



Thursday 17th March

CHELTENHAM

1.30	TURNERS NOVICES' CHASE (Golden Miller) (Grade 1) (1) 2m3f168y (3980 Metres)
RACE 1	(3) GALOPIN DES CHAMPS (FR) (1) BOB OLINGER (IRE) (2) EL BARRA (FR)
2.10	PERTEMPS NETWORK FINAL HANDICAP HURDLE (Grade 3) (1) 2m7f213y (4820 Metres)
RACE 2	(24) DUNBOYNE (IRE) (14) WINTER FOG (IRE) (13) ALAPHILIPPE (IRE)
2.50	RYANAIR CHASE (Festival Trophy) (Grade 1) (1) 2½m127y (4140 Metres)
RACE 3	(1) ALLAHO (FR) (9) SHAN BLUE (IRE) (2) CONFLATED (IRE)
3.30	PADDY POWER STAYERS' HURDLE (Grade 1) (1) 2m7f213y (4820 Metres)
RACE 4	(2) FLOORING PORTER (IRE) (4) KLASSICAL DREAM (FR) (9) THYME HILL
4.10	CRAFT IRISH WHISKEY CO. PLATE HANDICAP CHASE (Grade 3) (1) 2½m127y (4140 Metres)
RACE 5	(14) CELEBRE D'ALLEN (FR) (10) GRAND PARADIS (FR) (13) THE GLANCING QUEEN (IRE)
4.50	RYANAIR MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Dawn Run) (Grade 2) (1) 2m179y (3380 Metres)
RACE 6	(11) DINOBLUE (FR) (10) BRANDY LOVE (IRE) (2) LOVE ENVOI (IRE)
5.30	FULKE WALWYN KIM MUIR CHALLENGE CUP AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (Sponsored by the JRL Group) (2) 31/4m (5230 Metres)

KEY TO SYMBOLS



RACE 7

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

(1) FRONTAL ASSAULT (IRE) (3) AIN'T THAT A SHAME (IRE) (6) SCHOOL BOY HOURS (IRE)



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.

TURNERS NOVICES' CHASE (Golden Miller) (Grade 1) (1) 5yo+ £175,000 2m3f168y (3980 Metres)

Racing TV

RACE 1

Going: Good to Soft

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Pace Information: Weak

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7 11-4 71.7kg Henry de Bromhead, Ireland



Impressive Ballymore Hurdle winner who made it 2-2 over fences with taking victory over Capodanno in Grade 2 Killiney Novices' Chase at Punchestown. Jumped soundly there, and hugely exciting prospect.

EL BARRA (FR) (4)

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8 11-4 71.7kg



W. P. Mullins, Ireland Mr P. W. Mullins Has guickly made into a useful chaser, and easily made all in Limerick maiden only four days ago. Remains with potential, but he has lots to find on form with the likely market leaders..

GALOPIN DES CHAMPS (FR) (39) (C, D)



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12P61-111 **6** 11-4 71.7kg



W. P. Mullins, Ireland

P. Townend

Smart hurdler (won Martin Pipe here) who has looked special since sent chasing with easy successes over 21f in Leopardstown maiden and Grade 2. Excellent jumper. Will continue to prove hard to beat.

BUSSELTON (FR) (40) (D) 5 11-2 70.8kg 89



Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland



Possesses a decent strike rate over fences (3-8), but he came in a well-held fourth in Irish Arkle (40/1) at Leopardstown last month. This is a big step up in grade and best to look elsewhere.

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

evens Galopin Des Champs, 11-10 Bob Olinger, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Only four runners, and essentially a match between GALOPIN DES CHAMPS and Bob Olinger but it should still be a race to savour between two top-class chasing prospects. Henry de Bromhead's imperious Ballymore winner has the better hurdling form but Willie Mullins' Martin Pipe scorer has looked something special since sent over fences and his fine jumping is likely to prove the deciding factor.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GALOPIN DES CHAMPS (FR) 2. BOB OLINGER (IRE) 3. EL BARRA (FR)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2021	Chantry House 7-11-4	9-1	Nicky Henderson	Nico de Boinville	8
2020	Samcro 8-11-4	4-1	Gordon Elliott	Davy Russell	12
2019	Defi du Seuil 6-11-4	3-1f	Philip Hobbs	Barry Geraghty	10
2018	Shattered Love 7-10-11	4-1	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	9
2017	Yorkhill 7-11-4	6-4f	W. P. Mullins	R. Walsh	8

SMART STATS:

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PERTEMPS NETWORK FINAL HANDICAP HURDLE (Grade 3) (1) 5yo+ £100,000 2m7f213y (4820 Metres)



RACE 2

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Going: Good to Soft

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Pace Information: Very Strong

SIRE DU BERLAIS (FR) (61) (CD)

41/132-2P4 **10** 11-12 75.3kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Mr Robert James (7lb/3kg)

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Dual winner of this race before fine second in Stayers' here in 2021. Struck into when fourth in 3m1f Warwick handicap in January, and a bold showing is very much on the cards again.

BALLYANDY (19) (C, D) **11** 11-6 72.6kg

Nigel Twiston-Davies

Finn Lambert (10lb/5kg)

Arrives on a hat-trick after taking 3m handicap wins at Fakenham and Chepstow last month. Up another 5 lb but he's not taken lightly in his current mood.

DALLAS DES PICTONS (FR) (40) (D)

4305-P260 **9** 11-0 69.9kg Mr H. C. Swan (7lb/3kg)

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Looked to be running into form until only fourteenth of 24 in handicap at Leopardstown (24f) 40 days ago. No surprise to see him bounce back now.

GO ANOTHER ONE (IRE) (39) (D) **10** 11-0 69.9kg

John McConnell, Ireland Kieren Buckley (5lb/2kg)

Very useful Irish hurdler/chaser who arrives on back of good fourth in 3m Musselburgh handicap last month. No forlorn hope eased 1 lb now.

THE JAM MAN (IRE) (40) (D) P160-0420 9 11-0 69.9kg

> Ronan M. P. McNally, Ireland M. P. Walsh

Very useful hurdler who was in excellent form until only seventeenth at Leopardstown 40 days ago. Sort to bounce back here.

SASSY YET CLASSY (IRE) (89) (D) 98

1447-31117 **8** 10-12 | 68.9kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Resumed winning ways at Punchestown in November and excellent neck

second of 21 to Futurum Regem at Navan (20f) following month. Needs considering after her break.

HONEST VIC (IRE) (48) (CD)

Irish vard.

Henry Daly C&D winner who wasn't disgraced back in this sphere after a spell chasing when

fifth in handicap at Huntingdon. More is needed here, however.

THIRD WIND (26) (D) **8** 10-11 | 68.5kg 5251P-733 **Hughie Morrison** Tom O'Brien

Useful 3m winner last term who posted good third at Warwick (25f) in January. Raced too keenly when below-par third in Rendlesham at Haydock last time, but not discounted if he's more tractable here.

TULLYBEG (IRE) (145) (D, BF) **7** 10-10 68.0kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland Denis O'Regan In cracking form this autumn when scoring at Navan and Gowran before good fifth in 3m handicap here. Shouldn't be underestimated after his break for top

DAME DE COMPAGNIE (FR) (81) (C) 88

9 10-9 67.6ka Nicky Henderson

Well supported when winning Coral Cup here in 2020. Mixed form over fences/ hurdles since, and poor sixth in Wincanton handicap hurdle last time. Needs a big step forward.

11 STONEY MOUNTAIN (IRE) (75) (D)

59/37-P148 **9** 10-9 67.6kg Jamie Snowden

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Scored over 3m at Newbury in November but he came in only eighth over C&D in January. Lots more is required after his break.

MILL GREEN (26) 96 6/547-1FU2 **10** 10-8 67.1kg

Nicky Henderson Nico de Boinville

Got back on track after a spell chasng iwhen second in 3m handicap at Haydock last month. Seventh and sixth in past two runnings of Martin Pipe here, so he needs considering.

ALAPHILIPPE (IRE) (61) (D) 13 99 **8** 10-8 67.1kg

Fergal O'Brien Paddy Brennan Useful winning staying novice last term who very much caught the eye after 10 months off when strong-travelling fifth in handicap at Warwick in January.

Tongue tied. Ready to take a big step forward.

WINTER FOG (IRE) (79) **8** 10-8 67.1kg Emmet Mullins, Ireland P. Townend

Lightly-raced winner for Daniel Murphy who showed much improved form on yard/handicap bow when second of 27 at Leopardstown at Christmas, collared only late on. Hooded. Still unexposed at 3m. Player.

WHATSNOTOKNOW (IRE) (40) 95 15 **7** 10-7 66.7kg 04235U54 M. F. Morris, Ireland

Arrives on a long losing run, but he put up his best effort of the season when fourth of 24 in 3m handicap at Leopardstown last month. Needs another step forward to get back to winning ways here.

IF THE CAP FITS (IRE) (40) 3290-2945 **10** 10-7 66.7kg

Harry Fry Mr Ben Bromley (7lb/3kg) Really smart hurdler/chaser at his best but he seems not so good nowadays.

Blinkered when fair fifth of 17 in Sandown handicap last time, yet others still appeal more.

FOLCANO (FR) (89) (BF) **7** 10-6 66.2kg 221U0-694

Gordon Elliott, Ireland Jordan Colin Gainford (3lb/1kg) Progressive sort who posted excellent fourth in first-time blinkers in Navan handicap in December (20f). No surprise to see a bold showing now his stamina

is drawn out much more.

18 PILEON (IRE) (75) (BF) **8** 10-5 65.8kg Philip Hobbs

Back to winning ways at Sandown before fair seventh over C&D in January. Also runner-up in Martin Pipe in 2020, so he's not entirley dismissed after his break.

19 **BORN PATRIOT (IRE)** (40)

234-63420 **6** 10-5 65.8kg Peter Fahey, Ireland K. C. Sexton

Winless since his debut, but he comes here on back of solid runs in 3m handicaps here and at Sandown. Much respected.

20 COEUR SEREIN (IRE) (32) (D) 98 11-14F422 **8** 10-5 | 65.8kg Jonjo O'Neill

Usefu hurdler/chaser who posted good second of 6 in handicap hurdle at Exeter (23f) last month. Blinkers are reached for with more needed if he's to go one

21 KANSAS CITY CHIEF (IRE) (5lb/2kg ex) (3) (CD)

> **13** 10-5 65.8kg Miss Victoria Malzard (7lb/3kg) Neil Mulholland

Veteran but better than ever this term, and he garnered a third success in 3m Plumpton handicap only three days ago. Respected turned out quickly under a 5 lb penalty.

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DIDTHEYLEAVEUOUTTO (IRE) (117) FF/F24-220 9 10-4 65.3kg Nick Gifford



In cracking form without winning this term until turning in a rare poor effort when last of 12 in 3m Haydock handicap in November. Sort to bounce back



RACE 2

PERTEMPS NETWORK FINAL HANDICAP HURDLE (Grade 3) (1) 5yo+ £100,000 2m7f213y (4820 Metres)



THE COB (IRE) (40) (D) 11310-2P4

8 10-4 65.3kg

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Three-time winner last season who got back on track in first-time cheekpieces when fourth of 17 at Sandown last month. Possibilities.

DUNBOYNE (IRE) (40) S 2210-8050 **7** 10-4 65.3kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

J. W. Kennedy



Low-mileage 7-y-o who has shaped really well in 3m Leopardstown handicaps on last 2 runs, suffering poor run each time. Will relish this test of stamina. Major contender for yard with fine record.

RESERVES

REMASTERED (54) (D) 99

1115-3F24 **9** 10-3 64.9kg

David Pipe



Smart chaser who comes here on back of fair fourth in Peter Marsh Chase at Haydock. Had wind op and shouldn't be underestimated now reverted to hurdles off a much lower mark. RESERVE

SMALL PRESENT (IRE) (26) (D, BF) 96

11-036316 **7** 10-2 64.4kg



Sue Smith Gained reward for his consistency this season when bagging 3m Haydock handicap in January. Below-par sixth there only run since, so he needs to get

back on track in first-time cheekpieces. RESERVE

24 DECLARED RUNNERS (2 RESERVES)

BETTING FORECAST:

15-2 Winter Fog, 8-1 Dunboyne, 9-1 Alaphilippe, 12-1 Sire Du Berlais, 14-1 Folcano, **14-1** Tullybeg, **22-1** Sassy Yet Classy, **25-1** Ballyandy, **25-1** Pileon, **25-1** The Jam Man, 28-1 Born Patriot, 28-1 Mill Green, 33-1 Third Wind, 33-1 Honest Vic, 33-1 Coeur Serein, 33-1 Dallas Des Pictons, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Gordon Elliott has a fine record here and his DUNBOYNE looks primed to make it a fourth win in the past five seasons. This low-mileage son of Yeats has enjoyed no luck in running on his last two starts in Leopardstown handicaps and arrives on a very workable mark. Winter Fog shaped really well on his debut for Emmet Mullins and is feared most, with Alaphilippe and Folcano high on the shortlist.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DUNBOYNE (IRE) 2. WINTER FOG (IRE) 3. ALAPHILIPPE (IRE)

W	WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:							
2021	Mrs Milner 6-10-9	12-1	Paul Nolan	B. J. Cooper	22			
2020	Sire du Berlais 8-11-12	10-1	Gordon Elliott	Barry Geraghty	24			
2019	Sire du Berlais 7-11-9	4-1f	Gordon Elliott	Barry Geraghty	24			
2018	Delta Work 5-10-10	6-1	Gordon Elliott	Davy Russell	23			
2017	Presenting Percy 6-11-11	11-1	Patrick G. Kelly	Davy Russell	24			

SMART STATS:

RYANAIR CHASE (Festival Trophy) (Grade 1) (1) 5yo+ £375,000 2½m127y (4140 Metres)



RACE 3

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Pace Information: Strong

ALLAHO (FR) (53) (CD) **8** 11-10 74.4kg 3/6411-211

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W. P. Mullins, Ireland

Top-class chaser who was dominant when taking this race 12 months ago and gained second Grade 1 victory when landing John Durkan in December. Easy winner of Thurles Gr. 2 since and the one to beat.

CONFLATED (IRE) (40) (D) 8 11-10 74.4kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Davy Russell

Smart effort when landing 21/2m Naas handicap and stepped up again to land Irish Gold Cup from Minella Indo in February. Overall strength of that form questionable but good showing likely back in trip.

ELDORADO ALLEN (FR) (33) (C)

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4225-1321 8 11-10 74.4kg

Brendan Powell



Colin Tizzard Has taken his form up a notch this term, bagging Haldon Gold Cup at Exeter and

best effort yet when taking Gr 2 Denman Chase at Newbury (23.4f) in February. Holds each-way claims.

FANION D'ESTRUVAL (FR) (26)

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F445-4123 7 11-10 74.4kg



Improved performer this season, resuming winning ways at Newbury (19.8f) prior to pair of placed efforts, latterly when third in Gr 1 Ascot Chase. However, came up well short in this 12 months ago.

JANIDIL (FR) (40)

8 11-10 74.4kg 13F1-2253



W. P. Mullins, Ireland M. P. Walsh Smart hurdler who landed Grade 1 novice chase at Fairyhouse on final start last spring. Hard to knock consistency in trio of starts this campaign but may have to settle for a minor role once more.

MELON (26) 94





W. P. Mullins, Ireland

10 11-10 74.4kg

Mr P. W. Mullins

High-class chaser who capitalised on drop back to Gr 2 level when landing Red Mills Chase at Gowran latest, making all and winning easily. Boasts solid Festival record but likely to find few too good.

MISTER FISHER (IRE) (26) (CD) 8 11-10 74.4kg



Nicky Henderson

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High-class chaser who dispelled effort in King George when taking Kempton Gr 2 from Eldorado Allen in January. Finished a tired, distant fourth in Ascot Chase (21f) since and must keep errors at bay.

SAINT CALVADOS (FR) (26) (C)

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9 11-10 74.4kg 1422/4IJ-3P



Paul Nicholls

Runner-up in this race 2 years ago. Seen only 4 times since but ran a cracker to finish third in King George on yard debut in December. Found to have bled in Ascot Chase latest and others more solid.

SHAN BLUE (IRE) (138) (BF)

6/111252-F 8 11-10 74.4kg Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton



Landed Grade 1 Kauto Star as a novice and in process of delivering a most visually impressive performance when falling 3 out in Charlie Hall in October.

Absent since but he's fascinating nevertheless

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-6 Allaho, 7-1 Conflated, 10-1 Shan Blue, 14-1 Janidil, 18-1 Eldorado Allen, 18-1 Melon, 28-1 Mister Fisher, 28-1 Saint Calvados, 50-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ALLAHO produced a performance out of the top drawer and left a host of top-class chasers trailing in his wake when landing this race 12 months ago. He's done little to alter the fact he's the one to beat again with success in the John Durkan/Klnloch Brae this term and can give Willie Mullins a fifth success in this race. Shan Blue is a fascinating runner and respected along with Conflated.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ALLAHO (FR) 2. SHAN BLUE (IRE) 3. CONFLATED (IRE)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS: 2021 **Allaho** 7-11-10 3-1f W. P. Mullins Rachael Blackmore 2020 Min 9-11-10 2-1 W P Mullins P. Townend 2019 Frodon 7-11-10 9-2 Paul Nicholls Bryony Frost 2018 Balko des Flos 7-11-10 Henry de Bromhead 8-1 Davy Russell 2017 Un de Sceaux 9-11-10 7-4f W. P. Mullins R. Walsh

SMART STATS:

RACE 4

PADDY POWER STAYERS' HURDLE (Grade 1) (1) 4yo+ £325,000 2m7f213y (4820 Metres)



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Pace Information: Strong

CHAMP (IRE) (47) (C, D, BF) 11F1/2P-12 **10** 11-10 74.4kg 98

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Nicky Henderson Jonjo O'Neill Jr. RSA Chase winner in 2020 who proved he remains equally effective over timber when winning the Long Walk on return. Creditable second behind resurgent Paisley Park in Cleeve since and not discounted.

FLOORING PORTER (IRE) (79) (CD)

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7 11-10 74.4kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland

D. E. Mullins



Remarkable rise through the ranks last term, dominant when making all in this race 12 months ago. Dispelled a fall when second behind Klassical Dream over Christmas and big player in defence of crown.

HOME BY THE LEE (IRE) (49)

3P10-0P22 7 11-10 74.4ka Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland

J. J. Slevin



Smart handicap chaser who is unexposed as a staying hurdler and pulled clear of remainder when runner-up to Royal Kahala in Gr 2 Galmoy Hurdle (24.4f) latest. Still, this demands a whole lot more.

KLASSICAL DREAM (FR) (49) (C, D, BF)





8 11-10 74.4kg W. P. Mullins, Ireland



High-class hurdler who landed 2019 Supreme and registered pair of Grade 1s 8 months apart last year, beating Flooring Porter at Leopardstown over Christmas. Below par latest but type to bounce back.

KOSHARI (FR) (131)

10 11-10 74.4kg 60-165031 David Christie, Ireland



Jonathan Moore Smart on his day and ran right up to his best when running out an 80/1 winner of an Aintree handicap (24.7f) on yard debut in November. However, likely to fall short in this much stronger contest.

LISNAGAR OSCAR (IRE) (47) (CD)

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72F8-35P3 **9** 11-10 74.4kg Rebecca Curtis



Good winner of this race in 2020 and whilst winless since he does arrive having run best race of the season when third in C&D Cleeve Hurdle in January. However, expected to find a few too good again.

PAISLEY PARK (IRE) (47) (CD)

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10 11-10 74.4kg



Emma Lavelle Aidan Col
High-class hurdler who won this in 2019 and confirmed himself no back number when gaining third Cleeve Hurdle victory from Champ in January. Slow start evident again then a worry, but he's respected.

SONG FOR SOMEONE (GER) (40) (C) 1/112P-224

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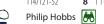
7 11-10 74.4kg Tom Symonds

Nico de Boinville

Very smart hurdler who bounced back to best to finish placed in pair of Grade 2s since returning this winter. Latest Sandown run in February most disappointing, though, and likely to fall short here.

THYME HILL (89) (C, D, BF) 114/121-52 8 11-10 74.4kg

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Good record over hurdles, impressing with attitude when landing Gr1 Liverpool Hurdle at Aintree in April. Good second behind Champ in Long Walk in December and he arrives here fresh, Respected.

ROYAL KAHALA (IRE) (49) (D) **7** 11-3 71.2kg



Peter Fahev, Ireland

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Low-mileage, improving mare who added to her Leopardstown Gr 3 success when taking Gr 2 Galmoy Hurdle (24.4f) in January. Could have more to offer at this trip and any easing of ground will help.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Flooring Porter, 4-1 Klassical Dream, 5-1 Champ, 6-1 Thyme Hill, 7-1 Paisley Park, 9-1 Royal Kahala, 33-1 Lisnagar Oscar, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Having made a remarkable rise through the ranks, FLOORING PORTER was dominant when landing this race 12 months ago. Things haven't been plain sailing since but he put up a huge effort when runner-up to Klassical Dream (pair clear) at Leopardstown over Christmas. Kept fresh since, he can make a bold bid to defend his crown. Klassical Dream and Thyme Hill can emerge next best.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. FLOORING PORTER (IRE) 2. KLASSICAL DREAM (FR) 3. THYME HILL

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS VEARS.

	WINNERS IN FREVIOUS TEARS.							
2021	Flooring Porter 6-11-10	12-1	Gavin Patrick Cromwell	D. E. Mullins	15			
2020	Lisnagar Oscar 7-11-10	50-1	Rebecca Curtis	Adam Wedge	15			
2019	Paisley Park 7-11-10	11-8f	Emma Lavelle	Aidan Coleman	18			
2018	Penhill 7-11-10	12-1	W. P. Mullins	P. Townend	15			
2017	Nichols Canyon 7-11-10	10-1	W. P. Mullins	R. Walsh	12			

SMART STATS:

Tom O'Brien

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CRAFT IRISH WHISKEY CO. PLATE HANDICAP CHASE (Grade 3) (1) 5yo+ £120,000 2½m127y (4140 Metres)

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Nico de Boinville

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Rachael Blackmore

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RACE 5

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Pace Information: Extreme

HARDLINE (IRE) (26) F43/F-24P3 **10** 11-12 75.3kg

Mr Robert James (7lb/3kg) Gordon Elliott, Ireland It's now thirteen runs since his last win in 2018, but he did take a step back in

the right direction when runner-up in Grade 2 at Gowran last month. No forlorn hope with cheekpieces applied.

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SIMPLY THE BETTS (IRE) (47) (CD)

9 11-12 75.3kg

Paul Nicholls

Major improver over fences during 2019/20 season and looked better than ever when runner-up off 153 in Grade 3 handicap over C&D on New Year's Day. Excused the run last time and cheekpieces applied.

PISTOL WHIPPED (IRE) (117) (D)

50/2011-2P **8** 11-9 73.9kg

Nicky Henderson

Successful in Plumpton/Perth handicap chases to end last season and returned with a cracking run in deep Uttoxeter contest in May. Off 6 months after and held back by his jumping at Ascot in November.

IMPERIAL ALCAZAR (IRE) (47) (CD)

8 11-9 73.9kg

Fergal O'Brien Very useful hurdler who jumped much better than previously when opening his

account in this sphere over C&D on Trials Day. Up 8 lb for that success but there's every chance he will be in the mix.

FUSIL RAFFLES (FR) (47) (CD, BF)

7 11-6 72.6kg P12P-2145

Nicky Henderson

Darvl Jacob Very smart chaser who won Charlie Hall Chase at Wetherby (24.2f) before good fourth off 152 on handicap debut over C&D in December. Not so good at Doncaster since but the sort to bounce back quickly.

WISHING AND HOPING (IRE) (33)

1/2P-11P32 **12** 11-2 70.8kg

Mel Rowley



Sound-jumping front runner who bagged Worcester hunter and Aintree handicap this term. Better than ever when runner-up at Warwick last month but not featured in anything so competitive before.

CAVALRY MASTER (IRE) (80)

8 11-2 70.8kg

Henry de Bromhead, Ireland



Completed 4-timer at Killarney in July but beaten a fair way on his last couple of starts, latest when eighth at Leopardstown before the turn of the year. Cheekpieces/tongue tie on but more needed.

COOLE CODY (IRE) (47) (CD, BF) 344-2F187 11 11-2 70.8kg

> Adam Wedge **Evan Williams**



Tough front runner who has bagged a couple of similar events around here, including Racing Post Gold Cup in December. Not at his best on last couple of starts but impossible to discount.

SCHIEHALLION MUNRO (40)

9 11-2 | 70.8kg Conor O'Farrell Micky Hammond



Likeable sort who confirmed the promise of his reappearance when winning at Wetherby on Boxing Day. Followed up on the back of a 4 lb rise there last month

GRAND PARADIS (FR) (26) (D, BF)

6 11-2 70.8kg 411-FP322

but this is much more competitive.

Gordon Elliott, Ireland



Dual winner over hurdles and he's taken well to fences, making a third-placed effort in a row at Gowran last month. 1 of 3 for Gordon Elliott so warrants considerable respect on handicap debut.

STOLEN SILVER (FR) (68) (BF)

32P8-1243 Sam Thomas

Made an excellent start for this yard, scoring at Market Rasen in October before an excellent second here next time. Not dismissed having finished with running left when third at Wincanton last time.

PRESENTANDCOUNTING (IRE) (159) (D)

2-1211113 8 11-0 69.9kg

Donald McCain **Brian Hughes** Has impressed since switched to fences, making it 5 wins from 6 starts in Stratford novice in September. Busy spell caught up with him at Chepstow a

THE GLANCING QUEEN (IRE) (75) (C, D) 13

month later and probably best watched on return.

8 10-12 68.9kg 13125-112

Alan King Likeable mare who has impressed over fences this term, making it 2-2 in a listed

mares' event at Warwick in December. Unable to live with L'Homme Presse in Dipper last time but this more suitable.

14 CELEBRE D'ALLEN (FR) (33) **10** 10-12 68.9kg

> Philip Hobbs Off 2 years but stylish winner of two Haydock handicap hurdles for his current

yard in December. Completed hat-trick on his first start over fences in Britain last time so rates a leading player. 15 b+t

ADRIMEL (FR) (26) (D) **7** 10-11 68.5kg

Stan Sheppard Tom Lacey Grade 2 winning hurdler last season and seemingly revitalised in blinkers recently, scoring in small-field events at Haydock the last twice. This much more competitive but certainly not ruled out.

BORN BY THE SEA (IRE) (81) 16 **8** 10-11 | 68.5kg

Paul John Gilligan, Ireland

Doubled his tally over fences at Galway in July but unsuited by the marked drop in trip after 3 months off at Leopardstown on Boxing Day. Off since and percentage call is to look elsewhere.

FANCY FOUNDATIONS (89) (D) 17

113-11F25 8 10-8 67.1kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland J. W. Kennedy Won first couple of starts over fences but below-par fifth of 8 in minor event

chase when last seen at Navan 3 months ago, so needs to get back on track. Another handicap debutant for Gordon Elliott.

18 SPIRITOFTHEGAMES (IRE) (47) (D)

Dan Skelton Regular in competitive handicaps and finished with running left when mid-field in the Paddy Power here. Back on track last time after a couple of below-par

efforts so certainly not dismissed off 136.

19 SLATE HOUSE (IRE) (22) (C) **10** 10-3 64.9kg 30-800224

Colin Tizzard

Stopped the slide at in blinkers when runner-up at Wincanton and filled that same spot next start at Taunton. However finished a disappointing fourth at Ludlow recently and so has plenty to prove.

20 112-211P5 **9** 10-3 64.9kg

FIRE AWAY (IRE) (19) (D)

L J Morgan Useful chaser who has a terrific strike rate since joining this stable, winning 5 times. Probably needed the run on Newcastle return last month and a careerbest is required in a first-time visor.

CHINWAG (31) **7** 10-3 64.9kg

Neil Mulholland

Largely progressive over hurdles and confirmed chase debut promise when winning at Ffos Las in November. Quickly resumed his progressive ways to score at Plumpton recently and it remains early days.

GUY (IRE) (43) (BF) 22

1234-2262 **7** 10-0 63.5kg

Fairly useful chaser who was a smooth-travelling second on his first two outings this term. More like it after Ascot blip when collared in the dying strides at

22 DECLARED RUNNERS

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Tom Scudamore

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RACE 5

CRAFT IRISH WHISKEY CO. PLATE HANDICAP CHASE (Grade 3) (1) 5yo+ £120,000 2½m127y (4140 Metres)



BETTING FORECAST:

11-2 Celebre D'allen, **13-2** The Glancing Queen, **7-1** Imperial Alcazar, **12-1** Grand Paradis, **18-1** Simply The Betts, **18-1** Fusil Raffles, **20-1** Fancy Foundations, **25-1** Spiritofthegames, **25-1** Coole Cody, **25-1** Stolen Silver, **33-1** Adrimel, **33-1** Wishing And Hoping, **33-1** Hardline, **33-1** Guy, **33-1** Pistol Whipped, **33-1** Schiehallion Munro, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Cases can be made for several but CELEBRE D'ALLEN had plenty up his sleeve when completing the hat-trick on his first chase start in Britain at Warwick last month, having to pick his way through rivals. He's no ordinary 10-y-o and, ticking plenty of boxes, he can make it 4 on the spin. Grand Paradis, The Glancing Queen and Imperial Alcazar are just a handful of other contenders.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

- 1. CELEBRE D'ALLEN (FR) 2. GRAND PARADIS (FR)
- 3. THE GLANCING QUEEN (IRE)

W	INNERS IN PREVIOU	S YEA	RS:		
2021	The Shunter 8-10-12	9-4f	Emmet Mullins	Jordan Colin Gainford (7)	21
2020	Simply The Betts 7-11-4	10-3f	Harry Whittington	Gavin Sheehan	23
2019	Siruh du Lac 6-10-11	9-2	Nick Williams	Lizzie Kelly (3)	22
2018	The Storyteller 7-11-4	5-1f	Gordon Elliott	Davy Russell	22
2017	Road To Respect 6-10-13	14-1	Noel Meade	B I Cooper	24

SMART STATS:

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RYANAIR MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Dawn Run) (Grade 2) (1) 4yo+ fillies and mares £105,000 2m179y (3380 Metres)



Going: Good to Soft

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: Extreme

1 IMPERVIOUS (IRE) (109) (D)

6 11-7 73.0kg

Colm A. Murphy, Ireland

Strong at the finish when making it 3-3 over hurdles in Grade 3 at Down Royal (16.8f) in October. Unsuited by emphasis on speed in Royal Bond won by Statuaire since, so well worth another chance.

LOVE ENVOI (IRE) (28)

6 11-7 73.0kg

Harry Fry

Wexford bumper winner who overcame a late blunder to make it 4-4 over hurdles in Grade 2 Jane Seymour at Sandown (19.8f) 4 weeks ago. Has a 5 lb penalty to carry but remains one to be positive about.

PARTY CENTRAL (IRE) (39)

6 11-7 73.0kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland Dual-bumper winner who is very much going the right way over hurdles, following up her listed success at Punchestown on handicap debut at Leopardstown (17.7f). Open to further improvement.

STATUAIRE (FR) (39) 7 11-7 73.0kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland



Improved again when completing a hat-trick for this yard in Grade 1 Royal Bond at Fairyhouse in November, staying on to lead on line. Well beaten tried in a hood at Leopardstown but can bounce back.

CHOICE OF WORDS (33) (D) 421-21422 **7** 11-5 72.1kg

Martin Brassil, Ireland

D. J. O'Keeffe Progressive in bumpers and ran to a fairly useful level in making a winning start over hurdles at Galway. Has matched rather than bettered that form since but she's not without each-way hope.

NINA THE TERRIER (IRE) (28) (D)

54-111F23 **6** 11-5 72.1kg



Alan King Completed a hat-trick over hurdles in novice company at Newbury in December, but had her limitations exposed when only third of 6 to Love Envoi in Jane Seymour last time.

TWEED SKIRT (57) 81 **5** 11-5 72.1kg



Nicky Henderson



last time, she's up against it.

AHORSEWITHNONAME (77) (D) 7 11-2 70.8kg



Nicky Henderson Fairly useful on the Flat and has matched that form over hurdles, for all she's

raced 5 times without success. Hard to see her getting seriously involved at

BRAGANZA (47) **7** 11-2 70.8kg



W. P. Mullins, Ireland

Showed more temperament than ability on Flat debut in 2017 but superbly prepared after nearly 4 years off when making hurdling debut at Thurles. Failed to see race out upped in grade twice since.

BRANDY LOVE (IRE) (47) (BF) 6 11-2 70.8kg



W. P. Mullins, Ireland Useful in bumpers and made an impressive start to hurdling career when easily landing Naas maiden on return. Jumped markedly left when second at Fairyhouse since but still a key form player.

DINOBLUE (FR) (70) (D)

5 11-2 70.8kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland Doctor Dino mare who looked an excellent prospect when drawing clear for minimal assistance to score by 15 lengths on debut at Clonmel (16.8f) in January. Type to make significant improvement. Player.

GRANGEE (FR) (47) (D)

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Jonathan Burke

Davv Russell

6 11-2 70.8kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland Mr P. W. Mullins Useful in bumpers, winning 3 times, and made the most of a good opportunity

on hurdles debut at Fairyhouse. Solid fourth in Leopardstown Grade 1 and running well when falling 2 out in Solerina latest.

13 **5** 11-2 70.8kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland

Rachael Blackmore French bumper winner who was given a considerate introduction on hurdles debut in December and she looked a nice prospect when a ready scorer back at 2m last month. Limit not yet reached.

HIDDEN LAND (USA) (81) 14

5 11-2 70.8kg Andrew Kinirons, Ireland Sam Twiston-Davies Big-priced winner on hurdles debut in July but that level well short of what is

required here and she hasn't matched that since. AW scorer in February but looks

15 HORS PISTE (FR) (28) 5 11-2 70.8kg W. P. Mullins, Ireland

Didn't need to improve to make her second start for this yard a winning one at Clonmel (18.9f) 4 weeks ago. That was a weak race but she did it easily and is open to further improvement up in grade.

16 MAYHEM MYA (55) (D)

5 11-2 70.8kg 113-4413 Chris Honour **Bryan Carver** Dual-bumper winner who confirmed hurdling debut promise when wide-

margin winner at Chepstow (2m) in January. Not disgraced behind Love Envoi at

Lingfield and now tongue tied. Much more needed. MIGHTY BLUE (FR) (33) (BF)

6 11-2 70.8kg Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland

J. J. Slevin Listed winner on the level in May so clearly possesses the raw ability to be a big factor at this level. Looked booked for second when unseating rider at Naas last month. Usual hood left off.

18 MONISHTER ARE MWEE (IRE) (28) (D) 90 6 11-2 70.8kg Mrs Jayne Hearne, Ireland I. J. Power

Surpassed bumper form when making second hurdles outing a winning one at notch below this.

Clonmel in October. Better form in defeat since but merit now established as a

19 NURSE SUSAN (FR) (55) (D, BF)

> Created an excellent impression when winning her first 2 starts with plenty in hand and showed even better form in defeat when second to Love Envoi at Lingfield (2m) last time. Can go on improving.

SAY GOODBYE (IRE) (39)

6 11-2 70.8kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland Robbie Power

Rose Dobbin

Won mares maiden at Bellewstown in July (21/2m) and took form up a notch when second of 15 on handicap debut at Leopardstown last month. May lack the pace to get involved.

THE PLAYER QUEEN (IRE) (25) (C, D) 21 **6** 11-2 70.8kg 1-151

> Point/bumper winner who built on earlier promise when doubling hurdles tally in 5-runner novice at Musselburgh last month, responding well. Can do better again but has plenty to find at this level.

22 WALK IN CLOVER (IRE) (37) (BF)

Dan Skelton **Jack Andrews**



P. Townend

Didn't have much to beat when opening hurdles account on debut for the Skelton yard at Leicester (15.5f, heavy) in January. Disappointing effort at Taunton and this a tough race to bounce back in.

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RACE 6

RYANAIR MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Dawn Run) (Grade 2) (1) 4yo+ fillies and mares £105,000 2m179y (3380 Metres)



BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Dinoblue, **4-1** Brandy Love, **7-1** Party Central, **10-1** Grangee, **14-1** Impervious, **16-1** Love Envoi, **22-1** Nurse Susan, **28-1** Mighty Blue, **28-1** Statuaire, **28-1** Choice of Words, **33-1** Hors Piste, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Willie Mullins has won five of the six previous renewals and holds a very strong hand again. DINOBLUE looked a smart mare in the making when hammering 12 rivals under hand riding at Clonmel, and with significant improvement likely, she's hard to ignore. Stablemate Brandy Love will be more at home on this left-handed track and is feared most, with Love Envoi perhaps the pick of the British runners.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DINOBLUE (FR) 2. BRANDY LOVE (IRE) 3. LOVE ENVOI (IRE)

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS: 2021 Telmesomethinggirl 6-11-2 5-1 Henry de Bromhead

2021	Telmesomethinggirl 6-11-2	5-1	Henry de Bromhead	Rachael Blackmore	15
2020	Concertista 6-11-2	9-2	W. P. Mullins	Daryl Jacob	22
2019	Eglantine du Seuil 5-11-2	50-1	W. P. Mullins	Noel Fehily	22
2018	Laurina 5-11-7	4-7f	W. P. Mullins	P. Townend	14
2017	Let's Dance 5-11-7	11-8f	W. P. Mullins	R. Walsh	16

SMART STATS:

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Miss Lucy Turner (3lb/1kg)

RACE 7

FULKE WALWYN KIM MUIR CHALLENGE CUP AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (Sponsored by the JRL Group) (2) 5yo+ (Rated 0-145) £75,000 31/4m (5230 Metres)



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Going: Good to Soft

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: Even

1 FRONTAL ASSAULT (IRE) (47)

7 11-12 75.3kg 21018-342

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Mr Robert James (3lb/1kg) Allotted his handicap mark over fences based on 3 starts at up to 21.5f and leaves

the firm impression he'll have more to offer in this sphere now stepping up to

3m+. Obvious claims.

FAKIR D'ALENE (FR) (39) **7** 11-11 74.8kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Disappointed in a valuable handicap at the Dublin Racing Festival but he'd looked progressive when winning a maiden and handicap prior to that. No surprise to see him bounce back.

AIN'T THAT A SHAME (IRE) (54) (BF)

8 11-11 74.8kg

Henry de Bromhead, Ireland Mr Ben Harvey (3lb/1kg)

Maiden hurdle winner last season and better form (smart) when placed on all 3 starts in maiden chases this term. Good chance there's more to come now

handicapping. High on the shortlist.

JANIKA (FR) (47) 42/950-67P 9 11-10 74.4kg

> Nicky Henderson Mr Ben Bromley (3lb/1kg)

Grade 2 chase winner in 2019/20. His seventh of 16 in Grade 3 course handicap on New Year's Day shows ability is still there but he was pulled up at Doncaster since. Blinkered first time.

CAT TIGER (FR) (54)

8 11-9 73.9kg

1P/13-2521 Paul Nicholls

Mr David Maxwell Classy chaser who recorded a career best when edging ahead late on in 3m Ascot handicap in January. 6 lb rise means another career best will be needed

if he's to follow up.

SCHOOL BOY HOURS (IRE) (80) 3/24243-61 **9** 11-9 73.9kg

> Noel Meade, Ireland Mr D. O'Connor Finally put it all together and got off the mark over fences on return at Christmas,

landing red-hot 28-runner 3m Punchestown handicap from Ben Dundee, jumping better. Clearly dangerous.

ELEGANT ESCAPE (IRE) (32) (BF)

10 11-7 73.0kg

Colin Tizzard Miss Thomasina Evston (7lb/3kg) Welsh National winner in 2018. Proved he retains a useful level of ability when

third at Taunton in January but pulled up in a veterans' event at Exeter since.

SMOKING GUN (IRE) (36) 97

P04-6F1P3 **9** 11-7 73.0kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland Mr J. J. Codd

Landed a nice prize at Fairyhouse in November and bounced back from a poor run in the Thyestes when third back at Fairyhouse last month.

MISTER FOGPATCHES (IRE) (49) **8** 11-7 | 73.0kg

Mr P. W. Mullins P. A. Fahy, Ireland

Punchestown winner last spring. Another solid effort in a competitive handicap when third of 18 in the Thyestes at Gowran last time. Should give another good

ALMAZHAR GARDE (FR) (31) 96 b+t

7 11-6 72.6kg

Charlie Longsdon Profile is starting to look rather patchy, but he's capable when on-song, including chasing home Omar Maretti at Catterick (25f) latest. Well held in this last year. Blinkers replace cheekpieces.

11 MISTER COFFEY (FR) (40)

2/1374-327 Nicky Henderson

Mr Sam Waley-Cohen Progressed into useful hurdler last term. Similar form in 3 chases at up to 2½m this winter (well-held second in Grade 1 latest). Still has room for improvement in jumping but interesting up in trip.

LORD ACCORD (IRE) (22)

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Mr M. J. M. O'Sullivan (3lb/1kg)

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Mr H. C. Swan (3lb/1kg)

762-11213 **7** 11-4 71.7kg

Mr Jack Hendrick (7lb/3kg) Neil Mulholland

Bumper/dual hurdles winner who impressed when making a successful chase debut at Uttoxeter (22.5f). Added a small-field win at Taunton in December but last of 3 at Doncaster since.

MINDSMADEUP (IRE) (124) 13

11 11-4 71.7kg 4P-543512 Matthew J. Smith, Ireland

Mr Finian Maquire Resumed winning ways back chasing at Down Royal in October and bettered that when second of 13 over 25f here in November. That form has worked out

well but he is 7 lb higher back from a break.

14 COME ON TEDDY (IRE) (58) (C) 41336-152 **8** 11-4 71.7kg

Tom George Mr William Biddick Useful staving handicap hurdler who made perfect start over fences at Uttoxeter

(2½m) in December. Pulled up in Grade 2 Dipper here on New Year's Day but back on track when second at Newcastle since.

OMAR MARETTI (IRE) (31) 15 8 11-4 71.7kg

Alex Hales Mr Dale Peters (3lb/1kg) Dual point winner with an impressive 4-5 record under Rules, winning small-field

handicap chases around 3m on his last 2 starts. Up 5 lb in a more competitive scenario but is unexposed.

16 **MINT CONDITION (26)** 242-8214P

Jennie Candlish Miss Gina Andrews Three-time hurdle winner and Haydock win in December shows he's equally as

good over fences. However, he did run poorly when pitched into a competitive handicap last time. Cheekpieces go on now.

17 THE MIGHTY DON (IRE) (75) (C) P065-927P **10** 11-2 70.8kg

Nick Gifford

Gordon Elliott, Ireland

Mr James King Useful chaser at his best for all he belts the odd one, as was in evidence when second at this venue in November. Disappointing in a hurdle/chase since but

fairly handicapped if bouncing back.

18 GLENLOE (IRE) (60) (BF) 98

Close second in Pertemps Hurdle at 2018 Festival. Only respectable third when warm favourite for 23f Punchestown handicap chase under Derek O'Connor in

January but still no surprise if he goes well.

19 **ROCCO (IRE)** (47) 826-241PP 9 11-1 70.3kg

Nigel Twiston-Davies Mr Zac Baker Ended losing run when game winner of the Badger Beer at Wincanton but has

been pulled up on both runs since. Back to that winning mark but leap of faith required.

CHAMBARD (FR) (5lb/2kg ex) (11) 20

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466-12211 **10** 11-1 70.3kg Venetia Williams

9 11-0 69.9kg

Hans't finished out of the first 3 in 5 outings this term, gaining a third win in

3-runner affair at Huntingdon 11 days ago. 5 lb penalty in a much deeper race

LARRY (26) 21 s+t

Mr Freddie Mitchell Gary Moore

Looked as good as ever when landing Ascot Grade 3 handicap in October. Not so good since, but only 1 lb above that winning mark.

RIGHTPLACERIGHTIME (IRE) (11) (BF) 22

7 10-11 68.5kg Miss M. O'Sullivan Emmet Mullins, Ireland Won 3m Fairyhouse maiden in November. Good second in handicap hurdle at





RACE 7

FULKE WALWYN KIM MUIR CHALLENGE CUP AMATEUR JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (Sponsored by the JRL Group) (2) 5yo+ (Rated 0-145) £75,000 3¼m (5230 Metres)



POWERSTOWN PARK (IRE) (45)

9 10-11 | 68.5kg

Sam Thomas

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Quickly resumed progress when notching a second win of the season at Hereford 45 days ago. A lot to like about how he did things on that occasion and should remain very competitive after a 6 lb rise.

RED INFANTRY (IRE) (103) (D)

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5/P0614-64 **12** 10-10 68.0kg

Mr Tristan Durrell (5lb/2kg) Ian Williams Recorded a pair of respectable efforts before Christmas and now back on the

same mark as when landing the Grimthorpe at Doncaster last term. Suspicion he may prove vulnerable to younger legs, though.

RESERVES

DIDERO VALLIS (FR) (9)

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2-6628484 **9** 10-8 67.1kg Venetia Williams



Useful chaser who ran well when second in handicap at Ludlow (3m) in December but hasn't fired since, including at Sandown last week. Blinkered first time, RESERVE.

24 DECLARED RUNNERS (1 RESERVE)

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Frontal Assault, 15-2 Ain't That A Shame, 12-1 School Boy Hours, 12-1 Mister Coffey, 12-1 Smoking Gun, 18-1 Mister Fogpatches, 20-1 Glenloe, 20-1 Omar Maretti, 20-1 Come On Teddy, 22-1 Rightplacerightime, 22-1 Fakir D'alene, 25-1 Cat Tiger, 28-1 Powerstown Park, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The Elliott stable has a good record in this and FRONTAL ASSAULT has very much the right profile having got his mark from 3 runs over shorter trips whilst leaving the impression this sort of stamina test will very much play to his strengths. Fellow handicap newcomer Ain't That A Shame is feared most. School Boy Hours and Smoking Gun complete the shortlist in what could be an Irish domination.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

- 1. FRONTAL ASSAULT (IRE) 2. AIN'T THAT A SHAME (IRE)
- 3. SCHOOL BOY HOURS (IRE)

WINN	ERS I	IN PR	EVIO	US YE	ARS:

2021	Mount Ida 7-11-9	3-1f	Mrs Denise Foster	J. W. Kennedy	21
2020	Milan Native 7-11-8	9-1	Gordon Elliott	Mr R. James (7)	23
2019	Any Second Now 7-11-11	6-1	T. M. Walsh	Mr D. O'Connor	23
2018	Missed Approach 8-11-5	8-1	Warren Greatrex	Mr N. McParlan	20
2017	Domesday Book 7-11-4	40-1	Stuart Edmunds	Miss Gina Andrews	24

SMART STATS: