

Wednesday 13th May

PERTH



2.00 MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE MARES' MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2½m35y (4060 Metres)

RACE 1 **(5) KAYDENCE | (3) FRANKIES FORTUNE | (10) POPPIES IN JULY**

2.33 MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m (3220 Metres)

RACE 2 **(1) NEXT TWIST | (7) SHADOWFAX OF ROHAN | (2) MISTER CESSNA**

3.08 MURRAYSHALL GOLF HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 3¼m127y (5350 Metres)

RACE 3 **(7) SUSPECTED | (5) MANOWEST | (10) EBSELYSEES**

3.43 MURRAYSHALL CAIRNS HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m7f180y (4790 Metres)

RACE 4 **(3) SIR CARNEGIE | (2) THE FLYING POET | (1) ATTABOYARCHIE**

4.18 125 YEARS OF BRUCE FARMS "GRASSROOTS" HUNTERS' CHASE (QUALIFIER) (5) 2m7f180y (4790 Metres)

RACE 5 **(1) POTTERS PARTY | (4) PHANTOMS CAVE | (2) DEERSTALKER**

4.55 MURRAYSHALL MEETINGS AND EVENTS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) (D.I) 2½m35y (4060 Metres)

RACE 6 **(5) DUBLINOFFICECALLIN | (2) BYRON HILL | (3) GONNINO**

5.25 MURRAYSHALL MEETINGS AND EVENTS CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) (D.II) 2½m35y (4060 Metres)

RACE 7 **(5) BETTERYOUTHANME | (8) LORO WHITE | (7) KNOCKERANNA ROSE**

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.

2.00

RACE 1

MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE MARES' MAIDEN HURDLE
(4) 4yo+ fillies and mares £10,000 2½m35y (4060 Metres)**GBI RACING**Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Weak****1 BRACING BROOK (20)** 7 11-4 | 71.7kg

Catch Bissett

Dominic Hislop (7lb/3kg)

No show in a couple of novice hurdles 5 months apart.

2 EXPENSIVE EMOTION (IRE) (21) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg **90**

Adrian Keatley

Oakley Brown (5lb/2kg)

£40,000 purchase after getting off the mark in Irish points at the second attempt in November. Offered something to work on at long odds when fourth of 8 in a C&D maiden hurdle 3 weeks ago and rates a likely improver.

3 FRANKIES FORTUNE (IRE) (20) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg **97**

Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Alan Doyle (3lb/1kg)

Irish point winner who made little impact in a couple of bumpers in the autumn but made a perfectly encouraging debut in this sphere after 5 months off when second of 7 in novice over C&D just under 3 weeks ago, finishing with running left. Still learning, she's got more to offer.

4 HUNTERS SPRING (23) 5 11-4 | 71.7kg **92**

Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Patrick Wadge

Debut bumper winner shaped as though this switch to a handicap/longer trip would suit when third (and not given a hard time) on qualifying run at Kelso (2m) in late-February. Let down by her jumping sent handicapping there just over 3 weeks ago and quickly reverts to maiden company.

5 KAYDENCE (29) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg **100**

Olly Murphy

Sean Bowen

Bumper winner who is stoutly bred and benefited as expected from the step up in trip when second of 10 in maiden hurdle at Newton Abbot (2¾m, good to soft) last month, left with plenty to do. Every chance she can go on better with further progress on the cards.

6 KAYLA'S FRIEND (IRE) (56) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg **87**

Olly Murphy

James Bowen

Looked set to win when unseating late on the latter of her outings in points but no show in a Thurles bumper for James William Hannon prior to Christmas. Showed a bit sent hurdling when third of 6 in novice hurdle at Huntingdon (2½m, good to soft) and seems likely to flourish later on.

7 LOWLANDS (IRE) (135) 7 11-4 | 71.7kg **98**

Nicky Richards

Danny McMenamin

Underwent a wind up following a few runs in bumpers last year and has made the frame on all 4 starts over hurdles, third of 9 in handicap at Kelso (2¼m, soft) when last seen in December. Back in maiden company for her return and every chance she'll be bang there.

8 NUFINBUTDTRUTH (182) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

Jean McGregor

Peter Kavanagh

Tailed off in 2 bumpers last year and can only be watched switched to hurdles.

9 OOR WISH (IRE) (20) 6 11-4 | 71.7kg **81**

N. W. Alexander

Bruce Lynn

Hinted at promise in 3 bumpers and did the same when fourth of 7 in novice over C&D (good) on hurdles bow recently. Likely to need more time, however.

10 POPPIES IN JULY (IRE) 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Adam Nicol

Ryan Mania

€26,000 3-y-o, £60,000 5-y-o, Poet's Word mare. Half-sister to 1m-9.4f winner who became unreliable Leabaland. Easy winner on second of 2 starts in Irish points (Apr 5). Worth a second look in the market.

11 QUINNFINITY (IRE) (20) 4 10-10 | 68.0kg

R. Mike Smith

Toby Wynne

Jet Away filly who showed only greenness before pulled up in novice hurdle over C&D just under 3 weeks ago. Tongue tie applied.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:**10-3** Frankies Fortune, **7-2** Kaydence, **5-1** Lowlands, **7-1** Kayla's Friend, **17-2** Expensive Emotion, **10-1** Poppies In July, **12-1** Hunters Spring, **40-1** bar**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Preference is for KAYDENCE, who benefited as expected from the step up in trip when runner-up at Newton Abbot last month and she can go one better with further progress on the cards. Frankies Fortune made a perfectly encouraging debut in this sphere when also finding one too strong and she can provide most resistance, with recent Irish point-winner Poppies In July an interesting Rules debutante, also.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. KAYDENCE 2. FRANKIES FORTUNE 3. POPPIES IN JULY****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Lets Mingle 5-11-4	1-4f	Lucinda Russell	Jack Power (5)	4
2024	Nellie Bluesky 6-11-4	50-1	Ewan Whillans	Craig Nichol	10
2023	Banjaxed 6-11-4	8-15f	Mrs Lorna Fowler	K. E. Buckley (3)	5
2022	Enki Flacke 5-11-4	5-6f	Gordon Elliott	Sean Bowen	7
2021	Wowsham 6-11-4	11-8	Stuart Crawford	James Bowen	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.33**MURRAYSHALL COUNTRY ESTATE HANDICAP CHASE (4)
5yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000 2m (3220 Metres)**

RACE 2

Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Even**

1 **NEXT TWIST (FR) (79)** (D) **95**
43/6121- **6** 12-1 | 76.7kg



Olly Murphy

Sean Bowen

Second hurdle success when landing short odds in 2m Ayr novice (heavy) in February. Has the demeanour for chasing and expected to go well for a stable increasingly dominant at this venue.

2 **MISTER CESSNA (FR) (24)** (D) **100**
P201/1264- **5** 11-13 | 75.7kg



Fergal O'Brien

J. Hogan

Dual winner over hurdles who was successful at Uttoxeter on return in October. Hasn't gone on as expected since but probably needed the run after 4 months off at Stratford recently. Handicapper drops him 3 lb.

3 **NEWTOWN RAMBLER (IRE) (26)** (D) **97**
6P33781P- **7** 11-9 | 73.9kg



Adrian Keatley

Oakley Brown (5lb/2kg)

Always holding when doubling his hurdle tally at Warwick in March but possibly unsuited by softer conditions at Ayr the following month. Ran well a few times over fences for Henry de Bromhead and can get back on track here.

4 **HYPOTENUS (19)** (D) **96**
4/2713633- **7** 11-6 | 72.6kg



Neil Mulholland

Jack Tudor

Has struggled since his Taunton win and made a dismal debut for another new yard (formerly with Joe Tickle) following a breathing operation/tongue strap back on at Chepstow recently.

5 **GARDE DES CHAMPS (IRE) (23)** (CD) **91**
84123448- **10** 11-5 | 72.1kg



Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Alan Doyle (3lb/1kg)

Returned to form with a bang sporting this headgear combination for the first time over C&D last summer. Followed that with a near-miss but has been below par the last twice, including on return at Kelso recently. Drops back in trip with a bit to prove.

6 **DANCE THIEF (IRE) (26)** (D) **98**
233/5P190- **8** 11-2 | 70.8kg



R. Mike Smith

Ryan Mania

Back on his last successful mark when landing a third course win at Ayr in 5-runner handicap in March. Tailed off on both subsequent starts (latest over hurdles) so has something to prove.

7 **SHADOWFAX OF ROHAN (IRE) (20)** (D, BF) **94**
3/79P1215- **6** 10-2(9-11) | 64.4kg (62.1kg)



Patrick Neville

Charlie Maggs (3lb/1kg)

Proved a different model sent chasing for current yard after a breathing operation when making all at Catterick in February. Made it 2 from 3 over fences at Southwell in March but proved disappointing back hurdling here recently. 5 lb out of weights but much better anticipated.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 Next Twist, **7-2** Shadowfax of Rohan, **17-2** Newtown Rambler, **10-1** Mister Cessna, **10-1** Hypotenus, **20-1** Dance Thief, **20-1** Garde Des Champs

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The Olly Murphy yard is becoming increasingly dominant at this venue and that trend looks set to continue with NEXT TWIST, who doubled his hurdles tally at Ayr in February and has the demeanour for chasing. Shadowfax of Rohan is clearly a much better chaser than hurdler, so he looks the biggest danger back in this discipline despite being out of the weights, with Mister Cessna seemingly best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. NEXT TWIST 2. SHADOWFAX OF ROHAN 3. MISTER CESSNA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Schmilsson 6-11-11	8-11f	Olly Murphy	Sean Bowen	5
2024	Galungung 8-12-0	5-6f	Donald McCain	Brian Hughes	4
2023	Lively Citizen 8-11-6	2-1f	D. J. Jeffreys	Tom Bellamy	6
2022	Spark of Madness 6-10-12	13-8f	Lucinda Russell	Stephen Mulqueen	3
2021	Stanelough 9-11-13	10-11f	Rose Dobbin	Conor O'Farrell	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race


3.08**MURRAYSHALL GOLF HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-110) £10,000 3¼m127y (5350 Metres)**

RACE 3

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 BUY SOME TIME (IRE) (20) (C) h+t  **97**
72/167563- 8 12-0 | 76.2kg




R. Mike Smith

Ryan Mania

Had his finest hour (50/1-win at Punchestown) around this time in 2025 and took a step back in the right direction in refitted headgear when third of 9 in handicap hurdle at this course (2½m, good) just under 3 weeks ago. Not discounted back down in grade here.

2 FAIRLAWN SKIPPER (176) **97**
3/123334- 6 11-13 | 75.7kg

Mickey Bowen **James Bowen**

Bumper winner who made a solid start in this sphere at Uttoxeter in September and ran to a similar level on his next couple of starts. Possibly unsuited by testing conditions in a Kelso maiden when last seen in November and heads up in trip on return.

3 CARISMATIC SOLDIER (IRE) (25) b **92**
213/35958- 7 11-13 | 75.7kg

Olly Murphy **Jack Tudor**

Made an encouraging return when third at Wetherby (21f) in November but hasn't improved as expected, beating only one home the last twice. Blinkers worn last time retained but yard seemingly have a much better chance with Manowest.

4 LADY IN THE PARK (IRE) (20) (C) s **99**
2541/2543- 8 11-13 | 75.7kg



Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore

Jack Power (51b/2kg)

Won here over fences last spring and went with more zest fitted with a visor when third of 8 in handicap chase here (3m, good) just under 3 weeks ago. Reverts to hurdles in another change of headgear (first-time cheekpieces) and could well be involved.

5 MANOWEST (IRE) (77) **98**
0447/1263- 8 11-13 | 75.7kg

Olly Murphy **Sean Bowen**

Opened his account in Worcester maiden 12 months ago and ran well despite not being ideally placed after 7 months off when third of 5 in handicap at Bangor (23f, soft) 11 weeks ago. This track more conducive to hold-up rides so every chance he'll feature if getting the trip.

6 SHOESHINE BOY (IRE) (26) t **97**
832F1135- 10 11-10 | 74.4kg



Donald Whillans

Murray Dodd (71b/3kg)

Back-to-back winner of Ayr handicaps in January but put in his place next time. Gave his all in a much higher grade than he need be following a 9-week break when fifth of 15 back there (3m, heavy) last month but may well find conditions against him here (goes very well on heavy).

7 SUSPECTED (IRE) (21) (C)  **100**
1P54861- 6 11-8 | 73.5kg



N. W. Alexander

Mr Kit Alexander (51b/2kg)

Bumper winner who showed improved form to get off the mark in this sphere in 10-runner handicap hurdle at this course (3m, good to soft) 3 weeks ago, relishing the step up in trip. Handicapper raised him 6 lb but this extra distance may elicit further progress.

8 BAYONETTA (IRE) (261) **97**
5420/5333- 8 11-5 | 72.1kg



Gerald Stephen Quinn, Ireland

Benjamin Macey (51b/2kg)

Better over hurdles than fences, adding to a patchy record when third of 8 in handicap chase at Downpatrick (19f, good) when last seen in August. Reverts to hurdles for her return and heads markedly up in trip.

9 A YEAR OLDER (IRE) (31) **95**
0009P8/1F- 8 11-5 | 72.1kg



Karl Thornton, Ireland

B. W. Harvey

Showed much improved form to spring a surprise on return in 17-runner handicap hurdle at Fairyhouse (3¼m) on New Year's Day. Looked sure to play a hand in the finish before falling 3 out in chase at Down Royal 3 months later and remains unexposed over this trip. Interesting back hurdling.

10 EBSELYSEES (21) (C)  **98**
636/P2571- 7 11-2 | 70.8kg



Susan Corbett

Nathan Moscrop

Showed the benefit of stable debut returned to 3m when winning 10-runner handicap hurdle at this course (good to soft) 3 weeks ago, impressing with how she fought off the runner-up having been pestered throughout. 5 lb higher and may have more to offer upped further in trip.

11 MAURA JEANNE (21) v+t **98**
4/6262526- 9 11-1 | 70.3kg



Ian Duncan

Callum Bewley

Won staying handicap hurdles at Kelso and Ayr in 2024/25. It's been an ongoing set-to with the handicapper since but, to her credit, she did finish runner-up on 3 occasions last season. Well held here recently and with consistency not her forte, it's hard to know what mood she'll be in.

12 DALILEO (IRE) (182) (C)  **97**
54554554- 11 10-13 | 69.4kg



Lisa Harrison

Peter Kavanagh

Veteran who was kept busy after 3m course win last summer. In good order when last seen in November and makes return over the longest trip he's tackled.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Suspected, 6-1 Ebselysees, 7-1 Manowest, 17-2 Lady In The Park, 10-1 A Year Older, 12-1 Fairlawn Skipper, 16-1 Shoeshine Boy, 16-1 Carismatic Soldier, 20-1 Maura Jeanne, 20-1 Dalileo, 20-1 Buy Some Time, 25-1 Bayonetta

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Plenty in with a squeak but SUSPECTED took his form up a level when bolting up on his first go over 3m here 3 weeks ago. With this extra distance likely to pose no problems, Nick Alexander's 6-y-o gets the nod to follow up at the expense of Manowest, who ran well despite not being ideally placed at Bangor in February and this track is more conducive to hold-up tactics. Ebselysees won here recently and she can edge out Buy Some Time for third.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. SUSPECTED 2. MANOWEST 3. EBSELYSEES****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Happy Index 7-11-5	evsf	Olly Murphy	Sean Bowen	4
2024	Artic Mann 10-11-5	4-1jf	N. W. Alexander	Bruce Lynn (3)	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.43**MURRAYSHALL CAIRNS HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £9,000 2m7f180y (4790 Metres)**

RACE 4

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Pace Information: **Weak****1 ATTABOYARCHIE (IRE) (31) 95**

6/9U94P42- 9 12-0 | 76.2kg



Karl Thornton, Ireland

Miss E. J. Sweeney (71b/3kg)

Long-standing maiden but good efforts the last twice, second of 10 in handicap chase at Down Royal (3¼m, good to soft, 8/1) 31 days ago, running on. Claims if showing up in similar form.

2 THE FLYING POET (IRE) (230) (C, D) s+t 97

428/25221- 7 11-13 | 75.7kg



Olly Murphy

Sean Bowen

Lightly raced 7-y-o who shaped well in handicap hurdles in the first half of last season, finishing runner-up 3 times before coming good over 3m here in a tongue tie and cheekpieces combination (retained) in September. Switches to fences back from 7 months off. Makes obvious appeal for top stable.

3 SIR CARNEGIE (IRE) (20) (D) s ★ 100

54211442- 6 11-10 | 74.4kg



Mickey Bowen

James Bowen

Winner of 3m handicap chases at Newcastle and Kelso in the autumn. Back on form at the second time of asking after a break when second of 8 over C&D (good) 3 weeks ago. Another bold show likely.

4 SIMILAR STORY (IRE) (41) (D) s+t 95

U9P5UPO3- 8 11-3 | 71.2kg



Stuart Coltherd

Sean Quinlan

Made a winning chasing debut at Kelso in October 2024 but has drawn a blank in 13 subsequent outings, merely running on only once the race was as good as over when third back at Kelso last month.

5 BURGUNDY MAN (FR) (20) (CD, BF) 96

22333156- 9 11-3 | 71.2kg



R. Mike Smith

Ryan Mania

0-20 over hurdles but came good at the first time of asking over fences in C&D handicap (heavy) in October. However, hasn't featured in 2 comeback outings this spring (C&D latterly). Bounce back needed.

6 JIRKO (FR) (20) (BF) s 98

80/32333U- 7 11-0 | 69.9kg



N. W. Alexander

Bruce Lynn

Is likely capable of winning off this sort of mark but his jumping is a bit of an issue, unseating over C&D last time.

7 AILL DUBH (IRE) (43) (D) s 95

400/UPP31- 9 10-6 | 66.2kg



Micky Hammond

Danny McMennamin

Poor maiden hurdler in Ireland but has got his act together over fences for Micky Hammond lately, reacting well to a change of tactics when making all at Newcastle (23f, good) under Danny McMennamin 6 weeks ago. Should remain competitive off 4 lb higher.

8 DEFYING GRAVITY (20) h+t 97

00053- 6 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)



Andrew Hamilton

William Maggs (31b/1kg)

Not disgraced in a pair of handicap hurdles this spring but raced keenly prior to fading into third over 2m here 3 weeks ago and will need to settle better in a first-time hood is he's to see out this much longer trip on chase debut

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Sir Carnegie, **4-1** The Flying Poet, **9-2** Aill Dubh, **11-2** Attaboyarchie, **7-1** Jirko, **12-1** Burgundy Man, **22-1** Similar Story, **28-1** Defying Gravity

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Last month's C&D runner-up SIR CARNEGIE gets a narrow vote over returning Olly Murphy chase newcomer The Flying Poet, a winner over hurdles here when last seen in September. Karl Thornton Irish raider Attaboyarchie is next on the list.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SIR CARNEGIE 2. THE FLYING POET 3. ATTABOYARCHIE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Fathers Advice 8-10-0	9-1	R. Mike Smith	Nathan Moscrop	7
2024	Cowboy Cooper 8-10-6	9-2	Donald Whillans	Craig Nichol	8
2023	Born Famous 6-11-12	9-4f	Iain Jardine	Conor O'Farrell	8
2022	Fiston du Mou 7-10-13	10-1	Ann Duffield	Miss Becky Smith (3)	13
2021	Hitman Fred 8-11-4	5-1	Rose Dobbin	Craig Nichol	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race








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RACE 5

125 YEARS OF BRUCE FARMS "GRASSROOTS" HUNTERS' CHASE (QUALIFIER) (5) 5yo+ £5,000 2m7f180y (4790 Metres)**GBI RACING**Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	POTTERS PARTY (IRE) (21) (D)	s+t		100
	8252P/7U1- 9 12-2 77.1kg			
	Kelly Morgan		Miss Ellie Callwood (7lb/3kg)	
	Fairly useful chaser at best for Henry de Bromhead. Making second start under Rules for current yard, returned to winning ways with a 7-length success in 6-runner hunter chase at Ludlow 3 weeks ago. The one to beat.			
2	DEERSTALKER (IRE) (364)			83
	44U/4- 8 11-12 75.3kg			
	Mrs K. B. Mactaggart		Miss Isobel Mactaggart (7lb/3kg)	
	Fair maiden under Rules when previously trained by Ben Pauling. Finished last of 4 in this race last year, but arrives having won back-to-back points this spring (beat sole other finisher last time).			
3	FOXINTHEBOX (IRE) (698)	b		72
	76/ 10 11-12 75.3kg			
	Ross Wilson		Miss Amy Milburn (7lb/3kg)	
	Fair winner over hurdles for Olly Murphy but finished down the field only chase start back in summer 2024. Has won on his last 2 outings in points for this yard, the latest by 30 lengths albeit in a weak 3-runner race last month.			
4	PHANTOMS CAVE (IRE) (23)	h		87
	2- 7 11-12 75.3kg			
	M. Cregan		Mr John Dawson	
	Took a while to get off the mark in points but successful on his last 2 completed starts. Fitted with hood for Rules debut, was beaten only by the odds-on favourite in 8-runner maiden hunter at Kelso 23 days ago. Open to improvement in this sphere.			
5	THEOLDBOGGROAD (IRE) (23)	s		80
	3/7- 7 11-12 75.3kg			
	Nick Orpwood		Mr James Innes (7lb/3kg)	
	Some encouragement when third on hunter chase debut at Kelso last spring. Gained a second win over points in March, but ran poorly back under Rules when tailed off in maiden hunter at Kelso 23 days ago. Cheekpieces reached for.			
6	RULER OF THE RIVER (IRE) (125)	s+t		
	9P/3176P3- 6 11-5 72.1kg			
	Tom Fife		Miss Natasha Cookson (7lb/3kg)	
	Made a winning stable debut for Fergal O'Brien in handicap hurdle at Plumpton in September. However, little impact in points this spring for current yard, so looks to be up against it as she makes her first chase start.			

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-6 Potters Party, **4-1** Phantoms Cave, **8-1** Deerstalker, **11-1** Foxinthebox, **22-1** Theoldboggroad, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

POTTERS PARTY showed that he's still capable of fair form when comfortably winning a hunter chase at Ludlow last month and he looks to hold leading claims in his follow-up bid. The biggest threat could come from Phantoms Cave, who bumped into a good prospect when second on his recent Rules debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. POTTERS PARTY 2. PHANTOMS CAVE 3. DEERSTALKER

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Glen Cannel 7-11-12	15-8	L J Morgan	Mr Joe Wright (3)	4
2024	Shanroe Street 14-12-2	2-1f	G. Walkingshaw	Gregor Walkingshaw (7)	4
2023	Shanroe Street 13-11-12	9-2	G. Walkingshaw	Gregor Walkingshaw (7)	4
2022	Point The Way 11-12-6	15-8f	G. C. Brewer	Mr Joe Wright (3)	5
2021	Point The Way 10-11-12	5-4f	Mrs Freya Brewer	Mr William Easterby	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.55**MURRAYSHALL MEETINGS AND EVENTS CONDITIONAL
JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) (D.I) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100)
£8,500 2½m35y (4060 Metres)**

RACE 6

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

Perth is a right-handed circuit of one and a quarter miles, with eight fences to the circuit, the course rather surprisingly featuring in the top half of the attrition league table, this probably due in some part to the number of fixtures that are run on testing going in the spring. The course has sweeping turns (bar the one into the home straight) and quite a flat running surface. The water jump is in front of the stands and is left out on the run-in, leaving a long run from the last fence to the winning post. The camera angle in the home straight can be most deceptive, especially over hurdles, horses often appearing closer to the lead than they actually are.

Pace Information: **Very Weak****1 MISTRAL MILLY (IRE) (48)** t **99**

P4/94- 7 12-0 | 76.2kg

D. J. Jeffreys

Harry Atkins (3lb/1kg)

Fair maiden for Emma Lavelle. Showed she retains ability at the second time of asking for a new stable after an absence when fourth of 6 in 2m Warwick handicap in March, although she was subsequently said to have bled. Back up in trip.

2 BYRON HILL (IRE) (42) s+t **97**

4P634343- 9 11-11 | 74.8kg

Patrick Neville

Charlie Maggs

Sole hurdles success came at Carlisle in October 2024 but he's not been disgraced in recent months, finishing a creditable third of 11 in handicap at Sedgefield (2½m, good to soft) 42 days ago. Should be on the premises again.

3 GONNINO (IRE) (23) s **98**

24P26624- 7 11-7 | 73.0kg

Gary Rutherford

Dylan Johnston

Maiden who was second in a 19f Carlisle handicap last month and seemed unsuited by a sharper test when fourth of 10 at Kelso (2¼m, good) since. Wears first-time cheekpieces here. Enters calculations back up in trip.

4 GETAWAY MASTER (IRE) (30) **97**

P8127P69- 9 11-5 | 72.1kg

Micky Hammond

Joshua Thompson (3lb/1kg)

Successful over 19f at Carlisle last November. Looked back in form when sixth at Hexham in March but well beaten back there since.

5 DUBLINOFFICECALLIN (19) (CD) **98**

466071- 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

Ewan Whillans

Toby McCain-Mitchell

Stoutly-bred sort who was suited by a step up in trip when making a winning start to his handicap career over C&D (good) 19 days ago. Much respected off 5 lb higher with further progress possible.

6 MAYOR OF MAGHERA (57) **77**

890- 4 11-1 | 70.3kg

Gerald Stephen Quinn, Ireland

Benjamin Macey

Fair Flat winner. Well held in 3 maiden hurdles in Ireland in February/March but needs keeping a close eye on in the betting now handicapping for the first time in this sphere.

7 TAKEOUTOTHEISLAND (IRE) (39) ★ **100**

54977- 6 10-10 | 68.0kg

N. W. Alexander

Dominic Hislop (8lb/4kg)

From a good jumping family. Hinted at promise in his qualifying runs but disappointed when only seventh of 9 on 19f Carlisle handicap debut last month. Still early days but he needs to leave that behind now.

8 VELVET VULCAN (19) h+t **89**

46422466- 7 10-9 | 67.6kg

R. Mike Smith

William Maggs

A modest 2m Flat winner. Yet to score in this sphere and typically raced too freely when a below-form sixth over C&D last time.

9 POPA RICH (IRE) (247) t **92**

234/80335- 5 10-6 | 66.2kg

Jessica Bedi

Alice Stevens

Found a bit improvement when placed twice over 2¼m at Cartmel last summer. Shaped as if still in form when fifth of 13 over C&D (good) in the autumn but hasn't been seen since so peak fitness has to be taken on trust.

10 PRINCE NINO (FR) (364) (CD) s+t **94**

P226547/8- 9 10-3 | 64.9kg

Lizzie Quinlan

Alan Doyle

Losing run extends back to a C&D success in September 2023. Last of 8 over C&D (good to soft) last May and not seen since. Can only watch unless the betting strongly hints otherwise.

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Dublinofficecallin, **6-1** Mayor of Maghera, **7-1** Gonnino, **7-1** Byron Hill, **12-1** Takeoutotheisland, **12-1** Velvet Vulcan, **14-1** Getaway Master, **16-1** Popa Rich, **18-1** Mistral Milly, **33-1** Prince Nino

TIMEFORM VIEW:

DUBLINOFFICECALLIN has the potential for better again on the back of his C&D handicap debut success last month so a 5 lb rise may not stop him. Byron Hill arrives on the back of some creditable efforts and is second choice ahead of Gonnino. Handicap newcomer Mayor of Maghera hails from an Irish stable with a good record at Perth and needs checking out in the betting.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. DUBLINOFFICECALLIN 2. BYRON HILL 3. GONNINO****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025 ^I	Larkfield Lusive 6-10-10	9-4f	L J Morgan	Charlie Maggs	8
2025 ^{II}	Follow Charlie 6-12-0	10-3	R. Mike Smith	Conor Rabbitt	9
2024	Not In Kansas 7-10-11	5-1	N. W. Alexander	Bruce Lynn (3)	15
2023	Petite Rhapsody 8-12-0	9-2	Lucinda Russell	Patrick Wadge (3)	8
2022	Wolfspear 6-11-13	9-2	Olly Murphy	Fergus Gregory (3)	13
2021	Silk Or Scarlet 9-10-5	9-2	N. W. Alexander	Bruce Lynn (3)	11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.25**MURRAYSHALL MEETINGS AND EVENTS CONDITIONAL
JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) (D.II) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100)
£8,500 2½m35y (4060 Metres)**

RACE 7

Going: **Good**

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 LIVANO BELLO (FR) (37) t **98**
3/0223532- 5 12-0 | 76.2kg



Micky Hammond

Joshua Thompson (31b/1kg)

Still looking for a breakthrough victory but soon left behind a lesser effort when third of 5 at Market Rasen in March. Again ran well when second to an unexposed rival at Fakenham a month ago and he can give another good account.

2 THEIRSHEGOES (IRE) (30) (D) s **97**
F/329F845- 9 11-11 | 74.8kg



Sandy Thomson

Gregor Walkingshaw (71b/3kg)

Struggled for form over the winter, but in first-time cheekpieces she fared better when making the frame over this trip at Kelso in April. Backed that up when 2 lengths fifth of 8 at Hexham last time, despite seeming unsuited by the drop back to 2m.

3 BEAT THE RETREAT (IRE) (20) (D) v+t **97**
5/2081014- 7 11-8 | 73.5kg



N. W. Alexander

Dominic Hislop (81b/4kg)

Returned from 5-month absence with victory at Ayr in December. Below form next outing, but in first-time visor he bounced back with a comfortable success at Musselburgh (2½m) in February. Found the return to 2m against him when well-beaten fourth of 14 here 20 days ago.

4 JACK DEMPSEY (19) **92**
205/UU95- 6 11-8 | 73.5kg



Ian Duncan

Charlie Maggs

Runner-up on first of 3 outings in bumpers. Let down by his jumping first 3 starts over hurdles, but took a step forward when fifth of 8 in 2m novice at this course 19 days ago. Could yet do better as he goes handicapping back up in trip.

5 BETTERYOUTHANME (IRE) (30) ★ **100**
075- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg



R. Mike Smith

William Maggs

Has shown a bit more with each of his 3 starts over hurdles (all at 2m) this spring, keeping on for fifth in 11-runner novice at Hexham a month ago. Could have plenty more to offer as he goes up in trip for handicap debut.

6 MALANGEN (IRE) (4) (CD) **96**
72883P7-3 11 11-0 | 69.9kg



Lisa Harrison

Alan Doyle

4-time course winner whose latest success came at Market Rasen (21f) last summer. However, ended 2025 out of form and has fared little better in 2 outings this spring, remote third at Hexham (2m) 4 days ago.

7 KNOCKERANNA ROSE (IRE) (19) **99**
26684832- 6 10-13 | 69.4kg



Susan Corbett

Jack Power

Remains a maiden but has got back on track with placed efforts the last twice, beaten only by a handicap debutant in 8-runner contest over this C&D 19 days ago. Enters calculations.

8 LORO WHITE (83) s+t **56**
6608- 5 10-11 | 68.5kg



Olly Murphy

Lewis Saunders (31b/1kg)

Hinted at ability in bumper but little impact in a trio starts over hurdles in February (in first-time tongue strap latest outing). However, no surprise to see her leave those efforts behind given a longer break ahead of handicap bow, upped in trip with cheekpieces added.

9 THE LONGEST DAY (IRE) (109) (C) s+t **97**
946/34U04- 10 10-6 | 66.2kg



Sophie Leech

Roisin Leech (101b/5kg)

Both career victories came over 3m here back in August 2023. Third at Newton Abbot on return from 14-month absence in September, but has gone backwards from that effort in 4 subsequent outings.

10 IVYNATOR (IRE) (238) **95**
50P7/20PP- 8 10-3 | 64.9kg



Jean McGregor

Leah Noreci (71b/3kg)

Long-standing maiden over hurdles (winner on the Flat) but finished runner-up in this race last year. Has gone the wrong way since, though, pulled up both starts in September. Has enough to prove on return from 7 months off.

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Loro White, **9-2** Livano Bello, **6-1** Knockeranna Rose, **9-1** Theirshegoes, **10-1** Beat The Retreat, **11-1** Betteryouthanme, **12-1** Jack Dempsey, **14-1** Malangen, **16-1** The Longest Day, **33-1** Ivynator

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BETTERYOUTHANME offered more encouragement than previously when making late headway in a Hexham novice last time and, with this longer trip promising to suit, he's open to improvement as he heads into handicaps. Loro White isn't taken lightly, though, as she also makes her handicap debut, with Knockeranna Rose another to consider.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BETTERYOUTHANME 2. LORO WHITE 3. KNOCKERANNA ROSE

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race