

NATIONAL HORSE TRUST

IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Dubai, here we come!

Pierre du Toit from Mt. Edgecombe will be jetting off to Dubai next year for the richest horse race in the world! The first prize winner of the annual National Horse Trust raffle heard the news from the Telly Track Studios in Rivonia on Monday evening, 7 December, where the live draw took place.

"This is one of the biggest surprises I have ever had and I have never been able to go to the World Cup Race. I am thrilled. I am so pleased that I took a ticket and was also able to contribute to such an important cause," comments du Toit.

Says the National Horse Trust's fundraiser, Rebecca Haynes: "this is the most successful raffle in the Trust's history. This can primarily be due to the fantastic first prize sponsored by Flight Centre which really appealed to the racing community. Flight Centre's support of this initiative could not have been more invaluable to our fundraising efforts, especially in these recessionary times".

Flight Centre's communications manager, Amanda Hardy takes up: "Flight Centre is delighted to be involved in a charity as worthy as the National Horse Trust. Every corporate business in South Africa today has a responsibility to give back to the community that they operate in. These communities are dependent upon their working equines for so many reasons and the Trust is one of the ways in which we, as Flight Centre, feel we can touch our community".

Stuttaford Van Lines group international director, Laura Wegener concurs: "we have seen first hand the work of the Horse Care Units the Trust supports. It takes a special kind of passion to do what these Units do every day, under very difficult circumstances on shoe-string funding. Participation in this fund raiser was not a difficult decision to make!"

The winner of the work of art, two bronze horses by the world famous artist, Wilma Cruise, herself a successful horse woman, was Dominique Moolman. The Serengeti weekend away in Cape Town was won by Fanny Thorogood.

Tanya Meyer, Lesley Mawhinney, Desray Wattrus and Dhanapalan Munthre each won the R500 cash fourth prizes sponsored by Stuttaford Van Lines.

Concludes Haynes: "this year's prizes are all superb and this raffle would not have been possible without the generosity of our sponsors, for which we and the Units we support are extremely grateful".

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