



Friday 11th April

SEDGEFIELD

4.15	DOWNLOAD THE betvickers.com APP MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2m3f188y (3990 Metres)		
RACE 1	(4) WILLIE SHAKE HANDS (2) SAGE CONSEIL (1) MAGGIES BOY		
4.50	SIGN LEAD YOUR HORSE TO WATER HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m77y (3290 Metres)		
RACE 2	(2) FEARLESS ACTION (4) MUTUAL RESPECT (7) ROYAL MAX		
5.25	MW MICHAEL WATSON PAVING & GROUNDWORKS HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m178y (3380 Metres)		
RACE 3	(5) PUB CRAWL (3) TRAILBLAZER (2) LAWMANS BLIS		
5.55	PLAY LIKE A STOCKTON ROCKET HANDICAP CHASE (4) 31/4m59y (5280 Metres)		
RACE 4	(2) CHEMICAL WARFARE (5) REDBRIDGE RAMBLER (4) HOSTILE HOTELIER		
6.25	BET £10 GET £10 AT betvickers.com MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m3f188y (3990 Metres)		
RACE 5	(3) VANILLA DANCER (1) CHOSEN HERO (4) SUITABLY SURPRISED		
6.55	JK CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m3f65y (3880 Metres)		
RACE 6	(1) HOLD ONTO THE LINE (3) BENY NAHAR ROAD (5) PURE SURF		
7.25	PAXTONS NO1 CASEIH DEALER IN UK&IRELAND OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 2m178y (3380 Metres)		

KEY TO SYMBOLS



RACE 7

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.

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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.



DOWNLOAD THE betvickers.com APP MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 4yo+ £7,700 2m3f188y (3990 Metres)



Going: Good

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Pace Information: Very Weak

MAGGIES BOY (IRE) (13) 88

6 11-5 72.1kg

Jennie Candlish Sean Ouinlan



Left previous efforts behind on handicap debut when runner-up over C&D last month, rallying after the last. Had cheekpieces applied and easy to excuse his effort at Stratford 18 days later (badly hampered end of back straight and collided with rail) so worthy of another chance.

SAGE CONSEIL (IRE) (277) 99 **7** 11-5 72.1kg

John McConnell, Ireland



Bumper winner at Kilbeggan first time up back in August 2023 and left hurdling debut effort behind last summer when finding just one too strong in a Roscommon maiden (20.6f, good to soft), the front pair pulling clear. Fancied to make his mark on reappearance.

SOLENT GATEWAY (IRE) (14) 87

433 7 11-5 72.1kg

Donald McCain **Brian Hughes**



Fairly useful stayer on the Flat for Hugo Palmer (sold 9,000 gns) and gradually getting his act together over hurdles, showing a bit more than previously following another breathing operation when third at Wetherby (16f, good) a fortnight ago. Step up in trip needs to unlock further improvement.

WILLIE SHAKE HANDS (IRE) (11) (BF)

3-P643622 **6** 11-5 72.1kg

Sam England Jonathan England



Lightly-raced 6-y-o who went down by just a neck in 13-runner handicap hurdle at Newcastle in February and got event closer over the same C&D 11 days ago,

likely to have won with a better jump at the last. Well worth keeping on the right side for a while yet and can make amends.

ENA'S CHOICE (IRE) (11)

5 10-12 68.9kg



Edward Austin (5lb/2kg)

Fair form at best in Flat maidens in 2023 for T. G. McCourt but showed nothing tried hurdling after 18 months off for her new yard at Newcastle recently.

CELESTIAL REIGN (IRE) (22) 89

4 10-9 67.6kg



Emma Smith-Chaston (3lb/1kg) Micky Hammond

Fair form on second start in Flat maidens for Joseph Patrick O'Brien and having been gelded, was offering something to work on when his race was ended prematurely in novice here (16.8f, good to soft) on hurdles bow recently, close up when brought down 2 out. Not dismissed if getting the trip.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

13-8 Willie Shake Hands, 4-1 Sage Conseil, 9-2 Solent Gateway, 11-2 Celestial Reign, **7-1** Maggies Boy, **200-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A tricky contest to solve despite the small field but WILLIE SHAKE HANDS has gone down by very narrow margins the last twice, so Sam England's 6-y-o gets the nod to go one better at the expense of Sage Conseil, who left his hurdling debut effort behind when finding just one too good at Roscommon last summer and may have to settle for silver again on return. Maggies Boy looks best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WILLIE SHAKE HANDS 2. SAGE CONSEIL 3. MAGGIES BOY

SMART STATS:



SIGN LEAD YOUR HORSE TO WATER HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2m77y (3290 Metres)



Going: Good

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1 NONBINDING (IRE) (342) (D) s 88 2B131/0P-P 8 12-0 | 76.2kq

Victor Thompson

23-811242

Miss Pippa Brown (7lb/3kg)

Had ability for Gordon Elliott but pulled up in 2 points/handicap hurdles for this yard last year. The stable had a winner the other day but can still only watch back chasing after 11 months off. Wears first-time cheekpieces.

2 FEARLESS ACTION (IRE) (19) (CD) s 100
2-2P2P315 9 11-10 | 74.4kg

Chris Grant

9 11-7 73.0kg

Ridden more patiently than is often the case when back to winning ways in C&D

handicap (good to soft) last month. Not disgraced in a Carlisle Class 2 since and big player back in calmer waters under Brian Hughes.

3 LAHIRE (FR) (37) (C, D) 91 5-64F41d27 5 11-9 | 73.9kg

Donald McCain
 Theo Gillard

Free-going front-runner who won a course hurdle last season. Mostly creditable efforts in handicap hurdles this season and had lack of stamina as a possible excuse over 19f at Catterick last time. Chase debut.

4 MUTUAL RESPECT (IRE) (26) (D) s+t

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100

Billy Aprahamian Jack TudoWon back-to-back handicap chases at Worcester and Bangor in the autumn

and back from a break with a good second at Market Rasen last month. Should go well.

5 CAWTHORNE CRACKER (IRE) (146) (C, D) t 91

 50081F35
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 11-3 | 71.2kg

 Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero
 Toby Wynne (3lb/1kg)

Three-time hurdle winner, the latest success coming here in October. Given a break since a lesser effort at Uttoxeter in November. Switches to fences for the

first time on return.

CONQUER THE BREEZE (IRE) (16) t **93** 5-26FPPP3 **6** 10-6 | 66.2kq

Maurice Barnes Charlie Price (3lb/1kg)

Completed for the first time over fences when third of 6 over 17f at Market Rasen (good to firm) 16 days ago but he was beaten just over 11 lengths and will need to step up on that to get heavily involved here.

7 ROYAL MAX (FR) (190) 95

P-3373335 **7** 10-2 | 64.4kg Charles & Adam Pogson **Sean Quinlan**

Remains a maiden but he was in decent form in similar company in the autumn.

Could be thereabouts if ready to roll after 6 months off.

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7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Mutual Respect, **11-4** Fearless Action, **5-1** Royal Max, **13-2** Conquer The Breeze, **10-1** Cawthorne Cracker, **12-1** Lahire, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

FEARLESS ACTION wasn't disgraced in a higher grade last time and can come good again back at the scene of last month's win. Mutual Respect is the obvious danger after returning from a break with a decent run at Market Rasen just under 4 weeks ago.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3

1. FEARLESS ACTION 2. MUTUAL RESPECT 3. ROYAL MAX

SMART STATS:



MW MICHAEL WATSON PAVING & GROUNDWORKS HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2m178y (3380 Metres)



Going: Good

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Pace Information: Very Weak

BODYGROOVE (16) 99 h **5** 12-0 | 76.2kg 2P-61U

Micky Hammond

Joshua Thompson (7lb/3kg)



Fair Flat winner (stays 2m) who showed much improved when making a winning handicap hurdle debut under this pilot at Wetherby (2m) nicely on top at the line. Looked booked for third when unseating rider at Market Rasen 16 days ago but just 3 lb higher with revised mark kicking in.

LAWMANS BLIS (IRE) (13) (CD) 98

7 11-13 75.7kg Jennie Candlish 🚴

Fair winner at 14f on Flat for Ivan Furtado. Stepped forward from debut for this yard to win 7-runner C&D novice, for all he was gifted race when the odds-on favourite fell and nearly threw it away when losing concentration at the last. Wasn't seen to best effect at Stratford. Cheekpieces on.

TRAILBLAZER (8) 97

6 11-8 | 73.5kg 74084343 Adam Nicol

Brian Hughes

Successful over 2m at Perth in July and has been gradually running back into form, creditable third over C&D when well backed having had a breathing op a week ago. Blinkers replace usual cheekpieces and he should be a factor again.

MIASWELL (IRE) (70) 93

4 10-10 68.0kg Donald McCain



Fair dual 1m Flat winner for David O'Meara. Joined another good yard but looked a work-in-progress in his qualifying runs during the winter. Potential improver

now handicapping. PUB CRAWL (IRE) (184) 100 b+t

6 10-5 | 65.8kg 700762



David Pipe Fair maiden handicapper on Flat and down in the weights, he surpassed previous hurdles form when second of 6 over C&D in October. Off since but a danger to all if he's fully tuned for this.

CHANTILLY ROSE (8) 67

067-43F00 8 10-3 64.9kg Lizzie Ouinlan

Peter Kavanagh (3lb/1kg)



No great shakes over hurdles and not much better in 2 starts over fences when trained by Dan Skelton. Fell heavily on sole start for Hugh Burns in October and offered little returning to smaller obstacles for this yard.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Trailblazer, 10-3 Pub Crawl, 4-1 Lawmans Blis, 11-2 Bodygroove, 7-1 Miaswell, 50-1

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PUB CRAWL really should be winning races in this sphere from his lowly mark given his Flat form and having finished runner-up over C&D when last seen in October, it's worth siding with him on return. Trailblazer and Lawmans Blis seem likely to give their running, which should ensure they are bang there in this grade.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PUB CRAWL 2. TRAILBLAZER 3. LAWMANS BLIS

SMART STATS:



PLAY LIKE A STOCKTON ROCKET HANDICAP CHASE (4) 5yo+ (Rated 0-120) £8,900 3½m59y (5280 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: Very Weak

1	PONT AVEN (IRE) (4)	t	95
	6 12 12-0 76.2kg		
	Hannah McMahon		stin (5lb/2kg)
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Talented chaser for Willie Mullins in his pomp and also scored for James Owen at Ludlow back in 2022. Had breathing surgery and beat only one on yard debut in 23f Kelso handicap chase four days ago. Others appeal more.





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David PipeProlific winner since joining this yard, winning for sixth timeat Newcastle in

December. Had a wind op berfore failing to say when seventh in Eider Chase there last time. Interesting back in trip off a 2 lb lower mark.





B. W. HarveyOn a lengthy losing run and (in first-time visor0 was struggling when brought

down 4 out in handicap chase at Catterick (25.2f, good to soft) in February. Tongue strap/cheekpieces go back on with more needed.

4 HOSTILE HOTELIER (IRE) (21) t 91
33434216 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



Sean QuinlanGained a deserved success over hurdles at Catterick in March and backed it up

with a good sixth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Musselburgh (23.8f, good) 21 days ago. Not ruled out switched to chasing.

5 REDBRIDGE RAMBLER (IRE) (22) s 98
21-344541 7 10-13 | 69.4kq



Martin Keighley

A fair winner at 24f over hurdles who matched that form in this sphere when scoring in 3m handicap chase at Chepstow 22 days ago. Up 6 lb but he's not

scoring in 3m handicap chase at Chepstow 22 days ago. Up 6 lb but he's not taken lightly.

6 **C'EST QUELQU'UN (FR) (8)** 9P636353 **8** 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)



Andrew Hamilton

It's now 12 runs since his last win in 2023 but he recorded a creditable third of 6 in handicap chase over C&D 8 days ago. More is required from 3 lb "wrong" in

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Redbridge Rambler, **3-1** Chemical Warfare, **5-1** C'est Quelqu'un, **11-2** Hostile Hotelier, **14-1** Broken Ice, **20-1** Pont Aven

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CHEMICAL WARFARE found the marathon trip of the Eider Chase too much at Newcastle last time but has enjoyed an amazing season and now dropped back in distance he can bag a seventh success at the chief expense of recent Chepstow scorer Redbridge Rambler. Hostile Hotelier appeals as the pick of the rest for minor honours.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CHEMICAL WARFARE 2. REDBRIDGE RAMBLER 3. HOSTILE HOTELIER

SMART STATS:



BET £10 GET £10 AT betvickers.com MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-105) £6,150 2m3f188y (3990 Metres)

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Going: Good

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Pace Information: Very Weak

CHOSEN HERO (IRE) (17) P3-3P6P76

7 12-0 76.2kg

92 Ø

David Bass

Archie Watson

2m novice hurdle winner on heavy in January 2024 and matched that form when third in C&D handicap hurdle on reappearance. Not been in same form since, though, failing to see out 3m in blinkers at Taunton last time. Drops back

in trip/grade.

LONE STAR (21) (D) 8 11-11 74.8kg 99

Philip Kirby

Joe Williamson (3lb/1kg)

Been given a chance by the handicapper but isn't obviously showing any sign that she's ready to take advantage, let down by her jumping when pulling up sharply at Musselburgh 3 weeks ago.

VANILLA DANCER (21) (C) 34432235 6 11-11 74.8kg 100

Chris Grant

William Maggs (5lb/2kg)

Still to add to her bumper success but plenty of solid in-frame efforts over hurdles to her name. Fifth from 4 lb out of the weights at Musselburgh and she's respected back on her correct mark.

SUITABLY SURPRISED (IRE) (140) (C, BF) 6 11-3 71.2kg

90

Sam England

Jonathan England

Improver in handicaps, landing a conditional jockeys' race here (17f, good) in November before following up at Leicester 4 days later. Held back by a couple of mistakes sent chasing when second trying a quick-fire hat-trick and market may be revealing on return to action.

FEACH AMACH (IRE) (48) (C)

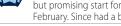
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1P356-0P4 5 10-13 69.4kg Adam Nicol

Joshua Thompson (7lb/3kg)

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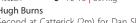


Struck at third time of asking over hurdles in a 16.8f juvenile at this track in November 2023 but gradually regressed for Nigel Hawke. Ignored in the betting but promising start for new yard when fourth in 16.9f handicap at Newcastle in February. Since had a breathing operation and cheekpieces on.

FAR AWAY WEST (IRE) (8)

88





Peter Kavanagh (3lb/1kg) Second at Catterick (2m) for Dan Skelton in January but allowed to leave that



top yard after a lesser run at Huntingdon next time and has failed to complete both outings for this yard.

MALINKA (FR) (50)

93



4 10-10 68.0kg

Jennie Candlish 💏 William Shanahan (5lb/2kg) Fair Flat performer who made a winning debut over hurdles at Cartmel (17f, heavy) in August. Hasn't managed to advance her form since, her effort proving

REMARKABLE FLIGHT (IRE) (13)

95



4 10-9 67.6kg



Fair Flat winner took a step forward when second of 10 in handicap at Southwell at the start of last month before going one better 11 days ago when responding well to pressure in 6-runner handicap at Fakenham (2m). Failed to give her running at Uttoxeter and now up in distance with cheekpieces on.

short-lived at Huntingdon in February. Cheekpieces on for the first time.

LILLISTAR (65)

5 10-9 67.6kg



Micky Hammond Fair maiden on Flat (stays 11/4m) for Harry & Roger Charlton. Little to get excited about for current yard but more like it when third in 16.8f course handicap in February despite a bad late mistake.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Suitably Surprised, 9-2 Vanilla Dancer, 7-1 Feach Amach, 7-1 Lillistar, 8-1 Chosen Hero, 10-1 Lone Star, 11-1 Remarkable Flight, 16-1 Malinka, 33-1 Far Away West

TIMEFORM VIEW:

VANILLA DANCER fared about as well as could be expected from out of the weights at Musselburgh 3 weeks ago and back on her correct mark in an easier race, she could be the answer. This trip is more suitable than Taunton for Chosen Hero so she could bounce back, while Suitably Surprised may resume her progress this term.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. VANILLA DANCER 2. CHOSEN HERO 3. SUITABLY SURPRISED

SMART STATS:



JK CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-105) £6,150 2m3f65y (3880 Metres)



RACE 6

Going: Good

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Pace Information: Weak

HOLD ONTO THE LINE (IRE) (14) (D) 99 1-5F23313 8 12-0 76.2kg

James Ewart

Brian Hughes



Resumed winning ways in 3-runner handicap at Newcastle (16.3f, good) last month. Followed that with a creditable third off this 2 lb higher mark at Wetherby and looks sure to be involved in the finish here.

FLASH IN THE PARK (IRE) (25) 92 7 11-13 75.7kg



Charles & Adam Pogson

Narrow winner of a Uttoxeter handicap chase on second of his 3 runs for Dan Skelton but has failed to fire both starts for new connections. Hopes pinned on first-time cheekpieces sparking a return to form.

BENY NAHAR ROAD (IRE) (37) 100 h+t **6** 11-13 75.7kg 622-2753F



Sean Ouinlan



COULDBEAWEAPON (IRE) (199) 93

35/U36P-96 8 10-13 69.4kg

Jonathan England



Sam England Fair 2m winner over hurdles but only modest form at best in this sphere to date

and opposable back from a break on debut for new yard.

PURE SURF (IRE) (7lb/3kg ex) (6) (C) 95 P87-F3451



9 10-4 65.3kg Victor Thompson Miss Pippa Brown (7lb/3kg)

Dual hurdles winner for lain Jardine in summer 2023 and belatedly opened chase account at Newcastle (21/2m, good) where she was given a sound tactical ride by Pippa Brown (aboard again here). This looks more demanding under a penalty but she should nevertheless make her presence felt.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

15-8 Hold Onto The Line, 9-4 Beny Nahar Road, 4-1 Pure Surf, 10-1 Flash In The Park, 12-1 Couldbeaweapon

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The in-form HOLD ONTO THE LINE has fewer questions to answer than his rivals and he looks the most solid option. That said, Beny Nahar Road promises to be suited by this step up in trip and will be a threat if his jumping passes the test. Pure Surf got the job done at Newcastle recently but she has more on her plate with a penalty to carry here.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HOLD ONTO THE LINE 2. BENY NAHAR ROAD 3. PURE SURF

SMART STATS:



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Pace Information: Very Weak

SWINGINGONTHESTEEL (133) **5** 11-10 74.4kg

100

Rebecca Menzies

Nathan Moscrop

Point winner who has made a good start under Rules, building on promise of course debut when taking 7-runner bumper at Musselburgh (15.6f, good to soft) in November. The one to beat.

MR MCLOUGHLAN (20)

74



Craig Lidster

Miss Pippa Brown (7lb/3kg)

Offered something to work on amidst inexperience when third on Newcastle bumper debut last month but made little impact at Kelso since. Likely a longerterm project.

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Ian McInnes

William Maggs (5lb/2kg)

£1,000 3-y-o, U S Navy Flag gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners on Flat, including useful 1m winner Establish. Dam 7f winner. Yard not known for its NH performers.

OUR SUPER SIX (47)

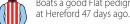
4 10-9 67.6kg

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Martin Keighley

4 10-9 67.6kg

Freddie Keighley (10lb/5kg)



Boats a good Flat pedigree but no immediate sign of promise on bumper debut

SWINGFORTHEFENCE (IRE)

82



4 10-9 67.6kg

Sean Quinlan

Jennie Candlish Soldier of Fortune gelding. Brother to dual bumper winner/useful 2m hurdle winner Royal Infantry, and half-brother to fair hurdler/chaser Sovereign Gold. Yard had an excellent season and market strength for this newcomer could prove significant.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

8-11 Swingingonthesteel, 7-2 Swingforthefence, 10-1 Our Super Six, 14-1 Mr Mcloughlan, 16-1 Elzour

SWINGINGONTHESTEEL sets a good standard here and can register his second bumper victory in the finale. Jennie Candlish's debutant Swingforthefence may provide the chief threat.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SWINGINGONTHESTEEL 2. SWINGFORTHEFENCE 3. OUR SUPER SIX

SMART STATS: