

## QATAR GOODWOOD FESTIVAL 2016 RACENEWS RACECOURSE SERVICE FOURTH DAY, FRIDAY, JULY 29

## **JAZI ON TOP**

Trainer Francois Rohaut, jockey Gregory Benoist and owners Al Shaqab Racing teamed up to win the L'Ormarins Queens Plate for the second successive year as Al Jazi ran out the impressive winner of the Group Three contest at the Qatar Goodwood Festival this afternoon.

Amy Eria won the race last year at odds of 33/1 for the same connections 12 months ago and Al Jazi was always travelling well for her jockey as the field turned for home.

The 12/1 shot ran on strongly when asked for her effort and she quickly put daylight between her nearest pursuers, eventually running out the one and three-quarter length winner.

Rohaut revealed after the race that this race had been in their minds for quite a while.

"This was quite a long term target," said Rohaut.

"When we win a race, we try to win it again! We knew she was good enough to run well. This was the first time she's encountered a very good pace and that is what she needs to win a good race.

"A strong pace and good going suits her. She has only run on good to soft at best in France.

"She had everything today. Good pace, good draw and good going. She always showed she was good enough to win a race like this.

"She's is a different type of filly to Amy Eria. You must look after this filly. Amy Eria was a big, strong filly. This one is good though."

## 4:55 L'Ormarins Queens Plate Stakes (Group 3)

- 1 Al Jazi (Al Shaqab Racing) Francois Rohaut FR 3-8-10 Gregory Benoist 12/1
- 2 Mise En Rose (Godolphin) Charlie Appleby 3-8-10 James McDonald 5/1
- 3 Namhroodah (Saeed Manana) Jason Tate 4-9-03 Luke Morris7/1
- 11/8 Fav Always Smile (4th)

## 11 ran

Time: 1m 24.92s; Distances: 1¾, ¾

Tote Win £13.90 Place £3.00,£1.80,£2.30 Exacta £64.90

Breeder: Skymarc Farm; Breeding: b f Canford Cliffs (IRE) - Rainbow Crossing (Cape Cross (IRE))

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