

Saturday 11th April

CHEPSTOW



12.35 TIPTOP THUNDER THRONE / EBF JUNIOR 'NATIONAL HUNT' HURDLE (4) 2m16y (3230 Metres)

RACE 1 **(1) PLANTERS PUNCH | (6) GUTS AND GLORY | (2) LONGMOOR**

1.05 TIPTOP DUEL FLUSH MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m16y (3230 Metres)

RACE 2 **(9) TENTER LE TOUT | (1) MOLTEN SEA | (6) JOLLIE DAME**

1.40 TIPTOP RIDERS RESTROOM HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m16y (3230 Metres)

RACE 3 **(5) PEP TALKING | (3) BALLYBREEZE | (4) WHATYOUWAITINGFOR**

2.15 TIPTOP CLEAN CONVENIENCE HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 2m16y (3230 Metres)

RACE 4 **(3) COSMIC CONNECTION | (5) IN THE AIR | (8) DOCTORS HILL**

2.50 TIPTOP LAVISH LATRINE HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m7f136y (4750 Metres)

RACE 5 **(6) THE BOOLA BOSS | (7) CAMULUS | (2) SIZABLE SAM**

3.32 TIPTOP SENSATIONAL SHOWER MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2m7f131y (4750 Metres)

RACE 6 **(3) HARMONY HEIGHTS | (4) KATIE'S MELODY | (1) PRESENTING DOY**

4.40 TIPTOP PORTABLE EVENT HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m3f100y (3910 Metres)

RACE 7 **(1) THORGATH | (5) INION TIOGAIR | (3) HILLWALK**

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.










12.35**TIPTOP THUNDER THRONE / EBF JUNIOR 'NATIONAL HUNT' HURDLE (4) 4yo £11,000 2m16y (3230 Metres)**

RACE 1

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	PLANTERS PUNCH (11) (D)		100
	11 4 11-10 74.4kg		
	Nicky Henderson	Mr Daniel Williams (7lb/3kg)	
	In top hands and winner of similar races at Hereford and Bangor 5 months apart. Useful prospect who looks sure to make a bold bid to extend his unbeaten record to 3.		
2	LONGMOOR (IRE) (20)		98
	3 4 11-0 69.9kg		
	Joe Tizzard	Freddie Gingell	
	Sans Frontieres gelding who made an encouraging start to his career when 7 lengths third of 9 at Exeter (17f, good) 3 weeks ago. Can be expected to improve.		
3	LOOK DON'T STARE (37)		
	99 4 11-0 69.9kg		
	Harriet Dickin	Tabitha Worsley	
	Down the field in 2 Wincanton bumpers ahead of this switch to hurdles.		
4	MISTRAL ST GEORGES (FR) (11)		92
	FU 4 11-0 69.9kg		
	Georgina Nicholls	Paul O'Brien	
	Close up in a share of third when falling 2 out on Newbury debut. Unseated 4 out at Bangor since.		
5	EVENING TESS (16)		56
	5 4 10-7 66.7kg		
	Dan Skelton 	Liam Harrison	
	6/1. needed the experience when fifth of 7 on C&D debut 16 days ago. Should be wiser now but a big step forward will be needed to go close.		
6	GUTS AND GLORY (27)		99
	22 4 10-7 66.7kg		
	Clive Boutbee-Brooks	Ned Fox (3lb/1kg)	
	Promising second in similar races in recent months, bumping into a good prospect at Market Rasen latterly. Open to further improvement and likely to go well again.		
7	WHITLETTS (59) (BF)	h	97
	32P 4 10-7 66.7kg		
	Harriet Dickin	James Best	
	Shaped with plenty of encouragement when placed on first 2 outings but too free for her own good when pulled up at Hereford in February and has since left Dan Skelton.		

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-10 Planters Punch, **7-2** Guts And Glory, **13-2** Longmoor, **8-1** Whitletts, **16-1** Evening Tess, **25-1** Mistral St Georges, **300-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PLANTERS PUNCH has to concede upwards of 10 lb all round but looks useful and might be up to the task. Guts And Glory can fill the runner-up spot again ahead of Longmoor, who shaped promisingly on his recent Exeter debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PLANTERS PUNCH 2. GUTS AND GLORY 3. LONGMOOR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Mad Maxios 4-11-0	9-1	Harry Derham	Harry Reed	4
2024	Knight of Allen 4-11-0	5-6f	Mrs Jane Williams	David Noonan	7
2023	Imperial Jade 4-10-7	5-2f	Charlie Longsdon	Lilly Pinchin (3)	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.05**TIPTOP DUEL FLUSH MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 4yo+ fillies and mares £10,000 2m16y (3230 Metres)**

RACE 2

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 **MOLTEN SEA (28) (D)** **74**
51 5 11-7 | 73.0kg



Fergal O'Brien

Tom Broughton (5lb/2kg)

Fairly useful Flat winner (stays 16.5f) for William Haggas who struck at the second time of asking over hurdles in 2m Kempton novice 4 weeks ago. That was a thin race, though, and she'll need to leave that form behind to trouble an on-song Tenter Le Tout.

2 **BURNING EMBERS (IRE) (14)** **69**
646 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Dan Skelton

Paul O'Brien

Showed ability/inexperience in an Ascot bumper but beaten a long way in 2 novice hurdles since.

3 **CIAO BELLISIMA (89)** **67**
80 6 11-0 | 69.9kg



Henry Oliver

Nick Slatter (3lb/1kg)

More one for the longer term judged on her 2 outings around the turn of the year.

4 **ELATED (79)** **70**
53 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Ben Pauling

Brendan Powell

Has shown promise in 2 bumpers ahead of this switch to hurdles.

5 **FOOTAGE DETECTIVES (14)** **67**
87 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Henry Oliver

James Davies

Well held in a Worcester bumper and Stratford novice hurdle over 5 months apart.

6 **JOLLIE DAME (11)** **70**
24333 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Dan Skelton

Liam Harrison

Fair form in bumpers but beaten 20 and 23 lengths when third in 2 mares' novice hurdles last month. Likely to do better at some point but may not see the very best of her until handicapping.

7 **LAKEVIEW LASS (44)** **67**
09 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Jeremy Scott

Bryan Carver

Showed nothing in a couple of bumpers this winter and can only be watched on switch to hurdling.

8 **NOWHERE NEARMILAN (IRE) (14)** **68**
773 5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Max Comley

David Bass

Soundly beaten both starts in bumpers and remote third on Stratford hurdle debut with cheekpieces added (retained) 14 days ago.

9 **TENTER LE TOUT (FR) (29) (CD)** **100**
41160 4 10-13 | 69.4kg



Chester Williams

Freddie Gingell

Won first 2 hurdles, latterly the Grade 2 Finale over C&D just after Christmas. Well beaten in graded events at Cheltenham since but should be very hard to beat with her sights lowered considerably.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

1-2 Tenter Le Tout, **6-1** Molten Sea, **14-1** Jollie Dame, **16-1** Elated, **25-1** Burning Embers, **28-1** Nowherenearmilan, **100-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

If TENTER LE TOUT is in anything like the same form as when winning the Finale on her previous C&D visit she'll surely go in again. Last month's Kempton scorer Molten Sea can follow her home ahead of Jollie Dame.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. TENTER LE TOUT 2. MOLTEN SEA 3. JOLLIE DAME****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Timetoshine 5-11-12	1-25f	Nicky Henderson	Ben Bromley (5)	4
2024	Casa No Mento 6-11-12	10-11f	Nigel Twiston-Davies	Mr Toby McCain-Mitchell (7)	8
2023	Amoola Gold 10-11-9	3-1	Dan Skelton	Bridget Andrews	7
2022	Tarahumara 6-11-1	9-4	Emma Lavelle	Tom Bellamy	14
2021	Brewers Project 7-11-7	2-5f	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	12







SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.40**TIPTOP RIDERS RESTROOM HANDICAP CHASE (4) 5yo+
(Rated 0-120) £10,000 2m16y (3230 Metres)****RACE 3****GBI RACING**Going: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1	OSTEND (IRE) (45)	92
	7PF31P-33 8 12-0 76.2kg Alastair Ralph <i>Tom Broughton (5lb/2kg)</i> Maiden hurdle winner in Ireland who capitalised on a falling mark and the run of the race when opening his account over fences at Market Rasen last season. Shaped as if needing the run back from 10 months off at Southwell but went backwards at Bangor next time.	
2	KOAPEY (FR) (15) (D)	97
	2221-2PP 6 12-0 76.2kg Warren Greatrex <i>Harry Bannister</i> Maiden winner over hurdles and bettered that form when second at Uttoxeter on handicap/chase debut on return in October. However, pulled up both starts since 4 months apart, having a third breathing operation prior to last run.	
3	BALLYBREEZE (27) (CD)	99
	U/9P311-63 10 11-11 74.8kg Samuel Drinkwater <i>Brendan Powell</i> Signed off last spring with 2m wins at Newbury and this track. Shaped as if in need of the run both starts this season 4 months apart and better expected now, especially having dipped below last winning mark.	
4	WHATYOUWAITINGFOR (IRE) (29)	63
	43222122 5 11-7 73.0kg Charlie Longsdon <i>Lilly Pinchin</i> Off the mark at fifth attempt over hurdles in maiden at Newton Abbot last summer for the Twiston-Davies yard and shaped much better than distance beaten suggests on chase/yard debut at Doncaster after 5 months off, showing plenty of aptitude until getting tired. Can build on that back down in trip.	
5	PEP TALKING (19) (D)	100
	311-221P2 8 11-6 72.6kg Billy Aprahamian <i>Paul O'Brien</i> Enhanced good strike rate over fences at Wetherby in November. Reported to have bled later that month but back on track after 4 months off when second at Kempton 19 days ago, shaping as if still on a good mark. Drop back in trip is slight concern, though this is easier.	
6	DJ PETE (IRE) (21) (D)	94
	F25P4151 8 11-0 69.9kg Sarah-Jayne Davies <i>James Best</i> Showed a game attitude to get off the mark at Ffos Las in February and didn't take long for him to add to that tally at Bangor 3 weeks ago. May prove vulnerable up 4 lb in better race, though.	

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Pep Talking, 4-1 Dj Pete, 9-2 Whatyouwaitingfor, 6-1 Ballybreeze, 17-2 Koapey, 9-1 Ostend

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PEP TALKING remains of interest and can get away with the drop in trip back down in class. Ballybreeze hasn't had a chance to get going this season but better is expected now off a tempting mark.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. PEP TALKING 2. BALLYBREEZE 3. WHATYOUWAITINGFOR****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**2025 **Jet of Dreams** 7-11-8 5-2 Warren Greatrex Brendan Powell 5**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.15**TIPTOP CLEAN CONVENIENCE HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 4yo+
(Rated 0-125) £12,000 2m16y (3230 Metres)**

RACE 4

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Even**

1 THE KEMBLE BREWERY (157) (D, BF) t 98
13/112P-F 7 12-2 | 77.1kg



Kim Bailey & Mat Nicholls

David Bass

Dual bumper winner, who also landed a pair of 2m novice hurdles in 2024/25. Was in the process of running below expectations (held in fifth) when falling heavily last in novice handicap won by Palacio at this course on chasing debut in November. Reverts to hurdling on return.

2 AUTHODIDACTE (FR) (123) (D) 98
1-1 6 12-2 | 77.1kg



Venetia Williams

Charlie Deutsch

Dual winner on Flat in France, who is unbeaten in 2 starts over hurdles, again belying a lengthy absence when making all in 8-runner handicap at Uttoxeter on return, beating Nowmelad by 5½ lengths. Open to further progress, but needs to defy an 11 lb rise.

3 COSMIC CONNECTION (IRE) (9) (D) 97
12 5 11-12 | 75.3kg



Chris Gordon

Bryan Carver

Point winner who has made a bright start under Rules, overcoming inexperience and traffic problems to land a useful-looking Warwick novice in March before stepping up on that effort when 7 lengths second of 11 to Hurricane Pat in similar race at this course. Sure to progress again now handicapping.

4 CELTIC ART (FR) (19) (D) b 98
7-5812158 9 11-11 | 74.8kg



Jeremy Scott

Chad Bament (7lb/3kg)

Won twice over 19f at Taunton this season, but has found run of good form coming to an abrupt halt on last 2 starts.

5 IN THE AIR (FR) (182) (C, D) 97
6-5412121 8 11-10 | 74.4kg



Alastair Ralph

Tom Broughton (5lb/2kg)

Has won 3 times in handicap chases this season, putting his experience to good use when beating sole rival in novice event at this course in October. Not seen since, but has gone well fresh in the past and reverts to hurdling off workable mark with good 5 lb conditional booked.

6 CORNISH STORM (22) (D) b 97
8-6029115 7 11-7 | 73.0kg



Zoe Hawkins

Jay Tidball (5lb/2kg)

Took well to the addition of cheekpieces when winning 8-runner handicaps at Taunton and Warwick (19f, by 3½ lengths from Le Yacht) this season. Below form at Newbury 3 weeks ago though and blinkers now applied on debut for new trainer.

7 LACRIMA (FR) (164) t 95
0-2227111 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Nick Scholfield

Lorcan Murtagh

Fairly useful chaser who landed hat-trick of claimers at Dieppe and Auteuil (2) between August and October for N. George & A. Zetterholm. Lightly raced as a hurdler (runner-up on standout effort) and blinkers now removed on debut for yard going well at present. Worth a market check.

8 DOCTORS HILL (21) (CD) 98
3U136266 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Philip Hobbs & Johnson White

Sean Houlihan

Got off the mark at this course in November. Development has stalled since, but he was better than the result when 15 lengths sixth of 9 to Storming George in novice handicap at Newbury last time. Further 3 lb drop and return to 2m will suit for in-form yard.

9 ZAMBEZI FIX (FR) (71) (CD) s 100
6422-7406 11 10-7 | 66.7kg



Bernard Llewellyn

Harry Atkins (7lb/3kg)

Often flatters to deceive and has failed to shine in 4 starts this season. However, yard has turned a corner of late, and he's been given a big chance by handicapper tackling a race he's got a good record in (won 2024 renewal, runner-up in 2025).

TIMEFORM VIEW:

COSMIC CONNECTION has made an encouraging start over hurdles and is taken to resume winning ways with another step forward on the cards. In The Air and Doctors Hill head the dangers.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. COSMIC CONNECTION 2. IN THE AIR 3. DOCTORS HILL****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Ninth Loch 6-12-0	5-6f	Harry Derham	Harry Reed	4
2024	Zambezi Fix 9-12-1	13-2	Bernard Llewellyn	Robert Williams (3)	9
2023	Spirit d'Aunou 4-11-6	evsf	Gary Moore	Niall Houlihan (3)	8
2022	Coal Stock 7-10-9	3-1	Colin Tizzard	Fergus Gillard (3)	7
2021	Jersey Grey 4-10-4	14-1	Alexandra Dunn	Jamie Moore	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Cosmic Connection, **5-1** Authodidacte, **11-2** In The Air, **7-1** Doctors Hill, **9-1** Zambezi Fix, **9-1** The Kemble Brewery, **12-1** Lacrima, **25-1** Cornish Storm, **40-1** bar

2.50**TIPTOP LAVISH LATRINE HANDICAP CHASE (4) 5yo+
(Rated 0-120) £10,000 2m7f136y (4750 Metres)**

RACE 5

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak****1 HAPPY AND FINE (FR) (14) (D)** s **95**

3P-F41UUPU 9 12-1 | 76.7kg



Alex Hales

J. Hogan

Ended a losing run at Warwick (3m) on New Year's Eve but made it 3 non-completions on the spin at Stratford 2 weeks ago.

2 SIZABLE SAM (50) b **95**

P35-U5P 11 12-0 | 76.2kg



Jeremy Scott

Bryan Carver

Hasn't been the easiest to keep sound but shaped as if retaining ability over inadequate trip at Exeter in November. Found extreme test too much there since so worth another chance in a change of headgear.

3 BUCKNA (IRE) (44) s **96**

232-P11P5 6 12-0 | 76.2kg



Warren Greatrex

Harry Bannister

Looked on the up when scoring twice over fences at Hereford before Christmas but he's run poorly at Newbury and Wetherby since. Headgear is now reached for.

4 GRIS MAJEUR (FR) (23) **96**

2PP2-1232 9 11-7 | 73.0kg



Sheila Lewis

Sean Houlihan

Resumed with Ludlow success in October and he backed that up with solid placed efforts next 3 starts, including when second back at Ludlow last time after 4 months off. Respected.

5 THE NEWEST ONE (IRE) (14) (C, D) s **98**

PP5-7P26F 11 11-7 | 73.0kg



Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies

Brendan Powell

Cheltenham winner in October 2024 but much more miss than hit since, never going in a first-time visor at Ludlow before taking a heavy fall at Uttoxeter 2 weeks ago. Change of headgear.

6 THE BOOLA BOSS (IRE) (22) (CD) **100**

P311-4834 10 11-6 | 72.6kg



Rebecca Curtis

Paul O'Brien

Jumped well when making all in this race last season off this mark. Below par first 3 starts this campaign but better signs when fourth at Newbury 3 weeks ago after 3 months off and could be ready to strike again.

7 CAMULUS (IRE) (56) **98**

24/311-1 9 11-6 | 72.6kg



Venetia Williams

Charlie Deutsch

Raised his game last winter with wins at Leicester/Taunton and returned from 12 months off better than ever when completing hat-trick at Wincanton. Given time to recover and promises to make a bold bid for the 4-timer.

8 CHOICE RUNNER (IRE) (34) **98**

55F-24700 6 10-9 | 67.6kg



Dan Skelton

Liam Harrison

Maiden who has struggled in handicap hurdles this year so bit to prove now going chasing.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Camulus, **9-2** Gris Majeur, **11-2** The Boola Boss, **17-2** Sizable Sam, **9-1** The Newest One, **10-1** Buckna, **18-1** Happy And Fine, **22-1** Choice Runner

TIMEFORM VIEW:

THE BOOLA BOSS made all in this last year off the same mark and after a promising run at Newbury last time, he shades the vote over Camulus, who's bidding for the 4-timer having defied a 12-month absence at Wincanton 8 weeks ago. The veteran Sizable Sam had excuses last time and isn't written off just yet.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. THE BOOLA BOSS 2. CAMULUS 3. SIZABLE SAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	The Boola Boss 9-11-2	7-4f	Rebecca Curtis	Jamie Brace (5)	5
2024	Sublime Heights 8-11-11	4-1	Toby Lawes	K. Brogan	3
2023	Ballinsker 8-10-3	11-2	Evan Williams	Isabel Williams (3)	8
2022	Wayfinder 8-10-10	4-5f	Rebecca Curtis	Ben Jones	3
2021	Gleno 9-10-10	5-2jf	Gary Moore	Joshua Moore	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.32**TIPTOP SENSATIONAL SHOWER MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE**
(4) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-115) £8,700
2m7f131y (4750 Metres)

RACE 6

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good to Soft (Good in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak****1 PRESENTING DOY (IRE) (53) 98**

412-P9 7 12-0 | 76.2kg



Emma Lavelle

Cameron Johnstone-Baker (7lb/3kg)

Winning pointer who landed the odds in Lingfield novice hurdle in 2024/25. Clearly amiss on return and shaped as if needing run (had breathing operation) after 13 weeks off last time. Needs to bounce back, but yard going well of late and solid 7 lb conditional takes the ride back up in trip.

2 I AM THE MOON (44) s 98

2443-U61P 7 11-13 | 75.7kg



Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies

James Turner (5lb/2kg)

Didn't take to chasing but well backed, quickly resumed progress returned to hurdles/positive tactics when winning in 6-runner handicap at Doncaster in February. Very laboured effort reverting to patient tactics last time, though. Only his best will do.

3 HARMONY HEIGHTS (IRE) (53) ★ 100

454-3325 7 11-8 | 73.5kg



Fergal O'Brien

J. Hogan

Lightly-raced mare who upped her game when second of 9 in handicap hurdle at Lingfield in December and was unsuited by the run of the race when failing to back that up when last of 5 in conditional mares handicap at Newbury last time. Worth another chance.

4 KATIE'S MELODY (IRE) (53) (BF) 99

212534 6 11-6 | 72.6kg

Harry Derham **Paul O'Brien**

Bumper winner who posted her best effort over hurdles when good third of 11 in novice hurdle at Wincanton. Unsuit by the run of the race when fourth of 5 on handicap debut at Newbury last time (Harmony Heights behind) and may still have more to offer.

5 LOVE ME (FR) (21) t 97

10P0-43P5 6 11-2 | 70.8kg



Jo Davis

Brendan Powell

Fair winner on handicap debut at Navan prior to losing her way for Henry De Bromhead. In frame first 2 starts for current connections before losing action on chasing bow and then running below form at Bangor last month. Serious stamina doubts now upped markedly in trip (unproven beyond 2m).

6 BENIGNITAS (IRE) (16) s 96

33-62P37 9 10-9 | 67.6kg



Gordon Treacy

Bryan Carver

Winning pointer who remains a maiden under Rules but has twice made the frame in 2½m handicap chases at Ffos Las this season. Finished tamely over 3m last time and needs this return to hurdling to spark a revival.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Harmony Heights, **11-4** Katie's Melody, **9-2** Presenting Doy, **6-1** I Am The Moon, **11-1** Benignitas, **33-1** Love Me

TIMEFORM VIEW:

HARMONY HEIGHTS and Katie's Melody make the most appeal with narrow preference for the former on the strength of her Lingfield second earlier in the season. Presenting Doy rates best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HARMONY HEIGHTS 2. KATIE'S MELODY 3. PRESENTING DOY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Smugglers Haven	6-11-10	7-4f	Sara Bradstock	Miss Lily Bradstock (7)	5
2024	Pipers Cross	7-10-10	3-1	Robbie Llewellyn	Liam Harrison	7
2023	Chloe's Court	10-11-7	12-1	Robert Walford	Harry Kimber (3)	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.40

TIPTOP PORTABLE EVENT HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £7,000 2m3f100y (3910 Metres)

RACE 7



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Pace Information: **Weak**

1	THORGATH (FR) (49) (BF)	t		100
	3-68024 5 12-0 76.2kg			
	Tom Lacey		Cameron Iles (51b/2kg)	
	Upped to 2½m, showed much improved form when finding only a fellow handicap debutant too strong at Uttoxeter in January. Agan shaped encouragingly when fourth of 12 over this C&D next time and he's a major player with tongue strap added.			
2	SHAN'T WAIT (IRE) (32) (BF)	s		95
	7475-9233 6 11-12 75.3kg			
	Charlie Longdon		Daire McConville (71b/3kg)	
	Improved on the back of a breathing operation when runner-up at Southwell (2m) in December and creditable third at Market Rasen the following month. Disappointed over 2½m at Sedgefield last time, but he should be suited by this far and cheekpieces now applied.			
3	HILLWALK (IRE) (68)			99
	23-347 6 11-11 74.8kg			
	Neil Mulholland		Conor O'Farrell	
	Promise in bumpers and offered something to work on when third of 6 in a Plumpton maiden on hurdling debut in December. Hasn't matched that form in 2 novices since, but he's one to note as he goes handicapping, especially if the market vibes are strong.			
4	BUSHSTREET BOWMAN (65)			88
	8F07P 6 11-11 74.8kg			
	Ben Pauling		Brendan Powell	
	Down the field in a bumper and both completed starts in novice hurdles, before struggling under more testing conditions when pulled up on handicap debut at Huntingdon in February. Has work to do back up in trip.			
5	INION TIOGAIR (IRE) (16) (CD)	b		95
	22542131 9 11-8 73.5kg			
	Grace Harris		Joe Anderson (31b/1kg)	
	Gained her breakthrough hurdling success over C&D in February. Not disgraced at Ffos Las next outing, before resuming winning ways returned to this grade here 16 days ago. Suited by the emphasis on speed last time and could get a similar set-up again.			
6	SOPHIE POWER (FR) (41)	s		98
	4P9-0158P 5 11-7 73.0kg			
	Harriet Dickinson		James Best	
	Stepped forward from this season's reappearance run when opening hurdles account in a Leicester handicap in November. Hasn't kicked on in 3 starts since, but she's dropped in the weights as a result. Has had a breathing operation and cheekpieces are now fitted.			
7	PEACE IN THE PARK (FR) (14)			95
	3-00627 6 11-7 73.0kg			
	D. J. Jeffreys		Finn Lambert (31b/1kg)	
	Left previous form over hurdles well behind sent handicapping when runner-up at Huntingdon (2m, heavy) in February. However, he failed to repeat that effort faced with less testing conditions when well held at Stratford 2 weeks ago.			
8	TRIPLE HAYCH (12)			89
	900F 7 11-3 71.2kg			
	Sheila Lewis		Sean Houlihan	
	Finished second in a small-field point but little promise in novice/maiden hurdles at Hereford on first 3 starts under Rules. Was mid-division when falling at the seventh on handicap debut at Ludlow 12 days ago.			
9	RAPID MISSION (15)	s		91
	679-65857 5 10-12 68.9kg			
	Syd Hosie		Charlie Deutsch	
	Showed a good deal more than previously over hurdles when sixth of 15 in novice at this course (2m) in October. Hasn't gone on from that effort in handicaps since, even if 3m might not have suited at Wetherby 15 days ago. Cheekpieces reached for.			
10	GOLLY GOSH (IRE) (31)	t		85
	0-767P 5 10-11 68.5kg			
	Billy Aprahamian		Non Runner	
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11	SAINT VIC (FR) (357)			95
	71449737- 7 10-6 66.2kg			
	Anthony Day		Harriet Tucker (71b/3kg)	
	Finished much closer than previously when 1¼ lengths third of 8 in handicap at Southwell in November 2024. However, failed to repeat that performance at Huntingdon 5 months later and has been absent again since.			
12	IFAN FULL PELT (IRE) (78)			69
	F9-4PP 6 10-3 64.9kg			
	Nikki Evans		Ben Poste	
	Little impact in 4 novice hurdles and was beaten halfway when pulled up at Warwick on handicap bow in January.			
13	D'GESTEEVO (78)	s		95
	R70UP-PP9 7 10-2(10-1) 64.4kg (64.0kg)			
	Jeremy Scott		Chad Bament (71b/3kg)	
	Remains with little form, ending a run of non-completions but always behind when ninth of 12 in a Warwick handicap in January. Cheekpieces go back on.			
14	RAINANCE QUEEN (IRE) (28)			93
	P34PP740 9 10-2(9-12) 64.4kg (62.6kg)			
	William de Best-Turner		Charlie Price	
	Long-standing maiden who, after a spell over fences, has finished well held back over hurdles on her last 3 outings.			

14 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Thorgath, **4-1** Inion Tiogair, **9-2** Shan't Wait, **8-1** Hillwalk, **14-1** Peace In The Park, **16-1** Rapid Mission, **22-1** Sophie Power, **22-1** Saint Vic, **22-1** Bushstreet Bowman, **28-1** D'gesteevo, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

THORGATH has proved a different proposition sent handicapping on his last 2 starts and he could be ready to get off the mark with his yard amongst the winners. Inion Tiogair has won over C&D on 2 of her last 3 outings and is respected, while Hillwalk remains capable of better on his handicap debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. THORGATH 2. INION TIOGAIR 3. HILLWALK

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Impecunious 6-11-13	13-8f	Chris Down	Callum Pritchard (5)	10
2024	Love of Neymore 6-12-0	14-1	Robbie Llewellyn	Charlie Price (3)	13
2023 ^I	Mr Hailstone 7-11-8	9-1	Dr Richard Newland	Luke Scott (7)	10
2023 ^{II}	Cast's Tasha 6-11-7	11-2	Ben Clarke	Tom Bellamy	9
2022 ^I	Heron Creek 5-10-6	3-1jf	Dr Richard Newland	Charlie Hammond	12
2022 ^{II}	Benito 5-11-2	85-40f	Tom Lacey	Tom Bellamy	12
2021 ^I	Kilchreest Moon 10-10-2	5-2	Henry Oliver	Lee Edwards	12
2021 ^{II}	Megaudais Speed 9-11-10	6-1	Laura Young	Mitchell Bastyan (3)	11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race