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Ryanair Chase (Grade 1) (Registered As The Festival Trophy) (Class 1) (5YO plus)

TRIFECTA JACKPOT 6 PLACEPOT QUADPOT

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		F3-1232	BALKO DES FLOS (FR) 77 D ch g Balko - Royale Marie	7 11 - 10	D N Russell H de Bromhead	166
2		21-2222	CLOUDY DREAM (IRE) 33 D BF gr g Cloudings - Run Away Dream	8 11 - 10	B Hughes Ruth Jefferson	157
3		1F2-F22	CUE CARD 26 CD b g King's Theatre - Wicked Crack	12 11 - 10t	P J Brennan C L Tizzard	166
4		11117-F	DOUVAN (FR) 1 C BF b g Walk In The Park - Star Face	8 11 - 10	Unknown Jockey W P Mullins	170
5		323213	FRODON (FR) 26 CD b g Nickname - Miss Country	6 11 - 10t	Sam Twiston-Davies P F Nicholls	162
6		222-353	SUB LIEUTENANT (IRE) 95 b g Brian Boru - Satellite Dancer	9 11 - 10t	S W Flanagan H de Bromhead	160
7		1112-11	UN DE SCEAUX (FR) 54 CD b g Denham Red - Hotesse De Sceaux	10 11 - 10	P Townend W P Mullins	168

ATR VERDICT: Cue Card won this race back in 2013 and, after a very brief spell in the doldrums, he showed that the ability is still very much there when chasing home exciting prospect Waiting Patiently at Ascot last time. There will be no more popular winner than the 12-year-old and he is fancied to run well, but it's difficult to get away from last year's impressive winner UN DE SCEAUX. Another popular horse, the Willie Mullins/Ruby Walsh representative arrives having had the perfect preparation, winning at both Cork and Ascot, and with testing underfoot conditions in his favour, he could gallop these rivals into submission. The sponsors have two interesting runners in Christmas Chase second Balko Des Flos and Sub Lieutenant, who finished runner-up in this event 12 months ago, while Cloudy Dream is likely to come there travelling powerfully but whether or not he goes through with it is a different matter.

Top Tip: UN DE SCEAUX (7)

Watch out for: SUB LIEUTENANT (6)