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## STRATFORD (UK) - 18 AUGUST 2025

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**RACECOURSE:** Left-handed triangular shaped track of 1m 2f, with eight fences per circuit and a run-in of 200 yards. **TOP TRAINERS AT TRACK:** E WILLIAMS 56-7 (12.50%)-27, J J HANLON 7-1 (14.30%)-34

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### 1 15:27 - D & H NOVICES' LIMITED HANDICAP CHASE (GBB RACE) (4 years and older) Turf

Stake: R293,282 4600m

1	TOPGUN SIMMY (IRE) 6Bg	J J Hanlon	Paddy Hanlon	74.5	3K49	1K50	9G45
2	BALLINTUBBER BOY (IRE) 8Bg	N & W Twiston-Davi	S Twiston-Davies	69.5	2L48	2L48	5P48
3	THE GYPSY DAVEY (IRE) 7Bg	E Williams	C Stone-Walsh	66	0U40	4N32	5U40

**FORECAST BETTING:** 1-1 TOPGUN SIMMY; 13-8 BALLINTUBBER BOY; 9-2 THE GYPSY DAVEY  
**TIPS:** 1 TOPGUN SIMMY 2 BALLINTUBBER BOY 3 THE GYPSY DAVEY

**PREVIEW:** A small field may see this turn tactical and that would potentially play into the hands of BALLINTUBBER BOY. With a Stratford record of two from two over hurdles, he has raced three times over fences, making the running in two of them. He could dictate terms to suit himself and see off Irish challenger Topgun Simmy, whose better form is over further than this. The Gypsy Davey races from 4lb out of the handicap and appears to have it all to do.

### 2 15:57 - RACING TV CLUB DAY NOVICES' HURDLE (GBB RACE) (4 years and older) Turf

Stake: R185,472 4400m

1	DON VIRGINIA (FR) 5Bg	J & A O'Neill	R McLernon	73	2H40	1S40	3U40
2	ISLE OF SARK 7Bg	A Carroll	Mr J King	73	3B46	1N44	4M42
3	KNIGHTS AFFAIR 5Bg	J Snowden	G Sheehan	73	1H42	2N44	2W32
4	DONTCONTRADICTIONE (IRE) 5Bg	M Bowen	J Bowen	70		3M34	8W32
5	BETTY'S TIARA 7Bm	B Pauling	Doubtful	67	2S40	2W40	2W46

**FORECAST BETTING:** 15-8 ISLE OF SARK, KNIGHTS AFFAIR; 11-4 DON VIRGINIA; 8-1 DONTCONTRADICTIONE  
**TIPS:** 2 ISLE OF SARK 3 KNIGHTS AFFAIR 1 DON VIRGINIA

**PREVIEW:** KNIGHTS AFFAIR has run well over hurdles so far, with a win at Huntingdon and seconds at Newton Abbot and Worcester, and the step back up in trip on a sharp track is unlikely to be an inconvenience. Isle Of Sark is capable of bouncing back from his latest effort at Market Rasen, while Don Virginia's recent form entitles him to be on the shortlist.

### 3 16:27 - GEORGE & DRAGON MARES' HANDICAP HURDLE (4 years and older) Turf

Stake: R139,134 4400m

1	FAERIE CUTLASS 7Bm	K Bailey & M Nicho	T Bellamy	76.5	0S48	4W42	0U52
2	LYNESS DANCER 6Chm	T Ellis	J Andrews	72.5	1H50	0F46	4W46
3	HURST HILL (IRE) 6Bm	Seamus Mullins	D Sansom	72.5	3N53	1N44	2S52
4	ANOTHER PEARL 5Bm	G Nicholls	J Bowen	70.5	5B40	5C34	8U32
5	BARELY FAMOUS (IRE) 9Bm	A Ralph	J J Burke	69	0H50	5W40	2U46
6	POLLY PI (IRE) 5Bm	E Williams	A Wedge	68.5	9U40	0H40	8N37
7	CINDERELLO 5Chm	A Hales	B Carver	68.5	0H32	4S38	1U46
8	MIZ KLIMT (IRE) 4Bf	J Coulson	S Grantham	68.5	6U32	4U40	9U32
9	VARINIA (FR) 6Bm	S Edmunds	H Reed	67.5	0L42	1F46	0U46

**FORECAST BETTING:** 5-2 HURST HILL; 11-4 BARELY FAMOUS, CINDERELLO; 10-1 LYNESS DANCER, VARINIA; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

**HEADGEAR CHANGE:** PACIFIERS ON: FAERIE CUTLASS. PACIFIERS OFF: BARELY FAMOUS.

**TIPS:** 3 HURST HILL 5 BARELY FAMOUS 7 CINDERELLO

**PREVIEW:** Cinderello showed improved form to win, albeit narrowly, on her handicap debut, although she will need to go on from that off 4lb higher here. Barely Famous was second that day and meets the winner on 1lb better terms. She has consistency on her side, but so does HURST HILL. Seamus Mullins' mare gets on well with jockey Daniel Sansom, with a victory at Newton Abbot and a second here last month, and she may be the better suited to this trip.

### 4 16:57 - BRIAN AND SHEILA VAUGHAN MEMORIAL HANDICAP CHASE (GBB RACE) (4 years and older) Turf

Stake: R570,889 3800m

1	ARCLIGHT 6Bm	N Henderson	J Bowen	76.5	4A40	2N37	1S34
2	VINTAGE FIZZ 8Chg	J O'Keeffe	C O'Farrell	74	4U40	2M42	6M42
3	NO RISK WITH LOU (FR) 8Bg	A Hales	B Carver	72.5	1H33	0U32	0M34
4	JARAMILLO 7Bg	W Greatrex	H Bannister	71.5	2W40	1N42	3U40
5	WAR LORD (GER) 10Grg	J Tizzard	B J Powell	70.5	0N34	3N34	3N34
6	IN THE AIR 7Bg	A Ralph	Ciaran Gethings	67.5	5U32	4N32	1U32
7	MAGISTRATO (FR) 7Bg	Deborah Cole	B R Jones	64.5	4F32	2N32	5N32

**FORECAST BETTING:** 11-4 ARCLIGHT; 4-1 NO RISK WITH LOU, IN THE AIR; 9-2 JARAMILLO; 7-1 VINTAGE FIZZ; 10-1 WAR LORD, MAGISTRATO

**TIPS:** 1 ARCLIGHT 6 IN THE AIR 4 JARAMILLO

**PREVIEW:** A dual Listed winner over fences, ARCLIGHT relished her return to the larger obstacles when scoring over 2m1f here and an extra two furlongs should not inconvenience her as she attempts to follow up off 6lb higher. In The Air got off the mark in this sphere with a determined success at Uttoxeter and he is expected to be thereabouts, as is Jaramillo, who has strong claims on his success at Newton Abbot back in April.

### 5 17:27 - NATIONAL RACEHORSE WEEK 23RD - 31ST AUGUST HANDICAP HURDLE (3 years and older) Turf

Stake: R165,791 3200m

1	TURPIN GOLD 9Bg	T Lacey	S Sheppard	76.5	1P32	1H32	5U32
2	EZ TIGER (IRE) 8Bg	A Hales	B Carver	75.5	2U32	1W32	4U32
3	OCEAN HEIGHTS 8Chg	D Pipe	J Tudor	73.5	0W32	3F32	3S32
4	DIESEL LINE (IRE) 7Bg	C & A Pogson	J Bowen	72.5	3F36	2U32	1U32
5	ISABEL DE CLARE 5Bm	T Ellis	J Andrews	72.5	5W40	0W40	0K42
6	BASILETTE (IRE) 6Bm	Seamus Mullins	D Sansom	72	4S32	2S32	8U32
7	JET PATROL (IRE) 8Bg	James Owen	S Bowen	68.5	4K36	8P32	6H32
8	GRANNY B (IRE) 5Bm	M Mullineaux	C Deutsch	67.5	4U32	3B34	9U32
9	NORTHERN ROSE (IRE) 5Chm	G Hamner	J Hogan	67.5	9U32	4U32	0S38
10	POSTPONED LEGACY 4Chg	M Keighley	J Best	64.5	3U32	4H32	5S32
11	NEW MAN (FR) 5Bg	T R Grettton	R T Dunne	64.5	4H32	5L32	4W32

**FORECAST BETTING:** 2-1 DIESEL LINE; 11-2 OCEAN HEIGHTS; 13-2 JET PATROL; 7-1 EZ TIGER; 8-1 TURPIN GOLD; 10-1 BASILETTE; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

**HEADGEAR CHANGE:** PACIFIERS OFF: ISABEL DE CLARE.

**TIPS:** 4 DIESEL LINE 3 OCEAN HEIGHTS 2 EZ TIGER

**PREVIEW:** Raised 6lb for his success at Uttoxeter, DIESEL LINE has improved since joining new connections and he looks more than capable of landing the double. Ez Tiger (fourth) has almost 10 lengths to make up with him from that contest, but he was a decisive winner at Worcester before that. Returning to hurdles for the first time since last August, Ocean Heights could be well treated and may have a say.

### 6 18:00 - RACINGTV.COM HANDICAP CHASE (4 years and older) Turf

Stake: R177,364 5500m

1	SUMMERLEAZE (IRE) 8Bm	O Murphy	S Bowen	76.5	1S44	3S52	8P48
2	JONY MAX (IRE) 10Bg	Christian Williams	J Tudor	74	3M48	0F58	6N52
3	PRINCE CLENI (FR) 7Bg	Christian Williams	A Wedge	69	4S52	0W46	0W46
4	EIGHTYTWO TEAM (IRE) 9Bm	C Eilam	B J Powell	68	3S48	6N52	1U52
5	MY GIRL KATIE (IRE) 8Bm	G Harris	C Ring	67.5	4M42	1N52	2N52
6	MIAMI JIM (IRE) 7Bg	Mrs R Gasson	B Poste	65.5	0S38	3S48	0W48

**FORECAST BETTING:** 9-4 MY GIRL KATIE; 5-2 EIGHTYTWO TEAM; 3-1 SUMMERLEAZE; 8-1 JONY MAX; 10-1 PRINCE CLENI; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.

**TIPS:** 5 MY GIRL KATIE 4 EIGHTYTWO TEAM 1 SUMMERLEAZE

**PREVIEW:** A winner of three of her last five starts, including in point-to-points, MY GIRL KATIE promises to be suited by going up to this distance, especially when taking into account her strong finish for second over 3m2f at Newton Abbot last month. Another who looks set to relish the trip is Eightytwo Team, who has been raised 4lb for a surprise success at Uttoxeter. Summerleaze is capable of getting involved if bouncing back to her best.

7 18:35 - JOIN RACING TV NOW OPEN NH FLAT RACE (GBB RACE) (4 years to 5 years) Turf Stake: R104,344 3200m					
1	WAY MAKER (IRE) 4Brg	M Bowen	S Bowen	72.5	1B34
2	ALL ABOUT MOI (IRE) 5Bg	M Keighley	J Best	71	FIRST RUN
3	HARBOUR HAZE 5Bg	R Phillips	Mr T Mccain-Mitchell	71	FIRST RUN
4	CHICKER 4Bg	F O'Brien	J J Burke	69.5	FIRST RUN
5	CREEPING TOM 4Bg	J Tizzard	B J Powell	69.5	FIRST RUN
6	MAYO 4Bg	Christian Williams	J Tudor	69.5	FIRST RUN
7	VICTORS SPIRIT 4Bg	N King	J Quinlan	65.5	FIRST RUN

**FORECAST BETTING:** 1-1 WAY MAKER; 10-3 CHICKER; 9-2 CREEPING TOM; 12-1 AND UPWARDS OTHERS.  
**TIPS:** 1 WAY MAKER 4 CHICKER 5 CREEPING TOM  
**PREVIEW:** It is difficult to look past WAY MAKER, who could not have done it any easier on debut at Bangor last month, a victory for which he has a 7lb penalty to carry. A Frontiersman half-brother to a winning hurdler, Chicker could be a potent force on his introduction for a stable that knows how to ready one. Similar comments may apply to Creeping Tom, who will be worth a market check.

**HOW TO READ FIELDS:** Runner info shown as follows: Number; Horse; Age; colour; sex; Career record: wins-places-runs; Trainer; Draw (position in starting gate); Jockey; Weight to be carried included rider and equipment; Last 3 runs with most recent on right. After horse name: \*=-Blinkers; \$ =Cheek Pieces; !=Pacifiers; ‡=Visor; ^=Hood; ?=Compression Hood; %=Blinkers/ Compression Hood; >= Cheekpieces/Compression Hood; &=Pacifiers/Compression Hood; \$=Cheekpieces/Pacifiers; +=Earmuffs; /=Eye Shield; Before the jockey name: "-apprentice. Last three runs are shown in order of finishing position; racecourse; distance; lengths beaten. Thus 3V12 is third at Vaal over 1200m lengths behind the winner. If underscored 1T12 the race followed a rest of 60 days or more.

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