

Wednesday 11th March

# NEWCASTLE



**5.00** MIDNITE A NEXT GENERATION BETTING APP HANDICAP (6) 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)

RACE 1 **(5) STAR CAST | (2) WAVE ROCK | (4) TEGGY LASSO**

**5.30** MAKE THE MOVE TO MIDNITE HANDICAP (6) 2m56y (3270 Metres)

RACE 2 **(2) COLINSKI | (1) BILLY BATHGATE | (5) FREE PIC**

**6.00** CREATE YOUR BET BUILDERS AT MIDNITE RESTRICTED MAIDEN STAKES (4) 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 3 **(1) MERLIER | (2) VINCIAMO | (4) CELTIC ARROW**

**6.30** READ MEG NICHOLLS' BLOG AT [betmgm.co.uk](http://betmgm.co.uk) FILLIES' HANDICAP (5) 7f14y (1420 Metres)

RACE 4 **(2) PARTY BEAR | (4) BEAR ROCK | (1) RENESMEE**

**7.00** BET £10 GET £40 WITH BETMGM HANDICAP (6) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 5 **(3) AUSPICIOUS | (4) CONTAINER EXPRESS | (5) GANTHORPE**

**7.30** MIDNITE: BUILT FOR 2026 NOT 2006 HANDICAP (6) 5f (1010 Metres)

RACE 6 **(6) FORTUNATE STAR | (4) MASTER DANDY | (3) AZUCENA**

**8.00** MIDNITE ARE UPPING THE BETTING GAME HANDICAP (6) 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 7 **(7) TOMORROW DAY | (4) INSTANT BOND | (3) THE GAY BLADE**

## 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.

**5.00****MIDNITE A NEXT GENERATION BETTING APP HANDICAP (6)  
4yo+ (Rated 0-60) £6,000 1¼m42y (2050 Metres)**

RACE 1

**GBI RACING**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: **Favours High** Pace Information: **Even**

**1 2 KAMEEL (26) (C)** **97**  
0075948-7 **4** 9-9 | 61.2kg



Jessica Macey

**Lewis Edmunds**

Course winner. Shaped as if in need of the run after 4 months off when a fading seventh of 8 in handicap at Wolverhampton (8.6f, 16/1) 26 days ago. Not ruled out with that run under his belt from a falling mark.

**2 5 WAVE ROCK (IRE) (22)** **93**  
8764-1 **4** 9-9 | 61.2kg



John Butler

**Luke Morris**

Lightly-raced sort who took a big step forward when getting off the mark in 8-runner handicap at Wolverhampton (9.5f, 11/2) 22 days ago. Up 4 lb but not taken lightly in his current mood.

**3 3 BRUNELLO BREEZE (46) (CD)** **91**  
80/3660-75 **7** 9-8 | 60.8kg



Liam Bailey

**Billy Garritty**

C&D winner. 28/1, fair fifth of 11 in handicap at this C&D 46 days ago, despite being very slowly away. Unreliable individual overall though.

**4 6 TEGGY LASSO (IRE) (7)** **92**  
0/7-74 **4** 9-8 | 60.8kg



Ivan Furtado

**Jason Hart**

Lightly-raced maiden. Back from 7 weeks off with a solid fourth of 9 on his handicap debut at Southwell (8.1f, 33/1) 7 days ago. Needs considering now stepping up in trip.

**5 4 STAR CAST (25) (CD)** **100**  
47490-137 **4** 9-7 | 60.3kg



Gemma Tutty

**Joanna Mason**

Capitalised on drop in the weights when getting off the mark over C&D in January. Left poorly placed when seventh in similar event there 25 days ago so she merits serious consideration eased 1 lb.

**6 8 LIEUTENANT LILY (25)** **93**  
8/237690-9 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Ben Haslam

**Andrew Mullen**

Placed on his first 2 starts last year but form went the wrong way in handicaps for Tom Ward. Fared no better for his new yard after 4 months off over C&D 25 days ago. Plenty to prove at present.

**7 7 STAFFORDSHIRE (IRE) (24) (CD)** **96**  
447840-71 **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Jennie Candlish

**Oliver Stammers**

Has proved unreliable but much improved with usual hood left off when getting off the mark in 12-runner handicap over C&D 24 days ago. Well in the mix if backing it up with headgear again dispensed with.

**8 1 MAPLE (46)** **93**  
058/2 **5** 9-5 | 59.4kg



Ruth Jefferson

**Oisín McSweeney**

A fair winning 2m hurdler nowadays but he ran well back on the Flat when second of 11 in handicap over C&D 46 days ago. Can make his presence felt again nudged up 1 lb.

**9 9 THE PUG (IRE) (30) (D)** **89**  
31657-747 **6** 8-9(8-8) | 54.9kg (54.4kg)



Micky Hammond

**Aiden Brookes**

Unreliable type who beat only one in classified event here (1m4f) 30 days ago. Others appeal much more.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**7-2** Wave Rock, **9-2** Staffordshire, **11-2** Maple, **6-1** Star Cast, **17-2** Teggy Lasso, **11-1** Brunello Breeze, **14-1** Kameel, **25-1** Lieutenant Lily, **33-1** The Pug

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

STAR CAST didn't enjoy the rub of the green when seventh here last time so this C&D winner is taken to bounce back in style at the chief expense of recent Wolverhampton scorer Wave Rock. Both Teggy Lasso and Kameel enter calculations too if, as expected, building on recent efforts. Maple completes the shortlist.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:****1. STAR CAST 2. WAVE ROCK 3. TEGGY LASSO****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

|      |                                |       |                 |               |   |
|------|--------------------------------|-------|-----------------|---------------|---|
| 2025 | <b>It's A Love Thing</b> 7-9-8 | 5-2   | Sam England     | Tom Eaves     | 7 |
| 2024 | <b>Prince Achille</b> 5-9-7    | 13-2  | Jedd O'Keefe    | Jack Garritty | 8 |
| 2023 | <b>Russian Virtue</b> 6-9-10   | 13-8f | Rebecca Menzies | Oisín Murphy  | 8 |

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**5.30****MAKE THE MOVE TO MIDNITE HANDICAP (6) 4yo+ (Rated 0-55) £6,000 2m56y (3270 Metres)**

RACE 2

**GBI RACING**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: **Weak**

**1 2 BILLY BATHGATE (9)** (CD, BF) **93**  
5-3424434 **10** 9-9 | 61.2kg

 **Ewan Whillans** *Jason Hart*  
C&D winner. Four wins from 18 runs last year. Fourth of 7 in handicap at Wolverhampton (16.5f, 7/4) 9 days ago, needing stronger gallop. Considered.

**2 9 COLINSKI (142)** **100**  
4871552- **4** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **Rebecca Menzies** *Callum Rodriguez*  
Turf winner for James Owen, Good second of 9 in handicap (17/2) at Bath (17f) in October (only run for Georgina Nicholls). Big player if new yard has him fully primed after 142 days off.

**3 4 EDWARDTHENINTH (47)** (BF) **94**  
858/293-39 **5** 9-6 | 59.9kg

 **Ruth Jefferson** *Oisin McSweeney*  
Last of 9 in handicap at Southwell (16.5f) 47 days ago but had been a creditable third there on his 2 outings prior to that.

**4 7 ACHNAMARA (24)** (D) **92**  
67/479-846 **7** 9-5 | 59.4kg

 **Philip Kirby** *Luke Morris*  
Temperamental sort. Sixth of 9 in handicap at this course (12.5f, 15/2) 24 days ago. Significantly back up in trip. On a career-low mark so worth a second look in the betting.

**5 3 FREE PIC (IRE) (24)** (C, BF) **93**  
702341-44 **5** 9-3 | 58.5kg

 **Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith** *Andrew Mullen*  
Course winner in October. Creditable fourth of 9 in handicap (2/1) at this course (12.5f) 24 days ago. Player if his stamina holds over this significantly longer trip.

**6 10 LILLISTAR (156)** (D) **89**  
890/65231- **6** 9-3 | 58.5kg

 **Micky Hammond** *Aiden Brookes*  
Has failed to complete over hurdles on her last 2 outings but did win her latest Flat start back in October (2m, AW).

**7 1 APACHE EAGLE (13)** **90**  
75/850-727 **5** 9-0(8-13) | 57.2kg (56.7kg)

 **Jessica Bedi** *T. Kiely-Marshall (5lb/2kg)*  
First worthwhile form on Flat since 2024 when 50/1-second at Chelmsford last month but no shock that she failed to back that up when last of 7 there since.

**8 8 STAR OF MARKINCH (IRE) (126)** **86**  
09552457- **10** 9-0(8-13) | 57.2kg (56.7kg)

 **Gary Rutherford** *Amie Waugh (3lb/1kg)*  
Remains a maiden after 29 Flat runs and a watching brief is advised back from 4 months off.

**9 5 ANGELARDO (IRE) (24)** **92**  
7077-72 **4** 8-11(8-10) | 55.8kg (55.3kg)

 **Liam Bailey** *Billy Garritty*  
Very good second of 8 in handicap (13/2) at this course (12.5f) 24 days ago. Significantly up in trip. Less exposed than most of these.

**10 6 NAKATOMI (IRE) (22)** **90**  
988006-56 **4** 8-11(8-10) | 55.8kg (55.3kg)

 **Alan Brown** *Barry McHugh*  
Maiden. Creditable sixth of 10 in handicap (22/1) at Wolverhampton 22 days ago. First-time cheekpieces replace blinkers.

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**4-1** Free Pic, **9-2** Billy Bathgate, **11-2** Colinski, **15-2** Edwardtheninth, **8-1** Angelardo, **9-1** Lillistar, **11-1** Achnamara, **18-1** Nakatomi, **28-1** Apache Eagle, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

COLINSKI is unexposed as a stayer and it might be worth taking a chance that new trainer Rebecca Menzies has him fully primed after a break. Billy Bathgate is well capable at this level, while Free Pic could also play a prominent role if lasting home over this much longer trip.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. COLINSKI 2. BILLY BATHGATE 3. FREE PIC**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

|                   |                               |       |                 |                  |    |
|-------------------|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------|------------------|----|
| 2025              | <b>Alex The Great</b> 5-9-12  | 5-4f  | Tony Carroll    | Jack Doughty (3) | 10 |
| 2024 <sup>1</sup> | <b>Heatherdown Hero</b> 5-9-1 | 9-2   | Rebecca Menzies | Hollie Doyle     | 8  |
| 2024 <sup>1</sup> | <b>Abraaj</b> 6-9-9           | 7-4f  | Simon Pearce    | Jack Mitchell    | 8  |
| 2023              | <b>Bobby Shaftoe</b> 5-9-3    | 13-8f | Jim Goldie      | Paul Mulrennan   | 9  |

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

**6.00**

RACE 3

**CREATE YOUR BET BUILDERS AT MIDNITE RESTRICTED MAIDEN STAKES (4) 3, 4 and 5yo £10,000 5f (1010 Metres)**Going: **Standard**

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

**1 5 MERLIER (IRE) (25) (BF) 98**  
 2 3 9-1 | 57.6kg



Archie Watson

**Luke Morris**

50,000 gns foal, £30,000 2-y-o. Harry Angel gelding. Half-brother to 2-y-o 6f winner Horus and winner up to 1m Beria. Dam 2-y-o 5f winner. Only just failed to make a winning debut in 4-runner maiden over C&D last month, just over a neck separating all 4 runners at the line. Will improve.

**2 1 VINCIAMO (334) 100**  
 3- 3 8-13 | 56.7kg



Kevin Ryan

**Kevin Stott**

12,000 gns yearling, Showcasing colt. Half-brother to 3 winners, including smart/ungenuine winner up to 7f Tactical and 2-y-o 6f winner Handcuffed. Dam 2-y-o 6f winner. Headed only in the last ½f when close third of 11 in Newbury maiden in April for Marcus Tregoning. Should improve and big shout.

**3 4 FENAY BRIDGE (IRE) (15) 43**  
 7 3 8-12 | 56.2kg



Ivan Furtado

**Jason Hart**

50,000 gns yearling, Twilight Son filly. Half-sister to 3 winners, including smart winner up to 6f Significantly and useful winner up to 6f Salvuccio. Dam 2-y-o 5f/6f winner. Showed only greenness in Southwell maiden last month.

**4 3 CELTIC ARROW (FR) (15) 91**  
 34 3 8-10 | 55.3kg



Julie Camacho

**Cam Hardie**

A €22,000 purchase who showed ability when making the frame in two 6f maidens here last month but bit more needed to trouble the principals.

**5 2 DOLO'S STAR (IRE) 91**  
 3 8-10 | 55.3kg



Grant Tuer

**Andrew Mullen**

€14,500 foal, Starman filly. Half-sister to 3 winners, including 1½m winners Udaberri and D Day Arvalenreeva. Dam, 1¼m/11f winner, half-sister to smart winner up to 8.5f Off Limits. Yard not renowned for winning with newcomers.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

5-4 Vinciamao, 6-4 Merlier, 15-2 Celtic Arrow, 18-1 Dolo's Star, 100-1 bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

MERLIER was involved in a 4-way photo on debut over C&D last month and with that form already boosted, he shades the vote over Vinciamao, who showed plenty in a Newbury maiden in April for Marcus Tregoning but has been off the track since.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. MERLIER 2. VINCIAMO 3. CELTIC ARROW

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

|      |                          |      |               |                 |   |
|------|--------------------------|------|---------------|-----------------|---|
| 2025 | <b>Dc Cogent</b> 3-9-1   | 1-4f | Bryan Smart   | Paul Mulrennan  | 6 |
| 2024 | <b>Dandy Devil</b> 3-9-7 | 10-3 | Richard Fahey | Oisin James Orr | 5 |

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**6.30**

RACE 4

**READ MEG NICHOLLS' BLOG AT [betmgm.co.uk](http://betmgm.co.uk) FILLIES' HANDICAP (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-75) £7,100 7f14y (1420 Metres)**

Going: **Standard**

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

**1 3 RENESMEE (5lb/2kg ex) (4)** s **95**  
410-66831 6 9-11 | 62.1kg



Michael Keady

**Kyle McHugh (7lb/3kg)**

Unlucky not to win at Wolverhampton last month and made amends with narrow success at Chelmsford on Saturday. Has a 5 lb penalty to defy but re-united with an apprentice who she has an excellent record with.

**2 4 PARTY BEAR (IRE) (12) (D)** s **100**  
008-62143 4 9-9 | 61.2kg



K. R. Burke

**Pierre-Louis Jamin**

Confirmed she's still on the up when scoring with a bit in hand at Lingfield in January. Saddle slipped early next time and quickly back on track when close third in class 2 back at Lingfield 12 days ago, forced wide. Big shout at this lesser level.

**3 2 HILLTOP (67) (D)** **98**  
6814328-4 5 9-8 | 60.8kg



Daniel &amp; Claire Kubler

**Callum Rodriguez**

Latest win at Wolverhampton in September. In frame on next 3 outings but form has dropped off in 2 subsequent starts.

**4 5 BEAR ROCK (IRE) (12) (D)** **97**  
412072-10 5 9-7 | 60.3kg



Michael Mullineaux

**Faye McManoman**

Right back on track following a break/returned to AW this winter, landing a 10-runner handicap at Wolverhampton (7.2f) in January. Found class 2 too competitive at Lingfield since but can bounce back.

**5 1 PENNY MOUNTAIN (IRE) (25) (C)** **95**  
704-13682 5 8-6 | 53.5kg



Gary Rutherford

**Amie Waugh (3lb/1kg)**

Shed maiden tag in a 6f handicap here on New Year's Day and back to that level when second over C&D last month. However, she reportedly bled again so she needs treating with some caution.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-4** Party Bear, **3-1** Renesmee, **4-1** Bear Rock, **11-2** Hilltop, **11-2** Penny Mountain

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

PARTY BEAR has had no luck on her previous visits here but she's been at the top of her game all year and remains of firm interest back down in class. Bear Rock is another who's back down in grade so is next best.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. PARTY BEAR 2. BEAR ROCK 3. RENESMEE**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025 **Too Much** 5-9-4 4-1 David Thompson Kaiya Fraser (3) 7

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**7.00**

**BET £10 GET £40 WITH BETMGM HANDICAP (6) 3yo (Rated 0-55) £6,000 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 5



Going: **Standard**

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Draw: **Against Low** Pace Information: **Weak**

**1 9 LINA CODINA (6) b 91**  
8987-90 3 9-9 | 61.2kg

 Patrick Neville **Cam Hardie**  
Little promise for Nigel Tinkler and again for his new yard in first-time blinkers when last of 11 in handicap over C&D 6 days ago. Hard to warm to.

**2 1 COPARISI (12) 95**  
944532-9 3 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Kevin Ryan **Kevin Stott**  
Looked rusty after 4 months off when ninth of 11 in handicap at Wolverhampton (6.1f) 12 days ago. Can take a step forward here in her bid for a maiden success.

**3 10 AUSPICIOUS (29) (CD) 98**  
0701-7 3 9-8 | 60.8kg

 Nigel Tinkler **Alex Jary (3lb/1kg)**  
Signed off for 2025 with C&D win and he resumed from 5 months off with a promising seventh of 12 over C&D 29 days ago, slowly away then fading late after making good headway over 1f out. Capable of better and a likely player.

**4 7 CONTAINER EXPRESS (29) (CD) 98**  
64514-553 3 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Philip Kirby **Aiden Brookes**  
C&D winner in November. Got back on track when third of 12 in handicap over C&D 29 days ago. Can make his presence felt off the same mark.

**5 5 GANTHORPE (12) 95**  
076-853 3 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Michael & David Easterby **Joanna Mason**  
Arrives in good nick without winning, going without usual headgear when third of 11 in handicap at Wolverhampton (6.1f) 12 days ago. Needs considering once more.

**6 6 WOODY Y FERNANDEZ (53) 97**  
4322853-0 3 9-7 | 60.3kg

 Stephen Hanlon **Paul Mulrennan**  
Proved consistent at 2yrs but he came in last of 10 in handicap at Southwell (6.1f) 53 days ago on his final run for Jennie Candlish. Needs to bounce back for his new handler.

**7 8 LIQUID COOLED (IRE) (82) 62**  
670- 3 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Ben Haslam **Jason Hart**  
Yet to show much in a trio of runs, eleventh of 13 in maiden over C&D in December. Needs this switch to handicaps to spark major improvement.

**8 2 RUNNINMAN (IRE) (12) b 89**  
06633-368 3 9-6 | 59.9kg

 Stephen Hanlon **Conor Whiteley (7lb/3kg)**  
Still without a win and he came in just eighth of 11 in handicap at Wolverhampton (6.1f) 12 days ago. Tried in different headgear here.

**9 12 BELLING THE CAT (15) 59**  
66-6 3 9-5 | 59.4kg

 Tony Coyle & Kaine Wood **David Nolan**  
Has cut little ice in his three runs to date, sixth of 9 in novice at Southwell (5f) 15 days ago. Back up in trip for his handicap debut with lots more required.

**10 4 LOVE LOVE LOVE (18) ★ 100**  
4-59 3 9-5 | 59.4kg

 George Scott **Darragh Keenan**  
Well held in a trio of runs, last of 9 in 7f Chelmsford City maiden 18 days ago. This daughter of Too Darn Hot is related to a couple of very useful winners though so could still do better now going handicapping.

**11 11 EVELYN'S GARDEN (35) 62**  
850 3 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Katie Scott **Greg Fairley**  
Thrice-raced maiden. 200/1, last of 10 in maiden over C&D 35 days ago. Makes her handicap debut with lots to find.

**12 3 FREEZING HAVANA (48) 88**  
0-58 3 9-4 | 59.0kg

 Adrian Nicholls **Duran Fentiman**  
Has failed to beat a rival on all her three outings, last of 8 in 7f novice here 48 days ago. Goes handicapping with it all to prove.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**9-2** Container Express, **9-2** Auspicious, **9-2** Ganthorpe, **9-1** Runninman, **10-1** Love Love Love, **12-1** Woody Y Fernandez, **14-1** Coparisi, **22-1** Belling The Cat, **22-1** Liquid Cooled, **33-1** Lina Codina, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

AUSPICIOUS enjoyed far from the best of runs when seventh over C&D on his return and is fancied to take a sizeable step forward to bag a second C&D success. Container Express comes here in good form but could again have to settle for a place, while Ganthorpe, Love Love Love and Coparisi appeal as the pick of the rest for minor honours.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. AUSPICIOUS 2. CONTAINER EXPRESS 3. GANTHORPE**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

|      |                             |     |                 |                    |   |
|------|-----------------------------|-----|-----------------|--------------------|---|
| 2025 | <b>Frankies Dream</b> 3-9-9 | 7-2 | Jennie Candlish | Paul Mulrennan     | 9 |
| 2024 | <b>Arlington</b> 3-8-9      | 9-1 | Bryan Smart     | Andrew Breslin (3) | 8 |

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**7.30****MIDNITE: BUILT FOR 2026 NOT 2006 HANDICAP (6) 4yo+  
(Rated 0-60) £6,000 5f (1010 Metres)****RACE 6****GBI RACING**Going: **Standard**

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

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1 7 GUSTAV GRAVES (9) (CD) 96**  
1-4465642 **8** 9-9 | 61.2kg



Derek Shaw

*Joanna Mason*

C&D winner but does most of his racing at Wolverhampton. Seems in reasonable form but needs things to drop right given his hold-up style.

**2 1 LET'S GO HUGO (IRE) (131) (CD) 96**  
64861248- **6** 9-9 | 61.2kg



Ollie Pears

*T. Kiely-Marshall (5lb/2kg)*

C&D winner in September and only just failed to follow up here following week. Below par at Southwell when last seen in October and entitled to need this.

**3 8 AZUCENA (IRE) (15) (CD) b 96**  
4054-1242 **6** 9-8 | 60.8kg



Stephen Hanlon

*Paul Mulrennan*

Capitalised on a reduced mark to record a third C&D success in January. Solid efforts in defeat subsequently and should remain competitive.

**4 6 MASTER DANDY (IRE) (41) (C, D) b+t 96**  
003-94121 **6** 9-8 | 60.8kg



Michael Keady

*Darragh Keenan*

Arrives in good form with 2 wins from last 3 starts (just denied the other time), edging ahead close home at Chelmsford 6 weeks ago. Needs considering.

**5 3 RUNNING COOL (16) (D) 97**  
808/8962-0 **6** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Adrian Keatley

*Oisin McSweeney*

Little impact for Tim Easterby but took a big step back in the right direction when second at Wolverhampton on debut for this yard in September. No show back there on comeback run 16 days ago but entitled to be sharper now.

**6 5 FORTUNATE STAR (IRE) (5lb/2kg ex) (5) (CD) v ★ 100**  
8760-4511 **6** 9-6 | 59.9kg



Stephen Hanlon

*Conor Whiteley (7lb/3kg)*

Capitalised on drop into classified company at Southwell and followed up in similar event over C&D on Friday. Back in a handicap now but he looks on a fair mark despite his penalty.

**7 4 OKAMI (IRE) (15) (CD) 97**  
7001-4163 **6** 9-3 | 58.5kg



Paul Midgley

*Barry McHugh*

Recorded a second C&D win in January but just respectable efforts in defeat next 2 starts. Eased 1 lb.

**8 2 LITTLE MI MI (IRE) (61) (CD, BF) 99**  
280222-16 **5** 9-3 | 58.5kg



Iain Jardine

*Mohammed Lyes Tabti (5lb/2kg)*

Gained reward for consistent spell when winning 12-runner handicap over C&D on New Year's Day. Too keen for her own good following week but type to bounce back.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**7-2** Master Dandy, **4-1** Fortunate Star, **13-2** Azucena, **7-1** Little Mi Mi, **9-1** Gustav Graves, **10-1** Running Cool, **10-1** Okami, **16-1** Let's Go Hugo

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

FORTUNATE STAR has won his last two starts in classified events in this headgear but still looks on a fair mark back in a handicap despite a 5 lb penalty. He shades the vote over Master Dandy and Azucena, who also arrive in good form.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. FORTUNATE STAR 2. MASTER DANDY 3. AZUCENA**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025 **So Grateful** 7-9-6      2-1jf Michael & David Easterby      Billy Garritty      5

**8.00****MIDNITE ARE UPPING THE BETTING GAME HANDICAP (6)  
4yo+ (Rated 0-55) £9,000 6f (1210 Metres)**

RACE 7

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: **Even**

**1 3 TURBO COMMAND (IRE) (364) (C) 94**  
23390/435- 9 9-9 | 61.2kg



Alison Hamilton

**Paul Mulrennan**

Course winner but he's been off for 12 months since a below-par fifth of 6 in 7f handicap here. Needs to hit the ground running on his comeback.

**2 1 GOLDEN PROSPERITY (IRE) (5) (D) s 94**  
5042123-6 7 9-8 | 60.8kg



Tony Coyle &amp; Kaine Wood

**David Nolan**

Shaped as if needing the run when sixth of 8 in handicap over C&D 5 days ago. Usual cheekpieces go back on now and this fair 6f scorer can't be ruled out.

**3 2 THE GAY BLADE (20) (CD) s 90**  
3990-7411 7 9-8 | 60.8kg



Iain Jardine

**Mohammed Lyes Tabti (5lb/2kg)**

Cheekpieces refitted when bagging a pair of classified events over C&D last month. This is tougher back in handicap company but he's not taken lightly in his current mood with the headgear retained.

**4 6 INSTANT BOND (15) t ★ 100**  
332-52636 5 9-6 | 59.9kg



Michael Wigham

**Lewis Edmunds**

Remains a maiden after 17 runs but he comes here in decent nick, sixth of 10 in 7f handicap here 15 days ago. Weighted to go well off a 2 lb lower mark.

**5 8 TICKETS (20) (CD) 90**  
418050-61 7 9-5 | 59.4kg



Ben Haslam

**Andrew Mullen**

Bounced back to form to land 8-runner classified event over C&D 20 days ago. Needs to step forward if he's to follow up back in handicap company though.

**6 7 COLOUR CODE (IRE) (4) (CD) 94**  
7855410-6 5 9-4 | 59.0kg



Linda Perratt

**Alex Jary (3lb/1kg)**

Got off the mark in classified event over C&D in August. Shaped as if in need of the run after 4 months off when sixth of 7 in 5f Wolverhampton handicap four days ago. Can build on it here.

**7 4 TOMORROW DAY (18) (CD) v+t 99**  
0670850-2 5 9-4 | 59.0kg



Mark Usher

**Jason Hart**

Resumed from 4 months off/breathing surgery with a promising second of 9 in handicap at Chelmsford City (7f) 18 days ago, just failing. Visor/tongue strap go back on now and this 4-time C&D winner looks primed for a bold showing.

**8 5 CONQUEST OF POWER (9) (CD) s 94**  
67900-693 6 9-0(8-13) | 57.2kg (56.7kg)



Mark Usher

**T. Kiely-Marshall (5lb/2kg)**

C&D winner. Took a step back in the right direction (change of headgear) when third of 10 in classified event at Wolverhampton (6f) 9 days ago. Cheekpieces refitted here and he can give another good account.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**10-3** Tickets, **7-2** Tomorrow Day, **9-2** The Gay Blade, **13-2** Instant Bond, **7-1** Conquest of Power, **14-1** Golden Prosperity, **18-1** Turbo Command, **33-1** Colour Code

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

TOMORROW DAY goes really well here and signalled he is ready to strike again when returning from a four-month layoff with a promising runner-up at Chelmsford City. Instant Bond can also have a big say at these weights and rates a big threat though, while others to consider in an open handicap include The Gay Blade, Golden Prosperity and Conquest Of Power.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. TOMORROW DAY 2. INSTANT BOND 3. THE GAY BLADE**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race