








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Thatchers Cider Novices' Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 4) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		91U654	DEMON D'AUNOU (FR) 10 b g Martaline - Imagine li	7 11 - 12	K Brogan (7) Jonjo O'Neill	119
Jockey Colours: Emerald green, yellow hoops, white cap Timeform says: <i>Made successful debut over fences at Cartmel in July, but has found life tougher since and remains 8 lb above that winning mark.</i> ★★★☆☆ (Forecast 8.00)				Notes:		
2		53-81P3	COURT ROYALE (IRE) 24 C b g Court Cave - Windsor Dancer	7 11 - 11	Adam Wedge Evan Williams	118
Jockey Colours: Dark green, dark green and white diabolo on sleeves Timeform says: <i>Three-time hurdles winner who gained breakthrough over fences at Stratford in July. Not so good next 2 starts, but couldn't rule out back on faster ground.</i> ★★★☆☆ (Forecast 6.00)				Notes:		
3		234751-	BATHIVA (FR) 225 CD b g Spanish Moon - Thithia	6 11 - 8	P J Brennan F O'Brien	115
Jockey Colours: Dark blue, light blue spots and armllets Timeform says: <i>Much improved on second start over fences when easily landing a C&D handicap in March. Still looks feasibly treated on this return/debut for new yard, despite going up 10 lb.</i> ★★★★★ (Forecast 2.20)				Notes:		
4		854-	FOLLY GATE (FR) 284 b g Montmartre - Cate Bleue	5 11 - 8	Chester Williams (5) Mrs J Williams	115
Jockey Colours: Orange, black star, white sleeves, emerald green stars, white cap, emerald green star Timeform says: <i>Half-brother to 6 winners, including high-class chaser Alary. Gradual improvement in trio of novice hurdles last term and better expected now switched to fences.</i> ★★★☆☆ (Forecast 8.50)				Notes:		
5		35080-2	SHUT THE BOX (IRE) 26 ch g Doyen - Bond Holder	6 11 - 7	Tom Cannon C Gordon	114
Jockey Colours: Black, large white spots, white sleeves, black armllets, white cap Timeform says: <i>Generally below par last season and while he wasn't disgraced when runner-up in a handicap hurdle on return at Fontwell, improvement is needed now tackling fences.</i> ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 13.00)				Notes:		
6		3-14345	ROMANOR 25 D b g Holy Roman Emperor - Salinia	6 11 - 6	Daniel Sansom (3) J W Mullins	113
Jockey Colours: Maroon, light blue hoop, dark green sleeves, light blue cap Timeform says: <i>Just 1 lb higher than for his breakthrough success over fences at Stratford in July, but has failed to build on that in 4 subsequent starts.</i> ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 15.00)				Notes:		
7		64/5967-	THEATRE MIX 271 gr m Fair Mix - Theatre Diva	7 10 - 1	James Best Miss J Plessis	94
Jockey Colours: Black, red sash and armllets Timeform says: <i>Modest form over hurdles and she looks up against it on this chase debut.</i> ★☆☆☆☆ (Forecast 51.00)				Notes:		

TIMEFORM VIEW: It's hard to look beyond BATHIVA, who took a sizeable step forward when scoring over C&D when last seen in March and he brings potential to the table for his new connections. Folly Gate can be expected to step up on his hurdles exploits now tackling the larger obstacles and he gets the nod ahead of Court Royale for forecast purposes.

Timeform 1-2-3:

- 1: BATHIVA (3)
2: FOLLY GATE (4)
3: COURT ROYALE (2)

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