

Wednesday 1st April

SOUTHWELL



2.30 BOOK THE BISTRO AT SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE HANDICAP CHASE (4) 3m60y (4880 Metres)

RACE 1 **(5) QUEENS WISH | (4) HELL HOUND | (3) ALWAYS BUSY**

3.00 EASTER FAMILY FUN DAY 5th APRIL NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2½m88y (4100 Metres)

RACE 2 **(4) INTENZO | (3) UKANTANGO | (6) GILBERTINA**

3.30 DOWNLOAD THE RACECOURSE APP RACEDAY READY MARES' STANDARD NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (Conditional Jockeys & Amateur Riders) (5) 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)

RACE 3 **(5) QUEENS CHARM | (10) NO MORE TEARDROPS | (6) ROSE OF KNOCKNAMOE**

4.00 COUNTRY AND WESTERN NIGHT 25th APRIL MAIDEN HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)

RACE 4 **(5) ROAD TO WEMBLEY | (7) NOVELISTA | (6) TOP COEUR**

4.30 SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE CONFERENCE AND EVENTS HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 3m60y (4880 Metres)

RACE 5 **(4) PASSING PLEASURE | (7) CAMPAIGN TRAIL | (5) OCEAN CONQUEST**

5.02 JOIN SOUTHWELL GOLF CLUB MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 3m60y (4880 Metres)

RACE 6 **(5) BELLADINOTTE | (3) PRINCESSE MILANIA | (7) MYA DU CLOS**

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.

2.30

RACE 1

BOOK THE BISTRO AT SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE HANDICAP CHASE (4) 5yo+ (Rated 0-110) £8,900 3m60y (4880 Metres)**GBI RACING**Going: **Good**

Left handed, tight. A course whose character changes dramatically depending on underfoot conditions, the emphasis being very much on speed on firmish ground yet completely the opposite on heavy ground, long-distance races under such conditions often resulting in very few finishers. The fences are of the portable variety yet offer more of a test than plenty of courses that attract a similar standard of runner. The brush-type hurdles penalise less-fluent jumping more than the traditional variety.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 FERN HILL (IRE) (17) (D) 97
51152542 11 12-0 | 76.2kg



Ben Case

Jack Quinlan

Not straightforward but recorded back-to-back wins at Uttoxeter in October and Huntingdon in November. Bounced back from a couple of lesser efforts when runner-up at Chepstow 17 days ago, so task is now to build on his latest effort.

2 NOCHE NEGRA (SPA) (23) (C) 92
133/51-5PP 9 11-10 | 74.4kg



Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies

Toby McCain-Mitchell (51b/2kg)

Got back on the up after 8 months off when making a winning stable debut over 2½m at Warwick in December 2024. However, after a further 12-month absence he has yet to fire in 3 starts this season, pulled up on his last 2 outings.

3 ALWAYS BUSY (IRE) (17) (CD) 98
P-144F35P 8 11-7 | 73.0kg



Christian Williams

Mr J. J. Murphy-Knight (71b/3kg)

Thorough stayer who won twice in the first half of 2025, with latest success over C&D in May. Form has been mixed since, pulled up at Chepstow 17 days ago, but he's now back down to his last winning mark so he's capable of getting involved.

4 HELL HOUND (IRE) (48) (C) 99
01/134-P 7 11-6 | 72.6kg



Neil Mulholland

Conor O'Farrell

Fair bumper/hurdles winner but after 16-month absence he looked rusty when pulled up in handicap at Taunton on chasing debut in February. However, he appeals as the type to make a chaser, so he could fare better this time around.

5 QUEENS WISH (IRE) (17) (CD) 100
33633133 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



Charles & Adam Pogson

Charlie Todd

Benefited from step up in trip when making second chase start a winning one over C&D in November, her first start over fences for current yard. Ran well upped in grade next time, before a rare below-par effort on her latest outing. No surprise to see her bounce back.

6 LE BEAU GOSSE (FR) (21) 97
5-P5864P6 5 10-2(10-1) | 64.4kg (64.0kg)



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero

Tristan Durrell

Remains a maiden and has finished down the field both starts over fences (trained in France on the first occasion). Made the frame over hurdles at Uttoxeter (2½m) in December but below form the last twice. Tongue strap reapplied for return to chasing.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Fern Hill, **3-1** Queens Wish, **7-2** Hell Hound, **5-1** Always Busy, **10-1** Noche Negra, **28-1** Le Beau Gosse

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Preference is for QUEENS WISH, who remains lightly raced as a staying chaser so is worth another chance following a rare below-par effort at Market Rasen last time. She can land a second C&D success, though Hell Hound is one to note with his reappearance run behind him.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. QUEENS WISH 2. HELL HOUND 3. ALWAYS BUSY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Ultra Beat 7-11-13	3-1	Henry Daly	Stan Sheppard	7
2024	Rostello 9-11-4	9-2	Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole	Luke Scott (5)	4
2023	Kayf Hernando 7-11-11	5-2f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	8
2022	Debden Bank 8-11-3	11-2	Martin Keighley	James Best	7
2021	William of Orange 10-11-11	15-2	Mark Walford	Joe Williamson (7)	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

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Pace Information: **Uncontested****1 KAYCE DUTTON (IRE) (30)** s **97**

5-15U31P5 8 12-0 | 76.2kg



Charles & Adam Pogson

Charlie Todd

Has won twice in handicap chases at Market Rasen this season, with latest success over 3m in January. However, ran poorly there next time and down the field at this course in early March.

2 BIG BOY BARNEY (IRE) (21) t **96**

44-235361 7 12-0 | 76.2kg



Fergal O'Brien

Jonathan Burke

Point winner who opened his Rules account on second chase start in 4-runner handicap at Huntingdon 3 weeks ago, though his quirks were still in evidence as he hung left run-in. Needs to build on that effort back up in grade.

3 UKANTANGO (IRE) (24) t  **100**

43-524419 9 12-0 | 76.2kg

Olly Murphy **Sean Bowen**

After 6 months off, took advantage of reduced mark over hurdles at Hereford (2m) in January. Wasn't in the same form at Warwick last time, but he remains well treated on old form so he's an interesting contender back up in trip for this return to chasing.

4 INTENZO (FR) (22) (BF) h **96**

03442 5 11-6 | 72.6kg



Mark Walford

Jamie Hamilton

Fair form in maiden hurdles and shaped promisingly on chasing debut when second of 5 in 2m handicap at Sedgefield 3 weeks ago, settling/jumping better than he had been doing over hurdles. Could make a bold bid with improvement to come in this sphere.

5 BOSTON BOY (56) b **52**

R301-875P 7 11-6 | 72.6kg



Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill

Jonjo O'Neill Jr.

Not straightforward (has run out twice) but was coaxed to victory in maiden hurdle at Fontwell a year ago. However, little promise sent chasing on his last 3 starts, pulled up at Sedgefield on latest outing. Blinkers now the choice of headgear.

6 GILBERTINA (29) (D) t **98**

0-2854P43 9 11-2 | 70.8kg



Nick Kent

Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg)

It's now 14 runs since her last win in 2024 which came over hurdles. However, from her falling mark she produced her best effort over fences when third of 8 in novice handicap at Newcastle last time. Enters calculations with latest run behind her.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Intenzo, **7-2** Big Boy Barney, **5-1** Kayce Dutton, **11-2** Ukantango, **6-1** Gilbertina, **10-1** Boston Boy

TIMEFORM VIEW:

INTENZO made a promising start over fences when runner-up at Sedgefield last time and he can build on that effort to get off the mark. He is taken to see off the challenge of Ukantango, who is on handy mark back in this sphere, while Gilbertina could also be in the mix.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. INTENZO 2. UKANTANGO 3. GILBERTINA****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**2025 **Salley Gardens** 9-11-9 6-4 Olly Murphy Sean Bowen 3**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.30

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RACE 3

Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Weak****1 AUNT GALLIE (IRE) 89**

5 11-2 | 70.8kg



David Killahena & Graeme McPherson **Mr Lukke Morris (71b/3kg)**
€7,000 3-y-o, Jet Away mare. Half-sister to fairly useful hurdler Ragmans Corner and bumper winner Longview Lady. Dam unraced half-sister to very smart hurdler/high-class chaser (stays 21f) Bob Olinger. Would enter the reckoning if supported on debut.

2 BRIERY BLUEBELLE (69) 87

P 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Noel Williams **Toby McCain-Mitchell (51b/2kg)**
Bred to make a useful jumper in due course but went with no encouragement on debut in this sphere at Huntingdon in January. Has since had a breathing operation.

3 FROST MOON (IRE) (119) h 92

8 5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Dan Skelton **Tristan Durrell**
A 6-figure buy after winning only outing in Irish points and shaped with some encouragement setting out under Rules in a hood when eighth of 14 in bumper at Ludlow (15.8f, good to soft) in December, not ideally placed. Should do better.

4 GREYSE (21) 60

9 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Derek Frankland **Mr Joseph Stevenson (71b/3kg)**
Sent off 250/1 and went with no promise on her debut at Huntingdon 3 weeks ago.

5 QUEENS CHARM (IRE) ★ 100

5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Ben Pauling **Callum Pritchard (31b/1kg)**
€25,000 3-y-o, £60,000 4-y-o, Crystal Ocean mare. Half-sister to numerous winners, including bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler Park Princess and fairly useful 2½m hurdle winner Reine Machine. Won sole outing in Irish points in November and very much one to note on Rules debut.

6 ROSE OF KNOCKNAMOE (IRE) 94

6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Fergal O'Brien **Fern O'Brien (51b/2kg)**
Westerner mare. Sister to fairly useful hurdler Rock House, stays 2½m, and half-sister to fair hurdler Rock On Cowboy. Runner-up sole start in Irish points in December and has since joined a good stable which has a solid record in bumpers.

7 ROSIE'S HONOUR 92

5 11-2 | 70.8kg



Philip Hobbs & Johnson White **Mr Jack Stenhouse (71b/3kg)**
Flag of Honour mare. Half-sister to 2 winners on Flat, including smart 7f-9f winner Charterhouse. Dam 1¾m/14.6f winner. Bred to possess a far bit of speed.

8 FRANDEFO (FR) 88

4 10-8 | 67.1kg



Deborah Cole **Mr Cameron Hillhouse (71b/3kg)**
Goliath Du Berlais filly. Half-sister to French hurdler Grandbat. Dam unraced half-sister to bumper winner/useful hurdler (stayed 2½m) French Crusader.

9 JUST RIZZO (IRE) 89

4 10-8 | 67.1kg



Nick Kent **Murray Dodd (71b/3kg)**
Jukebox Jury filly. Half-sister to fairly useful hurdler The White Mouse and fairly useful hurdler Junior Rattler. Makes some paper appeal, so shouldn't be ignored in the betting.

10 NO MORE TEARDROPS 93

4 10-8 | 67.1kg



Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies **James Turner (51b/2kg)**
€18,000 3-y-o, Mastercraftsman filly. Dam (h152) bumper/2m-2½m hurdle winner. Interesting newcomer.

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Queens Charm, **5-1** Rose of Knocknamoe, **6-1** No More Teardrops, **7-1** Frost Moon, **15-2** Rosie's Honour, **14-1** Just Rizzo, **16-1** Aunt Gallie, **22-1** Frandefo, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

QUEENS CHARM ticks plenty of boxes on paper for a yard that continues to go well with its bumper horses, so she's selected to follow up her Irish point win. No More Teardrops, Rose of Knocknamoe and Rosie's Honour are a trio of others to note in the betting in what could prove an informative race of its type.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. QUEENS CHARM 2. NO MORE TEARDROPS 3. ROSE OF KNOCKNAMOE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Rock Sensation 5-11-2	9-2	Ben Pauling	Callum Pritchard (5)	10
2024	Blue Las 6-11-0	3-1f	Neil Mulholland	Harry Kimber (3)	7
2023 ^l	Stuti 6-11-0	10-3f	Hughie Morrison	Niall Houlihan (3)	11
2023 ^h	Little Miss Dante 5-11-0	11-8f	Olly Murphy	Mr James King (3)	10
2022	Kilbarry Leader 6-11-0	5-2	Oliver Greenall	Fergus Gregory	11
2021	Betty Baloo 5-10-12	25-1	Tim Easterby	Tom Midgley (7)	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.00

RACE 4

COUNTRY AND WESTERN NIGHT 25th APRIL MAIDEN HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ £10,000 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)**GBI RACING**Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak****1 CORNICAN CAPER (IRE) (19) (D) 86**

73 6 11-5 | 72.1kg



Kevin Frost

Callum Pritchard (3lb/1kg)

Modest handicapper on the Flat (stays 16.5f) who went without a win last year. Tailed off on hurdling debut but showed more when staying-on third of 4 in novice at Doncaster 19 days ago. Task is now to build on latest effort.

2 LOU DES BORDES (FR) (31)

00 5 11-5 | 72.1kg



Nick Kent

Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg)

Down the field on bumper debut in December and was beaten even further when tenth of 12 at Huntingdon 10 weeks later, racing too freely. Needs to leave those efforts well behind as he goes hurdling.

3 PAPILLONDELUMIERE (IRE)

8 11-5 | 72.1kg



Jonathan Barlow

Miss Ellie Callwood (7lb/3kg)

Califet gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful hurdler (stayed 21f) Princelet and bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler (stayed 2¼m) Cockleshell Road. Maiden pointer, finished third on final outing back in May 2024. Wears tongue strap for Rules debut.

4 PROMETHEAN (FR) (24) 44

78 5 11-5 | 72.1kg



Sam England

Jack Quinlan

Fair 1½m maiden winner on the Flat last summer for David Menuisier. Has struggled for form since, though, and little impact in 2 starts over hurdles for current yard, always behind in novice at Carlisle 24 days ago.

5 ROAD TO WEMBLEY (24) (D) 100

2 5 11-5 | 72.1kg



Olly Murphy

**Sean Bowen**

Fairly useful staying handicapper on the Flat for Richard Hughes and made an encouraging stable/hurdling debut when second in 10-runner novice at Warwick 24 days ago, collared near the finish. The one to beat with improvement to come.

6 TOP COEUR (FR) (14) 95

3-436 5 11-5 | 72.1kg



Christian Williams

Kielan Woods

In need of the experience on bumper debut before showing fair form in a pair of maiden hurdles for Gavin Patrick Cromwell. After 13 weeks off, well held sent handicapping at Hereford (2½m) for new yard, but he could fare better back in maiden company.

7 NOVELISTA (IRE) (74) (D) 93

6 4 10-11 | 68.5kg



Warren Greatrex

Harry Bannister

Fairly useful winner on the Flat (stays 2¼m) who was a 165,000 gns purchase from the Charlie Johnston yard. After 4 months off, possibly needed the run when sixth of 10 in juvenile at Ascot on hurdles bow in January, so he remains with potential in this sphere.

8 PARAGON (IRE) (21) 81

47 4 10-11 | 68.5kg



Pam Sly

**Charlie Todd**

Modest maiden on the level (stays 1¼m). Ran to a similar level when fourth of 6 in maiden at Huntingdon on hurdling debut in February and still in need of the experience when well held at the same course 3 weeks ago.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-4 Road To Wembley, **3-1** Novelista, **4-1** Top Coeur, **8-1** Corsican Caper, **22-1** Paragon, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ROAD TO WEMBLEY shaped promisingly when second to a bright prospect at Warwick on his hurdling debut in March and, given his level of ability on the Flat, he can build on that effort to go one better. Novelista was also fairly useful on the level and is feared most, ahead of Top Coeur.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROAD TO WEMBLEY 2. NOVELISTA 3. TOP COEUR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Koapey 5-11-5	4-11f	Warren Greatrex	Sean Bowen	8
2024	Highlands Legacy 5-11-4	2-5f	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	8
2023	Soldat Forte 6-11-6	9-2	Charlie Longsdon	Brian Hughes	13
2022	Coastguard Station 6-11-6	11-8f	Henry Oliver	Lorcan Williams	14
2021	Pawpaw 4-10-12	17-2	Paul Webber	Ciaran Gethings	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.30

**SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE CONFERENCE AND EVENTS
HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £7,700
3m60y (4880 Metres)**

RACE 5

Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 EL GALACTICO (IRE) (19) s **96**
2115P 6 12-0 | 76.2kg



Neil Mulholland

Conor O'Farrell

Winner of small-field novice hurdles at Uttoxeter and Plumpton in November and not discredited on his first go in handicaps when fifth of 12 at Ascot in December. Needs to bounce back from a poor run at Doncaster, though.

2 IMMORTAL FAME (IRE) (38) (C, D, BF) s **96**
13P-4441P 10 11-13 | 75.7kg



Deborah Cole

Jonjo O'Neill Jr.

Back on scoreboard over fences at Market Rasen in February but shaped as if amiss at Hereford since and has little in hand off his current mark over hurdles.

3 JUBILANT (FR) (24) (C) **93**
13133516 7 11-12 | 75.3kg



James Owen

Jonathan Burke

Bagged a third win of a productive campaign over fences when seeing off 4 rivals at Plumpton in December. Undone by stiffer stamina test at Warwick latest and can't be ruled out back over the small obstacles here.

4 PASSING PLEASURE (29) (BF) s+t **94**
5042-112 6 11-9 | 73.9kg



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero

Charlie Todd

Progressed for new yard this season, bagging a handicap hurdle at Musselburgh in December before following up on chasing bow at Catterick 8 days later. Improved again when runner-up at Newcastle last month and must be of interest back over the smaller obstacles here.

5 OCEAN CONQUEST (24) s **98**
225-11P05 5 11-7 | 73.0kg



Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies

Toby McCain-Mitchell (5lb/2kg)

Capitalised on good opportunities to win twice at Ludlow at start of season and returned to form when creditable fifth of 9 in handicap hurdle over shorter trip at Warwick last month. Enters calculations.

6 DIAMOND GEEZER (IRE) (37) (BF) b **97**
62-213417 7 11-7 | 73.0kg



Olly Murphy

Sean Bowen

Bagged second victory of the season when taking heavy-ground handicap at Ayr in January. Couldn't match that form at same course latest but looks worth a crack at this longer trip. Blinkers on first time.

7 CAMPAIGN TRAIL (IRE) (43) s+t **100**
1303-84 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Kim Bailey & Mat Nicholls

Harry Bannister

Progressive stayer on Flat who overcame long absence to score on hurdle/yard debut at Doncaster in November 2024. Not successful since but shaped with encouragement, back from 4 months off, when fourth of 9 in handicap hurdle at Market Rasen 43 days ago and remains fairly treated.

8 MOON HUNTER (23) s **98**
5F/43P-7P3 9 11-0 | 69.9kg



Sarah Humphrey

Jamie Gambin (7lb/3kg)

Posted best effort this term, in first-time blinkers, when third of 6 in handicap hurdle at Plumpton 23 days ago. Not scored since 2022, however, and others are more convincing. Cheekpieces back on.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Passing Pleasure, **7-1** Diamond Geezer, **15-2** Campaign Trail, **15-2** Ocean Conquest, **8-1** El Galactico, **10-1** Immortal Fame, **12-1** Jubilant, **16-1** Moon Hunter

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PASSING PLEASURE has really upped his game for his new yard this term and seemed to appreciate the step up in trip when second over fences at Newcastle last month. He makes plenty of appeal. Campaign Trail and Ocean Conquest rate the principal dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PASSING PLEASURE 2. CAMPAIGN TRAIL 3. OCEAN CONQUEST

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Coastal Rock 6-11-3	15-8f	Olly Murphy	Sean Bowen	5
2024	Innisfree Lass 6-11-0	2-1	Stuart Edmunds	Charlie Hammond	6
2023	Czech Her Out 9-11-13	25-1	Michael Scudamore	Liam Harrison (3)	11
2022	Hillview 6-11-4	2-1f	Gary Hanmer	Sean Bowen	8
2021 ^I	Go Chique 5-11-9	15-2	Nicky Henderson	Nico de Boinville	11
2021 ^{II}	Just A Deal 6-11-2	15-8f	Caroline Bailey	Harry Skelton	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6

**JOIN SOUTHWELL GOLF CLUB MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE
(5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-100) £6,150 3m60y
(4880 Metres)**Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak****1 ROSA DIAZ (IRE) (21)** s+t **97**

5457 6 12-0 | 76.2kg



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero

Charlie Todd

Hasn't progressed in 4 hurdles, including a handicap, and hopes of improvement rest on stiffer test of stamina here.

2 BRIERY BUTTERFLY (25) ★ **100**

5654-3223 7 11-12 | 75.3kg



Henry Daly

Stan Sheppard

Proved consistent this season, making the frame again when creditable third of 6 in handicap hurdle (9/2) at Ayr (3m, heavy) 25 days ago. Ought to go well again.

3 PRINCESSE MILANIA (IRE) (29) **99**

91133832 6 11-11 | 74.8kg



Mark Walford

Jamie Hamilton

Dual winner last autumn and followed that with a couple of solid efforts in defeat. Back to somewhere near best when creditable second of 9 in handicap hurdle at Newcastle (3m, good to soft, 11/1) 29 days ago and is 2 lb lower now.

4 VENTUREVANGO (IRE) (13) s **46**

90000P 7 11-3 | 71.2kg



Adam Nicol

Toby McCain-Mitchell (5lb/2kg)

Lightly-raced maiden who failed to pull up any trees for Ian Donoghue in Ireland and there were little signs of improvement on debut for new yard at Sedgfield last month.

5 BELLADINOTTE (IRE) (139) **98**

21077224 7 10-12 | 68.9kg



Sara Ender

Harry Bannister

Won a staying handicap at Hexham in June on only her second start for this yard and went on to make the frame in a trio of starts last autumn. Ought to have conditions to suit and could be a player here.

6 SHORTEN SASSY (31) **98**

U84-26535 6 10-10 | 68.0kg



Mel Rowley

Shane Quinlan (3lb/1kg)

Remains a maiden and has failed to improve for the switch to handicaps, well beaten fifth at Huntingdon latest. Needs to find improvement.

7 MYA DU CLOS (FR) (49) h **96**

7855 4 10-7 | 66.7kg



Christian Williams

Mr J. J. Murphy-Knight (7lb/3kg)

Not troubled the judge in bumper/trio of starts over hurdles at around 2m. However, could be a different proposition now upped in trip for handicap debut and needs monitoring in the market.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Princesse Milania, 4-1 Mya Du Clos, 9-2 Briery Butterfly, 11-2 Belladotte, 8-1 Shorten Sassy, 17-2 Rosa Diaz, 22-1 Venturevango

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Preference is for BELLADINOTTE, who ran well after an absence last year and returns to the track on a fair mark. Princesse Milania and Mya Du Clos are feared most.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BELLADINOTTE 2. PRINCESSE MILANIA 3. MYA DU CLOS

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race