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CHELTENHAM 2024**

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CASAMENTO **SOLD OUT**

WILLIE MULLINS

JEU ST ELOI **LAST CHANCE**

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WEST END VICTORY **SOLD OUT**

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MILAN DOLLAR LADY **SOLD OUT**

PETER FAHEY

DIAMOND BOY **SOLD OUT**

WILLIE MULLINS

GREAT PRETENDER **LAST CHANCE**

WILLIE MULLINS

SHARP OBJECT **SOLD OUT**

JOHN MCCONNELL

ELLEN KELLY **SOLD OUT**

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WALDPARK **LAST CHANCE**

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LET THE FUN BEGIN



Jack Cantillon

FOUNDER,
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We decided to do something different this year by asking our owners for their best bets of the Cheltenham Festival. We are lucky to have some seriously shrewd owners so who better then let our Syndicates.Racing family to guide you to a winner or three. I hope you enjoy the week's sport and their analysis of their top picks.



Scott Loudon

Supreme | Firefox 9/2

In my opinion he is the clear form pick even though he's yet to win a graded race because of his win over Ballyburn who was long touted as Mullins number one for the supreme this year.

Firefox looks to travel strongly and jump well under pressure. His turn of foot over 2m was quite impressive that day against ballyburn. Added to the mix Tullyhill who clearly gallops all day and has an engine however his jumping isn't always fluent, lacks a bit of pace and his sire Martaline normally always struggles at the festival for win purposes. The addition of hoods to mistergif and mystical power with forecasted testing conditions doesn't look a good omen although if there is a surprise package it's probably going to be Mistergif.

I think we haven't yet got to the bottom of Jeriko du reponet and I believe conditions will suit him well here but I just think if your going to throw your hat on anything in the first it should be the 🐱🔥



Daragh Ó'Conchúir

Coral Cup | Doddiethegreat

Bred and owned by Kenny Alexander, who owned and is breeding from Honeysuckle, Doddiethegreat has made a good return from a life-threatening tendon injury with three runs, maintaining his unbeaten record after a 746-day absence before finishing second in a Cheltenham handicap giving weight and then staying on to be fourth in the Betfair Hurdle. Step up to 2m5f looks like it will suit on that latter evidence especially. Also holds Martin Pipe entry but I think this the likelier.

The biggest concern is the form of the Henderson horses. Spring Note on Saturday was his first winner in 11 days, while a few pulled up, and obviously, Constitution Hill is too sick to defend the Champion Hurdle.

But the form and profile are good. The fact that the horse was named after the late Scottish rugby international and horse enthusiast Doddie Weir, and that all proceeds from his entire racing life are going to the charity Doddie set up to fund research into the motor neuron's disease that ultimately claimed his life, is the cherry on top. It's the type of story Cheltenham, even in recent years with the polarisation of the riches, still throws up.



John Farrell

Mares Novice Chase | Dystart Enos

She was very tough race as both brighterdaysahead and Jade de grugy look very strong but they are too short of price but I really like this horse, again already ran in Cheltenham already and won. The stamina/pace doesn't seem an issue and I think Fergal (trainer) has had a great year and don't think this horse is getting the credit it deserves. If you watch his previous races he has great pace.



Andrew McGarry

Coral Cup | Built By Ballymore

This is an unexposed stayer who has come through the ranks of proven Grade 1 sourcer Pat Doyle, having been 2nd in a bumper for that trainer (winner has shown very solid form since).

He was swiftly moved to Martin Brassil, connections preferred trainer, where he began his career with some quiet runs over inadequate trips before duly obliging heavy market support to score by 12 lengths at a bottomless Limerick over 2m5f. He duly followed up by 12 lengths at Punchestown (Heavy 2m4f) taking some good scalps in the process.

He's been put away now for this, and given a rating of 139 by the UK handicapper. This no doubt a good mark for a big powerful stayer who won't mind carrying weight where other more undeveloped horses would struggle. One thing this horse does, is stay all day. He's been consistently undersold by his trainer in comparison to the efforts he has shown on the track so far and you can make up your own minds on why!

I know I would want to be on the horse that I know will be there running on up that hill with stamina while the others are found out by the Cheltenham hill. If the ground is soft, Buily by Ballymore can get you a winner of the Cheltenham festival.



Shane Brady

County Hurdle | King of Kingsfield

Currently 7/1 best price. There's nothing I like more than a Grade 1 horse in a handicap and this horse is definitely a grade 1 performer. He's been placed twice in Grade 1s already, including last time out when 3rd at Leopardstown behind the impressive Ballyburn. He's got off very lightly with his Irish handicap mark being unchanged. I can just picture Jack Kennedy absolutely swinging on the bridal coming to 2 out and I think he'll find plenty enough to come out on top with a bit in hand here .



Pat Twomey

Pretemps | Gabby's Cross

Let me make the case for Gabbys Cross winning the Pertemps next week. He finished second in a Pertemps Qualifier last November and has been put away since. He has been rated at 133 by the English Handicapper which is 10 pounds below what he is rated over fences in Ireland (143). No reason to believe he isn't any worse over Hurdles. Henry De Bromehead is a master at getting horses ready for Cheltenham and I think he has plotted Gabby's Cross since last November. He is a lovely price at about 10/1 as well after being punted in from 20/1 in the last 2 weeks.



Chris Gray

Champion Bumper | Teeshan

My main tip, I suppose is Teeshan in the Champion Bumper. I know someone who had a horse (with W. Mullins) which would have run, barring injury, and he thinks there is some doubt in the stable with their main bumper runner. Also, I hate backing favourites 😂 I'll also be taking on Galopin Deschamps with Shishkin. He's (imo) the most talented horse in the race, but unfortunately the most contrary. Should get 7s or 8s on both ante post. I doubt they'll be that on the day. 👍👍👍👍



Shane Rooney

Coral Cup | Langer Dan

Langer Dan has been your typical handicapping sort that's been primed for the Cheltenham festival each and every year. His route to Cheltenham looked the same each year for the past few years. Lightly raced, down the field and produced one big day in march when money is down.

His record around Cheltenham is top class. A good 6th in the Juvenile hurdle in 2020, 2nd behind Galopin Des Champs in the Martin Pipe in 2021, unlucky to be brought down the following year in the same race when heavily gambled and produced magnificently to win on the line in the coral cup last year.

He won that race off 141 last year, and took a rise of 6lbs as a consequence, which was probably too much of a hill to climb for him, as results show since. As a result, he's been campaigned very intelligently to bring him back down to the magic 141 just in time for Cheltenham. I'd be very surprised if he wasn't in the first 3, and even more surprised if he is not heavily gambled on the morning of the race. Therefore, a cheeky punt at 10-1 for a nice jolly up on the day is very much bang for your buck!



Cathal Walsh O'Grady

National Hunt Chase | Corbett's Cross

Corbetts Cross in the National Hunt Chase, fill yere boots at 2/1, saw him win his 3m p2p for Eugene O'Sullivan in Kildorrery and probably the best run ive ever seen around there, jumped and travelled and won as he liked, he hasnt been ridden right all year and yet his form is the key line into Novice Staying Chases this season, his nearest market rival Embassy Gardens has beaten all but nothing and didn't come up the hill in last years Albert Bartlett and as JPs on entry in the race he has been laid out for this by Emmet, GSI



Brian Percy

Martin Pipe | Answer to Kayf

Over the last 12 races
11/12 had 4 previous races
12/12 rated 134+ kayf = 137
7/12 won last time out.

JP shinnick will be riding, regular jockey so be a plus in this race.

Form wise

Graded Nov Irish form

Goes on softer surface

Beat what's up darling over 2m that horse rated 137

6lb turn around with Waterford whispers for 1&3/4 length

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DON'T JUST BET ON THE ACTION, BE PART OF THE ACTION



Willie Mullins

Jeu St Eloi

By the same sire as Dublin Racing Festival winning Kargese. We bought her at the Goffs Arkle Sale as the type to target a bumper before progressing over obstacles. She's being targeted at a summer debut.



Henry De Bromhead

Waldpark

Our first jumps horse with Henry De Bromhead. Our Waldpark filly has already schooled exceptionally well for her pre-trainer Donie Murphy. She's heading to Henry soon and we can't wait to see what magic the Honeysuckle trainer produces.



Willie Mullins

Great Pretender

By Great Pretender, the same sire as Lossiemouth, Benie Des Dieux and our very own Grangee. She's likely the last one we're ever able to buy given his advancing years. What might the journey be like if she could be half as good as those fillies.

Learn more about these jumps mares

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