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BACKGROUND INFORMATION FOR ROYAL ASCOT 2019

Deirdre (JPN)

5 b m Harbinger (GB) - Reizend (JPN) (Special Week (JPN))

Born: April 4, 2014  
Breeder: Northern Farm  
Owner: Toji Morita  
Trainer: Mitsuru Hashida  
Jockey: Yutaka Take  
Form: 3/64110/63112-646  
*Aimed at the £750,000 G1 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes over 10 furlongs on June 19 – her trainer’s first runner in Britain.  
*The mare’s career highlight came when landing the G1 Shuka Sho over 10 furlongs at Kyoto in October, 2017.  
*She has also won two G3s and a G2 in Japan.  
*Has competed outside of Japan on four occasions, with the pick of those efforts coming when third to Benbatl in the 2018 G1 Dubai Turf (1m 1f) at Meydan, UAE, and a fast-finishing second when beaten a length by Glorious Forever in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Cup (1m 2f) at Sha Tin, Hong Kong, in December.  
*Fourth behind compatriot Almond Eye in this year’s G1 Dubai Turf in March.  
*Finished a staying-on sixth of 13 on her latest start in the G1 FWD QEII Cup (1m 2f) at Sha Tin on April 28 when coming from the rear and meeting trouble in running. Yutaka Take rode her for the first time.  
Race record: Starts: 23; Wins: 7; 2nd: 3; 3rd: 4; Win & Place Prize Money: £2,875,083

Toji Morita  
Born: December 23, 1932. Ownership history: The business owner has been registered as racehorse owner over 40 years since 1978 by the JRA (Japan Racing Association). He also has horses in the other jurisdiction in Japan, the NAR (National Association of Racing). The victory of Deirdre in the G1 Shuka Sho in 2017 has been the highlight of his ownership. He currently has nine JRA horses including Deirdre and they are all trained by Mitsuru Hashida.

Mitsuru Hashida (Japan)  
Born: September 15, 1952. Background: son of a former jockey and trainer. Had a short career as an apprentice rider before setting his sights on becoming a trainer. Granted his first training licence on March 1, 1983, having spent five years as an assistant trainer. Enjoyed first G1 success in 1990 courtesy of Passing Shot in the Mile Championship. Other top level performers include 1999 G1 Japanese Derby victor Admire Vega and dual G1 heroine Admire Groove, the dam of dual Classic winner Duramente. Hashida’s best season numerically came in 1995 when he sent out 34 winners. He is closing in on his 700th JRA winner (699 as of June 12) – 651 Flat successes and 48 over jumps. Deidre will be his first British runner.

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Yutaka Take  
Born: March 15, 1969 in Kyoto, Japan. Background: He has been the subject of national adulation in Japan, where he features as one of the country’s top sporting figures. Yutaka Take is the son of legendary jockey turned trainer Kunihiko Take, who was known as the ‘Magician of the Turf’. He rode his first winner on Dyna Bishop at Hanshin on March 7, 1987, and won 69 races when champion apprentice that year, a record for a first-season rider. Achievements: Take has been champion Japanese jockey 18 times (1989-1990, 1992-2000 and 2002-2008 inclusive) and his 2005 title saw him win a record 212 races. In 1991 he became the first Japanese rider to win a Pattern race overseas when taking the G3 Seneca Stakes on El Senor at Saratoga, USA, and he was also the first Japanese jockey to win a Pattern race in Europe when landing the 1994 G1 Prix du Moulin on Ski Paradise at Longchamp, France, as well as the first to score in Britain, when winning the 2000 G1 Darley July Cup at Newmarket on Agnes World. In recent years, Take has also plundered the G1 Prix d’Ispahan in France aboard A Shin Hikari in 2016 and the Hong Kong Cup courtesy of the same horse in 2015. Take is an internationally renowned jockey who has travelled extensively and was based in California in 2000 as well as riding in France during the 2001 and 2002 seasons, before returning to his domestic base. He partnered the great Deep Impact in all of his races, including the 2005 Japanese Triple Crown. On July 22, 2007, Take established a record in Japan when recording his 2,944th success at a Japan Racing Association (JRA) track, passing the record of 2,943 achieved by Yukio Okabe. On November 3, 2007, Take reached another milestone
when becoming the first JRA rider to record 3,000 victories. That win, on two-year-old Sky Beauty at Kyoto racecourse, was his 14,288th JRA ride and came 20 years and eight months after the jockey made his career debut. On September 29, 2018, he became the first JRA jockey to surpass 4,000 winners following victory aboard Meisho Kazuhime at Hanshin. As of June 12, 2019, he had enjoyed 4,071 JRA winners from 21,688 mounts. The 5ft 7in jockey’s numerous notable victories include four in the Japan Cup thanks to Special Week (1999), Deep Impact (2006), Rose Kingdom (2010) and Kitasan Black (2016) and he has won the Japanese Derby a record five times. He has partnered over 100 G1 winners in Japan, plus enjoying 24 wins overseas in Group races, including seven G1 events in the United Kingdom, France, Hong Kong and Dubai. Take won at least one G1 contest for 23 straight seasons and has taken a Graded stakes race for 32 consecutive seasons. In recent years, Take has been associated with multiple G1 winners A Shin Hikari, who ran at Royal Ascot in 2016, and the 2016 & 2017 Japanese Horse of the year Kitasan Black. Ascot Record: Yet to partner a winner at Royal Ascot, coming closest when runner-up on Agnes Word in the 2000 King’s Stand Stakes. He has been a regular participant in the Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup at the Royal course, participating eight times and gaining four successes.

No previous Royal Ascot winners

Enzo’s Lad (AUS)

6 b g Testa Rossa (AUS) – Sheerama (AUS) (Catbird (AUS))

Born: July 31, 2012
Breeder: Reavill Farm Management
Owner: Noel Beban, Phil Bentley, Keith Bradley, Steve Grant, John Jacobsen, Philip Murphy, Michael Pitman, Ian & Leigh Vibert
Trainer: Michael & Matthew Pitman NZ
Form: 14/071216052/35232217/1903717-179
*Set to be only the second New Zealand-trained horse to run at Royal Ascot following Seachange, who finished 12th in the 2008 G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (6f). Entered in the same race on June 22 and the G1 King’s Stand Stakes (5f) on June 18 – could run in both Royal Ascot sprints – based in England at Abington Place, Newmarket, the yard of Jane Chapple-Hyam.
*Seven-time winner in New Zealand, headed by back-to-back victories in the G1 JR & N Berkett Telegraph Stakes over six furlongs at Trentham. Scored by a head in 2018 and got up on the line for a nose verdict in January. All five other wins have been at Riccarton Park.
*Raced keenly and faded to last of nine under James McDonald on his latest appearance, when racing outside of New Zealand for the first time in the six-furlong G1 Chairman’s Sprint Prize at Sha Tin, Hong Kong, on April 28.
*Was purchased for just NZ$15,000 (around £7,750) by his trainer Michael Pitman at the Magic Millions National Yearling Sale in Queensland, Australia, in 2014.
Race record: Starts: 29; Wins: 7; 2nd: 5; 3rd: 3; Win & Place Prize Money: £206,405

Noel Beban, Phil Bentley, Keith Bradley, Steve Grant, John Jacobsen, Philip Murphy, Michael Pitman, Ian & Leigh Vibert

Enzo’s Lad was purchased for just NZ$15,000 by his trainer Michael Pitman at the Magic Millions National Yearling Sale in Queensland, Australia, in 2014. Pitman decided to put together a syndicate for the horse, with Ian and Leigh Vibert, who run an engineering company in Wellington, owning 40 per cent of Enzo’s Lad and the rest of the group taking between 5 and 10 per cent. Pitman said of the group: “They are just average, hard-working people who have a nice horse and are enjoying it.” Most of the syndicate will be travelling over to the UK to watch Enzo’s Lad race at Royal Ascot.

Michael & Matthew Pitman (Christchurch, New Zealand)

Michael Pitman, born 4 March 1955, hails from a racing background. His grandmother was sister to jockeys Noel and Bubs Eastwood, while his uncle was a stipendiary steward. Both his parents were keen racegoers at Riccarton Park when Michael was a child. He worked as a sales manager for leading golf brand PGF after leaving school and caddied for Stuart “The Emperor” Jones, one of New Zealand’s greatest ever amateur golfers. Michael’s brother Geoff is a professional golfer and PGA member. Michael managed a sports store in Christchurch for Ian Ballinger, who represented New Zealand at shooting and won a bronze medal at the 1968
Summer Olympics. He took out a public licence to train aged 22 after Ballinger purchased two horses and asked Pitman to train them one of them. Shortly after receiving his licence, Pitman was severely injured in a car accident that saw him hospitalised for six months and left him with a prosthetic limb after his left leg was amputated below the knee. He was still recovering in a wheelchair when he recorded his first winner, Ben Ahee at Hokitika in 1979. He trains from his home Yaldhurst, Christchurch, and at Riccarton Park racecourse in partnership with his son Matthew, 31, who has shared the licence since 2014, while his wife Diane is also an integral part of the business. Michael and Diane lost their other son Jonny, 28, to suicide, in November, 2013 – there is a J on Enzo’s Lad’s colours to honour his memory. Michael was diagnosed with bowel cancer in May, 2018, but was given the all clear this month following surgery, radiation treatment and chemotherapy. This is his first visit to the UK. Racing Highlights: Has sent out more than 1,800 winners, including 105 in a season – the second-highest total by a trainer in New Zealand. Became the first South Island-based trainer to win the New Zealand Premiership for more than three decades in 2008, and has since gone on to win the title a further two times. His best horses have included dual G1 winner Savvy Coup, who was seventh behind Winx in the 2018 Cox Plate. The filly subsequently transferred to Chris Waller and was sold to Coolmore for AUS$1 million at the Magic Millions National Broodmare Sale in May, 2019. Big Race Wins Include: Thorndon Mile (1992 Just Tommy), Livamol Classic (2018 Savvy Coup), NZ Oaks (2018 Savvy Coup), Telegraph Stakes (2018 & 2019 Enzo’s Lad)

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Houtzen (AUS)

5 b m I Am Invincible (AUS) - Set To Unleash (AUS) (Reset (AUS))

Born: September 25, 2014
Breeder: N Leckie
Owner: Aquis Farm
Trainer: Toby Edmonds AUS
Jockey: Kerrin McEvoy
Form: 1/11153179/31602561-0
*Entered in the £500,000 G1 King’s Stand Stakes (5f) and the £600,000 G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (6f), with the former the intended target.
*Won the lucrative Listed Magic Millions 2yo Classic (6f) at Gold Coast in January, 2017, as a two-year-old.
*Dual G3-winning sprinter in Australia over six furlongs, landing the Scarborough Stakes at Moonee Valley in 2017 and the P J Bell Stakes at Randwick in April, 2018.
*Met trouble in running near the line on most recent attempt at G1 level when sixth (btn 1.75l) in the G1 Manikato Stakes at Mooney Valley on October 26.
*Last raced when 10th, having been sent off favourite, in a G3 event at Gold Coast on January 10.
*Has since been purchased by Aquis Farm.
*Arrived in Britain on March 28 with travelling and work companion Acqume, stabled at Abington Place in Newmarket and worked under Oisin Murphy at Ascot on May 20.
*Kerrin McEvoy is set to take the ride at Royal Ascot.

Race record: Starts: 18; Wins: 7; 2nd: 1; 3rd: 2; Win & Place Prize Money: £1,168,377

Aquis Farm

Background: Aquis Farm is part of Aquis Australia, a tourism, property and gaming focused asset group which is owned by the Hong Kong-based Fung family. The company’s Chairman, Tony Fung, has more than 40 years’ experience in global financial services and investments, including more than 15 years as an active investor in Australia. He has managed the family’s financial services business Sun Hang Kai & Co until its sale in 1985 and since then has operated as a private investor in Hong Kong commercial property and other property-linked investments. His development experience includes the Asia World-Expo exhibition centre at Hong Kong International Airport. In Australia, Aquis controls a number of high-profile development sites on the Gold Coast. Major projects include a $400 million luxury hotel on the The Esplanade in Surfers Paradise which received Development Approval in mid-2017. The Fung family also owns and operates Casino Canberra in the Australian Capital Territory. The company has interests across a range of economic sectors including entertainment, real estate and horse racing. It controls a number of operating businesses and is developing plans for a range of exciting new developments. Racing interests: Aquis Farm was established in Canungra, Queensland, in 2015, following the amalgamation of the Wadham Park racing facility with three surrounding properties to create one of Australia’s finest integrated racing and breeding operations. In 2017, Aquis Farm expanded further by taking over the management of Emirates Park’s Murrurundi facility in the Hunter Valley, New South Wales. Since its
inception, Aquis Farm has spent over AUD$30 million acquiring bloodstock publicly and privately with the aim of becoming ‘Australia’s leading breeding operation and pre-training facility’. Aquis Farm has 165 horses in training, supplemented by a 16-strong stallion rooster and 186 broodmares across three stud farms.

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Toby Edmonds (Australia)
Born: October 4, 1965. Background: entered the racing industry in his teens and had spells with renowned handlers Neville Begg and Peter Snowden. Began training in his own right in 1988 with a team of six horses. Moved to the Gold Coast in 1994 where he was based successfully for six years before taking up an opportunity to train privately for Pedrille Thoroughbreds. Relocated to Sydney’s Warwick Farm in 2003 for five years. Following a break, in early 2011 he restarted his training career a stone’s throw from the Gold Coast Racecourse. Since then, Edmonds has sent out over 500 winners at a strike rate of almost 20 per cent, and his operation is now one of the largest in Queensland. His most lucrative victory to date came courtesy of Houtzen in the Listed Magic Millions 2yo Classic at Gold Coast in January, 2017.

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Kerrin McEvoy
Born: October 24, 1980 in South Australia. Background: grew up in Streaky Bay, a small fishing community six hours west of Adelaide. Father Phil was a jockey, as were his uncles Peter and Tony, who is also a successful trainer. He started out as an apprentice to his grandfather Bill Holland in March, 1997. Moved to Adelaide in 1998 where he was apprenticed to Russell Cameron before switching to Peter Hayes’ Lindsay Park stable. In 1999, he transferred to Hayes’ Flemington operation. The following year, at the age of 20 and in his first season as a senior rider, McEvoy became the second youngest jockey to win the Melbourne Cup on the Michael Moroney-trained Brew. He did well in Victoria and earned a stint in Dubai in 2003 which was extended to six week’s at Godolphin’s request after he finished third in the 2002 Melbourne Cup on Beekeeper. He rejoined the Melbourne Cup on Beekeeper. He returned to Dubai in January, 2004 and signed on as number two jockey (behind Frankie Dettori) for Godolphin in March. He rode 44 winners in his first season in England, headed by an excellent front-running ride on Rule Of Law in the 2004 St Leger at Doncaster. He rode in Britain for the next four seasons before returning to Australia permanently in 2008 to be the number one rider for Sheikh Mohammed’s Darley operation. He went freelance in September, 2014. Married to former jockey Cathy (Payne – sister of Melbourne Cup-winning jockey Michelle Payne) and they have four children. Career highlights: 2003 Scobie Breasley Medal winner, which recognises excellence in race riding at Melbourne tracks (won the 2002/03 Victorian Metropolitan Jockeys’ Premiership). Has gained three wins in the Melbourne Cup – Brew (2000), Almandin (2016) and Cross Counter (2018). He has taken part in jockeys’ contests, notably in Hong Kong where he won the 2013 event, and also participated in the 2015 Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup, partnering one winner, a second and a fourth, coming back for the Ascot jockeys’ event in 2017 when he had two seconds and a third. He has enjoyed three winners at Royal Ascot, headed by Shamardal’s success in the 2005 St James’s Palace Stakes (run at York), and has had a total of 322 British winners, of which 13 have been at Ascot, with his best year coming in 2007 (93 wins). He gained his 75th G1 success on Trekking in the Stradbroke Handicap at Eagle Farm, Australia, in June, 2019. His two most recent visits to Ascot have been at the Dubai Duty Free Shergar Cup in 2015 and 2017.

Kerrin McEvoy (3 Royal Ascot wins)
05/14/06 St James’s Palace Stakes SHAMARDAL Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 7/4F
08/18/06 Sandringham Handicap FESTIVALE John Dunlop Prince A A Faisal 10/1
08/19/06 Hamton Court Stakes COLLECTION William Haggas Highclere Thoroughbred Racing 13/2

Imprimis (USA)

5 bb g Broken Vow (USA) – Shoppers Return (USA) (Put It Back (USA))

Born: February 9, 2014
Breeder: Craig Wheeler
Owner: Breeze Easy LLC
Trainer: Joe Orseno USA
Jockey: Frankie Dettori
Form: 1111614-11
*Prolific sprinter who has won on seven of his nine starts, all on turf.
*Holds entries at Royal Ascot in both the G1 King’s Stand Stakes (June 18), in which Frankie Dettori has been booked to ride, and the G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (June 22).
*Arrived in the UK on June 2 and is staying at the historic Manton training centre in Wiltshire.
*Heads to Royal Ascot on the back of a neck victory over last season’s G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes third Bound For Nowhere in the extended five-furlong G2 Shakertown Stakes at Keeneland on April 6 – his biggest win to date.
*Sixth on only previous G1 appearance in the six-furlong Highlander Stakes at Woodbine, Canada, in June, 2018, when he was hampered on the inside rail.
*Imprimis will be the first runner in Britain for trainer Joe Orseno.

**Race record:** Starts: 9; Wins: 7; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: US$382,338

**Breeze Easy LLC**
Breeze Easy LLC is a relatively new partnership which was set up in 2016 by Michael Hall and Samuel Ross, the former owners of drilling company Bluestone Energy Partners. The duo sold the West Virginia-based fracking company to Antero Resources Corporation in December, 2010 for a reported $93 million, keeping equity in the business as part of the deal. **Racing Interests:** Breeze Easy LLC recorded its first winner at Presque Isle Downs in the summer of 2016 and the ownership has enjoyed significant success, headed by Wesley Ward-trained Shang Shang Shang’s victory in the G2 Norfolk Stakes at Royal Ascot in 2018. Due to be represented at the Royal Meeting again this year by Imprimis, winner of the G2 Shakertown Stakes at Keeneland on April 6. Light Night Pow Wow has carried the Breeze Easy LLC colours to victory twice at G3 level and came third in the G1 Madison Stakes at Keeneland in April. Breeze Easy LLC has been prominent at a number of sales, with its most notable purchase being Glacier, a son of Broken Vow, for $1.2-million at Ocala, Florida, in April, 2016. Breeze Easy LLC has horses in training with a number of handlers in both America and Canada. They include Wesley Ward, Joseph Orseno, Mark Casse and Peter Walder. Former California-based trainer Mike Mollica is the operation’s racing manager.

**Royal Ascot wins:** 2018 Shang Shang Shang (Norfolk Stakes)

**Joe Orseno (USA)**
**Born:** October 4, 1955 in Philadelphia, USA  **Background:** Accompanied his father to the races when he was a child. Worked across the road from the now closed Garden State Park racecourse in New Jersey, while at high school, parking cars for restaurant diners. Started working at the barns as a hot-walker during weekends before becoming assistant trainer to Chuck Spina. Took out his own licence in 1977 and sent out his first winner, Mr Tiffany, at Atlantic City the same year. Was sent six horses by Frank Stronach in 1997 and became a private trainer for the leading owner in 1999. Returned to a public licence in July, 2002. Joe is married to Michelle, a veterinarian. **Racing Highlights:** Has gained leading trainer titles at Atlantic City, Garden State, Meadowlands and Delaware Park. Enjoyed a stellar 2000, winning the Preakness Stakes with Red Bullet, as well as gaining two victories at the Breeders’ Cup with Macho Uno in the Juvenile and Perfect Sting in the Filly & Mare Turf. Those victories helped Orseno accrue over $6.6 million in prize money and saw the trainer receive the CV Whitney Achievement Award from the NY Turf Writers. The year before he sent out Golden Missile to finish third in the G1 Breeders’ Cup Classic. He has been responsible for 1,845 winners from 13,202 runners (up to June 10, 2019). For nearly 40 years, Orseno spent his summers at Monmouth Park, New Jersey, but then switched to Gulfstream Park, Florida, where he trains around 35 horses. **Big Race Wins Include:** Gazelle Handicap (1998 Tap To Music), Queen Elizabeth II Challenge Cup (1999 Perfect Sting, 2000 Collect The Cash), Breeders’ Cup Filly & Mare Turf (2000 Perfect Sting), Breeders’ Cup Juvenile (2000 Macho Uno), Preakness Stakes (2000 Red Bullet), Pimlico Special Handicap (2000 Golden Missile)

**No previous Royal Ascot runners**

**Frankie Dettori**
**Born:** December 15, 1970, Milan, Italy.  **Background:** the son of Gianfranco, 13-time champion jockey in Italy. Frankie (christened Lanfranco) Dettori arrived from his homeland to join Luca Cumani’s Newmarket yard as an apprentice in July, 1985. His first success came on Rif at Turin, Italy, on November 16, 1986, and he rode his first British winner on Lizzy Hare at Goodwood on June 9, 1987. He passed 100 winners for the first time in 1990 when recording 141 successes and created history when riding all seven winners on the Saturday at the Ascot Festival in September, 1996. Dettori survived a horrific plane crash at Newmarket in 2000 in which the pilot was killed. He was retained by Sheikh Mohammed’s Godolphin operation in 1993, but it was announced in September, 2012, that the retainer would not be renewed. It was subsequently revealed he had failed a drugs

**Frankie Dettori (60 Royal Ascot wins)**
90/19/06 Queen Anne Stakes MARKOFDISTINCTION Luca Cumani Gerald Leigh 7/1
92/18/06 Gold Cup DRUM TAPS Lord Huntingdon Yoshiyo Asakawa 7/4F
93/17/06 Gold Cup DRUM TAPS Lord Huntingdon Yoshiyo Asakawa 13/2
94/15/06 Duke Of Edinburgh Handicap MASTER CHARLIE Ian Balding David R Watson 10/1
94/17/06 King's Stand Stakes LOCHSONG Ian Balding Jeff Smith 10/3F
95/22/06 Riblesdale Stakes PHANTOM GOLD Lord Huntingdon H M The Queen 5/1
95/22/06 Norfolk Stakes LUCKY LIONEL Richard Hannon snr Antonio Balzarini 11/1
95/22/06 Diamond Jubilee Stakes SO FACTUAL Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/2
97/17/06 Queen Anne Stakes ALLIED FORCES Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 10/1
97/17/06 St James’s Palace Stakes STARBOROUGH David Loder Sheikh Mohammed 11/2
97/19/06 Chesham Stakes CENTRAL PARK Paul Cole Fahd Salman 7/1
97/19/06 King George V Handicap HERITAGE John Gosden Highclere Thoroughbred Racing 15/2
98/16/06 Queen Anne Stakes INTIKHAB Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/4F
98/16/06 Britannia Handicap PLAN-B John Gosden Sheikh Mohammed 8/1
98/17/06 Queen Mary Stakes BINT ALLAYL Mick Channon Sheikh Ahmed Al Maktoum 2/1F
98/18/06 Riblesdale Stakes BAHR Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 13/8F
98/18/06 Gold Cup KAYF TARA Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 11/1
98/18/06 Chesham Stakes Rhapsodist John Gosden Sheikh Mohammed 6/1
98/19/06 Queen Alexandra Stakes DOVEDON STAR Anthony Kelway Michael Whately 12/1
99/15/06 Ascot Handicap HIGH AND MIGHTY John Gosden Sheikh Mohammed 10/1
99/17/06 Riblesdale Stakes FAIRY QUEEN Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 8/1
99/17/06 Norfolk Stakes WARM HEART John Gosden Sheikh Mohammed 7/2
99/18/06 King Edward VII Stakes MUTAFAUQ Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/4F
01/20/06 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes FANTASTIC LIGHT Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 10/3
01/20/06 Royal Hunt Cup SURPRISE ENCOUNTER Ed Dunlop Ahmed Buhaeleba 8/1
01/20/06 Chesham Stakes SEBA David Loder Sheikh Mohammed 3/1F
04/17/06 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes GRANDERA Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 4/1
02/21/06 Queen’s Vase MAMOOL Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/1
03/17/06 Queen Anne Stakes DUBAI DESTINATION Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/2
03/21/06 Sandringham Handicap HOLD TO RANSOM Ed Dunlop Khalid Buhaeleba 11/1
03/21/06 Wokingham Handicap RATIO John Hammond FR Mrs John Davall 14/1
04/15/06 Queen Anne Stakes REFUSE TO BEND Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 12/1
04/16/06 Jersey Stakes KHELEYF Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 6/1
04/17/06 Riblesdale Stakes PUNCTILIOUS Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/2
04/17/06 Gold Cup PAPINEAU Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 5/1
04/18/06 Queen’s Vase DUKE OF VENICE Saeed bin Suroor Godolphin 9/2
Lim’s Cruiser (AUS)

Born: October 4, 2012
Breeder: Patinack Farm
Owner: Lim’s Stable
Trainer: Stephen Gray SIN
Jockey: Vlad Duric

Form: 53/1221131/1134653/3117-22

*Singapore challenger who is set to run in the £600,000 G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (6f, June 22). He left Singapore on June 8 and is stabled at Abington Place in Newmarket.

*Champion sprinter in Singapore thanks to back-to-back victories in the local G1 Lion City Cup (6f) at Kranji in 2017 and 2018.

*Formerly trained in Australia, his only start overseas since moving to Stephen Gray saw him make late headway to finish seventh of the 11 runners in the G1 Longines Hong Kong Sprint (6f) at Sha Tin in December.

*Warmed up for Royal Ascot when second twice - going doing narrowly both times - in the local G3 Rocket Man Sprint (6f) at Kranji on May 5 and then when attempting to win the Lion City Cup for the third time at Kranji on May 25.

*Raced initially in Australia before moving to Singapore in late 2015.

Race record: Starts: 23; Wins: 8; 2nd: 4; 3rd: 5; Win & Place Prize Money: £1,086,840

Lim’s Stable
Background: Lim’s Stable is headed up by Lim Siah Mong, the founder and Chairman of Lubritrade Trading Pte Ltd. Lubitrade, established in 1986, is a sales and distribution company for consumer goods, with its headquarters in Singapore and subsidiaries all across Asia. Racing interests: Lim’s Stable had its first runners in 1999 & by the mid-2000s, with former Australian champion jockey Mick Dittman as racing manager, was a dominant player in Singapore racing. Won many of Kranji’s flagship races, including back-to-back renewals of the Singapore Derby with Lim’ Prestige (2007) & Top Spin (2008). Crowned champion owner in 2008 & 2009.

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Stephen Gray (Singapore)
Date of birth: November 9, 1964. Background: Racing career started in 1985. Assistant trainer to Brian Deacon for two years before going into partnership with his father Kevin. They built up one of the leading training operations in New Zealand and finished consistently among the top 10 in the New Zealand ‘Trainers’ Premiership. Stephen relocated to Singapore in 2000 at the age of 35 following an invitation from the Singapore Turf Club. He quickly established himself as one of the country’s leading trainers with a string of big-race victories, including the 2007 Singapore Derby. Saddled his only runner to date in Britain in October, 2015, when
Emperor Max finished a creditable seventh behind Muhaarar in the G1 QIPCO British Champions Sprint at Ascot.

No previous Royal Ascot runners

Vlad Duric
Born: 1977 in Nar Nar Goon, Australia, about 50 miles south-east of Melbourne, of German and Serbian parentage, Background: Dual champion jockey in Singapore who hails from Australia, where he was Victoria’s champion apprentice in 1995. He rode primarily at country meetings, but enjoyed a breakthrough 2007 as he gained a first G1 success (of five) on Bon Hoffa in the Sir Rupert Clarke Stakes in September and won the G1 Caulfield Cup on Master O’Reilly the following month. Moved to Singapore initially in 2009 and was runner-up to Joao Moreira in the jockeys’ championship in both 2010 and 2011. He also won the Singapore Triple Crown on Gingerbread Man in 2011. Duric returned to Australia in 2012 and enjoyed further G1 glory in 2015 on Mourinho in the Underwood Stakes and Flamberge in the Goodwood Handicap. Headed back to Singapore in 2016, when runner-up in the jockeys’ championship again, and was crowned champion jockey for the first time in 2017, before retaining his crown by two from Michael Rodd in 2018. He partnered his 400th Singapore winner in June of 2018 and has had over 1,400 successes in Australia. His total came to 1,881 winners (up to June 10, 2019). He currently heads the standings for this Singapore season despite missing several weeks following leg surgery. Duric has also ridden in New Zealand, Dubai, Macau and Mauritius, but will be making his UK debut at Royal Ascot. He rode Starspangledbanner, winner of the G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes and G1 Darley July Cup in 2010, on the horse’s first three racecourse appearances. He is married to Storm and they have three children – Lily, Sage and Audrey.

Royal Ascot Record – No previous rides

WESLEY WARD’S RUNNERS FROM AMERICA

Wesley Ward (Glendora, California, & Gulfstream Park, Florida)
Born: March 3, 1968, Saleh, Washington State Background: Grandson of long-serving New York outrider and former jump jockey Jim Dailey and son of former apprentice and trainer Dennis Ward. Left school at 14 and moved to New York to ride when he was just 15. Enjoyed a sensational first year, partnering 335 winners and becoming leading jockey at the Belmont, Aqueduct and Meadowlands fall meetings. Received the Eclipse Award for leading apprentice when he was 16 in 1984. Spells riding in Italy, Singapore, Malaysia, Illinois and Canada followed and Ward was in the plate when subsequent Kentucky Derby hero Ferdinand lost his maiden tag in 1985. A growth spurt and weight problems forced Ward to quit riding in 1989. Training career: Assisted his father for four years prior to starting out on his own in 1991. Accolades: Pioneered the American challenge on Royal Ascot. Became the first US-based trainer to saddle a winner at Royal Ascot when Strike The Tiger won the Windsor Castle Stakes at odds of 33/1 on June 16, 2009 - his Royal Ascot win total is now 10. Responsible for One Hot Wish, who set a new world record for of 48.87 seconds for 4.5 furlongs on her debut at Keeneland in April, 2007. Became only the third American-based trainer to win a European Group One when No Nay Never captured the Prix Morny at Deauville in August, 2013, following Leo O’Brien (Fourstars Allstar, 1992 Irish 2,000 Guineas) and Bert Michell (Count Reigh, 1929 Coronation Cup). Enjoyed a first Breeders’ Cup success in 2014 with Hootenanny, who beat stable companion Luck Of The Kitten in the Breeders’ Cup Juvenile Turf. His first G1 success at Royal Ascot came with Lady Aurelia in the 2017 King’s Stand Stakes. He has sent out 1,771 winners in America (up to June 12, 2019).

Royal Ascot Wins (10)
2009 Windsor Castle Stakes (STRIKE THE TIGER), Queen Mary Stakes (JEALOUS AGAIN)
2013 Norfolk Stakes (NO NAY NEVER)
2014 Windsor Castle Stakes (HOOTENANNY)
2015 Queen Mary Stakes (ACAPULCO), Diamond Jubilee Stakes (UNDRAFTED)
2016 Queen Mary Stakes (LADY AURELIA)
2017 King’s Stand Stakes (LADY AURELIA), Sandringham Handicap (CON TE PARTIRO)
2018 Norfolk Stakes (SHANG SHANG SHANG)
Wesley Ward-trained contenders in 2019

**Bound For Nowhere (USA)**

**Breeding:** 5 b h The Factor (USA) – Fancy Deed (USA) (Alydeed (USA))

**Born:** May 4, 2014

**Breeder:** Wayne Lyster, Gray Lyster & Bryan Lyster

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Wesley Ward

**Form:** 1140/11310-2

* Entered in the G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (6f, June 22) and the G1 King’s Stand Stakes (5f, June 18).
* Only older horse in Ward’s 2019 raiding party.
* Runs at Royal Ascot for the third time.
* Fourth to Caravaggio in the 2017 G1 Commonwealth Cup (6f), before finishing a close third behind Merchant Navy in last year’s G1 Diamond Jubilee Stakes (6f).
* Good return to action when neck second to Imprimis, who also runs in the Diamond Jubilee Stakes, over 5.5 furlongs in the G2 Shakertown Stakes on firm turf at Keeneland on April 6.
* Captured a Listed contest over a mile at Keeneland in September.
* Raced between five furlongs and a mile during his 10 starts.

**Race record:** Starts: 10; Wins: 5; 2nd: 1; 3rd: 1; Win & Place Prize Money: £599,409

**Anna’s Fast (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 b f Fast Anna (USA) – True Will (USA) (Yes It’s True (USA))

**Born:** February 15, 2017

**Breeder:** Amg Equine LLC

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Breeze Easy LLC

**Form:** 1

* Set to line up in either the G3 Albany Stakes (6f, June 21) or the G2 Queen Mary Stakes (5f, June 19).
* Impressive five and a half-length winner over 4.5 furlongs on debut at Keeneland on dirt on April 24.
* Bought for $470,000 at the OBS March Sale as a two-year-old.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £28,346

**Chili Petin (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 b f City Zip (USA) – Cat’s Claw (USA) (Dynaformer (USA))

**Born:** March 21, 2017

**Breeder:** Double K LLC & Helen C Alexander

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Hat Creek Racing

**Form:** 1

* Possible runner in either the Listed Windsor Castle Stakes (5f, June 19) or the G2 Norfolk Stakes (5f, June 20).
* Won by two and three-quarter lengths over 4.5 furlongs at Keeneland under John Velazquez on April 17 at Keeneland on dirt.
* Cost $32,000 at Keeneland as a yearling.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £28,346

**Foolish Humor (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 ch f Distorted Humor (USA) – Foolish Cause (USA) (Giant’s Causeway (USA))

**Born:** February 16, 2017

**Breeder:** Gabriel Duignan, Crosshaven Bldsk, Petaluma Bldsk & Hazelmere Bldsk

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Andrew Farm

**Form:** 1

* Being targeted at the Listed Windsor Castle Stakes (5f, June 19).
* Two and three quarter-length winner on debut at Belmont over five furlongs on May 2 on turf.
*Cost $200,000 as a yearling.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £34,646

**Karak (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 b f Karakontie (JPN) – Down The Well (IRE) (Mujadil (USA))

**Born:** February 24, 2017

**Breeder:** Parrish Hill Farm, Amanda Roach Cole & Karakontie Syndicate

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Breeze Easy Llc

**Form:** 1

*Could run in either the G2 Queen Mary Stakes (5f, June 19) or G2 Norfolk Stakes (5f, June 20).

*Made a winning start by three lengths for Ward at Belmont over five furlongs on firm turf on May 25 (won in a quicker time than Foolish Humor).

*First two-year-old winner for 2014 Breeders' Cup Mile champion Karakontie.

*A $365,000 acquisition from the March OBS Sale.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £39,370

**Kimari (USA)**

**Breeding:** b f Munnings (USA) – Cozze Up Lady (USA) (Cozzene (USA))

**Born:** April 20, 2017

**Breeder:** China Horse Club International Limited

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Ten Broeck Farm Inc

**Form:** 1

*Being targeted at the G2 Queen Mary Stakes (5f, June 19).

*15-length winner first time out at Keeneland on the dirt over four furlongs under John Velazquez on April 25.

*$152,000 yearling at Fasig-Tipton.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £29,090

**Maven (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 ch c American Pharoah (USA) – Richies Party Girl (USA) (Any Given Saturday (USA))

**Born:** May 24, 2017

**Breeder:** Wesley Ward

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Richard Ravin

**Form:** 1

*Set to tackle the G2 Norfolk Stakes (5f, June 20).

*A first winner in America for Triple Crown hero American Pharoah.

*Won the first two-year-old race of the year at Aqueduct on April 19 over 4.5 furlongs on dirt by a half-length.

*Bids to emulate Shang Shang Shang, who captured the Norfolk Stakes for Ward last year.

*Ravin and Ward also owned Maven’s dam Richies Party Girl, who finished fourth in the G3 Prix Du Calvados.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £39,370

**Nayibeth (USA)**

**Breeding:** 2 b f Carpe Diem (USA) – Le Relais (USA) (Coronado’s Quest (USA))

**Born:** March 30, 2017

**Breeder:** Stonestreet Thoroughbred Holdings LLC

**Trainer:** Wesley Ward

**Owner:** Ramon Tallaj

**Form:** 1

*Being aimed at the G3 Albany Stakes (6f, June 21).

*Recorded an impressive success when scoring over 4.5 furlongs at Keeneland on April 17 by four and a quarter-lengths on dirt.

*Half-sister to high-class two-year-old Soldat.

**Race record:** Starts: 1; Wins: 1; 2nd: -; 3rd: -; Win & Place Prize Money: £28,346
John Gosden OBE (Clarehaven Stables, Newmarket)

Born: Lewes, Sussex, on March 30, 1951  
Background: His late father Towser (1904-1967) was a trainer near Lewes in Sussex. John was educated at Eastbourne College and Cambridge University. He then worked in land management in Venezuela before returning to Britain to assist Newmarket trainer Sir Noel Murless from 1974 to 1975 and Ireland's champion Vincent O'Brien from 1976 to 1977. After a spell assisting Tommy Doyle in California, he set up as a trainer in the US in 1979 where he trained with success for nine years, sending out more than 500 winners. He saddled Robert Sangster's Royal Heroine to win the inaugural Breeders' Cup Mile at Hollywood Park in 1984. Prompted by Sheikh Mohammed, he returned to Britain in 1988, to train at the owner's Stanley House Stables in Newmarket. In 2000, he moved to Robert Sangster's Manton estate in Wiltshire, but returned to Newmarket in 2005, having bought Clarehaven Stables on the Bury Road. He saddled the first and second, Golden Horn and Jack Hobbs, in the 2015 Investec Derby. He enjoyed his third Investec Oaks winner with Anapurna on the first day of the 2019 Investec Derby Festival.  
Personal: He is married to Rachel Hood, a barrister who has served as President of the Racehorse Owners Association (2011-2016) and Mayor of Newmarket (2014-2015). The couple have four children - Sebastian, Serena, Theodora and Thaddeus, who is assistant trainer to his father. Hood founded and formerly chaired the Save Historic Newmarket Action Group, which has long opposed Lord Derby's Hatchfield Farm development.  
Accolades: British champion trainer three times - 2012, 2015 and 2018. Trained US Eclipse Award winners Bates Motel and Royal Heroine. He has trained four of the last five winners of the Horse Of The Year accolade at the Cartier Racing Awards - Kingman (2014), Golden Horn (2015), Enable (2017) and Roaring Lion (2018). Oversaw the career of Cracksman, who was crowned the world's joint-best horse in 2018 alongside Winx. Awarded an OBE for services to horseracing and training in the 2017 New Year Honours List.  
Winners: He has won more than 3,000 races around the world, including over 100 Group/Grade Ones, in the Americas, Europe, the Middle East, Asia and Australia. There have been 47 Royal Ascot successes.  

John Gosden (47 Royal Ascot wins)
90/21/06 Chesham Stakes CHICARICA Pat Eddery Sheikh Mohammed 10/11F  
91/19/06 Jersey Stakes SATIN FLOWER Steve Cauthen Sheikh Mohammed 12/1  
92/17/06 Queen's Vase LANDOWNER Ray Cochrane Sheikh Mohammed 8/1  
93/17/06 King George V Handicap LEARMONT John Carroll Sheikh Mohammed 14/1  
94/14/06 Prince Of Wales's Stakes MUHTARRAM Willie Carson Hamdan Al Maktoum 6/4F  
95/20/06 Prince Of Wales's Stakes MUHTARRAM Willie Carson Hamdan Al Maktoum 5/1  
96/18/06 Britannia Handicap NORTH SONG Gary Hind John Gosden 14/1  
97/19/06 King George V Handicap HERITAGE Frankie Dettori Highclere Thoroughbred Racing 15/2  
98/16/06 Britannia Handicap PLAN-B Frankie Dettori Sheikh Mohammed 8/1  
98/18/06 Chesham Stakes RHAPSODIST Frankie Dettori Sheikh Mohammed 6/1  
99/15/06 Ascot Handicap HIGH AND MIGHTY Frankie Dettori Sheikh Mohammed 10/1  
99/17/06 Norfolk Stakes WARM HEART Frankie Dettori Sheikh Mohammed 7/2  
00/21/06 Jersey Stakes OBSERVATORY Kevin Darley Khalid Abdullah 11/2  
00/22/06 Britannia Handicap EL GRAN PAPA Franny Norton Thomas Tatham 4/1F  
01/21/06 Britannia Handicap ANALYSER Franny Norton Robert Sangster/Tony Collins 14/1  
02/21/06 Buckingham Palace Handicap DEMONSTRATE Richard Hughes Khalid Abdullah 12/1  
02/22/06 Diamond Jubilee Stakes MALHUB Kevin Darley Hamdan Al Maktoum 16/1  
04/15/06 Coventry Stakes ICEMAN Kieren Fallon Cheveley Park Stud 5/1F  
05/17/06 King Edward VII Stakes PLEA BARGAIN Jimmy Fortune Sheikh Mohammed 9/2  
06/23/06 Coronation Stakes NANNINA Jimmy Fortune Cheveley Park Stud 6/1F  
07/20/06 Duke Of Cambridge Stakes NANNINA Jimmy Fortune Cheveley Park Stud 3/1CF  
07/20/06 Royal Hunt Cup ROYAL OATH Jimmy Fortune William Farish & Bill Farish Jnr 9/1  
08/19/06 Ribblesdale stakes MICHTA Jimmy Fortune Stonerside Stable LLC 100/30F  
09/20/06 Hardwicke Stakes BRONZE CANNON Jimmy Fortune Anthony Oppenheimer 8/1  
10/16/06 Queen Mary Stakes MAQAASID Richard Hills Hamdan Al Maktoum 9/4F  
11/17/06 King Edward VII Stakes NATHANIEL William Buick Lady Rothschild 11/4F  
11/17/06 Wolferton Handicap BEACHFIRE William Buick H R H Princess Haya of Jordan 12/1
12/20/06 Duke Of Cambridge Stakes JOVIALITY William Buick H R H Princess Haya of Jordan 11/1
12/22/06 Albany Stakes NEWFANGLED William Buick H R H Princess Haya of Jordan 7/4F
12/22/06 Coronation Stakes FALLEN FOR YOU William Buick Normandie Stud Ltd 12/1
12/22/06 Wolferton Handicap GATEWOOD William Buick George Strawbridge 3/1F
12/23/06 Duke Of Edinburgh Handicap CAMBORNE William Buick H R H Princess Haya of Jordan 11/2F
13/20/06 Hampton Court Stakes REMOTE William Buick Khalid Abdullah 9/4F
14/17/06 St James’s Palace Stakes KINGMAN James Doyle Khalid Abdullah 8/11F
14/18/06 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes THE FUGUE William Buick Lord Lloyd-Webber 11/2
14/20/06 King Edward VII Stakes EAGLE TOP William Buick Lady Bamford 12/1
14/21/06 Chesham Stakes RICHARD PANKHURST William Buick Rachel Hood 10/1
15/17/06 Royal Hunt Cup GM HOPKINS Ryan Moore Robin Geffen 8/1
15/20/06 Wolferton Handicap MAHSOOB Paul Hanagan Hamdan Al Maktoum 7/4F
16/14/06 Windsor Castle Stakes ARDAD Robert Havlin Abdullah Saeed Al Naboodah 20/1
16/15/06 Sandringham Handicap PERSUASIVE Frankie Dettori Cheveley Park Stud 11/4F
17/22/06 Ribblesdale Stakes CORONET Olivier Peslier Denford Stud 9/1
17/23/06 Queen’s Vase STRADIVARIUS Andrea Atzeni Bjorn Nielsen 11/2
18/19/06 Coventry Stakes CALYX Frankie Dettori Khalid Abdullah 2/1F
18/19/06 St James’s Palace Stakes WITHOUT PAROLE Frankie Dettori John & Tanya Gunther 9/4F
18/19/06 Wolferton Stakes MONARCHS GLEN Frankie Dettori Khalid Abdullah 8/1
18/21/06 Gold Cup STRADIVARIUS Frankie Dettori Bjorn Nielsen 7/4F

Royal Ascot entries so far

Tuesday, June 18
Coventry Stakes - Light Angel
St James’s Palace Stakes - King Of Comedy, Too Darn Hot, Turgenev
Wolferton Stakes - Star Of Bengal, Wissahickon

Wednesday, June 19 2019
Prince Of Wales’s Stakes – Enable, Wissahickon
Royal Hunt Cup – Entitle, Stylehunter

Thursday, June 20
Ribblesdale Stakes – Anapurna, Fanny Logan, Illumined, Mehdaayih, Shambolic, Sparkle Roll, Star Catcher
Gold Cup – Stradivarius

Friday, June 21
King Edward VII Stakes – First In Line, Humanitarian, Kosciuszko, Private Secretary, Swift Wing
Commonwealth Cup - Angel’s Hideaway, Calyx
Coronation Stakes – Fabulist, Twist ‘N’ Shake

Saturday, June 22
Hardwicke Stakes – Coronet, Enable, Lah Ti Dar
Diamond Jubilee Stakes – Emblazoned
William Haggas (Newmarket, Suffolk)

**Born:** August 23, 1960 in Yorkshire. **Background:** Educated at Harrow and first job was in the textile factory owned by his father Brian, a longstanding owner. His mother Christine Feather owned the Cheltenham Gold Cup winner Silver Buck. Worked for bloodstock agent David Minton and trainers Jeremy Hindley, Sydney-based Brian Mayfield-Smith and Sir Mark Prescott before taking out a licence at Somerville House in Newmarket in November, 1986. His first winner was Tricky Note at Newmarket on April 15, 1987. His wife Maureen is a daughter of nine-time Derby-winning jockey Lester Pigott, who enjoyed a record 116 winners at Royal Ascot. Former president of National Trainers’ Federation. Enjoyed his best year with 158 British successes in 2017. Has saddled eight Royal Ascot winners. **First winner:** Tricky Note, Newmarket, April 15, 1987. **British Classic Wins (2):** Investec Derby (1996 Shaamit), Investec Oaks (2011 Dancing Rain). **Irish Classic Wins (1):** Irish Oaks (2018 Sea Of Class)

**William Haggas (8 Royal Ascot Wins)**

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**Tuesday, June 18**
- Queen Anne Stakes - One Master
- St James’s Palace Stakes – Skardu
- Wolferton Stakes - Addeybb

**Wednesday, June 19**
- Prince Of Wales’s Stakes - Sea Of Class
- Duke Of Cambridge Stakes - Awesometank, Beshayir, Move Swiftly, Pretty Baby
- Royal Hunt Cup - Nicklaus, Seniority

**Thursday, June 20**
- Ribblesdale Stakes – Frankellina, Sea Of Faith, Shrewdness

**Friday, June 21**
- King Edward VII Stakes - Boerhan, Pablo Escobarr
- Coronation Stakes - Magnetic Charm, Maqsad

**Saturday, June 22**
- Wokingham - Island Of Life
Sir Michael Stoute (Newmarket, Suffolk)

**Background:** born in Barbados on October 22, 1945, where his father was chief of police, Michael Stoute came to Britain in 1965 to nurture his love of racing. Joined Pat Rohan at Malton before moving to Newmarket three years later to work for Doug Smith and then Tom Jones. Took out a public licence to train in 1972, recording his first success that year when Sandal won at Newmarket on April 28. Trains at Freemason Lodge in Newmarket and is one of Britain’s top trainers. **Accolades:** British champion trainer 10 times - 1981, 1986, 1989, 1994, 1997, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2006 and 2009; knighted in 1998 for his services to sport and tourism in Barbados. Is the most successful trainer of all-time at Royal Ascot, having overtaken the late Sir Henry Cecil’s record in 2018.

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**Sir Michael Stoute (Record 79 Royal Ascot wins)**

- 77/15/06 Jersey Stakes ETIENNE GERARD Paul Cook P Philipps 25/1
- 77/17/06 Britannia Handicap FINITE Paul Cook Raymond Clifford-Turner 14/1
- 78/22/06 Gold Cup SHANGAMUZO Greville Starkey Mrs E Charles 13/2
- 78/22/06 Norfolk Stakes SCHWEPPESHIRE LAD Greville Starkey M Madden 9/4
- 80/18/06 Jersey Stakes HARD FOUGHT Lester Piggott Brook Holliday 15/8F
- 81/16/06 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes HARD FOUGHT Walter Swinburn Brook Holliday 3/1
- 81/19/06 King’s Stand Stakes MARWELL Walter Swinburn Edmund Loder 5/4F
- 82/16/06 Queen Mary Stakes WIDAAD Walter Swinburn Al Maktoum 13/8F
- 82/18/06 Britannia Handicap BALI DANCER Walter Swinburn John Pearce 5/1CF
- 83/16/06 King George V Handicap DAZARI Walter Swinburn H H Aga Khan 12/1
- 83/16/06 King Edward VII Stakes SHAREEF DANCER Walter Sibwinb Maktoum Al Maktoum 10/1
- 85/18/06 Ribblesdale Stakes SALLY BROWN Walter Sibwinb Bob Cowell 7/1
- 85/20/06 Diamond Jubilee Stakes DAFAQNA Willie Carson H H Aga Khan 8/1
- 86/18/06 Coronation Stakes SONIC LADY Walter Sibwinb Sheikh Mohammed 8/15F
- 86/20/06 Hardwicke Stakes DIHISTAN Pat Eddery H H Aga Khan 11/2
- 87/16/06 Coventry Stakes ALWAYS FAIR Walter Sibwinb Al Maktoum 9/2
- 87/17/06 Coronation Stakes MILLIGRAM Walter Sibwinb Helena Springfield Ltd 4/5F
- 89/20/06 St James’s Palace Stakes SHAADI Walter Sibwinb Sheikh Mohammed 6/4F
- 89/22/06 Jersey Stakes ZILZAL Walter Sibwinb Mana Al Maktoum 10/11F
- 90/21/06 Ribblesdale Stakes HELLINIC Walter Sibwinb Lord Weinstock 6/1
- 91/18/06 Prince Of Wales’s Stakes STAGECRAFT Steve Cauthen Sheikh Mohammed 6/4F
- 91/18/06 King Edward VII Stakes SADDLERS’ HALL Lester Piggott Lord Weinstock 7/1
- 91/21/06 Britannia Handicap AJAAD Bruce Raymond Maktoum Al Maktoum 12/1
- 91/21/06 Hardwicke Stakes ROCK HOPPER Pat Eddery Al Maktoum Al Maktoum 5/6F
- 92/19/06 Hardwicke Stakes ROCK HOPPER Pat Eddery Maktoum Al Maktoum 8/15F
- 94/14/06 King Edward VII Stakes FOYER Michael Kinane Sheikh Mohammed 7/2
- 94/15/06 Queen Mary Stakes GAY GALLANTA Walter Sibwinb Cheveley Park Stud 16/1
- 96/21/06 Windsor Castle Stakes DAZZLE Kieren Fallon Cheveley Park Stud 7/2F
- 97/18/06 Jersey Stakes AMONG MEN Michael Kinane Michael Tabor & Sue Magnier 4/1F
- 98/17/06 Coronation Stakes EXCLUSIVE Walter Sibwinb Cheveley Park Stud 5/1
- 98/17/06 Queen’s Vase MARIDPOUR Walter Sibwinb H H Aga Khan 6/1
- 98/17/06 Duke Of Edinburgh Stakes GREEK PALACE Walter Sibwinb Lord Weinstock 9/1
- 98/18/06 King George V Handicap DOUBLE CLASSIC John Reid Maktoum Al Maktoum 4/1F
Royal Ascot entries so far

Tuesday, June 18
Queen Anne Stakes – Mustashry
Wolferton Stakes - Zaaki

Wednesday, June 19
Prince Of Wales's Stakes – Crystal Ocean, Regal Reality
Duke Of Cambridge Stakes – Rawdaa, Veracious
Royal Hunt Cup – Elector

Thursday, June 20
Ribblesdale Stakes – Queen Power

Friday, June 21
King Edward VII Stakes – Deal A Dollar
Coronation Stakes - Jubilo

Saturday, June 22
Hardwicke Stakes – Crystal Ocean, Mirage Dancer, Sun Maiden
Diamond Jubilee Stakes - Dream Of Dreams

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