

Sunday 3rd November- Trendsetters Guide

Previous race trends (2009-18) can often help provide a short list 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. Also new for the jumps season (2019/20) is the first of a list of race facts, which hopefully race goers will find profitable to follow!

12.45 - 2M 4F Novices' Hurdle (35%): Of the ten past winners since 2009, all finished 5th or better on their last run, including six who also won their last race. Longest winner's odds seen were 11/1 with 8/10 having odds of 9/2 or shorter. 5 & 6yo horses are the preferred age group with 5 wins for each age group.

1.20 - 2M 4F Novices' Limited Handicap Chase (0%): A new race in 2014. Four of the five past winners were 2nd or 3rd on either of their last two races and all winners had odds of 4/1 to 12/1. Winner's weights carried ranged from 10st 6lbs to 11st 12lbs albeit on softer ground the lower weighted horses fared best.

1.55 - 2M 1F Handicap Hurdle (n/a): New race in 2018. *Green Zone* finished 2nd in the race last year and again holds an entry for the race at the 5-day declaration stage. Last year the horse was rated at 96 in the handicap whilst currently on a mark of 100.

2.30 - 2m 4f (Listed) 'Colin Parker Memorial' Intermediate Chase (10%): The race was upgraded to 'listed' status in 2013. 10/11* winners were making their seasonal re-appearance with the other winning its only race in the current season. Whilst favourites have not fared well in this race there have been six winning second favourites in the last ten years. The most notable winner in recent times was *Many Clouds* who went on to win both the Hennessy Gold Cup and Grand National. *11 past winners recorded as the 2010 race resulted in a dead heat.

3.05 - 2M 4F Handicap Hurdle (20%): New race in 2014. Four of the five winning horses had finished 1st/2nd on their last run. Weights carried by the winners ranged from 10st 5lbs to 11st 11lbs. Dual winner *One For Harry* again holds an entry at the five day declaration stage and must be respected having won the race in 2014 & 2015. The horse has become a regular in the race and now runs off a handicap mark of 129. Past finishing positions are: 2014 (1st rated 121); 2015 (1st rated 129); 2017 (5th rated 137); 2018 (8th rated 138).

3.40 - 3M 2F 'Cumberland' H/cap Chase (30%): A 5th placed run (or better) on their last completed run was seen for nine of the last ten winners. Lower weighted horses tend to fare best in this race with 7/10 past winners carrying 11st 3lbs or less. The 2017 winner, *Harry The Viking*, again holds an entry at the five-day declaration stage, although to date no 14yo has won the race. Currently rated at 122 in the handicap ratings, the horse won off a mark of 121 in 2017 and was 7th in last years race of a mark of 123.

4.15 – 2m 1f NH Flat Race (n/a) New race in 2019 (previously run over 1m 6f for 3yo). In the previous format of the race, jockey Brian Hughes had a good record with 3 winners between 2009-18.

Carlisle Race Fact #1 – In 2019, for jumps races at Carlisle, we have seen 8 runners making a return to the track after a break of 365 days or more (in jumps races). If backing them all with a £1 win stake this would have returned £58 (including stakes).

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