

INVESTEC DERBY WINNING QUOTES

Ryan Moore, winning his second Investec Derby on Ruler Of The World, said: "I planned to be a bit closer but I just didn't get away very well - it was a very messy race.

"I had to let this fellow go on when I did because I knew that he would get the trip very well. He was there a bit too soon and was just a little bit green.

"He has improved a lot from Chester and I think that he will get further. He has got a real, likeable attitude.

"We went so slowly, but he quickened well and he kept going. He was only having his third run, he was there early enough and you have got to give credit to the horse.

"I was there too early but he really toughed it out and showed a very good attitude."

John Magnier, husband of Ruler Of The World's part owner Sue Magnier, declared: "We feel very lucky to be standing right here. This is what it's all about. Obviously, Joseph had his choice and I would say that Aidan thought this horse was the next best. That's why the Derby is such an interesting race because it's all unfolding.

"This year it has been more difficult than ever because they didn't know where they were with the horses - it's the same for everybody, the weather has been so difficult and they haven't been on the grass that much.

"If you try and find out everything at home, you are not going to win the Derby. The horses that we had deserved to be here and that's what we do with them - we bring them here if they deserve to be here.

"We are just lucky. We are going through a good patch and that's the way it goes. Everybody knows how good my father-in-law was (Vincent O'Brien) and this fellow (Aidan) isn't that bad either. David's (Wachman) horse ran well as well. Everybody needs a turn every now and then."

Aidan O'Brien, winning his fourth Investec Derby, commented: "It was just incredible. We are so lucky to be in the position that we are in, to get such horses. They are incredibly bred horses and, even before they are mated, the dream is for this to happen. We are so incredibly lucky to have the horse and then to work with such a team of people.

"John, Sue, Michael, Doreen, Derrick and Gay understand the whole game so much - we give the information to them every day and they usually come back to us with the plan. We try and carry it out, so it's incredible for us to be part of it.

"All the lads knew the horses and the boys had spoken to them a lot. Everyone had their own plan but every horse was there doing its own thing really. I suppose that's the way it ended up but this horse won very impressively around Chester - he quickened up well that day and won like a very good horse. It's always good when it happens.

"We love when it works for everyone else because they all put so much in - we just take real pleasure out of watching everyone else enjoy it. We are very privileged to be in the position we are and to have such horses."

MOORE RULES SUPREME

The Aidan O'Brien-trained Ruler Of The World lived up to his name when landing an eventful Investec Derby by a length and a half.

"Coming into the race, Ruler Of The World was a very solid horse and Joseph was on Battle Of Marengo, because he ridden the horse a lot and I was anxious he rode him," said O'Brien.

"I'd say it was a tough enough race today so I'm not sure where he'll go next. He's still a baby, that's why we took him to Chester last time to get some experience.

"The whole thoroughbred breed hinges on the Derby, it's what racing is about for everyone working in stables and on studs.

"I'm sure the lads will have a celebration tonight but we'll go back and work in the morning and we're racing tomorrow."

Ryan Moore added: "This is the most important race of the year and it's very special to be part of today.

"Ruler Of The World is bred to be a good horse and I'm lucky to be riding the best horse. it all worked out well in the end.

"I thought he had a good chance today but it was only his second start at Chester last time, over a mile and a half on soft ground, so you are never quite sure what you have.

"It was a very dramatic race to be part of. They went a slow gallop early on and I had to step back and take cover behind the favourite (Dawn Approach), who didn't settle. I was caught very deep but I was able to creep into it nicely.

"I got to the front very quickly and it was a matter of holding on and toughing it out, which you don't really want to be having to do. It was quite a tactical race.

"I'm still pretty calm and I've got to go to Lingfield tonight to ride."

BURKE PHILOSOPHICAL AFTER LIBERTARIAN RUN

Karl Burke was left wondering what might have been after 14/1 shot Libertarian finished strongly to finish a length-and-a-half second behind Ruler Of The World in the Investec Derby.

William Buick's mount was switched off as expected at the rear of the field in the early stages of the race but the slow pace meant that the son of New Approach was not seen to best effect until the latter stages of the Classic, by which time he had too much ground to make up.

Burke, who is assistant trainer to his wife Elaine at their Leyburn base, was adamant that their three-year-old would have won with a stronger pace but is looking forward to the future with their stable star.

"The first thing William (Buick) said as he got off was that the pace of the race has done for him," said Burke.

"They went really slowly for the first part of the race and then they kept quickening it up and slowing it down until the field reached Tattenham Corner.

"We're delighted with him though and we've know we've got a proper horse. He's lived up to all expectations and more. When we got him at the beginning of the year, we thought we had a nice, raw three-year-old who could be a staying type but he keeps on getting better. He's come on so much in the past three months.

"Fair play to the whole team back home who have got him here in peak form. We'll have to look at the other big races now. He's not in the Irish Derby but we could supplement him if we wanted to. The King George is also an option as is the St Leger - it would mean so much to us to win the Yorkshire Classic."

David Wachman was also beaming after 25/1 shot Galileo Rock finished a short-head behind Libertarian in third but the Irish handler refused to be drawn on where his colt could go next.

"He's a smart horse and we're very happy with that," said Wachman.

"He's still very babyish and ran green as he rolled about a bit in the final stages of the race. He's travelled nicely though and the slow pace wouldn't have suited him that well as they didn't go a gallop at all.

"I'd think he'd improve for this run but I don't know where he'll end up next. We'll get home and have a good think about that over the next few days. He's not really surprised me as we've always thought he's nice. We came here a bit under the radar which we were happy about.

"He should be even better as a four-year-old. He stays well like his three-parts brother (Goodwood Cup winner Saddler's Rock) and he'll be a nice type to travel the world with."

FAVOURITE DAWN APPROACH ONE OF THE FIRST BEATEN

Dawn Approach kept pulling for his head as rider Kevin Manning held him up fifth last in the 12-strong Investec Derby field.

The 5/4 favourite would not settle at all and pulled himself into sixth place, then went second as the runners came over the top of the hill and soon took the lead.

But his advantage did not last long and Manning accepted the situation as Dawn Approach dropped back to finish last.

Manning said: "He ran too free. A 100 yards out of the gates, he got competitive, ran too free and was carting me.

"He ended up pulling me there and I didn't have any choice. I am running three deep (wide) and I just cannot get a pull out of him – I am just a passenger.

"I knew it was not possible for a horse to pull the way he did and win."

Dawn Approach's trainer Jim Bolger commented: "Kevin said that he jumped out all right and he was OK for about 10 strides. There wasn't much pace on and the horse grabbed the bridle - from then on, he was more or less out of control.

"There was no pace and the horse did not settle. There was nothing there when Kevin pulled him out.

"Dawn Approach had been running over a mile where they were jumping out with a strong pace. Kevin just dropped his hands down his withers and let him bowl in those races.

"I doubt you will see Dawn Approach again over a mile and a half. We will take him home and see how he is and train him for a while. Time will help us to decide (what to do).

"There is nothing proved one way or the other. He just did not settle and run his race. This was not a good outcome."

JOCKEY'S THOUGHTS AFTER THE INVESTEC DERBY

William Buick, jockey of second-placed Libertarian, said: "He ran great but inexperience told. He is a very good horse - possibly the best horse in that race."

Joseph O'Brien, on board fourth Battle Of Marengo, said: "He ran really well."

Richard Hughes, partner of sixth Mars, said: "It was a funny race - stop start the whole way round. It was as rough as I had imagined but I ran a very good race."

Jamie Spencer, who rode seventh home Chopin, said: "You can't have an opinion on such a stupid race."

Neil Callan, on board ninth Mirsaale, said: "He wasn't really good enough. It was a funny race and tactics probably paid off. I had a nice run round."

Seamie Heffernan, on board tenth Festive Cheer, said: "Mine was a hundred to one chance."

Daragh O'Donohoe, on board eleventh Ocean Applause, said: "He travelled well until the top of the hill and then it was over and out."

4:00pm Investec Derby (Group 1)

£1,379,500 total prize fund. For 3yo entire colts and fillies, 1m 4f 10y. Weights: colts 9st; fillies 8st 11lb. Penalty value 1st £782,314.45 2nd £296,592.50 3rd £148,434.20 4th £73,941.20 5th £37,108.55 6th £18,623.25

1) RULER OF THE WORLD (IRE) (John Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith) Aidan O'Brien IRE p3-9-00 Ryan Moore [10] 7/1

- 2) LIBERTARIAN (Hubert Strecker) Elaine Burke 3-9-00 William Buick [5] 14/1
- 3) GALILEO ROCK (IRE) (Michael O'Flynn) David Wachman IRE 3-9-00 Wayne Lordan [11] 25/1
- 4) BATTLE OF MARENGO (IRE) (Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, Sue Magnier) Aidan O'Brien IRE p3-9-00 Joseph O'Brien [9] 11/2 5) OCOVANGO (Prince A A Faisal) Andre Fabre FR 3-9-00 Pierre-Charles Boudot [1] 8/1
- 6) MARS (IRE) (Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, Sue Magnier) Aidan O'Brien IRE 3-9-00 Richard Hughes [12] 12/1
- 7) CHOPIN (GER) (Qatar Racing Limited) Andreas Wohler GER 3-9-00 Jamie Spencer [4] 12/1
- 8) FLYING THE FLAG (IRE) (Sue Magnier, Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith) Aidan O'Brien IRE 3-9-00 Colm O'Donoghue [8] 66/1
- 9) MIRSAALE (Saif Ali) James Tate 3-9-00 Neil Callan [6] 50/1
- 10) FESTIVE CHEER (FR) (Michael Tabor, Derrick Smith, Sue Magnier) Aidan O'Brien IRE 3-9-00 Seamie Heffernan [2] 25/1
- 11) OCEAN APPLAUSE (Bill McLuskey) John Ryan p3-9-00 Daragh O'Donohoe [3] 200/1
- 12) DAWN APPROACH (IRE) (Godolphin) Jim Bolger IRE 3-9-00 Kevin Manning [7] 5/4 Fav

12 ran

- Time: 2m 39.06s Distances: 11/2, sh, sh, 1/2, 11/2, nse, 21/4, 11/4, 41/2, 21, 1/2
- Breeder: Southern Bloodstock Breeding: Galileo (IRE) Love Me True (USA) (Kingmambo (USA))
- Tote Win £9.10 Place £2.50 £3.40 £7.10 Exacta £65.40

Winning trainer:-Name: Aidan O'Brien Date of birth: 16/10/69 Previous occupation: Assistant trainer to Jim Bolger and Annemarie Crowley/O'Brien Date of first licence: 1993 British Classic wins: (19) Investec Derby (2001 Galileo, 2002 High Chaparral, 2012 Camelot, 2013 Ruler Of The World), QIPCO 2000 Guineas (1998 King Of Kings, 2002 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2005 Footstepsinthesand, 2006 George Washington, 2008 Henrythenavigator, 2012 Camelot), QIPCO 1000 Guineas (2005 Virginia Waters, 2012 Homecoming Queen), Investec Oaks (1998 Shahtoush, 2001 Imagine, 2006 Alexandrova, 2012 Was), Ladbrokes St Leger (2001 Milan, 2003 Brian Boru, 2005 Scorpion) Irish Classic Wins: (28) Irish 2,000 Guineas (1997 Desert King, 1999 Saffron Walden, 2001 Black Minnaloushe, 2002 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2008 Henrythenavigator, 2009 Mastercraftsman, 2011 Roderic O'Connor, 2012 Power, 2013 Magician), Irish 1,000 Guineas (1997 Classic Park, 2001 Imagine, 2003 Yesterday, 2008 Halfway To Heaven, 2011 Misty For Me), Irish Derby (1997 Desert King, 2001 Galileo, 2002 High Chaparral, 2006 Dylan Thomas, 2007 Soldier Of Fortune, 2008 Frozen Fire, 2009 Fame And Glory, 2010 Cape Blanco, 2011 Treasure Beach), Irish Oaks (2006 Alexandrova, 2007 Peeping Fawn, 2008 Moonstone), Irish St Leger (2007 Yeats, 2008 Septimus) Other major wins include: Breeders Cup Turf (2002 & 2003 High Chaparral, 2011 St Nicholas Abbey) Criterium de Saint-Cloud (2001 Ballingary, 2002 Alberto Giacometti, 2008 Fame And Glory, 2010 Recital), Darley Dewhurst Stakes (2001 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2009 Beethoven), Coral-Eclipse Stakes (2000 Giant's Causeway, 2002 Hawk Wing, 2008 Mount Nelson, 2011 So You Think), Dubai Sheema Classic (2013 St Nicholas Abbey), French 2,000 Guineas (2002 Landseer, 2006 Aussie Rules, 2007 Astronomer Royal), French 1,000 Guineas (2001 Rose Gypsy), Futurity Stakes (2002 Van Nistelrooy), Irish Champion Stakes (2000 Giant's Causeway, 2003 High Chaparral, 2007 Dylan Thomas, 2010 Cape Blanco, 2011 So You Think), Juddmonte International Stakes (2000 Giant's Causeway, 2008 Duke Of Marmalade, 2010 Rip Van Winkle), Lockinge Stakes (2003 Hawk Wing), July Cup (1999 Stravinsky, 2001 Mozart), King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2001 Galileo, 2007 Dylan Thomas, 2008 Duke Of Marmalade), Middle Park Stakes (2000 Minardi, 2001 Johannesburg, 2011 Crusade), National Stakes (1996 Desert King, 1997 King Of Kings, 2000 Beckett, 2001 Hawk Wing; 2003 One Cool Cat, 2005 George Washington, 2008 Mastercraftsman), Nunthorpe Stakes (1999 Stravinsky, 2001 Mozart), Phoenix Stakes (1998 Lavery, 1999 Fasiliyev, 2000 Minardi, 2001 Johannesburg, 2002 Spartacus, 2003 One Cool Cat, 2005 George Washington, 2006 Holy Roman Emperor, 2008 Mastercraftsman), Prix Jean-Luc Lagardere/Grand Criterium (1997 Second Empire, 1999 Ciro, 2001 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2002 Hold That Tiger, 2004 Oratorio, 2005 Horatio Nelson, 2006 Holy Roman Emperor), Total Prix Marcel Boussac (2010 Misty For Me), Prix Morny (1998 Orpen, 1999 Fasiliyev, 2001 Johanesburg), Prix du Moulin (2002 Rock Of Gibraltar), Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (2007 Dylan Thomas), Prix Ganay (2007 Dylan Thomas, 2008 Duke Of Marmalade), Queen Elizabeth II Stakes (2006 George Washington, 2009 Rip Van Winkle, 2012 Excelebration), Racing Post Trophy (1997 Saratoga Springs, 1999 Aristotle, 2001 High Chaparral, 2002 Brian Boru), Sussex Stakes (2000 Giant's Causeway, 2002 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2008 Henrythenavigator, 2009 Rip Van Winkle), Tattersalls Gold Cup (2003 Black Sam Bellamy, 2008 Duke Of Marmalade, 2010 Fame And Glory, 2011 So You Think), Yorkshire Oaks (2006 Alexandrova, 2007 Peeping Fawn), Blue Square Nassau Stakes (2007 Peeping Fawn, 2008 Halfway To Heaven), Audi Pretty Polly Stakes (2007 Peeping Fawn, 2011 Misty For Me), Investec Coronation Cup (2005 Yeats, 2007 Scorpion, 2008 Soldier Of Fortune, 2010 Fame And Glory, 2011, 2012 & 2013 St Nicholas Abbey), Moyglare Stud Stakes (2000 Sequoyah, 2001 Quarter Moon, 2003 Necklace, 2005 Rumplestiltskin, 2010 Misty for Me, 2011 Maybe), Matron Stakes (2010 Lillie Langtry), QIPCO British Champions Long Distance Cup (2011 Fame And Glory) UAE Derby (2012 Daddy Long Legs, 2013 Lines Of Battle) Breeders Cup Juvenile Turf (2011 Wrote, 2012 George Vancouver) Royal Ascot wins (37): Coventry Stakes (1997 Harbour Master, 1999 Fasliyev, 2001 Landseer, 2002 Statue Of Liberty, 2007 Henrythenavigator, 2011 Power), Chesham Stakes (1999 Bach, 2011 Maybe), St James's Palace Stakes (2000 Giant's Causeway, 2001 Black Minnaloushe, 2002 Rock Of Gibraltar, 2007 Excellent Art, 2008 Henrythenavigator, 2009 Mastercraftsman), Norfolk Stakes (2001 Johannesburg), Jersey Stakes (2001 Mozart, 2012 Ishvana), Coronation Stakes (2002 Sophisticat, 2010 Lillie Langtry), Hampton Court Stakes (2004 Moscow Ballet, 2005 Indigo Cat), King Edward VII Stakes (2004 Five Dynasties), Queen Anne Stakes (2006 Ad Valorem, 2008 Haradasun), Gold Cup (2006, 2007, 2008 & 2009 Yeats, 2011 Fame And Glory), Queen's Vase (2007 Mahler, 2010 Mikhail Glinka) Prince Of Wales's Stakes (2008 Duke Of Marmalade, 2012 So You Think), Hardwicke Stakes (2008 Macarthur, 2011 Await The Dawn), Queen Alexandra Stakes (2008 Honolulu), Golden Jubilee Stakes (2010 Starspangledbanner) Wins in Britain 2000-2012: 11; 20*; 10*; 6; 4; 20; 11; 18*; 20*; 12; 7; 16; 13 *champion trainer for win and place prize money; Wins in 2013 in Britain: 5

Winning Jockey: Moore, Ryan Lee Date Of Birth: September 18, 1983 Background: Father Gary is a trainer, and brother Jamie is a successful National Hunt jockey. Ryan initially rode over jumps as well, notching his first success on Mersey Beat in an amateur riders' event at Towcester on May 15, 2000. Switching to the flat, Ryan enjoyed his first success as a professional when winning aboard Marwell's Kris for Belgian trainer E C Chopin in at Lingfield on January 16, 2002. Appointed as stable jockey to Sir Michael Stoute in December 2007. Champion Apprentice: 2003 (59 wins) Champion Jockey: 2006 (180 wins), 2008 (186 wins), 2009 (179 wins). British Classic Wins (4): Investec Oaks (2010 Snow Fairy), Investec Derby (2010 Workforce, 2013 Ruler Of The World), QIPCO 1000 Guineas (2012 Homecoming Queen) Irish Classic Wins(1): Irish Oaks (2010 Snow Fairy) Other Major Wins Include: Investec Coronation Cup (2009 Ask, 2011 St Nicholas Abbey), Irish Oaks (2010 Snow Fairy), Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf (2011 Wrote, 2012 George Vancouver), Breeders' Cup Turf (2008 & 2009 Conduit), Coral Eclipse (2007 Notnowcato), King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes (2009 Conduit), Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe (2010 Workforce). First Royal Ascot Win: Colony, King George V Stakes, June 2008 Royal Ascot Wins (18): King George V Handicap (2008 Sclony), Queen's Vase (2008 Patkai, 2012 Estimate), Duke Of Edinburgh Handicap (2008 Sugar Ray), Hampton Court Stakes (2009 Glass Harmonium), Wolferton Handicap (2009 Perfect Stride), Wokingham Handicap (2009 High Standing), Jersey Stakes (2010 Rainfall), Windsor Forest Stakes (2010 Strawberrydaiguiri), Hardwicke Stakes (2010 Harbinger, 2011 Await The Dawn, 2012 Sea Moon), Queen Alexandra Stakes (2010 Bergo, 2012 Simenon), Coventry Stakes (2011 Power), Chesham Stakes (2011 Maybe), Ascot Handicap (2012 Simenon), Britannia Handicap (2012 Fast Or Free) Number of Wins 2000-2012: 6; 0; 39; 59; 132; 120; 182; 128; 192; 178; 138; 101; 116 Wins in 2013: 72