

Ascot – Jumps Season 2023-24

Friday 24th & Saturday 25th November – Racing Weekend

- Welcome back to our first 2-day jumps meeting of the season, featuring the grade 2 1965 Chase and the ever- competitive Coral Hurdle.
- For both days the gates open at 10.45 with 7 scheduled races on both days (hopefully more runners on Saturday this year!!)
- Friday 1st Race - 12.15 / race 7 at 3.45pm
- Saturday 1st Race – 12.20 / race 7 at 3.50pm
- All timings subject to change

Current Sales Details

Friday is a 'free' race day so we expecting a crowd in excess of 9,000 and similar numbers are expected on Saturday.

- Current Forecast – Friday 9,700 / Saturday 9,400

Fees (will be charged for BOTH days)

The Daily Betting Badge fees - as follows:

- **Friday – (5 x £20) - £100**
- **Saturday (5x £30) - £150**
- RDT Racecourse Betting Compliance Fee - **£30** – fee applies for each pitch each day
- Staff (if required) – Friday **£20** per person / Saturday **£30** per person
- **Marketing Fee – many thanks to all who paid this at the last meeting, if this is your first visit this season you will be required to pay the marketing fee. It is due once and is payable on the first day you operate through the season - £100**

Bookmaker Details

Ring Layout – will operate in the same way that it did at the last race meeting.

The aim of this change is to try and re-invigorate the betting ring by developing a smaller but more vibrant atmosphere with seating available for customers. It is envisaged that this will draw customers down from the bars to watch the racing.

- The Rails operation will be unaffected by any changes

PITCHING IN TIME

For all jumps meetings, **the 'pitching-in time' will be 2 hours before the first race and all bookmakers /representatives need to be present at the pick time to ensure that the 'pick' can operate in a timely manner**

Purchasing your Badges / Tickets

As is standard now, payment of the 'Daily Betting Badge', any Bookmakers Staff badges, the Marketing Fee and the RDT Racecourse Betting Compliance Fee' will be required in advance (*the purchasing system allows for bookmakers to make their purchase up to midnight on the day before the raceday*).

Please check that you have a working log-in as a bookmaker to our purchasing system, if you have not or have concerns, please contact me by email at

tony.may@ascot.com

- A wristband for all bookmakers and staff members will be required to access the racecourse and will be able to be collected on the day of racing – wristbands must be worn to access the racecourse.
- All bookmakers and staff **MUST** access the racecourse via the Pavilion entrance
- To exit the racecourse please exit via the service tunnel

Car Parking

- Car park 6 is available and is free of charge
- Access can be arranged if you wish to drop equipment off early
- All cars will need to be off course by **9.30am**
- Please contact me **by email** if this is required. Please advise your name, trading name, make and model of car and Registration number if access is required
- If you do drop equipment off, all bookmakers and staff have to leave the racecourse and collect badges and wristbands from Badge Box. It has been noted that some people did not collect their badges/wristbands last week.
- If you do not collect your badge /wristbands - you will not be allowed to operate on that particular day

Arrival Process – Please head to the bookmakers betting badge box and collect all badges and wristbands. Wristbands must be worn to gain entrance to the racecourse.

Summary

To enable payments to be processed your Ascot account and bank cards must be registered to the same address. Please ensure this is the case as the banks are now rejecting payments based on different addresses being used. This is a bank requirement and we cannot process the payment if this is the case.

If you are having issues with logging on, please contact me direct as soon as possible so that our ticketing team can explore what the problem is and find a solution to it.

- **Email me at tony.may@ascot.com and advise what issues you are having!**

If you have any queries or enquiries please do not hesitate to contact me.

Tony May

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