

Race History

The race was inaugurated in 1991 to mark Hong Kong's staging of that year's Asian Racing Conference and so has the distinction of being the second of Hong Kong's international races. It was not known as the Hong Kong Mile at that time. Today's Hong Kong Mile in fact started out as the Hong Kong International Bowl, staged over 1400m. Ireland's Additional Risk won that first edition for trainer Dermot Weld and jockey Mick Kinane. In 1994, the year that Soviet Line prevailed for UK trainer Sir Michael Stoute, the race attained international Group 3 status. That was upgraded to Group 2 in 1995 when Monopolize claimed the first of his two victories for Australian handler Grahame Begg. The John Hills-trained Docksider won the race the first time that it was held in its now familiar guise, as the Group 1 Hong Kong Mile – that was in 1999.

The outstanding champion Good Ba Ba has the distinction of being the only horse to have won this or any other HKIR contest three times. The great miler prevailed in 2007, 2008 and 2009.

Record Dividends

Bet Type	Dividend (HK\$)	Year	Horse (s)	Odds
Win	\$668.50	2011	Able One	66
Place	\$162.00	2012	Packing OK (3rd)	90
Quinella	\$6,747.50	2011	Able One (1st)	66
			Cityscape (2nd)	33
Quinella Place	\$1,485.50	2011	Able One (1st)	66
			Cityscape (2nd)	33
Tierce	\$60,644.00	2011	Able One (1st)	66
			Cityscape (2nd)	33
			Xtension (3rd)	2.5
Trio	\$7,324.00	2004	Firebreak (1st)	15
			Perfect Partner (2nd)	13
			The Duke (3rd)	42
First 4	\$46,671.00	2011	Able One (1st)	66
			Cityscape (2nd)	33
			Xtension (3rd)	2.5F
			Dubawi Gold (4th)	99
Quartet	\$50,040.00	2016	Beauty Only (1st)	6
			Helene Paragon (2nd)	5.9
			Joyful Trinity (3rd)	15
			Contentment (4th)	15