



York Racecourse



A GUIDE FOR HORSEMEN 2016

- ROA Gold Standard Racecourse & Horsemen's Group Premier Tier prize money agreement
- Record seasonal prize fund of over £7 million
- 30 black type races
- Group One Juddmonte International ranked number one race in Great Britain
- Overall Showcase Champion at the RCA Showcase Awards



Welcome to York Racecourse

York Races

Everyone at York Racecourse very much looks forward to welcoming you to the Knavesmire for the 2016 season. This booklet has been produced to provide owners and horsemen with information prior to your visit to York. Please do not hesitate to contact the team if you have further queries (see page 19 for their contact details).

York Racecourse has a proud tradition of staging the very best of thoroughbred racing dating back to 1731. York is an independent racecourse run for the good of racing at York. We have no beneficial shareholders and pay no dividends – everything we make is reinvested into prize money, facilities and the racecourse experience at York.

This year sees a fifth consecutive year of growth in prize money to a record level of £7 million. This represents an increase of over £300,000 on last year and growth of 40%+ since 2011. Our seventeen day season now has 30 Group and Listed races. All afternoon fixtures will have a prize fund of at least £100,000 with a feature race of at least £30,000 and every race will have a prize fund of at least £10,000.



The Welcome to Yorkshire Ebor Festival runs from Wednesday 17 to Saturday 20 August. All four of our feature races will receive a boost which, when combined with other increases, will see the cumulative value of the twenty-five races post another record exceeding £4 million in prize funds. Ranked as the number one race in Great Britain by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities, the £900,000 Group One Juddmonte International will be the richest race ever staged at York. I am delighted that the Sky Bet City of York Stakes, already a target for progressive horses over our seven furlong trip, has been elevated to Group Three status so becoming the tenth Group contest at the Festival. All races during our four August days will be worth at least £60,000.

Overall prize money at the Dante Festival in May will once again exceed seven figures, with a Group Two race on each day benefiting from a £10,000 rise in value. In July the longest running commercially sponsored flat race in the world, the 57th John Smith's Cup will receive a £50,000 boost to £200,000.

Recent years have seen significant investments in the racing surface, the stables, stable staff accommodation and the Owners' Club. During last season we were pleased to open the new Northern End Development of the racecourse to popular and critical acclaim. The relocated pre-parade ring, new saddling boxes, wash-down area and Winning Connections Room have been welcomed by visitors since 2014 and they have now been joined by a new Weighing Room as well as The Parade Ring Restaurant, offering a fine dining experience for smaller parties at the heart of the racing action. These facilities, as well as our complimentary luncheon for Owners with a runner helped us to secure both the ROA Gold Standard and the RCA Showcase Award for Owners Excellence; two accolades that we are keen to live up to during the coming season.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to the Knavesmire. Good luck for the 2016 season.

Lord Grimthorpe, Chairman of York Racecourse

An award winning racecourse ... thank you for your support



Visitor Attraction Gold Award
RHS Yorkshire in Bloom Awards



Best Bar in UK racing - Moët Pavilion
Merbury National Catering Awards



Gold Standard Award
The Racehorse Owners Association



Tourism Event of the Year - White Rose Awards
The Best Race in the World, The Juddmonte International



Food & Beverage - The Northern End Development
Racecourse Association, Showcase Awards



Owners' Experience
Racecourse Association, Showcase Awards



The Racecourse Groundstaff Champion
Racecourse Association, Showcase Awards



Overall Showcase Champion
Racecourse Association, Showcase Awards



Dante Festival Wednesday 11 - Friday 13 May

Top quality racing at the first meeting of the 2016 York season, with the prize fund increased to a total of £1,120,000.

Wednesday sees the twin highlights of the £120,000 Group 2 Duke of York Clipper Logistics sprint, and the £100,000 Group 3 Tattersalls Musidora for three year old fillies.

Last year's Tattersalls Musidora winner, Star of Seville, went on to win the Group 1 French Oaks. The Duke of York saw winner, Glass Office, appreciate the return to six furlongs with the second placed Mattmu returning to the track to take third place in the Group 1 Coolmore Nunthorpe.

Thursday hosts the feature £160,000 Group 2 Betfred Dante which has proved a leading Epsom form guide. Golden Horn claimed an impressive victory before taking the 2015 Investec Derby, Coral Eclipse and Arc de Triomphe, proving himself a deserved 2015 Horse of the Year winner. Jack Hobbs settled for second place before classic glory himself in the Irish Derby. Also on Thursday, the Group 2 Betfred Middleton Stakes for older fillies and mares, offers a purse of £120,000. A front running performance by Secret Gesture ensured she went one better from 2014.

There are now thirty York races as part of the Pattern. The first winner of the upgraded Listed Westow Stakes was Profitable. The race now forms part of the programme for three year old sprinters on course for the new Commonwealth Stakes at Royal Ascot.

The top horses from the action on Friday will often reappear in The Gold Cup at Royal Ascot, as the leading stayers take centre stage in the Group 2 Betway Yorkshire Cup, which offers £160,000 in prize money. Snow Sky had the best turn of foot before taking the Group 2 Hardwicke Stakes. Dusky Queen showed authority in the Betway EBF Stallions Stakes taking the title for the second year running before winning a Listed contest at Chester.





Wednesday 11 May

	Age	Prize money	Distance
888sport Stakes - Handicap (86-100) - Class 2	4+	£25,000	One mile & two furlongs
Infinity Tyres Stakes - Handicap (86-105) - Class 2	4+	£25,000	Six furlongs
Duke of York Clipper Logistics Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 29 March)	3+	£120,000	Six furlongs
Tattersalls Musidora Stakes - Group 3	3f	£100,000	One mile & two furlongs
Conundrum HR Consulting Stakes - Handicap (76-95) - Class 3	3	£20,000	Seven furlongs
British Stallion Studs EBF Novice Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£20,000	Five furlongs
AGP Ltd and Steve Johnson Stakes - Handicap (71-85) - Class 4	4+	£15,000	One mile & four furlongs
Wednesday Total		£325,000	

Thursday 12 May

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Betfred supports Jack Berry House Stakes - Handicap (86-105) - Class 2	4+	£25,000	Five furlongs
Betfred Middleton Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 29 March)	4+f&m	£120,000	One mile & two furlongs
Betfred Dante Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 29 March)	3	£160,000	One mile & two furlongs
Betfred TV Hambleton Stakes - Listed Handicap (96-110) - Listed	4+	£50,000	One mile
British Stallions EBF Westow Stakes - Listed	3	£45,000	Five furlongs
The Stratford Place Stud EBF Stallions Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£20,000	Six furlongs
Boroughbridge Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	4+	£20,000	Two miles
Thursday Total		£440,000	

Friday 13 May

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Langleys Solicitors EBF Marygate Fillies' Stakes - Listed	2f	£45,000	Five furlongs
Betway Jorvik Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	4+	£50,000	One mile & four furlongs
Betway Yorkshire Cup - (British Champions Series Race) - Group 2 (early closing - 29 March)	4+	£160,000	One mile & six furlongs
Longines Irish Champions Weekend Fillies' Stakes (registered as the Michael Seely Memorial Stakes) - Listed	3f	£45,000	One mile
Ralph Raper Memorial Stakes - Handicap (76-90) - Class 3	3	£20,000	Five furlongs
EBF Stallions Breeding Winners Frank Whittle Partnership Stakes - Fillies' Handicap (76-90) - Class 3	4+f&m	£20,000	Seven furlongs
Heslington Stakes - Handicap (66-80) - Class 4	3	£15,000	One mile & four furlongs
Friday Total		£355,000	
TOTAL FOR DANTE FESTIVAL		£1,120,000	



The first Saturday of the York season with a feature Black Type, the Listed Stowe Family Law LLP Grand Cup. A competitive race with all runners rated above 100, Clever Cookie became a back to back winner, this time outright after dead heating in 2014.

The day also features the Titanbet.co.uk Spring Sprint Handicap over five furlongs worth £50,000.

The Infinity Tyres fillies' handicap last season was claimed by Covert Love, who went on to win the Group 1 Irish Oaks and Prix de l'Opera Longines.

Saturday 21 May

	Age	Prize money	Distance
titanbet.co.uk Stakes - Handicap (96-110) - Class 2	3+	£30,000	Seven furlongs
Stowe Family Law LLP Grand Cup - Listed	4+	£40,000	One mile & six furlongs
Titanbet.co.uk Spring Sprint - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3+	£50,000	Five furlongs
Whixley Stakes - Handicap (76-90) - Class 3	4+	£15,000	One mile & four furlongs
Yorkshire Regiment EBF Stallions Median Auction Novice Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£11,500	Six furlongs
Infinity Tyres Breeders Backing Racing EBF Fillies' Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	3f	£12,500	One mile & two furlongs
John Wright Electrical Gentleman Amateur Riders Stakes - Handicap (66-80) - Class 4	4+	£10,000	Seven furlongs
Saturday Total		£169,000	



June Meeting

Friday 10 - Saturday 11 June

Friday features the EBF Fillies' Series Stakes, a Class 2 race worth £30,000 over six furlongs for older fillies and mares. The valuable two year old SKF Rous Selling race saw the winner, Lady Wulfruna sold for £20,000.

The Saturday begins with the richest lady amateur race in Europe, the Queen Mother's Cup. The winning rider famously wins her weight in GH Mumm champagne.

Saturday's feature race is one of the most valuable sprint handicaps for three year old horses in Europe, the £100,000 888sport Charity Sprint, won last year by Twilight Son who progressed to take the Group 1 Haydock Sprint. The day is complimented by the inclusion of a Listed race, the Best Western Hotels Ganton Stakes, as claimed by Top Notch Tonto, with several of the field later placed in Group contests.

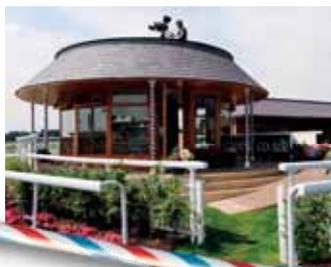
The day includes the Best Western Macmillan Ride of Their Lives Race as part of the Macmillan Charity Raceday. Since 1971 the meeting has now raised over £6.5 million for good causes, through the support of so many people in racing and remains the biggest charity raceday in British racing.

Friday 10 June

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Ripleycollection.com Longines Irish Champions Weekend EBF Novice Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£10,500	Five furlongs
DRS Television, CCTV Design & Installations Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	4+	£20,000	One mile & two furlongs
SKF Rous Selling Stakes - Class 3	2	£12,000	Six furlongs
888sport Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	4+	£11,500	Seven furlongs
EBF Fillies' Series Stakes (86-100) - Class 2	4+f&m	£30,000	Six furlongs
888sport.com Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	4+	£11,500	One mile & six furlongs
CreativeRace Apprentice Stakes - Handicap (61-80) - Class 4	4+	£10,000	One mile & four furlongs
Friday Total		£105,500	

Saturday 11 June

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Queen Mother's Cup (Lady Amateur Riders) - Handicap (76-95) - Class 3	3+	£20,000	One mile & four furlongs
Stowe Family Law LLP Stakes - Handicap (86-105) - Class 2	3+	£40,000	Seven furlongs
Best Western Hotels Ganton Stakes - Listed	3+	£40,000	One mile
888sport Charity Sprint - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3	£100,000	Six furlongs
THE ICE CO ^o supporting Macmillan Stakes - Handicap (61-80) - Class 4	4+	£12,000	One mile & one furlong
Reg Griffin Appreciation EBF Stallions Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£12,000	Six furlongs
Charles Henry Memorial Stakes - Handicap (61-80) - Class 4	3+	£12,000	Six furlongs
Best Western Macmillan Ride of Their Lives - Charity Race	4+	-	One mile & one furlong
Saturday Total		£236,000	
TOTAL FOR JUNE MEETING		£341,500	





57th John Smith's Cup Meeting

Friday 8 - Saturday 9 July

Friday's feature contest is the £60,000 Group 3 888sport Summer Stakes, with consistent New Providence gaining her reward last year. Cakemark EBF Stallions Maiden winner Ajaya looked in a different league, and returned to the track to win the Group 2 Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Gimcrack Stakes.

The 57th John Smith's Cup takes place on Saturday, with an injection to its prize money of £50,000 - now a total of £200,000. 2015 saw subsequent York Champion Jockey Phillip Makin claim a four timer including the feature race aboard Master Carpenter.

Both the Listed John Smith's Silver Cup and the Listed John Smith's City Walls Stakes have prize money levels of £40,000.

Friday 8 July

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Cakemark EBF Stallions Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£11,000	Five & a half furlongs
Green Hammerton Stakes - Nursery Handicap - Class 3	2	£11,500	Five furlongs
888sport Summer Stakes - Group 3	3+ f&m	£60,000	Six furlongs
GroceryAid Chairman's Charity Cup - Handicap (81-100) - Class 2	3+	£20,000	One mile & four furlongs
Acturis Stakes - Handicap (76-95) - Class 3	3+	£18,000	Five furlongs
Jigsaw Sports Branding Stakes - Handicap (66-85) - Class 4	3+	£11,500	One mile & two furlongs
Coopers Marquees Apprentice Stakes - Handicap (76-95) - Class 3	3	£11,500	Seven furlongs
Friday Total		£143,500	

Saturday 9 July

	Age	Prize money	Distance
John Smith's Racing Stakes - Handicap (86-105) - Class 2	3+	£25,000	One mile
John Smith's Silver Cup Stakes - Listed	3+	£40,000	One mile & six furlongs
John Smith's City Walls Stakes - Listed	3+	£40,000	Five furlongs
57th John Smith's Cup - Heritage Handicap - Class 2 (early closing - 7 June)	3+	£200,000	One mile & two furlongs
John Smith's Median Auction Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£11,500	Six furlongs
John Smith's Stayers Stakes - Handicap (76-95) - Class 3	4+	£15,000	Two miles
John Smith's Stakes - Nursery Handicap - Class 2	2	£15,000	Six furlongs
Saturday Total		£346,500	
TOTAL FOR JULY MEETING		£490,000	



Music Showcase Weekend

Friday 22 - Saturday 23 July

The only evening fixture in York's busy calendar and as an enterprise fixture means the racecourse does not receive any levy or central funding to stage the race programme. However, the quality of racing is maintained, with the Listed European Breeders' Fund Lyric Fillies' Stakes, which was won by French Dressing in 2015.

This evening holds the record for the highest attended evening fixture in British racing and has a great atmosphere. In 2015 the evening welcomed over 36,000 racegoers.

On Saturday the £100,000 Group 2 Sky Bet York Stakes was won last year by Tullius whilst third placed French raider Prince Gibraltar went on to win the Group 1 Grosser Preis Von Baden in Germany.

Following racing on both days, the action continues with live music. We have The Corrs performing after racing on Saturday with Friday's act soon to be confirmed.

Friday evening 22 July

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Think as One Apprentice Stakes - Handicap (61-80) - Class 4	3	£10,000	One mile & one furlong
Clifton Park York's Specialist Orthopaedic Hospital Stakes - Handicap (61-80) - Class 4	4+	£10,000	Six furlongs
BestPets Median Auction Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 4	2	£10,000	Seven furlongs
British Stallion Studs EBF Lyric Fillies' Stakes - Listed	3+ f&m	£40,000	One mile & two furlongs
Novus Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	3+	£12,500	One mile
Sky Bet Supporting the Yorkshire Racing Festival Stakes - Handicap (66-85) - Class 4	3	£10,000	Five & a half furlongs
Friday Total		£92,500	

Saturday 23 July

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Sky Bet Best Odds Guaranteed EBF Stallions Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	3+ f&m	£25,000	One mile & two furlongs
sportinglife.com Stakes - Handicap (86-105) - Class 2	3+	£25,000	Seven furlongs
Sky Bet York Stakes - Group 2	3+	£100,000	One mile & two furlongs
Sky Bet Dash - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2 Open	3+	£50,000	Six furlongs
Sky Bet Making Betting Better Median Auction Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 4	2	£10,000	Six furlongs
Sky Bet Supporting Yorkshire Air Ambulance Stakes - Handicap (71-90) - Class 3	4+	£13,000	Two miles
Sky Bet Supporting New Beginnings Stakes - Nursery Handicap - Class 3	2	£12,000	Five furlongs
Saturday Total		£235,000	
TOTAL FOR MUSIC SHOWCASE WEEKEND		£327,500	





Welcome to Yorkshire Ebor Festival

Wednesday 17 - Saturday 20 August

Our oldest, richest, fastest, and most famous races provide sporting excellence combined with fashion and top class racing action over four fabulous days. The traditional highlight of the season on the Knavesmire will commence on Wednesday 17 August featuring the richest race ever staged at York, the Juddmonte International, and finish with the Betfred Ebor, the richest flat handicap in Europe, on the Saturday.

The prestigious Group 1 Juddmonte International is the highlight of the opening day and with its increased prize fund of £900,000 is our richest race. The number one race in Great Britain, as ranked by the International Federation of Horseracing Authorities, has a roll of honour including Frankel, Sea The Stars and Authorized. Last year Arabian Queen produced one of the biggest surprises of the year as the sensational winner for Owner/Breeder Jeff Smith. The Group 2 Betway Great Voltigeur is always of particular interest as this £160,000 race has already produced thirteen winners of the final Classic of the year, the St Leger.

Thursday is Ladies Day fronted by the Group 1 Darley Yorkshire Oaks, with a total prize fund of £340,000, last year the title was claimed by Pleascach. The £200,000 Lowther Stakes is the richest Group 2 dedicated to juvenile fillies in Britain, won by Besharah, the placing was reversed when runner up Lumiere landed the Group 1 Cheveley Park. The day also features the Goffs Premier Yearling Stakes with a guaranteed prize fund of £300,000, and prizes to tenth place.

Friday sees the fastest race of the season at York, the Group 1 Coolmore Nunthorpe Stakes which again enjoys a boost to its value to a total prize fund of £340,000. Mecca's Angel proved an emotional winner out sprinting American runner Acapulco to victory in 57.24 seconds. This sprint race is balanced by the two mile Group 2 Weatherbys Hamilton Lonsdale Cup with a prize fund of £160,000, was won by Max Dynamite who later came second in the Melbourne Cup. The £125,000 Sky Bet City of York Stakes, has been elevated to Group 3 status so becoming the tenth Group contest at the Festival. The day also features the richest maiden race in the land the £60,000 European Breeders' Fund Convivial Maiden.

The feature race of the Saturday will remain the Betfred Ebor, the oldest, probably most famous race at York and the richest flat handicap at £280,000 in Europe. The excitement that this famous handicap generates has been constant since the 1840s, last year the title went to Litigant returning to the track after a 491 day absence. The Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Gimcrack Stakes with its £220,000 prize fund is the richest Group 2 juvenile race with a unique history and tradition.

We hope you will be able to be part of York's flagship fixture and look forward to welcoming you to Knavesmire.



Wednesday 17 August

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Symphony Group Stakes – Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3+	£65,000	Five & a half furlongs
Tattersalls Acomb Stakes - Group 3	2	£85,000	Seven furlongs
Betway Great Voltigeur Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 28 June)	3c&g	£160,000	One mile & four furlongs
Juddmonte International Stakes – (British Champions Series Race) - Group 1 (early closing - 21 June)	3+	£900,000	One mile & two furlongs
Fine Equinity Stakes – Handicap (81-100) - Class 2	4+	£60,000	Two miles
Betway Stakes - Nursery Handicap - Class 2	2	£60,000	Six furlongs
Total Wednesday		£1,330,000	

Thursday 18 August

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Goffs Premier Yearling Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 2 (closed - 5 January)	2	£300,000	Six furlongs
Lowther Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 5 July)	2f	£200,000	Six furlongs
Clipper Logistics Stakes - Handicap - Class 2	3+	£85,000	One mile
Darley Yorkshire Oaks - (British Champions Series Race) - Group 1 (early closing - 21 June)	3+ f&m	£340,000	One mile & four furlongs
EBF and Sir Henry Cecil Galtres Stakes - Listed	3+ f&m	£60,000	One mile & four furlongs
eventmasters.co.uk EBF Stallions Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3+ f&m	£60,000	Seven furlongs
Total Thursday		£1,045,000	

Friday 19 August

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Sky Bet First Race Special Stakes - Handicap (81-100) - Class 2	3+	£65,000	One mile & four furlongs
Weatherbys Hamilton Lonsdale Cup - (British Champions Series Race) - Group 2	3+	£160,000	Two miles
Sky Bet City of York Stakes - Group 3	3+	£125,000	Seven furlongs
Coolmore Nunthorpe Stakes - (British Champions Series Race) - Group 1 (early closing - 21 June)	2+	£340,000	Five furlongs
British Stallion Studs EBF Convivial Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 2	2	£60,000	Seven furlongs
Nationwide Accident Repair Services Stakes - Handicap (81-100) - Class 2	3	£60,000	One mile
Total Friday		£810,000	

Saturday 20 August

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Betfred Mobile Strensall Stakes - Group 3	3+	£85,000	One mile & one furlong
Betfred Melrose Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2 Open	3	£85,000	One mile & six furlongs
Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Gimcrack Stakes - Group 2 (early closing - 5 July)	2c&g	£220,000	Six furlongs
Betfred Ebor - Heritage Handicap - Class 2 (early closing - 5 July)	3+	£280,000	One mile & six furlongs
Julia Graves Roses Stakes - Listed	2	£60,000	Five furlongs
Betfred Supports Jack Berry House Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3+	£60,000	One mile & two furlongs
Betfred Apprentice Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3	£60,000	Five furlongs
Total Saturday		£850,000	
TOTAL FOR EBOR FESTIVAL		£4,035,000	



September Sunday

Sunday 4 September

Our only Sunday of the season includes the Listed Betfred Garrowby Stakes, Lucky Kristale returned to form to land the spoils also the runner up, Fort Del Oro went one better and took Listed race later in the season.

The day also gives an opportunity for two year olds that are a little later to mature the chance to experience the Knavesmire before their three year old campaign, as the race programme includes a Nursery and a Maiden.

The day will also include the pony conditions' series final, a great opportunity for these stars of the future to fight out their Championship on the Knavesmire. Many owners and trainers choose to bring their children to York on this Sunday. With many activities and a special relaxed feel about the day, it is the perfect opportunity for all of the family to enjoy the races. The County Stand dress code is relaxed for this fixture.

Sunday 4 September

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Charles Owen Pony Conditions' Series Final - 138cm - 148cm			One mile One mile & one furlong
Judith Marshall Memorial Stakes - Nursery Handicap (0-85) - Class 4	2	£10,000	Seven furlongs
Barkers Garage Stakes - Handicap (66-80) - Class 4	3+	£10,000	One mile & two furlongs
Betfred Garrowby Stakes - Listed	3+	£40,000	Six furlongs
Coopers Marquees Irish Champions Weekend EBF Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£11,500	Five & a half furlongs
Castles UK Educational and Residential Furniture Stakes - Handicap (66-85) - Class 4	3+	£10,000	Two miles
Hanson Springs Stakes - Handicap (81-95) - Class 3	3	£15,000	Six furlongs
Racecourse Challenge for Cystic Fibrosis Apprentice Stakes (Go Racing in Yorkshire Future Stars Series) Handicap (66-80) - Class 4	4+	£10,000	One mile & four furlongs
Sunday Total		£106,500	



October Finale

Friday 7 - Saturday 8 October

The final meeting of the season at York includes Countryside Day on the Friday and the Coral Sprint Trophy on the Saturday. The feature race on Friday is the Stan James Stakes, a handicap run for £50,000, the first running of the race was won by Swaheen.

Saturday sees the £100,000 Coral Sprint Trophy. This was won last year by Shared Equity. The Listed coral.co.uk Rockingham Stakes, limited to two year olds, is the final chance of the 2016 season for owners and trainers to go in search of Black Type form at York.

Following the final race, the fabulous Corp of Drums Band of the Coldstream Guards are due to bring the curtain down on the season.

Friday 7 October

	Age	Prize money	Distance
TSG Stakes - Nursery Handicap (0-95) - Class 3	2	£15,000	Six furlongs
Stan James Bet On Your Mobile Stakes - Handicap (86-100) - Class 2	3+	£30,000	One mile & 110 yards
EBF Stallions Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£12,000	Five & a half furlongs
Stan James Stakes - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2	3	£50,000	One mile & six furlongs
Parsonage Hotel and Cloisters Spa Stakes – Handicap (81-95) - Class 3	3+	£20,000	Five furlongs
Racing UK Members free entry today Maiden Auction Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 4	2	£12,000	One mile
Kirk Hammerton Apprentice Stakes - Handicap (71-85) - Class 4	3+	£12,000	Seven furlongs
Friday Total		£151,000	

Saturday 8 October

	Age	Prize money	Distance
Coral Stakes - Handicap (86-100) - Class 2	3	£35,000	One mile & one furlong
Download The Coral App Stakes - Handicap (96-112) - Class 2	3+	£35,000	One mile & two furlongs
coral.co.uk Rockingham Stakes - Listed	2	£50,000	Six furlongs
Coral Sprint Trophy - Handicap (0-105) - Class 2 Open	3+	£100,000	Six furlongs
coral.co.uk EBF Stallions Maiden Stakes (Plus 10 Race) - Class 3	2	£15,000	Seven furlongs
coral.co.uk Stayers Stakes - Handicap (66-85) - Class 4	3+	£15,000	Two miles
Coldstream Guards Association Cup – Handicap (71-85) - Class 4	3+	£15,000	One mile & two furlongs
Saturday Total		£265,000	
TOTAL OCTOBER MEETING		£416,000	





Things you maybe didn't know...

...about the race programme*

- Further increase to prize money for 2016, to a record level of more than £7 million.
- The three day Dante Festival boasts a prize fund of over £1.12m, increasing by a further £45,000 for 2016.
- Irish Thoroughbred Marketing Gimcrack Stakes is the richest 2yo Group 2 in Great Britain at £220,000.
- Lowther is the richest 2yo fillies' Group 2 in Great Britain at £200,000.
- Sky Bet City of York has now been elevated to Group 3 status with a prize fund of £125,000.
- Betfred Ebor is the richest flat Handicap in Europe at £280,000.
- Weatherbys Hamilton Lonsdale Cup is a highly regarded Group 2 Staying Cup race at £160,000.
- Darley Yorkshire Oaks is a leading target for all age fillies' Group 1 race in Great Britain at £340,000.
- European Breeders' Fund Convivial, at £60,000, is Britain's most valuable maiden race.
- Queen Mother's Cup is the richest Lady Amateur Race in Europe at £20,000.

*Excludes British Champions Day

We are pleased to be recognised by Plus 10, an owner and breeder incentive scheme which applies £10,000 bonuses to about 550 races in Britain and Ireland.

Once fully operational in 2016, Plus 10 will be the richest, multi-jurisdictional scheme of its kind and offer more than £5.5 million in bonuses across about 550 races.



...about major investments made over recent years

- 2009** £2.5m track works project with drainage scheme across the whole racing surface, irrigation system, widening of the south (home bend), installation of the service road and canter down.
- 2010** The Melrose Stand refurbishment including the Owners and Trainers Lounge providing owners and trainers with a trackside lounge area overlooking the Winning Post.
- 2011** Upgrade of stable facilities with rubberised walkway, horse showers and wash down facilities.
- 2012** Stable staff accommodation refurbishment and upgrade in facilities. The Parade Ring was re-laid and re-surfaced, with anti-slip walkways, and irrigation and drainage improvements.
- 2014** Northern End Development first phase: new pre-parade ring, saddling boxes, vets facilities and sampling unit.
- 2015** Northern End Development second phase: new Weighing Room, Winning Connections Room, Parade Ring Restaurant and racegoer facilities.



Jockeys and Stable Staff Information

Jockeys

Jockeys riding on the day are entitled to two complimentary County Stand badges for their family and friends from the Owners and Trainers' entrance. These need to be requested, in person and signed for, either before the raceday or at the Owners and Trainers' entrance.

Physiotherapist Julie Brown, will be present on all racedays for those who require treatment.

The Weighing Room was opened at the start of the start of the 2015 season. The ground floor weighing room facilities are designed to provide modern, first class facilities for jockeys, stewards and medical teams with larger and better facilities for jockeys to change, rest between races, receive physio and medical treatment, to create a top quality environment for jockeys as they prepare for rides whilst sited in a central location to the parade ring and saddling boxes.

Leading Jockey and Trainer Awards

We have individual awards for the leading trainer and jockey at York, both over the season and at the Welcome to Yorkshire Ebor Festival.

Former champion jockeys at York include Frankie Dettori, Paul Hanagan and Ryan Moore. Taking the 2015 Living North Top Jockey title was Phillip Makin, his tally of eleven winners began with a double in May and a four timer on John Smith's Cup Day ensured he led for the remainder of the season.

The fiercely contested Charles Clinkard Top Trainer at York was successfully defended by David O'Meara, taking the title for the third year running, finishing the year with twelve winners; despite William Haggas scoring five winners at the Ebor Festival alone, and the perennial strong challenge from Richard Fahey.

Stable Staff

During the Welcome to Yorkshire Ebor Festival there will be a Stable Staff Celebration evening in conjunction with Betfred on the Friday night around Europe's richest Handicap, the Betfred Ebor. We look forward to welcoming many of you to the evening.

Finally, if you needed any extra incentive to win the Best Turned Out awards throughout the season, York Racecourse have a League Table to keep tally of which yard is "Best Turned Out", with the winning yard receiving a prize at the end of the season. Up to date results will be posted at the Stable Yard on each raceday. Good Luck.

Stable Yard Location

The stable yard is within half a mile of the A1036 (West) exit of the A64, (sat nav code YO24 1QG).

The vehicle entrance to the racecourse stables is on Tadcaster Road, opposite the Fox & Roman public house. To book stables and accommodation for stable staff please email stables@yorkracecourse.co.uk, telephone 01904 709174 or fax 01904 778647.

Veterinary Provision

We have specialised equine vets from Minster Equine Veterinary Clinic on site during every raceday to attend to any horses that may require treatment, with the practice's clinic only a short distance away should it be needed. For the Dante and Ebor Festivals, veterinary cover will be enhanced by having the Equisave Horse Ambulance, designed and used for the equine events at the London Olympics, in addition to the Horse Ambulance team provided by Sebastian Garner.

Minster Equine Veterinary Practice can be contacted on 01904 788840, or email poppleton@minstervets.co.uk





Owners & Trainers Information

York Races

Badge Allocation and Car Parking

The Owners and Trainers entrance is located adjacent to the Owners & Trainers Car Park at the northern end of the racecourse enclosures, near the weighing room. Within this entrance, Rachel Blizzard will continue to operate the PASS system and to help with any on the day queries. Please remember to bring your PASS swipe card in order to obtain your Owners badges.

Owners

A single owner, partnership or syndicate with a runner declared will be entitled to a total of six complimentary Owners Badges for the raceday for use by you, your family or close personal friends of yours. Extra Badges may be purchased from Rachel at a discounted rate, subject to availability.

Trainers

Trainers will be entitled to two complimentary Owners Badges provided that they have declared runners on the day of racing.

The Owners and Trainers Club

Please be aware of the York dress code in the County Stand, which includes the areas for Owners & Trainers, where gentlemen are required to wear a jacket, collar and tie, (except Sunday 4 September when the dress code is relaxed).

The Owners & Trainers Club, reserved exclusively for the use of owners and trainers with a runner on the day, is situated on the first floor of the Melrose Stand close to both the Winning Post and the Parade Ring. This facility has a trackside lounge area overlooking the winning post and an adjoining dining area. There are televisions showing home and away racing, and a DVD player for owners and trainers to review races run on the raceday. Wheelchair access remains via the original Melrose Stand lift lobby.

Owners' dining facilities at York Racecourse

A single owner, partnership or syndicate with a runner(s) on the raceday will be entitled to a total of up to four complimentary lunches, irrespective of how many runners on the day, if reserved in advance of the raceday. Lunch will be a choice of starter, chef's carvery and dessert, served in the Owners' Restaurant followed by tea or coffee in the Lounge Area. Timings for lunch will be from 11.30am through to 3.30pm.

Louise Armour our Owners' Restaurant Manager will run the scheme and will host the facility on racedays. Reservations for the complimentary lunch must be made in advance, after 48 hour declaration stage, by completing and returning the form sent via Weatherbys to Louise Armour (e-mailing louise.armour@yorkracecourse.co.uk, fax 01904 611071 or mobile 07968 434807). Places for lunch can only be guaranteed if booked by 5pm the day before racing and are allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Two extra lunch places may be allocated, subject to availability, at a cost of £40 per person.

Owners of horses which are declared non-runners will be issued with badges but not complimentary lunch vouchers.

The registered trainer with runner(s) will be entitled to a lunch for themselves, accompanied by a guest, so a maximum of two complimentary lunches, irrespective of how many runners.

We are unable to allocate tables for the whole day in this Owners Restaurant, and tables may be shared. Should you, and your guests, wish to have a reserved table for the whole day – we do have various Restaurant and Private Box facilities within the Racecourse which can be reserved, subject to availability, at a special rate by telephoning Annette Wilks on 01904 638971 or annette.wilks@yorkracecoursehospitality.co.uk for details.

Please note, the complimentary lunch is intended for the Owner of the horse that runs or their close friends and family. It must be booked by the Owner themselves – it cannot be transferred to third parties nor booked by anyone other than the Owner. The Owner is required to present their PASS card.

Further information on the scheme and the booking form is available on the owners' section of the website and will be included in the five day letter sent from Weatherbys.

Rachel Blizzard and Louise Armour will be on hand to help throughout the season with any Owners and Trainers queries, and can be contacted after 10am on raceday mornings on 01904 709246, by fax after 10am on racedays on 01904 706127 or email: rachel.blizzard@yorkracecourse.co.uk

Travel

York Racecourse lies within a mile of the city centre and is served by convenient road, rail and air access routes, including:

- Fast and frequent trains run from London Kings Cross, taking as little as 1 hour 52 minutes (taxi, regular shuttle bus or a brisk 20 minute walk to the racecourse).
- Direct trains running from Edinburgh, Manchester and Birmingham.
- Leeds/Bradford International Airport (approximately 50 minutes away) and Manchester International Airport (approximately 90 minutes away).
- Light aircraft can be accommodated at Rufforth, 6 miles from the course.
- Owners approaching by car should follow the A1036 York (West) exit of the A64 following Tadcaster Road before turning right onto Knavesmire Road. Sat nav postcode YO23 1EX, please note sat nav will direct you to Racecourse Road, please instead follow signs for 'labels' which will direct you to Car Park A. Your ROA car park label, or this brochure, will act as a car park pass enabling you to park. Please note one-way systems may apply, follow signs for 'labels' which will direct you to the appropriate car park.

Please tune to local radio (BBC York 103.7FM or Minster FM 104.7) for regular travel updates.

Should you choose to arrive by helicopter, please contact Helicopter & Aviation Services Ltd on 01427 718800.



Visit yorkshire.com for a list of local hotels.

International Racing at York

Overseas enquiries for the 2016 season please contact Adrian Beaumont, International Racing Bureau, to discuss arrangements on +44 (0)1638 668881 or email adrian@irbracing.com

Breeders' Cup Challenge Series

Entry fee and travel paid for the winner

We will host three Breeder's Cup Challenge Series races; the Juddmonte International, Darley Yorkshire Oaks and Coolmore Nunthorpe. The winners of the three Group 1 races will earn automatic starting berths, waived entry fees and travel incentives into the corresponding race in the Breeders' Cup World Championships at Santa Anita on 4 and 5 November. Please see breederscup.com for more details.



Japanese Racing Association

The fields in the Juddmonte International and the Darley Yorkshire Oaks demonstrate the global nature of top class flat racing competition.

To further encourage this competition, the Japanese Racing Association have offered an attractive incentive to the winners of these two races. If the winners of these two contests go on to win the corresponding race in Japan in November, the connections will qualify for a special bonus from the JRA. Please see jra.go.jp for more details.





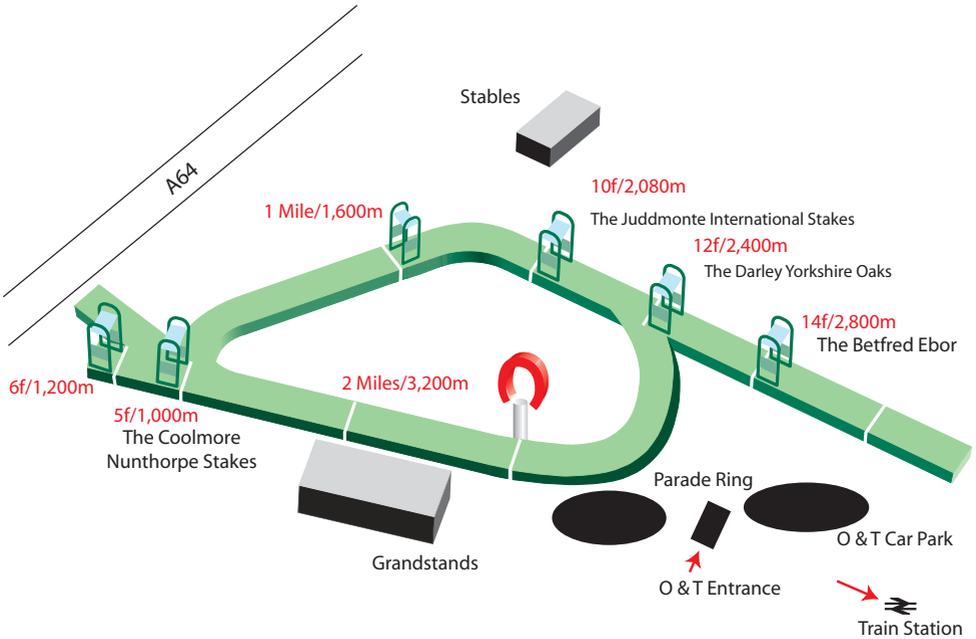
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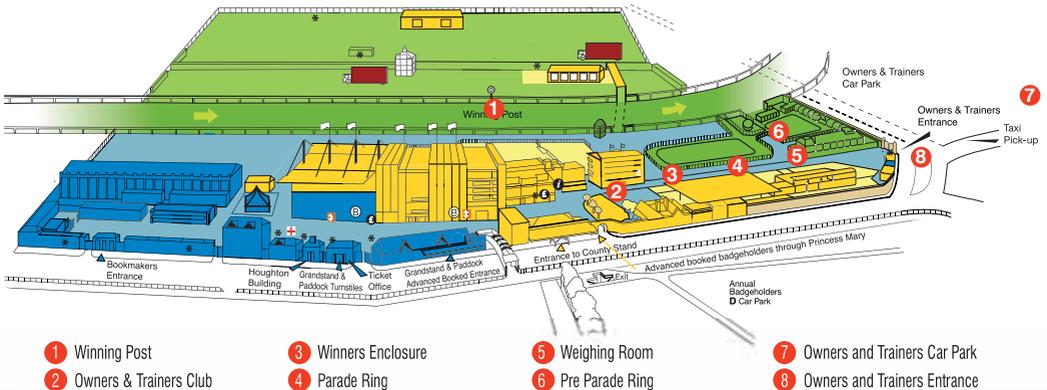
Going Reports

The latest Going Report can be found on the front page of yorkracecourse.co.uk, or by calling 01904 683932 or the 24 hour telephone information system 01904 620911 and following the instructions.

Alternatively follow Assistant Clerk of the Course, Anthea Morshead, on Twitter @AntheaLMorshead for up to the minute Going Reports and weather forecasts.



Left-handed, flat and fair. Ideal for the powerful galloper. The round course has a run-in of almost 5 furlongs (1000 metres) and 7 furlong races are started from a chute.



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The York Racecourse Team

On your visit to York Racecourse you will be looked after by our experienced racecourse team who will be on hand to assist you with any enquiries.



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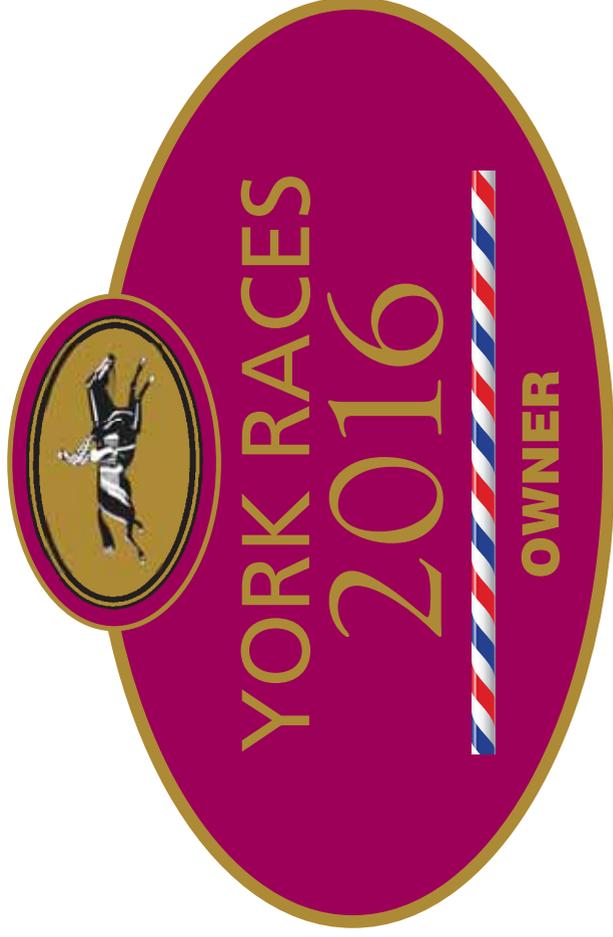
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York Owners Car Park Pass

Please display this car park label in your windscreen on a raceday.

When travelling to the course follow the signs for

A carpark - the Owners and Trainers area is situated at the front of A car park

For further details please visit the Owners & Trainers page at
yorkracecourse.co.uk or alternatively call 01904 683932.