

## **Huntingdon 4<sup>th</sup> August Preview**

**By Paul Simmons**

### **1<sup>st</sup> Race – Handicap 0-90 over 1 Mile**

A fascinating and highly competitive handicap with several in with a chance. Champion trainer Gill Duffield has several entered the best of which looks to be smart performer Hathrah who won over 6 furlongs last time out and she can follow up here. Her main dangers are Angela Colledge's smart maiden winner Estival who won here over 1 Mile 5 furlongs and Bill Smiths useful Wahchi who won nicely at Fontwell over 7f, whilst Sam Davison Sabden was 5<sup>th</sup> in a competitive handicap and should be thereabouts.

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Race – The Brunton Maiden Stakes over 1 Mile**

Anayid impressed on her debut when just touched off by Prince Dormant at Lingfield over 7 f and she'll take all the beating her. Bill Smith runs two and Chazan was a decent 2<sup>nd</sup> to Nahdah over 6f at Fontwell and 4<sup>th</sup> last time out, he should be in the shake up, whilst the Royal Cavalry of Oman's Al Bashiq has done nothing wrong being placed in his maidens and has place claims.

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Race – The Dawson of Stamford Ltd Handicap Stakes 0-60 over 1 Mile 6 Furlongs**

Lile D'Amour won impressively over this trip at Hereford last time out and will take all the beating again today, her main dangers are Notid who looks to be coming to form and ran well in defeat last time out, whilst Yakshi makes her handicap debut and is half sister to Djaxy King who won over this trip last time out, Mehshiv deserves to win soon and can't be discounted.

### **4<sup>th</sup> Race – ARO Open race over 1 Mile 2 Furlongs**

A fascinating TB race with multiple winner Fraternity taking on last seasons ARO TB champion Just Serenade. Preference is for the former Fraternity who has won 3 this term and only last time over an inadequate trip. Just Serenade won three staying handicaps last season and has every chance here today. Whilst Hoofbeats Tour won well at Lingfield last time out over a mile and has strong place claims.

### **5<sup>th</sup> Race – The ARO Sweepstakes handicap 0-40 over 6 Furlongs**

An ideal opportunity for talented sprint handicapper CS Lafaz to return to winning ways, he was 2<sup>nd</sup> over this trip first time out this season to Boddidle and can win here. His main dangers is Bonham who was third that day and has run well since. Shesheshaltu has been placed on her last two starts and can be in the shake up.

### **6<sup>th</sup> Race – The Jebel Ali Stakes 0-75 over 1 Mile 2 Furlongs**

Several in with a chance in this highly competitive handicap with impressive Hereford maiden winner Mustajib getting the nod, he won well over 1 Mile 1 furlong that day and can follow up here for the in form Bill Smith yard. Final Fling goes well fresh and will make the selection pull out all the stops for the in form Thomas yard, whilst CS Khan ran well when third to Wahchi over 7 f at Fontwell and should be thereabouts.

### **7<sup>th</sup> Race – The Exciting Times/Nicola Memorial Handicap Stakes over 1 Mile**

Pride of James goes well fresh and will take all the beating from his low weight, La Perruche will make him pull out all the stops and has slipped to a winning mark, whilst Hardtoback can never be discounted in these races.

### **8<sup>th</sup> Race – The Jebel Ali Stakes 0-50 over 1 Mile 1 Furlong**

An ideal opportunity for Shereik to open her account, she was a good fourth last time out to Mushammer over this trip and can take this race. Her main danger is smart performer Fair Deed Dash who has won over this trip, whilst the impeccably bred Sharka makes his handicap debut and could be in the shake up.

**9<sup>th</sup> Race – The Champagne Birthday Open race over 6 Furlongs**

Inchmarlow won well at Exeter over 7 f beating the smart Fraternity, he can follow up here for the in form Connally team. His main dangers are Bold Maggie who won nicely at Hereford recently over 7 f and should be thereabouts, whilst former Champion Anglo L'Escalou was 2<sup>nd</sup> to Hoofbeats Tour over a mile at Lingfield and can never be discounted.