

**WE ARE
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York Racecourse

Make it your New Year's Resolution to get fit and raise money for the

**BEST WESTERN HOTELS & MACMILLAN
RIDE OF THEIR LIVES**

at

YORK RACECOURSE

on

SATURDAY 17 JUNE 2017

(Applications by Monday 4 December,
successful applicants notified during the week before Christmas)

The Stewards of The British Horseracing Authority have granted exemptions from the effects of Rule 204 (ii)(6) for this race as it is being run outside the Rules of Racing therefore it will not count for any purpose on the horse's career record.

Race Conditions

- 1 mile 1 furlong Flat Race
- Maximum field of 12
- Minimum weight to be carried 11st 7lbs
- For horses 4 years old and upwards, currently in training, who must have run at least 3 times under the recognised Rules of Racing
- For horses rated 70 and below on the flat, or 115 under National Hunt rules
- Entry Fee – Riders pledge to raise at least £3,000 to be donated to Macmillan Cancer Support.
- The rider will only be eligible to ride if they have passed their Training and Assessment course as outlined below.
- The Charity Race is run outside the 'Rules of Racing' and will take place after the last race of the afternoon at approximately 5pm.

Rules

All applicants must email a link to a 60 second plus film of themselves riding at a canter, gallop or jumping. Please email to: anthea234@btinternet.com before the closing date.

Twelve riders will be chosen and notified during the week before Christmas, with two reserves. The places are offered at the discretion of York Racecourse whose aim for the Race is to raise donations for Macmillan Cancer Support. York Racecourse's decision on the selected twelve is final.

Successful riders are asked to meet the sponsorship targets listed below. York Racecourse reserves the right to withdraw a rider's place if it feels that the rider is not able to raise the target sponsorship for Macmillan Cancer Support. Their place will be offered to a reserve rider.

Forfeit Stages for Sponsorship

Riders pledge to raise at least £3,000 sponsorship to be banked with Macmillan Cancer Support or on justgiving.com in the following stages:

- A minimum of £1,000 by 1 March 2017
- A minimum of a further £1,000 by 1 May 2017
- A minimum of a further £1,000 by 1 June 2017

Compulsory Requirements

- Minimum age of rider 16 years. Maximum age of rider 70 years. Ages as on raceday.
- Riders are to wear skullcaps and body protectors as under the Rules of Racing.
- All riders that are confirmed to ride in the race must ensure they have participated in and passed a one day Training and Assessment course at either the British Racing School or Northern Racing College. The course is designed to assess a rider's competence and fitness and prepare them for the experience of riding in a race. Riders must cover the cost of the course themselves (around £180). Any rider who fails the course will not be allowed to ride in the race.
- All riders should be responsible for their own insurance.
- On acceptance into the race, it is the riders' responsibility to source a horse suitable for the race and make all necessary arrangements for the day of the race.
- All horses must be vaccinated in accordance with Rule 35 of the Rules of Racing

- Each Horse must be accompanied by an up-to-date Horse Passport.
- York Racecourse will have the final decision on all applicants' eligibility to ride in the Best Western Hotels & Macmillan Ride of Their Lives.
- Each declared runner will be entitled to six complimentary Owners' badges for the owner of the horse, and four complimentary lunch vouchers for the Owners and Trainers Restaurant. In addition, the rider will receive two Owners' badges. Any further badges for family and friends should be purchased in the normal way.

Successful Applicants will each benefit from;

- A prize for the rider who raises the most sponsorship money.
- Mementoes to all jockeys and a prize for the winner.
- Branded jackets.
- Meet and Greet Day at the racecourse in January. A great day where the new group of riders start to form the strong friendships that are inevitably made as they progress with the challenge. Fundraising ideas are swapped and tips for everything from fitness to riding kit are discussed.
- A member of the Macmillan fundraising team will be on hand throughout for practical help and support.
- Meeting at the racecourse in May, with instruction on the equicizer, kit check, and course walk with ex-Champion Jockey, Kevin Darley.
- Invitation from York Racecourse to an exclusive lunch for the riders and a guest on Sunday 10 September, the Press Family Raceday, where each rider will be presented with a photobook which charts the journey from January, through the Assessment and Training Day at NRC, on the gallops, and on raceday itself.

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'Ride of Their Lives'**



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Saturday 17 June 2017

Application Form

(Please also enclose a photo that may be used for promotional purposes if your application is successful)

Rider's Name.....

Rider's Age.....

Address.....
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Telephone Number.....

Email.....

Rider's Biography (ie past riding experience, occupation - details may be included in the racecard - use a separate sheet if necessary)

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Maximum of 200 words why you would like to take part in the race (use a separate sheet if necessary)

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Donation target.....

Target riding weight..... (Minimum weight to be carried 11st 7lbs)

Intended mount/source of mount.....

If successful in my application to ride in the Best Western Hotels & Macmillan Ride of their Lives at York Racecourse on Saturday 17 June 2017 I agree to pledge a minimum sponsorship of £3,000 to donate to Macmillan Cancer Support.

Signed.....

Date.....

Applications and 60 second video riding clip to be returned by 4 December 2016 to:

Anthea Morshead
York Racecourse
The Racecourse
York
YO23 1EX

or by email to: anthea234@btinternet.com (mobile 07837 559861)