

Wednesday 11th February

HEREFORD

1.30	HEREFORD EASTER MONDAY FAMILY RACEDAY FILLIES' JUVENILE MAIDEN HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m53y (3270 Metres)
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RACE 1 (9) WHITLETTS | (7) THE PROCRASTINATOR | (1) ANNIE'S ANGEL

2.00	SILVERSHINE TURF SERVICES MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 3m1f119y (5140 Metres)
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RACE 2 (3) SEANIECON | (2) DOUGLAS HYDE | (1) BRESILIAN

2.30	SPA MOTORS HEREFORD NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 3m1f44y (5070 Metres)
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RACE 3 (5) KAVIAR WOOD | (6) HARDY BUCK | (1) SEASMOKE

3.00	BLACKMORE BUILDING CONTRACTORS NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m53y (3270 Metres)
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RACE 4 (3) GLANCING JACK | (7) LAU AND SHAZ | (14) SUPERKAP

3.30	HEREFORD LADIES DAY SATURDAY 7th MARCH MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m5f163y (4370 Metres)
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RACE 5 (3) BROADWAY HONEY | (1) SPRINGTIME LEGEND | (4) LYDEARD GIRL

4.00	RICHARD LAYTON CHARITY RACEDAY 16th APRIL HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2½m194y (4200 Metres)
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RACE 6 (1) BENIGNITAS | (4) KINGCORMAC | (6) EVERYONESACRITIC

4.33	GREEN DRAGON HOTEL HEREFORD HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)
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RACE 7 (6) KEL DU LARGE | (2) KING JON OLIVER | (4) LUCKY BERE

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.

1.30

RACE 1

**HEREFORD EASTER MONDAY FAMILY RACEDAY FILLIES'
JUVENILE MAIDEN HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo fillies**
£10,000 2m53y (3270 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: Heavy (Soft in places)

Hereford's right-handed circuit of about a mile and a half is almost square and has nine fences, of which the first after the winning post is taken on a turn. The home turn, which is on falling ground, is pretty sharp but the other bends are easy. Races have a tendency to be well run and the ground can get very testing in midwinter. The course restarted racing in October 2016 after a four-year hiatus.

Pace Information: Very Weak

1	ANNIE'S ANGEL (IRE) (13)	82
6	4 11-2 70.8kg	
	Adrian McGuinness, Ireland	<i>James Bowen</i>
Fairly useful Flat winner (stays 11.5f) for Joseph O'Brien who showed a bit starting out in this sphere for new yard when sixth of 12 in juvenile hurdle at Thurles (15.8f, heavy) 13 days ago. Feasible to think she can do better but handicaps may be more her bag further down the line.		
2	ATHENA'S DREAM (27)	81
458	4 11-2 70.8kg	
	Harriet Dickin	<i>James Best</i>
Ulysses filly who finished midfield on her only start in bumpers but went the wrong way from her hurdles bow when eighth of 12 in a Wincanton maiden (15.2f) 4 weeks ago. Another who will be better off in handicaps in due course.		
3	CANTALICE (86)	79
4	4 11-2 70.8kg	b
	Ella Pickard	<i>Miss Megan Bevan</i> (7lb/3kg)
Well beaten in 4 starts on the Flat for Marco Botti during first half of last year and inauspicious start for new yard when fourth of 5 in juvenile hurdle at Leicester (15.5f, soft) on NH debut 86 days ago, left behind 4 out. Blinkers go back on now.		
4	ISABELLA ISLAY (56)	79
9	4 11-2 70.8kg	t
	Clive Boultbee-Brooks	<i>Richard Patrick</i>
Scalo filly who was tongue tied for debut and ultimately shaped like a longer-term project when ninth of 11 in juvenile hurdle at Ludlow (15.8f, soft) 56 days ago, running green. This promises to reveal more.		
5	MYA DU CLOS (FR) (28)	81
785	4 11-2 70.8kg	h
	Christian Williams	<i>Jack Tudor</i>
Well held in a Stratford bumper and Ludlow juvenile hurdle first 2 starts but she did show more despite being very fractious beforehand when fifth of 8 in juvenile hurdle at Newbury (16.3f) 4 weeks ago. Hood now reached for but she's the type to do better in handicaps/over further.		
6	PRETTYLADY (FR) (12)	79
6	4 11-2 70.8kg	t
	Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero	<i>Toby Wynne</i>
Fair maiden on Flat in France (stays 9.5f) but proved friendless in the betting after 8 months off and ultimately finished well held when sixth of 9 in juvenile hurdle at Catterick (15.7f) 12 days ago. Best watched for now with a tongue strap added.		
7	THE PROCRASTINATOR (27) (D)	87
16	4 11-2 70.8kg	
	Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole	<i>Luke Scott</i> (3lb/1kg)
Postponed filly who showed a good attitude to make a winning debut in a 10-runner Doncaster bumper back in November. Didn't find things panning out ideally when midfield under a penalty at Ludlow (15.8f) 4 weeks ago but she appeals as the type to make her mark now hurdling.		
8	UPTON'S MIGHTY OAK (25)	79
40	4 11-2 70.8kg	
	Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole	<i>Charlie Hammond</i>
Hinted at promise when a debut fourth of 12 in bumper here in December but looked badly in need of the experience when eleventh of 13 in novice hurdle at Taunton (16.5f, soft) on hurdles bow 25 days ago. Passed over.		
9	WHITLETTS (56)	100
32	4 11-2 70.8kg	h
	Dan Skelton	<i>Tristan Durrell</i>
Nathaniel filly who shaped with plenty of encouragement in finishing placed both starts over hurdles late last year, equipped with a first-time hood when second of 11 in juvenile hurdle at Ludlow (15.8f, soft) 56 days ago. Likely she can do better again and obvious claims here.		

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-5 Whitletts, **4-1** The Procrastinator, **10-1** Annie's Angel, **11-1** Athena's Dream, **14-1** Mya Du Clos, **22-1** Cantalice, **25-1** Prettylady, **25-1** Isabella Islay, **28-1** Upton's Mighty Oak

TIMEFORM VIEW:

WHITLETTS did better with her debut run under her belt equipped with a first-time hood when second in a Ludlow juvenile back in December and very much appealing as the type to progress further for her leading stable, she looks to hold sound claims of going one place better. Bumper scorer The Procrastinator could well emerge as the chief danger.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WHITLETTS 2. THE PROCRASTINATOR 3. ANNIE'S ANGEL

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Analiese 4-11-0	4-1	Mel Rowley	Charlie Deutsch	11
2024	Spiced Rum 4-11-0	4-1	Stuart Kittow	David Noonan	14
2023	Circus Act 4-11-0	7-2	James A. Nash	Gavin Peter Brouder (5)	8
2022	Pump It Up 4-10-12	9-4f	Richard Spencer	James Best	7
2021	Raffles Gitane 4-10-12	5-4f	Harry Whittington	Daryl Jacob	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.00**SILVERSHINE TURF SERVICES MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 5yo+**
£10,000 3m1f119y (5140 Metres)

RACE 2

GBI RACING**Going: Heavy (Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1	BRESILANT (22)	85
	54 9 11-4 71.7kg	
	Venetia Williams	Charlie Deutsch
	Blue Bresil gelding who has finished no better than midfield in pair of maiden/novice hurdles on the back of a near 4-year layoff in recent months. Passed over with handicaps an option after this.	
2	DOUGLAS HYDE (IRE) (43)	92
	222-332 6 11-4 71.7kg	
	Rebecca Curtis	Ben Jones
	Irish point winner who finished runner-up all 3 starts in bumpers last term and surpassed form displayed on first 2 runs over hurdles when finishing a good second on handicap debut at Haydock (24.3f) 6 weeks ago. Likely he can do better still at staying trips.	
3	SEANIECON (IRE) (27)	100
	2 5 11-4 71.7kg	
	Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.
	€62,000 purchase after getting off the mark in Irish points at second attempt (May 2025) and he made a promising Rules debut when second of 13 in a Ludlow maiden (21.2f) 4 weeks ago. Step up in trip rates a plus on that evidence and he's the one to beat with progress anticipated.	
4	SHUILE WARRIOR (27)	44
	3P/9 8 11-4 71.7kg	
	Simon Edwards	Mr Huw Edwards (7lb/3kg)
	Point winner but he's shown little in a pair of 2m5f Ludlow maiden hurdles, only ninth of 13 on latter occasion 27 days ago. Big step forward is needed.	

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:**4-9 Seaniecon, 7-2 Douglas Hyde, 15-2 Bresilant, 50-1 bar****TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Successful on the second of 2 starts in Irish points, SEANIECON made a promising first start under Rules when runner-up in a Ludlow maiden 4 weeks ago, in the process shaping like this step up in trip would be firmly in his favour. He earns the vote with progress firmly anticipated. Douglas Hyde's Haydock second was his best effort yet and he can provide chief resistance.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. SEANIECON 2. DOUGLAS HYDE 3. BRESILANT****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Tommy The Tank	7-11-4	8-13f	Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole	Charlie Hammond	7
2024	Illico de Cotte	6-11-4	10-11f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.30**SPA MOTORS HEREFORD NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (5)**
5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 3m1f44y (5070 Metres)

RACE 3

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1	SEASMOKE (IRE) (12) 143P-3123	t	95
	8 12-0 76.2kg		<i>Gavin Sheehan</i>
	Billy Aprahamian		Winning hurdler who built on promise of her debut in this sphere when scoring at Market Rasen in November. Another solid effort when runner-up at Southwell the following month before shaping as if still in good form on heavy ground at Ffos Las. Shortlist material.
2	THE MOONLIGHT MAN (IRE) (15) PAPP	t	83
	7 12-0 76.2kg		<i>Lorcan Williams</i>
	Joe Tickle		Winning pointer but has shown little in 4 starts under Rules. Makes handicap/chase debut. Tongue strap on for 1st time.
3	SUBTLE FORTUNE (22) 671-44	84	
	8 12-0 76.2kg		<i>Mr Darren Andrews (7lb/3kg)</i>
	Mel Rowley		Showed improved form to get off the mark at Uttoxeter (22.2f, heavy) in last December. That was a weak race, however, and she offered little after a year off both starts this term. Makes chase debut.
4	JOHNNY BOY (FR) (12) 6/764-76P	82	
	7 11-13 75.7kg		<i>Charlie Deutsch</i>
	Venetia Williams		Fair maiden hurdler who added to a patchy record at Ffos Las 12 days ago. Makes chase debut.
5	KAVIAR WOOD (FR) (17) (BF) 074424	93	
	6 11-3 71.2kg		<i>Conor Ring</i>
	Evan Williams		Maiden pointer who posted easily his best effort in this sphere when second at Sedgefield on Boxing Day. Backed that up when fourth there next time and goes chasing now (maiden pointer).
6	HARDY BUCK (IRE) (20) 6578P172	s	100
	8 10-8 67.1kg		<i>Freddie Mitchell (3lb/1kg)</i>
	Max Comley		Had fallen a long way in the weights (still 2 lb out of the handicap) when recording a first career success on stable debut in a conditional jockeys' handicap hurdle at Exeter. Not in same form next 2 starts, though, remote second back chasing at Huntingdon 3 weeks ago.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Seasmoke, **11-4** Hardy Buck, **3-1** Kaviar Wood, **10-1** Johnny Boy, **16-1** Subtle Fortune, **20-1** The Moonlight Man

TIMEFORM VIEW:

KAVIAR WOOD has improved over hurdles of late and he has the potential to do better again now chasing/up in trip. Hardy Buck is proven under these conditions so may emerge as the biggest threat ahead of Seasmoke.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KAVIAR WOOD 2. HARDY BUCK 3. SEASMOKE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Puddlesinthepark	7-10-12	17-2	Evan Williams	Adam Wedge	10
2024	Glance From Clover	9-11-11	15-2	Alastair Ralph	Alex Edwards	10
2023	Unblinking	10-10-13	5-1	Robert Bevis	Tom Bellamy	6
2022	Fuji Flight	7-11-12	2-1	Venetia Williams	Charlie Deutsch	5
2021	Minella Bobo	8-11-7	6-1	Rebecca Curtis	Sean Bowen	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 4

BLACKMORE BUILDING CONTRACTORS NOVICES' HURDLE
(4) 4yo+ £10,000 2m53y (3270 Metres)

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Pace Information: Even

1	EMERALD WARRIOR (IRE) (319)	88
27-	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Dominic Elsworth	<i>Tom Bellamy</i>
Gambled on and made an encouraging start to career when second in bumper at Hereford but only seventh at Uttoxeter since. Off 10 months. Makes hurdles debut.		
2	GARAVOGUE (IRE) (22)	84
58	8 11-3 71.2kg	
	Nick Schofield	<i>Lee Edwards</i>
Half-brother to fairly useful hurdler/smart chaser Drop Out Joe (2½m-3¼m winner). Looks the type for handicaps at longer trips given how he's shaped so far.		
3	GLANCING JACK (30) (C, D)	100
1-52	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Tom Symonds	<i>Ben Poste</i>
Big price but created a good impression as he made a winning start in bumper here over a year ago, quickening clear. Positive start over hurdles when second in novice over C&D last month and there's better to come.		
4	GOLLY GOSH (IRE) (9)	79
0-76	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Billy Aprahamian	<i>Gavin Sheehan</i>
Well held in a Warwick bumper and 2 maiden hurdles.		
5	HOBBSO'S DAY (18)	84
26	6 11-3 71.2kg	
	Alastair Ralph	<i>Ciaran Gethings</i>
Made a promising start to career when second of 4 in bumper at Newton Abbot on debut in October for Tom Lacey but well held in similar event at Doncaster for new yard 18 days ago. Makes hurdles debut.		
6	KINGDOM OF STARS (FR) (18) (D)	86
P	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Kerry Lee	<i>Conor O'Farrell</i>
A fair 2m Flat winner for Tom Ward who signed off with a good second at Southwell (16.5f) in October. Changed hands for 32,000 gns but folded quickly on hurdles bow at Uttoxeter 18 days ago. Testing conditions a concern again.		
7	LAU AND SHAZ (IRE) (24)	99
3520-561F	6 11-3 71.2kg	
	Kayley Woollacott	<i>Harry Cobden</i>
Fair bumper performer for Gavin Cromwell and back to her best when making a successful stable debut in Wincanton novice on Boxing Day. Led until crumpling on landing 4 out at Windsor since and worth another chance.		
8	NANCEFORDSHIRE (67)	70
P	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Grace Harris	<i>Joe Anderson</i> (3lb/1kg)
Pulled up both starts in Irish points in spring 2025 and pulled up in novice hurdle (250/1) at Chepstow (19.4f, good to soft) on NH debut 67 days ago.		
9	VIVA VINCENTE (IRE) (13)	79
60	5 11-3 71.2kg	
	Evan Williams	<i>Conor Ring</i>
Cheap purchase given his good pedigree and down the field in bumper/maiden hurdle.		
10	LORO WHITE (8)	79
66	5 10-10 68.0kg	
	Olly Murphy	<i>Lewis Stones</i> (3lb/1kg)
Well held in bumper/novice hurdle.		

11	MOORSBROOK (19)	75
93/3-09	7 10-10 68.0kg	
	Mel Rowley	<i>Toby Wynne</i>
Promise with third at Cheltenham in bumper in April 2024 but well held both starts over hurdles after 20 months off.		
12	SILVER GALE (IRE) (19)	75
870	5 10-10 68.0kg	
	Katy Price	<i>Shane Quinlan</i> (3lb/1kg)
Third sole start in point bumpers but hasn't shown much in a bumper/novice hurdles.		
13	KENTUCKY RIVER (IRE) (23)	79
50	4 10-5 65.8kg	
	Olly Murphy	<i>Robert Dunne</i>
Fairly useful handicapper on Flat (stays 17f) for Ollie Sangster but low-key start over hurdles for this yard.		
14	SUPERKAP (FR) (275) (B)	86
4-2	4 10-5 65.8kg	
	Venetia Williams	<i>Charlie Deutsch</i>
Showed ability over hurdles in France and market can reveal expectations on yard debut after 9 months off.		

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Glancing Jack, 11-4 Lau And Shaz, 13-2 Superkap, 12-1 Emerald Warrior, 12-1 Hobson's Day, 22-1 Kingdom of Stars, 33-1 Kentucky River, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

GLANCING JACK made a promising start over hurdles when second in what was a better novice than this over C&D last month and can go one better. Penalised winner Lau And Shaz crumpled on landing at Windsor last time and is worth another chance, while Superkap is an interesting recruit from France.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GLANCING JACK 2. LAU AND SHAZ 3. SUPERKAP

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 5

**HEREFORD LADIES DAY SATURDAY 7th MARCH MARES'
HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated
0-100) £6,150 2m5f163y (4370 Metres)**
GBI RACING**Going: Heavy (Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1 SPRINGTIME LEGEND (41) h **96**
45625-46 6 12-0 | 76.2kg

 Neil Mulholland **Conor O'Farrell**
Close second on third start in mares' novice/maidens at Wincanton last winter. Looked reasonably well summed up by her opening mark last time, going in snatches when sixth of 8 in handicap hurdle at Windsor (20f, good) 41 days ago, but she'll appreciate a real test of stamina and this looks easier.

2 PARIKARMA (IRE) (436) s **96**
71645/144- 9 12-0 | 76.2kg

 Samuel Drinkwater **Miss Imogen Mathias (7lb/3kg)**
Off 14 months since a below-form fourth in handicap hurdle at Plumpton (20.5f) on her final run for John & Rhys Flint. Strong stayer at this trip and is weighted to go well though if ready to roll for her new stable, so betting check advised.

3 BROADWAY HONEY (IRE) (78)  **100**
8-533 6 11-13 | 75.7kg

 Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies **Sam Twiston-Davies**
Half-sister to the yard's smart staying chaser Broadway Boy and she showed a bit more than previously when third of 7 in novice hurdle at this course (19.7f, good, 25/1) 78 days ago. Type to improve now handicapping.

4 LYDEARD GIRL (34) **95**
8-7564 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

 Kayley Woollacott **Ben Godfrey**
Well held in 2 bumpers and has shaped with only a modicum of promise in 3 start over hurdles. Switch to handicapping likely needs to bring out bit more.

5 EZMERELDA (IRE) (16) s **79**
2F/4544-F4 6 10-10 | 68.0kg

 Sarah-Jayne Davies **James Best**
Modest hurdler at best for Alan King and she hasn't offered much in 3 starts for this yard, trailing home last of 4 (19.7f) here 2 weeks ago. Hard to fancy.

6 SHESUPINCOURT (12) s+t **92**
2-855483P 9 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)

 Ryan Potter **Ben Poste**
Placed over hurdles at Leicester in January but merely inconsistency reverted to chasing 10 days later, pulling up in a handicap at Ffos Las. Place claims on bits of her form but obviously comes with risks attached.

7 DAWN'S DESIRE (IRE) (55) **88**
F0-946 6 10-2(9-11) | 64.4kg (62.1kg)

 Robert Walford **Harry Kimber**
No promise over hurdles so far, faring no better on handicap debut when sixth of 9 at Fontwell (21.8f, soft) 65 days ago.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Broadway Honey, **4-1** Springtime Legend, **4-1** Parikarma, **9-2** Lydeard Girl, **15-2** Shesupincourt, **18-1** Dawn's Desire, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A thin race which can go the way of handicap newcomer BROADWAY HONEY, who hinted at more to come when third here last time. This should prove a more suitable task for Springtime Legend than on her handicap bow and she rates as the main threat, with another lightly-raced type Lydeard Girl perhaps best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BROADWAY HONEY 2. SPRINGTIME LEGEND 3. LYDEARD GIRL

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 Gata Ban 8-11-6	11-4f	Neil Mulholland	Richie McLernon	9
2024 Lady Balko 5-11-0	9-4f	David Pipe	Jack Tudor	14
2023 Maid of The Night 6-10-3	5-4f	Henry Daly	Tom O'Brien	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6

**RICHARD LAYTON CHARITY RACEDAY 16th APRIL HANDICAP
CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2½m194y (4200 Metres)**
GBI RACING**Going: Heavy (Soft in places)**

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Pace Information: Even

1	BENIGNITAS (IRE) (12) 33-62	9 12-0 76.2kg	 100	Rian Corcoran (7lb/3kg)
	Gordon Treacy			Point winner in January 2023 and showed ability in 2 starts switched to hurdles at Chepstow last season. Shaped well when chasing home a strong stayer at Ffos Las on chase debut 12 days ago (19.4f, heavy) and makes plenty of appeal provided he copes with quick turnaround.
2	COPPER COVE (IRE) (34) (BF) 7734-PA42	9 11-13 75.7kg	 100	Tom Bellamy
	Dominic Elsworth			Made more impact than for a while off reduced mark when second at Ffos Las (15.8f) 34 days ago, no match for rejuvenated winner but pulled clear of remainder. Interesting back over fences now (didn't show much on previous 2 starts in this sphere).
3	L'EMPIRE VERT (FR) (70) 7528-91F4	6 11-9 73.9kg	t	Richard Patrick
	Sheila Lewis			Improved when beating a weak field to win a novice handicap at Ludlow in November but has been badly let down by his jumping both starts since and others make greater appeal.
4	KINGCORMAC (IRE) (33) (CD) P25-17	10 11-8 73.5kg	98	Taylor Fisher
	Joe Tickle			Hard to catch right - only seventh of 11 in handicap chase at Exeter (17.5f, soft) 33 days ago - but has a good record here (2 wins and one second from 3 starts) and could well bounce back returned to this venue.
5	AHANAGLUGH (IRE) (30) 5-008	7 11-4 71.7kg	91	Tom Broughton (5lb/2kg)
	Fergal O'Brien			Placed both starts in points. Mid-field only start in bumpers and well held in 3 novice hurdles. Switches straight to fences for handicap debut. Any market support would be of note.
6	EVERYONESACRITIC (IRE) (10) (CD) 1122-7433	7 11-2 70.8kg	v	 96
	Evan Williams			Isabel Williams
	Won this race last season before following up at Leicester later in the month. Respectable effort when third of 7 in handicap chase at Market Rasen (19.2f, soft, 7/1) 10 days ago. Remains below last winning mark and is considered with visor on 1st time.			
7	JACK DOYEN (IRE) (63) (CD) 24/3223-F6	10 10-12 68.9kg	b	92
	Ben Case			Jack Quinlan
	C&D winner who made the frame all 4 starts last term. Fell too far out to suggest outcome on return but typically found little when well beaten at C&D 63 days ago. Others preferred.			
8	THREE ZAMBEZI'S (IRE) (68) 0989F3-0P	6 10-9 67.6kg	91	Jack Tudor
	Christian Williams			Poor maiden hurdler but has a pointing background and certainly not over-faced for handicap/chase debut. Others still make more appeal, though.
9	GREENWAYS (IRE) (113) (C) 331395PS	7 10-9 67.6kg	92	Ben Poste
	Ryan Potter			Scored over fences for current yard at Uttoxeter in July but arrives out of sorts, failing to beat a rival over hurdles at Exeter last time. Difficult to fancy after 113-day absence.
10	EST ILLIC (IRE) (27) 3732/47-75	12 10-5 65.8kg	b	79
	Sarah-Jayne Davies			James Best
	Temperamental veteran who is winless since 2020 and easy to oppose following 2 low-key runs at Ludlow this season.			

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Benignitas, 7-2 Copper Cove, 9-2 Kingcormac, 13-2 Everyonesacritic, 12-1 L'empire Vert, 14-1 Jack Doyen, 18-1 Greenways, 20-1 Ahanaglugh, 28-1 Three Zambezi's, 50-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BENIGNITAS made a pleasing start to life over fences at Ffos Las less than 2 weeks ago and is fancied to go one better this time with the good-value claimer Rian Corcoran retaining the ride. Kingcormac isn't the most predictable but tends to save his best for Hereford, so can't be ruled out, whilst last year's winner Everyonesacritic can be in the mix again sporting a first-time visor.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BENIGNITAS 2. KINGCORMAC 3. EVERYONESACRITIC

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Everyonesacritic	6-10-7	6-1	Evan Williams	Adam Wedge
2024	Divine Inspiration	7-11-11	2-1f	Richard Bandey	David Bass
2023	Family Pot	8-11-5	11-8f	Sheila Lewis	Sean Houlihan
2022	Joly Maker	8-11-9	8-1	Jonjo O'Neill	Jamie Brace (7)
2021	Arqalina	9-11-1	4-1f	Venetia Williams	Hugh Nugent (5)

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 7

GREEN DRAGON HOTEL HEREFORD HANDICAP HURDLE (4)
4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £7,700 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: Heavy (Soft in places)

Hereford's right-handed circuit of about a mile and a half is almost square and has nine fences, of which the first after the winning post is taken on a turn. The home turn, which is on falling ground, is pretty sharp but the other bends are easy. Races have a tendency to be well run and the ground can get very testing in midwinter. The course restarted racing in October 2016 after a four-year hiatus.

Pace Information: Even

1 BINGOO (45) (D) 99
10P3/U7P-2 10 12-0 | 76.2kg

 Robbie Llewellyn  Charlie Price
Bumper/4-time hurdles winner who had a quiet 2024/25 campaign, failing to complete on 2 of his 3 starts. However, he returned from 11-month absence for new yard when second of 4 in handicap hurdle at Leicester (15.5f, heavy, 7/2) in December and is entitled to build on that.

2 KING JON OLIVER (FR) (24) (D) 96
3-021 6 11-13 | 75.7kg

 Olly Murphy  Robert Dunne
Well held in a bumper but sold placed efforts over hurdles either side of that when trained by Mrs Lorna Fowler in Ireland and he turned over a short-priced rival starting out for Olly Murphy at Fakenham 3 weeks ago. Switches to a handicap and there should be more to come.

3 CANTY BAY (IRE) (23) 98
1F3172/4-8 9 11-10 | 74.4kg

 Emma Lavelle  Ben Jones
Dual winner over hurdles in 2023/24 but very lightly raced since, looking rusty on return from 15 months off over this trip at Lingfield in January.

4 LUCKY BERE (FR) (27) (D) 97
2233-381 5 11-10 | 74.4kg

 Kayley Woollacott  Harry Cobden
Twice a winner in the mud on the level in France and career best when winning 12-runner handicap hurdle at Wincanton (19.8f, heavy) 27 days ago, seemingly relishing the step up in trip. 7 lb rise shouldn't prevent a bold follow-up bid.

5 LIBRE DE CHOEUR (FR) (19) (BF) 95
33-526 6 11-7 | 73.0kg

 Clive Boultbee-Brooks  Richard Patrick
Third on sole start in points and has shaped like a stayer in the making to place on three of his 5 hurdle starts. Took a backward step at Warwick over 25f and he's now back in distance.

6 KEL DU LARGE (FR) (24) (C) 100
111/357 6 11-7 | 73.0kg

 Mrs Jane Williams  Ciaran Gethings
Won all his three starts in 2023/24, including a 2m juvenile hurdle at this venue. Back from a long absence in reasonable nick, fifth of 11 in 2m Cheltenham handicap in December before finding a steadily-run race against him at Windsor. Has a bigger performance in him.

7 OAKLEY (GER) (46) (CD) 96
2833-P310 8 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Evan Williams  Osian Radford (10lb/5kg)
Left first 2 efforts for this yard well behind when winning a C&D handicap in November. In nothing like the same form at Chepstow next time, though, and looks vulnerable from current mark.

8 DON RAFAEL (IRE) (59) (CD) 97
31946-313 6 10-13 | 69.4kg

 Samuel Drinkwater  Benjamin Macey (5lb/2kg)
Twice successful for Martin Keighley last year but was fortunate to resume winning ways on reappearance/stable debut over this C&D in November, scrambling home having been left in front last. Left on the same mark and did back that up when third at Southwell a month later.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 King Jon Oliver, 9-2 Kel Du Large, 5-1 Lucky Bere, 7-1 Bingo, 10-1 Libre De Choeur, 14-1 Carty Bay, 14-1 Don Rafael, 20-1 Oakley

TIMEFORM VIEW:

KEL DU LARGE is well treated on his bumper form and the strong feeling remains that the cards haven't fallen for him in handicaps so far. He's selected to get it right this time at the expense of King Jon Oliver and Lucky Bere.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KEL DU LARGE 2. KING JON OLIVER 3. LUCKY BERE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Oh My Johnny	5-11-10	7-2	Philip Hobbs & Johnson White	Micheal Nolan	10
2024	Soldierofthestorm	6-11-10	13-8f	Jonjo O'Neill	Jonjo O'Neill Jr.	7
2024	Fourfakind	5-11-10	13-8f	Harry Derham	Paul O'Brien	8
2023	Cabrakan	4-10-10	9-2	Milton Harris	Harry Reed	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race