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#### (Class 4) (3YO plus)

| No  | Silk | Form     | Horse Details   | Age/Wt      | Jockey/Trainer                    | OR  |
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| 1   |      | 5/63622- | <b>ELECTRON BLEU</b> (FR) 247<br>b g Saddex - Odyssee Du Cellier  | 6 12 - 2    | Non Runner<br>Tim Vaughan         | 122 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Black and pink stripes, hooped sleeves, black cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Sole win came when trained in France but he did post plenty of creditable efforts last season. Will probably need to pull out some improvement to defy top weight on his return, though. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 13.00)                    |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 2   |      | 431-324  | <b>ASK HENRY</b> (IRE) 42<br>b g Ask - Miss Muppet                | 7 11 - 12t1 | Max Kendrick (3)<br>G P Mcpherson | 118 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Emerald green, yellow striped sleeves, hooped cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Left with a simple task when opening account over hurdles at Musselburgh in February. Not disgraced in 3 novices this term but hard to argue he looks well treated now handicapping. Tongue tie added. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 15.00)      |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 3   |      | 43       | <b>PIANISSIMO</b> 27<br>b g Teofilo - Perfect Note                | 4 11 - 11b  | Graham Carson (7)<br>A Carson     | 117 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> White and red stripes, black sleeves, white and red quartered cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Fairly useful stayer on Flat. Not at that level when reaching the frame in maiden/novice hurdles but that Flat ability does provide him with the potential for better now handicapping. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 11.00)     |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 4   |      | 544-     | <b>SOMETIMES ALWAYS</b> (IRE) 307<br>b g Presenting - Noras Fancy | 5 11 - 10   | Jack Tudor<br>Ian Williams        | 116 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Black, brown stars, black sleeves and cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Promise in bumper and 2 novice hurdles last winter and appeals as the sort to go on to better things in handicaps. Needs keeping close eye on in betting under Jack Tudor. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 9.00)   |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 5   |      | 65F37-2  | <b>XCITATIONS</b> 15<br>b g Universal - Bonnet's Pieces           | 5 11 - 9    | Paul O'Brien<br>Mrs P Sly         | 115 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Dark green, white chevrons, red sleeves, dark green and white hooped cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Unexposed sort who made an encouraging start in handicaps when 14 lengths second to a big improver on Fakenham handicap debut/reappearance 15 days ago, keeping on from too far back. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 7.00) |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 6   |      | 2P47-3   | <b>LE GRAND FROMAGE</b> 31<br>b g Kayf Tara - Megalex             | 5 11 - 9t   | Jason Dixon (6)<br>Tom Lacey      | 115 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Mauve and black (quartered), mauve sleeves, white cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> From a good jumping family but has yet to better form, beaten around 15 lengths into third on 2m Bangor reappearance. Step back up in trip may help but others boast stronger claims. ★★☆☆ (Forecast 15.00)                   |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |
| 7   |      | 2468-    | <b>NO NO MAESTRO</b> (IRE) 279<br>b g Mahler - Maisey Down        | 5 11 - 8    | C Brace (3)<br>F O'Brien          | 114 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Dark blue, light blue chevron, chevrons on sleeves, light blue cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> Runner-up in sole bumper. Showed some promise in maiden/novice hurdles subsequently for Oliver Sherwood and appeals as one who could go on to better things in handicaps for new yard. ★★★★★ (Forecast 6.00)     |      |          |   | Notes:      |                                   |     |

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| 8   |    | 2/124-15 | <b>COLLEGE OAK</b> 33<br>ch g Norse Dancer - Katmai               | 5 11 - 7  | Page Fuller (3)<br>Jamie Snowden | 113 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Black and mauve diabolo, mauve cap, black diamond<br><b>Timeform says:</b> <i>Posted career best when winning Uttoxeter novice hurdle in August. Not seen to best effect when fifth on Newton Abbot handicap debut but this mark does demand more.</i> ★★☆☆ (Forecast 12.00)   |   |          |   |           | Notes:                           |     |
| 9   |  | 20-3391  | <b>CALVINIST</b> 59 (2F)<br>b g Holy Roman Emperor - Sharp Relief | 7 11 - 5  | Non Runner<br>Kevin Frost        | 111 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Dark blue, white star, red and white striped sleeves, dark blue cap, white stars<br><b>Timeform says:</b> <i>Landed first hurdle success at Hexham (2m) last month and struck back on the Flat at Newcastle 11 days ago. Could play prominent role if taking chance (due to run on AW Flat Thursday). NON RUNNER.</i> ★☆☆☆ (Forecast 10.00)        |   |          |   |           | Notes:                           |     |
| 10  |  | 1243-3   | <b>NORTHERN POET</b> (IRE) 23<br>b g Yeats - Crowning Virtue      | 5 11 - 2  | Tabitha Worsley<br>N J Gifford   | 108 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Red and yellow (quartered), white sleeves and cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> <i>AW bumper winner. Promise when third in pair of novice hurdles nearly 8 months apart and should have more to offer now handicapping for a yard which has been among winners. Respected.</i> ★★☆☆ (Forecast 6.50)   |   |          |   |           | Notes:                           |     |
| 11  |  | 3/PF-    | <b>TOWARDS THE DAWN</b> 255<br>b g Midnight Legend - Wakeful      | 6 10 - 13 | Luca Morgan (6)<br>Ben Pauling   | 105 |
| <b>Jockey Colours:</b> Purple and white (halved), sleeves reversed, light blue cap<br><b>Timeform says:</b> <i>Clear promise when third in Ludlow maiden hurdle on debut in January 2019. Restricted to just 2 runs since, failing to complete either occasion, so has a bit to prove now handicapping on return.</i> ★★☆☆ (Forecast 17.00)                               |   |          |   |           | Notes:                           |     |
| <b>TIMEFORM VIEW:</b> NO NO MAESTRO could easily have more to offer now moving into handicap company for new trainer Fergal O'Brien and he gets the nod, with confidence increased should the market speak in his favour. Northern Poet and Sometimes Always are others who appeal as likely improvers in handicaps and head the dangers along with Pam Sly's Xcitations. |   |          |   |           |                                  |     |
| <b>Timeform 1-2-3:</b><br>1: NO NO MAESTRO (7)<br>2: NORTHERN POET (10)<br>3: SOMETIMES ALWAYS (4)  |   |          |   |           |                                  |     |

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