

**TEAM HHH, 2026**  
**International Racing Tip Sheet XII Part II**  
**“Follow the Jockey”**  
**Royal Ascot Day 5, June 20th**

A few winners for the subscribers on Day 3 & 4, as well as **Map of Stars given at 10/1** and **Alobbayah given 7/2 live** on the show on Tuesday and Wednesday. **Green Carrera and Bacio were 20/1 and 16/1** when advised on the Thursday Tip Sheet. This will be the last Tip Sheet for a few weeks. The next big global racing carnival will be in Durban, South Africa with the 130th running of the Durban July, Africa's biggest horse race. Y'all will be focused on July 4th fireworks and Saratoga that night, but there will be some great bets to be made that morning.

**R1 09:30 EST Norfolk Stakes 5F**

**12 (20) Savage Mariner 12/1**  
**19 (3) EZ Tina 10/1**

**2 Stars**  
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I had narrowed this race down to the best of high drawn horses, **12 (20) Savage Mariner 12/1, 6 (19) Force Noir** and 21 (15) Through the Years. I will play them in UK horizon and vertical exotics. Savage Mariner kept on when only going down 1 1/2 lengths to Libertango at Leicester in May. Libertango was the most impressive juvenile I have seen this week. You have to follow that form. Hugo Palmer goes with Tom Marquand here. You have to note that. Follow the Jockey, as ever. Jamie Spencer often rides for Jim and Fitri Hay and is on the seeming 2nd string Fitri Hay horse, **11 (10) Persian Spring**. Don't ruler out Spencer finding a seam on the tracks of the Royal carriages up the middle. Keep that horse onside in any exotics.

The O'Brien Fav 3 (13) Carry the Flag is the horse to beat, but has been on the drift this morning. I am loath to be cute for cute's sake, but it may pay to take a contrarian view here. The bias has been so bad this week that I expect some corrective watering to take place overnight. But even without that more watering on the Grandstand side, I was so impressed with **19 (3) EZ Tina's 10/1** win on the synthetic in Canada that I am compelled to play her as a far side back up. That Toronto Woodbine time was fast, but the manner she did it impressed me most. The head carriage was all business. Laser focussed on the next yard. I suspect she'll be long gone on the far side rail before those on the Stand side get into stride. The price on the Ward horse Bacia collapsed today from 16/1 to 11/4. I took a double figure price on EZ Tina yesterday. Her price has contracted to 7/1 last night, but she is now back to 10/1. Hopefully, you'll get 8/1 or more. A word of warning. EZ Tina could bring **18 (4) Where Love Lives 16/1** into the reckoning late. Danish rider Kevin Stott is booked for Kevin Ryan, so keep on eye that Cotai Glory colt. They are know to be good precocious 2 yr olds. Wathnan's **5 (6) Flight Signal 12/1** for Archie Watson, a sharp trainer of 2 yr olds could also benefit.

My exotic strategy is to play three up the Grandstand and 3 on the Far Side, with Spencer perhaps sneaking late up the middle. I am using all seven of those horses. The edge for the Win goes to Savage Mariner and EZ Tina. I will be playing both to win.

## R2 10:05 EST G2 Hardwicke Stakes 1 Mile 4 F

Trifecta I would box the 3, 4 & 5 and then add the 1, 4, 10, 11 and 12 in 3rd.  
\$36 for \$1 Stake

**3 (9) Ethical Diamond 10/1 EW**

**2 Stars**

Kalpna is the 5/2 Fav. She is great horse, but she is suspect over firm. You have to take her on. This is such a great race. A lot of talk of Trawlerman v Scandinavia G1 Ascot Gold Cup with the two of them going at it. We could have 5 horses reaching for the wire here. The Trifecta pool will be lit with the Chinese punting their proverbial brains out on Saturday night in Hong Kong.

There are a few at good prices to bet. I like four. **1 (12) Amiloc 20/1** was an emphatic Royal Ascot winner last year on firm and a credible 4th in the Breeders Cup Turf at Del Mar. He has G1 entries in Europe later this summer, so this 2nd up appearance maybe part of a trajectory to bigger races, but he is great value at 20/1 for a place play or more and to use underneath in exotics.

**5 (10) Goliath 5/1** won the England's Premier G1 Middle Distance WFA race the King George VI at Ascot in July two years ago, beating the likes of subsequent Arc winner Bluestocking, Rebel's Romance and O'Brien's Luxembourg (a G1 winner every year he raced) and Breeders Cup Turf winner, Auguste Rodin. The American owned Goliath didn't show up at Del Mar, but I saw him clobber Dubai Honour in the G1 Grosser Preis Von Baden last September and he was equally impressive winning the G2 Grand Prix de Chantilly two weeks ago.

**3 (9) Ethical Diamond 10/1** was famously tipped up by me at 40/1 for HHH. I recall being laughed at on Twitter. He subsequently went to Dubai in late March to make up the numbers for Calandagan's Sheema Classic, which was run with a little soft in the going. He gets his firm ground here and is a great Each Way bet. They still don't believe in him yet. He may not win, but he gets his condition and he'll come late. He's a great EW bet.

Another that goes well on firm is **4 (4) Giovellotto 14/1**. He has Arc place form and G1 winning form in Hong Kong. He was a respectable 3rd in the Sheema at Meydan. He's been on the drift, but if he shows up, he will be hard to keep out of the Trifecta.

And then there is the new shooter **2 (7) Best Secret 8/1**. The horse finished 3rd in a competitive handicap at Royal Ascot last year, then won an 18 runner listed race at Goodwood. He graduated winning a G3 in France beating West Wind Blows by 3 lengths. This is the same West Wind Blows that ran Calandagan hard at Meydan in March and ran Kalpna to a neck in May. He is 8/1 in UK market because he is trained in French by an unfashionable trainer, Wettel.

And then there is **10 (6) West Wind Blows 33/1** who gave Calandagan a fright at Meydan and since ran Kalpna to a neck last month at Newbury. He also has big G1 entries ahead this summer. He can pop up underneath, no question. **12 (8) Santorini Star 20/1** could get into the mix. Use him underneath also

## R3 10:40 EST G1 Queen Elizabeth and Diamond Stakes 6F

**9 (4) Lugal 33/1 EW**

**5 Stars**

**18 (19) Saturday Dariyan 50/1 EW**

**5 Stars**

Some of the world's best sprinters are in town for this, including two from Australia, two from Japan and two from France. There is even from Denmark who could pop up at wild price. And there is also the return of the French Champion Jockey, Pierre Charles Boudot riding for Donacha O'Brien after 5 years off the track, fighting a rape allegation. The French courts exonerated him last week.

I could really break every horse and give them chances. The Australian Fav 17 (9) Joliestar will be tough. I played her Ante Post months ago, but she is no bet here at 15/8. The reflex money will go 14 (18) Satono Reve 9/2. Great high draw and Ryan Moore up. Both will be tough and I am not putting you off. I like both a lot, but they could equally finish 3rd and 4th in tough beats.

However, I am keen the other Japanese, **9 (4) Lugal 33/1**. The horse will appreciate the stiff 6 furlongs. He will be reaching 5th gear about a half a furlong out, just when most of the field will begin to paddle. Throw out your time sheets and ratings. This horse was a neck 2nd in the Al Quoz at Meydan dispatching the best Euro sprinter Lazzat and Reef Runner, who won at Riyadh and then took the Jaipur at Saratoga recently. The UK books have ignored him because of the low draw. You ignore him at your peril. He is terrific Each Way bet with 4 places on offer.

If you want back up on the Grandstand side, then take a swing with Richard Hughes' **18 (19) Sayidah Dariyan 50/1**. That horse was beginning to lift late when 3rd behind Flora of Bermuda in a Listed race at Newmarket. The horse won a G3 last year and has an entry in the G1 July Cup next month. The two Australians and the well known Japanese globe trotter have ensured juice in this market.

Go ahead and wet your beaks!

## R4 G3 Jersey Stakes 7F

**12 (9) Sabre Strike 9/4**

**5 Stars**

This is probably the most likely winner on the day. The dogs are barking at the Haggas barn for the Bahrain owned colt. Super impressive 3 length maiden winner last year at Redcar and glided by a good field in the King Charles II Listed race at Newmarket in May. The trainer said it was his best chance this week and he has had some good winners already. I don't see anything of the Irish Coolmore, Emirati Godolphins, Qatari Wathnans or Al Shaqab or Persian Amo horses beating it. A good solid 9/4 bet. If it tightens, you will know you're on a good thing. Anything above 7/4 is fair value.

## R5 12 Noon EST Workingham Stakes 6 F

4 (24) Double Rush 9/2.  
6 (22) Binhareer 4/1

3 Stars  
3 Stars

10 (3) Royal Zabeel 25/1 EW  
11 (6) Leovanni 40/1 EW

2 Stars  
2 Stars

A storied handicap. 27 runners go to post. A slightly smaller field than usual. I am going to give you four to dabble with. **My best Win preference would 4 (24) Double Rush 9/2** for the Chinese Yulong team. Shane Foley over from Ireland to ride, but the Fav 6 (22) Binharrer 4/1 is another Haggas live one. You can get prices for horses drawn low. My two stabs on the side would be 10 (3) Royal Zabeel 25/1 for Mick Appleby, good with sprinters and this horse has winning over on form over 7F. The stiff 6F at Ascot will suit. 11 (6) Leovanni 40/1 who gets James McDonald for Wathnan. Horse has a group entries later this year. He had a Wind Op in March - often a clue. Hammer the Hammer is drawn in 7 and that jumps and runs like a Paraguayan horse, in other words Royal Zabeel and Leovanni will have a target.

## R6 12:35 EST Golden Gates Stakes 1 Mile 2 F

**Box Trifecta 2, 8, 12 & 14**

8 (10) Harmonics 10/1

3 Stars

I make this a four cornered cheque book contest. Wathnan bought the first and second in the London Gold Cup at Newbury last month, specifically to win this. The money has come for **12 (14) Lost Boys**, now 3/1 Fav. This caused consternation for me as I preferred **2 (17) Sahara King 5/1** who is the choice of James Doyle. He has to carry 5 lbs more than Lost Boys. That and the 17 draw has probably caused the drift. Also on the drift is **8 (10) Harmonics 10/1** also for Yulong. The Qataris are not the only ones with cash. The Chinese pulled out their cheque book after this horse annihilated a field by 6 lengths at Doncaster last month. (This is probably the value bet at 10/1 EW given the fetish interest in Wathnan horses this week.) And not to be left out, the Australians also hit the ATM hard when **14 (7) Perisher** prevailed up the hill at Nass for Joseph O'Brien. This horse is a less likely winner, but a good shout to get in the money.

## R7 1:10 EST Queen Alexander Stakes 2 Miles 5 1/2 F

9 (7) **Le Destrier** 4/1

4 Stars

11 (1) **Mr Hollywood** 28/1EW

2 Stars

I am concerned why Willie Mullins' **9 (7) Le Destrier** has drifted from 9/4 to 4/1. It is probably because there has been a proportional tightening for Illinois. I sense bookie shenanigans. Mullins has got on the Bat Phone to Buick. This ex Polish galloper has to be the play. You need to look back at his last race the G3 Savel Beg Levmoos Stakes at Leopardstown - when he ran Scandinavia close to a length - to know he's ready to step up and win this. His provincial French form after Poland was strong too. 4 Star bet. If Gosden's 6 (6) French Master stays, Wathnan may have themselves a Melbourne Cup horse. You may want to keep him onside. He was a very strong winner over 1 Mile 6 F Copper Horse Stakes last year. If you are betting him you are assuming his last run, a disappointing and weakening last behind Kalpana and West Wind Blows was just a jog preparing for this. Speaking of shenanigans, don't ignore the other Mullins, **11 (1) Mr Hollywood** who has drifted out from 16/1 to 28/1 this morning. This horse was a strong second in the German Derby to Fantastic Moon two years ago. Mullins has had him hurdling in the Irish provinces. He didn't get the 2 Miles 4 furlongs over hurdles, but that exercise may have strengthened him up. He wasn't bought for hurdling. He was bought for Royal Ascot and Melbourne. Billy the Kid rides. He is a great EW bet or place bet at this price. He is a 2 Star Bet.