

ST. LEGER

To watch the St. Leger, the fifth and last classic race of the season, comes Her Majesty the Queen, who's broken her holiday at Balmoral to see if her horse, GAY TIME, can be the first to win the race for a reigning sovereign.

The Queen comes into the paddock to watch the parade. A well-fancied outsider is CASTLETON, but there's heavy backing for a Royal victory. It's nearly the last chance for a flutter as the twelve runners make their way onto the course for the parade.

TULYAR is followed out by SUMMER RAIN, but Her Majesty has her eyes on her own horse, GAY TIME, with Gordon Richards in the saddle.

The race is soon to begin and there's plenty of activity around the gentlemen who are only too willing to take your money - except for TULYAR, the favourite. Up at the start, the field gets ready for the battle that's going to last just over one mile, six furlongs. Almost at once Gordon moves GAY TIME up to the front, followed by ALCINUS, BOB MAJOR and KER ARDAN. Charlie Smirke's keeping TULYAR in seventh place at the back as they race into the country. Now ALCINUS takes the lead with KER ARDAN, another French challenger, in second place. GAY TIME is third but TULYAR's still well behind as they come up to the half-way mark.

As they head round the last bend into the straight, it's still ALCINUS with KER ARDAN second and GAY TIME in third place. Now Gordon challenges and he's bringing GAY TIME up to pass KER ARDAN.

GAY TIME and ALCINUS are having a duel in front, but watch TULYAR, number 8, boxed in on the rails. But Smirke's brilliant riding brings TULYAR through the field to fight for the lead.

KINGSFOLD's in second place now, but TULYAR's still in the lead and he's pulling away from the field. GAY TIME's weakening but KINGSFOLD and ALCINUS are giving it everything they've got. But they can't catch TULYAR who romps home three lengths in front to give the Aga Khan his sixth St. Leger victory. TULYAR, the wonder horse, has won over £76,000 to date - more than any other horse in the history of British racing.