

18:30**CHELMSFORD (A.W) - 6f - EBF NOVICE STAKES (GBB RACE) (DIV II) (4) 2YO, Class 4**

FADI (FR) - AW Rated 37, AW Rating Rank 5, AW Speed Rank 5* March Colt out of Perspective by Mehmas * Richard Hughes/Finley Marsh, Previous Runs 1, Cost €40,000 as a Two-Year-Old. Fourth foal, dam unraced. Sire was a high-class Two-Year-Old, won July & Richmond Stakes, runner-up in Coventry & National Stakes, retired as a Two-Year-Old. **75 AW Speed Figure**. Finished eleventh of 11 on debut beaten over 14L over this trip at Kempton and that form is starting to look very suspect. **Advice: Looks on for Handicaps.**

LADY BEECHFIELD - No Rating.* Unraced Filly out of Blue Maiden by Harry Angel * Michael & David Easterby/Joanna Mason, Previous Runs 0, Cost, 12,500 Guineas as a Foal. Sixth foal, half-sister to winners Mickey The Steel who was placed 3 times as a Two-Year-Old over 5f/6f and later winning twice including on the AW, RPR 94), Red Gunner who won over 7f as a Two-Year-Old on the AW at Wolverhampton and later over 8½f and 10f both on the AW, 78), Global Exceed (5f-9f including twice as a Two-Year-Old, 75) & Thorios (Itly 6½f Two-Year-Old), dam 6f-9f GB/US winner (including as a Two-Year-Old/US 7f stakes, 110. Sire high-class Two-Year-Old, including Mill Reef, champion sprinter as Three-Year-Old, including Sprint Cup & July Cup, high-class as a Four-Year-Old. **No AW Speed Figure yet**. Looks the perfect type on paper but the yard have only ever had 7 winning Two-Year-Old debutantes from 378 runners and are 0 from 65 since the beginning of 2019. **Advice: Leave.**

FAYASEL (IRE) - No Rating.* Unraced Colt out of Selva Real by Dandy Man * Mike Murphy & Michael Keady/Darragh Keenan, Previous Runs 0, Cost 19,000 Guineas as a Two-Year-Old, 5,000 Guineas as a Yearling. Fifth foal, dam unraced. Sire was a useful Two-Year-Old, high-class sprinter at Three to Six-Years-Old, including King's Stand runner-up as a Four-Year-Old. Sold for just 2,000 Guineas at the Newmarket Autumn Sales. **No AW Speed Figure yet**. Looks poor on paper and the fact the yard's Two-Year-Old debutantes are just 1 from 46 and that winner was back in 2011. **Advice: Leave.**

HITCHED (IRE) - AW Rated 50, AW Rating Rank 3, AW Speed Rank 3* May Colt out of Newlywed by Cotai Glory * David Simcock/Jamie Spencer, Previous Runs 1, Cost 50,000 Guineas as a Yearling. Third foal, half-brother to Danish 9f winner Ring Out The Bells, dam unraced. Sire tough, durable and smart sprinter from Two to Five-Years-Old, Group 3 winner over 5f as a Two-Year-Old. **84 AW Speed Figure**. The old "Hood Removed Late" ploy used on debut when unfancied and duly run to market expectation over this trip at Wolverhampton. The yard have had Two-Year-Old winners this year but they haven't appeared to be targeting Novice Events for which they are currently 0 from 20. **Advice: Connections likely have other targets for this one.**

THE XO (IRE) - AW Rated 81, **AW Rating Rank 1**, AW Speed Rank 2* Unraced Colt out of Pivotal Era by Zoffany * John Ryan/Adam Kirby, Previous Runs 0, Cost 110,000 Guineas as a Two-Year-Old. Fifth foal, half-brother to winners Cosmic Vega who won over 7f on his debut as a Two-Year-Old and later over 9f, RPR 109) and Aryaaf (GB 5f as a Two-Year-Old/Bahrain, 72), dam unraced sister to 1½f Group 3 winner Humouresque and Group-placed 10f AW winner Mighty. Sire top-class 6-7f Two-Year-Old, including Group 1 Phoenix Stakes, high-class over 9f as a Three-Year-Old, good source of Two-Year-Old's. **89 AW Speed Figure**. He is related to a couple of Two-Year-Old winners, and although he never threatened the winner at any stage, he was caught wide on the bend and did come home nicely on debut over 6f at Lingfield, finishing clear of the third who has won twice since and the winner has gone on to finish second twice in Listed Company and third in a Group 3 event. He is returning from a long absence and the yard had a similar nice prospect return from a similarly long break, drift remarkably in the late betting when apparently "well found" in the early/overnight markets and run accordingly. The yard are just 2 from 93 with their second-start Two-Year-Olds and one of them was 4/11 Favourite

back in 2009 and they are 0 from 35 since the beginning of 2017. **Advice: Does stand out on form but the late market will be indicative of intent.**

UMMING N' AHING - AW Rated 79, AW Rating Rank 2, **AW Speed Rank 1*** February Colt out of Life Is Golden by Lightning Spear * Bill Turner/William Carson, Previous Runs 3, Cost 46,000 Guineas as a Yearling. Fourth living foal, half-brother to winners Goldilocks (6f Two-Year-Old, RPR 81) and Macmerry Jim (7f AW Two-Year-Old, 76), dam unraced. Sire 260,000 Guineas yearling, champion older miler, multiple Group 1 placed as a Three to Seven-Year-Old, won Sussex Stakes as a Seven-Year-Old. **94 AW Speed Figure.** Appeared to improve when back down to this trip last time out at Lingfield, showing good early speed which can quite often be enough here and he doesn't look to have too much obvious opposition for the lead tonight. Advice: The yard haven't had a Two-Year-Old winner since 2019 and are 0 from 46 since 2020 onwards. **Advice: Has the figures to win this but My suspicion is that there will be other targets.**

MIKKA - AW Rated 47, AW Rating Rank 4, AW Speed Rank 4* March Gelding out of Faslen by Expert Eye * Derek Shaw/Cam Hardie, Previous Runs 2, Cost 40,000 Guineas as a Yearling, 30,000 Guineas as a Yearling. Eighth foal, half-brother to 5 winners including Don't Be (6f-10f including turf & AW Listed, 105), Samphire Coast (9f AW, 87) and Star Citizen (6f Two-Year-Old/5f, 86), dam Group-placed 4½f/5½f Two-Year-Old winner (93). Sire high-class Two-Year-Old, including Vintage Stakes, won Breeders' Cup Mile as Three-Year-Old. **82 AW Speed Figure.** Hasn't beaten a rival home in both starts to date and beaten a combined total of almost 42L. Since the start of 2016, the yard has had just 1 winning Two-Year-Old from 127 runners. **Advice: Low Class Handicaps await.**

TAWALLA (IRE) - No Rating.* Unraced Colt out of Afdhaad by Invincible Spirit * Charlie Fellowes/Kevin Stott, Previous Runs 0, Cost Unknown. Third foal, half-brother to 6f winner Alafdhah (including on the AW, RPR 64), dam very poor and finished last over 9f on her only AW only start (54). Sire won Haydock Sprint Cup. **No AW Speed Figure yet.** **Advice: Hard to get enthused over and likely to be over bet due to the owners.**

DEMI POINTE - No Rating.* February Filly out of On Her Toes by Pivotal * Roger Varian/Jack Mitchell, Previous Runs 1, Cost Unknown. Bred to be precocious being the second foal out of a decent dam who was 4 from 11. She won over 6f on her Second and Third starts as a Two-Year-Old and again on her Fourth start over 7f in Listed Company. Won once as a Three-Year-Old over 9f off a mark of 97. **No AW Speed Figure yet.** Showed signs of greenness on debut at Goodwood in May and hasn't been seen since. She finished her race out well under rather considerate handling. Cheveley Park's homebred daughter will have learned plenty from that and the yard's second start Two-Year-Olds are 7 from 20 since the beginning of September. She is bred to be decent, out of a Listed winning Two-Year-Old dam by a Group 1 winning sprinter who won twice as a Two-Year-Old over 5f and 6f. **Advice: One for the shortlist.**

CONCLUSION

THE XO and **UMMING N' AHING** do set the standard on what they have done so far but I have My doubts about their intent here and wouldn't be backing either of them at likely short odds. **DEMI POINTE** is surely better than she has shown and I would be disappointed if she didn't go close here. I would suggest a precautionary market check on **HITCHED** as he clearly wasn't tried with on debut.