

RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING WEDNESDAY 20 AUGUST 2025 MEETING
YORK

RACE 1: HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB WORLD POOL HANDICAP (HERITAGE HANDICAP) (CLASS 2) (3YO PLUS)

JORDAN ELECTRICS - THE MAN - TREFOR

Race Preview: The Man returned to the fray with an impressive display over 5f at the Dante meeting, while Trefor finished a fine second at Windsor and may also feature. Vintage Clarets landed the Shergar Cup Dash in good style last time, but could only manage eighth in this last year behind the runner-up JORDAN ELECTRICS. Jim Goldie's sprinter found the smart Jm Jungle too good on that occasion and another bold bid looks likely with a couple of recent runs under his belt. Brazen Bolt and Squealer are others to consider.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ROMAN DRAGON	Has won nine races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. A winner at 16-1 at Chester over 6f (good to firm) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Celandine by a nose. Has won 3 times this season.
2	JORDAN ELECTRICS	Has won 16 races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Two Tribes at 40-1 when 9th of 27 on his latest outing at Goodwood over 6f (good to soft) earlier this month.
3	VINTAGE CLARETS	Has won ten races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to heavy and on the all-weather. A winner at 5-1 at Ascot over 5f (good to firm) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Vespasian by 1l.
4	TEES SPIRIT	Has won nine races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 5l behind Fluorescence at 17-2 when eighth of 9 on his latest outing at Redcar over 5f (good to firm) earlier this month.
5	TATTERSTALL	He has won four times at 5f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 1l behind Thunder Moor when fourth of 13 at 28-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 5f in August last year.
6	BERGERAC	Has won eight races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Third of 14 behind Nariko beaten 1l at 10-1 on his latest outing at Hamilton over 6f (good) last month.
7	TREFOR	Winner of five races at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten a neck by Chief Mankato when second of 12 at 6-1 on his latest outing at Windsor over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month. Has won at Ripon and Doncaster this season.
8	SQUEALER	He has won four times at 5f on good ground. Finished 2l behind Dan Tucker when fourth of 5 at 6-4fav on his latest outing at Pontefract over 5f (good) last month.
9	AZURE ANGEL	Winner of five races from 5f to 7f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Cover Up at 14-1 when eighth of 14 on her latest outing at Ascot over 5f (good) last month.
10	THE MAN	Successful twice at 5f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 14-1 over this course and distance (good to firm) on his latest outing in May, beating Loom by 2 1/4l.
11	KENDALL ROY	Winner of five races at 5f on ground varying from good to soft. Third of 7 behind Sarahmae beaten 1 1/2l at 7-1 on his latest outing at Curragh over 5f (good) earlier this month.
12	BRAZEN BOLT	Has won 11 races from 5f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 28-1 at Goodwood over 5f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Adrestia by a nose. Has also won at York this season.

13	VANTHEMAN	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 7l behind Nariko at 8-1 when 12th of 14 on his latest outing at Hamilton over 6f (good) last month.
14	MARTY HOPKIRK	A winner at 5f on the all-weather. Beaten 8l behind Naana's Sparkle at 16-1 when 11th of 13 on his latest outing at Goodwood over 5f (heavy) last month.
15	MON NA SLIEVE	He has won three times at 5f on good ground. Beaten 7l behind Brazen Bolt at 22-1 when 10th of 20 on his latest outing at Goodwood over 5f (good) last month. Has won at Ayr and Musselburgh this season.
16	CURIOUS ROVER	He has won four times at 5f on good and soft ground. A winner at 10-3 at Musselburgh over 5f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Lexington Blitz by 1/2l.
17	SPRING IS SPRUNG	Winner of seven races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 15-2 at Haydock over 5f (good to firm) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Night On Earth by a neck. Carries a 5lb penalty today for that success. Has won 3 times this season.
18	AIR FORCE ONE	Successful twice at 5f on good and yielding ground. A winner at 15-2 over this course and distance (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Bona Fortuna by 1 1/4l.
19	CUBAN GREY	Winner of six races at 5f on ground varying from good to soft and on the all-weather. Finished 1 3/4l behind Sarahmae when fourth of 7 at 11-2 on his latest outing at Curragh over 5f (good) earlier this month.
20	COPPER KNIGHT	Has won 17 races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. Third of 13 behind Spring Is Sprung beaten 3l at 8-1 on his latest outing at Haydock over 5f (good to firm) earlier this month. Has won at Chester and Pontefract this season.

RACE 2: TATTERSALLS ACOMB STAKES (GROUP 3) (CLASS 1) (2YO ONLY)

DISTANT STORM - ITALY - GOODWOOD GALAXY

Race Preview: Italy separated a couple of Godolphin runners when finishing a creditable second in the Superlative Stakes at Newmarket. That form should give Charlie Appleby a good handle on the chances of DISTANT STORM and the latter could prove the one to side with. The son of Night Of Thunder beat a couple of subsequent winners when making a winning debut in a hot maiden at Newmarket and can take this step up in class in his stride. Goodwood Galaxy's fourth in the Vintage Stakes can be marked up as he missed the break, while May Angel is another to note.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	DISTANT STORM	Foaled 15 Feb. Half-brother to Beautiful Morning, won three times at 7f and 1m 2f including a Group 3 race. Won on his latest outing when 5-6fav at Newmarket over 7f (good to firm) last month, beating Constitution River by a short head.
2	GEWAN	Foaled 24 Mar. Dam won at 7f. A winner at 9-1 at Newbury over 7f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Ruler Of Time by 1 1/4l.
3	GOODWOOD GALAXY	Foaled 12 Feb. Dam won twice at 7f and 1m. A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 2 1/4l behind Zavateri when fourth of 10 at 25-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Coral Vintage Stakes at Goodwood over 7f (good) last month.
4	ITALY	Foaled 10 Mar. Half-brother to Bowmark, won at 1m. A winner at 7f on good ground. Beaten 1 1/4l by Saba Desert when second of 7 at 4-6fav on his latest outing in the Group 2 bet365 Superlative Stakes at Newmarket over 7f (good to firm) last month.
5	MAY ANGEL	Foaled 8 Mar. Half-brother to Bosphorus Rose, won three times at 1m 2f and 1m 4f. A winner at 9-2 at Southwell over 7f on his latest outing last month, beating Tierra Del Toro by 2 1/4l.

6	OCEANS FOUR	Foaled 31 Jan. Half-brother to Blatant, won twice at 6f. A winner at 6-1 at Ffos Las over 7f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Conjecture by 1 3/4l.
7	ROCHFORTBRIDGE	Foaled 18 Jan. Dam a lightly raced maiden. A winner at 28-1 at Ayr over 7f (good to soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Theseecretadversary by 3/4l.
8	SOVEREIGN OCEAN	Foaled 14 Mar. Dam won at 1m. A winner at 33-1 at Musselburgh over 7f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Proud Nation by a neck.

RACE 3: SKY BET GREAT VOLTIGEUR STAKES (GROUP 2) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY)

LAMBOURN - PRIDE OF ARRAS - CARMERS

Race Preview: Aidan O'Brien has won the last two renewals and LAMBOURN looks set to retain the prize for the Ballydoyle handler. The Derby winner was less impressive when landing the Irish equivalent at the Curragh, but will be fresher for this and is difficult to oppose, despite a 5lb penalty. Pride Of Arras has been gelded after a couple of poor displays behind the selection. He won the Dante on the Knavesmire in fine style back in May and could launch a challenge if returning to that level, while the progressive Carmers won the Queen's Vase at Ascot and is preferred to Arabian Force.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	LAMBOURN	Winner of five races from 1m to 1m 4f on good and heavy ground. Won on his latest outing when 8-13fav in the Group 1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at Curragh over 1m 4f (good) in June, beating Serious Contender by 3/4l. Has won 3 times this season.
2	CARMERS	He has won three times from 1m 5f to 1m 6f on good to firm and good ground. A winner at 9-2 in the Group 2 Queen's Vase at Ascot over 1m 6f (good to firm) on his latest outing in June, beating Furthur by 3/4l. Has won 3 times this season.
3	PRIDE OF ARRAS	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good to firm and good ground. Well beaten at 8-1 behind Lambourn when last of 10 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at Curragh over 1m 4f (good) in June.
4	ARABIAN FORCE	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good to firm ground. Beaten a nose by Nahraan when second of 7 at 7-2 on his latest outing at Hamilton over 1m 3f (good) last month. Has won at Salisbury and Wetherby this season.
5	MOUNT KILIMANJARO	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good and soft ground. Won on his latest outing when evens fav at Chester over 1m 2f (good) in May, beating High Stock by a neck.
6	STAY TRUE	A winner at 1m 2f on good ground. Beaten a short head by Puppet Master when second of 6 at 5-2 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 4f (good to firm) in May.
7	THRICE	Successful at 7f and 1m 2f on good ground. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Lambourn at 80-1 when seventh of 10 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Dubai Duty Free Irish Derby at Curragh over 1m 4f (good) in June.

RACE 4: JUDDMONTE INTERNATIONAL STAKES (GROUP 1) (CLASS 1) (3YO PLUS)

OMBUDSMAN - DELACROIX - DANON DECILE

Race Preview: This year's renewal might be short on numbers but there is no doubting the quality on show, and OMBUDSMAN is fancied to get his revenge having been touched off by Delacroix in the Eclipse last month. Although arguably worth more than the winning margin would suggest that day, the Gosdens' colt is now 3lb better off. His Prince Of Wales' triumph still lives fresh in the memory and if returning to that level of form, he could prove a tough nut to crack. Japanese raider Danon Decile was last seen defeating the classy Calandagan in the Sheema Classic so he merits plenty of respect, while the unbeaten Daryz can't be overlooked either.

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1	BIRR CASTLE	He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good and heavy ground. Finished 4l behind Monty when fourth of 7 at 4-5fav on his latest outing at Chantilly over 1m 2f last month.
2	DANON DECILE	Winner of five races from 1m 1f to 1m 4f on good ground. A winner in the Group 1 Race 8 - Longines Dubai Sheema Classic - Turf at Meydan over 1m 4f (good) in April, beating Calandagan by 1 1/4l. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with S Yasuda in Japan.
3	OMBUDSMAN	Winner of five races from 1m to 1m 2f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten a neck by Delacroix when second of 6 at 6-4fav on his latest outing in the Group 1 Coral-Eclipse at Sandown over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month.
4	SEE THE FIRE	She has won three times from 7f to 1m 2f on good to firm and good ground. Third of 5 behind Whirl beaten 6l at 5-2 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Qatar Nassau Stakes at Goodwood over 1m 2f (heavy) last month.
5	DARYZ	He has won four times at 1m 2f on good to soft and soft ground. Won on his latest outing when 10-11fav in the Group 2 Prix Eugene Adam at Saint-Cloud over 1m 2f (good to soft) in June, beating Bay City Roller by 3/4l.
6	DELACROIX	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m 2f on ground varying from good to firm to good - yielding. A winner at 3-1 in the Group 1 Coral-Eclipse at Sandown over 1m 2f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Ombudsman by a neck. Has won 3 times this season.