

Carlisle Trendsetters Guide ~ Thursday 26th 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.

1.40 & 2.10 – 2m 4f Novices' Hurdle (Fav 63%): Race run 11 times since 2013 (as this year, race was divided in 2020 also). Favourites have a strong record and with 9/11 winners having odds of 5/1 or shorter the betting is usually a good guide. 8/11 winners were 3rd or better on their last run with two unplaced LTO and the other a debutant under NH rules. Trainers to watch: C Longsdon (won 2015 & 2020), J O'Neill (won 2013 & 2020), S Thomson (won 2017).

2.45 – 2m 4f Handicap Chase (Fav 10%): Two winning joint favourites in the last ten years with 8/10 winners having odds of 6/1 or shorter. That said this year's race has a much bigger field than usual so a longer odds winner is possible! All ten past winners were 6th or better on their last *completed* run. Trainers to watch: B Ellison (won 2019), M Hammond (won 2018).

3.20 – 2m 1f Handicap Hurdle (Fav 11%): New race in 2014 so run nine times before. 8/9 past winners had odds of 6/1 or shorter including one favourite and three 2nd favourites. All past winners were aged 7yo or younger with all nine also 6th or better on their last run. *Well Educated* won last years race and is now 4lbs lower in the handicap ratings. Trainers to watch: G Bewley (won 2022) & I Jardine (won 2016).

3.55 – 2m 4f Novices' Chase (Fav 50%): Only run twice before with both winners also winning on their last completed race and starting as either 1st/2nd favourites.

4.30 – 3m 2f Novices' Handicap Chase: New race in 2023.

5.05 – 2m 4f Handicap Hurdle (Fav 50%): The last four renewals have been as a class 5 handicap with all four winners having odds of 5/1 or shorter. However, the field size is much larger this time so a longer priced winner is potentially possible this year. *S Quinlan* is the jockey to follow in the race with three out of four wins to date. *Bouncing Bobby* won the race in 2022 and is now 11lbs higher in the handicap ratings. Trainer to watch: M Todhunter (won 2022).

5.35 – 2m Handicap Chase: New race in 2023.

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