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SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 84TH 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. Top four finishers of the Satsuki Sho on April 16—Al Ain, Persian Knight, Danburite and Clincher—acquired their tickets to this race while grade-race winners Rey de Oro (fifth), Suave Richard (sixth), Win Bright (eighth), Cadenas (ninth) and America's Cup (18th) attempted to make revenge.

Contenders coming off the trial races were **Admirable** and **Best Approach**, winner and runner-up, respectively, of the Aoba Sho (G2, 2,400m) on April 29, and **Daiwa Cagney**, winner of the Principal Stakes (2,000m) on May 6. Other notable runners included **Satono Arthur**, runner-up of two graded races including the previous Mainichi Hai (G3, 1,800m) on March 25, and **Jo Strictly** who won the New Zealand Trophy (G2, 1,600m) on April 8 but was 12th in the NHK Mile Cup (G1, 1,600m) on May 7.

Duramente (JPN, by King Kamehameha) set the race record of 2:23.2 in 2015.

THE 84TH TOKYO YUSHUN (JAPANESE DERBY, G1)

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

Sunday, May 28, 2017 Tokyo Racecourse 10th Race Post Time: 15:40

Total prize money:\(\frac{4}{32}\),000,000 (about US\(\frac{3}{3}\),757,000 \(<\US\(\frac{1}{3}\)=\(\frac{1}{15}\))

3-y-o: 57 kg (about 126 lbs), 2 kg allowance for Fillies, 3 kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2014

Safety factor: 18 runners

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FP	BK	PP	Horse	Sex Age	Wgt (kg)	Sire Dam	Jockey Trainer	Owner Breeder	Margin (L3F)	Odds (Fav)	
1	6	12	Rey de Oro	C3	57.0	King Kamehameha	C. Lemaire	U. Carrot Farm	2:26.9	5.3	
	J		(JPN)		27.0	La Dorada K. Fujisawa Northern Racing		(33.8)	(2)		
2	2	4	Suave Richard	С3	57.0	Heart's Cry	H. Shii	NICKS Co., Ltd.	3/4	5.9	
2			(JPN)	03		Pirramimma	Y. Shono	Northern Racing	(33.5)	(3)	
3 8	8	18	Admirable	С3	57.0	Deep Impact	M. Demuro	Hideko Kondo	1-1/4	3.4	
	0	10	(JPN))	51.0	Scarlet	H. Otonashi	Hideko Kondo	(33.3)	(1)	
4	2	3	My Style	СЗ	57.0	Heart's Cry	N. Yokoyama	Chiyono Terada	Neck	188.8	
4			(JPN)			First Niner	M. Kon	Inoke Bokujo	(34.1)	(14)	
5	4	7	Al Ain	СЗ	57.0	Deep Impact	K. Matsuyama	Sunday Racing Co., Ltd.	Nose	6.3	
3	4	/	(JPN)			Dubai Majesty	Y. Ikee	Northern Farm	(33.7)	(4)	
6	1	1	Danburite	С3	57.0	Rulership	Y. Take	Sunday Racing Co., Ltd.	1/2	14.5	
	1		(JPN)			Tanzanite	H. Otonashi	Northern Farm	(33.8)	(7)	
7	6	11	Persian Knight	С3	57.0	Harbinger	K. Tosaki	G1 Racing Co., Ltd.	1/2	11.9	
/ 0	U	11	(JPN)	CJ		Orient Charm	Y. Ikee	Oiwake Farm	(34.0)	(6)	
8	8 4	8	Trust	СЗ	57.0	Screen Hero	Y. Tannai	Shigeyuki Okada	3/4	219.1	
O	0 4 0		(JPN)	CJ	37.0	Glory Sandy	H. Nakamura	Nakamoto Bokujo	(34.2)	(16)	
		10	Best Approach (GB)	С3	57.0	New Approach	Y. Iwata	HH Sheikh Mohammed	1/2	61.2	
9	5					Sant Elena	H. Fujiwara	bin Rashid Al Maktoum	(33.7)	(11)	
							-	Car Colston Hall Stud	` ′	` ′	
10	3	6	Satono Arthur	C3	57.0	Deep Impact	Y. Kawada	Hajime Satomi	Neck	8.0	
	_		(JPN)			King's Rose Y. Ikee Northern Racing		(33.4)	(5)		
11	7	13	Cadenas	С3	57.0	Deep Impact	Y. Fukunaga	Koji Maeda	Neck	17.1	
11			(JPN)	03	57.0	French Riviera	K. Nakatake	Grand Stud	(33.5)	(8)	

12	8	16	Kyohei	СЗ	57.0	Reach the Crown	ach the Crown R. Takakura Takao Seya		3/4	200.2
			(JPN)	C3	37.0	Shonan Anhelo	H. Miyamoto	Nishiyama Stud	(33.5)	(15)
13 3	2	5	Clincher	C3	57.0	Deep Sky	Y. Fujioka	Koji Maeda	2	30.2
	כ	٦	(JPN)			The Fates	H. Miyamoto	Hirayama Bokujo	(34.3)	(9)
14	7	15	Daiwa Cagney	Cagney (JPN) C3	57.0	King Kamehameha	H. Kitamura	Keizo Oshiro	Nose	40.9
14	/	13	(JPN)			Triplex	T. Kikuzawa	Shadai Farm	(34.4)	(10)
15	8	17	Win Bright	СЗ	57.0	Stay Gold	M. Matsuoka	Win Co., Ltd.	1-3/4	133.6
13	O	1 /	(JPN)	C3	37.0	Summer Eternity Y. Hatakeyama Cosmo View Farm		(34.8)	(12)	
16	5	9	Meiner Sphene			Stay Gold	D. Shibata	K. Thoroughbred Club	1/2	289.8
			(JPN)	C3	C3 57.0	57.0	Meine Giada	T. Tezuka	Ruffian	(34.4)
			()					Big Red Farm	` /	` ′
17	1	2	America's Cup	ica's Cup (JPN) C3	57.0	Manhattan Cafe	F. Matsuwaka	Tatsuo Tanikake	Neck	187.6
1 /			(JPN)			Vegas Night	H. Otonashi	Shadai Farm	(34.7)	(13)
18	7	14	Jo Strictly	С3	57.0	Jo Cappuccino H. Uchida K. Ueda		2-1/2	335.6	
10			(JPN)	C3	37.0	Jo Aromat	H. Shimizu	Keiko Ueda	(34.9)	(18)

FP=Final Position / BK=Bracket Number / PP=Post Position / Wgt=Weight / 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: Fine

TURNOVER FOR THE RACE ALONE: ¥ 24,979,200,600

TURNOVER FOR THE DAY: ¥ 39,297,275,800 ATTENDANCE: 123,779

PAY-OFF (for ¥100)

WIN	No.12	¥530	BRACKET QUINELLA	2-6	¥1,180	QUINELLA	4-12	¥1,620
	No.12	¥180		4-12	¥650	EXACTA	12-4	¥2,860
PLACE	No.4	¥200	QUINELLA PLACE	12-18	¥470	TRIO	4-12-18	¥2,220
	No.18	¥150		4-18	¥490	TRIFECTA	12-4-18	¥11,870

1. Rey de Oro (JPN), bay, colt, 3-year-old

King Kamehameha / La Dorada (Symboli Kris S)

Owner: U. Carrot Farm Breeder: Northern Racing Trainer: Kazuo Fujisawa Jockey: Christophe Lemaire

5 Starts, 4 Wins

Added money: ¥ 228,000,000 Career earnings: ¥ 322,770,000 Principal race performances: '16 Hopeful Stakes (G2, 2,000m) 1st

2. Suave Richard (JPN), chestnut, colt, 3-year-old

Heart's Cry / Pirramimma (Unbridled's Song)

Owner: NICKS Co., Ltd. Breeder: Northern Racing Trainer: Yasushi Shono Jockey: Hirofumi Shii

3. Admirable (JPN), bay, colt, 3-year-old

Deep Impact / Scarlet (Symboli Kris S)

Owner: Hideko Kondo
Trainer: Hideka Otonashi

Dockey: Mirco Demuro

Rey de Oro Tactfully Defeats Strong Field of 3-Y-Os in This Year's Tokyo Yushun

Second favorite **Rey de Oro** partnered with Christophe Lemaire bested his three-year-old opponents in the Tokyo Yushun (Japanese Derby) to revenge his fifth-place finish in the Satsuki Sho (Japanese 2000 Guineas) and to capture his first G1 and second graded victory. The son of King Kamehameha debuted in October last year and won his first three starts including his first graded win in the year-end G2 Hopeful Stakes. This marked trainer Kazuo Fujisawa's 26th JRA-G1 victory following last week's Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks) title with Soul Stirring and his first classic title for colts. He is the fifth trainer—first in 13 years—to win both the Oaks and Derby in the same year. For jockey Christophe Lemaire, this win marked an impressive three-week G1 winning streak,

which includes the Victoria Mile with Admire Lead and Yushun Himba with Soul Stirring. He is the second jockey since Olivier Peslier in 2001 to do so. This was his first Derby win and 13th G1 victory. He is also the fifth jockey—first in 42 years—to win both the Oaks and the Derby in the same year.

Rey de Oro settled toward the rear, around fifth from last, while **My Style** took the front to set a slow pace. Traveling wide through the first two corners, jockey Christophe Lemaire urged his mount to make an early bid and the King Kamehameha colt responded willingly to forge its way toward the front along the backstretch. **Rey de Oro** tagged behind the frontrunner in second around the last two corners, nailed the front before the 200-meter pole and fended off the strong challenge by **Suave Richard** to claim his first G1 victory.

"We had no specific tactic, but we were forced to travel toward the rear after a slow start and the pace was slow, so I decided to move forward in the backstretch. He was very relaxed and was responding well in the homestretch so I knew we will win in the last 100 meters. I'm really happy to be able to win both the French and Japanese Derby," commented Lemaire.

Third choice **Suave Richard** remained in good striking position, around seventh from the front by the rails, stirred to the outside after entering the homestretch and pursued **Rey de Oro** with his powerful late kick for a 3/4-length runner-up effort.

Odds on favorite **Admirable**, breaking from the outermost stall, traveled wide around second from the rear and though briefly checked at the top of the stretch, dislodged an impressive turn of speed that marked the fastest over the last three furlongs to reach the wire 1-1/4 lengths behind the runner-up.

Other Horses:

4th: (3) My Style—set slow pace, led until 200m marker, sustained bid, outrun in last 100m

5th: (7) Al Ain—chased leaders in 3rd or 4th, checked at top of stretch, showed effort thereafter

6th: (1) **Danburite**—took economic trip in 3rd or 4th, quickened after 300m marker

7th: (11) Persian Knight—raced 3-wide in mid-pack, ran willingly outside winner, weakened in last 200m

8th: (8) Trust—stalked leader in 2nd, sustained bid until 100m, outrun thereafter

9th: (10) **Best Approach**—traveled 3-wide in mid-group, showed effort but never a threat

10th: (6) Satono Arthur—settled in mid-pack, gradually fell back, showed belated charge

11th: (13) Cadenas—sat in rear group, turned wide, responded well at outer stretch but belated

12th: (16) **Kyohei**—trailed in rear, accelerated in last 300m, was too late

13th: (5) Clincher—positioned around 6th, never fired at stretch

14th: (15) Daiwa Cagney—ran 3-wide around 5th, failed to respond at stretch

15th: (17) Win Bright—raced 4-wide in mid-division, checked at early stretch, lacked needed kick

16th: (9) Meiner Sphene—traveled in mid-pack, unable to reach contention

17th: (2) America's Cup—hugged rails in mid-group, showed little at stretch

18th: (14) Jo Strictly—rated along rails in rear division, no factor throughout

Fractional time (sec./furlong): 13.0 - 11.2 - 12.9 - 12.8 - 13.3 - 12.5 - 12.1 - 12.6 - 12.7 - 11.5 - 10.9 - 11.4

Last 4 furlongs: 46.5 Last 3 furlongs: 33.8

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

2nd corner 3,8(1,7)(5,15)(4,10,17)(6,11)(2,9)<u>12</u>(14,13)18,16 3rd corner 3,<u>12</u>(8,11)(1,7)4,15(5,10,17)2(9,6,18)14,13,16 4th corner (*3,12)(8,11)(1,4,7)17(2,5,15)(10,18)(14,9)(6,13)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.