

Friday 7th March

# NEWCASTLE


**5.15** FREE BETS WITH BETUK BET CLUB HANDICAP (6) 2m56y (3270 Metres)

 RACE 1 **(2) ALEX THE GREAT | (7) UNIFICATION | (9) STAR OF MARKINCH**
**5.45** £30 IN FREE BETS WITH BETUK HANDICAP (5) 5f (1010 Metres)

 RACE 2 **(4) DARLO PRIDE | (5) GANESHA | (1) KELDEO**
**6.15** BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) 6f (1210 Metres)

 RACE 3 **(2) KATS BOB | (7) TANTOMILE | (1) SIBYL CHARM**
**6.45** WEEKLY FREE BETS WITH BETMGM NOVICE STAKES (4) 1m5y (1610 Metres)

 RACE 4 **(4) MY KINDA GHAIY | (6) RAHIEBB | (1) ADVANCING**
**7.15** BETUK. IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS CLASSIFIED STAKES (6) 7f14y (1420 Metres)

 RACE 5 **(4) MARGOT ROBBIE | (2) LAURA'S BREEZE | (6) WEDGEWOOD SAPPHIRE**
**7.45** BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME CLASSIFIED STAKES (6) 1m5y (1610 Metres)

 RACE 6 **(5) POP FAVORITE | (3) FIFTY SENT | (1) MARTIN'S BRIG**
**8.15** GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETMGM HANDICAP (5) 7f14y (1420 Metres)

 RACE 7 **(1) KING'S SCHOOL | (4) STREAK LIGHTNING | (3) TASEVER**

## 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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RACE 1

FREE BETS WITH BETUK BET CLUB HANDICAP (6) 4yo+  
(Rated 0-60) £6,000 2m56y (3270 Metres)



Going: **Standard**

Left-handed, oval. Newcastle switched from turf to all-weather during the winter of 2015/16, and like Wolverhampton, the surface it uses is tapeta. It differs from the majority of the all-weather tracks in that as well as a traditional oval, it has a floodlit straight mile course, which is uphill for the final four furlongs, meaning an ability to see out the trip is essential and those who press on too early can prove vulnerable in the later stages.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

<div>1</div> <div>1</div> <div></div>	<div><b>MAN OF RIDDLES (USA) (8)</b> (D)</div> <div>7/14756-05 7 9-12   62.6kg</div> <div>Max Young</div> <div>Fifth of 7 in handicap at this C&amp;D (33/1) 8 days ago and this 7-y-o is likely to find a few too good once more.</div>	<div>93</div> <div>Grace McEntee</div>
<div>2</div> <div>10</div> <div></div>	<div><b>ALEX THE GREAT (IRE) (9)</b> (D)</div> <div>1393-4413 5 9-12   62.6kg</div> <div>Tony Carroll</div> <div>Latest win at Kempton in January. Respectable third of 8 in handicap (11/2) at Kempton (16f) 9 days ago, needing stiffer test. Has to be taken seriously.</div>	<div>100</div> <div>Jack Doughty (3lb/1kg)</div>
<div>3</div> <div>7</div> <div></div>	<div><b>GRAND SCHEME (IRE) (17)</b></div> <div>70/0586-6 7 9-10   61.7kg</div> <div>Sam England</div> <div>Sixth of 7 in handicap (18/1) at Wolverhampton (14f) 17 days ago. Opposable.</div>	<div>95</div> <div>Jonathan England</div>
<div>4</div> <div>4</div> <div></div>	<div><b>MAN OF ACTION (IRE) (20)</b></div> <div>40690-7 5 9-10   61.7kg</div> <div>Gary Rutherford</div> <div>First run since leaving Andrew Kinirons when seventh of 8 in handicap at this C&amp;D (10/3) 20 days ago. Hopes pinned on the first-time cheekpieces sparking a return to form.</div>	<div>91</div> <div>Rhys Elliott (7lb/3kg)</div>
<div>5</div> <div>8</div> <div></div>	<div><b>QUERCUS ROBUR (8)</b> (CD)</div> <div>252/8-6676 6 9-9   61.2kg</div> <div>Adam Nicol</div> <div>C&amp;D winner. 22/1, sixth of 7 in handicap at this C&amp;D 8 days ago. Others make more appeal from a win point of view.</div>	<div>94</div> <div>Cam Hardie</div>
<div>6</div> <div>6</div> <div></div>	<div><b>OPERA KING (14)</b></div> <div>005 5 9-7   60.3kg</div> <div>Scott Dixon</div> <div>Thrice-raced maiden on Flat. 150/1, fifth of 6 in novice at Southwell (12.1f) 14 days ago. Significantly up in trip for this handicap debut and big step forward needed.</div>	<div>83</div> <div>Harrison Shaw</div>
<div>7</div> <div>11</div> <div></div>	<div><b>UNIFICATION (IRE) (8)</b></div> <div>576/098-07 5 9-6   59.9kg</div> <div>Phil McEntee</div> <div>Creditable seventh of 12 in handicap at Chelmsford City (13.3f, 22/1) 8 days ago. Up in trip and sports a first time tongue strap and visor here. Place possibilities.</div>	<div>97</div> <div>Luke Morris</div>
<div>8</div> <div>9</div> <div></div>	<div><b>TYPEWRITTEN (USA) (35)</b></div> <div>5900-4268 7 8-12   56.2kg</div> <div>Ewan Whillans</div> <div>Unreliable sort. Twenty-two runs since last win in 2022. Eighth of 9 in handicap (14/1) at this course (12.4f) 35 days ago, slowly away. Significantly back up in trip and she again looks vulnerable.</div>	<div>99</div> <div>Rowan Scott</div>
<div>9</div> <div>3</div> <div></div>	<div><b>STAR OF MARKINCH (IRE) (35)</b></div> <div>953472-36 9 8-12   56.2kg</div> <div>Gary Rutherford</div> <div>Remains a maiden after 19 Flat runs. Sixth of 9 in handicap at this course (12.4f, 16/1) 35 days ago. Significantly back up in trip and will need to find improvement from somewhere if she's to finally open her account but certainly not without each-way hope.</div>	<div>97</div> <div>Amie Waugh (3lb/1kg)</div>
<div>10</div> <div>5</div> <div></div>	<div><b>FREEWHEELIN (48)</b> (CD)</div> <div>53/58034-0 7 8-12   56.2kg</div> <div>John Norton</div> <div>C&amp;D winner. Seventeen runs since last win in 2022. Last of 11 in handicap (80/1) at Wolverhampton (16.6f) 48 days ago. Others more persuasive.</div>	<div>93</div> <div>Mark Winn</div>

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**KEEPER OF SECRETS (28)**

00-00 4 8-10 | 55.3kg

Rebecca Menzies

Lightly-raced maiden. 125/1 and hooded for 1st time tongue strap on for 1st time, tenth of 11 in handicap at Southwell (11.1f) 28 days ago. Significantly up in trip and he's hard to warm to.

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Andrew Mullen

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Alex The Great, 11-2 Man of Action, 8-1 Unification, 17-2 Star of Markinch, 10-1 Typewritten, 12-1 Man of Riddles, 16-1 Quercus Robur, 20-1 Freewheelin, 28-1 Grand Scheme, 33-1 Opera King, 100-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Given the dearth of in-form candidates on show, ALEX THE GREAT looks the safest option. He scored in good style at Kempton on his penultimate start and lost little caste in defeat when third in a higher-grade handicap at the same course next time, leaving the impression that this stiffer track would be right up his street. Unification and Star of Markinch can fill the places.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ALEX THE GREAT 2. UNIFICATION 3. STAR OF MARKINCH

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 <sup>I</sup>	Heatherdown Hero	5-9-1	9-2	Rebecca Menzies	Hollie Doyle	8
2024 <sup>II</sup>	Abraaj	6-9-9	7-4f	Simon Pearce	Jack Mitchell	8
2023	Bobby Shaftoe	5-9-3	13-8f	Jim Goldie	Paul Mulrennan	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.45

RACE 2

**£30 IN FREE BETS WITH BETUK HANDICAP (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-72) £7,100 5f (1010 Metres)**



Going: **Standard**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Weak**

1	2	<b>KELDEO (165)</b> (D)		<b>100</b>
		13542617- 4 9-9   61.2kg Ollie Pears <i>Cam Hardie</i> Latest win at Catterick in September. Not in same form when last of 7 in handicap at Hamilton (5f, good, 7/1) just less than a fortnight later. Wasn't beaten far despite finishing last here on her only previous all-weather start and is respected provided she's ready to roll.		
2	3	<b>FRANK THE SPARK (169)</b> (D, BF)		<b>97</b>
		85192113- 5 9-9   61.2kg Paul Midgley <i>David Nolan</i> Three wins from 8 runs last year. Latest win at Beverley in August. Respectable third of 9 in handicap (9/4) at Ayr (5f, good to firm) when last seen in September, staying on final 1f. May need this outing on reappearance (did last season).		
3	5	<b>PRINCESS KARINE (41)</b> (D)		<b>99</b>
		4393040-0 6 9-7   60.3kg Bryan Smart <i>Harrison Shaw</i> Shaped as if needing the run after 4 months off when last of 10 in handicap at this C&D (14/1) just under 6 weeks ago. This should reveal more.		
4	1	<b>DARLO PRIDE (25)</b> (CD)	b+t	<b>97</b>
		3113-4624 5 9-7   60.3kg Michael Dods <i>Lewis Edmunds</i> C&D winner. Three wins from 17 runs last year, latest at Wolverhampton in December. 9/4, again ran creditably when fourth of 8 in handicap at same course (5.1f) 25 days ago. Proving largely consistent so should go well again.		
5	6	<b>GANESHA (21)</b> (CD)		<b>93</b>
		5590640-3 4 9-4   59.0kg Phillip Makin <i>Rowan Scott</i> C&D winner. 15/2, offered something to work on returning from 10 weeks off (had breathing operation in the interim) when third of 10 in handicap at this C&D 3 weeks ago. Player if building on that from his much-reduced mark.		
6	7	<b>GUSTAV GRAVES (11)</b> (CD)		<b>98</b>
		89-512229 7 8-12   56.2kg Derek Shaw <i>Joanna Mason</i> C&D winner. Four wins from 18 runs last year. Found run of good form coming to a halt when ninth of 10 in handicap at Wolverhampton (5.1f, 17/2) 11 days ago, not ideally placed. Bounce back required.		
7	4	<b>NO SPEED LIMIT (FR) (7)</b> (D)	v	<b>91</b>
		065-66036 10 8-4(7-13)   52.6kg (50.3kg) P. J. McKenna, Ireland <i>Jack Doughty</i> (3lb/1kg) Sixteen runs since last win in 2023. 66/1, below form sixth of 11 in claimer at Dundalk (6f) 7 days ago, doing too much too soon. Not easy to make a case for. Engaged 7.30 here Thursday.		

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Darlo Pride, 7-2 Frank The Spark, 4-1 Ganesha, 5-1 Gustav Graves, 10-1 Keldeo, 14-1 Princess Karine, 16-1 No Speed Limit

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A trappy sprint in which the suggestion is DARLO PRIDE, who has been largely consistent since landing a double in December and Michael Dods' 5-y-o can add career victory number 7 to his tally at the expense of Ganesha, who offered something to work on returning from 10 weeks off from a much-reduced mark when third over C&D recently. The returning Keldeo looks best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DARLO PRIDE 2. GANESHA 3. KELDEO

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3









BETUK: IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS HANDICAP (5) 4yo+  
(Rated 0-68) £7,100 6f (1210 Metres)



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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	5	<b>SIBYL CHARM (IRE) (20)</b> (CD)			<b>95</b>
		55096-763	5	9-9	61.2kg
		Iain Jardine		<b>Andrew Mullen</b>	
		C&D winner. Three wins from 13 runs last year. 8/1, creditable third of 10 in C&D handicap 20 days ago. Respected.			
2	4	<b>KATS BOB (15)</b> (CD)	v		<b>100</b>
		974422-81	7	9-9	61.2kg
		Ruth Carr		<b>William Pyle (3lb/1kg)</b>	
		First run since leaving Iain Jardine when won 8-runner C&D handicap 15 days ago. A 2 lb nudge may not prevent him following up.			
3	3	<b>TOMORROW DAY (6)</b> (CD, BF)	v+t		<b>99</b>
		5-2132342	4	9-9	61.2kg
		Mark Usher		<b>Non Runner</b>	
		NON RUNNER.			
4	7	<b>PRINCE OF BEL LIR (IRE) (18)</b> (D)	b		<b>98</b>
		3020-1388	7	9-8	60.8kg
		Joseph Parr		<b>Luke Morris</b>	
		Latest win at Wolverhampton in January. Creditable third at Kempton next time but hasn't beaten a rival in 2 runs since. Needs a change of headgear (first-time blinkers for cheekpieces) to help spark a revival.			
5	6	<b>ASADJUMEIRAH (8)</b> (CD)	t		<b>96</b>
		7-8171455	7	8-13	56.7kg
		Antony Brittain		<b>Cam Hardie</b>	
		Two C&D wins this year and latest fifth of 11 here was also creditable.			
6	1	<b>WILD MOUNTAIN (IRE) (52)</b> (D, BF)	s+t		<b>98</b>
		0694427-4	6	8-5	53.1kg
		P. J. McKenna, Ireland		<b>Jack Doughty (3lb/1kg)</b>	
		One win from 26 Flat runs. Respectable fourth of 14 in handicap at Dundalk (6f, 9/2) 52 days ago. Makes tapeta debut. Engaged 8.30 here Thursday.			
7	2	<b>TANTOMILE (6)</b> (D)	h		<b>98</b>
		3484-5251	4	8-5	53.1kg
		Richard Fahey		<b>Ethan Tindall (7lb/3kg)</b>	
		10/3 and hooded first time, career best when winning 9-runner apprentice handicap at Southwell (6f) under Ethan Tindall last Saturday. Escapes a penalty so should make another bold bid.			

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Kats Bob, 3-1 Tantomile, 9-2 Wild Mountain, 6-1 Sibyl Charm, 9-1 Asadjumeirah, 11-1 Prince of Bel Lir

TIMEFORM VIEW:

It's possibly best to focus on last-time-out winners KATS BOB and Tantomile, with the former taken to make it 2-2 since joining Ruth Carr.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KATS BOB 2. TANTOMILE 3. SIBYL CHARM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:						
2024	<b>Mumayaz</b>	5-9-9	7-2f	Tony Carroll	Hollie Doyle	10
2023	<b>Merry Secret</b>	5-9-6	11-4	Lawrence Mullaney	S. B. Kirrane (3)	7
2022	<b>Atrafan</b>	8-9-7	15-2	Alan Brown	Dale Swift	10
2021	<b>Absolute Dream</b>	5-8-13	11-2	Richard Fahey	Paul Hanagan	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 4

WEEKLY FREE BETS WITH BETMGM NOVICE STAKES (4) 3yo  
£10,500 1m5y (1610 Metres)



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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	5	<b>ADVANCING (23)</b> (D)	99
	1	3 9-10   61.7kg	<b>Daniel Muscutt</b>
James Ferguson Won 12-runner maiden (13/2) at Kempton (8f) on debut 23 days ago. Should progress so he's well in the mix.			
2	8	<b>NORDIC NORM (27)</b> (CD)	100
	1	3 9-10   61.7kg	<b>Sam James</b>
K. R. Burke 10/11, won 7-runner maiden at this C&D on debut 27 days ago, driven out. Likely to improve. Very much one to consider.			
3	9	<b>CAMERON HIGHLANDER</b>	92
	3	9-4   59.0kg	<b>Finley Marsh</b>
Paul & Oliver Cole 90,000 gns yearling, Too Darn Hot colt. Half-brother to 3 winners, including winner up to 1m Sporting Chance and winner up to 9f Eidikos, both useful. Dam 1½m winner. Newcomer is one to note, especially if the market vibes are positive.			
4	4	<b>MY KINDA GHAIY (IRE) (13)</b>	95
	4	3 9-4   59.0kg	<b>Jason Hart</b>
Hugo Palmer Promising Ghaiyyath colt who came in fourth of 9 in maiden at Southwell (8.1f, 20/1) on his debut 13 days ago, caught further back than ideal. Sure to do better. Player.			
5	3	<b>ONE TRUE THING (IRE) (226)</b>	65
	0-	3 9-4   59.0kg	<b>Cam Hardie</b>
Ollie Pears 66/1, tenth of 11 in maiden at Catterick (7f, good to firm) on debut. Off 7 months.			
6	6	<b>RAHIEBB</b>	98
	3	9-4   59.0kg	<b>Jack Mitchell</b>
Roger Varian Frankel colt. Half-brother to 2-y-o 7f winner Spinto Soprano. Dam, 9f-10.4f winner, half-sister to very smart winner up to 1¾m (stayed 2m) Ispolini. Highly respected on debut.			
7	1	<b>TOPTEAM (IRE)</b>	93
	3	9-4   59.0kg	<b>Callum Hutchinson</b>
Andrew Balding €125,000 yearling, Oasis Dream colt. Dam maiden half-sister to smart winner up to 1¼m (stays 1½m) King's Gambit. Considered newcomer.			
8	7	<b>TROJAN SOLDIER (133)</b>	60
	670-	3 9-4   59.0kg	<b>Jack Garritty</b>
Jedd O'Keeffe Thrice-raced maiden. 125/1, thirteenth of 16 in maiden at Doncaster (7f, soft), merely closing up late. Off 133 days.			
9	2	<b>BLU CHIC (IRE) (18)</b>	70
	7	3 8-13   56.7kg	<b>Harry Russell</b>
Ollie Pears 28/1, seventh of 8 in maiden at Wolverhampton (9.5f) on debut 18 days ago. Needs a big step forward.			

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Nordic Norm, 7-2 Advancing, 4-1 Rahiebb, 6-1 My Kinda Ghaiy, 17-2 Topteam, 9-1 Cameron Highlander, 150-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Lots of potential on show and the vote goes to Hugo Palmer's son of Ghaiyyath MY KINDA GHAIY who shaped well on his debut when fourth at Southwell and can take a sizeable step forward now. Roger Varian's Frankel newcomer Rahiebb could emerge as the main danger ahead of recent debut scorers Advancing and Nordic Norm.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MY KINDA GHAIY 2. RAHIEBB 3. ADVANCING

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Inisherin 3-9-6	4-6f	Kevin Ryan	Tom Eaves	7
2023	Canberra Legend 3-9-7	8-11f	James Ferguson	Daniel Muscutt	8
2022	Oceania Legend 3-9-9	9-4	James Ferguson	Daniel Muscutt	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 5









BETUK. IT'S WHERE THE UK BETS CLASSIFIED STAKES (6)  
4yo+ (Rated 0-50) £7,350 7f14y (1420 Metres)



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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1	1	<b>BERNIE THE BEAR (IRE) (8)</b> (C, D)	<b>95</b>
	52-277265	5 9-9   61.2kg	
	Linda Perratt	<i>Paul Mulrennan</i>	
	Course winner. Twenty three runs since last win in 2023. 4/1, bit below form fifth of 9 in minor event at this course (6f) 8 days ago, outpaced 2f out but plugging on. Return to 7f will hold no fears but others appeal more for win purposes.		
2	8	<b>LAURA'S BREEZE (IRE) (8)</b> (D)	<b>98</b>
	2733-6652	5 9-9   61.2kg	
	Liam Bailey	<i>Billy Garritty</i>	
	Modest mare. Fifteen runs since last win in 2024. 9/2, creditable second of 9 in minor event at this course (6f) 8 days ago, no match for winner. Enters calculations.		
3	3	<b>MARCELLO SI (31)</b> (CD)	<b>77</b>
	41698-885	7 9-9   61.2kg	s
	Michael Dods	<i>Clifford Lee</i>	
	C&D winner. Three wins from 10 runs last year. Fifth of 10 in handicap (12/1) at this C&D 31 days ago. Cheekpieces back on but others arrive with more pressing claims.		
4	6	<b>MARGOT ROBBIE (21)</b>	<b>100</b>
	036/4-2	5 9-9   61.2kg	s
	Geoff Oldroyd	<i>P. J. McDonald</i>	
	Very lightly raced for her age and much improved after 13 months off/with cheekpieces fitted when second of 10 in handicap at Southwell (7.1f) 21 days ago, edged out post. Capable of winning a race of this nature on that evidence and shortlisted here.		
5	7	<b>SECRET DAAY (8)</b>	<b>77</b>
	06078-408	6 9-9   61.2kg	b
	David Thompson	<i>David Allan</i>	
	Poor gelding. Remains a maiden after 31 Flat runs. Eighth of 10 in minor event (40/1) at this course (6f) 8 days ago. Plenty to find on form.		
6	2	<b>WEDGEWOOD SAPPHIRE (FR) (17)</b>	<b>97</b>
	84150-082	4 9-9   61.2kg	
	Tony Carroll	<i>Luke Morris</i>	
	Modest filly who has stepped up with each start since returning from an absence, second of 10 in minor event at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 17 days ago. Can get involved again with a repeat.		
7	4	<b>WILLOW BABY (IRE) (27)</b>	<b>92</b>
	5385650-0	5 9-9   61.2kg	
	Jason Ward	<i>David Nolan</i>	
	Modest mare. 10/1, showed nothing after 6 months off when last of 12 in minor event at this course (5f) 27 days ago. Significantly back up in trip.		
8	5	<b>YAAHOBBY (IRE) (8)</b> (CD)	<b>95</b>
	573-52849	6 9-9   61.2kg	h+t
	Antony Brittain	<i>Cam Hardie</i>	
	C&D winner. Twelve runs since last win in 2024. 6/1, ninth of 10 in minor event at this course (6f) 8 days ago, not clear run. Possibilities on pick of form.		

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Laura's Breeze, 7-2 Margot Robbie, 4-1 Wedgewood Sapphire, 13-2 Bernie The Bear, 8-1 Yaahobby, 14-1 Marcello Si, 16-1 Willow Baby, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MARGOT ROBBIE showed improved form on the back of a lengthy absence when just touched off at Southwell 21 days ago and, easily one of the least exposed, she's selected to come out on top. Laura's Breeze following her recent second over 6f here and Wedgewood Sapphire can emerge as the chief threats.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MARGOT ROBBIE 2. LAURA'S BREEZE 3. WEDGEWOOD SAPPHIRE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	<b>Broxi</b> 6-9-9	22-1	Ivan Furtado	Elle-May Croot (7)	12
2023	<b>Lucky Lucky Lucky</b> 4-9-2	6-1	Nigel Tinkler	Rowan Scott	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6










BETMGM: IT'S SHOWTIME CLASSIFIED STAKES (6) 4yo+  
(Rated 0-50) £9,000 1m5y (1610 Metres)



Going: **Standard**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Weak**

1	5	<b>MARTIN'S BRIG (IRE) (6)</b> (CD)	b	<b>93</b>
	78-253541	8 9-13   63.0kg	<b>Rhys Elliott</b> (7lb/3kg)	
With Rhys Elliott on board, opened his account for the year when making all in 8-runner handicap (11/1) at this C&D 6 days ago by length from Pop Favorite. Can make another bold bid returned to this grade.				
2	4	<b>DANEHILL STAR (IRE) (19)</b>	s	<b>97</b>
	0257-5167	4 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Jack Doughty</b> (3lb/1kg)	
Off the mark at Lingfield in January. However, well below form when seventh of 9 in handicap (12/1) at Lingfield (10f) 19 days ago. Bounce back called for as he returns to this shorter distance.				
3	1	<b>FIFTY SENT (3)</b> (C)	b	 <b>100</b>
	52-677432	6 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Amie Waugh</b> (3lb/1kg)	
Sole success came at this course (10.2f) in 2023 when trained by Michael Dods. However, only narrowly denied when second of 12 in minor event (7/1) at Southwell (8.1f) 3 days ago. Can make his presence felt.				
4	3	<b>MORNING SUIT (IRE) (25)</b>	v+t	<b>65</b>
	7708800-9	4 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Grace McEntee</b>	
Twelve runs since his only victory in 2023 and has been struggling for form, ninth of 11 in minor event (20/1) at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 25 days ago. Looks to be up against it.				
5	7	<b>POP FAVORITE (6)</b> (CD)	b	<b>98</b>
	705-47622	7 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Mikkel Mortensen</b> (5lb/2kg)	
Six-time C&D winner. Confirmed return to form when length second of 8 to Martin's Brig in handicap (9/1) at this C&D 6 days ago, having to wait for gap 2f out. Could be ready to take advantage of this drop back in grade.				
6	6	<b>RETIREMENT BECKONS (21)</b> (CD)		<b>93</b>
	736447-70	10 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Paul Mulrennan</b>	
Seventeen runs since last win in 2024, which came at this C&D. Failed to come on for recent run when last of 10 in minor event (50/1) here 3 weeks ago, though had hopeless task from position. Others still preferred.				
7	8	<b>TOP GUN TINA (6)</b>		<b>97</b>
	660-49483	5 9-9   61.2kg	<b>Jonny Peate</b>	
Remains a maiden but ran one of better races when 2¾ lengths third of 8 to Martin's Brig in handicap (25/1) at this C&D 6 days ago, despite needing stronger gallop. Task is now to build on latest effort.				
8	2	<b>URBAN DANDY (IRE) (15)</b> (C)	s	<b>98</b>
	252-59427	5 9-9   61.2kg	<b>David Nolan</b>	
Course winner but 27 runs since last success in 2023. Lesser effort when seventh of 11 in handicap (11/2) at this C&D 15 days ago, though went close here on penultimate start so he could fare better back down in grade.				

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Martin's Brig, 7-2 Pop Favorite, 4-1 Fifty Sent, 6-1 Urban Dandy, 13-2 Top Gun Tina, 11-1 Danehill Star, 28-1 Morning Suit, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

POP FAVORITE has returned to form with runner-up efforts at this C&D on his last 2 starts, meeting trouble in running on his latest outing, so he is taken to go one better as he drops back into a classified event. Fifty Sent was beaten by only a nose at Southwell 3 days ago and could be thereabouts once more, with Martin's Brig also considered.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. POP FAVORITE 2. FIFTY SENT 3. MARTIN'S BRIG

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Ana Emaraaty	4-9-9	2-1f	Jim Goldie	Paul Mulrennan	9
2023	Agonyclite	4-9-2	6-1	Ben Haslam	Paul Mulrennan	11



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RACE 7

**GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETMGM HANDICAP (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-72) £7,100 7f14y (1420 Metres)**



Going: **Standard**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	4	<b>KING'S SCHOOL (8)</b> (CD)	t		<b>100</b>
		411-43895 4 9-9   61.2kg <b>Gemma Tutty</b> Two-time C&D winner. Latest win here in December. Shaped as if in back in form when unsuited by the way the race developed, finishing fifth of 6 in handicap at this C&D 8 days ago. Remains of interest racing off his last winning mark.		<b>Kaiya Fraser (3lb/1kg)</b>	
2	3	<b>BIPLANE (USA) (3)</b> (CD)	s		<b>98</b>
		68-341284 7 9-8   60.8kg <b>John Wainwright</b> C&D winner. Latest win here in February. Stayed on into a respectable fourth of 8 in handicap at this course (6f) 3 days ago, having not been ideally placed. Respected back up in trip. NON RUNNER.		<b>Non Runner</b>	
3	7	<b>TASEVER (15)</b> (CD)	s		<b>98</b>
		73-141223 5 9-7   60.3kg <b>Patrick Morris</b> 4-time course winner. Latest win here in January. Creditable length third of 6 to Streak Lightning in handicap (15/8) at this C&D 15 days ago and likely to run well again.		<b>Warren Fentiman (5lb/2kg)</b>	
4	2	<b>STREAK LIGHTNING (IRE) (15)</b> (CD)	s		<b>99</b>
		833-22561 8 9-7   60.3kg <b>Ruth Carr</b> 4-time C&D winner. Fairly consistent sort got his head back in front over C&D (13/2) 15 days ago, coming with a well-timed run to lead close home. Up 3 lb and merits consideration.		<b>Joanna Mason</b>	
5	9	<b>POWER OF ZEUS (13)</b>			<b>90</b>
		815/470-0 4 9-7   60.3kg <b>Harriet Bethell</b> Offered little on first run since leaving Brian Ellison when last of 12 in handicap at Southwell (7.1f, 80/1) 13 days ago, having been slowly away. Others preferred.		<b>Cam Hardie</b>	
6	6	<b>REBECCA'S GIRL (IRE) (15)</b> (CD, BF)	b		<b>97</b>
		123-34113 5 9-5   59.4kg <b>Gary Rutherford</b> C&D winner. Latest win here in February. Far from disgraced when seeking hat-trick at this course (6f) 15 days ago, finishing third of 7 in handicap. Arrives in great heart.		<b>Rhys Elliott (7lb/3kg)</b>	
7	8	<b>GUNDOGAN (58)</b>			<b>89</b>
		5221435-0 4 9-4   59.0kg <b>Simon Pearce</b> Winner at Carlisle in August. 25/1, first run since leaving Edward Bethell when last of 11 in handicap at Kempton (6f) 58 days ago. Difficult to fancy on most recent evidence.		<b>Paddy Bradley</b>	
8	1	<b>BOBBY JOE LEG (4lb/2kg ex) (6)</b> (CD)	b		<b>98</b>
		47-634841 11 9-4   59.0kg <b>Ruth Carr</b> Veteran is an 8-time C&D winner including when landing a 0-65 handicap (6/1) at this C&D 6 days ago, capitalising on his falling handicap mark. Carries a 4lb penalty and steps back up in grade.		<b>James Sullivan</b>	
9	5	<b>BOWMAN (IRE) (15)</b> (D)			<b>96</b>
		323608-96 7 8-8   54.4kg <b>Patrick Morris</b> Looked a hard ride when last over C&D 15 days ago and hasn't shown much since joining this yard. Best to look elsewhere.		<b>Andrew Mullen</b>	

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

3-1 Streak Lightning, 7-2 Tasever, 5-1 Bobby Joe Leg, 5-1 Rebecca's Girl, 13-2 King's School, 22-1 Bowman, 40-1 bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Providing this isn't run at a crawl, a couple of hold up performers may come to the fore, with KING'S SCHOOL, who is back on his latest winning mark, taken to get the better of last-time out winner Streak Lightning. The consistent Tasever looks best of the rest.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. KING'S SCHOOL 2. STREAK LIGHTNING 3. TASEVER

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race