GBI RACING

TIMEFORM 1-2-3

Friday 13th November

SOUTHWELL

12.20	**DBS AND WILMOTT DIXON BUILDING TOGETHER HANDICAP CHASE (5) 2½m88y (4100 Metres)**
RACE 1	**(8) GOLLY GOSH | (5) JAC JUMPER | (3) LARGY PANIC**
12.55	**JDA GRAND DESIGN MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 3m60y (4880 Metres)**
RACE 2	**(2) GATA BAN | (1) PRINCESS KERI | (5) OUT ON HER OWN**
1.30	**QUINNBET DAILY FREE BET HANDICAP CHASE (4) 3m1f185y (5200 Metres)**
RACE 3	**(3) MAY CALL YOU BACK | (2) GOLAN LOOP | (1) BALLYKINLAR**
2.05	**LEXY 21st BIRTHDAY OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)**
RACE 4	**(2) HELIOS FORLONGE | (1) FRANCISCO ALVARES | (4) MIRAGE D'ALENE**
2.40	**FESTIVE FIXTURES AT SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)**
RACE 5	**(3) CLONDAW PARK | (6) MADAM SPEAKER | (5) IT TAKES TWO**
3.15	**WINTER LADIES DAY SATURDAY 28th NOVEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)**
RACE 6	**(2) NORTHWEST PASSAGE | (5) PROMETHEAN | (1) CHARACTER TESTING**
3.50	**CELEBRATE WITH SPONSORSHIP AT SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE CONDITIONAL JOCKEYS' HANDICAP HURDLE (5) 3m60y (4880 Metres)**
RACE 7	**(2) KEEP ON COBBLING | (3) CRAFTY GAEL | (5) LUMINARIES**

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.

12.20 RACE 1 — DBS AND WILMOTT DIXON BUILDING TOGETHER HANDICAP CHASE (5) 4yo+ (Rated 0-100) £6,150 2½m88y (4100 Metres)

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Pace Information: **Weak**

10 DECLARED RUNNERS

1 **UNLEASH THE BEAST (IRE) (265)** (BF) **75**
56527/76- **7** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Fergal O'Brien — ***Liam Harrison***
Race-by-race progress in trio of maiden hurdles in 2024/25. Seen only twice last season and limited impact in 2 handicaps, but this switch to larger obstacles could be just what he needs. Probably wants further than this, however.

2 **WOODVIEW LAD (IRE) (11)** **73**
3/74983-P **5** 11-11 | 74.8kg
Gary Hanmer — ***K. Brogan***
Ran easily his best race for current connections when 4¾-length third at Hexham (2½m) on final start last season but could hardly have shown any less after 7 months off over C&D (good to soft) 11 days ago. Attentions quickly turned to chasing.

3 **LARGY PANIC (IRE) (206)** (BF) t **77**
P79817- **6** 11-10 | 74.4kg
Ben Clarke — ***David Noonan***
Made it second time lucky in handicaps when keeping on gamely to get the better of a tight finish at Kempton (2m, good) in March. Proved to be a disappointment at Ffos Las (2½m, good) the following month and off since ahead of this chasing debut (has had breathing operation).

4 **GET IN ORDER (IRE) (23)** **73**
54400-7 **6** 11-10 | 74.4kg
Henry Oliver — ***Robert Dunne***
Offered something to work on in maiden/novice hurdles towards the end of 2025 but well held in 3 handicaps, the latest after 7 months off at Worcester recently. Hopes pinned on this switch to fences to get his career back on track.

5 **JAC JUMPER (FR) (499)** (BF) s+t **76**
224422/45- **7** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Deborah Cole — ***Joe Anderson*** (3lb/1kg)
Hurdles winner in France who has placed several times over fences in Britain without winning. In a lull when last seen in July 2025 and while the handicapper has given him a chance, a leap of faith is required on return.

6 **WALKINTHEPRESENT (IRE) (23)** s **76**
0683314-P **6** 11-6 | 72.6kg
Neil Mulholland — ***Dylan Johnston***
Looked all about stamina when getting off the mark at Taunton in March. Couldn't follow up from a 7 lb higher mark the following month (unsuited by emphasis on speed) and ran no sort of race switched to fences at Fontwell recently (should make a chaser). Drops back in trip.

7 **IONITY (FR) (22)** (D) **76**
133/32-P **7** 11-5 | 72.1kg
Mrs C. Williams — ***Adam Wedge***
Got off the mark in 2½m handicap hurdle at Ffos Las in May 2024. Lightly raced since and made an inauspicious start over fences after 8 months off at that track recently. Big step forward needed.

8 **GOLLY GOSH (IRE) (25)** t ★ **100**
67P-P7221 **5** 10-12 | 68.9kg
Tom Ellis — ***Jack Andrews***
Little encouragement over hurdles for Billy Aprahamian but has taken well to chasing for new connections, getting off the mark in 4-runner handicap chase at Plumpton (2½m, good) last month. Could prove tough to peg back if sent to the front again so leading claims.

9 **SCORO (FR) (11)** s+t **73**
4664PP **6** 10-2(9-13) | 64.4kg (63.0kg)
L J Morgan — ***Harry Reed***
Winner pointer who made more impact switched to fences when fourth of 11 at Cartmel (21f) in August. Pulled up in a couple of handicap hurdles since (visored latest) and need this return to fences to spark a revival. Cheekpieces/tongue tie reapplied.

10 **CABALLO DIABLO (IRE) (412)** **73**
7073/57- **10** 10-2(9-9) | 64.4kg (61.2kg)
Jonathan Barlow — ***Miss Ellie Callwood*** (7lb/3kg)
Multiple point winner but has struggled under Rules. Returns from 13 months off from well out of the weights again so can only be watched.

BETTING FORECAST:

4-5 Golly Gosh, **17-2** Largy Panic, **12-1** Jac Jumper, **12-1** Ionity, **12-1** Walkinthepresent, **16-1** Unleash The Beast, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

It's difficult to get away from GOLLY GOSH, who has taken well to chasing for his new yard and the front-running tactics that were successfully adopted last time often work well around here. Jac Jumper is potentially well handicapped on his best form, so he could emerge as the main threat if ready to go after a lengthy lay-off, with Largy Panic rounding off the shortlist.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GOLLY GOSH 2. JAC JUMPER 3. LARGY PANIC

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

12.55 RACE 2

JDA GRAND DESIGN MARES' HANDICAP CHASE (5) 4yo+ fillies and mares (Rated 0-100) £6,150 3m60y (4880 Metres)

GBI RACING

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **PRINCESS KERI (IRE) (32)** **76**

211U12P-P **6** 12-0 | 76.2kg



Mrs C. Williams — ***Adam Wedge***

Had a fine spell over hurdles last season, winning 3 mares' handicaps at up to 21f. Still lightly raced over fences (won at Ffos Las in March 2025) and better than being pulled up suggests on Worcester reappearance having raced alone on the unfavoured part of the track. Could go well.

2 **GATA BAN (IRE) (68)** (BF) s **100**

634-21143 **9** 11-6 | 72.6kg



Neil Mulholland — ***Dylan Johnston***

Enjoyed a fruitful summer winning handicap chases at Worcester and Fontwell. Creditable third of 6 back at Fontwell (3¼m, good) in September. Leading claims.

3 **KIT'S COTY (IRE) (27)** (D) **96**

6/13433-34 **8** 11-2 | 70.8kg



Emma Lavelle — ***Charlie Todd***

Winner over fences at Ludlow (3m) last October but has failed to reproduce that form subsequently, returning from a 5-month break with a remote fourth at Stratford 4 weeks ago.

4 **WALKINGTHELINE (IRE) (120)** h+t **99**

4364/P5 **6** 10-8 | 67.1kg



Steph Cameron — ***Toby Wynne***

From the family of a useful chaser and showed some ability in making the frame in bumpers and a maiden hurdle for Tom Lacey. No show in 2 Worcester hurdles for new yard in July but did win in points prior to that and may fare better now handicap chasing.

5 **OUT ON HER OWN (26)** **99**

223-2545F **6** 10-3 | 64.9kg



Dianne Sayer — ***Conor O'Farrell***

In the frame twice from 4 starts since sent chasing and set for a creditable third when falling at the last over 21f at Sedgefield last time. However, she is a free-going sort who has failed to see out her races on occasions so this trip is a slight concern.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-10 Gata Ban, **9-4** Out On Her Own, **8-1** Princess Keri, **10-1** Kit's Coty, **20-1** Walkingtheline

TIMEFORM VIEW:

This looks a good chance for GATA BAN to land a third success of the season. With doubts about Out On Her Own's stamina over 3m it could be that the class-dropping Princess Keri, who shaped better than the result on her reappearance, gives Neil Mulholland's charge most to do.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GATA BAN 2. PRINCESS KERI 3. OUT ON HER OWN

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.30 RACE 3

QUINNBET DAILY FREE BET HANDICAP CHASE (4) 4yo+ (Rated 0-115) £8,900 3m1f185y (5200 Metres)

GBI RACING

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **BALLYKINLAR (IRE)** (20) s+t **97**

3207-0337 **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg

Mickey Bowen ***James Murray*** (10lb/5kg)

Fairly useful ex-Irish winning hurdler. Has yet to fire over fences for current yard but this is at least less competitive than the Cheltenham handicap he contested last time.

2 **GOLAN LOOP (IRE)** (226) (BF) **98**

35/121P34- **6** 11-7 | 73.0kg

Warren Greatrex ***Caoilin Quinn***

Won a 25f Hereford handicap chase last winter. Progress stalled subsequently but he's gone well fresh before and could bounce back after a breathing operation.

3 **MAY CALL YOU BACK** (223) **100**

4211205F- **8** 11-6 | 72.6kg

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

Has won 5 (2 hurdle, 3 chase) of her 12 starts since joining Willie Mullins. Would have run creditably again but stumbling and unseating last at Fairyhouse when last seen in April. This looks easier than a lot of the races she contested in Ireland last season. Obvious claims.

4 **ISLAND BRIDGE (IRE)** (22) s **97**

03/42223-4 **6** 11-4 | 71.7kg

Kim Bailey & Mat Nicholls ***Tom Bellamy***

Placed in a bumper and fair form when reaching the frame in maiden/novice hurdles at up to 3m last season. Made hard work of things when well-beaten fourth when switched to fences for his handicap debut/reappearance at Ffos Las 22 days ago. Cheekpieces are reached for after that.

5 **EXPRESS SURPRISE (IRE)** (203) t **99**

43/31141P- **7** 11-2 | 70.8kg

Clive Boultbee-Brooks ***Ned Fox*** (3lb/1kg)

Won a trio of 3m handicap chases last winter but pulled up Perth when last seen in April and stable slow to get going this season.

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 May Call You Back, **4-1** Golan Loop, **9-2** Express Surprise, **15-2** Ballykinlar, **9-1** Island Bridge

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MAY CALL YOU BACK can enhance her good strike rate since joining Willie Mullins. A decent record when fresh suggests Golan Loop may bounce back to form after a breathing operation and provide the main threat.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MAY CALL YOU BACK 2. GOLAN LOOP 3. BALLYKINLAR

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.05 RACE 4

LEXY 21st BIRTHDAY OPEN NATIONAL HUNT FLAT (5) 4, 5 and 6yo £4,500 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)

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Pace Information: **Insufficient Data**

1 FRANCISCO ALVARES **97**

4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Dan Skelton — ***Charlie Todd***

Walk In The Park gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including useful hurdler/high-class chaser Nube Negra and fair chaser Noche Negra. Dam 10.5f winner in France. Top yard has had notable success with this family and has to be highly respected on debut.

2 HELIOS FORLONGE (FR) ★ **100**

4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Olly Murphy — ***Gavin Sheehan***

Cokoriko gelding. Dam, 17f hurdle/chase winner, half-sister to smart hurdler/high-class chaser (stayed 3m) Asterion Forlonge. Bought for £205,000 after finishing runner-up on only outing in Irish points and of obvious interest on Rules debut.

3 I'LL START MONDAY **88**

4 11-2 | 70.8kg



John Dawson — ***Conor O'Farrell***

Raven's Pass gelding. Half-sister to 3 winners on Flat, including useful winner up to 1¼m Sammarr and 1½m winner Jahoori. Dam unraced. In good hands and one to watch closely in the betting.

4 MIRAGE D'ALENE (FR) **92**

4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Warren Greatrex — ***Caoilin Quinn***

£55,000 4-y-o, Prince Gibraltar gelding. Half-brother to French chaser Idylle d'Alene. Successful on sole outing in Irish points in May and has since transferred to a yard which does well in the bumper sphere.

5 THE BARDMAN (IRE) **89**

4 11-2 | 70.8kg



Charlie Longsdon — ***Daire McConville*** (7lb/3kg)

€24,000 3-y-o, Maxios gelding. Half-brother to a point winner. Dam (h105), bumper winner, half-sister to useful hurdler (stayed 25f) Teescomponents Lad and fairly useful hurdler/fair chaser (stayed 21f) Teescomponentsyess. Newcomer to note for in-form stable.

6 LIBLEX DREAM **86**

4 10-9 | 67.6kg



Ivan Furtado — ***William Shanahan*** (5lb/2kg)

Massaat filly. Half-sister to 7f winner Finn Ironside. Dam 2-y-o 1m winner. Has already had a breathing operation ahead of debut and isn't sure to possess the required stamina for National Hunt racing.

7 MADETHEMPAY (31) h **85**

3 **5** 10-9 | 67.6kg



Laura Horsfall — ***Benjamin Macey*** (5lb/2kg)

Dragon Dancer mare who was possibly flattered in such a slowly-run race when 10½ lengths third of 4 over C&D on debut last month. Hood on for first time and wouldn't be sure to build on that.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 Helios Forlonge, **11-4** Francisco Alvares, **5-1** Mirage D'alene, **8-1** The Bardman, **9-1** I'll Start Monday, **22-1** Liblex Dream, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

A good-looking bumper with the pedigrees and yards on show. HELIOS FORLONGE was bought for a handsome sum after finding only one too good on his only outing in Irish points, so makes obvious appeal on this switch to Rules having joined a quality outfit. Francisco Alvares merits attention for a stable going well with its bumper horses, while Mirage D'alene is another to note.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HELIOS FORLONGE 2. FRANCISCO ALVARES 3. MIRAGE D'ALENE

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.40 RACE 5

FESTIVE FIXTURES AT SOUTHWELL RACECOURSE MARES' NOVICES' HURDLE (Qualifier) (4) 4yo+ fillies and mares £10,000 1m7f182y (3180 Metres)

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **ANOTHER VEGA (IRE) (14)** **79**

0 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Dan Skelton — *Liam Harrison*

Order of St George filly. Dam, 2m hurdle winner, is a half-sister to very smart hurdler/smart chaser (2m/17f winner) Facile Vega out of high-class 2m-3m hurdle winner Quevega. Looked very much a long-term project starting out over this trip at Uttoxeter 2 weeks ago.

2 **CELESTIAL FLOW** t **85**

5 11-0 | 69.9kg



Kim Bailey & Mat Nicholls — *David Bass*

€17,000 3-y-o, Maxios mare. Dam, 15f-2½m hurdle/chase winner, also 1¼m winner on Flat, half-sister to French hurdler/chaser (stayed 21f) Overlord. Wears tongue strap.

3 **CLONDAW PARK (IRE) (290)** ★ **100**

U3- **5** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Harry Derham — *Paul O'Brien*

Bought for £320,000 after winning sole outing in Irish points and in process of making an encouraging start when unseating rider 3 out in listed novice at Newbury a year ago. Every chance until no extra inside final 1f at Chepstow 9 weeks later and has been found a good opportunity on return.

4 **CRYSTALATE (IRE) (37)** **86**

4-22 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Olly Murphy — *Robert Dunne*

Crystal Ocean filly who made the frame all 3 starts in bumpers, no match for winner when second at Worcester on return last month. Makes hurdles debut.

5 **IT TAKES TWO (186)** **88**

5-2 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Alan King — *Tom Bellamy*

Nathaniel filly who progressed from debut as expected when second at Southwell in May. Off 6 months. Makes hurdles debut.

6 **MADAM SPEAKER (IRE) (28)** (BF) **95**

22-3 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Nicky Henderson — *Freddie Gordon*

£52,000 3-y-o who found only one too good on both bumper outings last season, including in a very valuable event at Newbury. Turned over at short odds at Uttoxeter on return but worth another chance now hurdling.

7 **SHADOW LOVE (23)** **79**

8 **4** 11-0 | 69.9kg



Dan Skelton — *Charlie Todd*

Getaway filly. Half-sister to a point winner. Dam 21f hurdle winner out of smart 2m-3m hurdle winner Whiteoak, herself a half-sister to useful 2m hurdler Kinnescash. Offered little first time up at Worcester.

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

13-8 Clondaw Park, **5-2** Madam Speaker, **6-1** It Takes Two, **8-1** Crystalate, **12-1** Celestial Flow, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

CLONDAW PARK has made an encouraging start over hurdles and can put that experience to good use over Madam Speaker, who showed plenty in bumpers last season but disappointed at Uttoxeter on her return.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. CLONDAW PARK 2. MADAM SPEAKER 3. IT TAKES TWO

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.15 RACE 6

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Pace Information: **Even**

1 CHARACTER TESTING (7lb/3kg ex) **(10)** v+t **98**
24424421 **5** 12-3 | 77.6kg
Mark Walford — ***Jamie Hamilton***
Finally put it all together to get off the mark as a hurdler at Sedgefield 10 days ago and a reproduction of that form under a penalty should see him in the mix.

2 NORTHWEST PASSAGE (69) **99**
75-3 **4** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Ivan Furtado — ***William Shanahan*** (5lb/2kg)
Ridden with an eye on the future on his first start over hurdles for this yard at Stratford in September and good placed efforts back on the Flat since. Potentially on a handy mark on handicap debut in this sphere given his ability on the level.

3 CAPTAIN ATTRIDGE (IRE) (553) (D, BF) **93**
1223P42/F- **8** 11-13 | 75.7kg
Henry Oliver — ***David Noonan***
Resumed with a good second at Hereford in April 2025. However, suffered an early fall the following month and not seen since.

4 CLASSICAL STING (234) h **98**
388/12P2P- **6** 11-12 | 75.3kg
L J Morgan — ***Harry Reed***
Much improved last season, successful on reappearance/chase debut at Kelso. In and out after but was a decent second back over hurdles over C&D on penultimate start and next run can be forgiven (lost action/sustained leg injury). Not taken lightly on return.

5 PROMETHEAN (FR) (40) s+t ★ **100**
783-F55 **5** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Sam England — ***Jack Quinlan***
Shaped well a couple of times at Uttoxeter in recent months and good effort back on the Flat since. Eased another 2 lb and of interest in first-time headgear.

6 IOLAOS DU MOU (FR) (14) (D) h **96**
214-663P9 **8** 11-8 | 73.5kg
Tony Culhane & Stella Barclay — ***Tabitha Worsley***
Just one decent effort this season but that was when he had an uncontested lead. Others preferred.

7 CAWTHORNE BANKER (IRE) (14) (D) b **90**
52110676 **8** 11-6 | 72.6kg
Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill — ***K. Brogan***
Back-to-back winner at Uttoxeter in July but not at that level since.

8 RAZZO ITALIANO (IRE) (580) (CD) s+t **97**
55117857/ **9** 11-2 | 70.8kg
Gary Hanmer — ***J. Hogan***
Back-to-back hurdles winner over 2 years ago but hasn't threatened in 4 starts in this sphere since and showed little back on the Flat after a long absence.

9 BILLY BATHGATE (24) (D) **87**
8 **10** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Ewan Whillans — ***Craig Nichol***
Finally got off the mark on the Flat this summer but not at his best since and made little impact on his belated return to hurdles last time.

10 KLAPTON BOY (FR) (19) **90**
236/P56-64 **6** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Nick Kent — ***Adam Wedge***
Lightly raced but hasn't shown much since his debut season, remote fourth having attracted some support at Market Rasen on return last month.

11 PAPA OSCAR (16) h **96**
P6-562 **4** 10-12 | 68.9kg
Clare Hobson — ***Dylan Johnston***
Limited on the Flat and hadn't offered much encouragement over hurdles until almost pulling off a shock after 4 months off at Huntingdon 16 days ago. Task now is to back that up.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-2 Northwest Passage, **11-2** Classical Sting, **6-1** Promethean, **6-1** Character Testing, **12-1** Papa Oscar, **12-1** Klapton Boy, **14-1** Captain Attridge, **16-1** Cawthorne Banker, **22-1** Iolaos Du Mou, **22-1** Billy Bathgate, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

NORTHWEST PASSAGE's opening mark over hurdles is an attractive one given his ability on the Flat so gets the vote. Promethean looks to be building up to something so is second choice ahead of penalised winner Character Testing.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. NORTHWEST PASSAGE 2. PROMETHEAN 3. CHARACTER TESTING

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.50 RACE 7

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **MUSKERRY ROCK (IRE) (20)** s **97**

1221P354 **7** 12-0 | 76.2kg



Mickey Bowen ***James Murray*** (10lb/5kg)

Landed a chase at Newton Abbot (3¼m) on penultimate start for Skeltons. Step back in the right direction when 17½ lengths fifth in Chepstow handicap hurdle before facing a stiff task over fences last time. Has a lazy streak and it's hard to be confident back hurdling.

2 **KEEP ON COBBLING (174)** (BF) **100**

F21/1632-3 **6** 11-13 | 75.7kg



Henry Daly ***Will Featherstone*** (3lb/1kg)

Low mileage 6-y-o who doubled her tally on reappearance at Sedgefield (21f) this time last year. Not seen to best effect when well-backed third (beaten 4 lengths after being snatched up) at Cartmel in May (25f). Unexposed as a stayer and fancied to resume winning ways back down in class.

3 **CRAFTY GAEL (IRE) (7)** (CD) s+t **99**

008-32112 **7** 11-9 | 73.9kg



Lizzie Quinlan ***Alice Stevens***

Ex-Irish recruit. Sold out of Olly Murphy's yard for only £8,500 after overcoming a pace bias to complete a double over C&D. May well have landed the hat-trick with a cleaner jump at the last on stable debut at Hexham (23f) 7 days ago. Can go well again off same mark (due to go up 3 lb).

4 **THE CLONMEL KID (IRE) (48)** s **97**

41-336742 **7** 11-9 | 73.9kg



Philip Kirby ***Beau Morgan***

Often let down by his jumping after scoring over fences off 1 lb higher in the spring. Return to hurdling did the trick when length second at Market Rasen 7 weeks ago. Ought to go with more fluency in refitted cheekpieces and could get his own way in front.

5 **LUMINARIES (IRE) (10)** (CD) b+t **98**

07721122 **9** 10-6 | 66.2kg



Ewan Whillans ***Ellis Collier***

Rejuvenated in blinkers of late. Completed a handicap hurdle double over C&D before runner-up twice over fences, showing no ill-effects from a hard race (flattered to deceive) when beaten 2¾ lengths in 4-runner race at Sedgefield latest. May find a couple too strong at the finish back over hurdles.

6 **IAMCELESTIALGIFT (FR) (70)** s+t **90**

1/40P-6969 **8** 10-3 | 64.9kg



David Killahena & Graeme McPherson ***Nick Slatter***

Lightly raced for his age (seemingly hard to train). Gone wrong way since justifying support on debut at Carlisle (19f) last spring. Little sign of capitalising on free-falling mark this summer. Off 10 weeks and hopes of revival pinned on breathing operation/another change of headgear.

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Keep On Cobbling, **11-4** Crafty Gael, **4-1** Luminaries, **5-1** The Clonmel Kid, **20-1** Muskerry Rock, **20-1** Iamcelestialgift

TIMEFORM VIEW:

KEEP ON COBBLING made a winning reappearance last season and can repeat the feat back in calmer waters. Bang-in-form Crafty Gael is feared most on second start for Lizzie Quinlan, with Luminaries perhaps best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KEEP ON COBBLING 2. CRAFTY GAEL 3. LUMINARIES

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race