

THE RANDOX HEALTH GRAND NATIONAL 2018
**OWNERS & TRAINERS
INFORMATION**

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2017 RANDOX HEALTH GRAND NATIONAL WINNER



We hope that this Handbook is a useful source of information and it covers the arrangements for The Radox Health Grand National Festival 2018.

We are delighted to have increased prize money for the three days to £3.2 million.

If you have any queries or require assistance, please contact myself or Carly Sage on carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk or give her a call on 0151 522 2959.

We thank you for your support and look forward to welcoming you to Aintree Racecourse at our most exciting time of the year, and wish you the best of luck.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'Andrew Tulloch'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Andrew' written in a larger, more prominent script than the surname 'Tulloch'.

Andrew Tulloch MRICS

Regional Head of Racing (North West)
Clerk of the Course (Aintree Racecourse)

ORDER OF RUNNING

GRAND NATIONAL THURSDAY (Thursday 12th)	1.45	The Manifesto Novices' Steeple Chase (Grade 1)	2m 4f	100,000
	2.20	The Doom Bar Anniversary 4YO Juvenile Hurdle (Grade 1)	2m 1f	100,000
	2.50	The Betway Bowl Steeple Chase (Grade 1)	3m 1f	190,000
	3.25	The Betway Aintree Hurdle (Grade 1)	2m 4f	250,000
	4.05	The Randox Health Foxhunters' Steeple Chase (Class 2)	2m 5f	45,000
	4.40	The Red Rum Handicap Steeple Chase (Grade 3)	2m	90,000
	5.15	The Goffs Nickel Coin Mares' Standard Open NH Flat (Grade 2)	2m 1f	45,000
LADIES DAY (Friday 13th)	1.45	The Alder Hey Handicap Hurdle (Grade 3)	2m 4f	75,000
	2.20	The Betway Top Novices' Hurdle (Grade 1)	2m ½f	100,000
	2.50	The Betway Mildmay Novices' Steeple Chase (Grade 1)	3m 1f	100,000
	3.25	The JLT Melling Steeple Chase (Grade 1)	2m 4f	250,000
	4.05	The Randox Health Topham Steeple Chase (Grade 3)	2m 5f	140,000
	4.40	The Doom Bar Sefton Novices' Hurdle (Grade 1)	3m ½f	100,000
	5.15	The Weatherbys Private Bank Standard Open NH Flat (Grade 2)	2m 1f	45,000
GRAND NATIONAL DAY (Saturday 14th)	1.45	The Gaskells Handicap' Hurdle (Grade 3)	3m ½f	75,000
	2.25	The Betway Mersey Novices' Hurdle (Grade 1)	2m 4f	100,000
	3.00	The Doom Bar Maghull Novices' Steeple Chase (Grade 1)	2m	100,000
	3.40	The Betway Handicap Steeple Chase (Listed)	3m 1f	75,000
	4.20	The Ryanair Stayers' Hurdle (Reg. as the Liverpool Hurdle) Grade 1	3m ½f	180,000
	5.15	The Randox Health Grand National Steeple Chase (Grade 3)	4m 2½f	1,000,000
	6.15	The Pinsent Masons Handicap Hurdle (cond' and amat') Class 2	2m ½f	50,000

GENERAL INFORMATION

This Handbook is intended as a useful source of information that will help you prior to, and during **The 2018 Randox Health Grand National Festival**.

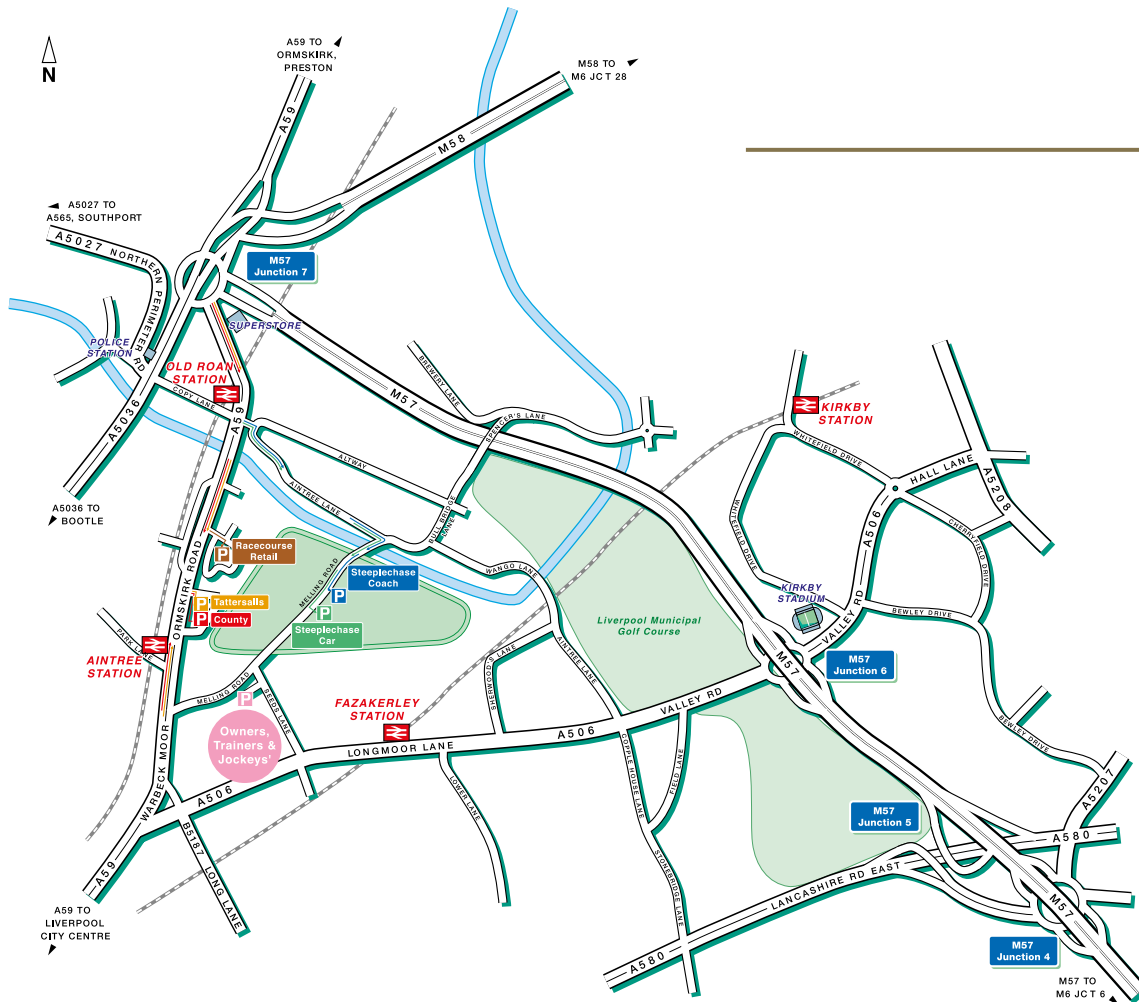
Please ensure that you read all sections of the booklet and bring it with you to Aintree.

ONCE AGAIN IN 2018

- The **PASS System** will be in operation. All Owners and Trainers will require a valid PASS card to gain badges.
- There will be **one car park** for Owners, Trainer and Jockeys located off Melling Road.
- There will be **one Badge Collection Point** for Owners, Trainers and Jockeys.
- Everyone will be subject to **security scanning**.



Derek Fox & Lucinda Russell - 2017 Randox Health Grand National Winning Jockey and Trainer.



CAR PARKING AND TRAVEL DIRECTIONS

OWNERS' AND TRAINERS' CAR PARK

There is one car park for Owners, Trainers and Jockeys at The Railway Club on Melling Road. There is a short walk to the Owners' and Trainers' Reception, which is on the inside of the Racecourse. Melling Road is **ONLY** accessible by one route off the M57, Junction 6. Please follow the signs.

Sat Nav Postcode L9 0LD.

A car park label will be sent out by Weatherbys to all Owners and Trainers with an entry, at the five/six day stage.

A car park label will have already been sent to Owners and Trainers who have a horse entered in the Randox Health Grand National. Partnerships will receive two car park labels, which will be sent to the first named person, unless prior arrangements have been made.

Please contact **Carly Sage** on **0151 522 2959** or by email **carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk** by **Friday 6th April**.

For Trainers who do not have a runner but would like a car park label, please contact **Carly Sage** on **0151 522 2959** or email at **carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk** by **Friday 6th April**. Please ensure that you have a valid car park label.

HORSEBOXES

Entry for horseboxes is via the Seeds Lane entrance off Melling Road, and is signposted off Junction 6 of the M57.

Please follow the signs. Horseboxes will park in their normal lorry park, which is close to the stabling area. It is important that the driver knows the identity of the horse(s) he or she is transporting.

TAXIS

If you plan to travel by taxi, a **car park label** will still be required so that you can access the Owners and Trainers drop off point. **Without the correct label**, you will not be given access.



CAR PARKING AND TRAVEL DIRECTIONS CONT.

DISABLED FACILITIES

There are a limited number of car park spaces for disabled visitors in the Owners and Trainers car park, if arrangements are made in advance.

Please supply your details; name, vehicle registration number and horse name to **Carly Sage** by email at **carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk** or on **0151 522 2920**, before **Friday 6 April**. These will be available on a first come, first served basis.

TRAIN

For those arriving by train at Aintree Station, there is a courtesy car shuttle which will transfer you to the Owners' and Trainers' Reception. Please go to the Owners' Information Point, located at the top of Grand National Avenue in the Toby Carvery car park.

HELICOPTER FACILITIES

An area, adjacent to Steeplechase car park, is provided for helicopter landing.

The site will be operated by **Rotary Wing Limited**, 109 Gilda Road, Worsley, Manchester, M28 4BP. Contact **Philip or Karen Pickford** on **0161 799 6967**, via email on **cps@rotarywing.co.uk** or by mobile on **07923 621 371**.

Prior notice is required in advance for landing facilities and insurance indemnity. Please contact Karen Pickford on the above number. Particular attention is to be paid to the rules of the air which govern the overflying of built-up areas. No landings will be permitted 30 minutes before the first race and no take-offs will be permitted until 30 minutes after the last race.

If you are arriving by helicopter, please notify the Owners' and Trainers' Reception in advance, so that your badges are available upon landing.



OWNERS BADGES

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The PASS System will be in operation with one badge collection point for Owners, Trainers and Jockeys at Owners' and Trainers' Reception in the horsebox park within the Racecourse. No badges will be sent or issued in advance and will only be available for collection from Owners' and Trainers' Reception on the day of running.

Owners need to be clear, in advance, whether their horse is singularly owned or a partnership, as per the Weatherby's definition (this is particularly important for those with company owned horses).

ALLOCATION

Single ownership & partnerships

Six badges and six wristbands

The Randox Health Grand National, Topham and Foxhunters' Steeple Chase
Eight badges and eight wristbands

The badge will be the sole entrance badge and will admit to the Paddock and Weighing Room.

This badge will also enable you to walk the course.

Owners and Trainers will be given wristbands with their badges. Wristbands must be worn to enable access to the Owners and Trainers Pavilion.

Please note: Due to restrictions on space, badges will only be issued to Owners with declared runners.

The Owners' and Trainers' badges for The Randox Health Foxhunters' Chase (Thursday), Randox Health Topham Chase (Friday) and Randox Health Grand National Chase (Saturday) will be a commemorative badge. The badge will be the sole entrance badge and will admit to the Paddock, Weighing Room.

Please note that for the above races no other Owners' and Trainers' badge will permit access to the Parade Ring and the Winner's Enclosure, following the race.

In an effort to cater for large syndicates, a restricted number of Owners' and Trainers' badges will be available for sale on a strictly first come first served basis. **Thursday £50, Friday £88 and Grand National Day £115.** Festival Zone (formerly Tattersalls enclosure) badges will also be on sale (subject to availability): **Thursday £29, Friday £43 and Grand National Day £65.**

METAL BADGES (ROA, NTF, PJA, RCA, BHA, JCO AND JOCKEY CLUB BADGES)

These badges are **NOT** applicable at The Randox Health Grand National Festival and will not allow access to the racecourse. The **ONLY** badge that will admit to the Racecourse is the badge issued from the Owners' and Trainers' Reception.

ACCOMMODATION

A list of hotels located near Aintree can be found at **www.visitliverpool.com**

TRAINERS BADGES

TRAINERS

Two Trainers' badges will be issued to Trainers upon production of a current PASS card. Please note: badges will only be issued to whom the PASS card is authorised to.

We appreciate how frustrating it can be for Trainers to be stopped by security stewards and asked to show their badges, especially when trying to access the Parade Ring or Weighing Room. We very much hope you will understand that security arrangements mean that this procedure will be politely, but firmly enforced throughout the Festival.

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AMATEUR RIDERS

We would be grateful if Trainers could advise the names and contact details of any amateur riders riding their horses. By doing this, the Owners' and Trainers' office can contact them in advance in relation to car park labels and badges.

IRISH TRAINERS WITH RUNNERS

As with British trainers, no admission badges will be sent out in advance of The Festival. On production of a current Irish Trainers' licence, each Irish Trainer with a runner will be issued with two badges for that day. Badges may only be collected from the Owners' and Trainers' Reception.

IRISH TRAINERS WITHOUT RUNNERS

Arrangements have been made with the Irish Trainers Federation for Irish Trainers, who do not have runners, to apply to the ITF in advance of the Festival to ensure a badge for entry is available upon arrival.

Please note: no badges will be issued to Irish Trainers who do not have runners, unless they have applied in this way and are for the named trainer only.

STABLING & STABLE LADS' ACCOMMODATION

All stabling and accommodation must be booked, in advance, for The Randox Health Grand National Festival.

ANY QUERIES?

If you have any queries regarding badges, please call the Owners' Information Line which will be open at the following times:

Owners' Information Line 0151 522 2959
Email carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk

Monday 9th to Wednesday 11th April

10:00am - 5:30pm

Thursday 12th and Friday 13th

7:00am - 3:00pm

Saturday 14th April

6:00am - 3:00pm

STABLING AND STABLE STAFF ACCOMMODATION

STABLING

Full stable security, with BHA stable access control and CCTV, will operate from noon on Wednesday 11th April. Applications for stables and accommodation, stating the day and time of arrival and departure, should be sent via email to amy.martin@thejockeyclub.co.uk

Trainers with runners on the second and third days are advised that it may not be possible to provide boxes for horses before 6pm on the evening prior to the second and/or third day.

NON-PERMIT HOLDERS

Owners with horses running in The Randox Health Foxhunters' Steeple Chase on the Thursday, who do not have a permit to train, must ensure that their staff bring with them photographic identification.

GALLOPS

The fibre-sand exercise gallop will be available daily from 8am to 10am.

STABLE STAFF ACCOMMODATION

Trainers must state the name of **ALL** their stable staff when booking accommodation for the Festival. Accommodation is limited and must be booked in advance. Accommodation will be available as follows:

One Horse One Lad/Lass.

Two or more horses One Lad/Lass per horse, plus one Head Lad/Lass.





OWNERS AND TRAINERS DINING

'1839' overlooks the Parade Ring. If you wish to reserve a table in this facility, please contact: **Linda White** on **07920 471 836** or email to **linda.white@jockeyclubcatering.com**

An Owners' and Trainers' badge and wristlet will be required to gain admission for guests.

Please ensure that you have arranged your badge allocation with Carly Sage on 0151 522 2959 beforehand.

Tables can only be reserved by owners/trainers who have runners on the day.

O'SULLEVAN'S

In recognition of the great man, known affectionately as "The Voice of Racing" Aintree have named their "second tier" Owners and Trainers Facility - "O'Sullivan's".

Owners and Trainers will receive a 'Complimentary Lunch Voucher' as well as a complimentary drink on arrival.

OWNERS AND TRAINERS BARS

The main Owners and Trainers bar is situated in The Dodson and Horrell Owners and Trainers Pavilion, overlooking the Parade Ring. Owners and Trainers badges will also allow access to the front areas of the grandstands.

OWNERS AND TRAINERS LIAISON

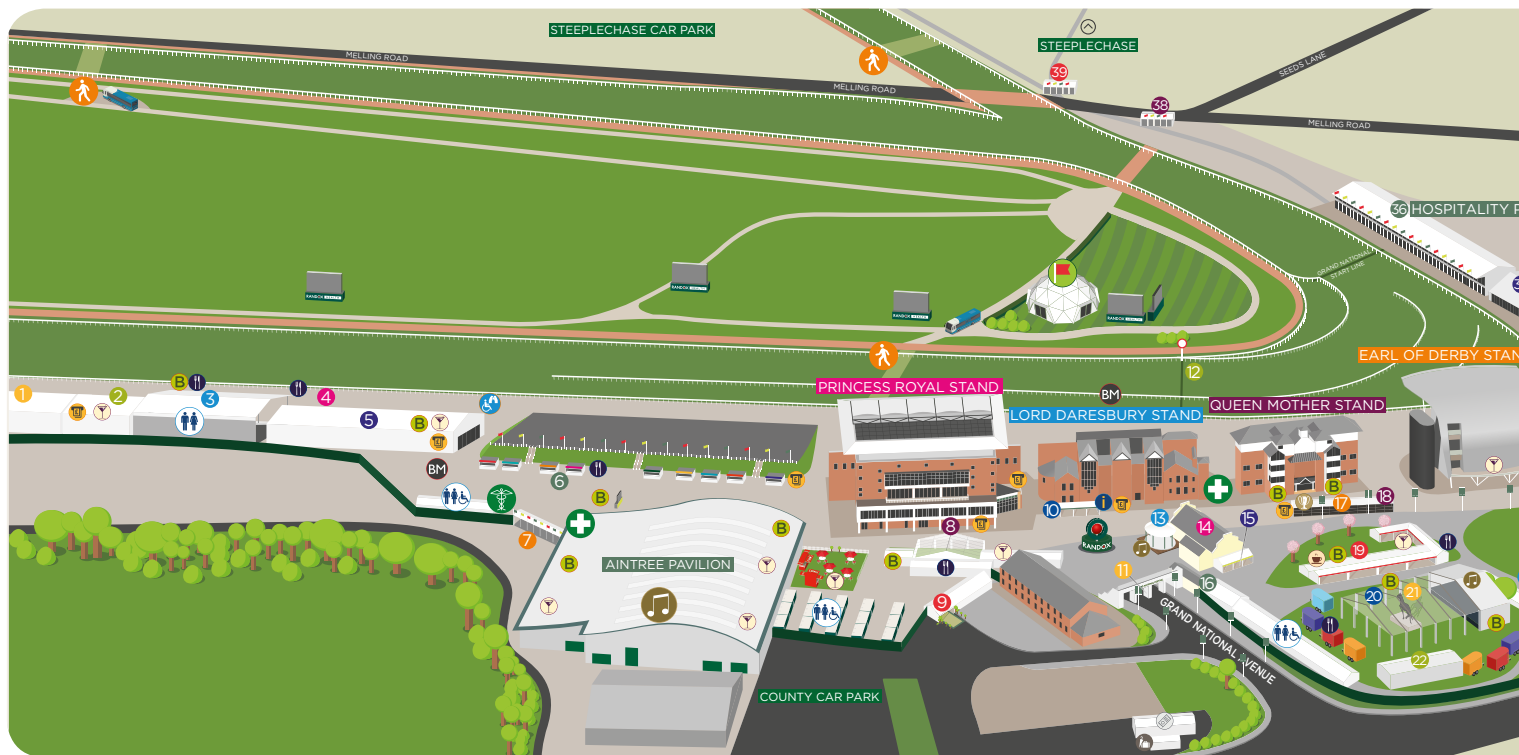
After each race, a racecourse liaison person will be located in the pull-up area for any Owner, Trainer or Lad/Lass wishing to enquire about the whereabouts of their horse.

DISABLED SEATING

There is an allocation of seats in the grandstands (subject to availability), where there are lifts for Owners requiring these facilities. Please ensure you have arranged disabled seats with **Carly Sage** on **0151 522 2959** or **carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk**



AINTREE RACECOURSE FACILITIES MAP





- 1** Information
- 2** Ticket Collection Point
- 3** Toilets
- 4** Bar
- 5** Food
- 6** Crosby Coffee Shop
- 7** Cash Machines
- 8** Betting Ring Manager
- 9** Entertainment
- 10** Grand National Trophies
- 11** Disabled Viewing
- 12** Betting
- 13** Grand National Course Tour
- 14** First aid
- 15** Course Crossing Point
- 16** Left Luggage
- 17** Amberleigh House Bronze
- 18** Pharmacy
- 19** West Tip Entrance
- 20** West Tip Bar (Private Hospitality)
- 21** West Tip Grandstand (Private Racecourse Viewing)
- 22** Unreserved Seating (Plus Decking Area)
- 23** Chair Pavilion (Open to All)
- 24** Festival Zone Food Court (Open to All)
- 25** Festival Zone Entrance
- 26** Princess Royal Food Court (Open to All)
- 27** County Car Park & VIP Entrance
- 28** Sales Upgrades and Information
- 29** Grand National Avenue Entrance
- 30** Finishing Line
- 31** Moët & Chandon Bandstand (Open to All)
- 32** McCoy's (Private Hospitality)
- 33** Trade Stands
- 34** Grand National Merchandise
- 35** Aintree History (Open to All)
- 36** Randox Health Activation (Open to All)
- 37** Queen Mother Garden (Open to All)
- 38** Red Rum Garden (Open to All)
- 39** Red Rum Bronze
- 40** Doom Bar and The Garden Gin Bar (Open to All)
- 41** The Horse Comes First
- 42** Topham (Private Hospitality)
- 43** Parade Ring
- 44** Paddock Lodge (Paddock view, Private Hospitality)
- 45** The Dodson & Horrell Owners & Trainers Suite (Lower Floor 1839 Restaurant, Upper - O'Sullivan's)
- 46** Winners' Enclosure
- 47** Alan Lee Media Centre
- 48** Cloister Restaurant (Private Hospitality)
- 49** Weighing Room
- 50** Station Entrance
- 51** Sefton Arms Entrance
- 52** Saddling Boxes & Pre-Parade Ring
- 53** Silver Birch (Private Hospitality)
- 54** Hospitality Pavilion (Private Hospitality)
- 55** Owners & Trainers Reception
- 56** Seeds Lane Entrance
- 57** Steeplechase Entrance (Saturday Only)

PRIZE MONEY REACHES RECORD £3.2 MILLION

Prize money for The Randox Health Grand National Festival at Aintree on April 12-14 has been increased and reaches **£3.2 million** for the first time this year.

The 2018 Randox Health Grand National Festival commences with Grand National Thursday on April 12, when the two of the four Grade 1 (G1) highlights on this unique day of high-quality racing receive a substantial prize money boost.

Friday, April 13 is Ladies Day at the 2018 Randox Health Grand National Festival and a £50,000 boost to the feature race, the G1 JLT Melling Chase, means it has a record total prize fund of £250,000.

On Grand National Day, Saturday, April 14, the Randox Health Grand National retains its position as the most valuable Jump race, with a **total prize fund of £1 million**.

The three-mile G1 Ryanair Liverpool Hurdle, won by the brilliant Big Buck's for four consecutive years between 2009 and 2012, climbs by 20 per cent to £180,000 (from £150,000) while the two main supporting handicaps – the G3 Gaskells Handicap Hurdle and the Listed Betway Handicap Chase – each receive a rise of £5,000 increase, taking them up to £75,000.



GOING REPORTS

Enquiries should be made to **Andrew Tulloch**, the Clerk of the Course, on **0151 523 2600**.

If the office is not open, recorded information will be available on this line, or please contact **Andrew Tulloch** on **07831 315 104**.

A graphic description of the going and a weather forecast, will be available on our website
www.therandoxhealthgrandnational.co.uk/festival-overview/going

FACILITIES AT AINTREE

VIEWING

Once inside the Racecourse, Owners and Trainers have access to the Owners and Trainers' Pavilion and all of the front and ground floor areas of the Grandstand to view racing.

We would be grateful for your co-operation in ensuring that the centre of the Racecourse remains clear of all racegoers. This is an integral part of the event security and we need to ensure that there are no personnel in this area.

We therefore ask that all those associated with horses return to the stand side of the course, prior to each race.

This is particularly important for Owners, Trainers and Stable Staff with horses in races over the National fences.



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Bookings and further information may be
obtained at owners and trainers

contact Chris on 07857623017
chrisstronge@btinternet.com



The AINTREE SALE

At the Grand National Festival

Held after racing on the opening day of the Randox Health Grand National Festival, the Goffs UK Aintree Sale is open to HIT & Point-To-Pointers and has enjoyed prices up to **£335,000** (for the top class *Samcro*) as well as an average of over **£100,000** each year. It has also sold runners in the **£1,000,000 Randox Health Grand National**.

Aintree Racecourse

Thursday 12 April 2018

More info at www.goffssuk.com

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OTHER INFORMATION

ABANDONMENT

In the event of abandonment, the programme will be revised to allow the rescheduling of races. If necessary, the meeting will be extended to include any date as determined at the time by the British Horseracing Authority (BHA).

BRANDING

Further to the British Horseracing Authority's (BHA) decision to allow the sponsors to have the option of exclusive access to all the Owners' and Jockeys' branding sites and attendants' clothing for races at the Grand National Festival, the sponsors, Aintree Racecourse, the Racehorse Owners' Association and the professional Jockeys' Association have reached agreement for this option to apply in all races. The sponsors have exercised the exclusivity option in all 21 (twenty-one) races scheduled to take place during The 2018 Randox Health Grand National Festival.

For all races during The 2018 Randox Health Grand National Festival the sponsors will display their logo on

Owners' silks, Jockeys' branding sites, paddock cloths and attendants' clothing. All logos will be supplied by the sponsors. In addition, for The Randox Health Grand National the sponsor will provide a branded paddock sheet/rug.

The sponsors will pay the Owners of horses, who display the sponsors' logo on Owners' silks and paddock sheet/rug, taking part in The Randox Health Grand National £1,250, plus VAT, each. In the other 20 (twenty) races, a sponsorship payment of £205, plus VAT, will be made to each Owner who displays the sponsor's logo. It is possible that in one race the sponsors will allow logos promoting a charity to be worn instead of their own. If this is the case, the sponsorship payments will still be made to the Owners. Subject to the Rules of Racing, the sponsors will make a payment of £169.85 per ride to each Jockey who displays the sponsor's logo.

Any Owners wishing to make further enquiries about these arrangements

please contact **Andrew Tulloch** (Clerk of the Course) on **0151 523 2600**, or alternatively the Information Line on **0151 522 2959** or **carly.sage@thejockeyclub.co.uk**

NOTICE

Horses, and those in charge of them, are admitted and received on the terms that neither Aintree Racecourse, The Jockey Club, nor their servants are liable for any damage, loss or injury to such horses or persons, while in or about the Racecourse premises or stabling, from whatever cause arising, including damage, loss or injury caused by the negligence of any servant or agent of Aintree Racecourse/ The Jockey Club.



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www.randoxhealthgrandnational.co.uk

Aintree Fixtures 2018

Friday 18th May

Saturday 16th June

Sunday 28th October

Saturday 10th November

Saturday 8th December

Aintree Racecourse, Ormskirk Road, Aintree, Liverpool L9 5AS

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