



KENNET VALLEY SYNDICATES

NEW SYNDICATES
TO RACE
IN 2027

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INTRODUCTION



As another exciting Flat season unfolds, it is a pleasure to introduce our new syndicates for the 2027 season ahead of the yearling sales getting underway later this month.

This year has provided plenty of encouragement, and our two-year-olds have so far really hit the ground running with Night and Vegas and Persazz both scoring on debut.

These results are a timely reminder that our approach continues to deliver. For more than 35 years, we have focused on sourcing quality yearlings at sensible values, guided by experience and a clear eye for potential. In an increasingly competitive marketplace, we remain committed to that philosophy, which has produced top horses such as Calendar Girl, Magical Memory, Sir Busker and Tullius.

Luke Lillingston continues to play a key role in our yearling selection and, alongside Sam, will attend all the major yearling sales this autumn in search of the next generation of Kennet Valley stars.

Owners are always welcome to join us at selected sales and experience the buying process first-hand. In particular, if you would like to join us at Book 2 in Newmarket, please do let us know.

For the 2027 syndicates, we are pleased to continue our associations with Andrew Balding, Owen Burrows, Eve Johnson Houghton, William Knight and Ed Walker, while also welcoming Ralph Beckett back to Kennet Valley. We work closely with each of our trainers throughout the yearling sales to identify the horses best suited to their individual operations. Having a broad range of trainers allows us to buy with confidence across a wide variety of profiles, ensuring each yearling is placed where we believe it has the best opportunity to succeed.

If you are interested in one of our new syndicates, we encourage you to register your interest as early as possible. Shares are allocated on a first come, first served basis and many syndicates fill quickly. As always, this year's yearlings will parade at Loseley Park on Thursday 22nd October (by separate invitation), with a further opportunity to view them at Harry Whittington's on Saturday 7th November, if you are unable to attend the main parade. Owners reserving their shares before the end of August will also receive a complimentary All Angels gift from Kennet Valley.

With best wishes,

Sam and Piers

TRAINERS FOR THE NEW SYNDICATES IN 2027



ANDREW BALDING



RALPH BECKETT



OWEN BURROWS



EVE JOHNSON HOUGHTON



WILLIAM KNIGHT



ED WALKER

ANDREW BALDING

Kingsclere, Newbury, Berkshire



Andrew Balding has trained from the historic Park House Stables in Kingsclere since taking over the licence from his father, Ian, in 2003. Since saddling Oaks winner Casual Look in his first season, Andrew has established himself as one of Britain's leading Flat trainers. Following a career-best campaign in 2025, his Kingsclere operation continues to rank among the country's premier racing yards.

He continues to enjoy success at the highest level, with Group 1 winners including Alcohol Free, Kameko, Chaldean and Kalpana highlighting an exceptional recent record. The 2026 season has brought further notable achievements, with Kalpana's victory in the King George VI & Queen Elizabeth Stakes forming part of a remarkable day that also saw Item win the Group 2 York Stakes and Moonrise the Group 3 Princess Margaret Stakes.

Kennet Valley has enjoyed a long and successful association with the Balding family, campaigning top-class performers including Charles the Great, Firebreak, Flashcard, Fantasy World and Tullius. Today, Andrew trains our progressive three-year-old Comic Hero alongside our promising, unraced two-year-old Battleworthy.

Andrew and his wife, Anna Lisa, are always generous hosts, making every visit to Park House Stables a pleasure. It is a stunning setting and a truly special place to visit, steeped in racing history and tradition.



KENNET VALLEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD



TULLIUS

Total career earnings: £500k

Total career wins: 11

Highest rating: 118

Won and placed in multiple Listed, Group 2, and Group 3 races.



FLASHCARD

Total career earnings: £104K

Total career wins: 3

Highest rating: 101

High class two and three year old before being sold to Hong Kong



FANTASY WORLD

A talented and progressive performer, who won 3 of his 8 starts, including the Listed Noel Murless Stakes, finishing his time with us rated 103 and earning just shy of £100,000 in prize money before selling for 600,000 guineas in October 2025.



COMIC HERO

A progressive performer who has continued to improve this season, winning impressively on his seasonal reappearance and showing the ability to continue to develop further over time.

RALPH BECKETT

Kimpton Down Stables, Andover, Hampshire



We are delighted to renew our association with Ralph Beckett, who trains from the stunning Kimpton Down Stables in Hampshire.

A multiple Classic-winning trainer, Ralph has enjoyed sustained success at the highest level for more than two decades, with Classic winners including Look Here, Talent, Simple Verse, Westover and Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe winner Bluestocking.

His excellent form has continued in 2026, with another outstanding campaign featuring Tattycoram's Group 2 Lancashire Oaks victory as well as Qirat's Group 3 Diomed Stakes success.

Ralph is renowned for his patient approach to training and his ability to develop horses over time, giving each individual every opportunity to fulfil its potential. It is a philosophy that has served him exceptionally well throughout his career and one that we believe is ideally suited to developing young horses.

We are delighted to be working with Ralph once again and look forward to adding another carefully selected yearling to our syndicate roster this autumn.



SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD TO DATE



TALENT

Winner of the 2013 Oaks, Talent was one of the standout fillies of her generation. She also landed the Pretty Polly Stakes before finishing second in the St Leger, proving her class over a range of distances.



BLUESTOCKING

One of the stars of the 2024 season, Bluestocking crowned a remarkable campaign with victory in the Prix de l'Arc de Triomphe after earlier Group 1 successes in the Pretty Polly Stakes and the Prix Vermeille.

OWEN BURROWS

Farncombe Down Stables, Lambourn, Berkshire



Owen Burrows has quickly become a key member of the Kennet Valley trainer roster since joining us in recent years.

He enjoyed immediate success with Fair Wind, who won four races and earned just under £100,000 in prize money, before his first Kennet Valley yearling, Calendar Girl, established herself as one of the most exciting fillies to carry our colours in recent seasons and rounded off last season as Britain's highest earning two-year-old filly.

Based at the stunning Farncombe Down Stables just outside Lambourn, Owen trains from a first-class private facility with its own grass, woodchip and all-weather gallops. Having learnt his craft under David Nicholson and Sir Michael Stoute, Owen took out his own licence in 2016 as a private trainer to Shadwell.

Since then, his small but select string has established an enviable reputation for quality over quantity, producing Group 1 stars Hukum, Anmaat and Minzaal, together with dual York Stakes winner Alfaila.

Kennet Valley is proud to continue its association with Owen as his stable continues to go from strength to strength.



KENNET VALLEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD



FAIR WIND

Total career earnings: £93k

Total career wins: 4

Highest rating: 94

High class sprinter who enjoyed a breakthrough season in 2024, winning a heritage handicap at Ascot.



CALENDAR GIRL

High-class filly who enjoyed a superb juvenile campaign in 2025, winning on debut before landing the valuable Weatherbys Scientific £300,000 2YO Stakes at Doncaster and rounding off the season with Group 3 success in the Oh So Sharp Stakes at Newmarket.

EVE JOHNSON HOUGHTON

Woodway, Blewbury, Oxfordshire



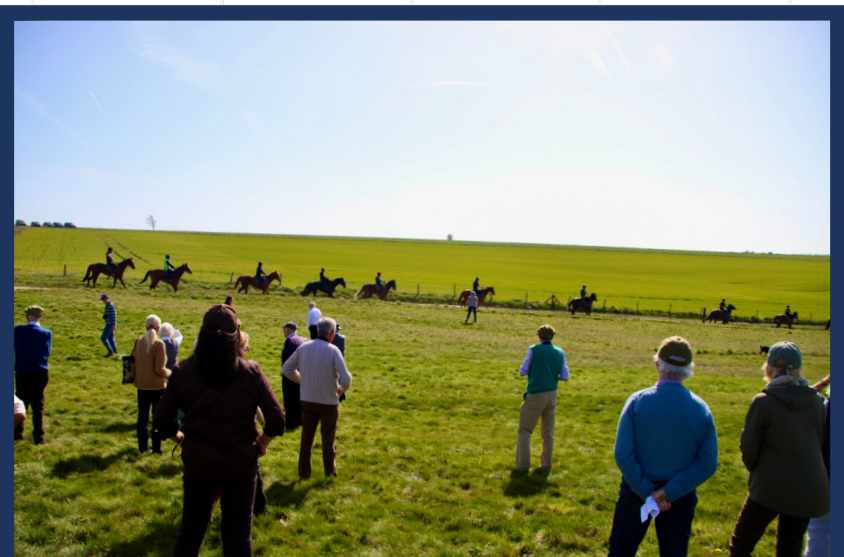
We were delighted to welcome Eve Johnson Houghton back to the Kennet Valley trainer roster last year, with our first yearling joining her Oxfordshire yard since before the Covid pandemic.

The reunion has got off to a flying start, with Night In Vegas proving an exciting addition to the team and giving us plenty to cheer about this season.

Based at the beautiful Woodway Stables on the Oxfordshire Downs above Blewbury, Eve has trained with distinction since taking over the licence in 2007, continuing a proud family tradition stretching back three generations. Her exceptional facilities include some of the finest privately owned gallops in the country.

Renowned for her expertise with two-year-olds, Eve has enjoyed success at the highest level throughout her career, including Royal Ascot victories with Accidental Agent and Chipotle, while more recent seasons have brought further Group race success with exciting young performers, including Group 1-winning two-year-old Zavateri.

A huge character and great fun to be around, Eve is a wonderful host who always makes owners feel at home. Woodway Stables is a fabulous place to visit, and we look forward to many more successful seasons together.



KENNET VALLEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD



NIGHT IN VEGAS

Night In Vegas made a superb start to his career, winning on debut at Ascot before following up impressively at Goodwood. Those performances earned him a place in the Coventry Stakes at Royal Ascot, where he ran an excellent race to finish fifth against some of the best two-year-olds in the country. He has since enhanced that form with a fine placed effort in the Group 2 Richmond Stakes at Glorious Goodwood, confirming himself as a colt of considerable promise.



WILLIAM KNIGHT

Rathmoy Stables, Newmarket, Suffolk



William Knight has been one of Kennet Valley's longest-serving and most successful trainers, playing an integral role in our story for many years. Based at the impressive Rathmoy Stables in Newmarket, he has enjoyed continued success since relocating there in 2020, with the yard going from strength to strength.

William will always be synonymous with our legendary flag bearer Sir Busker, whose remarkable career brought unforgettable days, including Royal Ascot glory, Group 2 success at York and a string of outstanding performances at the very highest level around the world. More recently, Dual Identity developed into a high-class handicapper under William's care, progressing from a rating of 70 to 100 and earning just under £150,000 in prize money along the way.

This season, Persazz gave us plenty to get excited about, making a hugely impressive winning debut. Unfortunately, his momentum was halted by injury on his next start, but all being well he will return next season with an exciting future still ahead of him.

William's calm, professional approach, together with the outstanding facilities at Rathmoy, make it a wonderful place to visit. Owners also have the opportunity to combine stable visits with lunch or dinner at the iconic Jockey Club Rooms, making every trip to Newmarket a memorable experience.



KENNET VALLEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD



SIR BUSKER

Total career earnings: £660k

Total career wins: 7

Highest rating: 116

A true Kennet Valley legend, Sir Busker gave his owners unforgettable days at some of the world's greatest racecourses, including Longchamp, Meydan and Riyadh. Retiring in 2025, the Group 2 winner and multiple Group 1 performer leaves behind a remarkable legacy.



DUAL IDENTITY

Total career earnings: £148k

Total career wins: 5

Highest rating: 100

Dual Identity was a tough and reliable servant to Kennet Valley, winning five races and earning just shy of £150,000. Retired in 2025, he gave his owners some memorable days, including a narrow defeat in the Cambridgeshire and a magical second to Sir Busker at York in 2024.

ED WALKER

Kingsdown Stables, Upper Lambourn, Berkshire



Ed has firmly established himself among Britain's most respected trainers from the stunning Kingsdown Stables in Upper Lambourn. He has built an outstanding record for producing Stakes-class performers year after year, underlining the consistency and quality of his operation.

This season has been another memorable one, with Almaqam landing a deserved first Group 1 victory in the Tattersalls Gold Cup before Ten Bob Tony provided a Royal Ascot highlight with his brilliant victory in the Group 1 Queen Anne Stakes.

Golden Brown has continued to show plenty of promise in the Kennet Valley colours, while our exciting two-year-old All Angels has made just one educational start to date. She shaped with plenty of encouragement on debut, and there is every reason to believe the best is yet to come.

Kingsdown Stables is one of the most iconic and picturesque yards in Lambourn, the 'Valley of the Racehorse', and a fabulous place to visit. Ed and his team are always generous with their time, making owners feel part of the journey, and we look forward to many more memorable days together.



KENNET VALLEY SUCCESS STORIES FROM THIS YARD



MOLLIE FOSTER

Total career earnings for KVS: £96k

Highest rating with KVS: 85

Tough and talented filly who ended her brilliant two-year-old season with a superb second in the €500,000 Goffs Sales Race at the Curragh, earning just shy of €100,000 in prize money. Sold at the end of her three-year-old season, she enjoyed a successful stint in the Kennet Valley colours.



GOLDEN BROWN

Progressive three-year-old who caught the eye when finishing second in the Redcar Two-Year-Old Trophy last season, before returning this year to gain a deserved first victory at Salisbury. Still improving with experience, he looks capable of adding further success, particularly when the rain arrives.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Number of horses in each syndicate: 1
- Number of shares in each syndicate: 16
- Initial share price: £7,000–£12,000
- Second year cost for three-year-old career: £4,900

At the end of each season (end of October) a financial statement is sent to owners and all prizemoney and any surplus from running costs will be returned to owners.

Once interest is registered, an initial deposit will be taken to secure your share(s). Anyone securing a share before 31st August 2026 will receive a complimentary gift of All Angels English Sparking Wine from Kennet Valley.

As in previous years, owners in each syndicate will have the opportunity to submit name suggestions for their new horse, with the final name being decided by an owners' vote in the New Year.

As ever in the spirit of the Kennet Valley community we offer £500 off any new share when you refer a friend. Credit can be rolled forwards by up to 2 years but only counts towards full shares.

Shares are sold on a strictly first come first served basis. To register your interest please contact Sam direct on the following:

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