

Cartmel Trendsetters Guide ~ Saturday May 23rd

Previous race trends (2016-25) 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 for the last ten years. Trainers who have won the race before are also highlighted if they had an entry at the final declaration stage. For handicap races, horses that have won off the same/higher ratings previously are flagged as 'well handicapped' – racecard numbers given.

In the last five seasons some key statistics are:

Leading Jockey – Charlotte Jones – 21 wins

Leading Trainer - James Moffatt – 32 wins

B Haslam/R McLernon are a very profitable trainer/jockey combination to follow in the last 5 years.

1.35 – 2m 6f Maiden Hurdle – Fav 33%: New race in 2023. All three winners were 4/1 or shorter. All were also 6th or better LTO.

2.10 – 2m 4f (Mares) H/cap Hurdle – Fav 50%: New race in 2019. 5/6 winners were either 1st/2nd favourites with the other a 17/2 shot.. Trainer to watch: J Owen (1 win). Well handicapped: 4-6-7

2.43 – 3m 1f+ (Mares) H/cap Hurdle – Fav 0%: New race in 2023 with all three past winners having odds of 4/1 to 8/1. All carried 11st 7lbs or greater.

3.20 – 2m 1.5f Novices' Limited H/cap Chase – Fav 0%: New race in 2022. All winners to date had odds of 3/1 to 6/1 and were 5th or better LTO. Trainer to watch: D Skelton (1 win),

3.55 – 3m 1f+ H/cap Chase: New class 3 race in 2025 Trainer to watch: M Bowen (1 win).

4.30 – 3m 1f+ H/cap Chase (class 5): New race in 2022 and all four winners since had finished 1st/2nd LTO (10-21 days earlier). *Lights Are Green* won the race in 2023 and is now rated 5lbs lower in the handicap ratings. Trainers to watch: Mrs S England & G Bewley (1 win each). Well handicapped: 6 & 10.

5.05 – 2m 5f H/cap Chase: New class 5 race in 2024. Both winners to date were well backed as 1st/2nd favourites. Trainer to watch: W Greatrex (1 win). Well handicapped: 1-2-4-10.

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