

Tuesday 14th January

# PLUMPTON



**1.10** SOUTHERN CRANES & ACCESS LTD NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2½m114y (4130 Metres)

RACE 1 **(2) JURANCON | (7) SOLE SOLUTION | (1) ILLEGAL D'AINAY**

**1.40** BETGOODWIN HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m214y (3410 Metres)

RACE 2 **(1) BOBBI'S BEAUTY | (4) IDEALLKO | (5) MY MATE POLLY**

**2.10** MAYO WYNNE BAXTER STAKES DEMOLITION MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 1m7f195y (3200 Metres)

RACE 3 **(3) RULA BULA | (2) BLUE LAS | (6) GAME COLOURS**

**2.40** WEATHERBYS CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL GUIDE HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 3m217y (5030 Metres)

RACE 4 **(7) GLENGOLLY | (5) CHANCELLORSTOWN | (2) SAN PEDRO**

**3.10** SOUTHERN CONTRACT LTD VETERANS' HANDICAP CHASE (3) 3m1f152y (5170 Metres)

RACE 5 **(4) NORTHERN POET | (2) CREDO | (5) SUPERVISOR**

**3.45** BOOK THE CHELTENHAM PREVIEW RACEDAY HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2½m114y (4130 Metres)

RACE 6 **(9) KAZONTHERAZZ | (6) JET MARSHALL | (5) INFERNO SACREE**

## 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.

**1.10**

**SOUTHERN CRANES & ACCESS LTD NOVICES' HURDLE (4)**  
**4yo+ £8,000 2½m114y (4130 Metres)**

RACE 1



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Pace Information: **Weak**

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. JURANCON 2. SOLE SOLUTION 3. ILLEGAL D'AINAY**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2022	<b>Young Butler</b> 6-11-8	2-5f	Emma Lavelle	Tom Bellamy	6
2021	<b>Here Comes Johnny</b> 6-12-2	15-8	Olly Murphy	Lewis Stones (7)	10

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1 ILLEGAL D'AINAY (FR) (30) (C) 94**  
 U123 7 11-10 | 74.4kg

Chris Gordon *Rex Dingle*  
 Opened his hurdle account in 2m course maiden in May. Has bettered that form when placed twice under a penalty in recent months but needs more here.



**2 JURANCON (FR) (39) (BF) 99**  
 121-212 6 11-10 | 74.4kg t

David Pipe *Jack Tudor*  
 Useful 2-time winner in bumpers who confirmed hurdles debut promise when opening his account in 10-runner 2m maiden at Chepstow in November. Beaten only by a promising youngster under a penalty at Exeter subsequently and has leading claims in a first-time tongue strap up in trip.



**3 DRUMHELLER (IRE) (33) 77**  
 34-66 6 11-3 | 71.2kg

Nick Gifford *Niall Houlihan*  
 Fair third on his better bumper run last season but has been well held both starts over hurdles and will be of more interest in handicaps after this run.



**4 GAMBLERGO (IRE) (74) 71**  
 P 6 11-3 | 71.2kg

Toby Lawes *K. Brogan*  
 Successful on sole outing in Irish points but went with little promise switched to hurdles at Uttoxeter in November. Has had a breathing operation since.



**5 MINELLA KAISER (IRE) (29) 71**  
 4 6 11-3 | 71.2kg

Chris Gordon *Freddie Gordon (3lb/1kg)*  
 Placed on the first of 2 starts in Irish points but looks one for handicaps later on based on early evidence under Rules.



**6 SIMPLY ED 71**  
 5 11-3 | 71.2kg t

Joanne Thomason-Murphy *James Best*  
 Well held in varied events on Flat and makes very little appeal on hurdle debut for new yard. Tongue tied.



**7 SOLE SOLUTION (IRE) (40) 100**  
 11/62 7 11-3 | 71.2kg

Venetia Williams *Charlie Deutsch*  
 Dual bumper winner who understandably shaped as if needing the run after almost 2 years off when a well-held sixth at Bangor in November. Subsequently chased home a potentially smart novice in Sixmilebridge upped to 20.5f at Leicester (heavy) and likely to progress further.



**8 LYNES DANCER (30) 76**  
 84 6 10-10 | 68.0kg

Dominic Ffrench Davis *Ben Ffrench Davis (5lb/2kg)*  
 Behind both starts in point bumpers and has offered little in a bumper/novice hurdle under Rules.



8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**evens** Jurancon, **2-1** Sole Solution, **6-1** Illegal D'ainay, **28-1** Minella Kaiser, **66-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

JURANCON failed to land the odds at Exeter last month, but that race had more depth than the market suggested and with the step up in distance likely to suit, he's fancied to defy a penalty at the second attempt. Sole Solution chased home a potentially smart novice in Sixmilebridge at Leicester on his most recent outing and is the obvious threat with further progress on the cards.

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**BETGOODWIN HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100)**  
**£8,000 2m214y (3410 Metres)**

RACE 2



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Pace Information: **Weak**

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. BOBBI'S BEAUTY 2. IDEALLKO 3. MY MATE POLLY**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

<b>1</b>	<b>BOBBI'S BEAUTY (IRE) (27)</b>		<b>100</b>
	0721P4-41 7 12-0   76.2kg		
	Martin Keighley	<i>Sean Bowen</i>	
	Point winner who was clearly all the better for her reappearance effort when running out a convincing winner of 7-runner handicap chase at Lingfield (2m) 4 weeks ago, the drop in trip clearly suiting. Respected from 8 lb higher mark.		
<b>2</b>	<b>ISKAR D'AIRY (FR) (36) (C)</b>		<b>98</b>
	95P6241/P 7 11-11   74.8kg		
	Gary & Josh Moore	<i>Caolin Quinn</i>	
	French bumper winner who was well placed when opening his account in maiden hurdle here (15.9f) in Spring 2023. Easy to back after 20 months off, offered little making debut in this sphere when pulled up at Lingfield (2m) last month and this should reveal more.		
<b>3</b>	<b>ANGEL'S DREAM (FR) (27) (C)</b>		<b>96</b>
	8467-PF16 7 11-10   74.4kg		
	Gary & Josh Moore	<i>Niall Houlihan</i>	
	Became disappointing over hurdles but dispelled chase debut blip returning from 6 months off when winning 8-runner handicap chase at Lingfield (2m) in November. However, couldn't replicate that when well held sixth of 7 in handicap back there 4 weeks ago.		
<b>4</b>	<b>IDEALLKO (FR) (14) (C)</b>		<b>96</b>
	4115F24-1 7 11-5   72.1kg		
	Evan Williams	<i>Adam Wedge</i>	
	Improved for switch to chasing winning handicaps at Ffos Las/here in autumn 2023. Lightly raced since but proved better than ever after 10 months off when landing 10-runner handicap chase at Warwick (16.2f) 2 weeks ago. Possibilities up 6 lb.		
<b>5</b>	<b>MY MATE POLLY (33)</b>	v	<b>96</b>
	04P63R12 5 11-2   70.8kg		
	Bill Turner	<i>Harry Kimber</i>	
	Got off the mark at Wincanton in November and backed it up with a good second of 5 in handicap chase at Taunton (18.2f, good) 33 days ago. Remains low mileage in this sphere so rates a player. Visor replaces cheekpieces.		
<b>6</b>	<b>MISS FEDORA (IRE) (33) (D)</b>		<b>98</b>
	98156363 6 10-6   66.2kg		
	Seamus Mullins	<i>Oscar Palmer (7lb/3kg)</i>	
	Got back on track reverted to hurdling when landing 8-runner handicap at Cartmel (17.2f, soft) in August. Yet to score over fences but ran one of her better races in this sphere when third of 5 in handicap at Taunton (18.2f) 33 days ago. Not out of things.		
<b>7</b>	<b>SHAW'S CROSS (IRE) (29) (CD)</b>	s	<b>99</b>
	39-353052 13 10-6   66.2kg		
	Andy Irvine	<i>Philip Armson (3lb/1kg)</i>	
	Veteran C&D winner who attracted support and ran one of his better races when second of 6 in handicap chase at this course (19.8f, good to soft) 29 days ago. Respected with a repeat but consistency isn't his strong suit.		
<b>8</b>	<b>CLONDAW ROBIN (IRE) (27)</b>	s	<b>96</b>
	2F43-5453 12 10-5   65.8kg		
	Andy Irvine	<i>Gearoid Harney (5lb/2kg)</i>	
	Still winless over fences but did at least run best race of present campaign when third behind re-opposing Bobbi's Beauty at Lingfield (2m) 4 weeks ago. Still, suspicion this veteran will find a couple too strong.		

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**5-2** Ideallko, **11-4** Bobbi's Beauty, **11-2** My Mate Polly, **8-1** Shaw's Cross, **11-1** Miss Fedora, **11-1** Angel's Dream, **22-1** Iskar D'airy, **25-1** Clondaw Robin

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

BOBBI'S BEAUTY showed much improved form dropped back to a bare 2 miles when doubling her chase tally at Lingfield 4 weeks ago, impressing with how she travelled and ultimately winning comfortably. Remaining low mileage in this sphere, she's fancied to make a bold bid to follow up. Warwick-scorer Ideallko and My Mate Polly are others to consider.

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RACE 3














**MAYO WYNNE BAXTER STAKES DEMOLITION MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ fillies and mares £8,000 1m7f195y (3200 Metres)**







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Pace Information: **Strong**

<b>1</b>	<b>BARRABOOL (71)</b> (CD)	<b>87</b>
	35-21 <b>5</b> 11-9   73.9kg Harry Derham  <b>Paul O'Brien</b> Just modest form in bumpers for Tom Weston and only had 2 rivals to beat when landing the odds on hurdles/stable debut back from a 6-month break over C&D (good to soft) in November. Still, she is at least open to improvement for the burgeoning Harry Derham yard.	
<b>2</b>	<b>BLUE LAS (26)</b> (D)	<b>91</b>
	411-21 <b>7</b> 11-9   73.9kg Neil Mulholland <b>Dylan Johnston (31b/1kg)</b> Won 2 of 3 starts in bumpers and made promising hurdling/seasonal debut when runner-up over 2½m at Ffos Las. Made no mistake dropped to 15.8f at the same course next time and, provided she sharpens up in the jumping department, there will almost certainly be more races to be won with this 7-y-o.	
<b>3</b>	<b>RULA BULA (IRE) (45)</b> (D)	<b>100</b>
	6142-12 <b>6</b> 11-9   73.9kg Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill <b>Jonjo O'Neill Jr.</b> From a good family and signed off 2023/24 bumper campaign off with a good second in Sandown listed contest. Followed hurdles debut/reappearance success at Market Rasen (20.6f, good) with a terrific effort in defeat upped in class/dropped in trip (16.3f) at Newbury and she sets a very good standard.	
<b>4</b>	<b>CINDERELLO (24)</b>	<b>65</b>
	599 <b>5</b> 11-2   70.8kg Alex Hales <b>Kielan Woods</b> Well held in 2 bumpers and she was beaten a long way starting out over hurdles at Hereford last month.	
<b>5</b>	<b>FUTURE FORTUNE (IRE) (72)</b> (D)	<b>86</b>
	1830-4 <b>6</b> 11-2   70.8kg Warren Greatrex  <b>James Bowen</b> Made a winning debut in bumper at Hereford in October 2023 but she came in a well-held fourth on her hurdling bow at Huntingdon in November. Likely to leave that form behind in time but this assignment demands a significant step forward.	
<b>6</b>	<b>GAME COLOURS (IRE) (40)</b>	<b>90</b>
	P3-22 <b>7</b> 11-2   70.8kg Ben Clarke <b>Rex Dingle</b> Had wind surgery after pulling up on debut and placed on all 3 starts since, on the latest going down by only a head in mares' novice at Wincanton (21.5f, heavy) last time. Definite claims of making the frame here with a repeat.	
<b>7</b>	<b>LOUD AND PROUD (IRE) (19)</b>	<b>75</b>
	69 <b>6</b> 11-2   70.8kg Harry Derham  <b>Tom Buckley (31b/1kg)</b> Winless following 8 attempts between the flags and safely held both starts over hurdles to date. Barrabool is clearly the stable No 1.	
<b>8</b>	<b>RUBYMURREE</b>	<b>84</b>
	<b>5</b> 11-2   70.8kg Harry Derham  <b>Harry Reed</b> Milan mare out of a bumper/2½m hurdle winner. Represents an up-and-coming yard and she needs a second look in the betting, albeit Barrabool appears to be the stable's first-string.	
<b>9</b>	<b>SUZY WOOD (43)</b>	<b>65</b>
	07 <b>6</b> 11-2   70.8kg Andy Irvine <b>Niall Houlihan</b> Little impact in a couple of bumpers and it's easy enough to look elsewhere.	

<b>10</b>	<b>THAT'LL DO MOSS (59)</b> (D)	<b>85</b>
	17 <b>6</b> 11-2   70.8kg Fergal O'Brien <b>Jonathan Burke</b> Point winner who did the job well starting out under Rules in a Uttoxeter bumper last summer. Wasn't entirely disgraced in a listed event back from a break at Cheltenham in November but the awkward head carriage she exhibited was somewhat disconcerting and step forward needed now hurdling.	
<b>11</b>	<b>VARINIA (FR) (27)</b>	<b>75</b>
	04 <b>6</b> 11-2   70.8kg Stuart Edmunds <b>Charlie Hammond</b> Winner of the second of her 2 starts between the flags but she hasn't shown much in a bumper/mares' novice hurdles since embarking on a career under Rules.	
<b>12</b>	<b>LITTLE LADY LUCY (IRE) (16)</b>	<b>75</b>
	P7 <b>4</b> 10-3   64.9kg Neil Mulholland <b>Brendan Powell</b> Fair on Flat for Joseph O'Brien, off the mark in that sphere in an 11.8f Gowran handicap in September. No show both starts since switched to hurdles, though, and Blue Las is the clear pick of the yard's 3 candidates in this contest.	
<b>13</b>	<b>ORGANIC (IRE)</b>	<b>79</b>
	<b>4</b> 10-3   64.9kg Neil Mulholland <b>Conor O'Farrell</b> Three-time winner on the Flat at up to 1¼m for George Boughey in 2024. Changed hands for 32,000 gns in October and she's an interesting recruit to this sphere, though the Neil Mulholland yard's best chance of success here is surely with the promising Blue Las.	

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**4-6** Rula Bula, **13-2** Blue Las, **11-1** Game Colours, **14-1** Barrabool, **20-1** That'll Do Moss, **25-1** Future Fortune, **33-1** Organic, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

RULA BULA went down fighting when second in a 9-runner listed contest at Newbury at the end of November and she is difficult to oppose now back in calmer waters. It's likely that Blue Las and Game Colours will do battle for minor honours, with the former taken to emerge as second best given her scope for improvement. Barrabool also has potential but she's probably biting off more than she can chew on this occasion.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. RULA BULA 2. BLUE LAS 3. GAME COLOURS**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**2.40**

**WEATHERBYS CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL GUIDE HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £7,250 3m217y (5030 Metres)**

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Weak**

- 1 PURE THEATRE (IRE) (50)** t **95**  
1363-6886 7 12-0 | 76.2kg  
**Anthony Honeyball** *Chad Bament* (10lb/5kg)  
 Tasted success twice in mares' hurdles in spring 2023 but has been more miss than hit since, latest when sixth of 9 a in handicap hurdle at Ludlow (23.8f, soft) 50 days ago. Returns from short break now 5 lb lower than her last winning mark but needs to step forward from most recent efforts.
- 2 SAN PEDRO (IRE) (19) (CD)** s **93**  
1417-6855 8 11-13 | 75.7kg  
**Chris Gordon** *Freddie Gordon* (3lb/1kg)  
 C&D winner who has been quiet but is now 3 lb lower than his last successful mark and a revival wouldn't be a complete surprise, especially if market support comes his way now back in a 0-100 event.
- 3 BEN LILLY (IRE) (57) (D)** s+t **92**  
31353-875 8 11-11 | 74.8kg  
**David Pipe** *Gearoid Harney* (5lb/2kg)  
 A dual hurdles scorer at around 3m last season but hasn't fired in three runs this autumn and not enough in recent runs to suggest that a return to form is imminent, although worth noting that this is the lowest grade he's contested in his hurdling career.
- 4 SCORSESE (IRE) (60)** b **92**  
40889-096 7 11-4 | 71.7kg  
**Neil Mulholland** *Richie McLernon*  
 Showed fair form in maiden hurdles in Ireland but has been soundly beaten for current yard. Tried in blinkers now after failing to fire in cheekpieces last time. Returns from 60-day break and only worth considering if market vibes are more positive (has been 18/1 or bigger on five starts in the UK).
- 5 CHANCELLORSTOWN (IRE) (35) (BF)** s **100**  
4007-425 7 11-3 | 71.2kg  
**Toby Lawes** *K. Brogan*  
 Showed improved form with cheekpieces fitted (retained) when going down by only a nose in 25f Plumpton handicap in November but below-par when fifth of 9 in a handicap hurdle at Fontwell (21.8f, soft) 35 days ago, not suited by drop in distance. Good chance he can bounce back now upped in trip.
- 6 CONFIDENTIAL GOSIP (IRE) (23)** s+t **92**  
0355688F 6 11-2 | 70.8kg  
**Laura Horsfall** *Niall Houlihan*  
 Fair maiden hurdler for Jessica Harrington but well held in runs for Laura Horsfall, losing ground when fell at the last at Fakenham (16f) 23 days ago. Tongue-tie on and considerably up in trip but others look more persuasive.
- 7 GLENGOLLY (18)** s **100**  
P64756-SU 6 11-0 | 69.9kg  
**Billy Aprahamian** *James Bowen*  
 Off 7 months/yard debut (formerly with Paul Webber) when a promising fifth of 13 in a handicap hurdle at Doncaster (19.4f, good) 28 days ago. Still in contention when unseating rider at Wetherby (24.1f) 18 days ago, had yet to be asked for his effort. Big chance if none the worse for that tumble.
- 8 KICK FOR TOUCH (FR) (24)** b **93**  
590 5 10-10 | 68.0kg  
**Philip Hobbs & Johnson White**  *Micheal Nolan*  
 Beaten a long way in a trio of 2m hurdles in recent weeks, looking like one for handicaps. Steps up markedly in trip and blinkers on for handicap debut. Entitled to show more than he has for yard going well and one to note if market support comes his way.
- 9 NOTHINELSEMATTERS (IRE) (29)** s **91**  
PP45-49U5 7 10-2(10-0) | 64.4kg (63.5kg)  
**Alex Hales** *Harry Bannister*  
 Maiden hurdler at Ludlow in October and unseated chase debut the following month. Fared no better when fifth of 11 in handicap hurdle at Southwell (20.4f, good to soft) 29 days ago, went in snatches. Up in distance and blinkers on but needs more from 2 lb out of the handicap.

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**10-3** Glengolly, **7-2** Chancellorstown, **7-1** Pure Theatre, **9-1** Kick For Touch, **10-1** San Pedro, **12-1** Scorsese, **14-1** Ben Lilly, **14-1** Confidential Gosip, **16-1** Nothinelsematters

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

GLENGOLLY has shown enough in two starts for current connections to suggest that he can win a race of this nature. Chancellorstown can bounce back now returned to a staying trip, while San Pedro is of interest down in a 0-100 handicap at a course where he goes well, particularly if there's market support for him.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. GLENGOLLY 2. CHANCELLORSTOWN 3. SAN PEDRO**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2022	<b>Dynamite Kentucky</b> 7-11-6	4-5f	Dr Richard Newland	C. M. Leonard (5)	8
2021	<b>One For Dunstan</b> 6-10-7	13-2	Robert Walford	Bryan Carver (3)	14

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.10**

**SOUTHERN CONTRACT LTD VETERANS' HANDICAP CHASE (3)  
10yo+ (Rated 0-125) £17,500 3m1f152y (5170 Metres)**

RACE 5



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

**1 BLACK GERRY (IRE) (24) (C)** s **98**  
1/P5PU29-6 10 12-2 | 77.1kg

Gary & Josh Moore **Freddie Mitchell (5lb/2kg)**  
Won all 4 of his starts (at up to 19.8f) when completing during 2022/23. Found things tougher last term and only sixth of 7 at Ascot on return. May come on for that.



**2 CREDO (IRE) (24) (C)** b+t **99**  
2346-5344 10 11-12 | 75.3kg

Anthony Honeyball **Chad Bament (10lb/5kg)**  
Has done his winning in small fields and returned to action with a good third at Wincanton (26.7f) in October. Back on track at Haydock last time and blinkers could bring more out of her.



**3 FIRST LORD DE CUET (FR) (19) (C)** v+t **97**  
P24433-48 11 11-7 | 73.0kg

David Pipe **Jack Tudor**  
Hasn't won since 2021 and has failed to beat a rival on both outings this season, back over hurdles at Wincanton last time. Visor is back on but there's a bit to prove.



**4 NORTHERN POET (IRE) (29) (CD)** **100**  
111/P55-22 10 11-6 | 72.6kg

Nick Gifford **James Davies**  
Recorded a hat-trick switched to fences in the second half of 2022/23. Lightly raced since but mark is fair and he was only denied by an improving sort over C&D last time. That form has been boosted and he's one to be interested in having first go in veterans' company.



**5 SUPERVISOR (IRE) (14)** **96**  
F/212416-2 11 11-4 | 71.7kg

Venetia Williams **Charlie Deutsch**  
Twice a winner last season, including similar event at Wincanton in April. Returned with a solid performance when runner-up in 4-runner event at Warwick a fortnight ago and no reason why he won't go well again.



**6 DIOL KER (FR) (24)** s **90**  
60P-7P6P6 11 11-4 | 71.7kg

Evan Williams **Adam Wedge**  
A useful chaser for Gordon Elliott but has struggled this season, so others make more appeal despite sliding mark.



**7 I SEE YOU WELL (FR) (43) (CD)** **95**  
5U6226-55 12 10-13 | 69.4kg

Seamus Mullins **Micheal Nolan**  
Plenty of wins here but losing run is mounting up and well held this season.



7 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-4 Northern Poet, 10-3 Supervisor, 7-2 Credo, 17-2 Black Gerry, 12-1 First Lord De Cuet, 16-1 I See You Well, 20-1 Diol Ker**

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

NORTHERN POET has had his second over C&D last time boosted by the thriving winner and, switched to veterans' company, he's worth a chance to go one better with no unexposed types in opposition. Credo is reliable and likely to go well, while Supervisor isn't without hope.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. NORTHERN POET 2. CREDO 3. SUPERVISOR**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.45**

RACE 6

**BOOK THE CHELTENHAM PREVIEW RACEDAY HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-110) £10,000 2½m114y (4130 Metres)**



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

Left handed, tight and undulating. Despite the undulations, it's essentially a course which favours handy sorts thanks to the sharp turns. Races on the hurdles course often begin in earnest early on the final circuit, the complexion changing quickly at this point. Ranks surprisingly highly for proportion of casualties on the chase course, especially as the average field size is low, this figure probably reflective of the low standard of horses rather than the stiffness of the fences, though the first in the back straight falls away and has long since been tricky. Beware those horses who stick to the inside on the hurdles track when the ground is testing, better going often found by racing wide.

Pace Information: **Extreme**

**1 SIREKOFF (IRE) (53) t 93**  
2PP-44210 6 12-2 | 77.1kg

David Pipe *Jack Tudor*  
Won a maiden on debut for David Pipe at Newton Abbot (18.5f, good) in August but underperformed switched to a handicap following three months off, twelfth of 17 in handicap hurdle at Chepstow (19.4f, good). Wind operation and tongue-tie suggests breathing issue the cause of latest disappointment.

**2 ALTO ALTO (FR) (30) (C) v 96**  
61120-657 8 12-1 | 76.7kg

Chris Gordon *Freddie Gordon (3lb/1kg)*  
4-time course winner has lost his way, a return to chasing did not spark a revival latest. Back smaller obstacles and tried in first-time visor today but needs to leave recent efforts well-behind him.

**3 STORM DENNIS (IRE) (657) (D) 83**  
566/ 9 11-13 | 75.7kg

Chris Gordon *Rex Dingle*  
On the up at the beginning of 2022, winning handicaps at Huntingdon and Kempton. However, tailed off third and final start in 2022/23 and absent since. Marked should guide as to what's expected on first run for 21 months.

**4 CASA LOUPI (309) (C) s 95**  
P40F3- 8 11-11 | 74.8kg

Gary & Josh Moore *Caolin Quinn*  
Course winner would be very well treated on his best form but there was little to shout about in 5 runs last season and he resumes from 10 months off with something to prove.

**5 INFERNO SACREE (FR) (43) (C) 98**  
3P30-7623 7 11-10 | 74.4kg

Nigel Hawke *Lorcan Murtagh*  
Course winner generally makes the running. Had a fruitful spell landing 5 wins from 6 starts in first half of 2023. Struggled since but step in the right direction latest when third of 11 over C&D 43 days ago, however it could be that this trip does just stretch his stamina. Can make the frame.

**6 JET MARSHALL (IRE) (33) 99**  
661/U4 8 11-10 | 74.4kg

Philip Hobbs & Johnson White *Mr Ben Sutton (5lb/2kg)*  
Attracted support and showed improved form to make a winning handicap debut at Wincanton (19.8f, good to soft) in February 2023. Shaped as if retaining all his ability on what was essentially his return from an almost 2-year absence at Warwick last month (fourth of 11). Claims here.

**7 OFFICER OF STATE (27) 95**  
588-124 6 11-10 | 74.4kg

Gary & Josh Moore *Niall Houlihan*  
Useful 15f winner on the Flat for Andre Fabre in France. Sold for 65,000 gns and readily landed 17f Fontwell handicap hurdle in November. Hung right when an odds-on second at Southwell after and below-par latest fourth of 6 at Lingfield (19.5f, Class 3) but couldn't rule out now back down in grade.

**8 SEEK HIM THERE (IRE) (29) 91**  
267-762 6 11-7 | 73.0kg

Ben Case *Jack Quinlan*  
Stepped up on first two hurdles starts when second of 13 in novice hurdle at Southwell (15.8f, good to soft) 29 days ago, shaken up home turn and kept on. Step up in trip looks a positive and each-way claims on handicap debut.

**9 KAZONTERAZZ (27) ★ 100**  
4323-0053 9 11-6 | 72.6kg

Martin Keighley *Sean Bowen*  
Bounced back to form with his best effort of the season (third of 8 in a female amateur jockeys handicap hurdle at Ludlow 27 days ago) and looks a big player if she can build on that with Sean Bowen taking over in the saddle.

**10 OUR BILL'S AUNT (IRE) (56) t 97**  
2/3326-233 9 11-4 | 71.7kg

Alex Hales *Kielan Woods*  
Fair winner at 19f over hurdles who posted solid placed efforts over fences in May. Below form on comeback in November, struggled on final circuit. Should strip fitter on return to smaller obstacles today. Place claims.

**11 A TICKATICKATIMING (190) (C) 90**  
153123-48 7 11-2 | 70.8kg

Sheena West *Marc Goldstein*  
Course winner when holding on gamely for success in 2m mares' maiden here (2m, good to soft) in November but finished last season with first poor run over hurdles, not helped by racing too keenly. Needs to bounce back on return.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**4-1** Jet Marshall, **5-1** Officer of State, **6-1** Kazontherazz, **9-1** Seek Him There, **10-1** Inferno Sacree, **10-1** Our Bill's Aunt, **14-1** Sirekoff, **14-1** A Tickatickatiming, **22-1** Alto, **22-1** Casa Loupi, **33-1** Storm Dennis

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Plenty of these arrive with something to prove, and it might pay to focus on those with some recent form to their name. After a few quiet efforts KAZONTERAZZ was much more herself when third at Ludlow last month, and she can build on that performance to score under Sean Bowen. Jet Marshall ran well to finish fourth at Warwick after an absence, so he can be in the mix along with Inferno Sacree who has been placed here on his last two runs.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. KAZONTERAZZ 2. JET MARSHALL 3. INFERNO SACREE**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race