

Tuesday 22nd October

EXETER

2.10 MOLSON COORS MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.I) 2¼m111y (3720 Metres)

RACE 1 **(3) JACKPOT DES BORDES | (1) ACE OF SPADES | (5) TOM DONIPHON**

2.43 MOLSON COORS MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.II) 2¼m111y (3720 Metres)

RACE 2 **(8) SORCELEUR | (5) PONY SOPRANO | (1) DANGEROUS TOUCH**

3.18 HAPPY RETIREMENT VICTOR AND GERALD DARTNALL NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m1f109y (3520 Metres)

RACE 3 **(2) MOVE WITH THE BEAT | (4) MOORLAND RAMBLER | (3) DUNSTALL RAMBLER**

3.53 WEATHERBYS & BIRDIE CALENDARS HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (3) 2m7f25y (4650 Metres)

RACE 4 **(9) MAD MIKE | (13) KING OF THE LAKE | (3) BALLYMAGROARTY BOY**

4.28 PAUL FERGUSON'S JUMPERS TO FOLLOW BEST MATE HANDICAP CHASE (3) 3m54y (4880 Metres)

RACE 5 **(6) ROSE OF ARCADIA | (7) MORODER | (4) ABUFFALOSOLDIER**

5.03 EXPLORE SHARED OWNERSHIP AT inthe paddock.co.uk AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2¼m111y (3720 Metres)

RACE 6 **(3) REHILL RELIC | (4) LUSAKA | (10) SASSIFIED**

5.33 SOUTH WEST '3 YRS OLD' "JUNIOR" NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 1m5f38y (2650 Metres)

RACE 7 **(4) GNOMON | (6) SECRET SNIPER | (9) TRUSTINTIMES**

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.

2.10**MOLSON COORS MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.I) 4yo+ £6,500**
2¼m111y (3720 Metres)

RACE 1

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Weak****1 ACE OF SPADES (FR) (16) (BF) 97**
521-4 5 11-4 | 71.7kgDan Skelton **Harry Skelton**

Bumper winner in the spring. Beaten at short odds on Uttoxeter hurdle debut and reappearance but capable of leaving that bare form well behind now.

2 AMBION VIEW (FR) (242) 85
633- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Joe Tizzard

Brendan Powell

Achieved only modest form when third in a pair of bumpers last winter. Might be best watched on this hurdle debut after 8 months off.

3 JACKPOT DES BORDES (FR) (184) 100
12- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg t 

Paul Nicholls

Harry Cobden

Made a winning bumper debut at Hereford last November and better form when second under a penalty at Wincanton 5 months later. Has a tongue tie added for hurdle debut. Useful prospect.

4 JOHNNIE RIVER (89) 60
9-0 5 11-4 | 71.7kg h

Susan Gardner

Sean Houlihan

Well held in a bumper and maiden hurdle in Britain and similar story in 2 Flat runs on Jersey. Big outsider.

5 TOM DONIPHON (FR) (192) 90
120- 5 11-4 | 71.7kgPhilip Hobbs & Johnson White **Micheal Nolan**

Useful in bumpers last season, including a Fontwell win. Found an Aintree Grade 2 too much on final start but should still have a bright future over jumps.

6 WALK IN THE HILLS (IRE) (318) (BF) 87
23- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Sam Thomas

Dylan Johnston (31b/1kg)

Placed in a couple of Chepstow bumpers towards the end of 2023. Switches to hurdles after 10 months off with his stable going well. It'll be interesting to see what the betting makes of him.

7 ALSHADHIAN (IRE) 84
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Alan King

Tom Cannon

Fair maiden at best on Flat (stays 1¾m) but well held in 2 handicaps for this yard at the start of the season. Sets out over hurdles with a point to prove.

8 GEORGE'S LAD (IRE) 86
4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Emma Lavelle

Tom Bellamy

Held every chance when falling at the last in a point in April and purchased for £50,000 shortly after. The betting should help guide to expectations on Rules debut.

9 THREE ZAMBEZI'S (IRE) (11) 70
09 4 11-2 | 70.8kg

Christian Williams

Jack Tudor

Placed on the second of 2 starts in Irish points but down the field in 2 hurdles this month.

10 CHERRY BRAVE (IRE) (11) 79
7 5 10-11 | 68.5kgDan Skelton **Charlie Todd**

Irish point winner but more one for the longer term over hurdles judged on his recent first attempt at Chepstow. Ace of Spades looks very much the stable first string.

11 WESTERN ARTICLE (IRE) 85
5 10-11 | 68.5kg

Jeremy Scott

Lorcan Williams

£20,000 purchase after finishing runner-up sole start in Irish points but will need to be useful to make a winning start to her hurdle career here.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:**15-8** Jackpot Des Bordes, **5-2** Ace of Spades, **6-1** Tom Doniphon, **10-1** Walk In The Hills, **16-1** George's Lad, **25-1** Western Article, **25-1** Ambion View, **28-1** Alshadhian, **66-1** bar**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

JACKPOT DES BORDES did well in bumpers last season and gets the nod to make a winning start to his hurdle career for the Paul Nicholls team. Ace of Spades could step up a good deal on his first attempt over hurdles and is second choice ahead of Tom Doniphon, another who displayed plenty of promise in bumpers last term.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. JACKPOT DES BORDES 2. ACE OF SPADES 3. TOM DONIPHON****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2023	Big Fish 5-11-4	7-1	Emma Lavelle	Tom Bellamy	12
2022	Lallygag 5-11-4	1-8f	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	3

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.43**MOLSON COORS MAIDEN HURDLE (4) (D.II) 4yo+ £6,500**
2¼m111y (3720 Metres)

RACE 2

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Even**

1 DANGEROUS TOUCH (IRE) (179) (BF) 85
47- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Ollly Murphy

K. Brogan

£135,000 buy after finishing runner-up sole outing in Irish points. All the rage in the betting but promised more than he delivered in a Wetherby bumper on Rules debut in March and was still in need of the experience at Perth the following month. Makes hurdle debut.

2 DE VEGA'S WARRIOR (IRE) (11) 76
0 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Henrietta C Knight

Paul O'Brien

A frustrating maiden handicapper on Flat (stays 16.5f) and made an unpromising start to his career over hurdles at Chepstow 11 days ago.

3 KILLARD POINT (FR) (86) 75
P 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Richenda Ford

Richie McLernon

Off mark in points at sixth attempt in May but shaped with no promise on Rules debut at Uttoxeter in July.

4 NOT SO WOOLLY (186) 77
5- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Joe Tizzard

Brendan Powell

Kayf Tara gelding. Dam 3m chase winner, half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/chaser (stayed 3m) Finney. Offered something to work on when fifth of 8 in a course bumper on debut 6 months ago. Longer trip a plus now hurdling.

5 PONY SOPRANO (IRE) (262) 81
3- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

€135,000 Blue Bresil gelding. Dam, well held in bumpers, closely related to useful hurdler/chaser (stayed 3m) Royal Player. Shaped like a stayer when third of 8 in a Sandown bumper on debut 8 months ago, so step up in trip promises to suit on hurdle debut.

6 GILLESPIE ROAD (IRE) (11) 75
80 4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Christian Williams

Nick Scholfield

Successful on sole outing in Irish points but down the field in 2 novice hurdles.

7 LOKI'S MISCHIEF (FR) (89) 80
27 4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Mrs Jane Williams

David Noonan

Ran to a fair level when runner-up on the first of 2 starts in bumpers and is bred to have a good future over jumps.

8 SORCELEUR (FR) (192) 100
3315- 4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Paul Nicholls

Harry Cobden

Built on previous promise when making all in a Taunton bumper in February. Put up a useful effort when fifth of 18 in Grade 2 event at Aintree final outing and is very much of interest now switched to hurdles. Tongue strap on for 1st time.

9 DROPILIKEITSHOT (155) 76
4958-6 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Chris Honour

Alice Stevens (5lb/2kg)

Looks one for low-grade handicaps after this.

10 HILL OF SCARRIFF (11) 76
0 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Dan Skelton

Charlie Todd

Successful on sole outing in points but was easy to back and offer little on recent hurdling debut at Chepstow.

BETTING FORECAST:

5-6 Sorceleur, **9-2** Pony Soprano, **13-2** Dangerous Touch, **10-1** Loki's Mischief, **14-1** Not So Woolly, **80-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SORCELEUR progressed with each run in bumpers, putting up a useful effort in a Grade 2 at Aintree on final outing, and will surely take a fair bit of beating if transferring that sort of form to hurdles at the first attempt. Pony Soprano is in good hands and seems likely to build on his third in a Sandown bumper now going hurdling up in trip, with Dangerous Touch fancied to fill the places.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SORCELEUR 2. PONY SOPRANO 3. DANGEROUS TOUCH

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

**HAPPY RETIREMENT VICTOR AND GERALD DARTNALL
NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100)
£7,250 2m1f109y (3520 Metres)****GBI RACING**Going: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 CABRAKAN (IRE) (30) s **99**
3/250437-3 5 12-0 | 76.2kg



Harriet Dickin

Ben Poste

Prone to mistakes over hurdles and well held back on the Flat both starts this summer. Didn't look a natural over fences at Plumpton last month. Cheekpieces back on.

2 MOVE WITH THE BEAT (IRE) (186) **98**
4064- 5 12-0 | 76.2kg



Emma Lavelle

Harry Cobden

Dual point winner who has shown some promise over hurdles and no surprise to see him make more of an impact now chasing/handicapping.

3 DUNSTALL RAMBLER (IRE) (156) h **99**
02/07PF2-7 6 11-10 | 74.4kg



Tom George

Jonathan Burke

Just modest form at best over hurdles but would have gone close to making a winning chase bow at Huntingdon but for falling at the last. Backed that up when second over C&D next time, though was let down by jumping at Stratford final start. Worth another chance on return.

4 MOORLAND RAMBLER (211) (C) ★ **100**
3177/445P- 6 11-9 | 73.9kg



Mrs Jane Williams

David Noonan

Winning hurdler though not so good switched to fences last term, running badly here when last seen in March. However, does at least start the new campaign off a potentially handy mark.

5 LELANT (IRE) (52) t **98**
5446-3366 6 11-6 | 72.6kg



Evan Williams

Adam Wedge

Fair form without success over hurdles but not so good over fences so far, though ground might have been too quick latest. Not one to write off in this sphere.

6 LADY GWEN (32) t **96**
1325-P598 6 11-5 | 72.1kg



Kim Bailey

Tom Bellamy

Been given a chance by the assessor but this quirky mare has been out of form over hurdles. Makes chase debut.

7 JOHN W CREASY (IRE) (157) b **95**
6/504770-7 6 11-0 | 69.9kg



Chris Honour

Bryan Carver

Hasn't really threatened in a handful of outings for this yard and similar story on chase bow at Bangor when last seen in May. Change of headgear and down in trip.

8 GREYSTOKE (61) t **93**
26/55-598P 6 10-11 | 68.5kg



Jimmy Frost

Ellis Collier (7lb/3kg)

Unable to make an impact in 6 handicap hurdles since joining this yard and not an obvious chasing type.

9 MISS MARETTE (12) (C) s **96**
034-P5056 8 10-2 | 64.4kg



Chris Down

James Davies

Winner over hurdles here a year ago but has struggled for the most part since, including on chase bow on penultimate start. Headgear goes on.

10 WELLWILLYA (146) **93**
P63565-PP 6 10-2(9-12) | 64.4kg (62.6kg)



Helen Nelmes

Lorcan Murtagh

Poor maiden hurdler who's 4 lb out of the handicap on chase bow.

11 MY MATE POLLY (8) **79**
64-U404P6 4 10-2(9-9) | 64.4kg (61.2kg)



Bill Turner

Harry Kimber

No promise in bumpers and poor form over hurdles. Out of the weights on chase bow.

12 MR SOCIABLE (15) b+t **93**
907P0-PP5 9 10-2(9-7) | 64.4kg (60.3kg)



Chris Down

Philip Armon (31lb/1kg)

Poor maiden who's easy to oppose from out of the handicap.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Move With The Beat, **5-1** Moorland Rambler, **6-1** Cabrakan, **13-2** Dunstall Rambler, **13-2** Lelant, **12-1** Lady Gwen, **16-1** John W Creasy, **22-1** Miss Marette, **33-1** Mr Sociable, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

It looks quite significant that dual-point winner MOVE WITH THE BEAT has been sent chasing for his handicap debut so gets the vote for a yard that has hit some form of late. Moorland Rambler starts the new campaign off a potentially good mark so is next best ahead of Dunstall Rambler.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MOVE WITH THE BEAT 2. MOORLAND RAMBLER 3. DUNSTALL RAMBLER

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Stroll On By	6-12-0	3-1f	Charlie Longsdon	Paul O'Brien	10
2022	Braveheart	6-11-0	5-2	Jamie Snowden	Jonathan Burke	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.53

WEATHERBYS & BIRDIE CALENDARS HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (3) 4yo+ (Rated 0-125) £14,000 2m7f25y (4650 Metres)

RACE 4




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


A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Very Strong**


1 STRIKING A POSE (IRE) (191) (CD) 95
2P3P11P8- 8 12-0 | 76.2kg

 Joe Tizzard **Freddie Gingell (31b/1kg)**
Revitalised back over hurdles at the turn of the year, adding to his good record here with a double in the mud (latter victory over C&D). Has won fresh and probably not handicapped out of things on return.

2 TAP N GO LEO (IRE) (211) (BF) 94
1231P- 5 11-13 | 75.7kg

 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill **Jonjo O'Neill Jr.**
Bumper winner who struck at the second time of asking over hurdles in 25f Catterick maiden in February. Bled on handicap debut at Huntingdon subsequently, though. Still unexposed starting out in his second season.


3 BALLYMAGROARTY BOY (IRE) (189) (D) 98
2/3414034- 11 11-11 | 74.8kg

 Nigel Hawke **Ben Bromley (51b/2kg)**
Usually gives his running (couple of good efforts over C&D) and has won first time back in the past. One to note.


4 MADE FOR YOU (25) (D) 96
4/3352-221 9 11-9 | 73.9kg

 John & Rhys Flint **Mr Edward Vaughan (71b/3kg)**
Won 5-runner 23f Worcester handicap hurdle last month, showing a good attitude. Not so good back on the level a fortnight ago but still on a fair mark back in this sphere.


5 ERNEST GRAY (IRE) (168) (BF) 95
1P3/7142-6 7 11-8 | 73.5kg

 Alan King **Tom Cannon**
Won 3m handicap chase at Southwell in January but ran another moody race there when last seen in May. Still quite unexposed as a staying hurdler (scored at Doncaster in novice campaign) but probably not one to rely on.


6 KEPAGGE (IRE) (145) 98
21/3346-82 10 11-6 | 72.6kg

 David Pipe **Jack Tudor**
Good record at Ffos Las and bounced back to form there last time, no match for promising 5-y-o. 3 lb higher back from 5 months off now and has stamina to prove.


7 LUTINEBELLA (25) (C) 99
1414/U8-43 8 11-5 | 72.1kg

 Fergal O'Brien **Fern O'Brien (71b/3kg)**
Fairly useful in bumpers and successful twice over hurdles during 2022/23 campaign. Lightly raced since, running poorly behind Made For You at Worcester a month ago. Nudged down another 2 lb.


8 HIGH GAME ROYAL (FR) (217) 100
331/23335- 7 11-5 | 72.1kg

 Philip Hobbs & Johnson White **Ben Jones**
Successful handicap debut over hurdles at Chepstow (19.5f) in April 2023 and quite lightly raced kept to testing ground last term. Stamina to prove on return but ran well first time up last season (over fences) and looks fairly weighted.


9 MAD MIKE (IRE) (242) (C) 97
5/P51d1- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Philip Hobbs & Johnson White **Sean Houlihan**
First past post in maiden at Chepstow penultimate start last season (decent form) then gained compensation for that demotion in match here next time. Remains with potential now tackling staying handicaps and one to consider on return.


10 MR TAMBOURINE MAN (IRE) (36) (C,D) 97
PPP-2116P 7 11-4 | 71.7kg

 David Pipe **David Noonan**
Back on track in staying handicap hurdles this summer, completing a double in June. Well beaten the last twice, however, and needs a revival.


11 EARTH KING (IRE) (36) (C) 98
35PP-1458 8 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Neil Mulholland **Harry Cobden**
Successful back over hurdles in staying handicap at Fontwell in May in first-time cheekpieces under this rider. Well beaten after 11 weeks off at Worcester but may have needed that.

12 MORFEE (IRE) (267) (D) 90
72121- 8 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Seamus Mullins **James Best**
Lightly raced since March 2022 but has built up a good strike rate, successful for a fourth time in staying handicap chase at Plumpton when last seen in January. Been absent another 8 months and might need it.

13 KING OF THE LAKE (183) 97
2/2232227- 6 11-1 | 70.3kg

 Jeremy Scott **Rex Dingle**
Runner-up on 6 of his 8 starts over hurdles, including 3 times here. Should find a race this term and worth a look back from 6 months off.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

13-2 Mad Mike, 15-2 Tap N Go Leo, 10-1 High Game Royal, 10-1 Morfee, 11-1 Earth King, 11-1 King of The Lake, 12-1 Kepagge, 12-1 Made For You, 14-1 Lutinebella, 16-1 Ballymagroarty Boy, 18-1 Ernest Gray, 20-1 Mr Tambourine Man, 20-1 Striking A Pose

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MAD MIKE remains with potential for staying handicaps this term and could be set for a big run if ready to go. King of The Lake should find a race, while Ballymagroarty Boy is another to consider.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MAD MIKE 2. KING OF THE LAKE 3. BALLYMAGROARTY BOY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Goshhowposh 6-11-6	11-4f	Philip Hobbs & Johnson White	Micheal Nolan	10
2022	Presenting Yeats 6-11-2	10-11	Milton Harris	Paddy Brennan	2
2021	An Tailliur 5-11-12	6-5f	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	6
2020	Oscars Moonshine 5-10-13	4-6f	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	7
2019	As I See It 7-11-12	14-1	Harry Fry	Sean Bowen	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**PAUL FERGUSON'S JUMPERS TO FOLLOW BEST MATE
HANDICAP CHASE (3) 4yo+ (Rated 0-135) £16,500
3m54y (4880 Metres)**

RACE 5

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

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Weak**

1 MASTERS LEGACY (IRE) (606) (CD) 99
6132/ 9 12-0 | 76.2kg



Philip Hobbs & Johnson White

Micheal Nolan

Made winning start in this sphere over C&D 2 years ago but well below that level in both subsequent outings and likely best watched on return from 20 months off unless the market speaks in his favour.

2 BOBHOPEORNOHOPE (IRE) (183) (C, D) s+t 95
314P/PPP- 9 11-13 | 75.7kg



Kim Bailey

Tom Bellamy

Three-time winner over fences but failed to complete in 3 starts last term and remains to be seen if he has been revitalised after a summer break.

3 TEA CLIPPER (IRE) (194) s+t 97
8/9223235- 9 11-13 | 75.7kg



Tom Lacey

Stan Sheppard

Winless since scoring at Chepstow back in October 2021 and, while he showed the bulk of his ability remained last term, he didn't look the most straightforward and others hold more appeal for win purposes.

4 ABUFFALOSOLDIER (IRE) (185) (D) 99
6/7526134- 7 11-12 | 75.3kg



Warren Greatrex

James Bowen

Opened account over fences at Newbury (22.4f) in January and ran to similar level when creditable fourth of 13 in handicap chase at Ayr (24.1f, good to soft, 12/1) in April. Could be a player if fully tuned up on return.

5 AN TAILLIUR (FR) (25) (C, D) 66
2368/25 8 11-12 | 75.3kg



Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill

Jonjo O'Neill Jr.

Prolific winner in handicap hurdles in 2021/22 and ran well in some hot handicaps the following season. However, yet to really take to chasing in a couple of starts in novice company.

6 ROSE OF ARCADIA (IRE) (205) (D) t 100
3/1733214- 9 11-12 | 75.3kg



Joe Tizzard

Freddie Gingell (3lb/1kg)

Below best when last seen at Plumpton in March but has had a wind operation since and can go well fresh. Shortlist material.

7 MORODER (IRE) (188) (CD) 98
12/PP7852- 10 11-12 | 75.3kg



Seamus Mullins

James Best

Multiple winner over fences who had a largely disappointing campaign last term but was sparked up by first-time blinkers when second of 14 in handicap chase at Cheltenham (26f) in April and returns on a decent mark.

8 MACLAINE (185) (BF) 97
532/42517- 7 11-6 | 72.6kg



Richard Bandey

Brendan Powell

Made fourth start over fences a winning one at Newbury (22.4f) in March and remains low mileage in this discipline. Warrants respect on return to track here.

9 ART DECCO (205) s 98
313/37111- 8 11-5 | 72.1kg



Robert Walford

Harry Kimber

Ended last term on the up, completing a hat-trick in staying handicaps when scoring at Ffos Las (28f, heavy) in March. Returns on a career-high mark but must enter calculations.

10 JUPITER ALLEN (FR) (166) (C) 91
63/80315-5 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Mrs Jane Williams

David Noonan

Dual winner over hurdles who wasn't disgraced when fifth of 6 in handicap chase at Stratford (22.6f, good) on debut over fences in May. Likely more to come in this sphere but this is more competitive.

BETTING FORECAST:

5-1 Moroder, **11-2** Rose of Arcadia, **13-2** Art Decco, **17-2** Abuffalosoldier, **17-2** Maclaine, **11-1** Masters Legacy, **11-1** Tea Clipper, **14-1** Jupiter Allen, **14-1** An Tailliur, **16-1** Bobhopeornohope

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Preference is for ROSE OF ARCADIA, who has a good record first time up and returns on a workable mark. Moroder and Abuffalosoldier rate the principal dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROSE OF ARCADIA 2. MORODER 3. ABUFFALOSOLDIER

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Any News 8-11-9	22-1	Neil Mulholland	Richie McLernon	11
2022	Red Happy 5-11-8	9-4	David Pipe	Tom Scudamore	4
2021	From The Heart 7-11-0	6-1	Philip Hobbs	Sean Houlihan (3)	5
2020	Kitty's Light 4-10-6	9-2	Christian Williams	Jack Tudor (5)	6
2019	Golden Sunrise 6-11-2	7-1	Colin Tizzard	Robbie Power	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6

**EXPLORE SHARED OWNERSHIP AT inthe paddock.co.uk
AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 3yo+ (Rated
0-100) £7,000 2¼m111y (3720 Metres)**



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

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1	I SHUT THAT D'OR (FR) (106) 3UPPP3-P7 6 12-0 76.2kg	t	95
	Joe Tizzard Belied odds of 50/1 when taking a Wincanton novice hurdle in January 2023. However, he hasn't done much right since and the return to this sphere failing to spark a return to form when last seen in July.		Mr Liam Trott (71b/3kg)
2	BIGZ BELIEF (IRE) (12) (D) IUSP-45786 7 12-0 76.2kg	s+t	95
	Barry Brennan Irish import who shaped well in a handicap on the Flat at Wolverhampton last month but he was only sixth in an 8-runner event back hurdling over C&D 12 days ago. Cheekpieces refitted.		Mr Martin McIntyre (31b/1kg)
3	REHILL RELIC (IRE) (179) 26442- 5 12-0 76.2kg		99
	Sam Allwood Successful sole start between the flags and has shown a fair level of ability all 3 starts over hurdles, last seen chasing home a Nicky Henderson-trained hotpot (Break My Soul, who has won again since) at Chepstow (2m, good) in April. Of strong interest now handicapping with top amateur booked.		Mr William Biddick
4	LUSAKA (IRE) (692) 422236/ 6 11-12 75.3kg	s	100
	John & Rhys Flint Not seen out in this sphere for best part of 2 years but has won several times on the Flat since, including last time at Nottingham (1¼m, good) where he produced a fine front-running display, winning by 7 lengths. Major player back hurdling off a potentially handy mark.		Mr Edward Vaughan (71b/3kg)
5	ELUSIVENESS (IRE) (186) 06532- 5 11-5 72.1kg	t	91
	Jeremy Scott Flat-bred mare who took a step forward when runner-up on her handicap debut over this C&D on final start of last season. 3 lb rise tolerable and likely to pick up a race sooner rather than later, provided she is able to build on that improved effort.		Mr Peter Summers (71b/3kg)
6	RYDER'S ROCK (6) 3-5393615 6 10-13 69.4kg	t	94
	Joe Tizzard Off the mark in a 5-runner handicap at Newton Abbot (16.8f, soft) last month but was never travelling at Worcester recently. That was a disappointing effort, for all that the testing conditions may not have been ideal.		Mr Richard Upton (71b/3kg)
7	PESCATORIUS (IRE) (186) 0/7475P8- 5 10-13 69.4kg	t	90
	Harriet Dickin Little impact in bumpers/trio of novice hurdles and improvement was not forthcoming switched to handicaps during the spring. Has undergone a wind op since latest appearance and now sports a first-time tongue strap.		Miss Holly Flynn (71b/3kg)
8	ZMIINYI (IRE) (25) 94-7 6 10-11 68.5kg		94
	Kim Bailey Went close on second of his 2 starts between the flags but hasn't gone with a great deal of promise in a trio of maiden hurdles, including on first start following a wind op at Worcester last month. Needs to raise his game now pitched into a handicap.		Miss Gina Andrews
9	CATBOY (FR) (28) 7535P-041 4 10-11 68.5kg	s	96
	Christian Williams Addition of cheekpieces (retained here) and switch to front-running tactics paid dividends at Fontwell (17.7f, good) where he opened his account in an 8-runner handicap. However, he's unlikely to get a soft lead this time and, in any case, more will be needed up 8 lb in this stronger race.		Mr J. J. Murphy-Knight (71b/3kg)

10	SASSIFIED (IRE) (14) (D) 176-69844 6 10-11 68.5kg	b	97
	Philip Hobbs & Johnson White Notched third success of 2023 when taking a 19f Fontwell handicap last October. Now 7 lb below last winning mark and, though below his best so far this year, he would have a serious chance if the first-time blinkers were to have the desired effect.		Miss Thomasina Eyston (31b/1kg)
11	BENSINI (19) 4-U92d53U4 8 10-10 68.0kg	v+t	94
	Robbie Llewellyn Hurdles winner at Worcester last summer and has made the frame on several occasions over fences since, including when fourth of 13 at Southwell (20.4f, good to firm) recently. Not without each-way hope back hurdling off the same mark.		Mr Michael Try (71b/3kg)
12	GUGUSS COLLONGES (FR) (28) 14PPP-70P 8 10-9 67.6kg	v	91
	Roger Teal Successful twice over fences last autumn but went off the boil as 2023/24 progressed and no impact in 3 starts since returning from a break in June. Hopes pinned on the first-time visor sparking a return to form.		Mr Frederick Tett
13	MR ZEE (IRE) (12) 806U2-4P 7 10-7 66.7kg	s	96
	Michael Blake Fair handicapper on the Flat, successful 3 times last year. Winless following 7 attempts in this sphere, though, and he is hard to warm to following a tame effort in first-time cheekpieces (retained) here 12 days ago.		Mr Joshua Newman
14	HERECOMESHOGAN (IRE) (30) (CD) 8628-7663 7 10-4 65.3kg	v+t	95
	Martin Keighley Runner-up in a Hereford handicap chase in January but hasn't threatened in 5 subsequent starts, including back in this sphere at Newton Abbot during the summer.		Miss Louise Chance (71b/3kg)
15	SINDABELLA (FR) (210) (CD) 77/P1494P- 8 10-2(10-1) 64.4kg (64.0kg)	s	93
	Nigel Hawke Resumed winning ways over C&D last December and performed with credit when fourth of 15 back here 8 days later. However, form has tailed off since (has undergone another wind op since latest run) and she's probably best watched back from a 7-month absence.		Miss Megan Bevan (71b/3kg)

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-1 Rehill Relic, **13-2** Lusaka, **8-1** Catboy, **17-2** Sassified, **10-1** Elusiveness, **12-1** Herecomes Hogan, **12-1** Ryder's Rock, **14-1** Zmiinyi, **16-1** Bensini, **22-1** Sindabella, **25-1** Mr Zee, **28-1** Bigz Belief, **33-1** Guguss Collonges, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The pair with this most appealing claims are REHILL RELIC and Lusaka, with marginal preference for the former who should benefit from this slightly stiffer test now handicapping and the booking of William Biddick is an obvious plus. Lusaka won well on the Flat last time and is feared greatly back in this sphere off an attractive mark, while Sassified will be a threat if responding well to the first-time blinkers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. REHILL RELIC 2. LUSAKA 3. SASSIFIED

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Wolfspear 7-12-0	16-1	Olly Murphy	Mr Oliver Boyden (7)	18
2022	Herecomes Hogan 5-12-2	10-1	Martin Keighley	Harry Atkins (7)	10
2021	Soul Icon 4-10-3	11-4f	Keiran Burke	Mr Frederick Procter (7)	13
2020 ^l	Knight Commander 7-11-12	11-4	Sheila Lewis	Miss Katie Powell (7)	11
2020 ^l	Caspers Court 6-11-12	3-1	Kayley Woollacott	Mr Joshua Newman (3)	10
2019	Don Juan du Gouet 6-12-7	7-4f	Henry Daly	Alice Stevens (7)	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.33**SOUTH WEST '3 YRS OLD' "JUNIOR" NATIONAL HUNT FLAT
(5) 3yo £4,000 1m5f38y (2650 Metres)****RACE 7**Going: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

A hilly course, galloping in nature. Its right-handed two-mile circuit is laid out in a long oval, with eleven fences and a run-in of around 170 yards. The chase course is on the outside of the hurdles one, but the inside track is often used on the home turn regardless of whether the races are over fences or not. The half-mile home straight is on the rise all the way to the finish and can result in some notably slow-motion finishes, especially on the chase course. Conditions can get extremely testing in midwinter and the exact opposite in drier periods, the course without an artificial watering system.

Pace Information: **Insufficient Data****1 CEDAR CREEK 92**
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Rebecca Curtis *Ben Jones*
41,000 gns Frankel gelding. Half-brother to 2 winners on Flat, including 7f winner Desert Voice. Dam unraced. Interesting pedigree. One to note in the betting.

2 CLOSE COMBAT (IRE) 91
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Nigel Hawke *David Noonan*
Kessaar gelding. Closely related to 7f/1m winner Naifah and half-brother to 2 winners. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful 2m hurdle winner Duty. Possibly best watched unless the betting vibes are strong.

3 DIGGER ONE 90
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Keiran Burke *Tom Bellamy*
Mukhadram gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including modest hurdler Oishin, stayed 3m. Dam 1m winner. The stable is 2-37 in bumpers in the last 5 seasons.

4 GNOMON 100
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Ralph Beckett *Daryl Jacob*
Time Test gelding. Half-brother to useful 7f-1m winner Newbolt. Dam, 7f winner, half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser (barely stayed 3m) Ultimate. Top Flat stable has won this race twice in recent years.

5 ROI DU RISK (FR) 90
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Henrietta C Knight *Brendan Powell*
No Risk At All gelding. Brother to fairly useful hurdle/chase winner Jubilee Express, and half-brother to fairly useful hurdler/chase winner Oxygen. Best watched on debut.

6 SECRET SNIPER 96
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Hughie Morrison *David Bass*
Stimulation gelding. Brother to connections' dual bumper winner/fairly useful 2m hurdle winner Secret Squirrel. Likely type for a stable which has tasted success in this race before.

7 SHERMINATOR (GER) 92
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Emma Lavelle *Joe Anderson (3lb/1kg)*
Amaron gelding. Half-brother to 11f winner in Germany Saba Queen. Dam unraced half-sister to useful 2m hurdle winner Slowfoot. Yard no stranger to bumper success.

8 STAR OF GUITING (IRE) 96
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Nigel Twiston-Davies *Sam Twiston-Davies*
€25,000 Vadosos gelding. Half-brother to bumper winners Petrossian and Realistic Optimism. Makes appeal on breeding.

9 TRUSTINTIMES 94
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Harry Fry *Bryan Carver*
Time Test gelding. Closely related to 3 winners and half-brother to 5 winners on Flat, including useful 1½m winner Ouja. Dam 7.5f/1m winner. On the shortlist for a stable with a healthy bumper strike-rate.

10 UHTRED RAGNARSON (IRE) 93
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Alan King *Philip Armson (3lb/1kg)*
Holy Roman Emperor gelding. Brother to 9.4f winner Letiza and half-brother to a winner. Dam unraced. Another who needs monitoring in the betting.

11 VORDERMAN 91
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Roger Teal *Ben French Davis (5lb/2kg)*
Study of Man gelding. Dam ran once on Flat. Wears cheekpieces for debut.

12 WIDDYBANK 93
3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Tom George *Jonathan Burke*
Australia gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including smart hurdler/top-class chaser Santini and useful hurdler Dusky Legend. Stable nowhere near as prolific in bumpers in recent times as was previously the case but this one is bred to be useful.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Gnomon, **6-1** Secret Sniper, **13-2** Star of Guiting, **17-2** Trustintimes, **10-1** Uhtred Ragnarson, **10-1** Widdybank, **14-1** Cedar Creek, **14-1** Sherminator, **25-1** Close Combat, **28-1** Vorderman, **33-1** Roi Du Risk, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Ralph Beckett has won this race in 2021 and 2022 so GNOMON is the suggestion before any betting clues are known. Secret Sniper, Trustintimes and Star of Guiting are others who look the part on paper in an interesting junior bumper.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. GNOMON 2. SECRET SNIPER 3. TRUSTINTIMES****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2023	Kel du Large 3-11-0	16-1	Mrs Jane Williams	David Noonan	15
2022	Twentyfirst Lancer 3-11-0	10-11f	Ralph Beckett	Daryl Jacob	5
2021	Eel Pie Island 3-10-5	5-2f	Ralph Beckett	Tom Buckley (5)	8
2020	The Worthy Brat 3-10-12	11-2	Jeremy Scott	Rex Dingle (3)	12
2019	Shinobi 3-10-12	8-1	Kim Bailey	David Bass	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race