

Saturday 31st January

WETHERBY



12.30	WILLIAM HILL RACING BET BUILDER MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 1	(2) QUEENIE ST CLAIR (3) KAYDENCE (1) BITTALEMON
1.00	SAM HINDLE MEMORIAL NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE (Qualifier) (5) 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)
RACE 2	(4) ATHAIR MOR (1) BANK ON FRANK (2) GALIDAM
1.33	WILMOT-SMITH MEMORIAL MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)
RACE 3	(2) JUST GOLDEN (4) SOLID PERFORMER (3) NOSY NEIGHBOUR
2.08	WILLIAM HILL EACH WAY EXTRA HANDICAP CHASE (3) 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)
RACE 4	(4) PRINCE ZALTAR (2) BIG CITY ROLLER (1) TWOSHOTSOFTEQUILA
2.45	WATCH RACING TV IN STUNNING HD HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)
RACE 5	(7) JERICOACOARA (4) BARATABLET (3) JOHN BARBOUR
3.15	PETER BEAUMONT MEMORIAL OPEN HUNTERS' CHASE (5) 3m45y (4870 Metres)
RACE 6	(7) GOOD BOY BOBBY (5) ST CUTHBERT'S CAVE (4) JEFFERY'S CROSS
3.50	WATCH RACE REPLAYS AT racingtv.com OPEN MAIDEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 2m (3220 Metres)
RACE 7	(7) PRESLEY (4) MIDNIGHT JUKEBOX (5) NOT WITHOUT DANGER

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.









12.30

RACE 1

WILLIAM HILL RACING BET BUILDER MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 5yo+ mares £10,000 2m (3220 Metres)**GBI RACING**Going: **Soft (Heavy in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

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| 1 | BITTALEMOM (42)
451817 5 11-12 75.3kg
James Moffatt
Fair 1½m Flat winner for William Haggas who showed similar form to land a pair of Cartmel novices over the summer. Predictably struggled up in class at Haydock after 4 months off 6 weeks ago but back can make presence felt back at this level. | s | 95 |
|  | 2 | h |  100 |
| | QUEENIE ST CLAIR (IRE) (36)
685007-61 6 11-7 73.0kg
Nick Scholfield
Maiden winner on the Flat in Ireland and improved to make a winning start for a new stable in 12-runner handicap hurdle at Wincanton on return 5 weeks ago. Obvious chance on these terms back in a novice. | | Jack Quinlan |
|  | 3 | (D) | |
| | KAYDENCE (55)
418 6 11-0 69.9kg
Olly Murphy
Built on debut promise to win Uttoxeter bumper in October but made little impression upped in class at Huntingdon last month. Won't see the best of her over hurdles until tackling further but big player in this company. | | Robert Dunne |
|  | 4 | (20) | 92 |
| | KHUTULUN KHAN (IRE)
30/5 7 11-0 69.9kg
Lucy Wadham
Promising third on Ascot bumper debut in February 2024 but well held at Cheltenham 2 months later. First run since (off 21 months) when fifth of 9 in novice at Fontwell on hurdles bow 20 days ago and likely to come on for that. | | Jonathan Burke |
|  | 5 | (707) | |
| | MIDNIGHT VENTURE
2/ 6 11-0 69.9kg
Jamie Snowden 
Not seen since runner-up in weak Chepstow bumper on debut almost 2 years ago and probably best watched. | | Joe Anderson (3lb/1kg) |
|  | 6 | (15) | 88 |
| | REDEEMING LOVE (IRE)
7-66 6 11-0 69.9kg
Mark Walford
£78,000 purchase after finishing third in an Irish point but hasn't shown any short-term promise in 3 starts under Rules. | | Jamie Hamilton |
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6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Queenie St Clair, **3-1** Kaydence, **11-2** Khutulun Khan, **6-1** Bittalemon, **9-1** Midnight Venture, **16-1** Redeeming Love

TIMEFORM VIEW:

QUEENIE ST CLAIR improved to make a winning start for this yard in a handicap at Wincanton and looks the one to beat back in a novice. Bumper winner Kaydence is feared most now going hurdling.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. QUEENIE ST CLAIR 2. KAYDENCE 3. BITTALEMOM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 Magical Annie 6-11-0	11-2 Fergal O'Brien	Kielan Woods	8
2024 Yorkshire Lady 6-11-0	10-3 Michael & David Easterby	Jamie Hamilton	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

**SAM HINDLE MEMORIAL NOVICES' HANDICAP CHASE
(Qualifier) (5) 5yo+ (Rated 0-100) £7,000 2m3f85y
(3900 Metres)****GBI RACING**Going: **Soft (Heavy in places)**

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 BANK ON FRANK (76) s **99**
59346-72 8 12-0 | 76.2kg



Ben Pauling

Beau Morgan (51b/2kg)

Runner-up sole start in points and immediately stepped up on modest hurdles exploits when dead-heating for second place in 21.6f Fontwell handicap on chase debut 76 days ago. Entitled to build on that so player with headgear on.

2 GALIDAM (FR) (34) t **93**
7515P-633 6 11-12 | 75.3kg



Micky Hammond

Callum Bewley

Fair hurdler in France. Modest form at best for current yard, though some promise switched to fences last 2 starts.

3 COPPER COVE (IRE) (23) (BF) **94**
7734-P4P2 9 11-7 | 73.0kg



Dominic Elsworth

Robert Dunne

Made more impact than for a while off reduced mark when second at Ffos Las 23 days ago, no match for rejuvenated winner but pulled clear of remainder. Back over fences now (didn't show much on sole start in this sphere).

4 ATHAIR MOR (IRE) (36) (BF) t   **100**
3464-6222 7 11-6 | 72.6kg



Paul Robson

Ryan Mania

Has taken well to fences this season, runner-up last 3 starts, including over this C&D the last twice, and shouldn't be long before he goes one better.

5 KING OF CONG (IRE) (34) (D) b **88**
760P2430 8 11-6 | 72.6kg



Sam England

Tom Midgley (31b/1kg)

Ex-Irish who posted his best effort over fences when second at Hexham but form has been regressive since. Change of headgear.

6 AHANAGLOGH (IRE) (19) **90**
5-008 7 10-13 | 69.4kg



Fergal O'Brien

Jonathan Burke

Placed both starts in points. Mid-field only start in bumpers and well held in 3 novice hurdles. Switches straight to fences for handicap debut.

7 WESTERDALE (35) **87**
556P-00 7 10-3 | 64.9kg



Mark Walford

Jamie Hamilton

Poor form over hurdles. Makes chase debut.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Athair Mor, **11-4** Bank On Frank, **5-1** Copper Cove, **6-1** Galidam, **12-1** Ahanaglogh, **20-1** King of Cong, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

ATHAIR MOR arrives on the back of a sequence of sound efforts and is preferred to Bank On Frank, who made a decent start in this sphere when second at Fontwell.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. ATHAIR MOR 2. BANK ON FRANK 3. GALIDAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Jumper Madrik 6-11-2	10-3jf	Charlie Longsdon	Richie McLernon	10
2024	Carrigeen Castle 8-12-0	15-8f	Micky Hammond	Alice Stevens (5)	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.33**WILMOT-SMITH MEMORIAL MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 4yo+
£10,000 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)**

RACE 3

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 FOREVER LOUIE (40) 71
62 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Rebecca Menzies

Ross Chapman

Half-brother to 3 winners, including bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler Ryedale Racer. Built on debut promise when second in 7-runner bumper at Musselburgh (15.6f, good to soft) 40 days ago, lacking pace of winner. Longer trip should suit but faces no easy task on hurdle debut.

2 JUST GOLDEN (IRE) (30) (BF) 100
21-232 6 11-4 | 71.7kg t



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Successful on second of 2 starts in bumpers and is improving over hurdles for top yard, finishing ahead of couple of next-time-out winners at Newcastle prior to going close in a much stronger maiden at Cheltenham (20.2f) on New Year's Day. The one to beat in first-time tongue strap.

3 NOSY NEIGHBOUR (IRE) (67) 71
3 5 11-4 | 71.7kg



Rebecca Menzies

Nathan Mascrop

Made frame on second of 2 starts in Irish points and promising start to Rules career (despite some novicey jumping) when third of 11 in Southwell maiden (15.8f, good to soft), no match for front pair who have progressed since. Will be suited by this step up in trip and can improve.

4 SOLID PERFORMER (IRE) (29) 73
33 8 11-4 | 71.7kg



Donald McCain

William Maggs (5lb/2kg)

Well-built, lightly-raced 8-y-o. Winner sole start in points and has made an encouraging start over hurdles, finishing third in a pair of maidens around 2½m, latterly when still looking a work in process at Ayr (soft) earlier this month. Capable of better, especially over fences.

5 THE DOG THIEF (IRE) 71
6 11-4 | 71.7kg



Tom Ellis

Jack Andrews

€10,000 3-y-o. Closely related to fairly useful hurdlers Oneofthesenights (stayed 2¾m) and Operation Overlord (stayed 2½m). Successful sole outing in points in December and market can guide on first start under Rules.

6 CALLMESUSIE (IRE) (13) 65
6-R7 8 10-11 | 68.5kg



Louise Allan

Jack Quinlan

Sole win from 14 starts in points and only minor promise on bumper debut. Has displayed more temperament than ability over hurdles, refusing to race at Wetherby prior to showing nothing at Fakenham last time. Easy to look elsewhere.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

1-2 Just Golden, **7-1** Solid Performer, **10-1** Nosy Neighbour, **12-1** Forever Louie, **12-1** The Dog Thief, **250-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This looks an excellent opportunity for improving JUST GOLDEN to get off the mark over hurdles. It's unlikely we've seen the best of imposing 8-y-o Solid Performer, but he may come into his own over fences, while Nosy Neighbour is entitled to take a step forward from his hurdle debut form.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. JUST GOLDEN 2. SOLID PERFORMER 3. NOSY NEIGHBOUR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Lud'or 5-11-4	4-7f	Tom Symonds	Jordan Nailor	14
2024	Leading Choice 7-11-4	5-1	Nicky Martin	Sean Houlihan	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.08**WILLIAM HILL EACH WAY EXTRA HANDICAP CHASE (3) 5yo+
(Rated 0-125) £15,000 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)**

RACE 4

GBI RACINGGoing: **Soft (Heavy in places)**

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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

1 TWOSHOTSOFTEQUILA (IRE) (697) 98
P223011/ 9 12-2 | 77.1kg



Rebecca Menzies

Nathan Moscrop

Strong-travelling sort who improved to land a double in soft/heavy ground chases around 3m at Catterick/Newcastle in 2024. Drop back in trip no issue for this belated hat-trick bid and interesting if market suggests he's firing on all cylinders following 23-month absence.

2 BIG CITY ROLLER (22) s 99
12/1-5 8 11-11 | 74.8kg



Charlie Longsdon

Lilly Pinchin

Point/novice hurdle winner hasn't stood much racing but defied a significant absence to make a successful chase debut at Bangor (heavy) in February. Better than the result when fifth on comeback at Exeter last month and has definite claims if back to best in first-time cheekpieces.

3 CERENDIPITY (IRE) (14) (C, D) 98
4134-24f6 9 11-9 | 73.9kg



Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith

Jamie Hamilton

Course winner chased home a now smart sort on reappearance at Stratford in October but has been let down by his jumping subsequently. Will need to improve on that front with headgear removed but has dropped below his last successful mark.

4 PRINCE ZALTAR (FR) (35) ★ 100
1P416234 9 11-8 | 73.5kg



Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Made a successful start over hurdles for Dan Skelton on soft ground at Newton Abbot in September and better than ever when third in a better handicap chase at Doncaster (3m) last month. Not in same form on good ground at Kempton since but should be seen to much better effect under these conditions.

5 JASMIN DE COTTE (FR) (14) 95
58335-F70 7 11-0 | 69.9kg



Dan Skelton

Charlie Todd

Fairly useful winner of 2½m maiden chase in May 2024 for Paul Nolan (sole success from 14 starts under Rules in Ireland) and likely needed the run on stable debut following 12 weeks off/breathing operation. Back over fences but jockey bookings suggest he could be a longer-term project for new yard.

6 TRAC (FR) (51) (CD) b 98
1/6P54-251 9 10-9 | 67.6kg



Micky Hammond

Callum Bewley

Hit-and-miss type who was clearly perked up by first-time blinkers when landing 2½m handicap chase at Newcastle last month, running his best race for some time to capitalise on a reduced mark. Remains to be seen if blinkers have the same effect second time around.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Prince Zaltar, **7-2** Big City Roller, **5-1** Twoshotsoftequila, **11-2** Cerendipity, **11-2** Trac, **16-1** Jasmin De Cotte

TIMEFORM VIEW:

PRINCE ZALTAR has already mixed it in better company this season and the return to softer conditions can see him resume winning ways. Big City Roller (first-time cheekpieces) is very lightly-raced for his age and would be interesting if building on a creditable comeback at Exeter, while Twoshotsoftequila is worth noting if the betting suggests he's ready to roll for his belated hat-trick bid.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PRINCE ZALTAR 2. BIG CITY ROLLER 3. TWOSHOTSOFTEQUILA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 **Real Stone** 10-12-0 33-1 Dan Skelton Tristan Durrell (3) 12
2024 **Eaton Collina** 9-11-4 7-1 Kerry Lee Richard Patrick 9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.45**WATCH RACING TV IN STUNNING HD HANDICAP HURDLE (3)
4yo+ (Rated 0-130) £15,000 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)****RACE 5****GBI RACING**Going: **Soft (Heavy in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 JUNKER D'ALLIER (FR) (29) (BF) t 99
11P41-435 7 12-0 | 76.2kg



Olly Murphy

Lewis Saunders (5lb/2kg)

Multiple novice hurdle winner last term and no great surprise that he returns to this sphere having disappointed in a handicap chase on third try over fences at Ayr earlier this month. This will be his first run in a handicap over hurdles and he has to enter calculations.

2 KALIUM (FR) (63) (C) 97
121151-3 6 11-12 | 75.3kg



Tim Vaughan

James Davies

Irish bumper winner who struck 3 times over hurdles last season. Reappearance third at Doncaster (19.4f, soft) was respectable and, likely to strip fitter this time, he's not without an each-way chance.

3 JOHN BARBOUR (31) (D) t 97
2120-4121 7 11-11 | 74.8kg



Fergal O'Brien

Jonathan Burke

Has raised his game this season after undergoing a wind op last summer, adding to his tally when keeping on well to land a soft-ground 2½m Uttoxeter handicap on New Year's Eve. 3 lb nudge by no means prohibitive and he's a must for the shortlist.

4 BARATABLET (IRE) (33) (D, BF) ★ 100
22131-14 6 11-7 | 73.0kg



Nicky Richards

Callum Bewley

Progressed again when landing a 13-runner Newcastle handicap (20.3f, good to soft) in good style on his seasonal reappearance last month. The race may have come too soon when failing to land the odds at Kelso 18 days later and this 6-y-o may well get back on track here.

5 KINGSTON NARCISSUS (FR) (36) (D) t 96
2221F-331 7 11-4 | 71.7kg



Rebecca Menzies

Ross Chapman

Opened his account in Sedgefield maiden hurdle last term and, fitted with a first-time tongue strap, he found some improvement when bagging a handicap at the same course (19.8f, good to soft) last time. Likely to run his race once again but more will be needed now 5 lb higher in a tougher race.

6 LORD OF ALL SAINTS (FR) (51) (D) h+t 97
6/4111P-07 6 10-12 | 68.9kg



Harriet Dickin

James Best

Looked progressive in handicaps last season, completing a hat-trick in good style at Sandown (19.8f, soft) in January. It's been downhill all the way since, though, and he remains 5 lb above that winning mark.

7 JERICOACOARA (FR) (77) 99
54/7430-05 7 10-11 | 68.5kg



Micky Hammond

Conor Rabbitt (3lb/1kg)

French import who has dropped 12 lb in the weights since making debut for present connections last February and shaped as though working his way back to form when fifth of 9 here (21.2f, soft) in November. Needs considering.

8 NORTH PARADE (IRE) (42) ✓ 99
52847-844 11 10-6 | 66.2kg



Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith

Peter Kavanagh

Losing run mounting up and while he would have a serious chance off this reduced mark if he were to put his best foot forward, he probably needs a stiffer test than this nowadays.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 John Barbour, **10-3** Baratable, **7-1** Kalium, **15-2** Junker D'allier, **8-1** Kingston Narcissus, **11-1** Jericoacoara, **16-1** North Parade, **20-1** Lord of All Saints

TIMEFORM VIEW:

It could be worth chancing JERICOACOARA, who produced his best effort yet on these shores when fifth here on his latest start in November. The 7-y-o would've finished closer but for a final-flight mistake and he has dipped to an attractive mark. Baratable misfired last time but remains of interest in view of his earlier promise and rates the main danger, while John Barbour and top-weight Junker d'Allier also merit respect.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. JERICOACOARA 2. BARATABLET 3. JOHN BARBOUR

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Mr Bramley 7-11-8	7-4f	Jedd O'Keeffe	Conor O'Farrell	17
2024	War Soldier 7-11-1	9-1	Sandy Thomson	Ryan Mania	11
2023	Pyramid Place 6-11-0	10-3	Milton Harris	Mitchell Bastyan	10
2022	No Risk des Flos 7-11-12	5-2	Olly Murphy	Harry Skelton	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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PETER BEAUMONT MEMORIAL OPEN HUNTERS' CHASE (5)
6yo+ £5,000 3m45y (4870 Metres)

RACE 6



Going: **Soft (Heavy in places)**

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Pace Information: **Weak**

1 SAM MAGEE (IRE) (178) (D) 90
 P4415-PF3 9 12-6 | 78.9kg
 Charles R. Clark *Mr Joe Wright (31b/1kg)*
 Fairly useful chaser for Henry De Bromhead including when respectable third of 12 in handicap chase at Wexford (25.3f, good to soft, 11/1) in August. Well held in recent point on debut for new yard, though.

2 WHAT A GLANCE (323) 93
 2/110- 11 12-6 | 78.9kg
 Tom Britten *Mr Frederick Philipson-Stow (71b/3kg)*
 Well beaten in Foxhunters last term but had won hunters at Cheltenham and Stratford the previous year and will be fit from an outing between the flags last month. Respected.

3 CONQUREDALOFEUROPE (IRE) (680) 78
 654136P/ 11 12-2 | 77.1kg
 F. Foster *Mr Felix Foster (71b/3kg)*
 Finished last home in recent points outing and has plenty to find on Rules form.

4 JEFFERY'S CROSS (IRE) (59) (D) 94
 P41-23332 10 12-2 | 77.1kg
 Dan Skelton *Mr Sean O'Connor (51b/2kg)*
 Acquitted himself well in both hunter chase outings (Ludlow winner last April) and arrives on back of creditable second of 5 in handicap chase at same course (25.6f, good to soft) 59 days ago. One of likelier contenders.

5 ST CUTHBERT'S CAVE (IRE) (16) (BF) 96
 1-3232F1P 8 12-2 | 77.1kg
 J. J. O'Shea *Mr Henry Crow (51b/2kg)*
 Fairly useful chaser who got back on the up when making successful debut for Simon Edwards at Uttoxeter (2m) in September. Justified favouritism in a pair of points for new yard since and was found to have bled when pulled up at Ludlow earlier this month. Shortlisted.

6 ARTHUR'S SEAT (IRE) (1351) (BF) 9
 9 11-12 | 75.3kg
 W. J. Brown *Miss Pippa Brown (51b/2kg)*
 Fair hurdler at best but not seen under Rules for over 3 years and was last of 5 home in Point last May. Best watched on return here. Had wind operation.

7 GOOD BOY BOBBY (IRE) (336) (CD) 100
 50/3323P3- 13 11-12 | 75.3kg
 Nigel & Willy Twiston-Davies *Miss Amber Jackson-Fennell (71b/3kg)*
 Back-to-back winner in veterans' handicaps towards the end of 2023 and made the frame in 5 of his 6 starts last term, including when creditable third of 8 in handicap chase at Newbury (26f, good to soft) last March. Holds strong claims on hunter debut.

8 MAJOR DUNDEE (IRE) (343) (D) 90
 35PU/6P6- 11 11-12 | 75.3kg
 Francesca Poste *Mr Sam Lee (71b/3kg)*
 Winner of 2023 Midlands Grand National but largely disappointed thereafter, including when sixth in Eider Chase last February. Run respectably in both Points starts for new connections but others are other convincing.

9 PAUL MARVEL (FR) (8) 91
 45427/P-2 9 11-12 | 75.3kg
 J. J. O'Shea *Miss Lisa Oconnor (71b/3kg)*
 Fairly useful performer for Willie Mullins in 2023/24 and notched second success between the flags in November. Offered more than on hunter debut when second of 8 at Warwick (24f, soft) 8 days ago and can make presence felt here. Cheekpieces on first time.

10 RATH AN IUIR (IRE) (707) (D) 89
 815F/ 13 11-12 | 75.3kg
 Mrs E. Austin *Mr Nick Orpwood (31b/1kg)*
 Fair chaser at best but not seen under Rules for 23 months and last month's return between the flags didn't offer much encouragement.

11 ZHIGULI (IRE) (714) 96
 4P24/ 11 11-12 | 75.3kg
 Mrs C. A. Coward *Mr Thomas Easterby (51b/2kg)*
 Three-time winner over fences who has also been twice successful between the flags. Posted solid third on return in that sphere earlier this month and will be dangerous if able to build on that here.

12 RED OPIUM (656) 62
 PP4/ 10 11-5 | 72.1kg
 Mrs C. A. Coward *Mr John Dawson*
 Seven-race maiden under Rules and pulled up on return in points earlier this month. Hard to recommend.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Good Boy Bobby, **5-1** St Cuthbert's Cave, **5-1** Jeffery's Cross, **15-2** What A Glance, **8-1** Paul Marvel, **11-1** Major Dundee, **12-1** Zhiguli, **22-1** Sam Magee, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

GOOD BOY BOBBY is at the veteran stage now but will likely have optimum conditions for his first crack in hunters and can land the spoils. St Cuthbert's Cave and Jeffery's Cross should also go well.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GOOD BOY BOBBY 2. ST CUTHBERT'S CAVE 3. JEFFERY'S CROSS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Jet Plane 9-12-6	evsf	Dan Skelton	Miss Heidi Palin (5)	7
2024	Sine Nomine 8-11-13	6-1	Fiona Needham	Mr John Dawson	6
2023	Not That Fuisse 10-12-6	11-8f	Dan Skelton	Miss Heidi Palin (7)	6
2022	Dubai Quest 9-12-2	11-8f	Tom Ellis	Miss Gina Andrews	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 7

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Pace Information: **Even**

1 EXECUTIVE PRODUCER (IRE) (40) h+t 78
5 6 11-8 | 73.5kg

Jessica Bedi **Callum Bewley**
Placed on the second of 2 starts in Irish points but refused to settle starting out under Rules in a tongue strap when finishing a well-held fifth of 8 at Musselburgh last month.

2 HURLYBURLY (IRE) (35) 80
46 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Jedd O'Keeffe **Jack Andrews**
Shirocco gelding who ran to a similar level as on debut when sixth of 15 in C&D bumper (soft) 35 days ago. More needed for win purposes.

3 MARBLE SKY (IRE) (35) 60
0 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Andrew Crook **Joe Williamson (3lb/1kg)**
Offered little on last month's C&D debut.

4 MIDNIGHT JUKEBOX (IRE) 87
5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Fergal O'Brien **Jonathan Burke**
€135,000 Jukebox Jury gelding who was successful on sole outing in Irish points. Dam (h92), point winner/placed over hurdles (stayed 2½m), sister to fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser (stayed 21f) Gunsight Ridge and fairly useful hurdler (stays 19f) Itwasfate. Noteworthy newcomer to Rules.

5 NOT WITHOUT DANGER (IRE) (98) 82
2-8 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Samuel Drinkwater **Robert Dunne**
Produced a promising first effort when second of 10 in bumper at Ffos Las in April. Below that level in a stronger race at Cheltenham in October but wasn't ideally placed so worth another chance to build on debut promise.

6 PRESENTANDCORRECT (IRE) (78) 79
6 6 11-8 | 73.5kg

Rebecca Menzies **Nathan Moscrop**
Is bred to stay well and shaped in kind when sixth of 11 in bumper at Southwell (15.8f, soft) on debut 78 days ago. Will be of more interest at longer trips over jumps.

7 PRESLEY (IRE) (56) (BF) 100
3 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Dan Skelton **Harry Skelton**
€185,000 Harzand gelding. Half-brother to 5 winners, including fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser Arizona Cardinal and fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser Destroytheevidence. Shaped with bags of promise when faring best of those held up on his Chepstow debut 56 days ago and seems sure to improve.

8 PRINCE PHIL h 78
5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Sam England **Tom Midgley (3lb/1kg)**
Linda's Lad gelding. Dam (c90/h94) 21f/23¼m hurdle/chase winner. Wears hood.

9 SILVER CIRBUS (IRE) 78
5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Paul Robson **Ryan Mania**
Cloudings gelding. Half-brother to fair hurdler Spin The Coin, stayed 2¼m. Dam point winner out of useful hurdle/fairly useful chase winner up to 21f Image de Marque II.

10 STATIC CHARM (FR) (35) 81
34 5 11-8 | 73.5kg

Micky Hammond **Conor Rabbitt (3lb/1kg)**
Showed more than first time up when fourth of 15 in bumper (50/1) at this C&D (soft) 35 days ago, keeping on. Has solid each-way claims with a repeat.

11 PORT AND BRANDY (IRE) 79
6 11-1 | 70.3kg

Mickey Bowen **Shane Fenelon (5lb/2kg)**
€12,000 3-y-o, €20,000 5-y-o, Affinisea mare. Dam unraced, out of 3m hurdle winner Wild Rhubarb.

12 MAC GAYVEUR (FR) 79
4 10-9 | 67.6kg

Tom Weston **Lewis Saunders (5lb/2kg)**
King Edward gelding. Half-brother to 5 winners, including bumper winner/fairly useful hurdler Aniknam and fair hurdler Grooveur. Yard sent out a bumper winner at Exeter earlier in the month, so needs a market check.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-5 Presley, 4-1 Midnight Jukebox, 9-1 Not Without Danger, 12-1 Static Charm, 16-1 Hurlyburly, 22-1 Port And Brandy, 25-1 Mac Gayveur, 28-1 Presentandcorrect, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The well-bred PRESLEY shaped with bags of promise in faring best of those held up in a good-quality bumper at Chepstow on his debut last month, so is a straightforward choice to get off the mark at the second time of asking. Of the opposition, Midnight Jukebox is a noteworthy Rules debutant having joined shrewd connections following an Irish point win, while Not Without Danger is worth another chance to build on his initial promise.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. PRESLEY 2. MIDNIGHT JUKEBOX 3. NOT WITHOUT DANGER

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Bay Empress 6-11-0	18-1	Micky Hammond	Henry Brooke	9
2024	Off To Alabama 6-11-7	66-1	John Mackie	Jamie Hamilton	11
2023	Long Symphony 6-11-7	40-1	Laura Horsfall	Charlie Price (3)	14
2022	Don Hollow 5-11-5	10-3	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race