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SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 8TH JBC LADIES' CLASSIC

The JBC Ladies' Classic is the only distaff championship on dirt in Japan since there is no graded dirt race limited to fillies and mares held by the JRA. 2014 champion *Sambista* subsequently won the Champions Cup (G1, dirt, 1,800m) the following year and became the first mare to win JRA's dirt G1 title. Other past winners are:

Year	Venue	Distance	Winner	Affiliation
2011	Oi (Tokyo)	dirt, 1,800m	Miracle Legend (JPN, F4, by Fuji Kiseki)	JRA
2012	Kawasaki (Kanagawa)	dirt, 1,600m	Miracle Legend (JPN, M5, by Fuji Kiseki)	JRA
2013	Kanazawa (Ishikawa)	dirt, 1,500m	Medeia (JPN, M5, by King Halo)	JRA
2014	Morioka (Iwate)	dirt, 1,800m	Sambista (JPN, M5, by Suzuka Mambo)	JRA
2015	Oi (Tokyo)	dirt, 1,800m	White Fugue (JPN, F3, by Kurofune)	JRA
2016	Kawasaki (Kanagawa)	dirt, 1,600m	White Fugue (JPN, F4, by Kurofune)	JRA
2017	Oi (Tokyo)	dirt, 1,800m	Lalabel (JPN, M5, by Gold Allure)	NAR (Oi)

This year's runners coming off the trial Ladies' Prelude (dirt, 1,800m; Oct.11) were winner **Princia Cometa** who claimed her second major title following the 2017 Queen Sho (dirt, 1,600m), **Ange Desir** (4th) who won three major titles including this year's Empress Hai (dirt, 2,100m), **Queen Mambo** (7th) who registered wins in the Kanto Oaks (dirt, 2,100m) and the Ladies' Prelude last year and **Rieno Tesoro** (9th), the 2016 Zen-Nippon Nisai Yushun (dirt, 1,600m) winner and the 2017 NHK Mile Cup (G1, 1,600m) runner-up while **Blanche Coeur** (2nd), **Jewel Queen** (6th), **Dear Maruko** (8th) and **Rinehart** (12th) were among the field as well. The race also included the Breeders' Gold Cup (dirt, 2,000m; Aug.16) victor and the 2017 Rose Stakes (G2, 1,800m) **Rabbit Run**, **Salsa Dione** who came off a win in the BSN Sho (dirt, 1,800m; Aug.25) and this year's Nakayama Himba Stakes (G3, 1,800m) winner **Kawakita Enka**.

THE 8TH JBC LADIES' CLASSIC

3-year-old & up, Fillies & Mares, 1,800 meters (about 9 furlongs), dirt, right-handed
Sunday, November 4, 2018　　　Kyoto Racecourse　　　12th Race　　　Post time: 16:25
Total prize money: ¥ 108,500,000 (about US$ 987,000 <US$1=¥110>)
3-y-o: 53kg (about 117 lbs), 4-y-o & up: 55kg (about 121 lbs),
2kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2015
Safety factor: 16 runners

FP	BK	PP	Horse	Sex Age	Wgt (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin (L3F)	Odds (Fav)
1	8	16	Ange Desir (JPN)	F4	55.0	Deep Impact Tickle Pink	N. Yokoyama M. Kon	Koji Yasuhara Tsuji Bokujo	1:50.4 (37.3)	13.1 (6)
2	2	4	Rabbit Run (USA)	F4	55.0	Tapit Amelia	M. Demuro K. Nakatake	Kazuko Yoshida Alexander Groves Matz, LLC	Head (37.3)	2.8 (1)
3	8	15	Fashionista (JPN)	F4	55.0	Street Sense Aquarist	T. Ono T. Yasuda	Godolphin Darley Japan K. K	1/2 (36.3)	11.9 (5)
4	2	3	Queen Mambo (JPN)	F4	55.0	Manhattan Cafe Suzuka El Mambo	C. Lemaire K. Nakatake	K. Hidaka Breeders Union Grand Stud	1/2 (37.2)	3.9 (2)
5	7	13	Andes Queen (JPN)	F4	55.0	Turtle Bowl Reina Castana	F. Matsuwaka M. Nishizono	Green Farm Northern Farm	2-1/2 (37.0)	122.4 (12)
6	4	8	Viscaria (JPN)	M6	55.0	Vermilion Fusaichi Jet	T. Mori K. Yamauchi	Normandy Thoroughbred Racing Co., Ltd. Okada Stud	Nose (36.6)	221.8 (13)
7	1	2	Fontana Liri (JPN)	M5	55.0	Kurofune Scarlet Bell	C. Demuro M. Nakauchida	Kazumi Yoshida Northern Farm	5 (38.5)	6.2 (3)
8	1	1	Iron Tailor (JPN)	F4	55.0	Gold Allure Autumn Breeze	S. Hamanaka Y. Iida	Kouichi Nakanishi Hashimoto Farm	1-1/4 (39.5)	15.6 (7)
9	3	6	Jewel Queen (JPN)	M6	55.0	Kinshasa no Kiseki Platina Rose	Y. Iwata S. Fukunaga	Tadakuni Sugiyama Mie Sugiyama	3 (38.9)	326.6 (15)
10	5	10 B	Princia Cometa (JPN)	M5	55.0	Spicule Belmont Feliz	Y. Take E. Yano	Takayuki Yoshikawa Belmont Farm	Head (39.6)	7.2 (4)

FP	BK	PP	Horse Name	Sex/Age	Wgt	Sire / Dam	Jockey / Trainer	Owner / Breeder	DS (L3F)	Odds (Fav)
11	6	12	Blanche Coeur (JPN)	M5	55.0	Daiwa Major / Mon Petit Coeur	N. Mikamoto / T. Fujita	U. Carrot Farm / Northern Farm	1-3/4 (39.1)	52.9 (10)
12	5	9 B	Salsa Dione (JPN)	F4	55.0	Gold Allure / Salsa Queen	G. Maruyama / T. Hatsuki	Hirotaka Sugawara / Araya Bokujo	1-1/4 (40.4)	50.1 (9)
13	6	11	Rieno Tesoro (USA)	F4	55.0	Speightstown / Akilina	H. Yoshida / R. Takei	Ryotokuji Kenji Holdings Co., Ltd. / Oak Bluff Stables LLC	Neck (39.4)	62.7 (11)
14	3	5	Rinehart (JPN)	M7	55.0	Stay Gold / Cerca	T. Sasagawa / K. Tsukioka	Ryoichi Otsuka / Northern Farm	Neck (39.1)	321.7 (14)
15	7	14	Dear Maruko (JPN)	M5	55.0	Spicule / Ekopan	H. Sahara / T. Nagase	Assistant Co., Ltd. / Matsuhira Bokujo	Neck (38.2)	538.3 (16)
16	4	7	Kawakita Enka (JPN)	F4	55.0	Deep Impact / Kawakita Love Pop	K. Ikezoe / T. Hamada	Yoshio Kawashima / Yoshio Kawashima	DS (42.6)	20.2 (8)

FP=Final Position / **BK**=Bracket Number / **PP**=Post Position / **B**=Blinker / **Wgt**=Weight / **L3F**=Time of Last 3 Furlongs (600m)
DS=Distance
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: 1:50.4   GOING: Standard   WEATHER: Fine

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.16	¥1,310	BRACKET QUINELLA	2-8	¥560	QUINELLA	4-16	¥2,090
PLACE	No.16	¥300	QUINELLA PLACE	4-16	¥740	EXACTA	16-4	¥5,890
	No.4	¥150		15-16	¥1,830	TRIO	4-15-16	¥7,060
	No.15	¥290		4-15	¥750	TRIFECTA	16-4-15	¥53,720

1. **Ange Desir (JPN)**, dark bay or brown, filly, 4-year-old
   Deep Impact / Tickle Pink (French Deputy)
   Owner: Koji Yasuhara   Breeder: Tsuji Bokujo
   Trainer: Mitsugu Kon   Jockey: Norihiro Yokoyama
   17 Starts, 6 Wins
   Added money: ¥ 53,402,000   Career earnings: ¥ 191,522,000

2. **Rabbit Run (USA)**, chestnut, filly, 4-year-old
   Tapit / Amelia (Dixieland Band)
   Owner: Kazuko Yoshida   Breeder: Alexander Groves Matz, LLC
   Trainer: Kazuya Nakatake   Jockey: Mirco Demuro

3. **Fashionista (JPN)**, bay, filly, 4-year-old
   Street Sense / Aquarist (Coronado's Quest)
   Owner: Godolphin   Breeder: Darley Japan K. K
   Trainer: Takayuki Yasuda   Jockey: Takuya Ono

Sixth Pick Ange Desir Outruns Race Favorite in This Year's JBC Ladies' Classic

Sixth pick **Ange Desir** won out a fierce duel with odds on favorite **Rabbit Run** to claim this year's JBC Ladies' Classic. Marking a runner-up effort and a win in her two-year-old starts on turf, the Deep Impact filly was switched to dirt from her sixth career start in April of her three-year-old season. Her five wins out of 12 starts over dirt are all between 1,600m and 2,100m distances including the 2017 Sparking Lady Cup, the 2018 Empress Hai and the 2018 Marine Cup. This win was the first JBC Ladies' Classic title for both trainer Mitsugu Kon and jockey Norihiro Yokoyama, while Yokoyama has won the JBC Sprint with Nishiken Mononofu in 2017.

Quick out of gate 16, **Ange Desir** hugged the rails in fifth inside race favorite **Rabbit Run** along the backstretch. The two fillies, still racing side by side, advanced forward turning the final corners wide, took the front entering the homestretch and launched a fierce rally down the lane with **Ange Desir** passing the wire a head in front.

"We were able to race in good position and the filly ran really well right up to the end. I'm glad we were able to win out the duel. She was in good form coming into the race and she felt comfortable from the beginning. She's a great horse and is improving with every race," commented Norihiro Yokoyama.

Fifth choice **Fashionista** traveled third from last after a slow break, made bid from the outside after a wide turn and unleashed a powerful late charge, running the fastest last three furlongs, to pin second pick **Queen Mambo** in the final strides for third.

Other Horses:
4th: (3) **Queen Mambo**—eased back to 9th, made headway approaching last corners, chased top two, overtaken in final strides for fourth
5th: (13) **Andes Queen**—raced wide in mid-division, kicked into gear rounding final turn, finished willingly
6th: (8) **Viscaria**—was off slow, sat near rear, shifted out at 4th corner, 2nd fastest in last 3 furlongs
7th: (2) **Fontana Liri**—raced on rails in mid-pack, mustered mild bid, even paced
8th: (1) **Iron Tailor**—broke sharply, set pace, surrendered lead before final turn, was used up
9th: (6) **Jewel Queen**—took ground-saving trip in mid-pack, stayed on rails, mild response in stretch
10th: (10) **Princia Cometa**—prominent behind pace early, met traffic into straight, lost momentum
11th: (12) **Blanche Coeur**—raced 3-wide 9th from front, dropped back to 2nd from last through last corners, improved position in lane
12th: (9) **Salsa Dione**—disputed lead from a sharp break, chased pace in third, second rounding final turn, came up empty
13th: (11) **Rieno Tesoro**—raced lower mid-field, checked approaching final turn failed to rally
14th: (5) **Rinehart**—hugged rails in mid-pack, never fired at stretch
15th: (14) **Dear Maruko**—trailed in rear, no factor throughout
16th: (7) **Kawakita Enka**—chased leader in 2nd, outrun early

Fractional time (sec./furlong):   12.1 - 10.9 - 12.5 - 12.5 - 12.4 - 12.2 - 12.5 - 12.3 - 13.0
                                  Last 4 furlongs: 50.0   Last 3 furlongs: 37.8

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

NOTE 1: <u>**Underlined bold number**</u> indicates the winning horse.
NOTE 2: 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.

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: [JBC Sprint]   ¥ 3,934,874,700
                                        [JBC Classic]   ¥ 7,526,904,700
                                          [JBC Ladies' Classic] ¥ 4,269,089,200
TURNOVER FOR THE DAY: ¥ 20,886,980,600   ATTENDANCE: 38,865