

Monday 11th November

# CARLISLE



12.00	WATCH RACING TV NOW NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP CHASE (3) 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)
RACE 1	<b>(1) PIC ROC   (2) ASTA LA PASTA   (3) KILTA</b>
12.30	START YOUR RACINGTV FREE TRIAL NOW MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.I) 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)
RACE 2	<b>(7) NO QUESTIONS ASKED   (1) BARRABOOKA   (3) CAHIER'S DEN</b>
1.00	START YOUR RACINGTV FREE TRIAL NOW MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.II) 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)
RACE 3	<b>(6) IDAHO VALLEY   (9) WE'RE RED AND BLUE   (7) JET TO VEGAS</b>
1.30	RACING TV NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)
RACE 4	<b>(7) HORSESOMEHARRY   (3) JOIE MORE   (8) RULER LEGEND</b>
2.00	WEATHERBYS nhstallions.co.uk GRADUATION CHASE (2) 1m7f207y (3210 Metres)
RACE 5	<b>(2) UNEXPECTED PARTY   (4) KALIF DU BERLAIS   (3) PATH D'OROUX</b>
2.30	ratingtv.com/freetrial HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)
RACE 6	<b>(1) KNOMOREDIAMONDS   (9) DINO BELLAGIO   (2) STRICTLY TANGO</b>
3.05	JOHN SMITHSON 75th BIRTHDAY MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (5) 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)
RACE 7	<b>(1) SIMILAR STORY   (3) MAIMIE'S MAGIC   (4) JALISCO STAR</b>
3.40	CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY 15th DECEMBER MARES' OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (Qualifier) (5) 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)
RACE 8	<b>(5) I'VE MADEUPMYMIND   (3) GETAWHISKY   (11) ROSES ALL THE WAY</b>

#### KEY TO SYMBOLS

**Top Rated:** The horse with the best chance based solely on past form, specially tailored to a 0-100 scale.

**Horses For Courses:** A suitable track for the horse, compared to its lifetime record on similar courses as defined by Timeform's course data.

**Jockey Uplift:** The engaged rider has a notably higher Timeform Jockey Ranking than those who've ridden the horse on its most recent starts

**Trainer Form:** A hot trainer to follow, based on Timeform ratings-related measurements looking at the recent performance of runners.







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RACE 1

Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

<b>1</b>	<b>PIC ROC (IRE) (198)</b> (BF)	<b>95</b>
	532/52122- 6 11-10   74.4kg	
	Ben Pauling  <i>Ben Jones</i>	
	Useful winning hurdler who ran two crackers in good Sandown handicaps over this trip to end last season. Will make a chaser and must demand serious respect on return.	
<b>2</b>	<b>ASTA LA PASTA (IRE) (29)</b>	<b>100</b>
	1/133110-3 6 11-2   70.8kg	t 
	Dan Skelton  <i>Harry Skelton</i>	
	A three-time hurdles winner last season around 2m and shaped encouragingly on his chase debut in a similar event at Ffos Las after 7 months off, despite looking in need of the experience in the jumping department. Sure to progress, though unproven over this far.	
<b>3</b>	<b>KILTA (IRE) (138)</b>	<b>99</b>
	66127-153 7 10-9   67.6kg	s
	Sam England <i>Jonathan England</i>	
	Hasn't convinced as a chaser back on conventional tracks in 2 starts since his chasing debut win at Cartmel in May, jumping none too fluently under a patient ride at Worcester when last seen 4 months ago. Takes on 2 promising rivals on return and cheekpieces go on.	

3 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**evens Pic Roc, **5-4** Asta La Pasta, **12-1** Kilta**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

PIC ROC looks all over a chaser and is taken to concede 8 lb to the race-fit Asta La Pasta and make a successful start in this sphere. His yard has enjoyed plenty of winners first time out in the last few months and unlike Dan Skelton's charge, his stamina is proven.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:****1. PIC ROC 2. ASTA LA PASTA 3. KILTA****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**2021 **Emir Sacree** 7-10-6 9-2 Nicky Henderson James Bowen 5**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**12.30**

**START YOUR RACINGTV FREE TRIAL NOW MAIDEN HURDLE  
(4) (D.I) 4yo+ £6,500 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)**

RACE 2



Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

**1 BARRABOOKA (IRE) 86**  
6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Donald McCain *Brian Hughes*  
Presenting gelding. Dam unraced sister to top-class hurdler/very smart chaser (winner up to 21f) Oscar Whisky. Successful sole outing in Irish points (Jan 2023). From a good family and makes plenty of appeal on Rules debut despite long absence.

**2 BARRISTER BLASTER 60**  
6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Wilf Storey *Ross Chapman*  
Modest maiden on Flat (stays 9f), down the field in handicap when last seen 16 months ago on final start for Mark Weatherer.

**3 CAHIER'S DEN (IRE) 82**  
4 11-4 | 71.7kg



Donald McCain *Theo Gillard*  
€5,500 3-y-o, £20,000 4-y-o, Idaho gelding. Dam, ran twice over hurdles, half-sister to fair hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 29f) Ballyadam Approach. Won second of 2 outings in Irish points (May 5). 1 of 2 appealing newcomers for yard.

**4 CRINGLE BURN (IRE) 77**  
5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Stuart Coltherd *Sam Coltherd*  
Doyen gelding. Dam 2½m hurdle winner, half-sister to smart hurdler/high-class chaser (stayed 23f) Kalashnikov.

**5 FOND FAREWELL (IRE) (13) 70**  
68 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero *Henry Brooke*  
Modest handicapper at best on Flat, well held twice in that sphere and in 2 goes over hurdles for current yard.

**6 FOREVA ALFIE (IRE) (710) 77**  
5/ 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Paul Robson *Craig Nichol*  
£7,000 3-y-o, sixth foal, half-brother to fairly useful chaser First Class Return (3m winner). Dam, maiden pointer, half-sister to useful hurdler (2m-2¼m winner) Steviemac out of 2m hurdle winner Native Gale. Hinted at ability in a bumper for Rose Dobbin in 2022.

**7 NO QUESTIONS ASKED (IRE) (212) 100**  
16- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg h ★



Ben Pauling *Ben Jones*  
Point winner who won a Market Rasen bumper and showed useful form when sixth in an Aintree Grade 2 in the spring. Good hurdles prospect and this looks a great opening first time up. Hood goes on.

**8 POWEROFJET (IRE) (16) 70**  
09 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Martin Todhunter *Sean Quinlan*  
Third completed start in Irish points and well held in couple of 2m hurdles last month. Probably a staying handicapper.

**9 WILLIE SHAKE HANDS (IRE) (22) 76**  
3-P 5 11-4 | 71.7kg h+t



Sam England *Jonathan England*  
Imposing sort but didn't do himself justice sent hurdling at Sedgefield in a hood/tongue strap having shown ability in a bumper for Ciaran Murphy 7 months earlier. Type to do better somewhere down the line.

**10 BEORMA (IRE) (33) 78**  
730 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Dan Skelton *Harry Skelton*  
Just modest form at best in bumpers for Thomas Gallagher this term, pulling hard under former owner/rider. Has joined Dan Skelton ahead of hurdles debut. Worth a look in the betting.

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**evens** No Questions Asked, **7-2** Barrabooka, **6-1** Cahier's Den, **14-1** Beorma, **22-1** Cringle Burn, **28-1** Foreva Alfie, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

NO QUESTIONS ASKED was beaten only 6 lengths in a Grade 2 bumper at Aintree when last seen and may have been found a good opening for his hurdles debut. Donald McCain sends out a couple of promising point winners in Barrabooka and Cahier's Den, while Beorma is worth a look having joined Dan Skelton ahead of her first crack over jumps.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. NO QUESTIONS ASKED 2. BARRABOOKA 3. CAHIER'S DEN**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2021	<b>Nurse Susan</b>	4-10-11	2-1f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	15
2020	<b>Severance</b>	4-10-12	3-1	Ben Pauling	Kielan Woods	12
2019	<b>Curramore</b>	5-11-2	13-2	Lucy Normile	Grant Cockburn (3)	10

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1.00**  
RACE 3

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Pace Information: **Even**


**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. IDAHO VALLEY 2. WE'RE RED AND BLUE 3. JET TO VEGAS**


**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1 BALCOMIE BREEZE (FR) (26) 88**  
8328/P 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Gillian Boanas **Danny McMenamin**  
Lightly-raced maiden. Pulled up in novice hurdle at Wetherby (19.7f, good to soft, 40/1) on hurdles bow 26 days ago, losing place quickly 4 out.

**2 BO CRUZ (IRE) 92**  
5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Donald McCain **Theo Gillard**  
£19,000 5-y-o, Doyen gelding. Dam (c114/h113) 17f-2¼m hurdle/chase winner (stayed 3m). Runner-up in an Irish point so he's a considered newcomer.


**3 CAGE RATTLER (IRE) (6) h 75**  
8 4 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Sandy Forster **Patrick Wadge (3lb/1kg)**  
Modest 7f Flat winner who came in eighth of 12 in novice hurdle at Sedgefield (16.8f, good, 125/1) on NH debut 6 days ago. Hooded for 1st time.


**4 DIAMOND MIX (IRE) (187) 71.7kg**  
6-9 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Paul Robson **Non Runner**  
Twice-raced maiden. Ninth of 10 in bumper (33/1) at Kelso (16.2f, good). Off 6 months. Makes hurdles debut. NON-RUNNER


**5 DIDNTGOTWENTY (IRE) (25) 79**  
8 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Martin Todhunter **Sean Quinlan**  
Unplaced both starts in Irish points and only eighth of 10 in novice hurdle (100/1) over C&D on NH debut 25 days ago.

**6 IDAHO VALLEY (IRE) 97**  
4 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Donald McCain **Brian Hughes**  
Idaho gelding. Half-brother to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser Toss Again. Won his only start in Irish points in February so a likely player with Brian Hughes up on his hurdling bow.


**7 JET TO VEGAS (IRE) (25) t 96**  
2 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Lucinda Russell **Craig Nichol**  
Easy winner sole outing in Irish points in May. Had breathing operation before shaping well when second of 7 in bumper at Carlisle last month. Interesting hurdling debutant.

**8 SAM'S FALCON (22) 60**  
9 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Dianne Sayer **Conor O'Farrell**  
Ninth of 10 in bumper (12/1) at Sedgefield on NH debut 22 days ago. Makes hurdles debut with lots more required.

**9 WE'RE RED AND BLUE (24) ★ 100**  
14-U2 4 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill **Jonjo O'Neill Jr.**  
Debut bumper winner and shaped well when second of 10 in novice hurdle at Uttoxeter (15.8f, good to soft) 24 days ago. The form pick.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**9-4** We're Red And Blue, **3-1** Idaho Valley, **7-2** Jet To Vegas, **6-1** Bo Cruz, **12-1** Balcomie Breeze, **66-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

The market should reveal plenty but Donald McCain's Irish point scorer IDAHO VALLEY is taken to go in at the first time of asking in this sphere with Brian Hughes in the saddle. We're Red And Blue is much the pick of those with experience and rates a big threat though, with other newcomers Jet To Vegas and Bo Cruz also worthy of consideration.

1.30

**RACING TV NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-105) £6,250 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)**

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Even**

**1 GASMANI (IRE) (24) 91**

419-44 5 12-0 | 76.2kg  
 David Dennis *Tom Bellamy*  
 Winner of bumper at Newcastle in March. Fourth in maiden/novice events over 2m since switching to hurdles and potential improver now making a quick switch to handicaps over a longer trip.

**2 HAVEANOTHERGOFLO (IRE) (351) 96**

433/P- 7 11-12 | 75.3kg t  
 Donald McCain *Theo Gillard*  
 Successful sole start in Irish points and third in maiden hurdles at Ayr and over C&D in early 2023. Pulled up (found to have an irregular heartbeat) on Uttoxeter chase debut last November and not seen since.

**3 JOIE MORE (IRE) (18) 96**

662-5 6 11-12 | 75.3kg  
 Jackie Stephen *Danny McMenamin*  
 Made the frame in points and has shown promise over hurdles, including fifth of 9 on C&D handicap debut/reappearance 18 days ago. Should be sharper with that behind him. Respected.

**4 TOP MAN TOM (IRE) (54) 93**

525 5 11-11 | 74.8kg  
 Sandy Thomson *Ryan Mania*  
 Winning pointer who was visored when second of 13 in a maiden hurdles at Uttoxeter in July. Subsequently sold out of Ben Pauling's yard for £13,500 and went without the headgear when well held in Kelso novice for new yard in September. Handicap debut.

**5 SHE'S NOTJOEKING (30) 95**

1521-3 4 11-10 | 74.4kg  
 Lucinda Russell *Patrick Wadge (3lb/1kg)*  
 Bumper winner who got off the mark over hurdles in 5-runner juvenile hurdle at Hexham in April. Shaped as if better for the run when 18 lengths third in 2m novice there on reappearance last month. Steps up in trip for handicap debut. Unexposed.

**6 JO ARENGEOT BEY AA (FR) (233) 89**

3373- 5 11-9 | 73.9kg  
 Donald McCain *Brian Hughes*  
 Fetched £50,000 after winning his sole start in points. Little better than third in maiden/novice hurdles last season but he is unexposed now switching to a handicap on return.

**7 HORSESOMEHARRY (201) 100**

P66- 6 11-8 | 73.5kg s ★  
 Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero *Henry Brooke*  
 Never landed a blow in 3 starts over hurdles last term but improvement is likely now upped in trip on handicap debut. Cheekpieces on for first time. All the more interesting if backed.

**8 RULER LEGEND (IRE) (201) 94**

470179- 5 11-7 | 73.0kg  
 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill *Nick Scholfield*  
 Useful Flat performer who landed short odds on his handicap hurdle debut in March. Below that level in 2 outings the following month but arrives fit from a respectable effort on the Flat and with his yard going well. Considered.

**9 GET A SUPERSTAR (IRE) (33) 99**

1P43-4444 6 11-4 | 71.7kg s  
 Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole *Charlie Hammond*  
 Yet to add to his bumper victory but has run with credit when fourth in 4 handicaps this season, beaten under 2 lengths at Sedgefield with cheekpieces added (retained) on latest.

**10 HEEZTHEBOY (IRE) (191) 99**

096/61F6-7 7 10-5 | 65.8kg  
 Pauline Robson *Craig Nichol*  
 Made a winning chase and handicap debut at Hexham (2m, heavy) last December. A heavy fall next time possibly dented his confidence in that sphere and he now returns to hurdles in a bid to get his career back on track.

**11 EMOTIONAL ROLLER (IRE) (75) 93**

6P63F-P99 6 10-3 | 64.9kg  
 Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith *Peter Kavanagh (3lb/1kg)*  
 Promise when third of 12 on 2½m Wetherby handicap debut last December but hasn't built on that in 4 outings since, the latest at Worcester 11 weeks ago.



11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

9-2 Ruler Legend, 11-2 She's Notjoeking, 13-2 Horsesomeharry, 8-1 Joie More, 9-1 Get A Superstar, 14-1 Top Man Tom, 14-1 Gasmani, 14-1 Jo Arengeot Bey Aa, 16-1 Heeztheboy, 20-1 Haveanothergoflo, 22-1 Emotional Roller

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

HORSESOMEHARRY wouldn't be the first from his yard to prove a different proposition in handicaps and gets the vote, with confidence in his chance increased should the betting vibes be strong. Joie More shaped quite well on his C&D handicap debut last month and is second choice ahead of Ruler Legend, who retains handicapping scope on his Flat ability and hails from an in-form stable. In common with the selection, She's Not Joeking is an unexposed type who could improve in handicaps.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. HORSESOMEHARRY 2. JOIE MORE 3. RULER LEGEND

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**2.00**

**WEATHERBYS nhstallions.co.uk GRADUATION CHASE (2)**  
**4yo+ £50,000 1m7f207y (3210 Metres)**

RACE 5



Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

**1 NELLS SON (206) (CD)** s **94**  
 88/134217- 9 11-11 | 74.8kg



Nicky Richards

**Danny McMenamin**

Consistent sort who scored over C&D and at Kelso last term. Much respected on his seasonal return.

**2 UNEXPECTED PARTY (FR) (15) (D)** t **100**  
 155491P-5 9 11-11 | 74.8kg



Dan Skelton

**Harry Skelton**

Landed Grand Annual Chase at Cheltenham last season. Shaped encouragingly after 7 months off despite coming in last of 5 in Old Roan Chase at Aintree last month. Big shout.

**3 PATH D'OROUX (FR) (17) (D)** s+t **99**  
 8F2233-51 7 11-7 | 73.0kg



Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland

**Keith Donoghue**

Finally got off the mark in this sphere in 4-runner novice chase at Cheltenham (15.9f, good) 17 days ago. This is tougher but he's still not taken lightly.

**4 KALIF DU BERLAIS (FR) (214) (D)**  
 1113- 4 10-6 | 66.2kg



Paul Nicholls

**Harry Cobden**

Landed a newcomers hurdle at Compiègne last October and won twice after at Kempton for his current yard, including the Grade 2 Adonis Hurdle. Remains lightly raced and an interesting chasing debutant.

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**15-8** Unexpected Party, **9-4** Kalif Du Berlais, **3-1** Path D'oroux, **17-2** Nells Son

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

None of these can be ruled out but preference is for Dan Skelton's Grand Annual Chase victor UNEXPECTED PARTY who shaped as if his reappearance fifth in Aintree's Old Roan Chase would put him spot on here. Paul Nicholls saddles an interesting chasing newcomer in the shape of Adonis Hurdle winner Kalif du Berlais and Irish-challenger Path d'Oroux also warrants plenty of respect in this intriguing contest.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. UNEXPECTED PARTY 2. KALIF DU BERLAIS 3. PATH D'OROUX**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2021	<b>War Lord</b>	6-11-2	11-2	Colin Tizzard	Brendan Powell	6
2020	<b>Whoshotthesheriff</b>	6-10-12	3-1	Philip Kirby	Sean Quinlan	6
2019	<b>Hell's Kitchen</b>	8-11-9	4-1	Harry Fry	Barry Geraghty	6

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.30

racings.com/freetrial **HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4)**  
**3yo+ (Rated 0-110) £9,000 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)**












RACE 6




Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Strong**

	<b>1</b>	<b>KNOMOREDIAMONDS (FR) (25)</b> R53F4-52 4 12-0   76.2kg Lucinda Russell Improved effort over hurdles when narrowly denied on C&D handicap debut 25 days ago. Raised 4 lb for that but it's likely this 4-y-o has more to offer. Leading claims.	h		<b>100</b>	<i>Patrick Wadge (31b/1kg)</i>
	<b>2</b>	<b>STRICTLY TANGO (IRE) (33)</b> (D) 331 5 12-0   76.2kg Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole Third in first 2 hurdles (trained in Ireland on debut) before making it third time lucky in maiden at Sedgefield (2m, soft) last month, making all. Should be competitive from this opening handicap mark.	h		<b>96</b>	<i>Sam Twiston-Davies</i>
	<b>3</b>	<b>HOURLISS (328)</b> 122U- 4 11-13   75.7kg John Dixon Modest Flat winner who made a successful start over hurdles at Hexham for Alan King in June 2023. Runner-up on next 2 hurdle starts for that yard (including a handicap) and set to finish a respectable third when unseating last in Catterick juvenile for John Dixon last December. Off since.			<b>96</b>	<i>Mr John Dixon (71b/3kg)</i>
	<b>4</b>	<b>DIAMOND KODA (IRE) (213)</b> 2222U2- 5 11-12   75.3kg Nick Kent Fairly useful form when runner-up all 3 starts in bumpers. Also filled the same position on his completed starts in maiden hurdles in the spring. Makes handicap debut back from 7 months off.			<b>97</b>	<i>Tom Broughton (51b/2kg)</i>
	<b>5</b>	<b>ROCK HURLEY (FR) (273)</b> (D) U1140/765- 6 11-10   74.4kg Donald McCain Won pair of 4-y-o hurdles in France but has been well below that level in 5 starts for current connections. It remains to be seen whether a 9-month break has had a reviving effect.	t		<b>97</b>	<i>Theo Gillard</i>
	<b>6</b>	<b>THE NAVIGATOR (2)</b> (D) R60-19115 9 11-10   74.4kg Dianne Sayer Three wins already this season, including 2 last month, but his run of good form came to a halt at Kelso on Saturday.			<b>97</b>	<i>Danny McMenamin</i>
	<b>7</b>	<b>DISCO ANNIE (IRE) (25)</b> 797-627 6 11-5   72.1kg Rebecca Menzies Surpassed bumper form when finding only one too good in 17f Cartmel novice in May. Not in the same form over C&D 5 months later but she might have needed the run. Handicap debut.	h+t		<b>92</b>	<i>Nathan Moscrop</i>
	<b>8</b>	<b>PADDY O'MAHLER (IRE) (18)</b> 548F43-P6 6 11-3   71.2kg Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith Reached the frame in a couple of handicaps last spring and shaped as if needing his first outing in 166 days when sixth of 9 over 2½m here recently. The drop back in trip isn't certain to help.			<b>99</b>	<i>Tom Midgley (31b/1kg)</i>
	<b>9</b>	<b>DINO BELLAGIO (25)</b> 1010/P0-4 5 11-2   70.8kg Donald McCain Dual bumper winner. Yet to better poor form over hurdles but her reappearance fourth over C&D was more encouraging and no surprise were she to prove a different proposition in handicaps.			<b>91</b>	<i>Brian Hughes</i>
	<b>10</b>	<b>FAT HARRY (359)</b> 560- 7 11-0   69.9kg Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith Brother to fairly useful hurdler/chaser Silva Eclipse. Didn't show that much in a trio of maiden/novice hurdles at the end of 2023 but handicaps provide him with a more realistic chance. One of 2 from the stable.			<b>93</b>	<i>Nick Scholfield</i>

	<b>11</b>	<b>BRAVETHEWAVES (23)</b> 430/9 7 10-5   65.8kg Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero Still a maiden and didn't shape with much obvious encouragement back from 18 months off at Stratford 23 days ago.	t		<b>97</b>	<i>Henry Brooke</i>
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11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**5-2** Knomorediamonds, **4-1** Strictly Tango, **6-1** Dino Bellagio, **8-1** Diamond Koda, **14-1** Disco Annie, **16-1** The Navigator, **16-1** Hourless, **25-1** Paddy O'mahler, **33-1** Bravethewaves, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Lucinda Russell's KNOWMOREDIAMONDS is taken to build on his promising opening effort in handicaps over C&D last month. Dino Bellagio is a potentially dangerous opponent as her bumper ability certainly gives her scope from an opening mark in the 90s. Sedgefield maiden winner Strictly Tango also makes the shortlist.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. KNOMOREDIAMONDS 2. DINO BELLAGIO 3. STRICTLY TANGO**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2021	<b>Volkovka</b> 4-11-12	7-1	Fergal O'Brien	Peter Kavanagh (7)	10
2020	<b>Schiaparannie</b> 8-11-11	11-1	Jane Makin	Aaron Anderson (7)	7
2019	<b>Amberose</b> 6-11-0	15-8f	Nicky Richards	Danny McMenamin (5)	6

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.05**

RACE 7










**JOHN SMITHSON 75th BIRTHDAY MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-105) £7,500 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)**



Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

Right handed, undulating, galloping. Notably stiff track on account of the home straight being uphill, though as a result many races are steadily run and, especially on the chase course, those that are prominent at the bottom of the hill are often not for catching. The fences are notably undemanding, the attrition rate almost always one of the lowest in the country. Invariably extremely testing ground in mid-winter.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

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|    | <p><b>1 SIMILAR STORY (IRE) (16)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>100</b></span><br/>                 423525-21 <b>6</b> 12-0   76.2kg<br/>                 Stuart Coltherd  <span style="float: right;"><b>Sam Coltherd</b></span><br/>                 Easy winner of an Irish point and left previous Rules efforts behind when making a winning chasing debut at Kelso 16 days ago. More to come in this sphere and is clearly the one to beat.</p> |
|    | <p><b>2 BOLINTLEA (IRE) (56)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>80</b></span><br/>                 217/25-368 <b>9</b> 11-12   75.3kg<br/>                 Dr Richard Newland &amp; Jamie Insole <span style="float: right;"><b>Charlie Hammond</b></span><br/>                 Fair chaser who arrives on the back of a couple of poor efforts, back over hurdles at Worcester last time. Needs to return to form after a short break.</p>  |
|    | <p><b>3 MAIMIE'S MAGIC (IRE) (239)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>82</b></span><br/>                 662/58437- <b>7</b> 11-11   74.8kg<br/>                 Stuart Crawford, Ireland <span style="float: right;"><b>Sean Quinlan</b></span><br/>                 Fair hurdler who wasn't at the top of his game towards the end of last year. Switches to chasing after 7 months off and returns on a feasible mark.</p>  |
|   | <p><b>4 JALISCO STAR (IRE) (13)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>82</b></span><br/>                 855331P-4 <b>6</b> 11-9   73.9kg<br/>                 Laura Horsfall <span style="float: right;"><b>K. Brogan</b></span><br/>                 Creditable fourth of 10 in handicap hurdle (7/1) at Bangor (23.2f, heavy) 13 days ago. Makes chase debut. Can make presence felt if she takes to the larger obstacles.</p>   |
|  | <p><b>5 BABY CHOU (IRE) (96)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>80</b></span><br/>                 3/350P-407 <b>6</b> 11-0   69.9kg<br/>                 Sam England <span style="float: right;"><b>Jonathan England</b></span><br/>                 Seventh of 13 in handicap hurdle (8/1) at Wexford (16.7f, good to soft) 96 days ago. Switches from hurdles to chase. First run for yard after leaving Andrew Kinirons. One to monitor in the betting.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>6 DIVAS DOYEN (IRE) (16)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>80</b></span><br/>                 5/2P2P-248 <b>7</b> 10-5   65.8kg<br/>                 Sandy Forster <span style="float: right;"><b>Patrick Wadge (3lb/1kg)</b></span><br/>                 Has found just one too good over fences on several occasions and can be expected to strip fitter for her latest effort at Kelso, so not one to rule out.</p>  |
|  | <p><b>7 DARSIS DARLING (IRE) (149)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>78</b></span><br/>                 F3/P-085 <b>8</b> 10-4   65.3kg<br/>                 Joel Parkinson &amp; Sue Smith <span style="float: right;"><b>Peter Kavanagh (3lb/1kg)</b></span><br/>                 Shaped well on the first of her 2 starts in bumpers but hasn't shown a great deal over hurdles. Switches to fences on return but others are more appealing.</p>   |
|  | <p><b>8 FIADH (IRE) (136) (D)</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>79</b></span><br/>                 16/PP9-026 <b>8</b> 10-3   64.9kg<br/>                 Chris Grant <span style="float: right;"><b>Danny McMenamin</b></span><br/>                 Ended last season out of sorts over hurdles and will probably need this chasing debut in terms of both fitness and experience.</p>   |

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-10** Similar Story, **7-1** Jalisco Star, **7-1** Maimie's Magic, **11-1** Divas Doyen, **12-1** Baby Chou, **14-1** Bolintlea, **18-1** Fiadh, **33-1** Darsi's Darling

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Ex-pointer SIMILAR STORY relished the switch to chasing when successful at Kelso last month and should improve for a while over fences, so he's preferred to chasing-debutants Maimie's Magic and Jalisco Star.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. SIMILAR STORY 2. MAIMIE'S MAGIC 3. JALISCO STAR**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race



**3.40**

RACE 8

**CHRISTMAS JUMPER DAY 15th DECEMBER MARES' OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (Qualifier) (5) 4 and 5yo £4,000 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)**



Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

Right handed, undulating, galloping. Notably stiff track on account of the home straight being uphill, though as a result many races are steadily run and, especially on the chase course, those that are prominent at the bottom of the hill are often not for catching. The fences are notably undemanding, the attrition rate almost always one of the lowest in the country. Invariably extremely testing ground in mid-winter.

Pace Information: **Insufficient Data**

**1 ARCTIC DUCHESS (IRE) 88**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Stuart Coltherd **Sam Coltherd**  
Arctic Cosmos filly. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/very smart chaser (stayed 3m) Pairofbrowneyes.

**2 CENTURION'S SISTER (IRE) 92**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Nicky Richards **Danny McMenamin**  
Getaway filly. Half-sister to 3 winners, including useful hurdler/chaser Caius Marcus and bumper winner/fair 2m hurdle winner Nimby. Newcomers from yard often fancied.

**3 GETAWHISKY 95**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Dan Skelton **Harry Skelton**  
Getaway filly. Sister to useful hurdler/smart chase winner One For Rosie, closely related to fair hurdler Rivers Corner, Dam unraced. One for shortlist on debut given pedigree/connections.

**4 HIGH AS HOPE (IRE) 90**  
5 11-2 | 70.8kg

Donald McCain **Theo Gillard**  
£10,000 5-y-o, Soldier of Fortune mare. Dam unraced sister to useful hurdle/chase winner (stayed 25f) Hester Flemen. Runner-up sole start in Irish points (May 5).

**5 I'VE MADEUPMYMIND (207) 100**  
245- 4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Ben Pauling **Ben Jones**  
Bred to stay well but she showed encouraging speed when runner-up in mares bumper at Wincanton on debut. Not seen to best effect both starts since and looks the one to beat back from 6 months off.

**6 KALO ATHENA (IRE) 91**  
5 11-2 | 70.8kg

James Moffatt **Charlotte Jones**  
£38,000 5-y-o, Soldier of Fortune mare. Half-sister to fairly useful 17f hurdle winner Waspy. Newcomers from yard often fancied. Won both starts in Irish points in spring 2024. Needs considering.

**7 LADY RISKY (FR) 88**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Rebecca Menzies **Aaron Anderson (51b/2kg)**  
No Risk At All filly. Half-sister to 3 winners, including French 17f/19f hurdle/chase winner Mister Dino. Dam 13f winner on Flat in France.

**8 OH CLARE (IRE) 92**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill **Jonjo O'Neill Jr.**  
€85,000 3-y-o, Walk In The Park filly. Closely related to fairly useful hurdler Timetochill, and half-sister to useful hurdler/chaser Geordie des Champs. One to note on pedigree.

**9 PHILLYSCOPE 79**  
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Sara Ender **Harry Bannister**  
Telescope filly. Dam, lightly raced and little show over hurdles, half-sister to fairly useful chaser (stayed 31f) Boric. Others preferred.

**10 POUR TOUT LE MONDE (33) 89**  
75 4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Andrew Crook **Joe Williamson (31b/1kg)**  
Related to a bumper winner and showed a bit at the second attempt when fifth at Sedgefield a month ago. Needs a fair bit more to compete, though.

**11 ROSES ALL THE WAY (IRE) 92**  
5 11-2 | 70.8kg

Donald McCain **Brian Hughes**  
£30,000 5-y-o, Workforce mare. Half-sister to 3 winners, including fairly useful hurdler/chaser Turbo and bumper/2m hurdle winner Sweet Auburn. Dam bumper winner. Runner-up sole outing in Irish points (Feb 2024). Makes appeal on paper.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-4** I've Madeupmymind, **5-1** Getawhisky, **8-1** Oh Clare, **9-1** Roses All The Way, **9-1** Centurion's Sister, **10-1** Kalo Athena, **16-1** High As Hope, **18-1** Pour Tout Le Monde, **28-1** Lady Risky, **33-1** Arctic Duchess, **50-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

I'VE MADEUPMYMIND has already shown a good level of form and can put her experience to good use on return. Getawhisky looks an appealing newcomer for a top yard and Roses All The Way is an interesting recruit from points.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. I'VE MADEUPMYMIND 2. GETAWHISKY 3. ROSES ALL THE WAY**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race