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Statistics to 31.12.23

Leading Horse -- Races won

Yorkkindness	5
Edge Of Darkness	4
Gone	4
The Gatekeeper	4
Wadacre Grace	4
Alpina Express	3
Artisan Dancer	3
Ask Peter	3
Bohemian Breeze	3
Dreams Adozen	3
Fox Flame	3
Good Morals	3
Never Fear	3
Politico	3
Timewave	3
Tropical Air	3
Wadacre Gomez	3

Leading Owner -- Prize-money won UK and abroad (£)

Dr Jim Walker	336,130
Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed	225,127
Middleham Park Racing XIV	210,944
Mick Doyle	147,949
Susan and John Waterworth	107,062
Sue and Mark Russell	97,353
Owners Group 052	83,924
Nurlan Bizakov	81,302
Kirsten Rausing	79,312
Gallop Racing	76,653

Leading Horse -- Prize-money earned UK and abroad (£)

The Gatekeeper	210,944
Subjectivist	147,893
Sacred Angel	98,666
Urban Sprawl	90,913
Struth	87,597
Killybegs Warrior	84,896
Dutch Decoy	83,924
Capital Theory	61,955
Dear My Friend	56,710
Lion Of War	54,621
Madame Ambassador	52,067
Carolina Reaper	50,739

Leading Owner -- Races won

Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed	16
Johnston Racing Limited	10
Wadacre Stud	7
Christine Budden and Partners	6
Mick Doyle	5
Markus Graff	5
Kirsten Rausing	5
Dr Jim Walker	5
Paul York	5
Jaber Abdullah	4
Kingsley Park 30	4
Middleham Park Racing XIV	4

Leading Sire - Johnston Racing wins in 2023

Dark Angel	8
Lope De Vega	7
Brazen Beau	7
Gustav Klimt	6
Nathaniel	6
Blue Point	5
Ifraaj	5
Kingman	5
Kodiac	5
No Nay Never	5
Sea The Moon	5

Leading Jockey - Wins in 2023

Joe Fanning	51
Franny Norton	31
Jason Hart	17
Jack Mitchell	15
Oli Stammers	10
Andrea Atzeni	5
James Doyle	5
William Buick	4
Richard Kingscote	4
Andrew Mullen	4
Oisin Murphy	4
Rossa Ryan	4
Archie Young	4

JOHNSTON RACING brought the curtain down on its 2023 campaign with just 53 British runners during December. Those runners yielded six wins, with 16 horses finishing either second or third in their races.

At the end of Charlie Johnston's first year as sole holder of the training licence, it's remarkable to note how the final statistics were so similar to those of 2022, when Mark and Charlie operated under a training partnership. In 2022, Johnston Racing amassed 176 winners in Britain from 1,267 runners. In 2023, Charlie secured 174 British winners from a total of 1,261.

In 2022 prize-money earned in Britain was £2.9m; in 2023 it was just shy of £2.8m. And in 2022, there were 105 individual winners from 214 horses to have run at least once; in 2023, 114 winners came from 221.

The yard had one overseas winner in 2023 – Carolina Reaper's Group 3 win in Germany.

The 174 domestic winners produced a win strike rate of just under 14%, while the placed strike rate (taking horses placed second or third into account) was 37.27%.

The total of six winners in December was above the average of 4.5 over the previous decade. Coming from 53 runners meant a win strike rate of 11%, while the placed strike rate was 41.5%.

Prize-money earned by the December domestic runners

totalled £62,502.20, while Lakota Sioux earned £2,300.89 at Deauville. The total haul of British prize-money for 2023 was £2,779,413.70.

Dr Jim Walker finished Leading Owner in terms of prize-money won, while Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed took the honours as Leading Owner in terms of races won.

Paul York's Yorkkindness was Leading Horse by races won, while the remarkable The Gatekeeper took the prize for Leading Horse in terms of prize-money earned.

The evergreen Joe Fanning once again topped the jockey standings, with four others reaching double figures, while Dark Angel just pipped Lope De Vega and Brazen Beau in the Leading Sire category.

Congratulations to all concerned, and here's hoping that they can enjoy similar, if not even higher, levels of success in the New Year!

Without wishing to be too disparaging, there is nothing to get too excited about in January's racing calendar. Indeed, so far as the much-vaunted Premier Racedays are concerned, aficionados of the Flat have to wait until late February for the first such meeting. However, Charlie will be looking to make a decent start to the year. Over the last 10 years, the stable has averaged 8.9 January winners. That's a decent initial mark at which to take aim. ■



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