

Saturday 6th May

2000 Guineas – Group 1 (3yo)

440 Newmarket

Always a decent race to play with on the Race Trends front and the last 15 winners passed all of the following trends...

- 1 15/15 top 3 finish LTO in a C1 race over 7f-1m (beaten no more than 4.5L) 12/15 WON LTO
- 2 15/15 recorded a top 4 finish on debut
- 3 15/15 were from a sire who had won at G1 level
- 4 15/15 were born January - April
- 5 15/15 had 2-6 career starts
- 6 15/15 had at least 2 previous career victories
- 7 15/15 were rated OR 109+ or were yet to hold a rating
- 8 15/15 had previously won at Group level
- 9 15/15 had previously run over at least 7f but no further than 1m
- 10 15/15 wore NO headgear or TT

...for a trends table of...

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	TOT
AUGUSTE RODIN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
CHARYN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
ROYAL SCOTSMAN	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
SILVER KNOTT	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	10
DUBAI MILE	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	8
INDESTRUCTIBLE	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	8
LITTLE BIG BEAR	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	8
NOBLE STYLE	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	8
SAKHEER	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	8
HOLLOWAY BAY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	7
CHALDEAN	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
FLIGHT PLAN	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	6
GALERON	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	5
HI ROYAL	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	5

...for a trends shortlist of...

AUGUSTE RODIN – CHARYN – ROYAL SCOTSMAN – SILVER KNOTT

Pace/Draw thoughts...

Potential for the main bulk of the pace in this to be in the middle to low part of the draw with **CHALDEAN & DUBAI MILE** looking the likely pace angles although **LITTLE BIG BEAR** could be prominent from stall 13, depending on how confident connections are about him staying the mile at the first attempt...

Draw	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
14	CHARYN	CP/HU	
13	LITTLE BIG BEAR	CP	
12	AUGUSTE RODIN	CP	
11	ROYAL SCOTSMAN	HU/CP	
10	SAKHEER	CP	
9	INDESTRUCTIBLE	CP	
8	GALERON	HU	
7	SILVER KNOTT	HU	
6	DUBAI MILE	FR/CP	
5	HOLLOWAY BOY	HU/CP	
4	HI ROYAL	CP/HU	
3	CHALDEAN	FR/CP	
2	NOBLE STYLE	HU/CP	
1	FLIGHT PLAN	CP/HU	

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Trainer notes/Jockey notes/Horse notes/General pointers...

AIDEN O'BRIEN has won this ten times and had 5 others place from 58 runners. All of his winners were... **making seasonal debut, previously won over at least 7f, 2+ career wins and ran in a Group race over 7f-1m LTO...** for race form figures of... **10/28, 4p...** **AUGUSTE RODIN** meets those stats this year...

CHARLIE APPLEBY has some solid returns in the race since 2018, especially with **runners that had previously run at the track...** those types return a form line of... **12246303 (1/8, 4p)...** **SILVER KNOTT** meets those stats this year...

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Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Trend Toppers...

AUGUSTE RODIN won the FUTURITY TROPHY at Doncaster last time out... like **MAGNA GRECIA, SAXON WARRIOR & CAMELOT** all did for O'Brien before winning the 2000 Guineas... only query would maybe be the ground as he's yet to race on ground as quick as the forecast Good to Firm (rain is forecast though)... looks a solid Fav...

CHARYN 2nd in the Greenham Stakes last time out... sire **Dark Angel** is 1/52, 12p in G1 races over 7f+ so needs to show he has the stamina for 1m at the top level...

ROYAL SCOTSMAN finished a head 2nd on his final start as a 2yo behind CHALDEAN in the Dewhurst Stakes... brings plenty of solid form to the table from his 2yo season...

SILVER KNOTT barring his wobble in the CHAMPAGNE STAKES last September (likely down to the Soft ground) he's shown some very solid form so far in his 6 race career... rounding out his 2-year old campaign with an excellent second in the Breeders' Cup Juvenile, just going down in a head-bobber after meeting trouble in running... that race has been working out well so far

Thoughts on others...

LITTLE BIG BEAR doesn't have the standard profile of a Guineas winner (overall or from O'Brien)... horses coming in off having their last (UK or Irish) run over less than 7f are 1/41, 2p (Islands Sands in 1999 the last to win) so needs to prove his stamina here...

CHALDEAN a little weak on the trends and the Un-Seat last time out confuses things a little... clearly high class though and is second top-rated on official ratings...

DUBAI MILE clearly has stamina to burn so could hang on for a place from the front if he's fully wound up for this... although with the Derby his main aim this could well be a 'prep-run' for Epsom...

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SILVER KNOTT (C Appleby) providing the ground doesn't properly soften up (seems unlikely but worth keeping an eye on the weather) then he looks over-priced at double figures and looks a solid EW play...

I couldn't put anyone off **AUGUSTE RODIN**, who does look a solid fav and it would be no surprise to see him add another 2000 Guineas to the O'Brien list of honours...



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