coming tomorrow just to see the race. It’s really exciting, isn’t it?”

(Comments taken from G. Butler)

KANDIDATE (GBR, 5h, bay)

-walked 1/4 lap, cantered lightly 3/4 lap, jogged 1 lap, cantered, walked 1 lap (dirt course)

(Exercised from 6:57 to 7:24, ridden by S. Beranger)

“We’re delighted with the horse’s condition. We’ve completed our training and are all set for tomorrow. The race may go fast but once it starts, things change, so I don’t make plans. The jockey is the important factor. He knows what’s best because he’s been on this horse before.”

(Comments taken from C. Brittain)

STUDENT COUNCIL (USA, 5h, bay)

-jogged 3/4 lap, cantered 1/2 lap, walked (dirt course)

(Exercised from 6:42 to 7:00, ridden by J. Marquez)

“He’s great—the horse is very confident. I’m the one that’s nervous but the horse doesn’t know this, he’s very confident.”

(Comments taken from V. Cerin)

FOREIGN ENTRIES—JAPAN CUP

HALICARNASSUS (IRE, 3c, bay)

-jogged 1/2 lap, cantered, galloped lightly on 7 furlongs (turf course)

(Exercised from 6:53 to 7:09, ridden by D. Holland)

“The horse is in perfect condition, just perfect. We just let him stretch his legs this morning, but he swung up there nicely and I’m pleased. He knows that the big day is coming up soon. Tomorrow, we’ll do something similar, just lightly.”

(Comments taken from M. R. Channon)

“His weight is just right. He’s in good form.”

(Comments taken from L.White)

PAPAL BULL (GBR, 4c, bay)

-jogged, cantered 1/2 lap, walked, cantered, galloped, schooled (turf course)

(Exercised from 7:03 to 7:18, ridden by R. Moore)

“It was the first time this morning that I’ve seen him since he was in England. He looks very well. He’s put his weight back on and it’s very satisfactory. He ran 5 furlongs this morning— we let him get a good kick. He looks very good and the turf, from what I can see, is in good condition.

This horse doesn’t really need any tactics. We’re going to look at the other contenders and see what we’re up against. Tomorrow, we’ll just do a canter.”

(Comments taken from M. Stoute)

SADDEX (GBR, 4c, bay)

-jogged 3/4 lap, cantered lightly 1/2 lap (dirt course)

(Exercised from 6:42 to 7:00, ridden by T. Mundry)

“He was a bit nervous yesterday but he’s settled down now. We just did a trot this morning, but tomorrow we will canter him.”

(Comments taken from T. Mundry)

ARTISTE ROYAL (IRE, 6h, bay)

-jogged 1/2 lap, cantered 1/4 lap, galloped on stretch

(Exercised from 6:51 to 7:06, ridden by M. Olguin)

“Although he was a little excited yesterday, he’s more used to the atmosphere and the ground this morning since it’s his second day here. He felt nicely on the turf—very flexible and in perfect shape. We’ll only do easy work tomorrow.”

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(Comments taken from N. Drysdale)