

1.20 BET365 'CHASING EXCELLENCE' BEGINNERS' CHASE (3) 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)

RACE 1 **(2) LE BEAU MADRIK | (1) FLORIDA DREAMS**

1.50 BEST ODDS GUARANTEED AT BET365 MAIDEN HURDLE (4) 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)

RACE 2 **(4) NATE OF SPADES | (1) I'VE GOT A FRIEND | (2) WINGS OF THE GLEN**

2.25 BET365 HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)

RACE 3 **(3) WASHINGTON | (2) HANDLETHEKETTLE | (1) SERVICE MINIMUM**

3.00 PAUL FERGUSON'S JUMPERS TO FOLLOW WENSLEYDALE JUVENILE HURDLE (Listed) (1) 2m (3220 Metres)

RACE 4 **(3) MINELLA ROCKETT | (7) VIETNORM | (1) CHARLES DARNAY**

3.35 BET BOOST AT BET365 CROSSLEY HANDICAP CHASE (PREMIER HANDICAP) (1) 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)

RACE 5 **(6) KINGSTON NARCISSUS | (3) PRAIRIE WOLF | (7) GENOIS**

4.10 RACING VALUE AT BET365 HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier) (5) 2m5f56y (4280 Metres)

RACE 6 **(9) MIDNIGHT BELLA | (3) BRIGHT LEGEND | (2) NOONETELLSMENOTHIN**

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

BET365 'CHASING EXCELLENCE' BEGINNERS' CHASE (3) 4yo+
£15,000 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)



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

Left handed, galloping. Nine fences to a circuit again now, though the four in the home straight have been switched to the inside of the hurdles track after problems caused by the realignment of the nearby A1. The signs are the fences still punish those who aren't accurate. It's a very fair test for any horse but is ideal for the free-running, long-striding sort.

Pace Information: **Uncontested**

1	FLORIDA DREAMS (IRE) (174)	75
	4/223366-8 8 11-5 72.1kg Sandy Thomson A dual bumper/hurdles winner for Nicky Richards who went close to making a winning chase debut at Hexham (2½m) in October last year. However, turned in a lacklustre display on first outing for current yard at that venue in May and has shown just fair form on the Flat subsequently.	Brian Hughes
2	LE BEAU MADRIK (FR) (21)	100
	2/211P1-9 5 11-5 72.1kg Dan Skelton Runner-up sole outing in bumpers and promising novice hurdler last season, winning 3 of his 4 starts (shaped as if amiss when pulled up in Kelso Grade 2 on other). Came up well short on his handicap bow/reappearance in the Welsh Champion Hurdle but this looks an excellent opportunity on chase debut.	Harry Skelton

2 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-10 Le Beau Madrik, 11-4 Florida Dreams

TIMEFORM VIEW:

LE BEAU MADRIK impressed as a novice hurdler and, with his reappearance under his belt, should prove too strong for the more exposed Florida Dreams on his chasing debut.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. LE BEAU MADRIK 2. FLORIDA DREAMS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025 The Four Sixes 7-11-5 1-8f Olly Murphy Sean Bowen 2

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 2

BEST ODDS GUARANTEED AT BET365 MAIDEN HURDLE (4)
4yo+ £10,000 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Uncontested**

1	I'VE GOT A FRIEND (IRE) (20)	94
	11 5 11-4 71.7kg Gary Hanmer <i>Brian Hughes</i> 2-2 in bumpers this season, latterly holding on gamely under Brian Hughes at Hexham (2m, good to soft) 3 weeks ago. Decent hurdling prospect.	
2	WINGS OF THE GLEN (IRE)	78
	5 11-4 71.7kg Rebecca Menzies <i>Shane Fitzgerald</i> Wings of Eagles gelding. Dam unraced out of fairly useful staying hurdler Emily's Flyer, herself half-sister to very smart 2m hurdler Feathard Lady. The betting should help guide to expectations with this newcomer.	
3	ARCIMBOLDO (76)	74
	P7 4 11-2 70.8kg Mike Sowersby <i>Charlie Maggs</i> Modest maiden on the Flat and no encouragement in 2 outings over hurdles at Market Rasen this summer.	
4	NATE OF SPADES (IRE) (174)	 100
	1 4 11-2 70.8kg Charlie Longsdon <i>Gavin Sheehan</i> Nathaniel gelding who made a winning bumper debut at Warwick (2m, good) in May, forging clear in the closing stages. Switches to hurdles after a break with Charlie Longsdon stable among the winners. Probably the one to beat.	
5	STARLET DU BRIZAIS (FR) (23)	74
	7 4 10-9 67.6kg Philip Kirby <i>Joe Williamson</i> Made frame both completed starts in Irish points but tailed-off last of 7 in a Sedgfield bumper on Rules debut just 23 days ago.	

5 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

10-11 Nate of Spades, 6-4 I've Got A Friend, 10-1 Wings of The Glen, 80-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

It's likely this will develop into a straight fight between bumper winners NATE OF SPADES and I've Got A Friend, with the latter narrowly preferred.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. NATE OF SPADES 2. I'VE GOT A FRIEND 3. WINGS OF THE GLEN

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Blue Carpet	5-11-4	4-11f	Dan Skelton	Tristan Durrell (3)	3
2024	Telemetry	6-11-0	33-1	Philip Kirby	Joe Williamson (3)	9

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 3

BET365 HANDICAP HURDLE (3) 3yo+ (Rated 0-130)
£10,000 2m3f154y (3960 Metres)



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

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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

1	SERVICE MINIMUM (FR) (14) (D, BF) 74711-713 6 12-2 77.1kg  Dan Skelton Dominic Lewis (10lb/5kg) Hold-up type who resumed progress when snugly making it 3 wins from 4 starts on return at Newton Abbot. Still in form/caught further back than ideal when 8¾-length third at Uttoxeter since. Remains on career-high mark, with stable's relatively inexperienced claimer taking over from Harry Skelton.	97
2	HANDLETHEKETTLE (IRE) (56) (D) 2151/311-2 7 11-6 72.6kg  Jamie Snowden Gavin Sheehan Lightly-raced front runner who has an excellent strike rate. Again ran well fresh/impressed with his jumping when runner-up in his bid to make it 4-4 at Worcester last month. That form has taken a few knocks, however, he's likely to get his own way in front here.	99
3	WASHINGTON (20) 0/10758-07 10 11-6 72.6kg  Harry Derham Paul O'Brien Was bidding to enhance excellent record fresh at Chepstow when 14¼-length seventh in a loaded renewal of the Silver Trophy (19.5f) earlier this month. Proved plenty of ability remains and that he stays this far. Interesting with sights lowered, even with yard relatively quiet at present.	100
4	SPOT ON SOPH (IRE) (22) (D, BF) t 32575-112 10 10-7 66.7kg  Sam England Rebecca Hitchen (7lb/3kg) Smooth traveller who's building up a good rapport with this conditional. Followed up her reappearance win in a thin race at Southwell (2½m) before foiled by one on a much-reduced mark on hat-trick bid at Market Rasen (23f). More on at the weights up in class, though drop back in trip will benefit.	97

4 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

7-4 Handlethekettle, 9-4 Washington, 7-2 Service Minimum, 6-1 Spot On Soph

TIMEFORM VIEW:

WASHINGTON is fancied to resume winning ways back in calmer waters. Handlethekettle will probably get the run of the race and rates the main danger.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. WASHINGTON 2. HANDLETHEKETTLE 3. SERVICE MINIMUM

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Singapore Trip	7-10-4	12-1	Micky Hammond	Alice Stevens (5)	6
2024	Welsh Charger	6-11-9	3-1	Alastair Ralph	David Noonan	6
2023	Windtothelightning	5-11-4	4-1	Oliver Greenall & Josh Guerriero	Henry Brooke	9
2022	Rocky Man	4-11-0	11-4	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	8
2021	Haafapiece	8-11-10	15-2	Pam Sly	Jack Andrews (5)	14

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

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RACE 4

PAUL FERGUSON'S JUMPERS TO FOLLOW WENSLEYDALE JUVENILE HURDLE (Listed) (1) 3yo £45,000 2m (3220 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Even**

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CHARLES DARNAY

3 11-0 | 69.9kg

James Owen 

Jonathan Burke

Progressive 3-y-o. Shaped encouragingly on hat-trick bid/return (following a breathing operation) when fairly useful third in a solid Newmarket handicap (1½m) latest. Interesting hurdling debutant for connections who won 2024 renewal with very similar type in Liam Swagger.
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CONFUSED (IRE) (20)

6 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Faye Bramley

Harry Cobden

Fairly useful winner up to 1¼m for Mrs J. Harrington. Well below that level when easy to back/given a considerate introduction to hurdling at Chepstow on stable debut. Steps up significantly in class and presumably thought capable of better by a knowledgeable operation.
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MINELLA ROCKETT (IRE) (120) (D, BF)

1 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

John Nallen, Ireland

Daniel King

Interesting Irish raider who knew his job when successful on hurdling debut at Limerick (2m) in July. Progressed to make it a cross-code hat-trick at Naas the following month and useful form in defeat on the Flat more recently. Better to come back hurdling and may well make it 2-2 in this sphere.
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PASS THE BUCK (IRE) (20)

32 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Harry Derham

Paul O'Brien

Fair winner of a Fairyhouse claimer (1¼m) final start for Joseph O'Brien. No match for Vietnorm on hurdling debut prior to a much-improved second to an above-average debutant at Chepstow latest. Needs more again but has previously responded well to a headgear change (wears first-time blinkers here).
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SACRE CHEF (FR) (20)

3 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Dan Skelton

Harry Skelton

Successful sole start on Flat in France. Showed plenty to work on (took strong hold) when 15½ lengths third behind Pass The Buck/lesser-fancied stablemate at Chepstow (2m, soft) on hurdling debut/return. Should last longer this time and very much unexposed on second start for a powerful yard.
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TIMELY SALUTE (34)

121 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Max Comley

Freddie Mitchell

Steadily progressive type. Chased home Moment Of Light (closely matched with Vietnorm) on sole hurdle defeat from 3 starts. Capitalised on large 3-y-o allowance when driven out to win on handicap debut at Market Rasen (19f) latest. Step into listed company probably a bridge too far, though.
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VIETNORM (IRE) (34)

12R1 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Adrian Keatley

Oakley Brown

Decisively completed a cross-code hat-trick when successful on hurdling debut at Market Rasen in June. Mitigation for a couple of defeats prior to a much-improved win over Moment Of Light on return to Market Rasen last time. In the right hands to keep improving and has to be high on the shortlist.
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WICKSEY (60) (D)

11 3 11-0 | 69.9kg

Ben Haslam

Richie McLernon

Fair 3-time Flat winner (stays 1¾m). Beat a couple of next-time-out winners when successful on hurdling debut at Stratford (2m). Showcased an improvement in jumping when completing a simple task at Cartmel in August. Others have stronger form but he's open to further progress on hat-trick bid.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MINELLA ROCKETT 2. VIETNORM 3. CHARLES DARNAY

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Minella Study	3-11-0	8-1	Adam Nicol	Ryan Mania	8
2024	Liam Swagger	3-11-3	11-8f	James Owen	Sam Twiston-Davies	7
2022	Medyaf	3-11-0	3-1	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	4
2021	Porticello	3-11-3	6-4f	Gary Moore	Jamie Moore	7

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

8 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

3-1 Minella Rockett, 7-2 Vietnorm, 11-2 Charles Darnay, 8-1 Sacre Chef, 10-1 Pass The Buck, 12-1 Wicksey, 14-1 Timely Salute, 16-1 Confused

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MINELLA ROCKETT has developed into a useful Flat performer since his hurdling debut success over the summer and looks capable of making it 2-2 in this sphere. The chief threat among those with experience could be Vietnorm, who's proving similarly progressive, with Charles Darnay an interesting hurdling newcomer for an excellent yard.

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RACE 5

BET BOOST AT BET365 CROSSLEY HANDICAP CHASE
(PREMIER HANDICAP) (1) 4yo+ £75,000 2m3f85y (3900 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Very Weak**

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race

1	MATTERHORN (FR) (16) (D)		98
	992/1P2P-7 8 12-0 76.2kg Dan Skelton <i>Charlie Todd</i> Smart at his best for Paul Nicholls. Given a considerate return/yard debut at Ffos Las earlier this month. Again looks the stable second string and this is presumably a stepping stone to bigger targets.		
2	BREAKING COVER (IRE) (26)	t	97
	126-44111 8 11-13 75.7kg Anthony Honeyball <i>Chad Bament (5lb/2kg)</i> Progressive sort. Boasts an impressive strike rate in small-field events despite being prone to mistakes over fences. His proven form/fitness counted for plenty when completing a chase hat-trick under this claimer (3-3) at Kelso last time. May prove vulnerable up 3 lb in better company, though.		
3	PRAIRIE WOLF (IRE) (223) (D)	s	99
	3P/331911- 9 11-13 75.7kg Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith <i>Danny McMenamin</i> Well-held third on return in this corresponding race last season. Proved at least as good as ever when making it 3 wins from 4 starts in a strong handicap at Newbury (2½m) in March. Hat-trick a distinct possibility on that form, however, some from this yard have been needing their reappearance.		
4	PRIMOZ (IRE) (26) (C)	t	97
	235631B-2 8 11-3 71.2kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore <i>Derek Fox</i> Quirky course winner who showed plenty of ability remains when useful ½-length second to Breaking Cover on return at Kelso (17f) last time. Now 2 lb better off with that rival, though probably unlikely he finds significant improvement for the run (goes well fresh/yard more forward this season).		
5	CREBILLY (IRE) (16) (D, BF)	s	99
	8P5-14213 9 11-3 71.2kg Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill <i>Jonjo O'Neill Jr.</i> Has found some useful form in recent months without scaling the heights of his 2024 second in the Cheltenham Plate. Made it 2 wins from 4 starts in small-field handicap at Worcester prior to finishing 2¾-length third off this mark at Ffos Las latest. Harry Cobden now looks elsewhere.		
6	KINGSTON NARCISSUS (FR) (104) (D, BF)	s+t	 100
	3170-1222 7 11-1 70.3kg Dan Skelton <i>Harry Skelton</i> On the up since clear-cut chasing debut at Hexham on final start for Rebecca Menzies in May. Unfortunate not to land the Summer Plate (badly hampered 4 out) when notching a third consecutive second at Market Rasen in July. Can make amends for connections who won last year's corresponding race.		
7	GENOIS (FR) (16) (CD)	s	 99
	51212-P4U 10 10-10 68.0kg Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill <i>Harry Cobden</i> Strong-staying type who won the 2024 renewal of this race off a 2 lb lower mark. Still operating at fairly useful level when winning twice last season, enhancing his good course record with success here over Christmas. The pick of Harry Cobden and headgear on first time since joining current yard.		

7 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-2 Kingston Narcissus, 9-2 Crebilly, 5-1 Prairie Wolf, 6-1 Breaking Cover, 15-2 Primoz, 10-1 Genois, 20-1 Matterhorn

TIMEFORM VIEW:

KINGSTON NARCISSUS can gain compensation for his near miss in the Summer Plate and notch a second successive win in this event for Dan Skelton. Hat-trick-seeker Prairie Wolf may go one place better than he did in last year's renewal, with Genois best of the rest.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. KINGSTON NARCISSUS 2. PRAIRIE WOLF 3. GENOIS

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:

2025	Thistle Ask	8-10-3	6-4f	Dan Skelton	Tristan Durrell (3)	6
2024	Genois	8-10-2	15-8f	Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill	Sean Bowen	4
2022	Into Overdrive	7-10-9	9-2	Mark Walford	Jamie Hamilton	7

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RACE 6

RACING VALUE AT BET365 HANDICAP HURDLE (Qualifier)
(5) 3yo+ (Rated 0-105) £8,000 2m5f56y (4280 Metres)



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Pace Information: **Very Strong**

1	ROBBER'S BRIDGE (IRE) (222) (D)	h	97
	41/2331P5- 8 12-0 76.2kg Dan Horsford Philip Armson (31b/1kg) Better than ever when comfortable winner at Exeter (2¾m) in January. Shaped as if amiss at Newbury but wasted no time getting back on track when fifth of 8 at aforementioned track in March. Capable fresh and not dismissed back down in grade on reappearance.		
2	NOONETELLSMENOTHIN (IRE) (16)	b	99
	2313P43-3 5 12-0 76.2kg Jonjo & A.J. O'Neill Jonjo O'Neill Jr. Placed in a couple of bumpers and benefited from step up in trip when landing a Catterick novice (19f) on hurdles debut in December. Matched rather than built on that in handicaps since, running respectably after 6 months off when third of 7 in 2½m event here 16 days ago. Respected.		
3	BRIGHT LEGEND (IRE) (19)		98
	531-05743 6 12-0 76.2kg Faye Bramley Harry Cobden Off the mark in a Sedgefield maiden in April. More miss than hit since but fared better than of late in a reapplied tongue strap when third of 12 in 3m handicap at Chepstow (soft) 19 days ago. Must enter calculations with Cobden taking over from 7-lb claimer.		
4	ROMANY BROWN (IRE) (68)	t	93
	4/139F-445 6 11-11 74.8kg Ben Case Jonathan Burke Off the mark in a Killarney maiden hurdle (17f) on final outing for previous connections. Hasn't reached anywhere near those heights since joining current yard though, struggling to get competitive in a steadily-run handicap at Worcester on most recent outing. Tongue strap on for first time.		
5	OCTOBER HILL (IRE) (23)	s+t	97
	23-1B2562 6 11-10 74.4kg David Pipe Non Runner Opened her account at Ffos Las in May and returned to form when second at Worcester (2½m) on most recent outing, albeit no match for a less-exposed Skelton improver. Should remain competitive from same mark. NON RUNNER.		
6	COLONEL JACK (219)	t	95
	PP4- 5 11-9 73.9kg Mark Walford Jamie Hamilton Showed his first form after pulling up on his first 2 starts when fourth of 13 in maiden hurdle at Hexham (2½m, heavy) in March. Tongue strap added for handicap debut/reappearance and longer trip likely to suit but it's worth noting his stable is quiet.		
7	DRAMATIC LICENSE (IRE) (175)		98
	347150P-P 6 11-9 73.9kg John Wainwright Callum Bewley Won a maiden hurdle in Ireland for Stuart Crawford last summer but has shown nothing in a trio of starts for his new yard. Easily passed over.		
8	STYLISH RECRUIT (IRE) (28)	s+t	96
	P01-65215 8 11-8 73.5kg Sandy Thomson Patrick Wadge Forward-going type who saw off 3 next-time-out winners when registering win number 3 at Hexham (23f) in late-June. Shaped as if needing the run there 3 months on but his yard still appears to be finding its feet for the season.		
9	MIDNIGHT BELLA (241)	★	100
	580692- 5 11-0 69.9kg Joel Parkinson & Sue Smith Peter Kavanagh Showed ability in bumpers and left her previous efforts over hurdles well behind switched to a handicap when second of 12 in 2½m at Newcastle in March, collared final 50 yds. That form has worked out well and she's of interest returning from a 3 lb higher mark. Has had a breathing operation.		
10	GIVEUPYERAULDSINS (IRE) (545)		88
	5617P2J9- 8 11-0 69.9kg Ruth Jefferson Richie McLernon Novice hurdle winner at Newcastle in December 2024 but that was a weak race and she went backwards from her chasing debut when well beaten at Uttoxeter (3m) in May 2025, looking less than straightforward. Off since.		

11	HELSETAWAY (IRE) (26)	s	97
	P6/F40-335 7 10-13 69.4kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore Brian Hughes Maiden who looked rusty after 4 months off when fifth of 8 in handicap hurdle at Kelso (21f, good to firm) 26 days ago, barely adequate test. Eased 2 lb and this at least represents a return to further.		
12	FAIRLY FULLING (IRE) (37)	s+t	95
	2441-P418 8 10-12 68.9kg Susan Corbett Nathan Moscrop Belatedly off the mark in a 15-runner handicap at Newcastle (2½m) in March and added to his tally when seeing off 9 rivals over 2½m at Perth in July. Raised 6 lb and failed to get home back up in trip there 6 weeks later, though.		
13	GLORY HIGHTS (213)	s	96
	2/PP95246- 10 10-7 66.7kg Chris Grant Danny McMenamin Remains with just one win to his name and turned in a rare poor effort at Newcastle when last seen in March, though does have each-way claims on the pick of his form if bouncing back on this return to action.		
14	MAGIC GLOVES (IRE) (37)	t	98
	34480-025 5 10-5 65.8kg Lucinda Russell & Michael Scudamore Derek Fox Ran better than for a while stepped up in trip when second over 3m at Perth in August but merely underlined inconsistency when below-par fifth of 12 in a similar event there the following month.		
15	LILLISTAR (31)		96
	342FP5-33 6 10-2(10-1) 64.4kg (64.0kg) Micky Hammond & Becky Smith Joshua Thompson (51b/2kg) Is still to win over hurdles but again ran creditably when third of 8 in 2½m handicap at Sedgefield (2½m, good) 31 days ago. Reunited with handy 5-lb claimer and could go well once more from 1 lb out of the weights.		

15 DECLARED RUNNERS

BETTING FORECAST:

5-1 Midnight Bella, 7-1 Noonetellsmenothin, 15-2 Lillistar, 10-1 Bright Legend, 11-1 Robber's Bridge, 12-1 Magic Gloves, 12-1 Stylish Recruit, 14-1 Helsgetaway, 16-1 Colonel Jack, 18-1 Glory Hights, 33-1 Fairly Fulling, 33-1 Romany Brown, 40-1 bar

TIMEFORM VIEW:

MIDNIGHT BELLA left her previous efforts over hurdles well behind when runner-up on her handicap debut at Newcastle in March and, with that form having proven strong, she's taken to go one better on her return to action, especially with her yard beginning to hit stride. Bright Legend, Noonetellsmenothin and Robber's Bridge complete the shortlist.

TIMEFORM 1-2-3:

1. MIDNIGHT BELLA 2. BRIGHT LEGEND 3. NOONETELLSMENOTHIN

WINNERS IN PREVIOUS YEARS:						
2025 ¹	Princesse Milania	5-10-13	4-1	Mark Walford	Jamie Hamilton	12
2025 ¹	Duel Au Soleil	5-11-12	10-3f	Ben Pauling	Callum Pritchard (5)	10
2024	Perculator	7-11-7	12-1	Mark Walford	Jamie Hamilton	6
2022	Miss Milano	7-11-6	5-1	Nicky Richards	Conor Rabbitt (7)	11
2021 ¹	Unexpected Party	6-11-11	11-8f	Dan Skelton	Harry Skelton	9
2021 ¹	Rock The House	6-11-6	18-1	Olly Murphy	Fergus Gregory (3)	8

SMART STATS:

No Smart Stats available for this race