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SUBJECT: RESULT OF THE 49TH QUEEN ELIZABETH II CUP (G1)



The Queen Elizabeth II Cup was established in 1976 to facilitate friendly relations between Japan and England, in commemoration of Her Excellency’s visit to Japan in 1975. The race initially started as a 2,400-meter race and the last leg of the “Triple Crown for three-year-old fillies,” but became a 2,200-meter race for fillies and mares of three-year-old and up from 1996. The race was temporarily held at Hanshin Racecourse between 2020 and 2022 due to the renovation of Kyoto Racecourse.

Tigertail (FR, by Priolo) and Ana Marie (FR, by Anabaa) were the first two foreign contestants to run in 2003—four years after its designation as an international event in 1999—and finished third and eighth, respectively. Shalanaya (IRE, by Lomitas) finished fourth in 2009 before Edward Dunlop-trained Snow Fairy (IRE, by Intikhab) became the first foreign runner to win the race in 2010 and then defended the title again in 2011.

With the absence of last year’s victor Brede Weg (JPN, F4, by Lord Kanaloa) who recently claimed the Fuchu Himba Stakes (G2, 1,800m, Oct.14), this year’s field was consisted of other Fuchu Himba Stakes finishers such as runner up **Scintillation** followed by graded winners **Moryana** in eighth, **Conch Shell** in ninth, **Costa Bonita** in 11th, **Lilac** in 13th and **Harper** in 15th. Also among the lineup were **Stunning Rose**, **Shinryokuka** and **Wholeness**, respective winners of the 2022 Shuka Sho (G1, 2,000m), the Niigata Kinen (G3, 2,000m, Sep.1) and the Niigata Himba Stakes (Listed, 2,200m, Oct.20) as well as the 2023 Hopeful Stakes (G1, 2,000m) champion **Regaleira**, the only three-year-old filly in the field.

THE 49TH QUEEN ELIZABETH II CUP (G1) – Japan Autumn International –

3-year-olds & up, Fillies & Mares, 2,200 meters (about 11 furlongs), turf, right-handed
 Sunday, November 10, 2024 Kyoto Racecourse 11th Race Post time: 15:40

Total prize money: ¥ 281,800,000 (about US\$ 1,999,000 <US\$1=¥141>)

3-y-o: 54kg (about 119 lbs), 4-y-o & up: 56kg (about 123-124 lbs),

2kg allowance for Southern Hemisphere-bred born in 2021

Course Record: 2:09.7

Race Record: 2:11.1 [Stunning Rose (JPN, by King Kamehameha), 2024]

Safety factor: 18 runners

Going: Good to Firm

Weather: Cloudy



FP	BK	PP	Horse Jockey	S&A Color Wgt	Odds (Fav)	Margin (L3F)	Sire Dam (Dam's Sire)	Owner Breeder Trainer
1	6	11	Stunning Rose (JPN) Cristian Demuro	M5 b. 56.0	9.5 (3)	2:11.1 (34.0)	King Kamehameha Rosa Blanca (Kurofune)	Sunday Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Tomokazu Takano
2	8	16	Ravel (JPN) Yuga Kawada	F4 b. 56.0	41.2 (12)	2 (34.1)	Kitsan Black Sambre et Meuse (Daiwa Major)	Carrot Farm Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Yoshito Yahagi
3	1	1	Wholeness (IRE) Ryusei Sakai	F4 d.b. 56.0	8.7 (2)	3/4 (34.4)	Lope de Vega Missunited (Golan)	Godolphin Mrs V.B. Hutch & Lope de Vega Synd. Hideaki Fujiwara
4	4	8	Shinryokuka (JPN) Hatsuya Kowata	F4 b. 56.0	12.9 (6)	Neck (34.6)	Satono Diamond Lei Carla (King Kamehameha)	Kentaro Yui Shimokobe Farm Masahiro Takeuchi
5	4	7	Regaleira (JPN) Christophe Lemaire	F3 b. 54.0	1.9 (1)	Nose (34.1)	Suave Richard Roca (Harbinger)	Sunday Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Farm Tetsuya Kimura
6	1	2	Lilac (JPN) Yukito Ishikawa	M5 b. 56.0	35.7 (10)	Nose (33.9)	Orfevre Viva Bouquet (King Kamehameha)	Seichi Serizawa Seiichi Serizawa Ikuo Aizawa
7	7	13	Saliera (JPN) Ryan Moore	M5 b. 56.0	12.9 (5)	1 (33.9)	Deep Impact Salomina (Lomitas)	Silk Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Racing Sakae Kunieda
8	8	15	Gold Eclipse (JPN) Kanta Taguchi	M5 ch. 56.0	195.4 (16)	Nose (34.2)	Duramente Gold Glory (Harbinger)	Hisayo Ishiro Hokusho Farm Ryuji Okubo

9	8	17	Costa Bonita (JPN) Kohei Matsuyama	M5 g. 56.0	54.4 (14)	1/2 (34.7)	Isla Bonita Lady Ying (Kendor)	Tatsuo Tanikake Shadai Farm Yoshiaki Sugiyama
10	6	12	Scintillation (JPN) Tom Marquand	M5 d.b. 56.0	10.4 (4)	3/4 (34.6)	Lord Kanaloa Fascinete Dia (Agnes Tachyon)	Silk Racing Co., Ltd. Northern Racing Masakazu Ikegami
11	5	9	Kimionawa Maria (JPN) Katsuma Sameshima	F4 ch. 56.0	39.3 (11)	1/2 (34.8)	Harbinger Shadow Maria (Victoire Pisa)	Kazuyoshi Urano Tomokazu Iizuka Teruhiko Chida
12	5	10	Erika Vita (JPN) Yusuke Fujioka	M5 bl. 56.0	207.5 (17)	Nose (34.3)	King Kamehameha Marciano (Fuji Kiseki)	Masahiro Miki Northern Racing Sakae Kunieda
13	2	3	Rouge Lignage (JPN) Kenichi Ikezoe	M5 b. 56.0	53.0 (13)	Neck (34.0)	Spielberg Panzanella (Rulership)	Tokyo Horse Racing Co., Ltd. Asheville Ltd Yoshitada Munakata
14	3	5	Moryana (JPN) Yasunari Iwata	F4 b. 56.0	30.1 (9)	1-1/2 (34.4)	Epiphaneia Garder le Sourire (Daiwa Major)	Fumio Takahashi Northern Racing Yoshinori Muto
15	3	6	Peace of the Life (JPN) Taisei Danno	F4 br. 56.0	126.8 (15)	5 (35.3)	Kitsan Black Thank You Ask (Symboli Kris S)	Tomoko Hirosaki Toshihiro Hirosaki Kenji Nonaka
16	2	4 B	Conch Shell (JPN) Mirai Iwata	F4 d.b. 56.0	25.8 (8)	2 (36.9)	Kizuna Xanas (Galileo)	Shinji Maeda North Hills Co., Ltd. Hisashi Shimizu
17	7	14 B	Harper (JPN) Yutaka Take	F4 b. 56.0	19.1 (7)	3/4 (36.9)	Heart's Cry Seresta (Jump Start)	M's Racing Northern Racing Yasuo Tomomichi

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

NOTE: 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: ¥ 16,903,148,200

Turnover for the Day: ¥ 25,297,525,300

Attendance: 32,574

Pay-off (for ¥100)

Win	No.11	¥ 950	Bracket Quinella	6-8	¥ 4,370	Quinella	11-16	¥ 16,020
Place	No.11	¥ 340	Quinella Place	11-16	¥ 3,620	Exacta	11-16	¥ 26,990
	No.16	¥ 810		1-11	¥ 1,560	Trio	1-11-16	¥ 44,140
	No.1	¥ 300		1-16	¥ 4,630	Trifecta	11-16-1	¥ 278,100

Winner= 17 starts: 6 wins, 2 seconds & 1 third / Added & stakes money: ¥ 133,654,000 / Career earnings: ¥ 426,216,000

Stunning Rose Blooms in Stunning Win in the Queen Elizabeth II Cup

Third favorite **Stunning Rose** claimed her first win since 2022 and second G1 victory in this year's Queen Elizabeth II Cup in an impressive 2:11.1, updating the 23-year-old race record set by To the Victory. As a three-year-old, the filly captured the Shuka Sho (G1, 2,000m), the Flower Cup (G3, 1,800m) and the Shion Stakes (G3, 2,000m) titles as well as putting in a runner-up effort in the Yushun Himba (Japanese Oaks, G1, 2,400m). After being sidelined with peritendinitis in her left foreleg after finishing 12th in last year's Victoria Mile (G1, 1,600m), she made her comeback in the Osaka Hai (G1, 2,000m) in March this season in which she was eighth. The King Kamehameha mare then went on to run in the Victoria Mile in May and the Queen Stakes (G3, 1,800m) in July, finishing ninth and sixth, respectively. The five-year-old mare presented her trainer Tomokazu Takano with his eighth JRA-G1 title, his latest was with Jantar Mantar in this year's NHK Mile Cup, and jockey Cristian Demuro, who is riding under a short-term license and had won the title with Geraldina in 2022, his fifth.

The field broke in front of the stands with **Conch Shell** taking the early lead while **Harper** and **Shinryokuka** followed in close pursuit. A bit keen in the backstretch, **Stunning Rose** chased the frontrunners in fourth before making headway and swiftly took over the lead while turning the last corner.

First to enter the straight, the King Kamehameha mare romped to the wire unthreatened for an impressive two-length victory.

“I’m very happy to have won a G1 race which I wanted to achieve here in Japan, especially after finishing second a few times. Today after the start, I chose to go behind the leader and the mare just showed a special turn of foot,” Christian Demuro said in a post-race interview.

Sent off lightly favored as twelfth choice, **Ravel**, winner of the G3 Artemis Stakes (1,600m) as a two-year-old, settled outside the favorite around eighth, circled wide into the stretch and although no match for the eventual winner, dug in well to overhaul **Wholeness** 100 meters out to score a two-length second.

Second pick of the 17-horse field, **Wholeness** saved ground in fifth, angled out for her stretch run and while denied the runner-up seat by the fast-closing **Ravel**, shook off her rivals in a fierce rally in the final strides to secure third place by a neck.

Heavy favorite and the only three-year-old runner, **Regaleira** broke well and settled in mid-pack but found herself in tight quarters in early stretch. The Hopeful Stakes winner bumped rivals trying to squeeze through aggressively and launched her bid late, finishing fifth.

Other Horses:

- 4th: (8) **Shinryokuka**—tracked leaders in 3rd on rails, showed tenacity, weakened in last 100m
6th: (2) **Lilac**—saved ground in 11th, angled out, quickened to time tied fastest over last three furlongs
7th: (13) **Saliera**—settled near rear in 14th, circled wide, showed tied fastest late kick but belatedly
8th: (15) **Gold Eclipse**—raced wide around 12th, improved position at stretch
9th: (17) **Costa Bonita**—ran wide around 6th behind winner, showed effort until 100m out
10th: (12) **Scintillation**—hugged rails around 8th, bumped at early stretch, lacked needed kick
11th: (9) **Kiminonawa Maria**—sat around 6th, showed little at stretch
12th: (10) **Erika Vita**—traveled around 12th, unable to reach contention
13th: (3) **Rouge Lignage**—trailed in rear, passed tired rivals
14th: (5) **Moryana**—raced near rear, showed brief effort at stretch, outrun in last 100m
15th: (6) **Peace of the Life**—trailed in rear, no factor throughout trip
16th: (4) **Conch Shell**—set pace, faded after 200m pole
17th: (14) **Harper**—chased leader in 2nd, bumped at early stretch, lost momentum

Fractional time (sec./furlong): 12.5 - 10.6 - 12.1 - 12.2 - 12.2 - 12.5 - 12.6 - 12.0 - 11.7 - 11.1 - 11.6
Last 4 furlongs: 46.4 Last 3 furlongs: 34.4

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

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.