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1.47 HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARK HOLTON NURSERY HANDICAP (6) 7f219y (1610 Metres)

 RACE 1 **(2) SON OF A FISH | (9) ASTRAL CALLING | (1) HOPE OF ACKLAM**
2.22 WEATHERBYS STALLION BOOK NURSERY HANDICAP (5) 5f217y (1200 Metres)

 RACE 2 **(5) FLOWER YOUMZAIN | (1) WONDERSION | (2) EMPRESS PRINCESS**
2.57 BRITISH EBF SUPPORTS RACING TO SCHOOL FUTURE STAYERS NOVICE STAKES (Sire and Dam Restricted) (3) 7f (1410 Metres)

 RACE 3 **(3) GOLDEN SOUK | (8) THE CAN CAN MAN | (2) EL WAABIL**
3.32 weatherbysshop.co.uk NOVICE STAKES (4) 7f (1410 Metres)

 RACE 4 **(7) POINTED | (3) SHEIKHNSHAH | (2) PANAME**
4.07 WEATHERBYS & BIRDIE CALENDARS HANDICAP (4) 1¼m1y (2010 Metres)

 RACE 5 **(1) RIZAL | (2) PERCY'S DAYDREAM | (3) EVERYONEKNOWSADAVE**
4.41 RACINGTV/FREETRIAL HANDICAP (5) 5f (1010 Metres)

 RACE 6 **(6) SERGEANT MAYER | (1) VENTURA EXPRESS | (2) EMPEROR'S SON**
5.17 AJA NOVICE AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP (6) 7f (1410 Metres)

 RACE 7 **(7) SOUTH KENSINGTON | (9) NIGHT EMPEROR | (2) JUDICATURE**
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

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARK HOLTON NURSERY HANDICAP (6)
2yo (Rated 0-65) £6,000 7f219y (1610 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **Favours Low** Pace Information: **Weak**

1	8	HOPE OF ACKLAM (11)	99
	923	2 9-9 61.2kg	
	Michael & David Easterby <i>Billy Garritty</i>		
	Showed a lot more second time up when narrow runner-up in a course seller (7f) last month and took another step forward when third of 9 in maiden at Musselburgh (7f, good to firm) 11 days ago. One to consider upped further in trip for his nursery bow.		
2	5	SON OF A FISH (15)	100
	5373	2 9-8 60.8kg	
	Richard Hannon <i>Paul Mulrennan</i>		
	Immediately shaped better switched to a nursery when third of 10 at Leicester (7f, good) just over a fortnight ago, going on encouragingly at the line. Has potential for better again returned to 1m so warrants considerable respect.		
3	3	DAKOTA BRAVE (IRE) (63)	93
	65344	2 9-6 59.9kg	
	Charlie Johnston <i>Connor Beasley</i>		
	Standout effort when third of 9 in maiden at Newcastle in June. Ran his worst race to date on nursery debut at Catterick (7f, good to firm) 9 weeks ago and has been freshened up since. Upped further in trip.		
4	4	LOPEFERNZA (20)	92
	667	2 9-5 59.4kg	
	David Loughnane <i>David Probert</i>		
	Standout effort when sixth of 12 in novice at Southwell (7f) in July. Likely to be seen in a better light now tackling a nursery for the first time upped to 1m.		
5	2	CRAVEN FORCE (IRE) (132)	85
	670	2 9-0 57.2kg	
	Craig Lidster <i>Tom Eaves</i>		
	Best effort in his qualifying runs when seventh of 11 in maiden at Beverley (5f, good) in May. Upped markedly in trip for his nursery debut/reappearance (has also been gelded).		
6	6	KING OF PERSIA (15)	92
	7768	2 8-12 56.2kg	
	Tim Easterby <i>David Allan</i>		
	Didn't show a great deal in 3 outings over 6f/7f in midsummer and failed to improve right away on nursery bow after 8 weeks off at Leicester (7f, good) recently. Upped to 1m but may need more time.		
7	7	DIPLOMACY (29)	92
	699	2 8-10 55.3kg	
	Michael & David Easterby <i>Joanna Mason</i>		
	Little impact in 3 outings over 7f in recent weeks. May prove a different proposition now tackling a nursery over this longer trip.		
8	9	RIGHT UP MY ALI (32)	88
	998	2 8-9 54.9kg	
	Mark Walford <i>Rhys Elliott (51lb/2kg)</i>		
	Hasn't shown much to be positive about so far but this switch to a nursery over 1m could see him in a better light.		
9	10	ASTRAL CALLING (IRE) (30)	99
	6702	2 8-9 54.9kg	
	K. R. Burke <i>Jack Nicholls (31lb/1kg)</i>		
	Benefited from the step up in trip as she showed improved form switched to a nursery when second of 7 at Musselburgh (1m, good to firm) last month. Nudged up 2 lb but every chance she will be in the shake-up.		
10	1	WELLS FARGO STAGE (41)	95
	0590	2 8-8 54.4kg	
	Tim Easterby <i>Duran Fentiman</i>		
	Has shown little in her 4 starts to date, most recently when last of 10 on nursery debut at Beverley (7.5f, good) just under 6 weeks ago. Hopes pinned on first-time blinkers sparking improvement.		

BETTING FORECAST:

9-4 Son of A Fish, 4-1 Astral Calling, 6-1 Hope of Acklam, 17-2 Lopefernza, 12-1 Dakota Brave, 16-1 Craven Force, 20-1 Diplomacy, 20-1 King of Persia, 33-1 Right Up My Ali, 66-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SON OF A FISH took his form up a notch when third on nursery debut at Leicester just over a fortnight ago and with better anticipated quickly returned up to 1m, Richard Hannon's colt gets the verdict. Similar comments apply to Astral Calling, so she could be the one to give the selection most to do, with Mick & David Easterby's pair Hope of Acklam and Diplomacy taken to fight out third.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SON OF A FISH 2. ASTRAL CALLING 3. HOPE OF ACKLAM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Harswell River	2-9-9	6-1	Roger Fell	Mark Winn	9
2024	Force of Honour	2-9-8	7-2jf	Craig Lidster	William Pyle (3)	10
2023	Amayretto	2-9-10	11-8f	Tim Easterby	S. B. Kirrane	8
2022	Lincoln Rockstar	2-9-1	10-1	Charlie & Mark Johnston	Jason Hart	10
2021	Sweet Madness	2-9-13	6-1	Karen Tutty	Gemma Tutty (3)	16

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

WEATHERBYS STALLION BOOK NURSERY HANDICAP (5) 2yo
(Rated 0-75) £7,000 5f217y (1200 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Strong**

1	9	WONDERVISION (IRE) (13) (D)	100
	3317	2 9-9 61.2kg	<i>George Bass</i>
Jack Channon Showed improved form to make a winning nursery debut at Wolverhampton last month, doing well to get up close home after meeting trouble. Seemed unsuited by the way the race developed at Doncaster (6.5f, good) earlier in the month so she's worth another chance.			
2	8	EMPRESS PRINCESS (IRE) (22) (BF)	98
	23	2 9-8 60.8kg	<i>Connor Beasley</i>
James Tate Made an encouraging start to her career when second of 6 over 5f at Beverley last month. Not seen to best effect as she got turned over at short odds when third of 5 in novice at Ripon just over 3 weeks ago and now makes the quick switch to a nursery. Step up to 6f will suit.			
3	6	NORTH STAR KODI (IRE) (14)	96
	338	2 9-5 59.4kg	<i>Oisin James Orr</i>
Richard & Peter Fahey Shaped encouragingly when third in a pair of maidens at Hamilton in May but looked rusty after 4 months off when eighth of 10 on nursery debut at Carlisle (6f, good to soft) a fortnight ago, again taken off his feet. More required.			
4	3	BIGALO (8)	98
	69722232	2 9-4 59.0kg	<i>Joanna Mason</i>
Roger Fell Wasted no time getting back on track having been given a slightly longer break between runs when second of 7 in seller over C&D (good to firm) 8 days ago, collared near line. He's now finished runner-up in half of his 8-race career so fancied to be in the mix returned to a nursery.			
5	4	FLOWER YOUNZAIN (IRE) (14)	99
	5433	2 9-4 59.0kg	<i>Kevin Stott</i>
Kevin Ryan Ardad filly who looked unlucky not to go very close when third of 13 in novice at Carlisle (6f, good to soft) a fortnight ago, around ½ length down and closing when snatched up final 50 yds. One to look out for on nursery debut.			
6	10	MUBEHIR (IRE) (7)	95
	0728	2 9-3 58.5kg	<i>David Nolan</i>
Paul Midgley Son of Sioux Nation who left his opening pair of exploits in his wake when second of 10 in a Beverley novice last month. Gelded after but did too much too soon when eighth of 13 in maiden back there (5f) last week. Makes nursery bow.			
7	5	CHEEKY CHESCA (IRE) (15) (D)	98
	23779331	2 9-3 58.5kg	<i>David Allan</i>
Tim Easterby Seen to maximum effect to finally get off the mark in 8-runner nursery at Catterick (6f, good) just over a fortnight ago, making all having broke well from low draw. 6 lb rise could well leave her vulnerable.			
8	7	MOONLIGHT TANGO (11)	96
	61805	2 9-1 57.6kg	<i>Tom Eaves</i>
Kevin Ryan Left her debut form behind when digging deep to score at Beverley (5f) in May. Tailed off on her next 2 starts but took a step back in the right direction when fifth of 9 in nursery at Musselburgh (5f, good to firm) 11 days ago.			
9	2	ONSLAUGHT (IRE) (21)	98
	63355	2 9-1 57.6kg	<i>Billy Garritty</i>
Richard & Peter Fahey Should have been suited by the return to 6f but was never going with much fluency when fifth of 8 in nursery at Hamilton (6f, soft) 3 weeks ago. Handicapper drops him 3 lb and first-time cheekpieces need to sharpen him up.			
10	1	LAIRY MARY (41)	96
	03616462	2 8-9 54.9kg	<i>Duran Fentiman</i>
Tim Easterby Off the mark at the fourth attempt in claimer at Beverley in May and back to that sort of level when second of 10 in nursery there (5f, good) just under 6 weeks ago, well drawn. Mark unchanged and not without each-way hope.			

11 11 **EXCESSIVE (IRE) (14)** 96

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 **Cam Hardie**

Shaped well when a debut fourth in 5f novice at Carlisle in June but has failed to build on it, tailed-off last of 10 in nursery at that track (6f, good to soft) a fortnight ago. Handicapper drops him a chunk but needs to get back on track.

11 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

9-2 Empress Princess, 11-2 Cheeky Chesca, 6-1 Flower Younzain, 17-2 North Star Kodi, 17-2 Lairy Mary, 9-1 Bigalo, 12-1 Wondervision, 20-1 Onslaught, 20-1 Moonlight Tango, 20-1 Mubehir, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

FLOWER YOUNZAIN may well have opened her account but for better luck at Carlisle a fortnight ago and with further progress on the cards now tackling a nursery, Kevin Ryan's filly earns the vote. Wondervision seemed unsuited by the way the race developed at Doncaster recently and better judged on her penultimate success, she heads up the dangers. Empress Princess may prove best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. FLOWER YOUNZAIN 2. WONDERVISION 3. EMPRESS PRINCESS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:				
2025	Soul Warrior 2-8-9	40-1	Nigel Tinkler	Alex Jary (5) 14
2024	I Need Your Love 2-9-8	11-2	Michael & David Easterby	Billy Garritty 11
2023	Indivar 2-9-9	17-2	David O'Meara	David Nolan 11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

BRITISH EBF SUPPORTS RACING TO SCHOOL FUTURE
STAYERS NOVICE STAKES (Sire and Dam Restricted) (3) 2yo
£22,000 7f (1410 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Insufficient Data**

1	8	BEYOND QUESTION	91
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		Julie Camacho Foaled February 13. 90,000 gns yearling, Mehmas colt. Half-brother to 3 winners, including winner up to 11f Arranmore and 2-y-o 6f winner Blue Pinatubo. Yard 0-4 this season with 2-y-o debutants at time of writing.	Oisin James Orr
2	1	EL WAABIL	94
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		Harry Eustace Foaled April 6. 175,000 gns yearling, Baaeed colt. Half-brother to several winners, including smart French 1m winner Dan and useful 5f/6f winner Mokaatil. Dam 2-y-o 6f winner. Yard 2-15 this season with 2-y-o debutants at time of writing.	Kaiya Fraser
3	7	GOLDEN SOUK (IRE)	100
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		K. R. Burke Foaled April 7. Dubawi colt. Brother to useful 2-y-o 7f winner Arabic Legend and 2-y-o 7f winner Youngest, and half-brother to 1m winner Sweet Princess. Makes plenty of appeal on paper for quality yard (18-66 with 2-y-o debutants this season at time of writing).	Paul Mulrennan
4	3	INDICA (IRE)	91
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		Julie Camacho Foaled March 14. 55,000 gns yearling, Minzaal colt. Half-brother to several winners, including winner up to 1m Paroda Diva. Dam 1m-1¼m winner. One of 2 newcomers for this yard.	David Allan
5	4	SAXON LODGE (IRE) (25)	90
	5	2 9-7 60.3kg	
		James Horton Saxon Warrior gelding who showed only greenness when last of 5 in maiden at Chepstow (7f, soft) on debut 25 days ago. Looks one for the longer term.	P. J. McDonald
6	6	SEA THE SENSE	94
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		Edward Bethell Foaled April 13. 100,000 gns yearling, Sea The Stars colt. Brother to 7f winner Cognisance. Dam, ran once at 2 yrs (retired due to injury), half-sister to smart 2-y-o 5f/6f winner Best Terms. Yard 2-12 this season with 2-y-o debutants at time of writing.	Daniel Tudhope
7	2	SPEYSIDE (33)	t 100
	30	2 9-7 60.3kg	
		Hugo Palmer Promising 3 lengths third in a 7f maiden at Glorious Goodwood but went backwards from that when well held in another maiden at the York Ebor meeting. Has a tongue tie applied in his bid to bounce back.	David Probert
8	5	THE CAN CAN MAN (USA)	100
	2	9-7 60.3kg	
		William Haggas Foaled May 14. Justify colt. Half-brother to 2-y-o 7f winner in Japan Keen Sense. Yard 3-29 this season with 2-y-o debutants at time of writing. Shortlisted.	Cieren Fallon

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Golden Souk, 10-3 Speyside, 7-2 The Can Can Man, 15-2 El Waabil, 8-1 Sea The Sense, 20-1 Indica, 20-1 Beyond Question, 33-1 Saxon Lodge

TIMEFORM VIEW:

The pair with racecourse experience don't set a tall standard to aim at so the newcomers look the ones to focus on, GOLDEN SOUK getting the nod to make a winning start for a yard synonymous with 2-y-o success. The Can Can Man and El Waabil are another couple of debutants to note in a novice where the market will no doubt prove informative.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. GOLDEN SOUK 2. THE CAN CAN MAN 3. EL WAABIL

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Yazin 2-9-7	13-8	John & Thady Gosden	Daniel Tudhope	6
2024	High Season 2-9-7	10-3	Charlie Johnston	Connor Beasley	6

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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weatherbysshop.co.uk NOVICE STAKES (4) 3yo+ £10,000 7f (1410 Metres)

RACE 4



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

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Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Weak**

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1	2	NIP ABOUT	84
	3	9-7 60.3kg	Connor Beasley
Tracy Waggott 4,000 gns 3-y-o, Pinatubo gelding. Dam, 2-y-o 7f winner, half-sister to useful winner up to 1½m Qilin Queen. May just be better for this first experience.			
2	1	PANAME (USA)	91
	3	9-7 60.3kg	Kaiya Fraser
Harry Eustace £57,000 yearling, €100,000 2-y-o. City of Light gelding. Brother to 7f 2-y-o winner in USA Canisius and half-brother to several winners, including useful winner up to 9f Gangster and 1m winner St Ignacio (both in USA). Interesting newcomer.			
3	4	SHEIKHNSHAH (FR) (43) (BF)	100
	3	3-333 9-7 60.3kg	Oisin James Orr
Julie Camacho Has run to a fair level when finishing third in each of his 4 races so far. With the hood left off, wasn't able to land the odds in 8-runner maiden at Hamilton (8.5f) 6 weeks ago, but he's looked worth a try at this shorter trip and the hood goes back on. Likely contender.			
4	3	SKEWSBY (12)	88
	73	3 9-7 60.3kg	Billy Garritty
Michael & David Easterby Showed more than on debut when 7 lengths third of 4 in novice at Chester (7f) 12 days ago. Will need to find more again in this contest.			
5	8	LADY VEGA (IRE) (101)	90
	47	3 9-2 58.1kg	Joanna Mason
Gemma Tutty In need of the experience on debut in May and took a step forward when 4¼ lengths seventh of 12 in novice at Doncaster (7f) the following month, left poorly placed. Off since but she should do better somewhere down the line.			
6	5	LILAC DANDY (349)	79
	7087-	3 9-2 58.1kg	Tom Eaves
Alan Brown Went with little promise in 4 starts last year, faring no better on nursery debut when seventh of 8 at Newcastle (1m) in October. Looks to be up against it returning from 11 months off.			
7	6	POINTED (IRE) (14)	92
	4	3 9-2 58.1kg	George Bass
Jack Channon Offered something to work on making her debut when fourth of 7 in novice at Kempton (7f) 2 weeks ago, beaten by the trio who were clear at the head of the market. Makes plenty of appeal with that first run behind her.			
8	7	SERGEEVA	86
	3	9-2 58.1kg	Paul Mulrennan
Rebecca Menzies Mondialiste filly. Half-sister to several winners, including smart 1m winner in France Enlighted and French 9.4f/1¼m winner Eclairée. Dam 1m winner. Has a fair standard to aim at on debut.			

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

15-8 Sheikhnshah, **9-2** Pointed, **5-1** Paname, **6-1** Lady Vega, **8-1** Skewsby, **14-1** Sergeeva, **40-1** bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

POINTED shaped encouragingly on debut when fourth in an interesting-looking novice at Kempton and she can build on that effort to open her account. Sheikhnshah is feared most dropped in trip with the headgear reapplied, while Paname is one to note making his first start.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. POINTED 2. SHEIKHNSHAH 3. PANAME

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Melvin Udall	3-9-7	10-3	Ed Walker	Paul Mulrennan	7
2024	Ghaihaban	3-8-13	5-1	Andrew Balding	Jason Watson	9

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RACE 5

WEATHERBYS & BIRDIE CALENDARS HANDICAP (4) 3yo+
(Rated 0-80) £10,000 1¼m1y (2010 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1	3	RIZAL (FR) (33) (D, BF) 3426-3114 4 10-2 64.4kg		100
	George Scott		Darragh Keenan	
Promise for Johnny Murtagh in 2025 and made second start for current yard a winning one in handicap at Doncaster (1¼m) in June. Comfortably followed up at Hamilton (1½m), before racing too freely when well held at Newmarket last month. Worth another chance back down in trip.				
2	10	PERCY'S DAYDREAM (14) (D) 4014452 4 10-0 63.5kg		98
	David O'Meara		Kevin Stott	
Successful twice this season, the latest when making all at Beverley in June. After a couple of lesser efforts, did well under the circumstances when second over this C&D 2 weeks ago, faring best of those who raced prominently. Can make her presence felt.				
3	12	EVERYONEKNOWSADAVE (IRE) (12) (D) 64321428 4 9-11 62.1kg		99
	Jessica Macey		Liam Wright (3lb/1kg)	
Built on previous promise this season when winning at Nottingham in July and good effort when going close at Southwell last month. Had excuses (stumbled early) when eighth of 17 at Doncaster 12 days ago, so no surprise to see him bounce back.				
4	8	OPTICIAN (12) P-4015293 6 9-8 60.8kg		97
	Michael Herrington		Conor Whiteley (5lb/2kg)	
Gained a first turf victory at Doncaster (1½m) in June. Form has been in-and-out since, but arrives on the back of a good third in 17-runner contest back at Doncaster (1¼m) 12 days ago. Capable of getting involved.				
5	5	DOMINATION (IRE) (38) (D) 776-14133 3 9-6 59.9kg		96
	Harriet Bethell		Sean Dylan Bowen	
Made it 2 wins from first 3 starts for this yard when scoring at Doncaster (1¼) in June. Has continued in good heart with a pair of third-place finishes since, the latest in 12-runner contest at Southwell (1½m) last month.				
6	4	POET'S DAWN (22) (C, D) 63111793 11 9-6 59.9kg	s	96
	Tim Easterby		S. B. Kirrane	
Has been enjoying a fine campaign with 5 victories, completing a hat-trick with success at Ripon in August. Soon left behind a couple of below-par efforts when third of 7 at Ripon 22 days ago, but is back up in grade here.				
7	11	NIGHT WOLF (35) 53-69 3 9-5 59.4kg		83
	Seb Spencer		Dale Swift	
Encouraging debut for John & Sean Quinn last summer. However, he hasn't gone on from that for present stable, returning from a further 4 months off (gelded) when well held on handicap debut at Kempton (1m) in August. Back up in trip with cheekpieces tried last time discarded.				
8	6	CIAO CAPO (IRE) (25) (D, BF) 41-411613 3 9-2 58.1kg		97
	Richard & Peter Fahey		Oisin James Orr	
Has shown improved form upped to 1¼m this season, making it 3 wins from 4 starts when scoring cosily at Beverley in August. Ran to a similar level when third of 8 at the same course 25 days ago.				
9	1	HIS FINEST HOUR (12) (D) 2262-3250 5 9-2 58.1kg		99
	Tina Jackson		Joanna Mason	
Positive signs at Ripon last month on first 2 starts for current connections, runner-up dropped back to 1m on second occasion. However, has taken backwards steps the last twice, down the field at Doncaster 12 days ago.				
10	9	BORJINA (20) 4-17253 3 9-1 57.6kg		96
	Edward Bethell		P. J. McDonald	
Off the mark at Catterick (7f) on return and has taken her form up a notch in handicaps since, having excuses on penultimate start before getting back on track when third of 8 at Southwell (1m) 20 days ago. Interesting up in trip (stamina on dam's side of pedigree).				

11	7	SAXOPHONIST (IRE) (46) 383-33522 3 9-1 57.6kg	93
	David O'Meara		Daniel Tudhope
Remains a maiden but again ran well when second of 5 at Haydock last time, never nearer having been denied a clear run. Could be in the mix once more.			
12	2	MAYFLOWER BILLY (12) 0-4825634 3 8-9 54.9kg	95
	Jessica Macey		Rhys Elliott (5lb/2kg)
Has returned to form when making the frame last 2 starts, fourth of 11 at Chester on latest outing despite having had a tough draw. More needed, though, if he's to gain a breakthrough success.			

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-1 Saxophonist, 13-2 Percy's Daydream, 7-1 Rizal, 8-1 Domination, 9-1 Ciao Capo, 11-1 Everyoneknowsadave, 11-1 Optician, 11-1 Borjina, 16-1 Poet's Dawn, 16-1 Mayflower Billy, 22-1 His Finest Hour, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

RIZAL had been progressing nicely for this stable before having excuses at Newmarket last month, so he is taken to leave his latest effort behind as he drops back down in distance. He gets the vote ahead of Percy's Daydream, who shaped well over C&D a fortnight ago, with Everyoneknowsadave also considered.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. RIZAL 2. PERCY'S DAYDREAM 3. EVERYONEKNOWSADAVE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Mawood 3-9-4	13-2	Harry Eustace	Clifford Lee	10
2024	Ey Up Its The Boss 5-9-13	12-1	Tony Coyle & Kaine Wood	David Nolan	10
2024	Glistening Nights 3-9-4	4-1	Richard Fahey	Oisin James Orr	10
2023	Pillar of Hope 5-10-1	9-2f	Charlie Johnston	Jason Hart	11
2022	American Flag 3-9-5	3-1	Ed Walker	Hector Crouch	8
2021	Freak Out 3-9-2	8-1	Karen Tutty	Gemma Tutty (3)	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

4.41

RACE 6

RACINGTV/FREETRIAL HANDICAP (5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-70)
£7,000 5f (1010 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	1	VENTURA EXPRESS (41) (D)			100
		63544645 9 9-11 62.1kg			
		Paul Midgley		<i>David Nolan</i>	
		Losing run now stands at 23 but in decent nick until a below-par fifth of 10 at Beverley (5f, good) last time. This veteran has slipped to a handy-looking mark if back on his A-game.			
2	2	EMPEROR'S SON (IRE) (6) (D)			98
		36941098 5 9-10 61.7kg			
		Samantha & Jacqueline Coward		<i>Joanna Mason</i>	
		Successful twice for Richard & Peter Fahey in first half of 2026. Not disgraced for new yard with eighth of 20 in handicap at Ayr (5f, soft) 6 days ago. Needs to build on it.			
3	5	TEES AGGREGATES (IRE) (24) (D)	h		92
		53317000 4 9-8 60.8kg			
		Adrian Nicholls		<i>Jack Garritty</i>	
		Capitalised on a falling mark when scoring at Catterick (5f) in June. Has found things tougher all 4 starts since, only tenth of 12 in handicap at Beverley (5f, heavy) 24 days ago. Needs a big step forward.			
4	6	BRAVO HOTEL (61)	v		83
		33533-50 3 9-8 60.8kg			
		Michael & David Easterby		<i>Billy Garritty</i>	
		A fair 5f maiden at 2yrs but he's been well below his best in a pair of handicaps (around 5f) at Thirsk and York this summer. Needs a first-time visor to spark a resurgence.			
5	4	GUERNSEY LADY (IRE) (46) (D)			93
		98347-326 3 9-6 59.9kg			
		David Evans		<i>P. J. McDonald</i>	
		Sole win came at Lingfield (5f) last May. Posted a pair of good placed efforts at Bath and Ffos Las in early summer but came in last of 6 after a break in handicap at Lingfield (5f, all-weather) last month. Bounce back is required.			
6	3	SERGEANT MAYER (IRE) (15) (CD)			99
		48-069611 5 9-4 59.0kg			
		Nigel Tinkler		<i>Alex Jary (3lb/1kg)</i>	
		Back on the up and landed 5f handicaps at Nottingham and Leicester recently. Up another 4 lb but scored readily on latter occasion so big shout in his hat-trick bid.			

6 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

11-8 Sergeant Mayer, 5-2 Ventura Express, 6-1 Guernsey Lady, 14-1 Tees Aggregates, 20-1 Emperor's Son, 20-1 Bravo Hotel

TIMEFORM VIEW:

SERGEANT MAYER comes here in fine fettle and is fancied to defy a 4 lb weights rise for his stylish Leicester success and complete a hat-trick. Veteran Ventura Express could emerge as the main danger from a reduced mark ahead of Emperor's Son.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SERGEANT MAYER 2. VENTURA EXPRESS 3. EMPEROR'S SON

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:				
2025	Our Absent Friends 7-9-4	9-1	Tristan Davidson	Rowan Scott 10
2024	Project Dante 5-9-9	8-1	Geoff Oldroyd	Clifford Lee 11
2023	J R Cavagin 5-9-4	7-2f	Paul Midgley	Graham Lee 11

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

5.17

RACE 7

AJA NOVICE AMATEUR RIDERS' HANDICAP (6) 3yo+ (Rated 0-65) £6,000 7f (1410 Metres)



Going: **Good to Firm (Good in places)**

Narrow, left-handed, oval track which is approximately a mile and three quarters in extent. Races between five furlongs and one mile are run on the straight track. The course is perfectly flat, and with the exception of its two sharp bends, provides a very fair test. The course drains well, and when conditions are riding fast, it can sometimes be difficult to make up ground from off the pace.

Draw: **N/A** Pace Information: **Even**

1	9	KING OF WAR (31) (D)	s+t	98
	4-3153084	7	11-5 72.1kg	
	Michael Wigham		Mr Morgan Tidman (31lb/1kg)	
	Gained a fourth win at Brighton when successful there in June. After a couple of below-par performances, ran respectably in a higher grade when fourth of 7 back at Brighton a month ago. Capable of going well at this level.			
2	4	JUDICATURE (21)	b	100
	9-4287740	4	11-3 71.2kg	
	Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith		Miss Chloe Thornton (31lb/1kg)	
	Yet to win in handicaps but has made the frame 3 times this season, making first start in 0-65 company when fourth of 10 at Newcastle in July. Below form there 3 weeks ago, though he could fare better back at this level with blinkers applied.			
3	1	PEDRO THE POET (IRE) (15)		99
	4050864	5	11-2 70.8kg	
	Nicky Richards		Mr Harvey James (31lb/1kg)	
	Maiden in Ireland who stepped forward from his recent stable debut when fourth of 6 in handicap at Catterick (1¼m) 15 days ago. Task is now to build on latest effort dropped significantly in trip.			
4	2	SANDRET (IRE) (26) (CD)		86
	3121-6887	10	11-1 70.3kg	
	Sam England		Mr Liam Baxter (31lb/1kg)	
	Rejuvenated for this yard last season, successful over 1m at this course and Thirsk. However, is yet to fire in 4 starts during the current campaign, down the field back at Thirsk last month.			
5	10	IRISH INCENTIVE (IRE) (130)		89
	5-82560	3	11-1 70.3kg	
	Adrian Keatley		Mr Joshua Brown	
	Went close in a Southwell novice on third start but has gone backwards since, running no sort of race making handicap debut at Doncaster (1m) in May. Off 4 months ahead of first run since leaving Gay Kelleway.			
6	12	MR JETMAN (IRE) (443) (CD, BF)		98
	23811599-	6	11-0 69.9kg	
	Lawrence Mullaney		Miss Stephanie Dorey	
	C&D winner who ended a long losing run at Ripon last spring and followed up at the same track. However, ended the campaign on a low-key note and has been absent 14 months ahead of first run since leaving Seb Spencer.			
7	5	SOUTH KENSINGTON (IRE) (13) (D)	s+t	96
	56921572	5	10-13 69.4kg	
	Adam Kirby		Mr Liam McGaffin	
	Recorded a first success for present stable this season in handicap at Southwell in May. Soon bounced back from a lesser effort when runner-up at Lingfield 13 days ago and she's a major player with cheekpieces refitted.			
8	3	OSELTON (90) (D)		95
	7148-9200	4	10-9 67.6kg	
	Craig Lidster		Mr Jack Loughnane (31lb/1kg)	
	Improved performer in 7f all-weather handicaps around this time last year, getting off the mark at Southwell. Narrowly denied at Doncaster on second run back this season, though well held last 2 outings. Off 3 months.			
9	6	NIGHT EMPEROR (IRE) (14) (C, BF)		96
	86445143	4	10-7 66.7kg	
	Tina Jackson		Mrs Tracy Gundry (31lb/1kg)	
	Confirmed previous promise for current yard this year when opening account in handicap here (6f) in July. Has run well both starts since, third in 16-runner contest at this course 2 weeks ago, and he merits consideration.			
10	7	SOUL WARRIOR (IRE) (14) (C)	t	99
	1-8035887	3	10-4 65.3kg	
	Nigel Tinkler		Miss Tilly Evans	
	Made a winning nursery debut at this course (6f) a year ago. Similar form when third at Ripon in July but hasn't kicked on since, though wasn't ideally placed when seventh of 16 here 2 weeks ago. On a handy mark with tongue strap fitted and visor discarded.			

11	11	GANTHORPE (9)		92
	57177700	3	9-12 62.6kg	
	Michael & David Easterby		Miss Parthena Rose Sudlow (31lb/1kg)	
	Gained a breakthrough success at Carlisle (6f) in May but has struggled for form since, well held at Thirsk 9 days ago.			
12	8	RYEFIELD (28)		95
	095-88070	3	9-12 62.6kg	
	Lawrence Mullaney		Miss Amy Milburn	
	Remains a maiden but fared better than of late under more positive tactics when 2¼ lengths seventh of 13 in handicap at Beverley (7.5f) last month. Failed to back that up, though, when well beaten in classified event at Catterick.			

12 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-3 Night Emperor, 5-1 South Kensington, 6-1 King of War, 9-1 Judicature, 11-1 Soul Warrior, 14-1 Pedro The Poet, 16-1 Mr Jetman, 18-1 Oselton, 18-1 Sandret, 22-1 Irish Incentive, 28-1 Ganthorpe, 28-1 Ryefield

TIMEFORM VIEW:

Preference is for SOUTH KENSINGTON who was beaten only by a thriving rival at Lingfield on her latest outing. She is fancied to gain a second win for her current yard, though the in-form Night Emperor isn't taken lightly, along with Judicature as he drops back down in grade.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. SOUTH KENSINGTON 2. NIGHT EMPEROR 3. JUDICATURE

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 ^I	Fire Eyes	7-9-2	8-1	Roger Fell	Mark Winn	12
2025 ^{II}	Miss Willows	6-9-3	11-1	Simon Whitaker	Joanna Mason	11
2024	Count Palatine	3-10-3	14-1	Michael Dods	Connor Beasley	15
2023	Kalganov	4-9-13	10-3f	David O'Meara	David Nolan	12
2022 ^I	Kilconquhar	5-9-11	11-1	Ewan Whillans	Rowan Scott	12
2022 ^{II}	Albeseingyer	3-9-0	4-1	Steph Hollinshead	Clifford Lee	12

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race