

Macmillan Charity Race 5.50pm

1 mile 1 furlong

Flag start

Weights to be carried –
all those horses rated 80 and below will initially carry 11st 7lbs.



RACE DESCRIPTION

The final race today is an opportunity for riding enthusiasts to "ride the dream". This group of jockeys represents many walks of life and all have a cancer story. All the riders have a background in equestrianism, have got themselves fit and are raising funds for Macmillan Cancer Support. Do stay to cheer them on; you can have a bet, though the absence of jockey form should moderate your stake.

No	Horse	Age	st-lb
 1	Triple Eight (IRE) G b Royal Applause - Hidden Charm (IRE) (Big Shuffle (USA)) Owner: RedHotGardogs Trainer: Philip Kirby	7	11-7
		Jockey: Sarah Huntridge	Form: 54U287-
		Breeder: Moyglare Stud Farm Ltd	



Sarah is the Northern British Dressage Regional Development Officer which satisfies her keen interest in Dressage involving keeping all four hooves on the ground! Inspired by the loss of a close friend, who lost her battle with cancer, to raise money for Macmillan and have a go at a once in a life time challenge. This will be Sarah's first experience in horse racing, somewhat different to the Dressage arena!

<https://www.justgiving.com/Sarah-Huntridge>

Not at his best of late and needs to raise his game to get his head back in front. Official BHA Rating 65


 2	Layla's King G b Dubawi (IRE) - Top Jem (Damister (USA)) Owner: Shaun Humphries Trainer: David Griffiths	7	11-7
		Jockey: Leanne Humphries	Form: 790/796
		Breeder: Norcroft Park Stud	



Leanne and her husband have been owners and breeders for the past 9 years. Leanne's sister Paula lost her life to Ovarian Cancer at the age of 33, her Nan had Breast Cancer twice and the sad loss of other members of her family have driven Leanne to raise money for Macmillan. Leanne's Dad Ian is a driver for the local charity York Against Cancer. Growing up living only minutes away from York Racecourse has made the course big part of her life. To race ride at York is truly an amazing dream, a true once in a lifetime opportunity.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Leanne-Humphries>

Off the track for the best part of two years. Entitled to strip fitter for this outing. Official BHA Rating 54

 3	Amaze G ch Pivotal - Dazzle (Gone West (USA)) Owner: Brian Ellison Trainer: Brian Ellison	7	11-7
		Jockey: Lorna Harrison	Form: 046422
		Breeder: Cheveley Park Stud Ltd	



Lorna retired from competitive race riding some years ago. Now 39, she juggles family life with raceday roles at Beverley and York Racecourse. After a 15 year break from the racing saddle, trainer Brian Ellison has very kindly taken Lorna under his wing and she is thrilled to be riding work again. Lorna is delighted to have the opportunity to combine her passion for horse racing with the chance to raise much needed funds for Macmillan; a charity which needs no introduction and deserves all the support we can give.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Lorna-Harrison>

Hit the crossbar on his last two Flat starts. Not so good over hurdles since but big player back on the level. Official BHA Rating 75

 4	Imperator Augustus (IRE) G b Holy Roman Emperor (IRE) - Coralita (IRE) (Night Shift (USA)) Owner: Foulrice Park Racing Limited Trainer: Patrick Holmes	7	11-7
		Jockey: Kirstie Hargreave	Form: 926705
		Breeder: Western Bloodstock	



Kirstie is 50 years old, and is married to Nick Hargreave, a Racecourse Judge. Combining being a busy mother of two, running a catering business and farm, Kirstie has ridden all her life, riding 25 point to point winners and hunting from the age of 5. In July 2013 Kirstie was diagnosed with a rare cancer, Anaplastic Oligodendroglioma Brain Tumour, which was removed and followed by Radiotherapy and Chemotherapy until August 2014. Kirstie wants to raise lots of money for such a brilliant charity.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Kirstie-Hargreave>

Step back in the right direction at Carlisle last time and no surprise to see him go close. Official BHA Rating 63

No Horse Age st-lb (kgs) Draw



5 Maoi Chinn Tire

G b Mull of Kintyre (USA) - Primrose And Rose (Primo Dominie)

Owner: The Best Club in the World
Trainer: Jennie Candlish

8 11-7

Jockey: Michelle Hayward

Form: 2138-76

Breeder: Mrs E. Thompson



Michelle is 38 years old an equine sports massage and laser therapist from Lambourn. She is most often seen behind the scenes preparing racehorses for action. Michelle has experienced first-hand Macmillan's great support when diagnosed with cancer in December 2013, with major surgery in January 2014.

<https://www.justgiving.com/MichelleHayward-1>

Not at his best in two starts this year but a capable performer on his day. Player. Official BHA Rating 76



6 It's All A Game

G ch Sleeping Indian - St Edith (IRE) (Desert King (IRE))

Owner: Mr David Aarons
Trainer: Richard Guest

4 11-7

Jockey: Bob Bracken

Form: 108-996

Breeder: Mrs G. Sainty



Bob rode as a teenager and dreamt of being a professional jockey, however he ultimately followed a career in the RAF whilst riding for trainers when possible. At 56 and a school caretaker located in Dorset, Bob is now able to combine his passion of horse racing whilst adding to his tally of completed charity challenges. To ride in the race is a dream come true, but Bob's main motivation is to raise much needed funds for Macmillan.

<https://www.justgiving.com/BobBrackennidesagain/>

Scored at Southwell in November but yet to scale those heights in recent weeks. Official BHA Rating 54



7 Royal Preserve (IRE)

G ch Duke of Marmalade (IRE) - Castaway Queen (IRE) (Selkirk (USA))

Owner: Mr Ambrose Turnbull
Trainer: Tim Easterby

4 11-7

Jockey: Sara Fleck

Form: 462-968

Breeder: Horizon Bloodstock Limited



Sara is 28 years old and a vet at the Yorkshire Equine Practice needed covers many racing yards in the area. She lives in Masham and rides out for both Rebecca Menzies and Jedd O'Keeffe. Sara is riding in the race having lost her cousin Natalie to cancer. Sara is thrilled to fulfil a childhood dream of riding on the Knavesmire and supporting a charity close to her heart. She would like to thank Rebecca and Jedd for all their help and Ambrose Turnbull for allowing her to ride Royal Preserve.

<https://www.justgiving.com/sarafleck/>

Yet to hit form this season but not without a chance based on a couple of placed efforts last term. Official BHA Rating 65



8 King of the Celts (IRE)

G b Celtic Swing - Flamands (IRE) (Sadler's Wells (USA))

Owner: Mrs Oughtred
Trainer: Tim Easterby

7 11-7

Jockey: Emily Easterby

Form: 69408-1

Breeder: Gerrardstown House Stud



Emily is 19 and daughter of local trainer Tim Easterby, currently riding out for father during her gap year. Emily is the youngest rider in this year's race. She is excited about the opportunity to raise money for Macmillan whilst fulfilling the challenge and getting the chance to ride on the Knavesmire.

<https://www.justgiving.com/EmilyEasterby>

Scored bravely over 10 furlongs at Beverley last time. Leading claims here. Official BHA Rating 65



9 Tanawar (IRE)

G b Elusive City (USA) - Parakopi (IRE) (Green Desert (USA))

Owner: G Scruton, D Williamson, R Carr
Trainer: Ruth Carr

5 11-7

Jockey: Gemma Docherty

Form: 574577

Breeder: J. Hanly, Castlemartin Sky & Skymarc Farn



Gemma has worked in racing for the last 11 years, and led up racehorses many times at York. She has competed in other equestrian events, but is really looking forward to experiencing what it is like to ride in a race on the Knavesmire.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Gemma-Docherty2>

Out of sorts so far this season and needs to raise his game to land this. Official BHA Rating 57



10 Scoppio Del Carro

G b Medicean - Sadie Thompson (IRE) (King's Best (USA))

Owner: Mr Ross Harmon
Trainer: John Quinn

4 11-7

Jockey: Max Pimlott

Form: 324143-

Breeder: Mr Ross Harmon



Max is from a horse racing background. Originally from Malton, he is currently working in Newmarket at the International Racing Bureau. Although he has not ridden racehorses for a number of years, he is keen to ride a winner at York before going back into retirement! Riding for Macmillan will be a great privilege therefore he is determined to raise as much as possible for a fantastic charity.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Max-PimlottJockey>

Solid form over hurdles recently and boasts some of the best Flat form. Big chance. Official BHA Rating 75

No Horse

Age st-lb (kgs) Draw



11 Relight My Fire

G ch Firebreak - Making Music (Makbul)

Owner: Mr Jonathan Gill

Trainer: Tim Easterby

5 11-7

Jockey: Jonathan Gill

Form: 66096-5

Breeder: Mr J. Gill



Jonathan is 61 years old and has been involved in racing as an owner for 25 years, recording York and then Royal Ascot Group 1 success with Fayr Jag (trained by Tim Easterby) and Group 3 with Knot in Wood (trained by Richard Fahey). Despite only starting to ride about 10 years ago, he is now looking after retired racehorses at home - including Knot in Wood. Johnathan is riding his home bred horse, Relight My Fire trained by Tim Easterby sporting his own colours.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Jonathan-Gill5#>

Not seen to best effect lately but capable of making a significant impact if rediscovering some form. Official BHA Rating 68



12 Tapis Libre

G b Librettist (USA) - Stella Manuela (FR) (Galileo (IRE))

Owner: Mrs Susan E Mason

Trainer: Mick Easterby

7 11-7

Jockey: Susan Mason

Form: 35-8221

Breeder: Sedgemoor Stud



Susan is 53 years old, her riding experience comes from point to points, and now she hunts and rides out regularly. There can be no better place to have a come back ride than the prestigious York Racecourse and she is honoured to have been selected to ride in the Macmillan Charity Race. Susan adds some family rivalry to the race, as a daughter of the legendary Mick Easterby and so a cousin of Tim.

<https://www.justgiving.com/Susan-Mason2015>

Gained a deserved success at Musselburgh last time following a pair of narrow defeats. Bold bid expected. Official BHA Rating 65