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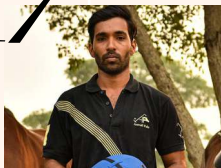


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**The young gun-**  
Kuldeep Singh Rathore

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The final battle  
of the Baria Cup  
2019



Victory run for team  
Sona Polo | **Indian  
Masters 2019**

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The launch of the  
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Brewing over  
the fragrance of  
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# POLO

*The 14 goal Indian Masters wrapped gorgeously last week*



13-17 NOV. 2019

14 GOAL

# INDIAN MASTERS

**SONA POLO +14**

Sunjay J Kapur 0  
 Abhimanyu Pathak +5  
 Gerardo Mazzini +6  
 Sawai Padmanabh Singh +3

**RAJNIGANDHA ACHIEVERS +14**

Dhananjay Singh +1  
 Satinder Garcha +2  
 Siddhant Sharma +4  
 Chris Mackenzie +7

**JINDAL PANTHER +14**

Naveen Jindal 0  
 Salim Azmi 3  
 Daniel Otamandi 5  
 Simran Singh Shergill 6

**CAVALRY-KRISHNA POLO +12**

Ashvini Sharma 0  
 Angad Kalaan +3  
 Lt Col Vishal Chauhan +4  
 Col Ravi Rathore, VSM +5

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13-17 NOV. 2019

14 GOAL

# INDIAN MASTERS

Date & Day	Pool	Teams	Day Coordinator
13 NOV / WED	A	Sona Polo Vs Cavalry-Krishna Polo	Mr Rajesh Sahgal
	B	Rajnigandha Achievers Vs Jindal Panther	
15 NOV / FRI	Cross Semi Finals	Winners Match 1 Vs Losers Match 2	Cdr Akhil Sirohi
		Winners Match 2 Vs Losers Match 1	

17 NOV / SUN      3:00pm      Finals – INDIAN MASTERS

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# Opening Up With The 14 Goal

Indian Masters

JPG, New Delhi



*The first match of the 14-goal Indian Masters was scheduled between Sona Polo and Cavalry-Krishna Polo. It was dominated by Sona Polo. With a huge difference in the goals, Sona Polo bagged the victory, 18 goals to 7.5*

*The second match had a series of unpredictable events. Jindal Panthers' star player, Simran Shergill got injured; he was replaced by Dhruvpal Godara after a long discussion among the committee members. After this, the game resumed, and Rajnigandha Achievers' dominance did not fade. The team seized the day with 9 goals to 6.*



# Cross Semifinals

Indian Masters

JPG, New Delhi



*The day was destined for the cross semi-finals of the Indian Masters 2019. With the first match, came Sona Polo and Jindal Panther. Both teams had the competition tied up right, keeping the score to an equal level. In the last chukker, Jindal Panther took the lead, 9 goals to 7. But as if fate had some other story to script, things started to fall in place for Sona Polo, and they had their eighth goal at the last minute. Chances were still high for Jindal Panther but with just 8 seconds left, the umpire called for a penalty shot in favour of Sona Polo and with this, the match went in for an extra chukker. In the golden goal, which was again in the form of penalty, Sona Polo seized victory, 10 goals to 9.*

*While the first match was tied closely, the second was dominated by Rajnigandha Achievers. With Cavalry-Krishna Polo getting an advantage of 3.5 goals, Rajnigandha Achievers paced fast to cover the gap; they seized the match in their favour, 10 goals to 5.5.*

*With this, Sona Polo and Rajnigandha Achievers are the finalists of the Indian Masters.*





# Heading For The Finals

Indian Masters

JPG, New Delhi



*The grandstand packed tight, the teams high in spirit, the horses tacked right and the sun shining bright: that's how the afternoon of the Indian Masters finals looked like. With Sona Polo taking the lead in the first chukker, 4 goals against zero of Rajnigandha Achievers, the match looked one-sided. But in the next chukker, Rajnigandha Achievers had the scoreboard equalised and the match galloped with equal score and competition.*

*With nine seconds left and the scoreboard blinking red with 12 goals to 11, the match went rolling with Chris Mackenzie on strike. But as fate had planned, Sona Polo lifted the Cup. They marked their third consecutive victory at the Delhi Fall Polo Season. Sona Polo lifted the trophy last year too.*



# The Finals Of Baria Cup

Baria Cup

AEC, New Delhi



*After the battle of five days, the 4-goal Baria Cup went into semi-finals where 61 Cavalry and ASC Col Girdhari Singh played. With the competition high on spirit, it was team 61 Cavalry that seized the victory, 6 goals to 3.*



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**6 GOAL**

18-23 NOV. 2019

**DGST  
TROPHY****Pool 'A'**

<b>NAVY</b>	<b>+2</b>
Lt Cdr K Rathee	-2
Cdr AK Panchal	0
Cdr Akhil Sirohi	+2
Cdr AP Singh	+2

<b>ARAVALI POLO</b>	<b>+6</b>
Shaurya Vikram	-1
Nick Sherring	+2
Vishal Nihalani	+2
Angad Kalaan	+3

<b>ARMY CERVICE CORPS</b>	<b>+5</b>
Another	0
Sep Ravinder Mang	-1
Lt Col Vishal Chauhan	+4
Col GS Pandher, SM	+2

<b>ADIE BROWSON</b>	<b>+6</b>
Rehat Singh Virk	0
Angad Singh Sandhu	0
Raghav Rao	+1
Abhimanyu Pathak	+5

**Pool 'B'**

<b>HORSE &amp; WAGON</b>	<b>+5</b>
Aryaman Dahiya	-2
Salim Azmi	+3
Siddhant Sharma	+4
Buchi Prakash	0

<b>KCR-ROYALKOAS</b>	<b>+6</b>
Jaiveer Singh Bhatia	-2
Hurr Ali	0
Gaurav Sahgal	+3
Basheer Ali	+5

<b>61 CAVALRY</b>	<b>+6</b>
Dfr Iliyas Ali	-1
Capt Mrityunjay S Chouhan	0
Phil Sellar	+2
Shamsheer Ali	+5

<b>GOHILWAD-RPC</b>	<b>+6</b>
Sangram Singh	-2
Jayvir Singh Gohil	0
Sawai Padmanabh Singh	+3
Samir Suhag	+5



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**6 GOAL**

18-23 NOV. 2019

**DGST  
TROPHY**

Day & Date	Pool	Teams	Day Coordinator
<b>MON / 18 NOV</b>	A	Navy Vs Aravali Polo	Mr Deepak Udar
	B	Horse & Wagon Vs KCR- Royalkoas	
<b>TUE / 19 NOV</b>	B	61 Cavalry Vs Gohilwad-RPC	Capt Rohan Saharan
	A	Army Service Corps Vs Adie Broswon	
<b>WED / 20 NOV</b>	A	Winners Match 1 Vs Losers Match 4	Maj Y Kumar and Capt MS Chouhan
	B	Winners Match 2 Vs Losers Match 3	
	A	Winners Match 4 Vs Losers Match 1	
	B	Winners Match 3 Vs Losers Match 2	
<b>FRI / 22 NOV</b>	Semi Finals	Top Team – Pool A Vs 2nd Top Team – Pool B Top Team – Pool B Vs 2nd Top Team – Pool A	Mr Jai Shergill

**SAT / 23 NOV 3:30pm Finals – DGST TROPHY**

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# Day 1 of DGST TROPHY

DGST Trophy

AEC, New Delhi



*The first day of the DGST TROPHY according to the fixtures had two matches that had in action team Navy and Aravali Polo against each other. Team Navy had an advantage of 1.5 goals and could only manage to score 1 against 9 of Aravali Polo. Therefore, the scoreboard rested at 9 goals to 2.5.*

*This was followed by the second match that had Horse & Wagon against*

*KCR-Royalcoas. Unlike the first match, the second remained closely-tied, with the game wrapping at 6 goals to 5 in favour of Horse & Wagon.*



# Moving Ahead

DGST Trophy

AEC, New Delhi



*The day had two matches scheduled with the first match witnessing team Army Service Corps vs Adie Broswon where Army Service Corps held their flag high, 7 goals to 6.*

*Following this was the second match of the day that had 61 Cavalry victorious against Gohilwad- RPC, 6 goals to 3.*



## Getting Along With The 6 Goal

DGST Trophy

AEC, New Delhi



*The third league day of the DGST Trophy as per fixtures had four matches, though the day could see only three. The last match was re-scheduled for the next day. The first had Aravali Polo against Adie Broswon, where Aravali Polo seized the match, a great difference of 12 goals to 2.*

*Simultaneously, the tournament witnessed Army Service Corps going against Navy where team Navy had an advantage of 2.5 but this still could not help the team to victory as Army Service Corps seized the day with 10 goals to 6.5. The last match of the day had Horse & Wagon against Gohilwad-RPC, where the latter team rested with victory, 6 goals to 5.*



# Day 4 of the 6 Goal Tournament

DGST Trophy

AEC, New Delhi



*DGST TROPHY continued with the fourth match of Day 3. With 61 Cavalry and KCR-Royalkoas against each other, Day 4 went rolling where the latter team that had an advantage of 0.5 goals, and seized victory, 7.5 goals to 6.*







Kuldeep Singh Rathore

## CARVING HIS OWN PATH

Kuldeep Singh Rathore

*For most players, polo is a legacy that has been passed over generations. For some, it is discovered as a passion. One such player is Kuldeep Singh Rathore. The young player had none in his family associated with the sport. He charted his own path, did his best at refining the details, and is one of the most promising polo players of the country today.*

*LA POLO catches up with the player in a freewheeling chat:*

**LA POLO: How would you introduce yourself?**

*Kuldeep Singh Rathore: A polo player (laughs). Well, Kuldeep Singh Rathore is first a polo player. I love horses and remain grounded. I am aggressive on the ground, but humble outside of it. I am enthusiastic about sports and love being social.*

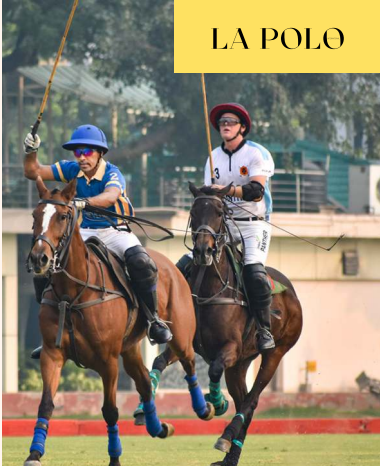
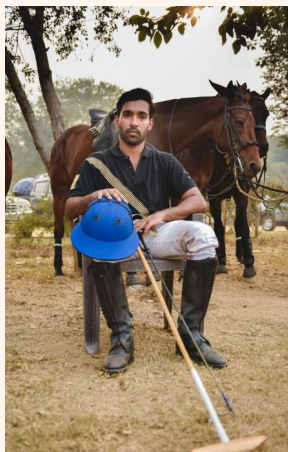
**You studied in Delhi University. How did polo come into your life?**

*I had to finish my school and start playing. I had to make a choice...*



Polo Player

# The YOUNG GUN



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# Taking Home Victory

AHPRC League Trophy

Al Habtoor Polo Resort and Club 

*The AHPRC League, a week long tournament in November, had four teams compete on the fields of Al Habtoor Polo Resort and Club.*

*The final day of the league was complemented by slightly overcast skies as Al Faisal and Mahra Polo teams opened the Subsidiary Final. Al Faisal Polo team demonstrated an impressive comeback and closed the game at 9 to 8.5 in favor of Al Faisal Polo team.*

*Dubai Wolves faced Dr. A / AM polo team at the Final. Habtoor Al Habtoor scored the opening goal for the Wolves and the team ended the first chukker with 2 goals. The team kept the lead until the third chukker at 5 - 2. Dr. A /AM polo team caught up with two successive goals from Tomy Iriarte and a penalty shot opened an opportunity for a tied game. The few seconds left on the clock was not enough and Dubai Wolves emerged victorious having a final score of 5 - 4.*

*Manu Madan, General Manager of Al Habtoor Polo Resort awarded the teams and Habtoor Al Habtoor as the Most Valuable Player.*



# UAE National Day Cup 2019

## *UAE National Day Cup 2019 Match Schedule:*

### **25th Nov, Monday:**

*14:45 - Habtoor Polo vs. Ghantoot Polo*

*16:00 - Green Gates Polo vs. Bangash-Mahra Polo*

### **27th Nov, Wednesday:**

*14:45 - Bangash-Mahra vs. Ghantoot Polo*

*16:00 - AM Polo vs. Green Gates Polo*

### **29th Nov, Friday:**

*14:30 - Subsidiary Final (roundrobin)*

*16:00 - Final Match*



# The Argentine Open

126 Abierto Argentino De Polo

Argentina



## DAY 1

*La Ensenada Meta 14 vs La Irenita 7*

*La Dolfina Polo Ranch 17 vs La Aguada 9*

## DAY 2

*La Natividad 13 vs La Albertina Abu Dhabi 7*

*Las Monjitas 17 vs Cría Yatay Uphold 9*



Image: AAP

# Polo To Watch Out For



Image: America's best racing

People in GrandStand enjoying the game

**30TH SOUTH EAST  
ASIAN GAMES**

**5-7 Goals**  
Calatagan

**30TH SOUTH EAST  
ASIAN GAMES**

**0-2 Goals**  
Philippines



Foreplay, Simran Singh Shergill's Pony

## POLO THROUGH THE HEART OF A PONY

“

*Foreplay at any day is my best pony. She is amazing among the lot.*

*Simran S. Shergill* ”



Foreplay- Simran's polo pony

## Foreplay In Action

*Prepping up for the Open Championship, the Arjuna Awardee, +6 handicap professional polo player, **Simran Singh Shergill**, looks at his beautiful string of ponies, and calls out "Foreplay!" He explains: "Foreplay at any day is my best pony. She is amazing."*

*Sharply standing in the sun, Foreplay looks magnificent, tall, compact and steady. With sparkling eyes, Foreplay looks at Simran, and jumps in excitement.*

*Hailing from New Zealand, Foreplay has been with Shergill for over nine years. In all these years, she has made a mark in the Indian Polo scene, popular not just among players, but also with spectators.*

*Her big heart, sharp looks and calculated moves have been a plus, resulting in Simran taking her at most crucial moves of matches.*

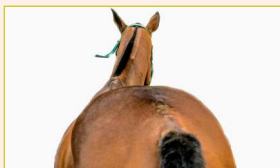
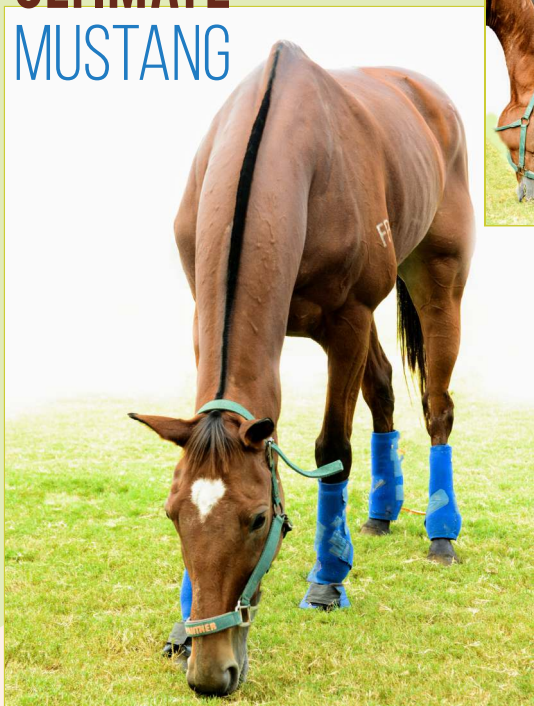
*Simran says: "She understands the slightest change of the grip, knows when to stop, turn, run and then stop, turn and run again. Foreplay, is the most natural horse I have come across."*

*The magnificent pony, covered in bright brown hair, looks like she was only made for polo. In the farm, you will see her naturally running as if she there's an upcoming polo match, wide open in front of her slightly blinking eyes. She canters to get into a speeding gallop. Polo, is innate to Foreplay's natural self.*

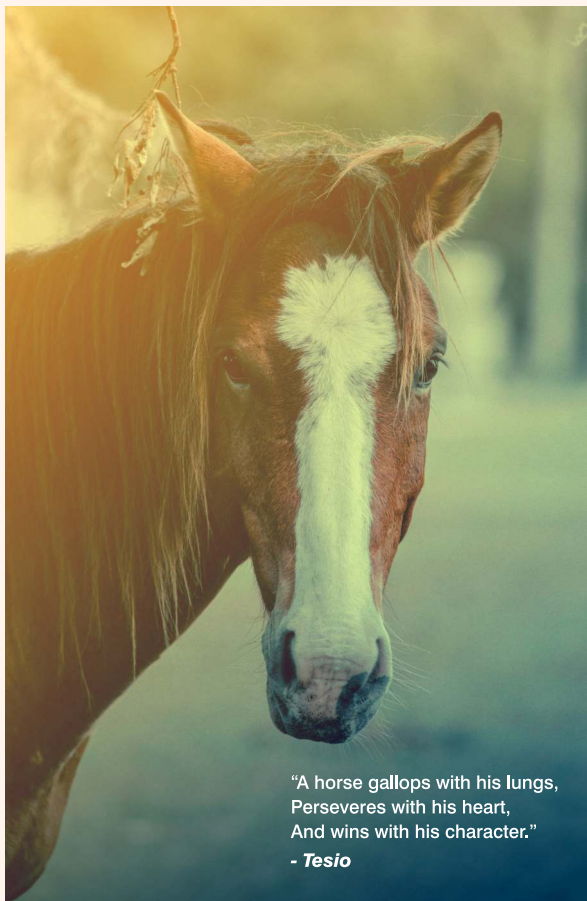




# The ULTIMATE MUSTANG



# LA EQUUS



“A horse gallops with his lungs,  
Perseveres with his heart,  
And wins with his character.”

- *Tesio*

## Regaining Public Confidence

*In order to regain public confidence, horse racing has announced the formation of the Thoroughbred Shed Coalition. In the midst of the equine fatality crisis, this step could turn out to be a change in a good direction. The group includes the three main racing organizations—the Stronach Group, Churchill Downs Inc. and the New York Racing Assn.—plus Breeders' Cup Limited, Del Mar and Keeneland. Perhaps the biggest accomplishment was to get the main groups on the same page.*



Image: Los Angeles Times

## Launch Of The Derby Cash

*The Pennsylvania Lottery has launched Derby Cash Horse Racing, a new and highly anticipated virtual horse racing game that will give players edge-of-the seat excitement. Every five minutes, players have the chance to win up to \$800,000 on a \$1 play. Purchases can be made where lottery games are sold and races can be watched at nearly 2,000 of the Lottery's retailers, mainly bars and restaurants.*

*"We're thrilled to announce the launch of a new virtual horse racing game that will give our players the experience of having front-row seat for the racing action," said Pennsylvania Lottery Executive Director, Drew Svitko.*



## Continuing With Show Jumping

*CASTLE Leslie Equestrian Centre held the second leg of their Winter Show Jumping League. The course was designed by Mr Aaron McCusker and Mr Jason Bridge, who built a flowing, challenging course for all competitors.*

*In the cross-poles and 50cm classes, Rachel Douglas competed with style, winning three times in two weeks of competition!*

*In the 70cm class, James Douglas set the standard in an impressive time of 36.81 seconds. The 80cm class saw Anne Bowe in her first week of competition finished the class with a flourish, to win convincingly. Orla Cussack, one of the youngest competitors in the 90cm class, kept calm and focused to win in the fastest time of the night, 22.04 seconds.*



Image: HH Equestrian

## Making of A Better Horse Rider

*Horseback riding was practiced as far back as the Bronze Age and thereafter adapted to commerce, industry, war, sports and recreation. Equestrianism is the art of riding and handling a horse. Being an equestrian requires a great amount of personal dedication. Some equestrian sports are: Polo, Buzkashi, Dressage, Eventing, Cross-Country Equestrian, Equestrian vaulting and Horseball. To become a true equestrian you need to learn how to properly communicate with horses. It is very important that you are guided by an expert when you start riding a horse. After all, every expert was once a beginner too. LA POLO brings you 20 tips to excel equestrianism...*



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## Brewing Over The Fragrance



The perfumes of Atkinsons

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## What's In A Logo?

The cowboy Heels



The story behind the logo of Coach

*Just like everything you do has a story behind it, the brands and companies have their logos based on a particular incident or imagery. Undoubtedly it always remains a mystery until you try to find it out. There is a story behind everything. Ever wondered why the logo of a company has 'F' in it and why not small 'f'? It just encompasses your mind, isn't it? And most of the times it is just unnecessary to notice or give it the time that it actually needs. I mean why would you even spend time thinking as to why the logo of a company has a certain geometric figure in it and why it has to be the way it is. What difference would it otherwise make? Well, honestly you do not spend 2% of the total amount of time that has been spent while creating and designing the logo. The logo of a company is an overall image of a corporation, firm or business, a graphic mark, an emblem to promote and market that company. Did you know the story behind the logo of these companies?*



## R for Rolex Oyster

Thierry Parel



Rolex Oyster Perpetual

### **What's In A Name ?**

*The term “Oyster” was coined in 1926 in the history of Rolex watches when the first waterproof and dustproof wristwatch was created. It was named Oyster because of the oyster case. The watch featured a hermetically sealed case which provided optimal protection for movement. Thereafter, all models that eventually came to use this case had a depth of at least 100 meters. What is iconic about the Oyster case is that it operates Rolex’s patent in-house system of screwing the bezel, case back and winding crown into the middle case. However, the Oyster watches these days are made of a middle case sculpted out of a concrete block of metal which is either 904L steel or 18 karat gold or platinum. They have a screw-down fluted case back and a friction fitted crystal and bezel.*



# The Cuff - Link



Cufflinks for me

*Ever since the evolution of humankind, the struggle of looking stylish is constant and surprisingly, it is much more in men than women. Styling can often be associated with accessorizing and one such simple yet significantly charming men accessory is cufflinks. Cufflinks were originated to hold the shirt cuffs together, with early tailors using ornamental buttons and chains to fasten shirtsleeves which later evolved into polished and gem-encrusted cuffs that became a trend in France in the late 1700's. In conversation with the main mind behind the amazing interchangeable cufflink brand 'Pranga', Daniel Feuer, LA POLO finds out the answers of some of the most common questions that every man has in his mind when it comes to cufflinks. Telling about the present.*



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What you wear is how you present yourself to the world, especially today, when human contacts are so quick. Fashion is an instant language.

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Miuccia Prada



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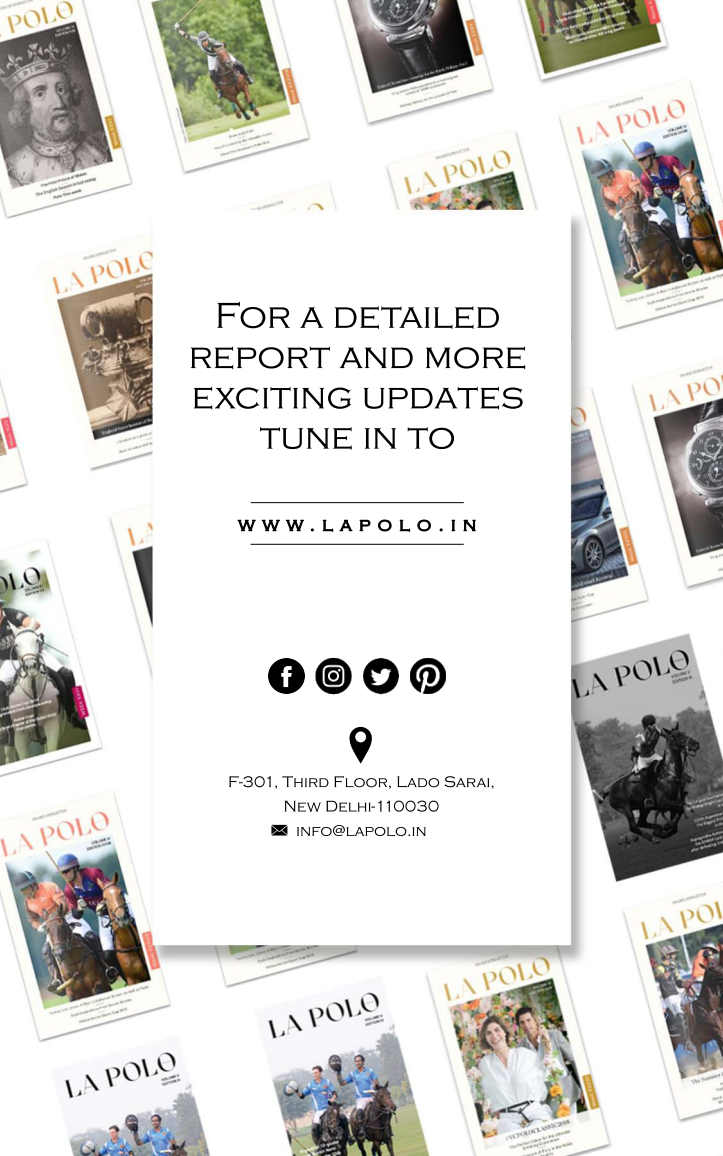
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