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**SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 77TH TOKYO YUSHUN (G1, Japanese Derby)**

With the aim of establishing a systemized program that emulates the Triple Crown race held in Britain, and enhancing the quality of thoroughbreds in Japan, a 2,400-meter race for three-year-old thoroughbreds was established at the Tokyo Racecourse (then situated in Meguro ward) in 1932. While maintaining its status as one of the most popular JRA events with a record sell-out crowd of 196,517 in 1990, the race has evolved during its long history, offering high prize money exceeding 100 million yen for the winner since 1989, and opening its door to runners from regional public racing (NAR) since 1995 and foreign-bred participants since 2001. This year, the race entered a new phase as JRA reached the final stage of its internationalization project allowing foreign contestants in all its graded events.

Recent winners include Deep Impact who won all three of the Triple Crown for three-year-olds during 2005 and concluded his glorious racing career with 12 wins out of 14 starts including seven G1 titles. Vodka, who became the first filly in 64 years to claim the derby title in 2007 retired this year with seven G1 wins and two Horse of the Year titles to her name.

This year's Tokyo Yushun promised to be a tough race contested among a field of high quality three-year-olds. Satsuki Sho (G1, Japanese 2000 Guineas, 2,000m) winner **Victoire Pisa** aimed to become this year's Triple Crown horse partnering with Yasunari Iwata who had ridden the Neo Universe colt since his last start and first G1 win. This year's race also included another G1 winner **Rose Kingdom** who won the 2009 two-year-old champion race, the Asahi Hai Futurity Stakes (1,600m), and **Pelusa** who came off a four-length victory in the Aoba Sho (derby trial, G2, 2,400m) over the same course at Tokyo which marked his fourth consecutive wins in as many career starts. **Danon Chantilly** who was conditioned towards this race by Kunihide Matsuda in the hope of repeating what King Kamehameha had accomplished—Mainichi Hai-NHK Mile Cup-Tokyo Yushun treble in 2004, was unfortunately scratched from the race due to injury.

The race record was set by **King Kamehameha** (JPN, by Kingmambo) in 2004 after covering the 2,400 meters in 2:23.3.

**THE 77TH TOKYO YUSHUN (G1, Japanese Derby)**

3-year-old colts and fillies, 2,400 meters (about 12 furlongs), turf, left-handed

Sunday, May 30, 2010 Tokyo Racecourse 10th Race Post Time: 15:40

Total prize money: ¥ 317,500,000 (about US\$3,527,000 < US\$1 = ¥90>)

3-y-o: 57 kg (about 126 lbs), 2 kg allowance for Fillies

3 kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere horses born in 2007

Safety Factor: 18 runners

FP	BK	PP	Horse	Sex Age	Wgt (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin	Odds (Fav)
1	1	1	Eishin Flash (JPN)	C3	57.0	King's Best Moonlady	H. Uchida H. Fujiwara	Toyomitsu Hirai Shadai Farm	2:26.9 (32.7)	31.9 (7)
2	4	8	Rose Kingdom (JPN)	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha Rosebud	H. Goto K. Hashiguchi	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Farm	Neck (32.9)	19.5 (5)
3	4	7	Victoire Pisa (JPN)	C3	57.0	Neo Universe Whitewater Affair	Y. Iwata K. Sumii	Yoshimi Ichikawa Shadai Farm	1-3/4 (33.1)	2.1 (1)
4	7	13	Gestalt (JPN)	C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Endless Wells	K. Ikezoe H. Nagahama	Hiroshi Hatasa Hosokawa Nojo	Neck (33.4)	96.4 (12)
5	2	3	Rulership (JPN)	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha Air Groove	H. Shii K. Sumii	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Racing	Head (33.3)	14.5 (4)
6	5	9	Pelusa (JPN)	C3	57.0	Zenno Rob Roy Argentine Star	N. Yokoyama K. Fujisawa	Hidetoshi Yamamoto Shadai Farm	1-1/4 (33.3)	2.6 (2)
7	8	17	To the Glory (JPN)	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha To the Victory	K. Tosaki Y. Ikee	U.Carrot Farm Northern Racing	Nose (33.7)	65.8 (10)
8	2	4	San Diego City (JPN)	C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Jennie Song	S. Hamanaka S. Sakuta	Yushun Horse Aioi Farm	Nose (33.0)	300.0 (15)
9	6	12	Hiruno d'Amour (JPN)	C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Share Elegance	S. Fujita M. Kon	Masafumi Hirukawa Hashimoto Bokujo	3/4 (33.3)	8.8 (3)
10	3	5	Cosmo Phantom (USA)	C3	57.0	Stephen Got Even Southern House	M. Matsuoka T. Miya	Big Red Farm Joan Hadley Thoroughbreds	2 (34.0)	70.3 (11)

11	1	2	Reve d'Orient (JPN)	C3	57.0	Special Week Reve d'Oscar	Y. Fujioka H. Matsuda	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Farm	1/2 (33.6)	62.9 (9)
12	7	14	L'Ile d'Aval (JPN)	C3	57.0	Agnes Tachyon Veil of Avalon	Y. Fukunaga Y. Ikee	Sunday Racing Co. Ltd. Northern Farm	Head (33.5)	48.1 (8)
13	3	6	Aliseo (JPN)	C3	57.0	Symboli Kris S Square Away	C. Williams N. Hori	Shadai Race H. Shadai Corporation Inc.	1-3/4 (34.7)	28.2 (6)
14	7	15	Meisho Uzushio (JPN)	C3	57.0	Opera House Kawakami Powder	Y. Iida A. Iida	Yoshio Matsumoto Kosho Bokujo	1-1/4 (34.4)	285.0 (14)
15	5	10	Tosen Ares (JPN)	C3	57.0	Admire Don Lace	T. Eda Y. Suzuki	Takaya Shimakawa Northern Farm	2-1/2 (34.2)	347.4 (17)
16	6	11	Hansode Bando (JPN)	C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Crown Athlete	M. Ebina M. Ogata	Takashi Watanabe Takashi Watanabe	2-1/2 (34.7)	120.2 (13)
17	8	16	Shine (JPN)	C3	57.0	Meisho Doto Paris Seiryu	R. Wada Y. Kawamura	Asako Ro Asako Tomoyama	1-3/4 (36.0)	331.6 (16)
=	Ⓔ	Ⓙ	Danon Chantilly (JPN)	C3	57.0	Fuji Kiseki Chansonnette	K. Ando K. Matsuda	Danox Co. Ltd. Darley Japan Farm	Scratched	

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

NOTE1: No Foreign Contenders.

NOTE2: 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:

¥ 24,863,746,500

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY:

¥ 36,530,817,700

ATTENDANCE: 125,746

#### PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.1	¥3,190	PLACE	No.1	¥490
BRACKET QUINELLA	1-4	¥1,320		No.8	¥500
QUINELLA	1-8	¥16,720		No.7	¥120
EXACTA	1-8	¥46,210	QUINELLA PLACE	1-8	¥4,080
TRIO	1-7-8	¥10,630		1-7	¥810
TRIFECTA	1-8-7	¥152,910		7-8	¥900

#### 1. EISHIN FLASH (JPN), dark bay or brown, colt, 3-year-old

King's Best / Moonlady (Platini)

Breeder: Shadai Farm

Owner: Toyomitsu Hirai

Trainer: Hideaki Fujiwara

Jockey: Hiroyuki Uchida

7 Starts, 4 Wins

Added money: ¥ 186,484,000

Career earnings: ¥ 273,848,000

Principal race performances:

'10 Satsuki Sho (G1, Japanese 2000 Guineas) 3rd

'10 Keisei Hai (G3)

1st

#### 2. ROSE KINGDOM (JPN), dark bay or brown, colt, 3-year-old

King Kamehameha / Rosebud (Sunday Silence)

Breeder: Northern Farm

Owner: Sunday Racing Co., Ltd.

Trainer: Kojiro Hashiguchi

Jockey: Hiroki Goto

#### 3. VICTOIRE PISA (JPN), dark bay or brown, colt, 3-year-old

Neo Universe / Whitewater Affair (Machiavellian)

Breeder: Shadai Farm

Owner: Yoshimi Ichikawa

Trainer: Katsuhiko Sumii

Jockey: Yasunari Iwata

Seventh favorite **EISHIN FLASH** claimed his first G1 title and his second grade-race victory in this year's Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby), upsetting race favorite **VICTOIRE PISA** and other strong three-year-olds. The son of King's Best presented his jockey Hiroyuki Uchida and trainer Hideaki Fujiwara with their first Derby title. His chemistry with Uchida

has proved excellent, as the two have marked three wins and a third-place finish in the Satsuki Sho (G1, Japanese 2000 Guineas, 2,000m) out of four starts raced together.

The 77th running of the Tokyo Yushun started before the cheering fans with front runners **COSMO PHANTOM**, **ALISEO** and **SHINE** rushing out to take the lead. **ALISEO** eventually set a slow pace, pressed by **SHINE**, followed by **COSMO PHANTOM** a length behind and the remaining pack another three lengths back through the backstretch.

After making a smooth start, Uchida eased his mount back to let the other horses go and settled **EISHIN FLASH** in midfield, around 9th from the front by the rail. Fifth pick **ROSE KINGDOM** traveled around 10th position right outside the winner. Further towards the front was odds-on-favorite **VICTOIRE PISA** hugging the rail in 5th position with 12th pick **GESTALT** stalking behind on the outside.

Dropping back to around 11th position through the last two corners, **EISHIN FLASH** managed to find a narrow space between the horses that crowded together at the top of the homestretch and rushed towards the front to make a bid. With five horses rallying—**TO THE GLORY**, **VICTOIRE PISA**, **GESTALT**, **EISHIN FLASH** and **ROSE KINGDOM** from inside towards the outside—around the 200-meter post, **ROSE KINGDOM** was the first to slip out. But **EISHIN FLASH** soon took over the front 100 meter out and accelerated strongly to hold off the Two-Year-Old Champion by a neck at the wire. Race favorite **VICTOIRE PISA** was unable to relive his victory in the Satsuki Sho, coming in 1-3/4 lengths behind in third, with **GESTALT** following a neck behind in fourth. Fourth favorite **RULERSHIP**, coming from midfield, displayed a strong late charge to cross the wire another head behind in fifth.

#### Other Horses:

6th:(9) **PELUSA**-poor start, sat 3rd from rear, advanced through corners and passed tiring rivals.

7th:(17) **TO THE GLORY**-ran unusually towards the front in 4th, rallied till 200m out but tired.

8th:(4) **SAN DIEGO CITY**-stretched well from traveling 5th from rear.

9th:(12) **HIRUNO D'AMOUR**-stalked behind winner, gained ground in homestretch.

10th:(5) **COSMO PHANTOM**- ran within pace in 3rd, failed to respond in stretch.

11th:(2) **REVE D'ORIENT**-improved position from very rear in backstretch, even paced.

12th:(14) **L'ILE D'AVAIL**-turned wide 3rd from rear, improved position in homestretch.

13th:(6) **ALISEO**-set the pace till top of homestretch, used up in last 300m.

14th:(15) **MEISHO UZUSHIO**- traveled wide in mid-division, one paced at last stretch.

15th:(10) **TOSEN ARES**-raced in rear, never a contender.

16th:(11) **HANSODE BANDO**-stumbled at the start, remained in rear throughout.

17th:(16) **SHINE**-pressed pace, took the front at top of homestretch but came up empty.

Scratched:(18) **DANON CHANTILLY**

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.6 - 11.3 - 12.2 - 12.7 - 12.8 - 13.5 - 13.1 - 12.9 - 12.4 - 11.3 - 10.8 - 11.3  
Last 4 furlongs: 45.8                      Last 3 furlongs: 33.4

Positions at each corner:	1st corner	6(5,16)-17,7,13(3,8,15)( <u>1</u> ,12)4(11,14)9,10,2
	2nd corner	6,16-5,17(7,13)(3,15)( <u>1</u> ,8)12(4,14)11,9,10,2
	3rd corner	(*6,16)(5,17)(3,13)(7,15)( <u>1</u> ,8,9)12(4,14)(2,11,10)
	4th corner	(6,*16)17(5,13)(3,8,15)(7,9)( <u>1</u> ,12)(2,4,14)(11,10)

Note1: **Underlined bold number** indicates the winning horse

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.