

## COMMENT & SELECTIONS - NEWBURY

### RACE 1: BRITISH STALLION STUDS EBF MAIDEN STAKES (GBB RACE)

**Dark Swansong**

**Flying Secret**

**Deodar**

DARK SWANSONG was entered in the Mill Reef on Saturday, showing the regard in which he is held, and the Clive Cox-trained juvenile posted a good effort when finishing second at Salisbury last month, with the form receiving a significant boost when the winner subsequently finished third in Group company. The son of Dark Angel is tipped to get off the mark at the third attempt, possibly at the expense of Flying Secret, who looks set to benefit from the return to this trip. The newcomer Deodar represents powerful connections and is also respected.

#### NO. HORSE NAME

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| 1  | ANIMIST            | Foaled 15 Mar. Dam won six times at 5f and 6f.  |
| 2  | BOTANIST           | Foaled 22 Mar. Dam won at 6f.   |
| 3  | DARK SWANSONG      | Foaled 27 Feb. Dam won five times at 5f and 6f. Placed once in two starts. Beaten 1 3/4l by Hierarchy when second of 9 at 15-8fav on his latest outing at Salisbury over 6f (good) last month.                        |
| 4  | DEODAR             | Foaled 27 Feb. Half-brother to Probe, won twice at 7f and 1m.   |
| 5  | EVERYONELOVESAGREY | Foaled 24 Apr. Half-brother to Ghost, won at 6f. Beaten 19l behind Wanees at 66-1 when last of 7 on his racecourse debut at Ascot over 7f (good to firm) earlier this month.  |
| 6  | FLYING SECRET      | Foaled 18 Jan. Placed once in three starts. Finished 2 1/2l behind New Dimension when fourth of 10 at 9-4fav on his latest outing at Leicester over 7f (good to firm) earlier this month.                             |
| 7  | NEPTUNIAN          | Foaled 26 Mar. Half-brother to Lady Kermit, won twice at 5f.  |
| 8  | SATELLITE CALL     | Foaled 12 Jan. Dam won at 7f.   |
| 9  | WITCH HUNTER       | Foaled 20 Apr. Half-brother to Medley Chic, won three times between 7f and 1m 2f.   |
| 10 | DEBBIE'S CHOICE    | Foaled 29 Mar. Half-sister to Mulholland Highway, won at 1m. Unplaced in both starts. Finished 11l behind Sense Of Duty when sixth of 9 at 50-1 on her latest outing over this course and distance (good) last month. |
| 11 | SPARKED            | Foaled 4 Apr. Half-sister to Bad Company, won five times at 1m 2f.  |

## **RACE 2:DUBAI DUTY FREE FULL OF SURPRISES BRITISH EBF FILLIES' CONDITIONS STAKES (GBB RACE) (STR)**

**Silk Romance**

**Fast Attack**

**Star From Afarhh**

The well-bred SILK ROMANCE looked a high-class performer in the making when destroying her rivals in a novice event at Newmarket last month and the Charlie Appleby-trained filly is expected to take some stopping. Fast Attack failed to live up to expectations when pitched into Group 2 company last time after posting an impressive debut win at Kempton previously, but looks capable of a better showing on this occasion. Star From Afarhh faced a tough task against the colts in the Solario Stakes on her latest run and also has more to offer.

### **NO. HORSE NAME**

- 1 FAST ATTACK Foaled 10 Feb. Dam won four times at 5f and 6f. A winner at 7f on the all-weather. Finished 8l behind Accakaba when last of 5 at 2-1fav on her latest outing in the Group 2 Du Calvados Stakes at Deauville over 7f (good to soft) last month.
- 2 SILK ROMANCE Foaled 22 May. Half-sister to Bright Melody, won at 1m 1f and 1m 2f. Won on her latest outing when 4-6fav at Newmarket over 7f (good to firm) last month, beating Stellar Queen by 6l.
- 3 STAR FROM AFARHH Foaled 5 Mar. Dam won four times between 1m and 1m 4f. A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 10l behind Reach For The Moon when last of 6 at 6-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Betway Solario Stakes at Sandown over 7f (good) last month.
- 4 HEREDIA Foaled 21 Feb. Dam won four times at 7f and 1m including a Group 3 race. A winner at 11-1 at Windsor over 6f (good to firm) on her latest outing last month, beating Locke by 1 3/4l.

## **RACE 3:DUBAI DUTY FREE NURSERY (STR)**

**Croupier**

**Altraif**

**Nuance**

A small but competitive field, with those boasting last-time-out wins looking particularly strong. CROUPIER produced an impressive display when getting off the mark on his handicap debut over course and distance last month and has an excellent chance of following up off a 10lb higher mark. Altraif won with authority at Kempton on his latest start and may prove better than a mark of 86 would indicate, while Nuance got the better of a talented filly at Chester last time and is also feared on his handicap debut.

### **NO. HORSE NAME**

- 1 NUANCE Foaled 25 Jan. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Chester over 7f (good to soft) last month, beating Prosperous Voyage by 1/2l.
- 2 JAZZ CLUB Foaled 9 Feb. A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Third of 20 behind Harrow beaten 1l at 5-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month.

- 3        CROUPIER                      Foaled 14 Apr. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav over this course and distance (good) last month, beating Gaius by 3l.
- 4        ALTRAIF                          Foaled 14 Mar. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Kempton over 7f earlier this month, beating Al Jaddaf by 1 3/4l.
- 5        AMERICAN STAR                  Foaled 12 Jan. A winner at 6f on good to soft ground. Beaten 14l behind Lusail at 18-1 when 9th of 11 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Gimcrack Stakes at York over 6f (good to firm) last month.
- 6        SECRET STRENGTH                Foaled 11 Apr. A winner at 5f on good ground. Finished 2 1/4l behind Kit Gabriel when fourth of 6 at 13-2 on his latest outing at Pontefract over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month.
- 7        LIKE A LION                        Foaled 10 Feb. A winner at 7f on good to soft ground. Beaten 16l behind Cresta at 11-1 when 9th of 10 on his latest outing at Leicester over 7f (good to soft) last month.

#### **RACE 4:41ST RUNNING OF THE HAYNES, HANSON & CLARK CONDITIONS STAKES (STR)**

**King Of Conquest        Westover        Bolthole**

A field packed with exciting juveniles, with KING OF CONQUEST shading the verdict for last year's winning connections. The Lope De Vega colt justified strong market support when making a winning debut over 7f at Sandown last month and today's extra furlong shouldn't be a problem for him. Westover didn't beat Bullet Force as easily as Zechariah did, but the former is open to greater improvement and rates the biggest threat. Windsor scorer Bolthole certainly isn't out of it either.

#### **NO.        HORSE NAME**

- 1        KING OF CONQUEST        Foaled 10 Feb. Full brother to Capital Structure, won twice at 1m. Won on his latest outing when 6-4fav at Sandown over 7f (good to soft) last month, beating Paradias by 2 1/2l.
- 2        WESTOVER                      Foaled 24 Apr. Full brother to Monarchs Glen, won seven times between 1m and 1m 3f including a Group 3 race. A winner at 2-1 at Sandown over 1m (good to soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Bullet Force by 1 1/4l.
- 3        ZECHARIAH                      Foaled 25 Feb. A winner at 8-1 at Sandown over 7f (good to firm) on his latest outing in July, beating Bullet Force by 3 1/2l.
- 4        BOLTROLE                        Foaled 6 Mar. Half-brother to Shona Mea, won three times at 1m and 1m 1f. Won on his latest outing when 3-1fav at Windsor over 1m (good to soft) last month, beating Nasim by 2l.
- 5        PARADIAS                        Foaled 30 Mar. Dam a lightly raced maiden. Beaten 2 1/2l by King Of Conquest when second of 11 at 20-1 on his racecourse debut at Sandown over 7f (good to soft) last month.

6        RAWYAAN                      Foaled 20 Jan. Successful twice at 7f on good to firm ground. A winner at 6-4 at Leicester over 7f (good to firm) on his latest outing last month, beating Pavlodar by a short head. Has also won at Brighton this season.

#### **RACE 5: DUBAI DUTY FREE CUP STAKES (LISTED) (STR)**

**Albasheer**

**Al Suhail**

**Baradar**

Godolphin look to have a strong hand here with Al Suhail, D'bai and Silent Escape, while C&D winner Baradar may have just needed his comeback run at Haydock in July and probably deserves another chance for the red-hot Roger Varian stable. He is an interesting three-year-old but of even greater appeal is ALBASHEER. Like Baradar, he is entitled to improve for his comeback spin at Salisbury, where only beaten a head, and his juvenile form from last year is rock solid. He remains a colt with great promise and gets the vote in this competitive affair.

#### **NO.     HORSE NAME**

1        AL SUHAIL                      He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good to firm and good to soft ground. Won on his latest outing when 2-5fav at Haydock over 7f (good to firm) earlier this month, beating Accidental Agent by 2l.

2        D'BAI                                Has won eight races from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 1 1/4l by Glorious Journey when second of 6 at 17-2 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Park Stakes at Doncaster over 7f (good to soft) earlier this month.

3        MATTHEW FLINDERS              Successful at 1m and 1m 2f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Danyah at 5-1 when seventh of 19 on his latest outing at Ascot over 7f (good to firm) in July.

4        MUMS TIPPLE                      He has won three times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 3l behind Summerghand when fourth of 9 at 14-1 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 6f (good to firm) last month.

5        RIVER NYMPH                      He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good and soft ground and on the all-weather. Finished 5l behind Kinross when fourth of 9 at 11-2 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Betway John Of Gaunt Stakes at Haydock over 7f (good to soft) in May.

6        SYMBOLIZE                        Successful at 5f and 7f on good to firm and soft ground. A winner at 15-8 at Thirsk over 7f (soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Azano by 2 1/4l.

7        TOMFRE                              Winner of seven races from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to firm to heavy. Beaten 11l behind Highfield Princess at 33-1 when 9th of 28 on his latest outing at Ascot over 7f (good to firm) in June.

8        ACE AUSSIE                        A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 6l behind Order Of Australia when fifth of 7 at 11-4 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Romanised Minstrel Stakes at Curragh over 7f (good) in July.

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| 9  | ALBASHEER        | A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Beaten a head by Jumby when second of 3 at 5-4fav on his latest outing at Salisbury over 6f (good) last month.  |
| 10 | BARADAR          | Successful twice at 7f on soft ground. Finished 10l behind Mutasaabeq when last of 4 at 2-1 on his latest outing at Haydock over 7f (good) in July.  |
| 11 | FUNDAMENTAL      | Successful at 7f and 1m on the all-weather. Beaten 9l behind Kinross at 10-1 when seventh of 8 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Unibet Lennox Stakes at Goodwood over 7f (soft) in July.                            |
| 12 | SNASH            | Successful twice at 6f on the all-weather. A winner at 8-1 at Newcastle over 6f on his latest outing in February, beating Zamaani by 3/4l.   |
| 13 | WONDER ELMOSSMAN | Placed in both starts. Beaten 1l by Alhezabr when second of 8 at 4-1 on his latest outing at Chepstow over 1m (good to soft) earlier this month.   |
| 14 | SILENT ESCAPE    | She has won three times at 7f on good ground and on the all-weather. Won on her latest outing when 11-8fav at Sandown over 7f (good) last month, beating Ibiza Rocks by 3 1/2l. Has also won at Newcastle this season. |
| 15 | WITH THANKS      | She has won three times at 7f on heavy ground. Beaten 9l behind Highfield Princess at 4-1 when seventh of 8 on her latest outing at Chelmsford City over 7f in July.   |