

Hexham Trendsetters Guide ~ Tuesday 19th May

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. No meeting was held in 2020.

Further information this time is to highlight 'well handicapped' horses that have won off the same/higher marks in the past. Racecard numbers given.

In the last five seasons some key statistics are:

Leading Jockey— S Quinlan – 34 wins

Leading Trainer – Lucinda Russell & M Walford – 21 wins each

5.50 – 2m 7f (CJ) H/cap Hurdle – Fav 50%: Race run seven times since 2019 with 5/7 being 1st/2nd favourites. All were 5th or better LTO with 3/7 last running here 17 days earlier. Trainer to watch: M Hammond (1 win). Well handicapped: 1-2-8.

6.20 – 2m H/cap Chase – Fav 33%: New class 4 race in 2023. All winners to date had last run here either 10 or 17 days earlier. *Dream Jet* won the race in 2025 and is 3lbs lower in the handicap ratings this time. Trainers to watch: P Robson & B Ellison (1 win each). Well handicapped: 1-3-4.

6.50 – 2m 4f Novices' H/cap Chase – Fav 11%: 9/9 winners carried a weight of 11s 9lbs or less. 6/9 winners had odds of 11/2 or greater. Only 1/9 past winners were better than 4th LTO.

7.20 – 3m H/cap Chase- Fav 0%: New race in 2023. All winners to date had odds of 7/2 to 7/1. Trainer to watch: M Hammond (1 win). Well handicapped: 7.

7.50 – 2m 4f Novices' Hurdle – Fav 42%: New race in 2019 with all six past winners finishing 5th or better on their last *completed* race with 6/7 past winners also having odds of 7/1 or shorter.

8.20 – 2m 4f H/cap Hurdle – Fav 0%: New race in 2023 with all winners to date having odds of 12/1 or shorter. All had finished 5th/6th LTO. 11st 9lbs is the highest winner's weight so far. *Well Educated* won in 2024 and is now on a 9lbs lower handicap mark. Trainer to watch: G Bewley & Mrs S Corbett (1 win each). Well handicapped: 3 & 12.

8.50 – 2m H/cap Hurdle – Fav 28%: New race in 2018 with all winners to date having odds of 9/1 or shorter. 6/7 winners were ridden by a conditional jockey with a weight allowance. All winners had last raced within the last 45 days. Trainer to watch: Mrs S Corbett (1 win). Well handicapped: 4-5-7.

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