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THE ROYAL YORKSHIRE REGIMENT ASSOCIATION RACE DAY 2024

1. The Royal Yorkshire Regiment Race Day will take place at York Knavesmire on Saturday 25th May 2024. We are pleased to announce that our sponsored race will once again be part of the May Spring Meeting. Race Day 2024 is open to everyone associated with the Regiment, serving or retired and all elements of the regimental family. If recent years are anything to go by, the popularity of this event means you should book early to avoid disappointment.

2. Regimental tickets are available for serving personnel, service leavers and veterans of all ranks, members of the extended regimental family, immediate family members and invited friends. For this year, the limit is firmly set at 230 people.

a. Dante Ticket. The Dante ticket includes admission to an exclusive private function suite in the County Stand; a race-day badge, race-card, a three-course lunch and afternoon tea. The Dante Suite is accessible by a lift; it has its own Bar, Tote facilities and easy access to a large private balcony with seating that overlooks the finishing post. The races are also televised in the Suite. And at the end of the day, you can dance away the calories to the 'free' ABBA tribute band!

b. Cost. The price of the regimental race-day package is significantly subsidised by the Regiment; but even so, as with so many other events, the price has had to be increased this year. It remains the case though, that it is significantly less than you would pay if you were to book a similar package directly with the Racecourse. This year, the cost is **£75** per person for members of the regimental family, which includes serving and retired personnel, members of the Regimental Association and also spouses, or partners. For all additional invited guests, the price is **£90**.

c. Availability. Demand for tickets is always high and we will do our best to fulfil requests for complete tables, but where necessary, large requests will be subject to review. A number of tickets will be set aside for each of the battalions, but these must be booked in good time. As ever, additional external guests are also welcome. We would encourage everyone to submit applications for tickets as early as possible. Tables are normally configured to seat 10 people, but can accommodate 12 by exception.

d. Dress. A strict dress code applies in the Dante Suite and County Stand. Those attending are required to wear a jacket and tie - a regimental tie is preferred. Members are also requested to ensure that all their guests conform to the dress code and also to the standards of behaviour expected of members of the Regiment.

3. Timings.

1130 – County Stand opens.

1230 – Luncheon.

1345 – First Race.

1625 – Sixth race – The Royal Yorkshire Regiment Handicap for 3yr olds over 1¼ miles.

1700 – Last Race – the bars and restaurants will remain open for 1hr after the last race.

1800 – 1900 – ‘Mania’ Abba Tribute Band Performance.

1900 – Racecourse Closes.

4. Booking. To reserve your tickets for Race Day 2024, please make payment by BACS then complete the attached form and return it to Jacquie Pearson in RHQ by Friday 26th April. You may also pay by cheque. We will endeavour to respond early with a confirmation of your request, or where necessary, we will provide a notification of your request being placed on the reserve list. **When submitting your booking, please ensure that you print your name and address clearly, as the badges for the races will be sent by post.**

5. We look forward to seeing you at what is always an enjoyable day out at the Knavesmire. Formal confirmation of your booking, together with further details of the day’s events, will follow in early May.

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Regimental Secretary

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Name _____

Regimental Connection (Regular/Reserve//Retired/Regt Association)

I would like to reserve

_____ 'Dante' tickets @ £75 and /or _____ tickets @ £90;

I have the following dietary requirements:

*Please send monies by BACS Transfer, quoting as the reference: *RACES* followed by your *SURNAME*.

You still need to return this form to RHQ so that we know the breakdown of what you want and where to send it.

The account details are:

The Royal Yorkshire Regiment Charitable Trust
Account No: 10480280
Sort Code: 16-19-26

*Alternatively, please find enclosed a signed cheque for £ _____, made payable to "**The Royal Yorkshire Regiment Charitable Trust**".

Address (i.e. where you want your race tickets to be sent):

Tel No: _____

E-mail: _____

Signed _____