

Newbury 14th August Race Review

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The Royal Cavalry of Oman Premier Handicap Stakes (Series Final) Open handicap over 1 Mile

An impressive training performance here for Gill Duffield who saddled the first two home in this competitive renewal. Last year's winner Shuhood soon headed for the lead and went a fair pace for this mile event with Shibl and Qattab De Faust both racing prominently, with the remaining runners tucked in behind. As they entered the final furlong Phil Collington, riding second string **Shibl (Al Sakbe x Bisbille)** went into a clear lead and showed a useful turn of foot to win going away by four lengths for owner HH Sheikh Hamdan. Back in second was Qattab De Faust (Dormane x Kaolina) who was an impressive winner at Huntingdon recently. He rallied hard in the closing stages under Richard Hills but he couldn't quite catch his stablemate. Shuhood (Bengali D'Albret x Shunah) ran another game race and just managed to hold onto third ahead of a staying on Noble Athlete.

