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Indian Summer

It's been a tricky autumn for us, with the ground still firm everywhere and not enough rain to soften it for plenty of our horses. However, our small team of summer horses have continued to run and do well.

Prettylady was back to her best at Bangor under a cool ride from Jack Tudor, cruising into the lead approaching the last and going on to win very well. On the same day, **Cawthorne Cracker** finished a close second. It was the first time he had really shown his old form since his fall at Sedgefield the season before. He then went on to win at Kelso under a strong ride from Toby Wynne. It can be a long way up the Kelso straight, and many horses get lonely in front & are collared, so it was a relief to see him keep his head in front. He has since finished second at Sedgefield, this time ridden by our conditional, Ben Smith. It's great to see him back to his old form for his patient owners, and to see his consistency returning, which is always what we want to see as trainers.


Cawthorne Cracker

Ben works for us full time. He is an extremely hard-working member of staff and is really progressing with his riding on the track. As the son of a trainer who has ridden all his life, he has a great way with horses and gives fantastic feedback. He will be riding as our conditional this season, and he also rode a nice race on **Crystal Glance** at Uttoxeter. She usually runs well but disappointed two runs back, so it was even better to see her fighting out the finish again and only just being denied the win.


Prettylady


Ben Smith, Conditional Jockey

Tropical Talent has been in the yard for a while. After a spell on the sidelines, he put in a pleasing run on the flat at Southwell before finishing a very close second over fences at Sedgefield. He is a very versatile horse who gives his enthusiastic owners plenty of fun. Let's hope he gets his head in front very soon.

We only have a small string of flat horses, but they have been running very nicely this summer. **Ottoman** has won twice and **Loki** once. Our two-year-olds have also been performing well, considering they are all bred to improve with age and want further. **Dark Detective** has shown enough in novice races, and once he has had time to grow and fill out he will be seen to good effect in handicaps.

Another youngster we are delighted with is **Pigeon Pete**, who has run twice and finished second both times. On his latest start at Wolverhampton, he got squeezed up against the rail, which didn't help, but it was close and the first two pulled well clear of the third, so it was a very pleasing performance.

The weather will surely break soon, and with a strong team of horses for the coming jumps season we have so much to look forward to. We are hoping to start a few off at Chepstow in mid-October and at Aintree on 25th October, but we may have to wait until November for plenty of them if this dry spell continues.

The Matt Hampson Syndicate Newmarket Trip

With plenty of our syndicates, we try to add value and interest through racing-related trips. We do this especially with the bigger syndicates, and it's a great way for members to meet each other and learn about different areas of the industry. We started the Matt Hampson Syndicate to raise awareness and money for the charity, which has been so helpful to my cousin Lara and to many others in racing and across sport. We really wanted to organise a trip to Newmarket so the members could meet each other and also meet people from the charity who could explain more about what they do and their future plans.

It was a fun day, attended by 20 of the members. We started at George Scott's yard on the racecourse side of Newmarket, where his assistant Alex showed us around, which was so interesting. Every racing yard is different, and it's fascinating to see how they do things. George's yard uses a lot of technology to help spot issues and manage staff.

We then headed across Newmarket to Dalham Hall Stud, part of the huge Godolphin operation and where they breed all their top horses. We were very kindly hosted by Sam Bullard and given an in-depth tour of the covering sheds, the facilities and



all the beautiful stallions on the farm. This included champion Dubawi and newcomer Bow Echo, who had an amazing season for George Boughey, is now standing at stud there and could prove even better as a stallion.

We had a delicious lunch in the Jockey Club Rooms dining room, followed by a visit to the National Horseracing Museum to see the Stubbs collection and much more. To finish off, we went to the National Stud, where two of the nominations team showed us round. They were fantastic and showed such passion for the industry. It was great to see Stradivarius, who had his first two winners that very week and is flying the flag for the stud.

A fantastic trip enjoyed by all, and one not to miss next time!

Horse Welfare Gallops and Ground Course



For all the ways the BHA can frustrate me, they have some fantastic initiatives that keep British racing at the forefront of research and development across racing and the wider sporting world. The Levy Board provides the funding, and the Horse Welfare Board puts it all together; they constantly look for ways to improve the safety of the sport, limit injuries, and make sure we as trainers have the knowledge to keep and train our horses as well as possible.

A course I attended recently in Newmarket did exactly that. It focused on how to make sure our gallops at home are properly maintained and how to check they are safe. It also covered racecourse ground and how horses can pick up injuries depending on the type of surface. The team has also visited our yard to test and report on our gallops, which was very useful. They are now carrying out a two-year study using our training notes (what the horses do each day) and our weekly vet notes. This will let them analyse how injuries link to the ground horses are trained on, the ground they race on and the amount of work they do. We are really looking forward to seeing the results and to using them in our training and racing routine.

GUL – Equine Assisted Learning

In what is believed to be a first for a racing trainer in the UK, we have partnered with Gul Outdoor Therapy to offer Equine Assisted Learning at Greenall Guerriero Racing. Over the summer, we have been retraining Heroique de Maulde and Duke of Deception as therapy horses, and we are now offering the service from our satellite yard. The horses have been learning to interact with people in a new, quieter way: being groomed, being led around obstacles and generally slowing down while people interact with them in a way that benefits both human and horse. It's a totally new way of working for them. We are also delighted that the recently retired Homme Public will be joining the programme soon.

The programmes are delivered by qualified practitioners and are tailored to agreed outcomes for each participant. Sessions are entirely ground-based (no riding) and typically last one to two hours. They can be delivered one-to-one or in small groups, and they are suitable for SEND children as well as adults who need support.

Activities may include horse observation, grooming, leading, equine care, problem-solving exercises and practical teamwork. All of them are designed to build confidence, emotional regulation, communication, resilience and engagement with learning. Progress is monitored against agreed objectives, with regular reviews and achievement certificates or rosettes available to celebrate success.

They accept referrals from individuals, schools, local authorities and NHS services. If you know anyone who would benefit from the programme, do let us know.

For further information, please visit **guloutdoortherapy.org.uk**



North West National Hunt Racing Club trip to Chester

As part of club membership, every autumn we offer a free behind-the-scenes trip. Last year we went to Yorton Farm and this year we had a fascinating morning looking behind the scenes at Chester with their Director of Racing Paddy Chesters.

We started with breakfast and coffee before taking a tour of the track, stables, weighing room, changing rooms and the winner's suite. It was fascinating to see areas closed off to the public and to be able to ask lots of questions of our great guide!



This club still has a few spaces available, and with the arrival of an exciting new French horse, Mont Beuvray, now is the perfect time to join. It costs just £60 plus VAT a month and includes entry to Bangor for all fixtures, including exclusive access to the Silks Room.



Merano – The Italian Grand National

We were hoping to run Homme Public in the Italian Grand National at Merano in September, but unfortunately, he didn't run quite well enough to justify travelling all that way. Some owners and I still went to check it out and get a feel for the track and the area.

It's a beautiful area surrounded by mountains. We flew into Verona, and it was so interesting spending several hours there (the home of opera!) and at Lake Garda, where we stayed on the first night. We then headed to Merano, which has a very different feel. It was once part of Austria, so German is widely spoken



and it feels very Austrian. With traditionally higher rainfall and cooler temperatures, it's an ideal place for a racecourse. It attracts horses from all over Europe, especially for this meeting, which has over €500,000 in prize money.

The area is magnificent, with so much to do. The racecourse is very nice, and we had a delicious lunch overlooking the paddock and track. The locals were very welcoming and friendly. All in all, it was a very enjoyable trip, and we will be trying very hard to have runners there next year.

Horses for Sale



Ladies' Syndicate

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NWNH Racing Club

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RoR Alumni

Lovely to see Good Work (now lovingly called Goose for short!) settling into his new home with Alice Tyacke and family just a few miles down the road. Alice has worked for us for many years and was looking for a new horse to add to her herd.

Goose is already much loved and did his first fun ride a few weeks ago in Hanmer with Alice and Tori from the office making it a full ROR outing on their horses. They were keen but very well behaved. Horses and riders!



Upcoming Events

Tuesday 24 November, 6pm - 9pm
Wreath Making at the yard

Friday 4 December
An Evening with Charles Barnett at The Lion

Saturday 5 December, 12pm - 3pm
December Owner's Morning followed by our Christmas Fair



Christmas Fair Plans

We are thrilled to be planning our second Christmas Fair on December 5th from 12-3pm. Last year's was a late decision and the weather was not kind to us, but we are hoping this year will be much improved!

We have some very lovely stall holders already booked into the marquee including a traditional toy maker, candles and crafts and some delicious local food sellers with lots of gift ideas for your Christmas shopping. We are still looking for a couple more non-food sellers so if you know anyone that might want to come please ask them to email tori@stocktonhall.co.uk.

We have booked the brilliant jazz band from the Summer BBQ to play live Christmas music and will be serving mulled wine and refreshments. There will be a Father Christmas trail around the farm again and all profits will this year go to the Injured Jockeys Fund who are also joining us with their lovely cards and gifts for the season.

Savills are kindly sponsoring us again for the event. Please make a note of the date and join us.

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Oliver's A to Z of Racing Phrases



Birthday
Horses born in the Northern Hemisphere officially turn a year older on 1st January, regardless of their actual foaling date. Horses born in the Southern Hemisphere age up on 1st August, again regardless of their true birth date.

A foal becomes a yearling on its next official birthday (1st January or 1st August, depending on hemisphere). It becomes a two-year-old on the following official birthday, and so on.

Horses can race from the age of two on the flat, three over hurdles and four over fences (steeplechases). They are not considered fully mature until around five years of age.

Black Type
A horse's name printed in bold "black type" in a sales catalogue shows that the horse has achieved a high level of racing success. Black type immediately signals a higher level of performance and significantly increases a horse's value at the sales and for breeding, particularly for a filly or mare.

Bloodstock Sales
Bloodstock sales are auctions where racehorses are bought and sold at different stages of their development and racing careers. Buyers include owners, trainers, breeders and syndicates, and horses are sold lot by lot in a competitive auction. Sales vary depending on the age, experience and purpose of the horse.

***Types of Sale* -**
Breeze-Up Sales
Unraced two-year-olds are trained in advance and then asked to gallop ("breeze") over a short distance, typically around three furlongs, before the sale. This lets potential buyers assess a horse's speed, action and athleticism rather than relying only on pedigree. Times are often recorded, and the horses are specially prepared for several months before the sale.

Yearling Sales
Yearlings (aged between one and two) are sold before they begin training or racing. Buyers assess them on pedigree, conformation and physical presence.

Horses in Training
These sales feature horses that are already in training or have previously raced, from lightly raced juveniles to experienced performers. They give buyers the chance to buy horses that are ready to run or have proven form.

The most prominent sales in Britain and Ireland are run by companies such as Tattersalls and Goffs, and they are key fixtures in the racing calendar.

Bought In
After a selling race, the owners of the winning horse may bid for their own horse at the auction that follows. If they win the bidding and keep the horse, it has been "bought in".

Brushing
Brushing is when a horse's hoof strikes the inside of the opposite leg as it moves.

Bumper
A Flat race run under Jump racing rules. It is designed to give horses that have not previously run on the Flat some experience of racing.

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