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### Naas Racecourse Business Club Limestone Lad Hurdle (Grade 3) (Class 1) (5YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		1-34	<b>GOLDEN JOY</b> (FR) 57 bay g Conillon - Erbalonga	5 11 - 3	J W Kennedy G Elliott	-
2		122-31P	<b>ZARAK THE BRAVE</b> (FR) 119 D BF b g Zarak - Tempo Royale	5 11 - 3	P Townend W P Mullins	152
3		175123	<b>BANNTOWN GIRL</b> 47 D ch m Stowaway - Rinnce Moll	9 10 - 10tp	J J Slevin Stephen G Carey	132
4		112-0P3	<b>DOYEN TA WIN</b> 17 CD b m Doyen - Tarentine	6 10 - 10	K C Sexton D Queally	120
5		212F-34	<b>TELMESOMETHINGGIRL</b> 30 C D b m Stowaway - Wahiba Hall	9 10 - 10	Rachael Blackmore H de Bromhead	142

**ATR VERDICT:** ZARAK THE BRAVE was worryingly pulled up at halfway last October but encouragingly reappears following a small break and, on his day, the Galway Hurdle winner is a clear pick and is suited by conditions. Reported 'clinically abnormal' post-race at Tipperary, such summaries are cryptic by nature while today's race is run in honour of 32-years-young Limestone Lad, who was 'knocked' for a heart murmur as a youngster. Banntown Girl is a dependable handicapper who finished 7.25 lengths behind Jetara in a Listed hurdle in December, although should find an on-song selection too strong. 2021 Cheltenham festival winner Telmesomethinggirl reverted to hurdles for her recent reappearance but finished 11.5 lengths behind Jetara, when receiving 3lb, although can progress. Golden Joy, an Auteuil debut winner last April, was well held at Grade 3 level last month and needs to show more. Doyen Ta Win faces a tough task.

**Top Tip:** ZARAK THE BRAVE (2)

**Watch out for:** BANNTOWN GIRL (3)