

(R1) 12:05 CHELTENHAM, 2m 179y

Jcb Triumph Trial Juvenile Hurdle (Grade 2) (Registered As The Finesse) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (4YO only)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		11	BURDETT ROAD 70 C b g Muhaarar - Diamond Bangle	4 11 - 5h	H Cobden James Owen	137
2		1-1	SIR GINO (FR) 31 b g It's Gino - Anzi Star	4 11 - 5	James Bowen N J Henderson	-
3			COSMIC SOUL (IRE) br g Sea The Stars - My Spirit	4 11 - 0	Craig Nichol P Neville	-
4		732	ELLERTON (FR) 32 BF ch g Zoustar - Meandering	4 11 - 0p1	Sam Twiston-Davies Syd Hosie	99
5		2	EXCELERO (FR) 81 b g Castle Du Berlais - Si St Elroi	4 11 - 0	David Noonan Mrs J Williams	-
6		23	LE FAUVE (FR) 49 BF ch g Masterstroke - Grenadines Island	4 11 - 0	Fergus Gillard D Skelton	118
7		233	MILAN TINO (IRE) 70 BF b g Milan - Que Pasa	4 11 - 0	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. N & A Zetterholm	-

ATR VERDICT: BURDETT ROAD had Milan Tino (third) seven lengths behind at this level over an extended 2m here in November and, even though he is 5lb worse off this time around, he can confirm his superiority over that rival. James Owen's gelding is unbeaten in two starts over hurdles and sets a stiff standard with a rating of 137, so he looks the one to beat. The main danger is Sir Gino, who justified odds-on favouritism in comprehensive fashion for his powerful connections at Kempton last month and could have plenty more to come.

Top Tip: BURDETT ROAD (1)
Watch out for: SIR GINO (2)













(R2) 12:40 CHELTENHAM, 2m 4f 127y

Timeform Novices' Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 2) (5YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		123-711	GINNY'S DESTINY (IRE) 43 CD b g Yeats - Dantes Term	8 12 - 0	H Cobden P F Nicholls	147
2		619-221	BLOW YOUR WAD (IRE) 32 D b g Walk In The Park - Molly's Mate	6 11 - 8t	Stan Sheppard Tom Lacey	141
3		53-1554	UNEXPECTED PARTY (FR) 36 D gr g Martaline - Reform Act	9 11 - 8t	Fergus Gillard D Skelton	141
4		221-134	TIGHTENOURBELTS (IRE) 32 D b g Mahler - Miss Mcgoldrick	7 11 - 5	Thomas Bellamy Miss E C Lavelle	138
5		35P02-P	BOWTOGREATNESS (IRE) 28 D br g Westerner - Miss Baden	8 11 - 2	Ben Jones Ben Pauling	135
6		2121-23	THEATRE MAN (IRE) 38 D BF b g Ocovango - Theatre Bird	8 11 - 1	Harry Bannister Richard Bandey	134
7		12P2-21	PERSIAN TIME 36 b g Califet - Persian Forest	6 11 - 0	James Bowen N J Henderson	133
8		133-311	HAPPY AND FINE (FR) 28 D b g Balko - Richona	7 10 - 12p	Bryan Carver A M Hales	131
9		1P223F	RAILWAY HURRICANE (IRE) 42 b g Perugino - Rose Earley	9 10 - 10bt	Sam Twiston-Davies G P Cromwell	129
10		15/642-1	CHARLES RITZ 26 b g Milan - Miss Ballantyne	8 10 - 4	J J Burke T R George	123
11		27-2331	PRAIRIE WOLF (IRE) 43 D br g Sageburg - Applause For Amy	7 10 - 4p	Charlie Deutsch Mrs S J Smith	123
12		41/3-323	ES PERFECTO (IRE) 32 D ch g Shirocco - Shadow Dearg	9 10 - 4	G Sheehan A King	123

ATR VERDICT: Ginny's Destiny is likely to have his supporters after accounting for subsequent Grade 2 winner Grey Dawning by just under a length over C&D last month and he is a big player stepping back into the handicap ranks. However, slight preference is for the Emma Lavelle-trained TIGHTENOURBELTS, who was highly tried and well beaten in the Kauto Star at Kempton on Boxing Day but bolted up by 10 lengths when last seen in a handicap at Ludlow in November. Blow Your Wad and Persian Time are others to consider.

Top Tip: TIGHTENOURBELTS (4)
Watch out for: GINNY'S DESTINY (1)

(R3) 13:15 CHELTENHAM, 2m 4f 127y						
Paddy Power Cheltenham Countdown Podcast Handicap Chase (Premier Handicap) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (5YO plus)						
No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		1P236-0	HITMAN (FR) 90 BF b g Falco - Tercah Girl	8 12 - 0tp	Freddie Gingell (5) P F Nicholls	156
2		1F5P-67	GA LAW (FR) 56 C b g Sinndar - Law	8 11 - 8p	G Sheehan Jamie Snowden	150
3		32411-1	JETOILE (IRE) 90 D b g Jeremy - Accordingtoherself	9 11 - 8t	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. Ryan Potter	150
4		416P-32	IL RIDOTO (FR) 42 CD b g Kapgarde - L'exploratrice	7 11 - 6tp	H Cobden P F Nicholls	148
5		2574-11	VICTTORINO (FR) 35 b g It's Gino - Victorie	6 11 - 4	Charlie Deutsch Miss V Williams	146
6		2212-31	EXCELLO (FR) 35 D gr g Cokoriko - Pafadas	5 10 - 12	James Bowen N J Henderson	144
7		F11-384	BILL BAXTER (IRE) 35 D gr g Milan - Blossom Rose	8 10 - 10	Sam Twiston-Davies W Greatrex	138
8		1444-23	STRAW FAN JACK 35 C gr g Geordieland - Callerlilly	9 10 - 9	Sean Houlihan Sheila Lewis	137
9		2115-66	EASY AS THAT (IRE) 42 b g Sans Frontieres - Bell Storm	9 10 - 9	Shane Quinlan (3) Miss V Williams	137
10		127-52P	FRERE D'ARMES (FR) 26 BF b g Bathyrhon - Ville Sainte	7 10 - 6tp1	C J Todd D Skelton	134
11		115-514	GRANDEUR D'AME (FR) 42 b g Desir D'un Soir - Sourya D'airy	8 10 - 5	Thomas Bellamy A King	133
12		311-335	LOUNGE LIZARD 49 b g Kayf Tara - Lifestyle	7 10 - 2b	J J Burke H D Daly	130
13		2-2F942	CHAMPAGNE MYSTERY (IRE) 62 D b g Shantou - Spanker	10 10 - 2t1	Nicolas Gauffenic T R George	130
ATR VERDICT: Victorino is unbeaten in two chase starts for the Venetia Williams stable, with both wins coming at Ascot over 3m, and he could get into contention off 4lb higher than the latest of those successes. However, the vote goes to IL RIDOTO, who was involved in a dramatic finish when being denied by only a short head over C&D last month and a 5lb rise may not be enough to prevent him from going one better. Last-time-out winner Excello is another to note on his handicap bow.						
Top Tip: IL RIDOTO (4) Watch out for: VICTTORINO (5)						
						

(R4) 13:50 CHELTENHAM, 3m 1f 56y

Paddy Power Cotswold Chase (Grade 2) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (5YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		51F2-PP	AHOY SENOR (IRE) 56 CD b g Dylan Thomas - Dara Supreme	9 11 - 10	S Mulqueen Miss Lucinda V Russell	166
2		55/26F-1	ROYALE PAGAILLE (FR) 63 b g Blue Bresil - Royale Cazoumaille	10 11 - 10	Charlie Deutsch Miss V Williams	166
3		22P1-81	DATSALRIGHTGINO (GER) 56 C b g It's Gino - Delightful Sofie	8 11 - 8	G Sheehan Jamie Snowden	159
4		1214-11	STAY AWAY FAY (IRE) 50 C b g Shantou - Augusta Bay	7 11 - 7t	H Cobden P F Nicholls	150
5		0111-P4	THE REAL WHACKER (IRE) 32 C D b g Mahler - Credit Box	8 11 - 7	Sam Twiston-Davies P Neville	162
6		41/3P-63	CAPODANNO (FR) 30 ch g Manduro - Day Gets Up	8 11 - 4t	P Townend W P Mullins	160

ATR VERDICT: Royale Pagaille got back on track with a commanding win in the Betfair Chase last time out and, though he merits respect, ground conditions might not be ideal for him. With that in mind, preference is for last year's Albert Bartlett hero STAY AWAY FAY. Paul Nicholls' gelding maintained his unbeaten chase record when landing the Esher at Sandown last month and, with the prospect of further improvement, he could be the answer. The Real Whacker is fancied to chase them home, ahead of Datsalrightgino.

Top Tip: STAY AWAY FAY (4)

Watch out for: ROYALE PAGAILLE (2)

(R5) 14:25 CHELTENHAM, 2m 62y

My Pension Expert Clarence House Chase (Grade 1) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (5YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		144-541	EDITEUR DU GITE (FR) 31 CD b g Saddex - Malaga De St Sulpice	10 11 - 10	N F Houlihan G L Moore	162
2		92-5113	ELIXIR DE NUTZ (FR) 31 CD gr g Al Namix - Nutz	10 11 - 10tp	Freddie Gingell Joe Tizzard	156
3		1225-41	FUGITIF (FR) 42 C D b g Ballingarry - Turiane	9 11 - 10tp	G Sheehan Richard Hobson	157
4		1211-11	JONBON (FR) 49 CD b g Walk In The Park - Star Face	8 11 - 10	James Bowen N J Henderson	170
5		12P-342	NUBE NEGRA (SPA) 31 CD br g Dink - Manly Dream	10 11 - 10t	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. D Skelton	156

ATR VERDICT: All eyes will be on the classy JONBON, who made light work of his rivals in last month's Tingle Creek to take his chasing record to seven wins from eight. Nicky Henderson's charge holds all the aces with little concern regarding ground and tactics so, barring mishap, he should get the job done. Editeur Du Gite could be a threat if allowed too much rope at the head of affairs, while Elixir De Nutz is the pick of the remainder.

Top Tip: JONBON (4)

Watch out for: EDITEUR DU GITE (1)

(R6) 15:00 CHELTENHAM, 2m 179y

Unibet Hurdle (Registered As The International Hurdle) (Grade 2) (GBB Race)

(Class 1) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		011-112	RUBAUD (FR) 32 b g Air Chief Marshal - Fulgence	6 11 - 10	H Cobden P F Nicholls	149
2		308-323	FIRST STREET 32 b g Golden Horn - Ladys First	7 11 - 8	James Bowen N J Henderson	141
3		31323U/	GUARD YOUR DREAMS 660 CD b g Fame And Glory - Native Sunrise	8 11 - 4	Sam Twiston-Davies N A Twiston-Davies	140
4		1/11211-	LOSSIEMOUTH (FR) 273 CD gr m Great Pretender - Mariner's Light	5 11 - 0	P Townend W P Mullins	147
5		2/1126-2	LOVE ENVOI (IRE) 49 CD b m Westerner - Love Divided	8 11 - 1t	J J Burke Harry Fry	151

ATR VERDICT: Love Envoi is a talented individual, as evidenced when finishing runner-up to Honeysuckle in last year's Mares' Hurdle. She is taken to go well but LOSSIEMOUTH might be too strong. Off the track since landing the Champion Four Year Old Hurdle at Punchestown in April, the five-year-old can stamp her authority at this level before moving up the class ladder later on in the season. Rubaud lost nothing in defeat when finishing second behind the flawless Constitution Hill at Kempton on Boxing Day and he is not without a chance.

Top Tip: LOSSIEMOUTH (4)
Watch out for: LOVE ENVOI (5)









(R7) 15:35 CHELTENHAM, 2m 7f 213y

McCoy Contractors Cleeve Hurdle (Grade 2) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (5YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		2174-16	BOTOX HAS (FR) 35 C D b g Dream Well - Bournie	8 11 - 8v1	Caoilin Quinn G L Moore	152
2		43/135-4	CHAMP (IRE) 35 CD b g King's Theatre - China Sky	12 11 - 8	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. N J Henderson	156
3		226-313	DASHEL DRASHER 35 C D b g Passing Glance - So Long	11 11 - 8	Rex Dingle J Scott	157
4		2137-22	PAISLEY PARK (IRE) 35 CD b g Oscar - Presenting Shares	12 11 - 8t	Thomas Bellamy Miss E C Lavelle	157
5		21P7-33	FLIGHT DECK (IRE) 57 D b g Getaway - Rate of Knots	10 11 - 2b	Chris Ward Deborah Cole	144
6		1344-72	NOBLE YEATS (IRE) 31 BF b g Yeats - That's Moyne	9 11 - 2t	H Cobden Emmet Mullins	-
7		192-024	STRONG LEADER 26 b g Passing Glance - Strong Westerner	7 11 - 2p1	G Sheehan Olly Murphy	147

ATR VERDICT: Strong Leader looked to be a hurdler to keep on the right side of when finishing second in the Grade 1 Top Novices' Hurdle at Aintree last spring, but Olly Murphy's gelding hasn't quite scaled the same heights since. However, the application of cheekpieces, combined with this hike up in trip, can see him outrun his forecast odds. PAISLEY PARK is already a three-time winner of this race and he should make a bold bid to gain a fourth. Emma Lavalle's superstar has hit the woodwork on his last two outings and he may make amends here. Dasher Drasher is another key player, but did finish behind the selection at Ascot last month.

Top Tip: PAISLEY PARK (4)
Watch out for: STRONG LEADER (7)

(R8) 16:10 CHELTENHAM, 2m 4f 56y						
SSS Super Alloys Novices' Hurdle (Grade 2) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (4YO plus)						
No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		32-121	CHOCCABLOC 79 b g Blue Bresil - Chocca Wocca	6 11 - 8	Sam Twiston-Davies N J Henderson	123
2		8212	ANTRIM COAST (IRE) 91 D BF br g Presenting - Zuzka	6 11 - 5t1	K M Donoghue G P Cromwell	-
3		1-11	GIDLEIGH PARK 38 b g Walk In The Park - Lindeman	6 11 - 5	J J Burke Harry Fry	138
4		137-611	ISAAC DES OBEAUX (FR) 49 b g Kapgarde - Varda Des Obeaux	6 11 - 5	H Cobden P F Nicholls	129
5		1/1-14	JOHNNYWHO (IRE) 28 D br g Califet - Howaya Pet	7 11 - 5t	Jonjo O'Neill Jr. Jonjo O'Neill	136
6		23-P211	LORD OF THUNDER (IRE) 21 D br g Getaway - Harbour Mistress	6 11 - 5	Non Runner Joe Tizzard	129
7		2212	LUCKY PLACE (FR) 19 b g Pastorius - Luckystar Du Frene	5 11 - 5	James Bowen N J Henderson	132
8		15U233	MOON D'ORANGE (FR) 42 ch g Spanish Moon - Fleur D'orange	6 11 - 5p	Liam Harrison F O'Brien	127
<p>ATR VERDICT: The hugely exciting GIDLEIGH PARK arrives here on the back of an impressive win at Newbury and he may be able to take this step up in grade in his stride. Johnnywho performed with credit when finishing fourth in the Challow Novices' Hurdle just under a month ago, but that looked a hard race on soft ground and it remains to be seen how much that has taken out of him. With that in mind, Irish raider Antrim Coast is put forward as the main danger.</p> <p>Top Tip: GIDLEIGH PARK (3) Watch out for: ANTRIM COAST (2)</p>						
