

Hexham Trendsetters Guide ~ Friday November 7th

Previous race trends (2015-25) 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 overnight declaration stage.

In handicap races, horses that have won off the same/higher ratings are flagged as 'well handicapped' – racecard numbers only,

In the last five seasons some key statistics are:

Leading Jockey – S Quinlan – 42 wins from 235 rides

Leading Trainer – Lucinda Russell – 26 wins from 174 runners

11.55 – 3m (Conditional Jockeys) Handicap Chase – Fav 12%: New race in 2017 with just one winning favourite and two winning 2nd favourites although 6/8 winners had odds of 11/2 or shorter. All 8 winners were 6th or better on their last start (just one was making a seasonal return). 7/8 carried a weight of 10st 10lbs or greater. Trainers to watch: M Hammond (2 wins). Well handicapped: 4-7-8.

12.25 – 2m (Mares) Novices' Hurdle – Fav 56%: New race in 2021. One NH debutant has won the race (excludes PTP form) with the others either 1st/2nd favourites. No past winners have yet won with a 'double penalty'.

1.00 – 2m H/cap Chase: New race in 2025. Well handicapped: 1-3-6.

1.35 – 2m 4f Maiden Hurdle: New race in 2023. Both winners to date were either 1st/2nd favourites.

2.10 – 2m 7f Handicap Hurdle – Fav 60%: On the face of it a rare 'punter friendly' handicap with 8/10 winners having odds of 13/2 or shorter. 9/10 past winners were 4th or better on their last *completed* run. 4/10 winners were ridden by jockeys claiming a weight allowance. Three winners since 2018 had run here 35 days earlier, finishing 2nd 3rd 7th Well handicapped: 2-3-10-11.

2.45 – 2m 4f H/cap Hurdle: New race in 2025. Well handicapped: 11

3.20 – 2m 4f H/cap Chase: New race in 2025. Well handicapped: 4.

3.53 – 2m NH Flat Race: New race in 2025.

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