

JAN - JUNE 2024

RACE HORSE DEATHS & ABUSE OF THE WHIP



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ANIMAL AID'S YEAR- ROUND CAMPAIGN WORK

Animal Aid works tirelessly to track each horse who dies on British and Irish racecourses on our respective Death Watch sites. This information is not made publicly available by The British Horseracing Authority (BHA), the sport's governing body. These deaths go largely unnoticed and certainly do not make headlines or receive much comment, if any, from the racing industry. We also record every single abuse of the whip, as published on the BHA's website.

INHERENT CRUELTY

Month upon month, year upon year, the devastating figures continue to highlight the inherent lack of care towards race horses by the industry. Around 200 horses are killed on a British racecourse every year; an unknown number are killed in training or because they failed to make the grade. Once no longer making money for the industry, horses are disposed of. The racing industries from Britain and Ireland have been sending thousands of unwanted race horses to slaughter each year. An unknown number will be killed in other heartless ways. Horses are still whipped, despite the undeniable pain and anxiety this causes. Abuse of the whip is commonplace and inexcusable.

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ON-COURSE DEATHS

From Jan-June 2024

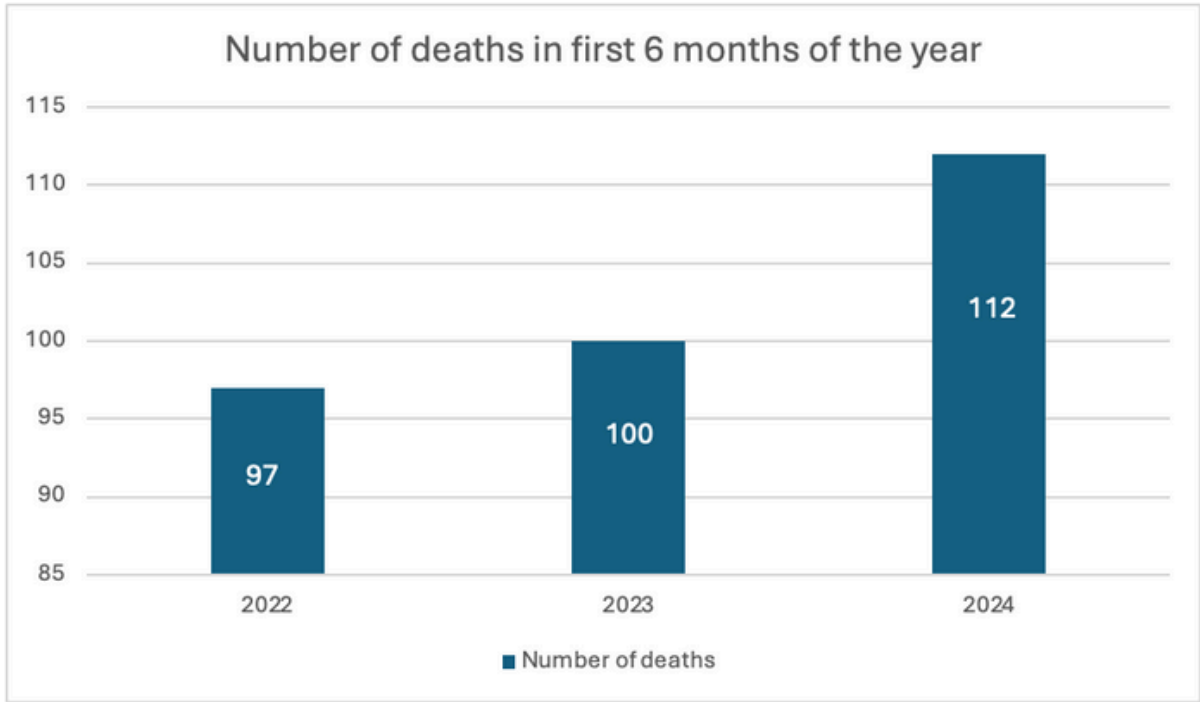
- **112 horses** were killed on British racecourses
- Horses were killed from racing injuries that included: **heart attacks, broken legs, a broken neck and a number of other physical traumas**
- On 25th June at Newton Abbot race course, **4 horses were killed in one day**. This is the **highest death toll in one afternoon's race meeting for 17 years**.

WHIP ABUSE

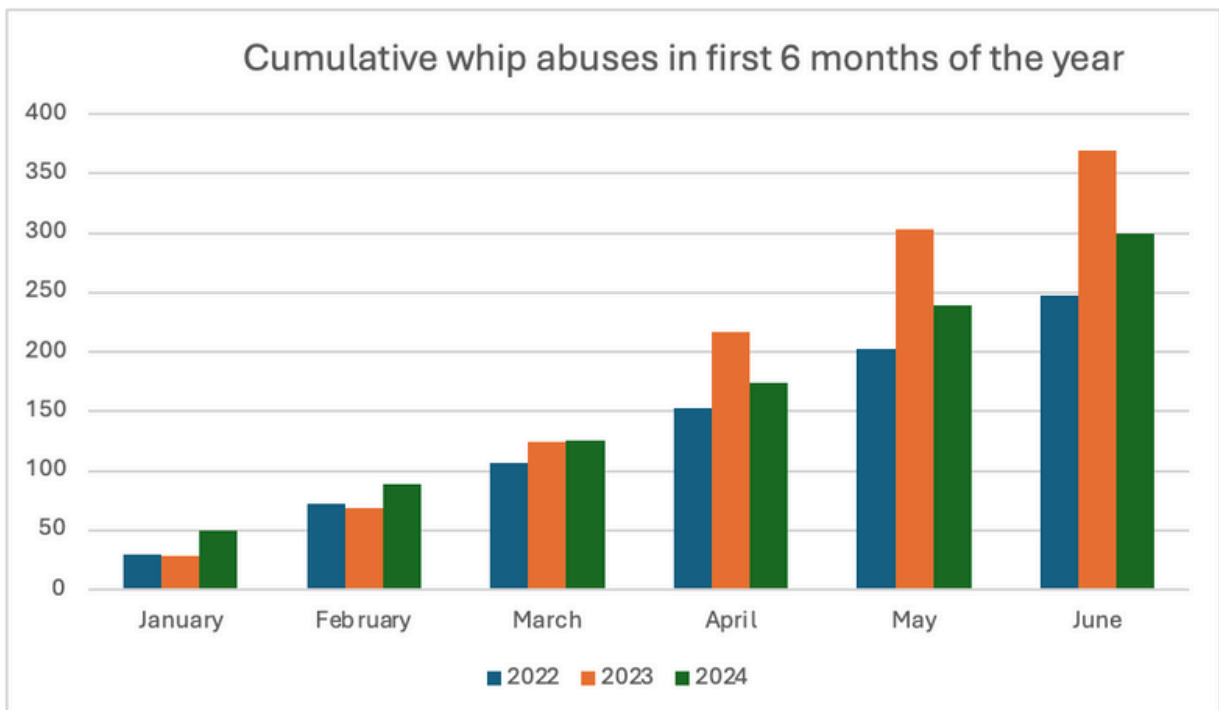
- There were **299 abuses of the whip**
- **8 horses** were abused with the whip more than once
- **4 horses were wealed** (when a horse is whipped so violently that a wound on the surface or below the surface of the skin is visibly apparent)
- **207 jockeys abused the whip**
- **7 jockeys were referred to the Judicial Panel** for accumulating whip offences
- The **highest offending jockey abused 5 different horses** with their whip, including wealing a horse
- Whip abuses included being **whipped above 'permitted level', in the incorrect place and with excessive force**

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ON-COURSE DEATHS



WHIP ABUSE



DEATHS & WHIP ABUSES

AT A GLANCE

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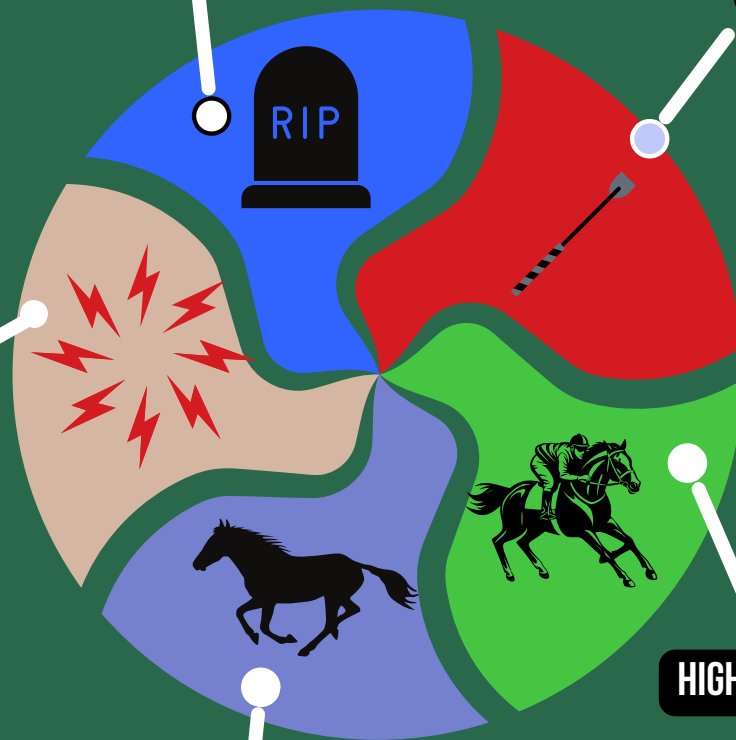
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DENE STANSALL, HORSE RACING CONSULTANT:

“This report shows the magnitude of the animal abuse that is taking place in British racing. A ban on horse racing would be a positive move, but public and political understanding of the welfare issues with a push for change is needed, if this is to happen. Animal Aid will continue to raise awareness of the horses’ suffering and this report is a unique point of reference on which to base our case.”



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HORSES KILLED ON BRITISH RACECOURSES



RIP

Popcorn Magic
Here Comes The Man (IRE)
Notlongtillmay
Lord Clenaghcastle (IRE)
Advantage (IRE)
Timeforatune
Wiley Post
Cheap Flights
Blackcauseway
Immortal (FR)
Datsalrightgino (GER)
Matewan (IRE)
Rolling River (IRE)
Zettabyte (IRE)
Coco Kolada (IRE)
Holmes St Georges (FR)
Hermes Allen (FR)
Getagin (IRE)
Absolute Notions (IRE)
Galice Macalo (FR)
Amarillo Sky (IRE)
Cybernetic (FR)
Not Now Kanne (FR)
Silver Vision
Volcano (FR)
Natty Night
Globe Player
Big Fish (IRE)
Young Butler (IRE)
Jilly Cooper (IRE)
Anthem National (IRE)
Lily Luna (IRE)
Line In The Sand (IRE)
Dylans Double (IRE)
Balfour Girl
Lyrical Style (IRE)
Ose Partir (FR)
Highland Hunter (IRE)
Gentleman (GER)
Parade Away (IRE)
Protector Pete
Poppy Rose (IRE)
Bobby Shaftoe
Wee Tony (IRE)
Sigurd (GER)
Rocky Lake (IRE)
Mothill (IRE)
Torrent Des Mottes (FR)
Notimeforanother (IRE)
Blue Bikini
Restorer
Giovinco (IRE)
Pikar (FR)
Moonlighter
Bleue Verte (FR)
Kellermann (FR)
Kimifive (IRE)
Easy Peasy (IRE)
Rose Sea Has (FR)
Tommy Time (IRE)
Zonda (FR)
Beaumesnil (FR)
Elixir De Nutz (FR)
No Thanks
Henri Le Bon (IRE)
Westmill
Hidden Law (IRE)
Dakota Moirette (FR)
Righteous Ruane (IRE)
Betty Baloo
Nickelsonthedime (IRE)
Dee Star (IRE)
Knowsley Road (IRE)
Czech Her Out (IRE)
Fred Bear (IRE)
Inside Im Dancin
Charizord (IRE)
Hispanic (IRE)
Event of Sivola (FR)
Havana Party
Sammys Guarantee
Equus Millar (IRE)
Sir Maximus (IRE)
Dirtyoldtown (IRE)
Thewaitingisover
Dandyacan
Sarsons Risk (IRE)
Getaway Luv (IRE)
Runremyrun (IRE)
Unexpected Edge (IRE)
Full Metal Jacket
The White Volcano (IRE)
Wales (GER)
Tears of a Clown
Key Look (IRE)
Beauty to Behold (IRE)
Copper Fox
Misty Mani
Little Beast (IRE)
Judicial Law (IRE)
Brief Times (IRE)
Snookered (IRE)
Cuzzicombe (IRE)
Happy Helen
Bala Brook
Hallowed Rose
Star Shield
Think First (IRE)
Gouazec (FR)
Harry With Style
Tumble Tumbleweed (IRE)
Fennella

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HORSES ABUSED WITH THE WHIP



- A Jet of Our Own (IRE)
- A Pint Of Bear (IRE)
- Adace
- Adday in Devon
- Al Barez
- Al Farabi (FR)
- Al Muqdad
- Aleezdancer (IRE)
- Alfred Cove
- Aljadel (IRE)
- Aljezur (IRE)
- All In The Hips (IRE)
- Allonsy
- Amaysmont
- Angelica K
- Apiarist (IRE)
- Arecibo (FR)
- Arlecchino's Gift
- Ascension Day (IRE)
- Asgard's Captain (IRE)
- Asinara
- Autumn Flight (IRE)
- Aworinprogress (IRE)
- Ayyab
- Ballee (IRE)
- Bampton Star
- Battle Of Omdurman
- Be Aware (FR)
- Beau Jardine (IRE)
- Belargus (FR)
- Belcamo
- Berkshire Phantom (IRE)
- Bernard Spierpoint
- Bernie the Bear (IRE)
- Big Bear Hug
- Bint Havana Gold (GB)
- Birdman (IRE)
- Blackcurrent
- Blue Prince (IRE)
- Blue Virtue (IRE)
- Bodorgan (IRE)
- Brickadank (IRE)
- Bridgetjoans
- Brown Monday (FR)
- Broxi (IRE)
- Buddy One (IRE)
- Butch
- Caeruleum
- Call Me Harry (IRE)
- Callin Baton Rouge (IRE)
- Cambridge (IRE)
- Camp Belan (IRE)
- Can't Say
- Caramay
- Carvalho (IRE)
- Central City (IRE)
- Certain Lad
- Chantico
- Chourmo
- Churchwarden (IRE)
- Claxton Bay
- Clear White Light (GB)
- Clifftop Heaven
- Clovis Boy
- Cokytho (FR)
- Connie's Rose
- Cool Dividend
- Coup De Gold (IRE)
- Cuban Harry
- Cubanista
- D'Jango (FR)
- Daisy Yeats - FELL
- Dance Angel (IRE)
- Dark Trooper (IRE)
- Deep Charm
- Democracy Dilemma (IRE)
- Destinado
- Diamond Dreamer
- Different Breed (IRE)
- Dion Baker (IRE)
- Divine Comedy (IRE)
- Doc Sportello (IRE)
- Dream Composer (FR)
- Dripsey Moon (IRE)
- Dynamic Talent
- Eaton Collina (IRE)
- Eldeyaar (IRE)
- Embassy Gardens
- Escarpmnt (IRE)
- Evelyn's Phoenix (FR)
- Exmoor Forest (IRE)
- Fact or Fable (IRE)
- Facto to File (IRE)
- Faivoir (FR)
- Famous Clermont (FR)
- Fast Deal
- Fier Jaguen (FR)
- Firefox (IRE)
- First Encounter
- Flash Gorcombe
- Flatley
- Foinix
- Franigane (FR)
- Further Measure (USA)
- Galia Des Liteaux (FR)
- Gandhi Maker (FR)
- Gather Ye Rosebuds
- Gaye Legacy (IRE)
- Giant
- Gilt Edge
- Glistening Nights (FR)
- Global Effort (IRE)
- Glorious Angel (IRE)
- God of Thunder (IRE)
- Gold Emery (FR)
- Great Acclaim
- Great Blasket (IRE)
- Grozni (FR)
- Gwennie May Boy (IRE)
- Happier (IRE)
- Hara Kiri (FR)
- Harbour Queen (IRE)
- Hardline (IRE)
- Hauraki Gulf
- Havana Goldrush
- Hawajes (IRE)
- Herakles Westwood (FR)
- Heritier De Sivola (FR)
- Heros (FR)
- Imperial Alex (IRE)
- Imperial Data (IRE)
- Imperial Sovereign (IRE)
- Inconspicuous (IRE)
- Inoui Machin (FR)
- Involvement
- Iolani (GER)
- Irish Dancer (IRE)
- Iskander Pecos (FR)
- Jacqueline (IRE)
- Jamie's Choice
- Jelski (GER)
- Jena D'oudaries (FR)
- Jet Legs (IRE)
- Josh the Boss
- Jubilee Gold (IRE)
- Kenstone (FR)
- Kilta (IRE)
- King of Scotia (IRE)
- King's Lynn
- Kohana Girl (IRE)
- Kojin (IRE)
- Kondratiev Wave (IRE)
- Lady of Spain (IRE)
- Landlordtothestars (IRE)
- Le Fou's Keep (IRE)
- Ledger (IRE)
- Lethal Levi
- Liberty Hunter
- Lieutenant Mayne (IRE)
- Likeashadow (IRE)
- Lilkian (GB)
- Lincoln Burrows (IRE)
- Local Music (IRE)
- Lochnaver
- Longhaired General (IRE)
- Longshanks (IRE)
- Lookingdandy
- Lovealot Bear (IRE)
- Lunarscape
- Macdermott (FR)
- Mademoiselle
- Marjborough (FR)
- Masqool (IRE)
- Mellys Flyer
- Mereside Madness (IRE)
- Merrijig
- Mersea (FR)
- Meydaan (IRE)
- Miss Sunset Strip (IRE)
- Mister Sox
- Mr Freedom
- Mr Incredible (IRE)
- Mr Professor (IRE)
- Mudlahhim (IRE)
- Mulhalhel (IRE)
- My Reprieve (IRE)
- Mysteryofthesands
- Naasma (IRE)
- Neski Sherelski (IRE)
- Never Dream
- Night Jet
- Night Lark
- Nights in Venice
- No Regrets (IRE)
- Northern Rose (IRE)
- Oliver's Island (IRE)
- Ooh Betty (IRE)
- Opticality
- Orange N Blue (IRE)
- Our Bill's Aunt (IRE)
- Panthera (FR)
- Paprikarma (IRE)
- Parish Star (IRE)
- Patontheback (IRE)
- Peachy Carnehan
- Petit Calvados (IRE)
- Phil The Sock - PULLED UP
- Phoenix Fire (IRE)
- Pitwood Road
- Possible Ambition
- Prince Eric (IRE)
- Prince Quali (FR)
- Princes Des Fichaux (FR)
- Pure of Heart (IRE)
- Rabinal
- Raqiya (IRE)
- Rayena (FR)
- Regency Boy
- Rhyme Scheme (IRE)
- Rivers Corner
- Rob Roy Macgregor (IRE)
- Rock Opera
- Rock'N'Roll Kid
- Rory The Cat (IRE)
- Royal Jewel
- Royal Mer (FR)
- Run at Dawn (IRE)
- Scarley Lady
- Secret Guest
- Secret Investor
- Sensitive Kind
- Shagraan (IRE)
- Shanroe Street (IRE)
- Shantou Lucky (IRE)
- Shappyle
- Shartash (IRE)
- Sine Nomine
- Sir Joseph Swan
- Sisterandbrother
- Skyhill (IRE)
- Smalleytime (IRE)
- Song Of Earth (IRE)
- Soprano (IRE)
- Soul Icon
- Southern Voyage (FR)
- Spice Diva (IRE)
- Springwell Baby
- Spyglass Hill (IRE)
- Star of St James (GER)
- Starevitch (FR)
- Starproof (IRE)
- Stenton Glider (IRE)
- Stolen Encounter
- Stormingin (IRE)
- Storymaker
- Strutting
- Supasunrise (IRE)
- Surrey Quest
- Sweet Talkin Sue
- Sycamore Gap
- Take Your Time (IRE)
- Takt De Touques (FR)
- Tamaris (IRE)
- Taritino (IRE)
- Tasmanian Legend (IRE)
- The Churchill Lad (IRE)
- The Crafty Mole (IRE)
- Thirtyfour Thirty
- Thursday
- Time Leader (IRE)
- Titan Rock
- Toothless (FR)
- Top Secret
- Toucan Sam
- Touch Tight
- Travolta
- Tropical Island
- Two Tempting (IRE)
- Upstart Crow
- Vaguely Royal (IRE)
- Venus Queen (IRE)
- Victory Shout (FR)
- Viewfromthestars (IRE)
- Wadacre Grace
- Waxing Gibbous
- Way of Life
- Willow Baby (IRE)
- Yalla Habibi (IRE)
- Yazaman (IRE)
- Yippee Ki Yay (IRE)
- Zarakem (FR)

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ANIMAL AID DEMANDS

“*The whip must be banned, and we must see independent regulation replace the self-interested BHA supposedly ‘keeping in check’ the same industry they are trying to promote*”

**WHILST WE CAMPAIGN
FOR AN END TO ALL HORSE RACING,
WE TAKE A PRAGMATIC APPROACH.
THEREFORE WE ARE CURRENTLY CAMPAIGNING FOR:**

- A ban on the whip, for everything apart from safety purposes
- Independent regulation of the racing industry to replace self-regulation by The BHA
- The on-course deaths of race horses to be published regularly by the racing industry for the public to see
- A ban on all jump racing



FURTHER INFORMATION & FINAL THOUGHTS

- Visit our British and Irish death watch sites - horsedeathwatch.com and irishhorsedeathwatch.com
- *Horses feel pain when whipped*, a paper funded by RSPCA Australia and researched and written by Dr Lydia Tong and Professor Paul McGreevy et al, can be read here: <https://www.mdpi.com/2076-2615/10/11/2094>
- Find out more about our campaign to ban jump racing at animalaid.org.uk/banjumpracing

That horses continue to be beaten with a whip and killed from excruciating injury, whilst running on a race course to the cheers of paying crowds, is nothing short of abominable. In years to come, this sorry excuse for a sport will be looked upon with shame and disbelief. The moment for change is right now.