



## Goodwood says farewell to Season as tickets go on sale for 2019

On Sunday 14 October Goodwood Racecourse hosted its final fixture of 2018 with the Harvest, Hops and Horseracing themed Season Finale attracting 9,430 racegoers.

Before the NetBet.co.uk Alderbrook Stakes for professional jump jockeys, which was won by Nick Schofield aboard Jam Session, Goodwood's Ron Atkins presented a cheque for over £1,300 to the Injured Jockeys Fund, with money raised from the sale of ties through the season.

The most impressive performance of the afternoon undoubtedly came from Chairmanoftheboard, who won the NetBet EBF Novice Auction Stakes by eight lengths under Charlie Bishop. In a post-race interview with Racing UK, his trainer Mick Channon said he had not trained a horse as good since his 2003 Royal Ascot winner Zafeen. Jockeys Oisin Murphy and Adam Kirby both rode doubles on the day, while the biggest priced winner was The Pink'N, who sprang a 33-1 surprise in the NetBet British EBF Novice Stakes.

Despite the drizzle, guests enjoyed dancing to a fiddle trio on the East Parade Lawn, and many were fascinated to hear from Andy Hepworth about how he brews craft beers and ales, including Goodwood's own new range.

Reflecting on the season, General Manager Alex Eade said; "It has been a fantastic year here at Goodwood and, for the most part, we were blessed with superb weather and a great atmosphere. The Qatar Goodwood Festival was one that will live long in the memory, with star performances from the likes of Battaash, Stradivarius and Lightning Spear. Outside of 'Glorious' the racing has been consistently competitive and the Season Finale was an example of that, with 75 runners compared with 57 last year. The improvements that we have made around the grandstands, including our fabulous new Champagne Bar, have all been extremely well received and we greatly look forward to making further improvements to the customer experience for 2019."

The 2019 season at Goodwood Racecourse begins with Opening Saturday on 4 May and tickets have now gone on sale for this as well as other fixtures, including the Qatar Goodwood Festival. As a benefit to those who book before 30 November, Goodwood is offering all racegoers who book tickets for the Qatar Goodwood Festival the opportunity to receive a complimentary ticket to the first fixture of the year. Three Friday nights tickets will be released early in 2019 when the acts are announced.

For the full list of 2019 fixtures and to purchase tickets, please visit [Goodwood.com](http://Goodwood.com) or call the Ticket Office team on 01243 755055.

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