

Friday 27th December

LIMERICK



12.19 EARL OF HARRINGTON MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)

RACE 1 **(13) SAINTE TARTARE | (16) UHAVEMEINSTITCHES | (5) RUE TAYLOR**

12.52 TIM & MARTIN MOLONY VETERANS HANDICAP CHASE 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)

RACE 2 **(1) BIG DEBATES | (2) DONKEY YEARS | (7) WEIHNACHTS**

1.27 McMAHONS BUILDERS PROVIDERS IRISH EBF DAWN RUN MARES NOVICE CHASE (Grade 2)
2¾m120y (4540 Metres)

RACE 3 **(2) BIOLUMINESCENCE | (1) SHECOULDBEANYTHING | (4) KILTEALY PARK**

2.02 GOGGIN BUCKLEY HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)

RACE 4 **(5) JALILA MORIVIERE | (3) KILCRUIT | (2) KARL DES TOURELLES**

2.36 GRANT THORNTON LADIES HANDICAP HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)

RACE 5 **(8) STRUTTER | (7) OPTIONAL MIX | (3) BILLY LEE SWAGGER**

3.11 ROCHE'S FEEDS HANDICAP HURDLE 2m (3220 Metres)

RACE 6 **(5) BRIDIE'S BEAU | (6) SCARLET PURSE | (3) MOUNT FERNS**

3.41 WHITEBOX PROPERTY GROUP HANDICAP HURDLE 2m (3220 Metres)

RACE 7 **(11) WARDENS WHISPER | (6) NEW YORK STYLE | (12) BID UP**

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.

12.19**EARL OF HARRINGTON MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ fillies and mares €12,500 2½m (4020 Metres)**

RACE 1

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

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Pace Information: **Contested**

1 BARNHASH PRIMROSE (IRE) (272) (C)
136- 6 11-7 | 73.0kg



Jonathan Sweeney, Ireland

Mr D. O'Connor

Fairly useful bumper winner (struck at this meeting last year). 24 lengths sixth of 7 to Familiar Dreams in listed bumper at Fairyhouse (16f, heavy, 2/1) 9 months ago. Could be up to making her presence felt in a race like this now hurdling.

2 HUSCARI (IRE) (40)
90 5 11-7 | 73.0kg



Eric McNamara, Ireland

C. P. McNamara

Modest Flat winner. Twice-raced maiden over hurdles. Fifteenth of 21 in novice hurdle at Navan (16f, good to soft, 250/1) 40 days ago. Back up in trip.

3 MEITHEAL (IRE) (14)
221159 5 11-7 | 73.0kg



John E. & Thomas Kiely, Ireland

Mr J. L. Gleeson (3lb/1kg)

2 wins from 6 runs this season. Latest win in bumper at Cork in October. Ninth of 18 in novice hurdle at Cork (20f, soft, 8/1) on hurdles bow 14 days ago.

4 NEON DIAMOND (IRE) (14) (C)
21-04 5 11-7 | 73.0kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland

K. C. Sexton

Fair winner at 19f in bumpers. Fourth of 18 in novice hurdle at Cork (20f, soft, 9/2) on hurdles bow 14 days ago. Yard in good form. Should have more to offer.

5 RUE TAYLOR (FR) (61)
12 4 11-7 | 73.0kg



Paul Nolan, Ireland

C. Smithers (7lb/3kg)

Emphatic debut winner in bumper at Hexham in May for Toby Bulgin. 7/1, second of 10 in novice hurdle at Wexford (20f, heavy) on hurdles bow 61 days ago, left with lot to do. Promising.

6 TWENTYFOURCARROT (38) (C)
3-631 4 11-7 | 73.0kg



Declan Queally, Ireland

S. Fitzgerald

5/2, career best when winning 11-runner bumper at this course (16f, soft) 38 days ago, soon clear. Makes hurdles debut. Up in trip.

7 ALRIGHT DARLING (IRE) (31)
75 5 10-13 | 69.4kg



Daniel G. Murphy, Ireland

J. P. Shinnick (5lb/2kg)

Fifth of 13 in novice hurdle (200/1) at Tramore (21f, heavy) 31 days ago.

8 ARTIC DAIS (IRE) (213)
0 4 10-13 | 69.4kg



David Kenneth Budds, Ireland

J. P. Kirwan (7lb/3kg)

Twelfth of 15 in juvenile hurdle at Ballinrobe (16.3f, good to soft, 50/1) on NH debut. Off 7 months. Up in trip.

9 DIYABA (IRE)
4 10-13 | 69.4kg



Ciaran Murphy, Ireland

E. Walsh

From the family of useful hurdler (stayed 2¼m) Dirar and fairly useful hurdler (17f winner) Teed Up. Fair maiden on the Flat, making GB/IRE jumps debut. 9/1, fifth of 16 in handicap at Galway (11.8f, heavy) 60 days ago.

10 JE SUIS (IRE) (24)
4 5 10-13 | 69.4kg



S. Curling, Ireland

Mr A. P. Kennedy (7lb/3kg)

Fourth of 18 in novice hurdle at Clonmel (19.4f, soft, 25/1) 24 days ago.

11 MOUNTRIVERS LASS (IRE) (14)



0P675-0R8 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Robert Murphy, Ireland

Niall Moore (7lb/3kg)

Poor hurdler. 125/1, eighth of 18 in novice hurdle at Cork (20f, soft) 14 days ago.

12 REGARDS TO ROSE (IRE) (61)



3R 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland

G. B. Noonan (5lb/2kg)

Ran out in bumper at Wexford (16f, heavy, 13/2) 61 days ago. Point winner and her hurdles debut was more promising. Tongue strap on for 1st time.

13 SAINTE TARTARE (FR) (31) (BF)



2 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland

B. Hayes

Half-sister to 5 winners, including fairly useful hurdler Petit Tartare. Hooded, second of 13 in novice hurdle (7/4) at Tramore (21f, heavy) on debut 31 days ago, clear of rest. More to come and probably the one to beat.

14 SHE'LL BE KEPT (IRE) (14)



0P 4 10-13 | 69.4kg

Sean Joseph Allen, Ireland

Ryan Treacy

First run since leaving Desmond Kenneally, 125/1 and tongue strap on for 1st time, pulled up in novice hurdle at Cork (20f, soft) on hurdles bow 14 days ago, pulled up after 4 out.

15 SLOTTY DOTTY (IRE) (31)



793-3 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

Bernard Martin Crowley, Ireland

Phillip Enright

16/1, creditable third of 13 in novice hurdle at Tramore (21f, heavy) 31 days ago.

16 UHAVEMEINSTITCHES (IRE) (24)



6-2 4 10-13 | 69.4kg

J. D. Motherway, Ireland

S. D. Torrens

Twice-raced maiden. 66/1, second of 18 in novice hurdle at Clonmel (19.4f, soft) 24 days ago. Big player if backing that up.

17 WHATSUPNELLIE (IRE) (14)



347-0 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Eric Larkin, Ireland

Richard Deegan

20/1, tenth of 18 in novice hurdle at Cork (20f, soft) on hurdles bow 14 days ago.

18 WORKINONADREAM (IRE) (63) (BF)



226-33235 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

P. J. Rothwell, Ireland

T. Power Roche (7lb/3kg)

Fair hurdler. 2/1, below form fifth of 9 in novice hurdle at Sligo (25.7f, soft) 63 days ago, unsuited by step up in trip. Back down in trip.

RESERVES

19 MIDNIGHT FAIRY (IRE) (6)



0 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

Terence O'Brien, Ireland

Reserve

66/1, eleventh of 18 in novice hurdle at Thurles (16.1f, good) on debut 6 days ago. Up in trip. RESERVE.

20 TAKETWOTOONE (IRE) (270)



9- 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Turlough O'Connor, Ireland

Reserve

Maiden pointer, fifth last time (Dec 1). Well held in mares maiden hunter at Cork on chasing debut. RESERVE.

21 MISS INCOGNITO (IRE) (38)



0 4 10-13 | 69.4kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Reserve

7/1, tailed off in course bumper 38 days ago. Makes hurdles debut. RESERVE.

18 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)

12.19**EARL OF HARRINGTON MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ fillies and mares €12,500 2½m (4020 Metres)**

RACE 1

**BETTING FORECAST:**

2-1 Sainte Tartare, **3-1** Uhavemeinstitches, **7-1** Rue Taylor, **14-1** Barnahash Primrose, **22-1** Neon Diamond, **22-1** Twentfourcarrot, **25-1** Workinonadream, **25-1** Slotty Dotty, **33-1** Regards To Rose, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This should boil down to just a few, with SAINTE TARTARE hard to get away from after her promising second at Tramore on debut. Uhavemeinstitches is the obvious danger if backing up her Clonmel performance. Rue Taylor completes the shortlist.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SAINTE TARTARE 2. UHAVEMEINSTITCHES 3. RUE TAYLOR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Judicieuse Allen 4-10-13	6-5f	W. P. Mullins	A. P. Heskin	16
2022	Shecouldbeanything 5-11-7	6-4f	Gordon Elliott	Jordan Colin Gainford	18
2021	Glens of Antrim 6-11-9	4-11f	W. P. Mullins	J. S. McGarvey	18
2019	Colreevy 6-11-7	2-5f	W. P. Mullins	D. E. Mullins	15

SMART STATS:

- 4** W. P. Mullins's number of winners in past 10 runnings. (saddles: **SAINTE TARTARE**)
- 37%** W. P. Mullins's strike rate at LIMERICK since the start of the 2020/21 season (saddles: **SAINTE TARTARE**)
- 24%** W. P. Mullins's strike rate with hurdlers running between 2m2f and up to 2m6f (saddles: **SAINTE TARTARE**)












12.52**TIM & MARTIN MOLONY VETERANS HANDICAP CHASE****10yo+ €15,000 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)**

RACE 2

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

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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

1	BIG DEBATES (FR) (54) (C)	95
	5P5-00804 11 12-0 76.2kg	
	Robert Tyner, Ireland J. Smith (7lb/3kg) 	
	Course winner. Seventeen runs since last win in 2022. 40/1, fourth of 10 in handicap chase at Cork (28f, good) 54 days ago. Booking of Smith a plus. One to consider.	
2	DONKEY YEARS (IRE) (33)	100
	4-32P0159 10 12-0 76.2kg s+t  	
	Eric McNamara, Ireland C. P. McNamara	
	Latest win in hurdle at Listowel in September. Respectable ninth of 15 in handicap hurdle (11/1) at Punchestown (24.1f, good to soft) 33 days ago. Switches from hurdles to chase and on a good mark.	
3	ENJOY D'ALLEN (FR) (33)	93
	7P6-54674 10 12-0 76.2kg b	
	Ciaran Murphy, Ireland E. Walsh	
	Unreliable individual. Twenty two runs since last win in 2021. 33/1, creditable fourth of 13 in chase at Punchestown (24f, good to soft) 33 days ago.	
4	AARONS DAY (IRE) (61)	93
	5F5P/PP0P 10 11-7 73.0kg s+t	
	Oliver McKiernan, Ireland Phillip Enright	
	33/1 and visored for 1st time, pulled up in handicap chase at Wexford (19.7f, heavy) 61 days ago, pulled up before last.	
5	JACKSONS GOLD (IRE) (47) (D)	85
	8P32-5606 10 10-12 68.9kg	
	Ms A. Curran, Ireland Jack G. Gilligan (5lb/2kg)	
	Twenty two runs since last win in 2021. Sixth of 10 in handicap chase (22/1) at Naas (20f, good to soft) 47 days ago.	
6	WHATSYOURSTATUS (IRE) (12)	96
	090/1697-5 11 10-12 68.9kg t	
	Gearoid O'Loughlin, Ireland T. Power Roche (7lb/3kg) 	
	80/1, respectable fifth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Navan (20f, good to soft) on return 12 days ago. Switches from hurdles to chase. Booking of Power Roche a plus.	
7	WEIHNACHTS (IRE) (257)	95
	777P366P1- 10 10-8 67.1kg s	
	P. J. Rothwell, Ireland S. D. Torrens	
	Won 11-runner handicap chase (22/1) at Down Royal (26.2f, good to soft) 8 months ago. Goes well fresh and worth considering.	

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Big Debates, **7-2** Weihnachts, **11-2** Donkey Years, **13-2** Enjoy D'allen, **15-2** Whatsyourstatus, **14-1** Jacksons Gold, **16-1** Aarons Day

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BIG DEBATES caught the eye when finishing strongly in the Cork National and can strike back in trip with a promising conditional up. Donkey Years is on a good mark back chasing, while the returning Weihnachts can go well after scoring at Down Royal when last seen in the spring.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BIG DEBATES 2. DONKEY YEARS 3. WEIHNACHTS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	R'evelyn Pleasure 11-10-8	5-4f	Sean O. O'Brien	M. M. McDonagh (3)	5
2022	Sir Bob 10-10-13	6-5f	Robert Tyner	M. P. Walsh	7
2021	Wishmoor 11-11-6	11-1	J. F. Levins	R. A. Doyle	11
2020	Wishmoor 10-10-12	11-4jf	J. F. Levins	R. A. Doyle	7
2019	Cappacurry Zak 10-11-5	9-2f	L. Young	Ryan Treacy (5)	15

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

**McMAHONS BUILDERS PROVIDERS IRISH EBF DAWN RUN
MARES NOVICE CHASE (Grade 2) 4yo+ fillies and mares
€41,000 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)****GBI RACING**Going: **Yielding to Soft (Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Contested**

1 SHECOULDBEANYTHING (IRE) (26) (C) t
29211115 7 11-1 | 70.3kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland **K. C. Sexton**
Got a 4-timer up over fences in the autumn. 4¾ lengths last of 5 to Croke Park in Drinmore Novices' Chase at Fairyhouse (20f, good, 14/1) 26 days ago. Won't stay down for long and obvious claims.

2 BIOLUMINESCENCE (IRE) (271) (C, D)
2/211P- 6 10-12 | 68.9kg



Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland **Mr D. O'Connor**
Won Shannon Spray Mares Novices' Hurdle here (22.3f, heavy, 7/4) in March. 13/2, possibly amiss when pulled up in Irish Stallion Farms EBF Mares Novices' Hurdle Championship Final at Fairyhouse (20f, heavy) won by Jade De Grugy when last seen. Off 9 months. Will do well over fences.

3 IMPLICIT (FR) (6) h+t
P11-U PPP0 6 10-12 | 68.9kg



S. Curling, Ireland **Phillip Enright**
Latest win in hurdle at Fairyhouse in April. 50/1 and tongue strap on for 1st time, first run since leaving W. P. Mullins when eleventh of 18 in handicap hurdle at Thurles (16.1f, good) 6 days ago. Switches from hurdles to chase. Stiff task.

4 KILTEALY PARK (IRE) (24)
341-161 5 10-12 | 68.9kg



Paul Nolan, Ireland **Richard Deegan**
Fairly useful winner at 21f over hurdles. 11/2, won 15-runner novice chase at Clonmel (17.3f, soft) on debut over fences 24 days ago. Open to progress.

5 MAID ON THE MOON (31) s
4P-9540U3 7 10-12 | 68.9kg



Miss Elizabeth Anne Lalor, Ireland **Ms H. Phillips**
Modest chaser. Thirteen runs since last win in 2022. Creditable third of 15 in handicap hurdle at Tramore (21f, heavy, 20/1) 31 days ago. Can't be fancied.

6 PAGGANE (20)
P-71U2227 5 10-12 | 68.9kg



W. P. Mullins, Ireland **B. Hayes**
Fairly useful hurdler, latest win at Kilbeggan in June. Respectable seventh of 20 in handicap hurdle at Navan (25.2f, soft, 11/2) 20 days ago. Makes chase debut. One to note.

7 PEBBLE BLEU (IRE) (27)
2-P545155 5 10-12 | 68.9kg



Colin Motherway, Ireland **S. D. Torrens**
Winner in chase at Punchestown in October. 4/1, bit below form fifth of 10 in handicap chase at Fairyhouse (21.5f, good) 27 days ago. More needed.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-4 Bioluminescence, **7-4** Shecouldbeanything, **13-2** Paggane, **17-2** Kiltealy Park, **100-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BIOLUMINESCENCE is very much the type to do well over fences and is taken to make a successful start. Shecouldbeanything had her wings clipped in a Fairyhouse Grade 1 against the males last month but should bounce back. Kiltealy Park did it nicely at Clonmel and isn't discounted up in trip.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BIOLUMINESCENCE 2. SHECOULDBEANYTHING 3. KILTEALY PARK

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Hauturiere 6-10-12	11-10fW. P. Mullins	A. P. Heskin	5
2022	Allegorie de Vassy 5-10-12	1-2f W. P. Mullins	S. F. O'Keefe	5
2021	Concertista 7-11-7	1-2f W. P. Mullins	S. F. O'Keefe	7
2021	Scarlet And Dove 7-11-5	8-11f Joseph Patrick O'Brien	Donagh Meyler	7
2020	Salsaretta 7-11-3	2-5f W. P. Mullins	P. Townend	8
2019	Moyhenna 7-11-0	5-1 Denis Hogan	D. G. Hogan	6










2.02**GOGGIN BUCKLEY HURDLE 4yo+ €14,000 2½m (4020 Metres)**

RACE 4

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

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Pace Information: **Weakly Contested**

1	JIGORO (FR) (36) (BF)	96
	2/2123P-02 5 11-10 74.4kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland  K. C. Sexton Useful hurdler. 4/9, second of 5 in novice chase at Thurles (22.4f, good) on debut over fences 36 days ago, finding less than looked likely. Could figure back down in trip and over hurdles.	
2	KARL DES TOURELLES (FR) (33)	98
	122-792 4 11-10 74.4kg Philip Fenton, Ireland Niall Moore (71b/3kg) Useful hurdler. 10/1, very good second of 15 in handicap hurdle at Punchestown (24.1f, good to soft) 33 days ago. Decent shout on that showing.	
3	KILCRUIT (IRE) (513) (D, BF)	100
	41351/00- 9 11-10 74.4kg t  B. Hayes W. P. Mullins, Ireland  Very smart winner at 21f in chases. Off 17 months. Good record fresh and no surprise to see him go well back over hurdles.	
4	MEET AND GREET (IRE) (17)	97
	3034247/6 8 11-10 74.4kg Oliver McKiernan, Ireland Phillip Enright Useful hurdler at his best. Off 20 months, sixth of 8 at Punchestown (16.6f, soft, 16/1) 17 days ago. Up in trip. This should reveal more.	
5	JALILA MORIVIERE (FR) (223)	97
	51P-2 5 11-3 71.2kg S. D. Torrens W. P. Mullins, Ireland  Well held in bumper for Paul Nicholls 13 months ago but got the hang of hurdling in France, much improved when 5 lengths second of 11 to promising Jour de Gloire in listed event at Auteuil (17.9f, soft, 17/1) when last seen in May. Clearly of interest now starting out for the Mullins yard.	

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Jalila Moriviere, 11-4 Kilcruit, 7-2 Karl Des Tourelles, 5-1 Jigoro, 12-1 Meet And Greet

TIMEFORM VIEW:

JALILA MORIVIERE quickly got to grips with hurdling in France, running a cracker behind a promising one at Auteuil when last seen, and she could be the way to go in this tricky contest. Stablemate Kilcruit is feared most ahead of Karl des Tourelles.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. JALILA MORIVIERE 2. KILCRUIT 3. KARL DES TOURELLES

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Sa Majeste 5-11-10	11-2	W. P. Mullins	S. D. Torrens	4
2022	Longhouse Poet 8-11-10	5-1	Martin Brassil	R. A. Doyle	5
2021	Daly Tiger 8-11-13	10-3	Noel Meade	E. Walsh (5)	8
2020	Diol Ker 6-11-13	6-4f	Noel Meade	Mr M. J. Stenson (7)	5
2019	Easywork 5-11-11	7-4	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	5

SMART STATS:

2	W. P. Mullins's number of winners in past 10 runnings. (amongst 2 runners saddles: KILCRUIT)
37%	W. P. Mullins's strike rate at LIMERICK since the start of the 2020/21 season (saddles: KILCRUIT and JALILA MORIVIERE)
24%	W. P. Mullins's strike rate with hurdlers running between 2m2f and up to 2m6f (saddles: KILCRUIT and JALILA MORIVIERE)

2.36**GRANT THORNTON LADIES HANDICAP HURDLE 4yo+
€11,500 2½m (4020 Metres)**

RACE 5

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

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Pace Information: **Contested**

1 SARAH BEARA (IRE) (20) 98
3U335-270 6 12-0 | 76.2kg
S. Curling, Ireland **Miss T. Quail (4lb/2kg)**
Twelve runs since last win in 2023. 16/1, fifteenth of 20 in handicap hurdle at Navan (25.2f, soft) 20 days ago. Down in trip and should bounce back.

2 SUNDIAL (IRE) (40) 98
584/107-20 5 12-0 | 76.2kg s+t
Padraig Roche, Ireland **Miss A. B. O'Connor**
8/1, respectable tenth of 23 in handicap hurdle at Navan (22.4f, good to soft) 40 days ago, finding less than looked likely. Cheekpieces back on. Not the easiest to catch right.

3 BILLY LEE SWAGGER (IRE) (12) 100
00122-429 5 11-6 | 72.6kg s ★
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland **Miss P. Elvin (4lb/2kg)**
Cheekpieces on for 1st time, respectable ninth of 18 in handicap hurdle (11/4) at Navan (25f, good to soft) 12 days ago, left poorly placed. On the up prior to that and has to be taken seriously.

4 STORM MAHLER (IRE) (19) (C,D) 89
6710P-PP0 6 11-4 | 71.7kg
Eric McNamara, Ireland **Miss Georgie Benson (4lb/2kg)**
Won at this meeting last year. Sixteenth of 18 in handicap hurdle (33/1) at Cork (20f, soft) 19 days ago, again said to have bled.

5 KING FERDINAND (IRE) (19) 98
619U65U6 8 11-3 | 71.2kg t
Eugene M. O'Sullivan, Ireland **Miss M. O'Sullivan**
Creditable sixth of 18 in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, soft, 25/1) 19 days ago. Others more persuasive.

6 MY FRIEND THE WIND (IRE) (82) (BF) 99
P3-242254 9 11-3 | 71.2kg s
Eric McNamara, Ireland **Ms H. Phillips (7lb/3kg)**
Well-backed 3/1, just fourth of 11 in handicap chase at Killarney (23.4f, soft) 82 days ago. Could figure back over hurdles.

7 OPTIONAL MIX (IRE) (28) (CD) 98
62186894 8 11-3 | 71.2kg t
Eoin Doyle, Ireland **Miss E. Cody (4lb/2kg)**
Latest win in chase at Kilbeggan in June. 5/1, better when fourth of 7 in handicap hurdle at Thurles (20.2f, good to soft) 28 days ago. Won this in 2022 under this rider and could be set for a big run.

8 STRUTTER (FR) (223) 98
8/4207-1 5 11-3 | 71.2kg h
W. P. Mullins, Ireland **Miss J. Townend**
9/2, career best when winning 11-runner handicap hurdle at Uttoxeter (15.8f, good to soft) when last seen 7 months ago. First run for top yard after leaving Nicky Henderson. Up in trip and plenty to like.

9 COOLTUBRID EVA (IRE) (31) 97
260-6 5 11-1 | 70.3kg
Diarmuid P. Ryan, Ireland **Sarah Kavanagh (4lb/2kg)**
Lightly-raced maiden. 40/1, below form sixth of 13 in novice hurdle at Tramore (21f, heavy) on return 31 days ago, going in snatches. Went close first time out at this meeting last year and wouldn't be a surprise to see a better showing on handicap debut.

10 DOYEN FOR A DRINK (IRE) (78) 98
0/4028-415 7 10-8 | 67.1kg
G. O'Leary, Ireland **Caragh Monaghan (7lb/3kg)**
Won at Cartmel in August. Fifth of 10 in novice chase at Tramore (20.4f, good to soft, 5/1) on debut over fences 78 days ago. Back over hurdles.

11 NOT SO SIMPLE (IRE) (835) (BF) 93
35192P/ 10 10-8 | 67.1kg
Norman Lee, Ireland **Miss A. L. Fitzgibbon (7lb/3kg)**
Latest win in hurdle at Sligo in July 2022. Off over 2 years.



12 ROSE BOUM (FR) (119) 84
63-4647 4 10-2 | 64.4kg t
Paul Nolan, Ireland **Miss S. A. Carter (7lb/3kg)**
12/1, creditable seventh of 14 in novice hurdle at Wexford (24f, good to soft) 119 days ago. Tongue strap on for 1st time. Makes handicap hurdle debut and could do better.



12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Strutter, **5-1** Billy Lee Swagger, **17-2** Sundial, **11-1** Doyen For A Drink, **11-1** Optional Mix, **12-1** My Friend The Wind, **12-1** Sarah Beara, **12-1** Rose Boum, **25-1** King Ferdinand, **25-1** Cooltubrid Eva, **33-1** Not So Simple, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

There is a good chance STRUTTER remains ahead of his mark starting out for Willie Mullins and he gets the vote over 2022-winner Optional Mix and Billy Lee Swagger.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. STRUTTER 2. OPTIONAL MIX 3. BILLY LEE SWAGGER

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Cato's Revenge 6-11-7	10-1	P. J. Rothwell	Miss P. Elvin (4)	13
2022	Optional Mix 6-11-2	3-1	Eoin Doyle	Miss E. Cody (7)	10

SMART STATS:

37% W. P. Mullins's strike rate at LIMERICK since the start of the 2020/21 season (saddles: **STRUTTER**)
24% W. P. Mullins's strike rate with hurdlers running between 2m2f and up to 2m6f (saddles: **STRUTTER**)
25% W. P. Mullins's strike rate in early season (saddles: **STRUTTER**)











3.11**ROCHE'S FEEDS HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+ (Rated 80-102)
€10,500 2m (3220 Metres)**












RACE 6

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

The new track at Limerick opened in October 2001. It is a galloping, right-handed oval track with a circuit of over a mile and three furlongs. There is a fairly sharp turn after the winning post then a stiff climb in the back straight before a downhill run to the three-furlong home straight with a slight rise in the final two furlongs. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, five of them in quick succession in the back straight which is situated on the outside of the hurdles track, and there is a run-in of around a furlong.

Pace Information: **Weakly Contested**

1	RICKY BOBBY (IRE) (213) (D)	99
	4F/22428-6 9 12-0 76.2kg Timothy Doyle, Ireland Thirteen runs since last win in 2021. Off 7 months. Should be competitive if ready to go.	Mr D. Doyle (71b/3kg)
2	COLLABORATIVE (IRE) (24)	96
	405-4 4 11-13 75.7kg Oliver McKiernan, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden. Good fourth of 15 in handicap hurdle (18/1) at Clonmel (16.4f, soft) 24 days ago. Not ruled out after that showing.	Phillip Enright
3	MOUNT FERNS (IRE) (54) (D, BF)	100
	02/096-817 6 11-12 75.3kg Eric McNamara, Ireland Winner at Listowel in September first time up for this yard. 11/4, below form seventh of 17 in handicap hurdle at Cork (16.3f, good to soft) 54 days ago, not ideally placed. This is easier.	C. P. McNamara
4	KOBALT ST GEORGES (FR) (19)	86 h+t
	97-0800 4 11-11 74.8kg Robert Tyner, Ireland Hooded for 1st time, seventeenth of 22 in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, soft, 20/1) 19 days ago. Tongue strap on 1st time.	Ryan Treacy
5	BRIDIE'S BEAU (IRE) (27)	68
	23-860 5 11-7 73.0kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. 100/1, twentieth of 25 in hot novice hurdle at Fairyhouse (16f, good) 27 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut and open to progress. Interesting.	S. Fitzgerald
6	SCARLET PURSE (IRE) (20)	68
	98009 5 11-7 73.0kg John McConnell, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. Ninth of 25 in novice hurdle (150/1) at Navan (16f, soft) 20 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut. May well do better and one to note.	S. D. Torrens
7	APOLOGISE (IRE) (409)	96
	3643P/691- 5 11-5 72.1kg Gary McGill, Ireland Career best when winning 9-runner handicap hurdle (9/1) at Huntingdon (20.7f, good to soft) 13 months ago. First run for yard after leaving Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero.	Mr D. McGill (71b/3kg)
8	LET HIM B (IRE) (19)	90
	070-000 4 11-5 72.1kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland 66/1, sixteenth of 22 in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, soft) 19 days ago.	P. Byrnes
9	SNOW PUNT (IRE) (226)	94 t
	00093-9 7 11-5 72.1kg Brendan Maurice Walsh, Ireland Below form ninth of 16 in handicap hurdle (11/1) at Tipperary (24f, good to soft) 7 months ago. Tongue strap back on.	Mr C. J. Shine (71b/3kg)
10	THEGREENTHIRTEEN (IRE) (24)	94
	060-7 4 11-5 72.1kg Matthew A. Daly, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden. Creditable seventh of 15 in handicap hurdle (28/1) at Clonmel (16.4f, soft) 24 days ago.	K. C. Sexton

11	DYLAN'S CHANCE (IRE) (38)	77
	0-7005 4 11-3 71.2kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden. Fifth of 11 in handicap hurdle at this C&D (soft, 28/1) 38 days ago.	Richard Deegan
12	MELLEM (IRE) (24)	62
	50480 5 11-3 71.2kg Mark Fahey, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. Twelfth of 14 in novice hurdle (40/1) at Clonmel (16.4f, soft) 24 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut.	T. E. O'Connor (71b/3kg)
13	OLORD (IRE) (109)	77
	4/P 8 11-3 71.2kg Darren Collins, Ireland First run since leaving Eoin Christopher McCarthy, 66/1, pulled up in handicap hurdle at Galway (22.4f, good to soft) 109 days ago, pulled up before 5 out. Down in trip.	Jack G. Gilligan (51b/2kg)
14	SEA THE SUNSET (14)	98
	08/7901-P 5 11-3 71.2kg J. Morrison, Ireland Off 14 months, pulled up in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, soft, 33/1) 14 days ago, pulled up 3 out.	T. P. Harney (71b/3kg)
15	SHE'S ON LINE (IRE) (29)	97 s
	0/09-05227 6 10-13 69.4kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland Seventh of 10 in handicap hurdle at Musselburgh (15.6f, good to soft, 6/1) 29 days ago. Went close over C&D before that. Cheekpieces on 1st time.	G. B. Noonan (51b/2kg)
16	KANPAI (IRE) (13)	95
	9800 4 10-12 68.9kg James A. Nash, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden. 100/1, eleventh of 13 in handicap hurdle at Fairyhouse (20f, good to soft) 13 days ago.	M. P. O'Connor
17	LILY OF DROMARD (IRE) (35) (D)	89
	398/4-0 10 10-12 68.9kg P. J. Rothwell, Ireland Off 18 months and 33/1, first run since leaving Michael John O'Connor when fourteenth of 18 in handicap hurdle at Tipperary (24.7f, soft) 35 days ago. Significantly down in trip.	T. Power Roche (71b/3kg)
18	CHARTWELL'S LADY (13)	90
	5680 3 10-6 66.2kg Dermot Anthony McLoughlin, Ireland Twelfth of 14 in juvenile hurdle at Fairyhouse (16.5f, good to soft, 150/1) 13 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut.	Patrick Michael O'Brien (71b/3kg)
RESERVES		
19	ONE HORSE ARMY (IRE) (342)	79
	839/P6P- 7 10-11 68.5kg Padraig Roche, Ireland 40/1, pulled up in handicap chase at Navan (24f, heavy) 11 months ago. RESERVE.	Reserve
20	RESTLESS SON (IRE) (38)	96
	90980-4d 7 10-8 67.1kg Norman Lee, Ireland 11/1, shaped well when fourth past the post in C&D handicap hurdle on reappearance 38 days ago (subsequently disqualified after rider failed to weigh in). RESERVE.	Reserve
21	FERNHILL FLING (IRE) (40)	95 s
	00-00PP30 5 10-6 66.2kg P. J. Rothwell, Ireland 20/1, twentieth of 23 in handicap hurdle at Navan (16f, good to soft) 40 days ago. RESERVE.	Reserve

18 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)

3.11**ROCHE'S FEEDS HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+ (Rated 80-102)
€10,500 2m (3220 Metres)**

RACE 6

**BETTING FORECAST:**

5-1 Mount Ferns, **7-1** Bridie's Beau, **15-2** She's On Line, **8-1** Collaborative, **10-1** Apologise, **11-1** Scarlet Purse, **11-1** Ricky Bobby, **18-1** Thegreenthirteen, **25-1** Snow Punt, **28-1** Kobalt St Georges, **33-1** Mellem, **33-1** Lily of Dromard, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BRIDIE'S BEAU could be ready to take a big step forward now handicapping and gets the vote. SCARLET PURSE has a similar profile and is one to note, while MOUNT FERNS can bounce back to form to get in the hunt.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BRIDIE'S BEAU 2. SCARLET PURSE 3. MOUNT FERNS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Johngus 9-12-0	20-1	Sean Aherne	Mr S. Tobin (7)	16
2022	Little Mixup 5-11-6	50-1	Denis Hogan	Donagh Meyler	18
2021	Cahirdown Boy 6-11-12	11-1	Eric McNamara	C. P. McNamara	16
2019	Our Roxane 8-11-1	7-2	Terence O'Brien	K. J. Brouder (3)	13

SMART STATS:

£14.42 Mark Fahey's profit to a £1 level stake when having only one runner on the card (hurdles) (saddles: **MELLEM**)

£32.61 Gary McGill's profit to a £1 level stake when having only one runner on the card (hurdles) (saddles: **APOLOGISE**)











3.41**WHITEBOX PROPERTY GROUP HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+**
(Rated 80-109) €11,500 2m (3220 Metres)





RACE 7

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

The new track at Limerick opened in October 2001. It is a galloping, right-handed oval track with a circuit of over a mile and three furlongs. There is a fairly sharp turn after the winning post then a stiff climb in the back straight before a downhill run to the three-furlong home straight with a slight rise in the final two furlongs. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, five of them in quick succession in the back straight which is situated on the outside of the hurdles track, and there is a run-in of around a furlong.

Pace Information: **Weakly Contested**

1	MUSTA LOVEA LOVEA (IRE) (41)	s+t	98
	2/54323-4P 8 12-0 76.2kg Oliver McKiernan, Ireland Remains a maiden. Pulled up in handicap hurdle at Navan (20.2f, good to soft, 10/1) 41 days ago, tailing off entering straight. Back down in trip. Cheekpieces back on.		<i>Phillip Enright</i>
2	THERELBGUDDAYSYET (IRE) (19)		98
	73614 8 12-0 76.2kg Michael John O'Connor, Ireland 20¾ lengths fourth of 6 to Pray Tell in Gr 3 hurdle (80/1) at Cork (24.4f, soft) 19 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut. Not taken lightly.		<i>Jack G. Gilligan (51b/2kg)</i>
3	DUMB LOVE (IRE) (1)		94
	4-331 4 11-12 75.3kg G. O'Leary, Ireland Won Sedgefield maiden in September. Creditable fourth of 14 in handicap at Dundalk (16f, 6/1) 7 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut with more needed. Engaged 1.45 Leopardstown Thursday.		<i>C. P. McNamara</i>
4	MALBAY MADNESS (IRE) (92)	h	96
	742-399 4 11-12 75.3kg Dermot Anthony McLoughlin, Ireland First run since leaving Emmet Mullins when ninth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Listowel (16f, soft, 33/1) 92 days ago.		<i>Patrick O'Hanlon</i>
5	NATHAN WELLS (255)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	98
	37547U0- 5 11-12 75.3kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland Maiden. Last of 10 in handicap hurdle at Naas (19.3f, soft, 11/1) 8 months ago. Note market support on return.		<i>K. C. Sexton</i>
6	NEW YORK STYLE (207)		93
	2/04-20 7 11-8 73.5kg Henry de Bromhead, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. Off 6 months. Suspect first time out could be the time to catch her (second in bumper and Tipperary mares' maiden hurdle after absences).		<i>S. D. Torrens</i>
7	ABOY JOEY (IRE) (24) (BF)	s	98
	0022-8948 5 11-4 71.7kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland 5/1, respectable eighth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Clonmel (16.4f, soft) 24 days ago, not knocked about. Cheekpieces on 1st time.		<i>G. B. Noonan (51b/2kg)</i>
8	ON YOUR WAY (IRE) (24)		93
	63U-93F79 6 11-4 71.7kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland Good ninth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Clonmel (16.4f, soft, 6/1) 24 days ago, not knocked about.		<i>P. Byrnes</i>
9	LIBERATED LIGHT (IRE) (13)	s	100
	84-030878 5 11-3 71.2kg John E. & Thomas Kiely, Ireland Eighth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Fairyhouse (20f, good to soft, 4/1) 13 days ago. Cheekpieces on 1st time.		<i>Mr J. L. Gleeson (31b/1kg)</i>
10	ISLAND MCCOO (IRE) (19)		89
	0/045380 7 10-13 69.4kg Darren Collins, Ireland First run since leaving Barry T. Murphy when fourteenth of 22 in handicap hurdle (28/1) at Cork (20f, soft) 19 days ago, unable to sustain effort.		<i>M. P. O'Connor</i>

11	WARDENS WHISPER (IRE) (14)	s	99
	0U0-P032 5 10-10 68.0kg P. J. Rothwell, Ireland 6/1, good second of 14 in handicap hurdle at Cork (16.2f, soft) under this rider 14 days ago. Strong claims.		<i>T. Power Roche (71b/3kg)</i>
12	BID UP (IRE) (14)		94
	5775 3 10-9 67.6kg Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland Lightly-raced maiden. Creditable fifth of 14 in handicap hurdle (12/1) at Cork (16.2f, soft) 14 days ago, behind Wardens Whisper. Shortlisted.		<i>T. P. Harney (71b/3kg)</i>
13	FEAR THE DEERE (IRE) (28)		94
	06P06005 6 10-6 66.2kg Timothy Doyle, Ireland 22/1, creditable fifth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Thurles (20.2f, good to soft) 28 days ago. Back down in trip.		<i>J. P. Shinnick (51b/2kg)</i>
14	EIKONIX (131)	h+t	88
	0/5R080-R8 6 10-4 65.3kg Bernard Martin Crowley, Ireland 10/1 and tongue strap on for 1st time, first run since leaving John Joseph Hanlon when creditable eighth of 16 in handicap hurdle at Tramore (16.6f, good to soft) 131 days ago. Hood goes on. Unreliable.		<i>J. P. Kirwan (71b/3kg)</i>

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-1 Wardens Whisper, **7-1** New York Style, **17-2** Aboy Joey, **17-2** Musta Lovea Lovea, **9-1** Therellbguddaysyet, **10-1** On Your Way, **11-1** Bid Up, **14-1** Dumb Love, **16-1** Nathan Wells, **18-1** Liberated Light, **28-1** Fear The Deere, **33-1** Malbay Madness, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

WARDENS WHISPER is going the right way and can strike for his in-form yard. New York Style is interesting on her return for top connections, while 3-y-o Bid Up might not be far away again.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WARDENS WHISPER 2. NEW YORK STYLE 3. BID UP

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race