

GLORIOUS GOODWOOD (DAY 2) – 27-07-22

CORAL FREE BET HANDICAP – Class 2 - 1m4f (3YO)

1.50 Goodwood

A tricky sort of race to dig into on the Race Trends front...but I've had a good dig about and settled on the following...which would have found you all of the past 15 winners...

15/15 2-5 starts in current season

15/15 4-7 career starts

15/15 yet to run at group level

15/15 0-4 previous handicap starts

15/15 top 2 finish 1 of last 3 starts

15/15 won or beaten less than 7L LTO

15/15 made their racecourse debut on turf and DIDN'T win

...which chops the field down to four...

SECRET STATE – SOULCOMBE – SURREY MIST – ZAIN NIGHTS

Pace/Draw thoughts...

The draw matrix I posted on Monday tells us there is no definitive bias over the 1m4f trip and that is also backed up by this races individual stats, with winners coming from across the draw spectrum. Looks a decent enough splash of pace on here, with **LUMINOUS LIGHT** from 9 the likely front-runner, probably followed by stalls 10 & 6...

Draw	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
13	MUGADER	HU/CP	
12	ZAIN NIGHTS	CP	
11	BOX TO BOX	CP	
10	APPROACHABILITY	CP/FR	
9	LUMINOUS LIGHT	FR	
8	ADJUVANT	CP/HU	
7	SOULCOMBE	HU	
6	MANDOBI	CP/FR	
5	SURREY MIST	CP/HU	
4	TEUMESSIAS FOX	CP	
3	MAKSUD	HU	
2	SECRET STATE	CP	
1	INVERNESS	HU	

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Trainer notes/Horse notes...

Mark Johnston (surprise surprise!) has won this race 5 times since 2008...naturally he's fired plenty at the race (44 in that time) but you can boil his 5 winners down to...Top 3 LTO | 0-4 Hcp starts | 4-7 Career starts...gives you 5 winners from 11 qualifiers...points to his **LUMINOUS LIGHT** in the race this year...

TEUMESSIAS FOX was a horse I noted after he ran well from a difficult draw at Royal Ascot...he's run in a C4 handicap at Ascot since then but was put in his place by SOULCOMBE, who reopposes here. There's a 4lb swing in the weights in favour of T Fox here...

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Conclusion...

SOULCOMBE (W Haggas) clearly entered handicap company on a very lenient mark, having gained his rating over inadequate trips, and I don't think the handicapper has quite caught up with him yet. Haggas has a decent recent record in Glorious Goodwood hcps, especially with horses that start at around 7/1 or less...7/20 | 35% S/R | +£25.05 BFLSP – W&P 12/20 | 60% S/R...and Cieran Fallon also has some solid stats in Goodwood hcps on male horses that start at a single figure SP...8/18 | 44% S/R | +£35.26 BFLSP – W&P 12/18 | 67%...and whilst I absolutely get the appeal of the fav – Secret State – I'd just rather back something with a bit more juice in their price.

OAK TREE STAKES – Group 3 – 7f

2.25 Goodwood

Not an easy race at all to narrow down using the race trends so I won't be relying too heavily on that side of things...the best I could uncover was...

14/ 15 ran in a Class 1 non-handicap contest last time out

14/15 had no more than 13 UK or Irish career starts

That isn't going to trim the field too much this time around, sadly, but they are at least worth keeping in mind...

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Pace/Draw thoughts...

The draw will give us a bit more to play with...

Since 2012...7f races at Goodwood with 14 or more runners (ignoring 2yo races...as you can get a wide range of abilities in them)...

There have been **34 such races**...

11 have been won by those drawn in Quarter 1

15 have been won by Quarter 2

4 have been won by Quarter 3

4 have been won by Quarter 4

Rounding that up...

26 of the 34 races have been won by a horse drawn in the bottom half of the draw...a huge 76% of the races won by a horse drawn in the bottom half...

For this specific race **only ONE horse has won from the top quarter of the draw in the last 15 renewals**...and that came in a year when there was only 9 runners...so wide wasn't as inconvenienced...

Here is this year's pace map...

Draw	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
17	IMPROVISED	CP/HU	
16	SOFT WHISPER	FR/CP	
15	BOUNCE THE BLUES	HU	
14	BENEFIT	HU	
13	ROMAN MIST	CP/HU	
12	HEREDIA	HU	
11	MISS CAROL ANN	HU/CP	
10	INTERNATIONALANGEL	HU/CP	
9	ALLAYAALI	HU	
8	HONEY SWEET	CP	
7	HAPPY CRAF	CP	
6	SHE DO	CP	
5	SAMAHRAM	HU/CP	
4	PRIMO BACIO	HU	
3	HELLO YOU	HU/CP	
2	OSCULA	CP/FR	
1	SYMPHONY PERFECT	CP/HU	

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Trainer notes/Horse notes...

French raiders have won 3 of the last 7 renewals...the last of which was ridden by Frankie Dettori...and they have one going to war for them this year...

SAMAHRAM...ridden by Frankie Dettori...draw in the bottom half...won a Listed race last time out...hard to correlate the form though...on the face of it I'm not sure she's beaten much...but hard to fully assess without knowing the French form better...

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Conclusion...

This looks tricky...but I've tentatively settled on...

OSCULA (G Boughey) she only ran on Saturday, finishing a close second, but Boughey does have a fine recent record with horses he returns to the track within 3 to 5 days, especially on turf and that won or were beaten no more than 2 lengths last time out (like OSCULA)...with those types he is **9 winners from 12 qualifiers...with 1 other hitting the places...** now none of those races were near the level of this contest...but in general he can get horses firing off a short break and given this filly is often quite free in her races I wonder if they are hoping the recent run just knocked the freshness out of her enough so that

she'll settle a bit better here...she has run off a 5-day break previously...a race she won...and her record off breaks of 14 days or less reads... 2-3-2-3-1-1...she's interesting at a decent price in what looks a tricky enough contest..

MOLECOMB STAKES – Group 3 – 5f

3.00 Goodwood

Race trends are, naturally, thin on the ground for this 2yo contest but the price has been a decent pointer in recent times...

14 of the last 15 winners starting at an SP of 8/1 or less and 14 of the 15 winners and 37 of the 44 win and place horses started at SP 8/1 or less

On more standard race trends...

13 of the last 15 recorded a top 3 finish on racecourse debut

...as things stand, and obviously prices will change, but at time of writing that would leave...

ROCKET RODNEY – WALBANK – EDDIES BOY

Conclusion...

Not a race I'm all that keen to be getting involved in...

SUSSEX STAKES – Group 1 – 1m

3.35 GOODWOOD

BAAEED wins unless something goes wrong...probably as simple as that...I have no intention of backing him or going against him...

I did take a look at the trends...to see if there was anything pointing towards playing anything EW...although with only 7 going to post that clearly has limited appeal...

15 of the last 15 winners finished in the top 3 last time out...same with 32 of the 34 win and place horses...

14 of the last 15 winners and 31 of the last 34 win and place horses were rated OR 115+

14 of the last 15 winners and 31 of the last 34 win and place horses had previously won a UK or Irish Group race

Maybe last year's winner **ALCOHOL FREE** to chase home Baaeed... she did fire in a career best speed figure when winning the July Cup last time out...she's clearly in rude health...obviously handles the track...

Ultimately it's BAAEED's to lose though and nothing we've seen to date really suggests that anything other than him winning again is what is likely to happen here...

EBF FILLIES HANDICAP – Class 2 – 1m2f

4.10 GOODWOOD

Only been the six renewals and no massively strong trends to play with... I'd maybe be looking at...

6/6 DSLR 18-46

6/6 won 1 of last 3 starts

...a strict application of those two trends would leave...

LYRICAL LADY – PERIPATETIC - MYRISTICA

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Trainer notes/Horse notes...

William Haggas has some very noteworthy stats in Goodwood 3yo+ female handicaps with horses that start at 6/1 or less...8/16 | 50% S/R | +£25.29 BFLSP – W&P 10/16 | 63% S/R... and that obviously points to his **SEA SPEEDWELL** in this...

Sea The Star female offspring (which **Sea Speedwell** is) also have some positive stats at the track under the following... 3yo+ or 4yo+ races | DSLR 60 or less | fields of 11 or less = 7/19 | 37% S/R | +£23.07 BFLSP – W&P 12/19 | 63% S/R... so that would be another positive there...

As would the recent record of Haggas handicap debutants at Goodwood (since 2018) that had 2-3 previous career starts, 0-2 starts in current season and started at an SP of less than 7/1... 12134311 (4/8, 2p)...so one more small positive for **SEA SPEEDWELL**...

Roger Varian also does well enough in Goodwood 3yo+ female handicaps over 1m+ trips...(since 2015) 4/9 | 44% S/R | +£24.02 BFLSP – W&P 7/9 | 78% S/R...giving a bit of a positive to his **PERIPATETIC**...

The trainer stats for **MYRISTICA** don't make for great reading...with Tim Easterby returning stats of...1/62 | 1.5% S/R | -£57 LSP – W&P 5/62 | 8% S/R – 81% below exp...looking at his runners at Glorious Goodwood only he is...0/58, 4p... so not great reading...BUT...he's booked William Buick...for only the third time ever...together they are 4th – 1st – 10th (10th came in Stewards Cup consolation last year)...hardly anything to go on, clearly, but Buick's own stats at Glorious Goodwood over 1m1f-1m3f trips when NOT riding for Charlie Appleby do look solid...8/25 | 32% S/R | +£68.44 BFLSP – W&P 11/25 | 44% S/R... so maybe... possibly...Buick can improve those awful Easterby Goodwood stats...

Conclusion...

Can't be confident that those limited race trends will hold up and I suspect it will turn out to be a race, once more renewals are in the bag, that isn't all that strong on the trends front...we will see though...

Ultimately I'm not desperate to get involved in this but there are plenty of supporting stats for **SEA SPEEDWELL** and she may just turn out to be the safest option in this...

Also worth noting that the form of **PERIPATETIC's** first two races have been working out well so she could be sitting on a dangerous enough mark at present and may well have plenty still to offer from her current rating...

FILLIES CONDITIONS STAKES – Class 2 – 5f

4.45 GOODWOOD

I can happily leave this 2yo conditions race alone...

WORLD POOL HANDICAP – Class 3 – 7f

5.20 GOODWOOD

Ten previous renewals of this but some solid enough trends starting to come through...

10/10 DSLR 7-42

10/10 top 6 finish LTO (beaten no more than 9L)

9/10 previously run at track

9/10 ran in a turf race over 7f-1m LTO

...applied to this year's field gives us...

THE ATTORNEY - STUNNING BEAUTY - FARASI LANE - LYNDON B - DANCE FEVER - LORD RAPSCALLION

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Pace/Draw thoughts...

A 20-runner handicap over 7f means we need to take a close look at the draw...

As I highlighted in the draw matrix earlier in the week there have been 34 races (since 2012) with 14+ runners run over the Goodwood 7f trip...85% of those races (29) were won by a horse drawn in the bottom half of the draw...

For this specific race...8 of the ten winners were drawn in the bottom half of the draw...so backs up the overall trip draw stats...

This is how the pace map shapes up for this year renewal...

I'd very much be expecting **STOCKPYLE** from 7 to go on early, followed very closely by **BOWMAN** from stall 5, **STUNNING BEAUTY** from stall 11 will also likely be bang up there as well...

Draw	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
20	FARASI LANE	CP/HU	
19	TITAN ROCK	HU	
18	DIG TWO	CP	
17	PRINCE OF BEL LIR	CP	
16	LORD RAPSCALLION	CP	
15	WILD LION	CP	
14	LYNDON B	CP/HU	
13	WINDSEEKER	CP	
12	AMOR VINCIT OMNI	CP	
11	STUNNING BEAUTY	CP/FR	
10	DANCE FEVER	HU/CP	
9	ASAD	CP	
8	PRINCESS OLLY	CP	
7	STOCKPYLE	FR	
6	TOUSSAROK	CP/FR	
5	BOWMAN	FR/CP	
4	THE ATTORNEY	HU/CP	
3	MILLTOWN STAR	HU	
2	MUMS TIPPLE	CP	
1	ANIMAL INSTINCT	CP	

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Trainer notes/Horse notes...

Richard Hannon has won this race three-times, with overall form in the race of 1-2-8-1-9-1-0-3 (3/8, 2p)...if you knock out his big outsiders (above 20-1) then he is... 12113 (3/5, 2p)... he has two this year... **MUMMS TIPPLE & WINDSEEKER**

Conclusion...

THE ATTORNEY (C Hills) interests me the most. He ran a career best when only going down by 1.6L in 5th in the Bunbury Cup last time out and he's able to run off the same mark here. These conditions look prime for him...7f | Good or quicker (or AW) | C3 level & below = 22113413 (3/8, 3p – all 3 career wins). He's run well on 2 of the 3 occasions he's tackled the Goodwood 7f trip, with a recent neck second and a 0.5L 4th from last year, the only time he disappointed was on unsuitably soft ground. Buick picking up the ride again is also interesting as he has some decent stats on Charles Hills 4yo-5yo handicappers at C2-C4 level, especially those that finished 3rd or worse LTO... 12/27 | 44% S/R | +£85.62 BFLSP – W&P 14/27 | 52% S/R.

LYNDON B (J Flint) isn't quite where I want him on the draw but I need to play him here as he does have PC to attack... C3 or less Hcps | OR 90 or less | July-Aug | Good+ = 21131 (3/5, 1p – all 3 career wins)...and he has plenty else in his favour as well. This is his time of year...13110 in July-Aug...all his wins have come right-handed...he's placed both time he's raced at Goodwood, with a 3rd and 2nd to his name, the 3rd coming in this race in 2019 from a 7lb higher mark...and the form of his close second at Bath last time out has already been boosted, with the horse who finished 2.75L behind him coming out and winning a valuable Class 3 at Chester next time out. The draw isn't ideal...but it's more than factored into the price and I'm happy to have a swing.