

## Easter Saturday 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 overnight 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.

**1.45 - 2m 3f+ Novices' Hurdle (n/a):** New race in 2015 with both winners to date winning either of their last two races and also sent off as favourites. Trainer to watch: S R Crawford (won 2016). Carlisle Form: Derintoher Yank (11); Officer Hoolihan (1).

**2.15 - 2m 4f Novices' Chase (56%):** The last seven renewals have all been won by either the 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> favourites. All past winners were 6<sup>th</sup> or better on their last *completed* race. Trainers to watch: Sue Smith (won 2016); Venetia Williams (2015). Carlisle Form: Shantou Village (1); Greyboug (12); Wolf Sword (212); Lord Ballim (311); Mister Kit (112).

**2.50 - 2m 1f (Mares) Handicap Hurdle (n/a):** New race in 2016.

**3.25 - 2m 4f Handicap Chase (25%):** Of the four past winners three started as 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup> favourites with the other winning at 10/1. All rested at least 36 days since their last run. Carlisle Form: Baileys Concerto (41528); Grove Silver (211); Un Guet Apens (312); Whats Up Woody (146331); Wolf Sword (see 2.15 race); Amilliontimes (15); Purcells Bridge (181437); Tikkanademickey (741423); Lord Ballim (see 2.15 race).

**4.00 - 3m 1f Handicap Hurdle (0%):** All three past winners carried a weight of 11st 6lbs or more and finished 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> on their last run. Carlisle Form: Lord Ballim (see 2.15 & 3.25 races); Midnight Request (31); Pistol (4211U4).

**4.30 - 3m 2f Handicap Chase (33%):** New race in 2015 with two divisions run that year. *Basford Ben* won one of the divisions in 2015 (off a rating of 105) and in 2016 (off a mark of 100) and is currently rated 107. All three past winners carried a weight of 11st 11lbs or 11st 12lbs and were 3<sup>rd</sup> or better on their last run. Trainer to watch: Jennie Candlish (won 2016 & 2015). Carlisle Form: Basford Ben (451137); Settledoutofcourt (351757); Hollow Blue Sky (1); Frank The Slink (71441P).

**4.30 - 2m 1f (Mares) NH Flat Race (25%):** Race run four times before with 5yo winning the last three renewals. We have seen two NH debutants winning the race although the last two races in 2015 & 2016 were won by mares who were 2<sup>nd</sup> on their previous run. Trainer To watch: S R Crawford (won 2015).

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