

**SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 63RD TAKARAZUKA KINEN (G1)**

The Takarazuka Kinen, established in 1960, opened its doors to foreign-trained horses in 1997 and became the first international grade-one race designated by the International Cataloguing Standards Committee (ICSC) held in western Japan in 2001. The race joined the Breeders' Cup Challenge Series in 2011, enabling its winner to earn automatic starting position in the Breeders' Cup Turf (G1, 2,400m). The winner is also eligible to start in the Cox Plate (G1, 2,040m) since 2019. In 2018, the race welcomed Hong Kong's 2015/16 Horse of the Year Werther (NZ, by Tavistock) who finished a neck second. He was the second foreign contender to challenge the race since Australian-trained Seto Stayer (AUS, by Bellotto; 9th) in 1997.

It is a Grand Prix (All-Star) race, along with the year-end Arima Kinen (G1, 2,500m), in which the runners are selected by a fan poll. As in the previous two years, the fans could only cast their votes online to select the ten most popular runners. Among the horses entered in the race, ten runners with the most votes are entitled to run in the race while the rest of the field is determined in order of earnings.

This year's contenders that were among the top ten horses voted included; **Titleholder** (1st), winner of the Tenno Sho (Spring) (G1, 3,200m, May.1); **Efforia** (2nd), 2021 Horse of the Year; **Potager** (4th), victor of the Osaka Hai (G1, 2,000m, Apr.3); **Daring Tact** (7th), 2020 fillies' Triple Crown winner; and **Deep Bond** (8th), runner-up in the Tenno Sho (Spring).

Other contenders within the top 30 horses voted included **Panthalassa** (15th), **Melody Lane** (17th), **Hishi Iguazu** (23th), **Authority** (25th) and **Arrivo** (26th).

Horses that were ranked among the top ten but passed up their entry were: Sodashi (JPN, F4, by Kurofune; 3rd); Lei Papale (JPN, M5, by Deep Impact; 5th); Akai Ito (JPN, M5, by Kizuna; 6th); Shahryar (JPN, C4, by Deep Impact; 9th); and Do Deuce (JPN, C3, by Heart's Cry; 10th).

**THE 63RD TAKARAZUKA KINEN (G1)**

3-year-olds &amp; up, 2,200 meters (about 11 furlongs), turf, right-handed

Sunday, June 26, 2022

Hanshin Racecourse

11th Race

Post time: 15:40

Total prize money: ¥ 432,000,000 (about US\$ 3,757,000 &lt;US\$1=¥115&gt;)

3-y-o: 53kg (about 117 lbs), 4-y-o &amp; up: 58kg (about 128 lbs), 2kg allowance for Fillies &amp; Mares,

1kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2018, 3kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2019

Course Record: 2:09.7

Race Record: 2:09.7 [Titleholder (JPN, by Duramente), 2022]

Safety factor: 18 runners

Going: Good to Firm

Weather: Fine



FP	BK	PP	Horse Jockey	S&A Color Wgt	Odds (Fav)	Margin (L3F)	Sire Dam (Dam's Sire)	Owner Breeder Trainer
1	3	6	Titleholder (JPN) Kazuo Yokoyama	C4 b. 58.0	4.2 (2)	2:09.7 (36.1)	Duramente Mowen (Motivator)	Hiroshi Yamada Okada Stud Toru Kurita
2	5	10	Hishi Iguazu (JPN) Damian Lane	H6 br. 58.0	9.5 (5)	2 (35.9)	Heart's Cry La Liz (Bernstein)	Masahide Abe Northern Racing Noriyuki Hori
3	4	7	Daring Tact (JPN) Kohei Matsuyama	M5 br. 56.0	7.3 (4)	2 (36.0)	Epiphaneia Daring Bird (King Kamehameha)	Normandy Thoroughbred Racing Co., Ltd. Hasegawa Bokujo Haruki Sugiyama
4	7	15	Deep Bond (JPN) Ryuji Wada	H5 br. 58.0	5.6 (3)	Nose (36.6)	Kizuna Zephyranthes (King Halo)	Shinji Maeda Murata Bokujo Ryuji Okubo
5	5	9	Meiner Fanrong (JPN) Mirco Demuro	H7 br. 58.0	175.2 (14)	1-3/4 (36.5)	Stay Gold Meine Theresia (Roses in May)	Thoroughbred Club Ruffian Co., Ltd. Big Red Farm Takahisa Tezuka
6	2	4 B	Efforia (JPN) Takeshi Yokoyama	C4 b. 58.0	3.3 (1)	Nose (36.2)	Epiphaneia Katies Heart (Heart's Cry)	Carrot Farm Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Yuichi Shikato
7	6	12	Win Marilyn (JPN)	M5	73.0	1-1/4	Screen Hero	Win Co., Ltd.

			Masami Matsuoka	ch. 56.0	(9)	(36.9)	Cosmo Cielo (Fusaichi Pegasus)	Cosmo View Farm Takahisa Tezuka
8	6	11	Panthalassa (JPN) Yutaka Yoshida	H5 b. 58.0	10.2 (6)	Head (37.4)	Lord Kanaloa Miss Pemberley (Montjeu)	Hiroo Race Co., Ltd. PANGLOSS Y.K., Toshihiro Hirosaki, et al. Yoshito Yahagi
9	4	8	Stay Foolish (JPN) Ryusei Sakai	H7 b. 58.0	78.1 (10)	2 (36.5)	Stay Gold Kauai Lane (King Kamehameha)	Shadai Race Horse Co., Ltd. Shadai Farm Yoshito Yahagi
10	8	17	Gibeon (JPN) Atsuya Nishimura	H7 b. 58.0	276.4 (17)	1-3/4 (37.2)	Deep Impact Contested (Ghostzapper)	Shadai Race Horse Co., Ltd. Shadai Farm Hideaki Fujiwara
11	8	18	Potager (JPN) Hayato Yoshida	H5 b. 58.0	22.9 (8)	3/4 (36.9)	Deep Impact Ginger Punch (Awesome Again)	Kaneko Makoto Holdings Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Yasuo Tomomichi
12	8	16 B	Gloria Mundi (JPN) Yuichi Fukunaga	C4 b. 58.0	142.3 (13)	2 (37.1)	King Kamehameha Bettolle (Blu Air Force)	Kazumi Yoshida Northern Racing Ryuji Okubo
13	2	3	Melody Lane (JPN) Taisei Danno	M6 b. 56.0	210.3 (16)	3/4 (37.0)	Orfevre Mowen (Motivator)	Makio Okada Okada Stud Naoyuki Morita
14	7	13	Arrivo (JPN) Yutaka Take	C4 b. 58.0	12.0 (7)	1/2 (36.9)	Duramente Esmeraldina (Harlan's Holiday)	Silk Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Racing Haruki Sugiyama
15	3	5	Iron Barows (JPN) Shu Ishibashi	H5 b. 58.0	183.8 (15)	Neck (37.2)	Orfevre Palace Rumor (Royal Anthem)	Hirotsugu Inokuma Northern Racing Hiroyuki Uemura
16	1	2	African Gold (JPN) Kyosuke Kokubun	G7 ch. 58.0	122.0 (12)	1-1/4 (38.5)	Stay Gold Blixen (Gone West)	Godolphin Darley Japan K. K Masato Nishizono
17	7	14	King of Koji (JPN) Norihiro Yokoyama	H6 b. 58.0	114.3 (11)	DS (40.5)	Lord Kanaloa Phaenomena (Galileo)	Kazuhiro Masuda Vinca Holdings Inc. Shogo Yasuda
			Authority (JPN) Christophe Lemaire	H5 b. 58.0	Excluded from Running (by stewards)		Orfevre Rosalind (Symboli Kris S)	Silk Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Tetsuya Kimura

FP: Final Position / BK: Bracket Number / PP: Post Position / B: Blinker / S&A: Sex & Age / Wgt: Weight (kg) / L3F: Time of Last 3 Furlongs (600m)  
DS: Distance

Color: b.=bay / bl.=black / br.=brown / ch.=chestnut / d.b.=dark bay / d.ch.=dark chestnut / g.=gray / w.=white

NOTE 1: No Foreign Contenders

NOTE 2: Figures quoted under Odds are shown in form of decimal odds (single unit is ¥100), and Fav indicates the order of favorites.

Turnover for the Race alone: ¥ 22,261,322,000      Turnover for the Day: ¥ 32,365,717,800      Attendance: 43,297

Pay-off (for ¥100)

Win	No.6	¥ 420	Bracket Quinella	3-5	¥ 2,520	Quinella	6-10	¥ 2,060
Place	No.6	¥ 180	Quinella Place	6-10	¥ 780	Exacta	6-10	¥ 3,420
	No.10	¥ 250		6-7	¥ 710	Trio	6-7-10	¥ 5,150
	No.7	¥ 240		7-10	¥ 840	Trifecta	6-10-7	¥ 25,220

Winner= 12 starts: 6 wins, 2 seconds / Added money: ¥ 203,780,000 / Career earnings: ¥ 793,111,000

### **Titleholder with Most Fan Votes Captures This Year's All-Star Takarazuka Kinen**

**Titleholder** who acquired the most votes from the fans but was posted second favorite, marked a sweeping victory over a strong field in this year's Takarazuka Kinen by renewing the track record to 2:09.7. He is the first horse to capture both the Tenno Sho (Spring) (G1, 3,200m) and the Takarazuka Kinen in the same year since Deep Impact in 2006. His three G1 victories including last year's Kikuka Sho (Japanese St. Leger, 3,000m) title are all marked at Hanshin Racecourse. This is the third JRA-G1 win for trainer Toru Kurita and the second for jockey Kazuo Yokoyama, which include this year's Tenno

Sho (Spring) victory with this colt.

**Titleholder**, making a smooth break from stall six, rallied with **Panthalassa** for the lead but eventually settled in second and traveled three lengths behind the record-breaking pace in the backstretch. The Duramente colt gradually closed in on the leader approaching the last two corners and, after drawing even with the frontrunner entering the lane, easily pulled away with powerful strides for a comfortable two-length victory.

“This was my fourth race with Titleholder and I knew how the colt could run in good rhythm. The pace was fast but I wasn’t concerned because he still had enough power left at the straight. He’s still in the process of maturing and I think he’ll get better going forward,” commented Kazuo Yokohama. “I’ve been told by the owner that the colt will go to ‘the Prix de l’Arc de Triomphe if he wins’ so we’re planning to send him straight to France with Kazuo,” added trainer Toru Kurita.

Fifth choice **Hishi Iguazu** broke well to settle around sixth by the rails, angled out slightly after the third corner and launched the fastest late drive to pass his rivals one by one in the last 300 meters but failed to close in on the winner while securing the runner-up seat.

Fourth pick and 2020 fillies’ Triple Crown winner **Daring Tact** sat in 10th, just behind the favorite, made headway on the outer path passing the 1,000-meter point, showed the second fastest late kick and, although unable to threaten the top two finishers, nosed out **Deep Bond** right before the wire to finish third.

Race favorite **Efforia** traveled in mid-division, around ninth from the front and, though displaying a strong charge that timed the fourth fastest closing speed, finished in sixth.

Other Horses:

4th: (15) **Deep Bond**—prominent in 3rd or 4th, unable to keep up with winner, passed by **Hishi Iguazu** 200m out then **Daring Tact** just before wire

5th: (9) **Meiner Fanrong**—raced 3-wide in 8th, advanced and rallied for 2nd, weakened in last 100m

7th: (12) **Win Marilyn**—sat in 5th, ran gamely until 200m out, gradually dropped back

8th: (11) **Panthalassa**—set fast pace, ran out of steam passing 200m pole

9th: (8) **Stay Foolish**—took economic trip in 11th, lacked needed kick

10th: (17) **Gibeon**—ran around 6th, outrun turning final corners, showed little

11th: (18) **Potager**—settled around 12th, circled wide, failed to respond

12th: (16) **Gloria Mundi**—traveled in 13-14th, showed little at stretch

13th: (3) **Melody Lane**—hugged rails in 12-13th, unable to reach contention

14th: (13) **Arrivo**—trailed wide in rear, never fired

15th: (5) **Iron Barows**—positioned around 15th, no factor

16th: (2) **African Gold**—was off slow, saved ground in 3rd or 4th, faded after final corner

17th: (14) **King of Koji**—far rear throughout trip

Excluded from running: (1) **Authority**—due to lameness in his right foreleg

Fractional time (sec./furlong): 12.5 - 10.4 - 11.0 - 12.1 - 11.6 - 12.1 - 11.9 - 11.8 - 11.9 - 12.0 - 12.4  
Last 4 furlongs: 48.1      Last 3 furlongs: 36.3

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

**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.