

Wednesday 22nd April

TAUNTON



4.53 BEST DRESSED COMPETITIONS NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 2m3f1y (3820 Metres)

RACE 1 **(3) KILNEW SUPREME | (1) CREST OF STARS | (7) PARCHMENT**

5.30 ROYAL ASCOT LUNCH SATURDAY 20 JUNE MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m7f198y (4810 Metres)

RACE 2 **(3) BORDER GEM | (2) JENA D'OUDAIRIES | (4) MISS TIARA**

6.00 RON HATTON MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2m3f1y (3820 Metres)

RACE 3 **(8) TARITINO | (4) BOBBARELLI | (2) MYRIGHTHANDMAN**

6.30 DAVE CRIDDLE TRAVEL HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m104y (3310 Metres)

RACE 4 **(8) LITTLE LADY LUCY | (3) DARING TO DREAM | (1) OLD BRIDGE**

7.00 CHARLES CLARK MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 2m7f198y (4810 Metres)

RACE 5 **(4) SAGE GREEN | (1) GASMANI | (5) NOBLE BLUE**

7.30 DORSET & SOMERSET AIR AMBULANCE NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m3f1y (3820 Metres)

RACE 6 **(4) MODERN STYLE | (1) LAKE TIBERIAS | (6) NO MEAN FEAT**

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.









4.53**BEST DRESSED COMPETITIONS NOVICES' HURDLE (4) 4yo+
£10,000 2m3f1y (3820 Metres)**

RACE 1

GBI RACINGGoing: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	CREST OF STARS (IRE) (23) (C)	t	86
	92-13143 5 11-12 75.3kg		
	Anthony Honeyball	Chad Bament (71b/3kg)	
	Bumper winner who stepped forward from his hurdling debut when making all in 16.5f maiden here in January. Lesser effort next time but back on track when third of 6 in handicap at Ludlow 23 days ago, despite shaping as if a return to further should suit. Respected.		
2	DOCTEUR ROMEO (FR) (18)		75
	8-P8 5 11-5 72.1kg		
	Nicky Martin	James Best	
	Well held in a bumper in December 2024 before a 15-month absence. Down the field on completed start in maiden hurdles at Newton Abbot 18 days ago and needs another run for a handicap mark.		
3	KILNEW SUPREME (IRE) (30)	t	 100
	22 5 11-5 72.1kg		
	Paul Nicholls	Freddie Gingell	
	Runner-up in an Irish point and only start in bumpers, before again finding only one too good sent hurdling after 4 months off (had a breathing operation) in maiden at Wincanton in March. Leading contender with longer trip promising to suit.		
4	ROYAL ROCKET (IRE) (20)		80
	65 5 11-5 72.1kg		
	Emma Lavelle	Stan Sheppard	
	Bit of promise without lasting home in a Chepstow bumper on debut last month, before racing too freely when tailed-off fifth of 7 in maiden hurdle over 23.6f at the same course 20 days ago.		
5	WARFLEET (18)	h	70
	727P-9 6 11-5 72.1kg		
	Jimmy Frost	James Davies	
	Standout effort when second in a Market Rasen bumper in 2024. Little promise in 2 starts over hurdles, leaving Michael Blake/off 13 months ahead of finishing well held in maiden at Newton Abbot 18 days ago.		
6	WINNING PADDY (IRE) (114)		79
	8 8 11-5 72.1kg		
	Alexandra Dunn	Richie McLernon	
	Tailed off in maiden hurdle at Navan on debut in 2023 (sole outing for Gordon Elliott). Mixed record in points subsequently and well held in hunter chase at Limerick only other start under Rules in December 2025. Last of 5 in a point in March and has since left A. Lord.		
7	PARCHMENT (FR) (149) (BF)	t	96
	15 4 11-2 70.8kg		
	David Pipe	Jack Tudor	
	Comfortably landed newcomers race at Clairefontaine last summer for N. George & A. Zetterholm, form boosted since. Disappointed when odds on for stable debut in juvenile at Kempton in November, but he could yet do better after 5 months off (has had a breathing operation).		

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 Kilnew Supreme, 15-8 Parchment, 4-1 Crest of Stars, 22-1 Royal Rocket, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Preference is for KILNEW SUPREME, who bumped into an improver when second at Wincanton on hurdling debut and he can build on that effort to go one better. Course winner Crest of Stars looks worth another try at this longer trip and is feared most, ahead of Parchment.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KILNEW SUPREME 2. CREST OF STARS 3. PARCHMENT

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Handlethekettle	6-11-12	7-4	Jamie Snowden	Gavin Sheehan	4
2024	Meatloaf	5-11-12	5-2	Paul Nicholls	Harry Cobden	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

ROYAL ASCOT LUNCH SATURDAY 20 JUNE MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-100) £9,000 2m7f198y (4810 Metres)



Going: **Good**

SMART STATS:

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No Smart Stats available for this race

Pace Information: **Weak**

1 LADY CARO (IRE) (29) (CD) **99**
P-3337421 8 12-0 | 76.2kg

Emma Lavelle **Cameron Johnstone-Baker (7lb/3kg)**
Fair hurdler who posted a career best when winning 10-runner handicap over C&D (4/1, good) in March. Likely she'll find things tougher having been raised 8 lb for that success, however.

2 JENA D'OUDAIRIES (FR) (21) (C) **97**
415-47565 7 12-0 | 76.2kg

Paul Nicholls **Freddie Gingell**
Become disappointing this season, well below best when fifth of 8 in handicap hurdle at Wincanton (21.4f, good, 10/1) 21 days ago. Is fitted with first-time blinkers and has been given further help from the handicapper, though the trip remains an unknown.

3 BORDER GEM (28) **100**
42-542452 6 11-7 | 73.0kg

Jeremy Scott **Chad Bament (7lb/3kg)**
Maiden who bounced back to form when second of 6 in handicap hurdle at Hereford (19.7f, good to soft) last month. Should go well again from the same mark with a 7-lb claimer in the saddle, whilst the longer trip looks sure to suit.

4 MISS TIARA (29) **97**
9P-25963 6 11-6 | 72.6kg

Jeremy Scott **Lorcan Williams**
Got back on the up following a second breathing operation when 6¾ lengths third of 10 to Lady Caro in handicap hurdle over C&D (good) in March. Stamina is no issue, but she's no sure thing to back latest effort up.

5 HURST HILL (IRE) (163) **94**
98312242 7 11-2 | 70.8kg

Seamus Mullins **Daniel Sansom (3lb/1kg)**
Winner of a mares handicap hurdle at Newton Abbot (21.5f, good) in July. Largely held form well since, finishing runner-up in handicap hurdle (9/1) at Kempton (24.6f, good to soft) when last seen in November. That race has worked out well but there's a chance this is a pipe-opener.

6 POET'S MUSE (IRE) (18) **88**
640 5 10-13 | 69.4kg

Ian Chanin **Ciaran Gethings**
Lightly-raced mare who's finished well held in 3 maidens. She's a winning pointer who will appreciate this longer trip, but improvement is required on handicap debut.

7 POOLEY'S PROMISE (IRE) (29) (D) **98**
65P-14595 7 10-5 | 65.8kg

Neil Mulholland **Richie McLernon**
Won novice handicap hurdle at Ffos Las (3m, good) last spring for Ryan Potter. Off 3 months/equipped with first-time cheekpieces when fifth behind Lady Caro on first start for this yard in mares handicap hurdle over C&D (good) last month. Tongue strap added.

8 BEE'S KISS (IRE) (30) **98**
7P09 6 10-2(9-8) | 64.4kg (60.8kg)

Jimmy Frost **James Best**
Irish point winner who's not shown much in 4 starts over hurdles. Makes handicap bow from 8 lb out of the weights.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Lady Caro, **7-2** Pooley's Promise, **9-2** Border Gem, **15-2** Miss Tiara, **8-1** Jena D'oudairies, **9-1** Hurst Hill, **28-1** Poet's Muse, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A trappy mares handicap hurdle and BORDER GEM looks just about the safest bet on the back of her most recent effort from the same mark. Jena D'oudairies has tumbled in the weights if first-time blinkers have a positive effect, while Miss Tiara is no forlorn hope if repeating her last run.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BORDER GEM 2. JENA D'OUDAIRIES 3. MISS TIARA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **Luna Run** 6-10-1 6-4 Evan Williams Isabel Williams (3) 3
2024 **Harkangel** 6-10-3 33-1 Tom Gretton David Noonan 14

6.00

RON HATTON MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-110) £10,500 2m3f1y (3820 Metres)

RACE 3



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Strong**

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. TARITINO 2. BOBBARELLI 3. MYRIGHTHANDMAN

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **American Land** 7-11-11 13-2 Joe Tizzard Brendan Powell 7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1	DIRTY DEN (26) 32283176 6 12-2 77.1kg	s		96
	Syd Hosie		Paddy Hanlon (5lb/2kg)	
	Got his head back in front with a decisive display at Plumpton in February. Has shaped as if still in good form on both outings subsequently but others look better treated all the same.			
2	MYRIGHTHANDMAN (IRE) (30) (BF) 5324 5 11-11 74.8kg	t		97
	Tom Lacey		Stan Sheppard	
	Point winner who was progressing well over hurdles prior to looking awkward at Kempton (2m) on most recent outing. Worth another chance now moving up in trip on handicap debut.			
3	PUBLIC ENEMY (IRE) (16) (D) 317-14785 5 11-7 73.0kg	v+t		93
	Anthony Honeyball		James Robottom (10lb/5kg)	
	Dual winner in novice company but has been underwhelming so far in handicaps, including in first-time blinkers at Plumpton latest. Visor now tried.			
4	BOBBARELLI (27) P62 9 11-6 72.6kg	h+t		98
	Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies		Miss Amber Jackson-Fennell (7lb/3kg)	
	Dual point winner who was pulled up in a hunter chase on Rules debut but achieved more than on hurdling debut when second in 3-runner novice at Warwick (2f, good to soft) last month. Opening mark looks fair and he needs considering.			
5	BEST NIGHT (FR) (28) (BF) 13502412 5 11-6 72.6kg	t		97
	David Pipe		Jack Tudor	
	Resumed progress with victory in 9-runner handicap at Huntingdon (2m) in March and shaped as if still in good form when second at Hereford since, going off too hard.			
6	GREEN SKY (IRE) (5) 492-93748 6 11-3 71.2kg	b		98
	David Pipe		Rian Corcoran (5lb/2kg)	
	Unreliable type who was beaten by more than the return to further in Exeter handicap (18.5f, good to soft, 12/1) last week, never travelling well. First-time blinkers need to have a positive effect.			
7	MIDNIGHT PASS (191) 26933 5 11-1 70.3kg			92
	Emma Lavelle		Charlie Todd	
	Runner-up on the first of 2 starts in bumpers and showed steady improvement in 3 hurdle runs late last summer. Opening mark could have been slightly kinder but step up in trip does promise to suit.			
8	TARITINO (IRE) (5) (CD) 3-2556132 6 10-12 68.9kg			100
	Joe Tickle		Bryan Carver	
	Proved better than ever when doubling his tally with a gutsy display over C&D in March and quickly back to form when second at Exeter (18.5f) last week, clear of rest. Obvious contender from same mark.			
9	FOREVER PENYWERN (18) 533 4 10-10 68.0kg	h		99
	Warren Greatrex		Harry Bannister	
	Fairly useful on Flat (stays 11f) for William Haggas, making it back-to-back wins in sellers when landing the odds at Chelmsford in September. Much more like it on second hurdle start when third at Stratford in March but proved to be a disappointment when filling same spot at Huntingdon since.			

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Myrighthandman, **9-2** Taritino, **13-2** Best Night, **15-2** Bobbarelli, **17-2** Midnight Pass, **9-1** Forever Penywern, **14-1** Public Enemy, **16-1** Green Sky, **16-1** Dirty Den

TIMEFORM VIEW:

TARITINO quickly returned to form when runner-up to an unexposed one at Exeter last week and is the percentage call to resume winning ways from the same mark. Bobbarelli's opening mark looks a fair one and he must enter calculations, while Myrighthandman is worth another chance to resume his progress now stepping up in trip.

6.30

DAVE CRIDDLE TRAVEL HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £9,000 2m104y (3310 Metres)

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Even**

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

1 OLD BRIDGE (FR) (170) h+t **97**
44224P62 5 12-0 | 76.2kg



David Pipe *Jack Tudor*
Runner-up 4 times in a busy spell in the first half of the season. Given a break since the latest of them at Hereford (19.5f) in November and player if resuming in similar form.

2 MOST WANTED (IRE) (184) **98**
45-44P 8 11-4 | 71.7kg



David Bridgwater *Tom Cannon*
Won over 1m on the Flat last summer but has yet to make a significant impact over hurdles, including in handicaps the last twice. Been off for 6 months.

3 DARING TO DREAM (25) h **98**
2-68473 5 11-3 | 71.2kg



Harriet Dickin *James Best*
Ended up too far back when 18½ lengths third of 11 on 2m Stratford handicap debut. Can make mistakes but has shown enough to think she can make an impact from this sort of mark.

4 GALACTIC JACK (IRE) (16) s+t **79**
P7P45/P4 6 11-0 | 69.9kg



Gary & Josh Moore *Caolin Quinn*
One-time useful Flat performer but hasn't shown a great deal over hurdles for various yards, finishing a well-held fourth on his completed start in handicaps since returning from a long absence.

5 PILLAR THE POET (IRE) (15) h **98**
565-640 6 11-0 | 69.9kg



Ian Chanin *Ciaran Gethings*
Showed a bit when fourth of 9 on 19f Taunton handicap debut in February and stamina seemingly stretched when well beaten over 21.5f at Exeter since. Drops back significantly in trip now.

6 PORTCAMMON (IRE) (156) s **99**
66-436497 7 10-13 | 69.4kg



Neil Mulholland *Richie McLernon*
Competitive in handicap hurdles last summer but posted 2 lesser efforts when last seen in the autumn. Little Lady Lucy is the more obvious of the yard's pair unless the betting suggests otherwise.

7 MISS FEDORA (IRE) (29) (D, BF) **98**
5-P5P84RP 7 10-9 | 67.6kg



Nick Scholfield *Harry Reed*
Successful twice over fences at Plumpton during first half of 2025 but it's been downhill most of the way since, including at Taunton last month. Needs to bounce back now returned to hurdles.

8 LITTLE LADY LUCY (IRE) (7lb/3kg ex) (10) s **100**
P-5599PP1 5 10-5 | 65.8kg



Neil Mulholland *Bradley Harris (3lb/1kg)*
This former Flat winner proved well suited by a drop back to around 2m when readily getting off the mark over hurdles at Wincanton 10 days ago under Bradley Harris. A 7 lb penalty may not stop her if showing up here in similar form.

9 SAUCATS (FR) (10) t **95**
3P3P0945 5 10-2(10-1) | 64.4kg (64.0kg)



Joe Tickle *Ben Godfrey*
Inconsistent maiden who was 17¼ lengths behind Little Lady Lucy when fifth at Wincanton 10 days ago. Others are preferred again.

10 MI SUENO (IRE) (29) (D) **71**
58P0-6PP9 7 10-2(10-1) | 64.4kg (64.0kg)



David Brace *Tristan Durrell*
Recorded back-to-back wins in spring 2024 but has struggled since, including for new yard in recent months.

11 BLAZING GADEN (51) **95**
P066 5 10-2(9-11) | 64.4kg (62.1kg)



D. J. Jeffreys *James Turner (5lb/2kg)*
Looks of little account.

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Little Lady Lucy, **11-2** Old Bridge, **13-2** Daring To Dream, **10-1** Miss Fedora, **12-1** Galactic Jack, **14-1** Saucats, **16-1** Portcammon, **16-1** Mi Sueno, **22-1** Pillar The Poet, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

If LITTLE LADY LUCY is in the same form as when scoring at Wincanton recently a 7 lb penalty may not stop her going in again. Daring To Dream made a fairly encouraging start to her handicap career at Stratford last month and is second choice ahead of David Pipe's Old Bridge.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LITTLE LADY LUCY 2. DARING TO DREAM 3. OLD BRIDGE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Record Art 6-11-4	9-2	Fergal O'Brien	Tom Broughton (5)	8
2024	Jolyjump 5-11-2	18-1	Gary Moore	Caolin Quinn (3)	16
2023	Phoenix Risen 6-11-3	4-1	Jeremy Scott	David Prichard (5)	9
2021	Número Uno 5-10-11	3-1f	Dr Richard Newland	C. M. Leonard (7)	13

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

<h1 style="margin: 0;">7.00</h1> <p style="margin: 0; font-weight: bold;">RACE 5</p>	<p style="margin: 0;">CHARLES CLARK MEMORIAL HANDICAP HURDLE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-110) £10,500 2m7f198y (4810 Metres)</p>
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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

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| 1 | <p>GASMANI (IRE) (13) (CD) 98
 19/4443-91 7 12-0 76.2kg</p> <p> David Dennis <i>Charlie Maggs (3lb/1kg)</i>
 Bumper winner who got off the mark in this sphere despite a far from fluent round of jumping in 5-runner handicap over C&D just under 2 weeks ago. Still relatively unexposed at staying trips but will likely need to improve further to follow up from 6 lb higher.</p> | |
| 2 | <p>HOLESHOT (IRE) (26) (C) 98
 15-75FP4P 7 11-12 75.3kg</p> <p> Tim Vaughan <i>Lorcan Williams</i>
 Back-to-back hurdles winner last season and there were positives to glean from his chase debut fifth at Bangor in October. However jumping has let him down since, so no surprise to see him back over the smaller obstacles.</p> | |
| 3 | <p>SAM'S AMOUR (18) 98
 11-4285P6 9 11-9 73.9kg</p> <p> Keiran Burke <i>Stan Sheppard</i>
 Successful 3 times over hurdles in 2024. Good second at Newton Abbot last summer but he's struggled since, looking rusty back hurdling after a break back there earlier in the month.</p> | |
| 4 | <p>SAGE GREEN (IRE) (30) (BF) 100
 2-65724F3 6 11-8 73.5kg</p> <p> Syd Hosie <i>James Best</i>
 Irish point winner who made a winning hurdling debut at Warwick back in March 2025. Let down by his jumping on both starts over fences at Wincanton last month and reverts to hurdles with his usual headgear discarded. Should stay this easy 3m.</p> | t |
| 5 | <p>NOBLE BLUE (FR) (13) (BF) 99
 5P7/09-22U 8 11-8 73.5kg</p> <p> Kayley Woollacott <i>Mr Joshua Newman (5lb/2kg)</i>
 Ex-Irish hurdler/chaser for Paul Nolan. Prolific in points prior to finishing an encouraging second in 2 Exeter handicap hurdles since returning to Rules. Clipped heels and unseated rider on turn after fifth over C&D recently so is worth another chance.</p> | |
| 6 | <p>FINAL ENTRY (IRE) (44) 97
 137-6 5 10-12 68.9kg</p> <p> David Pipe <i>Jack Tudor</i>
 Made a winning start over hurdles in a juvenile at Newton Abbot in July 2024 and unsurprisingly looked rusty following 16 months on the sidelines when down the field in a Flat handicap at Southwell in February. Similar story back hurdling last month and now heads up to 3m for the first time.</p> | s+t |
| 7 | <p>MCGREGORS CHARGE (13) (D, BF) 98
 324132PP 8 10-2(10-0) 64.4kg (63.5kg)</p> <p> Kayley Woollacott <i>Ben Godfrey</i>
 Got off the mark at Perth in August and solid placed efforts since at Stratford and Newton Abbot next 2 starts. However, he failed miserably to land a gamble on first outing for 6 months/since leaving Ella Pickard here recently and is now back over hurdles.</p> | |

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Gasmani, **10-3** Noble Blue, **11-2** Sage Green, **15-2** Mcgregors Charge, **17-2** Holeshot, **10-1** Final Entry, **25-1** Sam's Amour

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Things didn't go to plan for SAGE GREEN over the larger obstacles at Wincanton last month but now back over hurdles, Syd Hosie's charge can get back on track with this step up to 3m unlikely to pose any problems. Heading up the dangers is Gasmani, who got off the mark in this sphere despite a far from fluent round of jumping over C&D recently, with Noble Blue rounding off the shortlist.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SAGE GREEN 2. GASMANI 3. NOBLE BLUE

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

7.30

DORSET & SOMERSET AIR AMBULANCE NOVICES' LIMITED
HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-95) £9,000
2m3f1y (3820 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

1	LAKE TIBERIAS (IRE) (21) 366663 6 11-12 75.3kg	91
	Harry Derham Paul O'Brien Hasn't really improved for the switch to handicaps but latest third of 11 at Wincanton (2½m, good) was a creditable effort nonetheless. Eased 2 lb since and not without an each-way chance.	
2	TOBI KANOBEE (IRE) (8) 6-056503 7 11-8 73.5kg	88
	Claire Hitch Ben Godfrey Fair form at best following half-a-dozen runs over hurdles and will need to find improvement from somewhere if he's to emerge on top here.	
3	PEACE IN THE PARK (FR) (11) 3-006275 6 11-7 73.0kg	91
	D. J. Jeffreys Tristan Durrell Left previous hurdles form behind sent handicapping when runner-up at Huntingdon (2m, heavy) in February. However, he has failed to repeat that effort in 2 subsequent starts.	
4	MODERN STYLE (7lb/3kg ex) (5) 3P01 4 10-13 69.4kg	100
	Nigel Hawke James Best Well held in novice on the Flat for Charlie Appleby last spring and similar story initially in this sphere prior to bolting up on his handicap debut at Exeter (17f, good to soft) last week. Will prove very hard to beat under a penalty if in anything like the same form.	
5	FOREST HILLS (IRE) (10) 7076 5 10-10 68.0kg	62
	Carroll Gray Ciaran Gethings Winner on the Flat for Rod Millman in 2024 but yet to show any real spark over hurdles, including on recent handicap debut in this sphere. Now tried in a tongue strap.	
6	NO MEAN FEAT (IRE) (25) P2253-4P4 7 10-10 68.0kg	93
	Simon Hodgson James Davies Made the frame on several occasions in 2024 and bettered his first 2 efforts of this season when fourth of 11 in first-time cheekpieces at Stratford (2m, good to soft) last time. This step back up in trip will help but it's surprising that the cheekpieces are discarded here.	
7	GALACTIC PRINCESS (44) P606 5 10-8 67.1kg	78
	Daisy Hitchins Robbie David (5lb/2kg) Second in 3-runner event sole start in Irish points and has so far offered little over hurdles. Hooded last 3 starts but connections now experiment with first-time cheekpieces and tongue strap, plus she's undergone a breathing operation since her latest outing.	
8	ATHENA'S DREAM (21) 45867 4 10-6 66.2kg	91
	Harriet Dickin Miss Megan Bevan (7lb/3kg) Finished midfield on sole start in bumpers and yet to trouble the judge in this sphere, failing to improve for the switch to handicap company/addition of blinkers (retained here) at Wincanton 3 weeks ago.	
9	RITAAN (IRE) (25) 845P9 4 10-3 64.9kg	57
	Georgina Nicholls Mr Harry Brown (7lb/3kg) Fair form in 3 Flat starts for Harry Eustace before changing hands for 42,000 gns during the winter. Glimmers of ability in juvenile/maiden hurdles initially but no show pitched into handicaps the last twice.	
10	FUTURE TIMES (FR) (15) 96/86-480 6 10-2 64.4kg	91
	Gordon Edwards Mr Jack Stenhouse (7lb/3kg) Couple of decent efforts to his name over hurdles, not least when fourth in an 11-runner C&D handicap last month. However, he's failed to reproduce that level of form in 2 subsequent starts and is now 0-21 overall (Flat and jumps).	

11 JOKER JACK (IRE) (46) s+t **86**
 P/3POP-OPP 7 10-2(10-0) | 64.4kg (63.5kg)
 Claire Hitch **Lorcan Murtagh**
 Poor maiden hurdler who was pulled up on first start in this headgear combination at Hereford last month. Hopes pinned on subsequent breathing operation sparking a jolt of improvement.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-6 Modern Style, 15-2 Lake Tiberias, 10-1 No Mean Feat, 20-1 Galactic Princess, 22-1 Peace In The Park, 25-1 Tobi Kanobee, 28-1 Future Times, 33-1 Ritaan, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

If MODERN STYLE produces a performance akin to that of his facile handicap debut success at Exeter on Friday he will take the world of beating. Indeed, the 4-y-o won as he liked that day and will probably be raised around double the figure of the 7 lb penalty he carries here when reassessed. Lake Tiberias and No Mean Feat can fill the places.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MODERN STYLE 2. LAKE TIBERIAS 3. NO MEAN FEAT

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **Pink Eyed Pancho** 5-10-2 12-1 David Brace Tristan Durrell (3) 11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race