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Merseyrail Handicap Hurdle (Class 3) (4YO plus)

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No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1		10U6U3/	ONE FOR THE GUV'NR (IRE) 671 D b g Oscar - Wintry Day	9 11 - 12	Matt Griffiths Miss Martin	127
Jockey Colours: Maroon, beige star, diablo on sleeves and star on cap Timeform says: Bumper winner and near-useful hurdler for Nicky Henderson. Didn't look a natural over fences when last seen in the summer of 2016 so has a lot to prove on this belated stable debut. ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 26.00)					Notes:	
2		2/1-	MELODY OF SCOTLAND (FR) 405 D b f Youmzain - This Melody	4 11 - 9	B J Geraghty A King	127
Jockey Colours: Emerald green, yellow hoops, white cap Timeform says: Fair form over hurdles, 12/10, won 8-runner juvenile at Bordeaux last time by 6 lengths, leading approaching last and easily going clear. Has left Guillaume Macaire and will improve further. ★★★★★ (Forecast 5.00)					Notes:	
3		U19/42-1	CAUSE TOUJOURS (FR) 32 D b g Khalkevi - Viana	6 11 - 6h1	T J O'Brien Ian Williams	121
Jockey Colours: Violet, white cap Timeform says: Off the mark for new yard after a breathing operation in 2m Kempton novice last month, coming clear in good style. Likely has more to offer now handicapping for an in-form yard. Hood fitted. ★★★★★ (Forecast 2.75)					Notes:	
4		212737-	PHOENIX DAWN 49 (24F) D b g Phoenix Reach - Comtesse Noire	4 11 - 5b	Brendan Powell B G Powell	123
Jockey Colours: Purple, maroon braces, light blue sleeves, maroon stars, light blue cap, maroon star Timeform says: Fit from a mid-field effort in a novice at Punchestown but carried head awkwardly and was held back on the level at Chepstow a month ago. ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 21.00)					Notes:	
5		137-	PARTHENIUS (GER) 183 D b g Soldier hollow - Princess Li	5 11 - 4	Harry Skelton D Skelton	119
Jockey Colours: Red, light blue stars, yellow cap, light blue stars Timeform says: Useful at best on Flat in Germany, stays 9f. Off the mark at first attempt in this sphere at Plumpton in November and though he didn't build on that as expected to end 2017, he can do better. ★★★★★ (Forecast 7.00)					Notes:	
6		P467-2U	MICK THONIC (FR) 14 D BF gr g Maresca Sorrento - Mick Madona	8 11 - 4bt	D A Jacob C L Tizzard	119
Jockey Colours: Emerald green, yellow chevron and sleeves, red cap Timeform says: Expensive to follow over fences since novice win at Cheltenham in April 2017. Unseated rider at Market Rasen a fortnight ago and he isn't one for maximum faith back hurdling. ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 17.00)					Notes:	
7		317/13-5	COOLMEEN HILL (IRE) 19 br g Oscar - Hazel's Tisrara	7 10 - 8t	James Corbett (5) Mrs Corbett	109
Jockey Colours: Light green, white stripe and armlets Timeform says: Bumper/hurdle winner in Ireland, but allotted a stuff mark and off the back of a breathing operation, he was never really a factor at Kelso last month. ★★☆☆☆ (Forecast 21.00)					Notes:	

8		31307-1	GLOBAL THRILL 37 D b g Big Shuffle - Goonda	9 10 - 6t	Sean Houlihan (5) B J Llewellyn	107
Jockey Colours: Red and royal blue check, royal blue sleeves, red diamonds, royal blue cap, red star Timeform says: <i>Away from the mud and returned to his best when winning 9-runner handicap at Newton Abbot last month, digging deep. Should remain competitive up 3 lb.</i> ★★☆☆ (Forecast 7.00)						Notes:
TIMEFORM VIEW: CAUSE TOUJOURS landed the odds with the minimum of fuss on last month's debut for Ian Williams, and considering he was sent off favourite for last year's Champion Bumper, there has to be a chance that this opening mark grossly underestimates him. Melody of Scotland represents powerful connections and is feared most, ahead of Parthenius, a former stablemate of the selection.						
Timeform 1-2-3: 1: CAUSE TOUJOURS (3) 2: MELODY OF SCOTLAND (2) 3: PARTHENIUS (5)						
						



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