

Saturday 16th May

NEWBURY



1.25	SKY SPORTS RACING ASTON PARK STAKES (Group 3) (1) 1½m (2410 Metres)
RACE 1	(1) KALPANA (5) WEST WIND BLOWS (2) ARABIAN FORCE
2.00	CHILDWICKBURY STUD FILLIES' TRIAL STAKES (Listed) (1) 1¼m (2010 Metres)
RACE 2	(6) SACRED GROUND (4) GOLDEN ORBIT (5) LADY ROISIA
2.35	BOYLE SPORTS LOCKINGE STAKES (Group 1) (1) 1m (1610 Metres)
RACE 3	(10) ZEUS OLYMPIOS (2) DAMYSUS (7) NOTABLE SPEECH
3.10	HIGHCLERE CASTLE GIN CARNARVON STAKES (Listed) (1) 6f (1210 Metres)
RACE 4	(11) ROYAL FIXATION (1) WISE APPROACH (3) ALBERT EINSTEIN
3.45	TRADE NATION LONDON GOLD CUP HANDICAP (Heritage Handicap) (2) 1¼m (2010 Metres)
RACE 5	(4) MY LOVE IS KING (6) SAHARA KING (7) AL AZD
4.20	HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB WORLD POOL HANDICAP (2) 6f (1210 Metres)
RACE 6	(11) REALIGN (6) FAR ABOVE DREAM (8) ADDISON GREY
5.00	BOYLE SPORTS HOME OF THE EARLY PAYOUT HANDICAP (2) 1m (1610 Metres)
RACE 7	(11) MEZCALA (8) CLASSIC (6) BLUE RC
5.40	WORLD POOL BET WITH THE TOTE HANDICAP (3) 1m (1610 Metres)
RACE 8	(5) LOST SIGNAL (8) EUSTON HALL (10) ARBAAWY

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.

1.25**SKY SPORTS RACING ASTON PARK STAKES (Group 3) (1)
4yo+ £100,000 1½m (2410 Metres)****RACE 1**Going: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

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

1 2 KALPANA (210) (D) s  **100**
11/322271- 5 9-6 | 59.9kg

Andrew Balding **C. T. Keane**

Very smart mare who chased home Calandagan in last year's King George and returned to Ascot to land a second successive win in Group 1 Fillies' & Mares' Stakes (1½m, good to firm) in October. Will be hard to beat if close to her best on reappearance.

2 1 ARABIAN FORCE (IRE) (34) **95**
6117233-2 4 9-2 | 58.1kg

William Haggas **Tom Marquand**

Progressed into a smart performer last year and made a creditable return to action when ½-length second of 8 to Zarraf in listed race at Longchamp (1½m, good) 34 days ago. Top stable has won this twice in recent years.

3 4 FRENCH MASTER (IRE) (15) (D) s **96**
11/21150-3 5 9-2 | 58.1kg

John & Thady Gosden **James Doyle**

Winner of 1¾m handicaps at Goodwood and Royal Ascot at the start of last summer. Creditable 1¾ lengths third of 6 to Santorini Star in Jockey Club Stakes at Newmarket (1½m, good) on reappearance 15 days ago. Headgear (first-time cheekpieces) back on.

4 3 LIBERTY LANE (IRE) (34) **97**
3104341-5 6 9-2 | 58.1kg



K. R. Burke

Clifford Lee

2024 Cambridgeshire winner who landed a pair of 1¼m listed races last season. Probably needed the run when 5½ lengths fifth of 7 in listed race at Longchamp (9f, good) on reappearance 34 days ago. First attempt at 1½m.

5 5 WEST WIND BLOWS (IRE) (13) (D, BF) **98**
21-4222 7 9-2 | 58.1kg



Simon & Ed Crisford

William Buick

Won all-weather listed race at Deauville in December. Seemed to show he's still capable of very smart form when chasing home Calandagan in Dubai Sheema Classic (1½m, good) in March but he was seen to maximum effect from the front. Respectable 3 lengths second in Longchamp Group 3 (1½m, soft) since.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Kalpana, **10-3** West Wind Blows, **4-1** Arabian Force, **6-1** Liberty Lane, **15-2** French Master

TIMEFORM VIEW:

If KALPANA is fully tuned up for this comeback run she should be up to defying her Group 1 penalty. West Wind Blows is almost certainly flattered by his proximity to Calandagan in Dubai but this could be another race he can control from the front and he's second choice.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KALPANA 2. WEST WIND BLOWS 3. ARABIAN FORCE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Eydon 6-9-2	16-1	Andrew Balding	Oisin Murphy	7
2024	Middle Earth 4-9-2	10-3	John & Thady Gosden	Oisin Murphy	8
2023	Haskoy 4-8-13	5-2	Ralph Beckett	Frankie Dettori	7
2022	Ilaraab 5-9-5	9-2	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	6
2021	Al Aasy 4-9-3	10-11f	William Haggas	Jim Crowley	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.00**CHILDWICKBURY STUD FILLIES' TRIAL STAKES (Listed) (1)**
3yo fillies £75,000 1¼m (2010 Metres)

RACE 2

Going: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

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

1 6 ALLAIRE (29) 87
2-2 **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



Andrew Balding

Oisin Murphy

Half-sister to St Leger winner Eldar Eldarov. Promising second both starts, latterly beaten 6 lengths by the smart I'm The One in a C&D maiden (good) 4 weeks ago. May do better again.

2 2 ESNA (IRE) (13) 100
214-4 **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



Brian Meehan

Ryan Moore

Sandown novice winner who was a bit disappointing on her return in the Pretty Polly (fourth, Sacred Ground 1¼ lengths ahead in second) but appealing on the form of her fourth in the Group 1 Prix Marcel Boussac (form franked emphatically in the French Guineas). Stable yet to have a winner in 2026.

3 4 FRACTIONAL (207) 75
53- **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



William Haggas

Tom Marquand

Frankel filly who showed a fair level of ability in maidens over 7f/1m last autumn. Has plenty to find on form but her pedigree suggests she could come into her own over middle distances this year.

4 5 GOLDEN ORBIT (231) 88
1- **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



Ralph Beckett

Rossa Ryan

Sea The Stars filly who saw off a next-time-out winner when making a successful start to her career in 7f Newmarket maiden (good to firm) last September. Will improve, particularly over this sort of trip.

5 1 LADY ROISIA (226) 86
31- **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



Ralph Beckett

Hector Crouch

Stepped up on 7f debut when seeing off 6 rivals in a maiden over the extended 1m at Nottingham (good to soft) last autumn. Her pedigree strongly points to her doing even better over 1¼m+ this season. One of 2 Oaks-entered fillies in here for the Ralph Beckett yard.

6 3 SACRED GROUND (13) (BF) 94
12-2 **3 9-2** | 58.1kg



John & Thady Gosden

William Buick

Kingman filly who is out of an Oaks winner for this yard. Looked good when winning 5-runner novice at Yarmouth (1m, good to firm) on debut and better form when runner-up in listed races at Newmarket since, latterly over this trip on reappearance. Should continue to progress.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 Sacred Ground, **3-1** Golden Orbit, **8-1** Esna, **8-1** Lady Roisia, **10-1** Allaire, **20-1** Fractional

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SACRED GROUND had little chance with an all-the-way winner having been dropped out in last in the Pretty Polly at Newmarket and can confirm herself a bit better than that bare result and prove too strong for Ralph Beckett pair Golden Orbit, a taking winner on her Newmarket debut last September, and Lady Roisia.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SACRED GROUND 2. GOLDEN ORBIT 3. LADY ROISIA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Qilin Queen 3-9-2	18-5	Ed Walker	Hollie Doyle	10
2024	Diamond Rain 3-9-2	3-1	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	5
2023	Warm Heart 3-9-2	5-2	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	8
2022	Nashwa 3-9-2	5-6f	John & Thady Gosden	Hollie Doyle	7
2021	Eshaada 3-9-0	18-1	Roger Varian	Jim Crowley	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.35**BOYLE SPORTS LOCKINGE STAKES (Group 1) (1) 4yo+
£400,000 1m (1610 Metres)**

RACE 3

Going: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

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

1 4 CICERO'S GIFT (22) (CD) 95
7/362211-4 6 9-2 | 58.1kg



Charles Hills

Jason Watson

Surprise winner of the Group 1 Queen Elizabeth II Stakes on Champion Day at Ascot. However, he was seen to maximum effect on that occasion and could only manage 7½ lengths fourth to Opera Ballo in Sandown Mile (good) on reappearance in a race which didn't pan out anywhere near as favourably.

2 10 DAMYSUS (31) 99
1/32011-1 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



John & Thady Gosden



James Doyle

Finished last in last year's Derby but has a highly progressive profile otherwise, ending 2025 with listed/Group 3 wins before returning to easily defy a penalty in Newmarket Group 3 (9f, good to firm). The manner in which he quickly put a seal on things suggest he'll be fine down at 1m.

3 6 DANCING GEMINI (IRE) (22) (C, D) 95
1128390-6 5 9-2 | 58.1kg



Roger Teal

Rossa Ryan

Went close in this race 12 months ago (also third in Jacques Le Marois at Deauville) but ran poorly behind a couple of these on Sandown reappearance and this looks a stronger renewal than last year. First-time cheekpieces go on.

4 2 JONQUIL (15) (C, D) 95
205149-71 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Andrew Balding



C. T. Keane

Won the Greenham here (7f, good) and Celebration Mile at Goodwood (good to firm) last year. Bounced straight back from a lesser effort in Abu Dhabi in February with a cosy success in 1m Ascot listed race 15 days ago.

5 7 MISSISSIPPI RIVER (IRE) (6) (D) 85
212451-57 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Aidan O'Brien, Ireland



Sean Levey

Useful performer but surely in here to perform pacemaker duties for The Lion In Winter.

6 9 MORE THUNDER (IRE) (223) (C) 98
23/112114- 5 9-2 | 58.1kg



William Haggas



Tom Marquand

Vastly improved for this yard last year, stepping out of handicap company to readily win Group 2 Hungerford here (7f, good to firm) in August. Left poorly placed from a wide stall when fourth of 16 in Group 1 Foret (7f again) on final start and remains one who can make his mark at highest level.

7 3 NOTABLE SPEECH (36) (D, BF) 99
3/445211-4 5 9-2 | 58.1kg



Charlie Appleby

William Buick

Winner of the 2000 Guineas at Newmarket and Sussex Stakes at Goodwood as a 3-y-o. Back on form with Grade 1 wins in North America last autumn (Breeders' Cup Mile latterly) and shaped better than result (not clear run) when fourth on reappearance at Keeneland 36 days ago.

8 8 SAHLAN (IRE) (196) (D) 95
1/296115- 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Francis-Henri Graffard, France

Mickael Barzalona

Shaded a close finish in Group 1 Moulin at Longchamp (1m, good to firm) last September. Ended year with creditable 2¼ lengths fifth of 13 to Notable Speech in Breeders' Cup Mile at Del Mar (1m, firm). Only had 7 starts so may not have reached his limit for his increasingly powerful French yard.

9 5 THE LION IN WINTER (IRE) (31) (D) 95
0303230-1 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Aidan O'Brien, Ireland



Ryan Moore

Failed to win last year but was placed 4 times at Group 1 level. Dropped to listed company to make a winning reappearance at Leopardstown (1m, soft) last month. Fitted with first-time cheekpieces now stepping back up in class. A big career best will be needed.

10 1 ZEUS OLYMPIOS (22) (D) 100
1111-3 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



K. R. Burke

Clifford Lee

Made rapid progress when winning all 4 starts last year, culminating with 2¼-length defeat of Opera Ballo in Group 2 Joel at Newmarket (1m, good to firm). Lost unbeaten record but made still made an encouraging return when third of 6 to Opera Ballo in Sandown Mile. Remains open to improvement.

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Damysus, **10-3** Zeus Olympios, **5-1** Notable Speech, **10-1** The Lion In Winter, **12-1** More Thunder, **16-1** Sahlan, **20-1** Jonquil, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

In a cracking renewal ZEUS OLYMPIOS is taken to resume his progression with an outing under his belt and get the better of fellow highly promising 4-y-o Damysus, an impressive winner of the Earl of Sefton on his Newmarket reappearance. Notable Speech has shown his best recent form outside of Britain but will be a threat to all if on his game. A defeat in the Foret last autumn shouldn't be taken to suggest More Thunder's progress has come to an end and he also merits plenty of respect.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ZEUS OLYMPIOS 2. DAMYSUS 3. NOTABLE SPEECH

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Lead Artist 4-9-2	17-2	John & Thady Gosden	Oisin Murphy	8
2024	Audience 5-9-2	22-1	John & Thady Gosden	Robert Havlin	10
2023	Modern Games 4-9-2	3-1f	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	12
2022	Baaeed 4-9-0	4-9f	William Haggas	Jim Crowley	9
2021	Palace Pier 4-9-0	1-2f	John & Thady Gosden	Frankie Dettori	11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.10**HIGHCLERE CASTLE GIN CARNARVON STAKES (Listed) (1)**
3yo £65,000 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 4

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

Draw: **Against High** Pace Information: **Strong****1 1 WISE APPROACH (IRE) (15)** (CD, BF) **98**
142131-5 **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg

Charlie Appleby

William Buick

Smart colt who won 3 times in 2025, emulating his half-brother Perfect Power in winning the Middle Park Stakes at Newmarket, showing a willing attitude after nearly coming down at the start. Disappointed in Group 3 at Ascot on return but worth another chance. Has 5 lb penalty.

2 10 ARDISIA (IRE) (15) (D) **93**
131127-74 **3** 9-5 | 59.4kg

Hugo Palmer

C. T. Keane

Had a busy juvenile season, gaining his fifth win in Two Year Old Trophy Redcar in October. Below form in Greenham here on return but fared much better when fourth in Group 3 at Ascot 2 weeks ago.

3 4 ALBERT EINSTEIN (IRE) (28) (D, BF) **96**
11-63 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Aidan O'Brien, Ireland

Ryan Moore

Well regarded colt who won both starts last spring, latterly a 6f Group 3 at the Curragh. Resumed progress on second start back when third in Greenham here (7f) 4 weeks ago and must be considered back down in class/trip.

4 7 AQPAN (IRE) (28) **89**
22-16 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Roger Varian

Ray Dawson

Raced over 7f on all-weather first 3 starts, having little trouble landing very short odds at Southwell on return. Ran well stepped up in class when sixth of 8 in Greenham here next time but needs to take another big step forward down in trip.

5 9 EGOLI (210) (CD) **88**
5116548- **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Ralph Beckett

Rossa Ryan

Maiden/novice winner last summer but limitations exposed at a higher level since and firmly up against it again on return.

6 3 FRESCOBALDI (IRE) (21) **85**
52153-5 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

D. J. Murphy, Ireland

Sean Levey

Opened his account in Convivial maiden at York (7f) in August but failed to kick on switched to listed races after, including on comeback/yard debut at Navan.

7 6 GHOST MODE (IRE) (15) (D) **95**
33212-17 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Andrew Balding

Oisin Murphy

Raced mainly at 7f last year, winning a maiden at Chester before being collared late on in a sales race at York. Much improved when making a winning handicap debut dropped to this trip at Southwell on return but pulled too hard in Ascot Group 3 2 weeks ago.

8 8 HAVANA HURRICANE (231) **91**
1212346- **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Eve Johnson Houghton

Charles Bishop

Has proved to be a bargain buy for connections despite his habitual slow starts, winning Windsor Castle at Royal Ascot before going close in Newbury Super Sprint. Held form well upped in class after but likely to find a few too good on return in what is a strong race for the grade.

9 2 SIRIUS A (IRE) (36) (D) **91**
4124202-1 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

James Horton

Jack Mitchell

Useful colt who was placed in a 6f Group 3 at Kempton and 5f listed race at Dundalk on polytrack last autumn. Matched that form when making a winning return at Wolverhampton but bit to find here and still has to prove he's as good on turf.

10 11 SONG OF THE CLYDE (30) (D, BF) **95**
612125-4 **3** 9-2 | 58.1kg

Clive Cox

Hector Crouch

Landed a valuable sales race at York (6f, good to firm) last summer and went close to landing another at Doncaster the following month. Creditable fourth on handicap debut at Newmarket on return and worth another try at this level.

11 5 ROYAL FIXATION (231) (D) **100**
1213- **3** 8-11 | 55.8kg

K. R. Burke

100**Shane Foley**

Quickly established herself as one of the leading 2-y-o fillies over 6f for Ed Walker, winning Lowther at York before a near-miss in a Group 2 on the July Course. Ended campaign with good third in Cheveley Park at Newmarket and sets the standard taking on the males for the first time.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Royal Fixation, **10-3** Albert Einstein, **9-2** Wise Approach, **12-1** Havana Hurricane, **14-1** Ardisia, **16-1** Ghost Mode, **18-1** Sirius A, **22-1** Song of The Clyde, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ROYAL FIXATION escapes a penalty for her win in the Lowther Stakes at York so looks the one to beat on these terms starting out for Karl Burke. Wise Approach must shoulder a 5 lb penalty for his Group 1 success in the Middle Park but still rates the main threat despite his underwhelming reappearance at Ascot, while the highly-regarded Albert Einstein stepped up on his belated comeback when third in the Greenham here and completes the shortlist in what is a very strong listed event.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. ROYAL FIXATION 2. WISE APPROACH 3. ALBERT EINSTEIN****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	Symbol of Honour 3-9-2	18-5	Charlie Appleby	William Buick	10
2024	Elite Status 3-9-2	13-2	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	14
2023	Shaquille 3-9-2	10-3	Julie Camacho	James Doyle	7
2022	Tiber Flow 3-9-2	15-8f	William Haggas	Tom Marquand	9
2021	Creative Force 3-9-0	9-4	Charlie Appleby	James Doyle	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.45**TRADE NATION LONDON GOLD CUP HANDICAP (Heritage Handicap) (2) 3yo £100,000 1¼m (2010 Metres)**

RACE 5

Going: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

Draw: **Against High** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 3 BOURBON BLUES (31) (D) **89**
8645312-3 **3** 9-9 | 61.2kg



Brian Meehan

William Buick

Useful performer. Showed he's trained on well when 2½ lengths third of 7 to Morshdi in listed race at Newmarket (9f, good) on reappearance 31 days ago but has a more exposed profile that most of these and will need a very smart handicap performance to defy such a lofty mark.

2 8 PORT OF SPAIN (IRE) (202) **88**
631537- **3** 9-7 | 60.3kg



Aidan O'Brien, Ireland

**Ryan Moore**

Useful 2-y-o, winning 1m maiden at Punchestown and third in 9f Leopardstown Group 3. Fitted with first-time cheekpieces now switching to a handicap on reappearance. Needs to find improvement but top Irish stable has had a few run well under big weights in this in recent years.

3 6 SPYCE (22) **90**
214-5 **3** 9-4 | 59.0kg



Alan King

**Rossa Ryan**

Useful juvenile, including third in a listed race, and returned with a respectable 9½ lengths fifth of 7 to Raaheeb in Classic Trial at Sandown (1¼m, good, 20/1) 22 days ago. Makes handicap debut.

4 9 MY LOVE IS KING (15) **100**
1-22 **3** 9-0 | 57.2kg



John & Thady Gosden

**Robert Havlin**

Cosy winner of a 7f Newcastle novice on debut last November. Useful effort when narrowly denied in C&D novice (good) on return and progressed again when 2 lengths second to Ancient Egypt in listed race at Newmarket (1¼m, good) 15 days ago. Cheekpieces are added for this handicap debut. More to come.

5 10 TIERRA DEL TORO (239) **90**
212- **3** 8-13 | 56.7kg



Ralph Beckett

Hector Crouch

Decisive winner of 7f Kempton novice last August and useful effort when length second (Bourbon Blues third) in 1m course novice the following month. Will stay 1¼m and this handicap newcomer is almost certainly capable of better again in 2026 having been gelded.

6 11 SAHARA KING (13) **95**
1-52 **3** 8-13 | 56.7kg



Richard Hannon

**Sean Levey**

Too Darn Hot colt who made a winning start in novice at Wolverhampton in November. Better form in defeat this year, finishing 3¼ lengths second of 5 to Evanesco on handicap debut at Newmarket (1¼m, good to firm) 13 days ago. Open to further progress.

7 5 AL AZD (IRE) (21) **98**
95-22211 **3** 8-10 | 55.3kg



Roger Varian

Ray Dawson

Improved since blinkered, winning 11f maiden at Southwell (all-weather) and 1½m handicap at Doncaster (good to firm; did it easily) this spring. Raised 7 lb but could have even more to offer for last year's winning yard.

8 1 CAPALL RASA (IRE) (22) **94**
3811-4 **3** 8-10 | 55.3kg



Tom Dascombe

Pierre-Louis Jamin

Won novice and nursery on all-weather at Southwell last autumn. Creditable fourth of 7 in Esher Cup at Sandown (1m, good) on reappearance 22 days ago and he's entitled to come on for the run. Tackles 1¼m for the first time.

9 2 LOST BOYS (IRE) (22) (D) **94**
331-1 **3** 8-7 | 54.0kg



David Menuisier

Jason Watson

Night of Thunder colt who showed a good attitude when winning 9-runner maiden at Haydock (1m, good) last autumn. Shaded a close finish in 1¼m Sandown handicap on reappearance (good) 22 days ago and appeals as one who should continue to progress.

10 7 PEARL RIVER (18) (D) **92**
65431-5 **3** 8-2(8-0) | 51.7kg (50.8kg)



Richard Hannon

**Sam Hitchcott**

Off the mark at the fifth attempt when making a winning nursery debut at Nottingham (1¼m, soft) last October. Flying too high in listed race on reappearance and returns to handicap company in a very hot race.

11 4 SINTRA (7) (D) **94**
3231 **3** 8-2(7-12) | 51.7kg (49.9kg)



Andrew Balding

**Hollie Doyle**

Kingman colt who has improved with each run, making a successful start to his handicap career at Ascot (1¼m, good to firm) last weekend, making all. 4 lb out of the weights here so a good deal more will be needed again if he's to follow up.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 My Love Is King, **11-2** Lost Boys, **6-1** Al Azd, **13-2** Sahara King, **11-1** Sintra, **14-1** Port of Spain, **16-1** Tierra Del Toro, **25-1** Pearl River, **25-1** Spyce, **28-1** Capall Rasa, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Always one of the hottest 3-y-o handicaps of the season. MY LOVE IS KING has made good progress in his 3 starts and if that trend continues a mark of 96 could prove lenient for one who was runner-up in a listed race last time. Sahara King, who is closely matched with the selection on C&D novice form at the Greenham meeting, made an encouraging start in handicaps when runner-up at Newmarket a fortnight ago and is second choice ahead of Al Azd.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MY LOVE IS KING 2. SAHARA KING 3. AL AZD

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Saddadd 3-9-7	11-4f	Roger Varian	Silvestre De Sousa	9
2024	King's Gambit 3-9-3	7-2f	Harry Charlton	William Buick	13
2023	Bertinelli 3-9-5	9-2	Aidan O'Brien	Ryan Moore	14
2022	Israr 3-9-5	3-1f	John & Thady Gosden	Jim Crowley	12
2021	Bay Bridge 3-8-10	11-4f	Sir Michael Stoute	Ryan Moore	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.20

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB WORLD POOL HANDICAP (2)
4yo+ (Rated 0-105) £75,000 6f (1210 Metres)

RACE 6

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

Draw: **Against High** Pace Information: **Even**

1 5 ANNAF (IRE) (21) (D) 97
70701-776 7 9-12 | 62.6kg



Michael Appleby *Jason Watson*
Ended 2025 with Ascot Group 3 victory in October. Back on track when sixth of 13 in handicap at Leicester (6f) 21 days ago, left poorly placed out wide having been hampered start.

2 3 WILTSHIRE (43) (CD) 98
28377-0651 6 9-10 | 61.7kg



William Haggas *Tom Marquand*
Much improved on the back of a breathing operation (also tongue tied) when landing 14-runner handicap at Newcastle (6f) last month. Up 6 lb but he had a bit in hand there so this C&D scorer is not taken lightly.

3 6 BERKSHIRE WHISPER (IRE) (21) (D) 97
14024-034 4 9-6 | 59.9kg



Andrew Balding *Oisin Murphy*
Completed a hat-trick at Newcastle last spring. Quite lightly raced since but right back on track (after being gelded) of late, fourth of 13 in 6f Leicester handicap 21 days ago. Not out of things.

4 1 PUROSANGUE (39) (D, BF) 95
7906640-4 5 9-4 | 59.0kg



Robert Cowell *Jack Mitchell*
On a long losing run but made an encouraging start for new yard (formerly with Andrew Balding) when fourth of 13 in handicap at Pontefract (5f) 39 days ago, nearest finish. In the mix with this return to 6f a plus.

5 10 ALBASHEER (IRE) (33) (D) 97
47543-942 8 9-3 | 58.5kg



Archie Watson *Hollie Doyle*
Eleven runs since last win in 2024 but took a step back in the right direction when second of 10 in handicap at Newcastle (6f) 33 days ago. Well treated if building on that.

6 11 FAR ABOVE DREAM (IRE) (15) (D) 97
0336101-1 4 9-3 | 58.5kg



James Owen *Kieran Shoemark*
Low-mileage 4-y-o who resumed from 7 months off with a career-best win in 9-runner handicap at Goodwood (6f) 15 days ago, overcoming being bumped 1f out. Up 6 lb but he's a likely player.

7 4 MIRABEAU (29) (CD) 97
036750-01 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Dominic Ffrench Davis *William Buick*
Bounced back to form to bag 16-runner handicap over C&D 29 days ago by head from Addison Grey. Needs considering despite a 3 lb rise.

8 12 ADDISON GREY (14) (D) 97
1771310-22 4 9-2 | 58.1kg



Clive Cox *Rossa Ryan*
A dual 6f winner in 2025. Gelded and back in fine form, runner-up in handicaps over C&D and at Newmarket (6f) this spring. Merits consideration once more.

9 13 KORKER (IRE) (21) 96
0688320-08 7 9-1 | 57.6kg



K. R. Burke *Pierre-Louis Jamin*
Winless since 2023 but was placed twice from his reduced mark in October. Not seen to best effect both runs this season at Doncaster (left poorly placed) and Haydock (very slowly away). Possibilities.

10 7 BROSAY (8) (D) 94
61140-005 4 9-0 | 57.2kg



Charlie Pike *Sean Levey*
A dual 6f winner for Paul Attwater last autumn. Best run for his new yard when fifth of 10 in handicap at Ascot (6f) 8 days ago. Mark continues to ease.

11 15 REALIGN (FR) (31) (D) 100
23/19017-9 4 9-0 | 57.2kg



William Haggas *James Doyle*
Gelded and looked a really good prospect when scoring readily at Haydock (6f) in September. Not seen to best effect on his return when ninth of 13 in handicap at Newmarket (6f) last month, hampered over 1f out and not knocked about. Remains one to be interested in with cheekpieces added.

12 14 DESERT COP (5) (D) 94
99203573 6 8-12 | 56.2kg



George Baker *Charles Bishop*
Fourteen runs since last win in 2025 but comes here in decent nick, third of 9 in handicap at Windsor (6f) 5 days ago. This is tougher though.

13 9 DARK ACE (IRE) (43) (D) 94
061243-11 4 8-10 | 55.3kg



Adrian McGuinness, Ireland *Shane Foley*
Improving Irish challenger who bids for a hat-trick after bagging 6f handicaps at Wolverhampton and Lingfield this spring. Up 5 lb but much respected back on turf.

14 8 THUNDER BLUE (204) (D) 96
7P271280- 5 8-7 | 54.0kg



Michael Wigham *Ray Dawson*
Scored at Salisbury in September but failed to beat a rival in 6f handicaps at Goodwood and over C&D in October for Jamie Osborne. Needs this yard switch to spark a revival.

15 2 YES I'M MALI (28) (D) 95
965073-01 4 8-2(8-1) | 51.7kg (51.3kg)



David O'Meara *Saffie Osborne*
Resumed winning ways for his new yard (formerly with Richard Fahey) in 18-runner handicap at Thirk (6f) 28 days ago. Races off a 5 lb higher mark here (including 1 lb out of the handicap) but no forlorn hope.

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

15-2 Addison Grey, **15-2** Far Above Dream, **9-1** Wiltshire, **9-1** Mirabeau, **10-1** Dark Ace, **12-1** Realign, **12-1** Berkshire Whisper, **12-1** Albasheer, **14-1** Purosangue, **18-1** Yes I'm Mali, **25-1** Annaf, **25-1** Desert Cop, **28-1** Brosay, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This is wide open. REALIGN created a very good impression when scoring at Haydock last autumn and William Haggas' 4-y-o can bounce back to winning ways having not enjoyed the rub of the green at Newmarket on his return. Far Above Dream is another sprinter going places and heads the list of dangers, with Addison Grey, Purosangue and Wiltshire all well in the mix too.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. REALIGN 2. FAR ABOVE DREAM 3. ADDISON GREY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Aramram 4-9-6	9-4f	Richard Hannon	Ryan Moore	8
2024	Lethal Levi 5-8-12	15-2	K. R. Burke	Clifford Lee	11
2023	Shobiz 5-8-10	8-1	Charles Hills	William Buick	18

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.00**BOYLE SPORTS HOME OF THE EARLY PAYOUT HANDICAP (2)
4yo+ (Rated 0-105) £75,000 1m (1610 Metres)****RACE 7****GBI RACING**Going: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

Draw: **Favours Low** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 8 EBT'S GUARD (28) (C, D)  **96**
2138224-0 5 9-12 | 62.6kg



William Muir & Chris Grassick

Lewis Edmunds

Winner of the Spring Cup here on last season's return and took his form up a notch later in the campaign, winning at Ascot in August and finishing second in the Balmoral there, before runner-up in a Nottingham listed race. Met trouble in this year's Spring Cup, but now has top weight to overcome.

2 10 CHECKANDCHALLENGE (28) (D) **95**
5943639-0 7 9-11 | 62.1kg

William Knight **Rossa Ryan**

Hasn't got his head in front since landing a listed contest at Newmarket in November 2023. After 7 months off ahead of only second handicap start, wasn't disgraced when tenth of 24 in the Spring Cup here in April, though looks to face a difficult task from his current mark.

3 4 BULLET POINT (14) (D) **99**
1/122170-7 5 9-11 | 62.1kg

William Haggas **Tom Marquand**

Progressed into a smart handicapper last season, winning at Newmarket on return and at York's Ebor Festival. Failed to fire upped in grade at York and in Australia on his final 2 outings, before shaping as if needing the run back on Newmarket 2 weeks ago. Could be in the mix.

4 14 WITCH HUNTER (FR) (7) (C, D)  **97**
03-514890 7 9-9 | 61.2kg

Richard Hannon **Tyrese Cameron (5lb/2kg)**

Proved he's still capable of running to a smart level when winning at Newcastle in January. Hasn't been in the same form since but there have been excuses, left poorly placed in the Victoria Cup at Ascot a week ago. Needs things to drop right given his hold-up style.

5 13 HARD ENDEAVOR (FR) (171) (D) **85**
3315- 4 9-8 | 60.8kg



Jane Chapple-Hyam

James Doyle

Promise on first 2 starts last year before returning from a break to land the odds at Kempton (1m) in November. Advanced his form upped to listed level when fifth of 7 at Deauville later the same month, though without getting competitive. More required on seasonal/handicap debut.

6 2 BLUE RC (IRE) (14) (D, BF) **98**
21122-122 4 9-8 | 60.8kg



James Tate

Hector Crouch

3-time winner last year and added to his tally in good style at Southwell in January. Has confirmed himself a smart performer when runner-up the last twice, typically travelling well in the Thirk Hunt Cup 2 weeks ago. Enters calculations.


7 15 HOUQUETOT (IRE) (113) **93**
1217/065-9 4 9-5 | 59.4kg



James Owen

Kieran Shoemark

Useful performer in France for Christopher Head. Similar form in 2 outings for David O'Meara over the winter and has joined another good stable ahead of this first outing for 4 months. Has something to find from his current mark, though.

8 7 CLASSIC (28) (D)   **100**
6/342128-2 6 9-2 | 58.1kg

Richard Hannon **Pat Dobbs**

Better than result when fourth in this race last year and went on to return to winning ways at Sandown during the summer. After 8 months off, proved at least as good as ever when runner-up here in April. Respected at this venue.

9 6 ANCIENT ROME (USA) (28) (D) **99**
0903000-0 7 9-2 | 58.1kg



Charles Hills

Jason Watson

Smart performer at his best but largely found things tough last year, his standout effort when finishing a close third at Sandown in July. After 8 months off, met trouble in running when down the field in the Spring Cup here, but others still more persuasive.

10 9 INDALO (IRE) (231) (D) **96**
35241412- 5 9-2 | 58.1kg



Roger Varian

Ray Dawson

Keen-going type who had a profile of gradual progression in handicaps last year, successful at Sandown and Goodwood during the summer before only narrowly denied in the Cambridgeshire at Newmarket. Hood back on and he could still have more to offer this season.

11 1 MEZCALA (49) (D) **99**
52127-1 4 9-0 | 57.2kg




Jack Channon

George Bass

Lingfield maiden winner (1m) last summer and good second on handicap debut at Haydock next time. Failed to stay 9f on final 3-y-o outing but got back on the up when landing the 22-runner Spring Mile at Doncaster in impressive fashion on return. Major player.

12 5 SPANISH VOICE (14) (D) **97**
3/1-1871 4 8-13 | 56.7kg

Andrew Balding **Oisin Murphy**

Winner of 1¼m novice at Newmarket sole outing in 2025, before completing a simple task at Lingfield on return from 10 months off. Raced too freely on first 2 starts in handicaps, but dropped back to 1m he was much improved under positive tactics when scoring at Newmarket 2 weeks ago.


13 3 MAN OF LA MANCHA (14) (D, BF) **98**
1332411-4 4 8-10 | 55.3kg




Ralph Beckett

Hollie Doyle

Had been shaping better than the result prior to doubling his tally at Sandown (1m) last summer. Followed up over 9f at Newmarket in September, before seeming unsuited by more of a test of speed when 4¼ lengths fourth of 13 to Spanish Voice back at Newmarket (1m) on return.

14 12 TALIS EVOLVERE (IRE) (43) (D)  **97**
205-12528 6 8-10 | 55.3kg

Richard Hannon **Alec Voikhansky**

Took advantage of reduced mark at Southwell in January and went close at Newcastle in March, but was never involved after a slow start at Lingfield on Good Friday. Effective on turf, though remains with only the one win on this surface.

15 16 GREEN TRIANGLE (IRE) (64) **97**
41867-465 4 8-9 | 54.9kg



Simon & Ed Crisford

Saffie Osborne

Successful in valuable event at Gowran Park (9.5f) last summer on final outing for Joseph O'Brien. Ran to a similar level in handicaps on first 2 starts in Meydan over the winter, before not ideally placed when fifth of 12 over 1½m there when last seen in March.

16 11 LIR SPECIALE (IRE) (10) **97**
203511-33 7 8-6 | 53.5kg



Brian Ellison

William Cox

Ended 2025 with back-to-back wins over 7f in the mud at Doncaster. Added to his fine record at that course when third in the Spring Mile on return and again ran well when never-nearer third at Chester (7.5f, good to firm) 10 days ago.

16 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-2 Mezcala, **7-1** Blue Rc, **8-1** Spanish Voice, **10-1** Classic, **11-1** Bullet Point, **11-1** Man of La Mancha, **12-1** Indalo, **16-1** Lir Speciale, **16-1** Hard Endeavor, **18-1** Talis Evolvere, **22-1** Ebt's Guard, **28-1** Green Triangle, **28-1** Checkandchallenge, **28-1** Houquetot, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MEZCALA got back on the up when easily winning the Spring Mile at Doncaster on return, only his third handicap start, and he can score again with the potential of further improvement to come. Classic isn't taken lightly, though, after reappearing with a good second in the Spring Cup here, with Blue Rc and Bullet Point also considered.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**1. MEZCALA 2. CLASSIC 3. BLUE RC****WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	My Cloud 4-8-11	5-6f	Roger Varian	Silvestre De Sousa	11
2024	Sonny Liston 5-9-12	10-1	Ralph Beckett	Rossa Ryan	12
2023	Bear Force One 7-8-11	22-1	Roger Teal	Oisin Murphy	12
2022	Muraad 6-9-0	11-1	Owen Burrows	Jim Crowley	7
2021	Ascension 4-9-3	14-1	Roger Varian	Andrea Atzeni	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.40**WORLD POOL BET WITH THE TOTE HANDICAP (3) 3yo**
(Rated 0-90) £35,000 1m (1610 Metres)

RACE 8

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

Left handed, galloping, just short of two miles in extent, with a run-in of five furlongs. The straight mile course is slightly undulating throughout. One of the fairest courses in the country, though its galloping nature makes it ideal for the big, long-striding type, and the track becomes testing in inclement weather.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Strong**

1 6 ZENNOR STORM (15) (D) 91
11-9 3 9-10 | 61.7kg



William Haggas

Tom Marquand

Mohaather colt who looked a useful prospect when winning a 7f maiden and 1m novice on Kempton's all-weather towards the end of 2025. Disappointing on turf/handicap debut at Newmarket (1m) 15 days ago but should prove effective on turf and is worth another chance.

2 8 LOZ VEGAS (IRE) (217) (D) 90
0158- 3 9-9 | 61.2kg



Peter Chapple-Hyam

Pat Dobbs

Improved to win a small-field renewal of a typically strong maiden at Sandown (1m) in August, awarded the race having been badly hampered. Progressed again and shaped better than the result here next time, though was soundly held in Group 3 on final start at 2 yrs. Gelded and makes handicap debut.

3 7 LAKE COMO (IRE) (15) (D, BF) 97
88211-34 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



George Boughey

William Buick

Has done well for new yard (purchased for 16,000 gns after debut for Aidan O'Brien), winning novice/handicap on all-weather in December. Improved again when third in conditions race at Kempton (1m) in March and posted another solid effort when fourth in a Newmarket handicap (1m) 15 days ago.

4 9 TAVANA (195) (C) 85
14174- 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



Edward Smyth-Osbourne

C. T. Keane

Winner of novice events at Haydock and this track last season before struggling upped to Group 3 company in the Oh So Sharp. Ran well enough when 3 lengths fourth of 7 to Cielo di Roma in listed race at Deauville (7f) when last seen in November but no chances have been taken with her mark.

5 2 LOST SIGNAL (IRE) (32) 100
311-2 3 9-8 | 60.8kg



Richard Hannon

Shane Foley

Winner of a 6f Salisbury maiden and 7f Ffos Las novice last summer. Improved form when chasing home the well-regarded Talk of New York in a 5-runner conditions stakes at Newmarket (7f, good) last month (form reads well on the clock) and he looks potentially well treated now handicapping.

6 11 MAGNATURA (IRE) (216) 91
41241- 3 9-3 | 58.5kg



Tom Ward

James Doyle

Scored second time up at Kempton in June and back on the up when winning 10-runner nursery at Goodwood (7f, good to firm) in October with a little bit up his sleeve. Respected from 5 lb higher mark if ready after 7 months off.

7 12 SAPHIRE STEPS (IRE) (29) (C) 94
1577-5 3 9-2 | 58.1kg



Richard Hannon

Sean Levey

Made winning start over 6f here last July but unable to make an impact when highly tried in 3 subsequent outings. Finished off to good effect from a long way back when fifth of 14 in handicap over 7f here on return 29 days ago and she's respected with longer trip likely to suit.

8 4 EUSTON HALL (16) (D) 92
42-1 3 8-13 | 56.7kg



Ed Walker

Kieran Shoemark

Promise when in frame in 2 all-weather novices late in 2025 and built on those efforts after 5 months off to win a 9-runner maiden (5/1) at Yarmouth (1m, good to firm) 16 days ago. Suited by the step up to this trip and he should have more to offer on his handicap bow.

9 3 LAW COURT (IRE) (29) (BF) 92
43-2 3 8-12 | 56.2kg



Richard Hannon

Faleh Bughenaim

In frame on all 3 starts but took form up a level when beaten a neck in 9-runner 7f novice at Wolverhampton on return. Will be suited by the step up to 1m and his handicap mark looks workable.

10 5 ARBAAWY (8) 98
822533-43 3 8-12 | 56.2kg



John Butler

Ray Dawson

Failed to progress at 2 yrs but took a marked step forward making handicap debut after 6 months off when a fast-finishing fourth of 12 at Newmarket (1m, good) last month. Backed that up with a solid third of 11 at Ascot (1m) last week and he's not taken lightly with cheekpieces now applied.

11 10 MEDIA LEGEND (IRE) (155) (BF) 89
523- 3 8-10 | 55.3kg



Harry Charlton

Lewis Edmunds

Improved second time out when runner-up in a 9-runner novice at Kempton (7f) in November and matched that effort when third in a Southwell maiden next time. Will stay 1m and has been gelded, but probably needs more to make winning handicap debut after 5 months off.

12 1 CHAPTER (IRE) (203) 91
74713- 3 8-9 | 54.9kg



Charles Hills

Jason Watson

Much improved when getting off the mark in a 6-runner nursery at Salisbury (7f, soft) in September and matched that form when third of 4 in a similar event at Doncaster the following month. Faces a much stiffer task tackling 1m on return having been gelded.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Lost Signal, **13-2** Euston Hall, **17-2** Arbaawy, **9-1** Lake Como, **9-1** Magnatura, **11-1** Law Court, **14-1** Tavana, **16-1** Chapter, **16-1** Media Legend, **18-1** Sapphire Steps, **22-1** Zennor Storm, **25-1** Loz Vegas

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A competitive heat as would be expected for a race of this type, with LOST SIGNAL fancied to back up his promising Newmarket second to Talk of New York now in a handicap. Fellow handicap newcomer Euston Hall is also shortlisted on the back of his Yarmouth maiden win, whilst Arbaawy has shaped well in similar races the last twice and should be in the mix again.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LOST SIGNAL 2. EUSTON HALL 3. ARBAAWY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **Solar Army** 3-9-1 15-2 Roger Teal Ryan Moore 10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race