

The Queen Mother and Princess Alexandra were in the Epsom Paddock on Ladies' Day, braving what was even worse than the Derby weather. And there was Sicarelle, the much-fancied entry from the successful stable of Madame Suzy Volterra, owner of last year's Derby winner. ^

Aly Khan was there to watch his entry Yasmin --- named after his daughter. But the hot tip for <sup>a rainy day</sup> ~~the morning race~~ was Lord Manton's Pitter Patter.

Ready now for the start... ~~mmmm~~ .....And they're off up the hill on their mile-and-a-half for the Oaks Stakes --- the race for three-year-old fillies.

Coming towards Tattenham Corner, the lead was taken by Sir Victor Sassoon's Honeylight --- with Sicarelle's jockey, in hoops, seen on the rails.....Yasmin, Caldera and Janiari keeping close. And coming round Tattenham it's still Honeylight, leading from Sicarelle on the rails. It's a great race and it's too bad the bad weather kept the crowds away. Where is everybody? Must be working to keep warm. In the straight Sicarelle is going strongly in the lead. Honeylight is fading out and making way for a one-two-three French victory --- with Janiari coming up to second place, and Yasmin third.

Sicarelle wins --- to score another victory for Madame Volterra; the first lady-owner of a Derby and an Oaks winner, for nearly forty years.