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**SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 83RD TOKYO YUSHUN (JAPANESE DERBY, G1)**



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 crowd of 196,517 in 1990, the race has evolved during its long history, opening its door to runners from National Association of Racing (NAR; local public racing) since 1995 and foreign-bred participants since 2001. In 2010, the race entered a new phase as JRA reached the final stage of its internationalization project, allowing foreign contestants in all its graded events. The winner's prize money, which had already exceeded 100 million yen in 1989, has now reached 200 million, making it the third richest race behind the Japan Cup (G1, 2,400m) and the Arima Kinen (G1, 2,500m).

Recent winners include *Vodka* (JPN, by *Tanino Gimlet*) who became the first filly in 64 years to claim the derby title in 2007 and *Orfevre* (JPN, by *Stay Gold*) who subsequently became the seventh Triple Crown winner in JRA history and won against older G1 winners in the year-end Arima Kinen to become the Horse of the Year of 2011. Last year's winner *Duramente* (JPN, by King Kamehameha), who claimed two of the three classic titles by winning this race and the Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas, G1, 2,000m), has marked a runner-up effort in the Dubai Sheema Classic (G1, 2,410m) in March this year.

Top four finishers of the Satsuki Sho on April 17—**Dee Majesty**, **Makahiki**, **Satono Diamond** and **Air Spinel**—acquired the ticket to this race while fifth-place finisher and 2015 Best Two-Year-Old Colt **Leontes** attempted to make revenge as fourth favorite.

Contenders from the trial races were **Vanquish Run** and **Red Eldest**, winner and runner-up, respectively, of the Aoba Sho (G2, 2,400m) on April 30, and **Azur Rose**, winner of the Principal Stakes (2,000m) on May 7.

Other notable runners included **Smart Odin** who marked his third grade-race title in the Kyoto Shimbun Hai (G2, 2,200m) on May 7, **Agnes Forte** who was runner-up in the same race and **Lord Quest** who finished second in the NHK Mile Cup (G1, 1,600m) on May 8.

### THE 83RD TOKYO YUSHUN (JAPANESE DERBY, G1)

3-year-old Colts & Fillies, 2,400 meters (about 12 furlongs), turf, left-handed

Sunday, May 29, 2016 Tokyo Racecourse 10th Race Post Time: 15:40

Total prize money: ¥ 432,000,000 (about US\$ 3,600,000 <US\$1=¥120>)

3-y-o: 57 kg (about 126 lbs), 2 kg allowance for Fillies, 3 kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2013

Safety factor: 18 runners

FP	BK	PP	Horse	Sex Age	Wgt (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin (L3F)	Odds (Fav)
1	2	3	Makahiki (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Wikiwiki	Y. Kawada Y. Tomomichi	Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co.,Ltd. Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc.	2:24.0 (33.3)	4.0 (3)
2	4	8	Satono Diamond (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Malpensa	C. Lemaire Y. Ikee	Hajime Satomi Northern Racing	Nose (33.4)	3.8 (2)
3	1	1	Dee Majesty (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Hermes Tiara	M. Ebina Y. Ninomiya	Masaru Shimada Masaru Shimada	1/2 (33.3)	3.5 (1)
4	3	5	Air Spinel (JPN)	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha Air Messiah	Y. Take K. Sasada	Lucky Field Co., Ltd. Tsunebumi Yoshihara	2 (34.0)	21.3 (7)
5	6	12	Leontes (JPN)	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha Cesario	M. Demuro K. Sumii	U. Carrot Farm Northern Farm	1/2 (33.2)	5.5 (4)
6	5	10	Smart Odin (JPN)	C3	57.0	Danon Chantilly Lady Upstage	K. Tosaki K. Matsuda	Toru Okawa Sky Beach Stable	Nose (33.6)	11.7 (5)
7	5	9	Mount Robson (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Miss Pascali	T. Berry N. Hori	Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co.,Ltd. Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc.	1/2 (33.5)	89.8 (10)
8	2	4	Rainbow Line (JPN)	C3	57.0	Stay Gold Regenbogen	Y. Fukunaga H. Asami	Masahiro Mita Northern Racing	Neck (33.7)	155.4 (12)
9	7	13	Red Eldest (JPN)	C3	57.0	Zenno Rob Roy Showdown	H. Shii K. Sasada	TokyoHorseRacingCo.,Ltd Hidetoshi Yamamoto	3/4 (33.7)	57.8 (8)
10	8	18	Prodigal Son (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Loves Only Me	H. Tanabe S. Kunieda	Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co.,Ltd. Northern Farm	Neck (34.7)	104.0 (11)

11	4	7	Lord Quest (JPN)	C3	57.0	Matsurida Gogh Matsurida Waltz	Y. Iwata S. Kojima	Lord Horse Club Samani Hori Bokujo	3/4 (34.2)	70.0 (9)
12	6	11	Azur Rose (JPN)	C3	57.0	Victoire Pisa Viane Rose	H. Bowman M. Koga	U. Carrot Farm Northern Farm	1/2 (34.7)	159.4 (13)
13	7	14	Vanquish Run (JPN)	C3	57.0	Deep Impact Lily of the Valley	H. Uchida K. Sumii	Takaya Shimakawa Shadai Farm	1-3/4 (34.7)	16.6 (6)
14	3	6	Agnes Forte (JPN)	C3	57.0	Harbinger Agnes Wreath	K. Matsuyama H. Nagahama	Kumiko Watanabe Takao Watanabe	Neck (35.4)	274.5 (16)
15	7	15	Immortal (JPN)	C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe Shoah	Y. Ishikawa N. Sugai	Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co.,Ltd. Northern Racing	2-1/2 (34.9)	268.6 (15)
16	1	2	Meiner Honey (JPN)	C3	57.0	Matsurida Gogh Brian Honey	D. Shibata H. Kurita	K.Thoroughbred Club Ruffian Kosho Bokujo	Neck (36.1)	175.1 (14)
17	8	17	Prophet (JPN)	C3	57.0	Harbinger Jumeau	S. Hamanaka Y. Ikee	U. Carrot Farm Northern Racing	1-1/2 (36.0)	375.5 (18)
18	8	16	Brave Smash (JPN)	C3	57.0	Tosen Phantom Tosen Smash	N. Yokoyama M. Ogasa	Takaya Shimakawa Takaya Shimakawa	DS (42.1)	350.6 (17)

FP=Final Position / BK=Bracket Number / PP=Post Position / 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: 2:24.0

GOING: Firm

WEATHER: Fine

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: ¥ 26,574,090,400

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY: ¥ 41,032,255,800

ATTENDANCE: 139,140

#### PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.3	¥400	BRACKET QUINELLA	2-4	¥700	QUINELLA	3-8	¥700
PLACE	No.3	¥130	QUINELLA PLACE	3-8	¥240	EXACTA	3-8	¥1,420
	No.8	¥120		1-3	¥280	TRIO	1-3-8	¥850
	No.1	¥140		1-8	¥310	TRIFECTA	3-8-1	¥4,600

#### 1. Makahiki (JPN), bay, colt, 3-year-old

Deep Impact / Wikiwiki (French Deputy)

Owner: Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co., Ltd. Breeder: Kaneko Makoto Holdings Inc.

Trainer: Yasuo Tomomichi

Jockey: Yuga Kawada

5 Starts, 4 Wins

Added money: ¥ 231,535,000

Career earnings: ¥ 360,553,000

Principal Race Performances:

'16 Yayoi Sho (G2, 2,000m)

1st

'16 Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas, G1, 2,000m)

2nd

#### 2. Satono Diamond (JPN), bay, colt, 3-year-old

Deep Impact / Malpensa (Orpen)

Owner: Hajime Satomi

Breeder: Northern Racing

Trainer: Yasutoshi Ikee

Jockey: Christophe Lemaire

#### 3. Dee Majesty (JPN), bay, colt, 3-year-old

Deep Impact / Hermes Tiara (Brian's Time)

Owner: Masaru Shimada

Breeder: Masaru Shimada

Trainer: Yoshitaka Ninomiya

Jockey: Masayoshi Ebina

#### Satsuki Sho Runner-up Makahiki Wins a Close Contest in the Tokyo Yushun

Third choice **Makahiki** bested a strong field of three-year-olds in the Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) to claim his first G1 title in front of the cheering crowd of close to 140,000 fans. Marking three consecutive wins from his debut in the G2 Yayoi Sho in March, **Makahiki** finished 1-1/4 lengths behind **Dee majesty** in the Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas, G1), closing in on the winner with a powerful late charge for a runner-up position. Trainer Yasuo Tomomichi claimed his first Derby title and sixth JRA-G1 win, following his victory in last year's NHK Mile Cup with Clarity Sky. Jockey Yuga Kawada also celebrated his first Derby title and eighth G1 victory following his

Takarazuka Kinen win with Lovely Day last year. With this win, he has conquered all five classic races for colts and fillies. Owner Makoto Kaneko marked his third Derby title following *King Kamehameha* in 2004 and *Deep Impact* in 2005, tying with Sunday Racing Co., Ltd. for the most Derby titles.

Third pick **Makahiki** broke smoothly from stall three and traveled in mid-division, around eighth from the frontrunner, along the rails while eyeing second favorite **Satono Diamond** in front. Rounding the third corner and approaching the final turn, Yuga Kawada steered the *Deep Impact* colt to the outside for a clear path. Although caught between horses at the top of the stretch, **Makahiki** found an opening 300 meters out and after slipping out from the pack behind **Air Spinel** around the 200-meter marker, accelerated strongly to take command 100 meters out and managed to fend off a strong challenge by **Satono Diamond** before the wire for a photo-finish win.

“The colt broke smoothly and I was able to race him in good position as planned. I gradually advanced him while marking Satono Diamond and he stretched really well after threading through a small opening. The moment we crossed the wire, I felt that we were a margin in front but I was overwhelmed with joy when the photo-finish result came out. I’m just happy to be able to ride in the Derby and feel very fortunate to have been able to achieve the best result,” commented Yuga Kawada.

**Satono Diamond** was rated seventh from the front with **Makahiki** and **Dee Majesty** traveling close behind. Though allowing **Makahiki** to surge out before him in the straight, the second favorite dislodged a powerful late charge under Christophe Lemaire to close in on the leader in the last furlong.

Odds-on-favorite **Dee Majesty** sat in midfield and made bid from an outward position after turning the last two corners wide. The Satsuki Sho winner showed good efforts and diligently closed ground behind **Satono Diamond** to finish half a length behind in third.

#### Other Horses:

4th: (5) **Air Spinel**—ran along rails in 5th, ran willingly and took command 300m out, outrun in last 100m

5th: (12) **Leontes**—keen to go early, raced 3rd from rear, timed fastest over last 3 furlongs but was too late

6th: (10) **Smart Odin**—traveled back in mid-pack, switched to outside for clear path 300m out, responded well

7th: (9) **Mount Robson**—saved ground 2nd from rear, showed belated charge in last 200m

8th: (4) **Rainbow Line**—was off slow, hugged rails in rear pack, quickened in last furlong

9th: (13) **Red Eldest**—settled 4th from rear, circled wide, passed tired rivals

10th: (18) **Prodigal Son**—made headway to 4th from widest stall, ran gamely until 300m out then weakened

11th: (7) **Lord Quest**—sat behind winner, found little room at early stretch, unable to reach contention

12th: (11) **Azur Rose**—ran in front of winner and runner-up, lacked needed kick at stretch

13th: (14) **Vanquish Run**—raced 3-wide in mid-division, even paced at stretch

14th: (6) **Agnes Forte**—chased leaders in 3rd, sustained bid until 300m out

15th: (15) **Immortal**—traveled 3-wide toward rear, never fired at stretch

16th: (2) **Meiner Honey**—set pace, led until 300m out, outrun thereafter

17th: (17) **Prophet**—chased leader in 2nd from wide draw, used up 300m out

18th: (16) **Brave Smash**—trailed in rear, no factor throughout

Fractional Time (sec./furlong): 12.6 - 11.1 - 11.9 - 12.1 - 12.3 - 12.9 - 13.1 - 11.8 - 12.0 - 11.6 - 11.0 - 11.6

Last 4 furlongs: 46.2      Last 3 furlongs: 34.2

Positions at each corner:	1st corner	2-17,6-18(5,11)-(3,8)(1,14)7(10,15)4,12,13,9,16
	2nd corner	2-17,6-18-5-11-8(3,14)1(7,10)4,15,13,12,9-16
	3rd corner	2,6,17-18,5(11,8)(3,1,14)7(10,15)4,13,12,9=16
	4th corner	2,6(17,18)(11,5)8(3,14)(7,1)(10,15)(9,4,13)12=16

**NOTE 1:** Underlined bold number 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.