

Hexham Trendsetters Guide ~ Saturday October 11th

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 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.

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

In the last five seasons some key statistics are:

Leading Jockey – S Quinlan – 42 wins from 233 rides

Leading Trainer – Lucinda Russell – 26 wins from 174 runners

Of the leading jockeys/trainers Craig Nichol, Jennie Candlish & Susan Corbett have a strong LSP ratio.

1.55 – 2m H/cap Chase – Fav 35%: The last ten winners all had odds of 9/1 or shorter. Four of the last five winners 3rd on their last completed race. Trainer to watch: S Coltherd (3 wins). Well handicapped: 8.

2.30 – 2m Novices' Hurdle – Fav 62%: New race in 2017 with all but one past winner aged 4 or 5yo. Two NH debutants have won the race and 5/6 others were 3rd or better LTO. Trainers to watch: M Walford & L V Russel (1 win).

3.05 – 2m 4f (Mares) Maiden Hurdle : New race in 2024.

3.45 – 3m Novices' Handicap Chase: New race in 2023 with both past winners being 3rd favourites having finished either 1st or 2nd LTO. Trainers to watch: L V Russell & N Richards (1 win).

4.20 – 2m 7f+ Handicap Hurdle – Fav 35%: All ten past winners were 5th or better LTO and all were aged 6-10yo. Highest winners weight was 11st 12lbs. Trainers to watch: B Ellison (2 wins); Mrs S Corbett (1 win). Well handicapped: 4.

4.55 – 3m Handicap Chase: New race in 2025. Well handicapped: 4 & 7.

5.25 – 2m NH Flat Race: New race in 2020 (race divided that year). Whilst no favourites have won the race so far, three 2nd favourites have won. Three winners were making their NH debuts (ignores PTP races) and the others were all 3rd or 4th LTO.

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