Death of Sir Ian Good

LL AT Johnston Racing were saddened to learn of the death of Sir Ian Good on October 29, just weeks after the chairman of Hamilton Park Racecourse had celebrated his 80th birthday.

Sir Ian qualified as a chartered accountant in 1967 and two years later, having spotted an advert in the Glasgow Herald, joined the Scotch whisky company Edrington, whose brands include Famous Grouse, The Macallan and Highland Park. It was to be the beginning of a long association with the company which saw him climb to the positions of chief executive and chairman. Crucially, he oversaw the acquisition by Edrington of the then stock market-listed Highland Distillers in 1999, a deal which is reckoned to have established Edrington as a major global player in the industry.

Sir Ian was a former chairman of the Scotch Whisky Association and of the Scottish Industrial Development Advisory Board. In 2008, he was awarded a knighthood in the New Year's Honours List for services to industry.

With his great friend Charlie Anderson, Sir Ian has owned racehorses for more than 30 years. His Penny A Day won the Zetland Gold Cup in 1990, and his Victor Hewgo was a promising chaser, winning five races between 2012 and 2014. Sir Ian was also much lauded for his sportsmanship last year for his exemplary reaction when his Evaluation just missed out on a £100,000 bonus in the Sky Sunday Series by being beaten in the final stride of a race at Sandown.

On Keith Dalgleish's retirement from training earlier this year, Sir Ian transferred two horses to Kingsley Park to be trained by Charlie Johnston. The six-year-old Dansili gelding, Chichester, is a former winner of the Carlisle Bell and signed off for Keith with a Listed win in the Ganton Stakes at York. Evaluation, a five-year-old Dubawi gelding, is the



winner of five races to date, having formerly been owned by the late Queen Elizabeth. Both horses run in the joint names of Sir Ian and his daughter, Catriona.

Appointed to the board of Hamilton racecourse in May 1990, Sir Ian succeeded Sam Collingwood-Cameron as chairman in 1999. His time in charge saw the track go from strength to strength under his stewardship, and he made a huge contribution not only to Scottish racing, but also to the wider racing industry as a whole. Sir Ian's drive and passion for the course and for racing generally will be sadly missed.

Our thoughts and condolences are extended to Lady Irene, Sir Ian's daughters Fiona and Catriona, and to the rest of Sir Ian's family and friends.



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