

Wednesday 8th February 2017 - Trendsetters Guide

Previous race trends (2007-16) can often help provide a shortlist of potential winners in the current year's races. Hopefully these brief pointers will assist racegoers at Carlisle today. The figure in brackets after the race details is the favourite's strike rate for the race. Trainers who have won the race before and have an intended runner at the 5-day declaration stage are also highlighted. Extended for 2017 are the 'Carlisle Form Figures' showing the horses last six form figures for races run here at Carlisle.

1.50 - 2m 1f Novices' Hurdle (50%): The last four winners all had odds of 5/1 or shorter. A 2nd/3rd finish in their last race was also a common factor. Trainer to Watch: N Richards (won 2013).

2.20 - 2m Novices' Limited Handicap Chase (100%): New race in 2014 with both past winners sent off as favourites. Both also finished 2nd/3rd on their last run and carried a weight of 11st 7lbs to 11st 8lbs. Trainer to Watch: D McCain (won 2014). Carlisle Form: Greyboug (1); Speredek (1); Turtle Watch (1).

2.50 - 2m 3f+ Novices' Hurdle (50%): All four past winners had odds of 6/1 or shorter. A 6th placed finish (or better) on their last run was also a common factor for all past winners. Trainer to Watch: D McCain (won 2011). Carlisle Form: Grace Tara (1).

3.20 - 3m+ Novices Handicap Chase (n/a): New race in 2016. Trainer to watch: D McCain (won 2016). Carlisle Form: Finaghy Ayr (P1).

3.55 - 2m 1f Handicap Hurdle (0%): New race in 2014. Both winners to date finished 5th or better on their last run and carried a weight between 11st 3lbs & 11st 7lbs. In the betting, both were easy to back with odds of 9/2 & 14/1. Carlisle Form: Age of Glory (15).

4.30 - 3m 3f Handicap Chase (n/a): New race in 2017 and based upon the 5 day entries this could well be the best race of the day with numerous past winners at Carlisle holding entries! Carlisle Form: Gevrey Chambertin (17); Milborough (19241); Baywing (51); Carrigdhoun (318211); Blakemount (331); Russe Blanc (74321); Hester Flemen (1); Nortonthorpelegend (16); Jonny Eagar (P31); Swing Hard (113).

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