

Tuesday 15th October

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2.28 VISIT racingtv.com APPRENTICE TRAINING SERIES HANDICAP (5) 1¼m (2010 Metres)

RACE 1 **(2) QUESTIONABLE | (6) ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL | (3) PHONE TAG**

2.58 EVERY RACE LIVE ON RACING TV NURSERY HANDICAP (6) 1m53y (1660 Metres)

RACE 2 **(7) FREAK ENCOUNTER | (4) MEHMASSELF AND I | (3) KEEP SINGING**

3.28 BRITISH EBF FILLIES' RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (4) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 3 **(4) MY MATE BEATTIE | (2) LAYLA LIZ | (5) RUN TO MY SIDE**

3.58 BRITISH EBF NOVICE STAKES (5) 7f (1410 Metres)

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RACE 6 **(1) SPIRIT GENIE | (3) PEARLE D'OR | (2) EXECUTIVE DECISION**

5.35 @leicesterraces NEXT MEETING MONDAY 28th OCTOBER HANDICAP (5) 1m53y (1660 Metres)

RACE 7 **(8) EQUION | (2) SWATCH | (10) ASTRONOMICA**

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.

2.28

RACE 1

**VISIT racingtv.com APPRENTICE TRAINING SERIES
HANDICAP (5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-72) £7,000 1¼m (2010
Metres)**

GBI RACING

Going: **Heavy**

The Leicester round course is a right-handed, oval track, about a mile and three quarters in extent, with a run-in of four and a half furlongs. The straight course, on which all races of up to seven furlongs are run, is mainly downhill to halfway, then rises gradually for over two furlongs, finishing on the level. Although the track is galloping and poses a test of stamina, prominent racers out-perform those that race further back at races up to a mile.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1 2 CROESO CYMRAEG (13) (CD) 100
55539236 **10** 10-3 | 64.9kg



James Evans

T. Kiely-Marshall

C&D winner. Fourteen runs since last win in 2023. 8/1, sixth of 8 in handicap at Catterick (12.1f, soft) 13 days ago, slowly away. Can get involved if things drop right.

2 4 QUESTIONABLE (27) (D) 94
42472321 **3** 10-0 | 63.5kg



Daniel & Claire Kubler

Jack Doughty

15/2, career best when winning 9-runner handicap at Sandown (10f, good) 27 days ago, suited by more patient tactics. Needs considering.

3 1 PHONE TAG (32) 96
915-24972 **3** 9-12 | 62.6kg



Kevin Frost

Liam Wright

18/1, first run since leaving Hugo Palmer when creditable second of 6 in handicap at Chester (10.3f, heavy) 32 days ago. Can give a good account.

4 3 YAMAMAH (IRE) (27) 84
535479 **3** 9-11 | 62.1kg



Ismail Mohammed

Shariq Mohd

100/1, ninth of 10 in handicap at Yarmouth (11.5f, firm) 27 days ago. Visor on 1st time. Others preferred.

5 6 ORBITAL (25) (D, BF) 98
51571225 **3** 9-10 | 61.7kg

Sir Mark Prescott Bt **Poppy Scott (5lb/2kg)**

Latest win at Lingfield in July. Respectable fifth of 10 in handicap (5/2) at Kempton (11f) 25 days ago. Better expected given more of a break.

6 8 ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL (21) 99
340-58573 **4** 9-4 | 59.0kg



Ivan Furtado

Elle-May Croot

Cheekpieces on for 1st time, creditable third of 11 in handicap at Beverley (9.9f, good to soft, 16/1) 21 days ago. Not taken lightly.

7 7 RED SCOTCH (82) 79
35609 **3** 9-1 | 57.6kg



Michael Appleby

Kyle McHugh (5lb/2kg)

Lightly-raced maiden. Last of 9 in handicap at Doncaster (10.2f, good to firm, 200/1) 82 days ago. Has gone the wrong way.

8 5 RED DEREK (343) (D) 92
2154/0240- **8** 9-0 | 57.2kg



Lisa Williamson

Archie Young

Two wins from 43 Flat runs. 100/1, last of 11 in handicap at Newcastle (10.2f). Off 11 months.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Orbital, **3-1** Questionable, **5-1** Another Beautiful, **11-2** Phone Tag, **8-1** Croeso Cymraeg, **33-1** Red Derek, **33-1** Yamamah, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The free-going QUESTIONABLE seemed suited by more patient tactics when off the mark at Sandown last month and she could have more to offer now connections have found the key. Another Beautiful is worth another go at this trip having shaped well at Beverley last time, while Phone Tag made a positive start for this yard when runner-up at Chester under similar conditions.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. QUESTIONABLE 2. ANOTHER BEAUTIFUL 3. PHONE TAG

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Kamanika	3-9-9	11-4	Joseph Parr	Alex Jary	6
2022	At Liberty	3-9-8	11-4f	Michael Bell	Joe Bradnam (5)	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.58**EVERY RACE LIVE ON RACING TV NURSERY HANDICAP (6)
2yo (Rated 0-55) £6,000 1m53y (1660 Metres)**

RACE 2

GBI RACINGGoing: **Heavy**

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Draw: **Favours Low** Pace Information: **Weak**

1 1 EYE ON THE PRIZE (13) 84
098 2 9-9 | 61.2kg



Tim Easterby

David Allan

Thrice-raced maiden. 125/1, last of 8 in novice at Catterick (7f, soft) 13 days ago, badly hampered. Makes handicap debut.

2 6 TEENAGE DAYDREAM (18) h 67
806 2 9-9 | 61.2kg



Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole

Gina Mangan

Thrice-raced maiden. Hooded for 1st time, last of 6 in novice (150/1) at Haydock (7.2f, heavy) 18 days ago. Makes handicap debut.

3 3 KEEP SINGING (IRE) (16) b 97
009731d72 2 9-6 | 59.9kg



J. S. Moore

Joe Leavy (3lb/1kg)

15/2, good second of 10 in nursery at Southwell (8.1f) 16 days ago. Player.

4 9 MEHMASSELF AND I (IRE) (17) b+t 98
04045 2 9-5 | 59.4kg



Tom Dascombe

Pierre-Louis Jamin

Lightly-raced maiden. 7/1 and tongue strap on for 1st time, good fifth of 12 in nursery at Chelmsford City (7f) 17 days ago, running on. Blinkers on 1st time. Can make presence felt.

5 7 CAPRICORN KING (12) 97
76045 2 9-4 | 59.0kg



John & Sean Quinn

Jason Hart

Lightly-raced maiden. Creditable fifth of 11 in nursery at Newcastle (10.2f, 5/1) 12 days ago.

6 10 HICKTON (IRE) (12) 93
490090 2 9-4 | 59.0kg



Kevin Ryan

Oisín McSweeney (3lb/1kg)

50/1, tenth of 11 in nursery at Newcastle (10.2f) 12 days ago. Plenty to prove.

7 4 FREAK ENCOUNTER (IRE) (16) ★ 100
989533 2 9-0 | 57.2kg



Jamie Osborne

Saffie Osborne

8/1, creditable third of 10 in nursery at Southwell (8.1f) 16 days ago. Expected to be bang there.

8 5 GOOD CALL (IRE) (16) 97
69774734 2 9-0 | 57.2kg



J. S. Moore

T. Kiely-Marshall (5lb/2kg)

18/1, creditable fourth of 10 in nursery at Southwell (8.1f) 16 days ago.

9 8 PERFECT SIGHT (43) b 34
9008 2 9-0 | 57.2kg



Ed Dunlop

Hector Crouch

Lightly-raced maiden. 28/1 and blinkered for 1st time, last of 8 in nursery at Chepstow (7.1f, good to firm) 43 days ago, very slowly away.

10 2 PATHETIC FALLACY (7) 36
0000 2 9-0 | 57.2kg



John Butler

Trevor Whelan

Lightly-raced maiden. 33/1, twelfth of 14 in nursery at Brighton (7f, good to soft) 7 days ago.

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Keep Singing, **4-1** Freak Encounter, **9-2** Capricorn King, **6-1** Mehmasself And I, **15-2** Good Call, **22-1** Teenage Daydream, **22-1** Eye On The Prize, **33-1** Hickton, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Modest stuff but FREAK ENCOUNTER is going the right way now which should count for plenty. Mehmasself And I and Keep Singing are others to consider.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. FREAK ENCOUNTER 2. MEHMASSELF AND I 3. KEEP SINGING

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Tres Chic 2-8-13	11-1	J. S. Moore	David Egan	10
2022	Fullforward 2-9-5	3-1	Richard Hughes	Finley Marsh	10
2021	Hurry Up Hedley 2-9-6	7-2jf	William Haggas	Adam Farragher (5)	10
2020 ^l	Stay Coul 2-9-7	11-2	David Menuisier	Josephine Gordon	9
2020 ^{ll}	Tara Iti 2-9-7	9-1	Ed Dunlop	Andrea Atzeni	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

3.28**BRITISH EBF FILLIES' RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (4) 2yo fillies £9,000 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 3

Going: **Heavy**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Uncontested****1 5 BE AN ANGEL 89**

2 9-2 | 58.1kg



Rod Millman

Trevor Whelan

Foaled April 6. Twilight Son filly. Half-sister to 6f winner Runaround Sioux. Dam, 2-y-o 6f winner, half-sister to useful winner up to 1m Sunday Sovereign. Market should guide.

2 2 LAYLA LIZ (IRE) 94

2 9-2 | 58.1kg



Archie Watson

Laura Coughlan (3lb/1kg)

Foaled March 28. €20,000 foal, £40,000 yearling, Inns of Court filly. Half-sister to winner up to 6f Wejdan and winner up to 7.4f It Just Takes Time, both useful. Dam German 6f/7f winner. One to note on debut.

3 3 MAIDS HEAD (IRE) (10) 98

33 2 9-2 | 58.1kg



Marco Botti

Benoit de la Sayette

Twice-raced maiden. Third of 11 in maiden (9/2) at Southwell (6.1f) 10 days ago. Respected.

4 4 MY MATE BEATTIE (IRE) (21) 100

42 2 9-2 | 58.1kg



Ed Dunlop

Hector Crouch

Twice-raced maiden. Better effort when second of 6 in novice (10/1) at Newcastle (7.1f) 21 days ago, conceding first run. Sets a fair standard.

5 1 RUN TO MY SIDE 93

2 9-0 | 57.2kg



Archie Watson

Pierre-Louis Jamin

Foaled March 31. Al Kazeem filly. Half-sister to 6f winners Rhossili Down and Exuding. Dam, 2-y-o 6f winner, half-sister to useful winner up to 11f Turning Light. One to note on debut.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 My Mate Beattie, **11-4** Maids Head, **9-2** Layla Liz, **5-1** Run To My Side, **11-1** Be An Angel

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MY MATE BEATTIE stepped up on debut when second at Newcastle and can put her experience to good use against Archie Watson's newcomers Layla Liz and Run To My Side.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MY MATE BEATTIE 2. LAYLA LIZ 3. RUN TO MY SIDE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Adaay In Devon 2-9-2	8-11f	Rod Millman	Oliver Searle (7)	3
2022	Magical Sunset 2-9-2	6-4f	Richard Hannon	James Doyle	6
2021	Benefit 2-9-0	15-2	Clive Cox	John Fahy	5
2020	Ventura Diamond 2-9-0	5-4f	Richard Fahey	Silvestre De Sousa	4

SMART STATS:


No Smart Stats available for this race


3.58**BRITISH EBF NOVICE STAKES (5) 3yo+ £7,000 7f (1410 Metres)**

RACE 4


GBI RACINGGoing: **Heavy**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Weak****1 7 AROLLA (97)**  **100**

 **Harry Charlton** **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg **Trevor Whelan**
Kingman filly. Closely related to 6f winner Silvretta. Dam, winner up to 1m (2-y-o 7f winner), half-sister to smart winner up to 1m Special Duty. 11/8 and hooded, won 12-runner maiden at Ffos Las (8f, good) on debut, slowly away. Off 97 days. Should improve and can defy penalty.


2 2 A MAJOR PAYNE (162) **91**

 **Michael Bell** **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg **Hector Crouch**
Twice-raced maiden. Better effort when second of 11 in novice at Windsor (8.1f, heavy, 17/2). Off 162 days. Player.


3 3 DARKEST INTENTION (47) **70**

 **Gay Kelleway** **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg **David Allan**
Pastoral Pursuits colt. Dam 7f/7.6f winner. 150/1, last of 10 in maiden at Chelmsford City (8f) on debut 47 days ago.


4 6 STONE FOREST (IRE) **80**

 **John Butler** **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg **George Wood**
Fastnet Rock gelding. Brother to 10.3f winner Onameridance and closely related to useful 7f/1m winner Rhythm N Rock and half-brother to 2-y-o 8.6f winner African Beat. Dam, winner up to 1¼m (2-y-o 1m winner), half-sister to smart 7.5f-1¼m winner Half Light.


5 5 SWIFT STORM (IRE) (178) **91**

 **Alice Haynes** **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg **Jason Hart**
Twice-raced maiden. First run since leaving Alice Haynes when third of 12 in maiden at Thirsk (7f, heavy, 10/3). Off 178 days/gelded. Re-joined yard after leaving Dominic Ffrench Davis.

6 4 TEX (FR) (29) **82**

 **George Baker** **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg **Sean Dylan Bowen (3lb/1kg)**
€82,000 yearling, Dark Angel gelding. Half-brother to 6f winner Sydney Bay and useful French winner up to 6f Zudu Spirit. Sixth of 14 in novice at Windsor (8.1f, good, 100/1) on debut 29 days ago. Tongue strap on 1st time. Should have more to offer.

7 1 DOCTOR AWTAAD (FR) (12) **75**

 **David Evans** **3** 9-0 | 57.2kg **Finley Marsh**
Awtaad filly. Half-sister to 6f winner Bedtime Bella and 1m winner Mabre. Dam maiden (stayed 7f) half-sister to useful winner up to 1m Markazzi. Seventh of 12 in maiden (50/1) at Chelmsford City (7f) on debut 12 days ago, not knocked about.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:**11-8** Arolla, **3-1** A Major Payne, **3-1** Swift Storm, **14-1** Tex, **40-1** bar**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

AROLLA looked a good prospect when making a winning start at Ffos Las in July and can defy a penalty. A Major Payne was beaten only by a now-useful sort at Windsor back in May so is next best ahead of Swift Storm, who's also coming back from a break.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. AROLLA 2. A MAJOR PAYNE 3. SWIFT STORM****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2023	Royal Jet 3-9-5	7-2	Andrew Balding	Rob Hornby	7
2022	Bling On The Music 3-9-5	5-4f	Ed Walker	William Buick	11
2021	Rhythm N Rock 3-9-2	5-1	John Butler	William Buick	14
2020	Alexej 3-9-5	11-8f	John Gosden	Robert Havlin	7
2019	Dansepo 3-9-3	66-1	Adam West	Kieran Shoemark	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.30**JOIN RACING TV NOW SELLING STAKES (4) 3 and 4yo
£10,000 7f (1410 Metres)****RACE 5****Going: Heavy**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1 8 CLASSY BOY (IRE) (32) (D) **85**
13713496 **3** 9-8 | 60.8kg

K. R. Burke **Sam Feilden (71b/3kg)**

Fairly useful gelding. 6/1, last of 6 in handicap at Chester (10.3f, heavy) 32 days ago. This drop back in trip shouldn't be too much of an issue (won over a mile at Carlisle in July) and will be a serious each-way player down in grade here if responding well to the first-time cheekpieces.

2 3 BLUFFERONTHEBUS (IRE) (8) (D) **78**
23315675 **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg

Craig Lidster **Shay Farmer (71b/3kg)**

Fair filly. 3 wins from 14 runs this year, the latest at Beverley in July. Fifth of 10 in handicap (20/1) at Pontefract (6f, heavy) 8 days ago, inadequate test. No easy task on these terms.

3 6 FIERCE (IRE) (39) **86**
140-69618 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg

Gary & Josh Moore **Tom Queally**

Fair gelding. Latest win at Lingfield in August. 5/1, last of 8 in handicap at Kempton (6f) 39 days ago. Hopes pinned on the first time visor and tongue strap sparking improvement.

4 5 CHARLIE MASON (6) **82**
16737235 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg

Tony Carroll **Jack Doughty (51b/2kg)**

Fair gelding. Below form fifth of 12 in handicap (28/1) at Kempton (6f) 6 days ago. Others make more appeal on these terms.

5 2 ALZAHIR (FR) (4) (D) **100**
5-4005447 **4** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Jennie Candlish **George Wood**

Fairly useful gelding. 50/1, first run since leaving David O'Meara when bit below form seventh of 16 in handicap at York (7.9f, soft) 4 days ago. Clear pick at the weights here and will take plenty of stopping if anywhere near his best.

6 9 RAJWAAN (714) **77**
97731/ **4** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Bernard Llewellyn **Jordan Williams (51b/2kg)**

Lightly-raced winner. 11/8, career best when winning 8-runner nursery for Andrew Balding at Southwell (5f) in November 2022. Absent since and probably best watched starting out for new yard here.

7 7 LOOSE TONGUE (IRE) (64) **77**
5833168 **3** 8-13 | 56.7kg

David Evans **Finley Marsh**

Fair filly. Winner at Chepstow in May. 8/1, eighth of 10 in handicap at Windsor (8.1f, good to firm) 64 days ago. Looks up against it.

8 4 TWISTED TIARA (IRE) (32) **80**
51750 **3** 8-13 | 56.7kg

Rod Millman **Trevor Whelan**

Lightly-raced winner. Successful at Bath in April. 40/1, tenth of 11 in handicap at Salisbury (6f, good to soft) 32 days ago. Looks vulnerable.

9 1 LIBERTY MOUNTAIN (56) (D) **88**
107-46758 **4** 8-11 | 55.8kg

Barry Brennan **Sean Dylan Bowen (31b/1kg)**

Fair filly. Eighth of 11 in handicap (14/1) at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 56 days ago. Wouldn't be without an each-way chance if on-song.

10 10 GAIETY MUSICAL (IRE) (47) **91**
272436 **3** 8-9 | 54.9kg

David Evans **Frederick Larson (31b/1kg)**

Fair filly. 7/1 and hooded for 1st time, sixth of 7 in handicap at Chelmsford City (7f) 47 days ago. Good chance of making the frame on these terms.

BETTING FORECAST:

10-11 Alzahir, **15-2** Gaiety Musical, **9-1** Classy Boy, **12-1** Liberty Mountain, **14-1** Fierce, **22-1** Charlie Mason, **25-1** Blufferonthebus, **28-1** Twisted Tiara, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ALZAHIR has spent most of this season contesting strong handicaps, as was the case when he finished mid-field at York on debut for new connections just four days ago. The 4-y-o is likely to prove very hard to beat eased in grade here (meets all of this rivals on far better terms than he would if this were a handicap). Gaiety Musical gets the nod ahead of Classy Boy for forecast purposes.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ALZAHIR 2. GAIETY MUSICAL 3. CLASSY BOY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Spirit Genie 3-9-0	9-4f	Jennie Candlish	Lewis Edmunds	8
2022	Gordonstoun 4-9-2	8-1	Liam Bailey	Daniel Tudhope	8
2021	Emjaytwentythree 3-8-12	33-1	Alice Haynes	Kieran O'Neill	7
2020	Song of The Isles 4-8-13	11-4	Heather Main	Martin Dwyer	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.03**WATCH ON RACING TV HANDICAP (3) 3yo+ (Rated 0-90)
£17,000 7f (1410 Metres)**

RACE 6

GBI RACINGGoing: **Heavy**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1 8 SPIRIT GENIE (IRE) (18) (CD) s+t   **100**
60110681 **4** 9-12 | 62.6kg



Jennie Candlish *George Wood*
C&D winner. 3 wins from 8 runs this year. Career best when winning 9-runner handicap (15/2) at Haydock (7.2f, heavy) 18 days ago, suited by emphasis on stamina. 2 lb nudge fair enough and he has to be taken seriously.

2 2 EXECUTIVE DECISION (IRE) (12) h **98**
507-64424 **4** 9-10 | 61.7kg



Jamie Osborne *Saffie Osborne*
Respectable fourth of 13 in handicap at Salisbury (6f, good to soft, 7/1) 12 days ago, nearest finish. Well worth another try at this trip judged on that evidence and she's one to consider.

3 9 PEARLE D'OR (IRE) (124) (D) h **99**
1313-0045 **5** 9-9 | 61.2kg



David O'Meara *David Nolan*
Bit below form fifth of 11 in handicap at Newbury (7f, good to firm, 5/1) when last seen in June, unable to sustain effort. Effective on deep ground and he'll be a threat if resuming in top form.

4 5 BURDETT (IRE) (30) (D) **95**
63173106 **3** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Jack Channon *George Bass (3lb/1kg)*
Latest win at Haydock in August. Sixth of 9 in handicap (7/1) at Doncaster (7f, good to soft) 30 days ago. Conditions won't be a problem but he's probably in the handicapper's grip for now.

5 4 YERMANHERE (IRE) (24) (D) **94**
8-0098160 **6** 9-5 | 59.4kg



Tim Easterby *David Allan*
Latest win at Carlisle in August. Last of 14 in handicap at Ayr (8f, good to firm, 33/1) 24 days ago and he needs to bounce back.

6 3 ENCOURAGEABLE (IRE) (18) (D) **97**
416/0550-4 **5** 9-3 | 58.5kg



James Horton *Jason Hart*
Bit below form fourth of 8 in handicap at Haydock (7.2f, heavy, 11/1) 18 days ago. Eased 1 lb since and entitled to come on for that belated reappearance spin, so he's dangerous to discount.

7 1 IT JUST TAKES TIME (IRE) (21) (C, D) **97**
00907241 **6** 9-3 | 58.5kg



Mark Walford *Jack Garrity*
Course winner. Didn't need to improve to win 9-runner handicap at Beverley (7.4f, good to soft, 11/4) 21 days ago, making all. This 3 lb higher mark should be manageable and he's one for the shortlist.

8 7 ZIP (18) (D) s **90**
42259895 **8** 9-3 | 58.5kg



Richard Fahey *Oisín McSweeney (3lb/1kg)*
Thirteen runs since last win in 2023. Fifth of 8 in handicap (15/2) at Haydock (7.2f, heavy) 18 days ago. Cheekpieces back on and he'll likely come up short once more.

9 6 MAHATO (29) (BF) **90**
14-2 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg



William Haggas *Cieren Fallon*
Thrice-raced winner. Second of 11 in novice at Kempton (6f, 10/11) 29 days ago, no match for winner. Needs to improve now pitched into a handicap but he's in good hands and could have a part to play if handling conditions (2-y-o debut success at Windsor was on good to soft).

10 10 TRANSITIONING (31) (D) **93**
14614 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg



Andrew Balding *Jason Watson*
2 wins from 5 runs this year. Latest win at Chester in July. 4/1, bit below form fourth of 9 in handicap at Chester (7.6f, soft) 31 days ago. Needs to raise his game.

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Spirit Genie, **11-2** It Just Takes Time, **6-1** Mahato, **7-1** Pearle D'Or, **15-2** Executive Decision, **11-1** Transitioning, **12-1** Burdett, **14-1** Encourageable, **16-1** Zip, **33-1** Yermanthere

TIMEFORM VIEW:

With condition again in his favour, SPIRIT GENIE is taken to supplement his recent success at Haydock where he displayed a willing attitude. He landed the C&D seller on this card last year, which was his sole previous visit to Leicester. Pearle d'Or will be a threat if fully tuned-up following a break, while Executive Decision and It Just Takes Time also merit respect, along with lightly-raced handicap debutant Mahato.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SPIRIT GENIE 2. PEARLE D'OR 3. EXECUTIVE DECISION

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Marshal Dan 8-9-1	7-1	Heather Main	Rossa Ryan	7
2022	Audience 3-9-9	12-1	John & Thady Gosden	Robert Havlin	9
2021	Able Kane 4-8-13	4-1f	Rod Millman	Oisín Murphy	10
2020	Tomfre 3-9-4	7-1	Ralph Beckett	Rob Hornby	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

5.35

RACE 7

**@leicesterraces NEXT MEETING MONDAY 28th OCTOBER
HANDICAP (5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-68) £7,000 1m53y (1660
Metres)**

GBI RACING

Going: **Heavy**

The Leicester round course is a right-handed, oval track, about a mile and three quarters in extent, with a run-in of four and a half furlongs. The straight course, on which all races of up to seven furlongs are run, is mainly downhill to halfway, then rises gradually for over two furlongs, finishing on the level. Although the track is galloping and poses a test of stamina, prominent racers out-perform those that race further back at races up to a mile.

Draw: **Favours Low** Pace Information: **Weak**

1 3 HARSWELL DUKE (IRE) (8) (CD) 90
22598585 6 9-12 | 62.6kg



Liam Bailey

Jason Hart

C&D winner who took a step back in the right direction on first run since leaving Roger Fell & Sean Murray when respectable fifth of 9 in handicap at Pontefract (8f, heavy, 18/1) 8 days ago.

2 9 SWATCH (IRE) (127) (D, BF) 96
0/066-0132 5 9-12 | 62.6kg



Gary & Josh Moore

Tom Queally

Latest win at Bath in April. Creditable second of 10 in handicap at Lingfield (8f, AW, 13/8). Off 127 days. First run for yard after leaving Alice Haynes and has good claims if returning from a break in similar form.

3 5 MARSH BENHAM (IRE) (5lb/2kg ex) (7) (D) 98
02433391 5 9-12 | 62.6kg



George Baker

Charles Bishop

Ungenuine type who ran up to best to get off the mark for the year in 9-runner handicap at Brighton (8f, good to soft) 7 days ago, helped by being held up in strongly-run race. Carries penalty 4-lb penalty and not an obvious type to follow up.

4 6 DIFFIDENT SPIRIT (11) (CD) 86
69/1202-95 6 9-10 | 61.7kg



T. J. Kent

Ray Dawson

C&D winner who produced a laboured effort when fifth of 13 in handicap at Ascot (7f, good to soft, 33/1) 11 days ago, nearest finish. Jury still out as to what ability he retains.

5 1 BLUE COLLAR (IRE) (46) 93
406-02495 3 9-9 | 61.2kg



David Evans

David Nolan

First run since leaving Richard Hannon when respectable fifth of 10 in handicap at Salisbury (8f, good to firm, 10/1) 46 days ago, barely adequate test. Others preferred for win purposes kept to this trip.

6 2 SOI DAO (IRE) (14) (D) 94
44433902 5 9-8 | 60.8kg



Adrian Wintle

Millie Wonnacott (5lb/2kg)

11/1, good ¾-length second of 13 to Alika Breeze in handicap at Bath (8f, soft) 14 days ago. In the mix with a repeat.

7 10 ANDROMEDAS KINGDOM (IRE) (14) (D) 95
14-112188 6 9-8 | 60.8kg



Michael Appleby

Sean Dylan Bowen (3lb/1kg)

Underperformed when 7¼ lengths eighth of 13 to Alika Breeze in handicap (6/1) at Bath (8f, soft) 14 days ago. Cheekpieces back on.

8 8 EQUION (14) (D) 100
53-504362 6 9-7 | 60.3kg



Tony Carroll

Hector Crouch

8/1, confirmed himself still in good form when second of 14 in handicap at Bath (8f, soft) 14 days ago. Expected to be bang there again.

9 4 ALIKA BREEZE (GER) (14) (D) 94
873-78781 3 9-5 | 59.4kg

Richard Hughes 

Finley Marsh

50/1, career best when winning 13-runner handicap at Bath (8f, soft) 14 days ago, by ¾ length from Soi Dao. Needs to prove that wasn't a flash in the pan.

10 7 ASTRONOMICA (31) (CD) 96
21324-025 4 9-4 | 59.0kg



Dr Jon Scargill

George Wood

C&D winner who shaped with some encouragement after 10 weeks off when fifth of 7 in handicap at Lingfield (8f, AW) 31 days ago. Not dismissed.

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Marsh Benham, **5-1** Swatch, **11-2** Equion, **6-1** Soi Dao, **7-1** Alika Breeze, **10-1** Astronomica, **16-1** Andromedas Kingdom, **16-1** Harswell Duke, **18-1** Blue Collar, **28-1** Diffident Spirit

TIMEFORM VIEW:

EQUION confirmed himself still in good form when beaten only by a thriving rival at Bath a fortnight ago and is the percentage call to go one better. Swatch has good claims if picking up where he left off for Alice Haynes in midsummer, with Astronomica also of some interest following an encouraging recent run at Lingfield.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. EQUION 2. SWATCH 3. ASTRONOMICA

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race