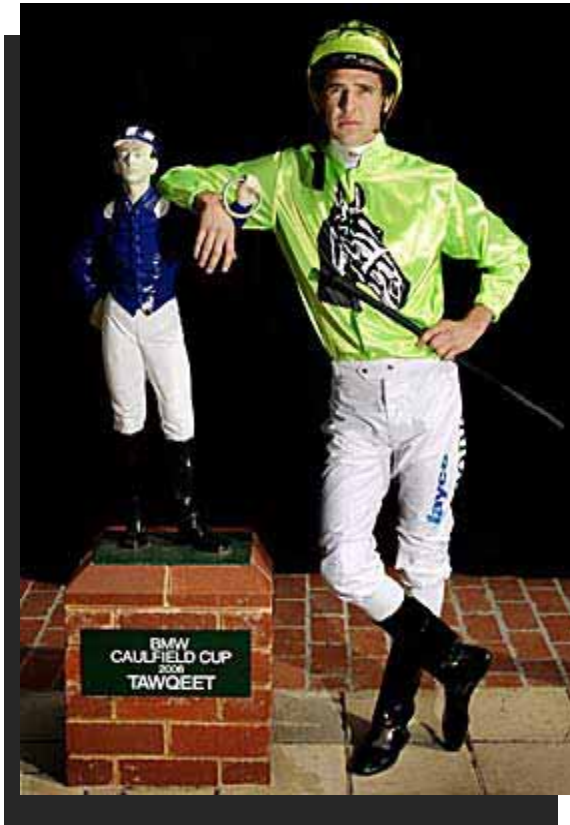




**Newmarket Racing Tour  
Michael Rodd  
July 2010**

## Michael Rodd



Born in Manly NSW on 19th January, 1982.

Below are some of the greatest achievements over my 10 year riding career.

In a 4 year apprenticeship with trainer Bryan Guy I won over 400 races from 2500 rides including 3 consecutive Queensland Apprentices' premierships.

Winner of 14 Australian Group One Races. My Greatest Achievements So Far:

Winning the 2007 Emirates Melbourne Cup on Efficient

Winning the 2008 Cox Plate on Maldivian.

Winning the 2006 Victoria Derby on Efficient.

Winning the 'Ron Hutchinson' Award for most successful jockey at the 2007 and 2008 Melbourne Spring Carnival.

A decade ago, Michael Rodd had never ridden a horse. Last year, he rode the winner of Australia's greatest horse race - the Melbourne Cup.

*"It was more than the money. The excitement and adrenaline of the track hooked me straightaway."*

## Newmarket Racecourse



Summer at Newmarket means the magical romance of the July Course, an oasis of sun dappled lawns, magnificent beech trees, flourishing flowers, thatched roofs, old-fashioned grandstands and sparkling new facilities behind the stands following the £10m enlargement and redevelopment of this area which were opened in 2007. The romance of the surroundings creates a garden party atmosphere unlike any other racecourse.

Newmarket's summer racing highlight is the Champagne Lanson July Festival. The Champagne Lanson July Festival is three days of world class racing and fabulous fashion in the magical garden party atmosphere of the July Course.

There's Etihad Airways Falmouth Stakes Day to open the Festival on the Wednesday which features world class racing plus sensational prizes for the ladies wearing the best accessories; Champagne Lanson Ladies' Day follows on the Thursday, when the Best Dressed Lady will be chosen; and all the drama of the Darley July Cup, one of Europe's premier sprint races, on the Friday, when the Best Dressed Couple will be in the spotlight.

With over £1.3m in prize money on offer, horses from all over the world will be competing on the July Course this week. The action on the track will be red hot, as will the sights amongst the crowd, with hugely valuable "best dressed" prizes on each day sure to generate plenty of interest.

## Accommodation – The Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket



The Angel Hotel is where traditional Georgian elegance meets contemporary design. Originally a coaching inn it now harnesses its heritage with a modern twist, retaining traditional values and welcoming innovation.

Although the coach horses have gone, the luxury Suffolk hotel remains at the hub of this neat little country town. All through the centuries, local people have met here to gossip or discuss politics and they still do.

This 4\* Suffolk hotel is in a perfect location, stay with us to experience this timeless elegance. Our hotel accommodation in Bury St Edmunds, Suffolk offers seventy-five rooms all with individual charm.

We have traditional four-poster rooms and we have cutting edge chic. Traditional rooms restored to their Victorian best and also contemporary rooms with the latest in design. We have rooms overlooking the cathedral and rooms overlooking our courtyard and most of our rooms have air conditioning. We have suites, prestige rooms and family rooms.

What a wealth of choice. Join the list of Literati and Glitterati that have stayed here from Charles Dickens to King Louis Philippe of France to Pierce Brosnan and Angelina Jolie. Whichever you choose savour a sweet night's sleep on feather down pillows. The Angel Hotel, your luxury hotel choice in Suffolk.

## Accommodation – The Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London



Knightsbridge, the home of Harrods and Harvey Nichols, is any shoppers' paradise. If you want to stay in a 4\* Deluxe Hotel that counts Gucci, Chanel and other designer labels as its immediate neighbours, the Millennium Hotel London Knightsbridge is the perfect choice.

The Millennium Hotel Knightsbridge, located on Sloane St, underground station is just 150 yards away.

Our rooms have a modern and elegant fashion theme, in keeping with the fashionable location of the hotel. Large feature windows give a feeling of space and views over the rooftops of Knightsbridge from upper floors.

Amenities include: en-suite with bath and shower, air conditioning, phone, voicemail, modem point, international power sockets, TV with satellite channels, pay per view movies, mini-bar, bathrobes, tea and coffee facilities, safe and trouser press.

MU Restaurant & Cocktail Bar offers tapas with an Asian-influence with textures and aromas that will stimulate your taste buds. Tangerine is a more informal vibrant café bar, presenting modern European food.

The Millennium Hotel London Knightsbridge prides itself on offering 24 hour room service providing a range of traditional dishes, prepared with the best ingredients, for guests who prefer to eat in the comfort of their bedroom.

## Tour Itinerary

**Days 1+2: Monday + Tuesday 05+06 July 2010**

**Depart Australia, arrive London..Welcome Cocktail Party**

Participants are required to check-in at the Economy Class counter at Melbourne International Airport at least 2 hours prior to their flight to London.

### **Airline schedule to be confirmed**

Upon arrival into London Heathrow Airport guests will be met by our ground partners in the arrival lounge, after customs and passport control, and escorted by deluxe chartered air-conditioned motorcoach to your hotel in Newmarket, the Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds.

Due to the long travel time, this afternoon is at your leisure.



### **Evening – Welcome Cocktail Party at your hotel**

We meet this evening for a Welcome Cocktail Party including champagne and canapés in a private room at the hotel.



**Overnight :** The Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket

## Day 3: Wednesday 07 July 2010

### Yard + Gallops Tour, National Stud and National Horse Racing Museum

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

After breakfast you meet your guide at reception for a full-day Tour of Gallops and Newmarket Town, Yard Tour, National Horse Racing Museum and the National Stud.

Delegates will be split (maximum 30 persons per group) for the day's activities and lunch will be enjoyed at 'White Pheasant' or 'Star Inn' whilst on tour





#### Itinerary Group 1:

09h00: Guided Tour of Gallops and Town Tour  
10h00: Guided Yard Tour  
11h30: National Horseracing Museum  
13h00: Lunch (White Pheasant or Star Inn)  
14h45: Guided Tour of National Stud

#### Itinerary Group 2:

09h00: Guided Yard Tour  
10h00: Guided Tour of Gallops and Town Tour  
14h45: Guided Tour of National Stud  
11h30: National Horseracing Museum  
13h00: Lunch (White Pheasant or Star Inn)



			
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▶ Colour Chesnut	▶ Colour Bay	▶ Colour Bay	▶ Colour Bay
▶ Birth 1994	▶ Birth 2004	▶ Birth 2001	▶ Birth 2000

**The National Stud** - a unique opportunity to see behind the scenes of one of the most beautiful stud farms in the country. What you see during your visit will depend on the season but can include the superb Stallion Unit along with the stallions in residence, nursery yards and mares and foals in their paddocks.

**The National Horse Racing Museum** is an award-winning museum telling the story of racing through the Museum's permanent collections, featuring the horses, people, events and scandals that made it so colourful.

Highlights include the head of Persimmon, a special display about Fred Archer and the skeleton of Eclipse, ancestor of 90% of modern day thoroughbreds; items associated with Red Rum, Lester Piggott, Frankie Dettori and other heroes of the turf.



#### Evening – at leisure

After a glorious day, this evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** The Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket

## Day 4: Thursday 08 July 2010 Newmarket 'Ladies Day'

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Meet your guide in the hotel reception this morning for your transfer to Newmarket for Ladies Day (return transfers from the hotel provided today).

*Newmarket 'LADIES DAY' as it is famously known, is a great day at the races and one not to be missed. Focus switches from racing to fashion, in particular ladies and their hats!*



Evening – at leisure

This evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** The Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket

## Day 5: Friday 09 July 2010 Newmarket 'Darley July Cup Day'

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Meet your guide in the hotel reception this morning for your transfer to Newmarket for the 'Darley July Cup Day' (return transfers from the hotel provided today).



*The racing action reaches a glorious crescendo on the final day with the £400,000 Darley July Cup, Europe's premier sprint, in which the world's fastest thoroughbreds compete for glory and the champion sprinter's crown.*

*The Darley July Cup is run on Newmarket's beautiful and atmospheric summer racecourse, the July Course. It is the highlight of the three-day Newmarket July Festival and is run on the meeting's final day. The six furlong (1,200 metres) course is entirely straight with some undulations and an uphill climb in the final furlong to the winning post. The maximum field size is 20 runners plus two reserves.*

Evening – at leisure

After a glorious day at the races, this evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** The Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket

## Day 6: Saturday 10 July 2010

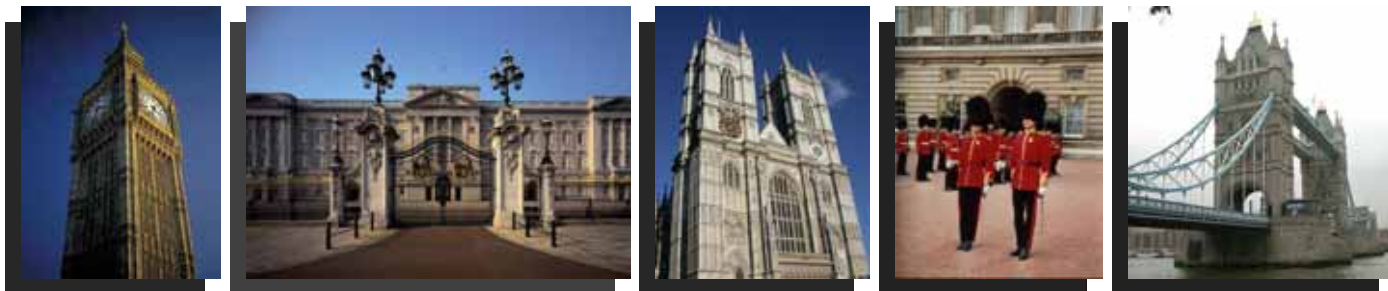
### Newmarket to London

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Check-out this morning and meet your guide for transfer by deluxe private motorcoach to London.

Upon arrival into London, enjoy a Panoramic Coach Tour prior to arrival and check-in at the Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel. The remainder of the day and evening at your leisure. You may wish to enjoy one of the numerous optional tours available.

**Panoramic Coach Tour of London** - covering both the West End and the Old City and is a good way to familiarise yourself with all the known monuments of London. Pass by familiar names such as Trafalgar Square, Buckingham Palace, Westminster Abbey, St Paul's Cathedral etc. It is a must for first timers to London and a good idea for those who have been before. Photographic stops will be made but there will be no interior visits.



PM/Evening – at leisure

The remainder of the day and this evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London

## Day 7: Sunday 11 July 2010

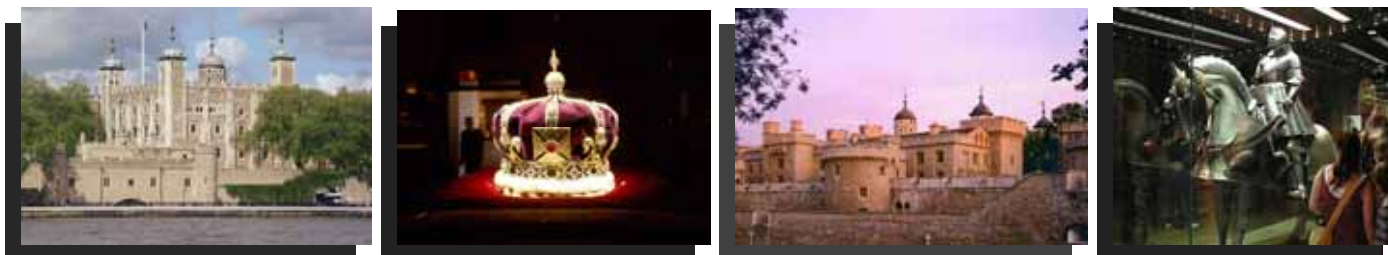
### London at leisure

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Today is at your leisure to explore London or enjoy one of the numerous *Optional Tours* available....

#### ***Optional Tour # 1: The Tower of London and Crown Jewels***

*A keep, a prison and still a fortress, the Tower has served as a palace, place of execution and in its time has housed the Royal Mint, the Royal Observatory, the Royal Menagerie and the Public Records. Now it is famous for the Bloody Tower, Traitors Gate, the Ravens, the Yeoman Warders and of course the Crown Jewels including the First Star of Africa, one of the biggest diamonds in the world. Although they have been displayed in a number of different locations within the Tower, in 1994 the Jewels were rehoused in a magnificent new treasury within the Waterloo Barracks. Guests enter the Jewel House through the impressive Hall of Monarchs. This room displays a royal crest, representing every British monarch dating back to that of William the Conqueror.*



Evening – at leisure

This evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London

## Day 8: Monday 12 July 2010

### London at leisure

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Today is at your leisure to explore London or enjoy one of the numerous *Optional Tours* available....

#### **Optional Tour # 2: Westminster Abbey**

*An architectural masterpiece of the 13th to 16th centuries, Westminster Abbey also presents a unique pageant of British history – the shrine of St Edward the Confessor, the tombs of kings and queens, and countless memorials to the famous and the great. It has been the setting for every Coronation since 1066 and for numerous other royal occasions. Today it is still a church dedicated to regular worship and to the celebration of great events in the life of the nation. Neither a cathedral nor a parish church, Westminster Abbey is a “Royal Peculiar” under the jurisdiction of a Dean and Chapter, subject only to the Sovereign.*



Evening – at leisure

This evening is at your leisure.

**Overnight :** Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London

## Day 9: Tuesday 13 July 2010

### London at leisure

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

Today is at your leisure to explore London or enjoy one of the numerous *Optional Tours* available....

#### **Optional Tour # 3: St Paul's Cathedral**

*A Cathedral dedicated to St Paul has overlooked the City of London since 604AD, a reminder to this great commercial centre of the importance of the spiritual side of life. The current Cathedral – the fourth to occupy this site – was designed by the architect Sir Christopher Wren and built between 1675 and 1710 after its predecessor was destroyed in the Great Fire of London. Its architectural and artistic importance reflect the determination of the five monarchs who oversaw its building that London's leading church should be as beautiful and imposing as their private palaces.*

*As the Cathedral of the capital city, St Paul's is the spiritual focus for the Nation. This is where people and events of importance to the country have been celebrated, mourned and commemorated since the first Service took place in 1697. Over the centuries, St Paul's has changed to reflect shifting tastes and attitudes. Decoration has been added and removed, services have been updated, and different areas have been put to new uses. Today, the history of the nation is written in the carved stone of its pillars and arches and is celebrated in its work of art and monument.*



## Evening – Exclusive Gala Dinner at Kensington Place Restaurant

Your Exclusive Gala Dinner this evening at Kensington Palace Restaurant is inclusive of a 3-course menu, glass of champagne, canapés, coffee, petit fours, half-bottle of wine per person, mineral water, printed event menu, place cards and flowers...

*Kensington Place remains one of London's iconic restaurants. It was the first of London's modern brasseries and is great to meet to enjoy Head Chef, Henry Vigar's classic contemporary and regionally inspired French cuisine.*

*The Room at Kensington Place seats up to 40 guests and is one of the very few purpose – built private rooms in London. The Room, like the restaurant, was designed by Julyan Wickham and has a bright and airy feel with a high vaulted ceiling, in the centre of which sits a generous skylight. The windows at one end look onto Kensington Church Street, which can be hidden by blinds for a little more privacy if required.*



**Overnight :** Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London

## Day 10: Wednesday 14 July 2010

### Departure

Buffet Breakfast served at the hotel.

A transfer has been organised from your hotel to Heathrow Airport for your return flight to Australia.

**Airline schedule to be confirmed**

Welcome Home !  
Thursday 15 July 2010

# Tour Inclusions and Exclusions

## Tour Inclusions

Return Economy Class Airfare to London (Australia/London/Australia)  
Australian and UK Airport taxes

4 night's accommodation at the Angel Hotel Bury St. Edmunds, Newmarket  
4 night's accommodation at Millennium Knightsbridge Hotel, London  
Breakfast daily

Premier Enclosure Tickets to Newmarket for 'Ladies Day' (incl. VAT + Race Card)  
Premier Enclosure Tickets to 'Darley July Cup Day' (incl. VAT + Race Card)

Full-day Guided Tour to National Stud, National Horse Racing Museum, Yard and Gallops  
(lunch included at either 'White Pheasant' or 'Star Inn')

2 hour Panoramic Coach Tour of London (photographic stops, no interior visits)

Meet and Greet service upon arrival into London Airport  
Departure assistance at London Airport

Return airport/hotel/airport transfer by private motorcoach in Newmarket + London  
Return transfers hotel/Newmarket/hotel by private motorcoach  
One-way private motorcoach transfer Newmarket to London

### **Welcome Cocktail Party at the hotel in Newmarket**

(includes: private room at the hotel ; 3-course menu including coffee and half-bottle of wine  
per person or equivalent drinks)

### **Exclusive Gala Dinner at Kensington Place Restaurant**

(includes: return hotel/venue/hotel transfers by private coach ; venue hire ; flowers ; glass of champagne ;  
canapés ; 3-course menu ; coffee ; half-bottle of wine per person ; mineral water)

UK VAT

All portorage at airports and hotels  
All tips and gratuities to drivers and guides

## Tour Exclusions

All items of a personal nature including beverages, gratuities, laundry etc...

Comprehensive travel insurance (strongly recommended)

All meals other than those specified in the itinerary

All beverages other than those specified in the itinerary

Any items listed as *OPTIONAL* in the itinerary