

Saturday 28th December

NEWCASTLE



3.00 BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) (D.I) 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)

RACE 1 **(1) KAARANAH | (7) FALCON NINE | (3) ALPINE SIERRA**

3.30 BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) (D.II) 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)

RACE 2 **(5) HUMBLE SPARK | (1) PERCY WILLIS | (4) RAINWATER**

4.00 BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME IRISH EBF NOVICE STAKES (5) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 3 **(1) SHOWERING | (9) THE WATCHER | (8) RAINBOW NEBULA**

4.30 WIN £1M WITH BETMGM'S GOLDEN GOALS NURSERY HANDICAP (5) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 4 **(1) BLUE LAKOTA | (7) STARTLING | (9) LIMA SIERRA**

5.00 GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETMGM HANDICAP (6) 1m5y (1610 Metres)

RACE 5 **(8) LAHAB | (7) VOLENTI | (4) BOOK OF LIFE**

5.30 BEST ODDS GUARANTEED AT BETMGM HANDICAP (4) 7f14y (1420 Metres)

RACE 6 **(4) SWISS ACE | (1) BRAVO ZULU | (2) RED MAIDS**

6.00 GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETUK HANDICAP (4) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 7 **(1) PALS BATTALION | (10) SHOWTIME MAHOMES | (5) CAFFU ZAFEEN**

6.30 EXTRA WINNINGS WITH BETUK ACCA CLUB HANDICAP (5) 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 8 **(1) THE RIDLER | (9) DARLO PRIDE | (12) BRIAN THE SNAIL**

7.00 BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME HANDICAP (6) 7f14y (1420 Metres)

RACE 9 **(8) WINDSOR PASS | (9) BUTTERCROSS FLYER | (10) CONCERT BOY**

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.

3.00**BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) (D.I) 3yo+ (Rated 0-68) £7,100 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)**

RACE 1

GBI RACINGGoing: **Standard**


Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**


1 5 KAARANAH (IRE) (25) (BF)  **100**
81987-753 **6** 9-12 | 62.6kg

 John Butler **Daniel Muscutt**
Good 1¼ lengths third of 11 to Urban Road in handicap (3/1) at this C&D 25 days ago. Expected to be bang there.


2 1 URBAN ROAD (16) (CD) **96**
33553514 **5** 9-11 | 62.1kg

 Alan Brown **David Nolan**
4-time course winner who was unlucky not to finish closer when fourth of 9 in handicap (4/1) at this C&D 16 days ago. Likely to go well again.


3 9 ALPINE SIERRA (IRE) (16) (CD) **98**
94236651 **6** 9-10 | 61.7kg

 Jim Goldie **Paul Mulrennan**
Won 9-runner handicap at this C&D (6/1) 16 days ago by length from Powerful Response, comfortably. Remains feasibly treated on old form.


4 4 SHAMARDAL STAR (24) **98**
27669 **5** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Adrian Keatley **Oisin McSweeney (3lb/1kg)**
Lightly-raced maiden on Flat. 5/1 and tongue strap on for 1st time in this code, ninth of 11 in handicap at Kempton (11f) 24 days ago, left poorly placed. Makes tapeta debut.


5 6 CUSACK (11) (CD) **96**
35008894 **6** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 David Thompson **S. B. Kirrane**
6-time course winner. 20/1, creditable fourth of 12 in handicap at this course (7.1f) 11 days ago. Significantly back up in trip.

6 8 POWERFUL RESPONSE (IRE) (16) (C, D) **96**
67746362 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Geoffrey Harker **Rowan Scott**
Course winner. 10/3, creditable length second of 9 to Alpine Sierra in handicap at this C&D 16 days ago.


7 3 FALCON NINE (25) **99**
79782744 **4** 9-5 | 59.4kg

 Charlie Fellowes **Mikkel Mortensen (5lb/2kg)**
Respectable 3 lengths fourth of 11 to Urban Road in handicap at this C&D (7/2) 25 days ago, finishing with running left. Cheekpieces on 1st time. Not taken lightly.

8 7 SANDRET (IRE) (25) (C, D) **98**
28-836672 **8** 9-2 | 58.1kg

 Ben Haslam **Andrew Mullen**
Course winner who stopped the slide from a tumbling mark when second of 12 in handicap at this course (8f, 8/1) 25 days ago, slowly away. Back up in trip.

9 2 HOT TEAM (IRE) (16) (CD) **96**
26360636 **8** 8-10 | 55.3kg

 Patrick Morris **Warren Fentiman (7lb/3kg)**
C&D winner who possibly needed the run after 10 weeks off when sixth of 9 in handicap (50/1) at this C&D 16 days ago.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Alpine Sierra, **5-1** Urban Road, **11-2** Kaaranah, **7-1** Powerful Response, **15-2** Falcon Nine, **9-1** Shamardal Star, **10-1** Sandret, **14-1** Cusack, **33-1** Hot Team

TIMEFORM VIEW:

KAARANAH ran well under a change of tactics when third to Urban Road over C&D at the beginning of the month and is now 4 lb better off with that rival, so he's taken to reverse the form and come out on top. Falcon Nine probably isn't the most straightforward but is up to defying his current mark when things fall right, while Alpine Sierra remains feasibly treated on old form for his recent C&D success.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. KAARANAH 2. FALCON NINE 3. ALPINE SIERRA****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2023 **Blue Yonder** 3-9-3 5-1 Richard Fahey Billy Garrity 8
2022 **Dream Harder** 3-9-11 evsf Ian Williams Ben Sanderson (3) 9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.30**BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) (D.II) 3yo+
(Rated 0-68) £7,100 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)**

RACE 2

GBI RACINGGoing: **Standard**

Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 8 PERCY WILLIS (18) (C) s **99**
53704106 6 9-12 | 62.6kg



Jedd O'Keeffe

Jack Garrity

Course winner. Latest win at Wolverhampton in November. 10/1, respectable sixth of 10 in handicap at Southwell (12.1f) 18 days ago. Can give a good account.

2 4 PHONE TAG (11) h **95**
24972663 3 9-9 | 61.2kg



Kevin Frost

Jack Mitchell

Respectable third of 8 in handicap at this C&D (5/1) 11 days ago, unsuited by way race developed. Hood on 1st time and in the mix.

3 6 BERRY EDGE (IRE) (35) (CD) b **96**
14667516 6 9-8 | 60.8kg



David Thompson

Tommie Jakes (5lb/2kg)

C&D winner. Latest win here in October. Respectable sixth of 11 in handicap (15/2) at this C&D 35 days ago. Unreliable type.

4 2 RAINWATER (23) (BF) **96**
50795142 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



Richard Fahey

Warren Fentiman (7lb/3kg)

Winner at Wolverhampton in November. Creditable second of 12 in handicap at Chelmsford City (10f, 7/2) 23 days ago. Ought to be in the shake-up.

5 5 HUMBLE SPARK (IRE) (36) (CD, BF) **100**
21314235 4 9-7 | 60.3kg



Jim Goldie

Paul Mulrennan

C&D winner. 3 wins from 14 runs this year. Latest win at Hamilton in August. Came widest of all when a good fifth of 12 in handicap (2/1) at this course (12.4f) 36 days ago. Expected to be bang there.

6 3 RUSSIAN VIRTUE (16) (CD) **89**
74/141-047 7 9-6 | 59.9kg



David Thompson

S. B. Kirrane

C&D winner. 40/1, first run since leaving Rebecca Menzies when seventh of 9 in handicap at this C&D 16 days ago. Must improve.

7 1 ROCK ARMOUR (IRE) (16) (BF) s **99**
35600223 3 9-4 | 59.0kg



John Butler

Daniel Muscutt

Cheekpieces on for 1st time, creditable third of 9 in handicap at this C&D (9/4) 16 days ago. Can make presence felt.

8 7 DUNDORY (IRE) (16) (D) **96**
0-7448009 8 8-13 | 56.7kg



Micky Hammond

Aiden Brookes (3lb/1kg)

Fifteen runs since last win in 2023. Last of 9 in handicap at this C&D (125/1) 16 days ago.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Rainwater, **7-2** Humble Spark, **9-2** Rock Armour, **7-1** Phone Tag, **8-1** Percy Willis, **9-1** Berry Edge, **25-1** Russian Virtue, **80-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

HUMBLE SPARK didn't enjoy the rub of the green when fifth here last time so is fancied to bag another C&D success eased 1 lb. Course-winner Percy Willis heads the list of dangers with in-form pair Rainwater and Phone Tag also in the picture.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HUMBLE SPARK 2. PERCY WILLIS 3. RAINWATER

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.00

BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME IRISH EBF NOVICE STAKES (5) 2yo
£9,650 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 3



Going: **Standard**

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Draw: **Favours High** Pace Information: **Even**

1 9 SHOWERING (22) (CD) **100**
1 2 9-11 | 62.1kg

William Haggas **Adam Farragher**
Showcasing colt. Bred to useful and made a fine start to his career when comfortably winning a 9-runner novice (4/1) at this C&D on debut 22 days ago. The one to beat under penalty.

2 4 CRACKINTHUNDER (22) **79**
97 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Jim Goldie **Paul Mulrennan**
Twice-raced maiden. Seventh of 9 in novice at this C&D (125/1) 22 days ago. Hard to fancy.

3 1 DIAMOND DUDE (IRE) (22) **75**
89 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Tracy Waggott **Kieran O'Neill**
Twice-raced maiden. 200/1, last of 9 in novice at this C&D 22 days ago. Yet to beat a rival and easily opposed again.

4 3 EL COBRE FUEGO (19) **84**
8 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Nigel Tinkler **Alex Jary (5lb/2kg)**
Sergei Prokofiev gelding. 80/1, eighth of 9 in novice at this course (5f) on debut 19 days ago. Needs to leave that form behind to figure.

5 5 FAN MAIL (121) **81**
08 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Tim Easterby **S. B. Kirrane**
Twice-raced maiden. Eighth of 10 in novice (200/1) at Carlisle (5.8f, soft). Off 121 days. Likely to be of greater interest in low grade handicaps.

6 2 GOLDRUSH GLORY (FR) (9) **85**
6 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Richard Fahey **Oisin McSweeney (3lb/1kg)**
Golden Horde gelding. 40/1, offered something to work on when sixth of 9 in novice at Southwell (6.1f) on debut 9 days ago. Should have more to offer.

7 6 NAVE FORCE (IRE) (45) **79**
0 2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Linda Perratt **Tommie Jakes (5lb/2kg)**
Land Force gelding. 28/1, last of 11 in maiden at Southwell (6.1f) on debut 45 days ago. Can't be fancied.

8 12 RAINBOW NEBULA (FR) **86**
2 9-4 | 59.0kg

Richard Fahey **Billy Garritty**
Foaled January 20. €90,000 foal, 120,000 gns yearling, Hello Youmzain gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including French 1½m winner Qasida and Spanish 1m/9f winner Battle Charge. Wears visor. Interesting newcomer.

9 10 THE WATCHER (IRE) **87**
2 9-4 | 59.0kg

K. R. Burke **Clifford Lee**
Foaled May 4. Invincible Spirit colt. Half-brother to 2-y-o 7f winner Espionne and useful 1m winner Sisyphæan. Dam unraced, closely related to useful 2-y-o 7f winner Blue Lemons. This isn't a deep race and yard's newcomers have to be respected.

10 8 HARDLASS (184) (BF) **83**
05 2 8-13 | 56.7kg

Grant Tuer **Harrison Shaw**
Twice-raced maiden. 2/1, again below market expectations when fifth of 7 in maiden at Hamilton (5f, good). Off 6 months. More needed.

11 11 LITTLE BECK ANNIE (35) **82**
6 2 8-13 | 56.7kg

Peter Niven **Cam Hardie**
Adaay filly. 50/1, sixth of 8 in maiden at this C&D on debut 35 days ago. Little promise there and others are preferred.

12 7 OILISA (22) **75**
7 2 8-13 | 56.7kg

Mark Walford **Harry Russell**
Sergei Prokofiev filly. Shaped as if needing experience when 9½ lengths seventh of 9 to Showering in novice at this C&D (150/1) on debut 22 days ago, unable to sustain effort. Should be one for the longer term.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-4 Showering, **6-1** The Watcher, **7-1** Rainbow Nebula, **9-1** Goldrush Glory, **12-1** El Cobre Fuego, **16-1** Hardlass, **25-1** Little Beck Annie, **33-1** Fan Mail, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A thin event in which SHOWERING can defy a penalty and supplement his debut C&D success. Newcomers The Watcher and Rainbow Nebula represent top yards and may prove the biggest threats, whilst Goldrush Glory makes most appeal of the remainder with experience.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SHOWERING 2. THE WATCHER 3. RAINBOW NEBULA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Filly One 2-9-3	6-4f	Geoff Oldroyd	Harry Russell	7
2022	Clipsham La Habana 2-9-6	1-3f	Kevin Philippart de Foy	Daniel Muscutt	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.30**WIN £1M WITH BETMGM'S GOLDEN GOALS NURSERY
HANDICAP (5) 2yo (Rated 0-70) £7,100 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 4

GBI RACINGGoing: **Standard**

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Draw: **Favours High** Pace Information: **Even**

1 6 BLUE LAKOTA (IRE) (9) (CD) 98
6902211 2 9-10 | 61.7kg



Kevin Ryan

Warren Fentiman (7lb/3kg)

Followed up her win over C&D 7 days earlier in 8-runner nursery (10/11) at Chelmsford City (5f) 9 days ago. Could complete the hat-trick.

2 10 TRIPLE CHARGED (IRE) (163) 89
43705 2 9-9 | 61.2kg



K. R. Burke

Clifford Lee

Lightly-raced maiden. Visored for 1st time, last of 5 in nursery at Hamilton (5f, good to firm, 18/1). Off 163 days. Makes tapeta debut. Has been gelded.

3 8 MONOMYTH (IRE) (24) (D) 99
87612595 2 9-9 | 61.2kg



Ollie Sangster

Daniel Muscutt

Winner at Doncaster in August. Bit below form fifth of 9 in nursery (28/1) at Kempton (6f) 24 days ago. Cheekpieces on for 1st time.

4 5 LAURENS DREAM (14) (CD) 98
84321135 2 9-8 | 60.8kg



Michael & David Easterby

Billy Garritty

C&D winner. Creditable fifth of 12 in nursery at Southwell (6.1f, 17/2) 14 days ago. Should remain competitive.

5 9 ON KEY (40) 93
2635 2 9-7 | 60.3kg



Julie Camacho

Ryan Sexton

Fair maiden. Failed to repeat last effort when only fifth of 8 in nursery at Southwell (7.1f, 18/1) 40 days ago.

6 2 FALLEN SOLDIER (IRE) (14) 94
85842720 2 9-5 | 59.4kg



John & Sean Quinn

Jason Hart

11/1, last of 12 in nursery at Southwell (6.1f) 14 days ago.

7 1 STARTLING (7) (C) 100
09171251 2 9-4 | 59.0kg



David O'Meara

David Nolan

Found some improvement to resume winning ways in 10-runner nursery (5/2) at this course (5f) 7 days ago. Much respected in follow-up bid.

8 3 FINAL ANGEL (IRE) (16) 96
39485703 2 8-10 | 55.3kg



Richard Fahey

Cam Hardie

12/1, respectable 5¾ lengths third of 9 to Blue Lakota in nursery at this C&D 16 days ago.

9 7 LIMA SIERRA (50) (BF) 94
65632 2 8-9 | 54.9kg



Nigel Tinkler

Rowan Scott

Lightly-raced maiden. Good second of 5 in nursery at this C&D (7/4) 50 days ago. Lightly-raced profile provides hope for better still.

10 4 ANDALSEEYAGRAHAM (IRE) (22) 83
09040 2 8-2(7-12) | 51.7kg (49.9kg)



Nigel Tinkler

Ethan Tindall (7lb/3kg)

Lightly-raced maiden. 18/1, last of 11 in nursery at this course (8f) 22 days ago. Back down in trip from 4 lb out of the weights.

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Blue Lakota, **7-2** Startling, **7-1** Lima Sierra, **9-1** Laurens Dream, **12-1** Final Angel, **14-1** Monomyth, **16-1** On Key, **18-1** Fallen Soldier, **25-1** Triple Charged, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BLUE LAKOTA is thriving at present and is fancied to complete the hat-trick. Startling resumed progress/winning ways here last week and is feared most ahead of Lima Sierra, who may do better still.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BLUE LAKOTA 2. STARTLING 3. LIMA SIERRA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Flying Fletcher 2-9-7	6-1	Richard Fahey	David Nolan	11
2022	Colors of Freedom 2-8-9	33-1	Archie Watson	Luke Morris	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

5.00

GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETMGM HANDICAP (6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-65) £9,000 1m5y (1610 Metres)

RACE 5



Going: **Standard**


Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**


1 3 MERCURIUS POWER (IRE) (51) (CD) s+t 96
54419432 **6** 9-10 | 61.7kg

 Jessica Macey **Ben Sanderson (3lb/1kg)**
C&D winner. Latest win at Southwell in August. 9/2, creditable second of 10 in handicap at this C&D 51 days ago. In the picture once more.


2 12 PARIS LIGHTS (IRE) (19) 91
88730535 **5** 9-10 | 61.7kg

 Paul Midgley **David Nolan**
Unreliable type. One win from 21 Flat runs. Fifteen runs since last win in 2022. Fifth of 8 in handicap at this course (7.1f, 6/1) 19 days ago. Not easy to make a case for.

3 2 TRAIS FLUORS (11) (CD) 94
56460151 **10** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 Linda Perratt **Rowan Scott**
3 wins from 17 runs this year. 8/1, won 12-runner handicap at this course (7.1f) 11 days ago by length from Lahab, helped by being held up in strongly-run race. Ought to be in the shake-up.


4 7 BOOK OF LIFE (6) (BF) s 98
07743222 **4** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Ian Williams **Dougie Costello**
Sixteen runs since last win in 2022. 3/1, respectable second of 10 in handicap at Lingfield (8f, AW) 6 days ago, conceding first run. Looks competitive on form.


5 5 PARISH COUNCILLOR (IRE) (82) (CD) 98
19-558988 **4** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 David & Nicola Barron **Adam Farragher**
C&D winner. 13/2, eighth of 10 in handicap at Wolverhampton (9.5f) 82 days ago. Enters calculations if shrugging off latest effort.


6 11 CALLIANASSA (IRE) (7) (BF) 94
96868282 **3** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Brian Ellison **Shay Farmer (7lb/3kg)**
Remains a maiden after 19 Flat runs. Good second of 6 in handicap at this C&D (7/4) 7 days ago, clear of rest. Can give another good account.


7 6 VOLENTI (IRE) (11) (CD) 93
9-9321211 **5** 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Ben Haslam **Andrew Mullen**
3-time C&D winner. 3 wins from 7 runs this year. Career best when winning 10-runner handicap at this C&D (11/10) 11 days ago, readily. Very much one to consider.


8 1 LAHAB (11) ★ 100
77448572 **4** 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Michael Wigham **Darragh Keenan**
Sixteen runs since last win in 2023 but a good length second of 12 to Trais Fluors in handicap (9/2) at this course (7.1f) 11 days ago, slowly away. Weighted to go well.

9 10 WYVERN (8) (CD) s 93
00834146 **5** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Patrick Morris **Paul Mulrennan**
C&D winner. Latest win here in November. Respectable sixth of 10 in handicap (40/1) at Wolverhampton (9.5f) 8 days ago, left with too much to do. Must enter calculations.


10 4 MOUNT KING (IRE) (61) (D) s+t 94
74355397 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Tim Easterby **S. B. Kirrane**
Twelve runs since last win in 2023. Creditable seventh of 12 in handicap (17/2) at Southwell (8.1f) 61 days ago. Needs considering.

11 9 GROVELY BELLE (IRE) (10) v+t 89
47399 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Mrs Ilka Gansera-Leveque **Pierre-Louis Jamin**
Lightly-raced maiden. Not disgraced when ninth of 13 in handicap (18/1) at Kempton (7f) 10 days ago, hampered last 1f. Makes tapeta debut. Visor on 1st time and in the mix.

12 8 TASEVER (8) (CD) s 91
83621177 **4** 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Patrick Morris **Ryan Kavanagh (7lb/3kg)**
C&D winner. Latest win here in November. Seventh of 10 in handicap at Wolverhampton (9.5f, 28/1) 8 days ago. Must improve.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Volenti, **11-2** Trais Fluors, **15-2** Lahab, **8-1** Book of Life, **9-1** Mercurius Power, **9-1** Callianassa, **18-1** Paris Lights, **22-1** Parish Councillor, **22-1** Wyvern, **25-1** Mount King, **25-1** Tasever, **33-1** Grovely Belle

TIMEFORM VIEW:

LAHAB signalled he is ready to end a losing run when a good recent second here so is fancied to capitalise on a handy-looking mark at the chief expense of three-time C&D scorer Volenti. Book of Life is also weighted to have a say, with Mercurius Power and Trais Fluors also worthy of respect in a competitive event.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LAHAB 2. VOLENTI 3. BOOK OF LIFE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023 ^I	Cosmos Raj 5-9-13	11-4f	David O'Meara	Daniel Tudhope	9
2023 ^{II}	Enola Grey 3-9-10	13-8f	Gemma Tutty	Ethan Jones (7)	7
2022	Asdaa 6-9-4	10-3	Charlie & Mark Johnston	Jason Hart	6
2021	Nushafreen 3-9-8	12-1	Marco Botti	Marco Ghiani	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.30

BEST ODDS GUARANTEED AT BETMGM HANDICAP (4) 3yo+ (Rated 0-78) £9,500 7f14y (1420 Metres)

RACE 6




Going: **Standard**


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Draw: **Favours Mid** Pace Information: **Even**


1 1 BRAVO ZULU (IRE) (9) (D) 95
78500611 3 9-13 | 63.0kg

 **David Loughnane** *Connor Planas (3lb/1kg)*
3 wins from 10 runs this year. 7/1, maintained his unbeaten record for current connections in 11-runner handicap at Southwell (7.1f) 9 days ago, coming in for a well-judged ride after drawn wide. Useful apprentice negates a 3 lb rise and he should be bang there bidding for a hat-trick.


2 2 RED MAIDS (16) (CD) 98
85737111 4 9-8 | 60.8kg

 **Mark Rimell** *Jack Mitchell*
Completed quick-fire C&D hat-trick in 10-runner handicap (8/1) at this C&D 16 days ago. Nudged up another 2 lb and she should continue to give a good account.


3 8 BYZANTINE EMPRESS (7) (D) 95
37231235 3 9-8 | 60.8kg

 **Jedd O'Keefe** *Finley Marsh*
Winner at Haydock in August. Below previous effort when fifth of 7 in handicap at Wolverhampton (7.2f, 5/1) 7 days ago, not ideally placed. Does look capable of winning races for this yard, though.


4 6 SWISS ACE (16) (CD) 100
62277495 6 9-7 | 60.3kg

 **Ruth Carr** *Paul Mulrennan*
3-time C&D winner. Eleven runs since last win in 2023. Shaped well under a negative ride from stall 1 when 3¾ lengths fifth of 10 to Red Maids in handicap (16/1) at this C&D 16 days ago, left with lot to do. Shortlist material (won this from a 1 lb higher mark last year).


5 4 STARLINER (IRE) (25) (CD) 93
07906712 3 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **Linda Perratt** *Tommie Jakes (5lb/2kg)*
C&D winner in November. 7/2, ran at least as well in defeat when second of 9 in handicap at this C&D 25 days ago. Should go well again.

6 9 OUR HAVANA (196) (D) 92
7424-10 3 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **Richard Fahey** *David Nolan*
1 win from 2 runs this year. Below form when sixteenth of 17 in handicap at York (7f, soft, 12/1) when last seen 6 months ago. Makes all-weather debut and likely he'll need the outing.


7 10 HARRY DID (26) (BF) 96
52-2018 3 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **Harry Eustace** *Pierre-Louis Jamin*
Winner at Leicester in July. Looked unlucky not to finish closer returning from 5 months off when eighth of 12 in handicap at Wolverhampton (6.1f, 11/4) 26 days ago, not clear run. Tongue strap on 1st time and won't be inconvenienced by going back up to 7f.


8 7 THAT'S FOR SURE (IRE) (42) 92
31007-0 3 9-5 | 59.4kg

 **K. R. Burke** *Clifford Lee*
Ran poorly after 14 months off (gelded in interim) when 20 lengths last of 12 to Red Maids in handicap at this C&D (22/1) 6 weeks ago. Visor on 1st time. Work to do.


9 5 EDEN STORM (IRE) (40) (D) 81
561-80879 4 9-4 | 59.0kg

 **Patrick Morris** *Dougie Costello*
Lost his way for Marco Botti and has continued to struggle on both outings for his new yard. Best watched.

10 3 KING'S SCHOOL (7) (CD) 97
45222241 3 9-3 | 58.5kg

 **Gemma Tutty** *Warren Fentiman (7lb/3kg)*
11/4, career best when winning 11-runner handicap at this C&D 7 days ago, showing a good attitude to fend off the hat-trick-seeking favourite. Can kick on now up and running.

11 11 HOMER STOKES (19) (D) 97
44151137 6 8-12 | 56.2kg

 **David & Nicola Barron** *Adam Farragher*
3 wins from 13 runs this year. Latest win at Catterick in October. Found run of good form coming to a halt after 6 weeks off when seventh of 8 in handicap (14/1) at this C&D 19 days ago.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Red Maids, 5-1 Bravo Zulu, 11-2 King's School, 7-1 Starliner, 17-2 Harry Did, 14-1 Byzantine Empress, 14-1 Our Havana, 16-1 Swiss Ace, 20-1 Homer Stokes, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This looks a good race with plenty of in-form horses on show, but it could pay to side with the less obvious SWISS ACE, who shaped well under a negative ride when fifth behind Red Maids over C&D earlier this month and he looks ready to strike from a reduced mark (won this race last year). Bravo Zulu and the aforementioned Red Maids head up the dangers, with Harry Did and King's School both certainly not out of things, either.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SWISS ACE 2. BRAVO ZULU 3. RED MAIDS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	Swiss Ace 5-9-1	13-2 Ruth Carr	Joanna Mason	10
2022	Brewing 3-9-9	11-10f William Haggas	Adam Farragher (3)	4

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

6.00**GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETUK HANDICAP (4) 3yo+
(Rated 0-78) £9,500 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 7

GBI RACINGGoing: **Standard**

Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **Favours High** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 10 PALS BATTALION (IRE) (22) (CD) **100**
42514221 **3** 9-11 | 62.1kg



David O'Meara

David Nolan

Better than ever when winning over C&D 22 days ago, made headway over a furlong out and stayed on well to lead inside final furlong. Has to enter calculations again.

2 7 MAHATO (14) (D, BF) **97**
14-2562 **3** 9-10 | 61.7kg



William Haggas

Adam Farragher

Lightly-raced winner. 11/1, creditable sixth of 12 in handicap here (7.1f) here in November, left poorly placed. Tongue strap on first time when running as well as ever back at 6f two weeks ago. Should be thereabouts again.

3 11 ADMIRAL D (IRE) (14) (D) **96**
58600279 **5** 9-9 | 61.2kg



Richard Fahey

Warren Fentiman (71b/3kg)

Ungenuine type. 16/1, respectable seventh of 15 in handicap at Doncaster (6f, heavy) last month but no impression when well-beaten at Southwell two weeks ago (7.1f). Back down in distance today.

4 3 MODERN TIMES (14) **97**
66200309 **3** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Iain Jardine

Andrew Mullen

Maiden. Had first-time visor added to regular tongue tie when ninth of 10 in handicap at Southwell (8.1f) 14 days ago. Back down in trip and others more persuasive.

5 2 CAFFU ZAFEEN (IRE) (101) **97**
92224 **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg



David Simcock

Daniel Muscutt

Cemented positive start to his career when runner-up for the third time at Chepstow in a maiden, clear of the rest. Ran with credit on handicap debut for James Tate, beaten two lengths when fourth of 12 in handicap at Yarmouth (raced keenly) in September. Chance if settling on debut for new yard.

6 9 SWIFT STORM (IRE) (37) **90**
3-334 **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg



Alice Haynes

Kieran O'Neill

Lightly-raced maiden. 10/3, fourth of 7 in novice at Southwell (7.1f) 37 days ago, slowly into stride on that occasion. Back in distance today but needs to improve significantly to trouble market principals.

7 1 BEALE STREET (11) (CD) **97**
33734141 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg



Bryan Smart

Paul Mulrennan

Two-time C&D winner, including latest win here 11 days ago when held up off a good pace, taking it up with a furlong to run and scoring by 3/4l. Remains unexposed as a sprinter.

8 5 ONE MORE DREAM (14) (CD) **93**
65550000 **5** 9-4 | 59.0kg



John & Sean Quinn

Jason Hart

C&D winner. 3 wins from 18 runs this year. Again below form when tenth of 14 in handicap at Southwell (7.1f) 14 days ago. Easy to look elsewhere.

9 4 ANGEL OF ENGLAND (25) (D) **96**
75528426 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg



Alan Brown

Rowan Scott

Creditable second of 12 in handicap (6/1) at this course (6f) last month and respectable effort here back up in trip (took keen hold) 25 days ago. Can be competitive if settling better.

10 8 SHOWTIME MAHOMES (15) (D, BF) **99**
01546134 **5** 9-1 | 57.6kg



Grant Tuer

Harrison Shaw

Winner at Southwell in November. 11/1, respectable third of 12 in handicap at Newcastle (6f) earlier in the month before running creditable fourth of 12 in handicap (5/2) at Southwell (6.1f) 15 days ago, when well-backed. Can run well again.

11 6 EVOCATIVE SPARK (IRE) (14) (D) **98**
40074145 **5** 9-1 | 57.6kg



John David Riches

S. B. Kirrane

Not disgraced on first run for new yard (left James Owen) when fifth of 12 in handicap (11/1) at Wolverhampton (6.1f) 14 days ago. Ought to be in the mix again.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Pals Battalion, **5-1** Mahato, **11-2** Beale Street, **13-2** Showtime Mahomes, **10-1** Evocative Spark, **11-1** Caffu Zafeen, **14-1** Swift Storm, **16-1** Angel of England, **20-1** Modern Times, **33-1** Admiral D, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PALS BATTALION can once again confirm his superiority over Showtime Mahomes, the pair having met here 22 days ago, while Caffu Zafeen is an interesting new recruit for the David Simcock yard.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PALS BATTALION 2. SHOWTIME MAHOMES 3. CAFFU ZAFEEN

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023	The Caltonian 4-9-6	7-4f Linda Perratt	Jonny Peate (3)	12
2022	After John 6-9-6	85-40f Iain Jardine	Andrew Mullen	10
2021	Late Arrival 4-9-4	9-1 Michael & David Easterby	William Pyle (7)	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

6.30**EXTRA WINNINGS WITH BETUK ACCA CLUB HANDICAP (5)
3yo+ (Rated 0-75) £10,000 5f (1010 Metres)****RACE 8****GBI RACING**Going: **Standard**

Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1 2 THE RIDLER (11) (CD) s  **100**
20358U21 4 9-10 | 61.7kg



Richard Fahey *Oisin McSweeney (3lb/1kg)*
Built on a good second of 12 in a handicap at this course (6f) when dropping in trip 11 days ago (5f) to score over C&D. 3 lb rise in the weights but can still be very competitive.

2 7 DUE FOR LUCK (IRE) (23) (D) h **97**
33588457 3 9-9 | 61.2kg



John & Sean Quinn *Jason Hart*
Irresolute performer. 22/1, Shaped as if back in form after 10 weeks off when fifth of 10 in handicap last month but too keen to do himself justice when seventh of 8 in handicap at Chelmsford City (5f) 23 days ago. Hood on seems a logical move.

3 10 STRONG JOHNSON (IRE) (22) (CD) **98**
37431854 8 9-7 | 60.3kg



Paul Midgley *Paul Mulrennan*
Ended losing run over C&D 4 runs ago. Respectable fourth of 12 in handicap (11/1) at this C&D 22 days ago and can remain competitive here.

4 3 CAST NO SHADOW (22) (CD) b **97**
21771800 3 9-6 | 59.9kg



Hugo Palmer *Clifford Lee*
Dual C&D winner, the latest from 2 lb lower mark in June. However, below best since, latest run last of 12 in handicap at this C&D 22 days ago. First-time blinkers need to spark a revival.

5 12 PARISIAC (IRE) (11) (D) s **96**
58284159 5 9-6 | 59.9kg



Iain Jardine *Andrew Mullen*
Latest win at Nottingham in November. Below form 3¼ lengths fifth of 12 in handicap at this C&D (12/1) and regressed when last behind The Ridler 11 days ago.

6 6 ABOVE (FR) (15) (D) s+t **97**
49392073 7 9-6 | 59.9kg



Robert Cowell *Daniel Muscutt*
Fifteen runs since last win in 2023. Cheekpieces back on when creditable third of 10 in handicap (11/1) at Southwell (5f) 15 days ago. However, has bled in the past and not guaranteed to back up latest run.

7 9 BUZZ BOX (22) (C, BF) **96**
06-124532 3 9-6 | 59.9kg



Bryan Smart *David Nolan*
Course winner. Respectable third of 7 in handicap at this C&D (11/4) 25 days ago, left with lot to do on the back of an awkward start and unlucky to bump into a well-handicapped one here 22 days ago (second, beaten 3/4 l). Should be thereabouts.

8 8 MARIS ANGEL (79) (D) **96**
5541125 3 9-4 | 59.0kg



Mark Walford *Dougie Costello*
Two wins from 7 runs this year, the latest at Redcar in September. 7/4, creditable second of 11 in handicap at same venue (5f, good) in September and not disgraced on return to AW when respectable fifth of 12 in handicap at Southwell (5f) 79 days ago. May find a couple too good.

9 1 DARLO PRIDE (7) (CD) b+t **99**
37622311 4 9-4 | 59.0kg



Michael Dods *S. B. Kirrane*
C&D winner. Landed 12-runner handicap (7/2) at Newcastle (5f) at this venue earlier in the month and followed up with career-best victory at Wolverhampton (5f) a week ago. Up 4lb and should go well again in pursuit of a hat-trick.

10 5 PILOTO PARDO (IRE) (22) **92**
41-09068 3 9-1 | 57.6kg



Paul Midgley *Aiden Brookes (3lb/1kg)*
Successful on second of 2 starts at 2 yrs for Richard Hannon. Hasn't looked a winner in waiting on three starts for new yard and 5f has looked on the sharp side for him.

11 4 DODDIE'S IMPACT (16) (CD) s **98**
8055-7051 3 8-13 | 56.7kg



Ollie Pears *Harry Russell*
Cheekpieces worked the oracle last time, producing a career best effort when making all when landing 11-runner handicap (12/1) at this C&D 16 days ago. Player again if the headgear continues to have a positive effect.

12 11 BRIAN THE SNAIL (IRE) (19) (C, D) s **97**
19540645 10 8-13 | 56.7kg



Patrick Morris *Ryan Kavanagh (7lb/3kg)*
Course winner lived up to his name when slowly away from stalls last time, but ran one of his better races in defeat, making late headway to finish 1¼ lengths fifth of 12 to Darlo Pride in handicap at this C&D (14/1) 19 days ago. Not ruled out if breaking on terms.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Darlo Pride, **4-1** The Ridler, **11-2** Doddie's Impact, **9-1** Buzz Box, **14-1** Strong Johnson, **16-1** Above, **16-1** Maris Angel, **18-1** Brian The Snail, **22-1** Due For Luck, **25-1** Cast No Shadow, **33-1** Parisiac, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A few horses that like to go forward here, and THE RIDDLER could be the answer to this tricky puzzle. Drawn in stall 2 with pace around him, he should get a nice toe into the race and can follow up his success at this venue last week. Hat-trick seeking Darlo Pride is drawn next to the selection, and can chase him home, while Brian The Snail can hit the frame with a better break from the stalls.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. THE RIDLER 2. DARLO PRIDE 3. BRIAN THE SNAIL

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

7.00

RACE 9

BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME HANDICAP (6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-58) £5,700 7f14y (1420 Metres)




Going: **Standard**


Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **Favours Mid** Pace Information: **Even**


1 5 ANGEL OF ANTRIM (IRE) (7) (CD) v 95
13064961 **4** 9-10 | 61.7kg

 **Jack Morland** *Andrew Mullen*
3 wins from 15 runs this year. Career best when winning 11-runner handicap (9/1) at this C&D 7 days ago by 5 lengths from Concert Boy, easily. Very much one to consider.


2 9 LIKEASHADOW (IRE) (25) (CD) b 89
32250300 **3** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **Alan Brown** *Rowan Scott*
C&D winner. Sixteen runs since last win in 2023. 18/1, eleventh of 12 in handicap at this course (8f) 25 days ago. Blinkers back on. Something to find on form.

3 8 GOOD KARMA (14) (D) 87
59096599 **4** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **John David Riches** *Ethan Tindall (7lb/3kg)*
Fourteen runs since last win in 2023. 11/1, first run since leaving James Owen when last of 9 in handicap at Wolverhampton (8.6f) 14 days ago, very slowly away.


4 2 SIR MAXI (19) (CD) 97
86830538 **6** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **Sam England** *Cam Hardie*
C&D winner. Seventeen runs since last win in 2023. Last of 8 in handicap (13/2) at this C&D 19 days ago.


5 12 KING'S CROWN (IRE) (11) s 95
05265845 **4** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **Michael Dods** *S. B. Kirrane*
Twenty six runs since last win in 2022. 12/1, respectable fifth of 11 in handicap at this course (6f) 11 days ago. Cheekpieces back on. No forlorn hope.


6 10 VIXEY (35) (D) 92
12-706867 **4** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **Simon West** *Aiden Brookes (3lb/1kg)*
Seventh of 10 in handicap (40/1) at this course (8f) 35 days ago. Chance if rediscovering old form.


7 7 KEEP ME STABLE (IRE) (36) (CD) 96
12164929 **4** 9-8 | 60.8kg

 **Linda Perratt** *Tommie Jakes (5lb/2kg)*
3-time C&D winner. Latest win here in September. Ninth of 12 in handicap (5/1) at this C&D 36 days ago. Needs a couple of these to falter.


8 1 WINDSOR PASS (IRE) (19) ★ 100
96434525 **6** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **John Butler** *Daniel Muscutt*
Remains a maiden after 27 Flat runs. 4/1, respectable fifth of 12 in handicap at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 19 days ago. Has good chance on pick of form.


9 4 BUTTERCROSS FLYER (IRE) (7) (CD) 99
70323844 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg

 **Scott Dixon** *Kieran O'Neill*
C&D winner. 14/1, respectable fourth of 10 in handicap at Wolverhampton (8.6f) 7 days ago. Looks competitive on form.


10 3 CONCERT BOY (IRE) (7) (CD) b 99
62362432 **4** 9-2 | 58.1kg

 **Katie Scott** *Jake Dickson (7lb/3kg)*
C&D winner. 13/2, respectable 5 lengths second of 11 to Angel of Antrim in handicap at this C&D 7 days ago, no match for winner. Not taken lightly.

11 11 ISHE WORTH AGAMBLE (61) t 92
9-5769853 **3** 8-12 | 56.2kg

 **Tim Easterby** *Harry Russell*
Solid third of 12 in handicap at this course (6f, 13/2) 61 days ago. Not discounted in his bid for a maiden victory.

12 6 SEE MY BABY JIVE (7) 97
69028209 **8** 8-11 | 55.8kg

 **Donald Whillans** *Jason Hart*
Fifteen runs since last win in 2023. 18½ lengths ninth of 11 to Angel of Antrim in handicap (50/1) at this C&D 7 days ago. Needs to step forward.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Angel of Antrim, **6-1** Windsor Pass, **7-1** Concert Boy, **17-2** Ishe Worth Agamble, **10-1** Keep Me Stable, **12-1** Buttercross Flyer, **12-1** King's Crown, **14-1** Sir Maxi, **22-1** Good Karma, **25-1** Likeashadow, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

WINDSOR PASS remains without a win but rates just the pick of these weights so edges the vote in a highly-open contest. C&D scorer Buttercross Flyer heads the lists of dangers, while Concert Boy, Angel of Antrim and Ishe Worth Agamble can all have a say too in this very open contest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WINDSOR PASS 2. BUTTERCROSS FLYER 3. CONCERT BOY

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race