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SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 22nd WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES
-Final Report & Results of Day Two-

2008 WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES POINT CHART -Final Result-

Jockey	Dec. 6, 2008			Dec. 7, 2008			Total, Points for 4 Races	Final Standing
	Golden Saddle Trophy	Golden Spur Trophy	Total Points of Day 1	Golden Boots Trophy	Golden Whip Trophy	Total Points of Day 2		
Ioritz Mendizabal (FRA)	15	2	17	13	15	28	45	1
Douglas Whyte (HKG)	1	10	11	11	20	31	42	2
Futoshi Komaki (JPN)	20	13	33	4	1	5	38	3
Craig Williams (AUS)	11	6	17	5	13	18	35	4
Blake Shinn (AUS)	10	11	21	6	5	11	33	5
John Murtagh (IRE)	13	5	18	3	10	13	31	6
Yuichi Fukunaga (JPN)	1	4	5	15	6	21	26	7
Isao Sugawara (JPN)	2	2	4	20	1	21	25	8
Katsumi Ando (JPN)	2	1	3	10	11	21	24	9
Hiroyuki Uchida (JPN)	6	15	21	1	2	3	24	9
Alan Garcia (USA)	1	20	21	1	1	2	23	11
Hiroki Goto (JPN)	5	1	6	1	4	5	11	12
Yasunari Iwata (JPN)	4	1	5	2	3	5	10	13
Edgar Prado (USA)	1	3	4	1	2	3	7	14
Andrasch Starke (GER)	3	1	4	2	1	3	7	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 15th: 1
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Finishing seventh in 2004 and fourth in 2006, **IORITZ MEDIZABAL** from France captured his first WORLD SUPER JOCKEYS SERIES title this year in his third attempt with a total of 45 points, followed by Hong Kong contender **DOUGLAS WHYTE** in second with 42 points and **FUTOSHI KOMAKI** in third achieving 38. Defending Champion of the series and representing Australia, Craig Williams finished fourth acquiring 35 points. Day One concluded with **MENDIZABAL** in sixth place with 17 points from finishing second in the Golden Saddle Trophy and tenth in the Golden Spur Trophy. The second day

began with a third place finish in the Golden Boots Trophy, in which he was still trailing 7 points behind **KOMAKI** at this stage, and then a second in the final leg, the Golden Whip Trophy, earned him 28 points for Day Two which connected to his overall victory. "Every JRA race I ran here was extremely worthwhile. This was my third challenge and I never dreamed of winning over so many outstanding jockeys. I'm so happy."

The runner-up **DOUGLAS WHYTE** said "I'm fortunate to have many fans here and I'm happy to have been given the chance to come back and race in Japan. I'm glad I did better than last year's eleventh, but it's a shame that even though I tried hard I couldn't win." **KOMAKI**, who led the ranking up to the final leg but was deprived of his chance to win the title by **MENDIZABAL**, commented; "I truly hoped that I could hold on to the lead till the end, since I was on top after the third race. Unfortunately the last race didn't go as well as I hoped, but I'm happy to have been able to participate in this series, not to mention becoming third best in the world."

[Day Two]
2008 GOLDEN BOOTS TROPHY

Sunday, December 7, 2008 Hanshin Racecourse 10th Race Post Time: 15:00
3-year-old & up, 2,000 meters (about 10 furlongs), turf, right-handed
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, 15 runners

FP	BKT	PP	Horse	Jockey	Weight (kg)	Margin	Odds (Fav)
1	6	11	Spellbind (JPN)	Isao Sugawara	55	2:02.7	4.4 (2)
2	2	2	Lord Alphard (JPN)	Yuichi Fukunaga	58	1-1/4	8.5 (5)
3	5	8	Aventino (JPN)	Ioritz Mendizabal	58	Neck	4.3 (1)
4	5	9	Meisho Grado (JPN)	Douglas Whyte	57	Nose	6.1 (4)
5	7	12	Virgin Forest (JPN)	Katsumi Ando	58	1-1/4	19.2 (8)
6	8	15	Denko Missile (JPN)	Blake Shinn	58	Neck	54.7 (12)
7	3	4	Passing Mark (JPN)	Craig Williams	58	Nose	62.8 (13)
8	3	5B	Miura Richard (JPN)	Futoshi Komaki	58	1-1/2	135.8 (15)
9	8	14	Beaute Celeste (JPN)	John Murtagh	56	Nose	65.6 (14)
10	4	7	Kaiserin (JPN)	Andrasch Starke	55	Nose	5.7 (3)
11	6	10	Admire Kanna (JPN)	Yasunari Iwata	56	1/2	17.4 (7)
12	7	13	Kikuka Lovely (JPN)	Alan Garcia	56	Neck	11.8 (6)
13	4	6B	Stolen Bride (JPN)	Hiroki Goto	56	2-1/2	48.3 (11)
14	2	3	Mochi (JPN)	Edgar Prado	58	Nose	25.6 (9)
15	1	1	Marutaka Dream (JPN)	Hiroyuki Uchida	58	Nose	33.3 (10)

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).
Fav indicates the order of favorites

WINNING TIME: 2:02.7 GOING: Firm WEATHER: Fine
TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: ¥1,107,622,000

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.11	¥440	PLACE	No.11	¥180
BRACKET QUINELLA	2-6	¥1,700		No.2	¥280
QUINELLA	2-11	¥2,640		No.8	¥160
EXACTA	11-2	¥4,820	QUINELLA PLACE	2-11	¥910
TRIO	2-8-11	¥2,970		8-11	¥410
TRIFECTA	11-2-8	¥19,780		2-8	¥660

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 13.0-11.7-13.0-12.6-12.2-12.2-12.1-11.8-11.8-12.3
 Last 4 furlong: 48.0 Last 3 furlong: 35.9

Positions at each corner: 1st corner 2(9,3)(7,10)(4,8,13)(6,**11**)14,15,5,12,1
 2nd corner 2,3(9,10)7(4,8,13)(6,**11**)(14,15)-5,12-1
 3rd corner (*2,3)(9,10)(7,13)(4,8)(6,**11**)(14,15)5,12-1
 4th corner (*2,3)(9,10,13,**11**)(7,8)(4,14,6,15)(5,12)1

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Note2: 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.

2008 GOLDEN BOOTS TROPHY - Race Summary-

NAR representing jockey **ISAO SUGAWARA** partnered with Spell Bind (JPN, f3) claimed the GOLDEN SADDLE TROPHY, pushing him up the rankings to 4th from being ranked 14th after Day One, with a total of 24 points.

YUICHI FUKUNAGA teamed with Lord Alphard (JPN, h5) took advantage of his inner stall and surged to the front after an even break, followed by Mochi (JPN, c4) under **EDGAR PRADO** trailing two lengths behind from the initial corner. **IORITZ MENDIZABAL** on Aventino (JPN, c4) sat in mid-pack, around seventh and two wide, being pursued by **SUGAWARA** on board second pick Spell Bind, a length behind. As **FUKUNAGA**'s lead decreased to half a length by the third corner with **EDGAR PRADO**, and **YASUNARI IWATA**'s Admire Kanna (JPN, m5) stalking the pace, **SUGAWARA** guided Spell Bind out wide gradually increasing position, and made his bid as the pair entered the stretch.

Demonstrating a good drive and inheriting the lead a hundred meters out, **SUGAWARA** and his mount pulled away to clear the wire 1-1/4 lengths in front of pace setter **FUKUNAGA**, who at one point seemed to have run out of steam, but fought well and stubbornly held off fast closing **MENDIZABAL** and his race favorite mount. Trapped in traffic at the top of the lane, **MENDIZABAL**'s colt finally found a gap and displayed a good drive but finished a neck behind **FUKUNAGA**'s horse in third.

Comments by Foreign Jockeys

IORITZ MENDIZABAL (FRA) aboard race favorite Aventino (JPN, c4)—finished 3rd: “I was stuck between horses right after the break, and couldn’t find space. I wasn’t able to steer my colt to the outside in the stretch, so our drive down the lane was a bit too late. It’s pretty frustrating since we had a good chance to win.”

DOUGLAS WHYTE (HKG) partnering 4th favorite Meisho Grado (JPN, c3)—finished 4th: “The barrier (nine) was a good position for the colt. He pulled a bit after the start but he raced well.”

BLAKE SHINN (AUS) boarding 12th favorite Denko Missile (JPN, h5)—finished 6th: “He didn’t break as well as I hoped so we sat in the rear of the field. I was told that he could show a good drive in the stretch, and he did exactly that. He has a good chance to do better in his next start.”

CRAIG WILLIAMS (AUS) mounting 13th pick Passing Mark (JPN, h5)—finished 7th: “I think it was a good race. He responded well in the stretch but couldn’t keep it up. A longer distance might suit this horse more.”

JOHN MURTAGH (IRE) mounting 14th favorite Beaute Celeste (JPN, f4)—finished 9th: “I was able to keep her in mid-division as instructed. I was hoping for a good drive down the stretch. She does show potential but....”

ANDRASCH STARKE (GER) partnered with 3th pick Kaiserin (JPN, f3) —finished 10th: “I was told that she breaks poorly, but she responded well and we were able to settle in a good position. I asked her for her run at the final corner but she was out of steam. She’s a three-year-old filly so maybe she couldn’t overcome the pressure of being crowded up, I don’t know.”

ALAN GARCIA (USA) on board 6th pick Kikuka Lovely (JPN, f4)—finished 12th: “The horse was relaxed but had nothing left in the stretch. I don’t think the distance is the problem.”

EDGAR PRADO (USA) riding 9th pick Mochi (JPN, c4)—finished 14th: “I was hoping to take the lead but we had to chase the pace. He ran well but tired out in the end. I was told that the colt didn’t like other horses, but he was settled and was focused on the race.”

2008 GOLDEN WHIP TROPHY

Sunday, December 7, 2008 Hanshin Racecourse 12th Race Post Time: 16:20

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

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, 15 runners

FP	BKT	PP	Horse	Jockey	Weight (kg)	Margin	Odds (Fav)
1	3	5	Crown Princess (JPN)	Douglas Whyte	56	1:34.6	7.2 (5)
2	1	1	Match Mate (JPN)	Ioritz Mendizabal	58	Neck	102.8 (14)
3	5	9	Pisa No Alhambra (USA)	Craig Williams	58	Neck	15.1 (7)
4	4	7	Martinstag (JPN)	Katsumi Ando	55	Neck	6.5 (4)
5	6	10	Shy na Musume (JPN)	John Murtagh	56	Nose	15.2 (8)
6	8	15	Real Concorde (JPN)	Yuichi Fukunaga	58	2-1/2	3.2 (1)
7	3	4B	Mach Jukun (JPN)	Blake Shinn	58	Nose	67.5 (12)
8	6	11	Admire Dino (JPN)	Hiroki Goto	58	1/2	13.4 (6)
9	2	3	Midas Touch (JPN)	Yasunari Iwata	57	Head	5.6 (2)
10	8	14	Keiai Proud (USA)	Edgar.Prado	57	3/4	6.4 (3)
11	7	12	Joyful Smile (JPN)	Hiroyuki Uchida	55	Neck	58.1 (11)
12	4	6	Yumeno Ora (JPN)	Andrasch Starke	56	Neck	132.1 (15)
13	7	13	Air Nix (JPN)	Futoshi Komaki	58	1/2	37.8 (9)
14	5	8	Yamanin Ignite (JPN)	Alan Garcia	58	3/4	41.1 (10)
15	2	2B	Lucky Lips (JPN)	Isao Sugawara	58	1/2	93.9 (13)

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).

Fav indicates the order of favorite.

WINNING TIME: 1:34.6

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE:

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY:

GOING: Firm

¥2,152,902,600

¥24,053,088,400

WEATHER: Fine

ATTENDANCE: 48,766

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.5	¥720	PLACE	No.5	¥280
BRACKET QUINELLA	1-3	¥22,950		No.1	¥2,540
QUINELLA	1-5	¥40,670		No.9	¥410
EXACTA	5-1	¥73,430	QUINELLA PLACE	1-5	¥11,360
TRIO	1-5-9	¥187,160		5-9	¥2,200
TRIFECTA	5-1-9	¥1,057,640		1-9	¥16,500

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.7-10.8-11.5-11.7-12.0-11.8-11.4-12.7
 Last 4 furlong: 47.9 Last 3 furlong: 35.9

Positions at each corner: 3rd corner 2-(1,8)4(5,13)(10,14)9,15,7,11(6,12)-3
 4th corner (*2,8)(1,4)(5,13)(10,14)(9,15)(7,11)(6,12)-3

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2008 GOLDEN WHIP TROPHY -Race Summary-

DOUGLAS WHYTE and Crown Princess (JPN, f4) won out a narrow victory in the final leg of the 2008 WSJS, improving his total points to 42 that put him in 2nd place in the final standings. **IORITZ MENDIZABAL** gave his mount and long shot Match Mate (JPN, h5) a terrific ride to just miss by a neck—the performance made **MENDIZABAL** this year's WSJS champion with a total of 45 points, while **CRAIG WILLIAMS** crossed the wire another neck behind with Pisa No Alhambra (USA, h5) for the share.

The race broke off with **ISAO SUGAWARA** and Lucky Lips (JPN, h5) taking advantage of the inside draw to shoot out and set the pace. **BLAKE SHINN**'s Mach Jukun (JPN, h6) and Yamanin Ignite (JPN, h5) ridden by **ALAN GARCIA** chased the pace outside **MENDIZABAL** who saved ground in fourth position and gradually alternated for second position with **GARCIA**. **WHYTE** followed another length behind around fifth. **SUGAWARA** maintained a clear lead along the backstretch as the field stretched out into a single file but was overtaken by **MENDIZABAL** from the inside as Lucky Lips lost his engine coming into the final straight. **MENDIZABAL** continued to drive his mount in an effort to hold off **WHYTE** who gained on the pair on his outside while **WILLIAMS**, after guiding his mount through a gap along rail, hustled Pisa No Alhambra to join the rally. Match Mate ran on gamely but was finally caught by the winner in the final 50 meters although managing to fight off **WILLIAMS** and Pisa No Alhambra for second.

Comments by Foreign Jockeys:

DOUGLAS WHYTE (HKG) riding 5th favorite Crown Princess (JPN, f4)—winner: “We had a comfortable trip and were able to keep a good position. We had a clear path in the straight and she responded well when I gave her the go.”

IORITZ MENDIZABAL (FRA) riding 14th favorite Match Mate (JPN, h5)—2nd: “He broke well from the gate and was able to relax during the race. He also gave a good kick at the straight but was caught in the end.”

CRAIG WILLIAMS (AUS) riding 7th favorite Pisa No Alhambra (USA, h5)—3rd: “He seemed fit and well up to giving a good run. I would love to have another chance to ride this horse.”

JOHN MURTAGH (IRE) riding 8th favorite Shy na Musume (JPN, f4)—5th: “The distance suited the filly and she may have had a better chance if we had stalked the winner. She lost her concentration a bit on the way but gave a good ran nonetheless.”

BLAKE SHINN (AUS) riding 12th favorite Mach Jukun (JPN, h6)—7th: “His start was great and we were able to secure a good position as instructed, but he didn’t have enough left at the homestretch. He’s just come off a long break and might need to shed a little more weight.”

EDGAR PRADO (USA) riding 3rd favorite Keiai Proud (USA, c3)—10th: “He lunged out of the gate, so we were unable to get a good position. He responded well at the final turn but lost his speed midway.”

ANDRASCH STARKE (GER) riding 15th favorite Yumeno Ora (JPN, m5)—12th: “I heard she had a habit of running off so I concentrated on keeping her relaxed. She did give some effort at the straight but it didn’t last. I think the mare gave her best though.”

ALAN GARCIA (USA) riding 10th favorite Yamanin Ignite (JPN, h5)—14th: “He broke well but was even paced and didn’t give much effort when asked. He may run better over shorter distance.”

OTHER RACES RIDDEN BY FOREIGN JOCKEYS

[Day Two] December 7, 2008 (Sun)

ALAN GARCIA

1st race: 2-y-o, Maiden, 1,400 meters, dirt, 14runners—Winning horse & time: Hukilau Song (JPN), 1:25.8
9th favorite: **Silver Beat** (JPN, by Silver Charm, f2), finished **2nd** (1:26.4).

3rd race: 2-y-o, Maiden, 1,200 meters, turf, 16 runners—Winning horse & time: Win the Mochi (JPN), 1:10.5
8th-favorite: **A Shin Big C** (JPN, by Sakura Bakushin O, c2), finished **16th** (1:13.8).

EDGAR PRADO

3rd race: 2-y-o, Maiden, 1,200 meters, turf, 16 runners—Winning horse & time: Win the Mochi (JPN), 1:10.5
7th-favorite: **Yumeo Kanaeru**(JPN, by Taiki Fire, c2), finished **6th** (1:13.8).

6th race: 2-y-o, Newcomer, 2,000 meters, turf, 16 runners—Winning horse & time: Kitanan Amigo (JPN), 2:03.7
15th-favorite: **Meiner Rhythm** (JPN, by White Muzzle, c2), finished **5th** (2:04.2)

11th race: 3-y-o & up, JAPAN CUP DIRT (G1), 1,800 meters, dirt, 16 runners— Winning horse & time
Kane Hekili (JPN), 1:49.2
5th-favorite: **Tin Cup Chalice** (USA, by Crusader Sword, g3), finished **13th** (1:51.6).

DOUGLAS WHYTE

4th race: 2-y-o, Maiden, 1,800 meters, turf, 18 runners— Winning horse & time: Keiai Dosojin (JPN), 1:48.6
15th-favorite: **Silk Clever** (JPN, by Dance in the Dark, c2), finished **18th** (1:51.9).

8th race: 3-y-o & up, Allowance, 1,400 meters, dirt, 16 runners—Winning horse & time:
Grand Prix Hero (JPN), 1:24.3
12th-favorite: **Water Dash** (JPN, by King Glorious, h6), finished **8th** (1:25.2)

CRAIG WILLIAMS

4th race: 2-y-o, Maiden, 1,800 meters, turf, 18 runners— Winning horse & time: Keiai Dosojin (JPN), 1:48.6
2nd-favorite: **Golden Ticket** (JPN, by King Kamehameha, c2), finished **7th** (1:49.0).
