GBI RACING

TIMEFORM 1-2-3

Thursday 19th November

THURLES

12.08	IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BEGINNERS CHASE 2m5f132y (4350 Metres)	
RACE 1	(2) DOCTOR STEINBERG	(1) COURT COMPLIANCE | (4) FORT DINO
12.40	WILLIAM HILL CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP CHASE 2m5f132y (4350 Metres)	
RACE 2	(3) IAMAGETAWAY	(8) HEES DYNAMITE | (13) THAT'S ABOUT RIGHT
1.15	IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HURDLE 2¾m107y (4520 Metres)	
RACE 3	(2) HI HO IDAHO	(4) MINELLA EMPEROR | (1) BROTHER WALFRID
1.50	IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 2¾m107y (4520 Metres)	
RACE 4	(7) I DONT REALLY CARE	(1) LIGHT UP THE DARK | (4) DINNER DANCE
2.25	WILLIAM HILL CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP HURDLE 2½m39y (4060 Metres)	
RACE 5	(9) COCK AND BULL	(6) MIGDAM | (2) CROWSATEDAPPLETART
3.00	RACING AGAIN ON THE 26th NOVEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE 2m37y (3250 Metres)	
RACE 6	(2) LICEO	(7) MAX MERIDIUS | (5) PHOENIX ARIZONA
3.30	SIGN UP TO gavinlynchracing.com (Q.R.) MAIDEN HURDLE 2m37y (3250 Metres)	
RACE 7	(1) MARHABA GHAIYYATH	(4) LEGENDARY STATUS | (6) QUINLAN

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.

12.08 RACE 1

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF BEGINNERS CHASE 4yo+ €16,000 2m5f132y (4350 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: **Good**

An undulating, right-handed track with a circuit of around a mile and a quarter. Sections of the track are uphill but there is a fairly steep descent to the 2f home straight and the track is very much sharp in character, favouring the handy type of horse. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, with two in the home straight, and a run-in of around a furlong. Perhaps surprisingly, the chase course claims the highest proportion of casualties in Ireland, with the last 2 fences particularly tricky. Due to good drainage, very few meetings are lost due to adverse weather conditions.

Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **COURT COMPLIANCE (IRE) (229)** **87**

22216- **6** 11-12 | 75.3kg

William Durkan, Ireland — ***P. Byrnes***

Fairly useful hurdler who won a heavy-ground Punchestown maiden last season before shaping better than the result in a Fairyhouse listed novice handicap in April. Placed in both points and from a chasing family, he should be at least as effective over fences.

2 **DOCTOR STEINBERG (IRE) (204)** (D) **100**

2/15111P-9 **6** 11-12 | 75.3kg

W. P. Mullins, Ireland — ***P. Townend***

Bumper winner who quickly developed into a useful novice hurdler last season, winning a 2¾m Grade 1 event by 8 lengths. Struggled at Cheltenham and Punchestown afterwards but retains plenty of potential for chasing and he's likely to be hard to beat if his free-going nature can be kept in check.

3 **FARNAHOE REBEL (IRE)** **79**

7 11-12 | 75.3kg

R. Hurley, Ireland — ***M. J. Kenneally*** (3lb/1kg)

Winning pointer, runner-up last time (May 2026). Will need to be a most useful prospect to make a winning debut under Rules.

4 **FORT DINO (FR) (56)** t **89**

41-829 **5** 11-12 | 75.3kg

Henry de Bromhead, Ireland — ***M. P. O'Connor***

Shaped encouragingly when second of 6 at Killarney on chasing debut in August but shaped as if amiss at Listowel following month. Worth another chance.

5 **FRANCISCAN ROCK (IRE) (9)** (C) s **85**

334952-77 **9** 11-12 | 75.3kg

M. F. Morris, Ireland — ***J. H. Williamson*** (3lb/1kg)

Bordering on smart hurdler who has shown useful form over fences without quite repeating the pick of his hurdling efforts. Looked rusty when down the field in maiden chase at Fairyhouse 9 days ago but even if stepping forward from that, he remains vulnerable to less-exposed sorts.

6 **STEDE BONNET (IRE) (46)** **85**

1130-2302 **5** 11-12 | 75.3kg

Gordon Elliott, Ireland — ***J. W. Kennedy***

Fairly useful hurdler who jumped okay but didn't replicate that level of form when second of 4 in novice at Killarney on chasing debut in October. He's entitled to build on that but clearly lacks the potential of some of his rivals.

7 **WALKS IN JUNE (IRE) (20)** t **84**

35/1610-6 **6** 11-12 | 75.3kg

Henry de Bromhead, Ireland — ***Jordan Colin Gainford***

Fairly useful and lightly-raced hurdler who is bred to make an even better chaser but made a discouraging start to life in this sphere when well held in a maiden at Down Royal last month, making novicey mistakes. Tongue tie now reached for but is probably best watched now.

8 **FIRE CORAL (44)** (D) s+t **81**

15-P38311 **7** 11-5 | 72.1kg

S. Curling, Ireland — ***Phillip Enright***

Likeable mare who arrives on the back of 2 handicap hurdle wins, but isn't really bred to make a chaser and looks to have been set a stiff task first time up in this sphere.

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

6-4 Doctor Steinberg, **9-2** Fort Dino, **6-1** Court Compliance, **17-2** Stede Bonnet, **10-1** Franciscan Rock, **12-1** Walks In June, **33-1** Fire Coral, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

DOCTOR STEINBERG looked a top-class prospect when demolishing 7 rivals in a Grade 1 novice hurdle last season and, though things did not go to plan afterwards, is likely to prove hard to beat now switched to fences. The highly promising Court Compliance is feared most, while Fort Dino is also respected after an encouraging chase debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. DOCTOR STEINBERG 2. COURT COMPLIANCE 3. FORT DINO

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**Eagle Fang** 5-11-12	7-1	William Durkan	P. Byrnes	11
2024	**Drumgill** 5-11-12	12-1	John Patrick Ryan	D. King	5
2023	**Klassical Dream** 9-11-12	1-4f	W. P. Mullins	P. Townend	11
2022	**The Goffer** 5-11-12	11-2	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	9
2021	**West Cork Wildway** 7-12-0	9-1	Paul O'Flynn	D. J. O'Keeffe	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

12.40 RACE 2

WILLIAM HILL CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP CHASE 4yo+
€12,000 2m5f132y (4350 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: **Good**

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Pace Information: **Strong**

1 LABONDANCE (FR) (19) s+t **81**
583F-440U **5** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Emmet Mullins, Ireland — ***Donagh Meyler***
Fair form in France and now represents a very shrewd yard, but she was easy to back and exited at the first back over fences last time, so makes limited appeal unless attracting notably stronger support.

2 TOOR KHOV (IRE) (54) (C) **95**
5351F24-0 **8** 11-13 | 75.7kg
Ms M. Flynn, Ireland — ***Liam Quinlan***
Placed twice at this course over hurdles and made a successful debut over fences at this course last season. Looked rusty when well beaten at Listowel on return. Return to this venue a positive as is the return of the jockey who has ridden him for both career wins. Respected.

3 IAMAGETAWAY (IRE) (41) h **100**
265073-01 **7** 11-12 | 75.3kg
W. R. Crawford, Ireland — ***Sam Ewing***
Does not tend to stay with one yard for long, but made an immediate impact for his current stable when routing 7 rivals in a Downpatrick maiden in October, and an 8 lb rise may underestimate him on that evidence, making a bold follow-up bid likely.

4 CLONBURY BRIDGE (IRE) (25) s+t **89**
162P4-P50 **10** 11-8 | 73.5kg
J. P. Dempsey, Ireland — ***Keith Donoghue***
Has fallen below his last winning chase mark but there's been little encouragement from either of his starts since returning from a summer break and he can't be supported with any confidence until showing more.

5 DUNDANIEL (IRE) (308) **92**
3PP/25345- **11** 11-8 | 73.5kg
Noel Glynn, Ireland — ***E. Staples*** (5lb/2kg)
Posted his best effort of last season when returning in a hunter chase, but with over 3-and-a-half years now passed since his last win, he looks up against it back in open handicap company.

6 GIANT HAYSTACKS (IRE) (11) (D) t **93**
5-4310916 **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg
Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland — ***Danny Gilligan***
A dual chase winner this season, latterly edging an amateur handicap at Punchestown in October, but his jumping let him down at Naas 11 days ago and he remains a tricky one to catch right.

7 DOCTOR CONFUSION (FR) (42) t **93**
68/6P-8433 **5** 11-5 | 72.1kg
Henry de Bromhead, Ireland — ***Jordan Colin Gainford***
Low-mileage 5-y-o that stepped up on his chasing debut when 2¾ lengths third of 12 to Rattledelatch in maiden at Tramore last time. That form has been franked by the winner since and should have more still to offer now fast-tracked into a handicap.

8 HEES DYNAMITE (IRE) (44) (BF) **97**
11P-20544 **8** 11-3 | 71.2kg
Eric McNamara, Ireland — ***Patrick Michael O'Brien*** (5lb/2kg)
Still better treated over fences than hurdles and, although turned over as favourite in an 8-runner Galway event last time, he remains one to keep onside in this sphere, with the return of a good-value 5-lb conditional who has twice won on him a clear positive.

9 ROC MY HAARTH (IRE) (24) (BF) **92**
0F261-664 **7** 11-3 | 71.2kg
Ray Hackett, Ireland — ***B. Barry*** (7lb/3kg)
Maiden over hurdles but made it first time lucky over fences at Clonmel (23f, soft) in April. Hasn't raced in this sphere since, though, and a 7 lb rise looks enough to stop him going 2 for 2 as a chaser.

10 GATSBY GREY (FR) (28) s+t **73**
006PPP-76 **10** 11-2 | 70.8kg
Oliver McKiernan, Ireland — ***Phillip Enright***
Useful hurdler at his best but nowhere near that level over fences these days and can't be considered a betting proposition.

11 SMALLCRAFTWARNING (IRE) (14) (C) t **92**
134112F6 **9** 11-2 | 70.8kg
John Patrick Ryan, Ireland — ***D. King***
Likeable type who has enjoyed an excellent autumn, winning 3 times over hurdles. Lower in the weights over fences and gives his running more often than not, though he'll need to reproduce something along the lines of his best hurdling form to land this.

12 SCHIEHALLION (IRE) (16) v **94**
2-P5P0416 **9** 10-12 | 68.9kg
Dermot Anthony McLoughlin, Ireland — ***A. Balfe*** (7lb/3kg)
Matched the pick of his hurdling efforts as he finally got off the mark in good style in 14-runner handicap at Downpatrick (3m, good to soft) last month. Was unable to follow up off 8 lb higher last time, though, and that again looks likely to prove a stumbling block.

13 THAT'S ABOUT RIGHT (IRE) (7) (CD) s+t **92**
P-0484853 **8** 10-10 | 68.0kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***Shane O'Callaghan*** (3lb/1kg)
Dual course winner who hasn't shown his best for a while but hinted at a revival when third of 12 to Stoneyford Lady at this course last time. The step back up in trip should suit and he's well handicapped on past form.

14 WING BACK (IRE) (28) h **86**
3F0-967P4 **6** 10-6 | 66.2kg
Charles P. Keegan, Ireland — ***A. P. Kelly***
Landed a gamble in a Downpatrick maiden hurdle last summer but has yet to match that in 4 chase starts, including in a handicap last time. Difficult to fancy.

15 BROTHER HOLLIE (IRE) (27) t **89**
667-8305U **4** 10-0(9-13) | 63.5kg (63.0kg)
Mark McNiff, Ireland — ***J. H. Williamson*** (3lb/1kg)
Placed once from 8 starts over hurdles. Shaped as though ahead of his mark on chase debut in September, but he failed to see out 21f and stamina again looks a concern, along with racing from 1 lb out of the handicap.

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Iamagetaway, **6-1** Hees Dynamite, **7-1** Doctor Confusion, **12-1** That's About Right, **14-1** Smallcraftwarning, **18-1** Giant Haystacks, **20-1** Toor Khov, **22-1** Schiehallion, **25-1** Roc My Haarth, **25-1** Labondance, **33-1** Dundaniel, **33-1** Brother Hollie, **33-1** Clonbury Bridge, **33-1** Wing Back, **66-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

IAMAGETAWAY showed improved form to get off the mark over fences at Downpatrick 41 days ago and looks capable of defying an 8 lb rise back in handicap company. Hees Dynamite is well handicapped on his hurdling form and is feared most, while That's About Right and Doctor Confusion are also respected.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. IAMAGETAWAY 2. HEES DYNAMITE 3. THAT'S ABOUT RIGHT

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**Rising Dust** 7-10-2	11-10f	Emmet Mullins	D. J. O'Keeffe	15
2024	**Malinas Glory** 7-10-12	5-2f	A. M. O'Grady	D. J. O'Keeffe	7
2023	**Reddys Island** 6-11-0	6-4f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	9
2022	**Arctic Ambition** 7-10-8	6-4f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	14
2021	**Pairc Na Ngael** 7-10-9	3-1f	Charles Byrnes	M. P. Walsh	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.15 RACE 3

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF NOVICE HURDLE 5yo+ €14,500 2¾m107y (4520 Metres)

GBI RACING

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1 **BROTHER WALFRID (IRE) (25)** s+t **94**

2-415264 **5** 11-10 | 74.4kg



Gordon Elliott, Ireland — ***J. W. Kennedy***

Opened his account in maiden hurdle at Punchestown in June and gave a good account of himself under a penalty when second at Killarney 2 months later. Better than bare facts both subsequent starts but he has a bit of work to do on these terms. Cheekpieces may sharpen him up a touch.

2 **HI HO IDAHO (IRE) (57)** t **96**

32-182 **5** 11-10 | 74.4kg



Cian Michael Collins, Ireland — ***Danny Gilligan***

Off the mark in a maiden hurdle in May and much improved fitted with a tongue strap when second of 14 upped to 3m in a handicap at Listowel in September. Wouldn't want this to turn tactical as stamina looks his forte but has to be of interest.

3 **LITTLE GINGER (IRE) (41)** **89**

44-1021 **5** 11-10 | 74.4kg



James Andrew Fahey, Ireland — ***Alan O'Sullivan*** (5lb/2kg)

Went right way in bumpers, successful at third attempt at Kilbeggan (19f) in the spring. Left his hurdling debut form well behind when rallying to finish one-length second in maiden hurdle at Downpatrick and didn't need to improve to go one place better over 2¾m back there last month. More needed.

4 **MINELLA EMPEROR (IRE) (18)** ★ **100**

43220P-1P **7** 11-10 | 74.4kg



Emmet Mullins, Ireland — ***Mr M. J. O'Neill*** (7lb/3kg)

Didn't fire either start after a career-best second in valuable staying handicap at Haydock last season. Continued in-and-out theme this autumn, well prepared to make a winning reappearance at Cork (3m) before bombing out over that C&D. One to beat if giving his running.

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

15-8 Hi Ho Idaho, **9-4** Minella Emperor, **7-2** Brother Walfrid, **11-2** Little Ginger

TIMEFORM VIEW:

HI HO IDAHO has a little bit to find with Minella Emperor off level weights but his profile is a more convincing one, so he's awarded the vote.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. HI HO IDAHO 2. MINELLA EMPEROR 3. BROTHER WALFRID

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**William Tell** 6-11-10	15-2	David Harry Kelly	C. M. Quirke	8
2024	**Minella Sixo** 5-11-10	1-3f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	4
2023	**Will Do** 6-11-10	4-11f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	6
2022	**Favori de Champdou** 7-11-10	11-10f	Gordon Elliott	J. W. Kennedy	9
2021	**Churchstonewarrior** 6-11-12	11-10f	Jonathan Sweeney	Denis O'Regan	5

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1.50 RACE 4

IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF MARES MAIDEN HURDLE 4yo+ fillies and mares €16,000 2¾m107y (4520 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: **Good**

An undulating, right-handed track with a circuit of around a mile and a quarter. Sections of the track are uphill but there is a fairly steep descent to the 2f home straight and the track is very much sharp in character, favouring the handy type of horse. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, with two in the home straight, and a run-in of around a furlong. Perhaps surprisingly, the chase course claims the highest proportion of casualties in Ireland, with the last 2 fences particularly tricky. Due to good drainage, very few meetings are lost due to adverse weather conditions.

Pace Information: **Even**

1 **LIGHT UP THE DARK (25)** (BF) **97**
11/2 **5** 11-7 | 73.0kg
Joseph Patrick O'Brien, Ireland — ***M. P. Walsh***
Made it 2-2 (soft/heavy) in bumpers in listed event during early 2025. Made up into a useful performer on the Flat since so a shade disappointing she was a long way below that level when second on hurdles debut in mares maiden at Galway (2m) 25 days ago. Will surely leave that bare form behind.

2 **AN LACHIN BEAG (IRE) (45)** **86**
30-F47 **6** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Nigel Slevin, Ireland — ***P. Cleary*** (7lb/3kg)
In share of second when falling heavily at the last in maiden at Sligo on hurdling debut in early-August. Respectable fourth in a Galway bumper next time but failed to see things out when seventh in mares maiden at Fairyhouse (2½m) in October. Steps up further in trip now which may not be ideal.

3 **CRIOS CU CHULAINN (IRE) (33)** **85**
9760 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
David K. Walsh, Ireland — ***H. E. Sexton*** (7lb/3kg)
Well held in a pair of bumpers and no better switched to hurdles, latterly when well held on stable debut at Limerick 33 days ago. Low-grade handicaps will be more her bag.

4 **DINNER DANCE (IRE) (33)** **90**
25 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Gordon Elliott, Ireland — ***J. W. Kennedy***
Won sole start in points and left the impression a stiffer test would have suited when second on bumper debut at Downpatrick and similar story when fifth of 8 at Limerick (17f) 33 days ago, left behind over 1f out. This trip looks more suitable now hurdling and better to come for powerful yard.

5 **EAGLE RIVER (IRE) (18)** **70**
P0 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Ms M. Flynn, Ireland — ***Liam Quinlan***
Didn't offer much in points and little to shout about in pair of hurdle starts 6 months apart.

6 **FILLY BUTLER (IRE) (18)** **86**
4 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
G. Ahern, Ireland — ***J. P. Shinnick***
Capri mare. Half-sister to 4 winners, including useful hurdler Irish Roe. Hinted at ability at long odds when fourth in a mares maiden at Cork (2m) 18 days ago and pedigree very much suggests she will be suited by this increase in trip.

7 **I DONT REALLY CARE (IRE) (18)** ★ **100**
0-43F43 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Ray Hackett, Ireland — ***D. King***
Poet's Word mare who matched her previous best whilst finding the test inadequate when third of 19 in mares maiden at Cork (2m) at the beginning of the month. Step back up in trip promises to suit and she's one for the shortlist.

8 **JURY TIME (IRE) (24)** **87**
323-5 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
S. Curling, Ireland — ***Phillip Enright***
Point winner and placed on all 3 starts in Limerick bumpers but she went with little encouragement after 8 months off when fifth of 10 in maiden hurdle at Galway (2m) 24 days ago. Bred to stay well so no surprise to see her quickly upped in trip but she will need to step up plenty.

9 **MYSTERY DECISION (IRE) (20)** t **87**
565 **7** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Hugh P. Finegan, Ireland — ***E. Finegan*** (5lb/2kg)
Hinted at ability in a couple of maiden hurdles in August and following a couple of recent point outings, she improved on previous hurdles form when fifth in a Down Royal maiden (2¾m) 3 weeks ago. Not knocked about then and likely there's even better to come, particularly in handicaps.

10 **PARK ON THE GREEN (IRE) (33)** **75**
7 **6** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Timothy Doyle, Ireland — ***Mr D. Doyle*** (5lb/2kg)
Walk In The Park mare who went with no promise in a Limerick bumper last month.

11 **RARELY MISS TAKEN (IRE) (19)** **79**
00 **5** 10-13 | 69.4kg
W. R. Crawford, Ireland — ***Sam Ewing***
Well-bred Poet's Word mare but showed little in 2 bumper starts, latterly starting out for new yard at Down Royal (17f) 3 weeks ago. Up significantly in trip for hurdles debut but she can only be watched.

12 **SEA SWIRL (IRE) (14)** **79**
86 **6** 10-13 | 69.4kg
L Walshe, Ireland — ***J. Aherne*** (7lb/3kg)
Unplaced completed start in points and tailed off on Tramore bumper debut in October. Modicum of promise when sixth on recent hurdles debut at Clonmel since but likely she'll be brought along with handicaps in mind.

13 **HADIE (IRE)** **79**
4 10-12 | 68.9kg
David Kenneth Budds, Ireland — ***C. P. Millar*** (5lb/2kg)
Capri filly. Half-sister to fairly useful hurdle/chase winner Top Target and modest hurdler Westandtogether. Dam unraced. Likely best watched on hurdles bow unless betting indicates otherwise.

14 **HELLO WEE LOVE (IRE) (20)** h **65**
P9 **4** 10-12 | 68.9kg
R. K. Watson, Ireland — ***Alex Harvey***
Offered precious little either start in maiden hurdles at around this trip in recent months. Hood applied.

15 **PAT'S PRODIGIES (IRE) (15)** **65**
000 **4** 10-12 | 68.9kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***Tiernan Power Roche***
Well beaten in bumper/pair of maiden hurdles in recent weeks.

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

2-1 I Dont Really Care, **11-4** Light Up The Dark, **13-2** Dinner Dance, **12-1** Jury Time, **14-1** Mystery Decision, **22-1** Filly Butler, **22-1** An Lachin Beag, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

I DONT REALLY CARE matched her previous best despite finding the test inadequate when third over 2m at Cork 18 days ago and, with the return to this sort of trip looking much more suitable, she looks to hold sound claims. That said, Light Up The Dark is surely capable of better than she showed when second on hurdles debut at Galway last month and better is anticipated up in trip. Dinner Dance is another to note on hurdles bow.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. I DONT REALLY CARE 2. LIGHT UP THE DARK 3. DINNER DANCE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**Place de La Nation** 4-10-12	1-5f	W. P. Mullins	P. Townend	8
2024	**Grooveykindoflove** 5-10-13	evsf	Henry de Bromhead	D. J. O'Keeffe	10
2023	**Mollys Glory** 8-11-7	5-1	M. C. Grassick	M. J. M. O'Sullivan	14
2022	**Sainte Dona** 5-10-13	2-1f	Thomas Cooper	B. J. Cooper	15
2021	**Humble Glory** 6-11-9	2-1f	Gordon Elliott	Davy Russell	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

2.25 RACE 5

WILLIAM HILL CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+
€12,000 2½m39y (4060 Metres)

GBI RACING

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Pace Information: **Strong**

1 OLLIE LA BA BA (IRE) (91) t **97**
F36166-69 **8** 11-12 | 75.3kg
Eoin Christopher McCarthy, Ireland — ***G. B. Noonan***
Dual winner over hurdles but now over a year since he showed anything like his best and likely needs more respite from the handicapper.

2 CROWSATEDAPPLETART (IRE) (25) (D) s+t **96**
76-165P62 **9** 11-10 | 74.4kg
Michael Winters, Ireland — ***E. Finegan*** (5lb/2kg)
Likeable sort who bounced back to form off his lower hurdles mark when a narrow second to Cathryns Ruby at Wexford last time. A 5 lb rise for that performance is offset by the booking of a good value 5-lb conditional and must be respected.

3 RIVER VALE (IRE) (25) (C) **98**
0182dF41-P **10** 11-10 | 74.4kg
Michael Winters, Ireland — ***Kevin A. Murphy*** (7lb/3kg)
Won twice over fences last season, including at this course and at Cork in April. Possibly needed the run when pulled up in a handicap hurdle at Wexford after 7 months off in October and, while he remains well treated in this sphere, he'll need to have come on significantly for that to feature here.

4 ALLO AL KHAWANEEJ (10) v **98**
387-40325 **6** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Charles Byrnes, Ireland — ***P. Byrnes***
Fair hurdler who arrives on the back of 3 creditable efforts in claimers and a handicap but this looks competitive and he will need to produce a career-best performance if he's to be involved.

5 GETAWAY CHARLIE (IRE) (9) (D) b **100**
00-401576 **10** 11-9 | 73.9kg
Timothy Doyle, Ireland — ***Mr D. Doyle*** (5lb/2kg)
Ended a lengthy losing run at Roscommon in September and remains well treated on old form, but patient tactics have left him hostage to fortune the last twice and it remains to be seen what effect the blinkers that are replacing cheekpieces will have.

6 MIGDAM (FR) (49) **98**
518-747 **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg
Declan Queally, Ireland — ***Phillip Enright***
Won 2m maiden hurdle at Tramore for Edward Buckley last season. Failed to fire in a trio of runs for James Fahey but has been given a chance by the handicapper now starting out for a shrewd outfit and the step back up in trip shouldn't be an issue given how well he stays on the Flat. Interesting.

7 MONT STAR (FR) (103) t **93**
42/8-26 **4** 11-5 | 72.1kg
Henry de Bromhead, Ireland — ***M. P. O'Connor***
His best effort for this yard came when runner-up in a 17f maiden hurdle at Cork in July, but his weak finish over 19f in August, despite a stamina-laden pedigree, raises concerns about his constitution now he faces battle-hardened rivals in an open handicap.

8 OCEAN MURPHY (48) (D, BF) s **95**
574-91216 **4** 11-5 | 72.1kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***H. E. Sexton*** (7lb/3kg)
Has improved as a hurdler this season, opening his account at Wexford in July and then landing a 5-runner handicap hurdle at Ballinrobe in August. Struggled in a more competitive race last time, though, and faces a similar scenario here.

9 COCK AND BULL (IRE) (219) t **85**
8570- **5** 11-2 | 70.8kg
Emmet Mullins, Ireland — ***Donagh Meyler***
Progressed when landing a gamble in 2m Galway handicap on the Flat in July. Struggled in the Cesarewitch at Newmarket last time but potentially very well treated and open to improvement now returned hurdling with a tongue tie applied. Strong support would be a significant vote of confidence.

10 LIBERATED LIGHT (IRE) (54) (BF) s+t **95**
00072-019 **7** 10-13 | 69.4kg
John E. & Thomas Kiely, Ireland — ***Mr J. L. Gleeson***
Doubled his hurdles tally at Tramore in May but ran poorly on his only hurdles start since. This is a more suitable test than last time, though he essentially remains unproven beyond 2¼m and recent evidence suggests he is best forcing matters, which he may not be able to do here.

11 COOLBOY CHRISTY (IRE) (32) b **99**
48450509 **5** 10-8 | 67.1kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***Shane O'Callaghan*** (3lb/1kg)
Modest maiden who has struggled to make an impact in handicap hurdles of late, though raced a bit closer to the pace than ideal last time. Has slipped another 3 lb in the handicap but yard is quiet at present and others arriving in much better form.

12 FUTURUM REGEM (IRE) (9) (D) b **95**
4089578-8 **10** 10-8 | 67.1kg
Hugh P. Finegan, Ireland — ***Patrick Michael O'Brien*** (5lb/2kg)
One-time fairly useful hurdler but it's some time since he saw a race out thoroughly and, while he's entitled to come on for his recent return, a watching brief is advised until confirming how much ability he retains.

13 JAY JAY ZEE (IRE) (25) **83**
F-008 **7** 10-8 | 67.1kg
Charles P. Keegan, Ireland — ***C. D. Smithers*** (7lb/3kg)
Has shown very little since returning from a lengthy absence in April and it is impossible to make a case for him.

14 HIDALGO DES MOTTES (FR) (9) s+t **98**
25-829582 **9** 10-4 | 65.3kg
Eoin Griffin, Ireland — ***Ms N. M. Bradley*** (7lb/3kg)
Long-standing maiden who returned to form from 1 lb out of the handicap when runner-up to Tuckmill at Fairyhouse last time, but he is not certain to reproduce that effort and, even if he does, minor honours again look the ceiling.

15 OUR GIRL ELLIE (IRE) (33) t **96**
5636-0093 **6** 10-4 | 65.3kg
Stephen Ryan, Ireland — ***M. J. Kenneally*** (3lb/1kg)
Showed more than previously this season when third at Limerick last time, but she failed to convince with her stamina when only mid-division over C&D last season and arrives with still something to prove on that front.

16 DEMANDING GERRY (IRE) (12) s+t **98**
0-24P4524 **7** 10-1 | 64.0kg
James Andrew Fahey, Ireland — ***Philip Donovan***
Maiden who has finished in the frame on 8 of her last 11 starts. Very much the type to bounce back from a below-par effort last time and not hard to see her again playing a part without proving quite good enough to get off the mark.

17 THEDREAMISTILALIVE (IRE) (97) t **84**
906 **4** 10-0(9-7) | 63.5kg (60.3kg)
Donncha Duggan, Ireland — ***R. J. Lane*** (7lb/3kg)
Little show in a trio of maiden hurdles and has plenty on making her handicap debut from 7 lb out of the weights.

17 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-4 Cock And Bull, **6-1** Migdam, **17-2** Crowsatedappletart, **16-1** Demanding Gerry, **16-1** Hidalgo Des Mottes, **18-1** Getaway Charlie, **20-1** Allo Al Khawaneej, **20-1** Ocean Murphy, **20-1** Mont Star, **25-1** Coolboy Christy, **25-1** River Vale, **28-1** Liberated Light, **33-1** Ollie La Ba Ba, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

COCK AND BULL has progressed on the Flat since last seen over hurdles and will take plenty of beating if transferring that form back to this sphere from a mark that appears to underestimate his true ability. Migdam is feared most after an interesting trainer switch and some help from the handicapper, while Crowsatedappletart and Demanding Gerry look best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. COCK AND BULL 2. MIGDAM 3. CROWSATEDAPPLETART

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025[I]	**Jolie Jewel** 6-11-12	8-1	Brian M. McMahon	James Smith (5) 12
2025[II]	**Plunkett Street** 7-11-12	5-1	Michael O'Meara	D. King 12
2024	**Warm In Gorey** 6-11-4	9-2	P. J. Rothwell	Tiernan Power Roche (7) 9
2023	**Ragin Cajun** 10-11-4	14-1	Matthew J. Smith	Danny Gilligan (5) 15
2022	**L'Or des Roses** 5-11-9	9-2	D. Harvey	B. W. Harvey (5) 15
2021	**Priory Park** 5-11-8	16-1	E. J. O'Grady	M. P. Walsh 18

2.25 RACE 5

WILLIAM HILL CHALLENGE SERIES HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+ €12,000 2½m39y (4060 Metres)

GBI RACING

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.00 RACE 6

RACING AGAIN ON THE 26th NOVEMBER HANDICAP HURDLE 3yo+ (Rated 0-100) €10,000 2m37y (3250 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: **Good**

An undulating, right-handed track with a circuit of around a mile and a quarter. Sections of the track are uphill but there is a fairly steep descent to the 2f home straight and the track is very much sharp in character, favouring the handy type of horse. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, with two in the home straight, and a run-in of around a furlong. Perhaps surprisingly, the chase course claims the highest proportion of casualties in Ireland, with the last 2 fences particularly tricky. Due to good drainage, very few meetings are lost due to adverse weather conditions.

Pace Information: **Even**

1 DEED POLE (187) **96**
506270-3 **6** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Terence O'Brien, Ireland — ***D. J. Power*** (7lb/3kg)
Fair 1½m winner on the Flat who was in good form when last seen, registering a solid third of 13 in handicap hurdle at Wexford (17f) in May. No forlorn hope on the back of 6 months off but the betting can likely point the way.

2 LICEO (FR) (7) s+t **99**
0-9353522 **6** 12-0 | 76.2kg
Dermot Anthony McLoughlin, Ireland — ***Patrick O'Hanlon***
Dual Flat winner in France who has knocked firmly at the door over hurdles of late, second at Fairyhouse prior to being narrowly denied over C&D last week. Must enter calculations from unchanged mark.

3 BEAT THE DEVIL (IRE) (4) t **91**
P-9740 **4** 11-11 | 74.8kg
Patrick Magee, Ireland — ***Keith Donoghue***
Fair 1m winner on all-weather. Only matched maiden/novice hurdle form when 13 lengths fourth of 12 on handicap bow at Sligo (2¼m) in October and unable to land a blow when mid-field in 25-runner contest at Navan 4 days ago.

4 FIGERO (IRE) (12) (D) t **93**
000-15068 **5** 11-10 | 74.4kg
Thomas Mullins, Ireland — ***Donagh Meyler***
Made second start over hurdles a winning one at Kilbeggan in May but hasn't gone on from that effort since, albeit all not seemingly right when tailed off at Gowran (2m) 12 days ago. Tough to assess turned out quickly.

5 PHOENIX ARIZONA (IRE) (20) s **100**
43281355 **7** 11-7 | 73.0kg
John J. Cullen, Ireland — ***T. E. O'Connor*** (7lb/3kg)
Some promise over hurdles prior to opening his account over fences in handicap at Ballinrobe in September and ran respectably on 2 of his 3 subsequent outings in that sphere. Almost certainly in with a shout from his lower hurdles mark.

6 GLENGARRIFF (IRE) (28) **89**
0-00389 **5** 11-6 | 72.6kg
Patrick Downey, Ireland — ***K. E. Buckley***
Showed more than previously when third in maiden hurdle at Kilbeggan 3 starts ago but has looked in the grip of the assessor in pair of handicap outings since.

7 MAX MERIDIUS (IRE) (7) (BF) **97**
9-0510553 **5** 11-6 | 72.6kg
Thomas Mullins, Ireland — ***Danny Gilligan***
Free-going sort who added to his sole previous hurdles victory when wide-margin winner on Flat here in October. Struggled at the Curragh next time but looked ahead of his mark back over hurdles when third over C&D last week, not quite getting home. Interesting again going minus the cheekpieces.

8 FINAL DECISION (12) s **100**
0/000 **7** 11-4 | 71.7kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***Tiernan Power Roche***
Bumper winner for Anthony McCann back in 2023. Has stood little racing in recent seasons and yet to show anything for current connections. Passed over despite sliding mark.

9 LETTERS TO JULIET (IRE) (27) h+t **91**
FP1/570-08 **8** 11-3 | 71.2kg
Patrick Downey, Ireland — ***Patrick Michael O'Brien*** (5lb/2kg)
Won a 5-runner handicap hurdle at Bellewstown in April 2025. Into her shell to end last year and little to shout about either start at Navan/Sligo this autumn.

10 GETAWAY HENRY (IRE) (7) (D) b **97**
428-P1080 **9** 10-13 | 69.4kg
Daniel Joseph O'Leary, Ireland — ***Gearoid Patrick Brouder***
Capitalised on a slipping mark when doubling his tally at Clonmel in June. Well held both starts the following month but possible he'll sharpen up for first outing after 4 months off when eleventh of 17 in a C&D handicap 7 days ago. Betting may point the way.

11 NUGENTSTOWN SUE (IRE) (45) b+t **95**
83/0500-P **7** 10-6 | 66.2kg
Hugh P. Finegan, Ireland — ***C. Stone-Walsh***
Placed in a 2m mares maiden hurdle in 2024 but little impact in various company since. Tongue strap now added to blinkers worn at Fairyhouse last time.

12 BALLYCOMMON CHAPEL (IRE) (468) (D) **92**
7P/24U087- **8** 10-5 | 65.8kg
R. Donohoe, Ireland — ***S. F. O'Keeffe***
Failed to cut much ice over hurdles last summer but found step up to 2m beneficial when opening her account on Flat at Tramore (2m) in August 2025. Respectable fifth at Navan (1¾m, good) later that month and whilst absent since, she has gone well fresh previously.

13 BANPHRIONSA ALAINN (IRE) (61) **96**
0-05P0 **5** 10-3 | 64.9kg
John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland — ***H. E. Sexton*** (7lb/3kg)
Lightly-raced mare who showed a bit initially over hurdles but recent exploits not so inspiring for A. D. Leahy. Starts out for new yard following a 2-month absence but only confidence behind her in the betting would make her of interest.

14 ATLANTIC WONDER (IRE) (14) t **94**
P69P-565 **9** 10-1 | 64.0kg
A. J. Martin, Ireland — ***D. King***
Still looking for a breakthrough victory and he failed to justify support with his reappearance run behind him when mid-field in 13-runner handicap hurdle at Sligo in October. Similarly never a factor back over fences at Clonmel 2 weeks ago but no doubting he's well treated on pick of his form.

15 AMRON DIAMOND (IRE) (14) **86**
0304P-009 **7** 10-0 | 63.5kg
James M. Barcoe, Ireland — ***M. J. Kenneally*** (3lb/1kg)
In-and-out form for J. D. Motherway last season. Went with little encouragement in 2 hurdle runs earlier this season for present stable and never looked like justifying support sent chasing at Clonmel (2m) 2 weeks ago. Quickly switches back to hurdles and others rate much stronger.

16 AVANDRA (IRE) (12) b **96**
20534070 **6** 10-0 | 63.5kg
P. J. Rothwell, Ireland — ***Shane O'Callaghan*** (3lb/1kg)
Still looking for a breakthrough success. Good efforts when making the frame 3 times during the summer but well beaten more recently and she needs to display more positive signs before becoming of interest again. Tongue strap discarded here.

17 HOB'S ANGEL (IRE) (15) **98**
25364U96 **10** 10-0 | 63.5kg
James M. Barcoe, Ireland — ***J. H. Williamson*** (3lb/1kg)
Sole win from 31 starts came at Clonmel (2½m) in May. Back on her winning mark having finished sixth of 13 at Wexford (2½m) last time, though she probably needs more to double her tally on rare start over 2m.

17 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

4-1 Liceo, **9-2** Max Meridius, **9-1** Phoenix Arizona, **10-1** Deed Pole, **11-1** Atlantic Wonder, **16-1** Hob's Angel, **16-1** Ballycommon Chapel, **18-1** Beat The Devil, **22-1** Getaway Henry, **22-1** Figero, **25-1** Banphrionsa Alainn, **28-1** Avandra, **28-1** Glengarriff, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

LICEO has knocked firmly at the door since returning from a short break, again finding only one too good over C&D last week and there appears no reason why he won't make a bold bid again from an unchanged mark. Max Meridius shaped well when a place behind the selection that day and can lay down a serious challenge if consenting to race more efficiently, whilst Phoenix Arizona is another worth a look operating from a lower hurdles mark.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LICEO 2. MAX MERIDIUS 3. PHOENIX ARIZONA

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**Hillstar Blues** 4-11-6	25-1	Sean Aherne	S. F. O'Keeffe 17
2024	**Romella** 10-10-8	9-4f	Brendan Maurice Walsh	D. J. O'Keeffe 8
2023	**Herculaneum** 6-11-6	13-2	Noel C. Kelly	Mr O. McGill (7) 15
2022	**Boghlone Honey** 7-11-8	9-2jf	Liam P. Cusack	Richard Deegan 16
2021	**The Declaimer** 5-11-11	12-1	J. T. R. Dreaper	Keith Donoghue 16

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

3.30 RACE 7

SIGN UP TO gavinlynchracing.com (Q.R.) MAIDEN HURDLE
4yo+ €15,000 2m37y (3250 Metres)

GBI RACING

Going: **Good**

An undulating, right-handed track with a circuit of around a mile and a quarter. Sections of the track are uphill but there is a fairly steep descent to the 2f home straight and the track is very much sharp in character, favouring the handy type of horse. There are seven fences to a circuit of the chase course, with two in the home straight, and a run-in of around a furlong. Perhaps surprisingly, the chase course claims the highest proportion of casualties in Ireland, with the last 2 fences particularly tricky. Due to good drainage, very few meetings are lost due to adverse weather conditions.

Pace Information: **Weak**

1 MARHABA GHAIYYATH (IRE) **92**
4 11-12 | 75.3kg
John Joseph Hanlon, Ireland — ***Mr J. L. Gleeson***
Half-brother to Stayers' Hurdle winner Nichols Canyon. Useful Flat performer for Charlie Johnston, winning 3 times at up to 9.5f. Ended his time for that yard in slightly disappointing fashion and has changed hands for 20,000 gns. Clearly has the raw ability to be a big factor on hurdling debut.

2 A HUG OR TWO (IRE) (24) **70**
0 **5** 11-4 | 71.7kg
Richard James Daniels, Ireland — ***Mr F. Colleran*** (7lb/3kg)
Gamut gelding. Half-brother to 3 winners, including fair hurdler/chaser Never Off Duty and bumper winner/fair hurdler Hepahepa Naeney. Dam unraced. Didn't show much on last month's debut at Galway.

3 HOW DECC (IRE) (10) **76**
93P00/P-40 **8** 11-4 | 71.7kg
James Andrew Fahey, Ireland — ***Miss H. Heffernan*** (7lb/3kg)
Long-standing maiden who makes little appeal whatever the race.

4 LEGENDARY STATUS (IRE) ★ **100**
4 11-4 | 71.7kg
W. P. Mullins, Ireland — ***Mr P. W. Mullins***
Second foal, dam (h70), lightly raced over hurdles, half-sister to useful hurdler/smart staying chaser Kimberlite Candy. Runner-up completed start in points (Mar 2026) and has transferred to a leading stable. Makes obvious appeal in an ordinary maiden hurdle.

5 MENEZ ARE (FR) (24) **60**
08 **4** 11-4 | 71.7kg
Paul John Gilligan, Ireland — ***Mr C. K. Whyte*** (7lb/3kg)
Last of 5 in sole completed start in points and looks a low-grade handicap project under Rules.

6 QUINLAN (IRE) (12) t **77**
U **4** 11-4 | 71.7kg
Ross O'Sullivan, Ireland — ***Mr L. P. Shanahan*** (7lb/3kg)
Sholokhov gelding. Half-brother to modest hurdler Thomas Kershaw. Dam (c116/h103), 2½m/2¾m hurdle/chase winner, sister to useful chaser (stayed 2¾m) A Rated. Held back by mistakes on debut at Gowran 12 days ago, eventually unseating rider. Tongue tie added.

7 RULED BY THE SUN (IRE) (24) t **76**
7-7P047 **5** 11-4 | 71.7kg
Ray Hackett, Ireland — ***Mr L. Hackett*** (7lb/3kg)
Little in the way of solid form.

8 SMITHFIELD (IRE) h **76**
4 11-4 | 71.7kg
L. Young, Ireland — ***Mr J. P. Sampson*** (7lb/3kg)
Maiden on the Flat and ran badly on stable debut last month. Hood goes on now hurdling.

9 THE MIGHTY MALLARD (IRE) **76**
4 11-4 | 71.7kg
Francis Casey, Ireland — ***Mr B. M. Coonan*** (7lb/3kg)
Second foal, dam unraced.

10 GETAWAY DREAMS (IRE) (33) **70**
8 **5** 10-11 | 68.5kg
James Joseph Mangan, Ireland — ***Mr J. Pratt*** (7lb/3kg)
Getaway mare. Half-sister to modest chaser Goaheadwiththeplan, stayed 19f. Dam unraced. Last of 8 in a bumper on debut last month.

11 HILLVIEW LASS (IRE) (18) **60**
0 **6** 10-11 | 68.5kg
Donncha Duggan, Ireland — ***Mr B. Leahy*** (7lb/3kg)
Lauro mare. Dam unraced half-sister to fairly useful hurdle/chase winner (stayed 3m) Epic Warrior. Maiden pointer who didn't achieve much at Cork 18 days ago.

12 MAMOOSH (IRE) **76**
4 10-11 | 68.5kg
E. Seymour, Ireland — ***Miss L. Costello*** (7lb/3kg)
First foal, dam ran twice on Flat.

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:
evens Legendary Status, **15-8** Marhaba Ghaiyyath, **25-1** Quinlan, **33-1** How Decc, **33-1** Mamoosh, **33-1** The Mighty Mallard, **50-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:
A thin maiden and in the hope he takes to hurdling at the first attempt, MARHABA GHAIYYATH may well be up to conceding weight all round given his Flat ability. Point recruit Legendary Status is the obvious alternative for Willie Mullins.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:
1. MARHABA GHAIYYATH 2. LEGENDARY STATUS 3. QUINLAN

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	**Mullaghgloss** 4-11-12	5-2jf	A. Slattery	Mr A. P. Ryan (5)	16
2024	**Jarrive de Mee** 5-11-4	1-4f	W. P. Mullins	Mr P. W. Mullins	7
2023	**Westport Cove** 5-11-12	10-11f	W. P. Mullins	Mr P. W. Mullins	13
2022	**Il Etait Temps** 4-11-4	1-7f	W. P. Mullins	Mr P. W. Mullins	15

SMART STATS:
No Smart Stats available for this race