

Thursday 31st October

# BATH

**12.58** DRAGONBET PROUD SPONSORS OF BATH RACING/EBF NOVICE STAKES (5) 5f10y (1010 Metres)

RACE 1 **(1) CALL TIME | (3) ROSENPUR | (5) REBEL STAR**

**1.28** knees.co.uk HOME AND ELECTRICAL 145th ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP (6) 5f10y (1010 Metres)

RACE 2 **(3) BAMA LAMA | (7) GHERKIN | (1) MUMAYAZ**

**1.58** BEST ODDS GUARANTEED dragonbet.co.uk HANDICAP (5) 5f160y (1150 Metres)

RACE 3 **(6) CYPRIOT DIASPORA | (7) BEYOND EQUAL | (5) LAND OF MAGIC**

**2.28** DRAGONBET - BORN FROM THE BETTING RING HANDICAP (6) 5f160y (1150 Metres)

RACE 4 **(1) MINTANA | (3) FAI FAI | (8) WE'RE REUNITED**

**2.58** DRAGONBET - REAL BOOKMAKERS NURSERY HANDICAP (5) 1m (1610 Metres)

RACE 5 **(1) TAP DANCER | (3) GLENRIDDING | (7) MISTER KNOCKOUT**

**3.28** ON COURSE VALUES ONLINE DRAGONBET HANDICAP (6) 1m (1610 Metres)

RACE 6 **(6) CIOTOG | (4) ALBUS ANNE | (2) DARVEL**

**3.58** BIRD HOTELS' GHOSTLY GALLOP HANDICAP (5) 1¼m37y (2050 Metres)

RACE 7 **(8) BELLA VENETA | (13) MEET ME IN MERAKI | (7) GOLDEN PHASE**

#### 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.

**12.58****DRAGONBET PROUD SPONSORS OF BATH RACING/EBF  
NOVICE STAKES (5) 3yo+ £7,300 5f10y (1010 Metres)**

RACE 1

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

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

**1 2 CALL TIME (IRE) (78) (BF)** **100**  
36-725522 **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg



J. S. Moore

**David Probert**

Fair gelding. Good second of 4 in handicap at Ffos Las (5f, heavy, 15/8) 78 days ago. The one to beat back in novice company.

**2 1 DESTINY MAKER (IRE) (31)** **82**  
4-8070 **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg b+t



Charlie Wallis

**Gina Mangan**

Lightly-raced maiden. Tongue strap on for 1st time, last of 11 in handicap at Wolverhampton (8.6f, 150/1) 31 days ago. Significantly back down in trip. Blinkered for 1st time.

**3 3 ROSENPUR (GER) (38)** **95**  
60772654 **4** 9-7 | 60.3kg h



Jennie Candlish

**Kieran O'Neill**

Fair gelding. Fair fourth of 7 in handicap (7/1) at Hamilton (6f, good) 38 days ago so enters calculations.

**4 5 SHADES OF MAY (8)** **71**  
6 **4** 9-7 | 60.3kg



Mark Usher

**Georgia Dobie**

66/1, last of 6 in novice at Kempton (7f) on debut 8 days ago. Down in trip with work to do.

**5 4 REBEL STAR**  
**3** 9-2 | 58.1kg



Robert Cowell

**George Downing**

Intrinsic filly. Half-sister to 5f winner Angle Land. Dam, 6f winner, half-sister to smart winner up to 6f Speed Hawk. Considered newcomer.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

5-6 Call Time, 11-4 Rosenpur, 13-2 Rebel Star, 25-1 Shades of May, 33-1 Destiny Maker

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

CALL TIME possesses the best form on show so is fancied to get off the mark at the chief expense of fellow maiden Rosenpur, although a market move for newcomer Rebel Star would put a different slant on things.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. CALL TIME 2. ROSENPUR 3. REBEL STAR

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1.28**

RACE 2

**knees.co.uk HOME AND ELECTRICAL 145th ANNIVERSARY HANDICAP (6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-65) £5,700 5f10y (1010 Metres)****GBI RACING**Going: **Soft (Good to Soft in places)**

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

**1 6 MUMAYAZ (IRE) (47) 98**  
62598273 5 9-9 | 61.2kg



**Tony Carroll** *Jack Doughty (5lb/2kg)*  
9/2, creditable third of 8 in handicap at this C&D (good) 47 days ago. Ought to be thereabouts once more.

**2 8 ALAFDHAL (IRE) (24) (D) 96**  
79852229 6 9-5 | 59.4kg



**Phil McEntee** *Josephine Gordon*  
3 wins from 20 runs this year. 8/1, ninth of 12 in handicap at Pontefract (5f, heavy) 24 days ago. Can give a good account if shrugging off latest effort.

**3 7 BAMA LAMA (17) (D) 100**  
14243241 6 9-4 | 59.0kg



**Rod Millman** *Oliver Searle (5lb/2kg)*  
3 wins from 15 runs this year, posting a career best when landing 5-runner handicap at Windsor (5.1f, heavy) 17 days ago. Up 2 lb but she's a big player once again.

**4 5 MARY OF MODENA (23) (D) 96**  
62-205746 5 9-4 | 59.0kg



**Michael Attwater** *Charles Bishop*  
Sixth of 7 in handicap (22/1) at Brighton (5.3f, good to soft) 23 days ago. More is needed.

**5 1 SISTERS IN THE SKY (10) (CD) 99**  
32689317 5 9-0 | 57.2kg



**Grace Harris** *Finley Marsh*  
C&D winner in October. 9/1, seventh of 9 in handicap at this course (5.7f, heavy) 10 days ago. Can make presence felt if back on his A-game.

**6 3 APACHE STAR (IRE) (15) (C) 95**  
67865465 5 9-0 | 57.2kg



**Mark Loughnane** *Trevor Whelan*  
Course winner. 10/1, below form fifth of 11 in handicap at Nottingham (5f, heavy) 15 days ago, slowly away. Twelve runs since last win in 2023.

**7 2 GHERKIN (17) (D) 95**  
061-54472 7 8-13 | 56.7kg



**Stuart Kittow** *David Probert*  
Yet to score this term but he posted a good second of 10 in handicap at Windsor (6f, heavy) 17 days ago. Can go well again off the same mark.

**8 4 APPLE A DEY (IRE) (17) 93**  
0/39-3803 4 8-9 | 54.9kg



**Mark Hoad** *Jack Dace (7lb/3kg)*  
Below-par third of 5 to Bama Lama in handicap (12/1) at Windsor (5.1f, heavy) 17 days ago, nearest finish. Others have achieved more.

**9 9 STORM VENTURE (10) 96**  
806-74824 4 8-4 | 52.6kg



**Thomas Faulkner** *Kieran O'Neill*  
Remains a maiden after 18 Flat runs and a below-form fourth of 5 in handicap at this C&D (heavy) 10 days ago. Needs a couple of these to falter.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**5-2** Bama Lama, **11-2** Mumayaz, **7-1** Gherkin, **9-1** Sisters In The Sky, **9-1** Alafdhah, **10-1** Apache Star, **14-1** Storm Venture, **16-1** Apple A Dey, **20-1** Mary of Modena

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

BAMA LAMA is enjoying an excellent 2024 and taken to garner a fourth success raised just 2 lb for her stylish Windsor victory. Gherkin is next on the list on the back of his good second at the same track last time out, with Mumayaz and Sisters In The Sky also worthy of consideration.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:****1. BAMA LAMA 2. GHERKIN 3. MUMAYAZ****SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1.58****BEST ODDS GUARANTEED dragonbet.co.uk HANDICAP (5)  
3yo+ (Rated 0-72) £7,100 5f160y (1150 Metres)**

RACE 3

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

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

**1 6 CONNIE'S ROSE (10) (C, D) s+t 96**  
45331578 5 10-0 | 63.5kg



Grace Harris

**Callum Hutchinson**

Course winner. 3 wins from 17 runs this year. Latest win at Chepstow in September. Eighth of 9 in handicap (14/1) at this C&D (heavy) 10 days ago. Needs to get back on track.

**2 5 HAPPY TEARS (IRE) (61) (D) b 96**  
453325-51 3 9-12 | 62.6kg



Daniel &amp; Claire Kubler

**Richard Kingscote**

Career best when winning 7-runner handicap at Chelmsford City (6f, 4/1) 61 days ago, slowly away. 2 lb nudge no real issue and she should make her presence felt if handling conditions.

**3 9 SARAH'S VERSE (10) (CD) 88**  
14445809 7 9-12 | 62.6kg



Ronald Harris

**David Probert**

Four-time C&D winner. 3 wins from 16 runs this year. Last of 9 in handicap (10/1) at this C&D (heavy) 10 days ago. Others make more appeal based on recent exploits.

**4 2 POP STAR (IRE) (26) (D) s+t 94**  
31187957 4 9-10 | 61.7kg



Alice Haynes

**Kieran O'Neill**

Latest win at Ayr in July. Seventh of 10 in handicap at Southwell (6.1f, 17/2) 26 days ago. Looks vulnerable.

**5 1 LAND OF MAGIC (6) (D, BF) h+t 98**  
13561225 3 9-9 | 61.2kg



Rachel Cook &amp; John Bridger

**Gina Mangan**

Latest win at Salisbury in September. 16/5, fifth of 8 in handicap at Newbury (6f, heavy) 6 days ago. In good form prior to that and will be a serious contender if she puts her best foot forward.

**6 4 CYPRIOT DIASPORA (7) (D) ★ 100**  
21475962 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



Rod Millman

**Charles Bishop**

11/2, good second of 8 in handicap at Nottingham (6.1f, heavy) 7 days ago, just failing. Big player off the same mark.

**7 3 BEYOND EQUAL (14) (CD) b 98**  
72664634 9 9-7 | 60.3kg



Stuart Kittow

**Liam Keniry**

C&D winner. Thirty-one runs since last win in 2021. 11/1, creditable fourth of 12 in handicap at Southwell (6.1f) 14 days ago. Remains on a workable mark and merits respect.

**8 7 SUB THIRTEEN (30) (CD) ✓ 92**  
81141645 3 9-5 | 59.4kg



Tony Carroll

**William Carson**

C&D winner. 3 wins from 9 runs this year. Latest win at Leicester in June. 12/1, creditable fifth of 12 in handicap at this C&D (soft) 30 days ago, never nearer. Needs to raise his game.

**9 8 MEDIA GUEST (FR) (30) (CD) s ✓ 99**  
25155260 6 8-11 | 55.8kg



Mark Gillard

**Josephine Gordon**

C&D winner. Two wins from 43 Flat runs, the latest here in July. Blinkered for 1st time, last of 10 in handicap at this course (5f, soft, 4/1) 30 days ago. Cheekpieces back on and would have a chance if on-song.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**3-1** Cypriot Diaspora, **9-2** Land of Magic, **11-2** Happy Tears, **7-1** Beyond Equal, **15-2** Media Guest, **12-1** Sub Thirteen, **16-1** Pop Star, **22-1** Connie's Rose, **22-1** Sarah's Verse

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

If in the same form as when going close at Nottingham last week, CYPRIOT DIASPORA will take plenty of stopping off the same mark here. Beyond Equal's losing run continues to mount up but, on the upside, his mark continues to drop and the 9-y-o looks dangerous. Land of Magic and Media Guest are others to consider.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:****1. CYPRIOT DIASPORA 2. BEYOND EQUAL 3. LAND OF MAGIC****SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**2.28****DRAGONBET - BORN FROM THE BETTING RING HANDICAP  
(6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-52) £5,700 5f160y (1150 Metres)**

RACE 4

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

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

**1 9 MINTANA (5lb/2kg ex) (10) (C, D) s  100**  
62321431 4 10-0 | 63.5kg



James Evans

**Joe Leavy (3lb/1kg)**

5/2, career best when winning 5-runner handicap at this course (5f, heavy) 10 days ago, comfortably. Will prove hard to beat under a penalty if in anything like the same form.

**2 4 HK FOURTEEN (IRE) (66) 34**  
9000 4 9-8 | 60.8kg



Tony Carroll

**Jack Doughty (5lb/2kg)**

Lightly-raced maiden. Tenth of 14 in handicap (40/1) at Chepstow (7.1f, good) 66 days ago. Readily passed over.

**3 10 FAI FAI (14) (D) s+t 90**  
71347642 5 9-7 | 60.3kg



Daniel Steele

**Rhys Clutterbuck**

Good second of 7 in handicap at Brighton (6f, heavy, 10/1) 14 days ago. Each-way chance.

**4 1 TRES CHIC (IRE) (58) 89**  
13544634 3 9-6 | 59.9kg



J. S. Moore

**David Probert**

Fourth of 5 in handicap at Chepstow (7.1f, good to firm, 5/1) 58 days ago. Looks vulnerable for win purposes.

**5 11 IRRELEVANT (IRE) (22) h+t 86**  
50654375 3 9-5 | 59.4kg



Mark Pattinson

**Trevor Whelan**

Fourteen runs since last win in 2023. Creditable fifth of 13 in handicap (13/2) at Kempton (7f) 22 days ago. Likely to find a few too good once more.

**6 2 MIDNIGHT FLAME (IRE) (19) s 91**  
90655278 4 9-5 | 59.4kg



Joe Ponting

**Kieran O'Neill**

Remains a maiden after 27 Flat runs. 33/1, last of 8 in handicap at Chelmsford City (6f) 19 days ago. Others preferred.

**7 5 ROMAN SPRING (IRE) (17) s+t 84**  
58462943 4 9-5 | 59.4kg



Rachel Cook &amp; John Bridger

**Gina Mangan**

Remains a maiden after 22 Flat runs. 5/1, good third of 10 in handicap at Windsor (6f, heavy) 17 days ago. Will need to find improvement from somewhere if he's to get his head in front here but place possibilities nonetheless.

**8 3 WE'RE REUNITED (IRE) (46) (CD) v 89**  
32359236 7 9-5 | 59.4kg



Michael Blake

**Thomas Greatrex**

C&D winner. Sixteen runs since last win in 2023. 14/1, sixth of 8 in handicap at this course (5f, good to firm) 46 days ago. Now tried in a visor and will have an each-way chance if responding well to the new headgear.

**9 6 REPARTEE (IRE) (33) (D) b+t 90**  
786-82978 7 9-4 | 59.0kg



Charlie Wallis

**George Downing**

Twenty-seven runs since last win in 2020. Tongue strap on for 1st time, eighth of 10 in handicap at Chelmsford City (6f, 50/1) 33 days ago. Chance if rediscovering old form.

**10 8 REDSHORE CITY (IRE) (21) (D) s 84**  
44464463 4 9-4 | 59.0kg



Bernard Llewellyn

**Aidan Keeley**

One win from 31 Flat runs. 10/3, bit below form third of 8 in handicap at this course (5f, heavy) 21 days ago. No more than an each-way squeak.

**11 7 KATAR (IRE) (46) s 81**  
78239448 4 9-4 | 59.0kg



Richenda Ford

**Josephine Gordon**

Remains a maiden after 37 Flat runs. 33/1, last of 8 in handicap at this course (5f, good to firm) 46 days ago. Best to look elsewhere.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-8** Mintana, **15-2** Fai Fai, **10-1** Roman Spring, **11-1** Redshore City, **12-1** We're Reunited, **12-1** Tres Chic, **14-1** Irrelevant, **22-1** Midnight Flame, **33-1** Repartee, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

On the back of a thoroughly decisive success here 10 days ago, MINTANA, who is officially 2 lb well-in under a penalty, is likely to prove a very tough nut to crack. Fai Fai gets the nod ahead of We're Reunited and Roman Spring for forecast purposes.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. MINTANA 2. FAI FAI 3. WE'RE REUNITED**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race









**2.58****DRAGONBET - REAL BOOKMAKERS NURSERY HANDICAP (5)  
2yo (Rated 0-70) £7,100 1m (1610 Metres)**

RACE 5

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

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

<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>TAP DANCER (21)</b> (C)		<b>100</b>
	Marcus Tregoning	50331	2 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Trevor Whelan</b>
Lightly-raced winner. 11/4, career best when winning 5-runner novice at this course (10.2f, heavy) 21 days ago, keeping on well. Back down in trip for this nursery debut and a major player.				
<b>2</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>PREMIER (FR) (20)</b>	h	<b>92</b>
	Warren Greatrex	959	2 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Finley Marsh</b>
Thrice-raced maiden. Ninth of 12 in novice at Kempton (8f, 40/1) 20 days ago, left poorly placed. Improvement needed now pitched into a nursery.				
<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>GLENRIDDING (26)</b> (D, BF)		<b>98</b>
	Daniel & Claire Kubler	76513	2 9-5   59.4kg	<b>Richard Kingscote</b>
Lightly-raced winner. Successful at Yarmouth in September. 6/4, creditable third of 9 in nursery at Wolverhampton (8.6f) 26 days ago. Should have a part to play.				
<b>4</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>BOWNDER (IRE) (32)</b> (D)		<b>94</b>
	Jonathan Portman	59031221	2 9-5   59.4kg	<b>Joe Leavy (3lb/1kg)</b>
Career best when winning 10-runner nursery at Southwell (8.1f, 11/4) 32 days ago. More needed up 5 lb with conditions something of an unknown (unraced on ground slower than good).				
<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>OASIS SUNRISE (IRE) (19)</b>		<b>91</b>
	Kevin Philippart de Foy	427754	2 9-5   59.4kg	<b>David Probert</b>
Bit below form fourth of 12 in novice (66/1) at Chelmsford City (7f) 19 days ago. Also engaged 6.00 Chelmsford.				
<b>6</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>THISCOULDBEFUN (IRE) (6)</b>		<b>95</b>
	J. S. Moore	744363	2 9-4   59.0kg	<b>Jack Doughty (5lb/2kg)</b>
25/1, creditable third of 11 in nursery at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 6 days ago. Looks vulnerable from a win point of view.				
<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>MISTER KNOCKOUT (45)</b> (BF)		<b>96</b>
	Eve Johnson Houghton	0943	2 9-0   57.2kg	<b>Charles Bishop</b>
Lightly-raced maiden. Good third of 12 in nursery at Kempton (7f, 4/1) 45 days ago. Should be in the mix off the same mark here, provided he goes on the ground.				

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**2-1** Tap Dancer, **9-2** Glenridding, **5-1** Bownder, **13-2** Mister Knockout, **10-1** Thiscouldbefun, **12-1** Oasis Sunrise, **16-1** Premier

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

This drop back in trip won't be an issue for TAP DANCER, who opened her account in good style over 10.2f here three weeks ago and makes her nursery debut off what looks a workable mark. Glenridding is likely to emerge as the main danger, with Mister Knockout feared most among the others.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. TAP DANCER 2. GLENRIDDING 3. MISTER KNOCKOUT**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.28****ON COURSE VALUES ONLINE DRAGONBET HANDICAP (6)  
3yo+ (Rated 46-65) £5,700 1m (1610 Metres)**

RACE 6

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

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

**1 6 RADIANT ANGEL (IRE) (201) 81**  
436 3 9-13 | 63.0kg



Joe Ponting

**Callum Hutchinson**

Thrice-raced maiden. Sixth of 8 in maiden (8/1) at Chelmsford City (7f). Off 6 months ahead of this debut for new yard and sizeable step forward needed now handicapping

**2 12 DARVEL (IRE) (14) (CD) b 96**  
329-13747 6 9-13 | 63.0kg



Patrick Chamings

**David Probert**

C&D winner in April. Seventh of 11 in handicap at Brighton (8f, heavy, 9/1) 14 days ago, doing too much too soon. Not taken lightly.

**3 11 FIRST GREYED (IRE) (385) 92**  
08216637- 6 9-11 | 62.1kg



Thomas Faulkner

**Gina Mangan**

8/1, below form seventh of 14 in handicap at Ayr (8f, heavy), finding test too much. Off 12 months and probably worth taking on starting out for new yard here.

**4 5 ALBUS ANNE (17) (CD) h 99**  
124-37113 5 9-11 | 62.1kg



Jimmy Fox

**Tyrese Cameron (7lb/3kg)**

Three-time C&D winner. 2 wins from 5 runs this year, the latest here on penultimate start. Creditable third of 11 in handicap at Windsor (8.1f, heavy, 9/2) 17 days ago, clear of rest. Enters calculations.

**5 3 I CAN'T BELIEVE (28) 79**  
8530 3 9-10 | 61.7kg



David Evans

**Finley Marsh**

Lightly-raced maiden. 25/1, tenth of 12 in handicap at Chelmsford City (7f) 28 days ago, finishing with running left. Others preferred.

**6 4 CIOTOG (IRE) (5lb/2kg ex) (10) (CD) 100**  
44726351 6 9-10 | 61.7kg



Mark Loughnane

**Trevor Whelan**

Improved on recent efforts when notching third C&D success in a 10-runner handicap (heavy, 11/2) 10 days ago, suited by way race developed. Expected to be bang there under a penalty.

**7 1 GENTA (FR) (30) t 81**  
533 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



Alice Haynes

**Kieran O'Neill**

Thrice-raced maiden. Third of 6 in novice (13/2) at Newcastle (7.1f) 30 days ago. Looks up against it now pitched into a handicap.

**8 7 CLYDE BAY (15) (BF) t 81**  
755-P86 3 9-6 | 59.9kg



Eve Johnson Houghton

**Charles Bishop**

Tongue strap on for 1st time, respectable sixth of 11 in handicap (9/2) at Kempton (6f) 15 days ago, unable to sustain effort. Significantly up in trip and it's easy enough to look elsewhere.

**9 8 TREASURE BAY (10) 82**  
0743 3 9-3 | 58.5kg



Mark Gillard

**Josephine Gordon**

Lightly-raced maiden. 11/1, last of 3 in novice at this course (5.7f, heavy) 10 days ago. Significantly back up in trip for this handicap debut and needs to raise his game.

**10 2 KING OF THE DANCE (IRE) (47) (D) s 92**  
50-667642 5 9-2 | 58.1kg



Bernard Llewellyn

**Aidan Keeley**

Good 2¼ lengths second of 12 to Albus Anne in handicap at this C&D (good, 40/1) 47 days ago. Live each-way chance.

**11 9 EYE OF THE WATER (IRE) (10) (CD) v 94**  
26877994 8 8-11 | 55.8kg



Ronald Harris

**Joe Leavy (3lb/1kg)**

C&D winner. Fourteen runs since last win in 2023. Visored for 1st time, 8 lengths fourth of 10 to Ciotog in handicap (11/2) at this C&D (heavy) 10 days ago. Clearly has work to do. Engaged 7.30 Kempton Wednesday.

**12 10 BARNSNAPE BOY (135) h 83**

679-8368 3 8-8 | 54.4kg

Adam West

**Alice Bond (7lb/3kg)**

Eighth of 9 in handicap at Brighton (7f, good, 11/1). Off 135 days and he looks set for another struggle.



12 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**10-3** Ciotog, **4-1** Albus Anne, **8-1** Eye of The Water, **17-2** Darvel, **10-1** King of The Dance, **12-1** Genta, **16-1** Treasure Bay, **22-1** Clyde Bay, **28-1** First Greyed, **33-1** I Can't Believe, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

CIOTOG did the job well over this C&D recently and he has a strong chance of going in again under a penalty. The one most likely to serve up a serious challenge is the in-form Albus Anne, while Darvel and King of The Dance both make each-way appeal.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:****1. CIOTOG 2. ALBUS ANNE 3. DARVEL****SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.58****BIRD HOTELS' GHOSTLY GALLOP HANDICAP (5) 3yo+  
(Rated 0-70) £7,100 1¼m37y (2050 Metres)**

RACE 7

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

Left handed, the round course is an elongated oval track, just over twelve furlongs in extent. Bath is the highest course in the country, with no watering system, so the ground can get very firm during a dry spell. Prominent racers have a better record than those ridden more patiently, but any advantage decreases as the trip increases.

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

**1 7 LOCAL BAY (12) (C) 94**  
16131407 **6** 10-1 | 64.0kg



Tony Carroll

**Jack Doughty (5lb/2kg)**

Course winner. 4 wins from 14 runs this year, the latest at Brighton in August. 66/1, seventh of 10 in handicap at Wolverhampton (9.5f) 12 days ago. Others make more appeal.

**2 2 MYCOLOURSORYOUPS (20) t 94**  
3520 **3** 9-12 | 62.6kg



Paul &amp; Oliver Cole

**Charles Bishop**

Lightly-raced maiden. Eleventh of 13 in handicap (12/1) at Kempton (12f) 20 days ago. Needs a couple of these to falter.

**3 11 ROSE BRANCH (43) v 96**  
568-15236 **3** 9-11 | 62.1kg



Hugo Palmer

**Kieran O'Neill**

Winner at Hamilton in June. Cheekpieces on for 1st time, sixth of 9 in handicap (11/1) at Sandown (10f, good) 43 days ago, unable to sustain effort. Visor on 1st time and should make her presence felt.

**4 8 ECTOCROSS (FR) (120) 94**  
4122127-8 **4** 9-11 | 62.1kg



Simon Dow

**Georgia Dobie**

15/2, last of 8 in handicap at Epsom (12f, good). Off 120 days and he's entitled to come on for the run.

**5 12 LANDLORDTOTHESTARS (IRE) (58) 90**  
12459258 **4** 9-11 | 62.1kg



James Evans

**Joe Leavy (3lb/1kg)**

16/1, eighth of 11 in handicap at Southwell (8.1f) 58 days ago. Up in trip and he's likely to find a few too good once more.

**6 3 SONNET STAR (30) (CD) 96**  
235-56421 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Stuart Kittow

**David Probert**

Career best when winning 13-runner handicap at this C&D (soft, 7/2) 30 days ago, kept up to work. 5 lb rise fair enough and she has to be feared.

**7 4 GOLDEN PHASE (50) (CD) 99**  
2-5112463 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Denis Coakley

**George Bass (3lb/1kg)**

C&D winner. Latest win here in June. Respectable third of 8 in handicap at Lingfield (12f, AW, 7/2) 50 days ago, left with lot to do. Not taken lightly.

**8 1 BELLA VENETA (30) (C) ★ 100**  
199/0443 **5** 9-5 | 59.4kg



Thomas Faulkner

**Gina Mangan**

Course winner. Respectable third of 14 in handicap (8/1) at this course (8f, soft) 30 days ago. Up in trip and expected to be bang there.

**9 6 MUQINAH (IRE) (43) s 92**  
0-5433 **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg



Owen Burrows

**Richard Kingscote**

Lightly-raced maiden. Good third of 9 in handicap at Sandown (10f, good, 15/2) 43 days ago. Cheekpieces on 1st time and she should have a part to play if the headgear has the desired effect.

**10 10 MIGHTY QUIET (76) t 90**  
799 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg



Harry Charlton

**Trevor Whelan**

Thrice-raced maiden. Ninth of 11 in novice (66/1) at Wolverhampton (9.5f) 76 days ago. Tongue strap on 1st time for this handicap debut and she's one to note in the betting.

**11 5 ALIKA BREEZE (GER) (16) (C) 95**  
73-787818 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg



Richard Hughes

**Finley Marsh**

Course winner on penultimate start. 12/1, eighth of 10 in handicap at Leicester (8.2f, heavy) 16 days ago. Up in trip and needs to get back on track.

**12 13 ZAMBEZI MAGIC (17) (D) 98**  
06631213 **7** 9-3 | 58.5kg



Bernard Llewellyn

**Aidan Keeley**

Latest win at Ffos Las in August. 4/1, credible third of 8 in handicap at Windsor (11.4f, heavy) 17 days ago, slowly away. Solid each-way chance.

**13 9 MEET ME IN MERAKI (16) (C, D) 99**  
41633152 **3** 9-1 | 57.6kg



David Evans

**George Downing**

Course winner. Latest win at Chepstow in July. 7/2, good second of 7 in handicap at Yarmouth (10.1f, soft) 16 days ago, clear of rest. Looks competitive on form.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**6-1** Sonnet Star, **13-2** Meet Me In Meraki, **7-1** Bella Veneta, **15-2** Golden Phase, **8-1** Zambezi Magic, **8-1** Muqinah, **12-1** Rose Branch, **12-1** Mighty Quiet, **22-1** Alika Breeze, **22-1** Mycoloursoryours, **28-1** Ectocross, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Several to consider in this competitive handicap, with BELLA VENETA shading preference. She was badly hampered at a crucial stage before finishing third off 1 lb higher over a mile here last time and promises to be suited by this stiffer test. Meet Me In Meraki lost little caste in defeat at Yarmouth recently and he is second choice ahead of Golden Phase, Sonnet Star and Zambezi Magic.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. BELLA VENETA 2. MEET ME IN MERAKI 3. GOLDEN PHASE**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race