

RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING TUESDAY 17 JUNE 2025 MEETING
ASCOT

RACE 1: QUEEN ANNE STAKES (GROUP 1) (STR) (CLASS 1) (4YO PLUS)

ROSALLION - LEAD ARTIST - DANCING GEMINI

Race Preview: Lead Artist was tenacious when he shaded victory over Dancing Gemini in the Lockinge at Newbury and there is very little to choose between these two high-class individuals as they gear up for what promises to be another thrilling encounter. However, ROSALLION's third-placed finish that day was a very encouraging effort. That was his first start since he sealed victory with a lightning burst of speed in the St James's Palace here 12 months ago and he merits the utmost respect once again. Notable Speech, who was fourth in the Lockinge, and the now Australian-trained Carl Spackler add further depth to a splendid curtain raiser.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	CAIRO	He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good and yielding - soft ground and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Beaten 1 3/4l by The Foxes when second of 6 at 40-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 IRE-Incentive, It Pays To Buy Irish Huxley Stakes at Chester over 1m 2f (good) last month.
2	CARL SPACKLER	Has won eight races at 1m on good ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 5-6fav in the Group 1 Maker's Mark Mile Stakes - Grade 1 at Keeneland over 1m (good) in April, beating Integration by 4 1/2l. Having his first run for a new stable today.
3	DANCING GEMINI	He has won four times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to soft. Beaten a neck by Lead Artist when second of 8 at 2-1fav on his latest outing in the Group 1 BoyleSports Lockinge Stakes at Newbury over 1m (good to firm) last month. Has won at Sandown and Doncaster this season.
4	DIEGO VELAZQUEZ	He has won four times from 7f to 1m 1f on good ground. Won on his latest outing when 10-11fav in the Group 2 TonyBet Solonaway Stakes at Leopardstown over 1m (good) in September last year, beating Mutasarref by 1 1/2l.
5	DOCKLANDS	He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good to firm and soft ground and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Third of 8 behind Persica beaten 1l at 3-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Betfred Diomed Stakes at Epsom over 1m (good) earlier this month.
6	LAKE FOREST	Successful twice at 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 4l behind Topgear when fourth of 7 at 7-2 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Prix du Palais-Royal at ParisLongchamp over 7f (soft) last month.
7	LEAD ARTIST	He has won four times from 1m to 1m 1f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. A winner at 17-2 in the Group 1 BoyleSports Lockinge Stakes at Newbury over 1m (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Dancing Gemini by a neck.
8	NOTABLE SPEECH	Winner of five races at 1m on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 2 3/4l behind Lead Artist when fourth of 8 at 9-2 on his latest outing in the Group 1 BoyleSports Lockinge Stakes at Newbury over 1m (good to firm) last month.
9	QUDDWAH	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to soft. A winner at 9-4 at ParisLongchamp over 1m (soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Siam Paragon by 1 3/4l.
10	ROSALLION	Winner of five races from 6f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Third of 8 behind Lead Artist beaten 2 1/2l at 9-4 on his latest outing in the Group 1 BoyleSports Lockinge Stakes at Newbury over 1m (good to firm) last month.
11	SARDINIAN WARRIOR	He has won four times at 1m on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1l by Sosie when second of 6 at 2-1 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Prix d'Ispahan at ParisLongchamp over 1m 1f (soft) last month.

RACE 2: COVENTRY STAKES (GROUP 2) (CLASS 1) (2YO ONLY)

GSTAAD - MILITARY CODE - POSTMODERN

Race Preview: Military Code has plenty going for him after accounting for two subsequent winners under a penalty over 5f at this venue last month and is hard to ignore. Postmodern made a deep impression when bolting up on his introduction at Yarmouth and will likely have his supporters. The same can be said for Underwriter after his smooth debut success at Ayr, but the vote goes to GSTAAD. The son of Starspangledbanner turned over an odds-on stable companion at Navan last month and he shaped as if he might take a big step forward for that experience.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AMERICAN GULF	Foaled 23 Mar. Half-brother to Master Of War, won four times at 6f and 1m. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Windsor over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month, beating Hengroin by 3 1/2l.
2	ANDAB	Foaled 2 Mar. Full brother to Victoria Road, won four times between 7f and 1m 1f including a Group 1 race. A winner at 6f on good ground. Third of 6 behind Albert Einstein beaten 1 1/2l at 3-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 GAIN Marble Hill Stakes at Curragh over 6f (good) last month.
3	BALLISTIC MISSILE	Foaled 2 Feb. Dam won at 1m. A winner at 11-2 at York over 5f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Utmost Respect by 1/2l.
4	BONE MARRA	Foaled 17 Apr. Half-brother to Messidor, won three times between 6f and 1m. A winner at 25-1 at Wolverhampton over 5f on his latest outing last month, beating Irish Fighter by 3/4l.
5	BOURBON BLUES	Foaled 5 Feb. Half-brother to Lower Street, won four times between 1m 1f and 1m 4f. Won on his latest outing when 6-4fav at Brighton over 6f (good) last month, beating Must Be Ten by 4 1/2l.
6	COPPULL	Foaled 30 Mar. Half-brother to Worthington Lake, won at 7f. A winner at 14-1 at Leicester over 5f (good) on his latest outing in April, beating Stardinia by 1/2l.
7	DO OR DO NOT	Foaled 2 Apr. Half-brother to Higher Leaves, won twice at 1m 2f and 1m 3f including a Group 3 race. Placed once in two starts. Beaten a neck by Tadej when second of 11 at 8-1 on his latest outing at York over 6f (good) last month.
8	GAVOO	Foaled 21 Apr. Dam a lightly raced maiden. A winner at 7-2 at Listowel over 6f (good - yielding) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Fresh Fade by 3/4l.
9	GSTAAD	Foaled 22 Mar. Half-brother to Becker, won four times at 5f. A winner at 7-1 at Navan over 6f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating True Love by 3/4l.
10	KOLKATA KNIGHT	Foaled 16 Feb. Dam unraced. Won on his latest outing when 13-8fav at Hamilton over 6f (good to firm) last month, beating Mister Moet by 5l.
11	MILITARY CODE	Foaled 19 Mar. Dam won at 1m. Successful twice at 5f on good to firm and good ground. Won on his latest outing when 8-11fav here over 5f (good to firm) last month, beating Fitzella by a neck. Has also won at Newmarket this season.
12	POSTMODERN	Foaled 13 Feb. Half-brother to Be Your Best, won four times between 1m and 1m 3f including a Group 1 race. A winner at 18-5 at Yarmouth over 6f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Amorim by 5l.
13	POWER BLUE	Foaled 1 Feb. A winner at 5f on soft ground. Beaten 3/4l by Albert Einstein when second of 6 at 11-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 GAIN Marble Hill Stakes at Curragh over 6f (good) last month.
14	RAAKEB	Foaled 19 Feb. A winner at 5f on good ground. Third of 9 behind Maximized beaten 1 3/4l at 14-1 on his latest outing at Epsom over 6f (good to soft) earlier this month.

15	ROCK ON THUNDER	Foaled 17 Apr. Half-brother to San Donato, won four times at 6f and 1m including a Group 2 race. Won on his latest outing when 4-1jt-fav at Leicester over 6f (good) last month, beating Hey Tru Blue by 1 1/4l.
16	SHAATIR	Foaled 24 Mar. Dam won at 6f. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Lingfield over 6f (good) earlier this month, beating Lohoobb by 3 1/2l.
17	SUPER SOLDIER	Foaled 2 Apr. A winner at 5f on good to firm ground. Beaten 1/2l by Graft when second of 8 at 3-1 on his latest outing at Chantilly over 5f (good to soft) earlier this month.
18	TADEJ	Foaled 24 Jan. Won on his latest outing when evens fav at York over 6f (good) last month, beating Do Or Do Not by a neck.
19	TRICKY TEL	Foaled 26 Jan. Half-brother to Gibside, won seven times between 1m 3f and 2m 3f. Successful at 5f and 6f on good ground. Won on his latest outing when 8-11fav at Chester over 6f (good) last month, beating Going Commando by 2l. Has won twice at Chester this season.
20	UNDERWRITER	Foaled 5 Apr. Dam a lightly raced maiden. Won on his latest outing when 11-10fav at Ayr over 6f (good to firm) last month, beating Kanishka by 2l.
21	WARSAW	Foaled 18 Feb. Dam unraced. A winner at 18-1 at Navan over 5f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Fairy Oak by 2 3/4l.

RACE 3: KING CHARLES III STAKES (GROUP 1) (CLASS 1) (3YO PLUS)

NIGHT RAIDER - BELIEVING - ASFOORA

Race Preview: Asfoora beat Regional (second) when taking this contest last year with Believing back in fourth. The latter has improved subsequently and arrives on the back of a victory in the Al Quoz Sprint at Meydan in April. George Boughey's mare will be hard to keep out of the frame, but NIGHT RAIDER also drops back to the minimum trip with strong claims. The son of Dark Angel has bags of early pace and made all to win a Listed contest over 6f at Newcastle last term. A respectable third in the 1895 Duke Of York on his reappearance, this stiff 5f will suit the four-year-old. The Temple Stakes winner Mgheera is another to consider .

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AMERICAN AFFAIR	Winner of seven races from 5f to 7f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Finished 2 3/4l behind Mgheera when fifth of 11 at 10-3 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) last month. Has won at York and Musselburgh this season.
2	BUCANERO FUERTE	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on good and soft - heavy ground. Won on his latest outing when 13-8fav at Naas over 5f (good) last month, beating Powerful Nation by 1 3/4l.
3	JASOUR	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Finished 3l behind Balmoral Lady when sixth of 8 at 5-2fav on his latest outing at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
4	KERDOS	He has won four times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to soft. Beaten 13l behind Inisherin at 18-1 when seventh of 8 on his latest outing in the Group 2 1895 Duke Of York Clipper Stakes at York over 6f (good to firm) last month.
5	MANACCAN	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Third of 14 behind Vadream beaten 1 1/2l at 7-2 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Howden Palace House Stakes at Newmarket over 5f (soft) in May '23.
6	NIGHT RAIDER	He has won four times from 6f to 7f on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Inisherin beaten 4l at 4-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 1895 Duke Of York Clipper Stakes at York over 6f (good to firm) last month.

7	REGIONAL	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Third of 11 behind Believing beaten 3/4l on his latest outing in the Group 1 Race 4 - Al Quoz Sprint Sponsored By AZIZI Developments - Turf at Meydan over 6f (good) in April.
8	RUMSTAR	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Finished 4 1/2l behind Mgheera when sixth of 11 at 11-4fav on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
9	STARLUST	Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on good and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Mgheera at 15-2 when seventh of 11 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
10	TWILIGHT CALLS	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground, but last win was over three years ago. Beaten 6l behind Mgheera at 40-1 when 9th of 11 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
11	WASHINGTON HEIGHTS	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Third of 11 behind Mgheera beaten 1l at 14-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
12	ASFOORA	Has won ten races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 2 3/4l behind Charm Stone when seventh of 14 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Sportsbet Robert Sangster Stakes - Group 1 at Morphetville over 6f (good) in April.
13	BALMORAL LADY	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to heavy. A winner at 11-2 at Haydock over 5f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating No Half Measures by 1/2l.
14	BELIEVING	Winner of seven races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner in the Group 1 Race 4 - Al Quoz Sprint Sponsored By AZIZI Developments - Turf at Meydan over 6f (good) in April, beating Win Carnelian by 1/2l.
15	FROST AT DAWN	She has won three times from 5f to 7f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 9-5 at Haydock over 6f (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Prime Art by a neck.
16	MGHEERA	Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on good and soft ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 10-1 in the Group 2 Betfred Temple Stakes at Haydock over 5f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating She's Quality by 1/2l. Has also won at ParisLongchamp this season.
17	MONTEILLE	She has won three times from 5f to 7f on ground varying from good to soft to heavy. A winner at 33-1 in the Group 3 Prix du Gros-Chene at Chantilly over 5f (good to soft) on her latest outing earlier this month, beating Lesslepasser by 1 3/4l. Having her first run for a new stable today.
18	NO HALF MEASURES	Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to heavy and on the all-weather. Beaten 1/2l by Balmoral Lady when second of 8 at 10-3 on her latest outing at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
19	PRIME ART	Successful twice at 6f on good to soft and good - yielding ground. Beaten a neck by Frost At Dawn when second of 11 at 9-1 on her latest outing at Haydock over 6f (good to firm) last month.
20	AESTERIUS	He has won four times at 5f on good and good to soft ground. Finished 4 1/2l behind Tropical Storm when sixth of 7 at 15-8fav on his latest outing at York over 5f (good to firm) last month.
21	ESTEPONA	Successful twice at 6f on good and good to soft ground. Third of 10 behind Rayevka beaten 4 1/2l at 4-1 on his latest outing at Chantilly over 6f (good to soft) earlier this month.

22	TROPICAL STORM	Successful twice at 5f on good to firm ground. A winner at 4-1 at York over 5f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Star Of Mehmas by a head.
23	WEST ACRE	He has won four times at 5f on good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Believing when eighth of 11 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Race 4 - Al Quoz Sprint Sponsored By AZIZI Developments - Turf at Meydan over 6f (good) in April. Having his first run for a new stable today.

RACE 4: ST JAMES'S PALACE STAKES (GROUP 1) (RND) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY)

FIELD OF GOLD - RULING COURT - HENRI MATISSE

Race Preview: FIELD OF GOLD's emphatic success in the Irish 2,000 Guineas confirmed him to be a top-class miler and the son of Kingman can enhance his reputation by adding this showpiece event to his portfolio. Having run out of track when chasing home Ruling Court in the 2000 Guineas at Newmarket last month, the John and Thady Gosden-trained colt has every chance of turning things around with his likely key rival. The supporting cast is headed by Henri Matisse, whose Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf and French Guineas successes bring him into the equation. Rashabar and Officer are respected but already have something to find with Field Of Gold based on their encounter at the Curragh.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	FIELD OF GOLD	He has won four times from 7f to 1m on good ground. Won on his latest outing when evens fav in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 2,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month, beating Cosmic Year by 4l. Has also won at Newmarket this season.
2	FIRST WAVE	A winner at 9-4 at Gowran Park over 1m (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Pierre Royal by 5l.
3	HENRI MATISSE	Winner of six races from 6f to 1m on good and good - yielding ground. Won on his latest outing when 9-4fav in the Group 1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Poulains at ParisLongchamp over 1m (good) last month, beating Jonquil by a head.
4	OFFICER	Successful at 7f and 1m on good ground. Beaten 8l behind Field Of Gold at 9-2 when seventh of 9 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 2,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
5	RASHABAR	A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 5l behind Field Of Gold when fourth of 9 at 14-1 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 2,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
6	RULING COURT	He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good ground. A winner at 9-2 in the Group 1 Betfred 2000 Guineas Stakes at Newmarket over 1m (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Field Of Gold by 1/2l. Has also won at Meydan this season.
7	WINDLORD	A winner at 1m on good to soft ground. Beaten 8l behind Field Of Gold at 25-1 when eighth of 9 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 2,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.