

Friday 18th October

FAKENHAM



2.00 £130,000 PRIZE MONEY @ FAKENHAM 1st JANUARY NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m3y (3220 Metres)

RACE 1 **(1) CHARGING THUNDER | (4) RONNIES RULES | (8) THE EXPENSIVE ONE**

2.35 TAPPING HOUSE NORFOLK HOSPICE MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2½m1y (4020 Metres)

RACE 2 **(3) MIAMI MAGIC | (2) KILBARRY HILL | (6) CHIEF SUNDAY**

3.10 £50,000 QUEEN BOUDICCA SERIES QUALIFIER MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 2m59y (3270 Metres)

RACE 3 **(5) CALL BLUE | (1) JEUNE BELLE | (2) OMAHA WISH**

3.45 WENSUM POOLS HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2½m1y (4020 Metres)

RACE 4 **(2) TOONAGH WARRIOR | (3) CALLIN BATON ROUGE | (1) HONNEUR D'AJONC**

4.20 P H BETTS (HOLDINGS) LTD NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2½m1y (4020 Metres)

RACE 5 **(4) LASER FOCUS | (6) DOUBLE POWERFUL | (3) HIGHWAY ONE O FIVE**

4.55 norfolkhospice.org.uk HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m5f44y (4260 Metres)

RACE 6 **(2) NICKELFORCE | (1) PEARLY ISLAND | (4) KANKIN**

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

£130,000 PRIZE MONEY @ FAKENHAM 1st JANUARY
NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 4yo+ £7,500 2m3y (3220 Metres)



Going: **Fakenham**

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Pace Information: **Even**

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2022	Matata 4-10-13	11-8f	Nigel Twiston-Davies	Daryl Jacob	7
2021	Howdyalikemenow 5-11-5	2-7f	Evan Williams	Adam Wedge	4
2020	Cormier 4-11-4	evsf	Brian Ellison	Danny Cook	10
2019	Red Force One 4-10-12	13-8	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1 CHARGING THUNDER s **100**
 6 11-2 | 70.8kg

James Owen **Harry Cobden**
 Fairly useful handicapper on Flat, barely stays 2m, won at Yarmouth on stable debut last time. Very likely type for excellent yard on hurdles debut with cheekpieces retained.

2 LORD OF THE GLANCE (191) **75**
 06- 5 11-2 | 70.8kg

Alex Hales **Kielan Woods**
 Showed a bit more than on debut when sixth of 10 in bumper at Market Rasen in April. Needs another major step forward on this switch to hurdling.

3 PIECEDERESISTANCE (IRE) (686) h **89**
 32/ 6 11-2 | 70.8kg

Micky Hammond **James Bowen**
 Placed both starts over hurdles to end 2022. Unable to add to tally on the level since then but fitness is assured and he sets the solid if unspectacular standard back in this sphere.

4 RONNIES RULES (IRE) (11) (D) **98**
 111U 5 11-2 | 70.8kg

Dan Skelton **Mr Ben Sutton (51b/2kg)**
 Irish point winner who won all 3 starts in bumpers at Stratford for his leading yard this summer. Inauspicious start to hurdles career there 11 days ago, unseating rider early following a blunder, and this will reveal a lot more.

5 TARBAAN (IRE) (14) t **86**
 5 5 11-2 | 70.8kg

Amy Murphy **Jack Quinlan**
 Four-time winner on the Flat but hasn't shown much spark this year. Fair start over hurdles when fifth at Fontwell but needs to build on that.

6 GORDON GREY (IRE) (32) t **86**
 6 4 11-1 | 70.3kg

B. F. Brookhouse **Alice Stevens (51b/2kg)**
 Fairly useful handicapper on Flat (stays 12.5f), won at Pontefract and Epsom this year. Readily brushed aside on hurdles debut last month.

7 MALINHEADSEAROVERS (IRE) h+t **60**
 4 11-1 | 70.3kg

Tom Gretton **Fergus Gillard**
 Modest maiden handicapper at best on Flat (stays 7f), little form in 2024 so no appeal now hurdling.

8 THE EXPENSIVE ONE (IRE) (39) (BF) **93**
 6-2 4 11-1 | 70.3kg

Nigel Twiston-Davies **James Turner (71b/3kg)**
 Half-brother to 3 winners, including smart bumper winner/top-class hurdler The New One. Improved on debut effort despite failing to land the odds in 3-runner bumper at Newton Abbot last month. Goes hurdling now representing yard going great guns.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Charging Thunder, **5-2** Ronnies Rules, **4-1** The Expensive One, **8-1** Piecederesistance, **20-1** Gordon Grey, **22-1** Tarbaan, **100-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The switch to James Owen paid immediate dividends for CHARGING THUNDER on the level and sure to be well prepared for this hurdles debut, he can follow up. Ronnies Rules didn't get very far on recent debut in this sphere but he couldn't be in much better hands, while The Expensive One is certainly bred to excel over obstacles.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CHARGING THUNDER 2. RONNIES RULES 3. THE EXPENSIVE ONE

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TAPPING HOUSE NORFOLK HOSPICE MAIDEN HURDLE (4)
4yo+ £7,500 2½m1y (4020 Metres)

RACE 2




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Pace Information: **Very Weak**


1 D'JO DELA BARRIERE (FR) (162) 92
 563-4 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 **Evan Williams** *Adam Wedge*
 Displayed ability in a brace of bumpers and a maiden hurdle at Punchestown in 2023. Fit from points when a modest fourth on chase debut and since left S. Curling. Market may guide.


2 KILBARRY HILL (227) t ★ 100
 32332- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 **Olly Murphy** *Lewis Stones (3lb/1kg)*
 Runner-up twice in Irish points and has shown fair form when placed on first 4 runs over hurdles. Backward step final start in March but returns at a very winnable level and yard is in good order.


3 MIAMI MAGIC (IRE) (154) 97
 2 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 **Stuart Edmunds** *Charlie Hammond*
 Half-brother to 3 winners, including fairly useful hurdler/smart chaser Pobbles Bay and fairly useful hurdler/chaser Oxwich Bay. Off mark in points at third attempt and came within a head of making a winning bumper debut at Aintree in May. Since left D. Peters and he's a very likely type.


4 NEVER SEEN AGAIN (IRE) (753) t 87
 4/ 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 **Sarah Humphrey** *James Best*
 Half-brother to numerous winners on Flat, including useful 1½m-13f winner Bolder Bob. Dam unraced. Stuck to his task when fourth in an Irish bumper for Darren Bunyan in 2022. Off since and has moved yards. Tongue tie on.


5 SAINT VIC (FR) (32) h 79
 057-4497 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 **Anthony Day** *James Turner (7lb/3kg)*
 Not really threatened in a handful of starts in this sphere, including from a modest mark in handicap company. Hood on.

6 CHIEF SUNDAY (FR) (23) 91
 78-4 4 11-2 | 70.8kg

 **Nigel Twiston-Davies** *Finn Lambert (3lb/1kg)*
 €75,000 buy from good French family but down the field in 2 bumpers in the spring. Held back by inexperience on hurdles debut last month but will know more this time.

7 LUCILLE DIAMOND (103) s 60
 9-95U 5 10-11 | 68.5kg

 **Tracey Leeson** *Harriet Tucker (7lb/3kg)*
 Looks very limited. Cheekpieces go on.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Kilbarry Hill, **11-4** Miami Magic, **9-2** D'jo Dela Barriere, **11-2** Chief Sunday, **12-1** Never Seen Again, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A tough race to assess with 3 stable-switchers in opposition. Of those, MIAMI MAGIC looks the pick on the back of a narrow second in a point-to-point bumper at Aintree in the spring. Kilbarry Hill returns for a yard in good order and will attempt to put his hurdles experience to the best possible use.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MIAMI MAGIC 2. KILBARRY HILL 3. CHIEF SUNDAY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2022	Allo Allo 6-11-4	16-5	Stuart Edmunds	Ciaran Gethings	5
2021	Italian Spirit 5-11-4	8-13f	Olly Murphy	Aidan Coleman	6
2020	Here Comes Johnny 5-10-12	6-5f	Olly Murphy	Aidan Coleman	5
2019	The Wolf 5-10-12	4-7f	Olly Murphy	A. P. Heskin	4

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3








£50,000 QUEEN BOUDICCA SERIES QUALIFIER MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-110) £10,000 2m59y (3270 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

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|  | <p>1 JEUNE BELLE (IRE) (216) (D) 100
 <small>34/121PP3- 6 12-0 76.2kg</small>
 Lucy Wadham Tom Cannon
 Useful bumper winner who landed short odds on her 2m Lingfield hurdle debut in December. Pulled up next 2 starts but back on track when third in a Kempton novice (2m) on final start in March. Respected now chasing with her yard boasting a fine record here.</p> |
|  | <p>2 OMAHA WISH (FR) (48) (CD) 98
 <small>9/3433-1F7 6 11-9 73.9kg</small>
 Dan Skelton Fergus Gillard
 Cemented positive start made over fences when landing a C&D handicap in June. Fell at Market Rasen next time and whilst she was disappointing over hurdles at Newton Abbot a month later, she remains with potential returned to this discipline.</p> |
|  | <p>3 PHONE HOME (212) 97
 <small>4/424245- 5 11-4 71.7kg</small> t
 Jamie Snowden David Bass
 Telescope filly who matched previous best over hurdles when runner-up in mares' maiden at Catterick (15.7f) in January. Below that level next 2 starts and the betting can prove a useful guide on handicap chase debut following 7 months off/wind surgery.</p> |
|  | <p>4 SPECIAL DRAGON (15) 95
 <small>87021-28 5 10-13 69.4kg</small> t
 Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero Toby Wynne (3lb/1kg)
 Improved sent handicapping over hurdles, runner-up either side of success at Ludlow (21.2f) in April. Showed aptitude for this job when eighth of 13 in handicap chase at Southwell (20.4f) 2 weeks ago and she rates a likely improver with that under her belt.</p> |
|  | <p>5 CALL BLUE (22) (BF) 99
 <small>0323/226 7 10-6 66.2kg</small>
 Nigel Twiston-Davies  James Turner (7lb/3kg)
 Remains a maiden but she's returned from a lengthy absence with good placed efforts at Stratford/Newton Abbot over hurdles this summer. Shade below that level at Perth 22 days ago but her yard continue in fine form and respected now tackling larger obstacles.</p> |
|  | <p>6 DESIGN FLAW (40) 79
 <small>000/P-8 6 10-2(8-10) 64.4kg (55.3kg)</small> s
 Cynthia Woods Tabitha Worsley (3lb/1kg)
 Offered little under various codes in Ireland and well beaten both starts in points prior to a very low-key hurdles return at Fontwell (19.1f) 6 weeks ago. Cheekpieces reached for but she's got plenty on from miles out of the weights on handicap debut in this sphere.</p> |

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Jeune Belle, **7-2** Call Blue, **4-1** Omaha Wish, **9-2** Phone Home, **11-2** Special Dragon, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The market can prove useful with a few and it may be worth chancing chase debutante CALL BLUE. Runner-up on 2 of her 3 starts over hurdles since returning from a lengthy absence, her stable continue to fire in the winners and it would come as no surprise to see her make an impact now chasing from a lowly mark. Jeune Belle on her first try in this sphere and C&D winner Omaha Wish head up the dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CALL BLUE 2. JEUNE BELLE 3. OMAHA WISH

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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WENSUM POOLS HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 3yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000 2½m1y (4020 Metres)

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**


1 HONNEUR D'AJONC (FR) (24) (D) s 98
3725-9261 7 12-0 | 76.2kg

 **James Owen** *Mr Alex Chadwick (51b/2kg)*
Well backed and took advantage of a much-reduced mark in 8-runner handicap at Fontwell (17.7f, good, 11/4) 24 days ago. Nudged up 6 lb but remains well treated on old form.


2 TOONAGH WARRIOR (IRE) (179) ★ 100
32126424- 6 11-9 | 73.9kg

 **Stuart Edmunds** *Charlie Hammond*
Built on promising debut for this yard when landing a 2m Wetherby novice in November before going close on handicap bow at Ascot the following month. Held his form well thereafter and looks well worth another try at around 2½m on this return to action.



3 CALLIN BATON ROUGE (IRE) (41) 94
6242-2111 6 11-9 | 73.9kg

 **Charles & Adam Pogson** *James Bowen*
Is on a roll for her new yard, making it 3 wins from as many starts in 9-runner handicap at Stratford (16.3f, good) 41 days ago, readily. Hiked up 12 lb but may not yet have finished improving.

4 FORGET THE WAY (15) t 98
P-3U24365 7 11-5 | 72.1kg

 **James Owen** *Harry Cobden*
Has generally held his form well for current yard and shouldn't be far away once again with Cobden back in the saddle.

5 JACK THE SAVAGE (51) t 98
150-26534 7 10-7 | 66.7kg

 **Laura Horsfall** *James Martin (51b/2kg)* 
Fair maiden on Flat (stays 16.5f). Well held on most recent outing in that sphere but likely to benefit from this return to 2½m now back over hurdles.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Honneur D'ajonc, **9-4** Callin Baton Rouge, **5-1** Toonagh Warrior, **6-1** Forget The Way, **10-1** Jack The Savage

TIMEFORM VIEW:

TOONAGH WARRIOR held his form well last season and, with a return to this trip well worth exploring, he's fancied to make a successful reappearance. Callin Baton Rouge is on a roll for her new stable and may not yet have finished improving, with recent Fontwell-scorer Honneur d'Ajonc warranting plenty of respect, also.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. TOONAGH WARRIOR 2. CALLIN BATON ROUGE 3. HONNEUR D'AJONC

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2022	Sophosc 6-11-4	8-11f	Ian Williams	Charlie Todd	6
2021	The Knot Is Tied 6-11-0	6-1	Neil King	Daryl Jacob	6
2020	Carys' Commodity 5-11-12	4-1f	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	13
2019	Trapper Peak 10-11-1	7-4f	Justin Landy	Billy Garrity (5)	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**P H BETTS (HOLDINGS) LTD NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5)
3yo+ (Rated 0-100) £15,000 2½m1y (4020 Metres)**

RACE 5



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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 COURT CIAN (IRE) (42) 82
7425/F5 6 12-0 | 76.2kg

Stuart Edmunds *Ciaran Gethings*
10/1, first run since leaving M. Kehoe when respectable fifth of 11 in novice hurdle at Bangor (19.6f, good) 42 days ago. Has been handed a tricky opening mark but there could be more to come.

2 MELTON MOSSY (IRE) (28) t 90
00-115416 5 11-13 | 75.7kg

Evan Williams *Isabel Williams (3lb/1kg)*
Back on the up when landing a 15-runner event at Newton Abbot in August and, while he didn't back it up at the same course since, he's still worthy of some interest.

3 HIGHWAY ONE O FIVE (IRE) (24) s 90
6495625-3 5 11-12 | 75.3kg

Chris Gordon *Rex Dingle*
4/1, below form third of 8 in handicap hurdle at Fontwell (17.7f, good) 24 days ago. Should strip fitter for that and may have a bigger effort in him tried in cheekpieces.

4 LASER FOCUS (IRE) (57) t 90
552444-44 6 11-11 | 74.8kg

James Owen *Mr Alex Chadwick (5lb/2kg)*
Yet to score over hurdles but has shaped with encouragement on both starts in this sphere for his current yard and has continued the good work on the Flat since, so looks a big player.

5 BAHTIYAR (FR) (24) t 90
3/2P5-5534 6 11-10 | 74.4kg

Dan Skelton *Mr Ben Sutton (5lb/2kg)*
Maiden who can be a bit headstrong for his own good but he comes here in good form, respectable fourth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Fontwell (25.7f) 24 days ago. Will have no issues with the drop back in trip and he can get involved.

6 DOUBLE POWERFUL (IRE) (7lb/3kg ex) (2) (CD) h ★ 100
P79411-11 5 12-2 | 77.1kg

Neil Mulholland *Dylan Johnston (3lb/1kg)*
On a roll and had something to spare when winning 9-runner handicap hurdle at Worcester (20f, soft) 2 days ago. Obvious claims if taking his chance, albeit he's facing a very quick turnaround.

7 MACARI (108) 88
637217-P4 4 11-9 | 73.9kg

Sheena West *Marc Goldstein*
Much improved when winning at Plumpton in April and returned to form at Stratford in July. Arrives on the back of a solid showing on the Flat but needs more from this mark.

8 THE PUNT (360) 90
2/653P- 7 11-1 | 70.3kg

Alan Jones *Jamie Brace (7lb/3kg)*
Second in sole bumper. Unable to make a significant impact over hurdles, though including on handicap debut, and has year-long absence to overcome.

9 GONE IN SIXTY (24) 91
57-533227 7 10-12 | 68.9kg

Alex Hales *Kielan Woods*
Long-standing maiden who wasn't at his best when only seventh at Fontwell last time. More required.

10 CAVE ARTICLE (IRE) (206) 76
P60- 5 10-8 | 67.1kg

Christian Williams *Adam Wedge*
Runner-up completed start in points so, while he's yet to show anything over hurdles, he's worth monitoring in the betting upped in trip for handicap debut after 6 months off.

11 SAWPIT SAMANTHA (205) 90
766/6P35- 6 10-2 | 64.4kg

Jo Davis *James Davies*
Has offered little over hurdles so far and is hard to fancy on first outing since leaving Sam Drinkwater (has been off 6 months).

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Double Powerful, 7-1 Laser Focus, 15-2 Melton Mossy, 10-1 Highway One O Five, 10-1 Court Cian, 11-1 Macari, 12-1 Bahtiyar, 16-1 Gone In Sixty, 16-1 Cave Article, 50-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

LASER FOCUS has shaped nicely so far over hurdles for James Owen and he's in form from the Flat, so he's worth taking a chance on. 5-timer seeking Double Powerful is a major player if taking up the engagement (only ran two days ago) and Highway One O Five is worthy of respect sporting first-time cheekpieces.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LASER FOCUS 2. DOUBLE POWERFUL 3. HIGHWAY ONE O FIVE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2022	Cobbs Corner 6-10-2	11-2	Nick Gifford	James Davies	8
2021	Jumping Cats 6-11-9	7-2	Gary Moore	Jamie Moore	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

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|  | <p>1 PEARLY ISLAND (176) 97
 5P532132- 8 12-2 77.1kg
 Lucy Wadham Tom Cannon
 Dual hurdles scorer who opened his chase account at Huntingdon (19.8f) in March. Below best next time but quickly back to form when runner-up back at that venue on final start in April. Respected if ready to roll after 6 months off.</p> |
|  | <p>2 NICKELFORCE (IRE) (41) 100
 424134-31 5 11-9 73.9kg
 Ben Case Jack Quinlan
 Consistent over hurdles and took a step forward for the switch to larger obstacles when winning 11-runner handicap chase at Stratford (22.6f, good) 6 weeks ago, jumping soundly and quickening clear approaching last. Big shout in follow-up bid up 6 lb.</p> |
|  | <p>3 AVILES (FR) (24) 97
 2/2P352-65 5 11-6 72.6kg
 Gary & Josh Moore Caolin Quinn (3lb/1kg)
 Fair hurdler who jumped better than previously in this sphere when runner-up over C&D back in April. However, not convinced in that department either start 4 months apart subsequently and return to this venue needs to have positive effect with blinkers back on.</p> |
|  | <p>4 KANKIN (139) (CD) 99
 316453-15 8 11-4 71.7kg
 Alex Hales Kielan Woods
 Scored on chase debut at Huntingdon (19.8f) 12 months ago and edged ahead close home when doubling his tally over C&D in May. Creditable fifth off this mark at Stratford in June and no surprise to see him give another good account back from a break.</p> |
|  | <p>5 UP FOR APPEAL (IRE) (60) (D) 98
 334-4134P 6 11-3 71.2kg
 Christian Williams Adam Wedge
 Got off the mark over fences at Newton Abbot in June but operating below best more recently, struggling some way out when pulled up at Worcester (20f) in August. Bit to prove now with cheekpieces on 1st time.</p> |
|  | <p>6 AWESOME FOURSOME (133) 99
 523233-25 7 10-11 68.5kg
 Nigel Twiston-Davies  James Turner (7lb/3kg)
 Bumper/hurdles winner who again ran creditably when runner-up at Ludlow (21.2f) in May. Not in same form at Market Rasen a month later but can't be ruled out now chasing with his yard going great guns.</p> |

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-4 Nickelforce, **3-1** Pearly Island, **13-2** Awesome Foursome, **7-1** Kankin, **8-1** Aviles, **11-1** Up For Appeal

TIMEFORM VIEW:

NICKELFORCE was consistent over hurdles and improved to score in good style on chase debut at Stratford 6 weeks ago. Impressing with how he travelled that day, a 6 lb rise shouldn't prevent another bold showing with further progress anticipated. The returning Pearly Island and Kankin are others to consider.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. NICKELFORCE 2. PEARLY ISLAND 3. KANKIN

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race