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Hello!!!

This month's hot topic is worms!!!! Please see the information sheet for more details.

HORSE TALK.....

June has been a fairly quiet month in the Western Cape. In Durban however, everyone is gearing up for the Vodacom Durban July.

Durban July Race History

The Durban July Handicap is a South African Thoroughbred horse race held annually on the first Saturday of July since 1897 at Greyville Racecourse in Durban, KwaZulu-Natal. Raced on turf, the Durban July Handicap is open to horses of all ages. It is South Africa's premier horse racing event and currently offers a purse of R2.5 million (app. US\$360,000).

First held in July 1897 at a distance of 1 mile (approx 1600m), the distance was modified several times until 1970 when it was changed to its current 2200 meters.

Only four horses have ever won the race back to back:

Campanajo 1897 and 1898

Corriecrian 1907 and 1908

Milesia 1949 and 1950

El Picha 1999 and 2000

One other horse, Pamphlet, won twice in 1918 and 1920.

Most wins by a trainer:

Sydney C. Laird - 7: (1961, 1963, 1966, 1967, 1971, 1973, 1978)

Terence M. Millard - 6: (1983, 1984, 1986, 1988, 1989, 1990)

F. Murray won the race four years in a row from 1910 through 1913.



If you have topics that you would like covering then please email them to cape@mcveigh.co.za and we will try to accommodate you!

The Gastroscope machine is still available if any owners want to perform gastroscopy on their horses- please see March's newsletters. Please follow the link www.bakermcveigh.co.za to read this months info sheet.