



Signposts Sweetspots

King Kevin can reign supreme at favourite track

King Kevin is unbeaten in three starts at Wolverhampton and has recorded solid second places elsewhere the last twice. Jamie Spencer keeps the ride and this hold-up performer can swoop late in the 3.20.

Sunshineandbubbles runs in the 3.50 at Wolverhampton, where he is 4lb well in as he's able to race off the same mark as when beaten a nose there last week. Stepping back up to 1m4f looks worth a go after that strong-staying effort.

George Scott boasts a 27 per cent strike-rate with his long-distance travellers and he sends just one up to Newcastle - newcomer Keir Hardie in the 5.15. This novice contest won't take much winning.

Hot trainers

TRAINERS with best wins-runs % from at least two wins in last 14 days, Flat & Jumps

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Cold trainers

TRAINERS with most runs since last win, Flat & Jumps; X=Never trained a winner in GB, Ireland or European Group race; 1st=first runner in GB; excludes those with at least 25% placed runners in past 14 days

Table with 3 columns: Name, Days since win, Runs

Course trainers

TRAINERS with best wins-runs % from at least three course wins

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Trainers off course

Trainers with most course losers since last win (today's code)

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Tracking trainers

TRAINERS with first course runner in more than two years, showing years since previous

runner

Confined to trainers with course winner or having first course runner

Course wins-runs record in past 20 years

Mike Hammond ...Newc 1st

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Class of 5-30

Trainers with best winners-horses % under all codes in the past 12 months.

Restricted to trainers with between 5 and 30 individual runners. Total wins in brackets.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Class of 31-60

Trainers with best winners-horses % under all codes in the past 12 months.

Restricted to trainers with between 31 and 60 individual runners. Total wins in brackets.

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

One-trick trainers

TRAINERS (includes those that have had 30 winners under today's code in past 12 months) with just one runner today

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Trainer trace

Horses who have switched trainers since their latest run.

Includes current trainer's record with new recruits under today's code

Table with 3 columns: Name, Wins, %

Story of the Symbols

Rolling 365-day record of various categories and symbols that appear on Racing Post cards POI=profit on investment.

Table with 6 columns: Category, Wins, Places, Runs, %, POI%

River RuleNewc 7.15

Stuart Williams -> Tony Carroll 4-67 6%

Griffin StreetNewc 7.45

Iain Jardine -> Alistair Whillans 0-12 0%

ThecornishbarronWolv 3.20

John Ryan -> Aytach Sadik 0-1 0%

AfandemWolv 4.25

Hugo Palmer -> Mark Johnston 6-21 29%

UpavonWolv 4.25

Stuart Williams -> Tony Carroll 4-67 6%

Prime time

Trainers who in the two week period (14 days) either side of today's date for the past five years (current season plus four) have shown a level-stakes profit or a strike-rate in excess of 20%.

Suzi Best 3-7 43% +20.60

Andrew Balding 28-99 28% +23.60

Ian Williams 35-207 17% +27.30

Daniel Mark Loughnane 17-108 16% +41.20

Simon West 2-15 13% +24.00

Michael Mullineaux. 1-36 3% +31.00

Training debutants

WINS-RUNS course record of trainer's debutants in 2yo, 3yo, NH Flat race, hurdle or chase (ignores runners with PTP form). Includes all those to have had a winning course debutant or an overall debutant strike rate in excess of 15%.

John Gosden ..3yo Newc 2-3 67%

all 3yo debutants 29-151 19%

Kevin Ryan3yo Wolv 1-2 50%

all 3yo debutants 3-33 9%

David Barron ..3yo Wolv 0-3 0%

all 3yo debutants 5-29 17%

Trainers & jockeys

TRAINER-JOCKEY combinations with best % from at least three course wins

John Gosden-Robert Havlin Newc 48%

all Newc; trainer 40%; jockey 34%

Charles Hills-Luke MorrisWolv 43%

all Wolv; trainer 16%; jockey 15%

K R Burke-Ben CurtisNewc 29%

all Newc; trainer 12%; jockey 11%

Jim Goldie-Phil DennisNewc 26%

all Newc; trainer 13%; jockey 9%

Mark Johnston-Franny Norton ...

.....Wolv 22%

all Wolv; trainer 18%; jockey 12%

John Butler-Adam KirbyWolv 21%

all Wolv; trainer 14%; jockey 21%

Tracy Waggott-Ben Curtis ..Newc 21%

all Newc; trainer 7%; jockey 11%

Tony Carroll-Luke MorrisWolv 20%

all Wolv; trainer 10%; jockey 15%

Hot jockeys

JOCKEYS with best wins-rides % from at least three wins in last 14 days, Flat & jumps

Lewis EdmundsNewc 3-10 30%

Richard KingscoteWolv 5-17 29%

Edward GreatrexWolv 6-24 25%

Cold jockeys

JOCKEYS with most losers since last win, Flat & jumps; X=Never ridden a winner in GB or Ireland; 1st=first ride in GB; excludes those with at least 25% placed runners in past 14 days

Since a win: DAYS RIDES

Liam JonesWolv 279 61

Ryan TateWolv 126 47

Paula MuirNewc 207 44

Jane ElliottWolv 68 41

Sebastian WoodsWolv 61 27

Hollie DoyleWolv 15 23

Course jockeys

JOCKEYS with best wins-rides % from at least three course wins

Robert HavlinNewc 12-35 34%

Paul HanaganWolv 21-96 22%

Adam KirbyWolv 132-630 21%

Callum Rodriguez ..Newc 10-50 20%

Jockeys off course

Jockeys with most course losers since last win (today's code)

X=never ridden course winner

Since a win: DAYS RIDES

Liam JonesWolv 951 40

Jason HartNewc 117 31

Graham LeeNewc 105 30

One-trick jockeys

JOCKEYS (excl amateurs, apprentices & conditionals) with one ride at a meeting

Connor Beasley Night Castle Newc 5.45

Kevin StottPenistone Newc 5.45

Tony Hamilton ..Urban Spirit Newc 6.45

Patrick MathersStreet Sensation



William Carson	Life Of Luxury	Newc	6.45
George Downing	Jeremy's Jet	Wolv	2.15
R P Walsh	Babette	Wolv	2.15
Stevie Donohoe			
	Critical Thinking	Wolv	2.45
Robert Winston	Echo Brava	Wolv	3.20
Liam Keniry			
	Diamond Reflection	Wolv	3.50
Charles Bishop	Union Rose	Wolv	4.25

Overweight alert

▶ JOCKEYS booked to ride at a lower weight than they have managed in GB & Ire within last 12 months and have put up overweight in that time

Faye McManoman (7)min wt 7-11
Joe Cable, Newc 6.45, 7-10

First-time geldings

▶ HORSES running for the first time since being gelded

▶ DATA excludes horses trained outside GB & Ireland

▶ Trainer's wins-runs record with 1st-time geldings compared with trainers strike-rate with all runners.

Afandem	Wolv	4.25
Mark Johnston	16-117 13%; all 13%	
Vj Day	Wolv	4.55
Kevin Ryan	9-75 12%; all 12%	
Poetic Affair	Newc	5.45
Mark Johnston	16-117 13%; all 13%	
Broken Force	Newc	5.45
K R Burke	9-50 18%; all 10%	

First-time blinkers

▶ Horses wearing blinkers, hood or visor for the first time

▶ Trainer's wins-runs record with 1st-time blinkers/hood/visor is compared with trainer's strike rate with all runners

▶ Current and previous year, any code

Stealth (b)	Newc	5.45
John Gosden	9-36 25%; all 20%	
Street Sensation (b)	Newc	6.45
Richard Fahey	5-27 19%; all 11%	
The King's Steed (b)	Newc	6.45
Shaun Lycett	0-0 0%; all 7%	
Ghost (h)	Newc	7.15
John Quinn	0-2 0%; all 13%	
Wazin (b)	Newc	7.15
Simon Crisford	0-3 0%; all 17%	

Tongue-tied

▶ HORSES wearing tongue strap for the first time

▶ Trainer's wins-runs record with 1st-time tongue strap is compared with trainer's strike rate with all runners

▶ Current and previous year, any code

Penistone	Newc	5.45
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James Bethell 0-2 0%; all 11%

Cheekpieces

▶ HORSES wearing cheekpieces for the first time

▶ Trainer's wins-runs record with 1st-time cheekpieces is compared with trainer's strike rate with all runners

▶ Current and previous year, any code

Joys Delight	Wolv	2.15
Daniel Mark Loughnane	1-8 13%; all 7%	
Ok By Me	Wolv	2.15
Ian Williams	3-21 14%; all 14%	
Nautical Haven	Wolv	4.25
Kevin Ryan	3-32 9%; all 13%	

Travellers' check

▶ Today's farthest travellers (top 10 & ties; minimum distance 200 miles).

▶ Trainer's wins-runs record with horses travelling at least this far in GB is compared with overall GB strike-rate in last 10 years

Queen Moon	Newc	6.45	300
Andrew Balding	32-170 19%; all 14%		
The King's Steed	Newc	6.45	258
Shaun Lycett	0-0 0%; all 7%		

Wazin	Newc	7.15	245
Simon Crisford	8-50 16%; all 18%		
Keir Hardie	Newc	5.15	244
George Scott	6-22 27%; all 16%		
Stealth	Newc	5.45	244
John Gosden	60-200 30%; all 20%		
Mozzafiato	Newc	5.45	244
John Gosden	60-200 30%; all 20%		
Night Castle	Newc	5.45	244
Charlie Appleby	18-73 25%; all 22%		
Elite Shadow	Newc	7.15	243
Gay Kelleway	8-114 7%; all 9%		
Prerogative	Newc	5.15	236
Tony Carroll	20-138 14%; all 8%		
Sir Jamie	Newc	6.45	236
Tony Carroll	20-138 14%; all 8%		
River Rule	Newc	7.15	236
Tony Carroll	20-138 14%; all 8%		

Trying a trip

▶ HORSES who have run at least once this season and now race over 2f+ (4f+ jumps) more than before

Bob Maxwell	Newc	5.15	+2f
Street Sensation	Newc	6.45	+2f

Horses for courses

▶ HORSES with at least three course wins (today's code/surface), followed by total course runs

▶ Course/distance wins are shown in brackets

Windforpower	Newc	6.15	(4) 4-21
King Kevin	Wolv	3.20	(3) 3-3
Novabridge	Newc	7.45	(3) 3-11
Filament Of Gold	Wolv	3.50	(1) 3-23

Best of rivalries

▶ Head-to-head record of horses who have run against one another three or more times in the past two years.

▶ First figure is number of times horse has beaten rival; bracketed figure is number of race wins.

6.15 Newcastle (A.W)	
Foxy Boy	3 (1) v 0 (0) Spirit Of Zebedee
Foxy Boy	2 (0) v 1 (1) Big Lachie
Windforpower	2 (0) v 1 (0) Foxy Boy
Windforpower	2 (0) v 1 (0) Spirit Of Zebedee
7.45 Newcastle (A.W)	
Fintry Flyer	3 (0) v 0 (0) Little Kingdom
Roy's Legacy	2 (2) v 1 (0) See Vermont

Anything to report

▶ HORSES whose last outing has official explanation from connections. See form for details

Johnny Cavagin	Newc	6.15
Lord Murphy	Wolv	2.45
Makhfar	Wolv	2.45
Sword Of The Lord	Wolv	3.20
Bahamian Dollar	Wolv	4.25
Union Rose	Wolv	4.25
Respectability	Wolv	4.55

Out & about

▶ Horses running today who were non-runners or withdrawn after being declared in last seven days.

▶ Reason for absence (if known) and forecast SP (if appropriate)

▶ Trainers wins-runs record with such runners, current season plus

Union Rose	Ronald Harris	Wolv	4.25
Kemp	21 Feb self certificate (16/1) 2-53 3%		
Zarkavon	John Wainwright	Newc	5.15
Newc	21 Feb travel problems (66/1) 1-6 16%		
See Vermont			
Rebecca Bastiman	Newc	7.45	
Wolv	24 Feb vet's certificate (10/1) 0-5 0%		

Lower class

▶ HORSES dropping 2+ classes compared to previous lowest British class (current and previous season)

Island Song	Cl5--Cl57	Newc	6.45
Street Sensation	Cl5--Cl57	Newc	6.45

Dropping down

▶ HORSES racing off lower official handicap rating than they have won off on today's code/obstacles/surface in last year; Horses in bold achieved win in last two years for today's trainer.

Roy's Legacy	Newc	7.45	w54 -2
Lord Murphy	Wolv	2.45	w56 -2
Makhfar	Wolv	2.45	w59 -2
Filament Of Gold	Wolv	3.50	w54 -2
Union Rose	Wolv	4.25	w81 -2

Ahead of handicapper

▶ HORSES raised for future handicaps and potentially well handicapped today

Sunshineandbubbles	Wolv	3.50	+4
Roy's Legacy	Newc	7.45	+2
Beatybeatybeat	Wolv	2.45	+2
Compatriot	Wolv	3.50	+2

RPR improvers

▶ HANDICAPPERS with improved RPR since weights were published, showing pre- and post-race RPR. Improvement figure reduced by any increase of official rating (OR).

▶ Early-closing handicaps may have additional qualifiers; excludes runs yesterday

Sunshineandbubbles (OR55)	Wolv	3.50
2nd, Wolv, Tue, Feb 20 (OR55)	61→65	+4

Postmark pick

▶ RP RATING's most clear in handicaps

Tommy G	Newc	6.15	3
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Time warp

▶ Horses running on Flat who won last time out but whose Topspeed rating was two stone below their RPR.

Scrutiny	Wolv	2.45	37
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Card and fast

▶ Horses top-rated by Topspeed whose previous best performance was also the best on the whole card (light figure = today's adjusted TS; bold = number of lbs best run was ahead)

King Kevin	Wolv	3.20	61	0
Sunshineandbubbles	Wolv	3.50	57	0

Top marks

▶ Horses top-rated and selected by both RPR and Topspeed

Tommy G	Newc	6.15	3/1
Gabrial The Devil	Newc	7.15	7/2
Nautical Haven	Wolv	4.25	5/2

Most popular nap

▶ MOST popular tip in Racing Post/Coral Naps Competition

▶ Data excludes yesterday's results

Compatriot	Wolv	3.50	8
From Jan 1: W 35; L 64; £1 bet +10.44			

Tipsters in form

▶ TIPSTERS with 2+ consecutive winners in our Racing Post/Coral Naps Competition, showing winning sequence in brackets and today's nap:

Alex Hammond (3)			
Compatriot	Wolv	3.50	
The Duke (3)	Union Rose	Wolv	4.25
RP Ratings (2)	Scrutiny	Wolv	2.45
Spotlight (2)	Fintry Flyer	Newc	7.45
Rob Wright (2)	Tommy G	Newc	6.15

Tipsters' trainers

▶ TIPSTERS in our Racing Post/Coral Naps Competition who are showing a profit from at least two wins from stable of today's nap (current & previous year)

Lee Sobot	King Kevin	Wolv	3.20
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Ed Dunlop	3-5 +£1.38	
Charlie Croasdale		
Nautical Haven	Wolv	4.25
Kevin Ryan	3-7 +£11.75	



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In form

Trainers in form (last 14 days, min 2 wins, 5 runners), ranked by % (**bold**) of horses Running To Form; RTF is defined as running to within 7lb of racecard Racing Post Rating.

● For horses who ran yesterday, and for horses with no pre-race Racing Post Rating; RTF defined as: any placing; or finishing within 3l of winner over 6.5f (1430y); or finishing with 4l between 6f111y (1431y) & 1m110y(1870y); or finishing with 5l between 1m110y (1871y) & 1m4f110y(2750y); or finishing with 6l between 1m4f111y(2751y) & 2m (3520y); or within an extra 1/2l per furlong above 2m.

● After trainer's name are finishing positions of all runners in last 14 days, most recent on right; dash separates days; ♦=no runners on day

W-R	RTF	Trainer	Record
6-10	60%	90% Andrew Balding	1-1-♦-568-♦-61-♦-1-1-1-♦-♦-♦-♦
8-32	25%	78% Olly Murphy	♦-♦-3113-55-2-251182-7213-4-21-2358246-31-P2-♦-1
3-7	43%	71% Suzi Best	♦-♦-8-♦-♦-1-♦-1-4-3-♦-♦-1P-♦
2-7	29%	71% John Gosden	2-♦-316-♦-♦-♦-♦-21-♦-♦-6-♦-♦-♦
4-20	20%	70% David Evans	520-♦-♦-28-♦-♦-♦-0-8-561-13172-♦-1486-2
2-10	20%	70% K R Burke	♦-♦-1-♦-♦-♦-84-3242-1-9-4-♦-♦-♦
2-21	10%	62% Ian Williams	♦-P3-5-♦-♦-34-1-60PP5-♦-48P-33P-♦-2-314

Out of form

Trainers out of form (last 14 days, max 2 wins, min 5 runners), ranked by lowest % (**bold**) of horses Running To Form (RTF). ♦=no runners on day

W-R	RTF	Trainer	Record
0-7	0%	14% Gay Kelleway	♦-5-4-2-♦-0-♦-♦-3-♦-8-♦-5-♦
1-7	14%	14% John Quinn	5-7-09-♦-♦-0-♦-7-♦-1-♦-♦-♦
0-11	0%	18% David Bridgwater	♦-♦-♦-3-♦-♦-♦-0-06-5-♦-♦-7796-94

Course specialists

Trainers with best course wins-runs % in particular race type, at today's course, and in profit to £1 bet;

BOLD data=current season only; **LIGHT**=last four seasons, plus current.

Flat season is defined as from January 1

NEWCASTLE (AW)

2-5	40%	+£15.25	David Thompson	3yo+ hcp	Highwayman, Lord Rob	6.45
5-18	28%	+£18.25	Ian Williams	3yo+ hcp	Babette	6.45
2-4	50%	+£7.50	Gay Kelleway	3yo hcp	Elite Shadow	7.15
2-7	29%	+£2.00	Alistair Whillans	3yo+ hcp	Griffin Street	7.45

WOLVERHAMPTON (AW)

4-15	27%	+£38.00	Rebecca Bastiman	3yo+ hcp	Gone With The Wind 2.45; Jacob's Pillow 4.25
2-4	50%	+£65.00	Kevin Ryan	3yo+ hcp	Scrutiny 2.45; Nautical Haven 4.25
2-3	67%	+£4.75	Ed Dunlop	3yo+ hcp	King Kevin 3.20
2-6	33%	+£1.25	Neil Mulholland	3yo+ hcp	Mrs Burbidge 3.50
2-6	33%	+£17.50	Mark Johnston	3yo+ hcp	Afandem 4.25
5-20	25%	+£12.70	Kevin Ryan	3yo+ maiden	Vj Day 4.55

Jockey bookings

Significant jockey/trainer combinations, in profit to £1 bet;

BOLD data = current season only; **LIGHT** = last four seasons, plus current.

Ⓢ=data is course specific

(therefore **bold** data with Ⓢ = today's course, current season).

Flat season is defined as from January 1.

Includes those with more than one win, a strike-rate of at least 25% and a level-stakes profit.

NEWCASTLE (AW)

5-16	31%	+£31.25	Ben Curtis/K R Burke	Broken Force	5.45
				2014+ Ⓢ6-21 29% +£75.45	
4-7	57%	+£2.06	ⓈRobert Havlin/John Gosden	Stealth	5.45
				9-24 38% +£5.50; 2014+ Ⓢ12-25 48% +£7.70	
2-5	40%	+£9.75	Kieran O'Neill/John Gosden	Mozzafiato	5.45
6-20	30%	+£5.98	ⓈPhil Dennis/Jim Goldie	Tommy G 6.15; Fintry Flyer 7.45	
				7-21 33% +£12.48; 2014+ Ⓢ8-31 26% +£13.48	
2-8	25%	+£5.00	ⓈAndrew Mullen/Daniel Mark Loughnane	Big Lachie	6.15
3-7	43%	+£18.85	Graham Lee/Andrew Balding	Queen Moon	6.45
2-3	67%	+£9.50	ⓈJoe Fanning/Ann Duffield	Gorse	7.15
2-7	29%	+£7.73	Gemma Tutty/Karen Tutty	Novabridge	7.45

WOLVERHAMPTON (AW)

15-41	37%	+£8.41	Adam Kirby/Ian Williams	Ok By Me	2.15
2-4	50%	+£16.00	Luke Morris/Tony Carroll	Alligator	2.15
4-7	57%	+£61.00	Liam Keniry/Alexandra Dunn	Diamond Reflection	3.50
3-7	43%	+£8.33	ⓈLuke Morris/Charles Hills	Servilia	4.55