

Saturday 21st March

# NAVAN

1.55	MONGEY COMMUNICATIONS MAIDEN HURDLE 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 1	<b>(23) MUNSIF   (2) BEGORRA MAN   (8) FAMOUS FIGURE</b>
2.32	WILKINSON JEWELLERS OF NAVAN MARES HANDICAP HURDLE 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 2	<b>(7) RATHBAWN SOLDIER   (8) SOMERSBY ROOST   (3) MAXIOS PRIME</b>
3.07	IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HURDLE 2¾m150y (4560 Metres)
RACE 3	<b>(2) SANTO SOSPIR   (1) KALYPSO'CHANCE   (4) TIMESAREACHANGING</b>
3.42	NAVAN RACECOURSE MAIDEN HURDLE 2½m (4020 Metres)
RACE 4	<b>(9) FLY AWAY HOME   (3) HAVEANOTHERTRY   (8) CHAMPAGNE VENTURE</b>
4.17	IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE FINAL (Listed) 2m7f150y (4760 Metres)
RACE 5	<b>(6) MAGIC MCCOLGAN   (1) ROKATHIR   (2) BUILT BY BALLYMORE</b>
4.52	KILBERRY HANDICAP CHASE 2m1f (3420 Metres)
RACE 6	<b>(3) PARK THAT   (7) THREE IN A ROW   (8) KAZAKH D'ARTHEL</b>
5.22	RACING NEXT ON MARCH 30th (Pro/Am) I.N.H. FLAT 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 7	<b>(5) SUPER JUNIOR   (6) GLENS ANTHEM   (2) FLYING ACE</b>

#### 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.

**1.55**

**MONGEY COMMUNICATIONS MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+**  
**€12,000 2m (3220 Metres)**

RACE 1



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Pace Information: **Strong**

<b>1</b>	<b>ALWAYS SCORING (IRE) (28)</b> 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>85</b>
	J. P. Flavin, Ireland <i>Jordan Canavan (71b/3kg)</i> €20,000 Mahler gelding was off mark in points at second attempt (Jan 10) but accomplished little on Rules debut at Fairyhouse.	
<b>2</b>	<b>BEGORRA MAN (IRE) (34)</b> 52-2 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>90</b>
	Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland <i>Keith Donoghue</i> Made an encouraging start to his career when fifth of 23 in hot maiden at Leopardstown on St Stephen's Day in 2024. Fairly useful runner-up in pair of Punchestown bumpers since, the latest on return from 12 months off, and he's open to improvement back hurdling.	
<b>3</b>	<b>BLUE DU NEUF (FR) (21)</b> 574P 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>85</b>
	Stuart Crawford, Ireland <i>Patrick O'Hanlon</i> Offered something to work with on bumper debut but well held in pair of maiden hurdles at this track.	
<b>4</b>	<b>CALM FLIGHT AHEAD (IRE) (16)</b> 00 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>79</b>
	P. J. Rothwell, Ireland <i>Miss P. Elvin (71b/3kg)</i> Failed to complete in points and has shown little under Rules.	
<b>5</b>	<b>CHOPSTICKS (IRE)</b> 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>86</b>
	John McConnell, Ireland <i>S. J. Fitzsimons (71b/3kg)</i> Fair handicapper on Flat (stays 13.5f), successful once in 2025 but raced too freely on latest start in October. Likely to be a longer-term project over hurdles.	
<b>6</b>	<b>CLOONBONNIFFE (IRE)</b> 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>85</b>
	Mark McNiff, Ireland <i>Ryan Treacy</i> €24,000 3-y-o, Maxios gelding. Half-brother to 2¼m bumper winner Nancy Wyse. Dam (h97) maiden hurdler (stayed 2½m) out of winning hurdler up to 2½m Bright Note. Likely to be an outsider on debut.	
<b>7</b>	<b>CLOUDIO (IRE) (17)</b> 2-054 7 11-12   75.3kg	<b>87</b>
	Oliver McKiernan, Ireland <i>Phillip Enright</i> Point winner was fair second on bumper debut but again didn't convince with his finishing effort (in first-time tongue strap) when fourth in 20-runner maiden at Naas. Handicaps look a more realistic option, now.	
<b>8</b>	<b>FAMOUS FIGURE (IRE) (17) (D)</b> 87162 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>91</b>
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland <i>J. W. Kennedy</i> Fair bumper winner for Peter Fahy. Stepped forward from hurdle debut when second of 20 in novice at Naas, lasting longer on the bridle than odds-on winner but not seeing his race out as well. Could be more to come on just third start for top yard.	
<b>9</b>	<b>FUN DADDY (IRE) (132)</b> 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>86</b>
	Eddie & Patrick Harty, Ireland <i>K. E. Buckley</i> €14,000 Jet Away gelding. Half-brother to modest hurdler Wyoming Baby. Dam unraced half-sister to useful hurdler/smart chaser around 2m Moon Over Germany. Yard have had success with this family and he offered something to work with when fifth of 11 on debut at Naas in November (not given hard time).	
<b>10</b>	<b>HERECOMESMYBABY (IRE)</b> 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>85</b>
	Noel C. Kelly, Ireland <i>S. D. Torrens</i> Elusive Pimpernel gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 25f) Loose Performer and fairly useful hurdler (stayed 3m) Just Milly. Fourth of 5 finishers sole start in points (Nov 2025) and is bred to need time/distance.	

<b>11</b>	<b>KILGAME (FR) (55)</b> 2/53-34 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>94</b>
	Henry de Bromhead, Ireland <i>D. J. O'Keefe</i> Yard among the winners in recent days, but he's proved consistent rather than progressive, finishing fourth of 16 in novice hurdle (5/1) at Naas in January.	
<b>12</b>	<b>LANZHOU (FR) (14)</b> 0 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>79</b>
	J. P. Flavin, Ireland <i>S. Fitzgerald</i> €28,000 Jeu St Eloi gelding. Fourth on both point starts but showed nothing on Rules debut.	
<b>13</b>	<b>MICROSCOPE (60)</b> 55-0 7 11-12   75.3kg	<b>75</b>
	P. Buchanan <i>E. Staples (51b/2kg)</i> Telescope gelding showed little in bumpers and similar story on hurdle debut in January.	
<b>14</b>	<b>NEWBROOK DIAMOND (IRE) (31)</b> 23252 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>100</b>
	Gordon Elliott, Ireland <i>Danny Gilligan</i> Consistent sort wasted no time in getting back to form when runner-up over 2½m at Punchestown. Didn't help himself by hanging left that day, though fitting of more severe headgear should be a benefit.	
<b>15</b>	<b>THEABSOLUTEGOV'NOR (IRE) (96)</b> 80 5 11-12   75.3kg	<b>75</b>
	W. R. Crawford, Ireland <i>D. E. Mullins</i> €18,000 Milan gelding has hinted at ability on bumper/hurdle debut, the latter at Naas in December. Probably a longer-term project.	
<b>16</b>	<b>ZARUSHIO (IRE) (17)</b> 900 6 11-12   75.3kg	<b>75</b>
	Tom Dreaper, Ireland <i>A. Balfe (71b/3kg)</i> Again showed little when thirteenth of 20 in novice hurdle at Naas.	
<b>17</b>	<b>AUNTIE IDA (IRE) (34)</b> 409 6 11-5   72.1kg	<b>75</b>
	Patrick Eugene Turley, Ireland <i>Mr D. G. Lavery</i> Fared little better than on hurdle debut when ninth of 15 in novice hurdle at Punchestown.	
<b>18</b>	<b>BABY FISH (FR) (21)</b> 6 5 11-5   72.1kg	<b>85</b>
	Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland <i>B. W. Harvey</i> €30,000 Sir Percy mare. Half-sister to 3 winners, including smart hurdlers Lac Fontana (2m-2½m winner), stayed 3m, and All Yours (2m1f winner). Not given hard time when sixth of 10 in C&D novice on debut and probably a handicap project.	
<b>19</b>	<b>CASTLEROCK LADY (IRE) (66)</b> 0-0 7 11-5   72.1kg	<b>75</b>
	Patrick Downey, Ireland <i>Patrick Michael O'Brien (51b/2kg)</i> After 13 months off, fared no better than on debut when last of 12 in novice hurdle at Fairyhouse in January.	
<b>20</b>	<b>ORINOCO WALK (IRE) (18)</b> 4975 8 11-5   72.1kg	<b>85</b>
	Riceal Dunne, Ireland <i>Alex Harvey</i> Showed more than in bumpers on hurdle debut when fifth of 8 in maiden at Leopardstown but will be better off in handicaps.	
<b>21</b>	<b>CLOMBURY COURT (IRE) (27)</b> 0P 4 11-2   70.8kg	<b>75</b>
	J. P. Dempsey, Ireland <i>Eoin Walsh</i> Again showed nothing when 125/1, pulled up in maiden hurdle at Naas.	
<b>22</b>	<b>MAC AN FIACH (IRE)</b> 4 11-2   70.8kg	<b>85</b>
	P. J. Rothwell, Ireland <i>Tiernan Power Roche (31b/1kg)</i> Hunting Horn gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to fair hurdle winner/chaser (stayed 2¾m) Our Friend and fairly useful hurdle/useful chase winner (stayed 3m1f) Majestic Force. Pulled up sole start in points and probably one for the down the line.	

**1.55**

**MONGEY COMMUNICATIONS MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+  
€12,000 2m (3220 Metres)**

RACE 1



**23 MUNSIF (IRE) (42) 92**

353 4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Charles Byrnes, Ireland

**P. Byrnes**

Useful winner on Flat for Roger Varian and has shaped well in defeat in juvenile hurdles for new connections this winter, third behind Fred Winter winner Saratoga at Naas last time. That form reads well and he receives handy 4-y-o allowance now switched to maiden.

**24 YOUKNOWTHECODE (IRE) (21) 85**

86 4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland

**K. C. Sexton**

No better than on debut when 66/1, sixth of 9 in C&D juvenile hurdle and looks one for handicaps.

**25 BOOGIE INTHEJUNGLE (14) 79**

0F 4 10-9 | 67.6kg



Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland

**C. Stone-Walsh**

Fair maiden on the Flat but tailed off when falling at Gowran second time up over hurdles.

**26 UR MY FAV (IRE) (13) 75**

U0 4 10-9 | 67.6kg



John McConnell, Ireland

**D. A. Kidd (71b/3kg)**

Never involved when twelfth of 14 in maiden hurdle at Naas.

**RESERVES**

**27 POET'S GALE (IRE) (46) 60**

5807 5 11-12 | 75.3kg



A. J. Martin, Ireland

**Reserve**

Related to above-average jumpers but he's looked a handicap project, not given hard time when seventh of 14 in maiden hurdle at Fairyhouse.

26 DECLARED RUNNERS (1 RESERVE)

**BETTING FORECAST:**

7-2 Munsif, 11-2 Newbrook Diamond, 11-2 Famous Figure, 13-2 Begorra Man, 7-1 Kilgame, 20-1 Fun Daddy, 20-1 Cloudio, 33-1 Baby Fish, 33-1 Mac An Fiach, 40-1 bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

MUNSIF has made a very promising start over hurdles and is fancied to get off the mark. Begorra Man and Famous Figure are in good hands and can improve.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

1. MUNSIF 2. BEGORRA MAN 3. FAMOUS FIGURE

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025 <sup>1</sup>	<b>Eastern Legend</b> 5-11-12	1-2f	J. S. Bolger	Keith Donoghue	18
2025 <sup>11</sup>	<b>Le Grand Peinture</b> 8-11-12	9-1	Mrs Lorna Fowler	Jack G. Gilligan (5)	18
2024	<b>Rainbow Trail</b> 6-11-12	8-15f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	16
2023	<b>Thecompanysergeant</b> 6-11-12	7-4f	Denis Hogan	Donagh Meyler	17
2022 <sup>1</sup>	<b>Bodhisattva</b> 5-11-12	4-6f	Gordon Elliott	Robbie Power	12
2022 <sup>11</sup>	<b>Dartington</b> 5-11-12	30-100f	Gordon Elliott	Davy Russell	15
2021 <sup>1</sup>	<b>Coqolino</b> 6-12-0	8-11f	Mrs Denise Foster	M. P. Walsh	14
2021 <sup>11</sup>	<b>Robinstown</b> 6-12-0	11-1	Mrs Denise Foster	J. W. Kennedy	14

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.32

RACE 2

**WILKINSON JEWELLERS OF NAVAN MARES HANDICAP HURDLE 4yo+ fillies and mares €15,000 2m (3220 Metres)**



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Pace Information: **Even**

**1 DISCO DANCER (IRE) (394)** t **98**  
 3254F145- 7 11-12 | 75.3kg  
 Gordon Elliott, Ireland **James Smith (5lb/2kg)**  
 Won twice in 2024/25, when also fourth in listed mares handicap at Leopardstown. Should strip fitter for recent pipe-opener at Dundalk last month, but will need to need to improve to defy current mark over hurdles.

**2 SOPELANA (28) (D)** s+t **97**  
 14158174 4 11-1 | 70.3kg  
 Cian Michael Collins, Ireland **Kevin Healy (7lb/3kg)**  
 Showed improved form to record third career success in handicap hurdle at Punchestown in January. Failed to stay when last in a listed mares novice next time prior to poor effort at Fairyhouse last month. Good-value conditional booked but will need to be better than she's ever been.

**3 MAXIOS PRIME (IRE) (18) (D, BF)** **99**  
 F13-22743 5 10-10 | 68.0kg  
 P. J. Rothwell, Ireland **Tiernan Power Roche (3lb/1kg)**  
 Good efforts when in frame in a pair of 2¼m handicaps at Leopardstown in February and March (8½ lengths third of 13 to Missus Beeton in mares event). Stiff finish should suit back down in trip, but another supporting role looks to be on the cards.

**4 A SNOW WHITE PARK (IRE) (153) (D)** **98**  
 1685P 5 10-9 | 67.6kg  
 Ms Margaret Mullins, Ireland **D. E. Mullins**  
 Winner on debut at Ballinrobe in May, but has gone wrong way since and has plenty to prove at present.

**5 CATCHABIRD (IRE) (7lb/3kg ex) (4) (D)** h **96**  
 4-8523341 8 10-9 | 67.6kg  
 Sarah Joanna Connell, Ireland **A. P. Kelly (3lb/1kg)**  
 Made the frame in 4 mares handicaps before making most of a good opportunity reverting to maiden company at Wexford last time. The fact she's been turned out quickly under a penalty suggests she's in top form at present, but this is clearly a tougher assignment,

**6 ELSANNAH (IRE) (1077)** t **86**  
 9 10-9 | 67.6kg  
 Paul John Gilligan, Ireland **Jack Gilligan (5lb/2kg)**  
 Progressive when last seen in 2022/23, winning staying handicaps at both Naas and Cork. Absent since and makes return for new yard in a first-time tongue strap.

**7 RATHBAWN SOLDIER (IRE) (17) (D)** h **100**  
 0001 5 10-7 | 66.7kg  
 Patrick T. Foley, Ireland **Alex Harvey**  
 Took form to a new level when making a winning handicap debut at Naas last time, drawing clear of a well-supported pair. Up 9 lb but totally unexposed and will be well suited by the likely testing conditions and the stiff nature of the finish.

**8 SOMERSBY ROOST (IRE) (19)** t **98**  
 5674 6 10-5 | 65.8kg  
 Oliver McKiernan, Ireland **Phillip Enright**  
 Lightly-raced maiden hurdler who produced best effort to date when fourth of 6 to Vitorio Piel in novice hurdle at Leopardstown 19 days ago. Considerately handled that day, she looks open to improvement on handicap debut, particularly with the stable back among the winners this month.

**9 SIMPLE THINGS (IRE) (68)** h **96**  
 378 4 10-1 | 64.0kg  
 J. P. Dempsey, Ireland **S. D. Torrens**  
 Promising third of 14 in juvenile hurdle on debut before failing to build on that in 2 subsequent efforts. Type to do better now handicapping but bred to be suited by longer trips than this, so the market may well prove the best guide as to expectations.

**10 STILTLLINEMNUTTIN (IRE) (17)** **89**  
 0056-0050 5 10-1 | 64.0kg  
 Michael Mulvany, Ireland **S. Cleary-Farrell (7lb/3kg)**  
 Modest maiden hurdler that has failed to kick on in handicaps this season. Yard among the winners on the Flat of late, but this would require a significant step forward.

**11 TROPICAL TWIST (IRE) (151)** **95**  
 6545 5 10-1 | 64.0kg  
 Gordon Elliott, Ireland **J. H. Williamson (5lb/2kg)**  
 Not unduly punished when down the field in a trio of maiden hurdles. Open to improvement now tackling a handicap on the back of a break and it will be extremely telling should she prove strong in the betting.

**12 MERCURIAL SEA (IRE) (98)** h **83**  
 F83-3850P 5 10-0(9-13) | 63.5kg (63.0kg)  
 Nigel Slevin, Ireland **P. Cleary (7lb/3kg)**  
 Temperamental sort that made no impact on handicap hurdle debut last time.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**7-2** Rathbawn Soldier, **5-1** Somersby Roost, **6-1** Maxios Prime, **8-1** Tropical Twist, **10-1** Catchbird, **12-1** Sopolana, **12-1** Simple Things, **25-1** Disco Dancer, **33-1** A Snow White Park, **33-1** Stiltllinemnuttin, **33-1** Elannah, **200-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

RATHBAWN SOLDIER was much improved for the switch to handicaps at Naas last time and, with the prospect of further progress to come, she's taken to defy a 9-lb rise and follow up. Somersby Roost is another open to improvement and rates the chief danger with her yard back in form.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. RATHBAWN SOLDIER 2. SOMERSBY ROOST 3. MAXIOS PRIME**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Amanha</b> 7-11-9	17-2	Dermot Anthony McLoughlin	Patrick O'Hanlon	13
2024	<b>Influential Lady</b> 10-11-1	33-1	James M. Barcoe	Kieran Callaghan (5)	6

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.07**

**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HURDLE 5yo+  
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Pace Information: **Weak**

<b>1</b>	<b>KALYPSO'CHANCE (FR) (104)</b> (C, BF) <b>99</b>
	110-6214 <b>6</b> 11-10   74.4kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland <b>J. H. Williamson (5lb/2kg)</b> Belatedly matched his useful bumper form when winning Monksfield Novices' Hurdle at this course in November. Let down by jumping when upped to 3m last time and, whilst this return to calmer waters will suit, he faces no easy task conceding 3 lb to stablemate Santo Sospir.
<b>2</b>	<b>SANTO SOSPIR (FR) (47)</b>  <b>100</b>
	1-4116 <b>5</b> 11-7   73.0kg Gordon Elliott, Ireland <b>J. W. Kennedy</b> Won a big-field maiden hurdle over 19.5f at Punchestown in November and followed up in 17f conditions hurdle at Clonmel (heavy) in January. Disappointed behind Doctor Steinberg when upped in grade and trip last time, but this represents a good opportunity to bounce back.
<b>3</b>	<b>SHABBY HILL (IRE) (68)</b> <b>88</b>
	51 <b>7</b> 11-4   71.7kg Charles Byrnes, Ireland <b>P. Byrnes</b> Point winner who confirmed promise of hurdling debut when winning 14-runner maiden by ¾-length from Lyreen Og at Punchestown in January. Step up in trip will suit and open to improvement, but this represents a much tougher assignment.
<b>4</b>	<b>TIMESAREACHANGING (IRE) (35)</b> (C) <b>93</b>
	313 <b>7</b> 11-4   71.7kg A. Slattery, Ireland <b>Philip Donovan (3lb/1kg)</b> Won maiden hurdle over C&D in January before shaping better than the distance beaten suggests when 12½ lengths third of 5 to Lord Rouge in Surehaul Mercedes-Benz Novices' Hurdle at Gowran last month. He remains open to improvement.
<b>5</b>	<b>ASTLEY (IRE) (17)</b> <b>52</b>
	72-007 <b>6</b> 11-0   69.9kg Paul Traynor, Ireland <b>Alex Harvey</b> Showed fairly useful form when runner-up in a bumper at Clonmel last April, but hasn't gone with any encouragement on either hurdling start and looks firmly up against it in this company. Wears first-time Cheekpieces.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**6-4** Santo Sospir, **5-2** Kalypso'chance, **7-2** Timesareachanging, **8-1** Shabby Hill, **100-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

SANTO SOSPIR and Kalypso'chance both arrive on retrieval missions after disappointing efforts last time, but the former had looked a very useful hurdler in the making prior and is taken to get back on track in receipt of 3 lb from his stablemate. Timesareachanging was better than the result last time and appeals as the one to benefit should the aforementioned duo fail to fire.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. SANTO SOSPIR 2. KALYPSO'CHANCE 3. TIMESAREACHANGING**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Cardcounter</b> 5-11-4	7-2	Gordon Elliott	Danny Gilligan	6
2024	<b>Chapeau de Soleil</b> 6-11-4	10-11	jfW. P. Mullins	P. Townend	4
2023	<b>Senior Chief</b> 6-11-4	6-4f	Henry de Bromhead	Rachael Blackmore	5
2022	<b>Daily Present</b> 5-11-4	7-4f	Paul Nolan	S. F. O'Keefe	6
2021	<b>Gars de Sceaux</b> 5-11-5	9-4f	Mrs Denise Foster	M. P. Walsh	7

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

**3.42**

**NAVAN RACECOURSE MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ €12,000**  
**2½m (4020 Metres)**

RACE 4




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Pace Information: **Weak**


**1 BETTER TIMES (IRE) (19) 86**  
 440557 6 11-12 | 75.3kg

 **S. G. Carey, Ireland** *M. J. Kenneally (51b/2kg)*  
 Modest maiden who matched his previous form when seventh of 18 in handicap hurdle at Leopardstown last time. Conditions of race aren't favourable but good-value conditional booked.


**2 GALLANT GEORGE (IRE) (46) 88**  
 888 6 11-12 | 75.3kg

 **Ian Patrick Donoghue, Ireland** *Keith Donoghue*  
 Ran to a modest level on first 2 starts in maiden hurdles, but was well beaten in similar event last time with tongue strap on and is probably one for handicaps later on.


**3 HAVEANOTHERTRY (IRE) (18) 97**  
 4342 5 11-12 | 75.3kg

 **Gordon Elliott, Ireland** *J. W. Kennedy*  
 In frame on all 3 starts in maiden hurdles, taking form up a notch when 9½ lengths second of 10 to Generous Risk at Leopardstown on latest. A repeat of that will see him in the mix and Jack Kennedy picking him over a stablemate is clearly a positive.


**4 LORD TOBIN (FR) (45) 88**  
 40-376 5 11-12 | 75.3kg t

 **Gordon Elliott, Ireland** *J. H. Williamson (51b/2kg)*  
 Showed plenty to work on when 21¾ lengths third of 25 to Saint Baco in maiden at this course in December. Has failed to see his race out both outings since, though, and Jack Kennedy deserts him for Haveanothertry. Wears first-time tongue strap.


**5 STICKTOTHESCRIP (FR) (27) 93**  
 844 5 11-12 | 75.3kg

 **Oliver McKiernan, Ireland** *Phillip Enright*  
 Ran to a fair level when fourth of 14 in novice hurdle at Punchestown in January. Failed to back that up next time, though step back up in trip should suit even if it's difficult to see him play more than a minor role.


**6 THE SHANTY FIELD (IRE) (18) 90**  
 005P 6 11-12 | 75.3kg

 **Declan Queally, Ireland** *Kevin Healy (71b/3kg)*  
 Standout effort over hurdles (modest form) when fifth of 20 to I Started A Joke in maiden at Punchestown in January. Returns to this company after failing to make an impact in staying handicap at Leopardstown last time.


**7 BEAU DELLA (IRE) (17) 81**  
 4/22232P-P 7 11-5 | 72.1kg

 **Ms Claire O'Connell, Ireland** *James Smith (51b/2kg)*  
 Runner-up twice in bumpers and over hurdles (mares maiden and handicap) for Ian Jardine in 2024/25. Off 18 months prior to showing nothing on return for new connections at Naas.

**8 CHAMPAGNE VENTURE (IRE) (65) 100**  
 4/327-8533 7 11-5 | 72.1kg s ★

 **D. Broad, Ireland** *Danny Gilligan*  
 Sets the standard on her third of 18 Changeyourstars at Limerick in December. Bit below that level when filling the same position at Fairyhouse last time, but well suited by the conditions of this and any sort of step forward will see her go close. Wears first-time Cheekpieces.

**9 FLY AWAY HOME (IRE) (18) 98**  
 472U 6 11-5 | 72.1kg

 **Charles Byrnes, Ireland** *P. Byrnes*  
 Promising sort who has finished in the frame on both completed starts over hurdles, including when second of 11 in mares maiden at Limerick in February. Third and in process of running well when unseating last at Leopardstown last time. Remains capable of better.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**5-2** Champagne Venture, **3-1** Fly Away Home, **4-1** Haveanothertry, **10-1** Sticktothescript, **14-1** Lord Tobin, **22-1** Better Times, **25-1** The Shanty Field, **25-1** Gallant George, **66-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

FLY AWAY HOME, Haveanothertry and Champagne Venture stand out as the main principals, with marginal preference for the Charles Byrnes runner, who appeals as the one with the most potential for improvement.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. FLY AWAY HOME 2. HAVEANOTHERTRY 3. CHAMPAGNE VENTURE**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Autoportrait</b> 5-11-12	13-8f	M. F. Morris	D. J. O'Keeffe	7
2024	<b>Iceberg Theory</b> 5-11-12	9-2	Paul Nolan	Sean Flanagan	6

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HANDICAP CHASE  
FINAL (Listed) 5yo+ €60,000 2m7f150y (4760 Metres)**

RACE 5



Going: **Soft to Heavy (Heavy in places on Chase course)**


Navan is a left-handed, rectangular track with a circuit of a mile and a half. It is generally galloping in character with a stiff, uphill finishing straight of around three and a half furlongs. Conditions can become very testing on soft or heavy ground and ability to see out the trip is crucial. The chase course, which is outside the hurdles track, has nine fences to a circuit, with three fences jumped in the home straight and a run-in of around a furlong. The fourth-last fence is followed almost immediately by a turn.

Pace Information: **Even**


**1 ROKATHIR (FR) (28) (CD) 98**  
3/0F10-711 **7** 11-12 | 75.3kg

 Henry de Bromhead, Ireland **D. J. O'Keeffe**  
Improving sort who scored over C&D before following up in 8-runner novice chase at Fairyhouse (26f) 28 days ago by a length from Maxi Mac Gold. Merits serious consideration back in handicap company.


**2 BUILT BY BALLYMORE (IRE) (13) b+t ★ 100**  
P/749-493U **8** 11-9 | 73.9kg

 Martin Brassil, Ireland **R. A. Doyle**  
Still looking for a first win over fences but with blinkers added he produced best effort in this sphere when third of 14 in listed handicap at Punchestown (27f) in February. Running well when unseated rider last in 3m Naas handicap 13 days ago. Weighted to go very well.

**3 SHOWURAPPRECIATION (IRE) (21) (C) 97**  
1/6-88311 **8** 11-9 | 73.9kg

 Jonathan Sweeney, Ireland **M. P. Walsh**  
Progressing over fences and he easily landed handicap at Punchestown (22f) in January. Impressively followed up back over hurdles here three weeks ago so rates a player with better still to come.


**4 NELSON COUNTY (IRE) (28) (BF) 98**  
68341-413 **6** 11-8 | 73.5kg

 Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland **Danny Gilligan**  
Won big-field handicap hurdle at Cork on final outing last season and is already better over fences, bagging novice chase here (21f) in January before a very good third of 8 in Fairyhouse novice. Can go well again on his handicap debut.

**5 KISH BANK (IRE) (27) s 97**  
221-0431P **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg

 Gordon Elliott, Ireland **Kevin Healy (71b/3kg)**  
Latest win in chase at Leopardstown in December. 4/1, pulled up in handicap at Naas 27 days ago though so needs to get back on track.


**6 MAGIC MCCOLGAN (IRE) (27) 99**  
2103-P622 **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg

 W. P. Mullins, Ireland **P. Townend**  
Yet to score over fences but she arrives on the up, posting an excellent second of 12 on his handicap debut at Naas 27 days ago, collared near finish having travelled strongly. Big shout with more to come.


**7 BRIDIE'S BEAU (IRE) (55) (BF) t 94**  
0-0667120 **7** 11-5 | 72.1kg

 Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland **Keith Donoghue**  
Latest win in chase at Clonmel in December but he came in last of 11 in handicap chase at Naas 55 days ago. Stable in good form so could bounce back with tongue strap added.


**8 MAXI MAC GOLD (FR) (28) b+t 97**  
304820-82 **7** 11-3 | 71.2kg

 Paul Nolan, Ireland **Sean Flanagan**  
Fairly useful winner at 25f over hurdles. Easily best run in this sphere when second of 8 to Rokathir in novice chase at Fairyhouse (26f) 28 days ago. Not ruled out now going into handicaps.

**9 KOORI STAR (IRE) (34) s 95**  
2-4542458 **8** 11-0 | 69.9kg

 Peter Fahey, Ireland **J. W. Kennedy**  
Fairly useful winner at 18f over hurdles. 6/1 and cheekpieces on for 1st time, creditable eighth of 14 in handicap chase at Punchestown (27f) 34 days ago. Headgear retained.


**10 GRINGO D'AUBRELLE (FR) (19) (C) s 95**  
904-51F43 **10** 10-10 | 68.0kg

 Gordon Elliott, Ireland **M. J. Kenneally (51b/2kg)**  
Latest win in hurdle here in December. Good third of 13 in handicap chase at Leopardstown (28f) 19 days ago. Needs to back it up.

**11 SAMMY SMART (49) (D) 96**  
8126-0216 **10** 10-8 | 67.1kg

 T. Gibney, Ireland **James Smith (51b/2kg)**  
Got off the mark over fences at Punchestown in December but only sixth of 7 in handicap chase at Musselburgh (3m) 49 days ago. Others appeal more.

**12 WEST OF CARRIG (IRE) (44) 96**  
UF-832213 **9** 10-7 | 66.7kg

 Don Browne, Ireland **Mr A. J. Browne (71b/3kg)**  
Got off the mark in 21f handicap chase at Fairyhouse in January. Respectable third of 16 in handicap chase at Thurles (18f) 44 days ago. Significantly back up in trip.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**9-2** Magic Mccolgan, **5-1** Rokathir, **9-1** Maxi Mac Gold, **9-1** Showurappreciation, **10-1** Nelson County, **12-1** Sammy Smart, **16-1** Kish Bank, **16-1** West of Carrig, **16-1** Gringo D'aubrelle, **18-1** Built By Ballymore, **18-1** Bridie's Beau, **20-1** Koori Star

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

Willie Mullins' improving mare MAGIC MCCOLGAN signalled she is ready to strike when a strong-travelling runner-up on her recent handicap debut at Naas so edges the vote in this cracking handicap. Hat-trick seeking Rokathir also has better days ahead of him and rates a big danger though, while the handily-weighted Built By Ballymore is also well in the mix. Showurappreciation, Nelson County and Maxi Mac Gold also enter calculations.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. MAGIC MCCOLGAN 2. ROKATHIR 3. BUILT BY BALLYMORE**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Canal End</b> 7-10-12	4-1f	Peter Fahey	M. P. Walsh	14
2024	<b>Bushmans Pass</b> 8-11-1	7-1	Oliver McKiernan	Phillip Enright	10
2023	<b>Better Times Ahead</b> 6-10-0	10-1	Robert Tyner	S. D. Torrens	12
2022	<b>Velvet Elvis</b> 6-11-7	17-2	T. Gibney	D. J. O'Keeffe	11
2021	<b>Stormy Judge</b> 6-10-5	8-1	P. A. Fahy	D. E. Mullins	12

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**KILBERRY HANDICAP CHASE 5yo+ €15,000 2m1f (3420 Metres)**

RACE 6



Going: **Soft to Heavy (Heavy in places on Chase course)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

**1 MOUDAN (IRE) (14) 97**

1-UF31295 7 12-0 | 76.2kg  
 Ciaran Murphy, Ireland **E. Finegan (71b/3kg)**  
 Successful over fences at Limerick in December and unlucky to bump into a big improver back hurdling at Naas next time. Creditable fifth of 13 returned to this sphere at Gowran (2m, heavy) a fortnight ago and he's not without hope.

**2 SPINNING WEB (IRE) (153) t 95**

11-P5093P 6 11-12 | 75.3kg  
 Ms Margaret Mullins, Ireland **D. E. Mullins**  
 Back-to-back winner over fences at Thurles last March and creditable third off a 4 lb higher mark at Sligo in October. However, he was pulled up at Limerick 18 days later and is probably worth taking on back from a 5-month break.

**3 PARK THAT (IRE) (71) h 91**

3/F441-093 6 11-6 | 72.6kg  
 Enda Bolger, Ireland **M. P. Walsh**   
 Steadily progressed as a hurdler, opening his account in that sphere at Kilbeggan last spring. Stepped up on previous chase efforts when third in a 2m Naas handicap on latest start in January and remains open to improvement over fences.

**4 STUNTMAN STEVE (IRE) (18) 60**

12900794 7 11-6 | 72.6kg  
 Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland **Keith Donoghue**  
 Fairly useful 2m hurdles winner but there hasn't been much promise in his 3 starts over fences to date.

**5 SOMEONE'S WISH (IRE) (62) (D) b 96**

8294-1888 6 11-5 | 72.1kg  
 Gordon Elliott, Ireland **P. Cleary (71b/3kg)**  
 Winner of a Downpatrick maiden chase in 2024 and struck over hurdles there in October. Failed to fire in first-time blinkers (retained) at Thurles last time, though, and it's probably best to look elsewhere.

**6 DONT TELL JACK (IRE) (80) h 89**

47369-007 6 11-3 | 71.2kg  
 Enda Bolger, Ireland **S. D. Torrens**  
 This mark is an attractive one based on what he showed over hurdles during 2024/25 campaign but yet to shine in this sphere. Mark Walsh prefers Park That.

**7 THREE IN A ROW (IRE) (27) ★ 100**

32-047226 8 11-1 | 70.3kg  
 A. L. T. Moore, Ireland **R. A. Doyle**  
 Went close in a Punchestown handicap chase on New Year's Eve and again found just one too good at Naas in January. Tried in cheekpieces (discarded here) when sixth of 12 at Naas last time and he's one to consider.

**8 KAZAKH D'ARTHEL (FR) (142) (BF) h 98**

57UF-U414 6 11-0 | 69.9kg  
 Gavin Patrick Cromwell, Ireland **Sean Flanagan**  
 Has had jumping issues but produced a largely error-free round when opening his account in a 4-runner Cork maiden chase in October. Wasn't in quite the same form when fourth of 12 in a Thurles handicap next time but merits respect all the same.

**9 MIDNIGHT MOONSHINE (IRE) (114) 99**

521P2343 7 10-11 | 68.5kg  
 William Harvey, Ireland **B. W. Harvey**  
 Hurdles winner at Kilbeggan last summer and in good form returned to fences during the autumn, making the frame in a series of handicaps at up to 3m. Couldn't be sure that this significant drop back in trip is what he wants.

**10 VALLON DU PLESSIS (FR) (13) 89**

0000-6P7 6 10-0(9-1) | 63.5kg (57.6kg)  
 Tom Dreaper, Ireland **C. Stone-Walsh**  
 Just minor promise over hurdles and pulled up sole start between the flags. Readily passed over now switched to fences.

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**4-1** Park That, **9-2** Kazakh D'arthel, **5-1** Three In A Row, **6-1** Midnight Moonshine, **10-1** Moudan, **12-1** Dont Tell Jack, **14-1** Someone's Wish, **16-1** Spinning Web, **22-1** Stuntman Steve, **66-1** bar

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

The vote goes to PARK THAT, who ultimately paid the price late on for a big move into contention around 3 out on his handicap debut over fences at Naas, eventually finishing a creditable third. His best days are surely still ahead of him and he is preferred to another JP McManus-owned contender in Three In A Row. Granted a clean round of jumping Kazakh d'Arthel should also be involved but this big drop back in trip is a worry where Midnight Moonshine is concerned.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. PARK THAT 2. THREE IN A ROW 3. KAZAKH D'ARTHEL**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Jay Pee M</b> 6-11-0	5-2f	Terence O'Brien	J. P. Shinnick (5)	11
2024	<b>Hardwired</b> 8-11-9	15-2	T. M. Walsh	J. W. Kennedy	8
2023	<b>Misty Hollow</b> 10-10-4	16-1	Edward Cawley	J. J. Slevin	11
2022	<b>Dont Go Yet</b> 8-11-6	11-2	Edward Cawley	Keith Donoghue	10
2021	<b>Donkey Years</b> 7-11-8	5-1	Eric McNamara	C. P. McNamara (3)	9

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

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**RACING NEXT ON MARCH 30th (Pro/Am) I.N.H. FLAT 4 and 5yo €11,000 2m (3220 Metres)**


RACE 7



Going: **Soft to Heavy (Heavy in places on Chase course)**

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Pace Information: **Insufficient Data**

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**1 COLOSSAL IMPACT** **88**

5 12-0 | 76.2kg


P. J. Rothwell, Ireland *Miss P. Elvin* (71b/3kg)

€11,000 half-brother to French 2¼m hurdle winner Mon Getaway. Yard's record in bumpers is poor and it's probably best to look elsewhere this time.
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**2 FLYING ACE (IRE)** **96**

5 12-0 | 76.2kg


Gordon Elliott, Ireland *Mr H. C. Swan*

Half-brother to fair hurdler Under The Woods and his dam was also successful over hurdles. Third sole start between the flags in October and he's a likely-looking candidate for this Rules debut.
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**3 FRIARS PARK (IRE)** **87**

5 12-0 | 76.2kg


Nigel Slevin, Ireland *Mr J. C. Barry*

€18,000 half-brother to fairly useful hurdle winner/useful chaser The Doyen Chief, stays 3¼m, and modest hurdler Arctic Angel. Yard's strike rate in this race-type is modest and he's entitled to come on for the run.
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**4 LAST APACHE (IRE)** **90**

5 12-0 | 76.2kg


Noel Meade, Ireland *Mr Finn Tegetmeier* (71b/3kg)

Half-brother to fair hurdler Jem In Em (stays 3¼m) and while he is bred to appreciate a stiffer test, it will nevertheless be interesting to see how he shapes up in the betting.
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**5 SUPER JUNIOR (IRE)** **96**

5 12-0 | 76.2kg


Thomas Cooper, Ireland *Mr B. O'Neill*

Brother to useful 2½m hurdle winner Kalkbrenner, while his dam, who was pulled up sole start in points, is a sister to smart hurdler (probably stayed 19f) Quick Grabim. Clear-cut winner of a maiden point in December and he's of strong interest on Rules debut.
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**6 GLENS ANTHEM (IRE)** **100**

5 11-7 | 73.0kg


W. P. Mullins, Ireland *Mr P. W. Mullins*

Harzand mare. Half-sister to bumper winners Shantou's Melody and Glens Lullaby. Obvious appeal given her pedigree and the yard she represents, and it will look highly significant if she's strong in the betting.
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**7 TULLYEGAN JET (IRE)** **87**

5 11-7 | 73.0kg


Fintan Feeney, Ireland *Ms E. M. Rutledge* (71b/3kg)

Doesn't have the look of a probable first-time-out winner on paper and fact that she sports a hood for this debut is somewhat disconcerting.
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**8 BUNKER BUSTER (IRE)** **91**

4 11-4 | 71.7kg

Charles Byrnes, Ireland *Mr A. D. Bustin* (71b/3kg)

Half-brother to useful hurdler Shoot First and fair 2¼m hurdle winner Spin A Yarn, stayed 21f. Wears tongue strap for this debut. Pretty appealing on paper and needs a second look in the betting.
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**9 HARZARA (IRE)** **87**

4 10-11 | 68.5kg

Jarlath P. Fahey, Ireland *P. T. Smithers* (71b/3kg)

Harzand filly out of a unraced mare, closely related to useful hurdler/fairly useful chaser (stayed 3¼m) A Great View. Probably best watched on debut.

**TIMEFORM VIEW:**

SUPER JUNIOR was a decisive winner of his sole start between the flags during the autumn and is appealing on Rules debut for a yard that does well in bumpers (20% strike rate in recent seasons). He may well have most to fear from the well-bred Willie Mullins-trained newcomer, Glens Anthem, while Flying Ace is another representative from a powerful yard and merits consideration having showed ability in a maiden point in November.

**TIMEFORM 1-2-3:**

**1. SUPER JUNIOR 2. GLENS ANTHEM 3. FLYING ACE**

**WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:**

2025	<b>Burrows Drive</b> 5-12-0	3-1jf	J. P. Dempsey	Mr Finian Maguire	11
2024	<b>Harbour Highway</b> 5-12-0	9-5	Emmet Mullins	Mr P. W. Mullins	9
2023	<b>Farren Glory</b> 6-12-0	3-1	Gordon Elliott	Mr J. J. Codd	10
2022	<b>Santonito</b> 5-12-0	6-4jf	Gordon Elliott	Mr J. J. Codd	11

**SMART STATS:**

No Smart Stats available for this race

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

**BETTING FORECAST:**

**7-4** Glens Anthem, **10-3** Super Junior, **4-1** Flying Ace, **8-1** Bunker Buster, **11-1** Last Apache, **50-1** bar