

Sunday 8th April 2018 - Trendsetters Guide

Previous race trends (2008-17) 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 2018 are the 'Carlisle Form Figures' showing the horses last six form figures for races run here at Carlisle.

1.50 & 2.20 - 2m 1f+ (Conditional Jockeys) Handicap Hurdle (n/a): A new race in 2018 (Previously run over a longer trip). Carlisle Form: Robbintheaulad (1); Dakota Grey (12230); Instingtive (001).

2.50 - 2m Novices' Limited Handicap Chase (n/a): New race in 2017. Carlisle Form: Derrintoher Yank (11124).

3.25 - 2m 1f Novices' Hurdle (n/a): A new race in 2016. Both winners to date won their last race and also started as favourites.

3.55 - 2m 4f Handicap Chase (20%): Three of the five past winners had odds of 11/4 or shorter with the other winners easier to back at 10/1 & 11/1. All were rested for at least 26 days before winning here. Carlisle Form: Grove Silver (2111); Swing Hard (1137P). Trainer To Watch: Lucinda Russell (won 2017).

4.30 - 3m 1f Novices' Handicap Hurdle (n/a): A new race in 2018.

5.00 - 2m 5f Novices' Handicap Chase (n/a): A new race in 2016. Both winners to date were easy to back at odds of 8/1 & 11/1. They also carried a weight between 11st 1lb & 11st 9lbs. Carlisle Form: Asking Questions (1).

4.35 - 2m 1f NH Flat Race (n/a) A new race in 2016. Both winners to date were aged 5yo and making their NH debuts (ignores point to point races). In the betting they were easy to back at odds of 17/2 or greater. Carlisle Form: Glentool (1). Trainer To Watch: Sandy Thompson (won 2016).

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