

Saturday 19th September – Ayr

Ladbrokes Handicap – Class 2 Hcp (3yo+) 1m

1:20 Ayr

Some solid trends to work with for this handicap...

12/12 aged 3yo-7yo

12/12 OR 96-88

12/12 previously won at least at C3 level but not above C2 level

12/12 ran in a C2-C3 Hcp LTO

...for a trends shortlist of...

MCMURRAY (Stall 8)

HAWKSBILL (4)

SPOKEN TRUTH (9)

THUNDER ROAR (6)

THEORYOFEVERYTHING (1)

LATTAM (11)

Pace/Draw thoughts...

Running style of previous 12 winners: FR-2 | CP-5 | HU-5

Pace: **SALAM DUBAWI (Stall 2)** looks the main pace angle here... **THAT'S AMORE (12) & THEORYOFEVERYTHING (1)** will likely be close to the early pace as well...

Draw: There's a small negative to Q4 of the draw over this 1m trip at Ayr in races with similar field sizes on ground with cut in it... **31 such races have seen Q4 win only 3 of them and return stats of... 3/93, 16p – 59% below exp...**

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

DAVID O'MEARA has won this twice and had 6 others place from his 13 runners... his winners were both... **rated OR 95-90...** for race form of... **2023113 (2/7, 4p)...** **SPOKEN TRUTH & THEORYOFEVERYTHING** both meet those stats here...

RICHARD SPENCER has saddled a runner in this on 5 occasions, returning a form line of... **56131 (2/5, 1p)...** **HAWKSBILL** runs for Spencer this year...

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Thoughts on Trend Toppers...

MCMURRAY (Stall 8) winner of his last 4 starts and is unbeaten over 7.5f-1m trips (1111 – 4/4)... Boughey & Callan hold solid stats together since 2025... **G Boughey/J Callan | Hcps | 3yo-5yo | SP 11/1 or less = 19/68 | 28% S/R | +£56.72 – W&P 35/68 | 51% S/R – 21% above exp...**

HAWKSBILL (4) only 1 from 20 in career but has run well on recent starts in some valuable big-field handicaps... best form to date has come on Good to Firm so Soft ground a query...

SPOKEN TRUTH (9) winner LTO over 1m at Ripon on Soft and goes well under these conditions... **C2 or less | 1m-1m2f | G/S or softer | Fields of 16 or less = 13241 (2/5, 2p – both career wins)...**

THUNDER ROAR (6) won this last year off a 3lb higher mark and gets his PC to shoot for again... **Soft-Heavy | July-Oct | DSLR 70 or less = 01122421131 (5/11, 4p – all 5 career wins)...** 2 from 2 at Ayr over 7f-1m trips...

THEORYOFEVERYTHING (1) 2nd in this last year off a 4lb higher mark and gets his PC to shoot for... **OR 92 or less | 7f-1m1f | races worth <25k = 1854141141 (5/10, 1p - all 5 career wins)...** Ayr 1m form of 1281 (2/4, 1p) ...

LATTAM (11) Strong form under the conditions... **OR <95 | 7f-1m = 12111 (4/5, 1p – all 4 career wins)...** returns off a 414-day break and has gone well off long breaks previously... form of 702211 (2/6, 2p) off DSLR >90...

My play(s)...

THUNDER ROAR (T Coyle) this race will likely have been firmly on his radar again this season and connections have done a good job at getting him back down the handicap to below the mark he won off last season... **he tends to peak at this time of the year, with Handicap form in Sept-Oct off marks of <94 of... 11222113 (4/8, 4p)...** and he has conditions bang in his favour...

THEORYOFEVERYTHING (D O'Meara) easy to ignore his run at Beverley LTO as 1m2f trips are beyond his stamina limitations, but it will have kept him ticking for this... Jason Hart keeping the ride is also a positive as he holds some solid stats for O'Meara under similar conditions... **J Hart/D O'Meara | Hcps | GB or IRE bred Geldings | DSLR >10 = (since 2019) 9/26 | 35% S/R | +£115.86...**



Ayr Silver Cup – Class 2 (3yo+) 6f

2:30 Ayr

Some strong Race Trends to work with in the Silver Cup...

- 1 12/12 top-rated or no more than 8lbs below
- 2 12/12 4-11 runs in current season
- 3 12/12 2-7 career wins
- 4 12/12 5 or less Hcp wins
- 5 12/12 DSLR <36
- 6 12/12 previously won over at least 6f but no further than 7f
- 7 12/12 ran in a C2 3yo+ Turf Hcp LTO

...for a trend's table of...

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	TOT
DESERT FALCON	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
MIRABEAU	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
STATION X	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
ADVERTISED	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
JUNGLE DRUMS	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7
TOYOTOMI	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	6
LORD ROXBY	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	6
HAVANA BLUE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	6
VEBLEN GOOD	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	6
TRICKY TEL	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	6
SUPER SOLDIER	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	5
DEEP HAVANA	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	5
IM NEXT	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	5
TRILBY	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	5
RAPPERS DELIGHT	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	5
MUSICAL TOUCH	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	5
WE NEVER STOP	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	5
COMMANCHE FALLS	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	4
BRAZILIAN ROSE	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	4
GOLDMOYNE	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	4
ETERNAL SUNSHINE	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	4
KORKER	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	4
ANOTHER BAAR	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	3
WICKET KEEPER	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	3
UNCLE DON	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	3

...and a trend's shortlist of...

DESERT FALCON (Stall 8) - MIRABEAU (16) - STATION X (5) - ADVERTISED (6) - JUNGLE DRUMS (13)

Pace/Draw thoughts...

Pace: Plenty in here that like to go forward from the off... **GOLDMOYNE (Stall 1), LORD ROXBY (2), STATION X (5), DESERT FALCON (8), DEEP HAVANA (11), I'M NEXT (12), ETERNAL SUNSHINE (20) & UNCLE DON (25)** all like to be on or very near the early pace and there should be strong early gallop at play here...

Draw: There's *potential* for this to play in favour of the middle to low numbers due to the number of early pace horses drawn in stalls 12 or lower... there *is* potential pace drawn higher, so there will be pace to chase in the top third of the draw, but the middle to low parts of the draw do look to hold more in the way of potential early pace horses...

DRAW	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
1	GOLDMOYNE	CP/FR	[Green bar from stall 1 to 12]
2	LORD ROXBY	CP/FR	
3	RAPPERS DELIGHT	CP	[Green bar from stall 3 to 8]
4	TOYOTOMI	HU	
5	STATION X	FR	[Green bar from stall 5 to 25]
6	ADVERTISED	CP	
7	MUSICAL TOUCH	HU/CP	[Green bar from stall 7 to 11]
8	DESERT FALCON	CP/FR	
9	KORKER	HU/CP	[Green bar from stall 9 to 12]
10	HAVANA BLUE	CP	
11	DEEP HAVANA	CP/FR	[Green bar from stall 11 to 14]
12	IM NEXT	FR/CP	
13	JUNGLE DRUMS	CP	[Green bar from stall 13 to 16]
14	SUPER SOLDIER	CP	
15	WE NEVER STOP	CP	[Green bar from stall 15 to 18]
16	MIRABEAU	CP	
17	WICKET KEEPER	HU/CP	[Green bar from stall 17 to 20]
18	VEBLEN GOOD	HU/CP	
19	ANOTHER BAAR	HU/CP	[Green bar from stall 19 to 22]
20	ETERNAL SUNSHINE	CP/FR	
21	BRAZILIAN ROSE	CP	[Green bar from stall 21 to 24]
22	COMMANCHE FALLS	HU	
23	TRILBY	HU/CP	[Green bar from stall 23 to 25]
24	TRICKY TEL	HU/CP	
25	UNCLE DON	CP/FR	[Green bar from stall 25 to 25]

Pace: Likely strong early pace || **Draw Bias:** Possible bias low to middle stalls

Running style of previous 12 winners: FR-2 | CP-4 | HU-6

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

RICHARD FAHEY has won 8 Ayr 'Cup' races and had 19 place from 157 runners... all his winners met the following... **3yo-6yo | Top-rated or no lower than 8lbs below | 1-4 Hcp wins | DSLR 11+ | ran in a C2-C3 Hcp LTO...** for Ayr 'Cup' stats of... **8/39, 3p | +£61.75 – E/W = +£67.56...** **MUSICAL TOUCH** meets those stats...

RICHARD SPENCER holds some tight stats at this meeting... **R Spencer | Class 2 Hcps at Ayr Scottish Gold Cup meeting | 5-9 seasonal starts | won or placed 1 of last 3 | DSLR <36 = 111018368112433819 (7/18, 5p | +£66.21 – E/W = +£68.40)...** **RAPPERS DELIGHT** meets those stats here...

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Thoughts on Trend Toppers...

DESERT FALCON (Stall 8) 2nd in Gold Cup last year off 2lbs lower... **all wins in June-Sept over 6f-7f = 6/15, 4p – all 6 career wins...** decent 6th in Portland Hcp LTO from a little bit of a tricky draw...

MIRABEAU (16) goes well under these conditions... **OR <96 | C2 or less | 6f-7f | Good or softer | NO Headgear = 0213110 (3/7, 2p – all 3 career wins)...**

STATION X (5) goes well under these conditions... **6f Hcps | G/S or softer (or A/W) | DSLR <43 = 11122411 (5/8, 2p – all 5 career wins)...**

ADVERTISED (6) raced over 5f last 2 starts but possibly best over 6f+... I'd have loose PC for him as... **6f-7f | Aug-Oct = 4101 (2/4 – both career wins)...**

JUNGLE DRUMS (13) close 4th of 10 at Goodwood LTO in a C2 over 6f... Listed winner as a juvenile... currently 8lbs below his peak career rating...

Thoughts on others...

RAPPERS DELIGHT (Stall 3) unexposed 4yo (8 previous career starts – 5 in Hcps)... 1st time Blinkers applied here, and Richard Spencer holds solid stats under similar conditions... **R Spencer | Hcps in Aug-Jan | 1-5 seasonal starts | DSLR 5-70 | Wearing 1st time Blinks = 9/23, 2p | +£70.15...**

My play(s)...

I'll cover three in this...

DESERT FALCON (J Camacho) handled soft ground in the Gold Cup last year well and the 7-day break won't be an issue as he ran at the St Leger meeting last year before coming on to this meeting and running a huge race...

MIRABEAU (D French Davis) Good to Firm would have been against him at Ascot LTO and this softer ground will be much more his cup of tea...

RAPPERS DELIGHT (R Spencer) The trainer positives for this one highlighted above mean I also want this 4yo on my side...



Ayr Gold Cup – Class 2 (3yo+) 6f

3:40 Ayr

A little bit of a tricky race to dig into on the trends, although the following did find 11 of the last 12 winners (Dead-Heat in 2018, hence 13 winners used to build trends)...

- 1 13/13 4-8 runs in current season
- 2 13/13 DSLR 49 or less
- 3 13/13 Won or beaten <7L LTO
- 4 13/13 No more than 10lbs higher or 2lbs lower than last win mark
- 5 13/13 Won or Placed on 1 of last 4 starts
- 6 13/13 carried 9-10 to 8-12
- 7 12/13 2-31 previous Hcp starts
- 8 12/13 1-6 Hcp wins
- 9 12/13 aged 3yo-6yo

...for a trend's shortlist of...

FAR ABOVE DREAM (Stall 14)

DANCE IN THE STORM (8)

FLASH HARRY (21)

EVENING SAIGON (24)

TWO TRIBES (1)

STRATUSNINE (6)

CABURN (17)

PELLITORY (16)

BODHI BEAR (10)

Pace/Draw thoughts...

Pace: No out and out blast away front-runners here but a mix of the following should help to set at least a solid early gallop... **STARTUSNINE (Stall 6), VOLTERRA (9), ROCK ON THUNDER (11) & RUN BOY RUN (23)**...

Draw: Hard to pinpoint any obvious bias coming from the early pace horses... on the draw front **stalls 1 to 5 have been a tricky place to be winning from**, returning combined stats in the last 28 renewals of... **1/133, 17p – 86% below exp...**

DRAW	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
1	TWO TRIBES	HU	
2	BINHAREER	HU/CP	
3	FANDOM	HU/CP	
4	RED SPELLS DANGER	HU/CP	
5	SPYCATCHER	CP/HU	
6	STRATUSNINE	CP/FR	
7	FAHRENHEIT SEVEN	CP	
8	DANCE IN THE STORM	HU/CP	
9	VOLTERRA	FR/CP	
10	BODHI BEAR	CP	
11	ROCK ON THUNDER	CP/FR	
12	TUCO SALAMANCA	HU/CP	
13	ARDISIA	HU/CP	
14	FAR ABOVE DREAM	HU/CP	
15	CANDY	CP	
16	PELLITORY	CP/HU	
17	CABURN	HU	
18	ARAMRAM	HU/CP	
19	TWILIGHT CALLS	HU/CP	
20	HAMMER THE HAMMER	CP	
21	FLASH HARRY	CP/HU	
22	WILTSHIRE	HU	
23	RUN BOY RUN	CP/FR	
24	EVENING SAIGON	CP	
25	FINE INTERVIEW	HU/CP	
Pace: Likely solid early pace Draw Bias: Stalls 1-5 have been a negative			
Running style of previous 12 winners: FR-2 CP-2 HU-9			

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

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TWILIGHT CALLS & TWO TRIBES meet those stats here...

KEVIN RYAN has won the Ayr Gold Cup 5 times and had 1 other place from 58 runners (since 2007)... his winners all met the following... **4yo-6yo | 0-3 Hcp wins | at least 3lbs higher than last win mark | DSLR 12-60... for race stats of... 5/12, 1p | +£58.50 – E/W = +£70.62... HAMMER THE HAMMER** meets those stats here...

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Thoughts on Trend Toppers...

FAR ABOVE DREAM (Stall 14) just denied in a photo-finish at York Ebor meeting LTO and race been working out strongly since (3W, 3P from 10 subsequent runs)... FAR ABOVE DREAM able to run off same mark here (which puts him 3lb 'well-in' on new mark)... horse goes well under these conditions... **Hcps over 5.5f-6f away from Very Undulating tracks = 241110101 (5/9, 2p – all 5 career wins)...**

DANCE IN THE STORM (8)  BDH Qualifier from Royal Ascot... ran a huge race at Chester next time out when defying a strong draw bias to win a C2 and then finished 4th in big 6f handicap at York Ebor meeting (same race FAR ABOVE DREAM finished 2nd in) this only 2nd run over 6f but enough LTO to suggest the trip is fine... Andrew Balding holds some strong stats at this meeting with similar types... **A Balding | Ayr Gold Cup meeting | 6f-1m2f | 2yo-5yo GB or IRE bred | DSLR >10 | Top 6 finish LTO = 11/23 | 48% S/R | +£40.17 – W&P 14/23 | 61% S/R – E/W = +£49.04...**

FLASH HARRY (21) winner at Goodwood LTO on soft over 6f and Clive Cox does well with similar Goodwood winners on their next start... **C Cox | C1-C4 in July-Oct | 6f-1m4f | 2yo-4yo | DSLR 10-90 | WON at Goodwood LTO = 8/23, 3p | +£66.51...**

EVENING SAIGON (24) 5th at York Ebor meeting LTO in same race as FAR ABOVE DREAM & DANCE IN THE STORM, that came off the back of winning the Stewards Cup at Goodwood from a 4lb lower mark than what he runs off here... enough in the run LTO to suggest new mark is still within range for him...

TWO TRIBES (1) 10th in this last year off same mark... all wins to date have come in July-Aug (although has placed on 3 of 6 starts in September)...

STRATUSNINE (6) 6th at York Ebor meeting LTO in same race as FAR ABOVE DREAM & DANCE IN THE STORM... been running well all summer and does go well under these conditions... **6f | March-Dec | DSLR <43 = 62132112 (3/8, 4p – all 3 career wins)...**

CABURN (17) goes well under these conditions... **Straight turf 5f-6f | C2 or less | June-Sept = 1011 (3/4 - all 3 career wins)...** still relatively unexposed in handicaps after 5 Hcp starts...

PELLITORY (16) goes well under these loose conditions... **C2 or less | Good or softer | Flat-Slightly Und tracks = 1011321 (4/7, 2p – all 4 career wins)...** all wins have come over 7f although this his first try at 6f in handicap company and he was only beaten 1.9L in a Listed race at York the last time he tried a 6f trip...

BODHI BEAR (10) finished 20th in Sliver Cup last year off 9lbs lower mark... does go well under these conditions... **5f-6f | C2 or lower | Good or softer = 151011 (4/6, 1p – all 4 career wins)...**

Thoughts on others...

CANDY (Stall 15) won Silver Cup last season off 5lbs lower and goes well under these conditions... **6f | Good or softer | Aug-Oct = 141112 (4/6, 2p – all 4 career wins)**... 2 from 2 over the Ayr 6f trip...

ARDISIA (13) unexposed in handicaps after 3 hcp starts (form of 2-1-1, including a 6f Nursery on Soft at this meeting last season)... goes well under the conditions...

Straight 5f-6f on Turf | Listed or lower = 1111 (4/4 – all 4 career wins)... **strong 6f form in Aug-Oct... 221131 (3/6, 3p)**...

My play(s)...

There's a few in this you could make some level of a chance for... I'll play the following three...

FAR ABOVE DREAM (J P Owen) only just denied at York LTO and fact he gets to run off the same mark here AND gets his PC to shoot for again are both big positives to his chances...

DANCE IN THE STORM (A Balding) the Balding stats I mentioned above that she qualifies on look really strong and she looks like she's still got more to offer from her mark of OR 99...

ARDISIA (H Palmer) only just misses out on scoring full marks as his jockey's 3lb claim means he carries 8-10 (trend #6 is '13/13 carried 9-10 to 8-12') but apart from that he's a good fit for this and has conditions in his favour...



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