GLORIOUS GOODWOOD (DAY 1) -01/08/23

CORAL HANDICAP — Class 2 - 5f (4yo+)

1.40 Goodwood

This has only been a Class 2 event for the last eight renewals so trends are still a bit on the light side... but the following should help create a bit of a shortlist...

8/8 aged 4-7

8/8 carried 9-0 or less

8/8 2-5 starts in current season

8/8 no more than 4lbs higher than last win

...which gives a trends shortlist this year of...

NAVELLO – WHENTHEDEALINSDONE – ALLIGATOR ALLEY

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

CLARENDON HOUSE being a N/R possibly changes the pace make-up of this a little as it only leaves **DESIGNER** (stall 6) as the potential pace angle... hard to know exactly how this will now play out with regards to the early pace...

DRAW	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
15	LORD RIDDIFORD	СР	
14	LIHOU	HU	
13	ACKLAM EXPRESS	HU/CP	
12	ALLIGATOR ALLEY	CP/HU	
11	CLARENDON HOUSE	CP/FR	
10	WHENTHEDEALINSDONE	CP/HU	
9	GET IT	СР	
8	VINTAGE CLARETS	СР	
7	BEDFORD FLYER	СР	
6	DESIGNER	CP/FR	
5	DREAM COMPOSER	HU	
4	RAASEL	HU	
3	EXISTENT	HU	
2	MOUNTAIN PEAK	СР	
1	NAVELLO	CP/HU	

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

JOHN QUINN has won this 3 times and had 2 others place from his 7 runners (since race was a C2)... All his winners had run at least once before at Goodwood... for a race form line of 112521 (3/6, 2p)... he saddles **LORD RIDDIFORD** again, who has won the last two renewals...

**

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Trend Toppers...

NAVELLO won the Epsom Dash LTO and only up 3lbs for the win... has struggled from marks of 90+ in the past (0/9, 1p in handicaps) and probably wouldn't be wanting the ground to soften down past Good to Soft...

WHENTHEDEALINSDONE CD winner and conditions will be suitable... C2 or less | OR <94 | June-Sept | Straight track | DSLR 16-45 = 1111 (4/4 – all 4 career wins)...

ALLIGATOR ALLEY handicapped to be winning on OR 93 and conditions should be in his favour... OR <101 | 5f | July-Jan | DSLR <43 = 6/12, 2p - all 6 career wins... softer than good to Soft would be an unknown and all turf wins have come on Good to Firm...

Thoughts on others...

LORD RIDDIFORD won the last 2 renewals off OR 87 & OR 88 and goes for hat-trick here off 84... conditions should be suitable... $5f \mid fields \ of < 16 \mid Feb-Aug \mid OR < 99 \mid DSLR \ 11-60 = 10/17 - 10 \ of 11 \ career wins... ground shouldn't be an issue as he won this on Good (2022) & Soft (2021)...$

RAASEL 1-1-2 over CD and back in handicaps after bashing away in non-handicap company for over a year (ran in a Hcp LTO at Ascot)... conditions should be in his favour here... 5f Turf races | G3 or less (40k or less) = 8/11, 2p (8 of 11 career wins)...

**

WHENTHEDEALINSDONE (R Teal) gets his Prime Conditions to attack here and has won at this meeting before off a 3lb higher mark. They tried blinkers with him last time out, but they didn't seem to do much, so they revert back to his preferred Cheek-Pieces in this, he won the first time they were applied so hopefully they give him a similar boost now they go back on here...

LORD RIDDIFORD (J Quinn) started this year on a mark of 94 but they've managed to get him down fully 10lbs since then and you have to think that was a deliberate move as this race will surely have been his main target for the season. His CD record is rock solid as his record under the following... Hcps worth <35K | OR <90 | DSLR 12-60 = 2114121111 (7/10, 3p)... and he looks to have a great record of landing a hat-trick of wins in this race...

MAIDEN STAKES – Class 2 – 6f (2yo)

2.15 GOODWOOD

A 2yo maiden so not a race I'm ever going to be overly interested in...

The only potential angle of interest that caught my eye was the record of **the RICHARD HANNONS (Senior & Junior)** since the race became a Class 2 (last 16 renewals)...

3/36 | 8% S/R | -£12 BFLSP - W&P 11/36 | 31% S/R

Obviously not profitable to follow blind but they've had the most winners and placed runners of anyone in the race... and things tighten up plenty when you **concentrate on their runners that started at a single figure SP**...

3/16 | 19% S/R | +£8.00 BFLSP - W&P 10/16 | 63% S/R

HANNON Jnr has one entry this year...

A LA NOCHE

...and it will be interesting to see if any money comes for it and pushes it into a single figure SP...

Ultimately, it's probably not a race I'll personally be playing in...

CHESTERFIELD CUP - Class 2 Handicap - 1m2f (4yo+)

2.50 Goodwood

The trends have tightened up a bit on this one in the last ten renewals and that's where I've concentrated on to build this year's trends...

10/10 aged 4yo or 5yo

10/10 rated 102 or less

10/10 OR no more than 2lb higher or lower than last run

10/10 previously run at C2 level but not above G3 level

10/10 ran in a C2-C3 Turf Handicap LTO

...which gives a trends shortlist of...

MILLEBOSC – EAGLES WAY – HAUNTED DREAM – MARHABA THE CHAMP – OUTBREAK – PARADIAS - MOKTASAAB

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

CAIUS CHORISTER looks the one to go and sit at the head of the pack in this and he could well get a solo lead, with only possibly **PRIDE OF AMERICA** from out wide likely to also want to up on the speed early doors...

DRAW	Horse	Run Style
16	ANCIENT ROME	HU
15	IMPERIAL FIGHTER	CP/HU
14	PRIDE OF AMERICA	FR/CP
13	CADILLAC	HU
12	KITSUNE POWER	HU
11	PARADIAS	HU
10	MILLEBOSC	HU
9	MOKTASAAB	HU/CP
8	SATONO JAPAN	HU/CP
7	EAGLES WAY	СР
6	CAIUS CHORISTER	FR
5	LORD PROTECTOR	CP/HU
4	SOTO SIZZLER	HU
3	OUTBREAK	СР
2	MARHABA THE CHAMP	HU/CP
1	HAUNTED DREAM	CP/HU

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

MARK JOHNSTON had a good record in this, winning it 8 times and having 11 others place from his 44 runners. His son Charlie Johnston is now obviously in charge but until proven otherwise I think it's fair enough to assume he'll also be targeting similar races at this meeting, like his dad did for many years. Mark Johnston's winners were all... aged 4yo-5yo | had 3-8 starts in current season | DSLR 16-60... for race form of... 8/21, 4p... Charlie Johnston's one runner this year – OUTBREAK – meets those stats...

**

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Trend Toppers...

MILLEBOSC only had the 2 starts for Haggas since moving from France last September... ran a decent enough race in the John Smith's Cup LTO from a very tricky draw (was well backed in the market)...

EAGLES WAY won first 4 starts in handicap company before losing out by a head at Yarmouth on his last start 5-days ago...

HAUNTED DREAM been running consistently in valuable handicaps this year although yet to win in 5 tries at C2 level (placed on 4 of them) has been sneaking up ratings as a result...

MARHABA THE CHAMP still unexposed after only 7 starts (only 4 handicaps)... didn't fire at Epsom LTO under first time TT... TT now removed...potentially a dodgy breather (had 2 wind-ops then tried the TT last as well) but Kevin Ryan does have decent stats with his runners when he removes the TT, especially his male horses at C2 level or less... 14/62 | 23% S/R | +£63.88 – W&P 24/62 | 39% S/R...

OUTBREAK 0/5, 1p in races worth 17K+... like a lot of Johnson horses he's not all that easy to assess...

PARADIAS 0/4, 0p at C2 level... has run well at track on his two previous runs here – a neck second over 1m3f at meeting last year & 3rd of 5 in August behind 2 horses who have gone on to be rated around the 105 mark (10lbs+ more than mark they were on when Paradias ran behind them)...

MOKTASAAB only CD winner in the field (has 2 CD starts... winning one of them and finishing 3^{rd} in this race last year off a 5lb higher mark)... handicapped to be winning and should be suited to conditions... OR <93 | 1m2f-1m2.5f | NO Headgear = 1124152 (3/7, 2p – all 3 career wins)... possibly wouldn't want ground getting much softer although open on that for now...

Thoughts on others...

PRIDE OF AMERICA good winner of the John Smith's Cup LTO and will handle any softening of the ground... UK form of 6/9, 1p over 1m2f-1m3f...

MILLEBOSC (W Haggas) ran better than his finishing position suggested last time out in the John Smith's Cup as he had a very tricky draw to overcome. He possibly needed the run as well as it was his first run for 227-days so it's fair enough to think he'll be sharper for the outing. Decent chance his mark of 97 is a good bit below his ceiling as he ran a close third behind St Mark's Basilicia & Sealiway in the French Derby as a 3yo and he may just appreciate going back right-handed here (RH form = 1223747 | LH form = P557)...

MOKTASAAB (W Knight) finished 3rd in this last year off a 5lb higher mark and he should go well again, especially now he's back down below his last and highest winning mark...

VINTAGE STAKES – Group 2 – 7f (2yo)

3.25 Goodwood

Another 2yo race, so not a race I'll be diving into too deeply...

No massively strong race trends catching my eye here although the following may be worth keeping in mind...

The last 14 winners finished 1st or 2nd LTO in a C1-C4 race

...four meet that trend this year...

IBERIAN – HAATEM – SOLDIERS GOLD – WITNESS STAND

On the trainer front and since race has been a Group 2 (last 20 renewals)...

AIDAN O'BRIEN has won 3 and had 4 others place from his 14 runners... all his winners met the following... 2 career starts | 1st or 2nd LTO | DSLR 16-45... for a race form line of... 1311222 (3/7, 3p)... his runner this year – MOUNTAIN BEAR – doesn't meet those stats...

Another 2yo race that I don't have a huge opinion on though...

LENNOX STAKES – Group 2 – 7f (3yo+)

4.00 Goodwood

Not the easiest race to pin down on the Race Trends front...

15/15 OR no more than 7lbs below top-rated horse

15/15 ran in a Class 1 non-handicap LTO

14/15 last win came at Class 1 level

14/15 top 4 finish LTO

...which gives a trends shortlist of...

KINROSS – ISAAC SHELBY - AUDIENCE

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

POGO is likely to try and get to the lead from his wide draw and he should manage that, with only **AUDIENCE** from stall 4 likely to be near the early speed from inside of him. **AL SUHAIL** in the widest stall may also look to be sitting close to the pace in the early stages as well...

DRAW	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
9	AL SUHAIL	FR/CP	
8	POGO	FR	
7	MARBAAN	СР	
6	INDESTRUCTIBLE	CP/HU	
5	ISAAC SHELBY	СР	
4	AUDIENCE	CP/FR	
3	JUMBY	HU	
2	HOLGUIN	СР	
1	KINROSS	CP/HU	

**

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

Since 2006 horses that finished in the top 4 at Royal Ascot or Newmarket's July meeting LTO (and were rated OR 107+) have won 8 of the 12 renewals where there has been a qualifier... for race stats of... **8/23, 2p | +£15.25**... **KINROSS & ISAAC SHELBY** both qualify on that angle this year...

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

Trend Toppers...

KINROSS has finished 2nd & 1st in the last 2 renewals of this... ran a good 3rd in July Cup LTO and horse that finished 1.25L behind him in 4th has come out and win a G2 since...

ISAAC SHELBY drops back from 1-mile and down from G1 here, which looks a smart move as he is 111 (3/3) away from G1 level... eight 3yo's have won this in the last 23 renewals and all were rated 107+, had between 5 & 8 career starts and 1-3 starts in current season... for race form of 8/24, $4p \mid +£35...$

AUDIENCE has improved for the application of the hood, posting his two best figures on his last two starts...

**

ISAAC SHELBY (B Meehan) went very close in the French 2000 Guineas in May and that race has been working out well since. He then ran a decent 4th in the St James' Palace Stakes, possibly getting squeezed a little at a vital stage as the race begun to heat up; this drop in class and trip looks a positive move. I also like the record of Brian Meehan 2yo-3yo's at Glorious Goodwood in 6f-1m non-handicaps, especially those with 1-5 UK/Irish starts and that start at 10/1 or less... 9/18 | 50% S/R | +£35.01 – W&P 11/18 | 61% S/R... stats that ISAAC SHELBY meets with here...

GOODWOOD CUP - Group 1 - 2m (3yo+)

4.35 GOODWOOD

This race was shifted up from a Group 2 to a Group 1 six years ago and STRADIVARIUS winning four of those renewals kind of makes trends analysis a little bit tricky... so until a few more renewals as a Group 1 I wouldn't be using Race Trends for this one...

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

QUICKTHORN should get to lead this field on his own out front, with maybe only **TASHKHAN** likely to be up near him in the early stages...

DRAW	Horse	Run Style	Pace Map
11	COLTRANE	HU	
10	LONE EAGLE	CP/HU	
9	GIAVELLOTTO	HU/CP	
8	ELDAR ELDAROV	HU	
7	OCEAN WIND	HU/CP	
6	EMILY DICKINSON	CP/HU	
5	CORAGE MON AMI	CP/HU	
4	QUICKTHORN	FR	
3	ENEMY	HU	
2	BROOME	HU	
1	TASHKHAN	CP/FR	

**

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

16 of the last 26 winners and 42 of the 75 win & place horses ran in the Ascot Gold Cup last time out – COURAGE MON AMI, COLTRANE, EDGAR ELDAROV, BROOME & LONE EAGLE – ran this year in Ascot GC...

13 of the 16 finished in the top 3 in the Ascot Gold Cup... so positives for **COURAGE MON AMI & COLTRANE...**

Record of top-rated horse (on OR) the last 9 renewals... 3-1,3-1-1-1-2-1-1-1 (7/10, 3p)... COURAGE MON AMI & BROOME are top-rated this year...

**

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

COURAGE MON AMI won Ascot GC on only 4th career start and already has a Goodwood win on his CV (won a handicap over 1m6f on seasonal debut in May)...

COLTRANE finished 4th in this last year behind KYPRIOS, STRADIVARIUS & TRUESHAN...2nd behind Courage MA, gets a 1lb pull at weights here... solid record in May-Sept on G/S or quicker... 7/11, 3p (all 7 wins...DSQ on 1 of them) only time failed to place under those conditions came in this race last year...

ELDAR ELDAROV won St Leger last season but not won in 3 since, including unplaced on both starts over 2m+...

**

This looks to revolve around the Ascot Gold Cup 1-2 **COURAGE MON AMI & COLTRANE**... and I think it might just finish the same way again...

CORAGE MON AMI (J & T Gosden) The record of the top-rated runner in this race is very appealing and there's a good chance we are still to see the best of this 4yo yet, given he's only had the 4 starts. It's difficult to get away from him and he does look the likeliest winner of this G1 pot...

FILLIES HANDICAP - Class 3 - 1m (3yo+)

5.05 GOODWOOD

Just the seven previous renewals so another one where the trends are a little thin on the ground... but all seven winners did pass the following four trends, so let's see where that leads us...

7/7 aged 3yo

7/7 rated 88 or less

7/7 DSLR 21 or less

7/7 Top 3 finish LTO

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

GOOD GRACIOUS - ROYAL DRESS - RAJINDRI - LADY MOJITO

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

PEACE OF MIND looks the likely pace angle from stall 1 here although **ZOUZANNA** from stall 11 will probably also try and get across from stall 11 to help set the early fractions and **EXPRESSOO** from stall 4 is also likely be up on the pace early doors... **CHOISYA** in 14 & **BELHAVEN** in 16 could also be potentials to be in the early pace mix if they can navigate their way across from out wide...

On the draw front...

Looking at Goodwood 1-mile handicaps with fields of 15+ gives the following quarter splits...

Q1 - 24/251 | 9.5% S/R

Q2 - 14/273 | 5% S/R

Q3 - 12/262 | 4.5% S/R

Q4-6/233 | 2.5% S/R

So, a positive to be drawn in Q1 (stalls 1-5) and a negative to be drawn in Q4 (stalls 16-20)...

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

WILLIAM HAGGAS has a good record in Goodwood handicaps restricted to females with his 2yo-3yo's... (since 2018) 7/13 | 54% S/R | +£20.80... **GOOD GRACIOUS** meets those stats here...

ROGER VARIAN has a decent record in Goodwood handicaps restricted to females in July-Sept with his 2yo-3yo's... 3/9, 3p | +£11.69... his **YOUNGEST** meets those stats here...

**

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

GOOD GRACIOUS is tempting as the blinkers brought about a big improvement last time out and Haggas does have a good record with these types at Goodwood... he also has a tidy record at Glorious Goodwood with last time out winning 2yo-3yo's over 1m3f or less that return within 30-days (and start at SP 7/1 or less)... 5/16, 7p... but I am worried about the wide draw in 17, it's a tricky place to land a blow from...

I'll plump for two that are a bit better off with the draw...

ROYAL DRESS (R Hannon) banged in a career best when stepping up to 7f LTO and this further step up to a mile could well bring out further improvement. The filly also meets the following Richard Hannon (Jnr) angle I have... (Since 2015) R Hannon | Glorious Goodwood Handicaps over 7f-1m4f | 1+ career win | DSLR 30 or less | Top 4 finish LTO | SP 14/1 or less = 10/29 | 34% S/R | +£80.38 BFLSP – W&P 15/29 | 52% S/R...

LADY MOJITO (R Fahey) finished 2nd behind ROYAL DRESS LTO and did meet a bit of trouble in-running at around the 2-furlong pole that day, and although comfortably enough beaten by the Hannon horse she was a good way clear of the 3rd and wasn't knocked about when the winner had flown. She gets a decent 6lb pull at the weights with that one here and also has a prime Q1 draw to break from in this, and I don't think there should be as much between them at the prices as there currently is...

FILLIES HANDICAP – Class 3 – 6f

5.35 GOODWOOD

Not a race where we can get a decent grip on for the race trends just yet...

**

Pace/Draw thoughts...

Potential for the pace in this to be up high, with SOPHIAS STARLIGHT (stall 13) & GLORIOUS ANGEL (10) and maybe CANDLE OF HOPE (8) looking the likeliest pace angles... ELVENIA (5) looks the only potential pace runner from the bottom half although also a small chance that KITAI (7) will want to be prominent... at a push I'd say there may just be a small pace bias for the middle to high numbers...

**

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

RALPH BECKETT has some decent stats in Glorious Goodwood handicaps that are limited to fillies...since 2008 his record in such races reads... **4/16 | 25% S/R | +£36.16 – W&P 6/16 | 38% S/R**... the stats improve when you filter in... DSLR 56 or less | 11 or less career starts = 4/9, 2p | +£43.16... his **FUNNY STORY** fits those stats here...

**

Conclusion/Current Thoughts...

A tricky race to end the day on and I can't say I've got a strong opinion on it from a betting perspective...



In-depth Horseracing Trends & Stats Analysis

www.narrowingthefield.co.uk