

12.25 PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.I) 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)

RACE 1 **(2) CAPTAIN BROOMFIELD (IRE) | (1) JUDICIAL LAW (IRE) | (5) KELLAHEN (GER)**

12.55 PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.II) 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)

RACE 2 **(10) BIG BOY BOBBY (IRE) | (6) SHALLOW RIVER (IRE) | (8) WOLFSPEAR (IRE)**

1.25 PERTEMPS NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m104y (3310 Metres)

RACE 3 **(2) ROYAL RUBY | (5) ONLY MONEY (IRE) | (1) GALOP DE CHASSE (FR)**

2.00 PERTEMPS NETWORK HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2½m145y (4160 Metres)

RACE 4 **(2) PRESENT VALUE (IRE) | (3) SHERBORNE (IRE) | (10) LEGAL RIGHTS (GER)**

2.35 PERTEMPS LADY PROTECTRESS MARES' CHASE (Listed) (1) 2m3f189y (4000 Metres)

RACE 5 **(2) VIENNA COURT (IRE) | (1) MASKADA (FR) | (3) PINK LEGEND**

3.10 PERTEMPS NETWORK HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (2) 3m1f10y (5040 Metres)

RACE 6 **(4) BELLS OF PETERBORO (IRE) | (6) TIP TOP CAT (IRE) | (1) HONEST VIC (IRE)**

3.40 PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m7f129y (4740 Metres)


RACE 7 **(4) QUEEN OF THE COURT (IRE) | (3) THE WISE TRAVELLER (IRE) | (6) THUNDERSOCKSSUNDAE (IRE)**


4.10 PERTEMPS NETWORK OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)

RACE 8 **(6) HUNTING BROOK (IRE) | (8) RAMBO T (IRE) | (9) WESTERN ZEPHYR (IRE)**

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.

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PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) (D.I)
4yo+ £7,500 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)

RACE 1



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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 JUDICIAL LAW (IRE) (27) 97
 4-1551 5 11-11 | 74.8kg

Jonjo O'Neill *Jonjo O'Neill Jr.*
 Irish bumper winner who surpassed previous hurdles exploits for present yard when readily landing an Exeter novice (16.7f) 4 weeks ago. Looks a big player again under a penalty.

2 CAPTAIN BROOMFIELD (IRE) (29) 100
 2 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

Emma Lavelle *Tom Bellamy*
 Brother to very smart chaser Captain Guinness. Bought for £65,000 after winning an Irish point and made an encouraging start over hurdles when second at Haydock (15.6f) 4 weeks ago. Should improve.

3 DIBBLE DECKER (IRE) (20) 88
 63 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

Tom Lacey *Stan Sheppard*
 Won sole start in Irish points. Reasonable start under Rules, some promise in a Cheltenham bumper prior to finishing third in a Newcastle novice hurdle (20.3f) latest. Should improve.

4 GOLD SOUK (IRE) (33) 79
 74 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Daniel Steele *Daniel Sansom (31b/1kg)*
 Fair on the Flat but only minor promise on second of 2 starts over hurdles at Fontwell (17.7f) on Boxing Day. Likely type for low-grade handicaps further down the line.

5 KELLAHEN (GER) (BF) 91
 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Tom Symonds *Aidan Coleman*
 Useful on Flat in Germany/France (stays 11f), winner twice in 2021. Acquired for €67,000 on back of final start in November and well worth a second look if market vibes are positive now hurdling.

6 LUCKY BOUNCE (IRE) (22) 75
 9 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Ryan Potter *Daniel Hiskett (31b/1kg)*
 €8,000 3-y-o, Milan gelding. Sent off at 100/1 and never a threat on Chepstow hurdles bow (2m) earlier this month. Rates a likely longer-term project on that evidence.

7 TIME PLEASE (17) 75
 3PP 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Caroline Fryer *Lewis Stones (71b/3kg)*
 Successful sole start in points but fairly low-key start under Rules. last of 3 in a bumper during the spring and pulled up both starts over hurdles this winter. Can only be watched.

8 TWISTEDFIRESTARTER (IRE) (17) 75
 37-07 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

Richard Spencer *James Best*
 Modest form at best in a couple of bumper outings and not threatened either start in novice hurdles in recent weeks. Another likely to be seen to better effect in low-grade handicaps.

9 SHERELLA 70
 6 10-11 | 68.5kg

J. R. Jenkins *Corey McGivern (71b/3kg)*
 Related to fairly useful hurdler/fair chaser (stayed 2½m) Hi Tide. However, she's established as a poor maiden on Flat (stays 7f) and it's easy enough to look elsewhere.

10 MORANI KALI (75) 79
 7P 4 10-5 | 65.8kg

Martin Smith *Tabitha Worsley (31b/1kg)*
 Caused a shock when off the mark on the level at Kempton (12f) in November and not disgraced twice thereafter. However, his previous exploits in juvenile hurdles don't inspire confidence ahead of this

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CAPTAIN BROOMFIELD shaped with definite encouragement when runner-up in a Haydock novice hurdle 4 weeks ago and, with progress highly likely, he's fancied to make a bold bid to make it second time lucky. That said, impressive Exeter scorer Judicial Law should give him plenty to think about under a penalty, whilst useful Flat recruit Kellahen demands market attention now hurdling.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CAPTAIN BROOMFIELD (IRE) 2. JUDICIAL LAW (IRE) 3. KELLAHEN (GER)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	West Cork	6-11-10	2-1	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	13
2019	Scarlet Dragon	6-11-4	2-1	Alan King	Wayne Hutchinson	14
2018	Django Django	5-11-4	11-8f	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. (7)	15

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

BETTING FORECAST:

7-4 Captain Broomfield, **9-4** Judicial Law, **9-2** Kellahen, **15-2** Dibble Decker, **50-1** bar

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**PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4)
(D.II) 4yo+ £7,500 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)**

RACE 2



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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 BELLS OF STAMFORD (IRE) (33) 79
05 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Tim Vaughan **Alan Johns**
Presenting gelding who didn't offer a great deal of encouragement when down the field in a bumper at Chepstow. Similar story on hurdles bow and looks one for later on.

2 CHARMING GETAWAY (IRE) (18) 84
66 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Kim Bailey **Ciaran Gethings**
Half-brother to useful hurdler Westren Warrior and bumper winner Meep Meep. Hinted at ability in a bumper (well-backed) in December but well held on hurdles bow a month later. Step forward needed.

3 DANIEL DERONDA h 85
5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Amy Murphy **Jack Quinlan**
Fairly useful performer on the Flat for David O'Meara. Sold for £18,000 in December and worth a market check ahead of his hurdles debut. Hood replaces usual cheekpieces.

4 HALF THE FREEDOM (47) 79
00 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Jonjo O'Neill **Jonjo O'Neill Jr.**
Well held in bumper/novice hurdle so will need to take a big step forward to see him involved here.

5 KALINIHTA (IRE) (1379) 86
8 11-4 | 71.7kg



Noel Williams **Tom O'Brien**
€3,000 Kalanisi gelding who made a successful debut in a Fontwell bumper back in April 2018. Clearly had his problems to not have been since so market can guide expectations

6 SHALLOW RIVER (IRE) (33) 95
3-41 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Fergal O'Brien **Paddy Brennan**
Bought for £66,000 from Margaret Mullins after encouraging start in Ireland, and off the mark at the second attempt for this yard at Wincanton on Boxing Day. Of obvious interest on hurdles bow.

7 TILSWORTH SAMMY v 60
7 11-4 | 71.7kg



J. R. Jenkins **Corey McGivern (7lb/3kg)**
Poor maiden handicapper on the Flat and makes minimal appeal on this switch to hurdling.

8 WOLFSPEAR (IRE) (29) (C, D) 90
147 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Olly Murphy **Aidan Coleman**
€110,000 Fame And Glory gelding who cosily landed a bumper. Offered something to work on hurdles bow last month but take a step forward from that at Taunton 3 weeks later. Solid place claims.

9 PIPERS DREAM (44) 75
67-P 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Louise Allan **Shane Quinlan (5lb/2kg)**
No show in bumper/pair of novice hurdles 9 months apart.

10 BIG BOY BOBBY (IRE) (24) ★ 100
2 4 10-5 | 65.8kg



Alan King **Tom Cannon**
Fairly useful on Flat for Roger Charlton and made promising hurdling debut after 12 weeks off when runner-up at Hereford earlier this month, caught further back than ideal. Should improve. Big player.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-4 Big Boy Bobby, **11-4** Shallow River, **5-1** Wolfspear, **11-1** Kalinihta, **14-1** Daniel Deronda, **20-1** Charming Getaway, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

There was plenty to like about the way BIG BOY BOBBY shaped on his hurdles bow at Hereford earlier this month, unable to match the stamina or jumping of the all-the-way winner. He's sure to have learnt plenty from that and, with improvement on the cards, he could take some stopping here. Bumper-winner Shallow River makes obvious appeal on hurdles debut so is feared most, ahead of Wolfspear.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BIG BOY BOBBY (IRE) 2. SHALLOW RIVER (IRE) 3. WOLFSPEAR (IRE)

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.25**PERTEMPS NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 5yo+ (Rated 0-120) £11,400 2m104y (3310 Metres)**

RACE 3

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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 GALOP DE CHASSE (FR) (22) (D, BF) 98
435F62-1P 6 11-12 | 75.3kg



Venetia Williams

Hugh Nugent (51b/2kg)

Winning hurdler in France and won handicap chase at Lingfield on yard/bow return, forging clear after taking a while to hit top gear. Ran no sort of race at Chepstow since but worth another chance.

2 ROYAL RUBY (158) (BF) 98
557/13 10 11-10 | 74.4kg



Nicky Henderson

Nico de Boinville

Fair winning hurdler who defied an 18-month absence in some style on chase debut at Stratford in July. Mixed round of jumping when third there following month. Off since but can go well fresh.

3 CHAPTAL (FR) (17) (D) 91
1/F212-745 6 11-9 | 73.9kg



Tom George

Ciaran Gethings

Ex-French winning hurdler but went with little encouragement both starts for this yard. Headgear re-fitted.

4 BARACALU (FR) (697) (D) 98
31138/ 11 11-9 | 73.9kg



Charles & Adam Pogson

C. M. Leonard (51b/2kg)

Won twice at a lowly level over hurdles during 2019/20, but beaten a long way in a Wetherby handicap when last seen 23 months ago and probably best watched on this chase debut.

5 ONLY MONEY (IRE) (16) (CD) 100
8555-1421 8 11-9 | 73.9kg



Chris Gordon

Tom Cannon

Free-going sort who scored impressively over fences at Huntingdon (16.5f) in May. Back to that level when winning 5-runner handicap at Leicester 16 days ago, hold-up tactics back in use. Big player.

6 RAFFLES GITANE (FR) (33) (D) 95
45133-4P 5 10-13 | 69.4kg



Harry Whittington

Mr Ben Bromley (71b/3kg)

Won juvenile maiden at Hereford a year ago. Similar form next 3 starts, including when fourth on chase bow at Sedgefield on return. Disappointed here on Boxing Day and back down in trip now.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Only Money, **9-4** Royal Ruby, **7-2** Galop De Chasse, **10-1** Raffles Gitane, **22-1** Chaptal, **33-1** Baracalu

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ROYAL RUBY improved his form over fences in the summer despite some mixed rounds of jumping so may still have more to offer in this sphere on his return from a break. Only Money was back to his best when a ready winner at Leicester earlier this month so is feared most.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROYAL RUBY 2. ONLY MONEY (IRE) 3. GALOP DE CHASSE (FR)

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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PERTEMPS NETWORK HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £11,100 2½m145y (4160 Metres)

RACE 4



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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Even**

1 FOR LANGY (FR) (82) h **90**

13/6 7 11-12 | 75.3kg
Philip Hobbs *Mr David Maxwell (31b/1kg)*
Ex-French Flat/hurdle winner who showed promise when third in a Taunton novice (19f) in January 2020. Understandably shaped as if needing first run since at Sandown in November. This will reveal more.

2 PRESENT VALUE (IRE) (44) (D) ★ **100**

24f/479-61 8 11-9 | 73.9kg
Jamie Snowden *Page Fuller*
Cashed in on a falling mark at the first attempt for Jamie Snowden at Leicester in December. 5 lb rise won't prevent a very bold follow-up bid.

3 SHERBORNE (IRE) (64) **98**

24-41 6 11-8 | 73.5kg
Colin Tizzard *Brendan Powell*
Modest form in bumpers but confirmed the promise of his hurdles debut when landing big-field novice at Lingfield in November (2m). Off since but in good hands and bred to stay now handicapping.

4 IRISH ODYSSEY (IRE) (304) s+t **94**

32U5/424- 9 11-6 | 72.6kg
Neil Mulholland *Sam Twiston-Davies*
Bumper winner in 2018 though yet to win over hurdles, spurning what looked a great opening at Sedgfield in March (idled when left in front). This looks his trip on return to action.

5 STORM DENNIS (IRE) (26) **91**

62P-13528 6 11-5 | 72.1kg
Chris Gordon *Tom Cannon*
Fairly useful and progressive in bumpers. Best effort in novice hurdles when 7 lengths second of 18 at Wincanton last month but well held on handicap debut since and now goes up in trip.

6 NOVIS ADVENTUS (IRE) (38) s+t **98**

0/P55 10 11-2 | 70.8kg
Neil Mulholland *Harry Reed*
Fairly useful 20f winner at his best. Didn't convince with finishing effort at Plumpton last month but a wind op subsequently may help in that regard.

7 WHAT A GLANCE (37) t **98**

556-45139 7 11-0 | 69.9kg
David Dennis *Harry Bannister*
Successful debut for trainer at Worcester (20f) in November, albeit in a race that rather fell apart. Fair run up 8 lb at Southwell next time but disappointing at Ludlow and has had a wind op.

8 LET'S HAVE ANOTHER (IRE) (44) **96**

342 6 11-0 | 69.9kg
Olly Murphy *Aidan Coleman*
Showed promise when third in sole bumper at Ffos Las in May and did likewise sent hurdling to end 2021. Very much shapes like this trip will suit on this quick switch to handicaps.

9 GRAND LORD (FR) (33) s **98**

4023-23R2 6 10-13 | 69.4kg
Stuart Edmunds *Ciaran Gethings*
Front runner who ran his best race yet when second in 20.7f Huntingdon handicap on Boxing Day, picked off late by one who came from much further back. Same mark here.

10 LEGAL RIGHTS (GER) (24) **99**

64-3211 5 10-11 | 68.5kg
Gary Moore *Niall Houlihan (31b/1kg)*
Well backed and opened hurdles account over 19.22f at Fontwell on Boxing Day. Found another jolt of improvement when following up under a penalty at Hereford and he has to be of serious interest.

11 EQUUS MILLAR (IRE) (18) v **95**

71507-PP8 9 10-7 | 66.7kg
Sarah-Jayne Davies *William Kennedy*
Multiple hurdles winner who doubled chase tally at Haydock (2m) 13 months ago. Little promise all 3 starts for this yard, however.



11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Present Value, **4-1** Legal Rights, **11-2** Sherborne, **8-1** Grand Lord, **10-1** Let's Have Another, **16-1** What A Glance, **18-1** Storm Dennis, **18-1** Irish Odyssey, **20-1** For Langy, **28-1** Novis Adventus, **300-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PRESENT VALUE looks a shrewd buy at £10,000 given the ease in which he made a successful start for Jamie Snowden at Leicester and a 5 lb rise could be lenient. Sherborne will relish this trip now handicapping and is second choice, with Legal Rights also of interest in his hat-trick bid.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PRESENT VALUE (IRE) 2. SHERBORNE (IRE) 3. LEGAL RIGHTS (GER)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Sermando 6-11-6	7-1	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	14
2019	Daydream Aulmes 6-11-8	11-2jf	Graeme McPherson	Kielan Woods	17
2018	First Assignment 5-11-10	4-1	Ian Williams	Tom Scudamore	11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.35**PERTEMPS LADY PROTECTRESS MARES' CHASE (Listed) (1)**
Syo+ mares £75,000 2m3f189y (4000 Metres)

RACE 5

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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 MASKADA (FR) (16) 93
3122-3231 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Stuart Edmunds

Ciaran Gethings

Fairly useful hurdler who has taken her form up a notch over fences, landing 2m listed chase at Leicester 16 days ago by 1½l from Zambella. Up in trip and well in the mix.

2 VIENNA COURT (IRE) (27) 100
P5443-311 7 11-4 | 71.7kg



Nigel Twiston-Davies

Sam Twiston-Davies

Has returned a much improved model this term, and really impressed when bagging 16-runner handicap chase at Cheltenham (20.6f) 27 days ago. Hard to see her not completing her hat-trick here.

3 PINK LEGEND (32) (D) 93
24221-1P6 8 11-2 | 70.8kg

Venetia Williams **Harry Bannister**

Likeable chaser who made all at Ascot on her reappearance. Below that form both runs since when less forcefully ridden, but she's not discounted if getting to the front here.

4 GALICE MACALO (FR) (24) 90
2501-40P2 6 11-0 | 69.9kg

Mrs Jane Williams **Chester Williams**

Three-time 2m winner over hurdles last season. Yet to match that form on both starts in this sphere, too free when second of 7 in 2m novice at Hereford 24 days ago. More is required stepping in trip.

5 SCHIAPARANNIE (30) (D) 86
51759-513 10 11-0 | 69.9kg



Jane Makin

Adam Wedge

Got off the mark at the second attempt over fences at Southwell (3m) before good second in listed chase (33/1) at Doncaster (20.5f) 30 days ago. Faces a stiff task at these weights, however.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-11 Vienna Court, **3-1** Maskada, **13-2** Pink Legend, **11-1** Galice Macalo, **25-1** Schiaparannie

TIMEFORM VIEW:

VIENNA COURT has proved something of a revelation this term and is impossible to side against on the back of her most taking Cheltenham success. Leicester-scorer Maskada looks the one to chase home Nigel Twiston-Davies' hat-trick seeker, with Pink Legend not discounted either if she can get her own way out in front.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. VIENNA COURT (IRE) 2. MASKADA (FR) 3. PINK LEGEND

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Maire Banrigh	8-11-0	1-4f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	3
2019	Happy Diva	8-11-0	9-2	Kerry Lee	Richard Patrick	7
2018	Rene's Girl	8-11-4	4-1	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	6
2017	Antartica de Thaix	7-11-0	9-2	Paul Nicholls	Sam Twiston-Davies	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.10**PERTEMPS NETWORK HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (2)**
5yo+ £25,000 3m1f10y (5040 Metres)

RACE 6

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

The course is a right-handed oval with easy bends, and is a flat, fast track about one-and-a-half miles in length. There are nine fences to a circuit, some of them rather tricky, and the water jump was filled in during summer 2008, astroturf replacing the water. Huntingdon favours horses with speed over stamina, sluggards seen to best advantage only under extremely testing conditions.

Pace Information: **Even****1 HONEST VIC (IRE) (27)** **97**5/150-332P **9** 11-12 | 75.3kg

Henry Daly

Richard Patrick

Smart 3m winner over hurdles. Not quite at that level over fences and was pulled up in a handicap at Cheltenham last time, but he's respected now reverting to the smaller obstacles.

2 MILL GREEN (237) **95**1P6/547-1F **10** 11-2 | 70.8kg

Nicky Henderson

Nico de Boinville

Useful hurdler who built on an encouraging chase debut when landing a 4-runner Ffos Las novice in May. 5 lengths down and held when falling 2 out at Worcester next time and now back over hurdles.

3 WHO DARES WINS (IRE) (49) **94**2210/P-7 **10** 11-1 | 70.3kg

Alan King

Tom Cannon

Fine dual-purpose performer but not the force of old on the Flat in 2021 and was below form back over hurdles after 4 months off at Doncaster in December. Up in trip.

4 BELLS OF PETERBORO (IRE) (32) **100**1/41221-31 **7** 10-8 | 67.1kg

Tim Vaughan

Alan Johns

Progressive type who took a big step forward from his reappearance when winning 7-runner handicap hurdle at Chepstow (23.6f) 32 days ago, easing clear. Has to be taken seriously from 8 lb higher.

5 GAZETTE BOURGEOISE (FR) (24) (D) **97**4334-1241 **6** 10-5 | 65.8kg

Ben Case

Harry Bannister

Improved when opening her account in maiden company at Stratford (22f) on reappearance. Solid efforts under a penalty prior to resuming winning ways in a Hereford handicap. Should remain competitive.

6 TIP TOP CAT (IRE) (29) **98**3/930-3111 **7** 10-5 | 65.8kg

Fergal O'Brien

Liam Harrison (3lb/1kg)

Really motoring now, completing the hat-trick in 11-runner handicap at Taunton (23.9f) 29 days ago, cosily. Limit may not yet have been reached.

7 VARNA GOLD (IRE) (30) **93**643-232B5 **5** 10-5 | 65.8kg

Paul John Gilligan, Ireland

Jack G. Gilligan (7lb/3kg)

Fairly useful hurdler who had no chance at the weights when 21½ lengths fifth of 6 to Teahupoo in Grade 2 hurdle at Limerick (16f, heavy) 30 days ago. Stamina to prove over this much longer trip.

8 DANNY WHIZZBANG (IRE) (30) (D) **85**3/7P54-PSP **9** 10-2 | 64.4kg

Milton Harris

Harry Reed

Useful chaser at best but out of sorts for new yard this season. Back hurdling now off a reduced mark and has enough to prove.

9 RISK AND ROLL (FR) (117) **96**611/32U-44 **8** 10-0(9-13) | 63.5kg (63.0kg)

James Evans

Tabitha Worsley (3lb/1kg)

Hunter chaser in more recent times, unseating rider at Aintree in April. Never a factor at Cheltenham later that month and was put firmly in his place returned to hurdling at Uttoxeter in October.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Bells of Peterboro, **7-2** Tip Top Cat, **11-2** Gazette Bourgeoise, **7-1** Honest Vic, **10-1** Mill Green, **12-1** Varna Gold, **14-1** Who Dares Wins, **22-1** Risk And Roll, **25-1** Danny Whizzbang

TIMEFORM VIEW:

An interesting race. BELLS OF PETERBORO impressed at Chepstow last month and is still unexposed at around 3m, so he's very much one to keep on the right side of. Tip Top Cat is another going the right way and commands plenty of respect in his pursuit of the 4-timer, while others to consider are Honest Vic and Gazette Bourgeoise.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. BELLS OF PETERBORO (IRE) 2. TIP TOP CAT (IRE) 3. HONEST VIC (IRE)****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2020	Phoenix Way	7-11-4	4-1f	Harry Fry	Barry Geraghty	14
2019	Not Many Left	6-11-7	9-2	Mrs J. Harrington	Robbie Power	9
2018	Taj Badalandabad	8-10-1	9-1	David Pipe	Tom Scudamore	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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PERTEMPS NETWORK NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-105) £8,400 2m7f129y (4740 Metres)

RACE 7



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

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**


WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2020	Robyndzone	6-11-0	9-2jf	Fergal O'Brien	Paddy Brennan	13
2019	Itsamanslife	6-11-8	12-1	Katy Price	Ben Poste	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race


1 CARDBOARD GANGSTER (77) s **88**
 82-23236 **7** 11-12 | 75.3kg

 D. J. Jeffreys **Archie Bellamy (71b/3kg)**
 Fair maiden hurdler/chaser, although he wasn't at his best over fences at Worcester (23f) when last seen in November. The tongue tie he's worn on most starts is left off here.


2 MALIBOO (IRE) (27) **88**
 3321-P305 **9** 11-10 | 74.4kg

 Neil Mulholland **Sam Twiston-Davies**
 Perth handicap hurdle winner over 2½m in April. Also a good third at Fakenham in October and better than the result when a remote fifth on his chase debut there on New Year's Day. Open to progress.


3 THE WISE TRAVELLER (IRE) (25) **90**
 9-P3993 **6** 11-7 | 73.0kg

 Charlie Longsdon **Sean Bowen**
 Modest form over hurdles but this former point winner has the potential for better now chasing for the first time. Interesting runner.


4 QUEEN OF THE COURT (IRE) (18) ★ **100**
 7424-9741 **9** 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Grant Cann **Tom O'Brien**
 Winning pointer who struck at the second time of asking over fences when readily seeing off 10 rivals over 23f at Taunton 18 days ago. Even a 10 lb rise may not stop her.


5 ALRIGHT CHIEF (IRE) (33) (CD) t **95**
 85P62-F81 **10** 10-12 | 68.9kg

 Sam Allwood **Alan Johns**
 Twice successful between the flags. Tongue tied first time, improved effort under Rules when landing C&D handicap on Boxing Day. That didn't take much winning so a 6 lb rise demands more.


6 THUNDERSOCKSSUNDAE (IRE) (32) s+t **88**
 70927-23P **7** 10-12 | 68.9kg

 Fergal O'Brien **Liam Harrison (31b/1kg)**
 Perhaps unsuited by very testing ground when pulled up at Wetherby on Boxing Day and placed in handicap hurdles prior to that. Contender if taking to fences for last year's winning yard. Tongue tied.

7 REALMS OF FIRE (27) s **85**
 35-418873 **9** 10-0(9-12) | 63.5kg (62.6kg)

 Louise Allan **Shane Quinlan (51b/2kg)**
 Poor hurdler but did open his account at Southwell (3m) in May. Offered little switched to fences last 3 starts (remote third latest) and others are preferred again.

8 OVERTOUGEORGE (14) **75**
 0/PP580-6P **8** 10-0(9-10) | 63.5kg (61.7kg)

 Charles & Adam Pogson **C. M. Leonard (51b/2kg)**
 Little solid form. 4 lb out of handicap.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Queen of The Court, **10-3** Alright Chief, **6-1** The Wise Traveller, **9-1** Maliboo, **9-1** Thundersockssundae, **11-1** Cardboard Gangster, **25-1** Realms of Fire, **80-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

QUEEN OF THE COURT had plenty to spare at Taunton so an 11 lb rise may not prevent her going in again. A point success at the start of The Wise Traveller's career marks him down as a possible improver now chasing so he's feared as most ahead of Thundersockssundae who had a possible excuse at Wetherby last time and had been knocking on the door in handicap hurdles prior to that.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. QUEEN OF THE COURT (IRE) 2. THE WISE TRAVELLER (IRE) 3. THUNDERSOCKSSUNDAE (IRE)

4.10

PERTEMPS NETWORK OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT
(5) 4, 5 and 6yo £4,000 1m7f171y (3170 Metres)

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Pace Information: Strong
1 EMOTIONAL MEMORIES (IRE)

5 11-6 | 72.6kg



D. J. Jeffreys

Nico de Boinville

€15,000 3-y-o, Arctic Cosmos gelding. Dam (c104/h107), maiden jumper (stayed 3m), half-sister to smart hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 3m) Emotional Moment. Worth a market check.

2 FESTIVE GLORY (IRE) (57) (BF)

5 6 11-6 | 72.6kg



Fergal O'Brien

Paddy Brennan

Has a reasonable pedigree and caught the eye staying on from a long way back when fifth at Market Rasen on debut. Type to improve markedly for the experience, so could make his presence felt.

3 FOREST JUMP (IRE) (118)

4 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Chris Gordon

Adam Wedge

Half-brother to a bumper winner and showed something to work on at Fontwell 118 days ago, so he's not a forlorn hope for all there's some improvement required.

4 HERECOMESHOGAN (IRE) (100)

39 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Martin Keighley

James Best

Bred to need time and, while he made a pleasing start at Worcester in May, he shaped as if amiss at the same track on his reappearance 100 days ago. Others preferred.

5 HERMES LE GRIS (FR) (70) (BF)

2 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Warren Greatrex

Henry Brooke

Bred to need further in time but showed up well when runner-up to a promising sort at Catterick on debut 70 days ago. He's likely to find at least one too good, however.

6 HUNTING BROOK (IRE) (33)

4 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Emma Lavelle

Tom Bellamy

Well-bred sort in good hands and there was a good deal of encouragement to be gleaned from his fourth at Wincanton on debut. Worth chancing to open his account at the second attempt.

7 IMPERIAL B G (IRE) (47)

5 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Nigel Twiston-Davies

Sam Twiston-Davies

Showed some ability at Southwell on debut but he's bred to peak over longer distances and jumps, so he's unlikely to score in this sphere.

8 RAMBO T (IRE) (85)

3 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Olly Murphy

Aidan Coleman

In frame both starts in Irish point, then shaped well when a narrow third at Newbury on Rules bow 85 days ago. Another bold showing is expected.

9 WESTERN ZEPHYR (IRE)

5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Charlie Longsdon

Sean Bowen

€20,000 3-y-o, Westerner gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/chaser (21f-23f winner) Topsham Belle. Easily won sole start in points (Dec 12). One to consider.

10 ANITA'S SPIRIT (14)

5 10-13 | 69.4kg



Derek Shaw

Tabitha Worsley (31b/1kg)

Flat-bred mare who offered no encouragement when last of 5 in a C&D bumper a fortnight ago. Hard to fancy.

11 COOLAMAINE LAD (IRE)

4 10-7 | 66.7kg



Stuart Edmunds

Ciaran Gethings

€35,000 3-y-o, Champs Elysees gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to useful hurdler/chaser (stays 2½m) Lough Derg Spirit. May well need more time.

12 SARSEN (USA) (104)

4 4 10-7 | 66.7kg



Alan King

Tom Cannon

Noble Mission gelding who wasn't seen to best effect when a staying-on fourth at Market Rasen 104 days ago. More to come up in trip with a hood applied, so dangerous to dismiss.

13 UNSTOPPABLE (FR) (14)

4 4 10-7 | 66.7kg



Jo Davis

Page Fuller

Related to a fairly useful hurdler but no immediate signs of promise over C&D on debut. Easily passed over.

14 BORO LASS (44)

7 4 10-0 | 63.5kg



Gay Kelleway

Jack Quinlan

Sister to 4 winners, including fairly useful hurdler Phoenix Dawn, but there wasn't enough encouragement (only hinted at ability) on debut at Newbury to make him a likely player in this.

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Rambo T, **11-2** Hunting Brook, **7-1** Western Zephyr, **15-2** Sarsen, **9-1** Hermes Le Gris, **10-1** Festive Glory, **20-1** Boro Lass, **20-1** Forest Jump, **22-1** Imperial B G, **28-1** Coolamaine Lad, **33-1** Emotional Memories, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

HUNTING BROOK is the pick on pedigree and shaped well for a long way when fourth at Wincanton a month ago, so he's fancied to find enough improvement to open his account at the second attempt. Rambo T achieved a bit more in form terms than the selection when third at Newbury first time up, so he's regarded as a danger, while point-recruit Western Zephyr is also on the radar.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HUNTING BROOK (IRE) 2. RAMBO T (IRE) 3. WESTERN ZEPHYR (IRE)

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race