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Galwayraces.com Maiden Hurdle (Class) (5YO plus)

TRIFECTA PLACEPOT

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1	M	65U-421	BATCIO (FR) 37 g g Montmartre - Besca Nueva	6 11 - 12h	Mr A McMahon (7) T M Walsh	-
2		11	BRAID BLUE 47 b g Gold Well - Outo'theblue	5 11 - 12	D N Russell G Elliott	-
3		8	BYRON VANDOU 72 b g Byron - Lavandou Lady	6 11 - 12	A McCurtin (5) S J Mahon	-
4		3	KAATSKILL NAP (FR) 86 BF ch g Rip Van Winkle - Last Cast	5 11 - 12	P Townend W P Mullins	-
5	?*	P/P-	KNOCKNARAE KING 262 b g Turtle Island - Ruby Thewes	8 11 - 12h1	Mr E Mahon (7) Brian M McMahon	-
6		686332	OZZIE'S WAY 18 b g Oscar - Stashedaway	5 11 - 12t	D G Hogan Denis Hogan	108
7		4-077	WORZEL GUMMIDGE 8 b g Robin Des Pres - Ya Dont Say Nicola	5 11 - 12	Mr P J O'Neill (7) J F O'Neill	-
8	H	821353	PRESENTINGPRINCESS 8 br m Presenting - Take Ine	7 11 - 5ht	C J Orr (7) Mrs D A Love	109

ATR VERDICT: BRAID BLUE has won both his bumpers in good style and defied a penalty at Perth on his latest start at the beginning of last month. His attentions are now switched to hurdling and the step back up in trip looks sure to play to his strengths on the evidence of his debut win over 2m4f at Kilbeggan. Kaatskill Nap was third on his first attempt over timber at Gowran and can take a step forward from that effort, while Batcio has kept on improving in bumpers, winning his latest start at Kilbeggan, and completes the shortlist.

Top Tip: BRAID BLUE (2) **Watch out for:** KAATSKILL NAP (4)



