

PRESS CONFERENCE

Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Members of the Managing Committee of the Bangalore Turf Club Ltd., I have great pleasure in extending a warm welcome to all of you to this Press Conference.

The Bangalore Winter Meeting 2012-2013, covering 32 race days, is scheduled to commence on Saturday, 3rd November 2012 and will conclude on Saturday, 23rd March 2013. Racing will be held mainly on Fridays and Saturdays. Concurrently Winter Races will be held at Mysore over seventeen days mainly on Wednesdays, commencing from Wednesday, 7th November 2012.

About 110 Jockeys, including four Foreign Jockeys and 35 'A' license trainers are expected to take part in the Meeting.

I. STATISTICAL INFORMATION:

- (a) The following level of stakes, category wise, will be in force during the ensuing Winter Meeting on par with that paid during the Bangalore Summer Meeting 2012.

Category	1 st	2 nd	3rd	4 th	5th	6th	Total
80 & above	264000	132000	66000	39600	26400	13200	5,41,200
60-85	231000	115500	57750	34650	23100	11550	4,73,550
40-65	198000	99000	49500	29700	19800	9900	4,05,900
20-45	165000	82500	41250	24750	16500	8250	3,38,250
00-25	132000	66000	33000	19800	13200	6600	2,70,600
3 years	264000	132000	66000	39600	26400	13200	5,41,200

- (b) Details of races and number of horses are furnished below:

Particulars	Winter 2011-12 (actuals, excluding Indian Turf Invitation Cup)	Winter 2012-13 (estimated)
Number of race days	32	32
Number of races	266	265
Number of 2-year-olds stabled	306	314
Number of horse stabled	993	1055
Number of horses participated	766	800

- (c) Aggregate of stakes, incentives and subsidy for the Winter Meeting are detailed hereunder:

Particulars	(Rs. in lakhs)	
	Winter Meeting 2011-12 (actuals, excluding Indian Turf Invitation Cup)	Winter Meeting 2012-13 (estimated)
Stakes	1163	1322
Performance linked incentive	104	133
Incentive for Karnataka bred	17	19
Oats Subsidy	55	60
Incentive to small owners	103	110
Total	1442	1644

It is expected that the Club would be paying stakes, incentives and subsidy of nearly Rs. 16.50 crores during the ensuing meeting, as against Rs. 14.42 crores during the previous Winter Meeting, excluding the Indian Turf Invitation Cup Weekend.

II. SUBSIDY, INCENTIVES AND CONCESSIONS:

- (a) Performance linked incentive in respect of local horses in ordinary races would continued to be paid as per the following scale:

Winner	:	Rs. 26,400
Second	:	Rs. 13,200
Third	:	Rs. 6,600
Fourth	:	Rs. 3,960
Fifth	:	Rs. 2,640
Sixth	:	Rs. 1,320

- (b) 10% incentive would be paid on stakes earned in ordinary races by horses bred in the State of Karnataka.
- (c) 20% incentive would be paid on stake money earned by small owners of local horses in ordinary races.
- (d) Oats subsidy has been enhanced to Rs. 1200/- per horse per month, subject to fulfilling certain conditions.

III. SWEEPSTAKE RACES:

- (a) THE RAJYOTSAVA TROPHY has been accorded Grade III status by the Indian Pattern Committee from this year.
- (b) Added Money in respect of the following Sweepstake Races has been revised as indicated alongside:

Name of the Race	Existing Money Rs.	Added Money Rs.
THE RAJYOTSAVA TROPHY Grade III	10.00 lakhs	12.00 lakhs
THE BANGALORE TURF CLUB TROPHY	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE CHIEF MINISTER'S TROPHY	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE NEW YEAR CUP	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE MYSORE RACE CLUB TROPHY	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE D.P.SHARMA MEMORIAL SPRINTERS TRIAL STAKES	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE STAYERS TRIAL STAKES	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY	6.00 lakhs	8.00 lakhs
THE HYDERABAD SILVER VASE	5.00 lakhs	6.00 lakhs
THE KARNATAKA RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION TROPHY	5.00 lakhs	6.00 lakhs
THE RWITC TROPHY	5.00 lakhs	6.00 lakhs
THE MADRAS RACE CLUB TROPHY	5.00 lakhs	6.00 lakhs
THE ROYAL CALCUTTA TURF CLUB CUP	5.00 lakhs	6.00 lakhs

(c) The following races have been framed as Million Races, with the Club guaranteeing minimum stake money of rupees one million:

- (1) THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY
- (2) THE HYDERABAD SILVER VASE
- (3) THE RWITC TROPHY
- (4) THE KARNATAKA RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION TROPHY

IV. **SPONSORSHIP**

(a) The following races will be sponsored during the ensuing winter meeting:

- (1) KARNATAKA RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION TROPHY
- (2) THE D.P.SHARMA MEMORIAL SPRINTERS TRIAL STAKES.
- (3) THE P.DAYANAND PAI & P. SATISH PAI BANGALORE WINTER MILLION (Grade III)

(b) THE KIMMANE BANGALORE DERBY (Grade I) will be sponsored by Mr. Jairam G.Kimmane of Kimmane Golf & Resorts, KTG Group.

V. **SPECIAL RACE DAYS:**

Details of special race days are as under:

First Day, Saturday 3 rd November 2012	-	THE RAJYOTSAVA TROPHY (Grade III)
Sixth Day, Saturday, 24 th November 2012	-	THE BANGALORE 1000 GUINEAS (Grade II)
Seventh Day, Saturday, 1 st December 2012	-	THE BANGALORE TURF CLUB TROPHY
Ninth Day, Saturday 8 th December 2012	-	THE BANGALORE 2000 GUINEAS (Grade II)
Fourteenth Day, Friday 4 th January 2013	-	THE CHIEF MINISTER'S TROPHY
Fifteenth Day, Saturday 5 th January 2013	-	THE BANGALORE OAKS (Grade II) and THE NEW YEAR CUP
Eighteenth Day, Saturday 19 th January 2013	-	THE KARNATAKA RACEHORSE OWNERS ASSOCIATION TROPHY
Twentieth day, Saturday 26 th January 2013	-	THE KIMMANE BANGALORE DERBY (Grade I)

Twenty-first day, Thursday 31 st January 2013	-	THE D.P.SHARMA MEMORIAL SPRINTERS TRIAL STAKES
Twenty-second day, Saturday 9 th February 2013	-	THE STAYERS TRIAL STAKES
Twenty-fourth Day, Saturday 16 th February 2013	-	THE P.DAYANAND PAI & P. SATISH PAI BANGALORE WINTER MILLION (Grade III)
Twenty-sixth Day, Saturday 23 rd February 2013	-	THE GOVERNOR'S TROPHY
Thirty-second Day, Saturday 23 rd March 2013	-	THE BANGALORE JUVENILE MILLION (Grade III)

VI. **CLASSIC RACES (2013-14)**

The prospectus of Classis Races to be run during 2013-14 is under finalization and the Club is considering the feasibility of hosting THE BANGALORE WINTER DERBY during the year 2014 in the first week of January, as against the traditional date of 26th January. A final view in the matter will be taken after holding discussions with the cross section of the Racing Fraternity.

VII. **GENERAL:**

- (a) The rating book will be published before the commencement of the season.
- (b) Jockeys will continue to be subjected to a breath analyzer test on every race day for detecting the presence of alcohol.
- (c) 12 and 5 bookmakers are expected to operate in the I and II enclosures respectively.
- (d) 520 betting terminals will be in operation, including 105 betting terminals at off-course betting centres located outside the racecourse and 200 old betting terminals would be replaced with new betting terminals in the latter half of December 2012.
- (e) Computerized betting system has been partially upgraded to improve processing and ticketing speed.
- (f) Quality of broadcast of Bangalore Races on the CCTV system is expected to improve with the change over from the existing composite video platform to fibre optic platform.
- (g) Quality of live racing signals from other Racing Centres in the country is expected to improve by 15th November 2012, following change over in broadcasting platform from MPEG2 to MPEG4.

VIII. **BOARD OF APPEAL:**

The Board of Appeal has been re-constituted as under:

Dr. K.M.Srinivasa Gowda (Chairman)
Mr. J.Alexander
Mr. M.G.Kadali
Mr. P.Kodandaramaiah
Mr. B.G.Jyothi Prakash Mirji
Mr. L.V.Nagarajan

IX. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

I thank you all for the help extended to the Bangalore Turf Club in the past. I also seek, on behalf of the Managing Committee, your support in promoting wide coverage for the Winter Races.

While seeking your cooperation and the support of racing patrons, I wish you and the racing patrons a successful Meeting.

Bangalore.
Dated: 31st October 2012

(D.M.KUMARASWAMY)
CHAIRMAN & SENIOR STEWARD