

W H A T C O M B E



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Introduction

Whatcombe is a bedrock of racing tradition, but since Cole began training there in 1986 his constant ambition has been to create an ideal and modern environment for Thoroughbreds in training.

In the ultra-competitive world of racing in Europe today, a trainer must prove himself continuously and not rest on previously-earned laurels. As well as he is recognised for his many Classic winners, Cole at Whatcombe has always been known by his peers for the number and quality of his two-year-old runners. The yard is always well-represented at Royal Ascot. Cole's collaboration with the late Prince Fahd bin Salman produced much success, including the fourth highest rated flat racehorse to date, Generous, who won the English Derby, Irish Derby and King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Stakes.





Whatcombe's private turf gallops have been undisturbed for centuries. They provide hundreds of acres where Cole can find ideal conditions for all his horses-in-training. He has constructed gallops of a variety of artificial surfaces and gradients so that, year round, Whatcombe's runners can be brought to the peak of fitness regardless of the vagaries of English weather.

The yard is ideally located in central England. Every major racecourse is within a few hours by horse van and airports to all parts of Europe are just as close. Whatcombe's runners arrive ready!

One visit here will convince you that here is where tradition and innovation have come together to create a perfect environment for getting the best from your horses-in-training. And as Cole's record reflects, success for his owners is what Whatcombe is all about.





SNURGE
SEA-MANA-ALIE - JANDALAN
WINNER OF THE
100 ST LEPID STAKES



History

Paul Cole is one of Britain's most successful trainers, winning the highest calibre races, Classics, Group races and handicaps. Paul was Champion Trainer in England in 1991 and has been the Champion European Trainer four times. He holds the European record for the most prize money won with one horse, Snurge.

Royal Ascot is one of Whatcombe's favourite meetings, having had five winners in one week. Paul is one of the top trainers on the list for the most winners at the meeting and has regularly won the Coventry Stakes, Jersey Stakes, Chesham Stakes, Windsor Castle Stakes, Norfolk Stakes, Hardwicke Stakes, Wokingham Stakes, Queen Mary Stakes, Ascot Stakes, Queen Alexandra Stakes, Prince of Wales Stakes and the Ascot Gold Cup.

Whatcombe dates back to The Domesday Book and was recorded as a medieval village. It is a mile or so south east from Fawley Manor. Saxon remains were found here when in the 1930s a grave was dug for Blandford, probably the most famous stallion of his day. The present house incorporates parts of the old Norman church which, like the original manor house, has long since fallen into ruin. It is said that stones from this church were taken to build the chantry chapel at Lambourn.

Whatever its origin, in the present century Whatcombe has become famous as a racing stable, first under R. C. Dawson, later under Arthur Budgett and now Paul Cole. Several Derby winners have been trained on nearby Woolley Downs, one of the best training gallops in the country, known both for the superlative quality of its turf and for its contours which closely resemble those of Tattenham Corner at Epsom.







Summary

A large part of our success is down to the selection and purchase process of the horses. The team travels to the sales around the globe, tracking down the right horses for the best prices, this has yielded many successes as is demonstrated by the good horses trained. *Overleaf*. This is just a taster of the success Whatcombe has enjoyed and we are hopeful that any individual that joins the yard will become an intricate part of the operation, please feel free to contact us and we would be happy to fulfil any of your requirements.

Races and Winners

Generous: *The Derby, The Irish Derby, the King George VI and Queen Elizabeth Diamond Stakes and the Dewhurst. European Champion*

Snurge: *The St Leger, Gran Premio di Milano, The Rothmans International, Grand Prix de Deauville. Guinness Book of records.*

Knights Baroness: *Irish Oaks.*

Culture Vulture: *The Lowther, The Fillies Mile, Prix Marcel Boussac, Poule D'essai Des Pouliches.*

Zaizoom: *Italian Derby.*

Time Star: *Italian Derby.*

Ibn Bey: *Irish St Ledger, Geoffrey Freer, Grosser Preis von Berin, Preis von Europa, International Horse of the Year.*

Strategic Choice: *Grand Premio Di Milano, Irish St Ledger, Grand Prix De Deauville.*

Bright Generation: *Italian Oaks.*

Jape: *Italian St Ledger.*

Magic Ring: *Norfolk Stakes, The Cornwallis Stakes.*

Bint Pasha: *Yorkshire Oaks.*

Dilum: *The Richmond Stakes, The Coventry Stakes*

Broken Hearted: *The Lockinge Stakes*

Sri Pekan: *The Vintage Stakes, The Champagne Stakes, The Coventry Stakes. Champion Two Year Old.*

Pass The Peace: *Cheveley Park Stakes, Posidonas Gran Premio d'Italia.*

Ruby Tiger: *Nassau Stakes.*

Great Palm: *Premio Presidente Della Repubblica, Prix Guillaume D'ornano.*

Zoman: *Tattersalls Gold Cup, Washington D.C. International Stakes.*

Lady in Waiting: *Sun Chariot Stakes.*

Sarab: *Prix de la Forêt.*

Courteous: *Grand Prix De Deauville.*

Mr Dinos: *Ascot Gold Cup.*

Luck Money: *Goff's Million.*

River Proud: *Tattersalls Stakes.*

Strategic Prince: *July Stakes, The Vintage Stakes.*

.....and many others.

