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Virgin Bet Heroes Handicap Hurdle (Premier Handicap) (GBB Race) (Class 1) (4YO plus)

| No | Silk | Form | Horse Details | Age/Wt | Jockey/Trainer | OR |
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| 1 |  | 1/521-56 | SANTOS BLUE 35 b g Blue Bresil - Maybe Plenty | 9 12 - 0t | Ben Sutton (5) O Murphy | 141 |
| Jockey Colours: Royal blue, pink stars, pink and royal blue diablo on sleeves, white cap Expert View: <i>Had too much to do when comfortably held in a handicap hurdle at Chepstow last time. Effective over 2m4f-3m on soft and good ground; progressive last term but needs to get back on track.</i> ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 10/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 2 |  | 42/511P - | RED DIRT ROAD (IRE) 322 CD b g Fame And Glory - Miss Otis Regrets | 9 11 - 12 | Jonjo O'Neill Jr. Jonjo & A J O'Neill | 139 |
| Jockey Colours: White, red diamond Expert View: <i>Won this race last year but pulled up in a handicap hurdle at Uttoxeter on latest start. Returning from a long layoff; enjoys making it and is effective over 2m4f-2m7f with cut.</i> ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 8/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 3 |  | 26/71-01 | TITAN DISCOVERY 50 C b g Pether's Moon - It's A Discovery | 8 11 - 6 | Liam Harrison R L Llewellyn | 133 |
| Jockey Colours: White, royal blue star, armlets and star on cap Expert View: <i>Improved down in grade when landing a handicap hurdle by 1/2l off a 5lb lower mark at Cheltenham last time. Effective over 2m4f-3m on soft and good ground but possibly now on a stiff mark.</i> ★☆☆☆☆ (Forecast 8/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 4 |  | 4120-32 | HENRI THE SECOND (FR) 28 CD b g Saddler Maker - Rock Treasure | 9 11 - 4 | H Cobden P F Nicholls | 131 |
| Jockey Colours: Red, emerald green cross of Lorraine and sleeves Expert View: <i>Returned to form when beaten a short-head off a 1lb lower mark here last time. Effective over 2m4f-3m on any ground, loves Sandown, and a step back up in trip should suit.</i> ★★★★★ (Forecast 11/4) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 5 |  | 4139-13 | ROARING CONQUEST (IRE) 48 b g Doyen - Bealath Champ | 7 11 - 3 | G Sheehan O Murphy | 130 |
| Jockey Colours: White, black diamonds on sleeves, check cap Expert View: <i>Made too much use of and ran a big race when third at Carlisle last time. Effective over 2m4f-3m on soft and good to soft ground and remains on a fair mark.</i> ★★★★★ (Forecast 7/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 6 |  | 122-120 | HARTINGTON (IRE) 30 gr g Jukebox Jury - Duchess Dee | 7 11 - 1 | Jack Tudor J Tizzard | 128 |
| Jockey Colours: Black, white triple diamond, white and black striped sleeves, black cap, white diamond Expert View: <i>Made too much use of, looked awkward and did not handle the track when 11th beaten 50l off 128 last time. Same mark here and has a chance on his penultimate form.</i> ★★★★★ (Forecast 4/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 7 |  | 08/20-43 | GABBYS CROSS (IRE) 28 b g Frammassone - Mille Et Une Nuits | 11 10 - 12 | James Bowen Nick Scholfield | 125 |

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| Jockey Colours: White, emerald green sleeves, white stars, emerald green cap Expert View: <i>Outpaced but flew home and had too much to do when beaten 2l off a 4lb higher mark here last time. Effective over 2m4f-3m on any ground and of interest back hurdling.</i> ★★★★☆ (Forecast 14/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 8 | | 00-0455 | MINELLA MISSILE (IRE) 13 b g Beat Hollow - Ella Watson | 8 10 - 8p | Isabel Williams Evan Williams | 121 |
| Jockey Colours: Dark green, dark green and white diabolo on sleeves Expert View: <i>Ran to form up in trip when beaten 5l in a handicap hurdle at Windsor last time. Effective around 2m4f-3m on soft and good ground but needs more at this level.</i> ★★★☆☆ (Forecast 14/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 9 | | P314-31 | PARTY VIBES (IRE) 49 b m Mahler - Flame Of Dixie | 8 10 - 6 | Sam Twiston-Davies H D Daly | 119 |
| Jockey Colours: Gold, blue and gold quartered cap Expert View: <i>Outpaced before rallying gamely when back to form landing a handicap by 1/2l off a 3lb higher mark at Cheltenham last time. Enjoys making it but stamina to prove back hurdling.</i> ★★★★☆ (Forecast 10/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 10 | | 36-23F7 | SPIKE JONES 13 D b g Walk In The Park - Mathine | 9 10 - 3tp | Benjamin Macey (5) S Drinkwater | 116 |
| Jockey Colours: Red, white hoops, checked sleeves and cap Expert View: <i>Outpaced and unsuited by the way the race developed when well beaten in a handicap hurdle at Windsor last time. Effective over 3m+ on any ground and generally consistent.</i> ★★★☆☆ (Forecast 20/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| 11 | | 211-355 | SOLE SOLUTION (IRE) 9 C ch g Sans Frontieres - Bell Storm | 8 10 - 2p1 | Ned Fox (5) Miss V Williams | 115 |
| Jockey Colours: Light blue and white diabolo, white sleeves, light blue cap, white diamonds Expert View: <i>Never travelling when comfortably held in a handicap hurdle at Huntingdon last time. Cheekpieces are tried for the first time; effective around 2m4f on heavy and soft ground but needs to bounce back.</i> ★★★★☆ (Forecast 20/1) | | | | | Notes: | |
| EXPERT VIEW: The veteran Gabbys Cross remains fairly treated and could easily have a say back over hurdles, having finished his race off strongly over fences here last time. This may be best left to HENRI THE SECOND, though, the Paul Nicholls-trained 9yo being something of a course specialist. He ran well over an inadequate trip here last time and won't have any issue with getting back on some deeper ground. Hartington stands a good chance on the form of his Haydock run two starts back, but needs to leave behind a modest run at Windsor last time. Roaring Conquest can't be ruled out either, having been made too much use of last time. | | | | | | |
| 1-2-3 Selections: 1: HENRI THE SECOND (4) 2: GABBYS CROSS (7) 3: HARTINGTON (6) | | | | | | |
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