

A Life Well Lived Progress 2021-2025

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Minimising Risk, Improving Safety

384,966 jump records analysed by the Race Risk Model, the sport's first safety-focused risk modelling tool



Fatality Review project pilot established permanently with a dedicated panel reviewing every racecourse fatality including video analysis and no-blame interviews with connected individuals.

7 schooling trial days to build race experience **in 2025**



2,500 obstacle markers turned white to improve clarity for horses

NEW standard technical specification for hurdles



3,900 horses trotted up using new **Sleip AI** technology

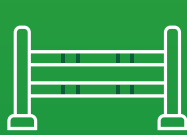
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the standard length for a blade of grass on a flat course in the new Performance Quality Standard to enhance management of ground

38 racecourse visits made with **64,000+** data collection points to review consistency of going



Padded-style hurdles at all British racecourses by **October 2026** confirmed



38 jump racecourses walked by safety advisor

Fallers Project reviewing every fall at an obstacle in British racing commenced



Thoroughbred Census confirmed

80% of the former racehorse population in Britain are active and identifiable



Lifetime Responsibility



Annual whereabouts analysis of six-year old British bred Thoroughbreds

Broodmare analysis to analyse the whereabouts of broodmares over the past 10 years

Traceability working group formed

to close identified gap following **Census findings**



Established **racings focus** as first step out of racing



Partnered with Weatherbys on six-month passport amnesty to drive compliance

New intelligence on 5,566 Thoroughbreds gathered through the **2023 Census**



RoR publishes three-year industry-endorsed aftercare strategy 2024-2026. Enhanced support includes:

- **Retraining Assessment Programme** permanently established in partnership with HEROS, providing specialist support for retiring horses
- **Sales companies and racecourse funding** secured
- **Data sharing** between racing and RoR established ensuring continued support for every horse retiring from racing



14,036 horses registered

66 horses supported through safety net in 2024



Raising Welfare Standards

£6.4m secured to fund welfare since **2021**



Euthanasia code published



Code of Conduct/ Code of Ethics in development

18 changes made to improve stalls and starting procedures to start races more safely



Partnerships established and collaboration with independent experts



Welfare Data Unit established providing dashboards with clean, verified data to the facts we need to know



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State of the art mannequins purchased to support the welfare of horses through enhanced training of **500+** racecourse vets and medical personnel

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new welfare training modules developed and made freely available to industry in 2025



National Racehorse Week

50,000 free places made available to go behind-the-scenes at National Racehorse Week

>80% improved opinion of welfare through attending National Racehorse Week

Building Trust

Annual perception and reputational surveys to monitor trust and public concerns in the sport



PURPOSE - WELFARE RESPONSIBILITY



Cross-industry welfare hub and campaign launched



Cross-industry collaborative welfare comms groups established

With thanks to major funders of HWB projects:

