

**RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING FRIDAY 24 APRIL 2026 MEETING
SANDOWN**

RACE 1: BET365 HANDICAP (CLASS 2) (3YO ONLY)

AMBISHIO - CALICO BLUE - HYPNOTISED

Race Preview: Calico Blue looked to be one to keep on the right side of when recording a double at Chester in his juvenile campaign and must enter calculations on his handicap bow. However, it has been 287 days since Roger Varian's colt has been seen and a race-fit AMBISHIO is slightly more appealing. The Kuroshio gelding arrives on the back of a close second at Southwell and a 2lb rise in the ratings looks workable. Hypnotised and Atticum are feasible alternatives.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	UNDERWRITER	Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 8l behind Cape Orator at 5-1 when 9th of 14 on his latest outing at Deauville over 6f (soft) in August last year.
2	CALICO BLUE	Successful twice at 6f on good and good to soft ground. Won on his latest outing when 4-6fav at Chester over 6f (good) in July last year, beating Blazing by 5l.
3	SIR ALFIE	Successful at 5f and 6f on good ground. Beaten 8l behind Sovereign Spell at 100-1 when eighth of 13 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 6f (good) earlier this month.
4	ATTICUM	Won on his latest outing when 7-5fav at Yarmouth over 5f (good to soft) in October last year, beating Overbudget by 3 1/2l.
5	BLACK STAR BOY	A winner at 6f on good to soft ground. Beaten 6l behind Division at 10-1 when eighth of 13 on his latest outing at York over 6f (good) in October last year.
6	OLD IS GOLD	A winner at 5f on good ground. Beaten 4l behind Ruby's Angel at 7-1 when 12th of 19 on his latest outing at York over 6f (good to firm) in August last year.
7	HYPNOTISED	Won on his latest outing when 4-6fav at Southwell over 5f in September last year, beating Yellow Diamonds by 2l.
8	AMBISHIO	A winner at 5f on the all-weather. Beaten 1/2l by Proof when second of 7 at 9-4fav on his latest outing at Southwell over 5f earlier this month.
9	ONE AND GONE	A winner at 6f on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Al Najashi at 22-1 when seventh of 14 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 6f earlier this month.

RACE 2: BET365 ESHER CUP HANDICAP (CLASS 2) (3YO ONLY)

ORGANISE - NOBODY KNOWS - BREATHE EASY

Race Preview: The hat-trick seeking ORGANISE still exhibited signs of greenness when scoring at Yarmouth recently and there should be more to come. The three-year-old had previously made light work of the opposition on his debut as a juvenile at Southwell and he could take this en route to bigger things. Nobody Knows boasts a similar profile and he's feared most in receipt of 8lb from the selection, with the progressive Breathe Easy the pick of the remainder.

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1	GOODWOOD GALAXY	A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 2l behind Look To The Stars when fourth of 7 at 5-1 on his latest outing at Newbury over 1m (good to soft) in September last year.
2	LOOK TO THE STARS	Successful at 7f and 1m on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Finished 5l behind Pierre Bonnard when sixth of 8 at 6-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Night Of Thunder Zetland Stakes at Newmarket over 1m 2f (good to firm) in October last year.
3	ORGANISE	Successful at 7f and 1m on good ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 8-15fav at Yarmouth over 1m (good) earlier this month, beating Weheedd by 1 1/4l.
4	SUSPENDED SENTENCE	Successful twice at 1m on good to firm and soft ground. Finished 1 1/4l behind Royal Chapel when fourth of 12 at 13-2 on his latest outing at Bordeaux Le Bouscat over 1m (heavy) in September last year.
5	LAUREATE CROWN	Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 7-4 at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f on his latest outing last month, beating Waterford Castle by 1/2l.
6	CAPALL RASA	Successful at 7f and 1m on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 8-11fav at Southwell over 1m in November last year, beating Aleen by 8l.
7	NOBODY KNOWS	Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on soft ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 5-6fav at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f last month, beating Sintra by 1 1/2l.
8	BREATHE EASY	Successful at 7f and 1m on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 6-4fav at Southwell over 1m in February, beating Chantelle by a neck.

RACE 3: BET365 GORDON RICHARDS STAKES (GROUP 3) (CLASS 1) (4YO PLUS)

ALMERIC - DEVIL'S ADVOCATE - KING OF CITIES

Race Preview: Devil's Advocate wasn't disgraced when seventh in the Champion Stakes last year and returned with a respectable second in a Listed event at Kempton earlier this month. The four-year-old should be in the mix once more, but ALMERIC could prove too strong. Andrew Balding has made a fine start to the turf season and his Study Of Man colt, a dual Listed winner as a three-year-old, looks capable of better entering a new campaign. Stable debutant King Of Cities is also worth a second look.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ALMERIC	He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to soft and soft ground. Beaten 14l behind Calandagan at 18-1 when 9th of 11 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Qipco Champion Stakes at Ascot over 1m 2f (good) in October last year.
2	DEVIL'S ADVOCATE	Successful twice at 1m 2f on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 3 1/2l by Gethin when second of 7 at 15-8 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m 2f earlier this month.
3	KING OF CITIES	Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on good to firm and good ground. Finished 6l behind First Look when fifth of 8 at 9-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Qatar Prix Dollar at ParisLongchamp over 1m 2f (good to soft) in October last year. Having his first run for a new stable today.
4	SADDADD	He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to firm and soft ground and on the all-weather. Third of 11 behind Naqeeb beaten 1l at 11-8fav on his latest outing at Goodwood over 1m 2f (good to soft) in September last year.

5 MUDDY MOOY Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on the all-weather. Third of 7 behind Gethin beaten 3 1/2l at 22-1 on her latest outing at Kempton over 1m 2f earlier this month.

RACE 4: BET365 MILE (GROUP 2) (CLASS 1) (4YO PLUS)

FIELD OF GOLD - ZEUS OLYMPIOS - OPERA BALLO

Race Preview: This is a cracking renewal and FIELD OF GOLD can book his ticket to Newbury and the Lockinge Stakes with a win. John and Thady Gosden's charge could only manage fifth behind Cicero's Gift in the QEII at Ascot but just wasn't himself that day and is better judged on previous form which includes a Classic win at the Curragh and a sparkling performance at Royal Ascot in the St James's Palace. Zeus Olympios is unbeaten and had Opera Ballo's measure in the Joel Stakes at Newmarket last September. Charlie Appleby's subsequent Jebel Hatta winner franked that form in Dubai and is another expected to go well, along with City Of York Stakes winner Never So Brave.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	CICERO'S GIFT	Winner of six races from 1m to 1m 1f on ground varying from good to soft and on the all-weather. A winner at 100-1 in the Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot over 1m (good) on his latest outing in October last year, beating The Lion In Winter by 1 1/4l.
2	OPERA BALLO	Winner of six races from 1m to 1m 1f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner in the Group 1 Race 7 - Jebel Hatta Presented By Longines - Turf at Meydan over 1m 1f in January, beating Silawi by 2 1/2l.
3	ZEUS OLYMPIOS	He has won four times from 7f to 1m on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 2-1 in the Group 2 Boyle Sports Daily Racing Rewards Joel Stakes at Newmarket over 1m (good to firm) on his latest outing in September last year, beating Opera Ballo by 2 1/4l.
4	DANCING GEMINI	He has won four times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to soft. Beaten 10l behind Cicero's Gift at 33-1 when 13th of 16 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot over 1m (good) in October last year.
5	FIELD OF GOLD	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on good to firm and good ground. Finished 2 3/4l behind Cicero's Gift when fifth of 16 at 13-8fav on his latest outing in the Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot over 1m (good) in October last year.
6	NEVER SO BRAVE	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 5l behind Cicero's Gift at 6-1 when seventh of 16 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes at Ascot over 1m (good) in October last year.

RACE 5: BET365 CLASSIC TRIAL (GROUP 3) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY)

ACTION - RAAHEEB - WISE PRINCE

Race Preview: ACTION is the highest rated of these three-year-olds and is of huge interest on his seasonal debut for last year's winning handler. The Frankel colt sports a first-time tongue-tie and produced his best effort as a juvenile when signing off for the year in the Group 1 Futurity Trophy at Doncaster. That close-up second to stable companion Hawk Mountain is the best form on offer here and he commands the utmost respect. Raaheeb won readily on his Ascot debut and is noted, while Nottingham winner Wise Prince boasts a similar profile and joins Al Zanati on the shortlist.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ACTION	A winner at 1m on good - yielding ground. Beaten 1/2l by Hawk Mountain when second of 5 at 3-1 on his latest outing in the Group 1 William Hill Futurity Trophy Stakes at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) in October last year.
2	AL ZANATI	Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 1-2fav in the Group 3 Prix Thomas Bryon - AWT at Chantilly over 1m 1f in November last year, beating Bourbon Blues by a head.

3	OCEANS FOUR	Successful at 7f and 1m on good and good to soft ground. A winner at 3-1 in the Group 3 Prix des Chenes - Fonds Europeen de l'Elevage at Chantilly over 1m (good to soft) on his latest outing in September last year, beating Elastic by a neck.
4	RAAHEEB	Won on his latest outing when 7-4fav at Ascot over 7f (soft) in September last year, beating Pompette by 1 1/4l.
5	SPYCE	A winner at 1m on good to soft ground. Finished 3l behind Pierre Bonnard when fourth of 8 at 8-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Night Of Thunder Zetland Stakes at Newmarket over 1m 2f (good to firm) in October last year.
6	WINDING STREAM	A winner at 7f on the all-weather. Beaten 1 1/4l by Balzac when second of 13 at 11-4 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m earlier this month.
7	WISE PRINCE	Half-brother to Dreams Of Thunder, won at 6f. A winner at 9-2 at Nottingham over 1m (good to soft) on his latest outing in October last year, beating Glory Road by 3 1/2l.

RACE 6: BET365 'WILD CARD' FILLIES' NOVICE STAKES (GBB RACE) (CLASS 3) (3YO ONLY)

SUNSHINE STAR - RIBBON OF SEA - LADYKIRK

Race Preview: The Gosden's have won two of the previous three renewals of this, including with the talented Emily Upjohn in 2022, and they could taste further success courtesy of SUNSHINE STAR. The daughter of Sea The Stars shaped with promise when second on her debut at Kempton but being a half-sister to Oaks heroine Soul Sister, she could take a big step forward now sent over further. Charlie Appleby's Wolverhampton winner Ribbon Of Sea has to be respected, and so does Ladykirk, who found only an Appleby-trained filly too strong on her debut.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	FELICITAS	Dam won at 7f. A winner at 18-1 at Lingfield over 1m on her latest outing in December last year, beating Allaire by 2 1/2l.
2	RIBBON OF SEA	Won on her latest outing when 4-5fav at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f last month, beating Oscar Nominee by 2l.
3	ALMA LATINA	Dam won twice at 1m 2f.
4	BINTSALEH	Unplaced in both starts. Third of 7 behind Harriet Quimby beaten 2 1/4l at 10-3 on her latest outing at Yarmouth over 1m 2f (good) earlier this month.
5	CORALLIENCE	Finished 7l behind My Ophelia when sixth of 9 at 18-1 on her racecourse debut at Newbury over 1m (soft) in October last year.
6	LADYKIRK	Beaten 3l by Ottoman Empress when second of 10 at 11-1 on her racecourse debut at Yarmouth over 1m (good to soft) in October last year.
7	PALOMEZCAL	Half-sister to Paggane, won three times in chases at 2m 4f and 3m, twice over hurdles at 2m 4f and 3m 1f and on the flat at 1m 5f.

8	RUBY WEDDING	Unplaced in both starts. Finished 4l behind My Ophelia when fifth of 9 at 11-1 on her latest outing at Newbury over 1m (soft) in October last year.
9	SULLOM VOE	Half-sister to Patrick Sarsfield, won six times between 1m and 1m 2f including a Group 3 race.
10	SUNSHINE STAR	Half-sister to Soul Sister, won three times between 1m and 1m 4f including a Group 1 race. Beaten 1/2l by She Commands when second of 6 at 15-8 on her racecourse debut at Kempton over 1m in October last year.

RACE 7: NORDOFF & ROBBINS OZZY OSBOURNE MEMORIAL HANDICAP (CLASS 4) (3YO ONLY)

LOST BOYS - BNAIDER - MAGIC TRIP

Race Preview: LOST BOYS was less than six lengths in arrears of the current 2000 Guineas favourite Bow Echo on his debut at Newbury before going close at Ascot and then breaking his duck at Haydock. Stamina on the dam's side of his pedigree would suggest the Night Of Thunder colt will relish this step up in trip and an opening mark of 83 might be lenient. Oisin Murphy gets aboard bottom-weight Bnaider for the first time and that makes him of interest. Magic Trip heads the remainder.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	COLOURBAND	A winner at 2-1 at Bath over 1m 2f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Baltic Fleet by 4l.
2	LOST BOYS	Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Haydock over 1m (good to soft) in September last year, beating Poseidon's Warrior by 3/4l.
3	INTO THE LIGHT	A winner at 1m 2f on the all-weather. Beaten 3l by Ravenspire when second of 6 at 10-11fav on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f last month.
4	MAGIC TRIP	A winner at 1m on good to soft ground. Third of 13 behind Balzac beaten 1 1/2l at 13-8 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m earlier this month.
5	THE JOKER	Placed twice in four starts. Beaten 11l behind Yazin at 9-1 when 9th of 15 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) in October last year.
6	BNAIDER	Placed once in three starts. Third of 10 behind Gonna Fly beaten 7l at 9-4fav on his latest outing at Newbury over 1m (soft) in October last year.