

**RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING WEDNESDAY 06 MAY 2026 MEETING
CHESTER**

RACE 1: CAA STELLAR LILY AGNES EBF CONDITIONS STAKES (GBB RACE) (CLASS 2) (2YO ONLY)

FINAL APPEAL - ADONIUS - WAIT GEORDIE

Race Preview: Karl Burke won this 12 months ago and can do so once more courtesy of FINAL APPEAL. The Inns Of Court colt went desperately close at Nottingham before scoring in fine style at Wolverhampton and, in receipt of 5lb from dual Musselburgh winner Adonius, he would appear to hold outstanding claims. The latter is respected though, as is Bath scorer Wait Geordie, and don't rule out a big run from Blackbeard filly Black Treasure on her debut.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ADONIUS	Foaled 11 Apr. Half-brother to Golden Paradise, won at 5f. Successful twice at 5f on good to soft and soft ground. Won on his latest outing when evens fav at Musselburgh over 5f (good to soft) last month, beating Rlasthope by a neck. Has won twice at Musselburgh this season.
2	FINAL APPEAL	Foaled 14 Jan. Half-brother to Kodiak Brown Bear, won at 7f. Won on his latest outing when 8-11fav at Wolverhampton over 5f last month, beating Noble Raider by 3 1/2l.
3	HICKORY LAD	Foaled 22 Mar. Half-brother to Assimilation, won seven times between 7f and 1m 2f. Won on his latest outing when 4-11fav at Musselburgh over 5f (good) last month, beating Kodi Bear Light by 2 1/4l.
4	WAIT GEORDIE	Foaled 4 Mar. Dam won twice at 5f. A winner at 9-1 at Bath over 5f (good) on his latest outing last month, beating Dowman by 1 1/2l.
5	BLACK TREASURE	Foaled 17 Apr. Half-sister to Afton Down, won at 6f.
6	CAILIN AINE	Foaled 24 Feb. Dam unraced. Third of 9 behind Vollerling beaten 2 3/4l at 18-1 on her racecourse debut at Redcar over 5f (good to firm) last month.
7	FERN CLYDE	Foaled 28 Jan. Half-sister to Flicka's Girl, won four times at 5f and 6f. Finished 7l behind Princesse D'orange when sixth of 11 at 9-1 on her racecourse debut at Beverley over 5f (good to soft) last month.
8	YAHAIRA	Foaled 31 Mar. Half-sister to Carnival Zain, won five times at 7f and 1m. Beaten 9l behind Ziggy Starshine at 12-1 when 10th of 13 on her racecourse debut at Bath over 5f (good) last month.

RACE 2: JOIN LADBROKES BET 5 GET 30 EARL GROSVENOR HANDICAP (CLASS 2) (4YO PLUS)

PARTISAN HERO - SNOW MASTER - PERCY'S LAD

Race Preview: Being drawn low can often be of benefit on the Roodee and that earns PARTISAN HERO the vote. David Loughnane's charge wasn't as fortunate when attempting to make all in this 12 months ago and although much higher in the handicap now, recent efforts out in Bahrain suggest he's ready to win again. Snow Master struggled at Pattern level last season, most recently in the Joel Stakes at Newmarket. He goes handicapping for the first time, though, and might be up to defying a mark of 100, while Percy's Lad and Bellarchi appeal most of the remainder.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	AL SHABAB STORM	He has won four times from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to soft. Third of 6 behind Ten Pounds beaten 2l at 6-1 on his latest outing at Kempton over 6f in October last year. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with M Botti.

2	SNOW MASTER	Successful at 7f and 1m on good to firm ground. Finished 7l behind Zeus Olympios when last of 6 at 25-1 on his latest outing in the Group 2 Boyle Sports Daily Racing Rewards Joel Stakes at Newmarket over 1m (good to firm) in September last year. Having his first run for a new stable today.
3	THUNDER ROAR	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on soft and heavy ground. Beaten 6l behind Urban Lion at 33-1 when 15th of 21 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 1m (good to soft) in March.
4	CITY HOUSE	He has won three times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Finished 3 1/2l behind Keke when fifth of 12 at 11-1 on his latest outing at Naas over 6f (good) last month.
5	PARTISAN HERO	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on good and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1 1/4l by Dan Tucker when second of 18 at 10-1 on his latest outing at Bahrain over 5f (good) in February.
6	DIVINE LIBRA	He has won three times from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to heavy, but last win was over two years ago. Beaten 8l behind Double Rush at 14-1 when eighth of 13 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 6f (good) last month.
7	THE ANGEL KING	Successful twice at 7f on good to soft and soft ground. Beaten 8l behind Cosi Bello at 33-1 when 10th of 12 on his latest outing at Haydock over 7f (good to firm) last month.
8	GOD OF WAR	Successful twice at 7f on good to firm and soft ground. Beaten 10l behind Royal Velvet at 10-1 when 10th of 18 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
9	SOLAR ACLAIM	Winner of five races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to soft to heavy. Well beaten at 18-1 behind Golden Mind when 21st of 22 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 6f (heavy) in November last year.
10	BELLARCHI	Has won 11 races from 5f to 1m on ground varying from good to firm to soft and on the all-weather. A winner at 9-2 at Musselburgh over 1m (good) on her latest outing last month, beating Samra Green by 1/2l. Has won twice at Musselburgh this season.
11	SUPIDO	Successful at 7f and 1m on good to soft ground. Beaten 7l behind Two Tempting at 14-1 when eighth of 9 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m in November last year.
12	PERCY'S LAD	Winner of six races at 1m on good to firm and good ground, but last win was over two years ago. Beaten 12l behind Royal Velvet at 28-1 when 13th of 18 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
13	LIR SPECIALE	Winner of six races from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to firm to heavy and on the all-weather. Third of 22 behind Mezcala beaten 2 3/4l at 16-1 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 1m (good to soft) in March.
14	BRIGHTON BOY	He has won three times from 6f to 1m on good to soft and soft ground. Beaten 5l behind Kosometsuke at 11-1 when seventh of 12 on his latest outing at Thirsk over 7f (good) last month.

RACE 3: WEATHERBYS CHESHIRE OAKS (FILLIES' LISTED) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY)

I'M THE ONE - AMELIA EARHART - SUGAR ISLAND

Race Preview: Amelia Earhart struck in the same Leopardstown maiden that stable companion Minnie Hauk did 12 months ago en route to landing this and then Oaks glory, which entitles her to plenty of respect at the very least. As was the case with her brother Cleveland, she will surely benefit from a step up in trip and that may allow Aidan O'Brien to land his 10th Cheshire Oaks, but the Gosden's are no stranger to success in this contest either and I'M THE ONE is preferred. The daughter of Sea The Stars was mightily impressive when scoring on her debut at Newbury last month and, as the current Epsom Oaks favourite, may well be very special. Sugar Island looks next best.

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1	SUGAR ISLAND	Successful at 7f and 1m on good - yielding and heavy ground. A winner at 5-1 in the Group 3 Staffordstown Stud Stakes at Curragh over 1m (heavy) on her latest outing in October last year, beating Thundering On by 2 3/4l.
2	A LA PROCHAINE	A winner at 4-1 at Newbury over 1m (soft) on her latest outing in October last year, beating Gone By by 1 1/2l.
3	AMELIA EARHART	Won on her latest outing when 4-6fav at Leopardstown over 1m (yielding) in October last year, beating Chasing Paradise by 7l.
4	I'M THE ONE	Dam won three times at 1m 2f and 1m 4f including a Group 1 race. Won on her latest outing when evens fav at Newbury over 1m 2f (good) last month, beating Allaire by 6l.
5	WINGED ONE	A winner at 9-1 at Newcastle over 1m on her latest outing in October last year, beating Harriet Quimby by 3 1/2l.

RACE 4: BOODLES CHESTER VASE STAKES (GROUP 3) (CLASS 1) (3YO ONLY)

BENVENUTO CELLINI - WATER TO WINE - PROPOSITION

Race Preview: BENVENUTO CELLINI showcased a high level of form as a juvenile, winning impressively on Irish Champions Weekend before finishing third behind his stable companions in the Futurity at Doncaster, and has an excellent opportunity to continue Aidan O'Brien's fantastic record in this contest. The Ballydoyle maestro has won this prize on no less than 11 occasions and the son of Frankel appears more than capable of announcing himself as one of their leading hopes for Epsom. Water To Wine looked a smart prospect when winning on debut at Newbury last month and is respected, along with Proposition.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	BENVENUTO CELLINI	Successful twice at 1m on good - yielding and yielding - soft ground. Third of 5 behind Hawk Mountain beaten 3 1/2l at 7-4fav on his latest outing in the Group 1 William Hill Futurity Trophy Stakes at Doncaster over 1m (heavy) in October last year.
2	DEL MARO	Won on his latest outing when 4-7fav at Yarmouth over 1m 2f (good) last month, beating Point Of Law by 1/2l.
3	MR COLONEL	Won on his latest outing when 11-10fav at Redcar over 1m 2f (good to firm) last month, beating According To Mark by a short head.
4	MR VETTORI	A winner at 1m on heavy ground. Beaten 1/2l by Limestone when second of 4 at 7-2 on his latest outing at Cork over 1m 2f (good - yielding) last month.
5	PROPOSITION	A winner at 7-2 at Galway over 7f (soft - heavy) on his latest outing in October last year, beating Garden Party by 1 1/2l.
6	ROYAL STANDARD	Won on his latest outing when 4-6fav at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f in March, beating Stepanov by 5l.
7	WATER TO WINE	Half-brother to Naga, won twice at 1m and 1m 2f. Won on his latest outing when evens fav at Newbury over 1m 3f (good) last month, beating Alderman by 4 1/2l.

RACE 5: AMERICAN HOLIDAYS HANDICAP (CLASS 3) (3YO ONLY)

ALAMINOS - RUBY'S ANGEL - SILENT STRIKE

Race Preview: ALAMINOS may well have made a winning return to action with better luck in the closing stages at Pontefract and a 3lb rise looks to be very fair. The Kevin Ryan stable won this prize 12 months ago and he has plenty in his favour to gain a second career success. Ruby's Angel won a valuable nursery at York's Ebor meeting before appearing to find 7f a step too far at Kempton. She is entitled to bounce back, while others to consider include Silent Strike and Watcha Snoop.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	TEMPLE OF ATHENA	She has won three times at 5f on good to soft and soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 3l behind Azure Angel at 11-1 when seventh of 14 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good) last month.
2	SILENT STRIKE	A winner at 6f on the all-weather. Beaten 8l behind Al Najashi at 10-3fav when 10th of 14 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 6f last month.
3	DO BRONXS	A winner at 6f on good ground. Beaten 7l behind Avicenna at 50-1 when seventh of 8 on his latest outing at Doncaster over 7f (good) in September last year.
4	GO VINCE GO	He has won three times from 5f to 6f on good and good to soft ground. Beaten 5l behind Simplify at 12-1 when eighth of 14 on his latest outing at Thirsk over 5f (good) last month.
5	WATCHA SNOOP	A winner at 6f on soft ground. Beaten 9l behind Mission Central at 66-1 when 10th of 11 on his latest outing at Ascot over 6f (good) in October last year.
6	ALAMINOS	A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Beaten a neck by Cape Ashizuri when second of 7 at 7-2 on his latest outing at Pontefract over 6f (good) last month.
7	STAR MATERIAL	A winner at 5f on good ground. Beaten 5l behind Simplify at 18-1 when 9th of 14 on his latest outing at Thirsk over 5f (good) last month.
8	ANGEL LOVE	Won on her latest outing when 4-5fav at Wolverhampton over 6f in November last year, beating Ritaal by 4 1/2l.
9	ARDUIS INVICTA	Successful twice at 5f on good to firm and good to soft ground. Beaten 5l behind Azure Angel at 50-1 when 11th of 14 on her latest outing at Bath over 5f (good) last month.
10	SAFFRON DANDY	She has won three times from 5f to 6f on firm ground and on the all-weather. Finished 5l behind Al Najashi when sixth of 14 at 28-1 on her latest outing at Newcastle over 6f last month.
11	RUBY'S ANGEL	A winner at 6f on good to firm ground. Finished 6l behind Just Call Me Angel when last of 4 at 2-1 on her latest outing at Kempton over 7f in September last year.
12	CHERRY BAKER	A winner at 6f on the all-weather. Beaten 18l behind Azleet at 125-1 when last of 12 on her latest outing in the Group 3 Lanwades Stud Nell Gwyn Stakes at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
13	TRICKY TEL	Successful at 5f and 6f on good ground. Finished 6l behind Lily Pearl when fourth of 8 at 10-3 on his latest outing at Pontefract over 6f (good to soft) in September last year.
14	EVIE ROSS	A winner at 5f on good to firm ground. Finished 6l behind Pilu when sixth of 10 at 15-2 on her latest outing at Salisbury over 6f (good to soft) in August last year.

RACE 6: TMT GROUP MAIDEN STAKES (GBB/GBBPLUS RACE) (CLASS 3) (3YO ONLY)**ARABIAN DESERT - ALFARAZ - EL NAY**

Race Preview: Second in the Group 3 Horris Hill on his final start last year, ARABIAN DESERT was beaten at 1/8 on his return at Pontefract last month but that form has been boosted since. With that in mind, the son of Frankel could make amends here. Alfaraz was far from disgraced when sixth in a competitive contest at Newbury recently and Andrew Balding's colt should not be underestimated. The shortlist is completed by El Nay and Tornado Tower.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	ALFARAZ	Placed once in three starts. Finished 1l behind Maltese Cross when sixth of 10 at 9-2 on his latest outing at Newbury over 1m 2f (good) last month.
2	ARABIAN DESERT	Placed in three of four starts. Beaten 1 1/2l by Haayimm when second of 8 at 1-8fav on his latest outing at Pontefract over 1m (good to soft) last month.
3	EL NAY	Placed in both starts. Third of 8 behind New Monarch beaten 2 1/2l at 3-1 on his latest outing at Kempton over 7f in March.
4	NORMAN INVASION	Placed once in two starts. Third of 10 behind Be Patient beaten 3/4l at 12-1 on his latest outing at Newcastle over 1m in November last year.
5	OUTBACK LEGEND	Half-brother to Capel At Dawn, won twice at 1m. Finished 5l behind Olympic Charter when sixth of 9 at 22-1 on his racecourse debut at Nottingham over 1m 2f (good) last month.
6	SOTTSFIELD	Half-brother to Henry The Lion, won at 1m. Beaten 12l behind Director's Cut at 80-1 when eighth of 12 on his racecourse debut at Newcastle over 1m in November last year.
7	TORNADO TOWER	Full brother to Hurricane Lane, won seven times between 1m and 1m 6f including three Group 1 races. Beaten 1 1/4l by Olympic Charter when second of 9 at 10-3 on his racecourse debut at Nottingham over 1m 2f (good) last month.

RACE 7: ROODEE HANDICAP (CLASS 3) (4YO PLUS)**PIETRO - A WAR EAGLE - DANCE IN THE STORM**

Race Preview: In a wide-open contest, marginal preference is for PIETRO. The four-year-old progressed well last season and maintained that momentum when successful on his return at Wolverhampton in March. Only 2lb higher here, James Fanshawe's gelding could take some stopping. A War Eagle has to be respected following an encouraging effort in defeat at Thirsk on Saturday, while Dance In The Storm and Rare Change are others to consider.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	DANCE IN THE STORM	Successful twice at 7f on good to firm ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 5l behind Elarak at 11-4 when 10th of 13 on her latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good to firm) in September last year.
2	MIDNIGHT STRIKE	A winner at 5f on soft - heavy ground, but that win was over two years ago. Well beaten at 10-1 behind Serengeti when last of 13 on his latest outing at Naas over 7f (yielding) in October last year. Having his first run for a new stable today, previously with Joseph Patrick O'Brien in Ireland.
3	SPANGLED MAC	Has won eight races from 5f to 7f on good to firm and good to soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 14l behind Dubai Bling at 12-1 when 14th of 17 on his latest outing at Bahrain over 6f (good) last month.

4	GOLDMOYNE	Has won eight races from 6f to 1m on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 9l behind Royal Velvet at 9-1 when 9th of 18 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
5	CRIMSON SPIRIT	He has won four times at 7f on good to firm and good ground. Third of 18 behind Royal Velvet beaten 3l at 12-1 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
6	SUJET	Successful at 1m and 1m 1f on good ground. Beaten 7l behind Royal Velvet at 22-1 when seventh of 18 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
7	MIAMI MATRIX	He has won three times from 7f to 1m on good and soft ground and on the all-weather. Beaten 1 1/4l by Knights Gold when second of 11 at 4-1 on his latest outing here over 1m (good to soft) in September last year. Having his first run for a new stable today.
8	ARCTIC THUNDER	Successful twice at 7f on good ground and on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Beaten 8l behind Mirabeau at 11-2 when 12th of 16 on his latest outing at Newbury over 6f (good) last month.
9	A WAR EAGLE	Successful twice at 7f on good to firm ground. Finished 2 1/2l behind Mirsky when fifth of 13 at 28-1 on his latest outing at Thirsk over 1m (good to firm) earlier this month.
10	BELL SHOT	Has won nine races from 6f to 7f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Beaten 10l behind Winston's Warrior at 18-1 when last of 9 on his latest outing at Southwell over 7f last month.
11	HUSCAL	Successful twice at 6f on good to firm and good ground. Beaten 11l behind Royal Velvet at 12-1 when 12th of 18 on his latest outing at Newmarket over 7f (good) last month.
12	RARE CHANGE	He has won three times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground. Third of 5 behind Dyrholaey beaten 1 3/4l at 2-1fav on his latest outing at Lingfield over 6f last month.
13	SILKY WILKIE	Has won eight races from 5f to 6f on ground varying from good to firm to good to soft and on the all-weather. Third of 12 behind Dark Ace beaten 1 1/2l at 7-1 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 6f last month.
14	PIETRO	He has won four times from 6f to 7f on good to firm and good ground and on the all-weather. A winner at 9-1 at Wolverhampton over 7f on his latest outing in March, beating Pressure's On by 3/4l.