



Saturday 6th December

WETHERBY

11.10	racingtv.com NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 1	(1) CABALLO DE GUERRA (2) ADE BOY (10) STARMOUNT
11.40	WETHERBY RACECOURSE - YOUR IDEAL CONFERENCE VENUE HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)
RACE 2	(4) ATHAIR MOR (5) MUTUAL RESPECT (1) CATCHIM
12.17	JOIN RACING TV THIS CHRISTMAS HANDICAP CHASE (3) 3m45y (4870 Metres)
RACE 3	(2) KILBARRY HILL (6) CARRIG KATE (3) GERYVILLE
12.50	WILLIAM HILL CHRISTMAS MEETING UP NEXT HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m (3220 Metres)
12.50 RACE 4	
	Metres)
RACE 4	(5) CHASE A FORTUNE (1) KINGSTON NARCISSUS (4) THEREISNODOUBT BOOK WILLIAM HILL CHRISTMAS MEETING ONLINE HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 3m45y

RACE 6 (7) STRIKING MIDNIGHT (2) COTTON SOCKS (6) SOLLY'S GOLD

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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racingtv.com NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 4yo+ £7,000 2m (3220 Metres)



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Pace Information: Even

CABALLO DE GUERRA (IRE) (42) (D) **4** 11-7 73.0kg

100 \bigstar



Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore Plenty of promise in bumpers and looked a good prospect as he spearheaded a

Jack Power (5lb/2kg)

1-2-3 for his yard in 2m Kelso novice on hurdles debut in October, readily coming clear. Sound fourth in a better race at Cheltenham since and he retains plenty of potential.

ADE BOY (IRE) (77) (D) 4 11-0 69.9kg

David Bass



Charlie Longsdon Bullet Train gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to high-class hurdler/smart chaser (2m-2½m winner) Accordion Etoile and fair hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 2½m) French Accordion. Looked useful when landing a punt on bumper debut at Navan for A.Slattery. Since moved yards and sure to progress.

COLONEL JACK

85



4 11-0 69.9kg Mark Walford

Ryan Mania

Soldier of Fortune gelding. Brother to a winner, and half-brother to fairly useful hurdler Orkan and fair hurdler Half Bolly.

GAELIC GLOW (26)

79 4 11-0 69.9kg



Sam England Callum Bewley Some promise in a couple of bumpers for Tom Weston and similar story sent hurdling for new yard last month. Could be a handicap project.

KILLYCARN (IRE) (12) 87



5 11-0 69.9kg

Peter Kavanagh

Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith Runner-up sole completed start in Irish points and positives to draw from both starts over hurdles this autumn. Might be one for the longer term.

LIBERTY COACH

88 4 11-0 69.9kg



John & Sean Quinn

Richie McLernon



Dam half-sister to fairly useful 17f hurdle winner Jabbaar. Useful handicapper on Flat (stays 1½m), successful once in 2025, below form last time. Major player if translating that form to hurdling. Usual headgear off.

LOULOU MADRIK (FR)

85





Mark Walford

Charlotte Jones Choeur Du Nord gelding. Brother to useful French chaser Iceo Madrik, and

pointer, unplaced last time.

half-brother to 2 winners, including French hurdler Gump Madrik. Maiden Irish

MELROSE JACK (236)

65



8 11-0 69.9kg Paula Smith

5 11-0 69.9kg

Charlie Maggs (5lb/2kg)

Shirocco gelding. Half-brother to bumper winner Barbary Master, stays 21f. Dam unraced. Tongue tied and minor promise only starting out at Hexham in April.

MR MOJO RISIN (IRE) (354)

85



Tom Cannon €22,000 3-y-o, Pillar Coral gelding. Dam (b88) placed on first of 2 outings in

bumpers. Showed ability amidst clear inexperience when fourth of 6 in a Catterick bumper a year ago.

STARMOUNT (IRE) 5 11-0 69.9kg

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£82,000 half-brother to 3 winners, including useful hurdler/top-class chaser Stage Star. Won Irish point in December 2024 and while he's been off the track since, he represents a successful yard.

11 THE FINAL BRIG (10)

5 11-0 69.9kg

Mark Walford Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg) Well held in Wetherby bumper last Christmas and no impact completed start over hurdles.

12 **TWO BROTHERS**

7 11-0 69.9kg

Michael & David Easterby **Patrick Wadge**

Fairly useful handicapper on Flat (stays 12.5f), below form all 3 starts in 2025. Hurdles debut for good yard.

YERMANTHERE (IRE)

7 11-0 69.9kg

13

Dam half-sister to fairly useful hurdler (2m-19f winner) Satanic Beat. Fair handicapper on Flat (stays 9f), laboured effort last time.

MADAME LA PAPILLON (273) (D) 1/58-

5 10-7 | 66.7kg Claire Dyson Alice Stevens (3lb/1kg)



Made a winning bumper debut at Huntingdon last spring and not disgraced after 11 months off when fifth of 13 in similar company at Warwick. Found listed race too much at Sandown and now goes hurdling for a new yard.

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Caballo De Guerra, 3-1 Ade Boy, 7-1 Starmount, 10-1 Liberty Coach, 12-1 Killycarn, 25-1 Mr Mojo Risin, 33-1 Two Brothers, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CABALLO DE GUERRA is a good sort physically and having performed with credit at Cheltenham last time, he can resume his progress. Ade Boy looked useful when winning an Irish bumper so has to command serious respect now hurdling for new connections. with Starmount also interesting having landed a point a year ago.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CABALLO DE GUERRA 2. ADE BOY 3. STARMOUNT

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 Diamonds For Luck 5-11-0 4-9f Olly Murphy Sean Bowen 2024|| **Barrabooka** 6-11-0 9-2 Donald McCain Brian Hughes

SMART STATS:



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Pace Information: Strong

CATCHIM (IRE) (22) (BF) P2-354322 **7** 12-0 76.2kg

96 **David Bass**

95



Charles & Adam Pogson Fair maiden chaser but arrives in form after finishing runner-up in handicaps at Huntingdon (21/2m) and Southwell (2m) last month. Likely to be in the mix from an unchanged mark.

KING OF BRAZIL (17) (D)

756235-P5 8 11-8 73.5kg Katy Price Shane Quinlan (3lb/1kg)



Dual chase winner in early 2024 but was more miss than hit last season. Better effort this term when fifth of 8 at Warwick (2m, soft) 17 days ago but suspicion the wait for another win may go on a bit longer.

9 11-5 72.1kg

THE JAD FACTOR (IRE) (228)



Patrick Wadae

Won 2½m handicap chases at Newcastle and Kelso for this yard last season. Much depends on whether he's primed after months off.

ATHAIR MOR (IRE) (22) 3464-62

99



6 11-4 | 71.7kg Paul Robson

Promise at the second time of asking over fences when runner-up in 21/2m Newcastle handicap 22 days ago. Open to further progress and leading claims.

MUTUAL RESPECT (IRE) (18)

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s+t

 \bigstar 100

112424-33 **9** 11-3 71.2kg Billy Aprahamian

Tom Cannon



Has shaped guite well when third in a couple of handicaps around 2m since returning from wind surgery and will be suited by this step back up to around

BALLYWOOD (FR) (17)

97



42434-P43 11 11-3 71.2kg

Tabitha Worsley (3lb/1kg)



Georgie Howell On a long losing run. Creditable third of 8 at Ffos Las (19f, soft) 17 days but others are stronger for win purposes again.

IRISANTE (GER) (21)

4 11-3 71.2kg

95

D. J. Jeffreys

Fairly useful form over hurdles for Hugo Merienne in France, but hasn't got near that level on these shores and it remains to be seen whether a switch to fences

and application of blinkers spark an upturn in his fortunes. **GREAT BALLINBORIS (FR) (53)** 96

34/P6362-5 **9** 10-2 64.4kg

Micky Hammond

Maiden hurdler/chaser who took a step back in the right direction after a breathing operation when second at Carlisle in April. Shaped as if he'd come on for his reappearance fifth at Market Rasen in October and he lines up here operating from a career-low mark.

MADEMEWHATIAM (169)

96

6 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg) Annabelle Sowray

Nathan Moscrop

Poor maiden hurdler. Was placed in a point at the start of his career but others are still preferred now chasing.

STONEGATE (15) **6** 10-2(9-6) 64.4kg (59.9kg) 52

Brian Rothwell

Charlie Maggs (5lb/2kg)



Has displayed more temperament than ability in recent times, faring no better for cheekpieces (retained) at Catterick last month.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Catchim, 4-1 Athair Mor, 5-1 Mutual Respect, 7-1 The Jad Factor, 15-2 Ballywood, 14-1 Great Ballinboris, 16-1 King of Brazil, 33-1 Mademewhatiam, 33-1 Irisante, 66-1

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ATHAIR MOR gets the nod to build on a promising second at Newcastle 3 weeks ago. Mutual Respect should be suited by the return to a longer trip and is second choice ahead of November's dual runner-up Catchim.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ATHAIR MOR 2. MUTUAL RESPECT 3. CATCHIM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Fiadh 8-10-5	9-2	Chris Grant	Danny McMenamin	8
2022	Trac 5-10-4	4-1	Micky Hammond	Conor O'Farrell	8
2021	Ladronne 7-11-12	5-1	Tjade Collier	Sean Quinlan	10
2020	Light Flicker 8-10-8	9-2	Rvan Potter	David England	11

SMART STATS:



JOIN RACING TV THIS CHRISTMAS HANDICAP CHASE (3) 4yo+ (Rated 0-130) £15,000 3m45y (4870 Metres)



RACE 3

Going: Soft (Good to Soft in places)

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1	SOME SCOPE	(24	(CD))
	P41PP5-35	7	11-10	74.4kg

98

Richard Hobson

Charlie Maggs (5lb/2kg)

Enjoyed finest hour so far when landing the C&D Rowland Meyrick on Boxing Day. More miss than hit since, but should come on for last month's Bangor reappearance and now 2 lb below the mark off which he won the Rowland

KILBARRY HILL (34)

2/111275-5 7 11-7 73.0kg

Lewis Stones (3lb/1kg)



Olly Murphy Won 3 on the bounce over hurdles last November/December and wasn't seen to best effect when fifth of 12 on return/chase debut at Carlisle (21f, good to soft). Open to improvement in this sphere and moving back up in trip here will be in his favour.

GERYVILLE (FR) (21) (C)

641725-52 **9** 11-5 72.1kg 100

Micky Hammond

Twice a winner of 19.4f handicaps at this course and latest second here (over that same trip) was a solid effort. No issues stamina-wise now back up in distance (has won at around 3m in the past) and he needs considering.

IF NOT FOR DYLAN (IRE) (28) (D) 97 **10** 11-4 71.7kg

Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Alan Doyle (3lb/1kg)



HUDSON DE GRUGY (FR) (14) 90

37/P1P3-69 8 11-4 71.7kg

Sam England

Fairly-useful chaser for Gary & Josh Moore who shaped better than distance beaten on debut for new yard at Hexham. However, he took little interest at Haydock recently and is hard to warm to on the back of that display.

CARRIG KATE (IRE) (259) (BF) 96

7 11-2 70.8kg



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero



EL SAVIOUR (IRE) (613) (BF) 93 **7** 11-2 | 70.8kg

Lucy Wadham



Dual hurdles winner during 2023/24 campaign and was runner-up on sole start between the flags back in 2022, which augurs well now that she tackles fences. However, it's likely that the run will be needed given that she's returning from a 20-month absence.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Geryville, 4-1 Kilbarry Hill, 9-2 Some Scope, 5-1 If Not For Dylan, 6-1 Carrig Kate, 10-1 El Saviour, 28-1 Hudson De Grugy

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Cases can be made for the majority of these, with KILBARRY HILL shading preference on the back of an encouraging chase debut at Carlisle where he wasn't seen to best effect. He is open to improvement, particularly now stepping back up in trip, and his jumping was pretty assured at Carlisle. Chase debutante Carrig Kate may well benefit from the addition of cheekpieces and she will be a threat granted a clean round of jumping. Geryville, If Not For Dylan and Some Scope all merit respect, too.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KILBARRY HILL 2. CARRIG KATE 3. GERYVILLE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Rockinastorm 7-10-8	7-2	Henry Daly	David Bass	7
2022	Burrows Diamond 7-11-7	7-2	Sue Smith	Sean Quinlan	7
2021	Saint Palais 4-10-10	4-5f	Richard Bandey	Sean Quinlan	9
2020	Nearly Perfect 6-10-13	9-4f	Neil King	Sean Quinlan	6

SMART STATS:



WILLIAM HILL CHRISTMAS MEETING UP NEXT HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 3yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000 2m (3220 Metres)



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Pace Information: Weak

1	KINGSTON NARCISSUS (FR) (18)		h	98
	542221F-3	6 12-0 76.2kg		

Rebecca Menzies



Consistent maiden on Flat in France and took well to hurdling for Rebeca Menzies last term, finishing runner-up 3 times prior to getting his head in front in Sedgefield maiden. Made a satisfactory return when third in handicap at Kelso 18 days ago and is entitled to build on that.

DOUBLE OBAN (30) (D) 4312111-9 **5** 12-0 76.2kg



Olly Murphy Lewis Stones (3lb/1kg) Overcame some jumping errors when completing a hat-trick in 5-runner handicap hurdle at Lingfield (16f) in February. Hiked up 10 lb and looked rusty on his Newbury return last month. Cheekpieces now added and this run should reveal more

JUSTUS (IRE) (644) (D) 93

012P/ **7** 11-11 | 74.8kg



Micky Hammond

Off the mark over hurdles early in 2024 and scored twice on level later that year. However, lightly raced and disappointing since and is likely best watched on return from 7-month absence here. Makes handicap hurdle debut.

THEREISNODOUBT (IRE) (35) (D) 99



12 11-11 74.8kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Derek Fox

Veteran who scored at Ayr (2m) in the spring but looked in need of the outing when ninth in 2m handicap there last month. Can take a step forward now.

CHASE A FORTUNE (26) (D) 100 5/3F24-5F2 7 11-9 73.9kg



Chris Grant William Maggs (5lb/2kg) Winless since scoring over fences at Catterick in February 2024 but was still in the lead when exiting at the second last in Kelso handicap chase in October and was only edged out late on back in this sphere at Carlisle (17f, soft) 26 days ago.

Cheekpieces on first time. Shortlist material.

HOURLESS (42) (D)

94



5 10-6 | 66.2kg John Dixon

Mr John Dixon (7lb/3kg)



Fair juvenile hurdle winner for Alan King but has shaped with little promise in recent starts for current connections, latest when eighth at Kelso in October.

Makes limited appeal.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-4 Chase A Fortune, 5-1 Thereisnodoubt, 5-1 Double Oban, 6-1 Kingston Narcissus, **12-1** Justus, **16-1** Hourless

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CHASE A FORTUNE appreciated the return to this discipline when coming close at Carlisle last month and looks the one to beat. Kingston Narcissus ought to be straighter for his recent Kelso return and may provide the chief threat.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CHASE A FORTUNE 2. KINGSTON NARCISSUS 3. THEREISNODOUBT

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 Classic Maestro 6-12-0 Sean Quinlan Jennie Candlish

SMART STATS:



RACE 5

BOOK WILLIAM HILL CHRISTMAS MEETING ONLINE HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-110) £9,000 3m45y (4870 Metres)



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Pace Information: Even

FERN HILL	(IRE)	(25)	(C, D)
52D/12_511	10	12-0	76 24



Recorded a first success since 2022 when making a winning return in an uninspiring 5-runner contest at Uttoxeter prior to following up in a weak veterans' chase at Huntingdon last month. More required to land the hat-trick.



6 12-0 76.2kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Derek Fox

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96



£100,000 purchase having finished runner-up in sole Irish point. Showed plenty as a novice hurdler and advanced her form on chase debut when third at Ayr (20.5f, soft) last month. Very much a chaser on looks and should improve stepping back up in distance. Leading contender.

GOLD EMERY (FR) (21) **9** 11-12 75.3kg

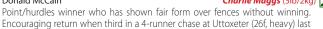
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Donald McCain

Charlie Maggs (5lb/2kg)



if he can build on that. **MOONLIGHT FLIT (IRE)** (1388)

97



Fiona Needham

Jack Andrews (3lb/1kg)



debut in 2021 but left the yard for £11,000 the following year having lost form. Won twice in points for current yard but last of 4 finishers most recently (Mar 2025). Bit to prove making chase debut back under Rules.

month, travelled well and jumped better than has often been the case. Claims

THE SCORPION KING (27) (D)

614/211P-4 **7** 11-11 74.8kg

9 11-11 74.8kg

100

Oliver Signy

David Pipe

Winner of back-to-back chases at Ffos Las (heavy) last winter. Creditable reappearance over hurdles on return to Ffos Las last month and he should go well back chasing with that run under his belt, especially if the ground becomes

PACHACUTI (IRE) (27)



24PP20-P3 8 11-8 73.5kg

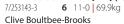
Tom Cannon

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Hit-and-miss since recording latest success back in February 2024 but has slipped to an attractive mark as a result and took a step back in the right direction when third in a 9-runner chase at Ffos Las last month. Player if he can back that up with tongue tie again left off.

EXPRESS SURPRISE (IRE) (25) (BF)





Continued his progression when scoring on chase debut at Huntingdon (23.6f, heavy) in January. Has been hindered by his jumping on better ground since, for all he shaped second best on reappearance at Lingfield (23.5f, good) last time. Could be interesting back on a softer surface.

ONE LAST GLANCE (19) 94

8 10-11 | 68.5kg 132142-6U

William Maggs (5lb/2kg)



Tom Gretton

Won twice on soft/heavy last season and bled when runner-up on final start last season. In the process of running creditably on second start of the campaign when unseating at Plumpton (25.7f, good) 19 days ago. May travel more fluently with conditions in his favour here and isn't totally dismissed.

BALLYLINCH (IRE) (23) (D) **8** 10-6 66.2kg

Micky Hammond

Callum Bewley

Two-time winner over fences during 2023/24 but has shown little short-term promise in two starts following an 18-month lay-off. Questions to answer now.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Visual Impact, 9-2 The Scorpion King, 5-1 Express Surprise, 7-1 Pachacuti, 7-1 Fern Hill, 8-1 Gold Emery, 10-1 One Last Glance, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A one-time expensive point purchase, VISUAL IMPACT finished an eye-catching third on chase debut and should improve stepping back up in trip on second start over fences. She's preferred to The Scorpion King and Express Surprise, who both made pleasing comebacks last month and will be well-suited by the likely soft conditions.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. VISUAL IMPACT 2. THE SCORPION KING 3. EXPRESS SURPRISE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Latenightrumble 7-12-0	7-1	Tom Ellis	Jack Andrews (3)	10
2022	Aire Valley Lad 8-10-2	7-2	Sue Smith	Ross Chapman	7
2021	Sidi Ismael 7-11-11	13-2	David Pipe	Charlie Hammond	10
2020	Rock On Barney 9-10-1	15-2	Paul John Gilligan	Jack G. Gilligan (7)	12

SMART STATS:



RACE 6

WATCH RACING TV IN STUNNING HD "JUNIOR" NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 3yo £4,500 2m (3220 Metres)



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Pace Information: Weak

AUGUST SPRING

90

3 11-2 70.8kg

Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg)

Michael & David Easterby

Gustav Klimt gelding. Half-brother to useful 7.4f-13f winner Dark Moon Rising. Dam French 1½m winner. The market can guide on his debut.

COTTON SOCKS (14) 3 11-2 70.8kg

100

Lucy Wadham

Passing Glance gelding who shaped well when second of 9 in bumper at Huntingdon (15.8f, soft, 9/4) on NH debut 14 days ago, clear of rest. Hood on 1st time. Firmly in the picture.

MAC'S MAX (22) **3** 11-2 70.8kg 94

Ben Haslam

12/1, encouraging second of 8 in bumper at Newcastle (16.9f, good to soft) on NH debut 22 days ago. This son of Maxios can build on it so must enter calculations

MASTERFIELD (FR)

94

3 11-2 70.8kg



Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero Cokoriko gelding. Closely related to 2 winners, including French hurdle winner/

chaser Kasadepapel,. Dam multiple 11/2m bumper winner in France. Wears tongue strap. Noteworthy newcomer who is worth a market check.

RINGTONE (22)

Tim Easterby

89

3 11-2 70.8kg

Callum Bewley



9/1, seventh of 8 in bumper at Newcastle (16.9f, good to soft) on NH debut 22

days ago. Blinkered for 1st time now and this Shaman gelding needs to step

SOLLY'S GOLD (IRE)

98

3 11-2 70.8kg

Jack Andrews (3lb/1kg)



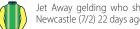
Soldier of Fortune gelding. Closely related to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser Tightenourbelts. In excellent hands so he's an interesting debutant.

STRIKING MIDNIGHT (IRE) (22)

96



3 11-2 70.8kg



Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith

Jack Power (5lt

Jet Away gelding who shaped well when a debut third of 8 in bumper at Newcastle (7/2) 22 days ago. Sure to progress and he's a likely player here.

WINSTON'S OATH (IRE)

91

3 11-2 70.8kg

Tabitha Worsley (3lb/1kg)

Dylan Cunha 8,500 gns 3-y-o, Churchill gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including fairly useful hurdler Rowland Ward, stayed 19f. Dam 11/4m-11.5f winner. The betting

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Cotton Socks, 4-1 Solly's Gold, 5-1 Striking Midnight, 7-1 Mac's Max, 7-1 Masterfield, 12-1 Winston's Oath, 16-1 August Spring, 40-1 bar

The market should reveal plenty here but the vote goes to STRIKING MIDNIGHT who made a promising start when third in a Newcastle bumper recently and can build on it here and continue his stable's fine recent run of form. Cotton Socks also shaped well on his debut when runner-up in an Huntingdon bumper and is next on the list, although debutants Solly's Gold and Masterfield need factoring in too, especially if the betting speaks in their favour.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. STRIKING MIDNIGHT 2. COTTON SOCKS 3. SOLLY'S GOLD

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 Eagles Reprieve 3-11-2 10-1 Lucinda Russell

Jack Power (7)

SMART STATS: