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Chrispld
I'll try anything
2 stars

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 00:18:16



Just noticed a racehorse called Dusty Springheeled running a few days ago. If you say it quickly enough it sounds like you know who! Was there ever a racehorse named after Dusty? Over to our racing expert Wendy! (PS just noticed in the paper today a racehorse called Cilla Black!!).

Chris

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Kathy
Wasn't born to follow
5 stars

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 00:21:23



That's a Lulu of a story Chris!

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Kathy

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goin back
Little by little
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Posted - 05/03/2008 : 00:58:00

United Kingdom
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I love my horse racing but have never heard of a horse named specifically after Dusty... Wendy of course may know differently!!

Dusty Springheeled (IRE) however is a 5 year old brown mare out of Tragic Role (USA) - Majestic Di (Zaffaran)(IRE) and is trained by Mrs Lucy Wadham in Newmarket and came in third on 1st March at Newbury... I've been keeping my eye on this one!

Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
5 stars

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 12:53:37



How wonderful, lovely name to choose. I don't follow the horses but a friend does I will ask her to look out for it.

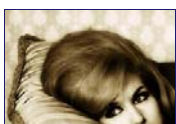
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'Something in your eyes'

Hampson
I've got a good thing
5 stars

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 13:13:55



quote:

Originally posted by Chrispld

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Chris

United Kingdom
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Yeah I noticed that Chris as I was going through the usual form today. I'll do a bit of research on a horse called Dusty, shouldn't mind betting there was one, since Dusty was a racing enthusiast.

Wendy



Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 13:30:04



Preacher Boy is not so dusty
By Ian Carnaby

Does last year's Hennessy matter more in the Welsh National? I'll tell you something interesting about the Coral Welsh National a couple of days after Christmas. People will look at the Hennessy form and wonder about Dream Alliance, who chased up the brilliant Denman at 11 lengths and was staying on. But I just wonder if LAST year's Hennessy matters more. Ron Hodges ran Preacher Boy, who finished an excellent third and looked sure to win a good long-distance chase but lost his way after Christmas and is still on a very fair mark with the Welsh National in mind.

I saw that Preacher Boy did a circuit of Exeter earlier this week with Gungadu, one of the market leaders. Not Exeter itself, of course, because that would be silly, what with the M5 and all, but just the racecourse.

It's not unreasonable to suppose that a Preacher Boy would be the son of a Preacher Man, so I think you could stand in the Tote queue at Chepstow and hum the song. Just as you might fancy My Way de Solzen at Kempton and forget about the de Solzen bit. Though I'd never forgive you, it goes without saying, because My Way was Frank's only big mistake, apart from the nights he played the casinos and Dean had to sort out the debts. If you're thinking of having My Way at your funeral, don't do it. There's that bit about biting off more than you could chew, and a few of the lads at the back tend to agree, quite vociferously (a bad thing at a funeral) because, let's be honest, it's true, isn't it?

But Preacher Boy, son of, etc is all right. I was hoping his form figures would be 020 but you can't have everything. At least he's 25 to 1 and that will pay a few bills.

This is an outdated article from last year. Dusty is not forgotten even in racing circles. I'll bet he was a fan.

Wendy



Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 13:32:19



Here's one

i'm a novice rider in England (have been about a dozen times and have had about 3-4 hours instruction). I usually ride an old ex-racehorse called dusty (not my own horse) who's very well-behaved, but has to be pushed to get going. I can canter quite comfortably and in control on Dusty. But sometimes I ride a young frisky hunter called Megan who's the opposite, quite bouncy and hard to stop. She likes to race the other horses when when we ride. She really puts her head down when she starts to canter and pulls me forward. My reaction is tighten the rein but this seems to make her go even faster. I try to sit back in the saddle but find it hard not to get pulled forward again. With dusty (the slow one), I don't get thrust forward at the start and have a slacker rein. Could you offer any tips? I know it's down a lot to my lack of experience, but I would like to be able to ride megan better and more securely. And i think my riding would improve overall if i didn't always ride dusty (the easy slow horse)

Wendy



Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 05/03/2008 : 13:52:27



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I think Bev's right, you can't say any horse was named after Dusty unless you know the owner, who may have been a Dusty fan. But here are a few possibles, I looked these up in some of my old Racing Books round about the time of Dusty's death, interestingly there seemed to be more named Springfield than in later years.

Dusty Star
Dusty Answer

Springfield Supreme
Springfield Rex
Springfield Scally
Springfield Gayle

These were all in training round about 1999/2000.

Wendy



Cas19
Wasn't born to follow
★★★★★

Posted - 06/03/2008 : 09:06:44



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Interesting Wendy. I didnt realise there would be so many with an apparent connection to Dusty, be it intentional or not. I think Dusty Star a great name.

Casx



'Something in your eyes'



Hampson
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Posted - 06/03/2008 : 15:50:50



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Yeah Cas I can't help thinking there's a connection there.

Chances are I could have found a lot more, but one of my new years resolutions was to clear out a lot of old books, and most of them were back numbers of Super Form dating pre 1999 when Dusty passed on, so I couldn't check any further. What was that one liner

"Junk is something you throw away three days before you need it" or something like that.

Wendy

Edited by - Hampson on 06/03/2008 15:53:53



Chrispld
I'll try anything
★★★

Posted - 10/03/2008 : 01:07:19



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Thanks for digging out that information Wendy.Fascinating.!

Chris



Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★★

Posted - 31/03/2008 : 16:04:13

Don't know if you noticed Chris, but there was a horse called "What Katy



Did" which won today at 0-30.

Wendy



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Chrispld
I'll try anything
★★

Posted - 31/03/2008 : 23:49:28

Sorry didnt notice Wendy.Never have much luck at horse racing.Any tips for the Grand National next Saturday.?



Chris



United Kingdom
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Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★

Posted - 02/04/2008 : 08:21:24

quote:

Originally posted by Chrispld

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Chris



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My record on the Grand National is abysmal Chris, you won't want to take tips from me on that one.

Wendy



Hampson
I've got a good thing
★★★★

Posted - 03/04/2008 : 05:00:21

I asked The Oracle and the reply was

The one first in the alphabet.

Wendy



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