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at



Summer Update 2022

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Amazing Windsor run



What a brilliant run from Dommy at Windsor on Saturday. I indicated before the race that the 3 year olds were the danger and low and behold the three 3yo horses in the race filled the first three places.

I also said before the race that I thought he was better than ever. I think it could well have been his best ever run. In case you are looking at your screen and thinking the Blakey has gone mad Allie has attached some Racing Post TS speed figures which gave him a career high figure of 80 for Saturday. He achieved a figure of 73 for his scintillating win at Kempton way back.

Also attached are some Racing Post Analysis which suggests his performance can be marked up a little.

I was very proud of our boy to run those very expensive and well bred 3yo horses to under 2 lengths giving them their allowances was fantastic!



Terrible selfie!! Sorry....
A few members that attended

Keep an eye out for his next outing.....

ADD A FOOTER

CHARITY DONATIONS

This year, with your support, we have made donations to:

RUH Forever Friends Appeal (now named RUHX)

Muscular Dystrophy UK

Carmela's Fight to Stay Mobile



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FOR THOSE WHO DON'T KNOW CARMELA – HERE IS A BIT ABOUT THIS AMAZING GIRL.....

You can follow her on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram [Cure4Carmela](#)

Cure for Carmela

- Carmela has a cruel life-limiting condition – LMNA Congenital Muscular Dystrophy which only affects around 200 children worldwide.
- Both she and her very pro-active and supportive parents actively raise money not only into research into finding a cure for the disease, but for therapy to help keep her muscles as strong as possible.
- She is currently raising money for another friend with MD by doing daily 'planks' – R4AC have donated to support her with this



Carmela loves horses

- Carmela is a regular visitor to Staverton Farm and loves being around the horses.
- She rides with RDA and recently took part in her very first show
- Her courage is amazing and Racing for a Cause is very proud to support her



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FORMALLY RUH FOREVER FRIENDS APPEAL

Bath Royal United Hospital Charity

- Racing for a Cause donated earlier this year to the Accident and Emergency department at the Royal United Hospital in Bath as we have had the necessity to use their services on occasion!!
- Some of the volunteers from the charity came along to the yard and met the staff and Bounty and Dom

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Because of staff holidays and another runner at Ffos Las, Michael asked if I would like to be Bounty's groom for his run at Salisbury – it was an honour to help out for our boy although I have to admit being slightly nervous about the responsibility and leading round the ring in front of the large crowd!! We all know how enthusiastic Bounty is in the parade ring!

Bounty was very excited in the racecourse stables – he certainly knew what he was there for and didn't really want to be brushed and made to look pretty – he just wanted to get on with the job... I did manage a quick brush of his mane and tail and polish of his coat – getting the hoof oil on when he was tacked up and out of the stable ended up a game of chase the hoof..then we were off to the pre-parade ring – oh how our horse loves the attention and he holds court in the parade ring. I was very proud hearing some really nice comments about him. The bell went and it was leg up time and Bounty danced all the way to the course and off he went. Meantime, I was downing large amounts of water as I don't think I've ever been so hot in all my life-I didn't look neat and tidy like some of the other grooms – just very red faced and sweaty-not a pretty sight.. The race didn't go our way unfortunately, but I have to hand it to Salisbury there were copious people on hand to douse the horses (and me) in cold water after the race and lots of showers and huge cold fans to cool the horses down in the yard. Four showers later for Bounty and he was good to go home. I was very hot but a couple of gins sorted me out in the evening on what was a very unique, memorable and enjoyable experience.

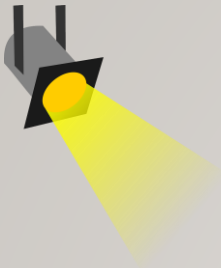
Being a racing groom
for the day.....

Allie Burchell



**SALISBURY AUGUST 2022 – ON PROBABLY THE HOTTEST
DAY OF THE YEAR- EVER!!!**

DRINK AND FOOD
GROUP



A warm welcome to new members:
Lee, Diane & Alan, Alice and Geoff

Spotlight on R4AC member **Roger Gould**

A little bit about yourself.....

I have had 74 years mostly dedicated to watching sport. I was never much good at doing it! I tried the long jump but couldn't reach the sand pit.. I did play table tennis once for Glamorgan and got the 1 in a 9-1 beating!! Bought up in Wales in a strong Rugby Union area, I served detention in school after being caught playing soccer. I have visited well over 100 league football grounds, most 1st class cricket grounds and all UK horse racing tracks along with half of the Irish ones. I have been around the world with horse racing including Australia for the Melbourne Cup and New York (Belmont Park) for the Breeders Cup. I have recently moved to Worcester where I can walk to the racecourse and the county cricket ground as well as being able to go for long walks along the Severn which have become necessary as the TripAdvisor best breakfast in Worcester is served in the café 100 yards from the hours! Oh, and I like steam trains – if I can squeeze them into my schedule somewhere.



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Do you have a favourite racehorse?

My favourite racehorse would have to be Soviet Song (shown). He got me onto the podium at Royal Ascot. I was also asked by Elite racing if I could take somebody on a day trip to Curragh to see him run – and that's how I met my wife Jill.



How did you first get involved in racing?

I became involved in racing in 2001 by joining Elite racing club after a few visits to racecourses. Stable visits and days as an owner came as a very welcome surprise. I even got married as a direct consequence of joining the club – a real life changing experience all round.

What 5 people would you invite to a dinner party?

John Arlott, John Charles, Gareth Edwards, David Lloyd and Demi Moore (I would be cradle snatching with anybody younger!)

Favourite race meeting

My preference is for long distance chasing so the Hennessy (Ladbroke's) at Newbury

Favourite Food – hot curry = Vindaloo or Phal

Favourite Holiday destination – Australia – warm and full of sport!

Favourite Movie – Dr No, it inspired me to read all Ian Fleming's books

Favourite Animal – Warthog – I have a painting on my wall with one and it has a look of ecstasy as its up to its neck in mud – each to their own!!





NEXT FUNDRAISER



WATCH THIS SPACE

DATE TO FOLLOW

SHORTLY.....potentially mid November

We are currently planning an evening of fun with the support of our Sponsors the **Drink and Food Group** at one of their pubs - **The Old Bear Inn, Staverton** with an Elvis impersonator evening. This act is hugely popular locally so we are hoping for lots of support and members coming along to get to know each other and having a laugh, maybe even with a bit of dancing all whilst raising money for some good causes.

We will be holding the obligatory pre-Christmas raffle – so any lovely prize donations would be very much appreciated.



If you would like to get involved in organising or have any ideas for a fundraising event, please get in touch – we'd love to hear from you.

New members always welcome

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THANK YOU

As always to Michael, Sharon and all the team at Staverton who ride, love and look after Bounty and Dommy.

If any member would like to visit the stables, please let us know, you are very welcome (especially if you bring carrots & apples)

