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Fox Family Persian War Novices' Hurdle (Grade 2) (Class 1) (4YO plus)
TRIFECTA PLACEPOT QUADPOT

No	Silk	Form	Horse Details	Age/Wt	Jockey/Trainer	OR
1	***	P1/1205 -	COOLANLY (IRE) 184 C b g Flemensfirth - La Fisarmonica	6 11 - 0	P J Brennan F O'Brien	134
2		18-	DORKING BOY 172 ch g Schiaparelli - Megasue	4 11 - Ot	Aidan Coleman Tom Lacey	-
3		1170-11	DOUBLE TREASURE 110 CD b g King's Theatre - Double Red	7 11 - Ot	G Sheehan Jamie Snowden	140
4		0-14211	EQUUS MILLAR (IRE) 17 b g Masterofthehorse - Lets Get Busy	5 11 - 0	Sam Twiston-Davies N A Twiston-Davies	131
5	*	535-	GOSHEVEN (IRE) 179 b g Presenting - Fair Choice	5 11 - 0	R Johnson P J Hobbs	-
6		282/11	MINELLA WARRIOR (IRE) 21 D b g King's Theatre - Bobbi's Venture	6 11 - 0t1	David Bass K C Bailey	130
7		P91-111	PUSH THE TEMPO (IRE) 23 b g Gold Well - Fairpark	5 11 - 0h	T J O'Brien Robert Stephens	131
8		22721-1	SECRET INVESTOR 160 b g Kayf Tara - Silver Charmer	6 11 - Ot	H Cobden P F Nicholls	137

ATR VERDICT: Minella Warrior is unbeaten in two outings over hurdles, building on two promising bumper efforts behind the likes of Western Ryder and Kalashnikov. Kim Bailey's gelding won nicely after a break at Uttoxeter and has the potential for further improvement with a first-time tongue tie added. Coolanly finished last season with a good effort at Aintree and the step back up in trip won't prove any issue. However, a chance is taken with GOSHEVEN, who looked a slow burner for Philip Hobbs last season but shaped with plenty of encouragement in two novice hurdles at Kempton and Cheltenham. The fact his trainer is willing to step him up in grade underlines the regard he is held in, and this test looks perfect as he's a half-brother to staying chaser Vesper Bell.

Top Tip: GOSHEVEN (5)

Watch out for: MINELLA WARRIOR (6)

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