

1.21 ST. AUSTELL BREWERY NOVICES' HURDLE (3) 2m5f122y (4340 Metres)

RACE 1 **(4) VANGO CAN GO | (1) CRYSTAL ORCHARD | (3) SIRGREG**

1.51 WOLLENS FULL SPECTRUM LAW HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 2m5f122y (4340 Metres)

RACE 2 **(2) REAL QUARTZ | (3) VOL ROYALE | (6) CALVINO**

2.21 BREWERS DECORATING CENTRES ALBANY DERBY FEMALE JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (Female Professional Jockeys & Amateur Riders) (4) 2½m216y (4220 Metres)

RACE 3 **(1) STAR OF AFFINITY | (5) IT'S A BREEZE | (3) DWIGHT K SCHRUTE**

2.51 PASSAGE HOUSE HOTEL SOUTH DEVON GATEWAY HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m167y (3370 Metres)

RACE 4 **(8) ROCK ON COWBOY | (4) WESTERN CROSS | (3) PADDOCKWOOD**

3.21 PERSIMMON HOMES HANDICAP CHASE (4) 2m75y (3290 Metres)

RACE 5 **(3) OPENING BID | (2) CENTARA | (1) THE FOUR SIXES**

3.51 SKY SPORTS RACING NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 3m1f170y (5180 Metres)

RACE 6 **(1) FAIRYE FORTH | (3) MASK OF ZORRO | (5) BADBURY RINGS**

4.21 THANKYOU & FAREWELL DR. TIM TILSLEY OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (4) 2m167y (3370 Metres)

RACE 7 **(4) THE GIFT SHOP | (3) PAR AVION | (5) DE INOVATOR**

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.

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RACE 1

ST. AUSTELL BREWERY NOVICES' HURDLE (3) 4yo+ £15,000

2m5f122y (4340 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	CRYSTAL ORCHARD (IRE) (236)	85
	8553- 5 11-2 70.8kg Joe Tizzard <i>Brendan Powell</i> Showed aptitude for hurdling when third in 17f Exeter novice when last seen in March, as in bumpers leaving the impression he'll be well suited by further. Certainly gets that on his return for a flying yard and the obvious danger to Vango Can Go.	
2	JPR TWO (IRE) (207)	71
	86- 5 11-2 70.8kg Paul Nicholls <i>Freddie Gingell</i> €120,000 half-brother to useful hurdler/very smart chaser Jpr One. Well held in Exeter bumper and 2¼m maiden hurdle here last season. Has had a breathing operation since last seen and should find his level somewhere down the line.	
3	SIRGREG (327)	74
	3- 5 11-2 70.8kg Philip Hobbs & Johnson White <i>Sean Houlihan</i> Was doing his best work late on when third in Exeter bumper in December and should have a future in this sphere.	
4	VANGO CAN GO (IRE) (231)	100
	138- 5 11-2 70.8kg Dan Skelton <i>Harry Skelton</i> Progressive in bumpers last season, looking a good prospect. Won at Southwell in November before chasing home the promising Bass Hunter in listed contest at Ascot and the Champion Bumper at Cheltenham (found the emphasis too much on speed). Looks a class apart on that form now going hurdling.	

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-6 Vango Can Go, 9-4 Crystal Orchard, 12-1 Sirgreg, 33-1 Jpr Two

TIMEFORM VIEW:

VANGO CAN GO made a bright start in bumpers last season and is a horse to follow now going jumping up in trip. He can make a successful reappearance, although Crystal Orchard's hurdling experience gives him an edge and he returns with his stable flying.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. VANGO CAN GO 2. CRYSTAL ORCHARD 3. SIRGREG

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Gentleman Toboot	5-11-2	6-4f	David Pipe	Jack Tudor	8
2024	Hymac	8-11-2	13-8f	Harry Fry	Bryan Carver	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

WOLLENS FULL SPECTRUM LAW HANDICAP HURDLE (3)
4yo+ (Rated 0-130) £15,000 2m5f122y (4340 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

1	LALLYGAG (GER) (768) (CD, BF) 32R112/ 9 12-0 76.2kg Paul Nicholls <i>Freddie Keighley (51b/2kg)</i> In excellent form with pair of handicap hurdle wins in summer 2024 (including C&D) but off since finishing second of 4 on course chase debut in September of that year. Has had a breathing operation ahead of this first outing for over 2 years.	t	83
2	REAL QUARTZ (IRE) (319) 11- 6 11-13 75.7kg Dan Skelton <i>Harry Skelton</i> Cost £190,000 after easily landing a maiden point and won maiden/novice hurdles for new connections at the end of 2025. A second breathing operation at such an early stage of his career is a slight concern but he makes obvious appeal on handicap debut for top stable.	★	100
3	VOL ROYALE (IRE) (224) 44/B51171- 6 11-10 74.4kg Kayley Woollacott <i>Sean Bowen</i> Front runner who won 3 times at Hereford last season, culminating with a 2½m handicap in March. A 4 lb rise for that doesn't look too severe assuming he's ready to roll after his absence.		87
4	PERMIS DE TUER (FR) (334) 8- 6 11-4 71.7kg Robert Walford <i>Harry Kimber</i> Fairly useful form when winning 11-runner listed juvenile hurdles on debut for Noel George & Amanda Zetterholm at Auteuil in September 2023 but not seen again until well held in 3m Newbury handicap last November. Off another 11 months since. A watching brief is the call.		79
5	HEART OVER HEAD (IRE) (225) 74731108- 7 11-3 71.2kg Fergal O'Brien <i>J. Hogan</i> Winner of handicaps around 23f at Uttoxeter (heavy) and Market Rasen (good to soft) last winter but lost his form at the end of season. First outing for 7 months.	t	82
6	CALVINO (IRE) (187) 461/2P13P- 6 11-1 70.3kg Paul Nicholls <i>Freddie Gingell</i> Taunton bumper winner who landed a novice hurdle at that track (third attempt) in January. Added to his slightly all-or-nothing profile when pulled up on handicap debut at Fontwell in April and first-time cheekpieces are reached for on return.	s	82
7	MOORLAND RAMBLER (241) 41/747341- 8 10-8 67.1kg Mrs Jane Williams <i>Sean Houlihan</i> Last seen winning a 2½m Ffos Las handicap on heavy in March, his second successive win in that contest. No great record fresh, including well held over C&D on last season's reappearance.		83

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-4 Real Quartz, 9-2 Vol Royale, 8-1 Moorland Rambler, 8-1 Lallygag, 11-1 Calvin, 12-1 Heart Over Head, 33-1 Permis De Tuer

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The promising REAL QUARTZ is taken to remain unbeaten. Fellow 6-y-o Vol Royale had a productive novice campaign and can follow Dan Skelton's charge home.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. REAL QUARTZ 2. VOL ROYALE 3. CALVINO

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	J J Moon	6-11-8	3-1	Emma Lavelle	Harry Cobden	6
2024	Catch Him Derry	6-11-1	9-4f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

BREWERS DECORATING CENTRES ALBANY DERBY FEMALE JOCKEYS' HANDICAP CHASE (Female Professional Jockeys & Amateur Riders) (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £11,000 2½m216y (4220 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

1	STAR OF AFFINITY (IRE) (233) (D)	t		100
	1135/4214- 7 12-0 76.2kg			
	Joe Tizzard		Lilly Pinchin	
	Already as good over fences as hurdles, making the most of a good opportunity in a match race at Plumpton (2½m) in February. Below-form fourth at Stratford on final start but reappears with the Joe Tizzard yard in form. Leading claims under Lilly Pinchin, who takes her first ride for the stable.			
2	ENJOY D'ALLEN (FR) (177) (D)	s		98
	1061272-6 12 12-0 76.2kg			
	Neil King		Miss Lily Jones (71b/3kg)	
	Front runner who was successful 3 times last season but hasn't been seen since a below-par effort at Fakenham in May. Might be best watched.			
3	DWIGHT K SCHRUTE (193) (BF)			99
	7/3F43225- 7 11-12 75.3kg			
	Jamie Snowden		Isabelle Ryder (51b/2kg)	
	Highly competitive off similar marks in handicap hurdles last season. Fell on previous attempt over fences but did win a point at the start of his career. Returns with the Jamie Snowden stable in form and Isabelle Ryder is operating at an 18% strike rate this season.			
4	PEPE LE MOKO (FR) (19) (D)	s		99
	63/F423P-0 8 11-10 74.4kg			
	Mrs Jane Williams		Miss Heidi Palin (51b/2kg)	
	Fairly useful chaser in his pomp. Unlucky not to capitalise on much-reduced mark in Ludlow chase last December but he's essentially been hard to predict in recent seasons and didn't offer much back hurdling at Chepstow a couple of weeks ago.			
5	IT'S A BREEZE (IRE) (40) (CD)	t		98
	6F-P41123 7 11-6 72.6kg			
	Paul Nicholls		Miss Gina Andrews	
	Won twice over C&D in July. Creditable efforts back here on his 2 outings and likely to go well under Gina Andrews, who is bidding for a 100th winner under Rules.			
6	ALRIGHT DAI (IRE) (27) (D)			98
	7/9U1133-4 8 11-4 71.7kg			
	Neil Mulholland		Harriet Tucker (71b/3kg)	
	Won 3m handicap hurdle at Taunton and 19.5f handicap chase at Fontwell last winter. Ended that campaign with a couple of creditable thirds in March but remote fourth on Southwell reappearance 4 weeks ago.			

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Star of Affinity, 11-4 It's A Breeze, 7-2 Dwight K Schrute, 11-1 Enjoy D'allen, 12-1 Pepe Le Moko, 12-1 Alright Dai

TIMEFORM VIEW:

With the Joe Tizzard stable going great guns a narrow vote goes the way of the reappearing STAR OF AFFINITY under Lilly Pinchin. C&D specialist It's A Breeze rates an obvious danger under top amateur Gina Andrews, who is bidding for her 100th winner under Rules. Dwight K Schrute fell on his previous attempt over fences but is very competitive off this sort of mark over hurdles and the Jamie Snowden yard is enjoying a fine autumn.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. STAR OF AFFINITY 2. IT'S A BREEZE 3. DWIGHT K SCHRUTE

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 4

PASSAGE HOUSE HOTEL SOUTH DEVON GATEWAY HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 3yo+ (Rated 0-120) £10,000

2m167y (3370 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Strong**

1	ALL WELL AND GOOD (523) 21202/21-6 12-0 76.2kg Olly Murphy Fairly useful bumper winner who came good over hurdles in 2m Worcester maiden in May 2025 but hasn't been seen since. With a leading stable but the betting is perhaps the best guide to expectations on handicap debut after such a long time off.	92	Sean Bowen
2	GENERAL BRIAR (IRE) (206) (D) 26/F311PP-7 12-0 76.2kg Chris Gordon Opened his account in Plumpton novice (soft) in December and followed up in a Newbury handicap (2m, good to soft) in January. Pulled up in the Imperial Cup at Sandown and Sussex Champion Hurdle on his 2 subsequent outings last season but this is a bit easier.	98	Rex Dingle
3	PADDOCKWOOD (FR) (165) (D) 141509-P4 11-12 75.3kg Dan Skelton Bagged a pair of soft-ground hurdle wins at Cagnes-sur-Mer for Mathieu Pitart last winter. Too headstrong for his own good in handicap hurdles for Ben Pauling in the spring and Dan Skelton is quick to equip him with a hood. All the more interesting if backed.	100	Harry Skelton
4	WESTERN CROSS (IRE) (204) (D) 293441-5 11-11 74.8kg Philip Hobbs & Johnson White Runner-up on first of 2 outings in bumpers and fair form over hurdles, winning 17f Exeter handicap (good) when last seen in April. Low mileage and could easily have more to offer this season.	98	Sean Houlihan
5	MARHABA PRINCE (179) 17/3221-P5 11-10 74.4kg Anthony Honeyball Fair bumper winner who cemented the positive start made over hurdles during the winter when knuckling down well for success in maiden at Chepstow in February. Something can't have been right when pulled up on Hexham handicap debut in May. Off since.	98	Ben Godfrey
6	ETON MES (IRE) (225) 94441135-5 11-8 73.5kg David Pipe Much improved to win his first 2 handicap hurdles at around 2½m at the beginning of 2026. Signed off with a below-par fifth at Exeter (2¾m) in March. Went in snatches on that occasion and cheekpieces are reached for on return. Down in trip.	98	Conor O'Farrell
7	IN LIMBO (IRE) (600) (D) 4351/8 11-4 71.7kg Chris Honour Showed promise for Chris Down in 2024/25 season, winning 17f Exeter maiden on final start. Has a 20-month absence to overcome on his first outing for Chris Honour but retains unexposed potential and interesting to see what the betting makes of him.	98	Bryan Carver
8	ROCK ON COWBOY (IRE) (523) 3P31/2-9 11-4 71.7kg Fergal O'Brien Warwick maiden hurdle winner for Barry Brennan in April 2025. Not seen since second on Worcester chase debut a month later but he has gone well after an absence before and has been the subject of a significant stable switch. Might be worth chancing.	98	Tom Broughton (3lb/1kg)
9	SIoux FALLS (GER) (19) 5437-76 10-9 67.6kg Mrs C. Williams Irish point winner who showed more than previously over hurdles when third in a Sedgfield maiden (2½m) in February. Hasn't reproduced that level in his 2 handicaps since, although he likely needed his recent Chepstow reappearance after 7 months off.	99	Adam Wedge

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Western Cross, 6-1 Paddockwood, 6-1 All Well And Good, 13-2 Marhaba Prince, 8-1 Rock On Cowboy, 8-1 In Limbo, 12-1 Eton Mes, 14-1 General Briar, 20-1 Sioux Falls

TIMEFORM VIEW:

In a trappy race a chance is taken on Fergal O'Brien's returning new recruit ROCK ON COWBOY, with confidence in his chance increased should the betting speak in his favour. Western Cross is a lightly-raced type who could have more to offer this season and is next on the list. Dan Skelton's new recruit Paddockwood would also firmly enter calculations should the market vibes be strong.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ROCK ON COWBOY 2. WESTERN CROSS 3. PADDOCKWOOD

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 5

PERSIMMON HOMES HANDICAP CHASE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-120) £11,000 2m75y (3290 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

1	THE FOUR SIXES (IRE) (11) (D)	h	99
	1P6074-PS 8 12-2 77.1kg Chester Williams <i>Rex Dingle</i> Won 4 times in 2025 for Olly Murphy. Has lost his way and pulled hard on his return for new yard over hurdles although potentially well handicapped back over fences if building on that in a first-time hood.		
2	CENTARA (IRE) (62) (CD)	t	88
	121P-6453 8 12-2 77.1kg Paul Nicholls <i>Jay Tidball (5lb/2kg)</i> Bold-jumping front runner who made hay over fences last summer, with 4 of his 5 wins coming over C&D under this rider. Disappointing this time around but drops in class now and is on a tempting mark with Jay Tidball back up.		
3	OPENING BID (19) (CD)	s+t	100
	35194/21-4 11 11-12 75.3kg Joe Tizzard <i>Brendan Powell</i> Good record here, notching up a fourth course success in 21f handicap chase in May 2025 (final start for Chris Down). Absent 17 months but made encouraging return over hurdles for in-form new yard at Chepstow 3 weeks ago and should be up to exploiting lenient mark back chasing. Tongue tie goes on.		
4	SINCHI ROCA (IRE) (199) (D, BF)		93
	2/2914522- 6 11-8 73.5kg Syd Hosie <i>Charlie Deutsch</i> Point/fairly useful bumper winner who made a successful start over hurdles at Wincanton (2m) in January. Didn't progress after but could get back on track now chasing on return.		
5	MO GHILLE MAR (IRE) (18)	s	90
	6-1774153 5 11-7 73.0kg John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland <i>Paddy Hanlon (5lb/2kg)</i> Dual winner over hurdles this year and ran close to that form second time up in this sphere in 2m Fairyhouse beginners chase 3 weeks ago. More on her plate back handicapping.		
6	KLIC BOUM (FR) (257)		93
	333/05325- 6 10-2 64.4kg Mrs C. Williams <i>Adam Wedge</i> Fair maiden hurdler who drops significantly back down in trip for chase debut and doesn't have a great record fresh, so others preferred.		

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Opening Bid, 4-1 Centara, 9-2 The Four Sixes, 8-1 Mo Ghille Mar, 17-2 Sinchi Roca, 12-1 Klic Boum

TIMEFORM VIEW:

OPENING BID is approaching 12 but was better than the result on his recent comeback over hurdles at Chepstow for the red-hot Tizzard stable and should be up to exploiting a lenient chase mark if building on that. Centara is a 4-time C&D winner under Jay Tidball and is very interesting back under him for the first time in a while. The Four Sixes is another to note.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. OPENING BID 2. CENTARA 3. THE FOUR SIXES

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:				
2025	Breaking Cover	7-12-0	4-1 Anthony Honeyball	Sam Twiston-Davies 6
2024	Western General	6-11-4	6-4f Joe Tizzard	Brendan Powell 5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 6

SKY SPORTS RACING NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (4) 4yo+
(Rated 0-122) £9,000 3m1f170y (5180 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	FAIRYE FORTH (IRE) (176)		100
	32-1 7 12-0 76.2kg		
	Rebecca Curtis	Sean Bowen	
	Irish point winner who has made a bright start over hurdles, doing the bare minimum as he landed the odds in 2½m Ffos Las novice 6 months ago. Yard going well and he's an interesting chasing debutant up in trip and handicapping.		
2	KICK UP A STORM (IRE) (518) (BF)	t	89
	5U118/P- 8 12-0 76.2kg		
	Paul Nicholls	Freddie Gingell	
	Three-time winner over hurdles at up to 25f but made an inauspicious start over fences back from an absence here when last seen 17 months ago (reportedly lame). Best watched on return.		
3	MASK OF ZORRO (IRE) (245) (BF)		93
	56/411114- 6 11-13 75.7kg		
	Joe Tizzard	Brendan Powell	
	Improved at a rate of knots in handicap hurdles last season, again displaying all his battling qualities when making all to bring up the 4-timer at Doncaster in January. Found the demands of Bangor's hurdles track against him when last seen but should do well over fences in 2026/27 and yard flying.		
4	NOT A LIGHT (IRE) (246)		89
	17/642P- 9 11-7 73.0kg		
	Philip Hobbs & Johnson White	Jack Stenhouse (7lb/3kg)	
	Hurdles winner back from 2 years off and ran well in 25f Wincanton novice handicap chase in January. Poor effort at Catterick next time and changed hands for just £1,500 in May (albeit retained by the yard). Wouldn't completely dismiss on return.		
5	BADBURY RINGS (21)		90
	6063211/4 7 11-5 72.1kg		
	Neil Mulholland	Conor O'Farrell	
	On the up in 3m handicap hurdles in February 2025, winning at Wincanton and Taunton. Offered a bit on return from 20 months off on chase debut at Worcester 3 weeks ago, making mistakes but not knocked about. Should build on that if his jumping becomes more polished.		
6	WOODYTHEWOODPECKER (IRE) (205)		86
	94/357223- 6 10-12 68.9kg		
	Mrs C. Williams	Adam Wedge	
	Was holding his form without success in handicap hurdles around 3¼m when last seen. Bred for chasing and could do better in this sphere although he'll find easier openings.		

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:
15-8 Fairye Forth, **4-1** Mask of Zorro, **6-1** Badbury Rings, **13-2** Kick Up A Storm, **7-1** Not A Light, **12-1** Woodythewoodpecker

TIMEFORM VIEW:
FAIRYE FORTH is an appealing chasing debutant and is taken to make a winning start in this sphere for the in-form Rebecca Curtis. Mask of Zorro should do well over fences and is a big danger, while Badbury Rings can build on his opening effort in this sphere at Worcester if his jumping becomes more polished.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:
1. FAIRYE FORTH 2. MASK OF ZORRO 3. BADBURY RINGS

SMART STATS:
No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 7

THANKYOU & FAREWELL DR. TIM TILSLEY OPEN MAIDEN

NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (4) 4 and 5yo £5,000 2m167y

(3370 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Weak**

1	HE'S HAPPY (IRE)	86
	Syd Hosie €31,000 5-y-o, Capri gelding. Half-brother to fairly useful hurdler Bob Cigar and a point winner. Runner-up only start in Irish points (Feb 7). Ellis Collier (51b/2kg)	5 11-4 71.7kg
2	LET'S HAVE A DRINK (138)	85
	Alan Jones Sans Frontieres gelding who showed some ability despite not being seen to best effect when fourth of 6 in a slowly-run C&D bumper on debut in June. Improvement required to figure in what looks a notably stronger affair here, though. Mr Henry Crow (71b/3kg)	4 5 11-4 71.7kg
3	PAR AVION (244)	100
	Harry Fry Left his debut form well behind when second of 12 in 2m bumper at Taunton (good to soft) in February, keeping on well from 2f out despite still looking green. Well up to winning one of these on that evidence. Bryan Carver	42- 5 11-4 71.7kg
4	THE GIFT SHOP (FR)	96
	Dan Skelton £42,000 5-y-o, Manatee gelding. Dam (h102), maiden hurdler, half-sister to useful hurdler/chaser (stayed 21f) Ballyhill. Hammered a next-time-out winner on sole outing in Irish points and of obvious interest having transferred to the Skeltons. Harry Skelton	5 11-4 71.7kg
5	DE INOVATOR (IRE)	90
	Olly Murphy €30,000 3-y-o, £72,000 4-y-o, Order of St George gelding. Half-brother to bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler Loaded And Locked. Dam 8.4f winner. Runner-up sole outing in Irish points in May and has since joined an excellent yard. Sean Bowen	4 11-3 71.2kg
6	STRAW MERCHANT (IRE)	87
	Joe Tizzard €60,000 3-y-o, Walk In The Park gelding. Half-brother to bumper winner Is She Real. Dam, lightly raced over hurdles/fences in France, half-sister to French hurdler/chaser (17f-3½m winner) Fayas and French 2¼m/19f hurdle/chase winner Detalasse. Hails from stable in excellent form at present. Brendan Powell	4 11-3 71.2kg
7	MISS SPEC	88
	Fergal O'Brien Passing Glance mare. Sister to 2½m hurdle winner Best Mate Dave, stays 3m. Dam (c86/h93), ungenuine 3¼m chase winner, half-sister to fairly useful chaser (stayed 3¼m) Kick For Touch. Dead-heated for first sole outing in point bumpers (Feb 8). Fern O'Brien (51b/2kg)	5 10-11 68.5kg
8	HOTTENTOTTA (18)	75
	Chris Honour Scorpion half-sister to useful chaser Tile Tapper (stayed 4¼m) and fair hurdler Hot Ryan (stayed 3¼m). Bred to require a much greater test of stamina than bumpers provide and showed only greenness on her recent debut at Chepstow. Jack Stenhouse (71b/3kg)	8 4 10-10 68.0kg
9	STORM CRACKER (248)	87
	Ben Clarke Much improved from debut having been ridden in stark contrast in a first-time hood when second of 10 in 2m bumper at Hereford (soft) in February, collared near finish having had the run of the race. Further progress needed back from 8 months off. Rex Dingle	92- 4 10-10 68.0kg

9 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Par Avion, 3-1 The Gift Shop, 6-1 De Inovator, 10-1 Miss Spec, 12-1 Storm Cracker, 14-1 Straw Merchant, 22-1 He's Happy, 25-1 Let's Have A Drink, 100-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

THE GIFT SHOP hammered a next-time-out winner on sole outing in Irish points and, having subsequently transferred to the Skeltons, he makes obvious appeal. Par Avion has already run to a level good enough to win plenty of bumpers and merits respect for a yard that took this race in 2024 with unbeaten hurdler Idaho Sun. De Inovator is another to note on his first start under Rules having joined a good outfit.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. THE GIFT SHOP 2. PAR AVION 3. DE INOVATOR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Crest of Stars 4-11-3	7-1	Anthony Honeyball	Sam Twiston-Davies	11
2024	Idaho Sun 4-11-1	9-2	Harry Fry	Bryan Carver	10

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race