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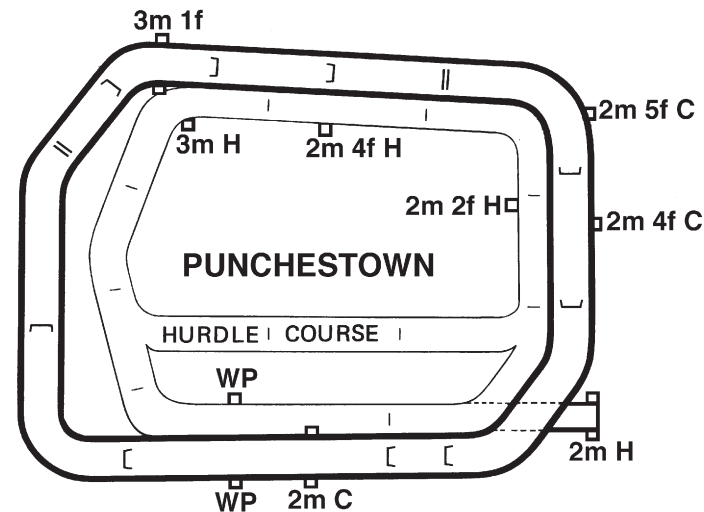
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Punchestown is a right-handed, galloping, undulating track with a steady climb through the last five furlongs. On the two-mile chase circuit the ground rises after the winning post, before a turn and a downhill run. The back straight is level followed by the uphill run from the fourth last. The two-furlong shorter hurdles course has a similar configuration. Punchestown is a very fair test of a jumper. There are eleven fences to a circuit which are not stiff by British standards and they pose few problems to a sound jumper. The cross-country course at Punchestown is a long and twisting one over a variety of banks and other obstacles, few of which are jumped more than once. The turns are both left- and right-handed and only the final brush fence is on the racecourse proper. The start for both the three-mile Ladies Cup and the four-mile one-furlong La Touche Cup is situated behind the winning post.



2.40 THE ELLIER DEVELOPMENTS NOVICE CHASE 2¹/₂m (Grade 3) €42,500 5yo+

1 HI CLOY (IRE)

7 11-10

b.g. Be My Native (USA) – Thomastown Girl (Tekoah) [2003/4 20d⁵ c20d² c20d⁶ c16d² c20s* c24d³ c19s³ c21d³ c21g* c24d* c20d* Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] rangy, well-made gelding: fairly useful hurdler: smart novice chaser: won at Limerick (Grade 2 Guinness Greenmount Park Novice Chase, idled) in December, Leopardstown in February, Limerick again in March and Fairyhouse in April: improved form when beating Kicking King ¹/₂ length in 6-runner Grade 1 Powers Gold Cup for latest success, showing good turn of foot after not fluent last to lead near finish: has won at 3m, best form around 2¹/₂m: raced on good going or softer (acts on soft).

M. HOURIGAN, IRELAND

T. J. Murphy

White, red hoop, striped sleeves, white cap (Mrs S. McCloy)

163

c20d¹ 162+G1
c24d¹ 143+L
c21g¹ 131+N
c21d¹ 151 G1
c19s¹ 135 N
c24d¹ 148 G1

2 NIL DESPERANDUM (IRE)

7 11-10

b.g. Un Desperado (FR) – Still Hoping (Kambalda) [2003/4 c20d* c20d* c20d³ Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] useful-looking gelding: useful hurdler: progressive form over fences, winning maiden at Punchestown and Grade 1 Piere Group Drinmore Novice Chase at Fairyhouse in November: taking performance when beating Catalpa Cargo 14 lengths at latter course: reportedly suffered over-reach, smart effort when 6¹/₂ lengths third of 6 to Hi Cloy in another Grade 1 novice at Fairyhouse on return: will stay at least 3m: raced on good going or softer (acts on soft).

MISS F. M. CROWLEY, IRELAND

R. Walsh

Red, white sleeves, red and grey quartered cap (Mr M. L. Shone)

156

c20d¹ 156 G1
c20d¹ 151+G1
c20d¹ 135 W

3 LORD SAM (IRE)

8 11-8

b. or br.g. Supreme Leader – Russian Gale (IRE) (Strong Gale) [2003/4 c20s* c24s* c24g* Jan 17 :: 2004/5 NR] stocky gelding: useful hurdler: won 3 novices in 2002/3, when also very good 5³/₄ lengths fourth of 19 (promoted) to Hardy Eustace in Royal & SunAlliance Novices' at Cheltenham: successful on all 3 starts in novice chases this season, at Huntingdon (beat Bal de Nuit 19 lengths) in November, Lingfield (beat Native Emperor by 1¹/₂ lengths, pair clear, in Grade 2 event) in December and Kempton in January: nothing like so fluent when beating Fork Lightning by 1¹/₄ lengths in 3-finisher event at last-named course: stays 3m: raced only on good ground or softer: jumps hurdles none too fluently: hasn't finished improving, and should hold his own in stronger company.

V. R. A. DARTNALL

J. Culloty

Yellow and orange diamonds, checked sleeves, emerald green cap (Plain Peeps)

163 p

c24g¹ 151+N
c24s¹ 157+G2
c20s¹ 146+N

4 SUM LEADER (IRE)

8 11-3

b.g. Leading Counsel (USA) – Greenodd (Green Shoon) [2003/4 20g c20g* c22s* c24d⁴ c20s⁵ Dec 14 :: 2004/5 NR] lengthy gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: successful in maiden at Ballinrobe and minor event at Galway first 2 starts over fences, fairly useful form when beating Beausheram 11 lengths at latter course: disappointing in novices at Naas and Navan last 2 starts: has left G. Keane: stays 3m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: consistent.

MISS JANE THOMAS, IRELAND

B. J. Geraghty

Purple, mauve stars, mauve sleeves, purple diamonds, mauve cap, purple stars (Mr John E. Smyth)

140

c20s¹ 127 N
c24d¹ 114 N
c22s¹ 140 W
c20g¹ 128+W
h20g¹ 137 126

3.15 THE BETDAQ.com CHAMPION CHASE 2m (Grade 1) €150,000 5yo+

1 ALCAPONE (IRE)

10 11-12

b.g. Roselier (FR) – Ann's Cap (IRE) (Cardinal Flower) [2003/4 c20g² c25m⁵ c20s⁵ c24d⁵ c24s^{pu} c18d* c36d^F Apr 3 :: 2004/5 NR] workmanlike gelding: has had wind operation: smart chaser: won 7-runner minor event at Thurles in March by 2 lengths from Adamant Approach: prominent to halfway but began making mistakes and behind when pulled up 6 out in Grand National at Aintree latest start: has form up to 3m, at least as effective at shorter: acts on good to firm and heavy going: has worn near-side pricker.

M. F. MORRIS, IRELAND

J. Culloty

Emerald green and orange diablo, orange sleeves, emerald green cap, white star (Mrs A. M. Daly)

155

c36d¹ 143
c18d¹ 155 W
c24s¹ 147 G1
c20s¹ 145 G2
c25m¹ 135 G2

2 KILLULTAGH STORM (IRE)

10 11-12

(cheekpieces)

b.g. Mandalus – Rostrevor Lady (Kemal (FR)) [2003/4 c16g³ c20d⁵ 16v⁶ c17d⁵ c24g⁵ c19s* c20g³ c16d⁴ c17d⁴ c16g c17d Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] strong, lengthy gelding: one-time useful hurdler: useful chaser: made all in minor event at Listowel in September: below form in handicaps last 2 starts: stays 2¹/₂m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: ran creditably only try in blinkers, has worn cheekpieces last 7 outings.

W. P. MULLINS, IRELAND

R. Walsh

Royal blue and white stripes, white sleeves, striped cap (Mrs Rose Boyd)

149

c17d¹ 142
c16g¹ 139 148
c17d¹ 149 G2
c16d¹ 142 G2
c20g¹ 146 G3
c19s¹ 144+W

3 MOSCOW FLYER (IRE)

10 11-12

b.g. Moscow Society (USA) – Meelick Lady (IRE) (Duky) [2003/4 c16g^{ur} c16m* c16d* c17d* c16g^{ur} c20g* Apr 2 :: 2004/5 NR] strong, lengthy gelding: outstanding chaser, unbeaten in 13 completed starts, including Queen Mother Champion Chase at Cheltenham last season: successful this term in Fortria Chase at Navan (made all), William Hill Tingle Creek Chase at Sandown (best effort, led ninth and quickened after 3 out when beating Azertyuiop 4 lengths), 6-runner Paddy Power Dial-a-Bet Chase (for second successive year) at Leopardstown and 7-runner Martell Cognac Melling Chase (by 6 lengths from Isio, jumping well in main and asserting between last 2): odds on, close up and going strongly when unseated 4 out in latest renewal of Queen Mother Champion Chase penultimate outing: effective at 2m to 2¹/₂m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: has idled: game and consistent.

MRS J. HARRINGTON, IRELAND

B. J. Geraghty

Black and white chevrons, white sleeves, striped cap (Mr Brian Kearney)

192

c20g¹ 179+G1
c16g¹ + G1
c17d¹ 166+G2
c16d¹ 183+G1
c16m¹ 159+G2
c16g¹ + G1

4 NATIVE SCOUT (IRE)

8 11-12

(tongue strap)

b.g. Be My Native (USA) – Carmels Castle (Deep Run) [2003/4 c17d² c17d* c17d² c16g⁴ c16v* c16d² c17d⁴ Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] close-coupled gelding: smart chaser: won handicap at Fairyhouse in November and Grade 3 Byrne Group Tied Cottage Chase at Punchestown (beat Rathgar Beau 8 lengths) in February: successful on Flat prior to respectable fourth of 11 to Fadoudal du Cochet in valuable handicap at Fairyhouse last time: should stay 2¹/₂m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): tongue tied: consistent.

D. HASSETT, IRELAND

D. N. Russell

White, light blue sash, brown cap (Mr N. F. Glynn)

158

c17d¹ 154 149
c16d¹ 142 G2
c16v¹ 158 W
c16g¹ 157 148
c17d¹ 156 G2
c17d¹ 148+134

5 NATIVE UPMANSHIP (IRE)

11 11-12

ch.g. Be My Native (USA) – Hi'upham (Deep Run) [2003/4 c25g³ c20d⁵ c20s* c16d³ c20g³ Apr 2 :: 2004/5 NR] tall gelding: has stringhalt: top-class chaser: gained second consecutive success in Grade 1 Martell Cognac Melling Chase at Aintree in 2002/3: not at best this season, despite winning Grade 2 Maclochlainn Road Markings Limited Kinloch Brae Chase at Thurles (third successive win in race) in February, more forcefully ridden than usual and barely coming off bridle to hold Davids Lad by length: very disappointing when 5/2-on in Grade 2 at Naas penultimate start, then 19 lengths third of 7 in latest renewal of Melling Chase: effective at 2m to easy 25f, probably ideally suited by 2¹/₂m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: usually held up.

A. L. T. MOORE, IRELAND

C. O'Dwyer

Dark blue (Mrs John Magnier)

165 +

c20g¹ 162 G1
c16d¹ 146 G2
c20s¹ 152+G2
c20d¹ 160 G1
c25g¹ 165 G1

6 RATHGAR BEAU (IRE)

8 11-12

150 x

b. or br.g. Beau Sher – Salerina (Orchestra) [2003/4 c16d³ c16m³ c16d² c16d² c17d^F c17s³ c16v² c20s* 17d c20s* c17d⁵ Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] useful-looking gelding: winning hurdler: useful chaser: won Red Mills Chase at Gowran in February and An Uaimh Chase at Navan in March (both Grade 3 events), leading line to beat Strong Run by short head in latter: creditable fifth of 11 to Fadoudal du Cochet in valuable handicap at Fairyhouse last time: stays 2½m: raced mainly on going softer than good (acts on heavy): blinkered fourth/fifth starts: patiently ridden: inclined to make the odd bad mistake: consistent.

E. SHEEHY, IRELAND

J. R. Barry

Grey, pink star, hooped cap (One-O-Eight Racing Club)

c17d¹ 150 146
c20s¹ 150 +G3
h17d¹ 138
c20s¹ 148 +G3
c16v¹ 150 W
c17s¹ 150 G3

7 STRONG RUN (IRE)

11 11-12

(tongue strap)

154

b.g. Strong Gale – Arctic Run (Deep Run) [2003/4 c16v⁵ c16d* c16d⁵ c20s² Mar 27 :: 2004/5 NR] workmanlike gelding: smart chaser, missed 2002/3: made all in Grade 2 Paddy & Helen Cox Memorial Newlands Chase at Naas in February, beating Native Scout 2½ lengths: very good short-head second to Rathgar Beau in Grade 3 at Navan last time: stays 2½m: raced only on good going or softer: tongue tied: carries head awkwardly under pressure.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

P. Carberry

Yellow, red cross of lorraine and sleeves, striped cap (Mr M. D. McGrath)

c20s¹ 154 G3
c16d¹ 135 145
c16d¹ 149 G2
c16v¹ 124 W

PUNCHESTOWN

TRW 149 156 150 158 146 (Av 152)

3.50**THE EVENING HERALD CHAMPION
NOVICE HURDLE (Grade 1)****2m**

€85,000 5yo+

1 BRAVE INCA (IRE)

6 11-12

157 p

b.g. Good Thyme (USA) – Wigwam Mam (IRE) (Commanche Run) [2003/4 20d* 16s* 18s* 16g* Mar 16 :: 2004/5 NR] strong gelding: will make a chaser: unbeaten in 2 bumpers: much improved back over hurdles this season, winning handicaps at Fairyhouse in November and Navan in December, Grade 1 Deloitte Novice Hurdle at Leopardstown in February and Grade 1 Letheby & Christopher Supreme Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham in March: beat War of Attrition by neck in 19-runner event for last-named success, getting better of runner-up near finish having travelled well and jumped fluently close up: will prove ideally suited by further than 2m: raced on good going or softer (acts on heavy): capable of further improvement.

C. A. MURPHY, IRELAND

B. M. Cash

Purple, yellow disc, sleeves and cap (Novices Syndicate)

h16g¹ 156 +G1
h18s¹ 149 +G1
h16s¹ 121 +105
h20d¹ 114 93

2 DEMPSEY (IRE)

6 11-12

133 +

b.g. Lord Americo – Kyle Cailin (Over The River (FR)) [2003/4 F17m* 17d* 17v* 16g^F 16g* Apr 4 :: 2004/5 NR] good-topped gelding: fairly useful form in bumpers, landing odds at Hereford in October: fairly useful novice hurdler: successful 3 of 4 starts over hurdles, at Folkestone in November and December and Wincanton in April: beat Gaora Bridge by 4 lengths in 9-runner event for latest success, always prominent and pushed out after awkward at last: running creditably (held by Contraband) when falling last at Kempton penultimate start: bred to stay at least 2½m: needs to improve his jumping.

M. PITMAN

T. J. Murphy

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

h16g¹ 133 +N
h16g¹ 127 +N
h17v¹ 125 +N
h17d¹ 126 +N
F17m¹ 111 +W

3 KAHUNA (IRE)

7 11-12

136

b.g. Mister Lord (USA) – My Baloo (On Your Mark) [2003/4 16m* 16d³ 16d* 16d⁴ 24sur 16v* 20d⁵ Mar 4 :: 2004/5 NR] tall, angular gelding: fairly useful novice hurdler: won at Cork (maiden) in November and Punchestown in December and January (beat Euro Leader 7 lengths in Grade 2): best form at 2m (weakened 2 out after setting good pace over 2½m last time): acts on heavy and good to firm going: front runner: sometimes none too fluent.

E. SHEEHY, IRELAND

J. R. Barry

Red, black stars, black sleeves, white cap, red star (Mrs Roisin Sheehy)

h20d¹ 119 L
h16v¹ 136 G2
h24s¹ N
h16d¹ 122 G2
h16d¹ 130 N
h16d¹ 123 +W

4 LA MANDRAGOLA

7 11-12

113

b.g. Machiavellian (USA) – Wajd (USA) (Northern Dancer) [2003/4 16s⁵ 16d* Mar 31 :: 2004/5 NR] fair on Flat up to 1½m: much better effort in maiden hurdles (similar form) when winning 20-runner event at Clonmel by 3 lengths from Major Burns.

R. J. OSBORNE, IRELAND

Mr D. P. Maher

Red, black sleeves, yellow cap (Mr T. P. Gavigan)

h16d¹ 113 N
h16s¹ 96 N

5 ROCKSTOWN BOY (IRE)

6 11-12

144 p

b.g. Toulon – Palatine Lady (Pauper) [2003/4 F16g⁶ 20s* 16d* 20d² 16msu 16s^F Mar 14 :: 2004/5 NR] rangy, useful-looking gelding: smart bumper performer: won first 2 starts over hurdles, maiden at Gowran in May and novice at Tralee in June: slipped up before halfway penultimate start (reportedly sprained fetlock): off 5 months, running best race when falling last in handicap hurdle won by She'll Be Lucky at Cork last time: will stay beyond 2½m: acts on soft going: likely to do better still, though well held on Flat Apr 15.

C. BYRNES, IRELAND

D. N. Russell

White, emerald green hoop and armlet, royal blue and yellow quartered cap (Morning Dew Racing Club)

h16s¹ 144 +128
h16m¹ G3
h20d¹ 132 +N
h16d¹ 120 +N
h20s¹ 124 +N
F16g¹ 114 +G1

6 ROYAL ALPHABET (IRE)

6 11-12

(tongue strap)

142 p

b.g. King's Theatre (IRE) – A-To-Z (IRE) (Ahoonora) [2003/4 F16g² 16f* 16d* 16d* Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] unfurnished gelding: smart in bumpers: fairly useful form on Flat, winning 1¾m maiden in June: tongue tied, successful all 3 starts over hurdles, maiden at Punchestown in September and novices at Thurles in March and Fairyhouse (Grade 2 Menolly Homes Novice Hurdle, well on top at line when beating Snapper Creek 1½ lengths) in April: will probably stay 2½m but has plenty of speed: open to further improvement.

W. P. MULLINS, IRELAND

R. Walsh

Emerald green, orange epaulettes and armlet, orange cap, white star (Ballylinch Stud)

h16d¹ 138 +G2
h16d¹ 127 +N
h16f¹ 132 +N
F16g¹ 122 +G1

7 RUPUNUNI (IRE)

7 11-12

b.g. Fourstars Allstar (USA) – Pisa (Carlingford Castle) [2003/4 16m² 16s* 16m* 16f* 16d⁶ 16d^{pu} Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] big, good-bodied gelding: fifth foal: dam unraced half-sister to smart chaser up to 2½m Another Dolly: fairly useful hurdler: successful in maiden at Listowel in September and Grade 3 novice at Tipperary (idled when beating Felix The Great 2½ lengths) and intermediate at Cork (produced easily best turn of foot when beating Commonchero a length) in October: off 4½ months, well below form last time: raced at 2m: successful on soft going, better on firmer (acts on firm).

FRANCIS ENNIS, IRELAND

J. Culloty

*Yellow, emerald green cross of lorraine, yellow and white quartered cap (Mr T. Miley)***8 SNAPPER CREEK (IRE)**

8 11-12

b.g. Castle Keep – Vultang Lady (Le Bavard (FR)) [2003/4 16d^{bd} 16d⁴ 20s* 18v* 20d 16d² Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] IR 5,000 4-y-o: fifth foal: half-brother to bumper winner Plastic Paddy (by Beau Sher) and winning 3m chaser Belharbour (by Lancastrian): dam unraced sister to dam of high-class staying chaser Couldnt Be Better and half-sister to smart chaser up to 3m Kilkilowen: pulled up only start in points: fair form over hurdles, made all in weak maiden at Tramore in December and minor event at Punchestown (beat Euro Leader 7 lengths) in January: respiratory tract infection when tailed off next time, apparently much improved when 1½ lengths second of 9 to Royal Alphabet in Grade 2 novice at Fairyhouse (allowed to build long lead) latest start: bred to be suited by further than 2m: raced on going softer than good over hurdles (acts on heavy).

J. A. BERRY, IRELAND

G. T. Hutchinson

*White, large purple spots, purple spots on sleeves, quartered cap (Manjana Syndicate)***9 COMMON WORLD (USA)**

5 11-11

ch.h. Spinning World (USA) – Spenderella (FR) (Common Grounds) [2003/4 16g² 16d⁵ Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] smart at best on Flat (stays 1¼m) for G. Butler: ran on well when length second of 17 to Nopekan in minor event at Leopardstown on hurdling debut: below that form in Grade 2 novice at Fairyhouse.

N. MEADE, IRELAND

I. J. Power

*Black, light green hooped sleeves, light green cap (Mrs J. McCormack)***10 DAWN INVASION (IRE)**

5 11-11

b.h. Common Grounds – Princess of Zurich (IRE) (Law Society (USA)) [2003/4 16dF 20d 16s* 16d* Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] smart on Flat (stays easy 1¾m), sold out of Mrs A. Perrett's stable 65,000 gns Newmarket Autumn Sales: promising efforts first 2 starts over hurdles and successful in maiden at Cork and minor event at Fairyhouse since, useful form when beating Arch Stanton by length at latter course: capable of better still.

ANTHONY MÜLLINS, IRELAND

D. J. Casey

*Yellow and royal blue diablo, royal blue sleeves, striped cap (Mr Sean J. Murphy)***11 OVERSTRAND (IRE)**

5 11-11

b.g. In The Wings – Vaison La Romaine (Arctic Tern (USA)) [2003/4 20g* 17g* 17d* 16d* 16s 21g² 21d⁴ 16s Mar 13 :: 2004/5 NR] lengthy, angular gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 2m), respectable fifth Apr 8: vastly improved form over hurdles when winning William Hill Handicap at Sandown in December by 5 lengths from Our Vic: easily best effort since (unsuited by steady pace last time) when creditable second to Ziggy Zen in novice at Kempton: earlier won maiden at Perth in May and novices at Market Rasen (amateurs) and Carlisle in November: effective at 2m to 21f: raced on good going or softer: has taken good hold, and usually held up (raced prominently when below form latest start).

MRS M. REVELEY

C. O'Dwyer

*(F. F. Racing Services P'ship IV)***12 ROYAL SHAKESPEARE (FR)**

5 11-11

b.g. King's Theatre (IRE) – Persian Walk (FR) (Persian Bold) [2003/4 17s* 19g* 16g* Apr 2 :: 2004/5 NR] useful-looking gelding: first foal: dam 1½m winner: successful once over 11f from 5 starts on Flat in UAE, sold out of K. McLaughlin's stable 52,000 gns Doncaster May Sales: has taken very well to hurdling and unbeaten in 3 starts in novice company, first 2 at Sedgefield and Doncaster then 12-runner Premier Convenience Stores Top Novices' Hurdle at Aintree: 25/1 and on toes, easily best effort when beating Contraband a neck in latter, held up, going second after 2 out and leading last 100 yds: stays 19f: raced on good/soft ground: already useful, and may improve further.

S. GOLLINGS

B. J. Geraghty

*White, red stars, red and white hooped sleeves (Mr J. B. Webb)***126**

h16d' G2
h16d' 125+G1
h16f' 126 W
h16m' 126 G3
h16s' 108 N
h16m' 121 N

13 ZUM SEE (IRE)

5 11-11

ch.g. Perugino (USA) – Drew (IRE) (Double Schwartz) [2003/4 F16g 16d* 16m 16s² 16d* 16g Mar 16 :: 2004/5 NR] well-made gelding: will make a chaser: second foal: dam unraced out of half-sister to disqualified Irish Oaks winner Sorbus: best effort in bumpers when winning maiden at Punchestown in 2002/3 (didn't look easy ride there in April): fairly useful form over hurdles: won maiden at Naas in November and novice there (beat Corrib Boy cheekily by 2 lengths) in March: looked none too cooperative when well held in Supreme Novices' Hurdle at Cheltenham last time: raced around 2m: possibly needs going softer than good (yet to race on heavy).

N. MEADE, IRELAND

P. Carberry

*White, red stars, red sleeves, white stars, white cap, red stars (Alex Syndicate)***136**

h16g' 111 G1
h16d' 130+N
h16s' 125 W
h16m' G3
h16d' 122+N
F16g' G1

136 ?

h16d' 136? G2
h20d' G3
h18v' 118+W
h20s' 102 N
h16d' 111 N
h16d' W

127

h16d' 118 G2
h16g' 127 W

144 p

h16d' 144 W
h16s' 114+N
h20d' 107+L
h16d' 109+N

133 +

h16s' 124 131
h21d' 128+N
h21g' 133+N
h16s' 117 132
h16d' 141 120
h17d' 117+N

148 p

h16g' 148+G2
h19g' 127+N
h17s' 121 N

4.25 THE MURPHY INTERNATIONAL LTD 2½m**HANDICAP HURDLE**

€40,000 4yo+ (Rated 0-140) TWFA 4 12-0

- 1 STRIKE BACK (IRE)** 6 12-0 **143**
 b.g. Bob Back (USA) – First Strike (IRE) (Magical Strike (USA)) [2003/4 F16g* F16g² 16g* 19d* 16d³ 20s⁶ 20d² 20g⁵ Apr 1 :: 2004/5 NR] IR £22,000 3-y-o, €44,000 4-y-o: useful-looking gelding: second foal: brother to bumper winner Rugged Jacket: dam ran once: won bumper at Down Royal in May: progressive novice hurdler: won at Roscommon in October and Naas in November: placed since in Grade 1 at Fairyhouse and listed event at Thurles, and improved again when fifth to Garde Champetre in Grade 2 at Aintree: stays 2½m: acts on good to soft going (reportedly amiss on soft).
 MRS J. HARRINGTON, IRELAND A. D. Leigh (7)
Emerald green and white diamonds, white sleeves, white cap, em. green diamonds (Commonstown Racing Syndicate)
- 2 BALAPOUR (IRE)** 6 11-12 (tongue strap) **140**
 b.g. Kahyasi – Balaniya (USA) (Diesis) [2003/4 16d 19s⁶ 16s^{ur} 16s 16g⁴ 17d⁴ 16d⁴ Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] smallish gelding: useful hurdler: good fourth to Sporazene in County Hurdle (Handicap) at Cheltenham penultimate start: not discredited when fourth of 9 to Dawn Invasion in minor event at Fairyhouse last time: should stay at least 2½m: acts on firm and soft going (possibly not heavy): usually tongue tied.
 PATRICK O. BRADY, IRELAND M. F. Mooney (3)
Black, red spots, black cap, white spots (Miss Rita Shah)
- 3 CALLADINE (IRE)** 8 11-9 **?**
 b.g. Erins Isle – Motus (Anfield) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 NR] close-coupled gelding: useful hurdler: third of 6 to Sacundai in Grade 2 at Gowran final start in 2002/3, not seen out since: ideally suited by 2½m+: acts on soft going (pulled too hard on good to firm).
 C. ROCHE, IRELAND M. P. Walsh (5)
White, royal blue spots, striped cap (Mr Seamus Murphy)
- 4 SABADILLA (USA)** 10 11-3 **138**
 b.g. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Jasmina (USA) (Forli (ARG)) [2003/4 16g* 17g 16g* 17s³ 16d* 16g⁶ 16m^{pu} 16d Apr 13 :: 2004/5 NR] leggy gelding: fairly useful hurdler: won handicaps at Punchestown in May, Limerick in June and Galway (Guinness Galway Hurdle, beat Cloone River ¾ length) in July: lame penultimate start, off 6 months prior to well held last time: best around 2m: acts on soft and good to firm going: held up.
 PATRICK MICHAEL VERLING, IRELAND P. M. Verling
Dark green, orange triple diamond, dark green cap, orange diamond (Mr W. Coleman)
- 5 CAIMIN'S CAPER (IRE)** 6 11-0 **136**
 gr.g. Norwich – Dj Rose (IRE) (Dominion) [2003/4 F16s^{2d} F16v⁶ 16d 16s 16s* 16v* 16s* 16d* Apr 10 :: 2004/5 NR] second foal: dam never ran: fair form on first of 2 starts in bumpers: progressive hurdler: successful last 4 outings, in maiden and novice at Tramore in January, novice handicap at Wexford in March and handicap at Cork (beat Willie The Shoe by length) in April: raced at 2m on ground softer than good (acts on heavy).
 J. T. R. DREAPER, IRELAND B. J. Geraghty
White and yellow diamonds, yellow sleeves, quartered cap (Mr Herb M. Stanley)
- 6 FIND THE KING (IRE)** 6 11-0 (tongue strap) **143**
 b.h. King's Theatre (IRE) – Undiscovered (Tap On Wood) [2003/4 17g c20g² c17d² c21f* c21m³ Oct 5 :: 2004/5 NR] good-topped gelding: fairly useful hurdler/chaser: fortunate winner of maiden chase at Cork in August: much better form when 6½ lengths third of 9 to Catalpa Cargo in Grade 3 novice at Tipperary last time: stays 21f: acts on soft and good to firm going: usually tongue tied: has been led in.
 E. J. O'GRADY, IRELAND J. Culloty
Yellow, royal blue panel, striped sleeves, yellow cap, royal blue spots (Mr J. S. Gutkin)

- 7 STASHEDAWAY (IRE)** 7 10-13 **146**
 b.m. Treasure Hunter – Mugs Away (Mugatpura) [2003/4 20g⁵ 20d² 16d³ c18d* c16d³ c20s² c21s² c20s* c20d³ c22s³ Mar 28 :: 2004/5 NR] lengthy mare: fairly useful hurdler/chaser: won mares novice chases at Punchestown (listed) in December and Thurles (Grade 3) in February: below form last 2 starts: stays 21f: acts on soft going: consistent.
 M. J. P. O'BRIEN, IRELAND T. G. M. Ryan (7)
Black, white chevron and sleeves, em. green and royal blue striped cap (Mr T. B. Conroy)
- 8 DOONAREE (IRE)** 8 10-11 (tongue strap) **144**
 b.h. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Rosananti (Blushing Groom (FR)) [2003/4 16v³ 16d³ 18d* 16g⁴ 16m⁵ 20d* 20s⁴ 16s⁴ 20d^f 20s⁵ 20g Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] angular gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: won at Galway in August and Punchestown in November: well below form last 2 starts: stays 2½m: acts on heavy going: tongue tied: sixth on Flat Apr 18.
 T. HOGAN, IRELAND K. Hadnett (3)
Royal blue and white quartered, halved sleeves, royal blue cap, white spots (Mrs Eileen Fallon)
- 9 LE-MONDE (IRE)** 6 10-11 (blinkers) **141**
 br.h. Anabaa (USA) – Alexandra Fair (USA) (Green Dancer (USA)) [2003/4 24d c22d² c21g* c20g³ c20v^{pu} 20s³ 19d* 22s 22d Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] best effort over fences when winning maiden at Cork in June: fairly useful handicap hurdler: won at Naas in March by ¾ length from Supergood: well below form last 2 starts: effective at 19f to 3m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: effective with or without cheekpieces.
 D. M. LEIGH, IRELAND J. F. Levins (7)
Red, emerald green cross sashes, hooped sleeves and cap (Mr P. Fadden)
- 10 AL TOWD (USA)** 7 10-9 **140**
 b.h. Kingmambo (USA) – Toujours Elle (USA) (Lyphard (USA)) [2003/4 16d⁶ 20s* 22s⁵ 24d 20s⁴ 22s³ 22d* Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] sturdy horse: fair hurdler: won minor event at Clonmel in December and 27-runner handicap at Fairyhouse in April, beating Well Presented 2½ lengths at latter course: stays 2¾am: acts on heavy going.
 M. HALFORD, IRELAND D. J. Boland (7)
Emerald green and black chevrons, emerald green sleeves, hooped cap (Mr Paul Rooney)
- 11 ANOTHER DOLLAR (IRE)** 6 10-9 **131**
 b.m. Supreme Leader – Deep Dollar (Non-Thoroughbred) [2003/4 F18d F16s* 19d⁴ 16m⁵ 18g⁶ 20d* 20d⁶ 20s⁴ 20s* 20d Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] won at Fairyhouse in May on last of 3 starts in bumpers: fair hurdler: won mares maiden at Clonmel in December and minor event at Punchestown (beat Maith An Fear 9 lengths) in March: well below form in Grade 3 mares novice at Fairyhouse last time: stays 2½m: acts on soft going.
 MRS J. HARRINGTON, IRELAND R. M. Power (3)
Purple, pink spots, purple sleeves, purple cap, pink spots (Mr Godfrey Deacon)
- 12 MANSONY (FR)** 5 10-9 **144**
 b.g. Mansonnien (FR) – Hairly (FR) (Air de Cour (USA)) [2003/4 16d⁵ 16s* 20s 16s* 16d⁴ Feb 22 :: 2004/5 NR] ex-French gelding: second foal: half-brother to winning chaser around 2m Lyfairy (by Lyphard's Wish): dam winning hurdler around 2m in France: fairly useful hurdler: trained by Y. Fouin in 2002/3: won maiden at Down Royal in December and minor event at Thurles in February, making all by 3½ lengths from Old Flame in latter: creditable fourth to Green Belt Flyer in handicap at Naas last time: raced mainly around 2m (had excuse when well held over 2½m): acts on soft ground.
 A. L. T. MOORE, IRELAND C. O'Dwyer
Black, pink star and cap (Mr Michael Mulholland)
- 13 ALWAYS** 5 10-7 **143**
 b.g. Dynaformer (USA) – Love And Affection (USA) (Exclusive Era (USA)) [2003/4 16s² 16g* 16m* 16g 20d² 16d⁴ 20s⁴ 16v⁶ 20d⁴ Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] leggy gelding: fairly useful on Flat (stays 1½m) for J. Dunlop: fairly useful hurdler: won maiden and novice at Roscommon in August: creditable fourth to Sadlers Wings in Grade 2 novice at Fairyhouse last time: stays 2½m: acts on soft and good to firm going: tried blinkered/tongue tied.
 NOEL MEADE, IRELAND P. Carberry
Purple, gold sleeves, hooped cap (Mr D. P. Sharkey)

14 MAITH AN FEAR (IRE) 6 10-7 **130**
 ch.g. Semillon – Cruising Speed (IRE) (Over The River (FR)) [2003/4 F16d F16d⁵ 20d³ 18s⁴ 20s* 20s² 20d^{pu} Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] fair form in bumpers: fair hurdler: won maiden at Limerick in February: much better effort in minor events since when 9 lengths second to Another Dollar at Punchestown: stays 2½m: raced only on going softer than good: tried blinkered in bumpers.
MS D. B. SCHOLTS, IRELAND R. Geraghty
Maroon, yellow chevrons on sleeves, maroon cap, yellow star (Ms D. B. Scholts)

114
 h20d¹ W
 h20s¹ 130 W
 h20s² 125+N
 h18s¹ 130 N
 h20d¹ 130 N
 F16d¹ 119 W

15 SNOWY FORD (IRE) 7 10-7 **145**
 b.g. Be My Native (USA) – Monalee Stream (Paddy's Stream) [2003/4 20g c17s* c20d³ c20d c24d c19d³ c22s c24s⁴ c20s* c20s^f c20v^R Apr 17 :: 2004/5 NR] medium-sized gelding: fairly useful handicap hurdler: of similar level over fences: won maiden at Killarney in May and minor event at Tramore in March: well beaten when refusing last time: should stay beyond 2½m: acts on heavy going: blinkered 2 starts prior to latest: races prominently.
PAUL NOLAN, IRELAND J. L. Cullen
Orange, emerald green cross sashes, sleeves and cap (Mr T. HATTON)

114
 c20v¹ 122
 c20s¹ 147+121
 c20s² 145 W
 c24s¹ 137 118
 c22s¹ 118
 c19d¹ 147 116

16 MACABEO 8 10-2 **—**
 b.g. Mtoto – Miquette (Fabulous Dancer (USA)) [2003/4 20d c17s^{pu} c18s 16g Feb 29 :: 2004/5 NR] one-time fairly useful hurdler: showed nothing in 2003/4, including over fences: stays 2¾m: acts on firm ground, possibly not heavy: tried blinkered/tongue tied.
J. J. LENNON, IRELAND K. Whelan
White, royal blue chevron and sleeves, check cap (Mr Stephen Murphy)

109

17 TUMBLING DICE (IRE) 5 10-2 **143**
 b.h. King's Theatre (IRE) – Eva Fay (IRE) (Petong) [2003/4 16m 16d 16d 16d² 16s³ 20s* 22d⁵ 20s 20s* 20g⁴ Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] fourth foal: half-brother to 1½m winner Brisbane Road (by Blues Traveller): dam unraced half-sister to smart Italian middle-distance performer Teach Dha Mhile and top-class chaser Remittance Man: fair hurdler: won handicaps at Cork in January and Wexford in March: creditable fourth of 22 to Model Son in similar event at former course last time: stays 2½m: acts on soft ground.
T. J. TAAFFÉ, IRELAND D. J. Casey
Black, red hollow box, check cap (Mrs John Donegan)

109
 h20g¹ 141 109
 h20s¹ 143 102
 h20s² 131 103
 h22d¹ 138 103
 h20s¹ 136 98
 h16s¹ 136 N

18 MERLYN'S MONTY (IRE) 6 10-1 **135**
 b.g. Montelimar (USA) – Aberedw (IRE) (Caerwent) [2003/4 18d 20s* 24d^F 20g Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] won bumper at Tipperary in 2002/3: fair form over hurdles, winning maiden at Cork in January by 3½ lengths from Kitty Star: ninth of 22 to Model Son there on completed start in handicaps: likely to stay 3m.
MISS F. M. CROWLEY, IRELAND J. R. Barry
Yellow, black spots, black sleeves, yellow cap (Mr J. A. Keogh)

108
 h20g¹ 134 109
 h24d¹ 109
 h20s¹ 135 N
 h18d¹ N

19 HORNER ROCKS (IRE) 8 10-0 **137**
 b.g. Phardante (FR) – Horner Water (IRE) (Over The River (FR)) [2003/4 20g² c17s^F c22d c20d² 20d⁴ c17s* 20s 22s 22d Apr 12 :: 2004/5 NR] smallish gelding: fair hurdler/chaser: won maiden over fences at Limerick in December: best effort in handicap hurdles last 3 starts when tenth of 27 to Al Towd at Fairyhouse last time: should stay beyond 2½m: acts on heavy going, well held only start on good to firm.
M. HOURIGAN, IRELAND T. J. Murphy
Red and yellow quartered, emerald green sleeves and cap (Mr P. M. Prior-Wandesforde)

107
 h22d¹ 137 109
 h22s¹ 110
 h20s¹ 111
 c17s¹ 142 W
 h20d¹ 146 111
 c20d¹ 143 W

20 MODEL SON (IRE) 6 9-13 **143**
 b.g. Leading Counsel (USA) – Miss Mutley (Pitpan) [2003/4 19d 24s 16s⁶ 20d³ 20s² 22d² 20g* Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] progressive form over hurdles, comfortably making all by 4 lengths from Risk It Paddy in 22-runner handicap at Cork last time: stays 2¾m: acts on soft going.
D. HASSETT, IRELAND G. Cotter
Purple and white chevrons, white sleeves, purple armlet, white cap (Mr P. J. Hughes)

106
 h20g¹ 141+98
 h22d¹ 135 94
 h20s¹ 134 90
 h20d¹ 124 88
 h16s¹ 113 N
 h24s¹ N

21 PEARLY JACK 6 9-13 **143**
 ch.g. Weld – Pearly Lady (Tycoon II) [2003/4 F18d* 16d 18g 16s² 18s² 20s² 20s* 24d 20s Mar 14 :: 2004/5 NR] dam unraced from family of top-class chaser Pearlyman: fell in point on debut: successful at Punchestown in May on second of 2 starts in bumpers: fair hurdler: won maiden at Clonmel in February: below form both starts since: stays 2½m: acts on soft going.
D. E. FITZGERALD, IRELAND M. D. Grant
Yellow, maroon disc and spots on sleeves, maroon cap (Mrs A. McCarthy)

106
 h20s¹ W
 h24d¹ 127 108
 h20s¹ 143 N
 h20s² 134 N
 h18s¹ 143 N
 h16s¹ 143 N

22 SPARKLING GOLD (IRE) 10 9-12 **154 ?**
 ch.g. Andreotti – Aliceion (Tanfirion) [2003/4 NR :: 2004/5 NR] lengthy, angular gelding: fairly useful hurdler/chaser: creditable efforts both completed starts in 2002/3: stays 3m: acts on any going: not a fluent jumper of fences.
J. E. KIELY, IRELAND L. A. Hurley (3)
Emerald green and white chevrons, white sleeves, emerald green cap, white spots (Mr Michael J. Cashman)

105

23 OLD PIKE GIRL (IRE) 7 9-10 **140**
 gr.m. Jurado (USA) – Nancy's Sister (Non-Thoroughbred) [2003/4 F16^F F18m³ 24d⁵ 20d* 20d⁶ 20s* 24s 20s² 16d⁴ 20g Apr 11 :: 2004/5 NR] modest form in bumpers: fair hurdler: won maiden at Clonmel and handicap at Limerick in December: reported to be clinically abnormal seventh start, creditable efforts all 3 runs since (seventh of 22 to Model Son in handicap at Cork on latest): stays 2½m: acts on soft going: tried in cheekpieces: tongue tied.
G. M. O'NEILL, IRELAND B. S. Carey (7)
Emerald green, white sleeves, royal blue and emerald green striped cap (Mr J. Doherty)

103
 h20g¹ 138 104
 h16d¹ 140 L
 h20s¹ 140 99
 h24s¹ 95
 h20s² 140 92
 h20d¹ 130 92

24 PALACE STORM (IRE) 8 9-10 **139**
 b.g. Jurado (USA) – Newtown Storm (Salluceva) [2003/4 16g² 20f^{su} 18d c16s c17s c16d Apr 8 :: 2004/5 NR] first foal: dam won bumper and 2¼m maiden hurdle: bumper winner: fair maiden hurdler: has shown little over fences: stays 2½m: acts on good to firm and good to soft going: often tongue tied.
PETER CASEY, IRELAND O. Casey (7)
White, royal blue spots, striped cap (Mr Seamus Murphy)

103
 c16d¹ 106? W
 c17s¹ N
 c16s¹ W
 h18d¹ NA
 h20f¹ N
 h16g¹ 139 N

25 SIGMA TECHS (IRE) 6 9-9 **147**
 b.g. Beneficial – Eoin's Orchestra (IRE) (Orchestra) [2003/4 F18g² F19f* 22m* 24g² 22d⁵ 24d Dec 27 :: 2004/5 NR] successful at Kilbeggan on last of 3 starts in bumpers: fair hurdler: won maiden at Downpatrick in October: poor effort in handicap last time: stays 3m: acts on firm and good to soft going.
N. MEADE, IRELAND Mr N. P. Madden (3)
Royal blue and white halved, royal blue sleeves and cap (Mr J. A. Boyle)

102
 h24d¹ 128 104
 h22d¹ 146 N
 h24g¹ 147 N
 h22m¹ 141+N
 F19f¹ 130 W
 F18g¹ 129 W

26 SNOB WELLS (IRE) 7 9-9 **140**
 b.h. Sadler's Wells (USA) – Galitizine (USA) (Riverman (USA)) [2003/4 c20d c17f^B c18f^{pu} c17g² c17d c16g^{pu} 16d 16d 16s⁵ 20d³ 16s³ 18d³ 19s⁵ 16s 20d 20d Feb 28 :: 2004/5 NR] useful-looking gelding: fair handicap hurdler/chaser: ran poorly over hurdles last time: stays 2½m: acts on good to firm and heavy going: tried blinkered/in cheekpieces, sometimes tongue tied: has looked none too keen.
N. MEADE, IRELAND P. C. Stringer (7)
Scarlet, white sleeves, white cap, yellow spots (Miss G. O'Brien)

102
 h20d¹ 127 104
 h20d² 140 106
 h16s¹ 133 108
 h19s¹ 139 109
 h18d¹ 143 109
 h16s² 148 109

27 SUPREME BEING (IRE) 7 9-7 **129**
 b.g. Supreme Leader – Parsonetta (The Parson) [2003/4 20d⁴ 22s Mar 14 :: 2004/5 NR] unfurnished gelding: fair handicap hurdler: poor efforts both starts this season: should be suited by further than 2½m: acts on heavy going: effective blinkered or not, wore cheekpieces last time: none too consistent.
MICHAEL CUNNINGHAM, IRELAND J. P. Elliott (3)
Black, red crusader cross, yellow sleeves and cap (Mrs B. Lynch)

100
 h22s¹ 102
 h20d¹ 129 102

28 REGELLO (IRE) 7 9-7 **135**
 br.g. Norwich – Lady Torsil (Nijinsky (CAN)) [2003/4 16m^{pu} 16d 22s 16s* 16s³ 17s⁶ 16v 16s* 16s³ Apr 4 :: 2004/5 NR] modest handicap hurdler: won at Punchestown in December (conditional jockeys) and March: creditable third to Stutter at Tramore last time: raced mainly around 2m: acts on soft going.
PAUL NOLAN, IRELAND D. P. O'Dwyer (7)
Maroon and yellow stripes, white sleeves, maroon and yellow quartered cap (R. C. W. D. Syndicate)

100
 h16s¹ 134 94
 h16s² 135 87
 h16v¹ 88A
 h17s¹ 121 88
 h16s¹ 124 88
 h16s² 124 81

29 MONTREAL (IRE) 7 9-7 **134**
 b. or br.m. Marju (IRE) – Porto Alegre (Habitat) [2003/4 F16g F18m F16s^{pu} 20d⁴ 20s⁶ 20s 16s⁴ 16d Apr 10 :: 2004/5 NR] signs of a little ability in bumpers (saddle slipped final start): modest form over hurdles: ran poorly in handicap last time: probably stays 2½m: acts on soft going.
EUGENE M. O'SULLIVAN, IRELAND J. M. Allen (5)
Yellow, royal blue chevron and sleeves, check cap (Mr Eugene M. O'Sullivan)

100
 h16d¹ 119 90
 h16s¹ 134 91
 h20s¹ 118 N
 h20s² N
 h20d¹ 128 N
 F16s¹ W