

Sunday 29th December

LIMERICK



12.00	MASTERCHEFS 2025 MAIDEN HUNTERS CHASE 23/4m120y (4540 Metres)
RACE 1	(12) ROCKY'S HOWYA (15) WILLITGOAHEAD (5) DRUMNASOO
12.32	LIMERICK RACECOURSE VETS NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE 2 ³ / ₄ m120y (4540 Metres)
RACE 2	(7) RUSHEEN (9) DUFFYS GETAWAY (6) QUORNOFAMONDAY
1.07	QUINNBET HANDICAP HURDLE (Sporting Limerick) (Listed) 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 3	(9) ROBBIES ROCK (4) BALKO D'ANGE (7) IFITWASME
1.42	PRESTIGE TARMACADAM RATED NOVICE HURDLE 2m3f (3820 Metres)
RACE 4	(6) SAY IT SO (5) RUT DANIELS (1) KILLANEY KING
2.17	CONNOLLY'S RED MILLS IRISH EBF AUCTION MAIDEN HURDLE 2m3f (3820 Metres)
RACE 5	(9) SOMMESKY (3) CUSTOM TAYLOR (13) MI LUCKY CAILIN
2.52	CUCHULAINN MAIDEN HURDLE 2m3f (3820 Metres)
RACE 6	(4) HACKNEY HILL (8) NED IN THE PARK (5) I BALLYADAM MOON
3.27	RAYN SAFETY & SECURITY HANDICAP HURDLE 2m3f (3820 Metres)
RACE 7	(13) DUFFYS HODEY (5) FRENCH HILL (6) STELLAR SYMPHONY

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.

MASTERCHEFS 2025 MAIDEN HUNTERS CHASE 5yo+ 2.00€10,500 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)



Going: Yielding to Soft (Soft in places)

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RACE 1

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Pace In	formation: Even		
	BARTON SKY (IRE) 6 12-0 76.2kg W. P. Murphy, Ireland Snow Sky gelding. Dam (h101), maiden hurd Oscar (stayed 2½m). Winning pointer, fourth strap.		arton
2	BIGBRAVEBOY (IRE) (272)		86
	3- 6 12-0 76.2kg James William Hannon, Ireland Once-raced maiden. 7/1, third of 9 in hunter debut. Off 9 months. First run for yard after le		
3	CON'S ROC (IRE) 7 12-0 76.2kg		89
	Terence O'Brien, Ireland Shirocco gelding. Brother to fairly useful hurd hurdler Rock On Cassie. Winner of 2 points th the hunter ranks.		seful
4	DROMLEIGH (IRE) (47) 342F-4 8 12-0 76.2kg		87
	Seamus Murnane, Ireland Fair chaser. Fourth of 6 in hunter chase (4/1) - ago. Not dismissed.	Miss L. Costell at Fairyhouse (24.3f, good) 47	
5	DRUMNASOO (IRE) (237)		90
	2 5 12-0 76.2kg R. J. Tumilty, Ireland Winning pointer. Second of 12 in hunter c good to soft) on NH debut 7 months ago. Fin Crawford.	hase (12/1) at Down Royal (2	
5	GRAGEEN (IRE) (219) 2 8 12-0 76.2kg W. P. Murphy, Ireland First run since leaving Leo Doyle when seco		′1) at
	Downpatrick (23.7f, good to soft) on debut winning pointer, third last time.	over fences / months ago.	Dual
7	HEADCORN (IRE) 7 12-0 76.2kg	s+t	75
	M. Phillips, Ireland €8,000 3-y-o, Jet Away gelding. Half-br Aloneamongmillions and fair hurdler Heart starts in points (Jan 28). Tongue tied/in cheek	of Kernow. Successful on last	naser
8	HITAK (FR) (323) P- 7 12-0 76.2kg		86
	Miss Tara Lee Cogan, Ireland Multiple point winner. Pulled up in hunter cha debut, struggling eleventh. Off 10 months. Fir. Holden. Should progress.	se at Naas (24.8f, heavy, 8/1) o	
9	JET FIGHTER (IRE) (35) 6P/7P788-P 7 12-0 76.2kg	S	75
	Peter Maher, Ireland Poor chaser. 250/1, pulled up in minor event c soft) 35 days ago, tailing off some way out.	Mr B. T. Ston hase at Punchestown (24f, goo	
10	LOOK DONT TOUCH (IRE) (167)	s+t	86
٢	2356-2557 9 12-0 76.2kg Conor David Maxwell, Ireland	Mr I. Rya	n (7lb/3kg)

Fair chaser. Seventh of 10 in novice hurdle at Downpatrick (21.8f, good, 16/1) 167 days ago. Has won between the flags since but was below form last time.

NIBBLES (IRE) (234)



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7 12-0 76.2kg Turlough O'Connor, Ireland

Mr Turlough O'Connor (7lb/3kg) Fair chaser. Ninth of 10 in hunter chase (9/1) at Tipperary (23.4f, good to soft). Off 7 months. Cheekpieces on for 1st time.

ROCKY'S HOWYA (IRE) (653)



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Reserve

Mr R. W. Barron (5lb/2kg)

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8 12-0 76.2kg Declan Queally, Ireland

Fairly useful chaser. 11/1, first run since leaving James Daniel Dullea when fourth of 23 in the Festival Challenge Cup at Cheltenham (26.3f, good to soft), going with enthusiasm. Prolific pointer who arrives in form, so should take the beating.

3	STEP UP SON (IRE)	
	8 12-0 76.2kg	
	David K. Walsh	Mr Charlie

e Mullins (7lb/3ka) Scorpion gelding. Half-brother to winning hurdler/fair chaser Pat Garrett. Dam unraced half-sister to useful hurdler (stayed 21/2m) Eastwell Hall. Dual winning pointer, pulled up last time (Dec 2023).



WEST OF CARRIG (IRE) (492) 79380/058-7 12-0 76.2kg

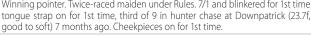
Don Browne, Ireland Mr A. J. Browne (7lb/3kg) Multiple point winner (runner-up last time) but Rules form is uninspiring. Not a forlorn hope.

15	WILLITGOAHEAD (IRE)	89
	6 12-0 76.2kg	
	Sean Thomas Doyle, Ireland	Mr J. L. Scallan (7lb/3kg)
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€23,000 3-y-o, Getaway gelding. Dam unraced sister to useful hurdler/smart chaser (stayed 21f) Claret Cloak. Multiple point winner, including last 3 starts (latest Dec 8). Definite player.

16	WINE AN DINE (219)	s+t 86
	73 7 12-0 76.2kg	
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland 💏	Mr J. H. Williamson (7lb/3kg)
	Winning pointer Twice-raced maide	n under Rules 7/1 and blinkered for 1st time



RESERVES

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5 11-7 73.0kg D. McNamara, Ireland €3,500 3-y-0, £9,000 5-y-0, Kingston Hill mare. Half-sister to 1m winner Curfe Dam (h108) 2m hurdle winner, also 8.3f winner on Flat. Off mark in points a attempt (May 3). RESERVE.	
TROOPER CARTON (IRE) (272) 0- 5 12-0 76.2kg	88

G. Ahern, Ireland

Reserve 200/1, tenth of 12 in bumper at Cork (19f, heavy) on NH debut 9 months ago. Last of 4 finishers completed start in points (Mar 17).

16 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)

BETTING FORECAST:

7-4 Rocky's Howya, 15-2 Drumnasoo, 8-1 Willitgoahead, 10-1 Con's Roc, 18-1 Grageen, 20-1 Dromleigh, 22-1 West of Carrig, 28-1 Hitak, 33-1 Wine An Dine, 33-1 Headcorn, 33-1 Step Up Son, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ROCKY'S HOWYA arrives in form from points and, based on his fourth at the 2023 Cheltenham Festival when last seen under Rules, he should be tough to beat. Willitgoahead has won his last 3 starts between the flags and looks the chief threat ahead of Drumnasoo.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROCKY'S HOWYA 2. WILLITGOAHEAD 3. DRUMNASOO

12.00 RACE 1



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WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023 Romeo Magico 5-12-0	5-2f Emmet Mullins	Mr D. McGill (7)	16
2022 Ultimate Optimist 6-12-0	7-4f David Christie	Mr B. O'Neill	13
2021 Lord Schnitzel 8-12-2	10-11f Declan Queally	Mr M. C. O'Donovan (7)	12
2019 Samurai Cracker 6-12-0	12-1 Mrs Caroline McCaldin	Mr J. C. Barry (5)	16

€10,500 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)

MASTERCHEFS 2025 MAIDEN HUNTERS CHASE 5yo+

SMART STATS:

60% Mr Charlie Mullins's strike rate when only having one ride at a meeting (chasers) (rides: **STEP UP SON**)

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LIMERICK RACECOURSE VETS NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE 4yo+ (Rated 0-109) €11,500 2¾m120y (4540 Metres)

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Pace Information: Weak

1	ATACANTER (IRE) (28) 3520-U34P 7 12-0 76.2kg	b	98
i	Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland Remains a maiden after 19 NH runs. 25/1 ar handicap chase at Fairyhouse (29.7f, good) out. Back down in trip.		up in
2	BRAVE ADAM (IRE) (19) 878-P0195 6 12-0 76.2kg	t	90
	Thomas Cooper, Ireland Winner in chase at Killarney in October. 10 Punchestown (23.8f, soft) 19 days ago. Swit		
3	DROP THE ANCHOR (IRE) (26)		70
	0/0P-6509 10 12-0 76.2kg P. A. Fahy, Ireland Fifteen runs since last win in 2021. Fairly use 12 in handicap chase at Clonmel (18.3f, soft	ful winner at 16f on flat. 10/1, nint	McGarvey th of
4	DECIMATION (IRE) (74) (BF) 258-05426 9 11-11 74.8kg	b+t	96
	Eric McNamara, Ireland Fairly useful winner at 17f over hurdles. Resp at Punchestown (23.2f, good, 4/1) 74 days a on 1st time.	ectable sixth of 12 in handicap cl	
5	MUSKERRY ROCK (IRE) (16) 0/09-00836 5 11-11 74.8kg	s+t	9 1
	M. F. Morris, Ireland Good sixth of 12 in novice chase (22/1) at handicap chase debut.	Gavin Peter Broude Cork (21.2f, soft) 16 days ago. M	
5	QUORNOFAMONDAY (IRE) (15) 32291-0P6 6 11-9 73.9kg		75
	J. P. Dempsey, Ireland Fair winner at 16f over hurdles. Sixth of 10 i (16.5f, good to soft) 15 days ago. Significan debut.		
7	RUSHEEN (IRE) (26) 0872190-5 6 11-7 73.0kg		🛨 100
1	James Daniel Dullea, Ireland Promising sort. Fifth of 12 in handicap ch debut over fences 26 days ago. Back up in t	ase at Clonmel (18.3f, soft, 11/1	J. J. Slevin) on
B	WHATEYS QUEST (IRE) (13)		90
	5P414-000 6 11-7 73.0kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland Fair winner at 19f over hurdles. 50/1, thirtee (16f, good to soft) 13 days ago. Significantly		P. Byrnes Naas
9	DUFFYS GETAWAY (IRE) (22) 1328843-0 7 11-2 70.8kg	s+t	56
	P. J. Rothwell, Ireland One win from 22 NH runs. Fifteenth of 18 in soft) 22 days ago. Makes handicap chase de	novice chase (200/1) at Navan (2	O'Sullivan 20.7f,
10	SOLDIER OF HONOUR (IRE) (250)	s+t	9 1
	7873840P- 7 11-0 69.9kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland 18/1, possibly amiss when pulled up in hand to soft), labouring soon after halfway. Off 8		

GBI RACING

BEARWITHMENOW (IRE) (8) 0286P3PP 7 10-5 65.8kg J. P. Flavin, Ireland One win from 27 NH runs. Eighteen runs sinch handicap chase at Thurles (25.1f, good, 9/1) 8 da straight.	ce last win in 2022. Pullec	
STARLIGHT CATO (IRE) (33)704267-947710-2 64.4kgDaniel John Howard, Ireland14/1, fourth of 13 in handicap chase at Tramore	(21.4f, heavy) 33 days ago	90 D. King
DA BIG FELLA (IRE) (33) 2P577-356 10 10-0 63.5kg	S	91
Eamon Courtney, Ireland One win from 29 NH runs. Eighteen runs since I of 13 in handicap chase at Tramore (214f, heav	ast win in 2021. Respectab	

One of 13 in handicap chase at Tramore (21.4f, heavy, 8/1) 33 days ago. Cheekpieces back on.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST: 7-1 Decimation, 15-2 Rusheen, 8-1 Duffys Getaway, 17-2 Atacanter, 9-1 Quornofamonday, 10-1 Brave Adam, 14-1 Muskerry Rock, 14-1 Starlight Cato, 14-1 Drop The Anchor, 16-1 Bearwithmenow, 18-1 Da Big Fella, 22-1 Soldier of Honour,

TIMEFORM VIEW:

25-1 Whateys Quest

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RUSHEEN offered something to work on sent chasing after 9 months off at Clonmel and remains on a good mark on hurdles form. Duffys Getaway and Quornofamonday should do better now handicapping and head the dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. RUSHEEN 2. DUFFYS GETAWAY 3. QUORNOFAMONDAY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

	Bushmans Pass 7-10-12 Difficult Decision 9-11-8		Oliver McKiernan Oliver McKiernan	Phillip Enright Phillip Enright	11 16
2021	Regina Dracones 6-12-0		T. Gibney	Jack Foley (5)	16
2020	Johnnys Girl 8-9-13	11-1	Norman Lee	Gearoid Patrick Brouder (7)	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race



QUINNBET HANDICAP HURDLE (Sporting Limerick) (Listed) 3 and 4yo €45,000 2m (3220 Metres)

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Pace Information: Even

1 EAGLES REIGN (IRE) (29) (D) 94 723120-16 4 11-12 75.3kg Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland T. P. Harney (7lb/3kg) Fit from a pipe-opener on the Flat, posted a career best effort when doubling his tally in this sphere in 12-runner handicap hurdle (6/1) at Listowel (16f, soft), always holding on. Up in class when 33/1, 25 lengths sixth of 7 to Anzadam in Mullinan Hurdle at Fairyhouse (16f, good) 29 days ago. **BRIGHT LEGEND (IRE)** (44) 95 4 10-13 69.4kg 4520-939 Denis Hogan, Ireland D. Kina Fairly useful on the Flat and over hurdles. Back on form when third in a 2m handicap hurdle at Listowel in September, ran creditably on the Flat since but failed to build on that when below form ninth of 15 in handicap hurdle (28/1) at Cheltenham (16.4f, good to soft) 44 days ago. ST FAZ (FR) (26) 96 303-1273 4 10-12 68.9kg E. J. O'Grady, Ireland J. J. Slevin Fairly-useful winner over hurdles who offered plenty to work on when third of 15 in novice at Clonmel (17.3f, soft) on debut over fences 26 days ago. Clearly in good heart and not ruled out back over hurdles. BALKO D'ANGE (FR) (40) (BF) $\mathbf{\star}$ 100 4 10-10 68.0kg 24-022 Philip Fenton, Ireland Niall Moore (7lb/3kg) Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. 5/4, creditable second of 14 in novice hurdle at Wexford (16.4f, heavy) before good second of 14 in novice hurdle (6/4) at this C&D (soft) 40 days ago, jumped poorly and did as well to get as close as he did. Leading player but needs to sharpen up his hurdling. CLUB MANAGER (42) (D) 99 S 581-54420 4 10-10 68.0kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland S. Fitzaerald Creditable fourth of 19 in handicap at the Curragh (14f, good to soft) on the Flat with cheekpieces on 1st time. Stretched by longer trip last time at Navan (22.4f) and can be competitive back down in trip. MESSERSCHMITT (IRE) (28) (D) 95 U13 **3** 10-6 66.2kg Noel Meade, Ireland K. C. Sexton Twice-raced winner over hurdles. Fairly useful winner at 8f on flat. 3/1, won 17-runner juvenile hurdle at Galway (16.4f, good to soft) in October, readily. Ran well up in class at Fairyhouse 28 days ago (16.5f, good) and can give another good account here IFITWASME (IRE) (94) (D) 99 h+t 4 10-4 65.3kg 769-1 Eric McNamara, Ireland C. P. McNamara Lightly-raced winner over hurdles, bolted-up at Listowel (16f soft) in October before running seventeenth of 18 in handicap at Galway (11.8f, heavy) on Flat. Switches back to hurdles today and every chance based on his last run in this sphere THE BLAGGARD (IRE) (80) (D) 93 9-041 4 10-4 65.3kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland G. B. Noonan (5lb/2kg) Promising sort. Career best when winning 11-runner novice hurdle at Tramore (16f, good to soft) 80 days ago, running on. Unexposed and of interest on handicap debut. ROBBIES ROCK (16) (D) 98 t 3581 3 10-0 63.5kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland J. Kearney (3lb/1kg) Fairly useful Flat winner. Well-backed when taking advantage of lenient mark over hurdles when winning 14-runner handicap hurdle at Cork (16.2f, soft, 85/40) 16 days ago, easily. Looks the type who is capable of following up. 9 DECLARED RUNNERS **BETTING FORECAST:**

4-1 Robbies Rock, 6-1 Balko D'ange, 7-1 Ifitwasme, 8-1 Messerschmitt, 17-2 Club Manager, 17-2 Bright Legend, 10-1 Eagles Reign, 12-1 St Faz, 12-1 The Blaggard

GBI RACING

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ROBBIES ROCK won in the style of a very well-treated horse 16 days ago, and such was the manner of his victory that a 14 lb rise may not be enough to stop him winning again. Balko d'Ange can make it a hat-trick of seconds and Ifitwasme can go well again in this sphere

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROBBIES ROCK 2. BALKO D'ANGE 3. IFITWASME

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2023 Your Honor 4-11-2	9-2f	James A. Nash	Gavin Peter Brouder (5)	10

SMART STATS:

£17.50 Denis Hogan's profit to a £1 level stake when having only one runner on the card (hurdles) (saddles: BRIGHT LEGEND)



PRESTIGE TARMACADAM RATED NOVICE HURDLE 4yo+ €11,500 2m3f (3820 Metres)



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Pace Information: Even KILLANEY KING (IRE) (21) 1 100 \star 256-7 6 12-0 76.2kg Henry de Bromhead, Ireland 👸 M. P. O'Connor Lightly-raced maiden. 15/2, respectable seventh of 18 in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, soft) 21 days ago, not knocked about. Has good chance on pick of form. SUMMER MELODY (IRE) (37) v 84 74/42FP-00 7 11-12 75.3kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland P. Byrnes 33/1, tenth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Tipperary (20.4f, soft) 37 days ago. Visored for 1st time. MAROTO (IRE) (145) 95 t 7 11-11 74.8kg 6F2-03 Andrew McNamara, Ireland J. J. Slevin Lightly-raced maiden. Respectable third of 15 in novice hurdle at Roscommon (20.2f, soft, 2/1) 145 days ago. First run for yard after leaving W. P. Mullins. ATTABOYARCHIE (IRE) (22) 90 2440/U4U-8 7 11-10 74.4kg Karl Thornton, Ireland Miss E. J. Sweenev (7lb/3kg) Fair hurdler. Tongue strap on for 1st time, first run since leaving Dermot Anthony McLoughlin when respectable eighth of 25 in novice hurdle at Navan (16f, soft, 80/1) 22 days ago. RUT DANIELS (IRE) (40) (CD) 92 t 5 11-5 72.1kg 6551 David Harry Kelly, Ireland Ryan Treacy Lightly-raced winner over hurdles. Improved when winning 14-runner novice hurdle at this course (18.7f, soft, 17/2) 40 days ago, kept up to work. More needed again but respected. SAY IT SO (IRE) (84) b+t 99 5 11-5 72.1kg 9/007-4131 Eric McNamara, Ireland C. P. McNamara 2 wins from 4 runs this season. 9/4, career best when winning 11-runner handicap at Dundalk (16f) 32 days ago. Switches from Flat to hurdles (won 2 of last 3 starts in ths sphere). Enters calculations. AD CAELUM (IRE) (3) 94 5 11-4 71.7kg 27344315 John Patrick Ryan, Ireland Mr D. Doyle (7lb/3kg) Fair hurdler. Winner in hurdle at Thurles in November. Creditable fifth of 12 in handicap hurdle (14/1) at this course (20f, soft) 3 days ago. ASK THE BOOKIE (IRE) (56) 93 0/434-40 7 11-4 71.7kg Gillian Scott, Ireland D. Kina Fair hurdler. Nineteenth of 20 in handicap hurdle at Cork (20f, good to soft, 18/1) 56 days ago, broke blood vessel.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Say It So, 7-2 Rut Daniels, 9-2 Killaney King, 6-1 Maroto, 14-1 Ad Caelum, 22-1 Ask The Bookie, 22-1 Summer Melody, 33-1 Attaboyarchie

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The thriving SAY IT SO completed a cross-code hat-trick at Dundalk last month and this looks another winnable event for him back over hurdles. The progressive Rut Daniels is next best ahead of Killaney King.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3: 1. SAY IT SO 2. RUT DANIELS 3. KILLANEY KING

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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CONNOLLY'S RED MILLS IRISH EBF AUCTION MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ €20,000 2m3f (3820 Metres)

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Pace Information: Even



BEN PURPLE (IRE) (8) 4 11-12 75.3kg John Patrick Ryan, Ireland D. King Well held in pair of maiden hurdles **BALLINOE BLAZE (IRE)** (26) 4 11-8 73.5kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland 18/1, took a step forward when third of 14 in novice hurdle at Clonmel (16.4f, soft) 26 days ago.



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



CUSTOM TAYLOR (IRE) (64) (D) 5 11-8 73.5kg 2-13

Declan Queally, Ireland Bumper winner who made an encouraging debut in this sphere when third of 12 in maiden at Galway (16.4f, good to soft, 7/1) 64 days ago, running on late.

ELLIS MOR (IRE)

Open to improvement.

4 11-8 73.5kg

Miss Jennifer Anne Lynch, Ireland €14,500 3-y-o, Workforce gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to fair hurdler/fairly useful chaser who became temperamental (stayed 31/2m) Riverside City out of 21/4m hurdle winner (stayed 21/2m) Blazing Sky.

REMIND ME AGAIN (IRE)

6 11-8 73.5kg

David Richard Barry, Ireland J. P. Shinnick (5lb/2kg) €17,000 3-y-o: first foal: dam (c105), 3m/25f chase winner, half-sister to useful hurdler/fairly useful chaser (stayed 25f) Wind Instrument out of fairly useful hurdler/chase winner (21/4m-21f winner) Windy Bee. Unplaced sole start in points (Apr 2024).

5	COMMIT	COMMITTEE MEETING (IRE) (15)				
	436	5 11-6 72.6kg				
	P. J. Rothv	vell, Ireland	P. Han			
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lon (7lb/3kg) Cheekpieces on for 1st time, sixth of 14 in maiden hurdle at Fairyhouse (23.2f, good to soft, 25/1) 15 days ago. Will be better off in handicaps.

PARTY PRESIDENT (IRE) (44) h 63 4 11-6 72.6kg Anthony Mullins, Ireland E. Walsh Eighth of 18 in novice hurdle at Punchestown (15.5f, good to soft, 200/1) on NH debut 44 days ago. Up in trip. Hooded for 1st time. **PROPHET'S CORNER (IRE)** 7 11-6 72.6kg Sean Joseph Allen, Ireland Mr D. Allen (7lb/3kg) €12,000 3-y-o, Westerner gelding. Brother to 2 winners, including fairly useful chaser Cash To Ash, stayed 4m, and half-brother to fair hurdler Lagavara, stayed



HAPPY ME (IRE) (37) 4 11-4 71.7kg

06-73
W. J. Burke
Showed n

e. Ireland B. W. Harvey nore than previously when third of 13 in maiden hurdle at Tipperary (16.5f, soft, 9/1) 37 days ago.

GBI RACING

12 FORTUNATE OUTCOME (IRE) (33)



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4 11-1 70.3kg



Brian M. McMahon, Ireland Went with no promise when twelfth of 13 in maiden hurdle at Tramore (21f, heavy, 200/1) on NH debut 33 days ago.

MI LUCKY CAILIN (IRE) (64)

6 11-1 70.3kg 75222-724 William J. McLernon, Ireland J. S. McGarvev Fair hurdler who possibly needed the run after 5 months off when fourth of 12 in maiden at Galway (16.4f, good to soft) 64 days ago. This will reveal more.

POETIC FOCUS (IRE) (38)



14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 Sommesky, 4-1 Custom Taylor, 9-1 Mi Lucky Cailin, 14-1 Happy Me, 16-1 Prophet's Corner, 25-1 Poetic Focus, 25-1 Ballinoe Blaze, 25-1 Jana Colombe, 28-1 Committee Meeting, 33-1 Ellis Mor, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SOMMESKY shaped encouragingly in a well-run maiden on last month's Fairyhouse hurdling debut and has to be considered the one to beat with improvement on the cards. Custom Taylor looks the obvious one to give him most to think about, with Mi Lucky Cailin appealing as best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SOMMESKY 2. CUSTOM TAYLOR 3. MI LUCKY CAILIN

W	WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:					
2023	Thegraveyardbookie 4-11-8	14-1	Eric McNamara	C. P. McNamara	10	
2022	Alpesh Amin 5-11-8	11-4	Eric McNamara	C. P. McNamara	9	
2021	Split The Bucket 6-12-0	4-1	Robert Tyner	M. P. Walsh	12	
2020	Heather Rocco 5-12-0	9-2	Henry de Bromhead	H. Morgan (5)	12	
2019	Fully Charged 5-11-8	11-8f	Henry de Bromhead	H. Morgan (7)	11	

SMART STATS:

Henry de Bromhead's number of winners in past 10 runnings. (saddles: SOMMESKY)

The number of WESTERNER's progeny with wins on their hurdling debut 64 (Sires: PROPHET'S CORNER)

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D. Moloney (7lb/3kg)



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4 10-13 69.4kg Barry Fitzgerald, Ireland C. P. McNamara Twice-raced maiden. 50/1, sixth of 10 in novice hurdle at Thurles (22.9f, good) 38 days ago.



CUCHULAINN MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ €12,500 2m3f (3820 Metres)

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M. P. O'Connor



Going: 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: Weak

I	ANNAMAYMURT (IRE) (40) 60-0606 7 11-12 75.3kg	b+t	95
	Paul John Gilligan, Ireland	Philip Donova	
	Sixth of 14 in novice hurdle (7/1) at this course (1. better than beaten distance suggests. Blinkers of		laped
2	CARRICKTRISS (IRE) (19) P00 5 11-12 75.3kg	t	59
	Eoin Doyle, Ireland Eleventh of 19 in novice hurdle at Punchestow and probably best to look elsewhere.	vn (19.1f, soft, 250/1) 19 day	H. Morgan s ago
}	GARDE MY FORTUNE (IRE) (19) 8P0 5 11-12 75.3kg		65
	8P0 5 11-12 75.3kg Karl Thornton, Ireland Thrice-raced maiden. 250/1, twelfth of 14 in nov soft) 19 days ago and seems one of the less like	rice hurdle at Punchestown	. W. Harvey (16.6f,
	HACKNEY HILL (IRE) (211) 6-86 6 11-12 75.3kg		100
	6-86 6 11-12 75.3kg E. J. O'Grady, Ireland Keen-going maiden, last seen when sixth of	12 in novico hurdlo at Lis	J. J. Slevin
	(16.4f, good). Still learning his job that day and after 7-month break.		
;	I BALLYADAM MOON (FR) (16) 960 6 11-12 75.3kg	t	98
	Terence O'Brien, Ireland 80/1, showed more than first time up over hur at Clonmel (19.4f, soft) but ran no sort of race w hurdle at Cork (16.2f, soft, 40/1) 16 days ago conditional takes off handy 5 lbs.	hen seventeenth of 18 in n	aiden ovice
	MARINE RANGER (IRE) (16) 54060 4 11-12 75.3kg		53
	P. A. Fahy, Ireland Unpromising in bumpers and 100/1, thirteenti (16.2f, soft) on second hurdles start 16 days ago	h of 19 in novice hurdle at	on (7lb/3kg Cork
,	MASTER OF THE SUMS (30) 578 5 11-12 75.3kg		86
Ż	Eugene M. O'Sullivan, Ireland Returned from 5-month absence when eighth Thurles (15.9f, good to soft) 30 days ago. Could		E. Walsh 1/1) at
6	NED IN THE PARK (IRE) (204) 44-4 5 11-12 75.3kg		
	Timothy Doyle, Ireland Showed promise in bumpers, last seen when in bumper at Punchestown (16.8f, good, 9/1). V debut.	doing well to finish fourth	
)	ROC MY HAARTH (IRE) (19) 970 5 11-12 75.3kg		53
	Ray Hackett, Ireland 150/1, twelfth of 19 in novice hurdle at Punch Looks to be an outsider here.	Liam Quink estown (19.1f, soft) 19 days	
0	SOLSBURY HILL (IRE) (13)	h	90
	4875 5 11-12 75.3kg Conor O'Dwyer, Ireland	C. G. O'Dwy	er (5lb/2kg

soft, 4/1) 13 days ago. Raced too keenly and can do better if learning to settle.

THE DAWN (FR) (358) 5 11-12 75.3kg



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16 6 W. J. Burke, Ireland

Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. 40/1, sixth of 22 in maiden hurdle at Cork (16f, heavy) in January 2024, made late headway. May do better still.

	WALK IN THE DARK (IRE) (230) 94 05/9P066-4 7 11-12 75.3kg 94
	Brendan Maurice Walsh, IrelandMr C. J. Shine (7lb/3kg)Modest hurdler. Bit below form fourth of 11 in handicap chase (17/2) at Killarney(20.4f, good to soft). Off 7 months and now switches from fences to hurdles.
	WAY DOWN SOUTH (IRE) (90) 79 0986 5 11-12 75.3kg
	Gillian Scott, Ireland D. King Little impact on handicap debut when sixth of 16 in handicap hurdle at Roscommon (15.6f, soft, 14/1) 90 days ago. Back up in trip today.
	POINTE A PITRE (FR) (26) 89 4/P-8 5 11-5 72.1kg
	Richard Deegan Richard Deegan Thrice-raced maiden. 125/1, Shaped as if will improve for run when eighth of 18 in novice hurdle at Clonmel (19.4f, soft, 125/1) on hurdles bow 26 days ago.
	RESTLESS LADY (IRE) (19) 92 00-075 6 11-5 72.1kg
D	Norman Lee, Ireland G. B. Noonan (5lb/2kg) Lightly-raced maiden. 250/1, fifth of 14 in novice hurdle at Punchestown (16.6f, soft) 19 days ago, showing more promise than previous efforts.
	THE REEL MARTELLO (IRE) (15) 91 9756 4 11-5 72.1kg 91
ļ	Ms Margaret Mullins, Ireland P. Byrnes
B	Lightly-raced maiden under NH rules. Sixth of 10 in bumper (25/1) at Fairyhouse (16.5f, good to soft) 15 days ago. Needs to improve on what she's shown so far on hurdles debut.

16 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Solsbury Hill, 13-2 The Reel Martello, 7-1 Ned In The Park, 15-2 Hackney Hill, 9-1 Annamaymurt, 10-1 Restless Lady, 12-1 Walk In The Dark, 18-1 The Dawn, 20-1 Way Down South, 33-1 Pointe A Pitre, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The lightly-raced HACKNEY HILL was still learning on job when last seen on the track, and he looks capable of progressing now returning to action following a 211-day break. Ned In The Park showed promise in bumpers and is interesting on hurdles debut, while I Ballyadam Moon's latest run looks too bad to be true.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HACKNEY HILL 2. NED IN THE PARK 3. I BALLYADAM MOON

W	WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:					
2023	Aghmorough Bridge 7-11-5	50-1	W. P. Murphy	S. D. Torrens	14	
2022	Go Boy 6-11-12	7-1	Mark Molloy	C. G. O'Dwyer (7)	14	
2021	Brulure Noire 4-12-0	40-1	John Joseph Hanlon	J. S. McGarvey	17	
2020	Shes Some Doll 5-11-7	7-1	Gavin Patrick Cromwell	Jonathan Moore	15	
2019	Eleazar des Neiges 5-11-12	4-1	Henry de Bromhead	H. Morgan (7)	17	

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

Wears hood for first-time today.

LIMERICK Sunday 29th December



RAYN SAFETY & SECURITY HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+ (Rated 80-102) €10,500 2m3f (3820 Metres)



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5	•	7/0333-0P 6 11-5 72.1kg
ELUSIVE GUY (IRE) (352) (C, BF) 94 U66070/80- 6 12-0 76.2kg 94		Seamus Fahey, Ireland B. W. Harv 20/1, pulled up in handicap hurdle at Wexford (20f, heavy) 63 days ago, tailed off when pulled up before 2 out.
Jarlath P. Fahey, Ireland T. P. Harney (7lb/3kg) Course winner. Fifteenth of 19 in handicap at Navan (14f, good to soft, 11/2) 67 days ago, met some trouble. Switches from Flat to hurdles.	13 ©	DUFFYS HODEY (IRE) (26) (D) s 10 003/P55-21 7 11-5 72.1kg P. J. Rothwell, Ireland P. Hanlon (71b/34)
JACK IN THE BOX (IRE) (309) (D) t 97 333U/PP8- 7 11-12 75.3kg Emenon Of Connell Unland Mr. I. H. Williamson (7lb/3kg)		Career best when winning 15-runner handicap hurdle (11/4) at Clonmel (19.4f, soft) 26 days ago by 7½ lengths from Knockbrack Rambler, easily. Cheekpieces on 1st time. Has good chance on form if he's in the mood again.
Eighth of 9 in handicap hurdle at Chepstow (16f, heavy, 50/1). Off 10 months. First run for yard after leaving Bernard Llewellyn.	14	NEW BARN LANE (IRE) (15) 9 05-000384 7 11-5 72.1kg Conor O'Dwyer, Ireland C. G. O'Dwyer (51b/24 Remains a maiden after 16 NH runs. 16/1, creditable fourth of 13 in handicap
RIVER VALE (IRE) (26) t 91 08-7 8 11-9 73.9kg Michael Winters, Ireland Gavin Peter Brouder (3lb/1kg)		hurdle at Fairyhouse (20f, good to soft) 15 days ago. Engaged 3.25 Limerick Saturday.
Seventh of 18 in novice hurdle (125/1) at Clonmel (19.4f, soft) 26 days ago. Tongue strap on 1st time. Makes handicap hurdle debut and he's unexposed.	15	GETAWAY MASTER (IRE) (220) (C) 4332516-8 7 11-4 71.7kg Richard James Daniels, Ireland Philip Donovan (5lb/2l Course winner. Winner in hurdle here in March. Eighth of 10 in handicap chase
67361-F79 7 11-8 73.5kg L. J. Archdeacon, Ireland <i>E. Walsh</i>	16	(11/4) at this course (22.7f, good) on debut over fences. Off 7 months. Switches from chase to hurdles. Engaged 3.25 Limerick Saturday.
21 days ago.		LISPOPPLE (IRE) (71) b 064-8F01P 6 11-4 71.7kg Philip Fenton, Ireland Niall Moore (71b/31 Winner over hurdles at Roscommon in September. 8/1, pulled up in handicap
FRENCH HILL (IRE) (19) 91 7880-29 5 11-8 73.5kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland <i>K. C. Sexton</i>		hurdle at this course (21f, good to soft) 71 days ago, folding tamely 3 out.
Ninth of 14 in novice hurdle (14/1) at Punchestown (16.6f, soft) 19 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut. Open to progress for shrewd yard so she's of serious interest.	17 Q	SPATMAN DE CERISY (FR) (214) b 7000-36 5 11-4 71.7kg Paul Nolan, Ireland Richard Deeg Richard Deeg
STELLAR SYMPHONY (IRE) (37) t 97 26-801895 9 11-8 73.5kg 11-8 72.5kg Terence O'Brien, Ireland 1. P. Shinnick (5lb/2kg) 1. P. Shinnick (5lb/2kg) 1. P. Shinnick (5lb/2kg)		Below form sixth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Wexford (24f, good to soft, 11/2). Off 7 months. Down in trip. Blinkers on 1st time. Others more persuasive.
Latest win in hurdle at Clonmel in October. 16/1, good fifth of 18 in handicap hurdle at Tipperary (24.7f, soft) 37 days ago. Back down in trip.	18 ©	THE LUCKY LOBSTER (195) (BF) h+t 9 88906-828 5 11-4 / 71.7kg 5 Fitzgerd Declan Queally, Ireland S. Fitzgerd 5 5 5 5 5 11-4 7 <t< td=""></t<>
AG OBAIR GO CRUA (IRE) (33) 90 7-08 5 11-7 73.0kg J. P. Flavin, Ireland H. Morgan		3/1, bit below form eighth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (24.4f, good to soft), possibly amiss when. Off 6 months. Down in trip. Interesting to see how he holds up in the market.
Thrice-raced maiden. Eighth of 15 in novice hurdle (200/1) at Tramore (16.2f, heavy) 33 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut.	RES	ERVES
NEPHIN BEG (IRE) (180) s 91 3F4P4-69P 6 11-7 73.0kg	19	BEEVERSTOWN PLACE (IRE) (254) b Image: Comparison of the state of
Sean Thomas Doyle, Ireland Mr J. L. Scallan (7lb/3kg) Thirteen runs since last win in 2022. Pulled up in handicap chase (17/2) at Tipperary (22.7f, good to soft) 180 days ago, struggling badly 4 out. Switches from chase to hurdles. Form chase to hurdles. Form chase to hurdles.		13/2 and blinkered for 1st time, good second of 10 in handicap hurdle at this C&D (heavy). Off 8 months. Enters calculations. RESERVE.
PANA TO MILAN (IRE) (26) (D) 97 9116-2P70 6 11-7 73.0kg 97	20 <u>(</u>)	DYLAN'S CHANCE (IRE) (2) 2 0-70050 4 11-3 71.2kg Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland Reser
Michael Winters, Ireland M. P. O'Connor Thirteenth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Clonmel (16.4f, soft, 9/1) 26 days ago.		Fifteenth of 18 in handicap hurdle at this course (16f, good to soft, 33/1) 2 days ago. Difficult ask. RESERVE.
KNOCKBRACK RAMBLER (IRE) (26) 98 84816-892 7 11-6 72.6kg	21	JOB WELL DONE (IRE) (26) 2 5070 4 11-2 70.8kg Enda Bolger, Ireland Reser
Brendan Maurice Walsh, Ireland Mr C. J. Shine (7lb/3kg)	\sim	Lightly-raced maiden. Twelfth of 15 in handicap hurdle (20/1) at Clonmel (16.4f,
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18 DECLARED RUNNERS (3 RESERVES)



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BETTING FORECAST:

5-1 Duffys Hodey, 8-1 Knockbrack Rambler, 8-1 French Hill, 11-1 Stellar Symphony, 12-1 The Lucky Lobster, 12-1 New Barn Lane, 16-1 Aclass, 16-1 Elusive Guy, 18-1 Spatman De Cerisy, 20-1 Getaway Master, 22-1 Lispopple, 22-1 Pana To Milan, 28-1 Nephin Beg, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A few of these can do better now handicapping but the percentage call is DUFFYS HODEY, who was better than ever when successful at Clonmel a month ago. French Hill and Stellar Symphony are potential threats.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DUFFYS HODEY 2. FRENCH HILL 3. STELLAR SYMPHONY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:					
2023	Another Ocana 6-11-2	9-1	L. J. Archdeacon	E. Walsh	14
2022	Doyen Ta Win 4-11-4	8-1	Declan Queally	K. C. Sexton	17
2021	Womalko 5-11-9	5-4f	Robert Tyner	M. P. Walsh	12
2020	Low Lie The Fields 6-11-8	9-2	Henry de Bromhead	H. Morgan (5)	15
2019	Northern Love 4-10-11	20-1	Eric McNamara	Ryan Treacy (5)	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race