

COMMENT & SELECTIONS - PUNCHESTOWN

RACE 2: BETVICTOR SUPPORTING IRISH RACING MAIDEN

Golden Beach Zuhra Fearless Futures

GOLDEN BEACH, with a poor draw in 16, has run two solid races in decent maidens. A brother to a Group 2 winner, he was well held behind capable types at Galway and ran well in a useful Gowran maiden, from which the fourth and eight placed horses won next time. World Famous finished one length in front of Changingoftheguard at Leopardstown and while the pair are closely matched, Changingoftheguard races lazily but does seem to stay well. River Thames, a 320,000gns yearling, is out of a winning dam whose sister was a Group 3 winner, but he should improve from debut. Believe In Science stayed on well despite starting slowly at Roscommon but he was disappointing at the Curragh just five days later. Yashin ran with promise on debut but needs to improve. Aga Khan-bred Zuhra is a half-sister to a black type performer, while Fearless Futures' dam was a juvenile winner and is from a smart family. Saval Boys was an 80,000-pound yearling purchase with black type winners in his pedigree. Swing Point, a 45,000-dollar yearling, Tourgar Raude and Ta Na La are each related to north American winners and black type performers.

NO. HORSE NAME

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| 1 | BELIEVE IN SCIENCE | Half-brother to Dream Of Words, won twice at 7f. Placed once in two starts. Well beaten at 9-2 behind Duke De Sessa when 9th of 11 on his latest outing at Curragh over 1m (soft) last month. |
| 2 | CHANGINGOFTHEGUARD | Dam won five times at 7f and 1m including a Group 2 race. Unplaced in both starts. Finished 4l behind Mctigue when fifth of 8 at 2-1fav on his latest outing at Leopardstown over 1m (yielding) last month. |
| 3 | DUBIRANGO | Half-brother to Earls, won three times at 5f and 6f. |
| 4 | FEARLESS FUTURES | Half-brother to Whenthedealinsdone, won three times at 5f and 6f. |
| 5 | GOLDEN BEACH | Full brother to Imaging, won five times at 7f and 1m including a Group 3 race. Unplaced in both starts. Finished 1 3/4l behind Rerouting when fifth of 16 at 4-1 on his latest outing at Gowran Park over 7f (good) last month. |
| 6 | GOLDEN TICKET | Half-brother to Miss Power, won three times at 5f. |
| 7 | RIVER THAMES | Dam won at 6f. |
| 8 | SAVAL BOYS | Dam a lightly raced maiden. |
| 9 | SWING POINT | Dam won twice at 2f. |
| 10 | TOURGAR RAUDE | Dam won at 1m 6f. |
| 11 | WORLD FAMOUS | Full brother to Iberia, won over hurdles at 2m and on the flat at 7f. Finished 3l behind Mctigue when fourth of 8 at 8-1 on his racecourse debut at |

Leopardstown over 1m (yielding) last month.

12 YASHIN Half-brother to Jack Daniel, won at 7f. Finished 7l behind Bluegrass when fourth of 9 at 13-2 on his racecourse debut at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.

13 TA NA LA Dam won three times at 6f.

14 ZUHRA Half-sister to Zarzyni, won twice at 6f and 7f.

15 CHUTZPAL Dam won at 7f. Unplaced in both starts. Beaten 8l behind Bluegrass at 150-1 when seventh of 9 on his latest outing at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.

16 DANFANGO Half-brother to Moss Tucker, won at 7f. Beaten 6l behind Confident Star at 50-1 when 9th of 11 on his racecourse debut at Cork over 7f (good) earlier this month.

17 MR GLOBALIST Dam won at 1m 2f. Beaten 7l behind Tut Tut at 50-1 when 9th of 12 on his racecourse debut at Leopardstown over 7f (good - yielding) last month.

RACE 3: DONATE TO THE COAST TO THE CURRAGH CYCLE IN HONOUR OF PAT SMULLEN HANDICAP (50-75)

Adamaris

Monsoon

Thaleeq

ADAMARIS won nicely at Killarney last time and, being a prominent racer, is ideally suited to his draw in stall three. He seemed to show improvement at the end of last season and, while 6lb higher than when winning at Killarney, should get involved. Khafaaq finished one and a quarter lengths ahead of the selection at Galway but was beaten subsequently and is just 2lb better off today. Oneiroi has been very consistent this year and, while just 3lb higher than when winning at Leopardstown, competes from a career-high mark giving away weight all round. Monsoon has obvious claims on recent form, with the inside draw in his favour, while Oh Purple Reign showed a return to form when winning well at Gowran latest but is 9lb higher with a wide draw in 15. Thaleeq is winless from 12 starts and has a wide draw in 14, but should figure. Meishar won a Dundalk claimer on his latest start and contests his second handicap.

NO. HORSE NAME

1 ONEIROI Successful at 6f and 1m 1f on good - yielding and yielding ground. A winner at 7-1 at Leopardstown over 1m 1f (good - yielding) on his latest outing last month, beating Silent Performance by 1/2l.

2 BIG ISLAND A winner at 7f on soft ground. Beaten 11l behind Oneiroi at 9-1 when 12th of 17 on his latest outing at Leopardstown over 1m 1f (good - yielding) last month.

3 MONZOON Successful twice at 1m on good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1/2l by Li Mu Bai when second of 15 at 8-1 on his latest outing at Navan over 1m (good) last month.

- 4 OH PURPLE REIGN He has won four times from 6f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. A winner at 14-1 at Gowran Park over 1m (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Petticoat Rule by 2 1/2l. Having his first run for a new stable today.
- 5 THALEEQ Placed in three of 12 starts. Third of 6 behind Phantom Power beaten 1 1/4l at evens fav on his latest outing at Dundalk over 7f earlier this month.
- 6 KODIAC PRINCE A winner at 7f on yielding ground. Beaten 10l behind Goodnight Girl at 25-1 when 9th of 16 on his latest outing at Curragh over 6f (good) last month.
- 7 ADAMARIS Successful twice at 1m on good and yielding - soft ground. A winner at 5-1 at Killarney over 1m (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Slieve Bearnagh by 2 1/4l.
- 8 HIMALAYAN BEAUTY A winner at 1m on good ground. Finished 1 1/2l behind Li Mu Bai when fifth of 15 at 12-1 on her latest outing at Navan over 1m (good) last month.
- 9 MEISHAR A winner at 4-1 at Dundalk over 7f on his latest outing in July, beating Irish Acclaim by 1 1/4l.
- 10 MOGWLI He has won three times at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Finished 7l behind Oh Purple Reign when sixth of 11 at 16-1 on his latest outing at Gowran Park over 1m (good) earlier this month.
- 11 KHAFAAQ He has won four times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good - yielding to heavy and on the all-weather. Third of 10 behind Big Island beaten 1 3/4l at 11-2 on his latest outing at Tipperary over 7f (soft) last month.
- 12 STORMY JENN A winner at 1m 1f on good ground. Beaten 8l behind Dare To Flare at 6-1 when 11th of 16 on her latest outing at Naas over 1m 2f (yielding - soft) last month.
- 13 LONDON PALLADIUM Successful at 6f and 7f on good and soft ground. Beaten 17l behind Resourceful Man at 80-1 when last of 12 on his latest outing at Dundalk over 6f earlier this month.
- 14 ALHAAJEB A winner at 1m on the all-weather. Beaten 9l behind Romulan Prince at 5-2fav when 9th of 10 on his latest outing at Chelmsford City over 1m in June. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with M Johnston.
- 15 DOUBLE KODIAC A winner at 6f on good ground, but that win was over three years ago. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Imposing Supreme at 14-1 when seventh of 14 on his latest outing at Galway over 7f (good) last month.
- 16 STELLAR SPIRIT Placed once in five starts. Third of 11 behind Oh Purple Reign beaten 3 1/2l at 50-1 on his latest outing at Gowran Park over 1m (good) earlier this month.
- 17 SWISS ARMY OFFICER Successful twice at 1m on good and yielding - soft ground. Third of 10 behind Offiah beaten 6l at 11-1 on his latest outing at Roscommon over 7f (good) last month.

RACE 4: BETVICTOR RACE

Cartouche

Sherkin Island

Dance Jupiter

CARTOUCHE hasn't run in 329 days but was a taking winner of a Fairyhouse maiden last October and, notably, holds two Group 3 entries. Out of an American Grade 1 winner, she lacks a recent outing but will be ready and would have no problem handling easy ground, with some rain forecast, over today's suitable trip. Casanova, rated 97 when trained by John Gosden, was well beaten in handicaps in Ireland this year and, while he returned to form winning last time, faces stiffer opposition. Sherkin Island steps up from a Galway maiden win but is open to more progression. Guaranteed is top rated off 102 but, while well suited to this trip, hasn't run for 430 days and would ideally like a sound surface. Dance Jupiter was well held on his latest two starts but is a capable type who can get involved. Comfort Line has plenty to find on ratings and was well held on his latest start.

NO. HORSE NAME

1 CASANOVA He has won three times from 1m to 1m 1f on good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 11-1 at Galway over 1m 1f (good) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating River Derwent by 3 1/2l.

2 COMFORT LINE Successful at 7f and 1m on good and heavy ground. Beaten 15l behind Bopedro at 33-1 when 23rd of 27 on his latest outing at Curragh over 1m (good) last month.

3 DANCE JUPITER Successful at 1m 1f and 1m 2f on soft and yielding - soft ground. Beaten 14l behind Baby Zeus at 13-2 when 10th of 11 on his latest outing at Curragh over 1m 2f (soft - heavy) in May.

4 GUARANTEED He has won three times from 7f to 1m 2f on good and good - yielding ground, but last win was over two years ago. Finished 4 1/2l behind Patrick Sarsfield when sixth of 8 at 12-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 'Green Room' Meld Stakes at Leopardstown over 1m 1f (good) in July last year.

5 CARTOUCHE A winner at 4-1 at Fairyhouse over 7f (heavy) on her latest outing in October last year, beating Zumoradda by 14l.

6 SHERKIN ISLAND Won on her latest outing when 8-13fav at Galway over 1m (good) in July, beating Kojin by 2 1/2l.

RACE 5: IRISH STALLION FARMS EBF MEDIAN AUCTION MAIDEN

Champion Green

Manwal

Moracana

CHAMPION GREEN should be able to open his account here after a decent comeback run at Galway in late July. He had shown plenty of promise as a juvenile, particularly when a fast-finishing fifth in a strong Curragh maiden last November. After a lengthy enough absence, the son of The Gurkha missed the kick at Ballybrit but stayed on nicely to take third behind Sherkin Island. Going another furlong here won't be a problem and he should prove the one to beat. Manwal has been placed on his last three outings and looks an obvious danger. However, the handicapper has given him a mark of 77 and it would be disappointing if the selection wasn't capable of better than that. Midnight

Traveller only cost 7,000 pounds at the sales and has to overcome a long absence. He showed promise on his sole start in England, when third at Chelmsford, and it will be interesting to see how he fares on his first outing for James McAuley. Moracana, second at a big price on her debut at Navan, is another that has to be considered.

NO. HORSE NAME

- 1 DON'T BE ANGRY Half-brother to Hurricane Cass, won three times at 1m and 1m 3f.
- 2 MIDNIGHT TRAVELLER Third of 13 behind Summit Reach beaten 6l at 7-2 on his racecourse debut at Chelmsford City over 1m in January last year. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with Paul & Oliver Cole.
- 3 KILMALLOCK LADY Half-sister to Duke Street, won four times over hurdles between 2m and 2m 5f, four times in all weather flat races between 1m 4f and 2m, twice on the flat at 2m and in a chase at 2m 4f. Finished 10l behind Phantom Power when fifth of 6 at 125-1 on her racecourse debut at Dundalk over 7f.
- 4 CHAMPION GREEN Placed twice in three starts. Third of 16 behind Sherkin Island beaten 3 1/2l at 3-1 on his latest outing at Galway over 1m (good) in July.
- 5 MANWAL Placed in three of four starts. Third of 22 behind Golden Twilight beaten 1l at 9-2 on his latest outing at Curragh over 1m 2f (yielding) last month.
- 6 RURAL CAPITAL Half-brother to Spiritus Hit, won in a chase at 2m 1f and on the flat at 1m 2f.
- 7 TIP OF THE SPEAR Half-brother to Running Wolf, won twice over hurdles at 2m 3f and 2m 4f, twice in chases at 2m 5f and 2m 7f and on the flat at 1m.
- 8 VOCAL RING Unplaced in all three starts. Beaten 15l behind Barretta at 8-1 when seventh of 15 on his latest outing at Navan over 1m (good) last month.
- 9 CLIFFS OF MALTA Unplaced in all three starts. Finished 11l behind Shahaada when fifth of 9 at 40-1 on her latest outing at Clonmel over 1m 1f (good) earlier this month.
- 10 DOCTOR POWER Half-sister to Brexit Time, won at 6f. Finished 7l behind Baron Zee when fifth of 8 at 50-1 on her racecourse debut at Dundalk over 1m 3f in May.
- 11 DRACO PULCHRAC Dam won twice at 1m 4f and 1m 5f.
- 12 MORACANA Half-sister to Mr Ormsby, won at 7f and 1m. Beaten 6l by Barretta when second of 15 at 33-1 on her racecourse debut at Navan over 1m (good) last month.
- 13 PLUME NOIRE Half-sister to Jet Setting, won four times at 7f and 1m including two Group 3 races.
- 14 SIX FEET APART Dam unraced.

15 THEGOOSEISCOOKED Half-sister to Maid In Manhattan, won six times at 1m 6f and 2m.

16 MAYAN SON Unplaced in all four starts. Beaten 19l behind Fictitious Lady at 200-1 when 11th of 15 on his latest outing at Bellewstown over 1m (good) last month.

17 DULEEK STREET Unplaced in both starts. Beaten 19l behind Barretta at 150-1 when 11th of 15 on his latest outing at Navan over 1m (good) last month.