

Kerry National Analysis: Race Trends

***Analysing the Kerry National
from an alternative viewpoint***

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Kerry National: Winners Trends Analysis

This section compiles the important trends of the past 15 winners of the Kerry National so that we can apply them to this year's entries.

Kerry National Trends

- 1 15/15 had their last start under National Hunt rules
- 2 15/15 top 8 finish LTO (0/69 any other position)
- 3 15/15 5+ starts in last year (0/45 4 or less)
- 4 15/15 ran within past 48 days (0/94 out with those parameters)
- 5 14/15 were aged 6 - 9 (1/57 out with those parameters)
- 6 14/15 had an OR of 140 or less
- 7 14/15 had previously recorded a top 3 finish at track or were making their track debut
- 8 14/15 had at least 14 previous NH starts
- 9 14/15 had previously contested a Graded Chase
- 10 14/15 were IRE bred
- 11 14/15 had their last start over 2m6f or shorter (1/63 over further)
- 12 14/15 carried 11-3 or less to victory

2018 Kerry National Entries: Trends Applied

This section applies the important trends of the past 15 winners of the Kerry National to this year's entrants.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Tot
CALL IT MAGIC	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	11/12
DELL ARCA	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	11/12
OSCAR KNIGHT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	11/12
WOUNDED WARRIOR	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	11/12
ALL HELL LET LOOSE (RES)	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	11/12
SHANTOU VILLAGE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	10/12
TOWNSHEND	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	10/12
BLAZER	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	10/12
BAY OF FREEDOM	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	10/12
JURY DUTY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	9/12
PEREGRINE RUN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	9/12
SNOW FALCON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	9/12
HAYMOUNT	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	9/12
A RATED	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	9/12
BISHOPS ROAD	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	9/12
TIMIYAN	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	9/12
ROGUE ANGEL	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	9/12
THUNDER AND ROSES (RES)	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	9/12
SATURNAS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	8/12
SLOWMOTION	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	8/12
VIEUX MORVAN	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	8/12

Trend Follower(s) – CALL IT MAGIC | DELL ARCA | OSCAR KNIGHT | WOUNDED WARRIOR | ALL HELL LET LOOSE (RES)

2018 Kerry National: Pace analysis

Here we take a look at the race from a Pace angle –

Horse	RS	Running Style
JURY DUTY	HU	→ HU
PEREGRINE RUN	CP/HU	→ CP/HU
SNOW FALCON	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
HAYMOUNT	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
A RATED	FR/CP	→ FR/CP
SATURNAS	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
SHANTOU VILLAGE	CP	→ CP
SLOWMOTION	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
TOWNSHEND	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
BISHOPS ROAD	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
BLAZER	CP	→ CP
DELL ARCA	HU/CP	→ CP/HU
VIEUX MORVAN	CP/HU	→ CP/HU
CALL IT MAGIC	CP/FR	→ CP/FR
BAY OF FREEDOM	CP	→ CP
OSCAR KNIGHT	HU	→ HU
WOUNDED-WARRIOR	CP/FR	→ CP/FR
TIMIYAN	HU	→ HU
ROGUE ANGEL	CP/FR	→ CP/FR
ALL HELL LET LOOSE (RES)	CP	→ CP
THUNDER AND ROSES (RES)	HU/CP	→ CP/HU

HU	CP	FR
JURY DUTY	PEREGRINE RUN	A RATED
SNOW FALCON	HAYMOUNT	
SATURNAS	SHANTOU VILLAGE	
SLOWMOTION	BLAZER	
TOWNSHEND	DELL ARCA	
BISHOPS ROAD	VIEUX MORVAN	
OSCAR KNIGHT	BAY OF FREEDOM	
TIMIYAN	WOUNDED-WARRIOR	
THUNDER AND ROSES (RES)	ROGUE ANGEL	
ALL HELL LET LOOSE (RES)	CALL IT MAGIC	

A chance of some decent pace at play here, with the likes of **A RATED**, **CALL IT MAGIC** & **ROGUE ANGEL** all potentials to be bang on the pace in the early stages.

Here is the how the past 15 winners of the race have run in the race –

Running Style fr-2 / cp-5 / hu-8

Kerry National Summary

Shortlist...

CALL IT MAGIC – 11/12

DELL ARCA – 11/12

OSCAR KNIGHT – 11/12

~~WOUNDED WARRIOR – 11/12 – NON-RUNNER~~

ALL HELL LET LOOSE (RES) – 11/12

Conclusion/Selection(s)

CALL IT MAGIC (R O'Sullivan) – Autumn is the time of the year you want to catch this 8yo, with form of 1211 (3/4, 1p) in the September to October period and with a pipe-opener at Galway under his belt from last month he should be ready to fire here. Two starts ago he put in a solid round in the Irish National before fading in the final couple of furlongs (the 3m5f trip on heavy probably proving too stern a test for his stamina reserves) and this return to a flat 3m trip will be much more to his liking (form of 13251 (2/5, 2p) on flat tracks). He has winning form on ground from Good all the way down to Heavy so the Soft underfoot conditions he meets with here won't be an issue and he looks seriously over-priced in this.

OSCAR KNIGHT (T Mullins) – Another that had a pipe-opener at Galway last month and although all his winning form has come over 2m2f – 2m4f I don't think he's one that doesn't stay this 3m trip, given he's placed on 4 of his 6 starts over 3m-3m0.5f trips. In fairness he's never been the easiest horse to make solid cases for but he's often hinted he's got a decent pot in him somewhere and with trip, track (seems best on LH tracks, only unplaced on 3 of his 9 handicap starts on LH tracks) and ground all in his favour, and plenty enough juice in his price, he's one I want to have on my side.

I find it difficult to make a case for DELL' ARCA, despite his strength on the trends, and he's never been one I've been keen on over fences. If he wins this then it'll be a sore one but he's just not for me. ALL HELL LET LOOSE is first reserve so isn't guaranteed a run and I also have a suspicion that's he's at his absolute best going right-handed. With that in mind I've dipped into the next group of horses on the trends list (10/12 group) for my third pick...

BLAZER (W Mullins) – Still very much unexposed as a chaser (6 starts to date) and he's even less exposed over these sorts of trips, this being only his second crack at 3 miles. Willie Mullins has fired a fair number at this race (29 since 1997, more than any other trainer) but both his winners and 3 of his 5 placed horses were 6yo's-8yo's coming off a top 2 finish LTO (applied to all 29 of his runners gives a form line of 744112 (2/6, 3p)) and this lad fits that angle. A mark of OR 139 looks exploitable, especially now upped in trip, and I want to have him covered here.

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