Aintree Old Roan Chase Analysis: Race Trends

Analysing the Old Roan Chase from an alternative viewpoint

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Old Roan Chase:

Winners Trends Analysis

This section compiles the important trends of the past 14 winners of the Old Roan Chase so that we can apply them to this year's entries.

Old Roan Chase Trends

1	14/14 carried	l 10-05+ to	victory
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- 2 14/14 wore NO headgear
- 3 13/14 ran at a G1 track LTO
- 4 13/14 had an OR of 147+
- 5 13/14 DIDN'T win LTO
- 6 13/14 Top 3 finish 1 of last 3 starts
- 7 12/14 were NOT 2nd season chasers
- 8 12/14 had 3+ previous Chase victories
- 9 12/14 had previously run at G1 level
- 10 12/14 were making their seasonal debut
- 11 12/14 had previously won over 20/21f
- 12 12/14 had 19+ previous career starts
- 13 12/14 had their last start in a Graded race
- 14 11/14 had previously won at G1 or G2 level

2018 Old Roan Chase Entries: Trends Applied

This section applies the important trends of the past 14 winners of the Old Roan Chase to this year's entrants.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	Tot
FRODON	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	14/14
CLOUDY DREAM	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	14/14
FLYING ANGEL	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	13/14
VALUE AT RISK	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Ν	Υ	9/14
VOIX D'EAU	Υ	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	Ν	N	Υ	Υ	Ν	Υ	8/14
JAVERT	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	N	Ν	N	7/14
RAMSES DE TEILLLEE	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	Ν	Υ	N	N	Υ	N	7/14
TEMPLEHILLS	Υ	N	N	N	N	Υ	Υ	Υ	N	N	Υ	N	N	N	5/14
THEO	Υ	N	N	N	N	Υ	N	Υ	N	N	Υ	Υ	N	N	5/14

Trend Follower(s) - FRODON | CLOUDY DREAM

2018 Old Roan Chase: Pace analysis

Here we take a look at the race from a pace angle -

Horse	RS	Running Style
FRODON	СР	→ CP
CLOUDY DREAM	HU	→ HU
JAVERT	CP/HU	CP/HU
VOIX D'EAU	FR/CP	FR/CP
FLYING ANGEL	CP/HU	CP/HU
TEMPLEHILLS	FR/CP	FR/CP
RAMSES DE TEILLLEE	СР	→ CP
THEO	CP/HU	CP/HU
VALUE AT RISK	CP/HU	CP/HU

HU	СР	FR					
CLOUDY DREAM	FRODO						
	JAVERT	VOIX D'EAU					
	FLYING ANGEL	TEMPLEHILLS					
	RAMSES DE TEILLLEE						
	THEO						
	VALUE AT RISK						
							

I'd be expecting **VOIX D'EAU & TEMPLEHILLS** to be the two that are likely to go from the front in this, albeit neither could be classed as out and out pace-setters.

Here is the how the past 14 winners of the race have run in the race –

Running Style fr-5 / cp-5 / hu-4

Old Roan Chase Summary

Shortlist...

FRODON – 14/14

CLOUDY DREAM – 14/14

FLYING ANGEL – 13/14

Conclusion/Selection(s)

I'd be surprised if the winner came from out with the shortlist three here...

FRODON (P Nicholls) – Under the following conditions... 2m4f – 2m5f | G2 level & below | OR below 160 | field of 16 or less... Paul Nicholls' 6yo returns a strong form line of 13311111 (6/8, 1p). Those conditions are met here and this looks a fine opening for the horse, on his first start after a summer wind-op.

FLYING ANGEL (N Twiston-Davies) – If the 7yo is going to win another decent race then this looks like the prime place for him to do it, with his prime conditions all ticked... 2m4.5f & below | carrying 11-04 & less | Not Very Undulating tracks | FebNov = 11131321 (5/8, 2p – all 5 career wins). On his best form this mark of OR 145 looks extremely winnable and with form of 1151 off a break of 91+ days and with NTD's previous 4 runners in the race having form of 1352 there are plenty of hints suggesting a big run is on the cards.

Other shortlister...

I'm a big fan of CLOUDY DREAM, have been for a long time, but I can't back him at these short odds and I am having my doubts as to whether or not he's up to G1/G2 level (1/11 at G1/G2 level – 6/9 Class 2 level & below). Donald McCain's record in Class 1 races since 2014 is also a worry to me - 4/144 | 3.5% S/R | 57% below expectation - and he's also only 1/57, 2p | 2% S/R | 56% below expectation in races worth 30k+ to the winner in the same period. I will in no way be shocked should Cloudy Dream win the race, but I just have my worries, worries that are enough to stop me getting involved here.

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