

France Galop and Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard enter partnership for the Prix Jean Prat



France Galop and the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard are pleased to announce a new sponsorship partnership covering the entire race card at Deauville on Sunday, 12 July 2026, including the afternoon's feature race, the Prix Jean Prat, a 1400m Group 1 for three-year-olds. This partnership reflects a shared ambition to showcase the excellence of the French Thoroughbred and further enhance the international reach and appeal of French racing.

The Prix Jean Prat, a highlight of the Deauville summer meeting

Each summer, the Prix Jean Prat brings Europe's leading three-year-olds onto the mile of the of the Deauville-La Touques racecourse. A major fixture in both the French and European racing calendar, the race reflects the standards of excellence

and competition associated with top-level Flat racing. Entirely sponsored by the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard, the race meeting on Sunday, 12 July, promises to be one of the summer season highlights.

Le Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard : A Legacy in full revival

One of the most renowned names in the French breeding industry, the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard is today entering a new momentum. With horses returning to the estate and a clear vision for the future, the stud aims to honour its exceptional heritage while writing a new chapter in its history. Lending its name to the Prix Jean Prat is both a symbolic and strategic decision, marking this revival on one of the biggest stages in the world of Flat racing.

A partnership that supports French racing

By sponsoring the entire race card at Dauville on 12 July, the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard reaffirms its commitment to the French racing industry. This partnership with France Galop is driven by a shared vision : an ambitious, vibrant racing sector with strong international appeal, capable of attracting and uniting leading breeders and racing stakeholders from all over the world.

Henri Poret and Guillaume Herrnberger, Deputy Managing Directors of France Galop, said : « *This partnership is testament to the appeal and excellence of French Flat racing. The Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard is deeply linked to the history of French racing and its international reach. We are therefore delighted that it is now associated with the Prix Jean Prat.* »

Gérard Larrieu, Chief Executive of Wathba Stables and Yas Horse Racing, and Mathieu Legars, Directeur of the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard added : « *Lending the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard name to the Prix Jean Prat is an important symbolic milestone in this revival. The partnership between the Haras de Fresnay-le-Buffard and France Galop demonstrates a shared commitment to promoting France's racing heritage, while supporting its development and strengthening its appeal among international stakeholders.* »