

## COMMENTS AND SELECTIONS - WOLVERHAMPTON

### RACE 1: PLAY 4 TO WIN AT BETWAY APPRENTICE HANDICAP

**Angel On High**                      **Chipiron**                      **Progressive**

Chipiron won well over a couple of furlongs further here last time but a 5lb penalty for that could make him vulnerable, especially over this shorter trip. Progressive landed a decent hurdle at Chepstow in October and is interesting, though he did run at Lingfield on Wednesday, so preference is for ANGEL ON HIGH. Harry Dunlop's runner finished on the heels of the winner when third over this course and distance last time and could be the answer off the same mark in this.

#### NO.      HORSE NAME

- 1            CHIPIRON                                      Has won nine races from 1m 4f to 1m 7f including 4 wins on the all-weather (2 PO). A winner at 5-1 here over 1m 6f on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Three Platoon by 3/4l. Carries a 5lb penalty today for that success.
- 2            ANGEL ON HIGH                                  A winner at 1m 2f on polytrack, but that win was over two years ago. Third of 11 behind Trevolli beaten 1 1/4l at 9-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance in December last year.
- 3            KOEMAN                                              Has won eight races from 1m 3f to 1m 4f including 4 wins on the all-weather (3 PO). Beaten 7l behind Trevolli at 14-1 when eighth of 11 on his latest outing over this course and distance in December last year.
- 4            PROGRESSIVE                                      A winner at 1m 2f on the all-weather. Finished 6l behind Jasmine Joy when sixth of 8 at 33-1 on her latest flat outing at Yarmouth over 1m 3f (good) in September last year.

### RACE 2: MANSIONBET PROUD PARTNERS OF AWC CLASSIFIED SELLING STAKES

**Distinction**                      **Across The Nile**                      **Never Said Nothing**

Never Said Nothing finished half a length ahead of Across The Nile when they filled the top two spots here last time but isn't certain to confirm the form on 4lb worse terms in this. Both have claims in this race, but perhaps DISTINCTION can get the better of them both after he appeared to get back to form when third in a selling handicap here last time. This longer trip could prove the boost needed for Karl Burke's gelding.

#### NO.      HORSE NAME

- 1            NEVER SAID NOTHING                              He has won four times from 1m to 1m 1f including 2 wins on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 9-4fav over this course and distance earlier this month, beating Across The Nile by 1/2l.
- 2            ELIXSOFT                                              Winner of six races from 7f to 1m 1f including 4 wins on the all-weather. Finished 3l behind Homer Stokes when sixth of 11 at 14-1 on her latest outing at Southwell over 7f in December last year.
- 3            MYTHICAL MADNESS                                  Has won 12 races from 1m to 1m 2f including 4 wins on the all-weather (1 PO). Finished 4l behind Nuble when fourth of 11 at 18-1 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 2f earlier this month.

- 4      **RIGHT ACTION**                                      Winner of seven races from 6f to 7f including 2 wins on the all-weather. Finished 3l behind Kenstone when fourth of 10 at 13-2 on his latest outing here over 7f earlier this month.
- 5      **VOCATUS**                                              Successful at 7f and 1m. Beaten 8l behind Local Bay at 9-2 when seventh of 13 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 1m in December last year.
- 6      **ACROSS THE NILE**                                  Placed in four of eight starts. Beaten 1/2l by Never Said Nothing when second of 6 at 13-2 on her latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.
- 7      **DISTINCTION**                                        A winner at 7f. Third of 10 behind Kenstone beaten 1 3/4l at 7-1 on his latest outing here over 7f earlier this month.

### **RACE 3: CORAL PROUD TO SUPPORT BRITISH RACING HANDICAP**

#### **San Francisco Bay      Attentive      Bearing Bob**

SAN FRANCISCO BAY was a revelation when switched to handicaps over this track and trip last time, though he lost the race in the stewards' room after hanging once hitting the front. That could be put down to greenness when ahead and perhaps he'll be straighter when push comes to shove here. Attentive doesn't look especially well treated on her handicap bow but has run a couple of solid races recently so cannot be ruled out, while Bearing Bob had been sent off at 80/1 and 200/1 (twice) in maidens but almost landed a gamble on his handicap debut here last time and could build on that.

#### **NO.      HORSE NAME**

- 1      **ATTENTIVE**                                              Placed twice in three starts. Third of 10 behind Mighty Afra beaten 2 3/4l at 10-3 on her latest outing at Kempton over 1m in December last year.
- 2      **SAN FRANCISCO BAY**                                  Placed once in four starts. Beaten by Oh Great when 2nd but disqualified and placed 2nd of 8 at 13-2 on his latest outing over this course and distance in August last year.
- 3      **LIGHTENING GESTURE**                              A winner at 7f. Finished 7l behind Neat And Dandy when last of 4 at 12-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance in December last year.
- 4      **SUBJECTIVE VALUE**                                  Placed twice in five starts. Third of 8 behind My Little Tip beaten 6l at 16-1 on his latest outing at Yarmouth over 7f (good) in September last year.
- 5      **LA DUCHESSE**                                        Yet to place in three starts. Finished 4l behind Zain Nibras when fifth of 8 at 7-1 on her latest outing at Brighton over 7f (good to firm) in September last year.
- 6      **BEARING BOB**                                        Placed once in four starts. Beaten 2 3/4l by Golden Sands when second of 10 at 10-3 on his latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.