



Saturday 19th July

DONCASTER

5.15	GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE FESTIVAL APPRENTICE HANDICAP (5) 5f3y (1010 Metres)
RACE 1	(7) MIDNIGHT LIR (2) LEVEL UP (1) ONE MORE DREAM
5.45	BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF RESTRICTED MAIDEN (Qualifier) (5) 7f6y (1410 Metres)
RACE 2	(6) RELIABLE RICKI (2) CASTRILLO (5) PARISIAN SCHOLAR
6.15	GRACE AND DOTTY HANDICAP (6) (D.I) 7f6y (1410 Metres)
RACE 3	(1) JESMOND DAWN (5) HIGHFIELD VIKING (10) TEMPER TRAP
6.45	GRACE AND DOTTY HANDICAP (6) (D.II) 7f6y (1410 Metres)
RACE 4	(5) SEE PARIS (9) LUMENBOURG (4) TRAVIS
7.15	SKILL STEP GROUP HANDICAP (5) 1m3f197y (2390 Metres)
RACE 5	(1) MDAWI (2) PHRYGIA (3) SIR WILLIAM
7.45	UNISON RACEDAY 2nd AUGUST HANDICAP (6) 7f213y (1600 Metres)
RACE 6	(9) ROCK DIVA (1) OPERATION GIMCRACK (10) ALMUTRAF
8.15	PLAY AT THE RACES STABLEDUEL HANDICAP (3) 7f6y (1410 Metres)
RACE 7	(2) LORD BERTIE (1) YANIFER (3) GRAND TRAVERSE
8.45	SKY SPORTS RACING SKY 415 HANDICAP (5) 2m109y (3320 Metres)

KEY TO SYMBOLS



RACE 8

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

(7) BELGRAVIAN (8) KENTUCKY RIVER (6) ANALOGICAL



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.



GO RACING IN YORKSHIRE FESTIVAL APPRENTICE HANDICAP (5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-70) £8,400 5f3y (1010 Metres)



Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

Left handed, galloping. One of the fairest courses in the country, essentially flat with the exception of a slight uphill gradient about ten furlongs from the finish. Races between five furlongs and seven furlongs are run on the straight course, while there is also both a straight and round mile course. It is a free-draining course, underfoot conditions only occasionally being soft/heavy.

Draw: N/A Pace Information: Even

ONE MORE DREAM (32) (C, D) 16126534 **6** 10-1 64.0kg

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John & Sean Ouinn

Mason Paetel (5lb/2kg)



Three wins from 16 runs this year, the latest over 6f at this course in May. 7/2, bit below form fourth of 8 in handicap at Thirsk (6f, good to firm) 32 days ago but still respected back here.

LEVEL UP (IRE) (17) (D, BF) 55671212 6 10-1 64.0kg 97



David Evans Phoebe Edwards (7lb/3kg) Winner over 5f at Chepstow (soft) and Leicester (good to firm) in June. Creditable second of 7 in handicap back at Chepstow (5f, good to firm) 17 days ago. No reason why he won't give another good account.

BETWEENTHESTICKS (19) (D) 72194167 5 10-0 63.5ka

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Ruth Carr Latest win at Catterick in May. Seventh of 8 in handicap at Pontefract (5f, good to

firm, 16/1) 19 days ago. Bounce back needed.

FLETCHER'S FLIGHT (IRE) (8) (D) 15-399078

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5 9-12 62.6kg Philip McBride

Ashley Lewis (7lb/3kg)

Blinkered first time, eighth of 10 in handicap (16/1) at Newmarket (5f, good to firm) 8 days ago. Back on a good mark but need to see more.

KING'S CROWN (IRE) (19) (D)

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Michael Dods

5 9-12 62.6kg

Rhys Elliott (5lb/2kg)



Three wins from 15 runs this year, the latest at Thirsk in June. 9/1, good second of 8 in handicap at Pontefract (5f, good to firm) 19 days ago.

RADIO STAR (IRE) (39)

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3292-2237 **3** 9-11 62.1kg



Ollie Sangster Fair maiden. Ran poorly when seventh of 10 in novice at Catterick (5f, good to

firm, 9/4) 39 days ago. Hood back on. Others arrive with more pressing claims.

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MIDNIGHT LIR (IRE) (67) (D) **4** 9-11 62.1kg

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Michael Dods

Sixteen runs since last win in 2023 but has come down in the weights as a result and shaped as if he may be ready to take advantage when close second of 9 at Beverley (5f, good to firm) in May. Back from 10 weeks off with the stable going

MONEY POCKETS (26) 7-4763

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3 9-0 57.2kg

Lightly-raced maiden. Tongue strap on first time, good third of 6 in handicap at Windsor (5f, good to firm) 26 days ago.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Level Up, 7-2 King's Crown, 6-1 Midnight Lir, 13-2 One More Dream, 7-1 Radio Star, 12-1 Money Pockets, 14-1 Fletcher's Flight, 20-1 Betweenthesticks

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MIDNIGHT LIR returns from a break with the Michael Dods stable in its best form of the season and is worth siding with off what is a favourable mark based on his peak form. Level Up arrives at the top of his game and is second choice ahead of One More Dream and the selection's stablemate King's Crown.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MIDNIGHT LIR 2. LEVEL UP 3. ONE MORE DREAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Dandy Dinmont 5-9-13	8-1	Nigel Tinkler	Alex Jary (3)	
2023	Speedacus 4-10-4	17-2	David O'Meara	Pierre-Louis Jamin	
2022	Sound of Iona 6-10-4	5-2f	Jim Goldie	Shannon Watts (5)	
2021	Mehmo 3-9-2	6-1	Michael Appleby	Frederick Larson (3)	

SMART STATS:



RACE 2

BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF RESTRICTED MAIDEN (Qualifier) (5) 2yo £7,000 7f6y (1410 Metres)



Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

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Draw: N/A Pace Information: Weak

ATHENIAN SPIRIT (IRE) (24)

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2 9-7 60.3kg

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Cieren Fallon



William Knight 14/1, sixth of 12 in novice at Kempton (7f, 14/1) on debut 24 days ago, fading final 1f. Open to progress

CASTRILLO (IRE)

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2 9-7 | 60.3kg

Foaled February 12. 8,000 gns Belardo colt. Closely related to 7f-8.6f winner Glam Squad and half-brother to winner up to 7f Fornarinah. Dam 6f winner. Interesting

GALILEO ISLAND (IRE) (24)

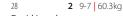
Marco Botti

P. J. McDonald

Fair form. 11/2, third of 12 in novice at Kempton (7f) 24 days ago.

IBN ALTHEEB (IRE) (23)

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Twice-raced colt. 4 lengths second on 7.5f Beverley debut and has a position on the far flank of the field as a possible excuse for a lesser run at Newcastle since.

PARISIAN SCHOLAR

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2 9-7 60.3kg Charlie Johnston

Jason Hart

Foaled May 4. €18,000 Study of Man colt. Half-brother to 3 winners, including 10.5f-1½m winner Sunly and 1¼m-1½m winner Perfuse, both useful. Respected

RELIABLE RICKI (IRE)

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Foaled April 9. Elzaam gelding. Brother to useful 6f winner Wren's Breath and half-brother to several winners, including smart 2-y-o 5f winner Santry. Dam

lightly raced. Makes paper appeal.

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Dr Richard Newland & Jamie Insole 33/1, last of 8 in maiden at Leicester (7f, good to firm, 33/1) on debut 35 days ago.



HOMESTRAIT (IRE) (23)

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2222 **2** 9-2 58.1 kg Brian Ellison

Ben Robinson



Fair form when runner-up on all 4 outings, beaten 3 lengths when stepped up to 7f at Newcastle last time. Another prominent showing is likely but might be vulnerable to newcomers with potential.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Homestrait, 4-1 Galileo Island, 6-1 Castrillo, 8-1 Reliable Ricki, 17-2 Parisian Scholar, 9-1 Ibn Altheeb, 10-1 Athenian Spirit, 100-1 bar

Those with experience don't set the bar that high so it might be worth chancing a newcomer, with Kevin Ryan's RELIABLE RICKI preferred to Castrillo and Parisian Scholar before any market clues are known.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. RELIABLE RICKI 2. CASTRILLO 3. PARISIAN SCHOLAR

SMART STATS:

GRACE AND DOTTY HANDICAP (6) (D.I) 4yo+ (Rated 0-65) £7,200 7f6y (1410 Metres)



RACE 3

Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

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Draw: N/A Pace Information: Strong

JESMOND DAWN (IRE) (12)

4 9-9 61.2kg

7138-5932 **Grant Tuer**

Travels like one who should prove at least as effective back at 7f. Gets the vote.

Good second of 10 in handicap at Ripon (1m, good to firm, 13/2) 12 days ago.

ORIGINAL THINKER (15) (D) 37/5180-10 **5** 9-9 61.2kg

> Harriet Bethell Oisin McSweeney (3lb/1kg) Made a winning reappearance at Carlisle (7f, good to soft) in May but not in the

same form when only tenth of 13 over this C&D since.

DANZART (IRE) (22) (CD) 7320-6140 7 9-9 61.2ka

Stella Barclay P. J. McDonald

C&D winner in April. Fair fourth over 6f here next time but below form (pulled too hard) over C&D 3 weeks ago.

MARK'S CHOICE (IRE) (30) 96 230/73-041 **9** 9-7 60.3kg

Gemma Tutty Cheekpieces on for 1st time, improved on recent efforts when snapping losing run in 12-runner handicap at Ripon (6f, good to firm, 5/1) 30 days ago. Remains well treated on old form.

HIGHFIELD VIKING (9) (C, D) 99 1435-5632 **5** 9-7 60.3kg

John & Sean Ouinn Jason Hart Course winner. 4/1, good second of 12 in handicap at Carlisle (7f, good) 9 days

ago. Not taken lightly.

FINN IRONSIDE (30) (D) 98 t 213434-48 4 9-6 59.9kg

Ivan Furtado Elle-May Croot (5lb/2kg) First run since leaving Craig Lidster when eighth of 11 in handicap at Wetherby (1m, good to firm, 22/1) 30 days ago, not seen to best from the rear. Tongue

strap on first time. MAYO COUNTY (15) (D) 95

Ø **4** 9-6 59.9kg Julie Camacho **Rvan Sexton**

Latest win at Redcar in May. Good fifth of 13 over C&D (good to firm) 15 days ago, racing closer to pace than ideal.

10 AHAMOMENT (IRE) (103) (D) 94 41044-290 **6** 9-5 59.4kg

> David & Nicola Barron Mark Winn Runner-up at Newcastle in January but below pare on both outings since. Been off for 103 days.

GRAND CITADEL (IRE) (53) (D) 96

Career best when winning 16-runner handicap (17/2) at Leicester (7f, good) 53

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days ago. Should remain competitive off 6 lb higher.

Course winner. Twelve runs since last win in 2024. 14/1, seventh of 9 in handicap

TEMPER TRAP (9) (C, D)

2-6597507

8 9-0 57.2kg

at this course (1m, good to firm) 9 days ago. Back on a favourable mark and would enter the reckoning should any of the forecast rain hit (last 5 wins on softer than good).

ROYAL JET (26) (D) 0-7864944 5 8-4 52.6kg

Tony Carroll Jay Mackay (7lb/3kg) 9/1, bit below form when fourth of 9 in handicap at Wolverhampton (7f) 26 days ago. Others are more persuasive.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

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Oliver Stammers

9-2 Highfield Viking, 9-2 Mark's Choice, 5-1 Jesmond Dawn, 8-1 Grand Citadel, 11-1 Mayo County, 14-1 Temper Trap, 16-1 Royal Jet, 16-1 Ahamoment, 18-1 Finn Ironside, 18-1 Original Thinker, 33-1 Danzart

TIMEFORM VIEW:

JESMOND DAWN moves through his races as if this drop to 7f could suit and can resume winning ways back at Class 6 level. Highfield Viking has been shaping up quite well and is second choice. Temper Trap has slipped to a good mark and would be one to consider should the around go on the soft side.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. JESMOND DAWN 2. HIGHFIELD VIKING 3. TEMPER TRAP

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024 **Create** 4-9-11 12-1 Scott Dixon Dale Swift

SMART STATS:

RACE 4

GRACE AND DOTTY HANDICAP (6) (D.II) 4yo+ (Rated 0-65) £7,200 7f6y (1410 Metres)



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Draw: N/A Pace Information: Even

AMAYRETTO (15) (CD) 1 **4** 9-9 61.2kg 55762-110

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Tim Easterby

Ben Robinson

C&D winner. 2 wins from 3 runs this year. Latest win at Redcar in May. 11/2, eleventh of 13 in handicap at this C&D (good to firm) 15 days ago. Can bounce

MBAPPE (52) (D)

141338-00 **4** 9-9 61.2kg 91

Mark Loughnane Cieren Fallon 16/1, last of 12 in handicap at Kempton (8f) 52 days ago. Lot to prove at present back on turf having failed to beat a rivals both starts in 2025.

HOW'S THE GUVNOR (IRE) (22) (C)

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5024-8598 4 9-8 60.8ka Jennie Candlish

Shane Grav

Course winner. Eleven runs since last win in 2023. Eighth of 12 in handicap at this C&D (firm, 33/1) 22 days ago, merely passing beaten rivals. That was a step up on previous low-key efforts in 2025.

TRAVIS (17) (D) 7-8762741 4 9-7 60.3kg 98



Turned in best effort of the season when doubling career tally at Thirsk (7f, good, 17/2) 17 days ago, responding well, off the bridle early but responding really well for pressure. Should give it another good go up 2 lb.

SEE PARIS (GER) (53)

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5 9-6 59.9kg Ivan Furtado

Jason Hart



10/1, first run since leaving Seb Spencer and caught the eye when sixth of 11 in handicap at Redcar (8f, good to firm) 53 days ago, sure to have finished closer

with a clear run. Of major interest from this mark. PATONTHEBACK (IRE) (17) (D) 98

7 9-6 | 59.9kg 336-59388



Gemma Tutty William Pyle (3lb/1kg) Fourteen runs since last win in 2024. Eighth of 9 in handicap (13/2) at Thirsk (7f,

good) 17 days ago. though that run can be excused as he was hampered.

REGINALD CHARLES (15) (D)

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5 9-5 59.4kg Geoff Oldroyd

P. J. McDonald



Won first 2 starts upon joining this yard, latterly at Newcastle in March. 22/1, fourth of 6 in seller at Beverley (8.4f, good to firm) 15 days ago and more chance on these terms back in a handicap.

EMILY POST (17) (D) 98 10 76244747

6 9-3 58.5kg Michael Dods Joanna Mason Twenty runs since last win in 2023. Seventh of 9 in handicap (5/1) at Thirsk (7f,

good) 17 days ago. Others more persuasive. LUMENBOURG (22) (CD)

100 4 9-2 58.1kg

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C&D winner. Latest win at Southwell in February. Good third of 12 in handicap at this C&D (firm, 12/1) 22 days ago, well positioned. Has to be taken seriously in

this slightly easier band of handicap.

THANKS DAD (46) (D) **5** 8-8 54.4kg 53910447

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One win from 21 Flat runs. Winner at Southwell in March. Seventh of 11 in handicap (11/1) at Wolverhampton (7.2f) 46 days ago. Lower turf mark is justified.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Travis, 9-2 Lumenbourg, 7-1 See Paris, 7-1 Emily Post, 10-1 Amayretto, 11-1 Patontheback, 14-1 Reginald Charles, 16-1 Thanks Dad, 16-1 How's The Guvnor, 20-1 Mbappe

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Starting out for a new yard, SEE PARIS was quite a bit better than the result at Redcar in May and he's now of serious interest at this sort of level. Lumenbourg and Travis are inform rivals and head the opposition.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SEE PARIS 2. LUMENBOURG 3. TRAVIS

SMART STATS:



SKILL STEP GROUP HANDICAP (5) 3yo (Rated 0-75) £8,400 1m3f197y (2390 Metres)



RACE 5

Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

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Draw: N/A Pace Information: Very Weak

MDAWI (IRE) (15) **3** 9-9 61.2kg 83-12

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Charlie Johnston



Off the mark at the third attempt at Southwell in January and improved when second of 7 in handicap at Haydock (11.6f, good to firm) 15 days ago, finishing well. Should have more to offer.

PHRYGIA (38) (D) **3** 9-9 61.2kg 97

James Ferguson Jonny Peate Overcame a troubled passage and produced a career best when winning

5-runner handicap at Kempton (12f) 38 days ago, driven clear. Makes turf debut. Open to progress.

SIR WILLIAM (IRE) (17)

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3 9-9 61.2kg 6625-7343 William Haggas 💏

Third of 4 in handicap at Thirsk (12f, good, 9/4) 17 days ago, needing stronger gallop. Has to be taken seriously having been eased 2 lb given he's unexposed over middle distances.

ONLY ONE BLUE (IRE) (9)

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3 9-7 | 60.3kg

Hollie Doyle

Richard Hannon
Lightly-raced maiden who matched level achieved when second in a Salisbury maiden when sixth of 8 in handicap at Epsom (12f, good to firm) 9 days ago.

JET BLACK (26) (BF)

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3 9-4 59.0kg 07-6212

P. J. McDonald



Andrew Balding Winner at Redcar in May. 11/8, second of 4 in handicap at Windsor (10f, good to firm) 26 days ago, hanging left and worn down late.

GENTLE WARRIOR (IRE) (7) (BF) 99 v

67621-532 K. R. Burke



7/4, good second of 8 in handicap at Hamilton (11.1f, good to firm) 7 days ago, clear of rest. Doesn't look totally straightforward but enters the reckoning on

DOUBLE MEANING (58)

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3 9-1 57.6kg

Thrice-raced maiden. First run since leaving Charlie Appleby when ninth of 15 in maiden at Chelmsford City (8f, 50/1) 58 days ago. Makes handicap debut and can step up on that but he'll certainly need to.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Mdawi, 7-2 Phrygia, 9-2 Sir William, 11-2 Gentle Warrior, 11-2 Jet Black, 12-1 Only One Blue, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A 3-y-o handicap with several open to plenty of progress. Top of the list is MDAWI, who continued his theme of race-by-race progress when runner-up at Haydock a fortnight ago. Phrygia and Sir William head the opposition.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MDAWI 2. PHRYGIA 3. SIR WILLIAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Billiegee 3-9-7	17-2	James Ferguson	Sean Dylan Bowen (3)	6
2023	Golden Move 3-9-11	9-2	Richard Fahey	Jack Garritty	10
2022	Animato 3-9-6	7-2	David O'Meara	Daniel Tudhone	4

SMART STATS:

RACE 6

UNISON RACEDAY 2nd AUGUST HANDICAP (6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-60) £7,200 7f213y (1600 Metres)



Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

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Draw: Against High Pace Information: Even

OPERATION GIMCRACK (IRE) (15) 320/5074-2

5 10-0 63.5kg

11/1, creditable second of 11 in handicap at Beverley (7.4f, good to firm) 15 days



ago. That was a sound return to action and well-run race over this trip will suit.

EVELYN'S PHOENIX (FR) (12) 107-05660

4 9-13 63.0kg **Ryan Sexton**



Tim Easterby

Brvan Smart

11/1, tenth of 12 in handicap at Ayr (8f, good to soft) 12 days ago. Becoming well treated but hard to support until showing more spark.

YOUNG FIRE (FR) (12) (D) 4-9777200 **10** 9-12 62.6kg

> David O'Meara Mark Winn



Thirteen runs since last win in 2024. Tenth of 13 in handicap (14/1) at Ayr (10f good to soft) 12 days ago. Back down in trip. Visor back on. Engaged 2.05 Haydock Friday

SHAWS PHOENIX (IRE) (37) 96

4/29727-93 **4** 9-12 62.6kg



Tongue strap on for first time, creditable third of 6 in handicap at Yarmouth (8f, good to firm, 16/1) 37 days ago. Could do with settling better but she can be a factor at this level.

COPPER AND FIVE (33) (C, D) 94 9 9-12 62.6kg



Joanna Mason

C&D winner. Latest win at Beverley in May. 12/1, creditable fourth of 9 in handicap at Carlisle (7.8f, good to soft) 33 days ago.

CHADLEENY (IRE) (24)

3 9-8 60.8kg Ed Walker



Lightly-raced maiden. Tenth of 11 in handicap at Kempton (7f, 22/1) 24 days

ago, hampered. May also have needed that but must improve to defy this mark.

WHAT A RECOVERY (37)

Des Donovan **Ben Sanderson**



Thrice-raced maiden. Sixth of 8 in novice at Yarmouth (6f, good to firm, 250/1) 37 days ago. Significantly back up in trip. Makes handicap debut and this will

DASH POWER (4) (BF) 94

22458275 **4** 9-6 59.9kg Lawrence Mullaney

Mason Paetel (5lb/2kg)



One win from 30 Flat runs. Bit below form fifth of 11 in minor event at Thirsk (8f, good, 10/3) 4 days ago.

ROCK DIVA (IRE) (15) **3** 9-5 59.4kg 100

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SHaped better than bare result when fourth of 6 in handicap at Beverley (8.4f,

good to firm) 15 days ago, left poorly placed. Expected to be bang there for in-form vard.

ALMUTRAF (IRE) (14)

3 9-3 58.5kg

Brian Ellison Ben Robinson

Winner at Newcastle in June. Ninth of 11 in handicap at Beverley (7.4f, good to firm, 7/2) 14 days ago, hampered. Looks competitive on form.

EMBARKED (IRE) (10)

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Scott Dixon

Mikkel Mortensen (5lb/2kg)

Twenty one runs since last win in 2024. 16/1, creditable third of 11 in handicap at Yarmouth (8f, good to firm) 10 days ago. That was another sound effort without

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-1 Operation Gimcrack, 15-2 Embarked, 8-1 Rock Diva, 8-1 Shaws Phoenix, 17-2 Almutraf, 10-1 Copper And Five, 12-1 Young Fire, 12-1 Dash Power, 16-1 Evelyn's Phoenix, 18-1 Chadleeny, 20-1 What A Recovery

TIMEFORM VIEW:

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Harrison Shaw

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Competitive fare but ROCK DIVA hasn't been with Jennie Candlish long and having shaped well at Beverley a fortnight ago, she could be the answer. Operation Gimcrack and Almutraf are just a couple of potential threats.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROCK DIVA 2. OPERATION GIMCRACK 3. ALMUTRAF

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

	Kodebreaker 5-9-7	4-1	Michael Herrington	Lewis Edmunds	9
2023	Lockdown Lass 5-9-4	9-2jf	Gary Hanmer	Josephine Gordon	1 .
2022	Gypsy Whisper 5-9-12	5-2f	Scott Dixon	Jonathan Fisher (5)	10

SMART STATS:

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PLAY AT THE RACES STABLEDUEL HANDICAP (3) 3yo+ (Rated 0-90) £18,400 7f6y (1410 Metres)





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Draw: N/A Pace Information: Even

YANIFER (35) (CD) 52158-772 **7** 10-4 65.3kg





Harriet Bethell

Oisin McSweeney (3lb/1kg)

C&D winner who produced his best effort of the campaign when good second of 13 in handicap (14/1) at York (7f, good to firm) 35 days ago, finding only a less exposed 3-y-o too strong. Rates a key player again in this company.

LORD BERTIE (FR) (42) (D)

5/08120-65 **5** 10-2 64.4kg

Mark Winn

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Not long with this yard and caught the eye equipped with a hood when creditable fifth of 14 in handicap at this C&D (good to firm, 33/1) 42 days ago, running on. Certainly one to note from this sort of mark, especially if any rain

GRAND TRAVERSE (IRE) (21) (CD) 37/1070-01 **5** 9-13 63.0kg





Archie Watson

Hollie Doyle

Lightly-raced 5-y-o who proved much sharper for his reappearance when winning 13-runner handicap (16/1) at this C&D (good to firm) 21 days ago. Ought to be competitive again nudged up just 1 lb.

PROBE (48) (D)

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9-13 63.0kg Jennie Candlish



Latest win at Chester (7f) in May. Tenth of 15 in handicap at Chelmsford (7f) 48 days ago, never on terms from off the pace. Remains on a workable mark granted a good pace to aim at.

STERLING KNIGHT (8) (D)



Ed Dunlop

22842344 6 9-13 63.0kg

Cieren Fallon

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Likeable sort who turned in another creditable effort when fourth of 11 in handicap at Newmarket (7f, good to firm, 9/2) 8 days ago, keeping on. Eased 1 lb

ahead of this and no surprise to see him thereabouts again. **TINTO** (17)



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9 9-13 63.0kg

Michael Dods **Oliver Stammers** Ran well when just touched over an inadequate trip at Thirsk (5f) in May. Disappointed at Haydock next time but best excused the run when twelfth of

WARM SPELL (IRE) (37) (D)



13 in handicap at Thirsk (6f, good) 17 days ago, not clear run over 1f out. However, others preferred.

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216/58-269 4 9-12 62.6kg Mark Loughnane

P. J. McDonald



Useful handicapper who ran a cracker on return/stable debut when runner-up over C&D in March. Hasn't built on that in 2 subsequent starts, ninth of 10 in handicap at Newbury (7f, good to firm, 12/1) 37 days ago but the assessor has

eased his grip a little ahead of this.

3 9-9 61.2kg



John & Sean Ouinn Dual novice winner over 6f last summer and also second in French Group 3 during that period. Safely held in listed company on return and having been handed a stiff opening mark, she finished fifth of 9 on handicap debut at Chester (7f) 21 days ago. Little more needed.

CATALYSE (IRE) (21)

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3 9-7 60.3kg

Sharp juvenile who won first of his 3 starts last season and he looked rusty returning from 9 months off when eighth of 9 in handicap at Chester (7f, good to firm) 21 days ago. Remains early days with him and feasible to think he could yet get back on the up. Market can guide.

LOOK BACK SMILING (IRE) (13) (CD)

7075-0726 **5** 9-6 59.9kg 98

Gemma Tutty



Unreliable sort who put it all together when landing Spring Mile here on return last season. Winless since but better signs of late from easing mark, sixth of 8 in handicap at Ayr (1m) 13 days ago, following customary slow start. Needs things to drop right

LIAMARTY DREAMS (24) (CD)

6 9-5 | 59.4kg

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C&D winner who ran best race of present campaign when runner-up at Leicester (7f) on penultimate start. Went off too hard when tenth in Carlisle Bell on most

recent outing 24 days ago and no surprise to see a better showing back at 7f having eased further in weights.

MONTPELLIER GREEN (IRE) (16) (D) 0441345-7

3 8-9 54.9kg Ian Williams



12 7

7f nursery winner for Joseph O'Brien who ran to a similar level in pair of starts for Jack Jonés last summer. Easy to back after 7 months off, shaped as if retaining ability for new yard when seventh of 12 in handicap at Newbury (7f) 16 days ago but a return to 1m may suit ideally on that evidence.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Yanifer, 11-2 Sterling Knight, 6-1 Grand Traverse, 10-1 Lord Bertie, 11-1 Look Back Smiling, 14-1 Liamarty Dreams, 14-1 Probe, 14-1 Royalty Bay, 16-1 Warm Spell, 16-1 Catalyse, 22-1 Tinto, 28-1 Montpellier Green

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Loads to consider in this intriguing handicap, with the narrow vote in favour of LORD BERTIE. Equipped with a first-time hood, he highlighted he may not be long in coming good for his new yard when fifth in a C&D handicap 6 weeks ago and any easing of the ground would only bolster his claims. Yanifer following his excellent York second and recent C&D scorer Grand Traverse head the dangers. Sterling Knight and Look Back Smiling are others in the mix.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LORD BERTIE 2. YANIFER 3. GRAND TRAVERSE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2024	Akkadian Thunder 4-9-11	6-1	David O'Meara	Mark Winn (3)	12
2023	Gweedore 6-10-2	13-2	Katie Scott	William Pyle (7)	10
	Atrium 4-10-2	6-1	Charlie Fellowes	Callum Shepherd	10
2022	Hebrides 3-9-5	evsf	William Haggas	Richard Kingscote	5
2021	Raachir 4-0-13	5-1	Charles Hills	Dane O'Neill	1.1

SMART STATS:



SKY SPORTS RACING SKY 415 HANDICAP (5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-75) £8,400 2m109y (3320 Metres)



RACE 8

Going: Good to Firm (Good in places)

Left handed, galloping. One of the fairest courses in the country, essentially flat with the exception of a slight uphill gradient about ten furlongs from the finish. Races between five furlongs and seven furlongs are run on the straight course, while there is also both a straight and round mile course. It is a free-draining course, underfoot conditions only occasionally being soft/heavy.

Draw: N/A Pace Information: Weak

THE GRAND VISIR (255) (C, D) 90933674-

93

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

11 10-2 64.4kg Christopher Kellett

Long time since he last tasted success but mark reflects that and not disgraced when fourth of 10 in handicap at Nottingham (2m, heavy) in November. Starts out for new yard following 8 months off and this veteran needs monitoring in the market for positive vibes.

PERGAMON (FR) (88) (D)

4 10-1 64.0kg

Jennie Candlish Jason Hart Fairly useful 15f winner for Andre Fabre in France last summer. Never threatened

in pair of Flat starts for new yard in the spring but more like it in landing 2 of his 3 starts in maiden/novice hurdles in recent months. Could yet get back on the up returned to this sphere. Tongue tie added.

MERRIJIG (28) (D) 345116-07 **7** 9-13 63.0kg 95

Gina Mangan

Three-time winner last season who hasn't yet fired in 2 starts this season, last of 7 in handicap at Newmarket (14f, good to firm) 28 days ago. Needs to show more before becoming of interest.

ARCON (GER) (35)

88

41/85420-9 **5** 9-13 | 63.0kg



Jennie Candlish Kieran O'Neill Best effort for present stable when runner-up at Newcastle (16.2f) in October.

However, well held at Nottingham later that month and well-beaten in 2 starts over hurdles/on Flat in recent months. Has it to prove for now.

SIMIYANN (IRE) (21) (D) 560-87184 **5** 9-11 62.1kg 93

Ian Williams



Scored at Haydock (16.2f) in May. Unsuited by way race developed at Sandown next time but found his finishing effort flattening out tamely when fourth of 8 in handicap at Chester (15.9f) 21 days ago. Lines up just 1 lb above last winning mark now, however.

ANALOGICAL (11)

95



3 9-0 57.2kg

Dvlan Hoaan



Sir Mark Prescott Bt Typical improving staying handicapper for this yard, doubling his career tally with blinkers fitted in 5-runner handicap at Pontefract (12f, good) 11 days ago, closed down final 100 yds and always holding on. Needs considering again now

his stamina is tested further. BELGRAVIAN (IRE) (18) (C)

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3 9-0 57.2kg Andrew Balding



Found improvement, in first-time cheekpieces, when winning 7-runner handicap here (11.9f) in June. Stepped up again despite not being seen to best effect when second of 8 in handicap at Chelmsford (13.3f) 18 days ago and very much of interest again with further progress in the offing.

KENTUCKY RIVER (IRE) (15)

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54-8465 **3** 8-13 56.7kg Ollie Sangster

Mason Paetel (5lb/2kg)



13/2 and cheekpieces on for 1st time, fifth of 7 in handicap at Haydock (11.6f, good to firm) 15 days ago, unsuited by drop in trip. This sort of test promises to be much more to his liking and he's another worthy of a second look

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Analogical, 11-4 Belgravian, 5-1 Kentucky River, 9-1 The Grand Visir, 14-1 Simiyann, 14-1 Pergamon, 22-1 Merrijig, 50-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This can go to one of the trio of 3-y-o's, with course scorer BELGRAVIAN fancied to come out on top for the Andrew Balding stable following a very encouraging second under the circumstances at Chelmsford 18 days ago. Kentucky River ought to appreciate this stiffer test, whilst Sir Mark Prescott's steadily improving Analogical is another key player on his first crack at a marathon trip.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3: