

1.55 BALLYMORE NOVICES' HURDLE (2) 2m3f200y (4010 Metres)

RACE 1 **(1) CAMPROND (FR) | (2) MARS HARPER | (5) ALL CLENCHED UP**

2.30 squareintheair.com NOVICES' CHASE (2) 1m7f199y (3200 Metres)

RACE 2 **(3) ANY NEWS (IRE) | (1) FIDELIO VALLIS (FR) | (5) THIRD TIME LUCKI (IRE)**

3.05 888SPORT WHAT'S YOUR THINKING NOVICES' HURDLE (2) 2m7f208y (4820 Metres)

RACE 3 **(8) SIRUH DU LAC (FR) | (5) DRAGON BONES | (7) GRACE A VOUS ENKI (FR)**

3.40 888SPORT NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP CHASE (3) 2m3f166y (3970 Metres)

RACE 4 **(3) ANNUAL INVICTUS (IRE) | (1) FAIVOIR (FR) | (4) DANNY KIRWAN (IRE)**

4.15 ABU DHABI DIGITAL EXCHANGE HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 2m3f200y (4010 Metres)

RACE 5 **(1) GUARD YOUR DREAMS | (8) ART APPROVAL (FR) | (11) MULLAGHMORE WAVE (IRE)**

4.50 ANDY STEWART MEMORIAL AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (3) 3m1f (5030 Metres)

RACE 6 **(16) STRICTLYADANCER (IRE) | (4) MARQUIS OF CARABAS (IRE) | (9) DEBDEN BANK**


5.25 FOUNDATION DEVELOPMENTS MAIDEN HURDLE (3) 2m87y (3300 Metres)


RACE 7 **(6) GO DANTE | (14) JOHN LOCKE | (13) WILD SHOT**

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.









1.55**BALLYMORE NOVICES' HURDLE (2) 4yo+ £20,000**
2m3f200y (4010 Metres)

RACE 1

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	CAMPROND (FR) (14) (D)		100
	312-31421 5 11-6 72.6kg		
	Philip Hobbs	Aidan Coleman	
	Useful 1½m French Flat winner. Took his form up a notch on his first run at much beyond 2m when readily landing Grade 2 Persian War at Chepstow a fortnight ago and looks to have leading claims here.		
2	MARS HARPER (14)	s	91
	62132231 5 11-6 72.6kg		
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland 	Davy Russell	
	Fairly useful hurdler who doubled his tally over hurdles when winning 8-runner novice at Downpatrick (18.8f, soft, 9/4) a fortnight ago, suited by emphasis on stamina. More needed here, however.		
3	OFF YOUR ROCCO (IRE) (12)	s	99
	1-1711 5 11-6 72.6kg		
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland 	Non Runner	
	Had a bit in hand when making it 4 wins from 5 careers starts (3 over hurdles) in listed hurdle at Limerick (21f, soft) 12 days ago. NON RUNNER.		
4	BANNIXTOWN BOY (IRE) (282)		78
	4/74- 7 10-12 68.9kg		
	Richard Rowe	Niall Houlihan	
	Maiden Irish pointer who has only hinted at ability so far under Rules. Very hard to make a case for in this company on reappearance.		
5	ALL CLENCHED UP (31)	s	86
	2169-4133 5 10-10 68.0kg		
	Fergal O'Brien	Paddy Brennan	
	Bumper winner who left opening hurdles run well behind when successful in first-time cheekpieces at Uttoxeter. Held back by some sketchy jumping on both subsequent starts so best watched for now.		

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

1-3 Camprond, 9-2 Mars Harper, 12-1 All Clenched Up, 100-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CAMPROND put an odds-on defeat at Stratford firmly behind him when impressively landing the Persian War at Chepstow a fortnight ago and he's been found a good opportunity to follow up. Mars Harper looks the one for the forecast.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CAMPROND (FR) 2. MARS HARPER 3. ALL CLENCHED UP

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Does He Know 5-11-3	9-1	Kim Bailey	David Bass	6
2019	Champagne Well 6-10-12	13-8f	Fergal O'Brien	Paddy Brennan	8
2018	Canardier 6-11-3	6-4f	Dermot Anthony McLoughlin	Barry Geraghty	8
2017	Brillare Momento 6-10-13	evsf	Martin Keighley	Aidan Coleman	5
2016	El Bandit 5-11-6	6-5f	Paul Nicholls	Sean Bowen	4

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.30**squareintheair.com NOVICES' CHASE (2) 4yo+ £25,000
1m7f199y (3200 Metres)****RACE 2****Racing TVi**Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 FIDELIO VALLIS (FR) (13) (D, BF) 99
24211-112 6 11-10 | 74.4kg



Paul Nicholls

Harry Cobden

Likeable type who has progressed well over fences, completing 4-timer at Warwick in May. Similar form when runner-up in listed novice at Chepstow (19.5f) on return and drop back in trip a plus now.

2 SIR TIVO (FR) (31) (D) 83
5-3112121 7 11-10 | 74.4kg



Gary Hanmer

Bryan Carver

Had a fine summer over fences, registering fourth success for this yard at Warwick (16.2f) in September. Clearly in rude health but no easy task on back in novice company on these terms.

3 ANY NEWS (IRE) (22) (BF) 100
112UP-62 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Neil Mulholland

Sean Bowen

Bumper/maiden hurdle winner last autumn. Sixth in Swinton Hurdle in May and plenty of promise to glean from his Warwick chase debut second last month. Type to progress from that and big player here.

4 BUDDY RICH (IRE) (10) 96
331-15222 8 11-2 | 70.8kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Davy Russell

Fairly useful hurdles winner who has displayed useful form in filling runners-up spot all 3 starts in maiden chase contests at 17f in recent months. No reason why he won't give another good account.

5 THIRD TIME LUCKI (IRE) (196) (D, BF) 96
4/1121464- 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Fourth in Champion Bumper in 2020 and quickly developed in to a useful hurdler last term, winning 3 times prior to finishing sixth in County Hurdle. Below par at Aintree but interesting now chasing.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:**2-1** Third Time Lucki, **11-4** Fidelio Vallis, **3-1** Any News, **11-2** Buddy Rich, **22-1** Sir Tivo**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

A very interesting novice chase with the narrow vote in favour of ANY NEWS. He shaped with plenty of promise without truly being seen to best effect when runner-up in a novices' handicap at Warwick last month, and with the prospect of more to come, he can come out on top. The likeable Fidelio Vallis, returned to 2m, and Third Time Lucki, now chasing/on back of a wind op, head the dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. ANY NEWS (IRE) 2. FIDELIO VALLIS (FR) 3. THIRD TIME LUCKI (IRE)****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2020	Fusil Raffles 5-11-7	4-5f	Nicky Henderson	Daryl Jacob	4
2019	Al Dancer 6-11-2	10-11f	Nigel Twiston-Davies	Sam Twiston-Davies	4
2018	Diakali 9-11-10	9-4f	Gary Moore	Joshua Moore	7
2017	North Hill Harvey 6-11-2	10-3	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	7
2016	Marracudja 5-11-7	3-1f	Paul Nicholls	Nick Scholfield	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.05**888SPORT WHAT'S YOUR THINKING NOVICES' HURDLE (2)**
4yo+ £16,000 2m7f208y (4820 Metres)

RACE 3

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Pace Information: **Strong****1 BARDENSTOWN LAD (34)** (D, BF) **93**
1-3113 6 11-6 | 72.6kg

John McConnell, Ireland

Sean Bowen

Bumper winner who impressed when making a successful hurdles debut in a Wexford maiden. Landed odds at Cartmel next time before unsuited by emphasis on speed at Navan. Remains a useful prospect.

2 CALAGOGO (IRE) (63) s+t **98**
324-4111 5 11-6 | 72.6kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

**Davy Russell**

Took a huge step forward in first-time headgear when completing hat-trick in novice (22/1) at Killarney (22.8f, good to soft) 63 days ago, albeit having the run of the race. Big player with a repeat.

3 DRUMLEE WATAR (IRE) (30) (D) v+t **95**
92-211131 8 11-6 | 72.6kg

Warren Greatrex

Harry Bannister

Idled but still got the job done when completing the hat-trick at Worcester in July. Sound effort back in a handicap at Bangor and quickly resumed winning ways at Perth last month. Change of headgear.

4 ONAGATHERINGSTORM (IRE) (161) **93**
321-1 6 11-6 | 72.6kg

Fergal O'Brien

Paddy Brennan

Winning pointer who confirmed hurdles debut promise when running out a comfortable winner of a Warwick maiden (21f) in April. Comfortably landed odds at Aintree following month but more needed here.

5 DRAGON BONES (170) (D) ★ **100**
1/41U11-1 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

Ian Williams

Charlie Todd

Bumper winner who sprung a surprise when winning 3m Doncaster listed event on hurdling debut in March. Successful all 3 completed starts since. Leading claims.

6 ALMAZHAR GARDE (FR) (174) s+t **93**
15/51P71-6 6 10-12 | 68.9kg

Charlie Longsdon

**Gavin Sheehan**

Useful handicap chaser who picked up a couple of wins last season. Poor effort when last seen in May and back over hurdles now.

7 GRACE A VOUS ENKI (FR) (15) (BF) **95**
4/6P3163-2 5 10-12 | 68.9kg

Paul Nicholls

**Harry Cobden**

Useful French chaser who was picked up for a six-figure sum after finishing third in Auteuil Group 3 11 months ago. Failed to land the odds on British debut at Worcester but should come on for that.

8 SIRUH DU LAC (FR) (342) (C) **95**
PF/U- 8 10-12 | 68.9kg

David Pipe

Tom Scudamore

Smart chaser who has been seen sparingly since 2019 and got no further than the first at Cheltenham 11 months ago on debut for this yard. Back over hurdles now and upped in trip. Interesting.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Calagogo, **5-1** Dragon Bones, **5-1** Grace A Vous Enki, **7-1** Siruh du Lac, **8-1** Onagatheringstorm, **17-2** Bardenstown Lad, **9-1** Drumlee Watar, **14-1** Almazhar Garde

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SIRUH DU LAC would prove hard to beat if reproducing his smart chase form on a rare outing over hurdles so could be worth chancing back from another lay-off. Dragon Bones has won all of her completed starts over timber and is high on the shortlist on these terms, while Grace A Vous Enki and Bardenstown Lad both remain with potential.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SIRUH DU LAC (FR) 2. DRAGON BONES 3. GRACE A VOUS ENKI (FR)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Streets of Doyen 6-11-6	11-4	John McConnell	Richard Johnson	6
2019	Ramses de Teillee 7-10-12	8-11f	David Pipe	Tom Scudamore	5
2018	Dinons 5-11-6	4-6f	Gordon Elliott	Richard Johnson	6
2017	Calett Mad 5-11-3	6-5f	Nigel Twiston-Davies	Daryl Jacob	6
2016	Wholestone 5-11-3	2-1f	Nigel Twiston-Davies	Daryl Jacob	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.40**888SPORT NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP CHASE (3) 4yo+
£16,400 2m3f166y (3970 Metres)**

RACE 4

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 FAIVOIR (FR) (19) (C, D) 98
1411311-1 6 11-8 | 73.5kg



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Useful hurdler who made a winning start over fences on the back of a wind op in 2m Uttoxeter novice 19 days ago, idling by 2½l from Annual Invictus. Shoulders 8 lb penalty but still well in the mix.

2 BACK ON THE LASH (89) (C) 100
71/30-1171 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



Martin Keighley

Sean Bowen

Made it 3-5 over fences in 4-runner handicap chase at Uttoxeter (22.5f) in July, always holding on. Up 3 lb but he's weighted to go well once more.

3 ANNUAL INVICTUS (IRE) (19) 99
25/21114-2 6 11-0 | 69.9kg



Chris Gordon

Tom Cannon

Ended last term on the up over hurdles, bagging a hat-trick, and he made a promising start in this sphere when 2½l second to Faivoir in 2m Uttoxeter novice. Player with this longer trip sure to suit.

4 DANNY KIRWAN (IRE) (207) (D) 95
6/31671- 8 10-11 | 68.5kg



Paul Nicholls

Harry Cobden

Useful hurdler who signed off with easy novice success at Wincanton in March. Returns after a wind op, and this winning pointer is an interesting chasing recruit.

5 TORN AND FRAYED (FR) (191) (D) 95
2/4251213- 7 10-11(10-10) | 68.5kg (68.0kg)



Nigel Twiston-Davies

Sam Twiston-Davies

Off the mark over hurdles with plenty to spare on Hereford handicap bow (19.7f) in February. Doubled tally back in a novice at Fakenham and absence rarely an issue with this yard. Chase debut.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Annual Invictus, **3-1** Faivoir, **4-1** Back On The Lash, **4-1** Danny Kirwan, **8-1** Torn And Frayed

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ANNUAL INVICTUS shaped really well on his chasing bow when runner-up to Faivoir at Uttoxeter and enjoys an 8 lb pull now so he gets the nod with the step up in trip a big plus too for Chris Gordon's likeable sort. Dan Skelton's 6-y-o was idling that day so is still feared most, although both fencing debutant Danny Kirwan and well-weighted Back On The Lash need considering too.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ANNUAL INVICTUS (IRE) 2. FAIVOIR (FR) 3. DANNY KIRWAN (IRE)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Southfield Stone 7-11-8	2-1	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	4
2019	Slate House 7-11-3	3-1	Colin Tizzard	Robbie Power	6
2018	Cubomania 5-11-11	10-3	Gordon Elliott	Richard Johnson	4
2017	Double Treasure 6-11-11	9-1	Jamie Snowden	Gavin Sheehan	6
2016	Shantou Village 6-11-8	4-6f	Neil Mulholland	Noel Fehily	4

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.15**ABU DHABI DIGITAL EXCHANGE HANDICAP HURDLE (3)
3yo+ (Rated 0-140) £16,400 2m3f200y (4010 Metres)**

RACE 5

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Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1 **GUARD YOUR DREAMS (195)**  **100**
2/1411673- 5 11-12 | 75.3kg



Nigel Twiston-Davies

Sam Twiston-Davies

Progressive type who scored three times last season and signed off with an excellent third in the Mersey Novices' Hurdle at Aintree. Leading claims with yard sure to have him tuned up for return.

2 **SAINT SONNET (FR) (187)** s+t **97**
317/FPP03- 6 11-11 | 74.8kg

Paul Nicholls **Harry Cobden**

Ex-French recruit who was disappointing over fences last season but was back on the right path on his last couple of efforts over hurdles. Looks a player from a fair mark after 6 months off.

3 **COOLE CODY (IRE) (191)** (C, D, BF) **95**
12216344- 10 11-7 | 73.0kg



Evan Williams

Isabel Williams (51b/2kg)

Big improver over fences last term, landing the Paddy Power Gold Cup and hitting the frame in big handicaps here on his final couple of outings. This is most likely a prep' run, however.

4 **CLEMENCIA (IRE) (285)** t **97**
61445/F47- 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Tim Vaughan

Alan Johns

Fairly useful hurdler who was below form when last seen at Exeter 9 months ago. Mark is becoming more appealing, but he'll probably strip fitter for this.

5 **DAL HORRISGLE (44)** (D, BF) t **96**
35-114 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Alan King **Tom Cannon**

Useful on Flat and already a dual winner over hurdles. Lacked determination under pressure on handicap bow at Uttoxeter last time, so might find this tough at the business end.

6 **CAPTAIN MORGS (IRE) (186)** (BF) **98**
21220F- 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Nicky Henderson

Nico de Boinville

Went backwards from successful hurdling debut (strong form) at Ascot a year ago and fell in novice at Kempton on final outing last season. Mark is fair if he can get back on track after 6 months off.

7 **SOMETIMES ALWAYS (IRE) (209)** (D) **97**
44/211174- 6 10-10 | 68.0kg



Ian Williams

Charlie Todd (31b/1kg)

Fairly useful, dual hurdles winner who completed the hat-trick in a jumpers bumper at Lingfield (2m) in February. Not disgraced subsequently but others are likely to be more forward.

8 **ART APPROVAL (FR) (199)** **97**
22711- 5 10-7 | 66.7kg



Fergal O'Brien

Paddy Brennan

Arrives on a hat-trick after 2m wins at Market Rasen and Exeter 6 months ago. This is tougher, but a good pace will suit and his top yard won't have left much to work on.

9 **FOUND ON (IRE) (22)** **97**
2F315-21 6 10-7 | 66.7kg



Martin Keighley

Sean Bowen

Front-runner who continued her progress with a gutsy display to score at Warwick, impressing with how much she found for pressure. Return to this trip could bring more out of her, so one to consider.

10 **FITZROY (IRE) (69)** **91**
3/721-24U3 7 10-3 | 64.9kg



Sarah-Jayne Davies

William Kennedy

Fairly useful hurdles winner for Olly Murphy who has proved disappointing over fences/hurdles in recent months. Up against it starting out for a new yard in a hot contest.

11 **MULLAGHMORE WAVE (IRE) (75)** s+t **97**
080-9811 6 10-2 | 64.4kg



John McConnell, Ireland

B. Hayes

Winner of handicaps at Ballinrobe and Downpatrick during the summer. Firmly on the up and significant that her shrewd yard have picked out this race, so she's one to consider.

12 **CALVINIST (28)** (D) s **97**
04-663114 8 10-0 | 63.5kg



Kevin Frost

Jonathan Burke

Completed a double at Uttoxeter in September and wasn't disgraced when fourth at Worcester next time. Might find this a bit too competitive, however.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Guard Your Dreams, **6-1** Art Approval, **13-2** Found On, **17-2** Saint Sonnet, **9-1** Mullaghmore Wave, **12-1** Captain Morgs, **12-1** Dal Horrissgle, **12-1** Coole Cody, **18-1** Calvinist, **25-1** Sometimes Always, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

GUARD YOUR DREAMS looks well treated based on his excellent third in Grade 1 company at Aintree when last seen and his stable has made a customary solid start to the season, so he gets the nod ahead of Art Approval, who should also be well tuned up for this reappearance. Irish-raider Mullaghmore Wave also makes appeal.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GUARD YOUR DREAMS 2. ART APPROVAL (FR) 3. MULLAGHMORE WAVE (IRE)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Captain Tom Cat 5-10-9	15-2	Dr Richard Newland	C. M. Leonard (7)	19
2019	Duke Street 7-11-8	9-1	Dr Richard Newland	C. M. Leonard (10)	17
2018	First Assignment 5-10-13	9-2f	Ian Williams	Tom Scudamore	20
2017	Master Dancer 6-10-12	12-1	Tim Vaughan	Richard Johnson	21
2016	Midnight Shot 6-10-10	8-1	Charlie Longsdon	Aidan Coleman	16

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race











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RACE 6

ANDY STEWART MEMORIAL AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (3) 4yo+ (Rated 0-125) £16,400 3m1f (5030 Metres)**Racing TV**Going: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: **Even**

1	REDFORD ROAD (218) (C)	99
	50/38374P- 7 12-4 78.0kg	
	Nigel Twiston-Davies Mr Zac Baker	
	Winner of a Grade 2 novice hurdle here a couple of seasons back. Failed to build on encouraging chase debut last term, but dangerous to discount given that he resumes on a potentially handy mark.	
2	BOUGHTBEFORELUNCH (IRE) (116) (BF)	95
	2323-6122 8 11-12 75.3kg	
	Paul Webber Miss Gina Andrews	
	Consistent chaser who deservedly got his head back in front when landing a 26f Ludlow handicap in May. Runner-up both starts since, but this demands a clear career-best.	
3	BALLYEGAN HERO (IRE) (12)	93
	31616214 10 11-10 74.4kg	
	Paul Henderson Mr Luke Scott (71b/3kg)	
	Dual winner in this sphere earlier in the year and also successful over hurdles in September. However, he was below par back chasing off this mark at Newton Abbot recently.	
4	MARQUIS OF CARABAS (IRE) (900)	100
	2/ 11 11-10 74.4kg	
	Fergal O'Brien Mr D. O'Connor	
	Plenty of decent form over hurdles/fences when in the care of David Dennis. Absent for over 2 years, but makes debut for new yard on an attractive mark and market check a must with top amateur booked.	
5	BERMEO (IRE) (191) (CD)	96
	512P4833- 10 11-8 73.5kg	
	Tim Vaughan Miss A. B. O'Connor	
	Good strike rate over fences and saw off Boughtbeforelunch and 11 others when landing this race last year. However, 13 lb higher mark to overcome this time round on debut for new yard.	
6	PETITE POWER (IRE) (144) (CD)	94
	047PP2-87 12 11-8 73.5kg	
	Fergal O'Brien Mr Sam Waley-Cohen	
	Winner of this race for Fergal O'Brien in 2019, but majority of last season's efforts were below par (trained by Dai Burchell for last 3 starts) and needs to bounce back having rejoined O'Brien.	
7	FIRST CLASS RETURN (IRE) (192) (BF)	95
	00922114- 8 11-8 73.5kg	
	Olly Murphy Miss Alice Stevens (71b/3kg)	
	Clear-cut winner of back-to-back 24.3f handicap chases at Southwell in March. Came unstuck when bidding for the hat-trick there on final start of last term, though, and others look better treated.	
8	SUPER CITIZEN (10)	93
	919-F0074 7 11-7 73.0kg	
	Eugene M. O'Sullivan, Ireland Miss M. O'Sullivan	
	Irish raider who opened chase account in a 14-runner Leopardstown handicap in March. Creditable fourth of 16 recently at Punchestown, but improvement needed off present mark.	
9	DEBDEN BANK (101)	96
	4596/31-11 7 11-7 73.0kg	
	Martin Keighley Mr James King	
	Has left hurdles form behind since switched to fences, completing the hat-trick in good style at Southwell (24.3f) when last seen in July (since undergone a wind op). Remains open to improvement.	
10	ELAN DE BALME (FR) (158)	94
	2F77/32-P2 7 11-7 73.0kg	
	David Pipe Mr Martin McIntyre (31b/1kg)	
	Successful twice over fences for Francois Nicolle in France and runner-up on a couple of occasions for new yard last season. Since undergone another wind op and needs to take a step forward here.	

11	JEAN GENIE (FR) (14)	95
	74/22533-3 5 11-6 72.6kg	
	Tim Vaughan Mr Tommie M. O'Brien	
	Yet to win a race of any description, but more good efforts than bad ones since switched to fences, not least when third on recent reappearance at Chepstow (23.6f). Each-way shout off the same mark.	
12	CARNET DE STAGE (IRE) (14)	97
	P2-84F241 6 11-5 72.1kg	
	Eugene M. O'Sullivan, Ireland Mr M. J. M. O'Sullivan (31b/1kg)	
	Finally off the mark with an emphatic success in a 23.5f Downpatrick handicap chase 2 weeks ago. This mark demands another personal best, but he needs considering all the same.	
13	LEN BRENNAN (IRE) (108)	98
	23134/2 8 11-5 72.1kg	
	Tim Vaughan Mr Jack Andrews	
	Winning hurdler who has been placed on 5 of his 7 starts over fences, including when runner-up back from a lengthy absence at Uttoxeter (23.3f) in July. Place possibilities.	
14	DEFUTURE IS BRIGHT (IRE) (12)	94
	30/61212-3 7 11-5 72.1kg	
	Christian Williams Mr Robert James (51b/2kg)	
	Progressive over fences last season, winning twice, and it was no surprise whatsoever that he struggled against some smart sorts on recent return at Newton Abbot (21f). Not without hope.	
15	FACT OF THE MATTER (IRE) (35) (CD, BF)	95
	444-73432 11 11-2 70.8kg	
	Jamie Snowden Mr William Featherstone (71b/3kg)	
	Five-time winner in this sphere, but most recent of those victories was gained on the cross-country course here back in December 2018. Others make greater appeal.	
16	STRICTLYADANCER (IRE) (14)	98
	71/1234-85 7 11-1 70.3kg	
	Christian Williams Mr P. A. King	
	Ended last term on a rather disappointing note, but there were positives aplenty to glean from his recent reappearance fifth at Chepstow (23.6f), shaping better than the bare result. One to consider.	
17	FURIUS DE CIERGUES (FR) (23)	94
	2131-2232 6 10-12 68.9kg	
	Oliver Greenall Mr Jack Hendrick (71b/3kg)	
	Dual chase winner earlier this year and has gone close on 2 of his last 3 starts, most recently back over hurdles at Bangor (23f). However, needs to find extra if he's to play a leading role here.	
18	MADERA MIST (IRE) (160) (C)	93
	3P3/5132-2 7 10-9 67.6kg	
	Tim Vaughan Mr Tristan Durrell (71b/3kg)	
	Much improved when opening Rules account in a mares' handicap chase here (20.6f) last December. Ended that campaign by finishing a creditable second at Uttoxeter, but looks vulnerable all the same.	

18 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

8-1 Debden Bank, **17-2** Marquis of Carabas, **10-1** Carnet de Stage, **12-1** Strictlyadancer, **14-1** Len Brennan, **14-1** Boughtbeforelunch, **16-1** Redford Road, **16-1** First Class Return, **18-1** Jean Genie, **18-1** Defuture Is Bright, **20-1** Bermeo, **22-1** Fact of The Matter, **22-1** Furius de Ciergues, **25-1** Elan de Balme, **25-1** Super Citizen, **28-1** Petite Power, **28-1** Madera Mist, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

STRICTLYADANCER was broadly progressive in this sphere last season and he is appealing on the back of an encouraging reappearance at Chepstow a fortnight ago. There are dangers aplenty, headed by the long-absent Marquis of Carabas, for whom market confidence would look significant all things considered. The upwardly-mobile Debden Bank, Carnet de Stage and Redford Road are also shortlisted.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. STRICTLYADANCER (IRE) 2. MARQUIS OF CARABAS (IRE) 3. DEBDEN BANK

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Bermeo 9-10-5	20-1	Johnny Farrelly	Angus Cheleda (5)	13
2019	Petite Power 10-11-2	12-1	Fergal O'Brien	Liam Harrison (7)	13
2018	Sam Red 7-11-5	11-1	Dan Skelton	William Marshall (7)	19
2017	What Happens Now 8-11-10	8-1	Donald McCain	Mr D. O'Connor	17
2016	Troika Steppes 8-11-3	14-1	Fergal O'Brien	Miss Ally Stirling (3)	17

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RACE 6

**ANDY STEWART MEMORIAL AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP
CHASE (3) 4yo+ (Rated 0-125) £16,400 3m1f (5030
Metres)**



SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.25**FOUNDATION DEVELOPMENTS MAIDEN HURDLE (3) 4yo+
£15,000 2m87y (3300 Metres)**

RACE 7

Racing TVGoing: **Good (Good to Soft in places)**

Left handed, undulating. Stiff fences that place a premium on sound jumping. The last half mile is uphill, although the lead changes hands on the run-in less frequently than might be expected. Prominent-racers often fare well on the chase course, especially in races up to 3m. On the New Course, the hurdles track has just two flights in the last six furlongs, resulting in more emphasis on stamina; large-field races over two miles often go to hold-up horses, as there can be a tendency to go for home too soon. Jockeys often steer a wide course in the winter months searching for better ground and this can lead to trouble in-running towards the stand rail in the straight.

Pace Information: **Insufficient Data****1 ADJOURNMENT (IRE) 92**

5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Oliver Greenall

Henry Brooke

€42,000 3-y-o, €45,000 5-y-o, Court Cave gelding. Dam (h87), maiden hurdler (stayed 2½m). Runner-up both starts in points a year apart, latest in March. Worth a market check on hurdle debut.

2 BALLYBREEZE (23) 90

6-5 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Samuel Drinkwater

Adam Wedge

Looked set to win when falling 2 out in sole point. Has shown clear ability in a bumper/maiden hurdle 11 months apart but is likely to be brought along steadily.

3 BRORSON (IRE) (23) 91

2-23 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Martin Keighley

Sean Bowen

Placed in Irish points and finished runner-up in a pair of Southwell bumpers in the spring. Supported and showed an aptitude for hurdling when third at Bangor (16.7f) last month. Should improve.

4 CARDANO (USA) 94

5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Ian Williams

Tom Scudamore

Useful Flat performer who has been in excellent form lately, so is very much one to note now going hurdling.

5 CIRQUE ROYAL (21) 93

22 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Gerald Stephen Quinn, Ireland

Mr N. McParlan (3lb/1kg)

Useful on Flat and left hurdling debut form behind when second of 15 in 2m maiden at Gowran 3 weeks ago, keeping on after every chance last. Open to further improvement in first-time tongue tie.

6 GO DANTE (225) 97

1- 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Olly Murphy

Aidan Coleman

Cost plenty as a store and gave a good indication as to why with a facile debut success in a Wincanton bumper in March. Exciting prospect for novice hurdles.

7 JETOILE (IRE) 79

6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Ryan Potter

Daryl Jacob

€72,000 3-y-o, Jeremy gelding with a decent pedigree but placed just once in 4 Irish points. Wears a hood.

8 LEBOWSKI (IRE) (219) 90

2235- 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Michael Scudamore

Brendan Powell

Fair form when placed on 3 of his 4 bumper outings but starts out over hurdles in a warm-looking contest.

9 MISTER WATSON (167) 92

2/5P24-2 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



Ben Pauling

Luca Morgan (5lb/2kg)

Fair hurdler who got his career back on track with a good second in a 2m maiden at Warwick in May, no match for winner but pulling long way clear of rest.

10 MR JORROCKS 75

6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Mike Hawker

Harry Reed

Scorpion gelding. Dam (c98), 2½m chase winner (stayed 3m), half-sister to fairly useful hurdler (stayed 3m) Jonanaud. Yard not associated with first-time-out winners, so looks best watched on debut.

11 STRATTON OAKMONT (IRE) (206) 90

3438- 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Kayley Woollacott

Sam Twiston-Davies

Showed fair form when reaching the frame first 3 bumper outings. Below par at Warwick on final outing and faces a stiff task on hurdle debut.

12 TOP BANDIT (12) 96

2224-13 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Davy Russell

Fairly useful bumper winner who made an encouraging enough start over hurdles when third at Limerick (2m) 12 days ago, travelling smoothly. Should do better.

13 WILD SHOT (14) 94

4-3327 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



John McConnell, Ireland

B. Hayes

Fair on Flat, successful twice this year, and easily best effort over hurdles when beaten only narrowly at Clonmel (16.7f) in September. Ran poorly at Downpatrick 2 weeks ago but can bounce back.

14 JOHN LOCKE (197) 100

44- 4 11-1 | 70.3kg



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Useful on Flat and, having been acquired for 75,000 gns, shaped with abundant promise when fourth in the Adonis at Kempton (2m). Bled in Grade 1 at Aintree next time but retains plenty of potential.

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 John Locke, **11-2** Go Dante, **13-2** Top Bandit, **8-1** Wild Shot, **9-1** Cardano, **12-1** Cirque Royal, **16-1** Mister Watson, **16-1** Adjourment, **22-1** Brorson, **33-1** Ballybreeze, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

GO DANTE looked a smart prospect when winning his sole bumper start in a good time at Wincanton in March, so he's very much of interest now going hurdling. John Locke has undergone wind surgery since contesting hot races on both his hurdle starts last season, so he retains potential, while Wild Shot is expected to bounce back from a poor run at Downpatrick a fortnight ago.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. GO DANTE 2. JOHN LOCKE 3. WILD SHOT****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2020	Favoir 5-11-0	4-11f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	6
2019	Heaven Help Us 5-10-7	33-1	Paul Hennessy	D. E. Mullins	11
2018	Thomas Darby 5-11-0	11-2	Olly Murphy	Richard Johnson	13
2017	Slate House 5-11-0	5-4f	Colin Tizzard	Robbie Power	8
2016	Thomas Campbell 4-11-0	11-4	Nicky Henderson	Nico de Boinville	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race