

# INDEX TO THE EIGHTH 2018 CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL MEDIA INFORMATION PACK

This eighth media information pack for The Festival was compiled by Racenews for Cheltenham Racecourse on Wednesday, February 14 and is for immediate release. The pack contains the acceptors for the six non-novice Grade One championship races at The Festival – the Timico Cheltenham Gold Cup, the Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase, the Ryanair Chase, the Unibet Champion Hurdle, the Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle and the OLBG Mares' Hurdle.

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## Altior and Douvan among the stars for The Festival

**Wednesday, February 14, 2018** – **Altior** and **Douvan** are among the exciting acceptors for the six non-novice G1 championship races at The Festival next month following yesterday's scratchings' stage, details of which are revealed today.

The two star chasers are set for a mouth-watering clash in the £400,000 G1 Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase over two miles on Ladies Day, Wednesday, March 14. Douvan (Willie Mullins IRE), yet to race this season, is top-rated with Timeform on 193 and could reappear at Gowran Park at the weekend, while unbeaten chaser Altior (Nicky Henderson, 186p with Timeform) made an impressive comeback in the G2 Game Spirit Chase at Newbury last Saturday.

The 21 confirmations for the Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase also include Douvan's stablemates **Min** (180+), who defeated last year's winner **Special Tiara** (Henry de Bromhead IRE, 175) at Leopardstown recently, and the highly-rated **Great Field** (Willie Mullins, 179p). G1 Betfair Tingle Creek Chase victor **Politilogue** (Paul Nicholls, 176) also goes forward.

**Might Bite** (Nicky Henderson, 183+) and the 2017 winner **Sizing John** (Jessica Harrington IRE, 183) headline the 27 going for glory in the highlight of The Festival, the £625,000 G1 Timico Cheltenham Gold Cup (3m 2f 110y), on the fourth and final day, Gold Cup Day, Friday, March 16.

**Native River** (Colin Tizzard, 181), who was victorious on his return to action last weekend in the G2 Denman Chase at Newbury, and impressive G2 BetBright Cotswold Chase winner **Definitely Red** (Brian Ellison, 177+), are among the home challengers for the Timico Cheltenham Gold Cup.

**Road To Respect** (Noel Meade IRE, 179) and **Edwulf** (Joseph O'Brien IRE, 176), successful in the G1 Leopardstown Christmas Chase and G1 Irish Gold Cup at Leopardstown respectively, remain engaged too in chasing's championship race.

Ireland's champion Jump trainer Willie Mullins has a strong hand in the £350,000 G1 Ryanair Chase (2m 5f), the feature race on St Patrick's Thursday, March 15, with nine of the 28 confirmations. They include Douvan (193?), Min and last year's winner **Un De Sceaux** (180).

**Top Notch** (Nicky Henderson, 181) has won his last two starts impressively and goes for this weekend's G1 Betfair Ascot Chase, in which he is set to clash with **Waiting Patiently** (Ruth Jefferson, 177p), **Coney Island** (Eddie Harty IRE, 177+) and **Cue Card** (Colin Tizzard, 177).

Hot favourite and defending champion **Buveur D'Air** (Nicky Henderson, 181) headlines 19 going forward for the £450,000 G1 Unibet Champion Hurdle on the opening day of The Festival, Champion Day, Tuesday, March 13. The seven-year-old is three from three so far this season, including an easy success in the G1 Unibet Christmas Hurdle at Kempton Park.

His owner J P McManus also has **My Tent Or Yours** (Nicky Henderson, 174), runner-up three times in the Unibet Champion Hurdle, who gained a deserved success in the G2 Unibet International Hurdle at Cheltenham in December.

**Faugheen** (Willie Mullins, 174) won hurdling's highlight in 2015 and his stablemates **Wicklow Brave** (172§) and **Melon** (170), who finished second in last season's opener at The Festival, the Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle, are also engaged.

Top mare **Apple's Jade** (Gordon Elliott IRE) heads Timeform's weight-adjusted ratings for both the £325,000 Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle (26 acceptors, 3m) and the £120,000 G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle (27

acceptors, 2m 4f), which she won last year. She has a weight-adjusted rating of 176 for the Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle and 174 for the OLBG Mares' Hurdle.

The confirmations for the Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle, staged on St Patrick's Thursday, also include G1 Long Walk Hurdle scorer **Sam Spinner** (Jedd O'Keeffe), last year's Coral Cup hero **Supasundae** (Jessica Harrington IRE), and **Yanworth** (Alan King). All three are rated 175 by Timeform.

**The New One** (Nigel Twiston-Davies, 174) won the G2 Unibet Champion Hurdle Trial at Haydock Park for the fourth time on January 20 and is set to step up to three miles in the Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle.

The OLBG Mares' Hurdle, which takes place on Champion Day, also has in order of Timeform rating, the 2016 winner and 2017 runner-up **Vroum Vroum Mag** (Willie Mullins, 167), **Colin's Sister** (Fergal O'Brien, 164), **Lagostovegas** (Willie Mullins, 163), **Let's Dance** (Willie Mullins, 163), **La Bague Au Roi** (Warren Greatrex, 162+), **Augusta Kate** (Willie Mullins, 162) and **Verdana Blue** (Nicky Henderson, 160).

Mullins has enjoyed success in eight of the 10 runnings of the OLBG Mares' Hurdle.

### **Cheltenham Racecourse**

Cheltenham Racecourse is situated in Prestbury on the northern outskirts of the historic spa town of Cheltenham.

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# The Timico Cheltenham Gold Cup

**Grade 1, £625,000 Total Prize Fund.** 3.30pm, Cheltenham, Friday, March 16, 2018. Three miles, two and a half furlongs (3m 2f 70y). For 5yo+ who are allotted a rating of 130 or more by the BHA Head of Handicapping following a review of the horses entered and after taking account of races run up to and including the day prior to confirmation. Horses who are not qualified for a rating in GB, IRE or FR may also be entered & such horses may be eligible providing the Handicapper is satisfied that the horse's racecourse performances up to and including the day prior to confirmation would merit a minimum rating of 130 (the decision of the BHA Head of Handicapping shall be final). Weights: 5yo 11st 9lb, 6yo+ 11st 10lb. Allowances: mares 7lb. Entries closed Tuesday, January 9, entries revealed Wednesday, January 10 (38 entries), scratchings' deadline Tuesday, February 13 (**27 remain**), £27,500 supplementary entry stage & six-day confirmation stage Saturday, March 10. Final 48-hour declaration stage, 10.00am, Wednesday, March 14. Maximum number of runners – 24.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
<b>ANIBALE FLY (FR)</b>	8	J P McManus	Tony Martin IRE
<b>BACHASSON (FR)</b>	7	E O'Connell	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BALKO DES FLOS (FR)</b>	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>BLAKLION</b>	9	S Such & CG Paletta	Nigel Twiston-Davies
<b>CONEY ISLAND (IRE)</b>	7	J P McManus	Eddie Harty IRE
<b>CUE CARD</b>	12	Jean Bishop	Colin Tizzard
<b>DEFINITELY RED (IRE)</b>	9	P J Martin	Brian Ellison
<b>DJAKADAM (FR)</b>	9	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>DOUBLE SHUFFLE (IRE)</b>	8	Crossed Fingers Partnership	Tom George
<b>EDWULF</b>	9	J P McManus	Joseph O'Brien IRE
<b>KILLULTAGH VIC (IRE)</b>	9	Rose Boyd/BAnderson/Mrs MArmstrong	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>MALA BEACH (IRE)</b>	10	Chris Jones	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>MIGHT BITE (IRE)</b>	9	The Knot Again Partnership	Nicky Henderson
<b>MINELLA ROCCO (IRE)</b>	8	J P McManus	Jonjo O'Neill
<b>NATIVE RIVER (IRE)</b>	8	Brocade Racing	Colin Tizzard
<b>OUR DUKE (IRE)</b>	8	Cooper Family Syndicate	Jessica Harrington IRE
<b>OUTLANDER (IRE)</b>	10	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>ROAD TO RESPECT (IRE)</b>	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Noel Meade IRE
<b>SAPHIR DU RHEU (FR)</b>	9	The Stewart Family	Paul Nicholls
<b>SHANTOU FLYER (IRE)</b>	8	Carl Hinchy	Richard Hobson
<b>SIZING JOHN</b>	8	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Jessica Harrington IRE
<b>SUB LIEUTENANT (IRE)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>TEA FOR TWO</b>	9	Jane Williams & Len Jakeman	Nick Williams
<b>TENOR NIVERNAIS (FR)</b>	11	Boulton Brooks Ltd	Venetia Williams
<b>THE LAST SAMURI (IRE)</b>	10	Paul & Clare Rooney	Kim Bailey
<b>TOTAL RECALL (IRE)</b>	9	Slaneyville Syndicate	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>VALSEUR LIDO (FR)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE

**27 entries remain following February 13 scratchings' deadline**  
**15 Irish-trained**

## THE FOLLOWING 11 HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:

ACAPPELLA BOURGEOIS (FR), BRISTOL DE MAI (FR), CLAN DES OBEAUX (FR), CLOUDY DREAM (IRE), CONEYGREE, DISKO (FR), EMPIRE OF DIRT (IRE), ROCK THE KASBAH (IRE), SINGLEFARMPAYMENT, SMAD PLACE (FR), WHISPER (FR)

## Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)

<b>183+</b>	Might Bite (IRE)
<b>183</b>	Sizing John
<b>181</b>	Native River (IRE)
<b>179</b>	Road To Respect (IRE)
<b>178p</b>	Killultagh Vic (IRE)
<b>178</b>	Double Shuffle (IRE)
<b>177+</b>	Coney Island (IRE)
<b>177+</b>	Definitely Red (IRE)
<b>177</b>	Cue Card
<b>176+</b>	Our Duke (IRE)
<b>176</b>	Edwulf
<b>176</b>	Outlander (IRE)
<b>176</b>	Tea For Two

# The Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase

**Grade 1, £400,000 Total Prize Fund.** 3.30pm Cheltenham, Wednesday, March 14, 2018. Two miles (1m 7f 199y). For 5yo+ who are allotted a rating of 130 or more by the BHA Head of Handicapping following a review of the horses entered and after taking account of races run up to and including the day prior to confirmation - horses who are not qualified for a rating in Great Britain, Ireland or France may also be entered & such horses may be eligible providing the Handicapper is satisfied that the horse's racecourse performances up to and including the day prior to confirmation would merit a minimum rating of 130 (the decision of the BHA Head of Handicapping shall be final). Weights: 11st 10lb. Allowances: mares 7lb. Entries closed January 9, entries revealed January 11 (30 entries), scratchings' deadline February 13 (**21 remain**), £17,500 supplementary entry & six-day confirmation stage March 8. Final 48-hour declaration stage, 10am, March 12.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
<b>ALTIOR (IRE)</b>	8	Patricia Pugh	Nicky Henderson
<b>AMERICAN TOM (FR)</b>	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>AR MAD (FR)</b>	8	Ashley Head	Gary Moore
<b>BALL D'ARC (FR)</b>	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>CHARBEL (IRE)</b>	7	Julie and David Martin	Kim Bailey
<b>DOCTOR PHOENIX (IRE)</b>	10	Nick Bradley Racing Club	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>DOUVAN (FR)</b>	8	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>FOREST BIHAN (FR)</b>	7	P J Martin	Brian Ellison
<b>FOX NORTON (FR)</b>	8	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Colin Tizzard
<b>GOD'S OWN (IRE)</b>	10	Crossed Fingers Partnership	Tom George
<b>GREAT FIELD (FR)</b>	7	J P McManus	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>MIN (FR)</b>	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>ORDINARY WORLD (IRE)</b>	8	Chris Jones	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>POLITOLOGUE (FR)</b>	7	John Hales	Paul Nicholls
<b>SPECIAL TIARA</b>	11	Sally Rowley-Williams	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>TELL US MORE (IRE)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>THE GAME CHANGER (IRE)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>TOP GAMBLE (IRE)</b>	10	Walters Plant Hire & James & Jean Potter	Kerry Lee
<b>TOP NOTCH (FR)</b>	7	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nicky Henderson
<b>UN DE SCEAUX (FR)</b>	10	E O'Connell	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>YORKHILL (IRE)</b>	8	Andrea & Graham Wylie	Willie Mullins IRE

**21 entries remain following February 13 scratchings' deadline**

**12 Irish-trained**

## THE FOLLOWING 9 HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:

A TOI PHIL (FR), ACAPELLA BOURGEOIS (FR), BLACK HERCULES (IRE), FOXTAIL HILL (IRE), POLIDAM (FR), SAN BENEDETO (FR), TULLY EAST (IRE), VALDEZ, WAITING PATIENTLY (IRE)

## Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)

<b>193</b>	Douvan (FR)
<b>186p</b>	Altior (IRE)
<b>181</b>	Top Notch (FR)
<b>180+</b>	Min (FR)
<b>180</b>	Un De Sceaux (FR)
<b>179p</b>	Great Field (FR)
<b>179</b>	Fox Norton (FR)
<b>176</b>	God's Own (IRE)
<b>176</b>	Politologue (FR)
<b>175</b>	Special Tiara

# The Ryanair Chase

**Grade 1, £350,000 Total Prize Fund.** 2.50pm, Cheltenham, Thursday, March 15, 2018, two miles & five furlongs (2m 4f 166y). For 5yo+ who are allotted a rating of 130 or more by the BHA Head of Handicapping following a review of the horses entered and after taking account of races run up to and including the day prior to confirmation - horses who are not qualified for a rating in Great Britain, Ireland or France may also be entered & such horses may be eligible providing the Handicapper is satisfied that the horse's racecourse performances up to and including the day prior to confirmation would merit a minimum rating of 130 (the decision of the BHA Head of Handicapping shall be final). Weights: 5-y-o 11st 9lb, 6-y-o and upwards 11st 10lb. Allowances: mares 7lb. Entries closed January 9, entries revealed January 11 (44 entries), scratchings' deadline February 13 (**28 remain**), £15,000 supplementary entry stage and six-day confirmation stage March 9. Final 48-hour declaration stage, 10.00am, March 13. Maximum number of runners - 24.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
<b>A TOI PHIL (FR)</b>	8	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>AR MAD (FR)</b>	8	Ashley Head	Gary Moore
<b>BACHASSON (FR)</b>	7	E O'Connell	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BALKO DES FLOS (FR)</b>	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>BALL D'ARC (FR)</b>	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>BELLSHILL (IRE)</b>	8	Andrea & Graham Wylie	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BENIE DES DIEUX (FR)</b>	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>CLOUDY DREAM (IRE)</b>	8	Trevor Hemmings	Ruth Jefferson
<b>CONEY ISLAND (IRE)</b>	7	J P McManus	Eddie Harty IRE
<b>CUE CARD</b>	12	Jean Bishop	Colin Tizzard
<b>DJAKADAM (FR)</b>	9	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>DOUVAN (FR)</b>	8	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>FOX NORTON (FR)</b>	8	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Colin Tizzard
<b>FRODON (FR)</b>	6	P J Vogt	Paul Nicholls
<b>GOD'S OWN (IRE)</b>	10	Crossed Fingers Partnership	Tom George
<b>GOLD PRESENT (IRE)</b>	8	John & Barbara Cotton	Nicky Henderson
<b>KILLULTAGH VIC (IRE)</b>	9	Rose Boyd/B Anderson/Mrs M Armstrong	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>L'AMI SERGE (IRE)</b>	8	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nicky Henderson
<b>LE PREZIEN (FR)</b>	7	J P McManus	Paul Nicholls
<b>MIN (FR)</b>	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>OUTLANDER (IRE)</b>	10	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>SUB LIEUTENANT (IRE)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>TOP NOTCH (FR)</b>	7	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nicky Henderson
<b>TRAFFIC FLUIDE (FR)</b>	8	Galloping On The South Downs Partnership	Gary Moore
<b>UN DE SCEAUX (FR)</b>	10	E O'Connell	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>VALSEUR LIDO (FR)</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>WAITING PATIENTLY (IRE)</b>	7	Richard Collins	Ruth Jefferson
<b>YORKHILL (IRE)</b>	8	Andrea & Graham Wylie	Willie Mullins IRE

**28 entries remain following February 13 scratchings deadline**  
**16 Irish-trained**

## THE FOLLOWING 16 HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:

ACAPPELLA BOURGEOIS (FR), AMERICAN TOM (FR), ASO (FR), BLACK HERCULES (IRE), CLAN DES OBEAUX (FR), DISKO (FR), DOUBLE SHUFFLE (IRE), FLYING ANGEL (IRE), LONG HOUSE HALL (IRE), POLIDAM (FR), ROAD TO RESPECT (IRE), SHANTOU FLYER (IRE), SMAD PLACE (FR), TOTAL RECALL (IRE), TULLY EAST (IRE), WILLIE BOY (IRE)

## Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)

<b>193?</b>	Douvan (FR)
<b>181</b>	Top Notch (FR)
<b>180+</b>	Min (FR)
<b>180</b>	Un De Sceaux (FR)
<b>179</b>	Fox Norton (FR)
<b>178p</b>	Killultagh Vic (IRE)
<b>177p</b>	Waiting Patiently (IRE)
<b>177+</b>	Coney Island (IRE)
<b>177</b>	Cue Card
<b>176</b>	Frodon (FR)
<b>176</b>	God's Own (IRE)
<b>176</b>	Outlander (IRE)

# The Unibet Champion Hurdle

**Grade 1, £450,000 Total Prize Fund.** Cheltenham, 3.30pm, Tuesday, March 13, two miles and half a furlong (2m 87yds). For four-year-olds and upwards which are allotted a rating of 130 or more by the senior BHA Head of Handicapping following a review of the horses entered and taking account of races run up to and including the day prior to confirmation - horses who are not qualified for a rating in GB, IRE or FR may also be entered (such horses may be eligible providing the Handicapper is satisfied that the horse's racecourse performances up to and including the day prior to confirmation would merit a minimum rating of 130 - the decision of the BHA Head of Handicapping shall be final). Weights: 4yo: 11st 2lb; 5yo+: 11st 10lb; fillies & mares allowed 7lb. Entries closed January 16, entries revealed January 17 (23 entries). Scratchings' deadline February 13 (**19 remain**), £20,000 supplementary stage & six-day confirmation stage March 7, final declaration 10.00am, March 11.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
<b>APPLE'S JADE (FR)</b>	6	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>ARCFEFETE (IRE)</b>	6	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>BAPAUME (FR)</b>	5	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BUVEUR D'AIR (FR)</b>	7	J P McManus	Nicky Henderson
<b>CALL ME LORD (FR)</b>	5	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nicky Henderson
<b>CHARLI PARCS (FR)</b>	5	J P McManus	Nicky Henderson
<b>CH'TIBELLO (FR)</b>	7	The Can't Say No Partnership	Dan Skelton
<b>CLIFFS OF DOVER</b>	5	John & Barbara Cotton	Paul Nicholls
<b>FAUGHEEN (IRE)</b>	10	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>IDENTITY THIEF (IRE)</b>	8	Gigginstown House Stud	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>JOHN CONSTABLE (IRE)</b>	7	Walters Plant Hire Ltd	Evan Williams
<b>MELON</b>	6	Mrs J Donnelly	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>MICK JAZZ (FR)</b>	7	G P Mahoney	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>MIN (FR)</b>	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>MY TENT OR YOURS (IRE)</b>	11	J P McManus	Nicky Henderson
<b>PINGSHOU (IRE)</b>	8	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Colin Tizzard
<b>VERDANA BLUE (IRE)</b>	6	Crimbourne Stud	Nicky Henderson
<b>WICKLOW BRAVE</b>	9	Wicklow Bloodstock (Ireland) Ltd	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>YORKHILL (IRE)</b>	8	Andrea & Graham Wylie	Willie Mullins IRE

**19 entries remain following February 13 scratchings' deadline**

**10 Irish-trained**

**THE FOLLOWING FOUR HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:**

CAMPEADOR (FR), DEFI DU SEUIL (FR), MOON RACER (IRE), THE NEW ONE (IRE)

**Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)**

<b>181</b>	Buveur D'Air (FR)
<b>176</b>	Apple's Jade (FR)
<b>174</b>	Faugheen (IRE)
<b>174</b>	My Tent Or Yours (IRE)
<b>172½</b>	Wicklow Brave
<b>170</b>	Melon
<b>168</b>	Mick Jazz (FR)
<b>162</b>	Verdana Blue (IRE)
<b>161</b>	Ch'tibello (FR)
<b>161</b>	John Constable (IRE)



# Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle

**Grade 1, £325,000 Total Prize Fund.** 3.30pm, Thursday, March 15, three miles (2m 7f 213yds). For four-year-olds and upwards who are allotted a rating of 130 or more by the BHA Head of Handicapping following a review of the horses entered and after taking account of races run up to and including the day prior to confirmation - horses who are not qualified for a rating in GB, IRE or FR may also be entered (such horses may be eligible providing the Handicapper is satisfied that the horse's racecourse performances up to and including the day prior to confirmation would merit a minimum rating of 130 - the decision of the BHA Head of Handicapping shall be final). Weights: 4yo: 11st 1lb; 5yo+: 11st 10lb; fillies & mares allowed 7lb. Entries closed January 16, entries revealed January 18 (38 entries). Scratchings' deadline February 13 (**26 remain**), £15,000 supplementary entry stage & six-day confirmation stage March 9, final declarations 10am, March 13. Maximum number of runners - 24.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
<b>APPLE'S JADE (FR)</b>	6	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>AUGUSTA KATE</b>	7	The Masters Syndicate	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BACARDYS (FR)</b>	7	Shanakiel Racing Syndicate	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>BALLYOPTIC (IRE)</b>	8	Mills & Mason Partnership	Nigel Twiston-Davies
<b>COLIN'S SISTER</b>	7	Caroline Beresford-Wylie	Fergal O'Brien
<b>DIAKALI (FR)</b>	9	Nick Peacock	Gary Moore
<b>FAUGHEEN (IRE)</b>	10	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>FINIAN'S OSCAR (IRE)</b>	6	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Colin Tizzard
<b>JER'S GIRL (IRE)</b>	6	J P McManus	Gavin Cromwell IRE
<b>KNIGHT OF NOIR (IRE)</b>	9	W Clifford	Neil Mulholland
<b>LA BAGUE AU ROI (FR)</b>	7	Mrs Julien Turner & Andrew Merriam	Warren Greatrex
<b>L'AMI SERGE (IRE)</b>	8	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nicky Henderson
<b>LET'S DANCE (FR)</b>	6	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>LIEUTENANT COLONEL</b>	9	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
<b>LIL ROCKERFELLER (USA)</b>	7	Davies Smith Govier & Brown	Neil King
<b>MONALEE (IRE)</b>	7	Barry Maloney	Henry de Bromhead IRE
<b>OLD GUARD</b>	7	The Brooks, Stewart Families & J Kyle	Paul Nicholls
<b>PENHILL</b>	7	Tony Bloom	Willie Mullins IRE
<b>SAM SPINNER</b>	6	Caron & Paul Chapman	Jedd O'Keeffe
<b>SUPASUNDAE</b>	8	Ann & Alan Potts Limited	Jessica Harrington IRE
<b>THE NEW ONE (IRE)</b>	10	S Such & CG Paletta	Nigel Twiston-Davies
<b>THE WORLDS END (IRE)</b>	7	McNeill Family	Tom George
<b>THOMAS CAMPBELL</b>	6	Mrs Van Geest & Lizzie Kelvin Hughes	Nicky Henderson
<b>UNOWHATIMEANHARRY</b>	10	J P McManus	Harry Fry
<b>WHOLESTONE (IRE)</b>	7	Simon Munir & Isaac Souede	Nigel Twiston-Davies
<b>YANWORTH</b>	8	J P McManus	Alan King

**26 entries remain following February 13 scratchings' deadline**

**10 Irish-trained**

## THE FOLLOWING 12 HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:

BAPAUME (FR), BARTERS HILL (IRE), BEER GOGGLES (IRE), COLE HARDEN (IRE), EX PATRIOT (IRE), HAMMERSLY LAKE (FR), MALA BEACH (IRE), PRINCE OF SCARS (IRE), RENNETI (FR), SHANESHILL (IRE), THE LAST SAMURI (IRE), WILLOUGHBY COURT (IRE)

## Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)

<b>176</b>	Apple's Jade (FR)
<b>175</b>	Sam Spinner
<b>175</b>	Supasundae
<b>175</b>	Yanworth
<b>174</b>	Faugheen (IRE)
<b>174</b>	The New One (IRE)
<b>172</b>	L'Ami Serge (IRE)
<b>172</b>	Unowhatimeanharry
<b>171§</b>	Diakali (FR)
<b>171</b>	Lil Rockerfeller (USA)

# OLBG Mares' Hurdle

**Grade 1, £120,000 Total Prize Fund.** 4.10pm, Tuesday, March 13, two and a half miles (2m 3f 200y). For four-year-olds and upwards, fillies and mares. Weights: 4yo: 10st 10lb; 5yo+: 11st 5lb. Entries closed January 16, entries revealed January 18 (33 entries). Scratchings' deadline February 13 (**27 remain**), £5,000 supplementary entry stage & six-day confirmation stage March 7, final declarations 10am, March 11. Maximum number of runners – 24.

Horse	Age	Owner	Trainer
ANGELS ANTICS	5	Walters Plant Hire & Spiers & Hartwell	Nigel Twiston-Davies
APPLE'S JADE (FR)	6	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
ASTHURIA (FR)	7	George Creighton	Willie Mullins IRE
AUGUSTA KATE	7	The Masters Syndicate	Willie Mullins IRE
BARRA (FR)	7	Gigginstown House Stud	Gordon Elliott IRE
BENIE DES DIEUX (FR)	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
BRILLARE MOMENTO (IRE)	7	Oliver Ryan	Martin Keighley
CAP SOLEIL (FR)	5	Mrs S A Noott	Fergal O'Brien
COLIN'S SISTER	7	Caroline Beresford-Wylie	Fergal O'Brien
DUSKY LEGEND	8	Richard & Lizzie Kelvin-Hughes	Alan King
GRACEFUL LEGEND	7	Mrs A Allen	Ben Case
INDIAN STREAM	9	Mrs G Davies	Neil Mulholland
JER'S GIRL (IRE)	6	J P McManus	Gavin Cromwell IRE
KARALEE (FR)	7	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
KAYF GRACE	8	James and Jean Potter	Nicky Henderson
LA BAGUE AU ROI (FR)	7	Julien Turner & Andrew Merriam	Warren Greatrex
LADY BUTTONS	8	Jayne Sivills	Philip Kirby
LAGOSTOVEGAS (IRE)	6	John Donohue	Willie Mullins IRE
LET'S DANCE (FR)	6	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE
MERI DEVIE (FR)	5	Andrea & Graham Wylie	Willie Mullins IRE
MIDNIGHT JAZZ	8	Mrs A Allen	Ben Case
MIDNIGHT TOUR	8	James and Jean Potter	Alan King
NORTHERN BEAU (IRE)	5	Lynne & Angus MacLennan	Michael Scudamore
PRAVALAGUNA (FR)	6	Bruton Street IV	Willie Mullins IRE
THE ORGANIST (IRE)	7	J P McManus	Oliver Sherwood
VERDANA BLUE (IRE)	6	Crimbourne Stud	Nicky Henderson
VROUM VROUM MAG (FR)	9	Susannah Ricci	Willie Mullins IRE

**27 entries remain following February 13 scratchings' deadline**  
**12 Irish-trained**

## THE FOLLOWING SIX HORSES HAVE BEEN SCRATCHED:

ALL CURRENCIES (IRE), COPPER KAY, DAME ROSE (FR), DESERT QUEEN, LAMANVER ODYSSEY, POPPY KAY

## Timeform Ratings (Weight-Adjusted)

<b>174</b>	Apple's Jade (FR)
<b>167</b>	Vroum Vroum Mag (FR)
<b>164</b>	Colin's Sister
<b>163</b>	Lagostovegas (IRE)
<b>163</b>	Let's Dance (FR)
<b>162+</b>	La Bague Au Roi (FR)
<b>162</b>	Augusta Kate
<b>160</b>	Verdana Blue (IRE)
<b>157</b>	Indian Stream
<b>157</b>	Jer's Girl (IRE)