

Carlisle Trendsetters Guide ~ Thursday 19th October

Previous race trends (2013-22) 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.

1.20 – 2m 4f (Conditional Jockeys) Handicap Hurdle (Fav 33%): Race run 3 times before with horses aged 6yo winning all three. They had all finished 5th or better on their last *completed* run and were rested at least 42 days before running here. In the betting all had odds of 10/1 or shorter. Trainers to watch: F O'Brien (won 2022), D McCain (won 2020, 2021).

1.50 – 2m Novices' Limited Handicap Chase (Fav 20%): The last winning favourite was in 2015 although 7/10 past winners had odds of 11/2 or shorter. Four winners since 2013 had at least one run in the current season. The last two winners were unplaced on their last run but the previous eight winners were all 3rd or better on their last start. Trainer to watch: C Longsdon (won 2013 & 2015 with both starting as favourites).

2.25 & 3.00 – 2m 1f Novices' Hurdle (Fav 47%): As this year, the race is often divided into two divisions with 13 races run in the last ten years. 12/13 past winners were 4th or better on their last completed start and a similar number had odds of 9/2 or shorter. 5yo is the preferred age group with 9/13 wins seen. Trainers to watch: 2.25 Race – D McCain (won 2016, 20 & 21), L V Russell (won 2019). 3.00 Race – J O'Neill (won 2022).

3.35 – 3m+ Handicap Chase (Fav 31%): New race in 2015 with all winners finishing 6th or better in their last *completed* race. In the betting all had odds of 12/1 or shorter with 5/8 being 13/2 or shorter. All past winners carried a weight of 11st 12lbs or less. Trainers to watch: N Richards (won 2022 & 2020), J O'Neill (won 2021 & 2019), and T Vaughan (won 2018).

4.10 – 2m 1f Handicap Hurdle (Fav 25%): New race in 2020 but divided in 2021 so four past races in total. Of these all but the last winner had odds of 11/2 or shorter having finished 4th or better on their last run. In the weight all came from the top two or bottom two in the weights. Trainer to watch: S England (won 2021).

4.45 – 2m Handicap Chase (Fav 30%): Great to see local racing journalist John Budden remembered today. New race in 2018. The last four winners had all run within the last 23 days and all five carried a weight of 11st 7lbs or less. All but one had finished 6th or better on their last run. Trainer to watch: L V Russell (won 2019).

5.20 – 2m 1f NH Flat Race (Fav 33%): New race in 2020. All three past winners were aged 5yo and had odds of 17/2 or shorter. Two were making their debuts under NH rules and the other was 3rd on its last run. Trainer to watch: J O'Neill (won 2022).

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