

5.30 ADARE MANOR OPPORTUNITY MAIDEN HURDLE 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)

 RACE 1 **(4) FAITHFUL FOLLOWER | (5) KAMINO BELLO | (6) MAROTO**
6.00 DECOCLIP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)

 RACE 2 **(2) KABYLIA | (10) TWO BECOME ONE | (5) KATE KNOWS BEST**
6.30 STRANDHILL CARAVAN PARK HANDICAP HURDLE 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)

 RACE 3 **(13) TIR OG | (1) THE TRUANT | (8) MOULANE WEST**
7.00 ENDA McGOLDRICK PLANT & AGRI HIRE MAIDEN HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)

 RACE 4 **(12) WELCOME BACK | (10) MARIAN PLACE | (5) HUNTS GROVE**
7.30 JOHNSTON FARM EQUIPMENT HANDICAP HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)

 RACE 5 **(7) DUNANY POINT | (5) TRUE DESTINY | (11) COIS FHARRAIGE**
8.00 KEVIN EGAN CARS PEUGEOT CITREON HANDICAP HURDLE 3m1f188y (5200 Metres)

 RACE 6 **(11) ILBDARE | (5) BETTY DUTTON | (8) ROXBORO RIVER**
8.30 SUMMER IS COMING SLIGO I.N.H. FLAT 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)

 RACE 7 **(1) COSMOS D'AINAY | (3) MIRACLE KNIGHTS | (4) PAYMELATER**
KEY TO SYMBOLS
Top Rated: The horse with the best chance based solely on past form, specially tailored to a 0-100 scale.

 Horses For Courses: A suitable track for the horse, compared to its lifetime record on similar courses as defined by Timeform's course data.

 Jockey Uplift: The engaged rider has a notably higher Timeform Jockey Ranking than those who've ridden the horse on its most recent starts

 Trainer Form: A hot trainer to follow, based on Timeform ratings-related measurements looking at the recent performance of runners.

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RACE 1

ADARE MANOR OPPORTUNITY MAIDEN HURDLE 5yo+
€12,000 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)




Going: Good

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Pace Information: Weak

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PATRICK STREET (32)
60- 6 11-12 | 75.3kg
Andrew Kinirons, Ireland
Modest winner at 10f on flat. Showed ability when sixth on yard/hurdles debut at Naas last month but tailed off before 3 out turned out quickly in a Ballinrobe maiden 32 days ago. Probable type for handicaps in this sphere moving forward.

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90

Gearoid Patrick Brouder

2




AT THE WINGS (IRE) (242)
5825- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
Norman Lee, Ireland
Lightly-raced maiden who displayed fair form when runner-up on third start in bumpers here (18.5f) in August. Final start at Ballinrobe best ignored (raced on unfavoured inside) and he ought to be up to making his mark in this sphere. Market can guide.

h

94

G. B. Noonan

3




BIG TOM (IRE) (65)
0/0- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg
Mrs Mary Whelehan, Ireland
Twice-raced maiden. 250/1, sixteenth of 25 in novice hurdle at Naas (19.5f, soft) 65 days ago, losing place from 3 out. Can only be watched.

75

R. J. Condon (2lb/1kg)

4




FAITHFUL FOLLOWER (IRE) (57)
07265- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg
Emmet Mullins, Ireland
Lightly-raced maiden. 13/2, may have needed the run following 4 months off when below form fifth of 11 in bumper at Wexford (16f, good to soft) 57 days ago. Makes hurdles debut and confidence behind him in the betting would look significant.


99

Conor Clarke (4lb/2kg)

5




KAMINO BELLO (FR) (108)
6- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland
Montmartre gelding who was placed on second of 2 outings in points (Dec 8) but despite being backed at long odds, ultimately finished well held when sixth of 7 in bumper at Fairyhouse (16f, soft) on NH debut 108 days ago. Makes hurdles debut and no surprise to see him do better.



100

C. Stone-Walsh

6




MAROTO (IRE) (116)
6F2/0379- 8 11-4 | 71.7kg
Andrew McNamara, Ireland
Remains a maiden after 7 hurdle runs. 50/1 and hooded for 1st time, ninth of 10 in handicap hurdle at Cork (16.9f, soft) 116 days ago. Bounce back called for but definite possibilities if doing so in a race lacking depth.

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99

D. P. Maxwell (2lb/1kg)

7




MONNOW VALLEY (40)
000- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
Peter Cluskey, Ireland
Regressive on the Flat and very hard to glean any positives from trio of hurdles exploits to date. Cheekpieces go back on now.

s+t

70

Niall Moore (2lb/1kg)

8




NO DEMAND (IRE)
6 11-4 | 71.7kg
Darren Collins, Ireland
Gatewood gelding. Dam unraced. Debuts for a yard who have been amongst the winners, so worth a precautionary market check on racecourse bow.

91

Jack G. Gilligan (2lb/1kg)

9




PARKGARVE (IRE) (372)
8- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
Ian Patrick Donoghue, Ireland
Shirocco gelding. Half-brother to bumper winner/smart hurdler Slade Steel. 12/1, raced freely and weakened from 3f out when eighth of 12 in bumper (12/1) at Down Royal (16.8f) 12 months ago. This ought to reveal more now hurdling with a hood/tongue tie enlisted.

h+t

92

James Smith (2lb/1kg)

10




SAINT PEREGRINE (IRE) (8)
RD-7 6 11-4 | 71.7kg
John Patrick Ryan, Ireland
Thrice-raced maiden under NH rules. 100/1, seventh of 17 in novice hurdle at Down Royal (17.4f, good) on hurdles bow 8 days ago, left behind between 3 and 2 out. Appeals as the type to make more impact in low-grade handicaps further down the line.

93

L. A. McKenna

11




SAN FRANCO (IRE) (19)
38F540- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg
Dermot Anthony McLoughlin, Ireland
Looked set to be placed when taking a heavy fall at the last on hurdles bow at Roscommon last summer. However, largely underwhelming efforts under various codes since, and he was a well-beaten thirteenth of 14 in maiden hurdle at Kilbeggan (15.5f, good) 19 days ago.

93

Patrick Michael O'Brien (4lb/2kg)

12




SHORE (USA) (714)
P/ 9 11-4 | 71.7kg
John G. Carr, Ireland
Modest maiden on the Flat. Thrice-raced maiden under NH rules. Visored for 1st time, was too lit up when pulled up in novice hurdle at Ballinrobe (16.2f, good) 2 years ago. Absent since and he's best watched.

75

R. A. Berry (4lb/2kg)

13



FLORIDA TAIGA (IRE) (229)
00- 5 10-11 | 68.5kg
Seamus Fahey, Ireland
Twice-raced maiden. 100/1, tenth of 15 in novice hurdle at Listowel (16f, soft). Off 7 months. First run for yard after leaving S. M. Duffy.

79

B. P. Kennedy (4lb/2kg)

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Kamino Bello, 4-1 Maroto, 4-1 Faithful Follower, 8-1 At The Wings, 10-1 San Franco, 12-1 Saint Peregrine, 14-1 Parkgarve, 28-1 No Demand, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Not a strong maiden by any means and it may pay to take a chance on one of the hurdling debutants in the shape of FAITHFUL FOLLOWER and Kamino Bello. The former displayed fair form on the pick of his efforts in bumpers and shades the vote before market clues. Maroto and San Franco are others entitled to be thereabouts on their best form.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. FAITHFUL FOLLOWER 2. KAMINO BELLO 3. MAROTO

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024

Koori Star

6-11-12

14-1

Peter Fahey

J. Coen

12

2023

Lisnamult Lad

6-11-12

10-1

John McConnell

B. W. Harvey

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SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2














DECOCLIP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY MARES MAIDEN
HURDLE 5yo+ mares €10,000 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1	ENCOSTA (IRE) (23)	7- 5 11-7 73.0kg		88
	Noel Meade, Ireland 	Donagh Meyler	Promising type. Fair winner at 10f on flat. 50/1, seventh of 22 in novice hurdle at Fairyhouse (16f, soft) on NH debut 23 days ago. Stable in good form. Should progress.	
2	KABYLIA (FR) (19)	751- 5 11-7 73.0kg	h+t	96
	Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland	Keith Donoghue	14/1 and hooded for 1st time, won 14-runner bumper at Kilbeggan (15.5f, good) 19 days ago, driven out. Makes hurdles debut. Likely player.	
3	BELLE OF BOSTON (IRE) (32)	0- 5 10-13 69.4kg		75
	Ciaran Murphy, Ireland	E. Walsh	Once-raced maiden. 25/1, eleventh of 13 in novice hurdle at Ballinrobe (16.8f, good) on NH debut 32 days ago.	
4	IRISH MUSIC (FR)	5 10-13 69.4kg		90
	J. P. Dempsey, Ireland	Jordan Colin Gainford	€80,000 3-y-o, No Risk At All mare. Dam, 19f chase winner in France, half-sister to useful French hurdler (2¼m-2½m winner) Highway To Hell (by No Risk At All). Market can guide.	
5	KATE KNOWS BEST (IRE) (260) (BF)	24/44229- 7 10-13 69.4kg		100
	John Patrick Ryan, Ireland	D. King	Modest hurdler. 6/5, ninth of 13 in novice hurdle at Ballinrobe (22.4f, soft), lame when. Off 8 months. Back down in trip. Very much one to consider on her best form.	
6	LILAC LADY (IRE)	5 10-13 69.4kg		75
	Mark McNiff, Ireland	Miss A. M. King (7lb/3kg)	Modest maiden on the Flat, making GB/IRE jumps debut. Seventeenth of 20 in handicap (40/1) at Navan (14f, good to soft). Off 6 months. First run for yard after leaving M. C. Grassick.	
7	NIAMHIE (IRE) (184)	0- 5 10-13 69.4kg		60
	Peter Cluskey, Ireland	L. A. McKenna (5lb/2kg)	Once-raced maiden. Last of 11 in bumper (150/1) at Naas (16f, good to soft) on NH debut. Off 6 months. Makes hurdles debut.	
8	SINCEYOUVEBEENGONE (IRE)	5 10-13 69.4kg		86
	Ian Patrick Donoghue, Ireland	C. Stone-Walsh (3lb/1kg)	Vadamos mare. Dam modest 2m hurdle winner (stayed 19f). Betting can indicate.	
9	TOLOVELYOLDMILTOWN (IRE) (18)	000- 5 10-13 69.4kg	h	60
	Norman Lee, Ireland	G. B. Noonan (5lb/2kg)	Thrice-raced maiden. Twelfth of 16 in novice hurdle at Kilbeggan (19.4f, good to soft, 200/1) 18 days ago.	
10	TWO BECOME ONE (IRE) (361)	2- 6 10-13 69.4kg		96
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland	Danny Gilligan	Promising sort. Second of 12 in novice hurdle (8/1) at Kilbeggan (19f, good) on NH debut. Off 12 months but remains likely to improve.	
11	WILD MANDATE (IRE) (179)	433/22469- 6 10-13 69.4kg		88
	Mark McNiff, Ireland	Phillip Enright	Ninth of 18 in novice hurdle at Punchestown (15.5f, good to soft, 28/1) on hurdles bow 179 days ago.	

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Kate Knows Best, 7-2 Two Become One, 7-2 Kabylia, 9-1 Irish Music, 12-1 Wild Mandate, 16-1 Encosta, 33-1 Sinceyouvebeengone, 100-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This could go the way of KABYLIA who got off the mark in bumpers at Kilbeggan last month and is fancied to go in at the first time of asking in this sphere. Gordon Elliott's returning Two Become One is feared most despite her absence with Kate Knows Best and Encosta also well in the mix.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KABYLIA 2. TWO BECOME ONE 3. KATE KNOWS BEST

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Andyourbirdcansing	6-11-7	6-1	John Patrick Ryan	S. Fitzgerald	13
2023	Pearlofflorida	6-11-7	4-1	Liam P. Cusack	C. G. O'Dwyer (5)	11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3












STRANDHILL CARAVAN PARK HANDICAP HURDLE 4yo+
(Rated 0-100) €10,000 2m1f180y (3580 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Even**


1	THE TRUANT (IRE) (51) (CD)	t	99
	9/1302794- 8 12-0 76.2kg Paul W. Flynn, Ireland <i>K. C. Sexton</i> C&D winner. Good second of 18 in handicap at Navan (13f, soft, 12/1) 17 days ago, no match for winner. Switches from Flat to hurdles and merits consideration.		
2	HIGH HONOUR (19) (CD)		97
	10000203- 5 11-13 75.7kg Donal Kinsella, Ireland <i>Patrick O'Hanlon</i> C&D winner. 11/2, creditable third of 14 in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (15.5f, good) 19 days ago. Needs considering again.		
3	SEASETT (29)	b+t	94
	5P955959- 7 11-8 73.5kg John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland <i>P. Hanlon (7lb/3kg)</i> Last of 9 in handicap hurdle at Warwick (19f, good, 11/1) 29 days ago. Tongue strap on 1st time.		
4	ST ANTHONYS CORNER (IRE) (32)		96
	FU080544- 5 11-6 72.6kg Norman Lee, Ireland <i>Shane O'Callaghan (5lb/2kg)</i> 13/2, good fourth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Ballinrobe (21.5f, good) 32 days ago. Can give a good account.		
5	APPLEJACK POET (IRE) (31)		95
	07415795- 8 11-3 71.2kg Miss Elizabeth Doyle, Ireland <i>T. P. Harney (7lb/3kg)</i> Fair fifth of 7 in handicap hurdle at Bellewstown (17.2f, good, 18/1) 31 days ago. Needs considering with that run under his belt.		
6	STORMY JENN (IRE) (175)		96
	30/4P8- 8 11-2 70.8kg Peter Cluskey, Ireland <i>L. A. McKenna (5lb/2kg)</i> Lightly-raced maiden over hurdles. Fair winner at 9f on flat. Eighth of 11 in handicap hurdle at Limerick (16f, soft, 20/1) 175 days ago. Risky proposition at present.		
7	THREE TRIBES (IRE) (19)	t	73
	050P9- 8 11-1 70.3kg Barry T. Murphy, Ireland <i>R. P. Geoghegan (7lb/3kg)</i> Lightly-raced maiden. Ninth of 14 in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (18.2f, good, 66/1) 19 days ago.		
8	MOULANE WEST (IRE) (200)	t	98
	3F335453- 9 11-0 69.9kg Mark McNiff, Ireland <i>Patrick Michael O'Brien (7lb/3kg)</i> Twenty seven runs since last win in 2021. 6/1, good third of 16 in handicap hurdle at this course (20.3f, soft). Off 6 months. Looks competitive on form.		
9	SYDNEY CRUISER (IRE) (26)		97
	63240748- 7 11-0 69.9kg Ciaran Murphy, Ireland <i>E. Walsh</i> Remains a maiden after 17 NH runs. Eighth of 11 in handicap hurdle (15/2) at Clonmel (17f, good) 26 days ago. Others more persuasive.		
10	HIGHLAND EARL (IRE) (22)		84
	780P607- 5 10-13 69.4kg Liam P. Cusack, Ireland <i>Richard Deegan</i> Creditable seventh of 18 in handicap hurdle (80/1) at Cork (16f, good to soft) 22 days ago. Uphill task at these weights though.		
11	MY GOOD PAL (IRE) (118) (BF)	t	93
	0800P/60- 6 10-13 69.4kg Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland <i>K. E. Buckley</i> Tenth of 15 in handicap hurdle (11/5) at Clonmel (16.9f, soft) 118 days ago. Others have achieved more.		

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GO GILL GO (IRE) (75) (C)

s+t

97




30F33/030- 10 10-12 | 68.9kg
James Grace, Ireland *Conor Clarke (7lb/3kg)*
Course winner. Twenty six runs since last win in 2021. 7/1, twelfth of 16 in handicap hurdle at Clonmel (16f, heavy) 75 days ago.

13

TIR OG (IRE) (47)

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0093F- 4 10-11 | 68.5kg
E. Seymour, Ireland *Liam Quinlan (3lb/1kg)*
Lightly-raced maiden. 8/1, still in front and showing improved form when fell 2 out in handicap hurdle at Clonmel (18.7f, good to soft) 47 days ago. Has to be taken seriously off an unchanged mark.

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-2 The Truant, **13-2** St Anthonys Corner, **7-1** High Honour, **8-1** Moulane West, **17-2** Tir Og, **11-1** Go Gill Go, **12-1** My Good Pal, **14-1** Sydney Cruiser, **16-1** Applejack Poet, **16-1** Seasett, **33-1** Stormy Jenn, **33-1** Highland Earl, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Plenty are in with a shout. TIR OG has few miles on the clock and was still ahead when falling 2 out at Clonmel last time so is worth siding with to gain compensation off the same mark. C&D scorer The Truant is next on the list of the back of a good recent second on the Flat at Navan, with the returning Moulane West and in-form pair High Honour and St Anthonys Corner in the mix as well.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. TIR OG 2. THE TRUANT 3. MOULANE WEST

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 ^I	Verbal Sparring 5-11-8	7-2f	Desmond McDonogh	C. P. Millar (7)	11
2024 ^{II}	The Truant 7-11-8	4-1jf	Paul W. Flynn	K. C. Sexton	12
2023	Stilyker 7-12-0	11-4cf	W. P. Mullins	Kieran Callaghan (7)	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 4

ENDA McGOLDRICK PLANT & AGRI HIRE MAIDEN HURDLE
5yo+ €10,000 2½m (4020 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

1	CORDAL BOY (IRE) (21)	0- 5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>Philip Donovan (3lb/1kg)</i>
	Darren Collins, Ireland	Once-raced maiden. Twenty first of 24 in novice hurdle (125/1) at Fairyhouse (19.8f, soft) on NH debut 21 days ago.	
2	GARADICE (IRE)	5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>B. W. Harvey</i>
	David Christie, Ireland	Kingston Hill gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners on Flat, including 5f-6f winner Billian. Dam lightly raced on Flat. Pulled up both starts in points (latest Mar 30).	
3	GOLD GATEWOOD (IRE) (51)	P- 5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>J. J. Slevin</i>
	Norman Lee, Ireland	Once-raced maiden. Pulled up in novice hurdle at Limerick (19f, soft, 150/1) on NH debut 51 days ago, pulled up before 2 out. Tongue strap on for 1st time.	
4	GRANDY LANE (IRE)	5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>Keith Donoghue</i>
	Ian Patrick Donoghue, Ireland	Shirocco gelding. Brother to modest 3¼m chase winner Jamesieconn. Dam unraced half-sister to useful staying chaser (Midlands Grand National winner) Time To Get Up. Unplaced completed start in points (Apr 27). Wears tongue strap.	
5	HUNTSGROVE (IRE) (18)	43524/322- 7 11-4 71.7kg	<i>D. King</i>
	John Patrick Ryan, Ireland	Fair hurdler. 5/1, creditable second of 16 in novice hurdle at Kilbeggan (19.4f, good to soft) 18 days ago. Holds solid form claims.	
6	IRINA'S PATH (FR) (263)	898/272P- 7 11-4 71.7kg	<i>Sam Ewing</i>
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland	Modest hurdler. 11/1, pulled up in novice hurdle at Kilbeggan (25f, good), faltering between last 2. Off 8 months.	
7	JUMBLE LIGHT (FR) (19)	448- 6 11-4 71.7kg	<i>Phillip Enright</i>
	Mark McNiff, Ireland	Thrice-raced maiden under NH rules. 40/1, first run since leaving John G. Hayes when eighth of 14 in novice hurdle at Kilbeggan (15.5f, good) on hurdles bow 19 days ago, not knocked about. May do better.	
8	KILLALA BAY (IRE) (8)	00-0 5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>B. P. Kennedy (7lb/3kg)</i>
	Paul W. Flynn, Ireland	Thrice-raced maiden. Sixteenth of 18 in novice hurdle at Down Royal (17.4f, good, 150/1) 8 days ago.	
9	KINTURK NELSON (IRE) (52)	00- 6 11-4 71.7kg	<i>D. J. O'Keefe</i>
	T. Gibney, Ireland	Twice-raced maiden. Eleventh of 18 in novice hurdle (200/1) at Navan (16f, soft) 52 days ago. Back up in trip.	
10	MARIAN PLACE (IRE)	5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>P. Byrnes</i>
	Charles Byrnes, Ireland	Ocovango gelding. Dam, fairly useful 2m-2½m hurdle/chase winner, half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/fair chaser (stayed 25f) Aodhan May. Noteworthy newcomer from good yard.	
11	MYSTICAL SANDMASON (IRE)	5 11-4 71.7kg	<i>Jack G. Gilligan (5lb/2kg)</i>
	Paul John Gilligan, Ireland	Sandmason gelding. Dam, fairly useful 2m/17f hurdle winner (stayed 21f). No forlorn hope on his first start.	

12	WELCOME BACK (IRE) (68)		89
	3/f- 5 11-4 71.7kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland	<i>Jordan Colin Gainford</i>	
Point winner shaped well when third on his hurdling bow at Navan last March. Held when fell 5 out in hunter chase at Thurles (25.1f, good to soft, 11/2) on debut over fences 68 days ago. The form pick back hurdling.			
13	WHISKEY ON ICE (IRE) (8)	h	83
	5 5 11-4 71.7kg John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland	<i>P. Hanlon (7lb/3kg)</i>	
Once-raced maiden. 20/1 and hooded, fifth of 17 in novice hurdle at Down Royal (17.4f, good) on NH debut 8 days ago. Needs to build on it.			

13 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:
3-1 Huntsgrove, 4-1 Welcome Back, 5-1 Irina's Path, 5-1 Marian Place, 16-1 Whiskey On Ice, 22-1 Jumble Light, 25-1 Mystical Sandmason, 25-1 Garadice, 66-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:
WELCOME BACK failed to take to fences when a faller at Thurles but had shaped well when third at Navan on his hurdling debut prior to that so edges the vote in this open maiden. Newcomer Marian Place could emerge as the main danger, especially if the market vibes are positive, while Huntsgrove also has the form to play a part.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:
1. WELCOME BACK 2. MARIAN PLACE 3. HUNTSGROVE





















SMART STATS:
No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 5

JOHNSTON FARM EQUIPMENT HANDICAP HURDLE 4yo+
(Rated 0-100) €10,000 2½m (4020 Metres)

















Going: Good						
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Pace Information: Even						
1	STEPS IN THE SAND (IRE) (18) (CD) 21145090- 6 12-0 76.2kg  Ciaran Murphy, Ireland <i>E. Walsh</i> C&D winner. Thirteenth of 15 in handicap hurdle (28/1) at Kilbeggan (19.4f, good to soft) 18 days ago.	96				
2	THE STRIKER DYLAN (IRE) (219) (BF) 470/82242- 7 11-12 75.3kg  Liam P. Cusack, Ireland <i>Richard Deegan</i> 5/2, creditable second of 11 in handicap hurdle at Killarney (22.8f, soft) 7 months ago. Capable of winning races but might need this.	96				
3	EVANS SECRET (32) 7705/2356- 6 11-8 73.5kg  Mark McNiff, Ireland <i>Phillip Enright</i> 10/1, creditable sixth of 15 in handicap hurdle at Ballinrobe (21.5f, good) 32 days ago. Blinkers back on. Others more persuasive.	95	b+t			
4	SMACKWATER JACK (IRE) (66) P867/52- 11 11-7 73.0kg  Mrs Denise Foster, Ireland <i>R. A. Doyle</i> One win from 22 NH runs. 14/1, good second of 16 in handicap hurdle at Gowran (20f, heavy) 66 days ago, sticking to task. Player if building on that.	99				
5	TRUE DESTINY (40) (CD) 79882264- 10 11-6 72.6kg  Noel C. Kelly, Ireland <i>Mr D. McGill (7lb/3kg)</i> Twelve runs since last win (over C&D) in 2023. 9/1, creditable fourth of 17 in handicap hurdle at Naas (23.6f, good to soft) 40 days ago. Cheekpieces back on. Has to be taken seriously.	100	s			
6	DIVILABOTHER (IRE) (37) 0/4429302- 7 11-4 71.7kg  Thomas Coyle, Ireland <i>Alex Harvey (5lb/2kg)</i> Good second of 10 in handicap hurdle (20/1) at Fairyhouse (20f, good) 37 days ago, sticking to task. Merits consideration.	96				
7	DUNANY POINT (IRE) (31) (D) 300P71- 6 11-3 71.2kg  Conor David Maxwell, Ireland <i>K. E. Buckley</i> Much improved when winning 9-runner handicap hurdle at Bellewstown (20.5f, good, well-backed 5/1) 31 days ago, making all. Can progress further.	95				
8	MIGHTY SOLDIER (IRE) (59) 0797388- 6 11-2 70.8kg  James Andrew Fahey, Ireland <i>K. C. Sexton</i> Below form eighth of 15 in handicap hurdle (10/1) at Thurles (22.2f, good) 59 days ago. Others more persuasive.	95	t			
9	EVIES COURT (IRE) (275) U6/0007- 5 11-1 70.3kg  Noel C. Kelly, Ireland <i>P. Hanlon (7lb/3kg)</i> 125/1, seventh of 11 in novice hurdle at Downpatrick (21.8f, good) 9 months ago.	76				
10	BEN PURPLE (IRE) (116) P/ROOPP- 5 11-0 69.9kg  John Patrick Ryan, Ireland <i>D. King</i> 66/1, pulled up in handicap hurdle at Cork (16.9f, soft) 116 days ago, virtually refusing to race and pulled up after first.	65				
11	COIS FHARRAIGE (IRE) (246) 888U6P- 5 10-12 68.9kg  Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland <i>C. Stone-Walsh (3lb/1kg)</i> No form over hurdles for Norman Lee (off 8 months), though capable of better for new yard. Follow the money if he's backed.	55				
12	MR MCWHINNY (IRE) (32) 08772P09- 7 10-11 68.5kg  Paul John Gilligan, Ireland <i>Jack G. Gilligan (5lb/2kg)</i> 12/1, ninth of 12 in handicap hurdle at Ballinrobe (21.5f, good) 32 days ago. Tongue strap back on.	98	t			
13	RESTLESS SON (IRE) (19) 0980/4684- 8 10-9 67.6kg  Norman Lee, Ireland <i>D. J. O'Keeffe</i> Creditable fourth of 14 in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (18.2f, good, 12/1) 19 days ago.	96				
14	CORNMARKET (IRE) (128) 04404P/0P- 6 10-7 66.7kg  J. S. Cullen, Ireland <i>Miss A. M. King (7lb/3kg)</i> Pulled up in handicap hurdle (40/1) at Naas (18.9f, heavy) 128 days ago, pulled up before 2 out. First run for yard after leaving Michael Flannery.	96				
15	PENSION PLAN (IRE) (19) 0000- 5 10-4 65.3kg  Paul W. Flynn, Ireland <i>Gearoid Patrick Brouder (3lb/1kg)</i> Lightly-raced maiden. 200/1, last of 14 in novice hurdle at Kilbeggan (15.5f, good) 19 days ago. Up in trip. Makes handicap hurdle debut.	93				
16	MANHATTAN BROOK (IRE) (18) 000/00004- 7 10-1 64.0kg  Adrian Murray, Ireland <i>Rachael Blackmore</i> Fourth of 16 in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (24.3f, good to soft, 14/1) 18 days ago.	92	s			
RESERVES						
17	KLASSMAN (IRE) (18) 87342U3P- 7 10-13 69.4kg  Shane Nolan, Ireland <i>Reserve</i> Pulled up in handicap hurdle at Kilbeggan (24.3f, good to soft, 12/1) 18 days ago. Others more persuasive. RESERVE.	96	t			
18	RUN AWAY MERIDA (IRE) (8) 00F-0 4 10-6 66.2kg  Mark McNiff, Ireland <i>Reserve</i> Lightly-raced maiden. 100/1, thirteenth of 17 in novice hurdle at Down Royal (17.4f, good) 8 days ago. Makes handicap hurdle debut. Open to improvement. RESERVE.	72	t			
16 DECLARED RUNNERS (2 RESERVES)						
BETTING FORECAST:						
9-2 Dunany Point, 6-1 Cois Fharraige, 13-2 Smackwater Jack, 15-2 The Striker Dylan, 8-1 Divilabother, 9-1 True Destiny, 20-1 Evans Secret, 25-1 Restless Son, 25-1 Manhattan Brook, 33-1 Mr Mcwhinny, 33-1 Mighty Soldier, 40-1 bar						
TIMEFORM VIEW:						
DUNANY POINT landed a hefty gamble with a dominant front-running display at Bellewstown last month and could follow up after a 7 lb rise. True Destiny is a big player, while a market move for Cois Fharraige starting out for Gavin Cromwell would put a different slant on things.						
TIMEFORM 1-2-3:						
1. DUNANY POINT 2. TRUE DESTINY 3. COIS FHARRAIGE						
WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:						
2024	I Am Spider Man	7-11-6	9-4f	Charles Byrnes	P. Byrnes (3)	13
2023	True Destiny	8-11-8	10-1	J. J. Lambe	L. A. McKenna (5)	13
SMART STATS:						
No Smart Stats available for this race						

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RACE 6

KEVIN EGAN CARS PEUGEOT CITREON HANDICAP HURDLE
4yo+ €11,500 3m1f188y (5200 Metres)



Going: Good			
Sligo is a sharp, undulating right-handed track with a circuit of little more than a mile. There are five fences to a circuit of the chase course, which is situated on the outside of the hurdles track, with one just before the straight and one at the bottom of a slightly uphill run-in. A good position turning into the straight is vital.			
Pace Information: Even			
1	MASTERBOY DAVIS (FR) (61) 23/0P735- 6 11-12 75.3kg  Gordon Elliott, Ireland F. Brickley (7lb/3kg) Failed to build on earlier promise when fifth of 8 in novice hurdle (4/1) at Limerick (24f, good to soft) 61 days ago, folding. Makes handicap hurdle debut. Remains open to improvement.	b	93
2	THE MIRACLE MAN (IRE) (21) (C) P17FU216- 7 11-9 73.9kg  A. L. T. Moore, Ireland Donagh Meyler Course winner. Latest win in hurdle at Fairyhouse in April. 12/1, creditable sixth of 18 in handicap hurdle at Fairyhouse (23.2f, soft) 21 days ago. Needs considering.		96
3	KILLINURE LASS (IRE) (32) 402FU897- 8 11-6 72.6kg  J. P. Dempsey, Ireland Keith Donoghue 16/1, seventh of 9 in handicap hurdle at Ballinrobe (21.5f, good) 32 days ago. Up in trip. Cheekpieces back on. Can give a good account if shrugging off latest effort.	s	94
4	SHOTGUN JACK (IRE) (32) 0511P68/0- 7 11-6 72.1kg  Patrick G. Kelly, Ireland Philip Donovan (3lb/1kg) Eleventh of 12 in handicap hurdle (16/1) at Ballinrobe (21.5f, good) 32 days ago. Up in trip. Tongue strap back on with work to do.	t	94
5	BETTY DUTTON (IRE) (54) 26552253- 7 11-5 71.9kg  E. J. O'Grady, Ireland D. J. O'Keefe Nineteen runs since last win in 2022. 9/2, good third of 9 in handicap hurdle at Cork (24.6f, good to soft) 54 days ago. Looks competitive on form.		99
6	IRISH ENVOY (IRE) (256) 201P/066U- 7 11-4 71.7kg  Miss Elizabeth Doyle, Ireland T. P. Harney (7lb/3kg) 14/1 and blinkered for 1st time, held when unseated rider 3 out in handicap chase at Wexford (25f, good to soft). Off 8 months. Switches from chase to hurdles with more required.	b	94
7	COSMO RENFRO (IRE) (66) 21/FP5P50- 8 11-3 71.2kg  Shane Nolan, Ireland Danny Gilligan Tenth of 16 in handicap hurdle (16/1) at Gowran (20f, heavy) 66 days ago. Up in trip. Can give a good account if back on his A-game.	s	96
8	ROXBORO RIVER (IRE) (29) 556602- 6 10-13 69.4kg  John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland P. Hanlon (7lb/3kg) Good second of 4 in handicap hurdle at Warwick (25f, good, 5/1) 29 days ago. Can go well again off a 5 lb lower mark now.		96
9	LETS DO THIS (IRE) (246) 02608/633- 8 10-11 68.5kg  Cian Michael Collins, Ireland Jordan Colin Gainford Creditable third of 20 in handicap hurdle (11/1) at Galway (22.4f, good to soft). Off 8 months. Tongue strap on 1st time. Can make presence felt.	t	98
10	ARRYCAN (IRE) (213) 6510/0200- 11 10-6 66.2kg  Liam P. Cusack, Ireland Richard Deegan Tenth of 14 in handicap hurdle at Fairyhouse (18.5f, good, 9/1). Off 7 months. Significantly up in trip with work to do.		97
11	ILBDARE (IRE) (29) 00358763- 5 10-4 65.3kg  Mark McNiff, Ireland Phillip Enright Hinted at a revival when third of 11 in handicap hurdle at Tramore (21.5f, good to soft) 29 days ago. Up in trip. Tongue strap on 1st time. Bold showing is on the cards.	t	100
12	LOVE BITE (IRE) (477) F608/ 7 10-0 63.5kg  Mrs Grainne O'Connor, Ireland Rachael Blackmore 20/1, eighth of 10 in novice hurdle at Plumpton (15.9f) 15 months ago for Nicky Henderson. Makes handicap hurdle debut having won a point (fortunate) in November. Should still improve and is worth a market check.		73
13	OSKAR HIGH (IRE) (199) (CD) 90P4/017P- 13 10-0 63.5kg  Norman Lee, Ireland Shane O'Callaghan (5lb/2kg) C&D winner. Latest win in hurdle at Galway in September. Pulled up in handicap hurdle (11/1) at Galway (24f, good to soft), pulled up before last. Off 6 months.	s	97
14	EDDIES PRIDE (IRE) (18) 31/78P9P5- 11 10-0 63.5kg  Norman Lee, Ireland G. B. Noonan (5lb/2kg) Creditable fifth of 11 in handicap chase at Kilbeggan (19.9f, good to soft, 40/1) 18 days ago. Switches from chase to hurdles. Back up in trip. Hood back on. Not discounted.	h+t	94
14 DECLARED RUNNERS			
BETTING FORECAST:			
5-1 The Miracle Man, 6-1 Masterboy Davis, 13-2 Betty Dutton, 8-1 Ilbdare, 10-1 Lets Do This, 11-1 Love Bite, 14-1 Roxboro River, 18-1 Oskar High, 22-1 Arrycan, 22-1 Irish Envoy, 28-1 Killinure Lass, 28-1 Shotgun Jack, 33-1 Cosmo Renfro, 33-1 Eddies Pride			
TIMEFORM VIEW:			
ILBDARE took a step back in the right direction when third at Tramore last time out and can now capitalise on a handy-looking mark to gain his breakthrough success. In-form Betty Dutton is on a losing run but feared most, although the likes of Roxboro River, Lets Do This, Love Bite, The Miracle Man and Eddies Pride can all have a say too in this very open handicap.			
TIMEFORM 1-2-3:			
1. ILBDARE 2. BETTY DUTTON 3. ROXBORO RIVER			
WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:			
2024 The Dabbler 11-12-4 14-1 Liam P. Cusack Mr R. A. Berry (7) 12			
SMART STATS:			
No Smart Stats available for this race			

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RACE 7









SUMMER IS COMING SLIGO I.N.H. FLAT 5yo+ €10,000
2m1f180y (3580 Metres)



Going: **Good**

Sligo is a sharp, undulating right-handed track with a circuit of little more than a mile. There are five fences to a circuit of the chase course, which is situated on the outside of the hurdles track, with one just before the straight and one at the bottom of a slightly uphill run-in. A good position turning into the straight is vital.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1		COSMOS D'AINAY (FR) (26) (BF) 3- 5 12-0 76.2kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland <i>Mr J. H. Williamson (7lb/3kg)</i> Cost £165,000 after winning the last of his 4 starts in points (Dec 1). 11/4, third of 15 in bumper at Clonmel (19.9f, good) 26 days ago. This is easier and he's got obvious claims.	 100
2		HILLFORT MANOR (IRE) 5 12-0 76.2kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland <i>Miss A. L. Fitzgibbon (7lb/3kg)</i> Tagula gelding. Dam 1m-1¼m winner.	86
3		MIRACLE KNIGHTS (IRE) 5 12-0 76.2kg Paul John Gilligan, Ireland <i>Mr O. T. Gilligan (7lb/3kg)</i> Decorated Knight gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including fair 17f hurdle winner Langafel and bumper winner Lispendense, from the family of Hawk Wing. Appealing sort on paper.	81
4		PAYMELATER (IRE) (270) 69/3- 6 12-0 76.2kg S. Michael Millar, Ireland <i>Mr N. Gault (7lb/3kg)</i> Thrice-raced maiden. 80/1, third of 15 in bumper at Tramore (16.4f, good to soft) 9 months ago.	87
5		SHUDAWUDACUDDAGH (IRE) (26) 6- 5 12-0 76.2kg James Andrew Fahey, Ireland <i>Mr S. Connor (7lb/3kg)</i> Sixth of 15 in bumper at Clonmel (19.9f, good, 20/1) on NH debut 26 days ago.	81
6		TUFFLIKETIGER (IRE) (1143) 7 12-0 76.2kg Patrick G. Kelly, Ireland <i>Miss L. Costello (7lb/3kg)</i> Once-raced maiden. 100/1, 20½ lengths sixth of 8 to Impulsive Dancer in listed bumper at Limerick (16f, good to soft) on debut over 3 years ago.	81
7		CHAMPAGNE MELANIE (IRE) (33) s 0- 5 11-7 73.0kg John Neilan, Ireland <i>Mr M. J. Kenneally (7lb/3kg)</i> Cheekpieces on, last of 14 in bumper at Limerick (19.3f, good to soft, 150/1) on NH debut 33 days ago.	79

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-10 Cosmos D'ainay, 9-2 Paymelater, 5-1 Hillfort Manor, 12-1 Shudawudacuddagh, 12-1 Miracle Knights, 16-1 Tuffliketiger, 300-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. COSMOS D'AINAY 2. MIRACLE KNIGHTS 3. PAYMELATER

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race