

Thursday 24th October

CARLISLE



1.48	LAKES ESTATES PROPERTY SALES AND LETTINGS NOVICES' CHASE (3) 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)
RACE 1	(3) JOHNNYWHO (1) BUGISE SEAGULL (4) CHERIE D'AM
2.20	YOU CAN'T PARK THERE SIR NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)
RACE 2	(5) BARLOVENTO (1) GEEZER ROCKSTAR (11) SEA GOD
2.55	DAVID ALLEN NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 3¼m34y (5260 Metres)
RACE 3	(3) BALLYDISCO (1) ILLICO DE COTTE (4) ELLEON
3.30	TRADE COPIERS 22 YEAR ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (3) 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)
RACE 4	(10) WISE GUY (6) DON HOLLOW (4) TO CHASE A DREAM
4.05	ATKINSON BUILDERS PENRITH HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.I) 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)
RACE 5	(1) PLAISIR DES FLOS (3) BROUGHSHANE (7) MR HOPE STREET
4.40	ATKINSON BUILDERS PENRITH HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.II) 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)
RACE 6	(3) DOMINIC'S FAULT (10) SECRET SECRET (2) ONE EYE ON VEGAS
5.15	HATHER FINANCIAL SERVICES HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)
RACE 7	(1) FORTUNATE MAN (12) ROCK OF STAR (4) THE FLIER BEGLEY

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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LAKES ESTATES PROPERTY SALES AND LETTINGS NOVICES' CHASE (3) 4yo+ £15,000 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)

RACE 1




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

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

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 BUGISE SEAGULL (IRE) (194) (D) 90
1133- 6 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Charlie Longsdon *Brian Hughes*
Irish point recruit who won first 2 starts over hurdles last winter. Third in Aintree Grade 1 novice on final start and rates a good chase prospect.


2 BUTCH (250) (D, BF) 100
7212/1112- 7 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Olly Murphy *Non Runner*
NON RUNNER.

3 JOHNNYWHO (IRE) (194) (C, D) 92
1/14484- 7 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill *Jonjo O'Neill Jr.*
Won a 2½m course novice hurdle on his reappearance and went on to show useful form in defeat later in the season, shaping well in strong 3m Aintree handicap on final start. A fine looker who should do well over fences.

4 CHERIE D'AM (FR) (195) (D) 84
1/12123- 6 10-9 | 67.6kg

 Dan Skelton *Harry Skelton*
Progressed into quite a useful novice hurdler last season and a point win at the start of her career suggests she can do at least as well over fences this time round.

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-4 Johnnywho, 15-8 Bugise Seagull, 7-2 Cherie D'am

TIMEFORM VIEW:

All of these look likely to do well over fences and JOHNNYWHO, who opened his account over hurdles first time up here last season, is fancied to do the same on his chase debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. JOHNNYWHO 2. BUGISE SEAGULL 3. CHERIE D'AM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Good Risk At All 7-11-2	6-5f	Sam Thomas	Charlie Deutsch	7
2022	So Scottish 5-11-8	8-15f	Emmet Mullins	Richie McLernon	3
2021	Hardy du Seuil 4-10-6	10-3	Jamie Snowden	Gavin Sheehan	2
2020	Remastered 7-11-2	7-2	David Pipe	Tom Scudamore	5
2019	Windsor Avenue 7-11-7	6-5	Brian Ellison	Brian Hughes	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**YOU CAN'T PARK THERE SIR NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 4yo+
£6,500 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)**

RACE 2



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

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Pace Information: **Even**

	1	GEEZER ROCKSTAR (IRE) (180) 1/4P10- 5 11-7 73.0kg Harry Fry Won 13-runner Taunton bumper on debut in April and much improved at third time of asking over hurdles when winning 13-runner maiden at Ascot in March. Disappointed in a handicap next time but strong claims on form back from six months off.		100	Lorcan Murtagh
	2	KILMORE ROCK (IRE) (18) (D) 1U 5 11-7 73.0kg Susan Corbett Placed on 2 of 4 starts in points and backed at prices, he made a winning hurdles debut at Hexham in June. That bare form is ordinary and he unseated next time.		93	Nathan Moscrop
	3	KING ROLY (43) 5-411 5 11-7 73.0kg Peter & Michael Bowen Improved with each start in bumpers, off the mark at Perth (16.2f) in August. Followed up on hurdles bow at Worcester 6 weeks ago and likely to build on that but penalty makes things difficult.		98	James Bowen
	4	BALKING (FR) (251) 4- 6 11-0 69.9kg Dianne Sayer Related to a winner over jumps in France and showed ability when fourth of 12 in a bumper at Kelso 8 months ago. Will probably need this first experience of hurdling, though.		90	Conor O'Farrell
	5	BARLOVENTO (IRE) (220) 31- 5 11-0 69.9kg Olly Murphy Confirmed debut promise when winning 6-runner bumper (7/4) at Southwell (15.8f, heavy) in March, value for extra. From a good jumping family and looks sure to make his mark over hurdles.		95	Sean Bowen
	6	BLUE PLAN (IRE) (169) 0 5 11-0 69.9kg Rebecca Menzies Brother to bumper winner Lady Bluebird. No show in novice at Kelso on hurdling debut 169 days ago, so hard to make a case for.		70	Ross Chapman
	7	GRAND GESTE (IRE) (8) 70-P0 5 11-0 69.9kg Sue Smith Down the field in 2 bumpers and no promise so far over hurdles.		60	Peter Kavanagh (31b/1kg)
	8	JOECOOKER (FR) (12) 416 5 11-0 69.9kg Rebecca Menzies Shaped with some encouragement in a Punchestown maiden hurdle prior to winning a Wexford bumper. Some aptitude when sixth in novice at Hexham on debut for this yard recently and steps up in trip now.		94	Jamie Hamilton
	9	MONSIEUR LE FUZZ (FR) 5 11-0 69.9kg Rebecca Menzies €60,000 3-y-o, Saint Des Saints gelding. Half-brother to fairly useful hurdler Park Annonciade. Dam (c123/h115) hurdle/chase winner who stayed 27f. Runner-up on second of 2 starts in Irish points (May 25).		91	Brian Hughes
	10	RED NED (IRE) (12) 25-0 5 11-0 69.9kg Sandy Thomson Runner-up on the first of 2 starts in bumpers last season but offered little sent hurdling after 8 months off at Hexham recently. Up in trip.		75	Lewis Dobb (71b/3kg)

	11	SEA GOD (IRE) (169) (C, BF) 1-4 5 11-0 69.9kg Lucinda Russell Successful on his sole outing in points and completed a simple task switched to a bumper at Carlisle in December. Shaped like a stayer switched to hurdling on first run since leaving John McConnell when fourth of 13 at Kelso (20.9f, good) in May and is open to improvement.		96	Derek Fox
	12	TEES COMP'S CLIVE (12) 57-0 6 11-0 69.9kg Gillian Boanas Yet to show much and looks up against it again.		60	Danny McMenamin
	13	THE BIG BREAC (IRE) (23) 9 7 11-0 69.9kg Sue Smith Placed in a point but looks more of a long-term prospect based on his low-key hurdling debut at Sedgfield.		70	Tom Midgley (31b/1kg)
	14	TORY HILL (IRE) 6 11-0 69.9kg George Bewley Milan gelding. Dam (b70) unplaced in bumpers. Not much to go on pedigree wise and stable usually take a patient approach.		90	Jonathon Bewley
	15	MAD MAG (IRE) 6 10-7 66.7kg Tjade Collier €10,000 6-y-o, Soldier of Fortune mare. Dam (h87), maiden hurdler, sister to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 2¾m) Macs Flamingo. Won first of 2 starts in Irish points, last of 3 finishers last time (Mar 16).		79	Sean Quinlan

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Geezer Rockstar, **5-1** King Roly, **11-2** Barlovento, **6-1** Sea God, **10-1** Joecooker, **11-1** Kilmore Rock, **22-1** Monsieur Le Fuzz, **25-1** Balking, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BARLOVENTO confirmed his debut promise when off the mark in a bumper at Southwell 7 months ago and is very much bred to take to this discipline, so he's marginally preferred to Geezer Rock, who sets a good standard. Sea God is open to improvement and also worthy of consideration.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BARLOVENTO 2. GEEZER ROCKSTAR 3. SEA GOD







SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.55**DAVID ALLEN NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000 3¼m34y (5260 Metres)****RACE 3****GBI RACING**Going: **Good to Soft (Soft in places Hurdles course)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	ILLICO DE COTTE (FR) (187) 2P2133- 6 12-0 76.2kg	99
	Dan Skelton  Harry Skelton Irish point winner who opened his account in a Hereford maiden hurdle (25.5f) in February. Couldn't quite replicate that level in finishing third final 2 starts last season but he appeals as the type who could well do better now his attentions switch to chasing following a wind op.	
2	PHILLAPA SUE (IRE) (187) 6/4217418- 9 11-11 74.8kg	98
	David Killahena & Graeme McPherson Richie McLernon Hurdles winner who made a successful chase debut in 4-runner mares' handicap at Market Rasen (23.9f, heavy) in March. Made mistakes and never figured over hurdles at Ayr a month later but not dismissed lightly on return if keeping errors to a minimum.	
3	BALLYDISCO (IRE) (162) 6P44P75-2 7 11-6 72.6kg	98
	Lucinda Russell Derek Fox Twice successful from higher marks over hurdles and signed off time with former yard with his best effort yet in this sphere when runner-up at Ffos Las (28f) in May, giving best only late on. Intriguing contender starting out for new stable.	
4	ELLEON (FR) (12) 2-8113343 9 11-2 70.8kg	100
	Sam England Jonathan England Still not the most of fluent of jumpers but has enjoyed a fine start to the season, winning brace of Hexham handicaps (at 3m) and in-the-frame all 4 starts since. Likely to give his running again for all his mark is probably about right.	
5	HOME SWEET HIGHWAY (IRE) (21) 5/44-62143 7 10-10 68.0kg	60
	Donald McCain Brian Hughes Confirmed previous promise over hurdles when off the mark at Bangor (23f) in June. However, made mistakes and not for the first time didn't convince when well-beaten third of 5 in handicap chase at Southwell (24.3f) 3 weeks ago. Bit to prove now.	

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Ballydisco, **11-4** Illico De Cotte, **4-1** Elleon, **11-2** Phillapa Sue, **8-1** Home Sweet Highway

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BALLYDISCO ended his time with his former stable with his best effort to date over fences when runner-up at Ffos Las back in May and, with his hurdles form offering hope he can be competitive from his revised mark, he could well be the way to go on debut for Lucinda Russell. Chase debutant Illico de Cotte needs considering, with in-form 9-y-o Elleon another fancied to be thereabouts.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BALLYDISCO 2. ILLICO DE COTTE 3. ELLEON

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023 **Fenland Tiger** 7-10-11 2-1f Sam England Jonathan England 7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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TRADE COPIERS 22 YEAR ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (3) 3yo+ (Rated 0-125) £15,000 2m1f33y (3450 Metres)

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Even**

1 THEREISNODOUBT (IRE) (299) h+t **98**

244/13742- **11** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Lucinda Russell *Derek Fox*
 Veteran but he was better than ever when making a successful reappearance at Perth (2m, heavy) last autumn. Has dropped back to the mark he defied at Perth and no shock were he to go well back from 9 months off.

2 BERTIE'S BALLET (12) (BF) **98**

10/21243-P **6** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Dianne Sayer *Conor O'Farrell*
 Useful dual bumper winner who was a similar standard as a novice hurdler last season. Stopped quickly and pulled up on Hexham chase and handicap debut 12 days ago and quickly reverts to hurdles.

3 WELL EDUCATED (IRE) (20) (CD) **97**

11542743 **8** 11-10 | 74.4kg
George Bewley *Jonathon Bewley*
 Won handicaps at Hexham and Kelso in the spring. Creditable third of 7 back at Hexham (2m, good) 20 days ago. Won this race in 2022.

4 TO CHASE A DREAM (236) ★ **100**

22221- **5** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Paul Collins *Brian Hughes*
 Point bumper winner who, having finished runner-up on his first 4 starts in this sphere, deservedly opened his hurdles account when taking a Doncaster maiden (19.5f, heavy) in March. Brian Hughes up on return from what looks a workable opening handicap mark.

5 ROMEO BROWN (218) (CD) **96**

14RF/55PP- **10** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Sue Smith *Tom Midgley (31b/1kg)*
 Hasn't shown much spark since gaining latest success at Aintree in December 2022, pulling up on his final 2 outings last season. Needs to bounce back in a major way.

6 DON HOLLOW (GER) (552) t **99**

34176/ **7** 11-8 | 73.5kg
Dan Skelton *Harry Skelton*
 Wetherby bumper winner who landed a 19f Catterick maiden hurdle just after Christmas. Failed to build on that in a couple of handicaps in the spring but no surprise were he to make a much bigger impact on his return from wind surgery.

7 MOJO EGO (IRE) (29) **97**

241419-55 **4** 11-6 | 72.6kg
James Moffatt *Charlotte Jones*
 Won a pair of juvenile hurdles for Harry Derham last season. Creditable fifth in Cartmel handicap on yard debut in August but beaten a long way when filling the same position at Perth last month. Bounce back needed.

8 PARVOS (IRE) (123) (D) t **95**

3/5PU10-42 **7** 11-6 | 72.6kg
Sandy Thomson *Ryan Mania*
 Fair maiden hurdler in Ireland who produced an improved performance to get off the mark on third start for this yard at Sedgefield in February. Couple of creditable efforts in defeat at the start of the summer but she returns from a break in a warm-looking race.

9 EIRE STREET (IRE) (192) (CD, BF) **96**

23/987112- **7** 11-4 | 71.7kg
Jackie Stephen *Danny McMenamin*
 Much improved for new yard at the beginning of 2024, easily winning heavy-ground handicaps over C&D and Ayr (20.5f) in February. Good second of 16 at Kelso (21f, good to soft) on final start. Could have even more to offer this season.

10 WISE GUY (FR) (194) (CD, BF) **98**

35431213- **5** 11-3 | 71.2kg
Stuart Edmunds *Ciaran Gethings*
 Improver in handicaps last season, including a C&D win on soft. Raced too close to a strong pace and shaped well when third at Chepstow on final start in April and likely to go on to better things in 2024/25.

11 FORGED WELL (IRE) (192) (C) **96**

13P26- **5** 11-1 | 70.3kg
Martin Todhunter *Callum Bewley*
 Point recruit who created a good impression when making successful hurdle debut in a 19f course novice last December. Shaped well in a couple of Kelso handicaps in the spring. Remains unexposed but this drop in trip possibly not ideal on reappearance.

12 COVENTRY (IRE) (7) **98**

F9/5089-62 **7** 11-1 | 70.3kg
Lisa Harrison *Peter Kavanagh (31b/1kg)*
 Eighteen runs since his sole win back in 2021 but he's not long with this yard and ran well for second over C&D (soft) last week. Should be competitive from an unchanged mark.

13 DON VIRGINIA (FR) (21) **95**

2-32 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg
Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill *Jonjo O'Neill Jr.*
 Placed all 3 starts, on the latest going down by neck in novice at Warwick (2m, good) 21 days ago. An unexposed profile provides the hope for improvement in handicaps.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-1 To Chase A Dream, **8-1** Eire Street, **17-2** Don Virginia, **9-1** Wise Guy, **11-1** Bertie's Ballet, **11-1** Coventry, **11-1** Well Educated, **11-1** Parvos, **12-1** Don Hollow, **14-1** Forged Well, **16-1** Thereisnodoubt, **28-1** Mojo Ego, **33-1** Romeo Brown

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A competitive handicap. WISE GUY progressed well in handicaps last term, including a C&D win, and appeals as one who can kick on again this season. Dan Skelton's Don Hollow could pose a threat if a wind operation in the off-season has had a positive effect. To Chase A Dream, Eire Street and Don Virginia are others who arrive with positive profiles.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WISE GUY 2. DON HOLLOW 3. TO CHASE A DREAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Russian Virtue 6-11-0	28-1	Rebecca Menzies	Ross Chapman	11
2022	Well Educated 6-11-4	6-1	George Bewley	Jonathon Bewley (3)	10
2021	Quinta Do Mar 6-11-8	11-4	Ben Pauling	Luca Morgan (5)	9
2020	Kaizer 5-11-1	4-1	Alistair Whillans	Billy Garrity (5)	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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ATKINSON BUILDERS PENRITH HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.I) 3yo+ (Rated 0-110) £9,000 2m3f218y (4020 Metres)

RACE 5



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Pace Information: **Strong**

1 PLAISIR DES FLOS (FR) (181) (D) 98
 65801111- 5 12-1 | 76.7kg
 Fergal O'Brien **J. Hogan (31b/1kg)**
 Made it 4-4 in handicaps when landing the odds at Perth (20.2f, soft) on latest start in April. Only a 5-y-o, so there's good reason to believe that he will have more to offer this season.

2 MOUNT GALLION (IRE) (31) 97
 348551P-2 6 11-13 | 75.7kg
 Mark Walford **Jamie Hamilton**
 Huntingdon maiden winner in March before running no sort of a race on handicap bow here later that month. However, step back in right direction when second upped to 2½m on return at Sedgfield and he's an each-way contender.

3 BROUGHSHANE (IRE) (20) 100
 R/3F4-1 6 11-11 | 74.8kg
 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill **Jonjo O'Neill Jr.**
 Successful sole start between the flags and stepped up on maiden/novice form when making a winning handicap debut back from 7 months off at Fontwell (19f, good to soft). Gone up 9 lb for that but he's by no means exposed.

4 MY FRIEND YEATS (IRE) (23) 91
 625 6 11-11 | 74.8kg
 Rebecca Menzies **Ross Chapman**
 Maiden point winner in May and bettered his Rules debut display when going close at Cartmel in July. However, he failed to reproduce that next time and needs to raise his game now pitched into a handicap.

5 MANOWEST (IRE) (38) 95
 253 6 11-9 | 73.9kg
 Olly Murphy **Sean Bowen**
 Winner of an Irish point earlier this year and has shaped well on 2 of his 3 starts in 2m maiden hurdles. Improvement certainly not out of the question now upped in trip for this handicap debut, so he's one to be positive about.

6 HALF TRACK (IRE) (12) 98
 UUP4/U 8 11-8 | 73.5kg
 N. W. Alexander **Brian Hughes**
 Lightly-raced and poor completion rate (primarily over fences) since landing an Ayr novice hurdle back in December 2021. Best to look elsewhere.

7 MR HOPE STREET (IRE) (151) (D) 97
 45/75081-1 6 11-7 | 73.0kg
 Dan Skelton **Harry Skelton**
 Looked a totally different proposition upped to around 2½m on final 2 starts of last season, bagging handicaps at Market Rasen and Uttoxeter. 5 lb for latter success looks fair enough and this 6-y-o remains open to improvement.

8 VOCAL DUKE (IRE) (29) 97
 255-37637 8 11-7 | 73.0kg
 James Moffatt **Charlotte Jones**
 Losing run mounting up and while he was placed on his penultimate start off this mark at Cartmel in August, his subsequent display at Perth was poor.

9 PROFESSOR KLUMP (215) (C) 97
 57317- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
 Donald McCain **Charlie Maggs (71b/3kg)**
 Idled and only just held on in a 17f maiden here in February prior to trailing in last of 7 on his handicap debut at Bangor the following month. Needs to get back on track.

10 ENEMY AT THE GATE (IRE) (208) 99
 23/422533- 8 11-3 | 71.2kg
 Donald Whillans **Conor O'Farrell**
 Remains a maiden following 12 starts in this sphere but he didn't do much wrong in half-a-dozen starts last season. Has undergone a wind op ahead of this seasonal reappearance and he will be a danger to all if fully tuned-up.

11 LOVELY MOON (IRE) (725) 94
 448/ 9 10-10 | 68.0kg
 George Bewley **Edward Austin (51b/2kg)**
 Fair ex-Irish hurdler/chaser who has not been seen out subsequent to a poor effort back hurdling here (17.2f, heavy) 2 years ago. Readily passed over.

12 LADY HAMILTON (IRE) (118) (BF) 94
 636-54333 5 10-2(9-10) | 64.4kg (61.7kg)
 Wilf Storey **Philip Armson (31b/1kg)**
 Still a maiden and while she was placed 3 times on the bounce during the summer, this looks tough from out of the weights.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Plaisir Des Flos, **9-2** Mr Hope Street, **11-2** Broughshane, **6-1** Manowest, **17-2** Enemy At The Gate, **16-1** Mount Gallion, **16-1** My Friend Yeats, **25-1** Lady Hamilton, **28-1** Professor Klump, **33-1** Half Track, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PLAISIR DES FLOS improved in leaps and bounds when switched to handicaps last season and, with the likelihood of even better to come from this unexposed 5-y-o, he is taken to pick up where he left off by making a winning seasonal reappearance here. Broughshane and the hat-trick seeking Mr Hope Street rate the main dangers in that order of preference, while Enemy At The Gate and Manowest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PLAISIR DES FLOS 2. BROUGHSHANE 3. MR HOPE STREET

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Zwicky 6-11-7	5-1	Philip Kirby	Sean Quinlan	19
2022 ^{II}	Fenland Tiger 6-10-12	5-1	Sam England	Jonathan England	12
2022 ^I	Bouncing Bobby 5-10-2	3-1f	Martin Todhunter	Peter Kavanagh (5)	11
2021 ^I	Rickety Gate 6-10-6	4-1	Nicky Richards	Sean Quinlan	13
2021 ^{II}	Headscarf Lil 7-11-6	10-3f	Nicky Richards	Sean Quinlan	10
2020	Apple Rock 6-11-8	12-1	Ben Pauling	Luca Morgan (7)	19

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6

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Pace Information: **Even**

1 GOT YOUR BACK (IRE) (154) (D) 97
3/3144-3 **6** 12-0 | 76.2kg



Donald McCain *Brian Hughes*
Off the mark on second of 4 starts in maiden/novice hurdles at Musselburgh (19.8f) last December. Disappointed next 2 starts but back on track following wind surgery when third of 9 on handicap debut at Market Rasen (20.6f) in May. Can build on that back from 5 months off.

2 ONE EYE ON VEGAS (188) (D) 97
67751134- **7** 11-12 | 75.3kg



Stuart Edmunds *Ciaran Gethings*
Improved since fitting with cheekpieces, winning handicaps at Leicester and Hereford in January/February. Solid in-the-frame efforts next 2 starts, third of 16 in handicap at Ayr (24.3f) 6 months ago. Respected down in trip.

3 DOMINIC'S FAULT (254) 100
F/13- **7** 11-11 | 74.8kg



Olly Murphy *Sean Bowen*
Well-bred, rangy sort who overcame a lengthy absence to land a 6-runner novice at Leicester (2m, heavy) in January. Travelled well long way before fading into third at Lingfield a month later. Given time since and open to progress now switching to a handicap.

4 FAMOUS LISS (IRE) (18) 96
8426 **6** 11-11 | 74.8kg



Stuart Coltherd *Sam Coltherd*
Finished alone in an Irish point and progressive form in 2m novice hurdles earlier this season, edged out close home at Hexham (16.2f) in June. Shaped as if he'd strip fitter for first start for 4 months when last of 6 in handicap hurdle at Kelso (20.9f) 18 days ago. Remains unexposed.

5 DROP FLIGHT (FR) (17) 99
66P31F-78 **9** 11-9 | 73.9kg



Dan Skelton *Harry Skelton*
Landed 5-runner hunter at Exeter in March prior to falling early in the Foxhunters' Chase at Aintree the following month. However, his efforts over hurdles for present stable have been low key.

6 JOIE MORE (IRE) (228) 93
662- **6** 11-8 | 73.5kg



Jackie Stephen *Danny McMenamin*
Made the frame in points and ran his best race to date under Rules (modest form) when second of 8 in a Kelso maiden (20.9f, soft) in March. Switch to handicaps in his favour on return and interesting if the market spoke in his favour.

7 KILBRAINY (IRE) (68) 92
4/2416-800 **8** 11-7 | 73.0kg



Sandy Thomson *Ryan Mania*
Got off the mark in impressive style at Kelso (21f) last autumn but has disappointed in his 4 outings since. Can only be watched for the time being.

8 MAILLOT BLANC (208) (D) 97
3132632/5- **7** 11-6 | 72.6kg



N. W. Alexander *Bruce Lynn (3lb/1kg)*
Looked rusty after 11 months off on his first run since leaving Sophie Leech when fifth of 8 in handicap hurdle here (17f) back in March. Absent again since but return to this longer trip in his favour judged on the pick of his form.

9 PADDY O'MAHLER (IRE) (166) 97
4548F43-P **6** 11-3 | 71.2kg



Sue Smith *Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg)*
Still a maiden but showed some improvement when third of 9 in handicap hurdle at Newcastle (20.3f) in March. Never travelling when pulled up at Hexham (20f) when last seen in May and stable's runners have largely benefited from their first run of the campaign so far.

10 SECRET SECRET (IRE) (59) (BF) 98
1514-5412 **8** 11-1 | 70.3kg



James Moffatt *Charlotte Jones*
Justified support to resume winning ways at Cartmel (22f) in July and creditable effort when second back at that venue (25.4f) 59 days ago. Present mark demands that bit more but he's respected as an in-form sort nevertheless.

11 EDEN MILL (IRE) (230) 96
23P/2150P- **7** 10-2(10-0) | 64.4kg (63.5kg)



Donald Whillans *Sean Quinlan*
Made a bright start last winter, going one place better than on return at Kelso (20.9f, heavy) in November. Struggled to scale same heights in trio of starts thereafter and he needs to hit the ground running back from 7 months off/ following wind surgery.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Dominic's Fault, **11-2** One Eye On Vegas, **7-1** Secret Secret, **7-1** Got Your Back, **11-1** Maillot Blanc, **11-1** Joie More, **14-1** Paddy O'mahler, **14-1** Famous Liss, **16-1** Drop Flight, **22-1** Eden Mill, **25-1** Kilbrainy

TIMEFORM VIEW:

DOMINIC'S FAULT evidently hasn't been the easiest to train but there was plenty of encouragement to take from his hurdles exploits upon returning from a lengthy break earlier this year and, remaining with potential, he's taken to make an immediate impact now handicapping. Secret Secret was in good form at Cartmel earlier this summer and is feared along with One Eye On Vegas. Got Your Back also commands a second look.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DOMINIC'S FAULT 2. SECRET SECRET 3. ONE EYE ON VEGAS

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.15

RACE 7

HATHER FINANCIAL SERVICES HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier)
(4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,250 2m3f210y (4010 Metres)



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

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

Pace Information: **Strong**

1 FORTUNATE MAN (IRE) (220) (D) t 96
 U131- 5 12-0 | 76.2kg

Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill *Jonjo O'Neill Jr.*
 €210,000 buy after winning an Irish point in April and successful on 2 of his 3 completed starts over hurdles last season. Appeals as the type to do better still now switched to fences.

2 GANAPATHI (FR) (116) (D) s+t 94
 73330-757 8 12-0 | 76.2kg

Sandy Thomson *Ryan Mania*
 Useful hurdle/chase winner for Willie Mullins but losing run stretches back to June 2022 and he hasn't set the world alight in 3 starts for present yard. Others preferred.

3 PEEJAYBEE (FR) (28) (D) 95
 7/44136-41 8 12-0 | 76.2kg

Peter & Michael Bowen *James Bowen*
 Successful 3 times over hurdles and notched second win in this sphere when accounting for 6 rivals at Perth (2½m, soft) last month. 4 lb rise not the end of the world and should make his presence felt.

4 THE FLIER BEGLEY (IRE) (21) (D) 96
 2P8-40631 9 11-13 | 75.7kg

Gary Hanmer *J. Hogan (3lb/1kg)*
 Fairly useful chase winner for Stuart Crawford in Ireland and off the mark at fourth attempt for present yard at Warwick (2½m, good). Nudged up just 2 lb and it's not hard to envisage this 9-y-o playing another leading role.

5 GLENCASSLEY (IRE) (155) (D) 95
 2/13-3 9 11-12 | 75.3kg

Charlie Longsdon *Richie McLernon*
 Fairly useful in bumpers and landed back-to-back novice hurdles in 2021. Opened chase account when returning from a year off at Hereford (21f, soft) in March but failed to fire tried in cheekpieces (discarded here) at Southwell next time.

6 HIGH MOON (167) (C, D) 95
 21/P632P-P 9 11-9 | 73.9kg

Rebecca Menzies *Ross Chapman*
 More miss than hit since bagging a Newcastle handicap chase in April 2023 and, though now 3 lb below that winning mark, he is probably worth taking on. Yard also saddles Rock of Star.

7 O'CONNELL (IRE) (218) 98
 3F214224- 8 11-9 | 73.9kg

Sue Smith *Peter Kavanagh (3lb/1kg)*
 Winning Irish pointer who got off the mark in handicap chase at Market Rasen last December. Has made the frame all 4 subsequent starts but he doesn't tend to find a great deal off the bridle.

8 WHOSHOTTHERIFF (IRE) (164) (CD) 95
 25/P354-5 10 11-6 | 72.6kg

Lizzie Quinlan *Sean Quinlan*
 Won a couple of times in 2021/22 but he didn't show much in 5 starts last season and probably best watched starting out for new yard here.

9 FINAL EDGAR (IRE) (15) 96
 3712253-6 6 11-5 | 72.1kg

Mark Walford *Jamie Hamilton*
 Largely creditable efforts over hurdles since landing a 17f Sedgefield maiden in February. Mark for this chase debut is a fair one and he could have a part to play, provided his jumping passes the test.

10 LADRONNE (FR) (12) (D) t 98
 P3142-6PB 10 11-4 | 71.7kg

Tjade Collier *Brian Hughes*
 Fair handicap chaser who regained the winning thread off 2 lb higher at Doncaster (3m, soft) in March. However, he has failed to fire on each of his last 3 starts (struggling when brought down 2 out at Hexham recently) and he's not the most solid of propositions.

11 INDIAN LOUIS (IRE) (29) (D) t 95
 6153P-791 6 11-3 | 71.2kg

Lucinda Russell *Derek Fox*
 Dual point winner who made a winning chase debut at Musselburgh on New Year's Day. Back on track when doubling his tally over fences at Perth (21f, soft) last month and this 7 lb higher mark looks manageable.

12 ROCK OF STAR (FR) (274) (D, BF) ★ 100
 U411/3653- 7 10-13 | 69.4kg

Rebecca Menzies *Aaron Anderson (5lb/2kg)*
 Back-to-back 3m winner at Chepstow during spring 2023 and he was a solid third of 9 over 19.4f at that Welsh venue when last seen in January. Resumes for new yard on a 4 lb lower mark he'll be a danger to all if ready to roll.

13 LOW MILEAGE (IRE) (230) 85
 557/P5450- 6 10-12 | 68.9kg

George Bewley *Jonathon Bewley*
 Fairly modest maiden over hurdles/fences in Ireland and there no positives to glean from his debut effort for this yard at Ayr in March.

14 UPTOWN HARRY (IRE) (200) (CD) s 96
 51/075617- 10 10-11 | 68.5kg

Jane Walton *Conor O'Farrell*
 Won the final of this series over C&D in March 2023. Back to form when notching another soft-ground success here in March of this year but below par next time and he's entitled to need the run following 6 months off.

15 TREATY BOY (IRE) (15) t 98
 74012-6 7 10-11 | 68.5kg

Stuart Coltherd *Sam Coltherd*
 Placed both starts between the flags and left novice hurdle form behind when making a winning handicap/chase debut at Catterick in February on final run for Rebecca Menzies. Good second on yard debut there later that month but wasn't in the same form when returning to action at Sedgefield recently.

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Fortunate Man, **17-2** Peejaybee, **10-1** Indian Louis, **11-1** The Flier Begley, **12-1** Rock of Star, **12-1** O'Connell, **14-1** Final Edgar, **18-1** Glencassley, **25-1** Ganapathi, **28-1** Treaty Boy, **33-1** Ladronne, **33-1** Uptown Harry, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The most interesting of these is FORTUNATE MAN, who showed plenty over hurdles last season and this former point winner is likely to be seen in an even better light now switched to the larger obstacles. Rock of Star will be a threat if raring to go on debut for a new yard following 9 months off and he is second choice ahead of last-time-out winners The Flier Begley, Peejaybee and Indian Louis.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. FORTUNATE MAN 2. ROCK OF STAR 3. THE FLIER BEGLEY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Hello Judge 7-10-6	9-2	Ann Hamilton	Danny McMenamin	15
2022	Cooper's Cross 7-12-0	10-3	Stuart Coltherd	Sam Coltherd	7
2021	Kilbrook 6-11-11	7-2	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	5
2020	Tanarpino 9-12-0	14-1	Jennie Candlish	Sean Quinlan	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race