

Saturday 20th June

ROYAL ASCOT



2.30 NORFOLK STAKES (Group 2) (1) 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 1 **(3) CARRY THE FLAG | (18) WHERE LOVE LIVES | (19) EZ TINA**

3.05 HARDWICKE STAKES (Group 2) (1) 1m3f211y (2410 Metres)

RACE 2 **(11) KALPANA | (6) JAN BRUEGHEL | (3) ETHICAL DIAMOND**

3.40 QUEEN ELIZABETH II JUBILEE STAKES (Group 1) (1) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 3 **(14) SATONO REVE | (17) JOLIESTAR | (8) LAKE FOREST**

4.20 JERSEY STAKES (Group 3) (1) 7f (1410 Metres)

RACE 4 **(12) SABER STRIKE | (17) THE PRETTIEST STAR | (5) AVICENNA**

5.00 WOKINGHAM STAKES (HERITAGE HANDICAP) (2) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 5 **(25) REALIGN | (6) BINHAREER | (4) DOUBLE RUSH**

5.35 GOLDEN GATES STAKES (HANDICAP) (2) 1m1f212y (2000 Metres)

RACE 6 **(2) SAHARA KING | (12) LOST BOYS | (16) FOLK PAGEANT**

6.10 QUEEN ALEXANDRA STAKES (2) 2m5f143y (4360 Metres)

RACE 7 **(9) LE DESTRIER | (6) FRENCH MASTER | (10) MAXI KING**

KEY TO SYMBOLS

Top Rated: The horse with the best chance based solely on past form, specially tailored to a 0-100 scale.

Horses For Courses: A suitable track for the horse, compared to its lifetime record on similar courses as defined by Timeform's course data.

Jockey Uplift: The engaged rider has a notably higher Timeform Jockey Ranking than those who've ridden the horse on its most recent starts

Trainer Form: A hot trainer to follow, based on Timeform ratings-related measurements looking at the recent performance of runners.

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NORFOLK STAKES (Group 2) (1) 2yo £175,000 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 1




Going: **Good to Firm**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Extreme**

1 1 AGAMEMNON (33) (D) 91
61 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Richard Hughes *Oisin Murphy*
Sales price more than doubled at the Breeze-Ups and showed why he was punted on debut (failed to handle the track at Newmarket) when winning Wolverhampton novice in a good time under this rider. More to come so not to be underestimated.


2 12 BLAKE'S MONARCH (IRE) (21) 75
26 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Ivan Furtado *Silvestre De Sousa*
Just touched off on debut at Wolverhampton (6f) before too keen at Chester. Drop down in trip will help but this is a massive ask.


3 13 CARRY THE FLAG (IRE) (27) (D) 100
212 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Aidan O'Brien, Ireland *Ryan Moore*
No Nay Never colt who made heavy weather of landing skinny odds at Naas on second start but looked much sharper when reeled in only late by subsequent Coventry winner Great Barrier Reef in Marble Hill at the Curragh 4 weeks ago. The one to beat on that form with this stiff 5f sure to suit.


4 8 EL FLORIDITA (26) (D) 82
51 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Nigel Tinkler *Rowan Scott*
Didn't have to improve from debut to win Redcar maiden but that form is weak in the context of this.


5 6 FLIGHT SIGNAL (29) (D) 98
1 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Archie Watson *James Doyle*
82,000 gns foal, £180,000 2-y-o, Mehmas colt. Half-brother to 5.7f-7f winner Thurso. Dam 5f winner. Bred to be speedy and looked just that when clocking a good time to win 5-runner Bath novice 4 weeks ago. Runner-up has since boosted the form in the Coventry but stable remain quiet.


6 19 FORCE NOIR (IRE) (54) (D) 94
21 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Kevin Philippart de Foy *David Egan*
€68,000 foal, €130,000 yearling, Persian Force colt. Half-brother to several winners, including 2-y-o 7.4f winner Andromaca. Confirmed debut promise when easy winner of ordinary maiden at Naas when in the care of Robson De Aguiar. This much harder but he has potential. Headgear goes on.

7 2 MR MACARTNEY (23) (D) 87
4176 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Oli Rix *Ray Dawson*
Knew a lot more when landing maiden at Leicester but limitations have been exposed since. Headgear on.

8 14 MUSSAB (28) 82
3 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Richard & Peter Fahey *C. T. Keane*
5,000 gns yearling, 52,000 gns 2-y-o, Ten Sovereigns colt. Dam 6f winner. Offered something to work on when third in a York novice but the 2 who beat him that day have since let the form down.


9 9 NEW YORKER (USA) (34) (D) 83
134 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Aidan O'Brien, Ireland *W. M. Lordan*
Landed the odds in workmanlike fashion in a 5f maiden at Dundalk on debut but has failed to match that form switched to turf in 2 starts since. Hooded.

10 16 ORTHODOX (37) (D) 85
1 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Clive Cox *Rossa Ryan*
175,000 gns foal, €175,000 yearling, Havana Grey colt. Half-brother to 1m winner Hello Sweetheart. Dam, 2-y-o 5f winner, half-sister to smart 2-y-o 5f winner Heartache. All the rage for a Salisbury maiden on debut and delivered in likeable fashion. Form is ordinary but he has plenty of potential.


11 10 PERSIAN SPRING (IRE) (37) 86
51 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Richard Hannon *Jamie Spencer*
Persian Force colt who confirmed debut promise in spades when reeling in the front runner in 15-runner novice at York. Stable has good record in this and can go well under Spencer.


12 20 SAVAGE MARINER (IRE) (25) 90
2 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Hugo Palmer *Tom Marquand*
80,000 gns 2-y-o, Blackbeard colt. Half-brother to smart 9f-11/2m winner Eternal Hope. Dam, 2-y-o 7f winner, half-sister to very smart winner up to 1¼m Rio de La Plata. Pulled clear with Libertango (engaged to run in Albany on Friday) when second in Leicester maiden, shaping as if 5f will suit.


13 18 SOCIAL SYMBOL (USA) (17) (D) 92
1 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Simon & Ed Crisford *William Buick*
£60,000 yearling, £145,000 2-y-o, Violence colt. Brother to smart US winner up to 8.5f Royal Spa. Dam US 5.5f-7f winner. Knew what was required to make a winning start at Ripon despite having little strength behind him in betting. Third has since boosted the form and yard won this in 2019.


14 17 SOVEREIGN GLORY (39) (D) 83
31 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Charles Hills *Jason Watson*
Confirmed debut promise ridden in contrasting fashion (held up) when winning Bath novice but this is a huge step up.


15 7 STAR PROSPECT (IRE) (34) (D, BF) 96
13 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland *D. B. McMonagle*
Looked something out of the ordinary when making a winning debut at the Curragh, having to wait for a gap before quickening up well to beat Carry The Flag. Not seen to best effect in a steadily-run event at Naas since and he remains with plenty of potential. Interesting.

16 5 TRIBECA (IRE) (56) 95
1 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Robson De Aguiar, Ireland *D. W. O'Connor*
€250,000 yearling, resold 575,000 gns yearling, Blue Point colt. Dam, 1¼m winner, sister to smart 9f/1¼m winner Carla Bianca. Looked a good prospect when coming from off the pace to make a winning debut in maiden at Navan under this rider. That form has plenty of substance so he's not taken lightly.


17 21 UNDERDOG (8) (D) 83
1 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Richard Spencer *Saffie Osborne*
£140,000 yearling, Perfect Power colt. Half-brother to several winners, including useful 2-y-o 5f winner Well Done Fox and 2-y-o 5f winner Excellently Poised. Made winning debut in Sandown novice last week but time/form is ordinary.


18 4 WHERE LOVE LIVES (IRE) (23) (D) 97
11 2 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Kevin Ryan *Kevin Stott*
£55,000 yearling, Cotai Glory colt. Half-brother to 2-y-o 7f winner Inbetty. Dam 2-y-o 5f/6f winner. Justified favouritism in good style at Thirsk and overcame lingering greenness when following up in listed race at Sandown, holding off subsequent Coventry runner-up Aday of Scarlett.

19 3 EZ TINA (USA) (34) (D) 96
1 2 9-0 | 57.2kg

 Wesley A. Ward, USA *Juan J. Hernandez*
£600,000Y by Golden Pal. Dam, US 6.5f winner, half-sister to dual US Grade 3 winner. Looked a potentially smart prospect when making a winning debut in 6-runner maiden at Woodbine, making all and not fully extended. One of 3 runners for US trainer who has won this race twice.

20 11 FANSHELL BEACH (USA) (53) (D) 94
1 2 9-0 | 57.2kg

 Wesley A. Ward, USA *James McDonald*
£80,000Y by Corniche. Half-sister to several winners, mostly in North America. Dam US winner up to 1m (including minor stakes and 5.5f-7f at 2 yrs). Knew job when beating a next-time-out winner at Churchill Downs in April. One of 3 runners for US trainer who has won this race twice.

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NORFOLK STAKES (Group 2) (1) 2yo £175,000 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 1



21 15 **THROUGH THE YEARS (IRE) (37)** (D) b 92

21 2 9-0 | 57.2kg



Wesley A. Ward, USA

John R. Velazquez

No Nay Never filly. Sister/closely related to 2 winners in North America. Dam, US 5f winner. Put experience to good use when winning 5-runner maiden at Aqueduct, breaking track record in the process. One of 3 runners for US trainer who has won this race twice, including with this one's sire.

21 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Carry The Flag, **13-2** Orthodox, **15-2** Flight Signal, **10-1** Ez Tina, **14-1** Where Love Lives, **18-1** Tribeca, **18-1** Force Noir, **25-1** Fanshell Beach, **25-1** New Yorker, **33-1** Star Prospect, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CARRY THE FLAG is the obvious one having been reeled in only late by Tuesday's Coventry winner Great Barrier Reef in the Marble Hill at the Curragh. This stiff 5f should be ideal for the son of No Nay Never (winner of this race in 2013) and he can provide Aidan O'Brien with a record-breaking fifth win. Where Love Lives is another whose form has been boosted by the Coventry, while the betting suggests Ez Tina is the pick of Wesley Ward's 3 fillies.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CARRY THE FLAG 2. WHERE LOVE LIVES 3. EZ TINA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Charles Darwin 2-9-3	8-13f	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	15
2024	Shareholder 2-9-3	12-1	K. R. Burke	James Doyle	13
2023	Valiant Force 2-9-3	150-1	Adrian Murray	Rossa Ryan	14
2022	The Ridler 2-9-3	50-1	Richard Fahey	Paul Hanagan	10
2021	Perfect Power 2-9-1	14-1	Richard Fahey	Paul Hanagan	15

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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HARDWICKE STAKES (Group 2) (1) 4yo+ £250,000
1m3f211y (2410 Metres)

RACE 2



Going: **Good to Firm**

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Draw: **Against Low** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 12 AMILOC (36) (CD, BF) 96
 11/11124-6 **4** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Ralph Beckett *Rossa Ryan*
 Went from strength to strength last year, completing a 5-timer in the Group 2 King Edward VII Stakes at this meeting before shaping with plenty of credit in defeat in the Irish St Leger/Breeders' Cup Turf, and he clearly didn't give his running when turned over in the Yorkshire Cup on return.

2 7 BEST SECRET (FR) (48) (D) 94
 3/21311-61 **4** 9-3 | 58.5kg

S. Wattel, France *James Doyle*
 Won 3 of 4 races since an encouraging third in the Golden Gates handicap at this meeting 12 months ago, decisively seeing off West Wind Blows in the Group 3 Prix d'Hedouville at Longchamp (soft) last time, though likely needs another career best to be in the mix.

3 9 ETHICAL DIAMOND (IRE) (84) (CD) 97
 24/111-5 **6** 9-3 | 58.5kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland *D. B. McMonagle*
 Most progressive following his C&D success in 2025 Duke of Edinburgh, capping an unbeaten Flat season in the Breeders' Cup Turf. Things didn't pan out as well for him in the Sheema Classic on return in late March, however, and he can get back on track in a race that should be run to suit.

4 4 GIAVELLOTTO (IRE) (84) (D) 96
 1/53142-33 **7** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Marco Botti *Oisin Murphy*
 Last season's L'Arc de Triomphe fourth who couldn't quite make it back-to-back victories in the Hong Kong Vase in December and was unable to land a blow when third in the Sheema Classic in late March. He'll be suited by the bigger field and likely strong pace this time, though.

5 10 GOLIATH (GER) (20) (CD) 95
 152103-21 **6** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Francis-Henri Graffard, France *Christophe Soumillon*
 Impressive winner of the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth stakes here in 2024. Since ran well in Group 1 company without scaling those heights, though this race has reportedly been a long-term target, and he arrives on the back of cosy Group 2 success at Chantilly.

6 3 JAN BRUEGHEL (IRE) (14) (D) 99
 111/214-12 **5** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Aidan O'Brien, Ireland *Ryan Moore*
 Produced a career best when outstaying Calandagan in the 2025 Coronation Cup but never went with the same fluency when a well-held second in this year's renewal. He's a high-class performer on his day, though, and the likely strong gallop should bring his stamina into play.

7 1 LAMBOURN (IRE) (14) (D) 96
 211154-13 **4** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Aidan O'Brien, Ireland *W. M. Lordan*
 Made all in the 2025 Derby before doubling up in the Irish Derby. Successful in the Huxley Stakes at Chester on return, though he ended up as a pacemaker for Jan Brueghel when a distant third in the Coronation Cup last time and may perform a similar role on this occasion.

8 5 PHANTOM FLIGHT (63) (D) 91
 6371-1916 **7** 9-3 | 58.5kg

George Scott *Billy Loughnane*
 Smart 7-y-o who enhanced a fine course record when winning the Group 3 HM The King's Cup at Sakhir (Bahrain) in April. Hard to make a strong case for on the back of a below-par run in the Group 3 John Porter at Newbury later that month, but he should at least be fresher following a break.

9 11 SONS AND LOVERS (44) (D) 88
 34513-144 **5** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland *Pierre-Charles Boudot*
 Smart sort who has picked up plenty of prize money in the Middle East this year and he did as well as could be expected when 7¾ lengths fourth of 7 to Jan Brueghel in Ormonde Stakes at Chester. Worth a go in first-time cheekpieces back over shorter, though is probably vulnerable in a strong Group 2.

10 6 WEST WIND BLOWS (IRE) (35) (D) 94
 21-42222 **7** 9-3 | 58.5kg

Simon & Ed Crisford *William Buick*
 Seen to maximum effect when chasing home Calandagan in Dubai Sheema Classic before running to a similar level in pushing the returning Kalpana close in the Aston Park Stakes at Newbury. However, he's probably flattered by the bare form of that run and is worse off at the weights this time.

11 2 KALPANA (35) (CD) 100
 1/32271-1 **5** 9-0 | 57.2kg

Andrew Balding *C. T. Keane*
 Very smart mare who chased home Calandagan in last year's King George (Jan Brueghel in fourth) before landing a second successive win in Group 1 Fillies' & Mares' Stakes over C&D and, having won a shade cosily on return at Newbury, she looks primed for another big performance at this track.

12 8 SANTORINI STAR (IRE) (30) (D) 92
 144112-12 **5** 9-0 | 57.2kg

William Haggas *Tom Marquand*
 Progressive mare who bagged Group 2 success in the Jockey Club at Newmarket (1½m) on return before showing a tenacious attitude back up in trip when narrowly denied in Longchamp Group 1 (15.5f). She's the type to benefit from cheekpieces, though is unlikely to be able to dictate in a deeper race.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Kalpana, 11-2 Jan Brueghel, 8-1 Goliath, 10-1 Ethical Diamond, 12-1 Giavelotto, 12-1 Amiloc, 16-1 Best Secret, 16-1 Santorini Star, 20-1 West Wind Blows, 28-1 Lambourn, 50-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The remarkably consistent and versatile KALPANA can confirm last year's strong King George form with Jan Brueghel and record a third Ascot success. The Ballydoyle duo should ensure this is a thorough test, which could play into the hands of Ethical Diamond, who showed an impressive turn of foot off an end-to-end gallop when successful in the Breeders' Cup last year.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KALPANA 2. JAN BRUEGHEL 3. ETHICAL DIAMOND

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Rebel's Romance 7-9-3	6-4f	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	12
2024	Isle of Jura 4-9-3	16-1	George Scott	Callum Shepherd	9
2023	Pyledriver 6-9-3	7-2	William Muir & Chris Grassick	P. J. McDonald	7
2022	Broome 6-9-3	6-1	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	7
2021	Wonderful Tonight 4-8-12	5-1	David Menuisier	William Buick	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.40

**QUEEN ELIZABETH II JUBILEE STAKES (Group 1) (1) 4yo+
£1,000,000 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 3



Going: **Good to Firm**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 11 ALMERAQ (28) (D) 92
21/21F-1 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

William Haggas **Tom Marquand**
Very impressive in running out a wide-margin winner of an 18-runner 6f handicap at Ayr last summer and was set to go close when badly hampered and falling in a listed race at York in September. Gained compensation on his Salisbury reappearance and could still be capable of even bigger performance.

2 3 ARAMRAM (IRE) (38) (CD) 92
49371-125 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

Richard Hannon **Sean Levey**
Picked up where he left off last season when landing a listed race at Doncaster on reappearance, scoring by a length from Jasour. Solid efforts in defeat since but has a lot more on his plate now.

3 12 COMANCHE BRAVE (IRE) (28) (D) 97
5313-3351 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

Donnacha Aidan O'Brien, Ireland **Pierre-Charles Boudot**
Left 6 lengths in Ka Ying Rising's wake in Group 1 at Sha Tin but returned from his International travels with a dominant display when winning 10-runner Greenlands Stakes at the Curragh (6f, good to firm) 4 weeks ago. Remains unexposed as a sprinter and well worth another crack at this level.

4 8 GREAT WISH (IRE) (84) (D) 89
32215-147 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

Bent Olsen, Denmark **Kieran Shoemark**
Caused a 66/1 upset in listed race at Meydan in January. Not beaten far in Grade 1 there on final outing in March but lacked a change of gear at the business end and looks up against it in an even hotter race.

5 17 JASOUR (38) (CD) 89
0/6066-266 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

Clive Cox **Rossa Ryan**
Useful sort but without a win since 2024 reappearance and, while he's run well on all 3 starts this season, he remains easy enough to take on from a win point of view at this level.

6 14 KHADEM (IRE) (28) (CD) 89
603130-90 10 9-5 | 59.4kg

Charles Hills **Christophe Soumillon**
Veteran who sprang another surprise when landing this race for a second year running in 2024. Suited by a strong pace when adding to his tally in Group 2 at Keeneland in October but both runs this year haven't been brimming with encouragement and he looks up against it.

7 5 KIND OF BLUE (38) (CD, BF) 96
21/98320-2 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

James Fanshawe **William Buick**
Smart sort who landed the Champions Sprint at Ascot in 2024 and was back to that sort of level when runner-up in the Sprint Cup at Haydock in September. Disappointing in latest renewal of Champions Sprint but reappeared with a good second in the Minster Stakes at York (6f) last month.

8 1 LAKE FOREST (42) (D) 98
4562207-1 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

William Haggas **Cieren Fallon**
Very smart performer who went winless last season but ran right up to his best when second in York Group 1 at the Ebor Meeting. Excuses on account of the ground at Flemington on final start and proved himself a cut above the opposition in 7f listed event at Haydock on return. Interesting back at 6f.

9 4 LUGAL (JPN) (84) (D) 94
0/75021-32 6 9-5 | 59.4kg

Haruki Sugiyama, Japan **Katsuma Sameshima**
Smart horse who scrambled home in Grade 2 at Hanshin in December. Ran at least as well when just touched off in Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan (6f, good) in March and that form has worked out well, so this Japanese raider shouldn't be underestimated.

10 7 OVERPASS (AUS) (4) (D, BF) 97
259423-43 8 9-5 | 59.4kg

Bjorn Baker, Australia **Joshua Parr**
Hasn't tasted success since the Group 1 Winterbottom Stakes in 2024 but he's run some fine races in defeat, notably when fourth in last season's Everest behind Ka Ying Rising. Fared best of those ridden close up in King Charles III Stakes earlier in the week but a step up to a stiff 6f is a niggler.

11 10 POWERFUL GLORY (IRE) (28) (CD) 96
11/851-7 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

Richard & Peter Fahey **Jamie Spencer**
2-2 as a 2-y-o, including the Mill Reef and resumed his progression with a bang when springing a 200/1 shock in Champions Sprint over C&D in October. Given a very considerate reappearance in the Greenlands Stakes at the Curragh but still needs to prove that earlier success was no fluke.

12 2 REGIONAL (38) (D) 95
24/33349-3 8 9-5 | 59.4kg

Edward Bethell **Callum Rodriguez**
Enthusiastic sort who ran a cracker returning from 11 months off when third in the King Charles III Stakes at Royal Ascot last year and again showed his effectiveness fresh when filling same spot in Group 2 Minster Stakes at York (6) on return last month. Far from certain to back that up, though.

13 6 SAJIR (IRE) (20) (D) 98
11210-221 5 9-5 | 59.4kg

A. Fabre, France **Oisín Murphy**
Very smart colt who ran out a commanding winner of Prix Maurice de Gheest at Deauville (6.5f, good to firm) last August. Runner-up in a pair of listed events this year prior to resuming winning ways with a bit in hand in Group 3 at Chantilly (5f) and not one to take lightly back up in trip/grade.

14 18 SATONO REVE (JPN) (55) (D) 99
3/12249-12 7 9-5 | 59.4kg

Noriyuki Hori, Japan **Ryan Moore**
Very smart performer, winning Group 1 for second year running at Chukyo in March. Proved no match once again for Ka Ying Rising in Chairman's Sprint Prize at Sha Tin last time but ran a cracker in this last year and looks sure to go well again. Tops the shortlist.

15 15 STOLEN KISS (FR) (47) (D) 89
1724-7111 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

P. Cottier, France **Alexis Pouchin**
Improving French sprinter who completed a hat-trick in 8-runner listed race at Chantilly (6f, good) 47 days ago by ½ length from Sajir, pushed out. Likely to find this a whole lot tougher, however.

16 13 FLORA OF BERMUDA (IRE) (49) (D) 95
53/23039-1 5 9-2 | 58.1kg

Andrew Balding **James Doyle**
Smart and consistent filly who came in a good third in this race last year and also in the Sprint Cup at Haydock. Had excuses in the Champion Sprint Stakes on final 2025 start and found the drop in grade liberating when bagging 6f Newmarket listed event on return. Has solid each-way claims.

17 9 JOLIESTAR (AUS) (77) (D) 100
21153-111 6 9-2 | 58.1kg

Chris Waller, Australia **James McDonald**
Has developed into a very smart mare and one of Australia's leading sprinters, completing a hat-trick in good style in Group 1 at Randwick (6f, soft) in March. Leading chance on ratings if adapting to the unique demands of Ascot.

18 19 SAYIDAH DARIYAN (IRE) (49) (D, BF) 93
6/134170-3 4 9-2 | 58.1kg

Richard Hughes **Billy Loughnane**
Smart filly who bagged the Group 3 Summer Stakes at York (6f) last July. Not at her best in Nunthorpe there and Haydock Sprint Cup later in the year but shaped as if retaining all her ability when 1¾ lengths third of 9 to Flora of Bermuda in Newmarket listed event (6f) on reappearance.

19 16 TIME FOR SANDALS (IRE) (4) (CD) 95
32137-580 4 9-2 | 58.1kg

Harry Eustace **Richard Kingscote**
Sent off a big price but no fluke about her win in Commonwealth Cup at this meeting a year ago. Run best excused from a difficult draw in York Group 2 on second start this season but seemingly had no excuses in King Charles III Stakes here (5f) earlier in the week.

19 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Joliestar, 11-2 Satono Reve, 10-1 Lake Forest, 14-1 Sajir, 14-1 Overpass, 16-1 Comanche Brave, 18-1 Flora of Bermuda, 22-1 Kind of Blue, 22-1 Lugal, 22-1 Almeraq, 28-1 Powerful Glory, 33-1 Sayidah Dariyan, 40-1 bar

3.40**QUEEN ELIZABETH II JUBILEE STAKES (Group 1) (1) 4yo+
£1,000,000 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 3

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

SATONO REVE was no match for Ka Ying Rising in the Chairman's Sprint Prize at Sha Tin last time, but there's certainly no disgrace in that and he's taken to go one better than in this race last year. Joliestar has developed into one of Australia's leading sprinters and has an excellent chance on ratings if adapting to the unique demands of Ascot, while Lake Forest is also very interesting back at a sprint trip for the first time in a while.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. SATONO REVE 2. JOLIESTAR 3. LAKE FOREST****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Lazzat 4-9-5	9-2	J. Reynier	James Doyle	14
2024	Khaadem 8-9-5	14-1	Charles Hills	Oisin Murphy	13
2023	Khaadem 7-9-5	80-1	Charles Hills	Jamie Spencer	16
2022	Naval Crown 4-9-5	33-1	Charlie Appleby	James Doyle	24
2021	Dream of Dreams 7-9-3	3-1f	Sir Michael Stoute	Ryan Moore	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.20

JERSEY STAKES (Group 3) (1) 3yo £175,000 7f (1410 Metres)

RACE 4



Going: **Good to Firm**

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Draw: **Against Low** Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1	6	DORSET (IRE) (41) (D)	91
	215411-78	3 9-6 59.9kg Aidan O'Brien, Ireland Won a Group 3 over this trip at Leopardstown last autumn but has come up short in another Group 3 at Leopardstown and the French 2000 Guineas this spring. Others are preferred.	W. M. Lordan
2	2	THESECRETADVERSARY (IRE) (28) (D)	93
	22215-156	3 9-6 59.9kg J. A. Stack, Ireland Free-going sort who reappeared to win a Group 3 at Leopardstown (7f) by 2½ lengths from Power Blue. Respectable efforts in 2000 Guineas at Newmarket and Irish 2000 Guineas at the Curragh since and the drop back to 7f is likely to help.	Seamie Heffernan
3	12	ANDAB (IRE) (23) (D)	96
	4621-2323	3 9-3 58.5kg Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland Listed winner at Dundalk on final 2-y-o start and has bettered that form in defeat this year, including 5½ lengths third of 8 to Talk of New York in listed race at Sandown (1m, good) 23 days ago, having to weave through. First-time visor replaces cheekpieces.	D. B. McMonagle
4	15	ARDISIA (IRE) (15)	91
	1127-7463	3 9-3 58.5kg Hugo Palmer Prolific juvenile, winning 5 times, including valuable Two-Year-Old Trophy at Redcar (listed). Showed he's trained on when fourth in the Group 3 Pavillion over 6f here last month but below that level when 3½ lengths third of 6 to Ellusive Butterfly in listed race at Epsom (7f, good to soft) latest.	C. T. Keane
5	16	AVICENNA (IRE) (49) (D)	98
	11-20	3 9-3 58.5kg Roger Varian 2-2 over 7f at Doncaster last year, latterly a listed event. Lost unbeaten record but shaped well (despite not handling Dip) when 2 lengths second in Craven at Newmarket (1m, good to firm) on return. Can have a line put through his subsequent run in the 2000 Guineas there. Remains open to progress.	Ray Dawson
6	4	BILLECART (IRE) (49)	86
	4-150	3 9-3 58.5kg K. R. Burke All-weather novice winner on return in February but has seemingly had his limitations in a Newcastle listed race and the 2000 Guineas at Newmarket since. Has plenty to find on form.	Rowan Scott
7	14	CATULLUS (IRE) (28) (D)	99
	3214-271	3 9-3 58.5kg Charlie Appleby Returned from breathing and gelding operations with a smart performance to blow apart a 17-runner Goodwood handicap (good to firm) 4 weeks ago. Definitely up to holding his own back in pattern company on that evidence.	William Buick
8	13	COLORI FOREVER (43) (CD)	98
	152-121	3 9-3 58.5kg Marco Botti Took his record to 3-6 with a smart performance to see off 9 rivals in a handicap over C&D (good to firm) 6 weeks ago. Looks good enough to make an impact outside of handicaps.	Marco Ghiani
9	17	INTO THE SKY (IRE) (49) (D)	94
	12-4	3 9-3 58.5kg Jim Boyle Blitzed 12 rivals in 6.5f Newbury maiden (good to firm) on debut last summer and inexperience was the only thing which cost him victory in Group 2 Mill Reef back there (6f, soft) 23 days later. Failed to stay 1m in 2000 Guineas at Newmarket on return and remains a smart prospect back at shorter.	Oisin Murphy

10	8	MORRIS DANCER (IRE) (311) (D)	94
	7121-	3 9-3 58.5kg John & Thady Gosden Palace Pier colt who was edged out by Zavateri in Group 2 Vintage at Goodwood (7f, good) before taking his career record to 2-4 with a 1m Salisbury listed success in August. Absent since but he appeals as one likely to make a smart 3-y-o.	Benoit de la Sayette
11	7	NEOLITHIC (IRE) (47) (D)	94
	871-313	3 9-3 58.5kg Aidan O'Brien, Ireland Second success when comfortably taking a Gowran conditions race (7f, soft) in April. Creditable 2¼ lengths third of 7 to Causeway in listed race at the Curragh (1m, good) since. More will be needed with first-time blinkers replacing cheekpieces.	Ryan Moore
12	9	SABER STRIKE (IRE) (50) (D)	100
	1-1	3 9-3 58.5kg William Haggas Night of Thunder colt who proved a class apart on his 6f Redcar debut last autumn and took the step up to listed level in his stride when seeing off 5 rivals at the Newmarket Guineas meeting (7f, good) on reappearance in May. Top prospect.	Tom Marquand
13	1	TAKE CHARGE STAR (IRE) (28) (D)	87
	316-258	3 9-3 58.5kg John Patrick Murtagh, Ireland Useful but has just a Gowran maiden success from his 6 starts and there's nothing in his record to suggest he can play a prominent role here.	Ben Martin Coen
14	5	AMERICA QUEEN (IRE) (66)	94
	124-2	3 9-0 57.2kg Richard Hughes Won a Haydock maiden by 12 lengths on debut last summer and has made the frame in 3 subsequent starts at pattern level, seeing 7f out well when neck second of 12 to Azleet in Nell Gwyn at Newmarket on return 66 days ago.	Billy Loughnane
15	11	DOMINA IGNIS (FR) (48)	89
	1-30	3 9-0 57.2kg Kevin Philippart de Foy €300,000 breeze-up purchase who created a very favourable impression when slamming 8 rivals on 6f debut at Southwell last November. Hooded, shaped well when 2 lengths third in Fred Darling at Newbury (7f, good) 5 months later but disappointing in 1000 Guineas at Newmarket since. Hood left off now.	David Egan
16	3	GREEN SENSE (IRE) (20) (BF)	90
	120130-6	3 9-0 57.2kg Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland Won Group 2 Prix Robert Papin at Chantilly (6f, good to soft) last summer. Respectable 4½ lengths sixth of 8 to Naomis in Group 2 Prix de Sandringham there (1m, good to firm) on reappearance 20 days ago. Has something to find on form in what looks a strong renewal.	James McDonald
17	10	THE PRETTIEST STAR (48)	98
	12-4	3 9-0 57.2kg Ed Walker Followed a debut win with a second in the Group 2 Rockfel at Newmarket (7f, good to firm). Returned with an even better effort when 3½ lengths fourth of 19 to True Love in 1000 Guineas there (1m, good to firm) 48 days ago. Subsequently purchased by Wathnan Racing. Capable of winning at Group level.	James Doyle

17 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Saber Strike, **7-1** Into The Sky, **15-2** The Prettiest Star, **12-1** Catullus, **14-1** Colori Forever, **18-1** Thesecretadversary, **20-1** Avicenna, **22-1** Dorset, **25-1** America Queen, **25-1** Neolithic, **28-1** Andab, **33-1** Morris Dancer, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This looks a good Jersey. SABER STRIKE created a really good impression when winning a Newmarket listed race over this trip on his second start and gets the vote but there are plenty of dangers, headed by 1000 Guineas fourth The Prettiest Star for last year's winning stable. Avicenna is a lot better than he showed in the 2000 Guineas and is also shortlisted along with Into The Sky, who patently failed to stay 1m in the Guineas, and Catullus, so impressive in handicap company at Goodwood.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SABER STRIKE 2. THE PRETTIEST STAR 3. AVICENNA

4.20**JERSEY STAKES (Group 3) (1) 3yo £175,000 7f (1410 Metres)**

RACE 4

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Noble Champion	3-9-3	25-1	Ed Walker	Kieran Shoemark	15
2024	Haatem	3-9-6	7-2	Richard Hannon	James Doyle	19
2023	Age of Kings	3-9-3	22-1	Aidan O'Brien	W. M. Lordan	15
2022	Noble Truth	3-9-3	4-1f	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	15
2021	Creative Force	3-9-1	5-1jf	Charlie Appleby	James Doyle	18

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.00

WOKINGHAM STAKES (HERITAGE HANDICAP) (2) 3yo+ (Rated 0-110) £175,000 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 5





Going: **Good to Firm**

The round course is a right-handed, galloping, triangular circuit of a mile and three quarters, with a run-in of two and a half furlongs. Ascot also has a straight mile course, which tends to drain better than the round course. There is also an inner Flat course which allows the option of switching the round course races on Champions Day in the event of unraceable ground. Generally speaking, prominent racers fare significantly better than those held up over five furlongs, but the opposite is true over seven furlongs/a mile, while on the round course those that race in the first half of the field over a mile and a quarter have a better record than those caught further back.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1 30 SPY CHIEF (28) (D) 93
2127638-2 4 9-12 | 62.6kg

 John & Thady Gosden  **William Buick**
Enthusiastic sort who acquitted himself well several times in 2025, including when second in Jersey Stakes here. Did best of those that raced near the strong pace when second in Salisbury listed contest on return 4 weeks ago, albeit looking very awkward under pressure. This tough on handicap bow.



2 14 SOLDIER'S TREE (IRE) (28) 93
3-123 5 9-11 | 62.1kg

 James Owen **Silvestre De Sousa**
Progressive 5-y-o who won a maiden at Dundalk in January and further progress has followed, running a cracker starting out for new yard when third in listed company at Salisbury (6f) in May, that despite racing freely. Again goes minus a hood but he remains open to improvement now handicapping.


3 16 RUN BOY RUN (84) (D) 92
15-967120 5 9-9 | 61.2kg

 Richard Spencer  **George Wood**
Acquitted himself well in top-end handicaps last summer and he found things panning out when landing Ayr Gold Cup (6f, soft) in September. Added to his tally at Meydan (5f) in February and whilst he had excuses in Group 1 company last time, he has a career-high mark to contend with here.



4 24 DOUBLE RUSH (IRE) (49) (D) 98
5/11320-11 4 9-9 | 61.2kg

 Andrew Balding  **Shane Foley**
Low-mileage 4-y-o who was most impressive when making a winning debut for Andrew Balding at Newmarket (6f) in April and, well in under a penalty, followed up with the minimum of fuss back there at the Guineas Meeting. 10 lb higher now but he has to be high on the shortlist again.

5 27 MITBAAHY (IRE) (84) (D) 93
47170/2-0 7 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Charles Hills **Billy Loughnane**
Smart performer at his best but he's been very lightly raced in recent seasons and ran poorly after 14 months off in listed company at Doncaster in March. That hardly an ideal preparation ahead of an assignment like this on handicap debut. Tongue strap on 1st time following breathing operation.

6 22 BINHAREER (IRE) (38) (D, BF) 99
4/712361-2 4 9-8 | 60.8kg

 William Haggas  **Tom Marquand**
Got back on the up with an impressive victory in 19-runner Coral Sprint Trophy at York (6f) in October. Raised 10 lb on the back of that and he improved further when second over same C&D on return to action in May, finishing off his race very well. Up further 5 lb but one to be very positive about.


7 5 TWO TRIBES (106) (C, D) 96
1405-1200 5 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Richard Spencer  **David Egan**
Smart gelding who won the International here last summer before running out a clear-cut winner of the Stewards' Cup under a penalty a week later. Excuses when down the field in pair of Group contests at Meydan earlier this year and no surprise to see him give a good account (has gone well fresh).


8 19 HEATHCLIFF (42) (D) 92
023-31247 5 9-7 | 60.3kg

 James Fanshawe  **Cieren Fallon**
Multiple all-weather scorer who added to his tally at Lingfield (7f) in February before a good second in listed company next time. Below that level making belated turf debut in 7f listed contest at Haydock 6 weeks ago and looks to have plenty on his plate from this mark back in a handicap.


9 23 DUBAI BLING (IRE) (44) (D) 95
423-30712 4 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Hugo Palmer **Oisin Murphy**
Useful sort who doubled his career tally in a 16-runner handicap at Sakhir (Bahrain) in April and looked unlucky not to follow up back on these shores when second behind a stablemate at Chester 6 weeks ago, short of room at a crucial stage. This tougher back up in trip but he's not ruled out.

10 3 ROYAL ZABEEL (IRE) (42) (D) 96
01871-045 5 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Michael Appleby **Jason Watson**
5-y-o who enhanced his fine all-weather record when taking listed contest at Southwell (6f) in November. Lightly raced since, matching the best of his turf form when fifth in last month's Victoria Cup (7f) and he's another holding definite each-way claims returned to sprinting.


11 6 LEOVANNI (IRE) (119) (C) 93
1137/4-4 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

 K. R. Burke **James McDonald**
Sparsely raced since running out a ready winner of the Queen Mary in 2024 but she shaped as if retaining all her ability after a further 9 months off when fourth in 6-runner listed race at Lingfield (5f) in February. Tongue tie worn then is retained following a breathing operation.


12 7 HAMMER THE HAMMER (IRE) (37) (D) 97
1112056-0 4 9-5 | 59.4kg

 Kevin Ryan **Kevin Stott**
Completed a hat-trick last spring at Chester and ended the season with solid efforts in Ayr Gold Cup and Coral Sprint Trophy. Shaped as if the run was needed after 7 months off (also had breathing operation) when well held at York in May and this can reveal more. Tongue strap on 1st time.


13 11 CABURN (IRE) (56) (D) 93
0/6001-830 4 9-4 | 59.0kg

 James Tate **C. T. Keane**
Dual winner as a juvenile who got back on scoreboard when taking small-field handicap at Yarmouth (6f) in September. Bounced back to his best when third in Doncaster listed event (6f) in March but he ran poorly when last of 12 in handicap at Haydock (7f) a month later. Return to 6f may well help.



14 12 ROMAN DRAGON (14) (D) 93
05870180 7 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Hugo Palmer **Mason Paetel (5lb/2kg)**
Chester specialist who recorded his eighth course success when landing a 10-runner handicap there in May, beating Dubai Bling by a head. Not seen to best effect either start since, left poorly placed when down the field at Epsom 2 weeks ago but he finished well held in this contest 12 months ago.


15 26 FLASH HARRY (28) (D) 97
2/12310-6 4 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Clive Cox **Rossa Ryan**
Low-mileage 4-y-o who justified good support when landing small field Goodwood handicap (6f) in August. Had softer ground as an excuse in the Ayr Gold Cup on final start and feasible to think last month's Salisbury run was needed. Return to quicker ground certainly rates a plus back in a handicap.


16 1 FANDOM (5lb/2kg ex) (20) (D) 96
590-22631 5 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Richard Hannon  **Sean Levey**
Useful form in the US earlier in his career. Mixed record for a host of different yards recently but right back to best for Richard Hannon of late, his speed looking a real asset when landing 14-runner handicap at Thirsk (6f) 3 weeks ago. 5 lb penalty to shoulder but that may not prove his limit.



17 17 FAR ABOVE DREAM (IRE) (35) (D) 98
336101-11 4 9-3 | 58.5kg

 James Owen **Kieran Shoemark**
Low-mileage 4-y-o who picked up where he left off after 7 months off when scoring at Goodwood in May and further progress when bringing up the hat-trick away from the Sussex Downs at Newbury (6f) 5 weeks ago. Respected for excellent stable who had a winner here on Wednesday.


18 13 TEN POUNDS (IRE) (21) (D) 98
341-48802 5 9-3 | 58.5kg

 Joey Ramsden **Jamie Spencer**
A smart 6f/7f winner who posted an excellent third in this race 12 months ago in the care of Harry Charlton. Yet to get his head in front for present yard but teed himself up nicely for another crack at this with a good second in listed company at Carlisle (5f) 3 weeks ago.

19 18 COMPLETELY RANDOM (42) (D) 94
8074-1100 5 9-2 | 58.1kg

 Harry Charlton  **Ryan Moore**
Landed back-to-back handicap/listed contests on all-weather in January and shaped better than bare result having been poorly placed when tenth in last month's Victoria Cup here 6 weeks ago. Shaped well when fifth in this race last year and he has services of Ryan Moore this time. Cheekpieces on.

20 15 THUNDERBEAR (IRE) (54) (D) 96
3/30514-60 6 9-2 | 58.1kg

 Jack W. Davison, Ireland **James J. G. Ryan**
Irish raider who ran right up to his best when successful in 10-runner listed race at Naas (6f, soft) in October. Looked a bit rusty on return to action at Cork but easy to overlook his latest run back at Naas having met with trouble in running. Returns to handicaps from a competitive mark.

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WOKINGHAM STAKES (HERITAGE HANDICAP) (2) 3yo+ (Rated 0-110) £175,000 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 5



21 20 CANDY (259) (D) 1/6700416- 4 9-2 | 58.1kg
 Richard Spencer *Saffie Osborne*
 Came into his own during autumn of 2-y-o campaign and has done likewise last season, impressing when landing the Ayr Silver Cup (6f, soft) in September. Appeared beaten on merit when sixth in listed company here (5f) on final start but not ruled out on return for stable in excellent heart.

22 21 FAST TRACK HARRY (38) (D) 270-11770 4 9-1 | 57.6kg
 Clive Cox *Jack Nicholls (5lb/2kg)*
 Showed improved form when scoring at Lingfield and Newcastle first 2 starts this year. In better heart than recent form figures would imply, not ideally placed when eleventh of 22 in handicap at York (6f) 38 days ago. Unlikely we've seen all he has to offer yet on turf.

23 31 APOLLO ONE (14) (CD) 2-4082939 8 9-1 | 57.6kg
 P. Charalambous & J. Clutterbuck *Christophe Soumillon*
 C&D winner who finished runner-up in the Portland at Doncaster and in a Group 3 here last season. Exploits have been rather mixed since the turn of the year but he finds himself on a competitive mark if dispelling a lesser effort at Epsom (6f, soft) 2 weeks ago.

24 29 EVENING SAIGON (IRE) (50) (D) 132/10-12 4 9-1 | 57.6kg
 Hamad Al Jehani *Callum Rodriguez*
 Low-mileage 4-y-o who impressed when making a winning return at Newcastle (6f) in April and further progress when finishing a neck second behind Far Above Dream at Goodwood since. Fact he hung/flushed tail under pressure issued warning signs but no doubting he has more wins in him. Cheekpieces on.

25 10 REALIGN (FR) (5lb/2kg ex) (21) (D) 3/19017-91 4 9-1 | 57.6kg
 William Haggas *James Doyle*
 Improved again following a gelding operation, successful at Haydock (6f) in September and all the better for his Newmarket reappearance with cheekpieces added when going in again at Carlisle (6f) 3 weeks ago. Remains low mileage and big player under a penalty for top stable.

26 8 TOYOTOMI (FR) (5lb/2kg ex) (13) (D) 8705-5631 5 9-1 | 57.6kg
 David O'Meara *Daniel Tudhope*
 Listed winner when trained in France and worked his way back to form this year for present yard, capitalising on a drop in grade when successful at Goodwood (6f) 2 weeks ago. Can remain competitive under a penalty back up in class.

27 2 SONDAD (5lb/2kg ex) (14) (CD) 112723-01 5 9-1 | 57.6kg
 Michael & David Easterby *Joanna Mason*
 C&D winner who was progressive throughout 2025 who stepped up plenty on his seasonal return at York when running out a convincing winner of 6f Epsom handicap (soft) for second consecutive season 2 weeks ago. Effective on this faster ground and he holds solid each-way claims.

28 9 TREFOR (IRE) (26) (D, BF) 113210-04 5 9-0 | 57.2kg
 Charles Hills *Toby Moore (7lb/3kg)*
 Won a big-field handicap at York, his third win of the campaign last summer, and shaped really when fourth of 7 in handicap at Windsor (6f, good to firm) 26 days ago, the gaps just not opening when he needed them to. This understandably rates much tougher, however.

RESERVES

29 4 BLACK FORZA (USA) (34) (D) 1144/030-7 4 9-0 | 57.2kg
 M. D. O'Callaghan, Ireland *Reserve*
 Useful colt who landed the Group 2 Richmond Stakes at Glorious Goodwood in 2024. However, lightly raced and his record patchy subsequently, off 7 months prior to finishing seventh of 10 in Naas listed race (5f) 5 weeks ago. Cheekpieces on for handicap debut but others look much stronger. RESERVE.

30 28 GOLD STAR HERO (IRE) (14) (D) 1527-1115 4 9-0 | 57.2kg
 Michael Bell *Reserve*
 Has improved this year, completing an all-weather hat-trick at Wolverhampton (5f) in April. May of found the test too much when 3/4 lengths fifth of 15 to Sondad in handicap at Epsom (6f, soft) since and this assignment will demand even more. RESERVE.

98 31 25 STRATUSNINE (IRE) (2) (D) 12-U52P28 4 8-13 | 56.7kg
 Hugo Palmer *Reserve*
 Won at Wolverhampton (6f) in December and has filled the runner-up spot on 3 occasions since, including at York over 5f last month when unlucky not to win having conceded first run. Sound effort in the Buckingham Palace here on Thursday. RESERVE.

28 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Binhareer, 11-2 Double Rush, 11-1 Realign, 18-1 Ten Pounds, 18-1 Completely Random, 22-1 Sondad, 22-1 Far Above Dream, 22-1 Fandom, 22-1 Spy Chief, 28-1 Evening Saigon, 28-1 Two Tribes, 28-1 Royal Zabeel, 28-1 Soldier's Tree, 33-1 Apollo One, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A smashing renewal of the Wokingham with any number holding chances. REALIGN had clearly come on plenty for his reappearance and made his class tell when scoring in good style at Carlisle 3 weeks ago and rates a big player again under a penalty. His stablemate Binhareer is feared on the back of an excellent York second, with Double Rush another of definite interest having made it 2-2 for Andrew Balding at Newmarket in May. Sondad, Far Above Dream and Completely Random also make each-way appeal.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. REALIGN 2. BINHAREER 3. DOUBLE RUSH

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Get It 7-9-3	28-1	George Baker	Seamie Heffernan	28
2024	Unequal Love 4-9-7	12-1	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	25
2023	Saint Lawrence 5-9-2	22-1	Archie Watson	Hollie Doyle	27
2022	Rohaan 4-9-12	18-1	David Evans	Ryan Moore	26
2021	Rohaan 3-9-8	8-1	David Evans	Shane Kelly	21

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**GOLDEN GATES STAKES (HANDICAP) (2) 3yo (Rated 0-105)
£120,000 1m1f212y (2000 Metres)**

RACE 6



Going: **Good to Firm**

The round course is a right-handed, galloping, triangular circuit of a mile and three quarters, with a run-in of two and a half furlongs. Ascot also has a straight mile course, which tends to drain better than the round course. There is also an inner Flat course which allows the option of switching the round course races on Champions Day in the event of unraceable ground. Generally speaking, prominent racers fare significantly better than those held up over five furlongs, but the opposite is true over seven furlongs/a mile, while on the round course those that race in the first half of the field over a mile and a quarter have a better record than those caught further back.

Draw: **Against Low** Pace Information: **Extreme**

1	12	BOURBON BLUES (35) (D)	90
645312-30 3 9-9 61.2kg			
Brian Meehan <i>Joe Leavy</i>			
Useful performer. Showed he's trained on well when 2½ lengths third of 7 to Morshdi in listed race at Newmarket (9f, good) on reappearance but well behind a few of these in the London Gold Cup at Newbury since.			
2	17	SAHARA KING (35)	100
1-522 3 9-7 60.3kg			
Richard Hannon <i>James Doyle</i>			
Too Darn Hot colt who is progressing very well, following his 3¾ lengths second to Evanesco on handicap debut with a near miss behind Lost Boys in the London Gold Cup at Newbury (1¼m, good to firm) last month. Wears first-time cheekpieces. Even better to come and top of the list.			
3	16	EVANESCO (48) (D)	98
52617-41 3 9-6 59.9kg			
Charlie Johnston <i>David Egan</i>			
Improved and very useful effort when winning 5-runner handicap at Newmarket (1¼m, good to firm, 9/2) 48 days ago by 3¾ lengths from the reopposing Sahara King, who has gone close in the London Gold Cup since. Has to enter calculations.			
4	2	SPYCE (35)	96
214-54 3 9-6 59.9kg			
Alan King <i>Rossa Ryan</i>			
Useful juvenile, including third in listed race. Fair reappearance fifth in the Classic Trial at Sandown before advancing his form when 3¼ lengths fourth of 10 to Lost Boys (Sahara King second) in London Gold Cup at Newbury (1¼m, good) 35 days ago, running on after meeting some trouble. Well drawn.			
5	19	ACCREDIT (246)	92
311- 3 9-5 59.4kg			
John & Thady Gosden <i>Non Runner</i>			
Dubawi colt out of a half-sister to Enable who won over 1m at Sandown (maiden on heavy) and Haydock (novice on good to soft) last autumn. Faces very different ground on his handicap debut/reappearance but there's surely more to come from him in 2026. Drawn widest. NON RUNNER.			
6	5	BAYAANN (12)	94
1-21 3 9-4 59.0kg			
William Haggas <i>Cieren Fallon</i>			
Promising start, making it 2-3 in 1m Windsor novice (good to soft) 12 days ago. Marquand seemingly prefers Princling but he's well drawn and should have more to offer in handicaps for his top stable.			
7	11	NIL BUA GAN DUA (USA) (40) (D)	88
435-31 3 9-3 58.5kg			
Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland <i>D. B. McMonagle</i>			
Got off the mark at the fifth time of asking when seeing off 4 rivals in a conditions event at Roscommon (10.4f, good) 40 days ago. From a stable among the winners this week but he looks to face a stiff task now switching to a handicap off a mark of 97.			
8	10	HARMONICS (IRE) (15) (D)	94
511 3 9-3 58.5kg			
John & Thady Gosden <i>Shane Foley</i>			
Struck at the second time of asking in 1m Southwell maiden in May and looked potentially smart when a 6-length winner of a 1¼m Doncaster novice (firm) a fortnight ago. Rapid improver for top yard.			
9	6	SUNSET ON LEROS (50)	90
4143-83 3 9-3 58.5kg			
Marco Botti <i>Marco Ghiani</i>			
Useful juvenile. Well beaten on 1m Kempton reappearance but ran better with blinkers added (replaced by cheekpieces here) when 6½ lengths third of 14 in Italian 2000 Guineas at Milan (1m, good) last month. Steps up in trip for handicap debut from a mark which isn't obviously generous.			

10	15	BALZAC (GER) (14)	92
3-1330 3 9-3 58.5kg			
Jane Chapple-Hyam <i>Billy Loughnane</i>			
Useful sort who was third in the Blue Riband at Epsom and Derby Trial at Lingfield (both listed) this spring. Not up to the Derby at Epsom a couple of weeks ago. This is more realistic but it's tough to argue a mark of 97 looks generous.			
11	8	AMADEUS MOZART (IRE) (16)	95
1-272 3 9-2 58.1kg			
Aidan O'Brien, Ireland <i>Ryan Moore</i>			
Useful colt who was 7 lengths second of 4 to Endorsement in listed race at Leopardstown (1½m, soft) 16 days ago. Drops back in trip for handicap debut off a mark which demands improvement.			
12	14	LOST BOYS (IRE) (35) (D)	99
331-11 3 9-2 58.1kg			
David Menuisier <i>James McDonald</i>			
Night of Thunder colt who shaded a close finish in 1¼m Sandown handicap on reappearance (good) before improving a good chunk again to get the better of another photo with Sahara King for the London Gold Cup at Newbury (1¼m, good). Since purchased by Wathnan Racing. Will go on improving.			
13	1	ALLEGRESSE (14)	93
2117-49 3 8-13 56.7kg			
Andrew Balding <i>Oisín Murphy</i>			
Won back-to-back 1m novices at Kempton as a juvenile. Showed he's trained on when 2½ lengths last of 4 in a useful conditions race at Goodwood (1m) on reappearance and possibly unsuited by soft ground on 1¼m Epsom handicap debut since. Yard won this last year.			
14	7	PERISHER (IRE) (42) (D)	93
253-311 3 8-11 55.8kg			
Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland <i>William Buick</i>			
Going the right way now, winning 1m Gowran maiden in April and producing a useful effort to follow up in 6-runner conditions event at Naas (10.4f, good, 11/8) 6 weeks ago, albeit having the run of the race.			
15	18	PRINCLING (21) (BF)	97
22-14 3 8-11 55.8kg			
William Haggas <i>Tom Marquand</i>			
Promising colt who landed short odds in 1m Wetherby novice on reappearance before producing a useful effort when fourth of 14 in rearranged Silver Bowl at Carlisle (1m, good) 3 weeks ago. Shapes as if this step up to 1¼m will suit. One to be interested in.			
16	4	FOLK PAGEANT (14) (D)	93
2-19111 3 8-10 55.3kg			
Charlie Johnston <i>Rowan Scott</i>			
Most progressive, making it 4 wins in last 5 starts when seeing off 8 rivals in 1¼m Epsom handicap (soft) on Derby day. Also a winner on good to firm. Handily drawn in stall 4 and looks capable of even better.			

RESERVES

17	3	ECHO OF STARS (IRE) (22) (D)	94
42-41 3 8-10 55.3kg			
Oliver Cole <i>Reserve</i>			
Son of Sea The Stars who was fitted with a tongue strap and didn't need to improve on previous form to open his account in a Chepstow novice (1¼m, good to firm) 3 weeks ago. Did that cosily enough but pitched in deep on handicap debut. Engaged 5.35 here on Friday. RESERVE.			
18	9	HERALDRY (47)	95
5-12 3 8-9 54.9kg			
John & Thady Gosden <i>Reserve</i>			
Kingman colt who built on promising debut to win on 1m Kempton on return, overcoming pace bias and trouble in running to lead late on. Improved again when second of 11 in novice at Windsor (1m, good) 4 weeks later, caught further back than ideal. Up in trip for handicap debut. More to come. RESERVE.			
19	13	WILD THOUGHTS (IRE) (21)	97
096-11112 3 8-9 54.9kg			
Richard Spencer <i>Reserve</i>			
Has proved a different proposition switched to handicaps this year, winning 4 in a row and improving again when narrowly denied at Carlisle (1m, good) 3 weeks ago. RESERVE.			

16 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Lost Boys, **9-2** Sahara King, **8-1** Harmonics, **14-1** Princling, **14-1** Spyce, **14-1** Bayaann, **16-1** Folk Pageant, **18-1** Evanesco, **20-1** Persher, **25-1** Allegresse, **28-1** Amadeus Mozart, **33-1** Nil Bua Gan Dua, **40-1** bar

5.35**GOLDEN GATES STAKES (HANDICAP) (2) 3yo (Rated 0-105)
£120,000 1m1f212y (2000 Metres)**

RACE 6

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Wathnan Racing purchased SAHARA KING and Lost Boys after they finished 1-2 in last month's London Gold Cup and that pair might fight out the finish to another top handicap. The former was narrowly denied at Newbury but is seemingly preferred by James Doyle and is taken to turn the tables in new cheekpieces. Folk Pageant, Harmonics and Spyce, another from the London Gold Cup, are a few of many others to consider in this red-hot race.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. SAHARA KING 2. LOST BOYS 3. FOLK PAGEANT****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Quai de Bethune 3-9-2	12-1	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	15
2024	Hand of God 3-9-0	9-4f	Harry Charlton	William Buick	12
2023	Burdett Road 3-8-13	20-1	Michael Bell	Neil Callan	15
2022	Missed The Cut 3-9-3	5-2f	George Boughey	James McDonald	13
2021	Foxes Tales 3-8-11	13-2	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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QUEEN ALEXANDRA STAKES (2) 4yo+ £120,000 2m5f143y (4360 Metres)

RACE 7



Going: **Good to Firm**

The round course is a right-handed, galloping, triangular circuit of a mile and three quarters, with a run-in of two and a half furlongs. Ascot also has a straight mile course, which tends to drain better than the round course. There is also an inner Flat course which allows the option of switching the round course races on Champions Day in the event of unraceable ground. Generally speaking, prominent racers fare significantly better than those held up over five furlongs, but the opposite is true over seven furlongs/a mile, while on the round course those that race in the first half of the field over a mile and a quarter have a better record than those caught further back.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1 10 A PIECE OF HEAVEN (FR) (43) t **97**
1732/3-221 8 9-4 | 59.0kg

Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland **D. B. McMonagle**
Sent off favourite for the Copper Horse here on stable debut in 2024 (finished mid-field). Only one run last year but has been standing his racing better this season, landing the Chester Cup by ½ length from Maxi King 6 weeks ago. Had the plum draw last time but can give another good account.

2 9 BERKSHIRE SUNDANCE (IRE) (43) s **90**
2/181-0116 6 9-4 | 59.0kg

Andrew Balding **Oisin Murphy**
Enhanced his very good strike rate in handicaps when winning over 2m at Newcastle on Good Friday in first-time cheekpieces. From 7 lb higher mark, ran at least as well back on turf when sixth behind a couple of today's rivals in the Chester Cup, but more needed in this contest.

3 12 CARLTON (43) v **78**
5221-2154 6 9-4 | 59.0kg

James Owen **Cieren Fallon**
Recorded win number 7 at Chelmsford in February and followed up in convincing fashion back over hurdles at Huntingdon. Soon left behind a rare lesser effort when fourth of 17 in the Chester Plate 6 weeks ago, though faces a difficult task in this company.

4 3 COLUMBUS (GER) (244) **99**
114/24536- 5 9-4 | 59.0kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland **C. T. Keane**
Smart stayer for Christophe Ferland, winning listed race and Group 3 in France in 2024 before placed in a German Group 1 last year. Making stable/hurdling debut, shaped promisingly after 7 months off when second in a 2½m Killarney novice in May. Helps give yard a strong hand in the race.

5 4 DALLAS STAR (FR) (22) **96**
28-233254 5 9-4 | 59.0kg

Robson De Aguiar, Ireland **David Egan**
Without a win since last year's reappearance but was a good second to Scandinavia in 1¾m listed race at Navan in April. Hasn't reproduced that in 2 outings since, though, having the run of the race when fourth of 5 in 2m listed event at Down Royal 22 days ago.

6 6 FRENCH MASTER (IRE) (35) (C) s **100**
1/21150-35 5 9-4 | 59.0kg

John & Thady Gosden **James Doyle**
Won 1¾m handicap at Goodwood last spring and followed up in the Copper Horse at this meeting. Shaped well on return when third of 6 in 1½m Group 2 at Newmarket, but wasn't in the same form at Newbury 5 weeks ago. He's interesting back here, though, trying further than 2m for first time.

7 2 HIPOP DE LOIRE (FR) (28) (D) b **89**
5/4630-7 9 9-4 | 59.0kg

Nick Scholfield **George Wood**
One-time smart stayer who was pulled up over hurdles on final 3 outings for Willie Mullins this spring (subsequently sold for 15,000 gns). Back on the Flat for yard debut, offered little immediate encouragement when well held in 1¾m handicap at Goodwood last month.

8 13 ILLINOIS (IRE) (14) (C) **97**
21/1227-36 5 9-4 | 59.0kg

Aidan O'Brien, Ireland **Ryan Moore**
Runner-up in the Gold Cup here and Goodwood Cup last year. Third in the Ormonde at Chester (won same race in 2025) on this season's return, but ran poorly when tailed off in Coronation Cup at Epsom 2 weeks ago, even if he was acting as pacemaker. Dangerous if bouncing back from latest effort.

9 7 LE DESTRIER (IRE) (36) **98**
2/3 7 9-4 | 59.0kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland **William Buick**
Listed winner in Poland as a 4-y-o before only one run in France for Alicja Karkosa in 2024. After nearly 2 years off, made a very encouraging stable debut when 1¼ lengths third of 6 to Scandinavia in the Saval Beg at Leopardstown in May. Major player for his much-respected yard.

10 8 MAXI KING (IRE) (43) **97**

Kevin Philippart de Foy **Rowan Scott**
568/3434-2 6 9-4 | 59.0kg
Good efforts without getting his head back in front last year, before enhancing his fine record fresh when ½-length second of 15 to A Piece of Heaven in the Chester Cup 6 weeks ago, looking unlucky after a troubled passage. Unexposed as a stayer and can make his presence felt.

11 1 MR HOLLYWOOD (IRE) (269) **90**

W. P. Mullins, Ireland **Billy Loughnane**
345/42541- 6 9-4 | 59.0kg
Smart at best in Germany and useful form for H-A. Pantall in France last year, getting back to winning ways in 1½m minor event at Toulouse in September. Sent hurdling on first run for this yard, showed aptitude when third in 2½m novice at Killarney last month, though was 7½ lengths behind Columbus.

12 5 AAJEJ (43) s **76**

Richard Phillips **Kieran Shoemark**
320255-19 4 9-3 | 58.5kg
Back to best in first-time blinkers when winning 1¾m handicap at Southwell in January, his final outing for Simon & Ed Crisford. Switched to cheekpieces for stable debut, finished down the field in 2m handicap here 6 weeks ago and looks to be up against it in this race.

13 11 PIVOTAL DAYS (105) **63**

Syd Hosie **George Downing**
713/7985-7 4 9-3 | 58.5kg
Fair handicapper on the Flat for Ed Walker, his only win over 7f back in October 2024. Failed to beat a rival in 7-runner event at Chelmsford (1m) on first run for current trainer in March and hasn't offered much over hurdles in 3 subsequent outings.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Le Destrier, 5-1 French Master, 11-2 Illinois, 13-2 Columbus, 8-1 A Piece of Heaven, 18-1 Maxi King, 18-1 Mr Hollywood, 22-1 Dallas Star, 22-1 Berkshire Sundance, 66-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The finale can go the way of LE DESTRIER who looked unlucky not to finish second in the Saval Beg on return from a lengthy absence, his first run for yard which has won this race 3 times in the last 5 years. French Master was successful at this meeting in 2025 so isn't taken lightly, while Maxi King is also considered with more still to offer as a stayer.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LE DESTRIER 2. FRENCH MASTER 3. MAXI KING

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Sober 6-9-7	4-5f	W. P. Mullins	Ryan Moore	9
2024	Uxmal 5-9-4	2-1f	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	D. B. McMonagle	9
2023	Dawn Rising 6-9-4	2-1f	Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Ryan Moore	9
2022	Stratum 9-9-7	10-1	W. P. Mullins	William Buick	12
2021	Stratum 8-9-2	4-1	W. P. Mullins	Ryan Moore	15

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race