

RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING FRIDAY 20 JUNE 2025 MEETING
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RACE 1: ALBANY STAKES (FILLIES' GROUP 3) (CLASS 1) (2YO ONLY) (FROM ASCOT RACE 1)

FAIRY OAK - SIGNORA - FITZELLA

Race Preview: Aidan O'Brien has taken two of the last three renewals and Signora is his contender this year. The daughter of Frankel showed enough to work with when third on her debut in a Group 3 at Naas and it would be no surprise to see her take a big leap forward. Fitzella progressed from her introduction to make a deep impression when victorious at Haydock and is one to watch closely, but a chance can be taken on FAIRY OAK. The daughter of A'Ali outran her odds of 25/1 to finish second on her first start at Navan. With the booking of Colin Keane catching the eye, she could spring a surprise.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AWAKEN	Foaled 8 Mar. Dam won three times in chases between 2m and 2m 1f. Beaten 1/2l by Gold Digger when second of 8 at 7-1 on her racecourse debut at Yarmouth over 6f (good to firm) last month.
2	BALANTINA	Foaled 23 Apr. Half-sister to Baiyka, won at 1m 4f. A winner at 6-1 at Curragh over 6f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Cape Sounion by 1l.
3	BIBI DAHL	Foaled 25 Feb. Full sister to Forbidden Kingdom, won three times between 5f and 1m including two Group 2 races. Beaten 4l by Lennilu when second of 11 at 7-1 on her racecourse debut at Gulfstream over 5f (good) last month.
4	FAIRY OAK	Foaled 26 Feb. Dam won twice at 1m 1f. Beaten 2 3/4l by Warsaw when second of 12 at 25-1 on her racecourse debut at Navan over 5f (good) earlier this month.
5	FITZELLA	Foaled 20 Mar. Half-sister to Admiral Nelson, won twice at 5f and 7f. A winner at 5-4 at Haydock over 6f (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Tahalel by 3 1/2l.
6	GOLD DIGGER	Foaled 15 Apr. Dam a lightly raced maiden. Won on her latest outing when 9-4fav at Yarmouth over 6f (good to firm) last month, beating Awaken by 1/2l.
7	GREEN SENSE	Foaled 5 May. Half-sister to K Club, won three times at 5f and 6f including a Group 3 race. A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 3/4l by Lady Iman when second of 6 at 8-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Coolmore Stud Irish EBF Blackbeard Fillies Sprint Stakes at Naas over 6f (good) last month.
8	INDIGO DAWN	Foaled 14 Mar. Dam a lightly raced maiden. Won on her latest outing when 5-2jt-fav at Goodwood over 6f (good) last month, beating Coming Attraction by 1l.
9	IPANEMA QUEEN	Foaled 29 Mar. Half-sister to Ancient State, won at 5f. A winner at 7-2 at Curragh over 6f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Later Than Planned by 6l.
10	MAGNY COURS	Foaled 7 Feb. Half-sister to Gweedore, won 12 times at 7f and 1m. A winner at 15-2 at Listowel over 6f (good - yielding) on her latest outing earlier this month, beating Luna Mia by a head.
11	NANDITA	Foaled 5 Mar. Half-sister to Daytona Lady, won six times at 5f and 6f. Won on her latest outing when 4-9fav at Kempton over 6f last month, beating Mood Queen by 2l.
12	OH CECELIA	Foaled 23 Feb. Dam won at 1m. A winner at 5-1 at Cork over 5f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Rogue Legend by 1 1/2l.

13	SEÑORITA VEGA	Foaled 22 Mar. A winner at 5-2 at Brighton over 6f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Sparkling Pink by 4l.
14	SIGNORA	Foaled 21 Apr. Full sister to Exactly, won twice at 7f including a Group 3 race. Third of 6 behind Lady Iman beaten 2 1/2l at 12-1 on her racecourse debut in the Group 3 Coolmore Stud Irish EBF Blackbeard Fillies Sprint Stakes at Naas over 6f (good) last month.
15	SPINNING LIZZIE	Foaled 6 Feb. Half-sister to Patty Patch, won three times at 6f and 7f. Won on her latest outing when 13-8fav at Ripon over 6f (good) last month, beating Anaïsa by 1l.
16	TAHALEL	Foaled 17 Feb. Dam unraced. Beaten 3 1/2l by Fitzella when second of 6 at 6-5fav on her racecourse debut at Haydock over 6f (good to firm) last month.
17	VENETIAN SUN	Foaled 3 Feb. Half-sister to Got The Moves, won at 7f. Won on her latest outing when 1-2fav at Carlisle over 5f (good to firm) last month, beating Argentine Tango by 1 1/2l.

RACE 2: COMMONWEALTH CUP (GROUP 1) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY) (FROM ASCOT RACE 2)

SHADOW OF LIGHT - BABOUCHE - WHISTLEJACKET

Race Preview: Last year's winner Inisherin proved that dropping back down in trip after tasting defeat in the 2000 Guineas can open new doors for a progressive horse and it is highly noteworthy SHADOW OF LIGHT follows suit after his gallant third-placed finish in the Classic at Newmarket. Having won the Middle Park and Dewhurst on his way to claiming champion juvenile honours last year, the son of Lope De Vega is expected to excel as a sprinter. Babouche has already accounted for Whistlejacket in two high-profile races in Ireland so must be regarded as a serious player in receipt of 3lb from the boys. Ides Of March, Jonquil and Big Mojo all hold solid chances of gaining some prize money.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AIN'T NOBODY	Successful twice at 5f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Symbol Of Honour when fifth of 9 at 14-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock over 6f (good) last month.
2	ARABIE	He has won three times at 6f on good to soft ground. Finished 4 1/2l behind Rayevka when fourth of 10 at 3-1 on his latest outing at Chantilly over 6f (good to soft) earlier this month.
3	ARIZONA BLAZE	He has won four times from 5f to 6f on good and heavy ground and on the all-weather. Finished 2 3/4l behind Symbol Of Honour when sixth of 9 at 11-4 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock over 6f (good) last month.
4	BERKSHIRE WHISPER	He has won three times at 6f on the all-weather. Finished 4l behind Symbol Of Honour when fourth of 10 at 12-1 on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (good to firm) last month.
5	BIG MOJO	Successful at 5f and 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 1 3/4l behind Symbol Of Honour when fourth of 9 at 11-2 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock over 6f (good) last month.
6	DIABLO ROJO	Successful twice at 6f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1/2l by Big Mojo when second of 10 at 9-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to firm) in April.
7	IDES OF MARCH	Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 1 3/4l by Symbol Of Honour when second of 10 at evens fav on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (good to firm) last month.
8	JONQUIL	Successful twice at 7f on good ground. Beaten a head by Henri Matisse when second of 16 at 9-2 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Poulains at ParisLongchamp over 1m (good) last month.

9	SHADOW OF LIGHT	He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good and soft ground. Third of 11 behind Ruling Court beaten 1l at 6-1 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Betfred 2000 Guineas Stakes at Newmarket over 1m (good) last month.
10	SOLDIER'S HEART	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good ground. Finished 5l behind Rayevka when fifth of 10 at 11-4fav on his latest outing at Chantilly over 6f (good to soft) earlier this month.
11	STRONG WARRIOR	Successful at 5f and 6f on good ground. Beaten 1 1/4l by So Darn Hot when second of 9 at 9-4fav on his latest outing at Windsor over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month.
12	WHISTLEJACKET	He has won four times from 5f to 6f on good to soft and soft ground. Beaten 2 3/4l by Babouche when second of 6 at 4-5fav on his latest outing in the Group 3 Goffs Lacken Stakes at Naas over 6f (good) last month.
13	ARABIAN DUSK	A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten a short head by Symbol Of Honour when second of 9 at 18-1 on her latest outing in the Group 2 Betfred Sandy Lane Stakes at Haydock over 6f (good) last month.
14	BABOUCHE	She has won four times at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good - yielding. A winner at 2-1 in the Group 3 Goffs Lacken Stakes at Naas over 6f (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Whistlejacket by 2 3/4l.
15	CARLA RIDGE	A winner at 6f on good ground. Third of 6 behind Babouche beaten 3l at 10-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Goffs Lacken Stakes at Naas over 6f (good) last month.
16	LADY WITH THE LAMP	She has won four times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 5-1 at Chelmsford City over 6f on her latest outing last month, beating Hold A Dream by a neck.
17	LEOVANNI	Successful twice at 5f on good to firm ground. Finished 1 1/2l behind Balmoral Lady when fourth of 8 at 4-1 on her latest outing at Haydock over 5f (good) last month.
18	RAYEVKA	Successful twice at 6f on good to soft and soft ground. A winner at 10-3 at Chantilly over 6f (good to soft) on her latest outing earlier this month, beating Apollo Fountain by 3l.
19	SAYIDAH DARIYAN	Successful twice at 6f on the all-weather. Third of 10 behind Symbol Of Honour beaten 2l at 10-1 on her latest outing at Newbury over 6f (good to firm) last month.
20	SHISOSPICY	She has won four times from 5f to 6f on good ground and on the all-weather. Won on her latest outing when 7-5fav in the Group 3 Mamzelle Stakes - Grade 3 at Churchill Downs over 5f (good) last month, beating Kilwin by 4 1/2l.
21	SKY MAJESTY	She has won three times at 6f on good to firm and heavy ground. Third of 7 behind Sayidah Dariyan beaten 4l at 5-4fav on her latest outing at Chelmsford City over 6f in April.
22	TIME FOR SANDALS	A winner at 6f on the all-weather. Beaten a head by Woodshauna when second of 7 at 4-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Texanita Stakes - Group 3 at Chantilly over 6f (soft) last month.
RACE 3:	DUKE OF EDINBURGH STAKES (HANDICAP) (GBBPLUS RACE) (CLASS 2) (3YO PLUS) (FROM ASCOT RACE 3)	
	HAND OF GOD - ETHICAL DIAMOND - ALMOSH'HER	

Race Preview: An Irish raider has taken this valuable prize in the last two years and Ethical Diamond is likely to mount a bold bid in an attempt to improve on that trend. Willie Mullins' five-year-old was fourth when sent off favourite for last year's renewal and returns off 2lb higher, while Almosh'her has an appealing profile after making it two from two in handicaps at York and he may have plenty more in the locker, but HAND OF GOD gets the nod. Harry Charlton's charge came through the field to land the Golden Gates over 1m2f at the 2024 Royal meeting and ran too badly to be true last month at Newmarket on his first start since. The son of Churchill potentially remains on a lenient rating and could bounce back.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	TEUMESSIAS FOX	Winner of five races from 1m 2f to 1m 4f on good ground and on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Military Order beaten 3 1/2l at 17-2 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m 2f in April.
2	FLIGHT LEADER	He has won four times from 1m 1f to 1m 2f on heavy ground and on the all-weather. Finished 3l behind Let's Dream when fourth of 9 at 33-1 on his latest outing at Chester over 1m 2f (good) last month.
3	SEE HECTOR	He has won three times at 1m on soft ground. Beaten 17l behind Almosh'her at 40-1 when 11th of 12 on his latest outing at York over 1m 4f (good to firm) last month.
4	CAVIAR HEIGHTS	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good ground. Finished 9l behind Persica when sixth of 9 at 12-1 on his latest outing at Ayr over 1m 2f (good to firm) in September last year. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with K R Burke.
5	MUTAAWID	Successful at 1m 2f and 1m 4f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Finished 6l behind Ecureuil Secret when fifth of 13 at 9-2 on his latest outing at Epsom over 1m 2f (good to soft) earlier this month.
6	NAQEEB	Successful at 1m 4f and 1m 6f on good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 3 1/2l behind Stressfree when fifth of 14 at 16-1 on his latest outing at Haydock over 1m 4f (good) last month.
7	HAND OF GOD	He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Beaten 10l behind Fox Legacy at 13-8fav when 9th of 13 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 1m 1f (good) last month.
8	MOUNT ATLAS	Successful at 1m 2f and 1m 4f on good and soft ground. Finished 3 1/2l behind Illinois when fifth of 6 at 8-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Ladbrokes Big-Value You Can Bet On Ormonde Stakes at Chester over 1m 5f (good) last month.
9	STRESSFREE	He has won four times from 1m 1f to 1m 4f on ground varying from good to heavy; has also won a hurdle in February. A winner at 11-2 at Haydock over 1m 4f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Kildare Legend by a neck.
10	MAX MAYHEM	Winner of five races from 1m 2f to 1m 4f on good and yielding ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 14l behind Almosh'her at 18-1 when 10th of 12 on his latest outing at York over 1m 4f (good to firm) last month.
11	SIEGE OF TROY	A winner at 1m 2f on good ground. Finished 8l behind Trustyourinstinct when fourth of 7 at 10-3 on her latest outing at Curragh over 1m 4f (good) last month.
12	FRENCH DUKE	A winner at 1m 4f on good to firm ground. Beaten 3l by The Reverend when second of 9 at 4-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (soft) in September last year.
13	WAR ROOMS	A winner at 7f on soft ground. Beaten a nose by San Salvador when second of 5 at 8-13fav on his latest outing at Killarney over 1m 6f (good) last month.
14	ALMOSH'HER	He has won three times from 1m to 1m 4f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 15-2 at York over 1m 4f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Stressfree by a head. Has also won at Kempton this season.

15	AULD TOON LOON	He has won three times at 1m 2f on good to firm and soft ground. Beaten a head by Let's Dream when second of 9 at 18-1 on his latest outing at Chester over 1m 2f (good) last month.
16	BRODURE	Successful twice at 1m 2f on soft and heavy ground. Third of 14 behind Rose Jaipur beaten 3/4l at 16-1 on her latest outing at Le Lion D'angers over 1m 2f (soft) last month.
17	BLUE LEMONS	A winner at 7f on soft ground; has also won two hurdles (latest NH win was in April). Well beaten at 33-1 behind Mickley when 27th of 29 on his latest flat outing here over 1m (good to firm) in June last year.
18	ETHICAL DIAMOND	A winner at 1m 4f on yielding ground, but that win was over two years ago; has also won a hurdle in February. Finished 2 3/4l behind Crystal Black when fourth of 19 at 7-4fav on his latest flat outing over this course and distance (good to firm) in June last year.
19	SATIN	She has won three times from 1m to 1m 5f on good and yielding ground. Third of 5 behind Kyprios beaten 2 3/4l at 33-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Saval Beg Levmoos Stakes at Leopardstown over 1m 6f (good) last month.
20	HMS PRESIDENT	He has won four times from 1m to 1m 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago; has also won a hurdle in November last year. Finished 7l behind Alrazeen when last of 6 at 12-1 on his latest flat outing at Kempton over 2m in February.
21	CRYSTAL FLYER	She has won three times from 1m 2f to 1m 4f on good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 14l behind Scenic at 18-1 when last of 7 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Bronte Cup Fillies' Stakes at York over 1m 6f (good) last month.
22	CUMULONIMBUS	Winner of five races from 1m 2f to 1m 4f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 11l behind Passion And Glory at 33-1 when 11th of 13 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good) in July last year.

RACE 4: CORONATION STAKES (FILLIES' GROUP 1) (RND) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY) (FROM ASCOT RACE 4)

FALAKEYAH - ZARIGANA - EXACTLY

Race Preview: The fact that FALAKEYAH has been supplemented could be a tip in itself, and Owen Burrows' filly looked every inch a Group 1 performer in the making when landing the Pretty Polly at Newmarket. Jim Crowley's mount showed electric pace on that occasion and, as long as she settles, it may be difficult for Zarigana to peg her back. The daughter of Siyouni was awarded the French 1000 Guineas after interference and has given the impression on a couple of occasions that going over further than 1m may bring out the best in her. A slightly unlucky fourth in the Longchamp Classic when short of room, Exactly has a Royal Ascot pedigree being out of Queen Mary winner Heartache, but she will need to improve again. A taking winner of a Listed contest at York, Kon Tiki deserves a crack at this level and the booking of William Buick catches the eye.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	CATHEDRAL	A winner at 6f on the all-weather. Finished 2l behind Great Generation when fourth of 6 at 11-10fav on her latest outing in the Group 3 William Hill Chartwell Fillies' Stakes at Lingfield over 7f (good to firm) last month.
2	CERCENE	A winner at 7f on good ground. Third of 12 behind Lake Victoria beaten 4l at 20-1 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 1,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
3	CHANTILLY LACE	A winner at 7f on heavy ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Desert Flower when fifth of 10 at 25-1 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Betfred 1000 Guineas Stakes at Newmarket over 1m (good to firm) last month.
4	DUTY FIRST	Successful twice at 7f on good ground. Finished 4 1/2l behind Lake Victoria when fourth of 12 at 25-1 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 1,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
5	EXACTLY	Successful twice at 7f on good and soft ground. Finished 1 1/4l behind Zarigana when fourth of 13 at 11-2 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Pouliches at ParisLongchamp over 1m (good) last month.

6	FALAKEYAH	Successful at 1m 1f and 1m 2f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Won on her latest outing when 6-4fav at Newmarket over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month, beating Life Is Beautiful by 3 1/2l.
7	FLIGHT	A winner at 7f on good ground. Finished 6l behind Lake Victoria when sixth of 12 at 5-1 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 1,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
8	JANUARY	Successful twice at 7f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 8l behind Lake Victoria at 14-1 when eighth of 12 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 1,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
9	KON TIKI	She has won three times from 7f to 1m on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 11-2 at York over 1m (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Bermuda Longtail by 1/2l. Has also won at Kempton this season.
10	SIMMERING	Successful at 6f and 7f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 12l behind Lake Victoria at 12-1 when 11th of 12 on her latest outing in the Group 1 Tattersalls Irish 1,000 Guineas at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.
11	ZARIGANA	She has won four times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to soft. Won on her latest outing when 11-10fav in the Group 1 Emirates Poule d'Essai des Pouliches at ParisLongchamp over 1m (good) last month, beating Shes Perfect by a short head.

RACE 5: KING EDWARD VII STAKES (GROUP 2) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY) (FROM ASCOT RACE 6)

PUPPET MASTER - ZAHRANN - AMILOC

Race Preview: PUPPET MASTER goes from strength to strength. Fourth in the Ballysax at Leopardstown in March, when only a couple of lengths behind subsequent Derby hero Lambourn, he showed further improvement to land the Lingfield Derby Trial last time. There should be even more in the locker and the son of Camelot makes most appeal. Zahrann is another Irish challenger to consider, having won a Listed contest at Leopardstown in fine style, while Amiloc remains unbeaten after easily winning a Listed race at Goodwood and commands the utmost respect. Third in the Dante, the tough and consistent Wimbledon Hawkeye is also likely to prove competitive.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AMILOC	He has won four times from 7f to 1m 3f on good ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 11-10fav at Goodwood over 1m 3f (good) last month, beating Sir Dinadan by 4l. Has won twice at Goodwood this season.
2	CONVERGENT	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good and soft ground. Third of 8 behind Lambourn beaten 3 1/2l at 9-2 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Boodles Chester Vase Stakes at Chester over 1m 4f (good) last month.
3	GALVESTON	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good and good - yielding ground. A winner at 7-2 at Naas over 1m 2f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Heather by 1 3/4l.
4	GREEN STORM	A winner at 1m 1f on good ground. Beaten 10l behind Lambourn at 50-1 when seventh of 18 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Betfred Derby at Epsom over 1m 4f (good) earlier this month.
5	MINHAD	A winner at 6-1 at Newmarket over 1m 4f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Pole Star by a head.
6	NIGHTWALKER	A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Well beaten at 40-1 behind Lambourn when 12th of 18 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Betfred Derby at Epsom over 1m 4f (good) earlier this month.
7	OPPORTUNITY	A winner at 1m 4f on good ground. Finished 9l behind Amiloc when fourth of 8 at 4-1 on his latest outing at Goodwood over 1m 3f (good) last month.

8	PUPPET MASTER	Successful at 1m and 1m 4f on good to firm and soft ground. Won on his latest outing when 4-5fav at Lingfield over 1m 4f (good to firm) last month, beating Stay True by a short head.
9	REGAL ULIXES	Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good and soft ground. A winner at 5-2 at Doncaster over 1m 2f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Daiquiri Bay by a neck.
10	WIMBLEDON HAWKEYE	Successful at 7f and 1m on soft ground and on the all-weather. Third of 11 behind Pride Of Arras beaten 3l at 7-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai Dante Stakes at York over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month.
11	ZAHRANN	Successful at 1m 2f and 1m 4f on good ground. A winner at 5-2 at Leopardstown over 1m 4f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Arouet by 2 1/4l.