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# Further *Xtension* to Moore's Champions Mile expertise

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### 冠軍一哩攻略報捷

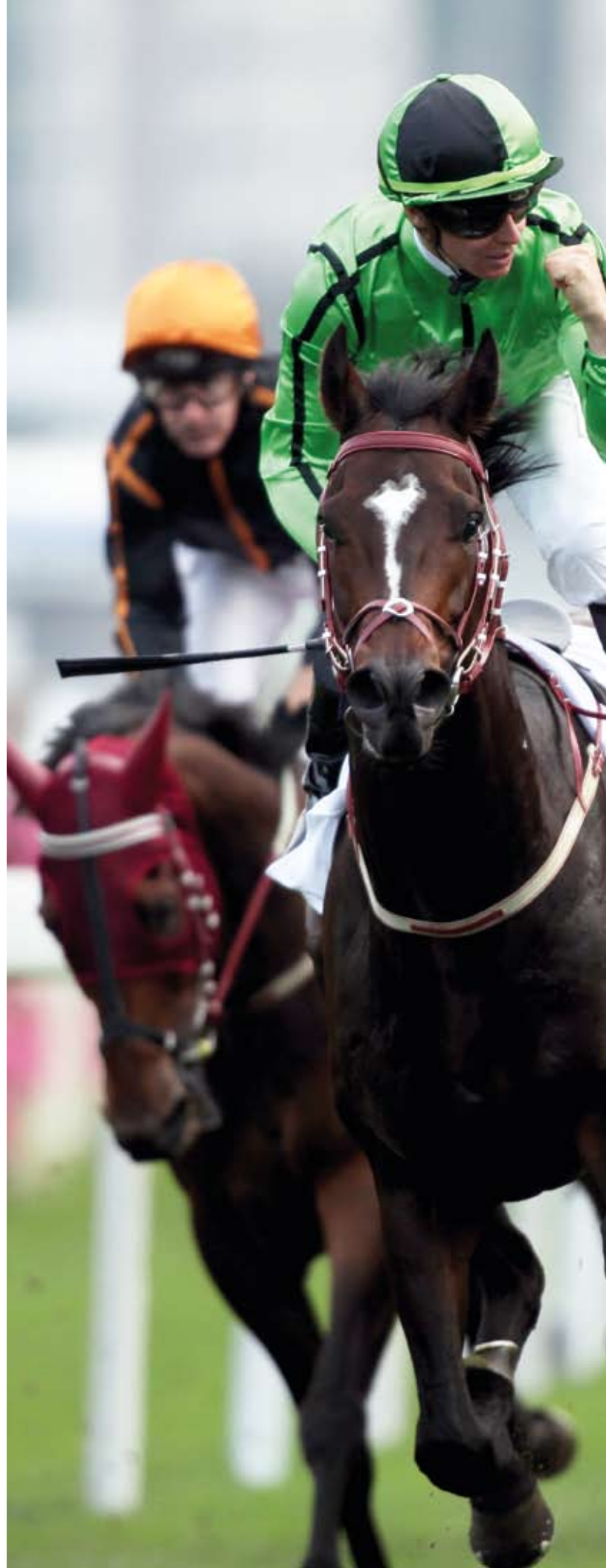


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寶馬冠軍一哩賽

*Xtension* created history by  
giving trainer John Moore  
a record fourth win in the

International Group One BMW Champions Mile at Sha Tin on 6 May, this time repeating his 2011 success under young Kiwi riding sensation James McDonald. This latest victory also completed a notable hat-trick for Moore, who saw *Able One* take the spoils in 2010, reprising an earlier success in 2007. For McDonald, it was the 13th G1 win of his short career and the first in Hong Kong. He unleashed *Xtension's* power in the final 200 metres to win by half a length from the fast-closing *Glorious Days*, with *Lucky Nine* a further half-length back in third.

「軍事攻略」於五月六日舉行的國際一級賽寶馬冠軍一哩賽中，在紐西蘭籍騎師麥道朗胯下衛冕成功，帶來約翰摩亞馬房在此項大賽的第四次勝利。這亦是約翰摩亞連續三年在同一項賽事中稱雄，「軍事攻略」之外，廐侶「步步穩」亦曾於二〇〇七年及二〇一〇年在此項賽事封王。今仗亦為年紀輕輕的麥道朗取得從騎以來第十三場一級賽勝利，並且在香港初嚐一級賽冠軍滋味。他在最後二百米催策「軍事攻略」突圍，以半個馬位之先力克走勢強勁的「精彩日子」掄元。「天久」則落後「精彩日子」半個馬位跑獲季軍。



## Ambitious Triple Crown bid falls just short

*Ambitious Dragon's* bid to become the second winner of Hong Kong's Triple Crown, 18 years after *River Verdon* made history in 1994, was shattered by David Ferraris-trained *Liberator*, who proved the more able stayer in the final 2,400m leg of the series, the Hong Kong Group One Standard Chartered Champions & Chater Cup at Sha Tin Racecourse on 27 May. Four months earlier, *Ambitious Dragon* had auspiciously launched his Triple Crown campaign with a scintillating victory in the 1,600m Stewards' Cup on 29 January. The Tony Millard-trained star then brushed aside a top-class field in the 2,000m Citibank Hong Kong Gold Cup in late February.



Club Steward Michael T H Lee (2nd right, front row) presents the Standard Chartered Champions & Chater Cup to connections of winner *Liberator*.

馬會董事利子厚（前排右二）頒發渣打冠軍盃暨遮打盃予頭馬「智多飛」的馬主、練馬師及騎師。

### 三冠雄心失之交臂

由霍利時訓練的新一代長途氣袋「智多飛」，於五月二十七日在沙田舉行的香港三冠大賽尾關二千四百米渣打冠軍盃暨遮打盃中稱雄，粉碎「雄心威龍」繼十八年前（一九九四年）的「翠河」之後，成為香港第二匹三冠馬王的美夢。約四個月前，「雄心威龍」於一月二十九日輕取三冠大賽首關千六米董事盃，為三冠征途揭開序幕，這匹由苗禮德訓練的上年度馬王接著在二月尾的次關二千米花旗銀行香港金盃賽中，同樣以輕鬆姿態擊敗一眾強勁對手。