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SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 43rd KYOTO DAISHOTEN (G2)

The KYOTO DAISHOTEN, initially established in 1966 under the name "Hollywood Turf Club Sho" as a special weight race over 3,200 meters was shortened to 2,400 meters in the following year and is now one of the major step-up races towards the main middle-distance events, the Tenno Sho (Autumn) (G1, 2,000 meters) and Japan Cup (G1, 2,400 meters). Local runners finishing within the first two in the KYOTO DAISHOTEN has been automatically qualified to run in the Tenno Sho (Autumn) since 1995.

Past winners of this race include Japan Cup (G1) winners such as *T.M. Opera O (JPN, by Opera House)* in 2001 and *Tap Dance City (USA, by Pleasant Tap)* in 2003.

The race was designated as an international race in 2003, and is reserved to allow up to nine entries from overseas, but no foreign contenders have participated and none were nominated to run this year.

The race record (2:22.7) over the 2,400-meter course at Kyoto marked by *Mejiro McQueen (JPN, by Mejiro Titer)* in 1993 has not yet been broken. Last year's race winner is *Inti Raimi (JPN, by Special Week)*.

THE 43rd KYOTO DAISHOTEN (G2)

3-year-old & up, 2,400 meters (about 12 furlongs), turf, right-handed

Sunday, October 12, 2008 Kyoto Racecourse 11th Race Post time: 15:45

Total prize money: ¥138,250,000 (about US\$1,202,000 US\$1 = ¥115)

3-y-o: 54kg (about 119lbs), 4-y-o & up: 57kg (about 126lbs), 2kg allowance for Fillies & Mares, 2kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere horses born in 2005

Penalties: Winners*¹ of G1 races ... 2kg (1kg*²), G2 races ... 1kg (0kg*²) (after Oct. 6, 2007)

G1 races ... 1kg (0kg*²) (before Oct. 5, 2007)

*¹= Excluding 2-year-old race results, *²= Penalties for grade races limited to Fillies/Mares

Safety Factor: 18 runners (Foreign Trained Horses: 9)

FP	BK	PP	Horse	Sex Age	Wgt (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin (L3F)	Odds (Fav)
1	5	5	Toho Alan (JPN)	H5	57.0	Dance in the Dark Hidden Dance	R. Sameshima H. Fujiwara	Toho Bussan Co. Ltd. M. Maekawa	2:26.9 (34.0)	9.1 (4)
2	8	9	Admire Monarch (JPN)	H7	58.0	Dream Well Split the Night	K. Ando H. Matsuda	R. Kondo Northern Farm	1/2 (33.9)	16.3 (6)
3	3	3	Eye Popper (JPN)	H8	57.0	Soccer Boy Sunday I.	H. Uemura I. Shimizu	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Farm	Head (34.3)	18.1 (7)
4	2	2	Meisho Kachidoki (JPN)	H8	57.0	Helissio Meisho Sabrina	S. Hamanaka Y. Shono	Y. Matsumoto Shadai Farm	Neck (33.9)	120.6 (10)
5	4	4	Al Nasrain (JPN)	C4	57.0	Admire Vega Elatis	R. Wada S. Matsumoto	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Farm	1/2 (34.0)	2.0 (1)
6	8	10	Manhattan Sky (JPN)	C4	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Deck	H. Shii H. Asami	K.Hidaka Breeders Union Kamii Stud	Head (34.7)	15.3 (5)
7	1	1	Pop Rock (JPN)	H7	57.0	Helissio Pops	H. Uchida K. Sumii	K. Yoshida Northern Farm	1/2 (34.7)	7.3 (3)
8	7	8	Makihata Cyborg (JPN)	G6	58.0	Mejiro Bright Shin Miss Answer	H. Miyuki M. Shinkawa	Makimoto B. Makimoto Bokujo	2-1/2 (34.9)	97.8 (9)
9	6	6	Admire Jupiter (JPN)	H5	59.0	French Deputy J's Jewelry	Y. Iwata Y. Tomomichi	R. Kondo Northern Farm	2-1/2 (35.1)	3.6 (2)
10	7	7B	Texas Eagle (JPN)	C4	57.0	Daiwa Texas Kir Royal	S. Kakihara K. Fujigasaki	M. Kosuge Chiyoda Farm Shizunai	8 (36.6)	74.9 (8)

BK = Bracket Number PP=Post Position B=Blinkers L3F=Time of Last 3 Furlongs (600m)

NOTE 1: No foreign contenders

NOTE 2: Figures quoted under Odds are Win Odds, which show the amount of money you get back per single unit (100yen), and Fav indicates the order of favorites.

WINNING TIME: 2:26.9

GOING: Firm

WEATHER: Cloudy

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE:

¥ 4,058,924,300

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY:

¥ 10,889,247,300

ATTENDANCE: 36,265

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.5	¥910	PLACE	No.5	¥290
BRACKET QUINELLA	5 - 8	¥2,390		No.9	¥380
QUINELLA	5 - 9	¥5,830		No.3	¥390
EXACTA	5 - 9	¥11,450	QUINELLA PLACE	5 - 9	¥1,750
TRIO	3 - 5 - 9	¥16,340		3 - 5	¥1,300
TRIFECTA	5 - 9 - 3	¥114,270		3 - 9	¥1,820

1. TOHO ALAN (JPN), chestnut, horse, 5-year-old

Dance in the Dark / Hidden Dance (Nureyev)

Breeder: Masami Maekawa

Owner: Toho Bussan Co.,Ltd.

Trainer: Hideaki Fujiwara

Jockey: Ryota Samejima

13 Starts, 5 Wins

Added money: ¥65,756,000

Career earnings: ¥204,084,000

2. ADMIRE MONARCH (JPN), bay, horse, 7-year-old

Dream Well / Split the Night (Tony Bin)

Breeder: Northern Farm

Owner: Riichi Kondo

Trainer: Hiroyoshi Matsuda

Jockey: Katsumi Ando

3. EYE POPPER (JPN), chestnut, horse, 8-year-old

Soccer Boy / Sunday I. (Sunday Silence)

Breeder: Northern Farm

Owner: Sunday Racing Co.,Ltd.

Trainer: Izumi Shimizu

Jockey: Hiroyuki Uemura

TOHO ALAN marked his third grade race win, and fifth overall triumph by dominating this year's Kyoto Daishoten, after closing impressively in the deep stretch with **ADMIRE MONARCH** finishing a 1/2 length behind, and **EYE POPPER** another head behind that in third.

Breaking from the outside post, **MANHATTAN SKY** hustled to the front before the field of ten approached the first corner, with **EYE POPPER** saving ground in mid-pack and **ADMIRE MONARCH** relaxed at the rear. Waiting to make his bid, jockey Ryota Samejima settled fourth favorite **TOHO ALAN** just behind **EYE POPPER** around sixth, hugging the rail through most of the journey. As the field raced up the hill in the backstretch, **EYE POPPER** and **ADMIRE MONARCH** steadily moved up a position or two preparing to make their bids, while **MANHATTAN SKY** still maintained the lead with **POP ROCK** traveling on his heels in second.

As the field turned the last corner, **MANHATTAN SKY**, **EYE POPPER** and **POP ROCK** rallied in the upper stretch while **TOHO ALAN**, who found a gap between **MANHATTAN SKY** and **EYE POPPER**, powered down the stretch to win the 12 furlong race in 2:26.9. Rated in the rear up to the last corner, **ADMIRE MONARCH** swung out wide at the top of the stretch and unleashed his bid as he attacked the leaders down the lane, but was a 1/2 length too late to finish second.

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.9 - 10.7 - 11.7 - 13.2 - 13.3 - 13.1 - 12.8 - 12.6 - 12.1 - 11.5 - 11.4 - 11.6
Last 4 furlongs: 46.6 Last 3 furlongs: 34.5

Positions at each corner:

1st corner	10-1(7,8)(3,6) 5 ,4,2,9
2nd corner	10-1(7,8)3(5 ,6)(2,4)9
3rd corner	10,1(3,7,8)(5 ,6)(2,9)4
4th corner	(*10,1)(3,8)(7,6) 5 (2,4,9)

***Bold number** indicates the winning horse

Note: horse numbers are indicated in the order of their positions at each corner, with the first position listed first. Two or more horses inside the same parentheses indicate that they were positioned side by side. Hyphens between the horse numbers indicate that there is distance between the former and the latter. The asterisk indicates a slight lead.