

INDEX TO THE FOURTH 2019 CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL MEDIA INFORMATION PACK

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Record number of Irish among 51 entries for G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle

Thursday, January 17, 2019 – A total of 51 entries, up from 38 last year and the second-highest total since 2002, are revealed today for the £325,000 G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle at Cheltenham on the third day of The Festival™ presented by Magners, St Patrick's Thursday, March 14.

Penhill defied a 323-day absence when defeating **Supasundae** (Jessica Harrington IRE) by two lengths in the 2018 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle, and is set to head to the three-mile hurdling championship again without a recent run. He is going for a third successive win at The Festival™ presented by Magners, having won the G1 Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle in 2017.

There are a record 23 Irish-trained entries for the Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle, with Penhill's trainer Willie Mullins, Ireland's champion Jump trainer, responsible for 11 contenders in total. The Mullins' contingent also features 10-time G1 scorer **Faugheen**, the 2015 Unibet Champion Hurdle victor, who relished the step up to three miles when beating Penhill by 13 lengths at the Punchestown Festival in April, and the 2018 Coral Cup victor **Bleu Berry**.

Gigginstown House Stud-owned stars **Apple's Jade** and **Samcro**, both also entered in the two-mile Unibet Champion Hurdle, headline eight entries for trainer Gordon Elliott. The octet also includes **Pallasator**, winner of the 2018 Queen Alexandra Stakes on the Flat at Royal Ascot, and last year's G1 JCB Triumph Hurdle scorer **Farclas**.

The leading British-trained hope is **Paisley Park** (Emma Lavelle), following victories in the G1 Long Walk Hurdle at Ascot on December 22 and the valuable G3 Betfair Exchange Stayers' Handicap Hurdle at Haydock Park the previous month.

Sam Spinner (Jedd O'Keeffe) looked a potential star when landing the same two races as Paisley Park last season, making all both times under Joe Colliver, but failed to replicate that form when favourite for the 2018 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle, finishing fifth.

The seven-year-old has been let down by his jumping on both starts this season, having unseated his rider in the G2 Long Distance Hurdle at Newbury and the Long Walk Hurdle at Ascot when it looked as though he tried to refuse at the second.

Trainer Jedd O'Keeffe, based in North Yorkshire, reported: "Sam Spinner is in good form.

"We don't really know why he behaved like that at Ascot. The padded hurdles may have given him a fright, but he has schooled since and seems fine.

"The plan is still to go to the galliardhomes.com Cleeve Hurdle [Festival Trials Day, Cheltenham, January 26] and hopefully all will be good and his confidence will be OK.

"Basically, we have got to try to get his career back on track. If we can get everything right again, the plan would be to return to The Festival for the Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle."

Another Northern challenger **Midnight Shadow** (Sue Smith) marked himself down as a contender with a smooth success in the G2 Dornan Engineering Relkeel Hurdle over an extended two and a half miles at Cheltenham on New Year's Day.

Leading owners Simon Munir & Isaac Souede have three entries in total, including the Nigel Twiston-Davies-trained pair of **Wholestone**, third last year and also entered in Unibet Champion Hurdle, and four-time G1-winning grey **Bristol De Mai**, a well-established top-class chaser.

Colin Tizzard's two Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle entries include **Kilbricken Storm**, winner of the 2018 G1 Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle over three miles at The Festival™ presented by Magners.

Others entries to note include dual G1 scorer **Yanworth** (Alan King), novice chaser **Black Op** (Tom George) and 2015 Coral Cup winner **Aux Ptits Soins** (Dan Skelton), who impressed when taking a three-mile handicap hurdle by seven lengths at Cheltenham on New Year's Day.

30 entries for G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle

Apple's Jade headlines 30 entries for the £120,000 G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle at Cheltenham on the opening day of The Festival™ presented by Magners, Champion Day, Tuesday, March 12.

Apple's Jade (Gordon Elliott IRE), who won the OLBG Mares' Hurdle (2m 3f 200y) in 2017, could only finish third last year as **Benie Des Dieux** gained the spoils and gave her trainer Willie Mullins a remarkable ninth victory in the race, which was first run in 2008.

Apple's Jade, one of the 14 Irish-trained entries, is unbeaten this season and on her two most recent outings has recorded wide-margin successes in the G1 Hatton's Grace Hurdle at Fairyhouse and G1 Christmas Hurdle at Leopardstown, staged over two and a half miles and three miles respectively.

Her trainer Gordon Elliott said: "Apple's Jade is in good form.

"She runs next in the Irish Champion Hurdle at the Dublin Racing Festival [Leopardstown, February 1].

"She will do a bit of work next week and, all being well, that is her next target.

"She is a very good mare who does her best work on the track.

"Apple's Jade is more than likely to go for the OLBG Mares' Hurdle at Cheltenham, a race she has won before.

"She has an entry in the Champion Hurdle, but I think it will be very doubtful that she will go there."

Mullins' six-strong team also includes rising star **Laurina**, though she is currently being aimed at the Unibet Champion Hurdle. The 2017 OLBG Mares' Hurdle third **Limini** and Leopardstown G3 scorer **Good Thyne Tara** are also engaged.

The home challenge for the OLBG Mares' Hurdle features prolific hurdler and chaser **Lady Buttons** (Phil Kirby), **Roksana** (Dan Skelton), who was second in G1 company at Aintree's Randox Health Grand National Festival last spring, as well as promising novices **Queenhearts** (Stuart Edmunds) and **Mega Yeats** (Ruth Jefferson).

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Cheltenham Racecourse is situated in Prestbury on the northern outskirts of the historic spa town of Cheltenham. The Home of Jump Racing, Cheltenham Racecourse is the venue for the world's pre-eminent Jump meeting. The Festival™ presented by Magners, which happens in March over four days every year, next takes place from Tuesday, March 12, to Friday, March 15, 2019 inclusive and tickets are on sale. Set against the beautiful backdrop of the Cotswolds, Cheltenham Racecourse is a stunning natural arena and offers the highest-quality action throughout the Jump season.

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Entry Statistics

Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle

Number of Entries

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| 51 | 38 | 47 | 48 | 36 | 29 | 61 | 34 | 46 | 35 | 36 |

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
| 41 | 35 | 50 | 35 | 33 | 33 | 48 | 56 | 36 | 51 | 43 |

Irish-Trained Entries

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| 23 | 16 | 19 | 18 | 17 | 10 | 17 | 11 | 15 | 12 | 11 |

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2008 | 2007 | 2006 | 2005 | 2004 | 2003 | 2002 | 2001 | 2000 | 1999 | 1998 |
| 9 | 9 | 13 | 5 | 12 | 6 | 10 | 12 | 4 | 5 | 4 |

OLBG Mares' Hurdle

Number of Entries

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| 30 | 33 | 53 | 45 | 48 | 24 | 36 | 28 | 26 | 31 | 33 |

2008
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Irish-Trained Entries

| | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| 2019 | 2018 | 2017 | 2016 | 2015 | 2014 | 2013 | 2012 | 2011 | 2010 | 2009 |
| 14 | 12 | 22 | 16 | 18 | 7 | 9 | 8 | 7 | 11 | 8 |

2008
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G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle Facts & Figures

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – DISTANCE 2m 7f 213y

The G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle, known as the World Hurdle between 2005 and 2016, was introduced with the current race conditions in 1972. Before that, the equivalent race was known as the Spa Hurdle.

Foot and mouth disease controls caused the abandonment of the race in 2001.

The Stayers' Hurdle has been run on the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of The Festival™ presented by Magners. It moved to its current Thursday slot in 1993.

The first year of sponsorship was 1972, under the title of the Lloyds Bank Hurdle. There have been five other sponsors of the race - Waterford Crystal from 1978 to 1990, Bonusprint from 1991 to 2004, Ladbrokes from 2005 to 2015 and Ryanair in 2016. Sun Bets sponsored in 2017 and 2018, with the 2019 running set to be under the Sun Racing banner. Prize money currently stands at £325,000.

BIGGEST FIELD

The most runners to have participated was 22, seen in both 1985 and 1990. The current safety limit is 24. The smallest number of horses to line up was eight in 1973.

MULTIPLE WINNERS

Big Buck's, trained by Paul Nicholls and owned by the Stewart Family, created history in 2012 by becoming the first four-time winner. He was also successful in 2009, 2010 and 2011, but injury ruled him out of challenging in 2013. He was fifth on his final racecourse appearance in the 2014 renewal.

The only triple winner is Inglis Drever, successful in 2005, 2007 and 2008.

There have been three dual winners - Crimson Embers (1982 & 1986), Galmoy (1987 & 1988) and Baracouda (2002 & 2003).

MOST SUCCESSFUL OWNER

The Stewart Family (Big Buck's 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012) and Andrea & Graham Wylie (Inglis Drever 2005, 2007 & 2008, Nichols Canyon 2017) are the most successful owners with four wins apiece.

MOST SUCCESSFUL TRAINER

Paul Nicholls, victorious with Big Buck's in 2009, 2010, 2011 and 2012, is the most successful trainer with four wins.

MOST SUCCESSFUL JOCKEY

Ruby Walsh has ridden five winners - Big Buck's (2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012) and Nichols Canyon (2017).

MARES

Two mares have succeeded – Rose Ravine (1985) and Shuil Ar Aghaidh (1993).

BETTING

A total of 15 favourites have won in the 46 runnings (32.6 per cent).

The biggest shock was provided by A Kinsman, a 50/1 chance when scoring in 1983.

At the other end of the scale, Big Buck's was the shortest-priced winner at 5/6 for his 2010 and 2012 victories.

GREYS

One grey has succeeded - Iris's Gift in 2004.

AGE

The oldest winner was Crimson Embers, who was 11 at the time of his second success in 1986.

The youngest winners have been six-year-olds Cole Harden (2015), More Of That (2014) Big Buck's (2009), My Way De Solzen (2006), Inglis Drever (2005), Bacchanal (2000), Cyborgo (2006), Dorans Pride (1995), Trapper John (1990), Rose Ravine (1985), Derring Rose (1981), Mountrivers (1980), Lighter (1979), Flame Gun (1978) and Town Ship (1977).

The overall breakdown by age is as follows:

6yo – 15 wins
7yo – 13 wins
8yo – 11 wins
9yo – 6 wins
11yo – 1 win

RECORD TIME

5m 36.60s, set by Bacchanal in 2000.

OVERSEAS-TRAINED WINNERS

IRELAND (12): Brown Lad (1975); Bit Of A Jig (1976); Flame Gun (1978); Mountrivers (1980); Galmoy (1987 & 1988); Trapper John (1990); Shuil Ar Aghaidh (1993); Dorans Pride (1995); Solwhit (2013); Nichols Canyon (2017) and Penhill (2018).

FRANCE (2): Baracouda (2002 & 2003).

DID YOU KNOW?

The race was dominated in the mid-1980s by Crimson Embers, trained by Fulke Walwyn, who won in 1982 and 1986. Indeed, Crimson Embers would have been awarded the race in the stewards' room in 1985 had his rider not declined to give evidence to the enquiry afterwards, but the trainer won the race anyway with Rose Ravine. The owner, Sally Smart, was ambivalent about the result - she owned both horses!

Gaye Chance, the winner in 1984, was a full-brother to the 1983 Champion Hurdle winner Gaye Brief. Both horses were trained by Mercy Rimell.

No horse has won both the Unibet Champion Hurdle and the Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle, under its current conditions as a level weights contest. Two horses won the Champion Hurdle and subsequently landed the Stayers' Hurdle's predecessor, the Spa Hurdle, which was run with penalty clauses – Clair Soleil in 1955 & 1959 and Merry Deal in 1957 & 1962.

The three-time winner Inglis Drever was partnered by different jockeys for each of his victories – Graham Lee (2005), Paddy Brennan (2007) and Denis O'Regan (2008).

No horse has won both the Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle and the Magners Cheltenham Gold Cup.

Willie Mullins produced Penhill to win the 2018 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle on the horse's first start of the season. The seven-year-old had not raced since the Punchestown Festival 11 months previously. Mullins was also successful in 2017 with Nichols Canyon.

G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle

Grade 1, £325,000 Total Prize Fund. 3.30pm, Thursday, March 14, 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; 5yo+: 11st 10lb; fillies & mares allowed 7lb. Entries closed January 15, entries revealed January 17 (**51 entries**). Scratchings deadline February 12, £16,250 supplementary entry stage & six-day confirmation stage March 8, final declarations 10am, March 12. Maximum 24 runners.

| Horse | Age | Owner | Trainer |
|-------------------------------|-----|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|
| AGRAPART (FR) | 8 | Gascoigne, Brookes & Barker | Nick Williams |
| APPLE'S JADE (FR) | 7 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| AUX PTITS SOINS (FR) | 9 | John Hales | Dan Skelton |
| BACARDYS (FR) | 8 | Shanakiel Racing Syndicate | Willie Mullins IRE |
| BACHASSON (FR) | 8 | E O'Connell | Willie Mullins IRE |
| BAPAUME (FR) | 6 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| BENIE DES DIEUX (FR) | 8 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| BLACK OP (IRE) | 8 | Roger Brookhouse | Tom George |
| BLEU BERRY (FR) | 8 | Luke McMahon | Willie Mullins IRE |
| BRISTOL DE MAI (FR) | 8 | Simon Munir & Isaac Souede | Nigel Twiston-Davies |
| COQUIN MANS (FR) | 7 | George Creighton | Willie Mullins IRE |
| CRACKING SMART (FR) | 7 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| DARASSO (FR) | 6 | J P McManus | Joseph O'Brien IRE |
| DIAMOND CAUCHOIS (FR) | 8 | Danny & Eamon Partnership | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| DORTMUND PARK (FR) | 6 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| EARLY DOORS (FR) | 6 | J P McManus | Joseph O'Brien IRE |
| FARCLAS (FR) | 5 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| FAUGHEEN (IRE) | 11 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| GARO DE JUILLEY (FR) | 7 | G Thompson | Sophie Leech |
| KEEPER HILL (IRE) | 8 | McNeill Family | Warren Greatrex |
| KILBRICKEN STORM (IRE) | 8 | A Selway & P Wavish | Colin Tizzard |
| LIL ROCKERFELLER (USA) | 8 | Davies Smith Govier & Brown | Neil King |
| LIMINI (IRE) | 8 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| MAN OF PLENTY | 10 | G Thompson | Sophie Leech |
| MELON | 7 | Mrs J Donnelly | Willie Mullins IRE |
| MIA'S STORM (IRE) | 9 | The Maple Street Partnership | Alan King |
| MIDNIGHT SHADOW | 6 | Mrs Aafke Clarke | Sue Smith |
| MOMELLA (IRE) | 7 | Holt, Clark, Macnabb, Nugent & Robinson | Harry Fry |
| MULCAHYS HILL (IRE) | 7 | McNeill Family and Prodec Networks Ltd | Warren Greatrex |
| NAUTICAL NITWIT (IRE) | 10 | Birrafun 2 | Philip Kirby |
| OLD GUARD | 8 | The Brooks, Stewart Families & Jeremy Kyle | Paul Nicholls |
| PAISLEY PARK (IRE) | 7 | Andrew Gemmell | Emma Lavelle |
| PALLASATOR | 10 | Qatar Racing Limited | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| PENHILL | 8 | Tony Bloom | Willie Mullins IRE |
| PETIT MOUCHOIR (FR) | 8 | Gigginstown House Stud | Henry de Bromhead IRE |
| PRINCE OF SCARS (IRE) | 9 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| ROBIN WATERS (FR) | 6 | Colm Donlon | Dan Skelton |
| ROKSANA (IRE) | 7 | Sarah Faulks | Dan Skelton |
| SAM SPINNER | 7 | Caron & Paul Chapman | Jedd O'Keeffe |
| SAMCRO (IRE) | 7 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| SHANESHILL (IRE) | 10 | Andrea & Graham Wylie | Willie Mullins IRE |
| SOUL EMOTION (FR) | 6 | John & Barbara Cotton | Nicky Henderson |
| SUPASUNDAE | 9 | Ann & Alan Potts Limited | Jessica Harrington IRE |
| THE MIGHTY DON (IRE) | 7 | Golden Rose Partnership | Nick Gifford |
| THOMAS CAMPBELL | 7 | Mrs Van Geest & Mrs Kelvin Hughes | Nicky Henderson |
| TOP NOTCH (FR) | 8 | Simon Munir & Isaac Souede | Nicky Henderson |
| UNOWHATIMEANHARRY | 11 | J P McManus | Harry Fry |
| VIVE LE ROI (IRE) | 8 | Surefire Racing | Tony Carroll |
| WEST APPROACH | 9 | John and Heather Snook | Colin Tizzard |
| WHOLESTONE (IRE) | 8 | Simon Munir & Isaac Souede | Nigel Twiston-Davies |
| YANWORTH | 9 | J P McManus | Alan King |

51 entries

23 Irish-trained

Breakdown of Entries by Trainer

11 entries

Willie Mullins IRE – **Bacardys, Bachasson, Bapuame, Benie Des Dieux, Bleu Berry, Coquin Mans, Faugheen, Limini, Melon, Penhill, Shaneshill**

8 entries

Gordon Elliott IRE – **Apple's Jade, Cracking Smart, Diamond Cauchois, Dortmund Park, Farclas, Pallasator, Prince Of Scars, Samcro**

3 entries

Nicky Henderson – **Soul Emotion, Thomas Campbell, Top Notch**
Dan Skelton – **Aux Ptits Soins, Robin Waters, Roksana**

2 entries

Harry Fry – **Momella, Unowhatimeanharry**
Warren Greatrex – **Keeper Hill, Mulcahys Hill**
Alan King – **Mia's Storm, Yanworth**
Sophie Leech – **Garo De Juilley, Man Of Plenty**
Joseph O'Brien IRE – **Darasso, Early Doors**
Colin Tizzard – **Kilbricken Storm, West Approach**
Nigel Twiston-Davies – **Bristol De Mai, Wholestone**

1 entry

Henry de Bromhead IRE – **Petit Mouchoir**
Tony Carroll – **Vive Le Roi**
Tom George – **Black Op**
Nick Gifford – **The Mighty Don**
Jessica Harrington IRE – **Supasundae**
Neil King – **Lil Rockerfeller**
Philip Kirby – **Nautical Nitwit**
Emma Lavelle – **Paisley Park**
Paul Nicholls – **Old Guard**
Jedd O'Keeffe – **Sam Spinner**
Sue Smith – **Midnight Shadow**
Nick Williams – **Agrapart**

Horses entered in both the G1 Unibet Champion Hurdle and the G1 Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle

Apple's Jade (also entered in OLBG Mares' Hurdle)

Farclas

Man Of Plenty

Melon

Petit Mouchoir

Samcro

Supasundae

Wholestone

Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle entries with previous Festival form

| Year | Race | Pos | Jockey | SP |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| Agrapart (Nick Williams) | | | | |
| 2017 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 9th | Lizzie Kelly | 66/1 |
| Apple's Jade (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 2nd | Bryan Cooper | 12/1 |
| 2017 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 1st | Bryan Cooper | 7/2 |
| 2018 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 3rd | Jack Kennedy | 1/2 (Fav) |
| Aux Ptits Soins (Dan Skelton) | | | | |
| 2015 | Coral Cup | 1st | Sam Twiston-Davies | 9/1 |
| 2016 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 5th | Nick Scholfield | 16/1 |
| Bacardys (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | Weatherbys Champion Bumper | 3rd | Ruby Walsh | 16/1 |
| 2017 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | PU | Ruby Walsh | 4/1 |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | F | Mr Patrick Mullins | 14/1 |
| Bachasson (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | UR | Mr Patrick Mullins | 28/1 |
| 2018 | Magners Cheltenham Gold Cup | F | Danny Mullins | 33/1 |
| Bapaume (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2017 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 3rd | Ruby Walsh | 10/1 |
| Benie Des Dieux (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 9/2 |
| Black Op (Tom George) | | | | |
| 2018 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | 2nd | Noel Fehily | 8/1 |
| Bleu Berry (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | Coral Cup | 1st | Mark Walsh | 20/1 |
| Bristol De Mai (Nigel Twiston-Davies) | | | | |
| 2016 | JLT Novices' Chase | 2nd | Daryl Jacob | 4/1 (CFav) |
| 2017 | Magners Cheltenham Gold Cup | 7th | Daryl Jacob | 16/1 |
| Dortmund Park (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 8th | Davy Russell | 12/1 |
| Early Doors (Joseph O'Brien IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | Martin Pipe Conditional Jockeys' Handicap Hurdle | 3rd | J J Slevin | 9/1 |
| Farclas (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 1st | Jack Kennedy | 9/1 |
| Faugheen (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2014 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 6/4 (Fav) |
| 2015 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 4/5 (Fav) |
| 2018 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 6th | Ruby Walsh | 4/1 |
| Keeper Hill (Warren Greatrex) | | | | |
| 2017 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | 7th | Gavin Sheehan | 25/1 |
| 2018 | National Hunt Chase | F | Mr Richard Deegan | 25/1 |
| Kilbricken Storm (Colin Tizzard) | | | | |
| 2018 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Harry Cobden | 33/1 |
| Lil Rockerfeller (Neil King) | | | | |
| 2016 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 7th | Trevor Whelan | 20/1 |
| 2017 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 2nd | Trevor Whelan | 33/1 |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 13th | Trevor Whelan | 33/1 |
| Limini (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 8/11 (Fav) |
| 2017 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 3rd | Ruby Walsh | 6/4 (Fav) |
| Melon (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2017 | Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle | 2nd | Ruby Walsh | 3/1 (JFav) |
| 2018 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 2nd | Paul Townend | 7/1 |

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| Mulcahys Hill (Warren Greatrex) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | PU | Adrian Heskin | 50/1 | |
| Old Guard (Paul Nicholls) | | | | | |
| 2015 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 9th | Nick Scholfield | 66/1 | |
| 2017 | Coral Cup | 7th | Sam Twiston-Davies | 20/1 | |
| Paisley Park (Emma Lavelle) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 13th | Nick Scholfield | 33/1 | |
| Penhill (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | | |
| 2017 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Paul Townend | 16/1 | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 1st | Paul Townend | 12/1 | |
| Petit Mouchoir (Henry de Bromhead IRE) | | | | | |
| 2016 | Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle | 8th | David Mullins | 20/1 | |
| 2017 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 3rd | Bryan Cooper | 6/1 | |
| 2018 | Arkle Challenge Trophy Chase | 3rd | Davy Russell | 4/1 | |
| Robin Waters (Dan Skelton) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 6th | Harry Skelton | 50/1 | |
| Sam Spinner (Jedd O'Keeffe) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 5th | Joe Colliver | 9/4 (Fav) | |
| Samcro (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Jack Kennedy | 8/11 (Fav) | |
| Shaneshill (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | | |
| 2014 | Weatherbys Champion Bumper | 2nd | Ruby Walsh | 7/2 (Fav) | |
| 2015 | Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle | 2nd | Paul Townend | 9/1 | |
| 2016 | RSA Chase | 2nd | Paul Townend | 16/1 | |
| 2017 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | PU | Paul Townend | 16/1 | |
| Supasundae (Jessica Harrington IRE) | | | | | |
| 2015 | Weatherbys Champion Bumper | 6th | Jonathan Burke | 17/2 | |
| 2016 | Sky Bet Supreme Novices' Hurdle | 7th | Jonathan Burke | 12/1 | |
| 2017 | Coral Cup | 1st | Robbie Power | 16/1 | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 2nd | Robbie Power | 6/1 | |
| The Mighty Don (Nick Gifford) | | | | | |
| 2018 | Pertemps Final | 9th | Leighton Aspell | 33/1 | |
| Thomas Campbell (Nicky Henderson) | | | | | |
| 2017 | Martin Pipe Conditional Jockeys Handicap Hurdle | 5th | Ned Curtis | 20/1 | |
| 2018 | Pertemps Final | 14th | James Bowen | 20/1 | |
| Top Notch (Nicky Henderson) | | | | | |
| 2015 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 2nd | Daryl Jacob | 7/1 | |
| 2016 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 5th | Daryl Jacob | 14/1 | |
| 2017 | JLT Novices' Chase | 2nd | Daryl Jacob | 7/2 | |
| Unowhatimeanharry (Harry Fry) | | | | | |
| 2016 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Noel Fehily | 11/1 | |
| 2017 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 3rd | Noel Fehily | 5/6 (Fav) | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 10th | Noel Fehily | 8/1 | |
| West Approach (Colin Tizzard) | | | | | |
| 2016 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 11th | Aidan Coleman | 66/1 | |
| 2017 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | PU | Tom Scudamore | 28/1 | |
| 2018 | JLT Novices' Chase | 6th | Tom Scudamore | 33/1 | |
| Wholestone (Nigel Twiston-Davies) | | | | | |
| 2017 | Albert Bartlett Novices' Hurdle | 3rd | Daryl Jacob | 13/2 | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 3rd | Aidan Coleman | 14/1 | |
| Yanworth (Alan King) | | | | | |
| 2016 | Ballymore Novices' Hurdle | 2nd | Barry Geraghty | 11/10 (Fav) | |
| 2015 | Weatherbys Champion Bumper | 4th | A P McCoy | 16/1 | |
| 2017 | Unibet Champion Hurdle | 7th | Mark Walsh | 2/1 (Fav) | |
| 2018 | Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle | 6th | Barry Geraghty | 6/1 | |

Record of trainers with entries in the Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle

(since 1997 plus any winners beforehand)

| Year | Pos | Horse | Jockey | SP |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| Henry de Bromhead IRE – Petit Mouchoir | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Tony Carroll – Vive Le Roi | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Gordon Elliott IRE – Apple's Jade, Cracking Smart, Diamond Cauchois, Dortmund Park, Farclas, Pallasator, Prince Of Scars, Samcro | | | | |
| 2015 | 13th | Tiger Roll | Davy Condon | 50/1 |
| Harry Fry – Momella, Unowhatimeanharry | | | | |
| 2017 | 3rd | Unowhatimeanharry | Noel Fehily | 5/6 (Fav) |
| 2018 | 10th | Unowhatimeanharry | Noel Fehily | 8/1 |
| Tom George – Black Op | | | | |
| 2003 | 7th | Galileo | Jason Maguire | 11/1 |
| 2018 | 7th | The Worlds End | Adrian Heskin | 33/1 |
| Nick Gifford – The Mighty Don | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Warren Greatrex – Keeper Hill, Mulcahys Hill | | | | |
| 2015 | 1st | Cole Harden | Gavin Sheehan | 14/1 |
| 2016 | 4th | Cole Harden | Gavin Sheehan | 15/2 |
| 2017 | 4th | Cole Harden | Gavin Sheehan | 9/1 |
| Jessica Harrington IRE – Supasundae | | | | |
| 2015 | 9th | Jetson | Davy Russell | 14/1 |
| 2017 | 8th | Jezki | Robbie Power | 15/2 |
| 2018 | 2nd | Supasundae | Robbie Power | 6/1 |
| Nicky Henderson – Soul Emotion, Thomas Campbell, Top Notch | | | | |
| 1989 | 1st | Rustle | Michael Bowlby | 4/1 |
| 1997 | F | Conquering Leader | Mick Fitzgerald | 15/2 |
| 1998 | PU | Friendship | Mick Fitzgerald | 33/1 |
| 2000 | 1st | Bacchanal | Mick Fitzgerald | 11/2 |
| 2000 | 7th | Silver Wedge | Adrian Maguire | 16/1 |
| 2007 | 13th | Temoin | Mick Fitzgerald | 25/1 |
| 2008 | PU | The Market Man | Mick Fitzgerald | 16/1 |
| 2009 | 2nd | Punchestowns | Barry Geraghty | 100/30 |
| 2009 | 14th | Afsoun | Dominic Elsworth | 100/1 |
| 2010 | PU | Sentry Duty | Barry Geraghty | 12/1 |
| 2011 | 12th | Zaynar | Barry Geraghty | 12/1 |
| 2012 | 5th | Oscar Whisky | Barry Geraghty | 4/1 |
| 2013 | 6th | Oscara Dara | David Bass | 33/1 |
| 2013 | PU | Oscar Whisky | Barry Geraghty | 9/4 (Fav) |
| 2015 | 5th | Whisper | Barry Geraghty | 8/1 |
| 2015 | 12th | Blue Fashion | David Bass | 20/1 |
| 2016 | 3rd | Bobs Worth | David Bass | 33/1 |
| 2016 | 8th | Whisper | Nico de Boinville | 9/1 |
| 2018 | 8th | Lami Serge | Daryl Jacob | 14/1 |
| Alan King – Mia's Storm, Yanworth | | | | |
| 2002 | 6th | Spendid | Warren Marston | 20/1 |
| 2004 | 3rd | Crystal DAinay | Robert Thornton | 8/1 |
| 2005 | PU | Crystal DAinay | Robert Thornton | 10/1 |
| 2006 | 1st | My Way De Solzen | Robert Thornton | 8/1 |
| 2006 | 12th | Crystal DAinay | Wayne Hutchinson | 33/1 |
| 2007 | 3rd | Blazing Bailey | Robert Thornton | 8/1 |
| 2008 | 4th | Blazing Bailey | Ruby Walsh | 13/2 |
| 2008 | 5th | My Way De Solzen | Robert Thornton | 15/2 |
| 2009 | 8th | Blazing Bailey | Robert Thornton | 28/1 |
| 2010 | 4th | Karabak | A P McCoy | 15/2 |
| 2010 | 11th | Katchit | Robert Thornton | 14/1 |
| 2012 | 3rd | Smad Place | Robert Thornton | 20/1 |
| 2013 | 3rd | Smad Place | Wayne Hutchinson | 9/1 |
| 2014 | 7th | Medinas | Wayne Hutchinson | 25/1 |
| 2018 | 6th | Yanworth | Barry Geraghty | 6/1 |

Neil King – Lil Rockerfeller

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| 2017 | 2nd | Lil Rockerfeller | Trevor Whelan | 33/1 |
| 2018 | 13th | Lil Rockerfeller | Trevor Whelan | 33/1 |

Philip Kirby – Nautical Nitwit**No previous runners****Emma Lavelle – Paisley Park**

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|------|-----|-----------|--------------|------|
| 2003 | 9th | Palua | Timmy Murphy | 66/1 |
| 2007 | 8th | Labelthou | Barry Fenton | 20/1 |

Sophie Leech – Garo De Juilley, Man Of Plenty**No previous runners****Willie Mullins IRE – Bacardys, Bachasson, Bapuame, Benie Des Dieux, Bleu Berry, Coquin Mans, Faugheen, Limini, Melon, Penhill, Shaneshill**

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| 2004 | 5th | Holy Orders | Ruby Walsh | 33/1 |
| 2005 | 3rd | Rule Supreme | David Casey | 4/1 |
| 2006 | 15th | Davenport Milenium | David Casey | 200/1 |
| 2006 | PU | Holy Orders | Davy Condon | 150/1 |
| 2008 | 14th | Ebaziyan | Davy Condon | 66/1 |
| 2009 | 13th | Shakervilz | Paul Townend | 50/1 |
| 2010 | 8th | Cousin Vinny | Paul Townend | 25/1 |
| 2011 | 3rd | Mourad | Paul Townend | 8/1 |
| 2011 | 8th | Fiveforthree | David Casey | 12/1 |
| 2012 | 4th | Thousand Stars | Paul Townend | 8/1 |
| 2012 | 6th | Mourad | Ms Katie Walsh | 33/1 |
| 2012 | 9th | So Young | David Casey | 16/1 |
| 2012 | PU | Mikael D'Haguenet | Davy Condon | 50/1 |
| 2013 | 9th | So Young | Paul Townend | 20/1 |
| 2013 | PU | Zaidpour | David Casey | 25/1 |
| 2014 | 2nd | Annie Power | Ruby Walsh | 11/8 (Fav) |
| 2015 | 8th | Zaidpour | Paul Townend | 66/1 |
| 2015 | 16th | Abbyssial | Ruby Walsh | 14/1 |
| 2017 | 1st | Nichols Canyon | Ruby Walsh | 10/1 |
| 2017 | 6th | Clondaw Warrior | Ms Katie Walsh | 33/1 |
| 2017 | PU | Shaneshill | Paul Townend | 16/1 |
| 2018 | 1st | Penhill | Paul Townend | 12/1 |
| 2018 | 9th | Augusta Kate | David Mullins | 20/1 |
| 2018 | F | Bacardys | Mr Patrick Mullins | 14/1 |
| 2018 | F | Lets Dance | Danny Mullins | 33/1 |

Paul Nicholls – Old Guard

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|-------------|------------|-------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 2007 | 7th | Natal | Ruby Walsh | 16/1 |
| 2009 | 1st | Big Buck's | Ruby Walsh | 6/1 |
| 2009 | 7th | Mobaasher | Christian Williams | 33/1 |
| 2010 | 1st | Big Buck's | Ruby Walsh | 5/6 (Fav) |
| 2011 | 1st | Big Buck's | Ruby Walsh | 10/11 (Fav) |
| 2012 | 1st | Big Buck's | Ruby Walsh | 5/6 (Fav) |
| 2012 | 10th | Five Dream | Rayn Mahon | 100/1 |
| 2013 | 2nd | Celestial Halo | Daryl Jacob | 40/1 |
| 2013 | 8th | Wonderful Charm | Ruby Walsh | 12/1 |
| 2014 | 4th | Zarkandar | Noel Fehily | 14/1 |
| 2014 | 5th | Big Buck's | Sam Twiston-Davies | 7/2 |
| 2014 | 9th | Salubrious | Nick Scholfield | 25/1 |
| 2014 | 10th | Celestial Halo | Daryl Jacob | 20/1 |
| 2015 | 2nd | Saphir Du Rheu | Sam Twiston-Davies | 5/1 (Fav) |
| 2015 | 3rd | Zarkandar | Noel Fehily | 6/1 |
| 2016 | 5th | Aux Ptits Soins | Nick Scholfield | 16/1 |
| 2016 | 6th | Saphir Du Rheu | Sam Twiston-Davies | 11/1 |
| 2017 | 7th | Zarkandar | Harry Cobden | 25/1 |

Joseph O'Brien IRE – Darasso, Early Doors**No previous runners****Jedd O'Keeffe – Sam Spinner**

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| 2018 | 5th | Sam Spinner | Joe Colliver | 9/4 (Fav) |
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Dan Skelton – Aux Ptits Soins, Robin Waters, Roksana**No previous runners****Sue Smith – Midnight Shadow**

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|------|-----|-------------------|------------------|------|
| 2006 | 8th | Patriarch Express | Dominic Elsworth | 12/1 |
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Colin Tizzard – Kilbricken Storm, West Approach

2008 8th Flight Leader
2016 1st Thistlecrack
 2017 PU West Approach

Joe Tizzard
Tom Scudamore
 Tom Scudamore

100/1
Evens (Fav)
 28/1

Nigel Twiston-Davies – Bristol De Mai, Wholestone

1997 11th Ocean Hawk
 1997 14th Wisley Wonder
 1998 3rd Ocean Hawk
 1999 8th Kerawi
 1999 10th Ocean Hawk
 2000 5th Mister Morose
 2004 9th Redemption
 2006 17th Mistanoora
 2008 15th Redemption
 2009 11th Pettifour
 2017 PU Ballyoptic
 2018 3rd Wholestone
 2018 12th The New One

Carl Llewellyn 7/1
 David Walsh 66/1
 Carl Llewellyn 5/1
 Carl Llewellyn 50/1
 Chris Maude 66/1
 Carl Llewellyn 11/1
 Carl Llewellyn 150/1
 Carl Llewellyn 100/1
 David England 250/1
 Paddy Brennan 66/1
 Sam Twiston-Davies 14/1
 Aidan Coleman 14/1
 Sam Twiston-Davies 18/1

Nick Williams – Agrapart

2013 4th Reve de Sivola
 2014 8th Reve de Sivola
 2015 11th Reve de Sivola
 2015 15th Aubusson
 2017 9th Agrapart

Richard Johnson 4/1
 Richard Johnson 33/1
 Daryl Jacob 20/1
 Lizzie Kelly 50/1
 Lizzie Kelly 66/1

Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle Results

- 2018-WINNER-PENHILL** 7-11-10 Owner-Tony Bloom; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Paul Townend; SP-12/1
2ND-Supasundae 8-11-10 Owner-Ann & Alan Potts Limited; Trainer-Jessica Harrington IRE; Jockey-Robbie Power; SP-6/1
3RD-Wholestone 7-11-10 Owner-Simon Munir & Isaac Souede; Trainer-Nigel Twiston-Davies; Trainer-Aidan Coleman; SP-14/1
15 ran, Time-6m 20.40s; Dist-2, 3 9/4 Fav Sam Spinner (5th)
- 2017-WINNER-NICHOLS CANYON** 7-11-10 Owner-Andrea & Graham Wylie; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-10/1
2ND-Lil Rockerfeller 6-11-10 Owner-Davies Smith Govier & Brown; Trainer-Neil King; Jockey-Trevor Whelan; SP-33/1
3RD-Unowhatimeanharry 9-11-10 Owner-J P McManus; Trainer-Harry Fry; Jockey-Noel Fehily; SP-5/6 Fav
12 ran, Time-5m 49.60s; Dist-3/4, 3 1/2
- 2016-WINNER-THISTLECRACK** 8-11-10 Owner-John & Heather Snook; Trainer-Colin Tizzard; Jockey-Tom Scudamore; SP-Evens Fav
2ND-Alpha Des Obeaux 6-11-10 Owner-Gigginstown House Stud; Trainer-Mouse Morris IRE; Jockey-Bryan Cooper; SP-8/1
3RD-Bobs Worth 11-11-10 Owner-The Not Afraid Partnership; Trainer-Nicky Henderson; Jockey-David Bass; SP-33/1
12 ran, Time-5m 42.60s; Dist-7, 22
- 2015-WINNER-COLE HARDEN** 6-11-10 Owner-Jill & Robin Eynon; Trainer-Warren Greatrex; Jockey-Gavin Sheehan; SP-14/1
2ND-Saphir Du Rheu 6-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Sam Twiston-Davies; SP-5/1 Fav
3RD-Zarkandar 8-11-10 Owner-Chris Giles & Potensis Bloodstock Ltd; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Noel Fehily; SP-6/1
16 ran, Time-5m 40.70s; Dist-3 1/4, 3 1/4
- 2014-WINNER-MORE OF THAT** 6-11-10 Owner-J P McManus; Trainer-Jonjo O'Neill; Jockey-Barry Geraghty; SP-15/2
2ND-Annie Power 6-11-03 Owner-Susannah Ricci; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-11/8 Fav
3RD-At Fishers Cross 7-11-10 Owner-J P McManus; Trainer-Rebecca Curtis; Jockey-A P McCoy; SP-9/1
10 ran, Time-5m 49.50s; Dist-1 1/2, 5
- 2013-WINNER-SOLWHIT** 9-11-10 Owner-Top Of The Hill Syndicate; Trainer-Charles Byrnes IRE; Jockey-Paul Carberry; SP-17/2
2ND-Celestial Halo 9-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Daryl Jacob; SP-40/1
3RD-Smad Place 6-11-10 Owner-Mrs Peter Andrews Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Wayne Hutchinson; SP-9/1
13 ran, Time-6m 24.94s; Dist-2 1/2, 3 9/4 Fav Oscar Whisky (PU)
- 2012-WINNER-BUG BUCK'S** 9-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP- 5/6 Fav
2ND-Voler La Vedette 8-11-03 Owner-Mrs M Brophy; Trainer-Colm Murphy IRE; Jockey-Andrew Lynch; SP-20/1
3RD-Smad Place 5-11-10 Owner-Mrs Peter Andrews; Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Robert Thornton; SP-20/1
11 ran, Time-5m 44.20s; Dist-1 3/4, 7
- 2011-WINNER-BUG BUCK'S** 8-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP- 10/11 Fav
2ND-Grands Crus 6-11-10 Owner-Roger Stanley & Yvonne Reynolds III; Trainer-David Pipe; Jockey-Tom Scudamore; SP-7/2
3RD-Mourad 6-11-10 Owner-Teahon Consulting Limited; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Paul Townend; SP-8/1
13 ran, Time-5m 50.80s; Dist-1 3/4, 2 3/4
- 2010-WINNER-BIG BUCK'S** 7-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nichols; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-5/6 Fav
2ND-Time For Rupert 6-11-10 Owner-Littlecote Racing Partnership; Trainer-Paul Webber; Jockey-Will Kennedy; SP-16/1
3RD-Powerstation 10-11-10 Owner-Fat Frog Syndicate; Trainer-Eamon O'Connell IRE; Jockey-Andrew McNamara; SP-33/1
14 ran, Time-5m 49.40s; Dist-3 1/4, 11
- 2009-WINNER-BIG BUCK'S** 6-11-10 Owner-The Stewart Family; Trainer-Paul Nicholls; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-6/1
2ND-Punchestowns 6-11-10 Owner-Judy Wilson; Trainer-Nicky Henderson; Jockey-Barry Geraghty; SP-100/30
3RD-Powerstation 9-11-10 Owner-Fat Frog Syndicate; Trainer-Eamon O'Connell IRE; Jockey-Andrew McNamara; SP-25/1
14 ran, Time 5m 57.00s; Dist-1 3/4, 17 10/11 Fav Kasbah Bliss (4th)
- 2008-WINNER-INGLIS DREVER** 9-11-10 Owner-Andrea & Graham Wylie; Trainer-Howard Johnson; Jockey-Denis O'Regan; SP-11/8 Fav
2ND-Kasbah Bliss 6-11-10 Owner-Henri de Pracomtal; Trainer-Francois Doumen FR; Jockey-Christophe Pieux; SP-9/1
3RD-Kazal 7-11-10 Owner-Joseph Comerford; Trainer-Eoin Griffin IRE; Jockey-Barry Geraghty; SP-12/1
17 ran, Time-5m 52.90s; Dist-1, 7
- 2007-WINNER-INGLIS DREVER** 8-11-10 Owner-Andrea & Graham Wylie; Trainer-Howard Johnson; Jockey-Paddy Brennan; SP-5/1
2ND-Mighty Man 7-11-10 Owner-Joss Hanbury; Trainer-Henry Daly; Jockey-Richard Johnson; SP-100/30
3RD-Blazing Bailey 5-11-10 Owner-Three Line Whip; Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Robert Thornton; SP-8/1
14 ran, Time-5m 46.50s; Dist-3/4, 4 2/1 Fav Black Jack Ketchum (Fell)
- 2006-WINNER-MY WAY DE SOLZEN** 6-11-10 Owner-B Winfield, A Longman, J Wright & C Fenton; Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Robert Thornton; SP-8/1
2ND-Golden Cross 7-11-10 Owner-P Johnson; Trainer-Michael Halford IRE; Jockey-Johnny Murtagh; SP-5/1
3RD-Mighty Man 6-11-10 Owner-Joss Hanbury; Trainer-Henry Daly; Jockey-Richard Johnson; SP-4/1 Fav
20 ran, Time-5m 38.40s; Dist-hd, 4
- 2005-WINNER-INGLIS DREVER** 6-11-10 Owner-Andrea & Graham Wylie; Trainer-Howard Johnson; Jockey-Graham Lee; SP-5/1
2ND-Baracouda 10-11-10 Owner-J P McManus; Trainer-Francois Doumen FR; Jockey-Tony McCoy; SP-6/5 Fav
3RD-Rule Supreme 9-11-10 Owner-John Fallon; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-David Casey; SP-4/1
12 ran, Time-5m 48.40s; Dist-3, 3/4

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Sun Racing Stayers' Hurdle from 2019, Sun Bets Stayers' Hurdle 2017-2018, Ryanair World Hurdle 2016, Ladbrokes World Hurdle 2005-15, bonusprint.com Stayers' Hurdle 2004, Bonusprint Stayers' Hurdle 1991-2003, Waterford Crystal Stayers' Hurdle 1978-90 and Lloyds Bank Hurdle 1972-77

| Year | Winner | Age/Wt | Jockey | Trainer | Owner | SP | Rn |
|------|---------------------------------|----------|------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------|----|
| 2018 | Penhill | 7-11-10 | Paul Townend | Willie Mullins IRE | Tony Bloom | 12/1 | 15 |
| 2017 | Nichols Canyon | 7-11-10 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Andrea & Graham Wylie | 10/1 | 12 |
| 2016 | Thistlecrack | 8-11-10 | Tom Scudamore | Colin Tizzard | John & Heather Snook | EvsF | 12 |
| 2015 | Cole Harden | 6-11-10 | Gavin Sheehan | Warren Greatrex | Jill & Robin Eynon | 14/1 | 16 |
| 2014 | More Of That | 6-11-10 | Barry Geraghty | Jonjo O'Neill | J P McManus | 15/2 | 10 |
| 2013 | Solwhit | 9-11-10 | Paul Carberry | Charles Byrnes IRE | Top Of The Hill Syndicate | 17/2 | 13 |
| 2012 | Big Buck's | 9-11-10 | Ruby Walsh | Paul Nicholls | The Stewart Family | 5/6F | 11 |
| 2011 | Big Buck's | 8-11-10 | Ruby Walsh | Paul Nicholls | The Stewart Family | 10/11F | 13 |
| 2010 | Big Buck's | 7-11-10 | Ruby Walsh | Paul Nicholls | The Stewart Family | 5/6F | 14 |
| 2009 | Big Buck's | 6-11-10 | Ruby Walsh | Paul Nicholls | The Stewart Family | 6/1 | 14 |
| 2008 | Inglis Drever | 9-11-10 | Denis O'Regan | Howard Johnson | Andrea & Graham Wylie | 11/8F | 17 |
| 2007 | Inglis Drever | 8-11-10 | Paddy Brennan | Howard Johnson | Andrea & Graham Wylie | 5/1 | 14 |
| 2006 | My Way De Solzen | 6-11-10 | Robert Thornton | Alan King | B Winfield, A Longman, J Wright, C Fenton | 8/1 | 20 |
| 2005 | Inglis Drever | 6-11-10 | Graham Lee | Howard Johnson | Andrea & Graham Wylie | 5/1 | 12 |
| 2004 | Iris's Gift | 7-11-10 | Barry Geraghty | Jonjo O'Neill | Robert Lester | 9/2 | 10 |
| 2003 | Baracouda | 8-11-10 | Thierry Doumen | Francois Doumen FR | J P McManus | 9/4JF | 11 |
| 2002 | Baracouda | 7-11-10 | Thierry Doumen | Francois Doumen FR | J P McManus | 13/8F | 16 |
| 2001 | <i>No Race (Foot and Mouth)</i> | | | | | | |
| 2000 | Bacchanal | 6-11-10 | Mick Fitzgerald | Nicky Henderson | Lady Lloyd-Webber | 11/2 | 10 |
| 1999 | Anzum | 8-11-10 | Richard Johnson | David Nicholson | Old Foresters Partnership | 40/1 | 12 |
| 1998 | Princeful | 7-11-10 | Rodney Farrant | Jenny Pitman | Robert Hitchins | 16/1 | 9 |
| 1997 | Karshi | 7-11-10 | Jamie Osborne | Henrietta Knight | Lord Vestey | 20/1 | 17 |
| 1996 | Cyborgo | 6-11-10 | David Bridgwater | Martin Pipe | County Stores (Somerset) Holdings | 8/1 | 19 |
| 1995 | Dorans Pride | 6-11-10 | Shane Broderick | Michael Hourigan IRE | Tom Doran | 11/4F | 11 |
| 1994 | Balasani | 8-11-10 | Mark Perrett | Martin Pipe | Mark Smith | 9/2JF | 14 |
| 1993 | Shuil Ar Aghaidh | 7-11-05 | Charlie Swan | Paddy Kiely IRE | Mrs Paddy Kiely | 20/1 | 12 |
| 1992 | Nomadic Way | 7-11-10 | Jamie Osborne | Barry Hills | Robert Sangster | 15/2 | 17 |
| 1991 | King's Curate | 7-11-10 | Mark Perrett | Stan Mellor | C J Ells | 5/2F | 15 |
| 1990 | Trapper John | 6-11-10 | Charlie Swan | Mouse Morris IRE | Jill Fanning | 15/2 | 22 |
| 1989 | Rustle | 7-11-10 | Michael Bowlby | Nicky Henderson | Robert Waley-Cohen | 4/1 | 21 |
| 1988 | Galmoy | 9-11-10 | Tommy Carmody | John Mulhern IRE | Miss D Threadwell | 2/1F | 16 |
| 1987 | Galmoy | 8-11-10 | Tommy Carmody | John Mulhern IRE | Miss D Threadwell | 9/2 | 14 |
| 1986 | Crimson Embers | 11-11-10 | Stuart Shilston | Fulke Walwyn | Sally Smart | 12/1 | 19 |
| 1985 | Rose Ravine | 6-11-05 | Ricky Pusey | Fulke Walwyn | Sally Smart | 5/1F | 22 |
| 1984 | Gaye Chance | 9-11-10 | Sam Morshead | Mercy Rimell | Mary Curtis | 5/1 | 14 |
| 1983 | A Kinsman | 7-11-12 | Geordie Dun | John Brockbank | Mrs John Brockbank | 50/1 | 21 |
| 1982 | Crimson Embers | 7-11-12 | Stuart Shilston | Fulke Walwyn | Sally Smart | 2/1F | 11 |
| 1981 | Derring Rose | 6-11-12 | John Francome | Fred Winter | Peter Savill | 3/1 | 14 |
| 1980 | Mountrivers | 6-11-12 | Tommy Ryan | Edward O'Grady IRE | B Burser | 7/1 | 19 |
| 1979 | Lighter | 6-11-12 | Philip Blacker | John Edwards | G Smith | 14/1 | 14 |
| 1978 | Flame Gun | 6-11-12 | Mr Niall Madden | Edward O'Grady IRE | Mary Kenny | 14/1 | 13 |
| 1977 | Town Ship | 6-11-12 | Tommy Carberry | Peter Easterby | Pat Muldoon | 5/2 | 11 |
| 1976 | Bit Of A Jig | 8-11-12 | Dessie Hughes | Mick O'Toole IRE | Mrs Mick O'Toole | 2/1F | 12 |
| 1975 | Brown Lad | 9-11-12 | Tommy Carberry | Jim Dreaper IRE | Mrs Peter Burrell | 7/4F | 12 |
| 1974 | Highland Abbe | 8-11-12 | Richard Smith | Les Kennard | Mrs K Hankey | 15/2 | 15 |
| 1973 | Moyne Royal | 8-11-12 | David Mould | Arthur Pitt | E Cook | 10/1 | 8 |
| 1972 | Parlour Moor | 8-11-12 | Macer Gifford | Tom Jones | Charlotte Monckton | 13/2 | 11 |

G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle

Grade 1, £120,000 Total Prize Fund. 4.10pm, Tuesday, March 12, 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 15, entries revealed January 17 (**30 entries**). Scratchings deadline February 12, £6,000 supplementary entry stage & six-day confirmation stage March 6, final declarations 10am, March 10. Maximum number of runners 24.

| Horse | Age | Owner | Trainer |
|-------------------------------|-----|-----------------------------------------|------------------------|
| ALLETRIX (IRE) | 6 | Sally Rowley-Williams | Jessica Harrington IRE |
| ALSA MIX (FR) | 7 | June Watts | Alan King |
| APPLE'S JADE (FR) | 7 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| APPLE'S SHAKIRA (FR) | 5 | J P McManus | Nicky Henderson |
| BENIE DES DIEUX (FR) | 8 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| CAP SOLEIL (FR) | 6 | Mrs S A Noott | Fergal O'Brien |
| CHAMPAYNE LADY (IRE) | 7 | Rory Connell | Alan Fleming IRE |
| ELIMAY (FR) | 5 | J P McManus | Willie Mullins IRE |
| FLORAL BOUQUET | 6 | The Picnic Party | Jamie Snowden |
| FORGE MEADOW (IRE) | 7 | Joseph M Doyle | Jessica Harrington IRE |
| GOOD THYNE TARA | 9 | Nigel King | Willie Mullins IRE |
| IF YOU SAY RUN (IRE) | 7 | Highclere T'Bred Racing If You Say Run | Paul Nicholls |
| INDIAN OPERA | 7 | Jo Tracey & Friends | Iain Jardine |
| KALAHARI QUEEN | 6 | Sir Chips Keswick | Jamie Snowden |
| LACKANEEN LEADER (IRE) | 7 | Mrs C Walsh/Grant Mercer | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| LADY BUTTONS | 9 | Jayne Sivills | Philip Kirby |
| LAURINA (FR) | 6 | Sullivan Bloodstock Limited | Willie Mullins IRE |
| LIBERTY BELLA | 5 | Brian Eckley | Brian Eckley |
| LIMINI (IRE) | 8 | Susannah Ricci | Willie Mullins IRE |
| MEGA YEATS (IRE) | 5 | The Mount Fawcus Partnership | Ruth Jefferson |
| MIA'S STORM (IRE) | 9 | The Maple Street Partnership | Alan King |
| MIDNIGHTREFERENDUM | 6 | Robert Abrey & Ian Thurtle | Alan King |
| MISSY TATA (FR) | 7 | Simon Munir/Isaac Souede | Gordon Elliott IRE |
| MOMELLA (IRE) | 7 | Holt, Clark, Macnabb, Nugent & Robinson | Harry Fry |
| QUEENOHEARTS (IRE) | 6 | The Sherington Partnership | Stuart Edmunds |
| ROKSANA (IRE) | 7 | Sarah Faulks | Dan Skelton |
| SENSULANO (IRE) | 6 | Allison, Allison, Williams | Noel Williams |
| SLOWMOTION (FR) | 7 | J P McManus | Joseph O'Brien IRE |
| STORMY IRELAND (FR) | 5 | Sullivan Bloodstock Limited | Willie Mullins IRE |
| TINTANGLE (IRE) | 6 | Gigginstown House Stud | Gordon Elliott IRE |

30 entries

14 Irish-trained

Breakdown of Entries by Trainer

6 entries

Willie Mullins IRE – **Benie Des Dieux, Elimay, Good Thyne Tara, Laurina, Limini, Stormy Ireland**

4 entries

Gordon Elliott IRE – **Apple's Jade, Lackaneen Leader, Missy Tata, Tintangle**

3 entries

Alan King – **Alsa Mix, Mia's Storm, Midnightreferendum**

2 entries

Jessica Harrington IRE – **Alletrix, Forge Meadow**

Jamie Snowden – **Floral Bouquet, Kalahari Queen**

1 entry

Brian Eckley – **Liberty Bella**

Stuart Edmunds – **Queenofhearts**

Alan Fleming IRE – **Champayne Lady**

Harry Fry – **Momella**

Nicky Henderson – **Apple's Shakira**

Iain Jardine – **Indian Opera**

Ruth Jefferson – **Mega Yeats**

Philip Kirby – **Lady Buttons**

Paul Nicholls – **If You Say Run**

Fergal O'Brien – **Cap Soleil**

Joseph O'Brien IRE – **Slowmotion**

Dan Skelton – **Roksana**

Noel Williams – **Sensulano**

OLBG Mares' Hurdle entries with previous Festival form

| Year | Race | Pos | Jockey | SP |
|----------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| Apple's Jade (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 2nd | Bryan Cooper | 12/1 |
| 2017 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 1st | Bryan Cooper | 7/2 |
| 2018 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 3rd | Jack Kennedy | 1/2 (Fav) |
| Apple's Shakira (Nicky Henderson) | | | | |
| 2018 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | 4th | Barry Geraghty | 6/5 (Fav) |
| Benie des Dieux (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 9/2 |
| Cap Soleil (Fergal O'Brien) | | | | |
| 2018 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 2nd | Paddy Brennan | 10/1 |
| Champayne Lady (Alan Fleming IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 3rd | Denis O'Regan | 80/1 |
| Forge Meadow (Jessica Harrington IRE) | | | | |
| 2017 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 8th | Robbie Power | 12/1 |
| Laurina (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Paul Townend | 4/7 (Fav) |
| Limini (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | Dawn Run Mares Novices' Hurdle | 1st | Ruby Walsh | 8/11 (Fav) |
| 2017 | OLBG Mares' Hurdle | 3rd | Ruby Walsh | 6/4 (Fav) |
| Missy Tata (Gordon Elliott IRE) | | | | |
| 2016 | Boodles Juvenile Handicap Hurdle | 4th | Bryan Cooper | 10/1 |
| Stormy Ireland (Willie Mullins IRE) | | | | |
| 2018 | JCB Triumph Hurdle | F | Noel Fehily | 9/2 |

Record of trainers with entries in the OLBG Mares' Hurdle

| Year | Pos | Horse | Jockey | SP |
|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------|
| Brian Eckley – Liberty Bella | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Stuart Edmunds – Queenofhearts | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Gordon Elliott IRE – Apple's Jade, Lackaneen Leader, Missy Tata, Tintangle | | | | |
| 2013 | UR | Maes Choice | Paul Carberry | 100/1 |
| 2017 | 1st | Apples Jade | Bryan Cooper | 7/2 |
| 2018 | 3rd | Apples Jade | Jack Kennedy | 1/2 (Fav) |
| Alan Fleming IRE – Champayne Lady | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Harry Fry – Momella | | | | |
| 2014 | 8th | Highland Retreat | Noel Fehily | 14/1 |
| 2015 | 3rd | Bitofapuzzle | Noel Fehily | 16/1 |
| 2016 | 7th | Desert Queen | Nick Scholfield | 33/1 |
| 2016 | 17th | Bitofapuzzle | Noel Fehily | 12/1 |
| Jessica Harrington IRE – Alletrix, Forge Meadow, Slowmotion | | | | |
| 2009 | 10th | Give It Time | Andrew Leigh | 20/1 |
| 2010 | 9th | No One Tells Me | Robbie Power | 16/1 |
| 2010 | 13th | Zarinava | Paul Moloney | 25/1 |
| 2014 | 12th | Cailin Annamh | Barry Geraghty | 10/1 |
| 2016 | 2nd | Rock On The Moor | Robbie Power | 66/1 |
| 2016 | 6th | Keppols Queen | Davy Russell | 25/1 |
| 2017 | 12th | Rock On The Moor | Robbie Power | 50/1 |
| Nicky Henderson – Apple's Shakira | | | | |
| 2008 | 3rd | Chomba Womba | Mick Fitzgerald | 100/30 (Fav) |
| 2008 | 10th | Shatabdi | Mr Sam Waley-Cohen | 66/1 |
| 2009 | 7th | Chomba Womba | Barry Geraghty | 6/1 |
| 2009 | 11th | Caroles Legacy | A P McCoy | 12/1 |
| 2010 | 2nd | Caroles Legacy | Andrew Tinkler | 20/1 |
| 2010 | PU | Stravinsky Dance | Mr Sam Waley-Cohen | 50/1 |
| 2012 | 8th | Kells Belle | Barry Geraghty | 33/1 |
| 2013 | 9th | Une Artiste | Barry Geraghty | 11/2 |
| 2015 | 2nd | Polly Peachum | Barry Geraghty | 9/1 |
| 2016 | 10th | Polly Peachum | David Bass | 6/1 |
| 2018 | 8th | Kayf Grace | Nico de Boinville | 25/1 |
| Ruth Jefferson – Mega Yeats | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |
| Alan King – Alsa Mix, Mia's Storm, Midnightreferendum | | | | |
| 2008 | 5th | Theatre Girl | Robert Thornton | 9/2 |
| 2009 | 4th | Over Sixty | Robert Thornton | 25/1 |
| 2014 | 3rd | Lunique | Robert Thornton | 25/1 |
| 2015 | 4th | The Pirates Queen | Denis O'Regan | 25/1 |
| 2015 | F | Lunique | Wayne Hutchinson | 16/1 |
| 2017 | 6th | Midnight Tour | Tom Cannon | 66/1 |
| 2017 | PU | Miss Crick | Wayne Hutchinson | 100/1 |
| 2018 | 2nd | Midnight Tour | Davy Russell | 33/1 |
| Philip Kirby – Lady Buttons | | | | |
| No previous runners | | | | |

Willie Mullins IRE – Benie Des Dieux, Elimay, Good Thyne Tara, Laurina, Limini, Stormy Ireland

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|-------------|------------|------------------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| 2009 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 2/1 (Fav) |
| 2010 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 6/4 (Fav) |
| 2011 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 5/6 (Fav) |
| 2012 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 4/7 (Fav) |
| 2012 | 14th | Dare To Doubt | Paul Townend | 40/1 |
| 2013 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 8/11 (Fav) |
| 2014 | 1st | Quevega | Ruby Walsh | 8/11 (Fav) |
| 2014 | 2nd | Glens Melody | Paul Townend | 14/1 |
| 2015 | 1st | Glens Melody | Paul Townend | 6/1 |
| 2015 | F | Annie Power | Ruby Walsh | 1/2 (Fav) |
| 2016 | 1st | Vroum Vroum Mag | Ruby Walsh | 4/6 (Fav) |
| 2016 | 5th | Gitane Du Berlais | Daryl Jacob | 25/1 |
| 2017 | 2nd | Vroum Vroum Mag | Paul Townend | 11/4 |
| 2017 | 3rd | Limini | Ruby Walsh | 6/4 (Fav) |
| 2018 | 1st | Benie Des Dieux | Ruby Walsh | 9/2 |
| 2018 | 9th | Pravalaguna | Danny Mullins | 50/1 |

Paul Nicholls – If You Say Run

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|------|------|------------------|--------------------|------|
| 2010 | 12th | Pepite De Soleil | Robert Thornton | 33/1 |
| 2012 | 15th | Violin Davis | Daryl Jacob | 28/1 |
| 2016 | 12th | Tara Point | Sam Twiston-Davies | 25/1 |
| 2017 | 11th | Lifeboat Mona | Sam Twiston-Davies | 16/1 |

Fergal O'Brien – Cap Soleil

| | | | | |
|------|------|----------|---------------|------|
| 2014 | 13th | Down Ace | Denis O'Regan | 20/1 |
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Joseph O'Brien IRE - Slowmotion

No previous runners

Dan Skelton – Rokšana

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|------|------|-------------------|---------------|-------|
| 2016 | 8th | Stephanie Frances | Harry Skelton | 40/1 |
| 2016 | 16th | Fairytale Theatre | Ryan Mahon | 200/1 |
| 2017 | 9th | Debdebdeb | Harry Skelton | 50/1 |

Jamie Snowden – Floral Bouquet, Kalahari Queen

| | | | | |
|------|------|---------------|---------------|-------|
| 2012 | 7th | Ixora | Tom O'Brien | 50/1 |
| 2013 | 11th | Miss Milborne | Harry Skelton | 150/1 |

Noel Williams – Sensulano

| | | | | |
|------|-----|--------------|-----------------|------|
| 2017 | 5th | Briery Queen | Richard Johnson | 33/1 |
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G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle Facts & Figures

BACKGROUND INFORMATION – DISTANCE 2m 3f 200y

This year sees the 12th running of the G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle (for the David Nicholson Trophy), which was upgraded to be a G1 contest in 2015.

Previously a G2, the race was founded in 2008 in memory of the legendary Cotswold-based jockey and then trainer, who passed away in August, 2006.

OLBG, the online sports betting community, was the first sponsor in 2012.

"The Duke" enjoyed five successes at The Festival™ presented by Magners as a jockey between 1963 and 1973, but is best known for his 17 victories as a trainer, including wins in the Queen Mother Champion Chase (1994 & 1995 Viking Flagship), Stayers' Hurdle (Anzum 1999) and Cheltenham Gold Cup (1988 Charter Party).

Nicholson became the first trainer for more than 50 years to saddle three winners in a day at The Festival™ presented by Magners when Putty Road (Ballymore Novices' Hurdle), Viking Flagship (Betway Queen Mother Champion Chase) and Kadi (Brown Advisory & Merriebelle Stable Plate) all triumphed on March 15, 1995.

FIELD SIZE

There were 19 runners in 2012, 2013 and 2016, while the smallest field of nine went to post in 2018. The race has a safety limit of 24.

MULTIPLE WINNERS

Quevega dominates the roll of honour, having captured six of the 11 runnings– 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014. The Willie Mullins-trained mare became the first horse to win a race six times at The Festival™ presented by Magners in 2014, beating the record she previously shared with Golden Miller, who won the Cheltenham Gold Cup on five occasions between 1932 and 1936.

MOST SUCCESSFUL TRAINER

Willie Mullins saddled Quevega to all six of her victories and the trainer has an amazing nine wins in the race in total, with Glens Melody (2015), Vroum Vroum Mag (2016) and Benie Des Dieux (2018) also having been successful.

MOST SUCCESSFUL JOCKEY

Ruby Walsh has partnered the winner on eight occasions, having ridden Quevega on each of her six victories, Vroum Vroum Mag (2016) and Benie Des Dieux (2018).

BETTING

Quevega was sent off favourite for all six of her successes, and was the shortest-priced winner in 2012 at odds of 4/7. Whiteoak sprung a surprise in 2008 as she scored at 20/1.

OVERSEAS-TRAINED WINNERS

Irish trainers dominate the roll of honour, having accounted for 10 of the 11 winners with Quevega (2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013 and 2014), Glen's Melody (2015), Vroum Vroum Mag (2016), Apple's Jade (2017) and Benie Des Dieux (2018).

DID YOU KNOW?

As well as sponsoring this race, OLBG supports a series of mares' hurdles as part of the OLBG Mares' Road to the Cheltenham Festival.

The exploits of Quevega in the OLBG Mares' Hurdle have been recognised by Cheltenham Racecourse with Quevaga's, a bar situated at the top of the paddock which was launched at The Open in November, 2014.

Annie Power saved bookmakers an estimated £50 million when falling, with the race at her mercy, at the final flight in the 2015 OLBG Mares' Hurdle. Sent off the 1/2 favourite, Annie Power was bidding to become the fourth Willie Mullins-trained and Ruby Walsh-ridden horse to triumph on the opening day of The Festival™ presented by Magners following the victories of Douvan (2/1F) Un De Sceaux (4/6F) and Faugheen (4/5F) earlier on the card. Mullins did gain some compensation as he also trained the winning mare, Glens Melody.

G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle Past Results

2018-WINNER-BENIE DES DIEUX 7-11-05 Owner-Susannah Ricci; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-9/2
 2ND-Midnight Tour 8-11-05 Owner-James & Jean Potter; Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Davy Russell; SP-33/1
 3RD-Apple's Jade 6-11-05 Owner-Gigginstown House Stud; Trainer-Gordon Elliott IRE; Jockey-Jack Kennedy; SP-1/2 Fav
 9 ran, Time-5m 10.10s; Dist-½, 1

2017-WINNER-APPLE'S JADE 5-11-05 Owner-Gigginstown House Stud; Trainer-Gordon Elliott IRE; Jockey-Bryan Cooper; SP-7/2
 2ND-Vroum Vroum Mag 8-11-05 Owner-Susannah Ricci; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Paul Townend; SP-11/4
 3RD-Limini 6-11-05 Owner-Susannah Ricci; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-6/4 Fav
 17 ran, Time-4m 50.20s; Dist-1½, ns

2016-WINNER-VROUM VROUM MAG 7-11-05 Owner-Susannah Ricci; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-4/6 Fav
 2ND-Rock On The Moor 8-11-05 Owner-R Irwin; Trainer-Jessica Harrington IRE; Jockey-Robbie Power; SP-66/1
 3RD-Legacy Gold 8-11-05 Owner-Roger Brookhouse; Trainer-Stuart Crawford IRE; Jockey-Andrew Lynch; SP-40/1
 19 ran, Time-4m 45.00s; Dist-2¾, ½

2015-WINNER-GLENS MELODY 7-11-05 Owner-Fiona McStay; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Paul Townend; SP-6/1
 2ND-Polly Peachum 7-11-05 Owner-Lady Tennant; Trainer-Nicky Henderson; Jockey-Barry Geraghty; SP-9/1
 3RD-Bitofapuzzle 7-11-05 Owner-Chris Giles & Potensis Bloodstock Ltd; Trainer-Harry Fry; Jockey-Noel Fehily; SP-16/1
 15 ran, Time-4m 51.10s; Dist-hd, nk
 1/2 Fav Annie Power (Fell)

2014-WINNER-QUEVEGA 10-11-05 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP- 8/11 Fav
 2ND-Glens Melody 6-11-05 Owner-Fiona McStay; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Paul Townend; SP-14/1
 3RD-L'Unique 5-11-05 Owner-Denis Barry; Trainer-Alan King; Jockey-Robert Thornton; SP-25/1
 16 ran, Time-4m 44.60s; Dist-¾, ¾

2013-WINNER-QUEVEGA 9-11-05 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP- 8/11 Fav
 2ND-Sirene D'Ainay 7-11-05 Owner-Stephane Milaveau; Trainer-Emmanuel Clayeux FR; Jockey-Jonathan Plouganou; SP-33/1
 3RD-Swincombe Flame 7-11-00 Owner-Yeo Racing Partnership; Trainer-Nick Williams; Jockey-Daryl Jacob; SP-40/1
 19 ran, Time-4m 55.46s; Dist-1½, 2

2012-WINNER-QUEVEGA 8-11-05 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP- 4/7 Fav
 2ND Kentford Grey Lady 6-11-00 Owner-Ian Bare; Trainer-Emma Lavelle; Jockey-Noel Fehily; SP-14/1
 3RD Golden Sunbird 8-11-03 Owner-Jim Mernagh; Trainer-Paul Nolan IRE; Jockey-Robbie Power; SP-66/1
 19 ran, Time-4m 51.30s; Dist-4, nk

2011-WINNER-QUEVEGA 7-11-05 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-5/6 Fav
 2ND Sparky May 6-11-05 Owner-Bill Muddyman; Trainer-Pat Rodford; Jockey-Keiran Burke; SP-4/1
 3RD Ocean Transit 6-11-00 Owner-Ocean's Five; Trainer-Richard Price; Jockey-David Bass; SP-50/1
 14 ran, Time-4m 48.08s; Dist-10, 1

2010-WINNER-QUEVEGA 6-11-05 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-6/4 Fav
 2ND Carole's Legacy 6-11-00 Owner-Paul Murphy; Trainer-Nicky Henderson; Jockey-Andrew Tinkler; SP-20/1
 3RD Voler La Vedette 6-11-05 Owner-Mrs M Brophy; Trainer-Colm Murphy IRE; Jockey-Barry Geraghty; SP-9/4
 17 ran, Time-4m 45.40s; Dist-4½, 1¼

2009-WINNER-QUEVEGA 5-11-03 Owner-Hammer & Trowel Syndicate; Trainer-Willie Mullins IRE; Jockey-Ruby Walsh; SP-2/1 Fav
 2ND United 8-11-05 Owner-R B Holt; Trainer-Lucy Wadham; Jockey-Dominic Elsworth; SP-100/30
 3RD Aura About You 6-11-00 Owner-Jim Mernagh; Trainer-Paul Nolan IRE; Jockey-Alain Cawley; SP-28/1
 21 ran, Time-4m 55.20s; Dist-14, sh

2008-WINNER-WHITEOAK 5-11-00 Owner-Brendan Richardson; Trainer-Donald McCain; Jockey-Jason Maguire; SP-20/1
 2ND Refinement 9-11-05 Owner-Michael Tabor; Trainer-Jonjo O'Neill; Jockey-Tony McCoy; 10/1
 3RD Chomba Womba 7-11-05 Owner-Richard & Lizzie Kelvin Hughes; Trainer-Nicky Henderson; Jockey-Mick Fitzgerald; SP-100/30 Fav
 13 ran, Time-5m 1.40s; Dist-sh, 2½

G1 OLBG Mares' Hurdle Roll Of Honour

OLBG was the first sponsor in 2012, David Nicholson Mares' Hurdle from 2008.

| Year | Winner | Age/Wt | Jockey | Trainer | Owner | SP | Ran |
|------|-----------------|----------|---------------|--------------------|---------------------------|-------|-----|
| 2018 | Benie Des Dieux | 7-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Susannah Ricci | 9/2 | 9 |
| 2017 | Apple's Jade | 5-11-05 | Bryan Cooper | Gordon Elliott IRE | Gigginstown House Stud | 7/2 | 17 |
| 2016 | Vroum Vroum Mag | 7-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Susannah Ricci | 4/6F | 19 |
| 2015 | Glens Melody | 7-11-05 | Paul Townend | Willie Mullins IRE | Fiona McStay | 6/1 | 15 |
| 2014 | Quevega | 10-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 8/11F | 16 |
| 2013 | Quevega | 9-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 8/11F | 19 |
| 2012 | Quevega | 8-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 4/7F | 19 |
| 2011 | Quevega | 7-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 5/6F | 14 |
| 2010 | Quevega | 6-11-05 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 6/4F | 17 |
| 2009 | Quevega | 5-11-03 | Ruby Walsh | Willie Mullins IRE | Hammer & Trowel Syndicate | 2/1F | 14 |
| 2008 | Whiteoak | 5-11-00 | Jason Maguire | Donald McCain | Brendan Richardson | 20/1 | 13 |