

LADIES DAY AT CHELTENHAM PUNDITS' PICKS OF THE DAY



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PADDY POWER

1:30PM

BALLYMORE NOVICES' HURDLE

- RW** If I was going to Cheltenham to ride **Envoi Allen** - I'd be fairly confident he'll win.
- MF** I wouldn't be surprised if **Sporting John** won.
- MC** Envoi Allen will take all the beating, but I will have a few quid on **The Big Breakaway** each-way.
- FH** **Envoi Allen** looks to have no real weakness and his form is working out. Difficult to oppose.
- PP** **Envoi Allen** looks solid and that's why he's a short price.

2:10PM

RSA NOVICES' CHASE

- RW** **Champ** fell the last time but that may help him concentrate better as ridiculous as that sounds. He'll be hard to beat.
- MF** **Minella Indo** won the Grade One Albert Bartlett at this venue last year over hurdles. He is the one I want to be on over fences now.
- MC** Champ has strong claims, but again I will be each-way with the Tizzard runner **Copperhead**.
- FH** Allaho is a horse I love but this test might come too soon for him. **Minella Indo** looks sure to relish it. He can confirm novice hurdle form with Allaho.
- PP** **Minella Indo** has a great chance, as does **Copperhead**.

2:50PM

CORAL CUP

- RW** No huge opinion but **Burrows Edge** was a good winner of the Lanzarote Hurdle. He's improving.
- MF** **Dame De Compagnie** is weighted to win while Willie Mullins' **Bachasson** has some very good back form to call on.
- MC** A monster handicap but I tipped the winner last year at 28/1. **Champagne Well** is my each-way play this time.
- FH** **Eglantine Du Seuil** caught my eye last time out & won the mares novice here last year. She can go well at a price.
- PP** **Canardier** has joined Willie Mullins' yard and will improve for that move.

3:30PM

CHAMPION CHASE

- RW** Now that **Altior** has been ruled out through injury the time is right for **Chacun Pour Soi** to step up to the plate.
- MF** **Almor** has been ruled out so the momentum is with **Defi Du Seuil** now.
- MC** Gutted that **Altior** is missing. Looks a match now between **Defi Du Seuil** and **Chacun Pour Soi**.
- FH** I didn't fancy **Altior** anyway, and **Defi Du Seuil** can just shade the feature race on day three.
- PP** **Chacun Pour Soi** is the young pretender to the throne and can out-gun **Defi Du Seuil** on the run to the line.

4:10PM

CROSS COUNTRY CHASE

- RW** If **Tiger Roll** is going to win a third Grand National - he has to win this off level weights.
- MF** **Tiger Roll** at his peak beats these but Easyland is no back number.
- MC** Quite simply **Tiger Roll** is the best horse in the race and should hack up.
- FH** **Tiger Roll** is on a hat trick here and I can't see what can beat him as long as he gets around.
- PP** If **Tiger Roll** is going to win another Grand National he needs to be winning this.

4:50PM

JUVENILE HANDICAP HURDLE

- RW** I fancy **Tronador** for Gordon Elliott. He looks a great bet for an each-way play.
- MF** A bit of a guessing game but **Galahad Quest** may come in under the radar.
- MC** **Tronador** should be suited by this big field and can come home late and fast.
- FH** **Blacko** is unexposed and is 2-2 for Alan King. He looks to have a sound each-way chance at a decent price.
- PP** **Aramax** looks to have been laid out for this and can go close despite being at the top of the weights.

5:30PM

CHAMPION BUMPER

- RW** **Appreciate It** ticks all the boxes. The best form and the attitude to go with it.
- MF** Willie Mullins has won this many times before and **Appreciate It** looks his best chance again by a long way.
- MC** His last two wins at Leopardstown suggest **Appreciate It** is very good indeed.
- FH** **Ferny Hollow** has loads of ability and the application of a hood worked last time. If it works again, he can put it up to his shorter-priced stablemate.
- PP** I was at Leopardstown when **Appreciate It** won and he looks something special.