

Wednesday 25th March

HEREFORD



2.30	HEREFORD EASTER MONDAY FAMILY RACEDAY HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2½m194y (4200 Metres)
RACE 1	(4) LELANT (2) CHIEF BLACK ROBE (1) FAT SAM
3.00	CB SECURITY & PROTECTION SERVICES HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2m8y (3230 Metres)
RACE 2	(2) BLACKIJO DAGROSTIS (1) CHESTNUT PETE (4) MCGRATH FROM CLUNE
3.30	HEREFORD QUARRIES MARES' 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)
RACE 3	(9) ISABELLA ISLAY (10) MILLADY (5) L'AVENTARA
4.00	SUNSHINE RADIO NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m53y (3270 Metres)
RACE 4	(2) BEST NIGHT (3) MADAME DE LABRUNIE (1) ARNIE MOON
4.30	SPA MOTORS MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)
RACE 5	(7) MISS CARBO (6) REEL ORANGE (1) LAND GIRL'S LUCK
5.05	RICHARD LAYTON CHARITY DAY 16th APRIL NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (AMATEUR AND CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS) (5) 2m53y (3270 Metres)
RACE 6	(1) ONE KNIGHT (2) LEGEND D'AIRY (8) STRONG MAN TOM

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.

2.30

RACE 1

HEREFORD EASTER MONDAY FAMILY RACEDAY HANDICAP CHASE (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2½m194y (4200 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 FAT SAM (216) (D) 99
4523-3246 12 12-0 | 76.2kg

 David Dennis *Mr Charlie Case (71b/3kg)*
Veteran who posted a good second at Worcester (2½m, good) in July but not in same form either start thereafter last summer. Switched yards ahead of return to action but his losing run stretches back to July 2022.

2 CHIEF BLACK ROBE (IRE) (16) (D) v 96
3525542P 10 11-12 | 75.3kg

 Fergal O'Brien *Fern O'Brien (51b/2kg)*
Won 4 handicap chases on the bounce for this yard in 2023. Posted much his best effort since rejoining Fergal O'Brien when runner-up at Market Rasen over fences (19.2f, soft) last month but he ran poorly back over hurdles at Taunton 16 days ago. Visor reached for returned to chasing.

3 LINE OF DESCENT (IRE) (26) (D) t 97
3U253/5-62 8 11-11 | 74.8kg

 Warren Greatrex *James Bowen*
Three-time winner over fences who failed to step up appreciably on his belated reappearance effort last month when finishing a remote second in 5-runner handicap at Doncaster (19f) 4 weeks ago. Mark eased further but he does need to show more before becoming of interest again.

4 LELANT (IRE) (107) (CD) 100
8PF36-11P 8 11-7 | 73.0kg

 Mrs C. Williams *Sean Bowen*
Well on top finish when finally off the mark over C&D in October and made light of an 8 lb rise when following up at Market Rasen (21f) a month later. Had soft ground as a possible excuse for his Fontwell disappointment in December and better showing anticipated having been freshened up since.

5 WARNER'S CROSS (IRE) (113) (D) s 89
F/3412-6P 9 11-1 | 70.3kg

 Clare Hobson *Mr R. Sugrue (71b/3kg)*
Built on earlier promise to belatedly get off the mark at Market Rasen in June 2024 and continued in good heart when second on chase debut there next time. However, low-key efforts in 2 hurdle runs since returning from a lengthy absence this winter. Had breathing operation and cheekpieces now on.

6 BLACK OCC (IRE) (18) 99
42475/PP3 7 10-13 | 69.4kg

 Sheila Lewis *Sean Houlihan*
Modest maiden hurdler who showed nothing sent chasing in first time cheekpieces at Ludlow (2½m) on penultimate start but he did at least stop the slide when third over hurdles here (25.5f) 18 days ago. Return to shorter a plus on that evidence but not the easiest to weigh up.

7 BOYS OF WEXFORD (105) s 98
655-P52UP 9 10-6 | 66.2kg

 Henry Oliver *James Davies*
Posted best effort for some time under positive tactics when second at Fontwell (19.5f) in November. Unseated next time and absent following a poor effort (pulled up) over C&D in December. However, no great surprise to see him bounce back following a break.

8 ULTRA VIERS (IRE) (19) s+t 98
5444-4F54 10 10-2 | 64.4kg

 Phillippa Taylor *Luke Scott (31b/1kg)*
Remains a maiden after 23 runs but in process of running creditably when falling last on return at Market Rasen in November. Excuses at Lingfield next time but below best following a 3-month layoff when fourth at Leicester (2½m) 3 weeks ago.

9 JACK DOYEN (IRE) (19) (CD) b 94
223-F6P53 10 10-2(10-1) | 64.4kg (64.0kg)

 Ben Case *Jack Quinlan*
Made the frame all 4 starts last season but has struggled in handful of outings this term and whilst he produced his best effort for a while when third at Leicester (2½m) 3 weeks ago, that didn't make him of interest for win purposes here.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A ready winner of back-to-back handicap chase contests upon returning this winter (including over C&D) LELANT had excuses on account of the soft ground when pulled up at Fontwell in December. Freshened up and now returning to a sounder surface, he could be worth siding with to get back on track. Chief Black Robe needs to shrug off a lesser run over hurdles but is a player if doing so, whilst Fat Sam and Boys of Wexford also command a second look.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LELANT 2. CHIEF BLACK ROBE 3. FAT SAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Pep Talking 7-12-0	5-2f	Billy Aprahamian	Gavin Sheehan	7
2024	Jack Doyen 8-10-11	5-1	Ben Case	Jack Quinlan	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Lelant, **11-2** Chief Black Robe, **11-2** Black Occ, **13-2** Boys of Wexford, **7-1** Line of Descent, **11-1** Jack Doyen, **12-1** Fat Sam, **12-1** Ultra Viers, **20-1** Warner's Cross

3.00**CB SECURITY & PROTECTION SERVICES HANDICAP CHASE (5)
5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2m8y (3230 Metres)**

RACE 2

Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 CHESTNUT PETE (84) (CD) t **96**
13-244333 11 12-0 | 76.2kg



Katy Price

Shane Quinlan (3lb/1kg)

Took this prize from a 1 lb lower mark 12 months ago and lines up for repeat bid having been in decent nick when last seen, suited by the strong pace when third at Warwick (2m) on New Year's Eve. Can make his presence felt again.

2 BLACKIJO DAGROSTIS (FR) (16) s+t **100**
6244P543 7 11-1 | 70.3kg



Matt Sheppard

Stan Sheppard

Still a maiden but there have been encouraging signs of late, likely he'd have won with a better jump at the last when third at Taunton (2m) 16 days ago. Back up in the weights following that effort but he's capable of defying this sort of mark on that evidence. Player.

3 BALLYWOOD (FR) (7) (D) b+t **99**
4-P436732 12 10-12 | 68.9kg



Georgie Howell

Tabitha Worsley (3lb/1kg)

Veteran is without a win since 2019 but his mark reflects that and he posted easily his best effort for some time when edged out late on at Huntingdon (16.5f) 7 days ago. A repeat gives him claims but he's no sure thing to be in the same form.

4 MCGRATH FROM CLUNE (IRE) (89) (CD) s+t **93**
360512U2 10 10-12 | 68.9kg



Tom Gretton

Sean Bowen

Scored over C&D in November and going well when unseated rider 2 out in handicap chase at Taunton (18.2f) on penultimate start. Let down by jumping in small field at Fontwell over Christmas but given a break ahead of this and his yard have been amongst the winners.

5 QUINTA BRIGADA (IRE) (33) **43**
6-85884 5 10-12 | 68.9kg



Mrs C. Williams

Conor Ring

Shaped like a stayer in 2 Irish bumpers but finished well beaten in maiden/novice hurdles for this yard and fared no better for switch to handicaps over fences when well held fourth at Ffos Las (2m) 33 days ago. One to note if market speaks in his favour.

6 THE BRICKEY RANGER (IRE) (7lb/3kg ex) (7) (CD) **89**
60-8474P1 8 10-9 | 67.6kg



Sarah-Jayne Davies

Miss Jess Stewart (7lb/3kg)

Uninspiring form for previous yard this winter and he caused a surprise when making a successful start for present yard over C&D last week. However, strength of that form is questionable and he's likely to find this more demanding under a penalty.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Blackijo Dagrostis, **7-2** Chestnut Pete, **9-2** Ballywood, **5-1** McGrath From Clune, **11-2** The Brickey Ranger, **22-1** Quinta Brigada

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BLACKIJO DAGROSTIS probably would have won with a better jump at the last when third at Taunton 16 days ago and he can confirm the promise of that effort and belatedly get off the mark. Last year's winner Chestnut Pete may emerge next best, ahead of McGrath From Clune.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BLACKIJO DAGROSTIS 2. CHESTNUT PETE 3. MCGRATH FROM CLUNE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Chestnut Pete 10-12-0	14-1	Katy Price	Shane Quinlan (3)	5
2024	Flash Gorcombe 7-11-9	5-4f	Robert Walford	Paul O'Brien	5
2023	Ardmayle 11-12-1	3-1	Ali Stronge	Brendan Powell	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

HEREFORD QUARRIES MARES' 'NATIONAL HUNT' MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 4yo+ fillies and mares £10,000 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 CRYSTAL BOX (IRE) (31) 88
0 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Max Comley *David Bass*
80/1, eleventh of 13 in novice hurdle at this course (2m, soft) on her NH debut 31 days ago. This Crystal Ocean mare goes up in trip with lots to find.

2 DAVITA BLAZE (IRE) (33) 89
6 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill *Jonjo O'Neill Jr.*
4/1, only sixth of 8 in bumper at Warwick (2m, soft) on her debut 33 days ago. Clearly thought capable of better so possibilities now going over hurdles.

3 JOHNNY'S BELLE (IRE) (9) 91
3 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Barry John Murphy *Callum Pritchard (3lb/1kg)*
15/2, third of 5 in bumper at Ffos Las (2m, heavy) on her debut 9 days ago. This Malinas mare is a winner in points and no forlorn hope starting out in this sphere.

4 KERNIE D'AIRY (FR) (410) 93
10- 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Jamie Snowden  *Gavin Sheehan*
Won maiden bumper at Durtal in November 2024 for Hugo Merienne. Changed hands for £155,000 after but a tailed-off tenth of 11 in listed bumper at Newbury on UK/yard debut 13 months ago. Not written off for good yard after an absence.

5 L'AVENTARA 100
8 11-4 | 71.7kg 

 Tim Vaughan *Mr Edward Vaughan (7lb/3kg)*
Kayf Tara mare. Sister to 2 winners, including fairly useful hurdler Braventara. Has won 3 of her 5 starts in points, including last 2 (latest February 21). Well in the mix on her hurdles bow.

6 SVELTE SILHOUETTE (20) 88
37U89 5 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Seamus Mullins *Daniel Sansom (3lb/1kg)*
Hooded when a debut third in a Wincanton bumper in November. However, she has shown little in 3 hurdle runs since, going freely when ninth in 15f novice there 20 days ago.

7 TIERBAY (61) 88
99P 6 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Claire Dyson *Lee Edwards*
Down the field in 2 Warwick bumpers before Christmas and pulled up on her hurdling bow in 19f Doncaster novice in January.

8 TIPPERARY STAR (7) 92
9/9F 8 11-4 | 71.7kg

 Warren Greatrex *James Bowen*
Placed on her first 3 bumper outings in 2022 but very lightly raced and has offered little since returning from over 2 years off. Others appeal more.

9 ISABELLA ISLAY (42) 97
93 4 10-6 | 66.2kg t

 Clive Boulton-Brooks  *Richard Patrick*
Scalo filly who took a big step forward from her debut when a staying-on third of 9 in juvenile hurdle here 42 days ago. This step up in trip promises to suit. Big player.

10 MILLADY (27) 93
605 4 10-6 | 66.2kg

 Mel Rowley *Toby Wynne*
Little show in a pair of bumpers but much better signs on her hurdling bow when a running-on fifth of 7 in juvenile at Wetherby (2m, soft, 100/1) 27 days ago. Very much one to consider over this longer distance.

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ISABELLA ISLAY just holds the edge on form here and with this step up in trip a likely plus too she gets the nod over Millady who also looks to have more to offer now her stamina is drawn out more. Tim Vaughan's L'Aventara comes here on the back of a brace of pointing wins so can have a say too now going hurdling.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ISABELLA ISLAY 2. MILLADY 3. L'AVENTARA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **King's Consort** 6-11-4 50-1 Georgina Nicholls Miss Olive Nicholls (7) 7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 L'aventara, 4-1 Isabella Islay, 13-2 Kernie D'airy, 7-1 Millady, 9-1 Tipperary Star, 10-1 Johnny's Belle, 22-1 Davita Blaze, 28-1 Svelte Silhouette, 33-1 Tierbay, 40-1 bar

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SUNSHINE RADIO NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-105) £6,150 2m53y (3270 Metres)

RACE 4



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 ARNIE MOON (67) 93
49036 6 12-0 | 76.2kg

 Joe Tickle **Callum Pritchard (31b/1kg)**
Too free in bumpers but has shown more over hurdles, best run when sixth of 13 in 19f Taunton maiden in January. Goes handicapping after a break. Considered.

2 BEST NIGHT (FR) (14) (D) 96
1350241 5 11-12 | 75.3kg t

 David Pipe **Jack Tudor**
Made a winning start over hurdles at Newton Abbot in September and she got back on the up with victory in 9-runner handicap at Huntingdon (2m) 14 days ago. Up 4 lb but holds leading claims.

3 MADAME DE LABRUNIE (FR) (49) 100
72F14936 4 11-0 | 69.9kg t 

 Fergal O'Brien **Jonathan Burke**
Fair 17f hurdles winner in France last autumn. Yet to show that level of form for her new yard, only sixth of 8 in 2m Ludlow juvenile last month. Handily weighted if this switch to handicaps sparks a resurgence.

4 DIRECTLY (40) 89
45-505P 7 10-9 | 67.6kg s+t

 Samuel Drinkwater **Benjamin Macey (51b/2kg)**
Maiden hurdler who was pulled up in 19f handicap at Chepstow 40 days ago. Tongue strap/cheekpieces are reached for now.

5 KOTGAR (IRE) (95) 94
42P6-647P 5 10-3 | 64.9kg

 Mrs C. Williams **Conor Ring**
A fair maiden on the Flat in France but regressed over hurdles last season and no signs of improvement this term.

6 INCA (FR) (68) 87
77-8 8 10-2(9-11) | 64.4kg (62.1kg)

 Clare Hobson **Dylan Johnston**
Runner-up in an Irish point but no show in 3 hurdle runs, off 20 months before coming in last of 8 in Market Rasen novice in January.

7 RAMAAH (24) 89
8P-P4755P 5 10-2(9-8) | 64.4kg (60.8kg) b

 Sarah-Jayne Davies **James Best**
A modest 13f Flat winner but only poor in this sphere and pulled up in 2m handicap hurdle at Huntingdon 24 days ago. 8 lb out of the handicap here too.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-10 Best Night, **4-1** Madame De Labrunie, **15-2** Arnie Moon, **11-1** Ramaah, **16-1** Kotgar, **20-1** Inca, **28-1** Directly

TIMEFORM VIEW:

BEST NIGHT resumed her progress when scoring at Huntingdon recently and can defy a 4 lb weights rise in this uncompetitive handicap. Fergal O'Brien's new recruit Madame de Labrunie has yet to show her (winning) French form here but could still emerge as the main danger now going into handicaps, while Arnie Moon is another handicap debutant who could have a say.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. BEST NIGHT 2. MADAME DE LABRUNIE 3. ARNIE MOON

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Renoir 6-12-0	5-2f	Ben Clarke	Rex Dingle	7
2024	Intimate 6-12-0	4-1	Venetia Williams	Charlie Deutsch	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 5

SPA MOTORS MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2m3f147y (3960 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MISS CARBO 2. REEL ORANGE 3. LAND GIRL'S LUCK

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1 LAND GIRL'S LUCK (IRE) (18) (D) 96
11257232 7 12-0 | 76.2kg

 **Max Comley** *Miss Aimee Jones (71b/3kg)*
Won back-to-back handicap hurdles at around 2½m at Southwell and Bangor last summer. Put in another good shift when runner-up back from a break over 2m here recently and she's a live each-way candidate now returned to a more suitable trip and with Aimee Jones again booked.

2 MIDNIGHT GINGER (33) (D) 98
428-60874 10 11-13 | 75.7kg

 **Andrew Martin** *Dillon Butler (101b/5kg)*
Losing run stretches back over 2 years and while she proved that ability remains when fourth of 6 on first run following a break/breathing operation at Warwick last month, this 10-y-o again looks vulnerable from a win perspective.

3 BROADWAY HONEY (IRE) (27) 94
8-5335 6 11-10 | 74.4kg

 **Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies** *Sam Twiston-Davies*
Half-sister to the yard's smart staying chaser Broadway Boy and she appeared to take a small step forward when third in a C&D novice in November. However, progress was not forthcoming on her handicap debut back from a break at Ludlow last month. Yard also runs Hey Flint.

4 BORDER GEM (85) (BF) 94
542-54245 6 11-7 | 73.0kg

 **Jeremy Scott** *Rex Dingle*
Close second in a bumper last spring and showed ability in maiden/novice company, not least when second in a 7-runner mares' event at Wincanton in November. Has failed to improve for the switch to handicap company the last twice but she has at least been eased 3 lb since her latest run,

5 HEY FLINT (18) s 86
66078P 5 11-6 | 72.6kg

 **Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies** *Toby McCain-Mitchell (51b/2kg)*
No show in a trio of novice hurdles and there were very few positives to take from her recent handicap debut over this C&D. Hopes now pinned on the addition of cheekpieces working the oracle.

6 REEL ORANGE (IRE) (19) (BF) t ★ 100
3536P-902 7 11-2 | 70.8kg

 **Joe Tizzard** *Brendan Powell*
Still looking for first success but took a step back in the right direction when finding just one too good starting out for this yard at Exeter (18.5f, soft). Reproduction of that effort would give her a major chance, for all that she doesn't appear to be the strongest of finishers.

7 MISS CARBO (FR) (20) h 94
222576 4 11-2 | 70.8kg

 **Neil Mulholland** *Bradley Harris (31b/1kg)*
Fair ex-French hurdler who was runner-up on debut for new yard in 2m Warwick maiden in December. Hasn't replicated that in 3 subsequent outings but she could have a say now handicapping off what looks a potentially decent mark.

8 MISS FEDORA (IRE) (40) (D) t 94
15-PSP84R 7 10-11 | 68.5kg

 **Nick Scholfield** *Freddie Keighley (51b/2kg)*
Successful twice over fences at Plumpton during first half of 2025 but it's been downhill most of the way since. Needs to bounce back now returned to hurdles with tongue strap enlisted on debut for new yard. Engaged 4.45 Taunton Tuesday.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Reel Orange, **4-1** Land Girl's Luck, **9-2** Miss Carbo, **11-2** Border Gem, **7-1** Midnight Ginger, **18-1** Broadway Honey, **28-1** Miss Fedora, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The 4-y-o MISS CARBO wouldn't be the first from her yard to improve for the switch to handicap company and, judged on her Warwick effort on debut for present connections in December, this mark looks a very fair one. Reel Orange is the one to beat based on her recent second when starting out for this yard at Exeter but she didn't find a great deal when it came to the crunch that day, which is a slight concern. Land Girl's Luck performed with credit here last time and she is best of the rest.

5.05

RACE 6

RICHARD LAYTON CHARITY DAY 16th APRIL NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (AMATEUR AND CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS) (5) 4, 5 and 6yo £4,500 2m53y (3270 Metres)



Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 ONE KNIGHT (IRE) (477) (D) 100
0/1- 6 11-9 | 73.9kg

 Emma Lavelle *Cameron Johnstone-Baker (10lb/5kg)*
Left his debut run (for Toby Lawes) well behind when landing 9-runner bumper at Southwell in December 2024, ridden positively and quickening right away. Not seen since but likely has more to offer for this yard.

2 LEGEND D'AIRY (FR) 87
5 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Ben Pauling *Callum Pritchard (3lb/1kg)*
€48,000 3-y-o, Motivator gelding. Half-brother to fair hurdler/useful chaser Issar d'Airy. Dam, French hurdle winner/chaser (17f-2¼m winner), half-sister to French hurdle winner/chaser (2¼m-2½m winner) Quaska d'Airy. Interesting newcomer for yard with good record in bumpers.

3 MAC J (48) 83
7 5 11-2 | 70.8kg

 David Rees *Jay Tidball (5lb/2kg)*
Sent off 100/1 and looked one for the longer term down the field in bumper at Huntingdon (15.8f, heavy) on debut in February.

4 THUNDEROUS SEA 82
5 11-2 | 70.8kg

 Nigel Hawke *Murray Dodd (7lb/3kg)*
1,000 gns 4-y-o, Night of Thunder gelding. Half-brother to 1m winner Glencalvie. Dam 7f-8.6f winner. A cheap purchase given pedigree.

5 BRITWAY BELLE (IRE) (72) 81
7 5 10-9 | 67.6kg

 Henry Oliver *Freddie Keighley (5lb/2kg)*
Getaway mare who was bought for £120,000 after winning sole start in Irish points but was easy to back and finished well held in a C&D bumper on debut in January.

6 GREAT OAK LAD (IRE) 83
4 10-6 | 66.2kg

 Mrs C. Williams *Ellis Collier (5lb/2kg)*
Workforce gelding. Dam unraced half-sister to smart hurdler/high-class chaser (stayed 21f) Felix Yonger. Market for clues.

7 MAC GAYVEUR (FR) (35) 82
6 4 10-6 | 66.2kg

 Tom Weston *Lewis Saunders (5lb/2kg)*
Half-brother to 5 winners, including bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler Aniknam and fair hurdler Grooveur. Showed a bit when sixth of 11 at Southwell on debut last month but needs to take a big step forward.

8 STRONG MAN TOM 83
4 10-6 | 66.2kg

 Barry John Murphy *Dylan O'Connor (7lb/3kg)*
£7,000 3-y-o, Massaat gelding. Brother to 2 winners, including bumper winner Peace Belle, and half-brother to fair hurdler Simply Red. Dam 1m-1½m winner. Makes some appeal on paper and well worth a market check.

9 GENTORA (IRE) (46) 81
5 4 10-2 | 64.4kg

 Tom Weston *Tristan Durrell*
Getaway filly who is bred to stay well and shaped accordingly on last month's debut at Warwick.

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 One Knight, **7-2** Legend D'airy, **9-1** Strong Man Tom, **12-1** Great Oak Lad, **14-1** Mac Gayveur, **18-1** Thunderous Sea, **25-1** Britway Belle, **28-1** Gentora, **33-1** Mac J

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ONE KNIGHT has a 15-month absence to overcome but she impressed when scoring readily at Southwell when last seen and looks up to defying a penalty on that evidence. Legend d'airy is an interesting newcomer for a yard with an excellent record in bumpers and would need taking seriously if supported in the betting, while Strong Man Tom is another debutant who makes some appeal on paper.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ONE KNIGHT 2. LEGEND D'AIRY 3. STRONG MAN TOM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Jimbo Sport 6-11-2	4-5f	Ben Pauling	Callum Pritchard (5)	6
2024	Jurancon 5-11-9	15-8	David Pipe	Jack Tudor	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race