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Action to return to Cowdray Polo Park

Latest Update

GUARDS POLO ANNOUNCES DATES

“The Polo Office has secured new dates for our two main tournaments and a new fixtures list is currently being compiled for the 2020 season. Our aim is to start playing polo in mid-May, probably behind closed doors, but the Polo Office will adjust as the situation allows. Antony Fanshawe and his team will make sure that there is plenty of polo at all levels as soon as we are allowed to play.

Our aim is to play until early October.”

-Guards Polo Club

The key tournament dates for 2020 will be:

CARTIER QUEEN'S CUP:

Tuesday 28 July – Sunday 23 August

ROYAL WINDSOR CUP:

Tuesday 11 – Sunday 30 August

Latest Update

COWDRAY PARK

“Following the Government’s update at the end of last week, Polo Manager, Chris Bethell, is working on a revised tournament schedule based on a resumption of polo in early June, with the King Power Gold Cup tournament starting on the 23rd June as planned. Whilst this remains our aspiration, we will ultimately be directed by evolving Government advice and as such we will re-appraise and re-schedule as required. The HPA have issued a revised official HPA tournament fixtures list...As always, the safety and well-being of our attendees, players, staff and ponies is fundamental in any decisions we make at Cowdray regarding the recommencement of polo and we will adhere rigorously with the regulations set out by the Government and provide updates accordingly.”

- Cowdray Park Polo Club on 2020 Polo Season

Latest Update

POLO AT GREENWICH

“We hope to resume scheduled public matches beginning August 30, 2020, for the opening match of the 2020 East Coast Open tournament. With that said, due to these unprecedented circumstances, we have decided that it will not be possible to open to the public as previously scheduled during the months of June and July...In the months ahead, Club management will continue to monitor this evolving public health situation and take all necessary steps to successfully stage the 2020 East Coast Open, scheduled for August 30 - September 13.”

- Greenwich Polo Club

Latest Update

2020 Women's Outdoor Handicap Changes

The United States Polo Association
(USPA) has revealed the new Women's
Outdoor handicaps.

Below are some of the most notable changes:

From 8 to 9 goals:

Lía Salvo (Effective June 1st 2020).

From 7 to 8:

Izzy Parsons (Effective June 1st 2020). Mia Novillo
Astrada, Clara Cassino (Effective Jan. 1st 2021).

From 6 to 7:

Lottie Lamacraft (Effective June 1st 2020).

From 5 to 6:

Milly Hine (Effective June 1st 2020).

From 4 to 5:

Maddie Grant (Effective June 1st 2020). Audry
Persano (Effective Jan. 1st 2021)



From The Magazine

CHAMPIONS GLORY

Shamsheer
Ali and
Simran Singh
Shergill, two
of India's ace
polo players

They could very well be professional archenemies on the field, but off the field, Syed Shamsheer Ali and Simran Singh Shergill would make for perfect Indian polo poster boys. Though the two have a similar passion for the sport, they both have a very different approach towards life: while one is understated and calm, the other balances the mood with his flamboyance. The LA POLO team spent a day with the two highly proficient players, to discover their stories. We couldn't help but wonder how the two peas in a pod were just the right personalities to grace the Cover of our first edition.

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We shall overcome the hard times and the world will heal the loss just like the break of the spring. There's a power that resides within us, a power to heal the soul, a power to heal the world – and that's what we wish for you too.

In our initiative towards spreading hope and to help those who need it the most during these unprecedented times, LA POLO presents “Heal The World” by Michael Jackson with four powerful polo women.

**Watch them spread the message of love,
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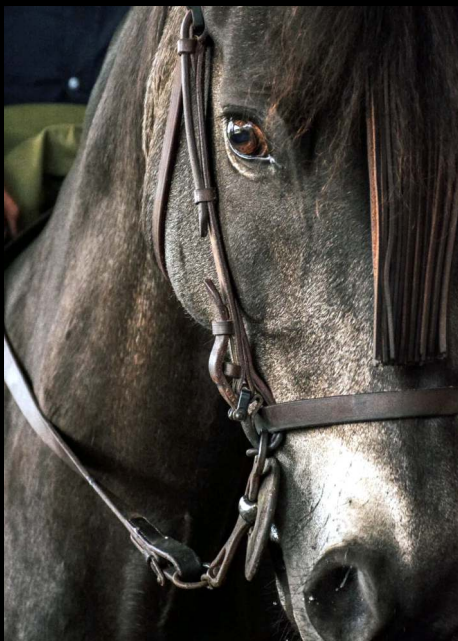
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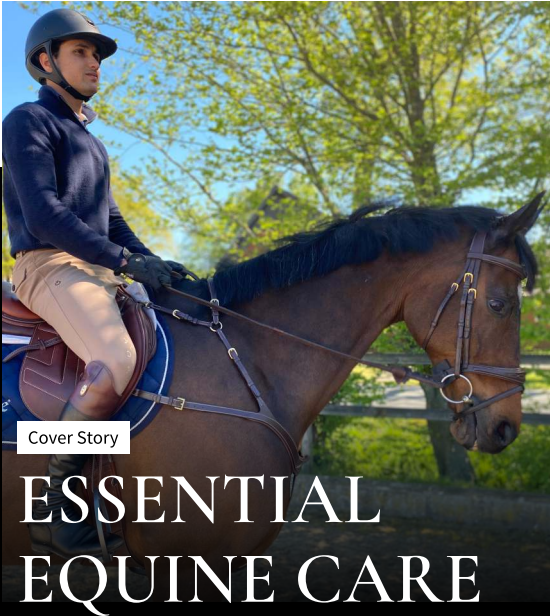
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"I don't like people," said Velvet. "...
I only like horses."

- Enid Bagnold, **National Velvet**

Fouaad Mirza with his horses during the lockdown



Cover Story

ESSENTIAL EQUINE CARE

Equestrian and Arjuna Award winner Fouaad Mirza talks about taking care of the horses during the pandemic, and the future of the Tokyo Olympics Games.

Horses need proper care and exercises, and when it comes to athletic horses, this measure should be taken even more seriously. Equestrian Fouaad Mirza says: "Horses need to be exercised or have access to a paddock where they can perform exercises of free choice. Restricting them to the stable may trigger problems, from colic to laminitis to injury or development of bad stable vices through sheer boredom."

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Cover Story

LOOKING AFTER HORSES

WITH FOUAD MIRZA

“The basics like feeding, watering, grooming, cleaning the stable and light exercise are essential for the horses’ well-being.”

- Fouaad Mirza


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lapoloindia Fouaad Mirza, the Asiad Silver medalist, shares his view on the future of Olympic Games keeping in consideration the sudden outbreak of COVID-19, "Tokyo Olympic Games was



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TO THE HORSES

BEYOND



Kartikeya Singh wearing Raghavendra Rathore



Feature

Olympics
postponed
until 2021

Tokyo Olympics' Postponement & The Logistics

With the world reeling under the impact of Covid-19, the Tokyo Olympics got postponed. What lies in the future? An analysis of developments.

Covid-19 has impacted life and events at all levels, and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics have been postponed to July 2021. The International Olympic Committee (IOC) came up with a revised Qualification Task Force and approved a series of amendments. Here's a look at the changes:

- The new qualification period deadline is June 29, 2021, and International Sports Federations (IFs) can define their own qualification period deadlines, should these be prior to this date.
- The revised final sport entries deadline has now been set at July 5, 2021.
- The revision of the qualification systems will be finalised as quickly as possible, to give certainty to the athletes and National Olympic Committees (NOCs).

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Raghavendra
Rathore

From The Magazine

REGAL FLAIR

The Jodhpur breeches and the bandh gala, made famous by couture master Raghavendra Rathore, exemplify “Brand India” at its best, and are closely associated with the equestrian world.

Marwar’s Rathores have always been associated with valour, sacrifice, honour...virtues symbolic of the land’s historical wealth and vibrant culture.

When the sands of time had soothed its war-ravaged soul, a new dawn arose that placed Jodhpur on the world map.

The forts and palaces reflected the glorious past and stamped Jodhpur’s royal identity. Polo, horse-riding and hunting became perfect substitutes to war for the ever-restless Rathores.

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who you are without
having to speak

- Marilyn Monroe

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