## **COMMENTS & SELECTIONS - NEWMARKET**

## **RACE 1: HOWDEN HANDICAP**

Teumessias Fox Crystal Delight Vaynor

Having been gelded prior to his winter break, TEUMESSIAS FOX bounced back to form in style when running out a bloodless winner at Kempton. The son of Lope De Vega is now 10lb higher back on the grass, but he remains open to further improvement and that rise could underestimate him. Crystal Delight has been knocking on the door on the all-weather and he's respected, along with Vaynor, who returns to the fray in search of his hat-trick. Moktasaab might not be far away either.

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- 1 STOWELL A winner at 1m 4f on good to soft ground, but that win was over two years ago. Beaten 14l behind Warren Point at 40-1 when last of 9 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m 4f in October last year.
- 2 RAYMOND TUSK Winner of five races from 1m to 2m on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Well beaten at 8-1 behind Berkshire Rocco when last of 7 on his latest outing at Southwell over 2m in January.
- 3 MOKTASAAB He has won three times at 1m 2f on good to firm and good ground. Well beaten at 9-1 behind Israr when seventh of 9 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 1m 4f (heavy) in October last year.
- 4 TEUMESSIAS FOX Successful at 1m 2f and 1m 4f on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 3-1fav at Kempton over 1m 4f in March, beating Haku by 5l.
- 5 PRYDWEN Winner of five races from 1m 1f to 1m 4f on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 3l behind Max Mayhem at 10-1 when eighth of 13 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m 3f last month.
- 6 CAPITAL THEORY He has won four times from 1m 1f to 1m 2f on the all-weather. Beaten 2 1/4l by Aaddeey when second of 6 at 10-3 on his latest outing at Ripon over 1m 4f (soft) last month.
- 7 CRYSTAL DELIGHT A winner at 1m 2f on the all-weather. Beaten 2 1/2l by Berkshire Breeze when second of 10 at 2-1fav on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 4f in February.
- 8 STAR CALIBER A winner at 1m on good ground, but that win was over two years ago. Well beaten at 20-1 behind Novel Legend when last of 10 on his latest outing at Newbury over 2m (soft) last month.
- 9 ACE ROTHSTEIN He has won three times from 1m 1f to 1m 3f on good to firm and good ground. Finished 6l behind Jewel In My Crown when sixth of 7 at 10-1 on his latest flat outing at Epsom over 1m 2f (good) in September last year.
- 10 VAYNOR He has won four times from 1m 4f to 1m 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 5-2fav at Chelmsford City over 1m 5f in November last year, beating Fairmac by a head.
- OBSIDIAN KNIGHT He has won three times from 1m 2f to 1m 4f on the all-weather. Beaten 2 1/4l behind Diderot at 13-2 when seventh of 14 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 2f last month.

# RACE 2: HOWDEN BRITISH EBF ELLEN CHALONER STAKES (FILLIES' & MARES' LISTED) (KILVINGTON STAKES)

Gale Force Maya Azure Blue Makarova

GALE FORCE MAYA (fourth) was giving Azure Blue (winner) 4lb when the pair met over C&D in October, but it would be no surprise were Michael Dods' charge, who was progressive last season, to reverse that form on revised terms. Makarova outran her odds to finish second in that same contest and she merits respect, despite having a bit to find once again. Irish-raider Spring Feeling was last seen finishing a good third at Group level and the unexposed filly could rate higher yet.

- 1 AZURE BLUE Winner of five races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Won on her latest outing when 9-2jt-fav over this course and distance (good) in October last year, beating Makarova by 1 1/2l.
- 2 FAST RESPONSE Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to heavy. Finished 3 1/2l behind Happy Romance when fifth of 16 at 7-1 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good to soft) last month.
- 3 GALE FORCE MAYA Has won 13 races from 5f to 7f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Finished 2 1/4l behind Azure Blue when fourth of 14 at 9-2jt-fav on her latest outing over this course and distance (good) in October last year.
- 4 KIMNGRACE She has won four times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Happy Romance at 16-1 when 10th of 16 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good to soft) last month.
- 5 HEREDIA She has won four times from 6f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 6l behind Bounce The Blues at 5-1 when eighth of 11 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Sceptre Fillies' Stakes at Doncaster over 7f (good) in September last year.
- 6 KAPE MOSS She has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Lihou beaten 1/2l at 7-2 on her latest outing at Epsom over 5f (soft) last month.
- 7 MAKAROVA Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 1 1/2l by Azure Blue when second of 14 at 66-1 on her latest outing over this course and distance (good) in October last year.
- 8 PRINCESS SHABNAM She has won four times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 14l behind Happy Romance at 18-1 when 14th of 16 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good to soft) last month.
- 9 SPRING FEELING A winner at 7f on good ground. Third of 10 behind Agartha beaten 3 1/2l at 6-1 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Coolmore Stud No Nay Never Fairy Bridge Stakes at Tipperary over 7f (good) in August last year.
- 10 PERDIKA Winner of five races from 5f to 7f on heavy ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1l by Happy Romance when second of 16 at 28-1 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good to soft) last month.
- 11 QUEEN OLLY A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 9l behind Mammas Girl at 17-2 when eighth of 15 on her latest outing here over 7f (good to soft) last month.

## **RACE 3: HOWDEN HANDICAP (HERITAGE HANDICAP)**

## Blackrod Tanmawwy Probe

In a wide-open contest, only a tentative vote can go to BLACKROD. The son of Mayson was well in command when winning this from a 2lb lower mark last year, and he might be able to repeat the feat following a recent pipe-opener at Kempton. Tanmawwy defied market weakness only to be narrowly denied at Newbury on his return to action. He is 2lb well-in and merits respect, as do Probe, Chairmanoftheboard, Lethal Levi and Popmaster.

- 1 SUMMERGHAND Has won 16 races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 2 3/4l behind Diligent Harry at 7-1 when seventh of 11 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 6f last month.
- 2 SAINT LAWRENCE Successful twice at 7f on good and good to soft ground, but last win was over two years ago. Finished 4l behind Garrus when sixth of 7 at 40-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good) last month.
- 3 SPIRIT OF LIGHT Successful twice at 7f on good ground. Third of 9 behind Rebel Territory beaten 1 1/4l at 15-2 on his latest outing here over 7f (good to soft) last month.
- 4 TABDEED Winner of five races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft, but last win was over two years ago. Well beaten at 20-1 behind Chipstead when last of 15 on his latest outing at Catterick over 5f (soft) in October last year.
- 5 SILVER SAMURAI Winner of five races from 6f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Finished 3l behind Prop Forward when fourth of 12 at 7-2fav on his latest outing at Kempton over 6f last month.
- 6 LETHAL LEVI Winner of six races at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Finished 2 1/4l behind Summerghand when sixth of 17 at 12-1 on his latest outing at York over 6f (good to firm) in August last year.
- 7 BLACKROD He has won four times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 9l behind Prop Forward at 11-1 when 10th of 12 on his latest outing at Kempton over 6f last month.
- APOLLO ONE

  He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and soft ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 10-3fav at Kempton over 6f in November last year, beating Aramis Grey by a head.
- 9 STRIKE RED Winner of six races at 6f on ground varying from good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 4 1/2l behind Apollo One at 9-2 when eighth of 12 on his latest outing at Kempton over 6f in November last year.
- 10 POPMASTER He has won four times at 6f on good to firm and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 8l behind Bernardo O'Reilly at 12-1 when 9th of 15 on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (soft) last month.
- 11 TANMAWWY He has won four times at 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten a neck by Bernardo O'Reilly when second of 15 at 10-1 on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (soft) last month.
- JUAN LES PINS Winner of six races from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 4 1/2l behind Rebel Territory when fifth of 9 at 33-1 on his latest outing here over 7f (good to soft) last month.
- 13 ADMIRAL D Successful twice at 6f on soft and yielding ground. Finished 2 1/4l behind Orazio when fifth of 11 at 15-2 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.

- 14 RAATEA He has won three times from 6f to 1m on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Finished 1 1/4l behind Larado when fourth of 9 at 9-2 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 7f in December last year.
- 15 GIS A SUB A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 6l behind Dhabab at 14-1 when seventh of 11 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 7f in October last year.
- 16 PROBE He has won three times from 6f to 1m on soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1l by Orazio when second of 11 at 4-1jt-fav on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.
- 17 LEAP ABROAD He has won three times at 6f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 1 1/2l behind Orazio when fourth of 11 at 14-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.
- 18 CELSIUS Winner of seven races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 3/4l by Equiano Springs when second of 11 at 18-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good) in September last year.
- 19 CHAIRMANOFTHEBOARD He has won four times at 6f on ground varying from good to soft. Third of 11 behind Orazio beaten 1 1/4l at 8-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.
- ABOVE He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Orazio at 15-2 when seventh of 11 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.
- 21 EQUIANO SPRINGS Has won 12 races from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 6l behind Orazio at 20-1 when eighth of 11 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good to soft) last month.
- 22 COUNT OTTO Has won 11 races from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 40-1 at Lingfield over 6f on his latest outing in March, beating Aberama Gold by a head.
- 23 SOUND OF IONA Has won eight races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Well beaten at 66-1 behind Elim when last of 12 on her latest outing at Musselburgh over 1m (good to soft) last month.

## RACE 4: HOWDEN SUFFOLK STAKES (HERITAGE HANDICAP)

## Turntable Jimi Hendrix Saga

Saga sports first-time cheekpieces back off a break and the now-gelded son of Invincible Spirit should not be underestimated. However, TURNTABLE landed a double when scoring over 1m2f at this track in October and is fancied to make a winning return to action for his new trainer, even though he is rated 5lb higher. Jimi Hendrix has to shoulder a 5lb penalty following a facile victory in the Spring Cup at Newbury, while Dutch Decoy is interesting stepping up slightly in trip.

- 1 CADILLAC He has won four times from 7f to 1m 2f on good ground. Finished 6l behind Alflaila when fourth of 9 at 12-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance (good) in October last year.
- 2 NOTRE BELLE BETE He has won four times from 1m to 1m 2f on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 9-4jt-fav at Newcastle over 1m 2f last month, beating Base Note by 1l.
- 3 SAGA A winner at 7f on good ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Algiers when fourth of 5 at 6-1 on his latest outing at York over 1m 2f (good to soft) in October last year.
- 4 DAWN OF LIBERATION Successful at 7f and 1m on good ground. Beaten 6l behind Mighty Ulysses at 33-1 when seventh of 8 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 1m (good to firm) in July last year.
- 5 KING OF CONQUEST Successful at 7f and 1m 1f on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 5-4fav at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f in November last year, beating Court Of Session by 1/2l.
- 6 EMPIRESTATEOFMIND Winner of five races at 1m on ground varying from good to soft. Beaten 1/2l by Bopedro when second of 13 at 7-2fav on his latest outing here over 1m (good to soft) last month.
- 7 GREAT MAX A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 5l behind Jimi Hendrix when fourth of 10 at 12-1 on his latest outing at Newbury over 1m (soft) last month.
- 8 JIMI HENDRIX He has won four times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to soft. A winner at 9-2 at Newbury over 1m (soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Lattam by 3 1/2l. Carries a 5lb penalty today for that success.
- 9 MAGICAL MORNING He has won four times at 1m on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 3/4l by Aude when second of 6 on his latest outing at Saint-Cloud over 1m 4f (heavy) in March.
- TURNTABLE Winner of six races from 1m to 1m 2f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. A winner at 9-2 here over 1m 2f (good to soft) on his latest outing in October last year, beating Bad Company by 1 3/4l. Having his first run for a new stable today.
- 11 DUAL IDENTITY He has won three times at 1m 2f on good ground and on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Turntable beaten 6l at 13-8fav on his latest outing here over 1m 2f (good to soft) in October last year.
- MAJESTIC Successful at 1m and 1m 1f on good to firm and good ground. Finished 3 1/2l behind Migration when fourth of 22 at 25-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) last month.
- 13 TOSHIZOU A winner at 7f on good yielding ground, but that win was over two years ago. Third of 13 behind Bopedro beaten 5l at 18-1 on his latest outing here over 1m (good to soft) last month.
- 14 HOWTH A winner at 1m on good ground. Beaten 1/2l by Chichester when second of 10 at 33-1 on his latest outing at Chelmsford City over 1m 2f in November last year.

- DUTCH DECOY

  Has won eight races from 6f to 1m on good to firm and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Finished 5l behind Bopedro when fourth of 13 at 28-1 on his latest outing here over 1m (good to soft) last month.
- 16 TITIAN He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to soft and soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten a neck by Harswell Duke when second of 22 at 12-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) last month.
- 17 THE CITY'S PHANTOM He has won three times at 1m 2f on good to firm ground. Finished 6l behind Croupier when sixth of 14 at 25-1 on his latest outing at Chelmsford City over 1m in October last year.

## **RACE 5: HOWDEN PALACE HOUSE STAKES (GROUP 3)**

## Vadream Manaccan Twilight Calls

An impressive winner of a Group 3 at Dundalk back in October, Irish challenger Manaccan has to be considered a leading candidate. Even so, it could be worth siding with VADREAM, who bounced back in emphatic style when landing the Cammidge Trophy at Doncaster and then finished a fair sixth on All-Weather Championships Finals Day. C&D winner Twilight Calls was last seen chasing home Australian sensation Nature Strip in the King's Stand and is another to consider.

- 1 MANACCAN Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when evens fav in the Group 3 Mercury Stakes at Dundalk over 5f in October last year, beating Logo Hunter by 1/2l.
- 2 ARECIBO Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Beaten 1 1/2l by Live In The Dream when second of 8 at 9-1 on his latest outing at Pontefract over 5f (soft) last month.
- 3 CHIPSTEAD Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from firm to soft. Well beaten at 9-1 behind Fast Response when 9th of 10 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 6f (heavy) in November last year.
- 4 EQUALITY He has won three times at 5f on good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Third of 9 behind Dream Composer beaten 1 3/4l at 9-2 on his latest outing at Ascot over 5f (good to soft) in October last year.
- 5 EQUILATERAL Winner of seven races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft, but last win was over two years ago. Finished 2 3/4l behind Al Dasim when fourth of 15 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Nad Al Sheba Turf Sprint Turf at Meydan over 6f in March.
- 6 EXISTENT He has won three times from 5f to 7f on heavy ground and on the all-weather. Finished 6l behind Mitbaahy when sixth of 12 at 40-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 World Trophy Stakes at Newbury over 5f (good) in September last year.
- 7 KORKER He has won four times at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft. Beaten 2 3/4l behind Manaccan at 15-2 when seventh of 10 on his latest outing at Ascot over 5f (good to soft) in October last year.
- 8 LIVE IN THE DREAM Winner of five races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. A winner at 5-2 at Pontefract over 5f (soft) on his latest outing last month, beating Arecibo by 1 1/2l. Has also won at Lingfield this season.
- 9 MOUNTAIN PEAK Has won ten races from 5f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 10l behind Mitbaahy at 25-1 when eighth of 12 on his latest outing in the Group 3 World Trophy Stakes at Newbury over 5f (good) in September last year.
- 10 RAASEL Has won nine races at 5f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 7l behind Miqyaas when 11th of 12 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Blue Point Sprint Group 2 Stakes at Meydan over 5f (good) in February.
- SILKY WILKIE Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Garrus at 9-1 when last of 7 on his latest outing here over 6f (good) last month. Has won at Musselburgh and Kempton this season.
- TEES SPIRIT Winner of six races from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 12l behind The Platinum Queen when 18th of 19 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Prix de l'Abbaye de Longchamp Longines at ParisLongchamp over 5f (heavy) in October last year.

- 13 TIS MARVELLOUS Has won nine races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to soft. Beaten 4l behind Manaccan at 13-2 when 9th of 10 on his latest outing at Ascot over 5f (good to soft) in October last year.
- 14 TWILIGHT CALLS He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 4 1/2l by Nature Strip when second of 16 at 11-1 on his latest outing in the Group 1 King's Stand Stakes at Ascot over 5f (good to firm) in June last year.
- 15 GET AHEAD Successful twice at 5f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Third of 16 behind Happy Romance beaten 2 1/2l at 11-2 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good to soft) last month.
- SANDBECK She has won four times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. Finished 3l behind Gale Force Maya when fifth of 18 at 10-1 on her latest outing at Ayr over 5f (good) in September last year.
- 17 VADREAM She has won three times at 6f on heavy ground and on the all-weather. Finished 2 3/4l behind Diligent Harry when sixth of 11 at 6-1 on her latest outing at Newcastle over 6f last month.

## RACE 6:QIPCO 2000 GUINEAS STAKES (GROUP 1) (BRITISH CHAMPIONS SERIES)

## Auguste Rodin Little Big Bear Chaldean

A gripping renewal of the 2000 Guineas, with several eyecatching contenders lining up, including Little Big Bear, who bolted up in the Phoenix Stakes at the Curragh when last seen. His stablemate AUGUSTE RODIN is narrowly preferred, though, with the son of Deep Impact looking a potential star when registering a striking success in the Vertem Futurity at Doncaster, and connections could harbour Triple Crown ambitions. Things didn't go to plan in the Greenham for Chaldean, who unseated Frankie Dettori coming out of the stalls, but he was impressive in the Dewhurst here.

- 1 AUGUSTE RODIN He has won three times from 7f to 1m on ground varying from soft to yielding soft. Won on his latest outing when 9-4fav in the Group 1 Vertem Futurity Trophy Stakes at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) in October last year, beating Epictetus by 3 1/2l.
- 2 CHALDEAN He has won four times at 7f on good and soft ground. Unseated rider when 5-4fav in the Group 3 Watership Down Stud Too Darn Hot Greenham Stakes at Newbury over 7f (soft) won by Isaac Shelby last month on his latest outing.
- 3 CHARYN Successful twice at 6f on good ground. Beaten 3l by Isaac Shelby when second of 11 at 14-1 on his latest outing in the Group 3 Watership Down Stud Too Darn Hot Greenham Stakes at Newbury over 7f (soft) last month.
- 4 DUBAI MILE He has won three times from 1m to 1m 2f on good to firm and heavy ground and on the all-weather. A winner in the Group 1 Crit.st-cloud Group 1 Stakes at Saint-Cloud over 1m 2f (heavy) in October last year, beating Arrest by a head. Having his first run for a new stable today.
- 5 FLIGHT PLAN A winner at 7f on the all-weather. Beaten a neck by Dear My Friend when second of 11 at 13-2 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 1m last month.
- 6 GALERON Successful at 6f and 7f on good to firm and soft ground. Third of 11 behind Dear My Friend beaten 2 1/2l at 12-1 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 1m last month.
- 7 HI ROYAL A winner at 1m on good ground. Finished 2 1/4l behind Majestic Pride when fourth of 9 at 9-2 on his latest outing here over 7f (soft) last month.
- 8 HOLLOWAY BOY A winner at 7f on good to firm ground. Third of 8 behind Auguste Rodin beaten 5l at 9-2 on his latest outing in the Group 1 Vertem Futurity Trophy Stakes at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) in October last year.
- 9 INDESTRUCTIBLE Successful at 6f and 1m on good to firm and good ground. A winner at 8-1 over this course and distance (good) on his latest outing last month, beating The Foxes by 1 1/41.
- LITTLE BIG BEAR He has won four times from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to yielding soft. A winner at 13-8 in the Group 1 Keeneland Phoenix Stakes at Curragh over 6f (good) on his latest outing in August last year, beating Persian Force by 7l.
- NOBLE STYLE

  He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good to firm and good ground. A winner at 3-1 in the Group 2 Al Basti Equiworld Dubai Gimcrack Stakes at York over 6f (good) on his latest outing in August last year, beating Marshman by 1 1/4l.
- ROYAL SCOTSMAN Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Beaten a head by Chaldean when second of 7 at 12-1 on his latest outing here over 7f (good) in October last year.
- SAKHEER Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Won on his latest outing when 4-5fav in the Group 2 Mill Reef Stakes at Newbury over 6f (good) in September last year, beating Rousing Encore by 3 1/2l.

SILVER KNOTT He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten a short head by Victoria Road when second of 14 at 7-5fav on his latest outing in the Group 1 Breeders' Cup Juvenile Turf at Keeneland over 1m (good) in November last year.