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QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE CUP



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RACE HISTORY

The Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup started out as the Queen's Silver Jubilee Challenge Cup, a 2230m handicap staged at Happy Valley in 1977 to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of Britain's Queen Elizabeth II. The distance and class of the race changed many times throughout the first 20 years until in 1997 it became a mile contest. In 2000, the Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup ("Challenge" was dropped from the race title in 1989) was upgraded to HKG3 level; two years later the contest achieved HKG2 status and in 2006 it was further upgraded to HKG1 level. The race distance was shortened to the current distance of 1400m in 2005. The Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup was ranked equal 28th in the list of World's Top 100 G1 races in 2023.

The Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup is now the second leg of the Hong Kong Speed Series, falling between the G1 Centenary Sprint Cup (first leg - 1200m) and G1 Chairman's Sprint Prize (final leg - 1200m). Able Friend produced a sensational win in this race in 2015 that placed the brilliant chestnut at the top of the LONGINES World's Best Racehorse Rankings. Beauty Generation, Hong Kong's Horse of the Year in 2017/18 & 2018/19, completed an unprecedented hat-trick three years in a row (2018, 2019 and 2020). Other past winners of the race include standout champions Ambitious Dragon, Lucky Nine, Good Ba Ba, Electronic Unicorn, Wellington, Lucky Sweynesse and the great Silent Witness, who notched his record 17th consecutive career win in this race in 2005. The race's prize money has been increased to the current level of HK\$13 million this year.



PAST WINNERS

YEAR	HORSE (COUNTRY BRED)	A/W/S	JOCKEY	TRAINER	OWNER	MARGIN	DRAW	ODDS	GOING	TIME
2023	LUCKY SWEYNESSE (NZ)	4/126/g	James McDonald	Manfred Man	Cheng Ming Leung, Cheng Yu Tung, Cheng Mei Mei & Cheng Yu Wai	1-1/4	4/5	2.6	G	1:21.12
2022	WELLINGTON (AUS)	5/126/g	Alexis Badel	Richard Gibson	Mr & Mrs Michael Cheng and Jeffrey Cheng	3/4	1/8	6.6	GY	1:23.53
2021	WAIKUKU (IRE)	6/126/g	Joao Moreira	John Size	Jocelyn Siu Yang Hin Ting	1-1/4	6/9	2.1F	G	1:20.78
2020	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	7/126/g	Zac Purton	John Moore	Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen	1/2	3/7	1.6F	G	1:21.64
2019	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	6/126/g	Zac Purton	John Moore	Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen	1-3/4	8/10	1.2F	G	1:21.03
2018	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	5/126/g	Zac Purton	John Moore	Patrick Kwok Ho Chuen	HD	7/11	4.9	G	1:20.86
2017	HELENE PARAGON (FR)	5/126/h	Tommy Berry	John Moore	Sir Po-shing & Lady Woo, Wilson Woo, et al.	3/4	8/8	6	G	1:21.31
2016	CONTENTMENT (AUS)	5/126/g	Brett Prebble	John Size	Benson Lo Tak Wing	1-3/4	7/9	3.8	G	1:21.24
2015	ABLE FRIEND (AUS)	5/126/g	Joao Moreira	John Moore	Dr & Mrs Cornel Li Fook Kwan	2-1/4	5/11	1.3F	G	1:21.10
2014	GOLD-FUN (IRE)	5/126/g	Douglas Whyte	Richard Gibson	Pan Sutong	1/2	9/11	2.6F	G	1:21.85
2013	AMBITIOUS DRAGON (NZ)	6/126/g	Zac Purton	Tony Millard	Johnsom Lam & Anderson Lam	2-1/2	8/9	3.1	GF	1:20.63
2012	LUCKY NINE (IRE)	5/126/g	Brett Prebble	Caspar Fownes	Dr Chang Fuk To & Maria Chang	HD	1/11	2.2F	G	1:21.30
2011	BEAUTY FLASH (NZ)	5/126/g	Gerald Mosse	Tony Cruz	Kwok Siu Ming	1/2	10/10	4.2	G	1:21.74
2010	HAPPY ZERO (AUS)	5/126/g	Darren Beadman	John Moore	David Philip Boehm	SH	7/8	1.8F	G	1:21.83
2009	EGYPTIAN RA (NZ)	7/126/g	Felix Coetzee	Tony Cruz	Cheng Keung Fai	3/4	6/13	18	G	1:21.01
2008	GOOD BA BA (USA)	6/126/g	Olivier Doleuze	Andreas Schutz	John Yuen Se Kit	1/2	11/12	3.8	G	1:21.30
2007	JOYFUL WINNER (AUS)	6/126/g	Gerald Mosse	John Moore	Kong Kin Kuen	1-1/4	1/10	2.4F	GF	1:20.90
2006	JOYFUL WINNER (AUS)	5/126/g	Christophe Soumillon	John Moore	Kong Kin Kuen	1/2	8/8	1.7F	GF	1:21.60
2005	SILENT WITNESS (AUS)	5/126/g	Felix Coetzee	Tony Cruz	Arthur Antonio da Silva & Betty de Silva	1-3/4	1/11	1.0F	GF	1:21.80
2004	ELECTRONIC UNICORN (USA)	8/126/g	Robbie Fradd	John Size	Lo Ying Bin	1/2	2/10	1.7F	G	1:36.70
2003	HO CHOI (GB)	4/126/g	Weichong Marwing	Ivan Allan	Ma Ching Fat	1-1/4	3/14	7.9	G	1:36.30
2002	GOGGLES (IRE)	4/126/g	Anton Marcus	John Moore	Matthew Wong Leung Pak	3/4	5/11	4.8	H	1:39.50
2001	MAN OF HONOUR (IRE)	6/126/g	Howard Cheng	Ivan Allan	Jerry Sung & Dora Sung	5	7/14	18	GY	1:36.30
2000	MAN OF HONOUR (IRE)	5/126/g	Eric Legrix	Ivan Allan	Jerry Sung & Dora Sung	NK	13/13	31	GF	1:34.10
1999	HUNTING LAD (USA)	5/126/g	Robbie Fradd	David Hayes	Friendship Syndicate	2-1/4	9/11	7.3	GF	1:34.90
1998	BILLION WIN (AUS)	3/123/g	Douglas Whyte	Ivan Allan	C K Hui	3/4	4/12	2.0F	GF	1:35.60
1997	BENJI (USA)	5/126/g	Eric Legrix	Patrick Biancone	Howard Liang Yum Shing	2	4/13	2.0F	GY	1:36.00

Raced as a 1600m Terms race in 1997, as an Open race in 1998 & 1999, a HKG3 from 2000, a HKG2 from 2002, a HKG1 from 2006 and a G1 since 2015

* Race distance changed to 1400m in 2005



BARRIER DRAW DATA

(Since 2005)

DRAW	1ST	2ND	3RD
1	4	3	1
2	0	2	3
3	1	2	5
4	1	2	1
5	1	1	1
6	2	3	2
7	3	1	2
8	4	2	1
9	1	2	2
10	1	0	0
11	1	1	1
12	0	0	0
13	0	0	0
14	0	0	0



2023 QUEEN'S SILVER JUBILEE CUP

Lucky Sweynesse collected his second Group 1 crown in as many starts at Sha Tin as he reeled in a brave California Spangle to lift the G1 Queen's Silver Jubilee Cup (1400m).

Ridden by fly-in rider James McDonald for trainer Manfred Man, Lucky Sweynesse broke cleanly against four rivals to settle second in the running behind California Spangle.

Lucky Sweynesse stalked California Spangle throughout the contest before taking over with 200m left to run, prevailing by one and a quarter lengths in a time of 1m 21.12s with last year's winner Wellington filling third position.

"What makes him so talented is that he's not only a very fast horse but he can sustain the speed over seven furlongs, which not many sprinters can do, so he's got a great attribute of conserving energy and building into a race like a pretty good horse," McDonald said.

"I was confident I was going to pick him (California Spangle) up but I actually anticipated getting there a little bit later than I did on today's particular occasion and California Spangle never lays down. He's always in for the fight. If I didn't put a good margin on him, I don't think we would have won – credit to my horse, he put the margin on."

Purse:	HK\$12,000,000	Distance:	1400m	Status:	Group 1
Going:	Good	Winning time:	1m 21.12s		

	Hores	Age	Weight	Jockey	Trainer	Draw	Margin (LBW)	Odds
1st	LUCKY SWEYNESSE	4	126	J McDonald	K L Man	4	-	2.6
2nd	CALIFORNIA SPANGLE	5	126	Z Purton	A S Cruz	1	1-1/4	1.6
3rd	WELLINGTON	6	126	R Moore	R Gibson	3	4-1/4	7.2
4th	COURIER WONDER	5	126	B Shinn	J Size	5	4-1/2	35
5th	WAIKUKU	8	126	D Lane	J Size	2	6-1/4	34



FIRST FOUR WITH SIRE

(Since 2013)

2023

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	LUCKY SWEYNESSE (NZ)	SWEYNESSE (AUS)
2nd	CALIFORNIA SPANGLE (IRE)	STARSPANGLED BANNER (AUS)
3rd	WELLINGTON (AUS)	ALL TOO HARD (AUS)
4th	COURIER WONDER (NZ)	SACRED FALLS (NZ)

2022

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	WELLINGTON (AUS)	ALL TOO HARD (AUS)
2nd	KA YING STAR (GB)	CITYSCAPE (GB)
3rd	WAIKUKU (IRE)	HARBOUR WATCH (IRE)
4th	SKY FIELD (AUS)	DEEP FIELD (AUS)

2021

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	WAIKUKU (IRE)	HARBOUR WATCH (IRE)
2nd	SOUTHERN LEGEND (AUS)	NOT A SINGLE DOUBT (AUS)
3rd	MIGHTY GIANT (NZ)	POWER (GB)
4th	MORE THAN THIS (GB)	DUTCH ART (GB)

2020

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	ROAD TO ROCK (AUS)
2nd	KA YING STAR (GB)	CITYSCAPE (GB)
3rd	HOT KING PRAWN (AUS)	DENMAN (AUS)
4th	THANKS FOREVER (AUS)	DUPORTH (AUS)

2019

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	ROAD TO ROCK (AUS)
2nd	BEAT THE CLOCK (AUS)	HINCHINBROOK (AUS)
3rd	CONTE (AUS)	STARCRAFT (NZ)
4th	RATTAN (NZ)	SAVABEEL (AUS)

2018

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	BEAUTY GENERATION (NZ)	ROAD TO ROCK (AUS)
2nd	BEAT THE CLOCK (AUS)	HINCHINBROOK (AUS)
3rd	FIFTY FIFTY (NZ)	THORN PARK (AUS)
4th	GIANT TREASURE (USA)	MIZZEN MAST (USA)

2017

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	HELENE PARAGON (FR)	POLAN (FR)
2nd	ABLE FRIEND (AUS)	SHAMARDAL (USA)
3rd	JOYFUL TRINITY (IRE)	ZANZIBARI (USA)
4th	BLIZZARD (AUS)	STARCRAFT (NZ)

2016

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	CONTENTMENT (AUS)	HUSSONET (USA)
2nd	BEAUTY FLAME (IRE)	FOOTSTEPS IN THE SAND (GB)
3rd	BEAUTY ONLY (IRE)	HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR (IRE)
4th	GOLD-FUN (IRE)	LE VIE DEI COLORI (GB)

FIRST FOUR WITH SIRE (CONT'T)

(Since 2013)

2015

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	ABLE FRIEND (AUS)	SHAMARDAL (USA)
2nd	BEAUTY FLAME (IRE)	FOOTSTEPSINTHESAND (GB)
3rd	GOLD-FUN (IRE)	LE VIE DEI COLORI (GB)
4th	DUNDONNELL (USA)	FIRST DEFENCE (USA)

2014

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	GOLD-FUN (IRE)	LE VIE DEI COLORI (GB)
2nd	DAN EXCEL (IRE)	SHAMARDAL (USA)
3rd	CHARLES THE GREAT (IRE)	HOLY ROMAN EMPEROR (IRE)
4th	FREDERICK ENGELS (GB)	ICEMAN (GB)

2013

FINISH	HORSE (BRED)	SIRE
1st	AMBITIOUS DRAGON (NZ)	PINS (AUS)
2nd	TIME AFTER TIME (AUS)	DANEHILL DANCER (IRE)
3rd	GLORIOUS DAYS (AUS)	HUSSONET (USA)
4th	LUCKY NINE (IRE)	DUBAWI (IRE)



LEAD SECTIONAL TIME

(Since 2005)

YEAR	200	600	1000	1400
2023	13.92	36.69	59.30	1:21.12
2022	13.95	36.70	1:00.11	1:23.53
2021	13.68	35.68	58.58	1:20.78
2020	13.40	35.58	58.93	1:21.64
2019	13.67	35.82	58.75	1:21.03
2018	13.35	34.72	57.71	1:20.86
2017	13.63	35.95	58.87	1:21.31
2016	13.57	35.88	59.33	1:21.24
2015	13.23	35.20	58.58	1:21.10
2014	13.20	35.59	59.37	1:21.85
2013	13.80	35.89	58.36	1:20.63
2012	13.16	34.39	57.50	1:21.30
2011	13.72	35.52	58.83	1:21.74
2010	13.83	35.80	59.03	1:21.83
2009	13.69	35.31	58.08	1:21.01
2008	13.20	34.30	58.30	1:21.30
2007	13.30	34.50	57.50	1:20.90
2006	13.70	36.00	58.90	1:21.60
2005	13.20	34.40	57.50	1:21.80

