

RACE COMMENT & SELECTION
UNITED KINGDOM RACING SUNDAY 15 FEBRUARY 2026 MEETING
NEWCASTLE

RACE 1: MIDNITE A NEXT GENERATION BETTING APP HANDICAP (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (CLASS 6) (4YO PLUS)

SHOWMEDEMONEY - HIJO DE LA LUNA - HIGHFIELD COMRADE

Race Preview: In a moderate event, it is hard to oppose SHOWMEDEMONEY, who was beaten by less than a length when fourth off this mark at Southwell last time. That followed a win over a mile at this venue in December and the in-form seven-year-old merits plenty of respect. Hijo De La Luna and Highfield Comrade have both been running well in classified events of late and look to be the main threats.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	BAVARIA IRON	Winner of seven races from 1m 1f to 1m 2f including 4 wins on the all-weather (3 FB), but last win was over two years ago. Well beaten at 40-1 when last of 11 on his latest outing over this course and distance last month.
2	FORCE OF HONOUR	A winner at 1m. Finished 9l behind Roaring Ralph when fifth of 10 at 28-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m earlier this month.
3	SHOWMEDEMONEY	Winner of five races from 1m to 1m 2f including 2 wins on the all-weather. Finished 3/4l behind Pride Eye when fourth of 9 at 14-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m last month.
4	STAFFORDSHIRE	Yet to place in ten starts. Beaten 11l behind Tenadaay at 28-1 when seventh of 9 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 4f last month.
5	HIGHFIELD COMRADE	A winner at 1m 3f on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Havachoc beaten 6l at 5-4fav on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 4f last month.
6	OH SO COOL	Yet to place in eight starts. Finished 8l behind Sea Legend when sixth of 8 at 18-1 on his latest outing here over 1m earlier this month.
7	HIJO DE LA LUNA	Placed in six of 24 starts. Third of 8 behind Al Baahy beaten 1 1/2l at 5-1 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 2f last month.
8	SWEET CICELY	Placed once in 17 starts. Well beaten at 33-1 behind Tiberio Force when 9th of 10 on her latest outing at Ripon over 1m 2f (good) in August last year.
9	FREAK ENCOUNTER	A winner at 1m on polytrack. Beaten 13l behind Pink Socks at 14-1 when 9th of 10 on his latest outing here over 1m last month.
10	MILLBUIE	Placed once in 20 starts. Finished 9l behind Time Turner when sixth of 10 at 28-1 on his latest outing here over 1m 4f last month.
11	MASHAM MOOR	He has won four times at 1m on the all-weather. Finished 10l behind Dequinto when last of 6 at 15-2 on his latest outing here over 1m earlier this month.

12	RAJAWAIL	Placed once in 20 starts. Beaten 12l behind dead-heaters Star Start and Poet's Dawn at 200-1 when 12th of 14 on her latest outing at Beverley over 1m 2f (good to firm) in July last year.
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RACE 2: MAKE THE MOVE TO MIDNITE HANDICAP (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (CLASS 5) (4YO PLUS)

THE CRAFTYMASTER - TARBAT NESS - CLANSMAN

Race Preview: THE CRAFTYMASTER had plenty in hand when winning over 1m6f at Chelmsford a week ago and a 5lb penalty for that success may not be enough to stop him from following up. Tarbat Ness has won his last two Flat starts, including over C&D last time, and he could give the selection plenty to think about. Clansman edges out Billy Bathgate to be next best.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	CLANSMAN	Winner of six races from 1m 2f to 1m 7f. Third of 8 behind King Chaos beaten 1l at 25-1 on his latest outing here over 1m 4f last month.
2	TARBAT NESS	He has won four times at 2m including a win on the all-weather. A winner at 15-2 over this course and distance on his latest outing last month, beating Dollar's Dream by 3/4l.
3	THE CRAFTYMASTER	Has won eight races from 1m 6f to 2m on the all-weather (3 PO). A winner at 3-1 at Chelmsford City over 1m 6f on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Apache Eagle by 3l. Carries a 5lb penalty today for that success.
4	BILLY BATHGATE	Winner of five races from 1m 5f to 2m including 3 wins on the all-weather. Finished 4l behind Skycutter when fourth of 5 at 9-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 6f earlier this month.
5	SOVEREIGN APPLAUSE	Unplaced in all six starts. Beaten 17l behind Nunc Est Bibendum at 33-1 when seventh of 10 on her latest flat outing at Southwell over 2m last month.
6	ARCIMBOLDO	Placed twice in nine starts. Finished 12l behind Tarbat Ness when fourth of 8 at 3-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance last month.

RACE 3: JOIN THE MIDNITE MOVEMENT HANDICAP (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (DIV 1) (CLASS 6) (4YO PLUS)

DUCHESS - YQUEM - BUSBY

Race Preview: DUCHESS has filled second place on both starts since springing a surprise at Southwell in January and she is more than capable of returning to winning ways on this occasion. Yquem's last couple of efforts in defeat at Dundalk suggest that she could play a big role in this company. The rest all have questions to answer, but Busby and Violeta are the pick of them.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	I AM SIMBA	Unplaced in all three starts. Well beaten at 250-1 behind Antrim when sixth of 8 on his latest outing here over 1m 2f in October last year.
2	TUPERO	Unplaced in all four starts. Well beaten at 11-2 behind Tarbat Ness when sixth of 8 on his latest outing here over 2m last month.

3	DUCHESS	Successful at 1m and 1m 3f including a win on the all-weather. Beaten a neck by Smokey Malone when second of 11 at 4-1 on her latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
4	VIOLETA	Successful twice at 1m 2f on the all-weather. Well beaten at 16-1 behind Mr Zippi when 9th of 12 on her latest outing over this course and distance in December last year.
5	NYMPHAEA	Yet to place in six starts. Finished 6l behind Smokey Malone when fifth of 11 at 66-1 on her latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
6	BUSBY	Has won 12 races from 6f to 1m 4f on the all-weather (6 PO). Finished 7l behind Smokey Malone when sixth of 11 at 22-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
7	MUHIB	Placed once in 16 starts. Beaten 8l behind Noss Mayo at 40-1 when 9th of 11 on his latest outing here over 1m 2f last month.
8	ANGELARDO	Unplaced in all five starts. Beaten 6l behind Havachoc at 18-1 when seventh of 11 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
9	YQUEM	Placed once in seven starts. Finished 1 3/4l behind Without Love when fifth of 14 at 12-1 on her latest outing at Dundalk over 1m 3f last month.

RACE 4: JOIN THE MIDNITE MOVEMENT HANDICAP (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (DIV 2) (CLASS 6) (4YO PLUS)

HAVACHOC - ACHNAMARA - FREE PIC

Race Preview: HAVACHOC ran right away from his rivals in a classified event at Wolverhampton and gamely followed up back in a handicap at Southwell. That was a stiffer test than he faces here and a 3lb rise might not prevent the four-year-old from completing the hat-trick. The code-switching Achnamara is well handicapped based on past exploits on the Flat and he is a strong contender. Free Pic and Dancing Bay complete the shortlist.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	HAVACHOC	Successful twice at 1m 4f on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 5-2fav at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month, beating Haliphon by a short head. Has also won at Wolverhampton this season.
2	ACHNAMARA	Winner of five races from 1m 4f to 2m including 2 wins on the all-weather. Finished 7l behind Himself when fourth of 8 at 11-4 on his latest flat outing at Southwell over 1m 6f last month.
3	DESERT QUEST	Winner of five races from 1m 4f to 1m 6f including a win on the all-weather, but last win was over two years ago. Third of 13 behind Gregorina beaten 5l at 5-1 on his latest outing at Hamilton over 1m 4f (soft) in August '24.
4	FREE PIC	A winner at 1m 4f on the all-weather. Finished 6l behind Smokey Malone when fourth of 11 at 5-2fav on her latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
5	NEDDIES BOY	A winner at 1m 4f on polytrack, but that win was over two years ago. Well beaten at 14-1 behind Three Yorkshiremen when last of 12 on his latest outing at Kempton over 1m 3f in June last year.

6	EASTER SUNDAE	Yet to place in 12 starts. Finished 4 1/2l behind Havachoc when sixth of 11 at 100-1 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 4f earlier this month.
7	DANCING BAY	Placed once in 13 starts. Beaten 12l behind Knight Of Magic at 17-2 when seventh of 10 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 4f last month.
8	HIGHLAND HARVEY	Placed once in 12 starts. Beaten 1 1/4l by Belle Amie when second of 8 at 13-2 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 4f earlier this month, his only placing from 12 starts.
9	AYE UP TOM	Yet to place in five starts. Beaten 14l behind Velvet Red at 150-1 when 10th of 11 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m 3f last month.

RACE 5: BET 10 GET 40 WITH BETMGM CLASSIFIED STAKES (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (CLASS 6) (4YO PLUS)

BOSSY PARKER - I CAN BOOGY - SIR MAXI

Race Preview: BOSSY PARKER has a convincing profile based on recent form and looks worth another chance after just running out of steam over an extended mile at Wolverhampton. Having performed well over C&D in the past, this could be a rewarding piece of placement by his connections. I Can Boogy came good over track and trip recently and appears a big danger. Sir Maxi and Serengeti Sunrise are appealing each-way options.

NO.	I CAN BOOGY	She has won three times from 7f to 1m including 2 wins on the all-weather. A winner at 16-1 over this course and distance on her latest outing earlier this month, beating Sir Maxi by 1 1/4l.
1	BANDELLO	Placed in five of 21 starts. Finished 11l behind Court Of Session when fifth of 7 at 7-2 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 7f last month.
2	BOSSY PARKER	He has won four times at 7f including 2 wins on the all-weather. Beaten a neck by First Encounter when second of 10 at 3-1 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f last month.
3	KITTENS GIFT	Yet to place in three starts. Well beaten at 300-1 behind Time Allowed when last of 10 on her latest outing at Southwell over 1m in June last year.
4	MY KURKUM	A winner at 1m on the all-weather, but that win was over five years ago. Well beaten at 33-1 behind Blackjack Hills when 14th of 15 on his latest outing at Gowran Park over 1m (heavy) in October last year.
6	SERENGETI SUNRISE	A winner at 7f on the all-weather, but that win was over two years ago. Finished 4 1/2l behind Von Krolock when fourth of 10 at 10-1 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 7f earlier this month.
7	SIR MAXI	Has won eight races from 6f to 7f including 4 wins on the all-weather (2 PO). Beaten 6l behind The Gay Blade at 5-2fav when eighth of 10 on his latest outing here over 6f earlier this month.

8	SOLD OUT	Unplaced in all ten starts. Finished 1 3/4l behind Captain Pickles when fourth of 10 at 4-1 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f last month.
9	STAR OF ST LOUIS	Winner of six races from 1m to 1m 2f including 5 wins on the all-weather (2 PO). Finished 5l behind Muy Muy Loco when fifth of 8 at 16-1 on his latest outing at Lingfield over 1m 2f earlier this month.
10	STARSHOT	A winner at 7f on the all-weather. Beaten 18l behind Roaring Ralph at 22-1 when eighth of 10 on his latest outing at Southwell over 1m earlier this month.

RACE 6: ALWAYS GAMBLE RESPONSIBLY AT BETMGM HANDICAP (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (CLASS 5) (4YO PLUS)

NOVAK - TASEVER - FLOWSTATE

Race Preview: Six-time course winner Tasever is taken seriously, despite picking up a 5lb penalty for Tuesday's success over a mile here, while Flowstate commands respect after edging out Front Gunner over C&D. However, there could be some value in giving NOVAK another throw of the dice. Iain Jardine's gelding is a dual track-and-trip scorer and is highly dangerous to underestimate from 3lb below his last winning mark. Mohammed Tabti notably enhances that by claiming 5lb.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	TASEVER	Winner of six races from 7f to 1m on the all-weather. Won on his latest outing when 3-1jt-fav here over 1m earlier this month, beating Francesi by a neck. Carries a 5lb penalty today for that success.
2	BOBBY JOE LEG	Has won 17 races from 6f to 7f on the all-weather. Beaten 3/4l by Golden Strike when second of 8 at 16-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.
3	FLOWSTATE	He has won four times from 6f to 7f including 2 wins on the all-weather. A winner at 5-1 over this course and distance on his latest outing earlier this month, beating Front Gunner by a nose.
4	NOVAK	Has won ten races from 6f to 7f including 6 wins on the all-weather. Finished 2 1/2l behind Golden Strike when fourth of 8 at 12-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.
5	SAISONS D'OR	Has won 11 races from 7f to 1m including 5 wins on the all-weather. Finished 7l behind Blazing Son when sixth of 7 at 18-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance in September last year.
6	LESSAY	He has won three times at 7f on the all-weather (2 PO). Beaten 4l behind My Mate Mike at 11-2 when seventh of 10 on his latest outing at Southwell over 7f earlier this month.
7	FRONT GUNNER	He has won three times at 7f including 2 wins on the all-weather. Beaten a nose by Flowstate when second of 9 at 9-1 on his latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.
8	CONCERT BOY	Winner of five races from 7f to 1m on the all-weather. Third of 8 behind Golden Strike beaten 1 1/2l at 7-2 on his latest outing over this course and distance earlier this month.

RACE 7: WIN 250,000 WITH BETMGM'S GOLDEN GOALS RESTRICTED NOVICE STAKES (RIDER RESTRICTED RACE) (GBB RACE) (CLASS 4) (3YO TO 5YO)

SILKY LASS - L L KOULSTY - HENRY HALFLIGHT

Race Preview: L L Koulsty finished his juvenile campaign with a breakthrough victory at Cork and there is likely more to come. However, he lacks a recent run and a penalty demands more of him. With that in mind, it could be worth chancing SILKY LASS, who has reached the frame on her last two outings and won't be found wanting for fitness. Henry Halflight and Lakota Chief are others of interest.

NO.	HORSE NAME	RACE COMMENT
1	L L KOULSTY	A winner at 13-2 at Cork over 6f (yielding - soft) on his latest outing in September last year, beating Rosie Frith by a nose.
2	DERRYGARRAN LAD	Dam won three times at 7f and 1m 4f. Third of 5 behind Majestic Dane beaten 5l at 15-2 on his racecourse debut here over 7f last month.
3	HENGIST POD	Unplaced in both starts. Finished 3 1/2l behind Terranoble when fourth of 7 at 25-1 on his latest outing at Wolverhampton over 1m 1f last month.
4	LAKOTA CHIEF	Half-brother to Nellie Leylax, won six times between 5f and 1m 2f including a Group 3 race. Finished 3 1/2l behind Maria Da Silva when fourth of 11 at 10-11fav on his racecourse debut here over 7f last month.
5	LORTON VALLEY	Half-brother to Raffles Angel, won four times at 6f.
6	HENRY HALFLIGHT	Full brother to Lunar Space, won twice between 7f and 1m 1f. Beaten 4l by Majestic Dane when second of 5 at 80-1 on his racecourse debut here over 7f last month.
7	ROCKY RIVER	Half-brother to Fantasy World, won three times between 1m 2f and 1m 6f.
8	SILKY LASS	Placed twice in four starts. Third of 8 behind Lady Dora Mae beaten 1 1/4l at 7-2 on her latest outing at Southwell over 1m last month.
9	THEPENDLEBURYFOX	Unplaced in both starts. Beaten 14l behind Maria Da Silva at 300-1 when 9th of 11 on her latest outing here over 7f last month.