

COMMENT & SELECTIONS - CATTERICK

RACE 2: SKY BET EXTRA PLACES EVERY DAY HANDICAP

Alsvinder Stronsay Alex Gracie

ALSVINDER returned to winning ways at Ayr earlier in the month when taking advantage of his much lower turf mark and the eight-year-old is capable of backing that performance up. Stronsay has been in mostly consistent form in recent weeks and he is expected to give another solid account following his recent third at Hamilton. Alex Gracie, who finished second at Nottingham on her return last week, and Gullane One are others worth considering.

NO. HORSE NAME

- 1 LINCOLN GAMBLE A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Gullane One when fifth of 8 at 10-3 on his latest outing at Carlisle over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month.
- 2 GULLANE ONE Winner of six races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 7l behind Singe Anglais at 7-4fav when seventh of 12 on his latest outing at Carlisle over 6f (good) earlier this month.
- 3 ALSVINDER Has won 11 races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 11-1 at Ayr over 5f (good to firm) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Tanasoq by a short head.
- 4 STRONSAY Successful at 6f and 7f on good and soft ground. Third of 6 behind Soapys Sister beaten 3/4l at 2-1jt-fav on his latest outing at Hamilton over 5f (good) earlier this month.
- 5 REDZONE A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 2l behind Rebel Redemption when fourth of 15 at 16-1 on his latest outing at Thirsk over 6f (good to firm) last month.
- 6 JUNGLE INTHEBUNGLE Successful twice at 5f on good ground and on the all-weather, but last win was over three years ago. Beaten 10l behind Deolali at 20-1 when 12th of 13 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 6f in December last year.
- 7 QAARAAT Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Third of 9 behind True Hero beaten 1 1/4l at 15-2 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 5f earlier this month.
- 8 ALEX GRACIE A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 3 1/2l by Case Key when second of 12 at 16-1 on her latest outing at Nottingham over 6f (good to firm) earlier this month.

- 9 SFUMATO He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Russco at 9-1 when seventh of 12 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 7f earlier this month.
- 10 INDIAN PURSUIT Has won ten races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 12l behind Twice Adaay at 33-1 when 12th of 14 on his latest outing at Beverley over 5f (soft) earlier this month.
- 11 FOAD A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 9l behind Six Strings at 25-1 when seventh of 14 on his latest outing here over 7f (good to soft) in May.
- 12 THE GREY BAY Placed twice in 11 starts. Beaten 16l behind We're Reunited at 25-1 when last of 11 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 5f in November last year.

RACE 3: BELATED HAPPY 70TH BIRTHDAY TONY MORGAN RESTRICTED MAIDEN STAKES (GBB RACE)

Better Half Clifford Roystan Girl

BETTER HALF is likely to know his job ahead of his racecourse debut and Mark Johnston's colt comes from a top family, with his dam being a half-sister to Arc winner Bago. Clifford took a decent step forward when runner-up at Brighton earlier in the month and he appears capable of further progression, while others for the shortlist include Roystan Girl and Coligone Kate.

NO. HORSE NAME

- 1 CLIFFORD Foaled 19 Mar. Half-brother to Venusta, won at 1m. Placed once in two starts. Beaten 3 1/2l by Devaste when second of 8 at 33-1 on his latest outing at Brighton over 7f (good to soft) earlier this month.
- 2 HONEST LAWYER Foaled 5 May. Half-brother to Iptisam, won twice at 7f.
- 3 MOONBI Foaled 15 Apr. Half-brother to Book Of Dreams, won three times between 6f and 1m 2f. Finished 11l behind Truly Aclaimed when sixth of 10 at 18-1 on his racecourse debut at Beverley over 7f (good to firm) earlier this month.
- 4 REVOQUABLE Foaled 9 May. Dam won eight times at 7f and 1m. Beaten 5l behind Tareekh at 40-1 when 10th of 17 on his racecourse debut at Thirsk over 6f (good to firm) last month.
- 5 TAJ ALOLA Foaled 13 Feb. Dam unraced.
- 6 TIMBUKONE Foaled 9 May. Half-brother to Seductive, won twice at 7f and 1m. Beaten 8l behind Red Power at 14-1 when seventh of 8 on his racecourse debut at Ayr over 6f (good to firm) last month.
- 7 BETTER HALF Foaled 2 May. Half-sister to Bedale, won at 1m 2f.

8 COLIGONE KATE Foaled 25 Apr. Dam unraced. Finished 4l behind Almohandesah when sixth of 8 at 66-1 on her racecourse debut at Pontefract over 6f (good to firm) last month.

9 ROYSTAN GIRL Foaled 25 Feb. Placed twice in five starts. Third of 7 behind Angle Land beaten 4 1/2l at 11-4 on her latest outing at Windsor over 5f (soft) last month.

RACE 4: HAPPY 18TH BIRTHDAY ZACK HOGG CLAIMING STAKES

Taylored Merry Secret Time Has Wings

TAYLORED is still a maiden after 11 starts but he has some solid placed form including a second in a Hamilton handicap over this trip, and we can ignore his last start when trying to make all on a far softer surface at Beverley before fading in to fourth. He should prove hard to catch with the same tactics in this field, though recent winner Merry Secret will make sure he has company at the head of affairs. Time Has Wings is another danger at these weights but may struggle to get home in a fast run race.

NO. HORSE NAME

1 VENTURA RASCAL He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 8l behind Asdaa at 9-4fav when seventh of 11 on his latest outing at Musselburgh over 1m (good) last month.

2 TAYLORED Placed in four of 11 starts. Finished 8l behind Cuban Dancer when fourth of 5 at 11-8fav on his latest outing at Beverley over 7f (soft) earlier this month.

3 MERRY SECRET He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 2-1 at Leicester over 7f (good to firm) on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Mcgivern by a head. Has won 3 times this season.

4 FLINDERS LANE Half-brother to Vitally Important, won twice at 7f and 1m. Beaten 15l behind Diderot at 11-1 when 13th of 14 on his racecourse debut at Dundalk over 1m in March. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with Joseph Patrick O'Brien in Ireland.

5 HOPE PROBE A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Beaten 12l behind Truth In Jest at 9-2 when 10th of 13 on his latest outing at Redcar over 6f (good to firm) last month.

6 LITTLE GEM A winner at 7f on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Spirituoso at 15-2 when seventh of 12 on her latest outing at Kempton over 7f last month. Having her first run for a new stable today, previously with Charlie Fellowes.

7 TIME HAS WINGS A winner at 6f on good to soft ground. Third of 7 behind Merry Secret beaten 4 1/2l at 7-4fav on her latest outing at Leicester over 7f (good to firm) earlier this month.

RACE 5: SKY BET GO-RACING-IN-YORKSHIRE SUMMER FESTIVAL HANDICAP

Machree Denzil's Laughing Militia

MACHREE is the only runner here taking a drop in class, and although she was beaten over five lengths in Listed class at Ayr after trying to make the running, this is far easier. She has the perfect draw in the one stall to try the same tactics and may win her first race in close to a year. Denzil's Laughing looks interesting having won over course and distance off this mark in April in lesser grade, as does Militia who is on a handy rating he has won from before, and represents the in-form Paul Midgley stable.

NO. HORSE NAME

- 1 VICTORY ANGEL Winner of seven races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 5l behind Mr Wagyu at 28-1 when 10th of 19 on his latest outing at York over 6f (good to firm) last month. Has won at Musselburgh and Beverley this season.
- 2 MILITIA Winner of seven races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 7l behind James Watt at 13-2 when 10th of 15 on his latest outing at York over 5f (good) earlier this month.
- 3 MACHREE Winner of six races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Keep Busy at 100-1 when seventh of 10 on her latest outing at Ayr over 5f (good to firm) last month.
- 4 DARK SHOT He has won four times at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten a neck by The Bell Conductor when second of 10 at 10-3 on his latest outing at Beverley over 5f (good to soft) earlier this month.
- 5 MUTABAAHY Has won nine races from 5f to 6f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Third of 10 behind Follow Your Heart beaten 1l at 7-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 6f (heavy) earlier this month.
- 6 DENZIL'S LAUGHING Successful at 5f and 6f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 18l behind Gunnerside at 5-1 when last of 7 on his latest outing at Carlisle over 5f (good to firm) earlier this month.