

Catterick Trendsetters Guide ~ December 28th

Previous race trends (2015-24*) can often help provide a short-list of potential winners in the current year's races. The percentage figure after the race details is the favourite's 'strike rate' in the race. Trainers who have won the race before are also highlighted if they had an entry at the final declaration stage. *2016 meeting was abandoned.

In handicap races, horses that have won before off the same/higher ratings will be highlighted as 'well handicapped'. – racecard numbers only are given below:

In the last five years some key statistics are:

Leading jockey – B Hughes 30 wins from 144 rides.

Leading trainer – D McCain 20 wins from 124 runners.

12.18 – 2m 3f Conditional Jockeys Handicap Chase (33%): Race run 6 times before with all winners carrying a weight of 11st 10lbs or more. 6yo have won 4/6 races. All last ran 11-40 days earlier and apart from one faller the others were all 5th or better LTO. In the betting all were 13/2 or shorter. Trainer to watch: M Hammond (1 win). Well handicapped: 4-6-7.

12.53 – 2m 3f Maiden Hurdle (14%): Race run 7 times before and with one exception all others had odds of 8/1 or shorter (including three 2nd favourites). Two NH debutants have won with the others all 4th or better LTO. 5yo have won 4/7 races. Trainer to watch: D McCain (2 wins).

1.28 – 2m Novices' Handicap Chase (50%): Race run as a class 5 race for the last three years with two sole/joint favourites winning. All winners to date were no better than 3rd LTO. Trainer to watch: D McCain (1 win).

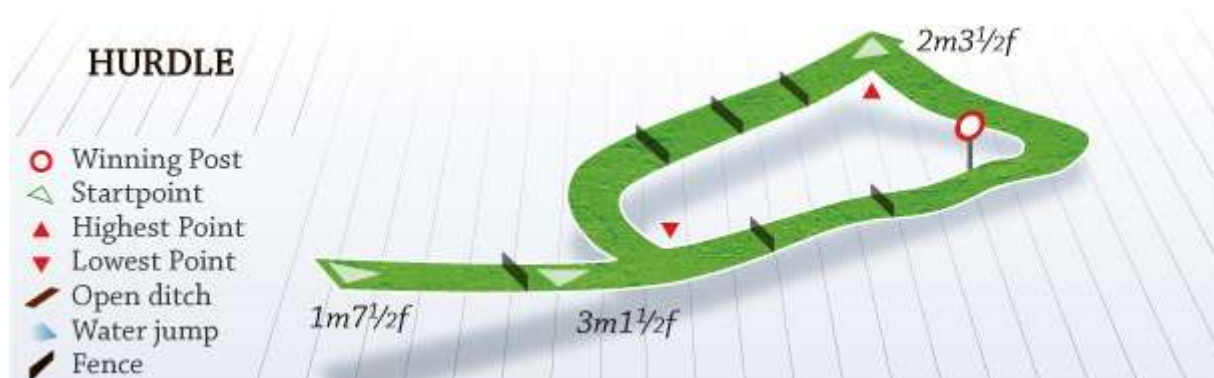
2.03 – 2m (Mares) Novices' Hurdle (62%): Race run 8 times before with all but one of the winners sent off as 1st/2nd favourites. All winners to date were aged 4/5yo. Trainers to watch: O Murphy & F O'Brien (1 win).

2.38 – 3m 1f Handicap Chase (11%): A weak race for favourite backers although we have seen 3/9 second favourites winning the race since 2015. All nine winners were 6th or better on their last completed race. In the weights, all carried 11st 11lbs or less. Well handicapped: 2-5-10-13-14.

3.13 – 2m 3f Handicap Hurdle (25%): New race in 2021. All four winners were 6th or better LTO (35-48 days earlier) including three winners LTO. All carried a weight of 11st 7lbs to 11st 13lbs. All were aged 5/6yo – including three aged 5yo. *Hajey* won the race in 2023 and is seeking a repeat win off a 3lbs lower mark. Trainer to watch: T Waggott (1 win). Well handicapped: 1-3-9.

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CHASE

- Winning Post
- △ Startpoint
- ▲ Highest Point
- ▼ Lowest Point
- Open ditch
- Water jump
- Fence

