



Ascot Racecourse Media Release

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Royal Ascot order of running changes

Ascot Racecourse today announces order of running changes to the Royal Ascot programme for 2022, relating to the day three (Thursday) and day four (Friday) cards.

The changes follow discussions with the Horserace Betting Levy Board and media rights partners and are as follows:

Thursday (16th June in 2022)

The Group 3 Hampton Court Stakes moves from race two to race six, with the King George V Stakes moving to race two in a straight swap.

Friday (17th June in 2022)

The Group 1 Commonwealth Cup moves to race two, the Duke of Edinburgh Stakes moves to race three and the King Edward VII Stakes will be run as race six.

Nick Smith, Director of Racing and Public Affairs at Ascot Racecourse, said:

“These changes provide a more balanced programme with the conclusion of Thursday and Friday more varied, where there were three handicaps in place last year.

“Placing a likely large, competitive field race second on the card every day, in the 3.05pm slot, is expected to increase betting turnover based on Levy Board data.”

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Notes

The amended order of running for Thursday and Friday comparing 2021 and 2022 is below along with the full finalised order of running for Royal Ascot in 2022.

Thursday 2021	Thursday 2022
The Norfolk Stakes (Gr2)	The Norfolk Stakes (Gr2)
The Hampton Court Stakes (Gr 3)	The King George V Stakes (H'cap)
The Ribblesdale Stakes (Gr2)	The Ribblesdale Stakes (Gr2)
The Gold Cup (Gr1)	The Gold Cup (Gr1)
The Britannia Stakes (H'cap)	The Britannia Stakes (H'cap)
The King George V Stakes (H'cap)	The Hampton Court Stakes (Gr 3)
The Buckingham Palace (H'cap)	The Buckingham Palace (H'cap)
Friday 2021	Friday 2022
The Albany Stakes (Gr3)	The Albany Stakes (Gr3)
The King Edward VII Stakes (Gr2)	The Commonwealth Cup (Gr 1)
The Commonwealth Cup (Gr 1)	The Duke of Edinburgh (H'cap)
The Coronation Stakes (Gr1)	The Coronation Stakes (Gr1)
The Sandringham Stakes (H'cap)	The Sandringham Stakes (H'cap)
The Duke of Edinburgh (H'cap)	The King Edward VII Stakes (Gr2)
The Palace of Holyroodhouse Handicap (H'cap)	The Palace of Holyroodhouse Handicap (H'cap)

Race	Total Prize Fund £ 2022
Tuesday 14th June - Royal Ascot	
The Queen Anne Stakes (Gr1)	600,000
The Coventry Stakes (Gr2)	150,000
The King's Stand Stakes (Gr1)	500,000
The St James's Palace Stakes (Gr1)	500,000
The Ascot Stakes (H'cap)	100,000
The Wolferton Stakes (L)	110,000
The Copper Horse Handicap (H'cap)	100,000
Daily Total	2,060,000
Wednesday 15th June - Royal Ascot	
The Queen Mary Stakes (Gr2)	115,000
The Queens Vase (Gr2)	262,500
The Duke of Cambridge Stakes (Gr2)	175,000
The Prince of Wales's Stakes (Gr1)	1,000,000
The Royal Hunt Cup (H'cap)	175,000
The Windsor Castle Stakes (L)	100,000
The Kensington Palace Stakes (H'cap)	100,000
Daily Total	1,927,500
Thursday 16th June - Royal Ascot	
The Norfolk Stakes (Gr2)	110,000
The King George V Stakes (H'cap)	100,000
The Ribblesdale Stakes (Gr2)	200,000
The Gold Cup (Gr1)	500,000
The Britannia Stakes (H'cap)	120,000
The Hampton Court Stakes (Gr 3)	100,000
The Buckingham Palace (H'cap)	100,000
Daily Total	1,230,000
Friday 17th June - Royal Ascot	
The Albany Stakes (Gr3)	100,000
The Commonwealth Cup (Gr 1)	500,000
The Duke of Edinburgh (H'cap)	100,000
The Coronation Stakes (Gr1)	500,000
The Sandringham Stakes (H'cap)	100,000
The King Edward VII Stakes (Gr2)	225,000
The Palace of Holyroodhouse Handicap (H'cap)	100,000
Daily Total	1,625,000
Saturday 18th June - Royal Ascot	
The Chesham Stakes (L)	100,000
The Jersey Stakes (Gr3)	110,000
The Hardwicke Stakes (Gr2)	225,000
The Platinum Jubilee Stakes (Gr1)	1,000,000
The Wokingham Stakes (H'cap)	175,000
The Golden Gates Handicap (H'cap)	100,000
The Queen Alexandra Stakes (Con)	100,000
Daily Total	1,810,000
TOTAL ROYAL ASCOT	8,652,500

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