

PUNDITS' PICKS OF THE DAY



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TIMEFORM



PADDY POWER

1.10pm

HANDICAP 1M 1F

- JW** It will be no surprise to see **WASAAYEF** make up into a Listed/ group performer on what looks a very realistic handicap mark.
- MC** John Gosden's **WASAAYEF** could be a Group horse lurking in a handicap as we try to get off to a flyer.
- MF** **ANGEL POWER** was a good second at Haydock and can go one better here.
- TF** **TOMORROW'S DREAM** didn't get the clearest of runs at Newbury last time and we fancy her to land the opener.
- PP** **TOMORROW'S DREAM**: the stable is in flying form and the horse is pretty consistent - simple.

2.45pm

QATAR LENNOX STAKES 7F

- JW** Last year's winner, **SIR DANCEALOT** looks to be coming to the boil nicely, as are the trainer's horses who appear to be hitting their peak at present.
- MC** **SIR DANCEALOT** is the defending champion and absolutely loves this course and distance. Have a few quid on each-way.
- MF** **SIR DANCEALOT** has won this contest twice and can get the hat-trick.
- TF** **SPACE BLUES** is the class act in this field and is taken to land his first Group 2.
- PP** Space Blues will be tough to beat but **SIR DANCEALOT** looks a big prize going for a threepeat in the race.

3.45pm

QATAR HANDICAP 5F

- JW** Over one of the fastest 5 furlongs in the country you need a speedball and **RECON MISSION** has all of the required attributes.
- MC** Everything is set for another big effort from **RECON MISSION** who won a York handicap recently.
- MF** **FINAL VENTURE** boasts some good form coming into the race and can get his head in front.
- TF** This downhill 5f could be just the ticket for **RECON MISSION**. He'll blast out of the gates and his stamina will be an huge asset.
- PP** **Celsius** has won over course and distance which looks an advantage in this mad dash.

2.15pm

QATAR VINTAGE STAKES 7F

- JW** **DARK LION** looks reliable and the red hot favourite, Battleground, has got to back up his performance from Ascot which the yard's two-year-olds haven't been doing.
- MC** **BATTLEGROUND** looked a monster at Royal Ascot and with normal improvement he should take some stopping.
- MF** **DEVIUS COMPANY** found Master of the Seas too good last time but can strike now.
- TF** **BATTLEGROUND** looked a potential top-notch when scoring at Royal Ascot and he should prove hard to beat here.
- PP** **BATTLEGROUND** is one of the Coolmore 2-year-olds who improved markedly from his first run. I think there's more to come.

3.15pm

QATAR GOODWOOD CUP 2M

- JW** Looks a straightforward opportunity for the champion stayer, **STRADIVARIUS**, to pick up another pot.
- MC** I'm in no doubt here that **STRADIVARIUS** will prove too good for Santiago, even though the latter gets over a stone in weight.
- MF** Super **STRADIVARIUS** looks to make history by winning the Goodwood Cup for the third year in a row and I think he'll do it.
- TF** **STRADIVARIUS** can become the first four-time winner of this race.
- PP** This looks a match and **STRADIVARIUS** is giving a lot of weight to Santiago, but I still think his experience will get him through and he'll win his fourth Goodwood Cup.

4.20pm

EBF MIADEN STAKES 6F

- JW** This yard's two-year-olds are just striking form at the right time for a meeting that they excel at; they have a bunch to pick from and **RIFFAA WONDER** gets the nod.
- MC** **ALKUMAIT** ran well on debut at Newbury and will come on for that effort when a fast finishing fourth.
- MF** **ALKUMAIT** was an eye-catcher at Newbury when running on from the back to take fourth. He will improve for that experience.
- TF** **ALKUMAIT** showed enough with his finishing effort at Newbury to think he's capable of landing this one.
- PP** The extra bit of experience that **MAJD AL ARAB** holds I think could be crucial at Goodwood.

4.55pm

FILLIES' HANDICAP 1M

- JW** **AU CLAIR DE LUNE** looked fairly decent when winning at Doncaster to start back and only just failed in her follow-up bid over this trip at Leicester. Natural improvement will make her tough to beat.
- MC** **TIME VOYAGE** has an each-way chance with step up in trip likely to suit.
- MF** **ASIAFF** is already a course winner and will be better suited to this test rather than Sandown's stiff finish last time.
- TF** An 8 lb rise for her latest success at Haydock demands another personal best from **DANCING APPROACH**, but she had plenty left in the tank that day and there could be even better to come here.
- PP** **TORBELLINO** won nicely a couple of runs ago so hopefully the return to this trip will see her hit the frame again.

