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## ENTRIES WITH WEIGHTS

# CHELTENHAM

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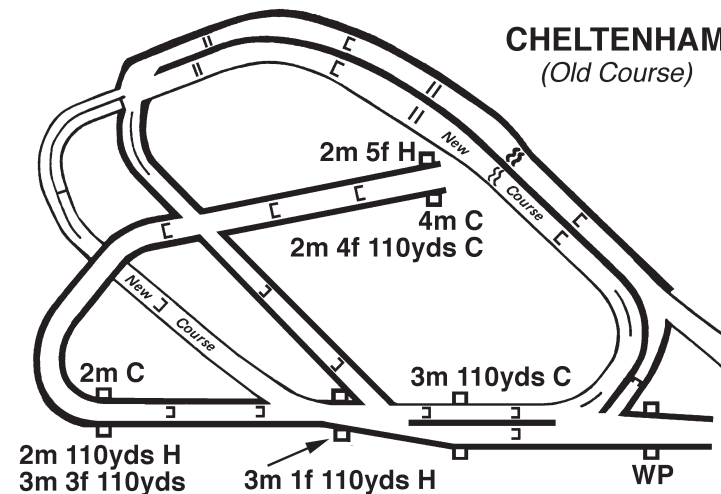
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### Most Successful Trainers 1999/2000 to 2003/4

Trainer	Wins	Runs	%
M. C. Pipe	72	521	14
P. F. Nicholls	36	230	16
P. J. Hobbs	28	206	14
N. J. Henderson	27	181	15
Jonjo O'Neill	22	139	16
Miss Venetia Williams	19	138	14
Miss H. C. Knight	15	118	13
N. A. Twiston-Davies	12	203	6
H. D. Daly	10	53	19
A. King	10	95	11

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**AKHTARI (IRE)** 5 11-7 **128**  
 b.h. In The Wings – Akishka (Nishapour (FR)) [2003/4 16d<sup>4</sup> 16d<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 16s 16s 16v\* Feb 15] half-brother to 3 winning hurdlers, notably useful Akasian (by Alzao), stays 3m: dam unraced, out of Arc winner Akiyda: twice-raced on Flat, 1½m winner on debut, fairly useful form over 2m only start in 2004: fair form over hurdles: won 22-runner maiden at Punchestown on latest start by 3½ lengths from Tycoon Hall: raced at 2m on going softer than good.  
*D. T. HUGHES, IRELAND*  
*Maroon, white disc and armllets, maroon cap, pink star (Gigginstown House Stud)*

**AKSHAR (IRE)** 6 11-7 **146**  
 b.h. Danehill (USA) – Akilara (IRE) (Kahyasi) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16v\* 16v<sup>4</sup> Jan 30] compact horse: half-brother to smart juvenile hurdler Akilak (by Charnwood Forest): dam half-brother to useful hurdler up to 3m Akasian: smart at 4 yrs on Flat (stays 10.5f) for Sir Michael Stoute, useful form at best in 4 starts in 2004: won maiden at Leopardstown on hurdling debut by neck from Ocras Mor, travelling well when mistake last and recovering to lead near finish: below that form when 27½ lengths fourth of 8 to Justified in Grade 2 novice at Punchestown following month, though eased when held.  
*D. K. WELD, IRELAND*  
*Purple, yellow cross of lorraine, purple cap (Dr R. Lambe)*

**ALERON (IRE)** 7 11-7 **129**  
 b.g. Sadler's Wells (USA) – High Hawk (Shirley Heights) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 19s<sup>2</sup> 16d\* 19g<sup>2</sup> 16g\* 17g<sup>5</sup> Feb 16] quite good-topped gelding: half-brother to winning pointer by Kings Lake: fair on Flat (effective at 1¼m, barely stays 2m): fairly useful novice hurdler: won at Wetherby in November and Musselburgh (beat Motive 6 lengths, pair well clear) in January: joint favourite, creditable fifth of 13 to Far Pavilions in handicap at latter course last time: stays 19f: raced on good going or softer: races prominently.  
*J. J. QUINN*  
*White, royal blue hoop, white sleeves, royal blue stars, red cap (Mr Grahame Liles)*

**ARCALIS** 5 11-7 **151**  
 gr.g. Lear Fan (USA) – Aristocratique (Cadeaux Genereux) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16s\* 16g\* 16g<sup>4</sup> 16d<sup>3</sup> Feb 12] close-coupled gelding: useful on Flat (stays 1½m), won both starts in 2004, including John Smith's Cup in July: won novices at Ayr and Newcastle easily first 2 starts over hurdles: has made serious mistakes both starts since, easily better effort when 22 lengths equal-fourth of 7 to Harchibald in Grade 1 at Kempton: will probably prove best around 2m: raced on good going or softer over hurdles.  
*J. HOWARD JOHNSON* G. Lee  
*Black and beige (halved), chevrons on sleeves, beige cap (Andrea & Graham Wylie)*

**ASTRONOMIC** 5 11-7 **142**  
 b.g. Zafonic (USA) – Sky Love (USA) (Nijinsky (CAN)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 17d\* 16s\* 16d<sup>F</sup> 16v<sup>5</sup> Jan 22] strong, close-coupled ex-French gelding: useful on Flat (stays 1¼m), sold out of A. Fabre's stable 190,000 gns Newmarket Autumn (2003) Sales, off 9 months/well held on return in July: looked good prospect in winning first 2 starts over hurdles, novices at Sedgfield in November and Haydock in December: fairly useful form when beating below-par Marcel by 1¾ lengths in 6-runner listed event at latter track, jumping less than fluently but getting up run-in: fell fourth in Grade 1 at Sandown on third start, possibly unsuited by heavy ground in Grade 2 at Haydock on latest: raced around 2m on going softer than good.  
*J. HOWARD JOHNSON*  
*Black and beige (halved), chevrons on sleeves, beige cap (Andrea & Graham Wylie)*

**CARAMAN (IRE)** 7 11-7  
 ch.h. Grand Lodge (USA) – Caraiyma (IRE) (Shahrestani (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16spu 16s 16s<sup>F</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d\* 16d<sup>3</sup> 17d<sup>6</sup> 16d Jan 8] smallish, workmanlike horse: half-brother to 6f winner Carallia (by Common Grounds): dam 9f winner: fair hurdler: claimed from C. Roche £6,000 third start, improved form since: won maiden at Newcastle in November: shaped as though still in good form when sixth of 20 behind Cornish Sett in novice handicap at Cheltenham on penultimate start, stiff task on latest: raced mainly around 2m on ground softer than good (acts on heavy): tried in headgear/tongue tied, not last 5 starts: third on Flat debut Mar 4.  
*D. CARROLL*  
*Red and yellow diamonds, white sleeves and cap (Mr Alan Mann)*

**CHERUB (GER)** 5 11-7 **148**  
 b.g. Winged Love (IRE) – Chalkidiki (GER) (Nebos (GER)) [2003/4 16g<sup>4</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 17g<sup>4</sup> 16g :: 2004/5 16g\* 17s\* 16s<sup>2</sup> Dec 17] compact gelding: useful novice hurdler: won first 2 starts this season, namely Grade 1 Colm McEvoy Auctioneers Champion 4-Y-O Hurdle at Punchestown (by a short head from Made In Japan) in late-April and amateur novice at Market Rasen in November: back to very best when 4 lengths second to Marcel in Grade 2 at Windsor next time, beginning to look held when mistake 2 out: raced around 2m: tongue tied since debut: takes good hold.  
*JONJO O'NEILL*  
*Emerald green, white sleeves, emerald green armllets, emerald green cap, white stars (Atlantic Joinery Limited)*

**CHILLING PLACE (IRE)** 6 11-7 **146**  
 ch.g. Moscow Society (USA) – Ethel's Dream (Relkino) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16g\* 17s\* 17d\* 16d<sup>3</sup> Jan 8] lengthy gelding: second foal: dam poor form in bumpers: won maiden Irish point in May: useful novice hurdler: won at Wincanton in October, Exeter in November and Cheltenham (5/2-on, made most and rallied to lead again last when beating Va Vavoom by 1¼ lengths) in December: good 6 lengths third of 9 to Marcel in Grade 1 at Sandown last time, making running and still in second when stumbling after last: will stay beyond 17f: raced only on good going or softer.  
*P. J. HOBBS*  
*Dark green and white diamonds, white sleeves (Mr M. J. Tuckey)*

**DUSKY WARBLER** 6 11-7 **141**  
 brg. Ezzoud (IRE) – Bronzewing (Beldale Flutter (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16s\* 20v<sup>3</sup> 17v\* Feb 15] half-brother to fair hurdler Minivet (by Midyan) and poor hurdler Snowy Petrel (by Petorius), both of whom stay 2¾m: useful on Flat (stays 2¼m), sold out of M. Bell's stable 68,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: winner of 2 of 3 starts in novice hurdles, at Leicester in January and Folkestone in February, showing useful form when beating Jair Ohmsford 10 lengths for latter success: let down by jumping in between: should stay 2½m.  
*G. L. MOORE* J. E. Moore  
*Light green, orange sleeves and cap (Mike Charlton And Rodger Sargent)*

**JUSTIFIED (IRE)** 6 11-7 **154**  
 b. or br.g. Leading Counsel (USA) – Monkeylane (Monksfield) [2003/4 F16d<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 F16v\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16v\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> 16s\* 16v\* Jan 30] lengthy gelding: encouraging second in bumper at Fairyhouse prior to winning similar event at Sligo later in April: smart novice hurdler: won maiden at Galway (by 11 lengths from Blazing Liss) in October, listed event at Punchestown (made all to beat Kerryhead Windfarm 3 lengths) in December and Grade 2 Byrne Group PLC Novice Hurdle at Punchestown in January: put up the best performance by an Irish novice this season when beating Blazing Liss impressively by 14 lengths in 8-runner event for latest success, leading after 3 out and galloping on strongly: will stay beyond 2m: raced only on going softer than good (acts on heavy).  
*E. SHEEHY, IRELAND*  
*Maroon and white stripes, white sleeves, maroon cap, white spots (Braybrook Syndicate)*

**LIMITED EDITION (IRE)** 7 11-7 **134**  
 b.g. Parthian Springs – Rosemount Rose (Ashmore (FR)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 17g\* 16g\* 16d<sup>4</sup> Feb 17] rangy gelding: fairly useful novice hurdler: much improved on return from 20-month absence, winning at Folkestone in December and Doncaster (made all to beat Il Duce a neck) in January: creditable 12½ lengths fourth of 7 to Sea Captain at Sandown last time: likely to stay beyond 19f: raced only on good/good to soft going over hurdles.  
*M. PITMAN*  
*Black and white check, yellow sleeves, black and white quartered cap (Mr Malcolm C. Denmark)*

**MADIBA** 6 11-7 **110**  
 b.g. Emperor Jones (USA) – Priluki (Lycius (USA)) [2003/4 19spu :: 2004/5 19d<sup>5</sup> 17v<sup>5</sup> Jan 28] leggy gelding: fairly useful on all-weather Flat, modest on turf (stays 2m), creditable second Feb 24: modest novice hurdler: fifth to Pole Star in 18-runner event at Newbury on reappearance: stiff task, well held in handicap at Folkestone last time.  
*P. HOWLING*  
*Emerald green, large pink spots, pink cap (Eastwell Manor Racing Ltd)*

h17v 102 105  
 h19d 110 N  
 h19s' N

**MANORSON (IRE)** 6 11-7 **144 p**  
 ch.g. Desert King (IRE) – Familiar (USA) (Diesis (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 19d<sup>5</sup> 17g\* 17d\* Feb 1] strong, compact gelding: useful on Flat (stays 1½2m) at 3 yrs for D. Arbutnot, missed 2003 and sold out of M. Magnusson's stable 55,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: confirmed encouraging debut over hurdles when winning novices at Taunton, leading 3 out and coasting home after last when beating Space Star 13 lengths on latest outing: likely to prove best around 2m for time being: useful hurdler in the making.  
*O. SHERWOOD* J. A. McCarthy  
*Royal blue, white hollow box, halved sleeves (Byrne Bros (Formwork) Limited)*

h17d 133+N  
 h17g 122+N  
 h19d 110+N

**MARCEL (FR)** 5 11-7 **153**  
 b.g. Bateau Rouge – Une Risetete (FR) (Air du Nord (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 17s<sup>2</sup> 18s<sup>3</sup> 16d\* 19d\* 19m\* 18m\* 16s\* 16s\* 16d\* 16g\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16s\* 16d\* 17v<sup>3</sup> Feb 13] rather leggy gelding: fourth foal: half-brother to winning 2m hurdler Indecise (by Cyborg): dam, fairly useful chaser/winning hurdler, stayed 2¾4m: runner-up over 12.5f on second of 2 starts on Flat: placed both starts in 4-y-o hurdles at Auteuil: sold out of F. Cottin's stable €125,000 Goffs July Sale: won 9 of 11 starts in novices in Britain, including Grade 2s at Cheltenham (Sharp Novices' Hurdle, beat Baby Run 2½ lengths) and Windsor (Kennel Gate Novices' Hurdle, beat Cherub 4 lengths) and Grade 1 ladbrokes.com Tolworth Hurdle at Sandown: beat It's Just Harry 2 lengths in 9-runner event at last-named, leading before last: also successful at Stratford, Newton Abbot, Hereford, Fontwell, Kempton (listed event) and Newbury: stays 19f: acts on soft and good to firm going, well below form on heavy last time: usually front runner/races prominently (held up at Cheltenham and Windsor): extremely tough.  
*M. C. PIPE*  
*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)*

h17v 119+L  
 h16d 148+G1  
 h16s 151+G2  
 h16s 141 L  
 h16g 144+N  
 h16d 151 G2

**MY WAY DE SOLZEN (FR)** 5 11-7 **153**  
 b.g. Assessor (IRE) – Agathe de Solzen (FR) (Chamberlin (FR)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c17g<sup>pu</sup> 17s<sup>2</sup> 16g\* 17g\* 16d<sup>5</sup> 17v\* Feb 13] tall, strong gelding: chaser in the making: first foal: dam, winner around 13f on Flat, won several times over fences up to around 2½2m: pulled up on chasing debut: runner-up in 4-y-o hurdle at Clairefontaine following month, then left A. Lamotte d'Argy: has quickly developed into useful novice hurdler in Britain, winning at Leicester in November, Bangor in December and listed event at Exeter in February: best effort when making all in last-named, beating Give Me Love 27 lengths: hampered fourth when 6½ lengths fifth of 9 to Marcel in Grade 1 at Sandown penultimate start: will stay beyond 2m: acts on heavy going.  
*A. KING*  
*Red, white sleeves, red spots, brown cap (B Winfield,A Longman,J Wright & C Fenton)*

h17v 153 L  
 h16d 141+G1  
 h17g 134+N  
 h16g 127 N

**ONLY VINTAGE (USA)** 5 11-7 **150 p**  
 b.g. Diesis – Wild Vintage (USA) (Alysheba (USA)) [2003/4 F16v<sup>6</sup> F16d<sup>4</sup> F16g\* F16g :: 2004/5 17s<sup>f</sup> 16d\* 19s\* 19s\* Jan 5] angular gelding: progressive form in bumpers for M. Hourigan, winning at Leopardstown and seventh to Total Enjoyment in Champion Bumper (failed to settle held up) at Cheltenham: looked good prospect when winning both completed starts over hurdles, maiden at Newbury (beat Moonstream 4 lengths) and novice at Hereford (by 8 lengths from stable-companion Smart Mover), travelling smoothly each time: stays 19f: likely to progress and win more races.  
*MISS H. C. KNIGHT* J. Culloty  
*Purple, primrose diamond, collar and sleeves, quartered cap (Lady Bamford & Alice Bamford)*

h19s 131+N  
 h16d 140+N  
 h17s N  
 F16g 126 G1  
 F16g 115 W  
 F16d 108 W

**PERFECT STORM** 6 11-7 **132 p**  
 b.g. Vettori (IRE) – Gorgeous Dancer (IRE) (Nordico (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 17d<sup>2</sup> Feb 1] smallish gelding: useful on Flat (stays 1½2m), below form last 3 starts, leaving M. Blanshard after latest: 11/8 favourite, ½2-length second to Noble Request in novice hurdle at Taunton, chased leaders and kept on well for pressure: likely to stay beyond 17f: should improve and win races.  
*M. C. PIPE*  
*Yellow and royal blue diablo, yellow sleeves, maroon armlets, maroon cap (The Newchange Syndicate)*

h17d 128+N

**PRINS WILLEM (IRE)** 6 11-7 **137 p**  
 b.g. Alzao (USA) – American Garden (USA) (Alleged (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 16d\* 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> Feb 12] good-topped gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 1¾4m), mostly creditable efforts in 2004: won novice at Huntingdon on hurdling debut in November with something to spare by 2½ lengths from Salsalino: progressive in similar events since, 2 lengths second to Voy Por Ustedes there in January and neck second to Clear Thinking at Newbury in February: will stay beyond 2m: capable of further improvement.  
*J. R. FANSHAWE*  
*Orange, white halved sleeves (Mr Chris van Hoorn)*

h16d 137 N  
 h16d 133+N  
 h16d 128+N

**PUBLICAN (IRE)** 5 11-7 **134 p**  
 b.g. Overbury (IRE) – Night Therapy (IRE) (Mandalus) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 F16g F16s<sup>3</sup> F16v\* F16d<sup>3</sup> F16s\* 16v<sup>3</sup> 16s\* Feb 20] tall, good sort: has scope: first foal: dam well held in 2 bumpers: useful form in bumpers, successful at Galway (beat Haggie Twins a neck) in October and Navan in December, beating below-form Dawadari 3½ lengths in Grade 2 at latter course: creditable third to Albert Mooney at Fairyhouse in between: has shaped encouragingly both starts in maiden hurdles, landing odds in 23-runner event at Naas on latest start with plenty in hand by 7 lengths from Lepidus: raced at 2m on good going or softer: remains capable of better.  
*P. A. FAHY, IRELAND*  
*Black, white sleeves, yellow and red quartered cap (Outback Syndicate)*

h16s 121+N  
 h16v 120+N  
 F16s 119+G2  
 F16d 118 W  
 F16v 118 W  
 F16s 105 WA

**ROMAN ARK** 7 11-7 **150**  
 gr.g. Terimon – Larksmore (Royal Fountain) [2003/4 23d<sup>3</sup> 20s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 16d<sup>2</sup> 17v\* 16v\* 16v\* 16d Feb 12] strong, lengthy gelding: will make a chaser: useful novice hurdler: won at Carlisle in November and Haydock in December and January: easily best effort when beating Baby Run by 8 lengths in 5-runner Grade 2 Rossington Main Novices' Hurdle for latest success, always going strongly and ridden clear after 3 out: never much better than mid-division in valuable handicap at Newbury latest start: should be effective at 2½2m+: raced only on ground softer than good (acts particularly well on heavy).  
*J. M. JEFFERSON*  
*White, royal blue chevron, pink cap (Mr Richard Collins)*

h16d 139+128  
 h16v 150 G2  
 h16v 132+N  
 h17v 129+N  
 h16d 121+N  
 h20s' 119 N

**ROYAL PARADISE (FR)** 5 11-7 **151 p**  
 b.g. Cadoudal (FR) – Crystalza (FR) (Crystal Palace (FR)) [2003/4 F16s\* F16g<sup>4</sup> :: 2004/5 16d\* 19s\* 16d<sup>3</sup> 16v\* 18s\* Feb 6] lengthy, angular gelding: won bumper at Sandown on debut in 2003/4: better form when fourth to Total Enjoyment in Champion Bumper at Cheltenham, subsequently sold privately out of F. Doumen's stable: useful novice hurdler: won at Roscommon (by head from Wild Passion) and Naas (beat Petertheknot ½ length) in October and at Leopardstown in December (made all to beat Leonardo de Vinci 6 lengths in Grade 2 paddypower.com Future Champions Novice Hurdle) and February: beat The Railway Man 3 lengths in 8-runner Grade 1 Deloitte Novice Hurdle for latest success, always prominent and ridden out after leading into straight: likely to prove better around 2½2m than 2m: acts on heavy going: open to further improvement.  
*THOMAS FOLEY, IRELAND*  
*Dark green and royal blue diablo, halved sleeves, striped cap (Mr Patrick Delaney Jnr)*

h18s 145+G1  
 h16v 145 G2  
 h16d 140 G1  
 h19s 144+N  
 h16d 139 N  
 F16g' 129 G1

**SHUHOOD (USA)** 5 11-7 **145**  
 b.g. Kingmambo (USA) – Nifty (USA) (Roberto (USA)) [2003/4 16g<sup>3</sup> 16g :: 2004/5 16m\* 16d\* 16d<sup>3</sup> 20d<sup>4</sup> Dec 3] close-coupled gelding: fairly useful on Flat (should stay 1½2m): successful over hurdles in 4-y-o novice at Ludlow in April and novice at Haydock in October, readily beating Roman Ark by 5 lengths at latter: back up in class, useful form when third of 9 to Marcel in Grade 2 novice at Cheltenham penultimate start, pulling well clear of rest: upped in trip, respectable 3½ lengths fourth to Ladalko in similar event at Sandown next time: stays 2½2m.  
*P. R. WEBBER* T. Doyle  
*Royal blue, white triple diamond, checked sleeves, royal blue cap, white diamond (Mr & Mrs M. J. Dowd)*

h20d 145 G2  
 h16d 145 G2  
 h16d 133+N  
 h16m 110+N  
 h16g 131 G2  
 h16g 134 G2

**STAN (NZ)** 6 11-7 **124**  
 b.g. Super Imposing (NZ) – Take Care (NZ) (Wham (AUS)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 19v<sup>3</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 17v<sup>4</sup> 19g\* 16d<sup>2</sup> Jan 1] compact gelding: has run 4 times on Flat in New Zealand, winning over 1½4m in July: fair form over hurdles: won 16-runner novice at Catterick in December by 2 lengths from Aleron, leading approaching last: good second of 9 to Debbie in handicap at same course last time: not sure to stay beyond 19f: acts on heavy going: patiently ridden.  
*R. C. GUEST*  
*Dark blue, pink and dark blue hooped sleeves, pink cap (Mr Paul Beck)*

h16d 118 113  
 h19g 124 N  
 h17v 120 N  
 h16s 109+N  
 h19v 107+N

**VILLON (IRE)**

6 11-7

b.g. Topanoora – Deep Adventure (Deep Run) [2003/4 F17d\* :: 2004/5 F16s\* 16v\* 20v\* Dec 27] good sort: half-brother to several winners, including winning 2m hurdlers Windgap Hill and Deep C.Diva (both by Supreme Leader): dam, unraced half-sister to several winners, including useful jumpers Denys Adventure and Miss Boon: successful both starts in bumpers (smart form), at Carlisle (beat Blairgowie 18 lengths) in April and Haydock (despite hanging left final 2f) in November: also unbeaten in 2 novice hurdles, at Hexham in November and Ayr (better effort when beating Bewleys Berry 5 lengths) in December: stays 2½m: good prospect.

L. LUNGO

A. Dobbin

*Dark blue and white diamonds, white sleeves, red cap (Mr R. A. Bartlett)***WILD PASSION (GER)**

5 11-7

b.g. Acatenango (GER) – White On Red (GER) (Konigsstuhl (GER)) [2003/4 16d<sup>2</sup> 17g<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 16d<sup>2</sup> 16s\* 16d\* 16d<sup>4</sup> Jan 8] tall, good-topped gelding: useful on Flat (stays 1¾m): useful novice hurdler: won Grade 3 at Navan and Grade 1 Betfair Royal Bond Novices' Hurdle at Fairyhouse, both in November: improved effort when beating Rocket Ship 3 lengths in latter, finding plenty after leading 2 out: respectable 6 lengths fourth of 9 to Marcel in Grade 1 at Sandown last time: likely to stay beyond 2m: raced only on good going or softer.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

*Purple, gold sleeves, hooped cap (Mr D. P. Sharkey)***DALRIATH**

6 11-0

b.m. Fraam – Alsiba (Northfields (USA)) [2003/4 16v 17d<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 17g<sup>F</sup> 17g<sup>4</sup> 17d<sup>6</sup> 17d<sup>pu</sup> 16d<sup>5</sup> 16g<sup>pu</sup> 16g\* 16d 16d<sup>5</sup> 16d<sup>6</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16g<sup>ur</sup> 16g<sup>bd</sup> Mar 9] lengthy mare: poor on Flat (stays 1½m): modest hurdler: soon clear when winning maiden at Catterick in December, beating Italiano 9 lengths: good second to Jockser in handicap at Huntingdon: has set overly-strong pace both outings since: will prove best at 2m: raced on good going or softer (acts on soft): saddle slipped fourth and sixth outings: makes running/races prominently.

M. C. CHAPMAN

*Emerald green and yellow diamonds, white sleeves, yellow cap, emerald green star (Mr Michael**B. Gielty)***LALA NOVA (IRE)**

6 11-0

br.m. Zaffaran (USA) – Tarasandy (IRE) (Arapahos (FR)) [2003/4 F16s F16d F20s :: 2004/5 20m<sup>6</sup> 16s 16g 20s<sup>4</sup> 24s<sup>5</sup> 16s\* 16s<sup>F</sup> 16s<sup>5</sup> 16s<sup>3</sup> 16v<sup>F</sup> Jan 29] fifth foal: half-sister to 3m hurdle winner Brigadier Brown (by Satco): dam unraced: modest hurdler: won handicap at Clonmel in November: creditable effort since only when 5 lengths third to Paddys Girl in handicap at Cork penultimate start: stays 2½m: raced mainly on soft/heavy going.

JOHN JOSEPH MURPHY, IRELAND

*White, dark green diamond, diamonds on sleeves and cap (John Joseph Murphy)***QUEEN ASTRID (IRE)**

5 11-0

b.m. Revoque (IRE) – Talina's Law (IRE) (Law Society (USA)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 18v\* 19s\* Mar 3] half-sister to fair 2m hurdler Mujalina (by Mujadil): dam fairly useful hurdler, should have stayed beyond 2m: useful on Flat (will stay 2m) for L. Browne: has justified favouritism both starts over hurdles, namely 18-runner maiden at Leopardstown (made all to beat Letterman 6 lengths) in December and 16-runner mares minor event at Limerick (led 2 out, beat Cake It Easy 20 lengths) in March: will stay at least 2½m: open to improvement.

D. K. WELD, IRELAND

*Purple, yellow cross of lorraine, purple cap (Dr R. Lambe)***BARATI (IRE)**

4 10-13

b.c. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Oriane (Nashwan (USA)) [2004/5 16v<sup>F</sup> 16v<sup>3</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> Feb 6] lengthy, useful-looking colt: useful on Flat (will stay 1¾m) for J. Oxx: yet to be asked for effort when falling 3 out in Grade 2 juvenile (won by Arch Rebel) at Leopardstown in December: fairly useful form when placed behind Strangely Brown in graded juveniles at Punchestown and Leopardstown since, 2 lengths second of 6 at latter track, taking good hold and leading going best before last but outstayed final 150 yds: likely to progress further, particularly under less testing conditions.

M. J. P. O'BRIEN, IRELAND

*Yellow and dark blue diablo, dark blue sleeves, check cap (Mr S. Mulryan)***147 p**

h20v	124+N
h16v	116+N
F16s	113+W
F17d	129 W

**TUDOR BELL (IRE)**

4 10-13

b.g. Definite Article – Late Night Lady (IRE) (Mujadil (USA)) [2004/5 19s<sup>4</sup> 17s Feb 17] fairly useful on Flat (stays 1¾m), successful 3 times in 2004: better effort over hurdles when 15 lengths fourth to Almah in novice at Exeter, not fluent last 3 flights: hampered start and lost place after mistake fourth in maiden at Taunton over 2 weeks later.

J. G. M. O'SHEA

*White, red stripe, royal blue sleeves, red and white striped cap (K. W. Bell & Son Ltd)***110**

h17s	91+N
h19s	107+N

**145**

h16d	142	G1
h16d	144+G1	
h16s	123+G3	
h16d	139	N
h17g		G1
h16d	140	G3

**109**

h16g	+	N
h16g	+	94
h16s	109	88
h16d	103	N
h16d	98+N	
h16d		88A

**106**

h16v	84	
h16s	106	85
h16s	102	85
h16s		W
h16s	106	77
h24s		N

**146 p**

h19s	137	W
h18v	146	N

**142 p**

h16s	141+G2	
h16v	135	G3
h16v	+	G2

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**Timeform Horses In Focus: Cheltenham 15th March**

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The following horses were identified as being of particular betting interest following their most recent performance:

Time	Horse	Time	Horse
2.00	JUSTIFIED (IRE)	3.15	MACS JOY (IRE)
2.00	ONLY VINTAGE (USA)	4.00	JOLY BEY (FR)
2.00	PRINS WILLEM (IRE)	4.00	IRIS BLEU (FR)
2.00	ROYAL PARADISE (FR)	4.00	HOME JAMES (IRE)
2.00	VILLON (IRE)	5.20	MARALAN (IRE)
3.15	HARDY EUSTACE (IRE)	5.20	NOT LEFT YET (IRE)



**2.35 THE IRISH INDEPENDENT ARKLE 2m****CHALLENGE TROPHY CHASE (Grade 1) (A)**

£140,000 5yo+

**ALMAYDAN 7 11-7 149 p**

b.g. Marju (IRE) – Cunning (Bustino) [2003/4 17g<sup>4</sup> 19d<sup>2</sup> 17g\* 16g<sup>2</sup> 17s\* :: 2004/5 16m<sup>4</sup> 16g<sup>4</sup> c16d\* c16d<sup>3</sup> c16v\* c16d\* Jan 26] strong gelding: useful hurdler: good fourth in handicaps at Haydock (8 lb out of weights, beaten 3¾ lengths by Macs Joy in valuable event) and Aintree in May: has made encouraging start over fences: won maiden at Huntingdon in October and novices at Warwick in December (beat Indien Royal 1¼ lengths) and Huntingdon in January, again jumped soundly when beating Big Rob 7 lengths in last-named: raced mainly around 2m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: sort to improve further over fences, especially in handicaps.

R. LEE

*Orange, large light green spots, light green sleeves, orange spots (George Brookes & Family)***ASHLEY BROOK (IRE) 7 11-7 156 +**

ch.g. Magical Wonder (USA) – Seamill (IRE) (Lafontaine (USA)) [2003/4 17g\* 17d<sup>2</sup> 19s\* 19s<sup>3</sup> 21m<sup>5</sup> :: 2004/5 c17s\* c21d\* c16v<sup>2</sup> c20g<sup>4</sup> Feb 5] strong gelding: type to make a chaser: fairly useful hurdler: made most encouraging start over fences, making all in 4-finisher novices at Exeter (smart effort, by 25 lengths from Backbeat) and Newton Abbot (beat Indien Royal by distance), jumping particularly fluently both times: creditable efforts since, setting no more than fair pace when ½-length second to My Will in Grade 2 novice at Uttoxeter in January and strong one when over 2 lengths fourth of 5 to El Vaquero in Grade 1 novice at Sandown (rallying when mistakes last 2): stays 21f: acts on heavy going, possibly not ideally suited by firmer than good: usually front runner: may yet do better.

K. BISHOP

P. J. Brennan

*Dark blue, white diamond, white cap, dark blue spots (Mrs E. K. Ellis)***CONTRABAND 7 11-7 154**

b.g. Red Ransom (USA) – Shortfall (Last Tycoon) [2003/4 16g<sup>3</sup> 17m\* 16m\* 16g\* 16v<sup>2</sup> 16g 21g 16g<sup>2</sup> 17m\* :: 2004/5 c16s<sup>2</sup> c16d<sup>2</sup> c16d\* c16v<sup>3</sup> Jan 22] good-topped gelding: useful novice hurdler in 2003/4: already as good over fences, won Grade 2 Sodexho Prestige Henry VIII Novices' Chase at Sandown in December by 5 lengths from The Last Cast, running on well after leading last: placed in similar events start either side, second to impressive Fundamentalist at Cheltenham and third to My Will at Uttoxeter (more patiently ridden than usual): likely to prove best around 2m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: usually free-going front runner.

M. C. PIPE

*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)***DANGEROUSDANMAGRU (IRE) 9 11-7 113**

b.g. Forest Wind (USA) – Blue Bell Girl (Blakeney) [2003/4 c16s<sup>5</sup> :: 2004/5 c20d<sup>3</sup> c16s<sup>ur</sup> c19s<sup>2</sup> c16v\* c20v<sup>4</sup> c16d<sup>4</sup> Jan 27] ex-Irish gelding: fair handicap hurdler: fair novice chaser: won handicap at Listowel in September, final outing for N. Glynn: not at best either start since: stays 2½m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy).

A. E. JONES

*White, light blue sash, brown cap (Mr N. F. Glynn)***KADOUNT (FR) 7 11-7 147**

b.g. Our Account (USA) – Une de Lann (FR) (Spoleto) [2003/4 16g\* 16s\* 16d\* 16g 16s<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c16s<sup>2</sup> c20d<sup>2</sup> c21d<sup>3</sup> c17s\* c16v<sup>4</sup> c16d\* Feb 19] strong, good-bodied gelding: useful hurdler in 2003/4: similar form over fences this season: won novice at Plumpton in January and Grade 2 coralpoker.com Kingmaker Novices' Chase at Wincanton in February, beat only other finisher Roofing Spirit 6 lengths with plenty in hand in latter: also good fourth of 6 to My Will in Grade 2 novice at Uttoxeter penultimate start, fading after 2 out having been going best: effective at 2m to 21f: raced on good going or softer.

A. KING

*White, large black spots, black cap (Elite Racing Club)***LACDOUDAL (FR) 6 11-7 155**

gr.g. Cadoudal (FR) – Belfaster (FR) (Royal Charter (FR)) [2003/4 17s<sup>f</sup> 16v\* 16g\* 16g 17s<sup>2</sup> 17m<sup>4</sup> :: 2004/5 c16d<sup>2</sup> c16d<sup>2</sup> c19m<sup>3</sup> c21d<sup>2</sup> c19g\* c20d\* c21s\* c20g<sup>3</sup> c20s<sup>2</sup> Feb 26] smallish, angular gelding: fairly useful novice hurdler in 2003/4: has taken well to fences, winning maiden at Doncaster in December and handicaps at Kempton (beat Run For Paddy 1¼ lengths) and Cheltenham (novice, by 5 lengths from Joes Edge) in January: creditable placed efforts in graded company since, third of 5 to El Vaquero at Sandown and second of 5 finishers to Limerick Boy at Kempton: likely to stay beyond 21f: acts on heavy and good to firm going: takes good hold: genuine and consistent.

P. J. HOBBS

*Light blue and royal blue diablo, light blue sleeves and cap (Mrs R. J. Skan)***LIMERICK BOY (GER) 7 11-7 157**

b.g. Alwuhush (USA) – Limoges (GER) (Konigsstuhl (GER)) [2003/4 16g<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>pu</sup> 16g\* 16g<sup>ur</sup> 16g 16d 16d<sup>f</sup> :: 2004/5 c17d<sup>3</sup> c17s<sup>3</sup> c16d\* c16v<sup>f</sup> c19v<sup>2</sup> c20s\* Feb 26] close-coupled gelding: useful hurdler, won Tote Scoop6 Lanzarote Hurdle (Handicap) at Kempton in 2003/4: similar form over fences, best effort when winning Grade 2 Pendil Novices' Chase at Kempton by 12 lengths from eased Laddoudal, always in first 2 and running on well in straight: earlier won 5-runner maiden at Leicester in January: stays 2½m: raced on good ground or softer (acts on heavy).

MISS VENETIA WILLIAMS

S. Thomas

*Dark blue, white star, red sleeves, white stars, red cap, white star (Favourites Racing)***NED KELLY (IRE) 9 11-7 157 p**

ch.g. Be My Native (USA) – Silent Run (Deep Run) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c17v<sup>3</sup> c17v<sup>3</sup> c20s\* Feb 19] big, strong gelding: high-class hurdler: won Grade 1 AIG Europe Champion Hurdle at Leopardstown in 2001/2: looked in need of race when distant third of 5 in Grade 1 at Fairyhouse (finished lame) only outing in 2002/3: better effort in Grade 1 novice chases when 11 lengths third of 8 to Ulaan Baatar at Leopardstown (still carrying plenty of condition and heavily bandaged in front) penultimate start, again jumping right and weakening run-in having travelled strongly: simple task when easily landing odds in maiden at Fairyhouse last time, jumping well and making all: best at 2m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: reportedly bled once in 2001/2: capable of better yet over fences.

E. J. O'GRADY, IRELAND

*Dark blue (Mrs John Magnier)***RIVER CITY (IRE) 8 11-7 147 p**

b.g. Norwich – Shuil Na Lee (IRE) (Phardante (FR)) [2003/4 16m\* :: 2004/5 16m c16g\* c17g\* c16g\* c16d\* c16s\* Oct 24] fairly useful hurdler: won well-contested handicap at Chepstow in late-2003/4 on first outing for nearly 13 months: unbeaten over fences in novices at Worcester (by 8 lengths from Westender) and Stratford in July, Newton Abbot (2) in August and Aintree in October: best effort when beating Contraband by 2 lengths in 3-finisher listed event at Aintree, patiently ridden and leading between last 2, idling run-in: should stay at least 2½m: acts on any going: probably hasn't finished improving over fences.

NOEL T. CHANCE

T. Doyle

*Royal blue, white stars, red and white striped sleeves, white cap, royal blue stars (Mrs S.**Rowley-Williams & Partners)***SIR OJ (IRE) 8 11-7 152**

br.g. Be My Native (USA) – Fox Glen (Furry Glen) [2003/4 18s\* 22d<sup>2</sup> 22s<sup>4</sup> 20d :: 2004/5 17g\* c17s\* c17v\* c16d\* c17v<sup>ur</sup> c17v<sup>5</sup> Jan 23] close-coupled gelding: fairly useful hurdler: improved form when winning intermediate at Killarney in May: successful first 3 starts over fences, maiden at Gowran and Grade 3 novice at Galway (beat Kickham 5 lengths) in October and Grade 2 novice at Punchestown (reluctant approaching first, beat Mariah Rollins 2 lengths) in November: would also have won Grade 1 novice at Leopardstown penultimate start but for unseating last, about 4 lengths clear of Mariah Rollins at time: below form in Grade 1 novice at Leopardstown last time: best form around 2m: raced on good going or softer: blinkered last 2 outings.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

*Maroon and pink check (Mr Brian Keenan)*

## STEEL BAND

7 11-7  
b.g. Krias – Quaver (USA) (The Minstrel (CAN)) [2003/4 16d<sup>3</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> 16s<sup>3</sup> 16s\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>5</sup> 16d :: 2004/5 16g<sup>6</sup> 20v<sup>6</sup> c17s<sup>F</sup> c18v\* c16d<sup>5</sup> c17v<sup>2</sup> c17v<sup>ur</sup> c16v<sup>2</sup> c16v<sup>3</sup> Feb 13] workmanlike gelding: fair handicap hurdler: useful novice chaser: won at Clonmel in October: improved form when 4 lengths second of 10 to Mariah Rollins in Grade 1 at Leopardstown and 2½ lengths second of 5 to Moscow Flyer in Grade 3 at Punchestown: poor effort when remote third of 4 finishers to Watson Lake in Grade 2 novice at Navan latest start: best around 2m: raced only on good going or softer (acts on heavy).

PAUL A. ROCHE, IRELAND

*Emerald green, white stripe, striped sleeves, emerald green and yellow striped cap (Irish World's Partners Syndicate)*

## SUPREME DEVELOPER (IRE)

8 11-7  
b.g. Supreme Leader – Bettys The Boss (IRE) (Deep Run) [2003/4 16g :: 2004/5 16g 18m<sup>2</sup> c20d<sup>2</sup> c20d<sup>2</sup> c16g\* c16d<sup>2</sup> c16d<sup>2</sup> Feb 18] well-made gelding: smart in bumpers in 2001/2: fair hurdler: left A. Mullins and off 6 months after second start: useful novice chaser: won at Newcastle in December: runner-up on other starts, best effort when beaten neck by L'Ange Au Ciel in handicap at Sandown last time, every chance when mistake last: stays 2½zm: acts on soft and good to firm going: jumps hurdles none too fluently.

FERDY MURPHY

*Royal blue, white hooped sleeves, pink cap (Mrs A. N. Durkan)*

B. Harding

## THE LAST CAST

6 11-7  
ch.g. Prince of Birds (USA) – Atan's Gem (USA) (Sharpen Up) [2003/4 16g 17d<sup>6</sup> 21g\* 20d :: 2004/5 20s<sup>4</sup> c16v\* c16d<sup>2</sup> c16s Feb 9] workmanlike gelding: useful handicap hurdler: improved effort when fourth to Mistanooora in valuable event at Chepstow on reappearance: better form again first 2 starts over fences, won 3-finisher maiden at Uttoxeter (going the better when left well clear by fall of Hasty Prince 3 out) in November and 5 lengths second of 4 finishers to Contraband in Grade 2 novice at Sandown in December, jumping well each time: dropped right away after 2-month break last time: stays 21f: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy).

H. MORRISON

*Dark blue, yellow star, hooped sleeves and star on cap (Mr D. P. Barrie)*

T. Scudamore

## TOWN CRIER (IRE)

10 11-7  
br.g. Beau Sher – Ballymacarett (Menelek) [2003/4 16m\* 17m<sup>F</sup> 16d\* :: 2004/5 16d\* c16s\* c16d<sup>2</sup> c16d<sup>F</sup> c16v\* c16d<sup>3</sup> c16s\* Feb 19] tall gelding: successful on 3 of 4 completed starts over hurdles, off 14 months before winning 18-runner handicap at Kelso by 3 lengths from The Biker: better form over fences, winning 7-runner maiden at Wetherby in October, 3-finisher novice at Newcastle (looked held until left clear by fall of Mondul 2 out) in January and 6-finisher handicap at Haydock in February: best effort when beating Ghadames 3 lengths for latest success, though about to be challenged strongly by Bambi de L'Orme when that one fell last: should stay beyond 2m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: sound jumper.

MRS S. J. SMITH

*Emerald green and yellow (quartered), white sleeves and cap (Mr Trevor Hemmings)*

## ULAAN BAATAR (IRE)

8 11-7  
b. or br.g. Jackson's Drift (USA) – Leinster Lady (IRE) (Lord Chancellor (USA)) [2003/4 F16m<sup>5</sup> F16d\* F16d<sup>2</sup> 20s\* 20d<sup>6</sup> :: 2004/5 20m c16v\* c17v\* c16v<sup>2</sup> Feb 13] tall, close-coupled gelding: useful in bumpers: fair form in 3 starts over hurdles: most promising start over fences, winning maiden at Punchestown (by 11 lengths from Kahuna) and Grade 1 Baileys Arkle Perpetual Challenge Cup Novices' Chase at Leopardstown in January: smart form when beating Foreman 9 lengths in 8-runner event at latter, jumping soundly and leading last, roused clear run-in: tied up badly after blundering 3 out when 20 lengths second of 4 finishers to Watson Lake in Grade 2 novice at Navan 3 weeks later (reportedly scoped dirty after): will stay beyond 2½zm: acts on heavy going.

MRS J. HARRINGTON, IRELAND

*Yellow, royal blue hoop and armlets, white cap, royal blue star (J. O'Flaherty)*

## WAR OF ATTRITION (IRE)

6 11-7  
br.g. Presenting – Una Juna (IRE) (Good Thyne (USA)) [2003/4 16d<sup>2</sup> 16g 16d\* 16s\* 20s 16g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c22d\* c16v\* Feb 5] strong, sturdy gelding: smart novice hurdler in 2003/4, neck second of 19 to Brave Inca in Supreme Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham final start: justified favouritism on both starts over fences, in maiden at Thurles in November and novice at Naas in February: beat Healy's Pub easily by 4 lengths in 12-runner event at latter, jumping left early but leading on bridle after 2 out: stays 2¾am: raced on good going or softer (yet to race on heavy): sure to continue to progress over fences.

M. F. MORRIS, IRELAND

*Maroon, white disc and armlets, maroon cap, pink star (Gigginstown House Stud)*

## 144

c16v	103	G2
c16w	144	G3
c17v	144	+G1
c17w	144	G1
c16d	131	G2
c18v	133	+N

## 144

c16d	144	127
c16d	135	N
c16g	142	+N
c20d	134	W
c20d	132	W
h18m	124	W

## 149

c16s	+	N
c16d	149	G2
c16v	149	W
h20s	144	127
h20d	135	127
h21g	133	119

## 154

c16s	154	134
c16d	120	N
c16v	133	+N
c16d	+	N
c16d	154	N
c16s	124	+W

## 163

c16v	134	G2
c17v	163	G1
c16v	146	W
h20m	117	W
h20d	112	G2
h20s	119	+N

## 149 p

c16v	134	+N
c22d	128	+W
h16g	161	G1
h20s	145	G3
h16s	128	+W
h16d	115	N

## WATSON LAKE (IRE)

7 11-7  
b.g. Be My Native (USA) – Magneeto (IRE) (Brush Aside (USA)) [2003/4 19d<sup>2</sup> 18d<sup>2</sup> 18s\* 20d\* 18s<sup>6</sup> :: 2004/5 20g c17s\* c20d\* c16v\* Feb 13] tall, good sort: useful novice over hurdles in 2003/4: successful all 3 starts over fences, maiden at Navan (impressively by 6 lengths from Fota Island), Grade 1 Piere Group Drinmore Novices' Chase at Fairyhouse (all out after blunders 3 out and next when beating Forget The Past 3 lengths) in November and Grade 2 Flyingbolt Novices' Chase again at Navan in February, easily pulling clear of Ulaan Baatar after latter blundered 3 out and winning by 20 lengths: effective at testing 2m, bred to stay beyond 2½zm: acts on heavy going, disappointing on good in Grade 1 novice at Punchestown in April: free-going sort, has made running over fences: open to further improvement.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

*Light tan, red hoop, black sleeves, red hoop, red cap (Mr John Corr)*

## MADE IN JAPAN (JPN)

5 11-2  
b.g. Barathea (IRE) – Darrery (Darshaan) [2003/4 16d<sup>3</sup> 17s<sup>3</sup> 16s\* 17g\* 16g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 16g<sup>2</sup> c16g\* c16d<sup>3</sup> c16d<sup>4</sup> Jan 15] tall, useful-looking gelding with scope: useful juvenile hurdler in 2003/4, won twice, notably Triumph Hurdle at Cheltenham: also ran well when narrowly defeated in Grade 2 at Aintree and Grade 1 at Punchestown: fairly useful form first 2 starts over fences, jumping well and landing odds impressively in novice at Kempton on debut in November and 10 lengths third of 4 finishers to Contraband in Grade 2 at Sandown: disappointing favourite when last of 4 finishers in novice at Kempton latest start, jumping with little confidence: will probably stay beyond 2m: tends to wander under pressure.

P. J. HOBBS

*Dark blue and yellow stripes (Mr Terry Evans)*

## MAMBO DES MOTTES (FR)

5 11-2  
b.g. Useful (FR) – Julie Des Mottes (FR) (Puma Des Mottes (FR)) [2003/4 17s 17s<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 c18g\* c18d\* c20d<sup>3</sup> Feb 18] neat ex-French gelding: successful 3 times up to 1½zm on Flat: modest form on second of 2 starts over hurdles: won first 2 starts over fences, at Cluny in August and Craon (4-y-o event) in September: left E. Lecoiffier, fair form when 14½ lengths third of 5 finishers to Chauvinist in novice at Sandown on British debut, not fluent at times and fading from 3 out.

MISS VENETIA WILLIAMS

*Royal blue, white epaulets, checked sleeves (John Nicholls (Trading) Ltd)*

## MONDUL (GER)

5 11-2  
b.g. Colon (GER) – Morgenrote (EG) (Aveiro) [2003/4 16g\* 16s\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 17d\* 16g<sup>5</sup> 17g 16d<sup>6</sup> 19s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 19s<sup>3</sup> 19d<sup>pu</sup> 21d<sup>6</sup> c16v<sup>F</sup> c16v<sup>F</sup> c16v<sup>5</sup> c17s<sup>2</sup> c18d\* c17v<sup>3</sup> Mar 5] leggy gelding: useful juvenile hurdler in 2003/4: fairly useful novice chaser: best effort when winning 6-runner event at Fontwell by 1¼ lengths from Sleep Bal, kicking for home after ninth and holding on all out: every chance when only respectable third of 5 finishers to Stormy Lord at Kelso following month: stays 19f: possibly suited by going softer than good (acts on heavy): has worn off-side pricker: races prominently.

M. F. HARRIS

*Dark blue, yellow cross belts, yellow sleeves, dark blue stars and stars on cap (Partners In Crime)*

## MY WILL (FR)

5 11-2  
b.g. Saint Preuil (FR) – Gleep Will (FR) (Laniste) [2003/4 16d\* 16s\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16g<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 16g c17v\* c16g<sup>wr</sup> c16d\* c16d<sup>3</sup> c20s<sup>2</sup> c21d\* c16v\* Jan 22] tall, leggy, close-coupled gelding: fairly useful hurdler: useful novice chaser: successful on 4 of 6 completed starts, at Market Rasen in October and Warwick in November (jumping well and impressive on both occasions) and Grade 2 events at Cheltenham (beat only other finisher El Vaquero by 4 lengths in Dipper Novices' Chase) and Uttoxeter (by ½ length from Ashley Brook in Lightning Novices' Chase) in January: effective at 2m under testing conditions, will probably stay 3m: acts on heavy going.

P. F. NICHOLLS

*Black and white (halved), red sleeves and cap (Mrs J. Stewart)*

## LIKE-A-BUTTERFLY (IRE)

11 11-0  
b.m. Montelimar (USA) – Swifts Butterfly (Furry Glen) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c16s\* c17v<sup>pu</sup> Dec 26] big mare: smart hurdler: won AIG Europe Champion Hurdle at Leopardstown in January 2003 by head from Limestone Lad: reportedly suffered tendon injury final start that season: first outing since, won maiden at Naas on chasing debut impressively by 4 lengths from Aye Popeye, jumping well: favourite, found to have blood disorder in Grade 1 novice at Leopardstown month later: suited by good test at 2m and stays 2½zm: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): sometimes idles: genuine: remains open to improvement over fences.

C. ROCHE, IRELAND

*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)*

## 153 p

c16v	153	G2
c20d	142	+G1
c17s	145	+W
h20g	127	G1
h18s	147	G1
h20d	137	+G3

## 144

c16d	125	N
c16d	144	G2
c16g	133	+N
h16g	143	+G1
h16g	157	G2
h17g	157	G1

## 133 +

c20d	133	+N
h17s	114	W
h17s		W

## 132

c17v	129	+N
c18d	132	N
c17s	125	W
c16v		G2
c16v	131	+N
c16v	124	+N

## 155

c16v	155	G2
c21d	154	G2
c20s	154	+G2
c16d	146	G2
c16d	138	+N
c16g		N

## 144 p

c17v		G1
c16s	134	+W

**MARIAH ROLLINS (IRE)**

7 11-0

**150**

b. or br.m. Over The River (FR) – Clonloo Lady (IRE) (Nearly A Nose (USA)) [2003/4 F20d2 16m\* 16m\* 16d2 16d\* 18s3 16gwr :: 2004/5 c20s\* c16d2 c17v\* Dec 26] lengthy, narrow mare: useful novice hurdler in 2003/4: quickly reached similar level over fences, winning maiden at Down Royal in November and 10-runner Grade 1 Durkan New Homes Novice Chase at Leopardstown in December: beat Steel Band 4 lengths in latter, looking held when left clear by Sir Oj's last-fence exit: would have beaten Sir Oj in Grade 2 novice at Punchestown in between but for bad mistake last: should prove suited by 2½m+: acts on soft and good to firm going.

*P. A. FAHY, IRELAND**Orange, black hoop, chevrons on sleeves, quartered cap (Gone West Racing Syndicate)*

c17v 150 G1  
c16d 147+G2  
c20s 120+W  
h16g 144+G1  
h18s 151 G1  
h16d 154 G2

THIRD RACE CHELTENHAM (TV CH4)

TRW 170 – 168 177 176 (Av 173)

**3.15****THE SMURFIT CHAMPION HURDLE  
CHALLENGE TROPHY (Grade 1) (A)****2m110y**

£300,000 4yo+ TWFA 4 12-1

**ACCORDION ETOILE (IRE)**

6 11-10

**164 +**

b.g. Accordion – Royal Thimble (IRE) (Prince Rupert (FR)) [2003/4 F16s\* 20m\* 16m\* 16d5 :: 2004/5 16m\* 16g\* 16s2 16d\* 16v5 Jan 23] strong, lengthy, good sort: fifth in 1¾m maiden on Flat debut in June: smart hurdler, successful on 5 of 8 starts: won minor events at Punchestown in May and Tipperary (by 6 lengths from Grimes) in July, and valuable Greatwood Hurdle (Handicap) at Cheltenham in November: always travelling strongly, led into straight and beat Westender by 3 lengths with something in hand at Cheltenham: not discredited when second of 4 to comfortable winner Solerina in Grade 1 at Tipperary third start: ran better than distance beaten suggests when fifth of 6 behind Macs Joy in Grade 1 at Leopardstown last time, jumping none too fluently and eased in straight: successful at 2½m, raced mainly at 2m: has form on soft/heavy going, possibly better under less testing conditions: patiently ridden, and has a turn of foot.

*PAUL NOLAN, IRELAND**Brown, pink star, sleeves and cap (Banjo Syndicate)*

h16v 140 G1  
h16d 160+149  
h16s 162+G1  
h16g 157 W  
h16m 131+W  
h16d 123 G1

**AL EILE (IRE)**

5 11-10

**154 p**

b.g. Alzao (USA) – Kilcsem Eile (IRE) (Commanche Run) [2003/4 16m\* 16g\* 16d2 17g 16g\* :: 2004/5 16g 16s6 16v3 16d3 Feb 12] rather leggy gelding: useful on Flat (stays 2m), successful all 3 starts in 2004: similar form over hurdles: won 3 juveniles in 2003/4, including Grade 2 Unwins Wine Group Anniversary 4-y-o Novices' Hurdle at Aintree (beat Made In Japan ¾ length): good third to Essex in valuable handicaps at Leopardstown and Newbury last 2 starts, again staying on well from long way back when beaten 3 lengths at latter course: will stay beyond 2m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: capable of further improvement, and should continue to be of interest in the top handicaps.

*J. QUEALLY, IRELAND**Dark blue, emerald green hoops, quartered cap (Mr M. A. Ryan)*

T. J. Murphy

h16d 152+138  
h16v 140+125  
h16s G1  
h16g 120 G1  
h16g 146 G2  
h17g 110 G1

**ASTONVILLE (FR)**

11 11-10

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b.g. Top Ville – Astonishing (BRZ) (Vacilante (ARG)) [2003/4 18s4 19v3 :: 2004/5 c18s 20s4 20d5 20v c24s<sup>pu</sup> Feb 26] lengthy ex-French gelding: very smart hurdler/useful chaser at one time, only fairly useful nowadays: claimed from M. Rolland €8,000 after second start: visored and off 5 months, very stiff tasks and soundly beaten all starts in Britain: stays 25f: raced mainly on soft/heavy going.

*M. SCUDAMORE**Red, white star, black and red striped sleeves, white cap, black star (Mr F. G. Wilson)*

c24s 142  
h20v 135  
h20d W  
h20s 119 C  
c18s W  
h19v 139 W

**BACK IN FRONT (IRE)**

8 11-10

**174**

br.g. Bob Back (USA) – Storm Front (IRE) (Strong Gale) [2003/4 16g\* 16d2 16m2 16d\* 16d5 :: 2004/5 16d2 17d\* Dec 11] workmanlike gelding: high-class hurdler: fit from Flat (won 2m maiden in October), ran well when 1½ lengths second of 5 to Harchibald (rec. 5 lb) in Grade 2 at Punchestown on reappearance: favourite, won 7-runner Grade 2 totesport Bula Hurdle at Cheltenham following month by 4 lengths from Inglis Drever, getting on top before last having been waited with and soon clear: has won at 2½m, raced mainly around 2m: acts on heavy going, bumper winner on good to firm.

*E. J. O'GRADY, IRELAND**Dark blue, emerald green seams, white cap (Mr D. Cox)*

R. Walsh

h17d 172+G2  
h16d 174 G2  
h16d 156 G1  
h16d 154+G2  
h16m 141+G1  
h16d 163 G1



**BRAVE INCA (IRE)**

7 11-10

b.g. Good Thyme (USA) – Wigwam Mam (IRE) (Commanche Run) [2003/4 20d\* 16s\* 18s\* 16g\* :: 2004/5 16g\* 16s2 20d2 16s2 16v2 Jan 23] strong, good-bodied gelding: will make a chaser: has progressed into a high-class hurdler: won all 4 starts in 2003/4, including Grade 1 Deloitte Novice Hurdle at Leopardstown and Grade 1 Letheby & Christopher Supreme Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham (beat War of Attrition by neck): also successful in Grade 1 Evening Herald Champion Novice Hurdle at Punchestown in April, all out to beat Royal Shakespeare a short head: further improvement when runner-up all 4 starts on return, behind Macs Joy (rec 10 lb) in intermediate at Down Royal in October. Solerina in Grade 1 at Fairyhouse (none too fluent) in November and Macs Joy again in 6-runner Grade 1s at Leopardstown in December (beaten 3 lengths) and January (went down by short head, blundered third and stayed on stoutly after looking held between last 2): will prove ideally suited by 2½m+: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy).

C. A. MURPHY, IRELAND

*Purple, yellow disc, sleeves and cap (Novices Syndicate)***ESSEX (IRE)**

5 11-10

b.g. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Knight's Baroness (Rainbow Quest (USA)) [2003/4 16d\* 16d\* :: 2004/5 16g3 16v\* 16d\* Feb 12] leggy, angular gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 2m): successful on 4 of 5 starts over hurdles, including Piersie Hurdle (Handicap) at Leopardstown in January and totesport Trophy Hurdle (Handicap) at Newbury in February: smart form to beat Bongo Fury 3 lengths in 25-runner event in latter, never far away and asserting run-in: likely to stay beyond 2m: raced only on good going or softer (acts on heavy): wore cheekpieces second to fourth starts: likely to do better still.

M. J. P. O'BRIEN, IRELAND

*Black, pink cross of lorraine, pink sleeves, black armlets, check cap (B.P.S. Syndicate)***HARCHIBALD (FR)**

6 11-10

b.g. Perugino (USA) – Dame d'Harvard (USA) (Quest For Fame) [2003/4 16g\* 16m4 16g\* 17d5 :: 2004/5 16g4 16s3 16d\* 16d\* 16g\* Dec 26] rather leggy, useful-looking gelding: has reportedly had wind operation: top-class hurdler: much improved this season, winning Grade 2 Mongey Communications Morgiana Hurdle at Punchestown (by 1½ lengths from Back In Front), Grade 1 Pertemps 'Fighting Fifth' Hurdle at Newcastle (beat Inglis Drever by 2 lengths with plenty in hand) and Grade 1 Stan James Christmas Hurdle at Kempton: best effort when beating Rooster Booster by 1½ lengths at Kempton, coming from well back to collar long-time leader run-in (pair clear): raced around 2m: best form on good/good to soft ground: tongue tied earlier in career: carries head high, and has failed to go through with effort: held up.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

*Purple, gold sleeves, hooped cap (Mr D. P. Sharkey)***HARDY EUSTACE (IRE)**

8 11-10

b.g. Archway (IRE) – Sterna Star (Corvaro (USA)) [2003/4 20m2 16d 20d2 16s2 16g\* :: 2004/5 16g\* 20s2 16s3 16v3 16v\* Feb 12] good-topped gelding: top-class hurdler: best effort when winning 2004 Smurfit Champion Hurdle at Cheltenham by 5 lengths from Rooster Booster, dictating pace and forging clear again run-in having been joined by runner-up at last: beat same rival by length in Emo Oil Champion Hurdle at Punchestown following month: off 7 months, has shaped as though as good as ever last 4 starts, second to Solerina in Grade 2 at Navan and third of 6 to Macs Joy in Grade 1s at Leopardstown in December and January (beaten short head and a head on latest occasion): simple task when landing odds in Grade 2 Red Mills Trial Hurdle at Gowran last time: effective at 2m to 21f: acts on heavy going: blinkered for last 2 wins and third start: reliable.

D. T. HUGHES, IRELAND

*Light blue, yellow hoop, white sleeves, light blue and white striped cap (Mr Laurence Byrne)***INTERSKY FALCON**

8 11-10

ch.g. Polar Falcon (USA) – I'll Try (Try My Best (USA)) [2003/4 16m\* 16d3 16g\* 16m2 16g3 20d4 16m5 :: 2004/5 16d4 Nov 27] leggy gelding: very smart hurdler: won Grade 1 John James McManus Memorial Hurdle at Tipperary (by 12 lengths from Back In Front) and Grade 1 Jobs@Pertemps City Christmas Hurdle at Kempton (by 2½ lengths from Rooster Booster) in 2003/4, both races for second year running: off 7 months (reportedly had breathing operation over summer), never travelling fluently when below-form fourth to Harchibald in Grade 1 at Newcastle on reappearance: stays 2½m when conditions aren't testing: acts on firm and soft going: blinkered: tongue tied 3 outings prior to reappearance: has idled: effective held up or making running: tough.

JONJO O'NEILL

A. Dobbins

*White, dark blue and light green striped sleeves, light green cap (Interskyracing.com & Mrs Jonjo O'Neill)***171**

h16v	171	G1
h16s	171	G1
h20d	168	G1
h16s	168	W
h16g	154	+G1
h16g	158	+G1

**MACS JOY (IRE)**

6 11-10

b.g. Religiously (USA) – Snob's Supreme (IRE) (Supreme Leader) [2003/4 F16d\* F16m3 16g5 16m2 16d 18d\* 16s2 16s2 16s2 16d\* :: 2004/5 16m\* 16s\* 16d3 16s\* 16v\* Jan 23] medium-sized, quite good-topped gelding: has progressed into a high-class hurdler: first past post 6 of last 7 starts: successful this season in Swinton Handicap Hurdle at Haydock in May, intermediate at Down Royal in November and Grade 1 Bewleys Hotels December Festival Hurdle (beat Brave Inca 3 lengths) and Grade 1 AIG Europe Champion Hurdle at Leopardstown: beat Brave Inca a short head in 6-runner event for latest success, going freely and battling gamely after jumping last length up: third of 5 to Harchibald in Grade 2 at Punchestown third start: raced around 2m: acts on good to firm and heavy going.

MRS J. HARRINGTON, IRELAND

*Royal blue, dark green sleeves, royal blue cap (Mac's J Racing Syndicate)***PRESENT BLEU (FR)**

10 11-10

b.g. Epervier Bleu – Lointaine (USA) (Lyphard's Wish (FR)) [2003/4 c19g6 c19g4 c22g3 :: 2004/5 c18d c17g4 c17g5 c18g6 c29vpu Feb 25] leggy gelding: one-time useful hurdler/fairly useful chaser: trained by M. Pipe in 2001/2: in excellent form over fences in 2002/3, successful 4 times in France/Italy for J. Dubois/E. de la Motte: well held in Italy in 2003/4: off 15 months, well held in 4 starts at Cagnes-sur-Mer on return: claimed from F. Kronauer €8,000, no encouragement in handicap chase at Warwick last time: stays 25f: acts on firm and soft going, possibly not on heavy: tried blinkered/visored.

M. SCUDAMORE

*Red, white star, black and red striped sleeves, white cap, black star (Mr F. G. Wilson)***ROOSTER BOOSTER**

11 11-10

gr.g. Riverwise (USA) – Came Cottage (Nearly A Hand) [2003/4 16s5 16g2 16s\* 16g2 16g2 20d2 :: 2004/5 16g2 16d4 17d4 16g2 16g2 Feb 5] sparely-made gelding: high-class hurdler: won 2003 Champion Hurdle, and runner-up to Hardy Eustace in 2004 renewal: best effort this season when fourth to Accordion Etoile in valuable handicap at Cheltenham second start: probably hasn't had ideal circumstances since, forced too strong a pace in Grade 2 on same course and Grade 1 Christmas Hurdle at Kempton (still well clear 3 out, collared run-in and beaten 1½ lengths by Harchibald) next 2 outings, sent for home too soon and wandered when second to Self Defense in listed event at Sandown last time: stays easy 2½m: probably acts on any going: usually held up, and ideally suited by well-run race: normally fluent jumper: usually finds little off bridle.

P. J. HOBBS

*Yellow, black chevron, check cap (Mr Terry Warner)***ROYAL SHAKESPEARE (FR)**

6 11-10

b.g. King's Theatre (IRE) – Persian Walk (FR) (Persian Bold) [2003/4 17s\* 19g\* 16g\* :: 2004/5 16g2 16d3 16v4 16g4 16d3 Feb 19] tall, useful-looking gelding: useful hurdler: won first 3 starts in novices, notably Top Novices' Hurdle at Aintree: further improvement when placed in Grade 1s, off 7 months before 4 lengths third to Harchibald at Newcastle in November: respectable efforts at best since, 6½ lengths third to Inglis Drever in Grade 2 at Wincanton latest start: stays 19f: raced on good ground or softer.

S. GOLLINGS

*White, red stars, red and white hooped sleeves (Mr J. B. Webb)*

J. Culloty

**SELF DEFENSE**

8 11-10

b.g. Warning – Dansara (Dancing Brave (USA)) [2003/4 16g\* 20d2 16d4 16g 16g 16g\* 17m2 :: 2004/5 16g4 16d2 16g\* Feb 5] sturdy gelding: useful hurdler on balance of form: won Agfa Hurdle at Sandown on latest start by 3 lengths from Rooster Booster, drifting right but running on well from last: ran well in valuable handicaps at Newbury and Sandown earlier in season, 4 lengths second of 23 to Tamarinbleu at latter course: probably as effective at 2½m as 2m: acts on heavy going, below form on good to firm: has looked none too keen.

P. R. CHAMINGS

*Orange, dark blue sash, diablo on sleeves, orange cap (Fraser Miller Racing)*

R. Thornton

**SOLARIUS (FR)**

8 11-10

ch.g. Kris – Nouvelle Lune (FR) (Be My Guest (USA)) [2003/4 21s6 c19s 18s6 c19s2 17v4 18s4 c19s4 20s5 :: 2004/5 20s c20d4 19s 18s2 c19d\* 16g5 19g\* c22vpu c17g Mar 4] angular ex-French gelding: 11f winner on Flat: fairly useful hurdler/useful chaser: successful over fences (handicap) then hurdles (claimer, claimed from R. Chotard €13,000) at Cagnes-sur-Mer in December: showed little in 2 handicap chases in Britain: stays 2½m: acts on heavy ground.

M. SCUDAMORE

*Red, white star, black and red striped sleeves, white cap, black star (Mr F. G. Wilson)***174**

h16v	171	G1
h16s	174	G1
h16d	166	G2
h16s	159	+W
h16m	149	+135
h16d	141	+122

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c29v 133

**174**

h16g	161	+L
h16g	169	+G1
h17d	167	+G2
h16d	174	+169
h16g	165	+G1
h20d	168	+G1

**163**

h16d	154	G2
h16g	154	L
h16v	125	G2
h16d	163	G1
h16g	153	G1
h16g	149	+G2

**165**

h16g	160	+L
h16d	161	+143
h16g	155	144
h17m	137	N
h16g	146	+N
h16g	149	G1

**133**

c17g	129
c22v	134
h18s	133
h19s	H
h20s	133
h20s	144



**TURNIUM (FR)**

10 11-10

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b. or br.g. Turgeon (USA) – Royal Mia (FR) (Kashmir II) [2003/4 20s<sup>4</sup> 18g<sup>2</sup> 20s<sup>5</sup> 18d<sup>6</sup> c18s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c18s<sup>4</sup> 18s\* 18d<sup>2</sup> 16v c28s<sup>pu</sup> Feb 19] workmanlike ex-French gelding: half-brother to winning hurdler around 2m Nika Mia (by Nikos): 11f to 2m winner on Flat: useful chaser/fairly useful hurdler: has won 7 races over jumps (all at Auteuil), including 17-runner claiming hurdle in May by 6 lengths from Genie d'Axel: claimed from A. Chaille-Chaille €22,000 third start: off 7 months, no promise both starts in Britain (breathing problem latest): stays 3m: acts on heavy ground: usually blinkered nowadays, visored twice.

*M. SCUDAMORE**Red, white star, black and red striped sleeves, white cap, black star (Mr F. G. Wilson)*

c28s	135
h16v	G2
h18d	138
h18s	135
c18s	133
c18s'	133

FOURTH RACE CHELTENHAM (TV CH4)

**4.00****THE WILLIAM HILL TROPHY  
HANDICAP CHASE (Grade 3) (A)****3m110y**

£80,000 5yo+

**KEEN LEADER (IRE)**

9 11-12

b.g. Supreme Leader – Keen Gale (IRE) (Strong Gale) [2003/4 c26d<sup>ur</sup> c24d\* c24g<sup>3</sup> c26g<sup>6</sup> :: 2004/5 c24s<sup>3</sup> Nov 14] tall, angular, rather raw-boned gelding: has stringhalt: top-class chaser on his day: jumped soundly and best effort when winning 7-runner Tommy Whittle Chase at Haydock in 2003/4 by 17 lengths from Truckers Tavern: below that form on less testing ground both subsequent starts last season, tailed off in Cheltenham Gold Cup on final one: favourite and better for race, led after 5 out to last when 6½ lengths third of 5 finishers to Horus in valuable handicap at Haydock on return: should stay beyond 25f: raced on good going or softer, goes very well on soft/heavy: strong-running sort, still inclined to make the odd mistake over fences.

*JONJO O'NEILL**Maroon, grey disc and armlets, quartered cap (Mrs Stewart Catherwood)***169**

c24s	169	157
c26g		G1
c24g		168+G2
c24d		176+G2
c26d'		+ 156

**IRISH HUSSAR (IRE)**

9 11-7

b.g. Supreme Leader – Shuil Ard (Quayside) [2003/4 c26g<sup>pu</sup> c24g<sup>2</sup> c26g<sup>pu</sup> Mar 18 :: 2004/5 NR] tall, useful-looking gelding: smart chaser: ¾-length second to Shooting Light in Grade 2 at Newbury, staying on after being unable to quicken 3 out: let down by jumping both other outings in 2003/4, reportedly returned with sore shins after reappearance in valuable handicap at Newbury, stiff task in Cheltenham Gold Cup final start: should stay beyond 25f: raced on good going or softer (won bumper on heavy).

*N. J. HENDERSON**Yellow, maroon cap (Major Christopher Hanbury)***168**

c26g'		152
c24g'		G1
c26g		168+G2
		+ 144

**MARLBOROUGH (IRE)**

13 11-5

br.g. Strong Gale – Wrekenogan (Tarqogan) [2003/4 c25m<sup>2</sup> c25d<sup>3</sup> c24g<sup>5</sup> c24m\* c24g<sup>pu</sup> c23s<sup>pu</sup> Apr 24 :: 2004/5 NR] strong gelding: top-class chaser at best: not so good in 2003/4, though won 11-runner Racing Post Chase (Handicap) at Kempton by 4 lengths from Gunther McBride: ran badly both subsequent starts, including in listed event at Auteuil (trained by J. Bertran de Balanda) final one: stays 3¼am (has twice weakened markedly closing stages over 33f): acts on good to firm and heavy going: tried in cheekpieces.

*N. J. HENDERSON**Mauve and pink check, white sleeves, pink cap (Sir Robert Ogden)***169**

c23s'		150
		W
c24g'		157
c24m'		169
c24g'		156
c25d'		169
c25m'		167+G2

**CHIVES (IRE)**

10 11-3

b.g. Good Thyne (USA) – Chatty Actress (Le Bavard (FR)) [2003/4 c24d<sup>4</sup> c29d<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c24s<sup>2</sup> c24d\* c29v<sup>3</sup> c24v c28s<sup>pu</sup> Feb 19] well-made gelding: usually impresses in appearance: very smart chaser: left Miss H. Knight and off a year before reappearance: back to best when winning 7-runner Tommy Whittle Chase at Haydock in December by 6 lengths from Sir Rembrandt: creditable ¾ lengths third of 17 to Silver Birch in Welsh National at Chepstow later in month: poor efforts back at Haydock last 2 starts (distressed in latter): stays 29f: acts on heavy going: usually sound jumper: has broken blood vessels.

*MRS S. J. SMITH**Emerald green and yellow (quartered), white sleeves and cap (Mr Trevor Hemmings)*

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c28s	148
c24v	148
c29v	149
c24d	165
c24s	161
c29d'	145
	141
	155

**BALLYBOUGH RASHER (IRE)**

10 11-2

b.g. Broken Hearted – Chat Her Up (Proverb) [2003/4 24m<sup>2</sup> c25m\* :: 2004/5 c25d<sup>ur</sup> 24d<sup>4</sup> 24g<sup>2</sup> Mar 5] sturdy gelding: lightly-raced hurdler: better than ever last 2 starts (fairly useful form), 3 lengths second to Omni Cosmo Touch in handicap at Doncaster on latest: smart chaser: much improved when 40/1-winner of bet365 Charlie Hall Chase at Wetherby in 2003/4, beating Marlborough 6 lengths: better for race, in rear when unseated eighth in handicap at Cheltenham on return: effective at 2½m to 4m: acts on soft and good to firm going: often let down by jumping over fences.

*J. HOWARD JOHNSON**White and red stripes, white sleeves, red stars, black cap (BDR Partnership)***165 X**

h24g	139	147
h24d	135	120
c25d		147
c25m'	165	G2
h24m'	135	+ 102

G. Lee

**JOLY BEY (FR)** 8 11-2  
 ch.g. Beyssac (FR) – Rivolie (FR) (Mistigri) [2003/4 c20g<sup>2</sup> c19s<sup>5</sup> 24g\* c20g<sup>5</sup> c21g<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 20s c25d<sup>5</sup> c21d<sup>4</sup> c24g\* Feb 17] tall, angular gelding: smart chaser: tongue tied, improved form when winning handicap at Sandown last time by 6 lengths from Iris Bleu, making most of running: in front when falling 4 out in Topham Chase (Handicap) at Aintree on final start in 2003/4: lightly-raced hurdler, easily won handicap at Newbury in 2003/4: raced freely and not at all knocked about in valuable handicap at Chepstow on reappearance this season: stays 25f: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): fluent jumper: owner ridden nowadays.  
*N. J. GIFFORD*  
*Royal blue, maroon epaulets (Mr David Dunsdon)*

**PUNTAL (FR)** 9 11-1  
 b.g. Bering – Saveur (Ardross) [2003/4 c16f\* c19g<sup>2</sup> c20g\* c20g\* c16d<sup>4</sup> c16s\* c20s<sup>5</sup> c16g<sup>ur</sup> c36d<sup>ur</sup> c29m\* :: 2004/5 c26g<sup>6</sup> c25d Dec 10] medium-sized gelding: winning hurdler: smart chaser: won 5 times in 2003/4, notably Betfred Gold Cup (Handicap) at Sandown final start, holding on by short head from Royal Auclair in 18-runner event: better effort this season (lost interest last time) when sixth to Celestial Gold in very valuable handicap at Newbury on reappearance: effective at 2m and stays 29f when emphasis on speed: acts on any going: visored seventh 2003/4 outing (downed tools): tongue tied last 6 starts: front runner: moody.  
*M. C. PIPE*  
*White, large red spots and armlets, red and white quartered cap (Mr Terry Neill)*

**HUSSARD COLLONGES (FR)** 10 11-0  
 b.g. Video Rock (FR) – Ariane Collonges (FR) (Quart de Vin (FR)) [2003/4 c25g<sup>F</sup> c24g<sup>2</sup> c24d<sup>3</sup> c25d<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 20d c24g<sup>5</sup> Mar 5] useful-looking gelding: impresses in appearance: top-class chaser on his day: below best both completed starts in 2003/4, fell heavily 6 out in listed handicap at Wetherby (reportedly cracked pelvis) final outing: off 14 months, well held in handicap hurdle at Haydock and quite valuable handicap chase at Doncaster this season, not knocked about either occasion: will stay beyond 3¼m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): races prominently.  
*P. BEAUMONT*  
*Dark blue, lilac sleeves, lilac and white quartered cap (Mr N. W. A. Bannister)*

**KNIFE EDGE (USA)** 10 11-0  
 b. or br.g. Kris S (USA) – My Turbulent Miss (USA) (My Dad George (USA)) [2003/4 c16g<sup>6</sup> c22s c20d<sup>6</sup> c16d<sup>3</sup> c17d<sup>3</sup> c17s<sup>4</sup> :: 2004/5 c20s<sup>3</sup> c20d<sup>pu</sup> Mar 5] tall gelding: smart chaser, though hasn't won since 2001/2: in cheekpieces, at least respectable efforts when in frame last 3 outings in 2003/4: left M. O'Brien, respectable third to Mister McGoldrick in handicap at Wetherby on reappearance: off 4 months, soon struggling after early mistakes in valuable handicap at Newbury next time: stays 2½m: acts on heavy going, possibly not on good to firm.  
*JONJO O'NEILL*  
*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)*

**HEROS COLLONGES (FR)** 10 10-12  
 b.g. Dom Alco (FR) – Carmen Collonges (FR) (Olmeto) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 21s<sup>5</sup> c25d\* Feb 19] tall, rather leggy, close-coupled gelding: useful chaser: won last 4 starts in 2001/2, notably valuable handicap at Auteuil and novice at Kempton: left G. Macaire and off 3 years (reportedly suffered tendon injury), better for race when well beaten in Grade 2 hurdle at Warwick on reappearance: showed he retains all of his ability when winning Country Gentlemen's Association Chase at Wincanton next time, leading eleventh and beating Bathwick Annie 4 lengths with plenty in hand: stays 25f: raced on good going or softer.  
*P. F. NICHOLLS*  
*Yellow, red star, yellow sleeves, white armlets, yellow cap, red star (Mr J. Hales)*

**TIKRAM** 8 10-9  
 ch.g. Lycius (USA) – Black Fighter (USA) (Secretariat (USA)) [2003/4 16m<sup>3</sup> c20g<sup>2</sup> c16g<sup>2</sup> c22s\* c20s<sup>4</sup> c20g\* c20g\* c21m<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c20d c21d<sup>5</sup> c16d<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> c24s<sup>4</sup> Feb 26] tall gelding: useful chaser: won Mildmay of Flete Challenge Cup Handicap at Cheltenham in 2003/4: running consistently this season, in frame last 2 starts in valuable handicaps at Doncaster (second to Colourful Life) and Kempton (fourth to Farmer Jack): stays 3m: acts on any going: tried visored/blinkered (pulled hard), wore cheekpieces third start: not an easy ride (takes plenty of driving), but is consistent.  
*G. L. MOORE*  
*Light green, orange sleeves and cap (Mike Charlton And Rodger Sargent)*

**173**  
 c24g 173 147  
 c21d 152+140  
 c25d 157+140  
 h20s 147+134  
 c21g<sup>F</sup> +140  
 c20g<sup>F</sup> 158+147

**167**  
 c25d 146  
 c20g 149 148  
 c29m<sup>F</sup> 167 142  
 c36d<sup>F</sup> +142  
 c18g<sup>F</sup> G1  
 c20s<sup>F</sup> G1

**142 +**  
 c24g 142+145  
 h20d 99+110  
 c25d<sup>F</sup> +154  
 c24d<sup>F</sup> 161 G2  
 c24g<sup>F</sup> 174+159  
 c25g<sup>F</sup> G1

**162**  
 c20d 145  
 c20s 162 148  
 c17s<sup>F</sup> 164 G3  
 c17d<sup>F</sup> 167 G2  
 c16d<sup>F</sup> 167 G2  
 c20d<sup>F</sup> G1

**163 +**  
 c25d 154+L  
 h21s 130+G2

**169**  
 c24s 169 140  
 c24d 169 141  
 c16d 168+141  
 c21d 169 143  
 c20d 158 145  
 c21m<sup>F</sup> 169 141

**IRIS BLEU (FR)** 9 10-9  
 ch.g. Beyssac (FR) – Dear Blue (FR) (Cyborg (FR)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c24g<sup>2</sup> Feb 17] stocky gelding: smart handicap chaser: won at Cheltenham (amateur event) and Sandown (Agfa Diamond Chase) in 2002/3, when also pulled up badly lame in Grand National at Aintree: first start since (looked fit), fine return when 6 lengths second of 7 finishers to Joly Bey in handicap at Sandown: stays 29f: acts on heavy and good to firm going, possibly not firm: consistent.  
*M. C. PIPE*  
*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)*

**174 +**  
 c24g 174 138  
 140  
 140

**NIL DESPERANDUM (IRE)** 8 10-9  
 b.g. Un Desperado (FR) – Still Hoping (Kambalda) [2003/4 c20d\* c20d\* c20d<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 c20g<sup>4</sup> c26g<sup>pu</sup> c24s<sup>5</sup> c22vsu c20s<sup>3</sup> c25s<sup>4</sup> Feb 19] useful-looking gelding: useful hurdler: smart chaser: won twice in 2003/4, notably Grade 1 Drinmore Novices' Chase at Fairyhouse: off 7 months, largely disappointing this season, creditable effort only when 11½ lengths third of 7 to Rathgar Beau in Grade 2 at Thurles on penultimate start: should stay at least 3m: raced on good going or softer (acts on soft): visored (ran as if amiss) third start, blinkered (slipped up) on fourth.  
*MS F. M. CROWLEY, IRELAND*  
*Red, white sleeves, red and grey quartered cap (Mr M. L. Shone)*

**169**  
 c25s 143 W  
 c20s 169 G2  
 c22v + L  
 c24s 151? 143  
 c26g 145  
 c20g 169 G3

**D'ARGENT (IRE)** 8 10-9  
 gr.g. Roselier (FR) – Money Galore (IRE) (Monksfield) [2003/4 22g<sup>3</sup> 22g<sup>5</sup> c26m\* c24d\* c24g\* c25m<sup>5</sup> c25g<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c20s<sup>F</sup> c25d c24d<sup>5</sup> c29s<sup>2</sup> Jan 15] leggy, useful-looking gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: quickly developed into smart novice chaser in 2003/4, winning 3 times at Warwick, beating Tyneandthynagain 26 lengths in 5-finisher event for final success: upped in trip, back to form when 2½ lengths second to Baron Windrush in valuable handicap at Warwick latest start, racing prominently and pulling clear of remainder: stays 29f: acts on soft and good to firm going: often less than fluent over fences.  
*A. KING*  
*Dark blue, maroon star, maroon cap (Mr Nigel Bunter)*

**174**  
 c29s 174 134  
 c24d 156 W  
 c25d 145 143  
 c20s + 143  
 c25g<sup>F</sup> G2  
 c25m<sup>F</sup> 150 L

**COLOURFUL LIFE (IRE)** 9 10-8  
 ch.g. Rainbows For Life (CAN) – Rasmara (Kalaglow) [2003/4 16m 20d 20s 20d<sup>5</sup> 20g<sup>3</sup> 20g<sup>4</sup> 24m<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 23m<sup>ur</sup> 22g c24g\* c21v<sup>3</sup> c26d\* c26s<sup>6</sup> c24d\* Jan 29] big, lengthy gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: left Mrs M. Reveley after second 2004/5 outing, improved form over fences for new stable, winning handicaps at Bangor in October, Newton Abbot in November and Sky Bet Chase (Handicap) at Doncaster in January: useful effort when beating Tikram 7 lengths in 12-runner event at last-named, travelling strongly and leading 3 out: has had jumping problems in past and none too fluent when below form at Chepstow on penultimate start: stays 3¼m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: tried in cheekpieces: usually held up, and tends to carry head awkwardly under pressure: consistent.  
*P. F. NICHOLLS*  
*Pink, dark blue spots (Andy Peake & David Jackson)*

**169**  
 c24d 165+130  
 c26s 141 132  
 c26d 160 124  
 c21v 151 126  
 c24g 152+113  
 h22g 141 125

**JAKARI (FR)** 8 10-8  
 b.g. Apeldoorn (FR) – Tartifume II (FR) (Mistigri) [2003/4 c20m\* c19d\* c21d<sup>5</sup> c20s\* c20g c21m<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 c21s Jan 29] rather leggy gelding: winning hurdler: useful handicap chaser: won at Cheltenham, Ascot and Ayr in 2003/4: creditable third to Seebald in Grade 2 at Cheltenham final start: stopped quickly there on reappearance: should stay beyond 21f: acts on soft and good to firm going: races prominently.  
*H. D. DALY*  
*Eton blue (The Earl Cadogan)*

**?**  
 c21s 139  
 c21m<sup>F</sup> 168 142  
 c20g<sup>F</sup> 145  
 c20s<sup>F</sup> 170 137  
 c21d<sup>F</sup> + 138  
 c19d<sup>F</sup> 165 130

**FRENCHMAN'S CREEK** 11 10-7  
 b.g. Emperor Fountain – Hollow Creek (Tarqogan) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c23d<sup>3</sup> c26g<sup>pu</sup> c25d<sup>3</sup> c26d<sup>4</sup> Jan 1] big, useful-looking gelding: smart handicap chaser in 2001/2, winning twice at Cheltenham, notably William Hill National Hunt Handicap Chase: reportedly sprained tendon final start that season: most encouraging effort on return when 4½ lengths third of 12 to Therealbandit at Cheltenham: in cheekpieces, again went in snatches when well-held fourth of 5 finishers behind Lord of Illusion there next time, blundering 3 out: probably stays 29f: acts on good to firm and heavy going: has broken blood vessel earlier in career: sound jumper: probably best with exaggerated waiting tactics.  
*H. MORRISON*  
*Black (Rory Sweet & Panda Christie)*

**169**  
 c26d 149 139  
 c25d 165+138  
 c26g 140  
 c23d 164 W

R. Walsh

**WHEREAREYOUNOW (IRE)**

8 10-6

ch.g. Mister Lord (USA) – Angie’s Delight (London Gazette) [2003/4 c20m\* c24g\* c21d<sup>3</sup> c25d<sup>4</sup> c21d\* c21d c20g c21g<sup>F</sup> c24s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c21d<sup>6</sup> c21s c22v\* c20d Mar 5] workmanlike gelding; useful handicap chaser: back to best when winning valuable event at Uttoxeter in February by 17 lengths from Gunner Welburn, making all and jumping well: soon struggling under much less testing conditions in similar contest at Newbury next time: effective at 2½m to 25f: very best efforts on going softer than good (acts on heavy): sound jumper: usually races prominently.

N. A. TWISTON-DAVIES

C. Llewellyn

*Emerald green, white stars, emerald green cap, white star (Mr H. R. Mould)***SHAMAWAN (IRE)**

10 10-4

b.g. Kris – Shamawna (IRE) (Darshaan) [2003/4 20s<sup>5</sup> :: 2004/5 22v<sup>4</sup> Nov 25] leggy gelding; useful handicap chaser: reportedly suffered fracture final start in 2002/3: modest maiden hurdler: ran only once in 2003/4: off another 9 months, again shaped encouragingly when fourth of 8 to Rosemauve in handicap at Uttoxeter on reappearance, seeming to find stamina stretched: stays 21f: acts on heavy going: tried tongue tied: takes good hold, and is patiently ridden.

JONJO O’NEILL

*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)***SPRING GROVE (IRE)**

10 10-4

b.g. Mandalus – Lucy Lorraine (IRE) (Buckskin (FR)) [2003/4 22g<sup>5</sup> c16m\* c17g<sup>4</sup> c20d\* c21d<sup>2</sup> c20g c24g<sup>3</sup> c20g<sup>4</sup> :: 2004/5 c24d c20g\* c20g<sup>3</sup> c20g<sup>4</sup> c24s\* c21d<sup>5</sup> c20d<sup>4</sup> Feb 19] workmanlike gelding: fair hurdler: useful chaser: won handicaps at Cheltenham in October and Windsor in December, apparently better than ever when beating Prominent Profile 9 lengths in listed event at latter: stiff task, ran as well as could be expected when 22½ lengths fourth of 5 finishers to It Takes Time in Grade 1 at Lingfield latest start: stays 3m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: has run well when sweating and on toes: usually races prominently.

R. H. ALNER

A. Thornton

*Green, gold sash and armlets, gold and white hooped cap (Exors of the late Mr H. V. Perry)***KOCK DE LA VESVRE (FR)**

7 10-3

b.g. Sassanian (USA) – Csardas (FR) (Maiymad) [2003/4 c16g\* c20g<sup>3</sup> c20m c19d<sup>2</sup> c21d<sup>5</sup> c20g c19s\* c19g<sup>pu</sup> c24s<sup>wr</sup> c24d\* :: 2004/5 c24d\* c25g<sup>2</sup> c24f<sup>3</sup> c22v<sup>3</sup> c24g<sup>6</sup> Mar 5] leggy, lengthy gelding: useful handicap chaser: improved when winning at Perth in April and Uttoxeter (beat Longshanks 1¾ lengths) in May, jumping more fluently and sticking to task well each time: off over 8 months, encouraging third to Whereareyounow in valuable event at Uttoxeter penultimate start: well below that level at Doncaster 2 weeks later: stays 3m: acts on any going: tried blinkered in France.

MISS VENETIA WILLIAMS

*Grey, pink stars, pink cap, grey star (Mr O. P. Dakin)***NATIVE EMPEROR**

9 10-3

br.g. Be My Native (USA) – Fiona’s Blue (Crash Course) [2003/4 c24g<sup>2</sup> c24s<sup>2</sup> c24s\* c25s<sup>2</sup> c32g\* c33d<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c27s c26s<sup>5</sup> Dec 4] tall, useful-looking gelding: one-time smart hurdler: useful novice chaser in 2003/4, won at Stratford (fortunate) and Cheltenham (National Hunt Chase Challenge Cup, stayed on to beat Celestial Gold 1¾ lengths): well below that form all 3 starts since, never travelled or jumped with any fluency when fifth of 9 finishers to One Knight in listed handicap at Chepstow last time: stays 4m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): patiently ridden.

JONJO O’NEILL

*Light blue and orange diamonds, light blue sleeves, light blue cap, orange star (J. C., J. R. and S.**R. Hitchins)***KELAMI (FR)**

7 10-2

b.g. Lute Antique (FR) – Voltige de Nievre (FR) (Brezzo (FR)) [2003/4 c21s<sup>3</sup> c21s<sup>6</sup> c21s<sup>5</sup> c24g\* c24g<sup>4</sup> c36d<sup>wr</sup> c23s :: 2004/5 20s c19s c23v c25s<sup>3</sup> c25d<sup>F</sup> c29s<sup>4</sup> c28s<sup>3</sup> Feb 19] 0all gelding: has had soft palate operation: useful chaser: won handicap at Kempton in 2003/4 by 1½ lengths from Itsonlyme: creditable efforts last 3 completed starts, 2 lengths third of 11 to Forest Gunner in valuable handicap at Haydock on latest: stays 29f: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): tried blinkered (failed to settle)/tongue tied.

F. DOUMEN, FRANCE

R. Thornton

*Black, red and white striped sleeves, hooped cap (Halewood International Ltd)***166**

c20d	137
c22v	137
c21s	166
c21d	126
c24s	152
c21g	130
c24s	146+132
c21g	153+N
c21g	135

**168**

c22v	135
h22v	143+102
h20s	130+102

**164**

c20d	135
c21d	164
c21d	156
c24s	164
c20g	157
c20g	153
c20g	158
c20g	124

**167**

c24g	134
c22v	142
c22v	163+135
c24f	167
c25g	167
c24d	167
c24d	167+132
c24d	165
c24d	127

**169**

c26s	134
c27s	153
c33d	140
c32g	166
c25s	166
c24s	151+N

**165**

c28s	133
c29s	165
c25d	161
c25d	131
c25s	165
c23v	148
c19s	H
	W

**SWANSEA BAY**

9 10-1

b.g. Jurado (USA) – Slave’s Bangle (Prince Rheingold) [2003/4 c23m\* c24f\* c25f\* c24g\* c24g :: 2004/5 c24d<sup>4</sup> c25g<sup>6</sup> 24m\* 26d<sup>2</sup> c25d<sup>6</sup> c26g c25d Dec 10] lengthy gelding: useful handicap chaser, won 4 times in 2003/4, notably Badger Brewery Chase at Wincanton (second successive year) and Edward Hamner Chase at Haydock: well held all starts over fences since: off 4 months, took advantage of much lower mark over hurdles when winning at Worcester (unbeaten in 6 starts there) in September by 1¼ lengths from Rosemauve: 7/4-on, laboured effort when 14 lengths second of 13 to Magical Liaison in similar event at Hereford next time: best at 3m+: has form on heavy ground, best efforts on good or firmer: tried in cheekpieces/visor (found nothing under pressure): idles.

P. BOWEN

*Dark blue, light blue sleeves, quartered cap (Mr W. J. Evans)*

L. Aspell

**HOME JAMES (IRE)**

8 10-0 (9-13)

b.g. Commanche Run – Take Me Home (Amoristic (USA)) [2003/4 24d<sup>6</sup> :: 2004/5 c21d<sup>3</sup> c21g<sup>6</sup> c24g<sup>3</sup> c23s\* c24s<sup>3</sup> c24s\* Feb 10] sturdy gelding: fairly useful hurdler: progressive form over fences: won handicaps at Exeter in January and Huntingdon (novices, best effort) in February, jumping soundly and getting on top run-in when beating Fullards by ½ length in latter: should stay beyond 3m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): finished weakly second start.

A. KING

*Marathon, grey disc and armlets, quartered cap (Mrs Stewart Catherwood)***KEEPATEM (IRE)**

9 10-0 (9-12)

ch.g. Be My Native (USA) – Ariannrun (Deep Run) [2003/4 24s<sup>3</sup> 25g 24g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c18v<sup>5</sup> c17d<sup>4</sup> c23d\* c18s<sup>5</sup> c24v\* c21v<sup>3</sup> Jan 9] workmanlike gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: similar form over fences, winning maiden at Downpatrick (by ¾ length from Calladine) in November and very valuable 18-finisher Paddy Power Chase (Handicap) at Leopardstown in December: always going well and led run-in when beating Jaquouille 4 lengths in latter: inadequate test but still ran creditably when 2¼ lengths third of 5 finishers to Newmill in Grade 2 novice at Leopardstown last time: better around 3m than shorter: raced on good ground or softer (acts on heavy).

M. F. MORRIS, IRELAND

*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)***JUVEIGNEUR (FR)**

8 10-0 (9-11)

ch.g. Funny Baby (FR) – Azurea (FR) (On My Way (USA)) [2003/4 c22m<sup>2</sup> c21g<sup>3</sup> c20g :: 2004/5 c20g\* c21g<sup>F</sup> c20s<sup>3</sup> c20d\* c21v<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> Dec 29] close-coupled, good-topped gelding: second foal: dam unraced: useful chaser: successful 4 times in French Provinces, including at Craon in September and Durtal in November: runner-up in Britain last 2 starts, better effort when very good neck second of 17 to Ulusaba in handicap at Newbury on latest: has left G. Maccarie: stays 3m: acts on soft ground.

N. J. HENDERSON

*Emerald green and yellow (quartered), white sleeves and cap (Mr Trevor Hemmings)***HEART MIDOLTIAN (FR)**

8 10-0 (9-9)

gr.g. Royal Charter (FR) – Pride of Queen (FR) (Saint Henri) [2003/4 c20g\* 20m<sup>3</sup> c22s<sup>pu</sup> 20f<sup>6</sup> c25d<sup>5</sup> c21g c21g<sup>wr</sup> c29d<sup>F</sup> :: 2004/5 c20g<sup>pu</sup> c20s<sup>pu</sup> Oct 8] medium-sized, long-necked ex-Irish gelding: has reportedly had wind operation: fairly useful hurdler/chaser: won Grade 3 novice at Puchestown very early in 2003/4: generally well held off stiff marks in handicaps subsequently: has left S. Neville: stays 2¾m: acts on firm and soft going: usually tongue tied.

M. C. PIPE

*Orange and emerald green (quartered), hooped sleeves (Mrs S. Neville)***KING HARALD (IRE)**

7 10-0 (9-4)

b.g. King’s Ride – Cuilin Bui (IRE) (Kemal (FR)) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c24g<sup>F</sup> c20s<sup>F</sup> c24g<sup>2</sup> c24d\* c25s<sup>2</sup> Feb 5] close-coupled gelding: fair novice hurdler in 2002/3, winning conditional jockeys handicap at Newbury final start: off 20 months before reappearance: useful form over fences: made virtually all and rallied to get up again close home when winning 12-runner handicap at Newbury in January by short head from The Bandit, pair long way clear: improved again when 4 lengths second of 6 to Ollie Magern in Grade 2 novice at Wetherby last time: stays 25f: acts on soft and good to firm going.

M. BRADSTOCK

*White, large royal blue spots, royal blue cap (Piers Pottinger and P B-J Partnership)*

M. Batchelor



**ZETA'S RIVER (IRE)**

7 10-0 (9-3) (inc 3lb ex)

**157 +**

ch.g. Over The River (FR) – Laurebon (Laurence O) [2003/4 c17g<sup>ur</sup> c19g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 19d c20d<sup>2</sup> c24d\* Mar 5] sturdy gelding: once-raced over hurdles: fairly useful chaser, lightly raced: favourite, won 14-runner handicap at Newbury on latest start by ½ length from Harrycone Lewis, jumping soundly, travelling easily long way under patient ride and ridden out after leading 2 out: will stay beyond 3m: raced on good/good to soft ground: may do better still.

c24d 131  
157+117  
c20d 150+117  
h19d N  
c19g<sup>2</sup> 155 W  
c17g<sup>2</sup> W

*M. C. PIPE**Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)***LAZY BUT LIVELY (IRE)**

9 10-0 (9-1)

**152 x**

br.g. Supreme Leader – Oriel Dream (Oats) [2003/4 22s<sup>6</sup> 24d c21s\* c20v<sup>2</sup> c20g<sup>4</sup> c25v<sup>5</sup> c21d<sup>3</sup> c20v<sup>4</sup> c25g<sup>f</sup> c31d<sup>ur</sup> :: 2004/5 20g<sup>6</sup> c26d\* 24v<sup>3</sup> c24d<sup>3</sup> 24d\* c24v<sup>4</sup> 23s Feb 19] medium-sized gelding: fairly useful handicap chaser/hurdler: back to form when winning over fences at Uttoxeter in May by 15 lengths from Act In Time: creditable fourth of 5 behind Grattan Lodge at Carlisle on penultimate start: 8 lb out of handicap back over hurdles, won 6-runner event at Aintree in November by 2 lengths from Hautclan: off nearly 3 months, below form last time: stays 3¼am: probably best on ground softer than good: often let down by jumping over fences.

h23s 131  
122  
c24v 152 121  
h24d 152 120  
c24d 143 123  
h24v 139 112  
c26d 152+110

*R. F. FISHER**Grey, yellow sleeves, purple cap (Mr S. P. Marsh)***BLAZING BATMAN**

12 10-0 (7-8)

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ch.g. Shaab – Cottage Blaze (Sunnyboy) [2003/4 23g<sup>2</sup> 24m c26g<sup>3</sup> c26d<sup>f</sup> c26g<sup>pu</sup> 27f<sup>5</sup> c22f<sup>pu</sup> c26m<sup>3</sup> c23m<sup>5</sup> c28f<sup>3</sup> c23f\* c26m<sup>3</sup> c25m<sup>2</sup> c24m<sup>2</sup> c26d<sup>5</sup> c25v<sup>3</sup> c16s<sup>3</sup> c17g<sup>5</sup> c24s<sup>2</sup> c21g :: 2004/5 24s<sup>5</sup> c31d c16d<sup>6</sup> c16d<sup>5</sup> c21d<sup>pu</sup> c19v<sup>6</sup> c16v<sup>pu</sup> 23s 24s<sup>4</sup> Mar 6] sturdy gelding: fair chaser: little worthwhile form this season, including when last of 4 finishers in novice hurdle last time: stays 29f: acts on any going: blinkered (pulled up) once: has broken blood vessels/looked unenthusiastic.

h24s 131  
116? N  
h23s 113  
c16v 100  
c19v 100  
c21d 123  
c16d 138? 119

*DR P. PRITCHARD*

Dr P. Pritchard (5)

*Yellow and purple diablo, yellow cap, purple star (Jumping Jokers)***HANDICAPS: OVERNIGHT ALTERING OF WEIGHTS**

The ratings for this race have been adjusted to the weights currently allocated. If these change at the overnight stage then simply *subtract* 1 lb for each pound carried above the weight shown or *add* 1 lb for each pound below the present weight (the weights shown in brackets are those originally allocated in the long handicap and are included for information only).

## FIFTH RACE CHELTENHAM

**4.40****THE SPORTING INDEX HANDICAP CHASE  
(CROSS COUNTRY) (B)****3m7f**

£40,000 5yo+

**SPOT THE DIFFERENCE (IRE)**

12 11-12

**146**

b.g. Lafontaine (USA) – Spotted Choice (IRE) (Callernish) [2003/4 c33g<sup>ur</sup> 16d 20d<sup>4</sup> c32m<sup>2</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> c26d<sup>5</sup> c36d<sup>5</sup> :: 2004/5 c34g\* c19s c31d\* c31d\* 16v<sup>4</sup> Feb 14] tall gelding: fairly useful chaser: won cross-country events at Punchestown (La Touche Cup) in late-April and Cheltenham in November (hampered 2 out but stayed on well to lead near finish and beat Star Performance ¾ length) and December (best effort, beat French Executive by 4 lengths in handicap): maiden hurdler: well-held fourth of 5 to Top Strategy in minor event at Navan last time: thorough stayer: acts on good to firm and heavy ground: tried in blinkers/cheekpieces: probably best with strong handling.

h16v 93 W  
c31d 146? 134  
c31d 137? W  
c19s 122  
c34g 101+W  
c36d<sup>1</sup> 123 133

*E. BOLGER, IRELAND**Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)***LORD NOELIE (IRE)**

12 11-8

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b.g. Lord Americo – Leallen (Le Bavard (FR)) [2003/4 c27g<sup>5</sup> c25d<sup>4</sup> c26g\* c33d<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c24d<sup>2</sup> c27d<sup>3</sup> c25d<sup>pu</sup> c26d<sup>pu</sup> Jan 1] useful-looking gelding: usually impresses in appearance: not a good walker: smart chaser nowadays: first win in nearly 4 years when beating Imperial de Thaix 4 lengths in handicap at Cheltenham in 2003/4: creditable placed efforts when second to Ballyvaddy at Chepstow and third to Stormez in valuable event at Cheltenham: ran poorly last 2 starts: will stay beyond 27f: acts on good to firm and heavy going: usually sound jumper.

c26d 139  
c25d 140  
c25d 142  
c27d 154 142  
c24d 154 141  
c33d<sup>1</sup> 145  
c26g<sup>1</sup> 152+140

*MS BRIDGET NICHOLLS*

J. M. Maguire

*Emerald green, dark blue diamond and diamond on cap (Executive Racing)***TAKAGI (IRE)**

10 11-6

**156**

b.g. Husyan (USA) – Ballyclough Gale (Strong Gale) [2003/4 c25d<sup>4</sup> c24d<sup>3</sup> 24s<sup>5</sup> c24s<sup>6</sup> 24v c25d\* c36d<sup>ur</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g<sup>2</sup> c34g<sup>4</sup> c19s<sup>2</sup> c24s<sup>3</sup> c27s<sup>ur</sup> c21v<sup>5</sup> Mar 6] lengthy, useful-looking gelding: winning hurdler: useful chaser, made all in Grade 3 Bobbyjo Chase at Fairyhouse in 2003/4: easily best effort since when close third of 9 to Colca Canyon in Munster National (Handicap) at Limerick on fourth start this season, keeping on well: probably in need of run last time: should stay beyond 25f: acts on heavy going: tried blinkered/visored: hasn't taken to National fences/cross-country course at Punchestown.

c21v 140+143  
c27s 144  
c24s 156 142  
c19s 147 W  
c34g 106+W  
c24g 124+W

*E. J. O'GRADY, IRELAND**Dark blue, emerald green seams, white cap (Mr D. Cox)***WILD TEMPO (FR)**

10 11-2

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ch.g. Irish River (FR) – Fast Queen (FR) (Bon Sang (FR)) [2003/4 c25g\* 20d\* 18g<sup>4</sup> :: 2004/5 c19s<sup>5</sup> c21s 17d<sup>4</sup> 19f<sup>2</sup> 19v 20d<sup>6</sup> Jan 12] ex-French gelding: fairly useful hurdler/chaser: successful on 14 occasions, including over fences at Enghien and over hurdles at Auteuil in 2003/4: has run over hurdles at Pau on last 3 starts, sixth of 18 in claimer (claimed from J. Ortert €16,500) on latest: stays 25f: probably acts on any going.

h20d 133  
h19v W  
h19f W  
c21s H  
c19s 143 W  
h18g<sup>1</sup> 144 W

*M. SCUDAMORE*

T. Scudamore

*Red, white star, black and red striped sleeves, white cap, black star (Mr F. G. Wilson)***FRENCH EXECUTIVE (IRE)**

10 10-13

**149 \$**

br.g. Beau Sher – Executive Move (IRE) (Executive Perk) [2003/4 c24s<sup>pu</sup> c28m\* c24g<sup>3</sup> c25m<sup>5</sup> c28d<sup>pu</sup> c26g\* c26m :: 2004/5 c28g<sup>6</sup> c26g\* c29d\* c31d<sup>2</sup> Dec 10] lengthy, angular gelding: winning hurdler: fairly useful handicap chaser: won at Plumpton (has good record there) in October and November, beating Dads Lad by 4 lengths in quite valuable event on second occasion: ran well when 4 lengths second to Spot The Difference in 10-runner cross-country event (handicap) at Cheltenham on latest start, hanging left under pressure: stays 31f: acts on any going: tried blinkered/tongue tied earlier in career: often let down by jumping/looks none too keen: unreliable.

c31d 149 127  
c29d 145+120  
c26g 141+113  
c28g 115  
c26m<sup>1</sup> 116  
c26g<sup>1</sup> 135 112A

*P. F. NICHOLLS*

P. J. Brennan

*Dark green, black sash, dark green sleeves, red armlets, black and red check cap**(T.Chappell,R.Eddy,Mrs Jackson,Mrs Solman)*

**LUZCADOU (FR)**

12 10-13  
 b.g. Cadoudal (FR) – Luzenia (FR) (Armos) [2003/4 c21d 20s<sup>F</sup> c20d<sup>5</sup> c20v\* c20s<sup>4</sup> c33d<sup>bd</sup> c22g<sup>pu</sup> c36d<sup>F</sup> c33d<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g c34g<sup>pu</sup> c34m<sup>R</sup> c31d<sup>3</sup> c31d<sup>5</sup> c20v<sup>4</sup> Jan 15] good-topped gelding: fair chaser on balance nowadays: ran in cross-country events first 5 starts this season, third and fifth respectively behind Spot Thedifference at Cheltenham on fourth/fifth outings: stayed on when around 2 lengths fourth of 6 finishers to King of The Arctic in handicap at Wetherby last time: stays 31f, best around 2½m on conventional tracks: goes well on soft/heavy going: blinkered/visored: sometimes let down by jumping: needs treating with caution.

*FERDY MURPHY*

*Emerald green and orange (quartered), orange sleeves and cap (Mr A. G. Chappell)*

A. O'Keefe

**136** \$

130  
 136  
 149? 132  
 149? W  
 W  
 W  
 W

**GUN'N ROSES II (FR)**

11 10-11  
 gr.g. Royal Charter (FR) – Offenbach II (FR) (Ermitage (FR)) [2003/4 c22s\* c21g<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 c22d\* Feb 24] rangy gelding: useful hunter chaser nowadays: favourite, won 13-runner event at Haydock (for second year running) on reappearance by 12 lengths from The Butterwick Kid, having things under control long way out: joint favourite, several mistakes when 15 lengths third of 25 to Forest Gunner in Fox Hunters' at Aintree final outing in 2003/4: stays 3m: raced mainly on good going or softer (acts on heavy): blinkered last 4 starts: front runner: often let down by jumping.

*D. P. KEANE*

*Black and white stripes, emerald green and white striped sleeves (Lady Clarke)*

N. Fehily

**145**

128  
 138+WA  
 134 WA  
 145 WA

**UN JOUR A VASSY (FR)**

10 10-9  
 b.g. Video Rock (FR) – Bayalika (FR) (Kashtan (FR)) [2003/4 c25m\* c25m<sup>2</sup> c24g<sup>2</sup> c26m<sup>pu</sup> c24f\* c25f<sup>5</sup> c22g<sup>4</sup> c25g<sup>3</sup> c25g<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 c25g<sup>ur</sup> c24d<sup>ur</sup> c24g\* c24d<sup>5</sup> c31d<sup>3</sup> c26d<sup>pu</sup> Jan 1] leggy gelding: fairly useful handicap chaser: won amateur event at Cheltenham (for second successive year) in October, beating Bright Approach 1½ lengths: creditable third to Spot Thedifference in slowly-run cross-country event there on penultimate start, travelling strongly under patient ride long way: bad mistake ninth when pulled up there last time: likely to prove best around 3m: acts on firm and good to soft going.

*P. F. NICHOLLS*

*Red, yellow stars and armlets (Mrs Bunty Millard)*

Christian Williams

**153**

126  
 126  
 150+126  
 140 126A  
 148 122A  
 + 123  
 + 123

**VILLAGE KING (IRE)**

12 10-8  
 b.g. Roi Danzig (USA) – Honorine (USA) (Blushing Groom (FR)) [2003/4 c24m<sup>2</sup> Oct 4 :: 2004/5 NR] good-bodied gelding: useful handicap chaser: creditable second to Take The Stand at Chepstow only start in 2003/4: probably stays 3½m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: blinkered once (ran creditably): sometimes takes little interest.

*P. J. HOBBS*

*Light blue, scarlet collar, sash and sleeves, check cap (Capt. E. J. Edwards-Heathcote)*

R. Johnson

**160** ?

125  
 160+133

**GALAPIAT DU MESNIL (FR)**

11 10-8  
 b.g. Sarpedon (FR) – Polka de Montrin (FR) (Danoso) [2003/4 c33g<sup>2</sup> c25d<sup>2</sup> Feb 17 :: 2004/5 NR] leggy, angular gelding: winning hurdler: useful chaser at best: has deteriorated considerably since early-2002/3, though second in hunter at Folkestone in February 2004, only start for R. Phillips: stays 31f: acts on good to firm and heavy going: usually races prominently: sound jumper.

*P. F. NICHOLLS*

*Red, white star, striped sleeves, yellow cap (Mr Mel Fordham)*

J. Tizzard

**129** +

125  
 121+WA  
 W

**JUST MAYBE (IRE)**

11 10-6  
 b.g. Glacial Storm (USA) – Purlace (Realm) [2003/4 c26s<sup>pu</sup> 24m 26g<sup>2</sup> 25g<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 23s\* 26s<sup>5</sup> Mar 5] good-bodied gelding: fairly useful chaser in 2002/3: best effort over hurdles (fair form) when winning 13-runner handicap at Wetherby in February, leading eighth and beating Standing Bloom 3 lengths: well below form at Huntingdon next time: suited by 3m+: acts on heavy going: best in blinkers/visor: tongue tied and ridden in spurs final outing in 2001/2: jumps none too fluently.

*MISS VENETIA WILLIAMS*

*Light blue, dark blue sash, light blue sleeves, dark blue stars, red cap (Mr W. E. Prichard)*

**?**

123  
 112  
 139 105  
 130+100  
 123 N  
 108  
 W

**COMANCHE WAR PAINT (IRE)**

8 10-3  
 b.g. Comanche Run – Galeshula (Strong Gale) [2003/4 26g<sup>5</sup> c25m\* c23m\* c25f<sup>2</sup> c25f\* c25d<sup>2</sup> c27s<sup>4</sup> c30g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c23m<sup>6</sup> c31d<sup>5</sup> 24g\* Mar 3] useful-looking gelding: has reportedly been pin-fired: fairly useful chaser: won novices in small fields at Wincanton and Worcester and handicap at former course in 2003/4: finished distressed when below form in cross-country event at Cheltenham second start this season (reportedly subsequently had breathing operation): lightly raced over hurdles, won novice at Taunton last time by 1½ lengths from Grande Creole: stays 3¾m: probably acts on any going.

*P. F. NICHOLLS*

*Dark blue, white and yellow hooped sleeves, yellow cap (Tony Fear & Tim Hawkins)*

R. Walsh

**153**

120  
 135 N  
 148+W  
 135 121  
 152+118  
 143 121  
 153 118

**MRS BE (IRE)**

9 10-1  
 ch.m. Be My Native (USA) – Kilbrack (Perspex) [2003/4 c24g<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c26g<sup>3</sup> c28g<sup>3</sup> c26d<sup>2</sup> Feb 20] lengthy mare: fairly useful pointer, successful in January: best effort in hunter chases when 2 lengths second of 7 to Earthmover at Fontwell last time: has left Mrs O. Bush: will stay at least 4m.

*J. G. CANN*

*Light blue, royal blue sash, sleeves and cap (Mr J. H. Burbidge)*

**138**

118  
 138 WA  
 133 NA  
 124 NA  
 131+WA

**SMARTY (IRE)**

12 10-0 (9-12)  
 b. or br.g. Royal Fountain – Cahernane Girl (Bargello) [2003/4 c24g<sup>4</sup> c24g c36d<sup>6</sup> c33d<sup>5</sup> :: 2004/5 c26g<sup>2</sup> c27s<sup>3</sup> c29d<sup>6</sup> Dec 4] tall, close-coupled gelding: one-time useful handicap chaser: nothing like the force of old, 14 lengths third of 10 finishers behind Silver Birch in Becher Chase at Aintree in November: well held in listed event at Sandown next time: stays 3½m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: often wears headgear: sound jumper.

*M. PITMAN*

*Dark blue, pink sash, pink sleeves, dark blue armlets, dark blue cap, pink spots (Mrs T. Brown)*

T. J. Murphy

**151** ?

117  
 140 119  
 151 122  
 151 115  
 133 122  
 143 120  
 143? 120

**MAJED (FR)**

9 10-0 (9-12)  
 b.g. Fijar Tango (FR) – Full of Passion (USA) (Blushing Groom (FR)) [2003/4 c23m<sup>2</sup> c26v<sup>3</sup> c26d<sup>4</sup> c25s<sup>2</sup> c26s\* c24g<sup>2</sup> c23d<sup>2</sup> c26g<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c24s<sup>2</sup> c25g\* c24g<sup>5</sup> c28d<sup>4</sup> Feb 27] compact gelding: one-time smart hurdler: fair handicap chaser: given tremendous ride by A. McCoy to win at Wincanton in May by ¾ length from Joe Deane (pair clear), soon setting strong pace and rallying to lead again run-in: sold out of P. Nicholls' stable 22,000 gns Doncaster May Sales: back to form when 11½ lengths fourth of 14 to Native Beat at Downpatrick last time: stays 3½m (probably not 4m): acts on good to firm and heavy going: usually blinkered/visored: races prominently: hasn't always looked straightforward ride.

*MRS L. B. NORMILE*

*Emerald green and white stripes, dark green and white striped sleeves (Mr A. J. Neill)*

N. Mulholland

**148**

117  
 148 115  
 116  
 148 110  
 147 110  
 110  
 147 110

**FAMFONI (FR)**

12 10-0 (9-12)  
 b.g. Pamponi (FR) – India Rosa (FR) (Carnaval) [2003/4 c24g<sup>pu</sup> c24s<sup>pu</sup> c24d<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c31d<sup>6</sup> c31d<sup>6</sup> Dec 10] quite good-topped gelding: winning hurdler: fairly useful chaser on his day: sixth to Spot Thedifference in cross-country events at Cheltenham this season, not keen under pressure last time: stays 31f: acts on any going: sometimes wears headgear: far from fluent jumper of conventional fences: has looked reluctant.

*K. C. BAILEY*

*Light blue, dark blue braces, white sleeves (The Propellers Partnership)*

**150** \$

117  
 144 118  
 150? W  
 90  
 102  
 105

**ANDREWJAMES (IRE)**

11 10-0 (9-10)  
 gr.g. Van Der Linden (FR) – Tolaytala (Be My Guest (USA)) [2003/4 c25g<sup>bd</sup> c24d c22d c25d c20s<sup>5</sup> c25d c24s c20s<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g\* c21v<sup>4</sup> c24v<sup>5</sup> c20s\* Feb 16] workmanlike gelding: winning hurdler: modest chaser on balance: won cross-country event at Punchestown in April and conditional jockeys handicap at Down Royal latest outing: stays 25f: acts on good to firm and heavy going: usually blinkered prior to 2004/5: inconsistent.

*P. D. MCCREERY, IRELAND*

*Yellow and royal blue diablo, emerald green sleeves, yellow cap (Westside Syndicate)*

**145**

117  
 121 85A  
 112 86  
 110 86  
 141+W  
 79  
 82

**PROMINENT PROFILE (IRE)**

12 10-0 (9-10)  
 ch.g. Mazaad – Nakuru (IRE) (Mandalus) [2003/4 c17m<sup>2</sup> c22g<sup>ur</sup> c20d\* c16s<sup>bd</sup> c20d<sup>2</sup> c18s<sup>2</sup> c24d\* c24g c24g<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g<sup>F</sup> c23s<sup>ur</sup> c24s<sup>2</sup> c24d c26v<sup>2</sup> c26v<sup>6</sup> Feb 19] angular gelding: fairly useful handicap chaser: probably failed to stay last 2 starts, 9 lengths second of 6 to Philson Run at Chepstow on penultimate: effective around 2m to 3m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: tried blinkered: front runner.

*N. A. TWISTON-DAVIES*

*Red and royal blue stripes, light blue sleeves, red and royal blue quartered cap (The Son Partnership)*

C. Llewellyn

**149** x

117  
 116  
 149+117  
 119  
 153 120  
 120  
 120  
 120

**NATIVE BEAT (IRE)**

10 10-0 (9-9)

b.g. Be My Native (USA) – Deeprunonthepound (IRE) (Deep Run) [2003/4 c24g\* c19d<sup>3</sup> c18d c20s<sup>3</sup> c25s<sup>3</sup> c22s\* c21g c21g<sup>ur</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g<sup>3</sup> c32m<sup>3</sup> c21v c20v c22v c28d\* Feb 27] medium-sized gelding: fair handicap chaser: cheekpieces, back to best when winning 14-runner event at Downpatrick last time by length from Berkley (pair clear): stays 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m: acts on any going.

J. R. H. FOWLER, IRELAND

*Dark green, light blue crossbelts, white cap, yellow spots (Miss D. Duggan)***147**

c28d	147	117
c22v	125	107
c20v		109
c21v		110
c32m	134	111
c24g	143	+W

**LEVALLOIS (IRE)**

9 10-0 (9-9)

b.g. Trepolino (USA) – Broken Wave (Bustino) [2003/4 c20m<sup>F</sup> c20d 18d :: 2004/5 c24s<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>3</sup> c28s<sup>2</sup> c27s<sup>2</sup> c24s c29v<sup>4</sup> Feb 25] smallish gelding: one-time useful hurdler/chaser for J-P. Gallorini: fairly useful efforts when runner-up to Brave Spirit in handicap chases at Fontwell and Taunton in January: tailed off both starts since, looked none too keen latest: stays 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m: raced mainly on going softer than good (acts on heavy).

P. WINKWORTH

*Orange and royal blue diablo, orange sleeves and cap (Mr & Mrs James Hayman-**Joyce,P.Winkworth)*

P. Hide

**?**

c29v		117
c24s		113
c27s	151	108
c28s	151	102
c24d	135	+102
c24s	137	109

**METAL DETECTOR (IRE)**

8 10-0 (9-3)

b.g. Treasure Hunter – Las-Cancellas (Monksfield) [2003/4 20d<sup>4</sup> 21spu c19d<sup>5</sup> c24d\* c23m\* c20g<sup>3</sup> c24g<sup>pu</sup> :: 2004/5 20g<sup>pu</sup> c20d<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>3</sup> c23g<sup>6</sup> c25s<sup>5</sup> c24d<sup>2</sup> Feb 11] good-topped gelding: fair hurdler/chaser: creditable 11 lengths second of 11 to News Maker in conditional jockeys handicap chase at Kempton last time: stays 3m: acts on soft and good to firm going: has worn cheekpieces/blinders last 5 starts: unguine.

K. C. BAILEY

*Red, yellow sash, brown sleeves, yellow cap, red star (Mr D. Allen)***138 \$**

c24d	138	106A
c25s		110
c23g	136	111
c24d	142	111
c20d	135	114
h20g		118

**PAXFORD JACK**

9 10-0 (9-1)

ch.g. Alflora (IRE) – Rakajack (Rakaposhi King) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c22s\* c22vpu c24s<sup>5</sup> c23s<sup>4</sup> c21d<sup>3</sup> Feb 19] lengthy gelding: modest hurdler: fair handicap chaser, missed 2003/4: 40/1, won 6-finisher event at Towcester in November by short head from Fin Bec: below form all 4 starts since: should stay beyond 25f: raced mainly on going softer than good (acts on heavy): blinkered last time: races prominently: usually sound jumper.

M. F. HARRIS

*Red, black sash, sleeves and diamond on cap (Mrs Ruth Nelmes)***140**

c21d		117
c23s	140	110
c24s	129	113
c22v		115
c22s	144	112

**SHADY LAD (IRE)**

8 10-0 (9-0)

b.g. Aahsaylad – Pimberley Shades (Pollerton) [2003/4 c24g<sup>ur</sup> c33g<sup>ur</sup> c24v<sup>3</sup> c19d c21d\* c24g c22s c28d 16d<sup>6</sup> c20d<sup>6</sup> :: 2004/5 c24g c34g<sup>2</sup> c30s<sup>5</sup> Feb 11] sturdy gelding: modest chaser: won handicap at Fairyhouse in 2003/4: creditable efforts first 2 starts this term, second to Spot Thedifference in La Touche Cup at Punchestown on second occasion: runner-up in 2 points prior to below-form fifth to Harlov in handicap at Bangor last time: stays well: acts on heavy going: tried blinkered.

E. BOLGER, IRELAND

*White, royal blue hoops, white and yellow hooped sleeves, royal blue cap (Mr Robert Miller-**Bakewell)***127 +**

c30s	112	93
c34g	127	+W
c24g	127	W
c20d	123	92
h16d		N
c28d		93

**HAPPY HUSSAR (IRE)**

12 10-0 (8-2)

b.g. Balinge – Merry Mirth (Menelek) [2003/4 27g<sup>6</sup> 27g<sup>6</sup> 16m<sup>5</sup> 26m<sup>2</sup> 26m<sup>pu</sup> 19f\* 24g 24d 25d 22g<sup>3</sup> 19d<sup>3</sup> 20g 25d :: 2004/5 22g<sup>5</sup> 24d 24d 21g c24d<sup>4</sup> c25d c21s<sup>2</sup> c25s\* c19v<sup>F</sup> Feb 20] workmanlike gelding: has stringhalt: winning hurdler: modest handicap chaser: won 9-runner event at Exeter in January by head from Kittenkat: held in share of remote second when falling heavily 2 out in race won by Jordans Lad at Towcester next time: stays 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m: acts on any going: has broken blood vessels: sketchy jumper of fences.

DR P. PRITCHARD

*Yellow, purple epaulets, purple and yellow diablo on sleeves (Dr J. J. Kabler)***128 x**

c19v		117
c25s	125	85
c21s	128	82A
c25d		128
c24d	136?	103A
h21g		113

**COLONIAL SUNSET (IRE)**

11 10-0 (8-0)

b.g. Lancastrian – Thai Nang (Tap On Wood) [2003/4 c23m<sup>pu</sup> c26s<sup>2</sup> c17v<sup>3</sup> :: 2004/5 21m<sup>4</sup> c20g<sup>5</sup> c19s\* c19s<sup>6</sup> c22d<sup>3</sup> c25spu c18s 16v<sup>3</sup> 16d c16v<sup>5</sup> Mar 1] rather sparely-made gelding: poor winning hurdler: one-time fair chaser, only modest form when easily winning 3-finisher selling handicap at Chepstow in October: below form since: stays 21f: acts on heavy going: tried in headgear: has had tongue tied: none too consistent.

A. J. WHITING

*Emerald green, yellow braces and armlets, check cap (Mr A. J. Whiting)***112**

c16v	112	W
h16d	94	80SA
h16v	99	80S
c18s		92
c25s		92
c22d	116	N

**ASHGAN (IRE)**

12 10-0 (7-9)

brg. Yashgan – Nicky's Dilemma (Kambalda) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 c20g<sup>4</sup> 20m 22g 20m<sup>3</sup> 26d c20g c16d c31d 25v 16d Feb 9] lengthy gelding: fairly useful hurdler/fair chaser at one time: won 2 points in 2004: sold out of A. Dalton's stable 3,000 gns Doncaster May Sales after reappearance, no worthwhile form since: best around 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m on good going or firmer: tried blinkered/visored.

DR P. PRITCHARD

*Dark green, grey stars on sleeves and cap (The Shooting Stars)***?**

h16d	92?	S
h25v		90A
c31d		108
c16d		136
c20g		105
h26d		95

**HANDICAPS: OVERNIGHT ALTERING OF WEIGHTS**

The ratings for this race have been adjusted to the weights currently allocated. If these change at the overnight stage then simply *subtract* 1 lb for each pound carried above the weight shown or *add* 1 lb for each pound below the present weight (the weights shown in brackets are those originally allocated in the long handicap and are included for information only).



## 5.20 THE FRED WINTER JUVENILE NOVICES' HANDICAP HURDLE (Listed) (A) 2m110y

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**MAJLIS (JPN)** 4 11-12 **132 +**  
 b.g. Commander In Chief – Prayer Wheel (CAN) (Conquistador Cielo (USA)) [2004/5 16d<sup>2</sup> 16v\* 16v<sup>2</sup> 16s\* Feb 19] fair maiden on Flat (probably stays 1<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m) for A. Fabre, sold 27,000 gns Newmarket July Sales: fairly useful form over hurdles: won maiden at Naas in January and Grade 3 Tattersalls (Ireland) Derby Sale Winning Fair Juvenile Hurdle at Fairyhouse in February: always prominent and all out to beat Don't Be Bitin by neck in 8-runner event in latter: will stay beyond 2m.  
*M. J. P. O'BRIEN, IRELAND*  
*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)*

**MISS ACADEMY (FR)** 4 11-12 **126**  
 ch.f. Video Rock (FR) – Mademoiselle Wo (FR) (Prince Wo (FR)) [2004/5 16s\* 17s<sup>4</sup> 16v<sup>F</sup> Feb 25] leggy ex-French filly: third foal: half-sister to winning hurdler around 2m La Pommerai (by Apple Tree): dam winning hurdler around 2m: successful on 5 of 6 starts up to 13f on Flat at 3 yrs for J. Bertran de Balanda: easily landed odds in mares maiden at Newcastle on hurdling debut by 10 lengths from Diamond Sal: favourite, 13<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lengths fourth of 16 to Akilak in well-run Grade 2 juvenile at Cheltenham 10 days later: about to be collared when fell last in juvenile won by New Rock at Warwick latest start: races prominently.  
*M. C. PIPE*  
*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)*

**STROMSTAD (IRE)** 4 11-10 **131 ?**  
 ch.c. Halling (USA) – Muscadel (Nashwan (USA)) [2004/5 16s\* 16d\* 16v<sup>3</sup> 16v<sup>6</sup> Jan 15] 10,000 3-y-o: workmanlike colt: third foal: half-brother to winner in UAE: dam, useful over middle distances in France, out of 1000 Guineas winner Musical Bliss: successful first 2 starts in juvenile hurdles, maiden at Down Royal and Grade 3 at Fairyhouse (by 4 lengths from Don't Be Bitin): well held in Grade 2 at Leopardstown and Grade 3 at Punchestown (not fluent) last 2 starts.  
*S. J. MAHON, IRELAND*  
*Emerald green, yellow sash, striped sleeves, yellow cap (Mr James Gough)*

**PAPINI (IRE)** 4 11-10 **136**  
 ch.g. Lomitas – Pariana (USA) (Bering) [2004/5 16g\* 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d\* Jan 12] well-made gelding: fourth known foal: half-brother to useful performer up to 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m Pappus (by Acatenango): dam lightly-raced German maiden: successful once around 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m from 8 starts on Flat in Germany, leaving D. Richardson in July: progressive form over hurdles, winning juveniles at Newbury (by 9 lengths from Tizi Ouzou) in November and January, making all and holding on all out by <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> length from At Your Request last time: <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-length second to Calomeria in similar event at Sandown in between: races prominently.  
*N. J. HENDERSON*  
*Dark blue, yellow disc, yellow sleeves, dark blue spots (Newbury Racehorse Owners Group)*

**NAPOLITAIN (FR)** 4 11-10 **129**  
 b.g. Ajdayt (USA) – Damage II (FR) (Cyborg (FR)) [2004/5 18s\* 16d<sup>4</sup> 17d<sup>2</sup> 18s\* 16v<sup>4</sup> 17s Jan 29] useful-looking gelding: third foal: dam 11f winner/winner around 2m over hurdles in Italy: placed twice over 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m from 4 starts on Flat: successful twice over hurdles, in juvenile at Auteuil (final start for F. Cottin) in September and novice at Fontwell (odds on, by 6 lengths from One Cornetto) in January: more patiently ridden since, respectable effort when fourth to Dom d'Orgeval in handicap at Uttoxeter: will stay 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m: raced on going softer than good.  
*P. F. NICHOLLS*  
*Black and white (halved), red sleeves and cap (Mrs J. Stewart)*

**DABIROUN (IRE)** 4 11-9 **133**  
 b.g. Desert Prince (IRE) – Dabaya (IRE) (In The Wings) [2004/5 16v<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>5</sup> Feb 6] compact gelding: useful on Flat (should stay 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m) for J. Oxx, sold £20,000 Goffs October Sales: easily best effort in juvenile hurdles (fairly useful form) when 6 lengths fifth of 6 to Strangely Brown in Grade 2 at Leopardstown last time.  
*PAUL NOLAN, IRELAND*  
*Yellow, black braces, yellow and white striped cap (Donal O'Gorman)*

**ALWAYS WAINING (IRE)** 4 11-6 **131**  
 b.c. Unfuwain (USA) – Glenarff (USA) (Irish River (FR)) [2004/5 16g<sup>4</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> 16v\* 17d\* 20v\* Feb 19] sturdy colt: useful on Flat (should stay 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m), successful 3 times in 2004, claimed from M. Johnston £30,000 after latest in October: fair juvenile hurdler: won at Uttoxeter (beat At Your Request 10 lengths) in January and Market Rasen and Uttoxeter in February, left clear last (disputing lead with Lord Olympia at time) when beating Penneeer by a distance in novice last time: stays 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m: acts on heavy going: jumps less than fluently.  
*P. L. CLINTON*  
*Mauve and purple diablo, purple sleeves, mauve armlets and diamond on purple cap (Peter J. Douglas Engineering)*  
 S. Stronge

**FIRE DRAGON (IRE)** 4 11-4 **135**  
 b.g. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Cattermole (USA) (Roberto (USA)) [2004/5 17g\* 17d\* 16m\* 16d<sup>3</sup> 16d<sup>6</sup> Dec 11] useful-looking gelding: closely related to smart 2m hurdler Rigmarole (by Fairy King): fairly useful 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m winner on Flat (tried in headgear) for D. Wachman in Ireland: landed odds with something in hand in juvenile hurdles at Bangor in July, Newton Abbot in August and Stratford in September, beating Three Welshmen 2 lengths at last-named: creditable 11<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lengths third to Cerium in Grade 2 juvenile at Cheltenham 2 months later: well below form tried blinkered latest start (dropped away tamely).  
*IONJO O'NEILL*  
*White, mauve stars (Mrs G. Smith)*

**NATION STATE** 4 11-4 **141**  
 b.c. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Native Justice (USA) (Alleged (USA)) [2004/5 16d\* 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> Jan 28] medium-sized, useful-looking colt: fairly useful maiden on Flat (stays 15f), sold out of A. Fabre's stable 35,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: fairly useful form in juvenile hurdles, winning at Plumpton in December by 5 lengths from Harrycat: runner-up at Sandown (<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub>-length second of 13 to Diego Cao) and Doncaster (best work from 2 out when beaten 3 lengths by Karelin) since: will stay beyond 2m.  
*G. L. MOORE*  
*Pink and royal blue (halved), sleeves reversed, check cap (Mr J. D. Brownrigg)*

**DALTON (FR)** 4 11-3 **124**  
 ch.c. Bering – Divination (FR) (Groom Dancer (USA)) [2004/5 16v<sup>2</sup> 16v\* 16s<sup>6</sup> Feb 6] rather leggy colt: fairly useful maiden on Flat (stays 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m) in France for F. Head, sold €25,000: fair form in juvenile hurdles first 2 starts, winning 11-runner event at Gowran by <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> length from Strides of Fire: well held in Grade 2 juvenile at Leopardstown following month.  
*E. J. O'GRADY, IRELAND*  
*Royal blue, yellow inverted triangle and chevrons on sleeves, blue cap, yellow diamond (Malm Syndicate)*

**ROLLING HOME (IRE)** 4 11-3 **130**  
 br.g. Key of Luck (USA) – Belike The Wind (IRE) (Marju (IRE)) [2004/5 16g<sup>2</sup> 16m\* 16d<sup>2</sup> 16s\* 16v Jan 15] fair on Flat (probably stays 9f) at 3 yrs, sold out of K. Prendergast's stable 21,000 gns Newmarket Grangehill Dancer in maiden event) in August and Thurles (beat Ask Carol 2 lengths) in December: good 4 lengths second to Helensburgh at Punchestown in between: well held in Grade 3 there last time: acts on soft and good to firm going: blinkered last 2 starts.  
*N. MEADE, IRELAND*  
*Emerald green, yellow chevrons, yellow sleeves, emerald green cap, yellow spots (M. Lydon)*

**AMARULA RIDGE (IRE)** 4 11-3 **127 +**  
 b.c. Indian Ridge – Mail Boat (Formidable (USA)) [2004/5 17s<sup>2</sup> 17v<sup>4</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> Feb 26] rather leggy colt: useful on Flat (stays 9f) at 3 yrs, sold out of K. Prendergast's stable 21,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: best effort over hurdles (fair form) when 7 lengths second of 8 to Penzance in Grade 2 juvenile at Kempton on latest outing, unable to quicken with winner between last 2: failed to see race out on heavy going at Exeter second start: may do better still under less testing conditions.  
*P. J. HOBBS*  
*Emerald green, orange hoops, white cap (Mr John P. McManus)*

**REGAL SETTING (IRE)**

4 11-3

br.g. King's Theatre (IRE) – Cartier Bijoux (Ahoonora) [2004/5 16m\* 17d<sup>5</sup> 18d<sup>2</sup> Feb 3] leggy, useful-looking gelding: useful on Flat (will stay 2m), sold out of Sir Mark Prescott's stable 215,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: 2/1-on, won juvenile at Catterick on hurdling debut by 6 lengths from Classic Event, travelling smoothly to lead after 3 out and ridden clear: breathing problems last 2 starts, better effort when length second to Habitual Dancer in similar event at Kelso, leading briefly last and long way clear of rest: will probably stay 2½m.

J. HOWARD JOHNSON

*Black and beige (halved), chevrons on sleeves, beige cap (Andrea & Graham Wylie)*

G. Lee

**138**

h18d	138	N
h17d	110+N	
h16m	121+N	

**AT YOUR REQUEST**

4 11-3

gr.g. Bering – Requesting (Rainbow Quest (USA)) [2004/5 16s<sup>6</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 16v<sup>2</sup> 16s\* Feb 10] lengthy gelding: fair maiden on Flat (stays 1½m), sold out of E. Dunlop's stable 32,000 gns Newmarket July Sales: fairly useful juvenile hurdler: won quite valuable event at Huntingdon on latest start by 12 lengths from La Lambertine, leading on bridle after 3 out and going clear despite carrying head awkwardly: raced at 2m on going softer than good: far from straightforward (also flashes tail under pressure).

IAN WILLIAMS

*Purple, emerald green chevrons and armlets, quartered cap (Cockbury Court Partnership)*

D. R. Dennis

**136**

h16s	136	N
h16v	114+N	
h16d	134	N
h16s	110	N
h16s	85? N	

**WOODY VALENTINE (USA)**

4 11-2

ch.g. Woodman (USA) – Mudslinger (USA) (El Gran Senor (USA)) [2004/5 16d\* 16v 16d<sup>3</sup> Jan 15] leggy gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 1¼m), successful twice in 2004: sold out of M. Johnston's stable 30,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: won 8-runner juvenile at Warwick on hurdling debut in December by 2½ lengths from Diego Cao, leading after fifth: easily better effort since (possibly had stamina stretched when well held in Grade 1 at Chepstow) when 16 lengths third of 14 to Zalda in similar event at Kempton: may prove best around 2m with emphasis on speed: tends to be on toes.

MISS VENETIA WILLIAMS

*Dark blue, white star, red sleeves, white stars, red cap, white star (Favourites Racing)***129**

h16d	120	N
h16v		G1
h16d	129	N

**LA LAMBERTINE (FR)**

4 11-2

b.f. Glaieul (USA) – Mesoraca (IRE) (Assert) [2003/4 15s 15v 15s 15s 15s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 15s<sup>3</sup> 15d<sup>4</sup> 17d\* 17g<sup>5</sup> 17d<sup>2</sup> 17m<sup>4</sup> 17m\* 16d\* 16d<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> Feb 10] leggy filly: sixth foal: half-sister to winning hurdler/chaser around 2m Crystal Clara (by Northern Crystal): dam 1¼m winner: no form on Flat: fair hurdler: won claimer at Auteuil (claimed from R. Caget €20,000) in June, juvenile seller at Taunton in November and novice handicap at Sandown (beat Green Gamble 9 lengths) in December: odds on, just respectable second to At Your Request in quite valuable event at Huntingdon last time: raced around 2m: acts on good to firm going, best form on softer than good: usually wears headgear: carries head awkwardly: none too genuine.

M. C. PIPE

*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)***132**

h16s	128+N	
h16d	132	112
h16d	121+N	100
h17m	103+S	
h17m	106	N
h17d	111	N

**DARYAL (IRE)**

4 11-1

b.c. Night Shift (USA) – Darata (IRE) (Vayrann) [2004/5 16s 17s\* 16g<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> Mar 4] good-topped colt: half-brother to fair hurdler Darbela (by Doyoun), stays 2½m: fairly useful on Flat, placed 4 times up to around 1½m from 5 starts in 2004 for A. de Royer Dupre: progressive juvenile hurdler: won novice at Taunton in January by 1½ lengths from Jorobaden: better form when runner-up both starts since, beaten 4 lengths by L'Oudon in 14-runner event at Newbury on latest: likely to stay beyond 17f.

A. KING

*Light blue, brown stripe and armlets (Let's Live Racing)***135**

h16d	135	N
h16g	130	N
h17s	122+N	
h16s	90? N	

**DUNLEA DANCER**

4 11-1

b.g. Groom Dancer (USA) – Be My Lass (IRE) (Be My Guest (USA)) [2004/5 16d\* 16s<sup>3</sup> 16s Feb 26] rather leggy gelding: fair on Flat (should stay 1¾m), successful in June, sold out of M. Johnston's stable 25,000 gns Newmarket July Sales: made all in 10-runner juvenile at Wincanton on hurdling debut in December, left clear when Nanga Parbat fell 2 out: has taken good hold both starts since, easily better effort and similar form when 2 lengths third to Rood Boy in novice at same course.

P. J. HOBBS

*Beige and emerald green check, beige sleeves (Mr Allan Stennett)***127**

h16s		116
h16s	127	N
h16d	121	N

**ZALDA**

4 11-1

ch.f. Zilzal (USA) – Gold Luck (USA) (Slew O' Gold (USA)) [2004/5 16d\* 17s 16s<sup>3</sup> Feb 26] leggy filly: fair on Flat (stays 1¾m), successful twice in 2004, sold out of R. Charlton's stable 28,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: won 14-runner juvenile at Kempton on hurdling debut by 10 lengths from Dubai Ace, making all, jumping well and eased after last: easily better effort in Grade 2 events since when 8½ lengths third to impressive Penzance at same course last time.

P. J. HOBBS

*Red, black star, striped sleeves, yellow cap, black star (Mrs L. Field)***126**

h16s	125	G2
h17s		G2
h16d	124+N	

**BEAUCHAMP PRINCE (IRE)**

4 11-0

gr.g. Beauchamp King – Katie Baggage (IRE) (Brush Aside (USA)) [2004/5 16m<sup>4</sup> 16s 17v\* 16v<sup>5</sup> 21v<sup>4</sup> 17s 20d<sup>3</sup> Feb 24] tall gelding: has scope: third foal: dam unraced: fair juvenile hurdler: 33/1, won 13-runner event at Bangor in November by 7 lengths from Vicario: just respectable third to Baron Monty in novice at Haydock on latest start: should stay at least 2½m: acts on good to firm and heavy ground: hangs left.

M. SCUDAMORE

*Red and yellow stripes, yellow sleeves, red armlets, red cap (The "Yes" - "No" - "Wait".....Sorries)***127**

h20d	118	N
h17s	127	G2
h21v	110	N
h16v	127	G1
h17v	125	N
h16s	94	N

**MR DINGLAWI (IRE)**

4 11-0

b.g. Danehill Dancer (IRE) – Princess Leona (IRE) (Naiyli (IRE)) [2004/5 17d<sup>3</sup> 18d<sup>3</sup> 16s<sup>3</sup> 16d<sup>5</sup> 18s\* 16s\* Feb 14] lightly-raced maiden on Flat (tried blinkered), form only around 1½m: fair juvenile hurdler: won at Fontwell and Plumpton, both in February, making all to beat Jockser a neck at latter track: will probably stay 2½m: raced on good to soft/going ground.

D. B. FEEK

*Dark blue and yellow check, diablo on sleeves, yellow cap (Brightling Folly Partnership)*

James Davies

**126**

h16s	126	N
h18s	126	N
h16d	113	N
h16s	119	N
h18d	116	N
h17d	113	N

**REDI (ITY)**

4 10-13

b.c. Danehill Dancer (IRE) – Rossella (Shareef Dancer (USA)) [2004/5 16s 16d<sup>5</sup> 16g\* 16d\* Feb 17] angular colt: fair on Flat (stays 1½m), successful in August, sold out of L. Cumani's stable 52,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: fairly useful hurdler, winning maiden at Southwell in January and juvenile at Sandown in February: best effort when beating Dhehdaah by 3½ lengths in 8-runner race last time, dictating steady pace and responding well: should stay beyond 2m: tongue tied last 3 starts (breathing problem on debut).

A. M. BALDING

*Emerald green, yellow stripe, yellow cap (Thurloe Thoroughbreds XI)*

B. J. Geraghty

**130 ?**

h16d	130?	N
h16g	118+N	
h16d	113	N
h16s	+	N

**EASE THE WAY**

4 10-13

b.c. Nashwan (USA) – Desert Ease (IRE) (Green Desert (USA)) [2004/5 16v<sup>6</sup> 16v<sup>2</sup> 16v\* Jan 30] half-brother to modest 2m hurdle winner Outside Investor: fairly useful form in maidens on Flat, successful over 1½m at Gowran in August: second start over hurdles, ½ lengths second to Grangehill Dancer in juvenile maiden at Punchestown: again blinkered and favourite, didn't need to reproduce that form to win similar event at Tramore month later, in control when blundering last: raced only on heavy going over hurdles.

D. K. WELD, IRELAND

*Yellow, royal blue epaulets, yellow cap, royal blue star (Dr Michael Smurfit)***131**

h16v	119+N	
h16v	131	N
h16v		G2

**ARRAYOU (FR)**

4 10-12

b.g. Valanjou (FR) – Cavatine (FR) (Spud (FR)) [2003/4 15s<sup>2</sup> :: 2004/5 15s<sup>3</sup> 15s<sup>3</sup> 17s<sup>5</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> 16s\* 16s<sup>2</sup> 16v 16s<sup>3</sup> 18s Jan 24] good-topped ex-French gelding: second foal: half-brother to 15f hurdle winner Creatif (by Ecologist): dam, placed around 2m over hurdles, half-sister to 4 winners over jumps in France: once-raced on Flat: fair juvenile hurdler: left J. Bertran de Balanda after third start: won at Leicester in December by 4 lengths from Noble Request: creditable third to Dusky Warbler in novice there penultimate start: poor effort next time: likely to stay beyond 2m: raced on soft/heavy ground: blinkered/visored 2 outings prior to latest: held up.

O. SHERWOOD

*Emerald green, dark blue chevron and armlets, white cap (Mr J. P. Ledwidge)***133**

h18s		113
h16s	129+N	114
h16v		G1
h16s	133	N
h16s	128+N	
h16s	99	N

**ALIKAT (IRE)**

4 10-11

b.f. Alhaarth (IRE) – Be Crafty (USA) (Crafty Prospector (USA)) [2004/5 16m<sup>3</sup> 17m<sup>4</sup> 16g<sup>2</sup> 16d 19s 19s\* 16s<sup>3</sup> Feb 24] leggy filly: maiden on Flat: fair hurdler: trained on debut by J. J. Murphy: easily best effort when winning handicap at Taunton in February, beating Mark Equal 9 lengths: respectable third to Jockser in similar event at Huntingdon next time: stays 19f: acts on soft ground: visored fifth start.

M. C. PIPE

*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)***130**

h16s	123	105
h19s	126+98	
h19s	93+101	
h16d	84	N
h16g	115	N
h17m	88	S

**DUBAI ACE (USA)**

4 10-10  
 b.g. Lear Fan (USA) – Arsaan (USA) (Nureyev (USA)) [2004/5 16g<sup>6</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 18s<sup>4</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> Feb 26] smallish gelding: half-brother to Allgriit (by Shadedd), fairly useful juvenile hurdler in 1998/9: modest form in two 1¼m maidens in 2004, sold out of J. S. Bolger's stable 5,200 gns Newmarket July Sales: tongue tied, fair form in frame in juvenile hurdles at Kempton (2) and Fontwell, flashing tail under pressure last 2 starts (stiff task in Grade 2 on latest).

*MISS S. WEST* J. Goldstein  
*Light blue, mauve hoop, dark blue cap (Mucky Duck II Partnership)*

**YOUNG PATRIARCH**

4 10-9  
 b.g. Silver Patriarch (IRE) – Mortify (Prince Sabo) [2004/5 17g<sup>pu</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 17d\* 16g 16s 16d<sup>3</sup> Feb 11] good-topped gelding: half-brother to fair 2m hurdler Monksford (by Minster Son): modest form at 2 yrs for J. Dunlop, disappointing in 2004 for B. Meehan: fair form over hurdles: won juvenile maiden at Folkestone in November: best effort when 21 lengths third of 10 to Etendard Indien in juvenile at Kempton last time: ran as though amiss both starts in between: raced around 2m: usually wears cheekpieces.

*C. J. MANN* N. Fehily  
*White, emerald green triple diamond, white sleeves, orange diamonds, emerald green cap, orange diamonds (The Little Ireland Syndicate)*

**GRANGEHILL DANCER (IRE)**

4 10-9  
 ch.f. Danehill Dancer (IRE) – Bella Galiana (ITY) (Don Roberto (USA)) [2004/5 16m<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>3</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16v\* 16s<sup>2</sup> Jan 6] angular filly: fair handicapper around 1m on Flat, won at Tralee in August: fair juvenile hurdler: off mark at seventh attempt in maiden at Punchestown in December: creditable second of 7 to All Heart at Thurles 6 days later: raced at 2m: acts on heavy and good to firm going: front runner: tough.

*P. J. ROTHWELL, IRELAND*  
*White, emerald green stars, yellow sleeves, emerald green stars, yellow cap, emerald green stars (Martin Carvill)*

**SIEGFRIEDS NIGHT (IRE)**

4 10-9  
 ch.g. Night Shift (USA) – Shelbiana (USA) (Chieftain) [2004/5 17d\* 16d 16s\* 16d 17s 17d<sup>2</sup> Feb 8] smallish, plain gelding: fair on Flat (stays 14.6f), successful twice in 2004: similar level of form in juvenile hurdles, won convincingly at Cartmel in August and Fakenham in November: back to form when 7 lengths second to Always Waining at Market Rasen last time, racing freely: raced around 2m on good to soft/soft going.

*M. C. CHAPMAN*  
*White, royal blue stars, white sleeves, yellow stars and stars on cap (Mr K. D. Blanch)*

**MOKUM (FR)**

4 10-8  
 b.g. Octagonal (NZ) – Back On Top (FR) (Double Bed (FR)) [2004/5 17s<sup>5</sup> 15s 15s 16s<sup>5</sup> 18s<sup>4</sup> 16v 16d<sup>6</sup> 16v<sup>2</sup> 16g<sup>3</sup> 16d<sup>5</sup> Feb 17] leggy gelding: first foal: dam placed around 1½2m: maiden up to 1½2m on Flat: fair juvenile hurdler: sold out of F. Doumen's stable €10,000 Goffs (France) November Sale: good efforts last 2 starts, though again went in snatches and didn't seem to be applying himself fully when fifth of 8 to Redi at Sandown on latest: raced around 2m (will stay further) on good going or softer: blinkered on debut.

*A. W. CARROLL*  
*Orange, light green chevrons, quartered cap (Xunely Limited)*

**NANGA PARBAT (FR)**

4 10-8 (inc 4lb ex)  
 b.g. True Brave (USA) – Celeste (FR) (Amen (FR)) [2004/5 16d<sup>F</sup> 16s<sup>6</sup> 17s<sup>4</sup> 16d\* Mar 5] first foal: dam, no form over jumps, half-sister to winning jumper up to 2¾4m Mister Sy: third over 1¾4m on debut on Flat at Clairefontaine in August for M. Rolland: fair form over hurdles: best effort when winning novice handicap at Newbury on latest start by 1½ lengths from Amnesty, held up and leading under pressure run-in: will stay beyond 2m: raced on good to soft/soft ground.

*P. F. NICHOLLS*  
*Dark blue, pink epaulets and star on cap (Mrs Kathy Stuart)*

**COMING AGAIN (IRE)**

4 10-7  
 b.g. Rainbow Quest (USA) – Hagwah (USA) (Dancing Brave (USA)) [2004/5 16d<sup>5</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 17g<sup>5</sup> Feb 16] sparsely-made gelding: fairly useful maiden on Flat (should stay 1½2m), sold out of B. Hills's stable 22,000 gns Doncaster October Sales: best effort in juvenile hurdles (fair form) when 5 lengths second of 16 to Dont Call Me Derek at Catterick penultimate start: bit below that level when fifth of 8 to Credit at Musselburgh next time, already held when mistake last: tongue tied.

*D. MCCAIN* J. M. Maguire  
*Red, yellow braces, white sleeves and cap (Mr Jon Glews)*

**128**

111  
 h16s 128 G2  
 h18s 128 N  
 h16d 126+N  
 h16g 108 N

**127**

110  
 h16d 127 N  
 h16s 101 N  
 h16g 108 N  
 h17d 123+N  
 h16d 124 N  
 h17g 108 N

**131**

110  
 h16s 131 W  
 h16v 131 N  
 h16s 121 N  
 h16d 131? G3  
 h16d 119 N  
 h16s 113+N

**135**

110  
 h17d 123+N  
 h17s G2  
 h16d 118+115  
 h16s 128+N  
 h16d N  
 h17d 132+N

**131**

109  
 h16d 123 N  
 h16g 131 N  
 h16v 121+N  
 h16d 116 N  
 h16v 126? G1  
 h18s 114 C

**134 +**

109  
 h16d 131+105  
 h17s 120 N  
 h16s 120 N  
 h16d 129+N

**133**

108  
 h17g 122 N  
 h16d 133 N  
 h16d 119 N  
 h16d 107 N

**MARALAN (IRE)**

4 10-7 (inc 4lb ex)  
 b.g. Priolo (USA) – Marilaya (IRE) (Shernazar) [2004/5 16v 16v<sup>6</sup> 16s 16s<sup>3</sup> 16s\* Mar 5] fairly useful on Flat (stays 13f), sold out of J. Oxx's stable €56,000 Goffs October Sales: fair juvenile hurdler: much improved when winning 22-runner maiden at Navan last time comfortably by 8 lengths from Kazan Lady, always prominent and leading before 2 out: jumped poorly third start.

*P. O. BRADY, IRELAND*  
*Black, red spots, black cap, white spots (Miss Rita Shah)*

**COURANT D'AIR (IRE)**

4 10-6  
 b.g. Indian Rocket – Red River Rose (IRE) (Red Sunset) [2004/5 17g<sup>6</sup> 17d<sup>5</sup> 17g\* 16g<sup>3</sup> 17s\* 16d<sup>4</sup> 16d 17g Feb 16] small gelding: poor 7f winner on Flat: fair juvenile hurdler: won claimer at Taunton (claimed from P. Haslam £5,000) in October and handicap at Market Rasen (improved form, made all to beat Frambo 5 lengths) in November: off 2 months, well below form both starts on return: likely to prove best around 2m: has found little: often races prominently.

*MRS LUCINDA FEATHERSTONE*  
*Emerald green, white hoops, white and emerald green halved sleeves, red cap (Mr J. T. Billson)*

**TELL THE TREES**

4 10-6  
 br.f. Tamure (IRE) – Bluebell Copse (Formidable (USA)) [2004/5 18m\* 16d<sup>3</sup> 16g<sup>F</sup> 16s<sup>3</sup> 17d<sup>3</sup> 18s 17d 22d\* Feb 20] small, sparsely-made filly: fair on Flat (stays 2m), sold out of R. Beckett's stable 12,600 gns after winning seller in August: modest form over hurdles: successful twice at Fontwell, juvenile in September on hurdling debut and 14-runner handicap in February, beating Ice Crystal 4 lengths for latter success, well suited by being held up in well-run race, leading last: stays 2¾4m: acts on good to firm and good to soft going: visored third and fourth outings: usually front runner: generally none too fluent a jumper: temperament under suspicion.

*M. C. PIPE*  
*Black, white hoops and sleeves, hooped cap (Mr Stuart M. Mercer)*

**JOCKSER (IRE)**

4 10-6  
 b.g. Desert Story (IRE) – Pupa Fiorini (ITY) (Indian Ridge) [2004/5 16d 16v 17s<sup>6</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16s\* 16d Mar 5] close-coupled gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 9f) for G. Lyons: fair juvenile hurdler: won 10-runner handicap at Huntingdon in February by 7 lengths from Dalriath: ran badly in similar event at Newbury last time: raced around 2m on going softer than good.

*J. W. MULLINS*  
*Emerald green and yellow (quartered), light blue sleeves and cap (The D. M. L. Partnership)*

**FLYING PATRIARCH**

4 10-5  
 gr.g. Silver Patriarch (IRE) – Flying Wind (Forzando) [2004/5 16s<sup>3</sup> 16g 16d<sup>3</sup> 16s<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>6</sup> Mar 4] workmanlike gelding: dam half-sister to useful 2m hurdlers Roll A Dollar and Mersey Beat: well held in 5 starts on Flat: fair juvenile hurdler: best effort when 2½ lengths second to It's Blue Chip at Plumpton penultimate start, didn't impress with attitude when below that form next time: raced on good ground or softer: blinkered last 2 starts: races prominently.

*G. L. MOORE*  
*Dark green, royal blue diamond (Heart of the South Racing)*

**DHEHDAAH**

4 10-4  
 b.g. Alhaarth (IRE) – Carina Clare (Slip Anchor) [2004/5 16d<sup>6</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> 20v<sup>pu</sup> 16d<sup>2</sup> Feb 17] angular gelding: modest maiden on Flat (stays 1½2m), sold out of N. Graham's stable 14,000 gns Doncaster August Sales: fair hurdler: creditable 3½ lengths second of 8 to Redi in juvenile at Sandown last time: should stay beyond 2m: acts on good to soft going.

*MRS P. SLY* W. Marston  
*White, dark green braces, dark green and white diabolos on sleeves, red cap, white star (D. Bayliss, T. Davies, G. Libson & P.Sly)*

**NOT LEFT YET (IRE)**

4 10-4  
 b. or br.g. Old Vic – Dalus Dawn (Mandalus) [2004/5 17s 17s<sup>4</sup> 16d Jan 28] good-topped gelding: fifth foal: dam bumper winner: 100/1, much better effort in novice hurdles at Taunton when 12 lengths fourth of 14 to stable-companion Medison, again racing green but keeping on strongly to be nearest finish: not knocked about at any stage when well held in juvenile at Doncaster last time: will progress further.

*M. C. PIPE*  
*Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)*

**141**

108  
 h16s 139+N  
 h16s 118 W  
 h16s G3  
 h16v 118 N  
 h16v W

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107  
 h17g N  
 h16d 118 N  
 h16d 136? G2  
 h17s 133 99  
 h16g 122+N  
 h17g 122 C

**128**

107  
 h22d 128 99  
 h17d 101  
 h18s N  
 h17d 124? N  
 h16s 117 N  
 h16g N

**128**

107  
 h16d 107  
 h16s 127 93  
 h16s 127+N  
 h17s 97+N  
 h16v G1  
 h16d 110+N

**130**

106  
 h16d 120 N  
 h16s 130 N  
 h16d 121 N  
 h16g 103 N  
 h16s 121 N

**136**

105  
 h16d 131 N  
 h20v 106  
 h16d 134 N  
 h16d 132 N  
 h16d 117 N  
 h16d 115+N

**131 p**

105  
 h16d N  
 h17s 126+N  
 h17s N



**SIMONOVSKI (USA)**

4 10-4

b.g. Miswaki (USA) – Earthra (USA) (Rahy (USA)) [2004/5 16g 16g<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> 17s 16d<sup>6</sup> 16d<sup>4</sup> Mar 4] sturdy gelding: modest maiden on Flat (stays 2m): fair juvenile hurdler: 40/1 and looked very well, good effort when just over 13 lengths fourth of 14 to L'Oudon at Newbury last time: likely to be suited by further than 2m.

S. C. BURROUGH

Mr W. P. Kavanagh (7)

White, mauve stripe, striped cap (Mrs Deborah Potter)

**130**

h16d	130	N
h16d	127	N
h17s		G2
h16s	127	N
h16g	130	N
h16g		N

**SCARLET MIX (FR)**

4 10-3

gr.g. Linamix (FR) – Scarlet Raider (USA) (Red Ransom (USA)) [2004/5 16d\* 16d 16g 16d<sup>2</sup> Feb 24] lengthy ex-French gelding: thrice-raced on Flat at 3 yrs, useful form when winning around 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m at Chantilly in September, final start for A. Fabre: fair form over hurdles: 11/10-on and green, won juvenile at Warwick on hurdling debut by 1/2 length from Top Achiever, making all but running about going into flights and idling: off 3 months and visored, best effort when neck second to Torkinking in novice handicap at Haydock last time, travelling strongly to lead at the last but caught close home: has jumped less than fluently.

M. C. PIPE

Royal blue, emerald green sleeves, white cap, emerald green spots (Mr D. A. Johnson)

**133**

h16d	133	99
h16g	111	N
h16d	115	G2
h16d	121	+N

**SLIGHTLY SHIFTY (IRE)**

4 10-3

b.c. Revoque (IRE) – Tarliya (IRE) (Doyoun) [2004/5 16s<sup>6</sup> 16v<sup>4</sup> 16v<sup>2</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> Feb 16] modest maiden on Flat (stays 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m): modest form in juvenile hurdles, creditable 8<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> lengths third of 18 to Under Oath in maiden at Down Royal last time.

J. T. GORMAN, IRELAND

Grey and red chevrons, grey cap, red spots (Mrs S. Andrews)

**124**

h16s	124	N
h16v	124	N
h16v	109	W
h16s	117	W

**NICK THE SILVER**

4 10-1

gr.g. Nicolotte – Brillante (FR) (Green Dancer (USA)) [2004/5 16d<sup>pu</sup> 16s<sup>6</sup> 16d 26s\* 21s<sup>2</sup> 20g<sup>ur</sup> 20d<sup>pu</sup> 24d<sup>pu</sup> Mar 3] leggy gelding: half-brother to modest hurdler Intensity (by Bigstone), stays 3m: fair form on second of 3 starts at 2 yrs, well held on Flat in 2004: modest hurdler: sold out of G. Balding's stable £2,600 Ascot November Sales and upped markedly in trip, won novice claimer at Hereford (claimed from E. Williams £10,000) in January: ran out after third in novice handicap at Sandown on penultimate outing: stays 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m: acts on soft ground: wore cheekpieces third start/visored (pulled too hard) on latest.

M. C. PIPE

Red, light blue armlets (Four Men And A Liver Bird)

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h24d		102
h20d		102
h20g		102
h20g	+	97
h21s	131	+W
h26s	124	+C
h16d		N

**TIZI OUZOU (IRE)**

4 10-0 (9-13)

ch.f. Desert Prince (IRE) – Tresor (USA) (Pleasant Tap (USA)) [2004/5 16s\* 16g<sup>2</sup> 17v<sup>6</sup> 16d 16d 17g<sup>6</sup> Mar 3] close-coupled filly: modest maiden on Flat (stays 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m), claimed from J. Dunlop £6,000 in September: modest juvenile hurdler, won at Ludlow in November by 11 lengths from Leopold: hasn't impressed with attitude since, now rated on never-dangerous sixth of 13 to Space Star in conditional jockeys handicap at Taunton last time: raced around 2m: not one to rely on.

M. C. PIPE

White, black diamond, dark blue and white hooped sleeves, black cap (Mr M. C. Pipe)

**125 \$**

h17g	125	101A
h16d		105
h16d		N
h17v	101	+N
h16g	133	N
h16s	128	+N

**SMART BOY PRINCE (IRE)**

4 10-0 (9-8)

b.g. Princely Heir (IRE) – Miss Mulaz (FR) (Luthier) [2004/5 16d 16v<sup>3</sup> 17d<sup>3</sup> 16s<sup>4</sup> Mar 5] leggy gelding: half-brother to winning hurdler/chaser abroad by Rainbows For Life: modest on Flat (stays 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub>m), had various trainers in 2004 winning twice for P. Blockley: poor form in juvenile hurdles, 12<sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> lengths fourth of 5 to Killing Me Softly in handicap at Huntingdon last time: likely to prove best at easy 2m: took good hold second start.

C. SMITH

Orange, black cross of lorraine and sleeves (Mr Phil Martin)

**114**

h16s	114	? 95
h17d	114	N
h16v	112	N
h16d	112	? N

**TARANAI (IRE)**

4 10-0 (9-3)

ch.f. Russian Revival (USA) – Miss Flite (IRE) (Law Society (USA)) [2004/5 16g 16g\* 17g<sup>pu</sup> 16m<sup>3</sup> 18m<sup>2</sup> 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>4</sub> 16m 17d<sup>6</sup> Nov 2] compact filly: poor maiden on Flat (stays 13f), last ran Feb 7: modest juvenile hurdler: won at Stratford in July: tongue tied next 5 starts, running well when 12 lengths third of 10 to Tell The Trees at Fontwell in September: well beaten on good to soft ground last time.

B. W. DUKE

C. M. Studd (7)

Emerald green, purple star, purple sleeves, emerald green armlets, purple cap, emerald green star (The Southern Lights)

**107**

h17d		101
h16m	105	N
h16f	107	N
h18m	119	N
h16m	104	N
h17g		N

**EARN OUT**

4 10-0 (9-2)

b.g. Sovereign Water (FR) – Tudor Spartan (Spartan General) [2004/5 16v<sup>6</sup> 17s 19s 22s<sup>2</sup> Mar 9] sixth foal: dam unraced half-sister to useful staying hurdler Celtic Rambler, from family of very smart 2m/3m chaser Clear Cut: visored and upped in trip, first form over hurdles when 4 lengths second to At The Double in selling handicap at Fontwell on latest, leading on bridle after seventh and caught run-in after stumbling after last and drifting left: raced on soft/heavy going.

M. C. PIPE

White, black diamond, dark blue and white hooped sleeves, black cap (Mr M. C. Pipe)

**118**

h22s	113	+88S
h19s		N
h17s		N
h16v	95	+N

**CHARLESTON**

4 10-0 (9-1)

ch.g. Pursuit of Love – Discomatic (USA) (Roberto (USA)) [2004/5 16d 17s<sup>pu</sup> 18s Feb 4] fair maiden on Flat (stays 1<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m), sold out of J. Gosden's stable 20,000 gns Doncaster August Sales: no show in 3 juvenile hurdles (breathing problem second start).

R. ROWE

Yellow, royal blue cross belts, sleeves and cap (Capt A. Pratt)

**DON'T ASK ME (IRE)**

4 10-0 (8-8)

b.g. Spectrum (IRE) – Ediyrna (IRE) (Doyoun) [2004/5 aF13g<sup>4</sup> 16g<sup>F</sup> 16s 16s 16s Jan 27] quite good-topped gelding: third foal: half-brother to winning 2m hurdler Swift Spirit (by Lake Coniston): dam unraced half-sister to useful performer up to 9f Eymir: fourth of 8 to Idris in 3-y-o bumper at Lingfield on debut: no form in juvenile hurdles.

M. C. PIPE

Red, yellow epaulets (Mr Jim Ennis)

**GOVERNMENT (IRE)**

4 10-0 (7-10)

b.g. Great Dane (IRE) – Hidden Agenda (FR) (Machiavellian (USA)) [2004/5 16d<sup>ur</sup> 16s 20s<sup>4</sup> Feb 24] leggy gelding: half-brother to winning 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>m hurdler Sting Like A Bee (by Ali-Royal): poor maiden on Flat (stays 7f): well beaten completed outing over hurdles.

M. C. CHAPMAN

Yellow, emerald green cross belts, emerald green sleeves, yellow armlets, quartered cap (Mrs S.

M. Richards)

**HANDICAPS: OVERNIGHT ALTERING OF WEIGHTS**

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