

# Racecourse Association Launches 2025 Summer Jumps Championship For immediate release

- New Championship for Summer Jumps Racing to take place between 24<sup>th</sup> May-19<sup>th</sup> September.
- All summer jumps fixtures within promotional period included.
- Prizes for champion summer jumps jockey, owner, trainer and small trainer.

The Racecourse Association (RCA) is pleased to present details of the 2025 RCA Summer Jumps Championship.

The new, points-based Championship will include all summer jump racing fixtures from Cartmel's Season Opener on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May until Newton Abbot's fixture on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September.

The RCA Summer Jumps Championship has been created with cross-industry support and a set of aims which include providing a clear, recognisable narrative for summer jumps racing; seeking to maintain the momentum from a positive set of race programme metrics in 2024; and to celebrate the fantastic summer of sport provided by summer jumps and the venues which host it.

Overall champions will be crowned in four categories: jockey, owner, trainer and small trainer (trainers with fewer than 30 winners in the traditional British Trainers' Championship). The overall prize will be £7,500 for each category, making the total prize pot £30,000 in 2025. The winners of the Champion Jockey and Owner categories will be given the choice to claim the winnings or donate to a racing charity of their choice. For the Champion Trainer and Small Summer Jumps Champion Trainer categories, the prize money will be distributed amongst stable staff at the winning yard.

Race Points will be accumulated depending on finishing positions and field size for each race. The breakdown for the points awarded in the RCA Summer Jumps Championship will be as follows:

Field Size	1 <sup>st</sup> place	2 <sup>nd</sup> place	3 <sup>rd</sup> place
<5	5 points	N/A	N/A
6-7	5 points	3 points	N/A
8+	10 points	5 points	2 points

Throughout the Championship, the RCA will provide updates on results and standings via the RCA Summer Jumps Championship hub here.

**Kevin Walsh, RCA Racing Director, commented**: "It has been a longstanding aspiration of the RCA to develop a Championship to celebrate summer jumps racing. I am pleased that with the support of stakeholders across the sport we have been able to launch the

Championship this year, which should create additional excitement for followers of summer jumps racing and reward the most successful jockeys, owners and trainers who support it.

"This inaugural Championship will hopefully be the first of many, and we look forward to growing this new asset to British racing's calendar with the support of the participating racecourses and members of the Thoroughbred Group."

**Geraldine McKay, Director of Racing at Cartmel Racecourse, commented**: "Here at Cartmel Racecourse, we are delighted to be the launch fixture of this inaugural championship, celebrating all things summer jumps.

"At Cartmel Racecourse, summer jumps is critically important and we hope this championship will allow us to spread the love and create a narrative around the season which helps all participants understand the importance of the season."

## **END**

The full list of participating RCA Summer Jumps Championship fixtures is as follows:

#### Bangor-On-Dee

- 6<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025
- 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Cartmel

- 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 26<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 21<sup>st</sup> July 2025
- 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2025
- 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025

# Fakenham

• 1<sup>st</sup> June 2025

#### Ffos Las

• 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Fontwell Park

- 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 29<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Hexham

- 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2025
- 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025

## Huntingdon

26<sup>th</sup> May 2025

# Kelso

- 25th May 2025
- 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Market Rasen

- 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2025
- 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 20<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 6<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> August 2025

# **Newton Abbot**

- 28<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 13<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 24<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 4<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 21<sup>st</sup> August 2025
- 30<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Perth

- 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2025
- 13<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- 8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Sedgefield

4<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Southwell

- 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2025
- 9<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Stratford-On-Avon

- 30<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 31st May 2025
- 17<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 1<sup>st</sup> July 2025
- 13<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- 6<sup>th</sup> September 2025

#### Uttoxeter

- 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025
- 5<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 29<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 8<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 10<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 16<sup>th</sup> September 2025

## Warwick

• 4<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Worcester

- 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 12<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 18<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 25<sup>th</sup> June 2025
- 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2025
- 7<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 17<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025
- 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025
- 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025
- 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025
- 15<sup>th</sup> September 2025

For further information on the RCA Summer Jumps Championship, please click here or contact Kevin Walsh.

#### **About the Racecourse Association**

The Racecourse Association (RCA), formed in 1907, is the representative body for British racecourses. 58 racecourses are members and have equal voting rights. The RCA serves the interests of its 58 British racecourse members both inside and outside the sport, empowering them to be the best venues that they can be.

The RCA works on behalf of racecourses to represent their views within the sport. Outside of horseracing, the RCA works alongside the Government, other sports and leisure venues, and national charities to meet the needs of racecourses.

Additionally, the RCA encourages and facilitates racecourse community engagement, involvement in horse welfare initiatives, responsible drinking campaigns, and various other partnerships within the sport. The Showcase & Awards, the marquee event of British Racecourses to celebrate and reward excellence and innovation, is hosted by the RCA annually in November.

Since 1998, the RCA has owned RaceTech, the dedicated technical facilities provider that has maintained British Racing at the forefront of global broadcast technology.

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