



Charlaton, the winner of the Kunigal Stud Magic Million with jockey Ivan Singh sporting the silk of Deepthika Jayakody cantering to a stop



And they are off.....the start of the historic Kunigal Stud Magic Million race



ROYAL TURF CLUB

Makes history with the first ever million rupee race

Salubrious Nuwara Eliya came alive with horse racing and high fashion when Colombo's glitterati descended on the former hill station famed for its cool weather and beautiful surroundings. Organised by the newly formed Royal Turf Club (RTC), an organisation born of a genuine desire and passion for the development of horse racing, The Royal Turf Club is led by a group of professionals and horse racing enthusiasts keen on restoring horseracing to its former glory. The Royal Turf Club has reinvigorated the sport which saw many enthusiasts attending the race especially to witness the first ever running of a Million Race - The Kunigal Stud Magic Million. Run over a distance of 1800 meters the Kunigal Stud Magic Million race was won by Charlaton ridden by Bangalore professional Irvan Singh who sported the colours of Ms Deepthika Jayakody. A great carnival atmosphere accompanied the event which saw several leading Sri Lankan fashion designers put on a fashion show for added entertainment.



Hasanga Jayaratne, owner of Icelandic who won the Ministry of Tourism Cup receiving his award from Minister John Amaratunga with jockey A Imran Khan



Brazilian Ambassador Elisabeth-Sophie Balsa winner of the Best Dressed Lady Award with Dr. Lanka

“ An exciting day of racing rounded off with super entertainment and a fashion show



Inneke, Winner of the Best Hat Award



Most Good Looking Couple at the races, Malik and Kimari Fernando with Rienzie Edwards



Mayor of Nuwara Eliya, Mahinda Dodampe Gamage, Rienzie, Suranjith and Purni



Winner of the Kunigal Stud Magic Million Deepthika Jayakody with jockey Irvan Singh and trainer SPA Raju having received the cup from Speaker Karu Jayasuriya



Andrew Maijah receiving his award for Best Dressed Man from Hi!! Magazine Editor Shyamalee Tudawe



RTC Queens Cup winner Isira Dassanayake receiving his trophy from British Deputy High Commissioner Laura Davies



Deepthika Jayakody owner of Charlaton, winner of the Kunigal Stud Magic Million Race.



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Suranji



Fashion designers Ramona Oshini, Kasun Gunawardene, Najila Ablej and Charini Suriyage with their models on the ramp



Sanjaya, Hemaka and Amal



Minoli and Lalitha



Tarja



Dinesh and Minoli



Rudrani with Samadhee and Mahita

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Dhiren Nirmalalingam won the Life of the Party Award



Eric



Dakshitha



Mala



Dhiraj and Zayne



Nihara and Chandran



Anjalee and Nishani



Deputy British High Commissioner Laura Davies and family

Photos: Manoj Rathnayake

“ A great return to the halcyon days of horse racing in Nuwara Eliya with fashion at the fore