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(R1) 12:45 SEDGEFIELD, 2m 5f 28y

Lisa Margaret Turner Memorial Handicap Chase (GBB Race) (Class 4) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		1U1214	**FAIRLAWN SKIPPER** 21 b g Schiaparelli - Joe's Island	6 12 - 0	Shane Fenelon (5) Mickey Bowen	114
2		472363	**GLORY AND HONOUR** (IRE) 22 b g Elusive Pimpernel - On Khee	10 11 - 10bt	Jonathan England S England	110
3		398/2-41	**WALK IN THE VALLEY** (IRE) 19 b g Walk In The Park - Flaming Queen	7 11 - 0	Danny McMenamin J Parkinson & S Smith	100

ATR VERDICT: All of these have claims, but it is hard to oppose WALK IN THE VALLEY after his success at Market Rasen last month. An 8lb rise should be workable given the ease of that success and the seven-year-old may have more to offer on this occasion. Fairlawn Skipper struggled at Cheltenham latest but had been in good form prior to that, while Glory And Honour has shown some encouraging signs in recent starts.

Top Tip: WALK IN THE VALLEY (3)
Watch out for: FAIRLAWN SKIPPER (1)

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(R2) 13:20 SEDGEFIELD, 2m 5f 34y

Paxtons Northallerton Parts Team Power Performance Novices' Hurdle (GBB Race) (Class 4) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		1P4712	**IN THE TRENCHES** 30 BF b g Kodiac - Bristol Fashion	6 11 - 9t	Sean Quinlan J Candlish	115
2		21211-5	**FARFROMAWAY** (IRE) 22 b g Jukebox Jury - All The Way West	5 11 - 2	Danny McMenamin J Parkinson & S Smith	-
3		P75	**ARCIMBOLDO** 14 b g Study Of Man - Archduchess	4 11 - 1	Charlie Maggs M E Sowersby	-

ATR VERDICT: It is very hard to oppose IN THE TRENCHES, who won off a mark of 112 over fences two starts ago and was not disgraced when second in a match race at Wetherby last time. The switch to hurdles should not be a problem for him and the six-year-old can get the better of the multiple point winner Farfromaway. Arcimboldo has plenty to find.

Top Tip: IN THE TRENCHES (1)
Watch out for: FARFROMAWAY (2)

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(R3) 13:55 SEDGEFIELD, 3m 3f 9y

Sedgefield Christmas Jumper Raceday 22nd December Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle (Class 4) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		22-16P1	**WEE ALKI** (IRE) 50 b g Alkaadhem - Springfield Spirit	7 12 - 0tp	Conor Rabbitt S Corbett	106
2		664321	**FRISKY WHISKEY** 42 b m Doyen - United	5 11 - 12t	Oakley Brown B Ellison	104
3		4/P886-	**LAST MAN D'ARCY** (IRE) 459 b g Milan - Dark Daisy	7 11 - 8	Luke Scott (3) J Candlish	100
4		312151	**JETEYE** (IRE) 10 C br g Jet Away - Shuil Sionnach	9 11 - 7bt	Tom Midgley (3) S England	99
5		PP/80-38	**SIMIYANN** (IRE) 12 b g Australia - Simiyna	6 10 - 3t	Charlie Maggs M E Sowersby	81

ATR VERDICT: JETEYE won a similar race over fences at this venue 10 days ago and, off the same mark, Sam England's gelding could be hard to beat once again. That said, Wee Alki cannot be discounted from just 3lb higher than when scoring comfortably at Perth in September. Frisky Whiskey is another to arrive here on the back of a success and has to be respected.

Top Tip: JETEYE (4)
Watch out for: WEE ALKI (1)

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(R4) 14:30 SEDGEFIELD, 2m 178y

Christmas Parties At Sedgefield Racecourse Maiden Hurdle (GBB Race) (Class 4) (4YO plus)

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1			**CARTHUSIAN** (IRE) b g Lope De Vega - Chartreuse	4 11 - 4h1	Sean Quinlan J Candlish	-
2		553	**CHAMPAGNE POWDER** (FR) 17 b g Kodiac - Grace And Danger	4 11 - 4h	Leah Noreci (7) James Moffatt	99
3		3-3	**CLOSE HOUSE** (IRE) 45 b g Wings Of Eagles - Lady Kathleen	5 11 - 4	Danny McMenamin C Grant	-
4		0-6	**GET ON SON** (IRE) 34 b g Getaway - Savina	5 11 - 4	Peter Kavanagh J Parkinson & S Smith	-
5		26-54	**MAC'S MAX** 17 b g Maxios - Delft Dancer	4 11 - 4	R P McLernon B Haslam	-
6		222	**MILITARY CROSS** (IRE) 19 b g Nathaniel - Moraine	4 11 - 4t	Jonathan England S England	105
7			**WHO'S THE GOAT** (IRE) b g Decorated Knight - Jeunesse Doree	6 11 - 4	Joshua Thompson (5) Micky Hammond	-

ATR VERDICT: Having finished runner-up on all three of his outings over hurdles, Military Cross must rank high on any shortlist. That said, the four-year-old may have to play second fiddle once more because CARTHUSIAN has been in good form on the Flat recently. Jennie Candlish's charge boasts an official rating of 81 in that sphere and might take some stopping if able to translate his form into this discipline. Fellow hurdling debutant Close House is also of interest.

Top Tip: CARTHUSIAN (1)
Watch out for: MILITARY CROSS (6)

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