

RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING TUESDAY 09 JULY 2024 MEETING
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RACE 1: ATLAS LEISURE HOMES LTD NURSERY (CLASS 6) (2YO ONLY)

LADY DORCHESTER - TOOTA - BOBBY JONES

Race Preview: LADY DORCHESTER struggled to land a blow in Listed company last time, but Raphael Freire's charge is clearly well thought of by connections and she makes most appeal today. The AMO Racing-owned filly has been running with credit in her career to date and this first attempt in handicap company off a fair-looking rating of 67 could see her to better effect. Similar comments apply to Toota, who is feared most off an opening mark of 56, while Bobby Jones should also be noted.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	OFF THE BENCH	Foaled 1 Apr. Unplaced in all three starts. Finished 11l behind Sonic Blue when last of 4 at 5-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 5f (good to soft) in May.
2	LADY DORCHESTER	Foaled 22 Mar. Yet to place in six starts. Well beaten at 125-1 behind Betty Clover when last of 15 on her latest outing at York over 5f (good) in May. Having her first run for a new stable today, previously with D J S Ffrench Davis.
3	ELLADORA BLACK	Foaled 28 Mar. Yet to place in three starts. Finished 6l behind Selection when last of 6 at 40-1 on her latest outing over this course and distance (good to firm) last month.
4	GRISELDA	Foaled 20 Feb. Unplaced in all three starts. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Kiss Me My Love at 7-1 when seventh of 9 on her latest outing at Carlisle over 6f (good) last month.
5	BOBBY JONES	Foaled 2 Jan. Yet to place in four starts. Finished 7l behind Scatter Penny when fifth of 16 at 40-1 on his latest outing at Nottingham over 6f (good to firm) last month.
6	LOVE GAMES	Foaled 18 Jan. Yet to place in three starts. Finished 4l behind Eighteen Fourteen when sixth of 9 at 18-1 on his latest outing at Redcar over 6f (good to firm) last month.
7	BANK ON KENT	Foaled 17 Mar. Yet to place in three starts. Beaten 8l behind Manila Thriller at 40-1 when 11th of 12 on his latest outing at Chester over 7f (good) last month.

8	TOOTA	Foaled 23 Apr. Unplaced in all three starts. Finished 8l behind Line Of Force when fifth of 10 at 14-1 on her latest outing at Ripon over 6f (good to soft) last month.
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**RACE 2: REMEMBERING PAUL 'STAN' STANSFIELD MAIDEN STAKES (GBB RACE)
(CLASS 5) (3YO PLUS)**

JAMES WEBB - REDHOT WHISPER - YOSEMITE GOLD

Race Preview: JAMES WEBB paid for his inexperience in the closing stages when second over 1m2f at Redcar last month and he can go one better today. Sir Michael Stoute's charge has shaped as if a win is just around the corner in his three starts to date, finishing second on his last two outings, and today can be the day to shed his maiden tag. Redhot Whisper is likely to pose the biggest threat to the selection after a good third in a valuable handicap at Epsom last time, while Yosemite Gold is a son of Golden Horn and looks a newcomer to consider.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	HARDY BLOKE	Beaten 10l behind Oxford Comma at 125-1 when seventh of 12 on his flat debut at Doncaster over 1m 4f (good to soft) last month.
2	MASTERKEY	Half-brother to Prince Rasam, won at 1m 2f. Third of 10 behind Leader Wing beaten 3 1/2l at 4-1 on his racecourse debut at Sedgefield over 2m 1f (good) in May.
3	MIGHTY BANDIT	Placed once in two starts; but has won a hurdle in November last year. Beaten 3/4l by Pack Ice when second of 8 at 5-1 on his latest outing at Chepstow over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month.
4	CADARN	Half-brother to Ventura Knight, won seven times at 7f and 1m.
5	JAMES WEBB	Placed twice in three starts. Beaten 1/2l by Midnite Storm when second of 8 at 4-1 on his latest outing at Redcar over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month.
6	KILDARE LEGEND	Half-brother to My Runner, won at 6f. Finished 13l behind Matsuri when fifth of 9 at 20-1 on his racecourse debut at Leicester over 1m 2f (good to soft) in May.
7	KING KEV	Dam a lightly raced maiden.

8	REDHOT WHISPER	Placed in five of seven starts. Third of 12 behind Persica beaten 5l at 28-1 on his latest outing at Epsom over 1m 2f (good to soft) last month.
9	TRIP TO VENICE	Unplaced in both starts. Beaten 18l behind Indemnity at 200-1 when 9th of 10 on his latest outing at Nottingham over 1m (good) last month.
10	VALUED	Half-brother to Alexis Zorba, won at 1m. Beaten 14l behind Ghostlore at 14-1 when last of 7 on his racecourse debut at Thirsk over 1m 4f (good to firm) in May.
11	YOSEMITE GOLD	Half-brother to Thunder Max, won at 7f.
12	CAKEWALK	Unplaced in both starts. Beaten 10l behind Oxford Comma at 18-1 when eighth of 12 on her latest outing at Doncaster over 1m 4f (good to soft) last month.
13	WADACRE TIVOLI	Placed once in two starts. Third of 8 behind Dramatic Star beaten 10l at 9-1 on her latest outing at Hamilton over 1m 3f (good to firm) last month.

RACE 3: WEATHERBYS EPASSPORT PIPALONG STAKES (FILLIES' & MARES' LISTED) (CLASS 1) (4YO PLUS)

ELIM - DOHA - ASTRAL BEAU

Race Preview: Having been well supported in the Kensington Palace Stakes last time, a chance is taken on ELIM to gain compensation. Edward Bethell's charge had a lot to do towards the rear when staying on for sixth on that occasion and this smaller field can see her better effect. Doha won that same race well and this daughter of Sea The Stars is likely to make another bold bid, while Astral Beau should also be thereabouts after running with credit in Group 3 company last time.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ASTRAL BEAU	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to heavy. Finished 2 1/4l behind Breege when fifth of 8 at 8-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Princess Elizabeth Stakes at Epsom over 1m (good to soft) last month.
2	CAERNARFON	Successful at 7f and 1m on good and soft ground. Beaten 16l behind Queen Of The Pride at 33-1 when 11th of 13 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Lester Piggott Fillies' Stakes at Haydock over 1m 4f (good) last month.

3	CHOISYA	She has won four times from 7f to 1m on good to firm and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Finished 2 3/4l behind Royal Dress when fourth of 8 at 7-2 on her latest outing at Goodwood over 1m (soft) in May.
4	DOHA	Successful twice at 1m on good to firm and soft ground. A winner at 10-1 at Ascot over 1m (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Hopeful by a head.
5	DORA MILAJE	She has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to firm and good ground. A winner at 7-2 at Haydock over 1m 2f (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Bodorgan by 1/2l.
6	ELIM	Successful twice at 1m on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Finished 6l behind Doha when sixth of 24 at 7-1 on her latest outing at Ascot over 1m (good to firm) last month.
7	NAAEY	Won on her latest outing when 11-8fav at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f in August last year, beating Avon Light by 3/4l.
8	STRONG IMPACT	A winner at 1m 2f on good ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Dora Milaje when fourth of 6 at 5-2 on her latest outing at Haydock over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month.
9	VILLANOVA QUEEN	She has won three times from 7f to 1m on good and good - yielding ground. Beaten 7l behind Doha at 25-1 when 9th of 24 on her latest outing at Ascot over 1m (good to firm) last month.

RACE 4: NORTHERN COMMERCIALS IVECO E-DAILY, ZERO EMISSIONS HANDICAP (CLASS 2) (3YO PLUS)

SILKY WILKIE - FLACCIANELLO - ROOM SERVICE

Race Preview: An open event in which only a tentative vote can go to SILKY WILKIE. Sent off as favourite in the Dash at Epsom last month, he was far from disgraced in seventh. Karl Burke's gelding was afforded a 2lb ease in the ratings for that effort and he is handicapped to strike in these marginally calmer waters. Flaccianello bumped into an improver at York last month and she is an obvious candidate today, while others to note include Room Service and Woven.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	COACHELLO	Has won eight races from 6f to 7f on good to soft and yielding ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Unequal Love at 40-1 when 12th of 25 on his latest outing at Ascot over 6f (good to firm) last month.

2	SILKY WILKIE	Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Dream Composer at 5-1fav when seventh of 14 on his latest outing at Epsom over 5f (good to soft) last month.
3	ROOM SERVICE	Successful at 5f and 6f on good and soft ground. Finished 7l behind Elite Status when sixth of 14 at 10-1 on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (good) in May.
4	ROMAN DRAGON	Winner of six races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 7l behind Unequal Love at 100-1 when 17th of 25 on his latest outing at Ascot over 6f (good to firm) last month.
5	MATTERS MOST	Successful at 5f and 6f on good and good to soft ground. Beaten 10l behind Pilgrim at 40-1 when 22nd of 28 on his latest outing at Ascot over 5f (good to firm) last month.
6	WOVEN	He has won three times from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to soft. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Tolstoy at 10-1 when 11th of 17 on his latest outing at York over 7f (good to soft) last month.
7	WEN MOON	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good and soft ground. Finished 3 1/2l behind Copper Knight when fifth of 11 at 7-1 on his latest outing at Chester over 5f (soft) last month.
8	FLACCIANELLO	She has won three times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 2 1/4l by Alfa Kellenic when second of 11 at 12-1 on her latest outing at York over 6f (good to soft) last month.