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**12.55** racingtv.com/freetrial **CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 3m100y (4920 Metres)**

RACE 1 **(1) GUERNESEY | (4) PURE SIRLOIN | (2) BE THE DIFFERENCE**

**1.25** **JUMPS LOOKS BETTER ON RACINGTV NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 2m7f96y (4710 Metres)**

RACE 2 **(1) CHASINGOUTTHEBLUES | (2) I WISH YOU | (10) MY LADY ELEKTRA**

**1.55** **GET A FREE RACINGTV TRIAL NOW MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2½m189y (4200 Metres)**

RACE 3 **(5) EAGLES REPRIEVE | (2) SAINT MALINAS | (1) FAIRLAWN SKIPPER**

**2.25** **RESULTS AT racingtv.com NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m51y (3270 Metres)**

RACE 4 **(5) THEY'RE CHANCERS | (6) TRIPLE CROWN TED | (4) LINALENE**

**2.55** **JOIN RACINGTV NOW HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (5) 2m1f14y (3430 Metres)**

RACE 5 **(7) STICK WITH ME SAM | (1) MOON PHASES | (4) TREATY BOY**

**3.25** **31 DAYS FREE ON RACINGTV HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m51y (3270 Metres)**

RACE 6 **(4) MAGNOLIA | (7) DEE'S GETAWAY | (6) TRAVIS WHEATLEY**

#### KEY TO SYMBOLS

**Top Rated:** The horse with the best chance based solely on past form, specially tailored to a 0-100 scale.

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

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

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

**12.55**

RACE 1

**ratingtv.com/freetrial** **CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £7,000 3m100y (4920 Metres)**



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

**1 GUERNESEY (FR) (17)** s **100**  
3/863448-6 9 12-0 | 76.2kg

Jackie Stephen **Dylan Johnston**  
Losing run stretches back to October 2022, but the handicapper has reacted accordingly and he made the frame off higher marks than this on a few occasions last winter, including at this course. Should come on for recent reappearance at Ayr and he's well worth considering with Dylan Johnston booked.

**2 BE THE DIFFERENCE (IRE) (17) (D)** **98**  
16520-033 9 11-9 | 73.9kg

Philip Kirby **Joe Williamson**  
Allowed to build up an insurmountable lead when winning an amateur riders' event at Catterick last December. Hasn't managed to add to that since, but he has finished in the money here and at Ayr the last twice and has dropped back to the same mark as when winning that Catterick handicap.

**3 BURNING IT UP (IRE) (28)** **94**  
55432-54 5 11-9 | 73.9kg

N. W. Alexander **Dominic Hislop (10lb/5kg)**  
Placed sole start between the flags and showed a fair level of ability under Rules last season, including when second upped to 2½m on handicap debut at Perth during the spring. However, he hasn't managed to build on that in 2 starts since returning from a break in September.

**4 PURE SIRLOIN (IRE) (280)** s **99**  
0P/046P3- 7 11-8 | 73.5kg

Sandy Forster **Murray Dodd (3lb/1kg)**  
Just the one one to his name from 14 hurdles starts, namely a Navan handicap back in 2023 for Gavin Cromwell. More miss than hit for present yard, but his third in a 13-runner Ayr handicap (24.3f, soft) with cheekpieces (retained) when last seen in February was a step back in the right direction.

**5 VICTORY CLUB (IRE) (18)** v **95**  
5-5182P34 8 11-7 | 73.0kg

Rebecca Menzies **Charlie Maggs**  
Easy winner of handicap hurdle at Stratford (18.7f, good to soft) on final run for Dan Skelton in July. Has made the frame on 3 of his 5 starts since joining this yard, including when upped to 3m on penultimate start at Wetherby, but he remains vulnerable from a win point of view.

**6 FAINCHE (IRE) (321)** t **96**  
P3232/99F- 8 11-1 | 70.3kg

Micky Hammond **Joshua Thompson (6lb/3kg)**  
On a good mark judged on placed efforts in several handicaps during 2023/24 campaign, but she didn't offer much in a handful of appearances last season and is probably best watched back from a 10-month absence.

**7 TOPKAPI STAR (28)** s **94**  
4P107-53P 8 11-1 | 70.3kg

Ewan Whillans **Peter Kavanagh**  
Just 1 lb higher in the weights compared to when gaining latest success at Ayr with first-time cheekpieces enlisted in January. However, the headgear hasn't proved quite so effective in her 5 subsequent starts and she will probably find a few too good here.

**8 TOP OF THE STARS (12)** **92**  
58P 7 10-4 | 65.3kg

Simon Waugh **Conor Orr**  
No show in a trio of novice events at up to 21f and needs to improved markedly now upped in trip for this handicap debut.

**9 BOYNESIDE (521)** **89**  
08352/75F- 6 10-3 | 64.9kg

Barry Murtagh **Shane Fenelon**  
Best effort to date when runner-up at Sedgfield in March, but he hasn't come close to matching that level of form in his 3 subsequent appearances. Moves up in trip here (unraced beyond 2½m) following a 17-month absence (has undergone a wind op in the interim) and needs to get back on track.

**10 GOODOLDBILL (218)** **90**  
P14P/PP88- 9 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)

Jane Walton **William Maggs**  
It's been all downhill since his narrow breakthrough success in a handicap chase at Newcastle in November 2023. Readily passed over.

**11 WALK MY WAY (IRE) (286)** **90**  
P6562/P79- 7 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)

Micky Hammond **Alice Stevens**  
Left previous form behind when second in a 7-runner Hexham handicap in March 2024, but she failed to build on that standout effort in 3 runs last season.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**4-1** Victory Club, **9-2** Be The Difference, **5-1** Guernesey, **5-1** Burning It Up, **15-2** Pure Sirloin, **16-1** Fainche, **20-1** Topkapi Star, **22-1** Boyneside, **40-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

In a race devoid of a solid-looking proposition, GUERNESEY could be worth chancing. The 9-y-o failed to land a blow on his recent reappearance spin, but that run was almost certainly needed and he is appealing here off an attractive mark with Dylan Johnston doing the steering. If Pure Sirloin is raring to go following nine months off he will be a threat, while Be The Difference also enters calculations.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. GUERNESEY 2. PURE SIRLOIN 3. BE THE DIFFERENCE**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**1.25**

RACE 2

**JUMPS LOOKS BETTER ON RACINGTV NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000 2m7f96y (4710 Metres)**



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

**1 CHASINGOUTTHEBLUES (IRE) (19) (BF) 96**  
711306-33 6 12-0 | 76.2kg

**Mark Walford** *Jamie Hamilton*  
Three-time hurdles winner (at up to 3m) last season and decent start over fences when third at Hexham on return. Turned over when odds-on for a 3-runner Newcastle maiden chase next time, but a bad mistake 4 out (jumped well otherwise) proved very costly that day and he remains with potential.

**2 I WISH YOU (FR) (28) s 98**  
2/14364-52 5 11-11 | 74.8kg

**Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore** *Patrick Wadge*  
Made all in 17f Carlisle novice (soft) on reappearance last term and stepped up on this season's pipe-opener when going close upped to 3m at Perth (heavy). Very much of interest now switched to fences with first-time cheekpieces enlisted. Yard also represented by Golden Point.

**3 ELOI DU PUY (FR) (267) (C) 98**  
11B210/F3- 7 11-9 | 73.9kg

**N. W. Alexander** *Bruce Lynn*  
Four-time winner of handicap hurdles at up to 21f during 2023/24 campaign (3 of those wins gained here) and creditable third at Ayr on sole completed start last term. The ability is there, but his jumping has often let him down over hurdles, which is a worry now that he tackles the larger obstacles.

**4 FRISBY (IRE) (54) t 95**  
2/343-342 7 11-5 | 72.1kg

**Patrick Neville** *Brian Hughes*  
Successful sole start between the flags and, having achieved a fair level of form over hurdles, he was runner-up in a small-field handicap chase at Perth (2½m, good to soft) on second run over fences in September. Needs to raise his game, but stepping back up in trip may help and he's not dismissed.

**5 ORKNEY BLUE (267) 98**  
2/4242- 7 11-3 | 71.2kg

**N. W. Alexander** *Dominic Hislop (10lb/5kg)*  
Runner-up in a Hexham bumper for Toby Lawes in April 2024 and made the frame all 4 starts in maiden hurdles at up to around 3m last season. Passed over by Bruce Lynn in favour of stablemate Eloi Du Puy, but he's on a plausible mark for this chase/handicap debut and is one to consider.

**6 GOLDEN POINT (FR) (24) 91**  
32/43125-5 6 11-1 | 70.3kg

**Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore** *Derek Fox*  
Made it third time lucky over hurdles at Ayr in January and ran well both subsequent outings, fifth of 8 in listed mares' novice at Doncaster (24.4f, good) in March. Offered something to work on sent chasing over C&D last month and she's entitled to come on for that.

**7 MEETMEINTHEMORNING (IRE) (388) s 98**  
486/5272- 8 11-1 | 70.3kg

**Sandy Thomson** *Danny McMenamin*  
Winning Irish pointer who didn't spend much time over hurdles and has predictably shown himself in a better light since switched to this sphere, finishing second in handicap chases at Hexham and over this C&D in 2024. 12-month absence to overcome, but will be a danger to all if fully tuned-up.

**8 BLAKEY BOY (IRE) (28) s 98**  
565581-27 5 10-11 | 68.5kg

**Ewan Whillans** *Craig Nichol*  
Left previous efforts behind to defy unflattering odds in a 12-runner handicap hurdle at Hexham (2½m, good) in April, benefiting from a sharper jumping display in first-time cheekpieces. No headgear when well held on return at Perth and cheekpieces swiftly refitted now switched to fences.

**9 ADVERAM (17) s 95**  
3/142385-3 6 10-8 | 67.1kg

**Ian Duncan** *Callum Bewley*  
Hurdles winner at Ayr last October and made the frame on each of his next 3 starts. Kept on steadily when third on recent return/chase debut back at Ayr (3m, soft), but will need to improve on that if he's to play a leading role in this contest.

**10 MY LADY ELEKTRA (FR) (24) s+t 100**  
675747-34 7 10-5 | 65.8kg

**N. W. Alexander** *Sean Quinlan*  
Fair ex-French maiden hurdler, but was largely below that level for current yard last season. However, she shaped well when fourth of 8 back from a break on chase debut over this C&D last month and she merits respect for a yard that is triple-handed in this contest.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**10-3** Chasingouttheblues, **11-2** I Wish You, **7-1** Meetmeinthemorning, **17-2** Frisby, **10-1** My Lady Elektra, **11-1** Golden Point, **12-1** Adveram, **12-1** Eloi Du Puy, **14-1** Orkney Blue, **28-1** Blakey Boy

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Granted a clean round of jumping CHASINGOUTTHEBLUES may well build on the promise of his chase debut third at Hexham and emerge on top. It was all seemingly going swimmingly for Mark Walford's charge at Newcastle subsequently before a significant blunder at the fourth-last put him firmly on the back foot, but his jumping was otherwise sure-footed and he remains open to improvement as a chaser. I Wish You is of strong interest on his chase debut and he is feared most ahead of My Lady Elektra.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. CHASINGOUTTHEBLUES 2. I WISH YOU 3. MY LADY ELEKTRA**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race






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RACE 3

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

<b>1</b>	<b>FAIRLAWN SKIPPER (19)</b>	<b>98</b>
	3-12333 5 11-4   71.7kg Mickey Bowen <i>Shane Fenelon (5lb/2kg)</i> Bumper winner who made a solid start in this sphere at Uttoxeter in September and has run to a similar level in both starts since, latest when creditable third of 7 in handicap hurdle at Newcastle (23.7f, good) 19 days ago. Likely to be in the mix again.	
<b>2</b>	<b>SAINT MALINAS (IRE) (274)</b>	<b>99</b>
	23- 6 11-4   71.7kg Nicky Richards <i>Craig Nichol</i> Made the frame in a couple of maiden hurdles over this sort of trip for Pauline Robson last term. Since joined new yard and must enter calculations, particularly if the market vibes are strong.	
<b>3</b>	<b>SOLID PERFORMER (IRE)</b>	
	7 11-4   71.7kg Donald McCain <i>Brian Hughes</i> €50,000 3-y-o, Sholokhov gelding. Closely related to 2 winners, including useful hurdler/smart chaser Court Maid. Ready winner on sole Points outing earlier this year and must be of interest on NH debut.	
<b>4</b>	<b>THE G WIZARD (IRE) (28)</b>	<b>91</b>
	4 5 11-4   71.7kg N. W. Alexander <i>Bruce Lynn</i> Runner-up in the second of his 2 starts in maiden points and offered something to work on when fourth of 9 in novice hurdle (28/1) at Perth (20.2f, heavy) on NH debut 28 days ago. May need more time, though.	
<b>5</b>	<b>EAGLES REPRIEVE (IRE) (24) (BF)</b>	<b>100</b>
	122-2 4 11-3   71.2kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore <i>Jack Power (5lb/2kg)</i> Found improvement, back from 7 months off, when very good second of 14 in novice hurdle at this course (16.2f, good to soft) 24 days ago. Likely more to come yet, particularly over this longer trip.	

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**6-4** Eagles Reprieve, **4-1** Solid Performer, **9-2** Saint Malinas, **9-2** Fairlawn Skipper, **16-1** The G Wizard

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

EAGLES REPRIEVE pulled clear of the remainder when runner-up at this course last month and may have more to offer yet. He gets the nod. Saint Malinas rates the principal danger.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. EAGLES REPRIEVE 2. SAINT MALINAS 3. FAIRLAWN SKIPPER**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race











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Pace Information: **Even**

<b>1</b>	<b>GODFREY BOUILLON (IRE) (326)</b>	t	<b>89</b>
	Donald McCain		<i>Theo Gillard</i>
	Ran with promise when fifth of 12 in bumper at Wetherby (16f, soft, 18/1) on NH debut 10 months ago. Goes hurdling now and is worth monitoring in market. Tongue strap on for first time.		
<b>2</b>	<b>GORVENNEC (FR) (353)</b>	t	<b>86</b>
	N. W. Alexander		<i>Bruce Lynn</i>
	Below level of hurdling debut form when eighth at Newcastle this time last year. Not seen since and makes limited appeal on return to action. Tongue strap on first time/had wind operation.		
<b>3</b>	<b>LANCE LES DES (FR) (388)</b>		<b>87</b>
	N. W. Alexander		<i>Sean Quinlan</i>
	Offered something to work on when third on Perth hurdles bow last year but disappointed when last seen here 12 months ago and is likely to need this.		
<b>4</b>	<b>LINALENE (FR) (44)</b>		<b>93</b>
	Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore		<i>Patrick Wadge</i>
	Related to a trio of winners and showed a fair level of ability in bumpers last season. Got no further than first on hurdles debut here last month but must enter calculations.		
<b>5</b>	<b>THEY'RE CHANCERS (IRE) (301) (D)</b>		<b>98</b>
	Nicky Richards		<i>Danny McMenamin</i>
	Boasts a good pedigree and made winning NH debut in 12-runner bumper at Ayr (16f, soft) in January by 3 lengths from Triple Crown Ted. Switches to hurdles now and must be of interest.		
<b>6</b>	<b>TRIPLE CROWN TED (IRE) (44) (BF)</b>		<b>100</b>
	Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore		<i>Derek Fox</i>
	Made the frame in a couple of Ayr bumpers earlier this year and left the impression he would come on for the run when third of 13 in novice over C&D (good) on hurdles bow 44 days ago. Likely contender.		
<b>7</b>	<b>YAPPER HILL (IRE) (11)</b>		<b>86</b>
	George Bewley		<i>Jonathon Bewley</i>
	Winless following 5 runs in maiden points and has been safely held in both outings in this sphere. Likely a longer-term prospect.		
<b>8</b>	<b>TIGGERELLI (242)</b>		<b>79</b>
	Paul Robson		<i>Callum Bewley</i>
	No real impact in a trio of bumpers for Sandy Thomson last term and is likely best watched on debut over hurdles for new connections here.		

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**9-4** Triple Crown Ted, **5-2** They're Chancers, **9-2** Linalene, **10-1** Godfrey Bouillon, **16-1** Gorvennec, **16-1** Lance Les Des, **28-1** Yapper Hill, **66-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

THEY'RE CHANCERS was a convincing winner of his sole start in bumpers earlier this year and appeals as the type to progress over hurdles. He can land the spoils. The Russell/Scudamore duo Triple Crown Ted and Linalene are feared most.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. THEY'RE CHANCERS 2. TRIPLE CROWN TED 3. LINALENE**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race










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<b>1</b>	<b>MOON PHASES (IRE) (17)</b>		<b>99</b>
	0/2-4 6 12-0   76.2kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore Underwhelming display only start in bumpers but offered more both starts over hurdles at Ayr last term, making the frame on both occasions. Yard's runners often improve over the larger obstacles so warrants respect first time over fences here.		<b>Derek Fox</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>TRAC (FR) (24)</b>	s	<b>94</b>
	411/6P54-2 8 11-13   75.7kg Micky Hammond Back from 7 months off when ¾-length second of 7 to Ballyfort in handicap chase over C&D (good to soft) 24 days ago. Cheekpieces back on. Ought to give another good account.		<b>Brian Hughes</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>BALLYFORT (IRE) (24) (CD)</b>	h+t	<b>95</b>
	FU24149-1 7 11-13   75.7kg N. W. Alexander Posted best effort in this sphere when winning 7-runner handicap chase over C&D (good to soft, 11/4) 24 days ago by ¾ length from Trac. Looked a fortunate winner on that occasion but he is only 1 lb higher now.		<b>Bruce Lynn</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>TREATY BOY (IRE) (10)</b>	t	<b>99</b>
	56128-FB2 8 11-8   73.5kg Stuart Coltherd Given positive ride when respectable second of 7 in handicap chase over C&D (good to soft, 11/1) 10 days ago, finishing tired. Remains on a workable mark and is likely to make presence felt again.		<b>Sean Quinlan</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>CLASSICAL STING (320)</b>	h	<b>99</b>
	388- 5 11-1   70.3kg L J Morgan Didn't show a great deal in 3 maiden hurdles last winter but possible he could make a much bigger impact now handicap chasing on return. Market confidence could prove significant.		<b>Danny McMenamin</b> 
<b>6</b>	<b>CHUMLEE (IRE) (10) (D)</b>	h	<b>90</b>
	312/P5-4 10 10-11   68.5kg Sandy Forster Progressive initially from a low base in handicap hurdles, gaining second career success at Newcastle early last year. However, not seen a great deal since and hasn't inspired confidence with his 2 attempts over fences.		<b>Patrick Wadge</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>STICK WITH ME SAM (FR) (241) (BF)</b>	h+t	 <b>100</b>
	86/74622U- 6 10-10   68.0kg Tom Gretton Found improvement switched to chasing last term, finishing runner-up at Warwick (16.3f) and Catterick (15.7f) before unseating rider in Bangor handicap chase when last seen in March. Had wind operation since and is one for shortlist. Hood back on.		<b>Robert Dunne</b>

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**11-4** Ballyfort, **4-1** Moon Phases, **9-2** Stick With Me Sam, **6-1** Trac, **8-1** Treaty Boy, **12-1** Classical Sting, **22-1** Chumlee

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Preference is for STICK WITH ME SAM, who showed enough in his chase starts last term to suggest a race of this nature should be within his compass. Moon Phases and Treaty Boy may provide the chief threat.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. STICK WITH ME SAM 2. MOON PHASES 3. TREATY BOY**

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race










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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

<b>1</b>	<b>JOLTIN N JIVING (IRE) (228)</b>		<b>93</b>
	218- Donald McCain £40,000 Irish point winner who confirmed abundant Rules debut promise when landing a 17f Carlisle novice hurdles in good style in February. Unsurprisingly struggled in Grade 1 company at Aintree next time and this unexposed 5-y-o needs a close look now pitched into a handicap.	5 12-0   76.2kg	<b>Brian Hughes</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>KINGSTON NARCISSUS (FR) (321)</b>	h	<b>98</b>
	542221F- Rebecca Menzies Consistent maiden on Flat in France and took well to hurdles for Rebeca Menzies last term, finishing runner-up 3 times prior to getting his head in front in maiden at Sedgfield. Still in with a shout when falling at the last in a Musselburgh handicap on New Year's Day and he's not discounted.	6 11-8   73.5kg	<b>Ross Chapman</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>RAFFERTY'S RETURN (241)</b>	t	<b>96</b>
	15/F76068- Rebecca Menzies Landed a pair of handicap hurdles a couple of seasons back, but he was below par last term and is probably worth taking on back from an 8-month break.	10 11-8   73.5kg	<b>Nathan Moscrop</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>MAGNOLIA (FR) (24) (CD)</b>	t	  <b>100</b>
	5/896532-1 Micky Hammond French import who steadily improved for new connections last season, runner-up in a Perth handicap hurdle on final run of that campaign. Progressed again when going one better over this C&D on seasonal reappearance and an 8 lb rise may not be enough to stop her.	6 11-4   71.7kg	<b>Joshua Thompson (7lb/3kg)</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>JAMINOZ (IRE) (633)</b>	v+t	<b>95</b>
	383/ Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore Placed twice from 3 starts in maiden/novice hurdles during 2023/24 season. Multiple winner on the Flat since, including twice this year, so won't be found wanting fitness-wise and he would be dangerous to discount on his handicap debut in this sphere.	6 11-1   70.3kg	<b>Gregor Walkingshaw (10lb/5kg)</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>TRAVIS WHEATLEY (IRE) (260)</b>		<b>98</b>
	2444F- Adam Nicol Point winner who shaped encouragingly switched to Rules when second in a Newcastle bumper last October. Subsequently failed to threaten in novice events in this sphere, but was prominent in the betting for his handicap debut when last seen in March (fell 4 out) and he remains of interest.	5 10-12   68.9kg	<b>Danny McMenamin</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>DEE'S GETAWAY (IRE) (17) (D)</b>	t	<b>98</b>
	709-634P1 George Bewley Fair maiden hurdle winner in Ireland and left very low-key debut for this yard well behind when belying odds of 33/1 in an Ayr handicap 17 days ago. 5 lb rise fair enough and she will be a danger to all if able to build on that.	5 10-11   68.5kg	<b>Edward Austin (5lb/2kg)</b>

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

5-2 Magnolia, 4-1 Dee's Getaway, 11-2 Joltin N Jiving, 6-1 Travis Wheatley, 7-1 Kingston Narcissus, 8-1 Jaminoz, 28-1 Rafferty's Return

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

The mares MAGNOLIA and Dee's Getaway both come into this on the back of personal bests, winning handicaps over this C&D and at Ayr respectively. Preference is for the former, who possesses a more appealing profile of the two having progressed with each of her five starts for present connections and an 8 lb rise looks manageable. Travis Wheatley could prove to be best of the boys, though unexposed handicap debutant Joltin N Jiving also enters calculations.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. MAGNOLIA 2. DEE'S GETAWAY 3. TRAVIS WHEATLEY

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race