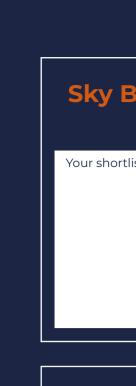
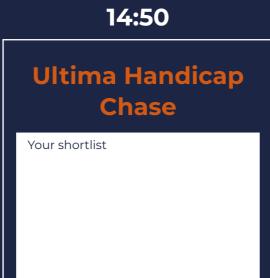
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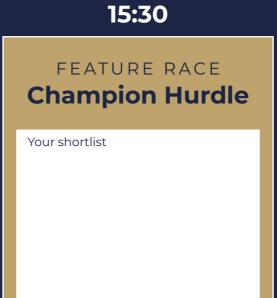
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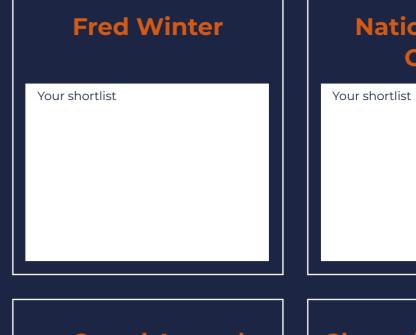




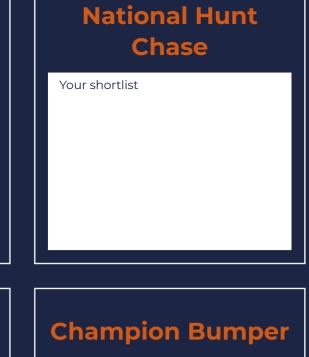




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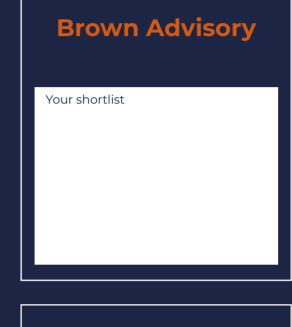


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# SPORTING LIFE CHELTENHAM FESTIVAL 2023

### **LEADING TRAINERS**

Festival winners in last 5 years

34

Willie Mullins

20

Gordon Elliott

14

Nicky Henderson

14

Henry De Bromhead

#### **LEADING JOCKEYS**

Festival winners in last 5 years

**17** 

Paul Townend

12

Rachael Blackmore

9

Nico de Boinville

9

Jack Kennedy

## **LEADING TRAINER - JOCKEY COMBO**

in last 10 years

| TRAINER              | JOCKEY                | EXP<br>WINS | RUNNERS | WINS | STRIKE<br>RATE | RUN TO<br>FORM |
|----------------------|-----------------------|-------------|---------|------|----------------|----------------|
| Willie Mullins       | Paul<br>Townend       | 19.5        | 135     | 21   | 15.6%          | 58.5%          |
| Nicky<br>Henderson   | Nico de<br>Boinville  | 8.6         | 86      | 14   | 16.3%          | 51.2%          |
| Henry de<br>Bromhead | Rachael<br>Blackmore  | 6.4         | 52      | 10   | 19.2%          | 46.2%          |
| Gordon Elliott       | Davy<br>Russell       | 6.3         | 58      | 7    | 12.1%          | 58.6%          |
| Gordon Elliott       | Jack<br>Kennedy       | 5.6         | 47      | 6    | 12.8%          | 46.8%          |
| Gordon Elliott       | Jamie<br>Codd         | 2.9         | 21      | 6    | 28.6%          | 71.4%          |
| Willie Mullins       | Patrick<br>Mullins    | 5.3         | 51      | 5    | 9.8%           | 54.9%          |
| Paul Nicholls        | Sam<br>Twiston-Davies | 3.5         | 54      | 4    | 7.4%           | 33.3%          |
| Dan<br>Skelton       | Harry<br>Skelton      | 4.3         | 71      | 3    | 4.2%           | 62.0%          |

## **Expected winners**



The number of winners predicted by their starting prices

#### **Timeform Run to Form %**

The percentage of a trainers' horses that have run to or surpassed the level of form expected pre-race according to Timeform analysis and data

#### Strike rate

The percentage of wins to the number of races competed in

### **KEY STATS**

# OVER-PERFORMING JOCKEY

Cheltenham brings
out the best in jockey
Nico de Boinville, he's
over performed at the
Festival, delivering
15 wins from an
expected 9

#### SPORTING LIFE ARKLE

A winners and 3 places from just 12 Arkle runners since 2010

#### **GOLD CUP**

From the past 10 renewals there have been 7 winners out of 80 runners that hadn't previously contested the race (market expectation was 6 winners)

#### **CHAMPION HURDLE**

**5 of the 7** odds-on favourites for the Champion Hurdle since 2010 went on to win

#### **A WINNING PARTNERSHIP**

The Gordon Elliott and Jamie Codd partnership is Cheltenham's most successful in terms of **Timeform RTF at 71.4%** 

#### **RYANAIR CHASE**

7 yos have a good record in the race, with **6 winners and 7 places** from just 27 starters since 2010

# BEST RACE FOR FAVOURITES

The Arkle and Champion Hurdle have had **8** winning favourites since 2010

# WORST RACE FOR FAVOURITES

Since 2010, the Coral Cup, Martin Pipe and Ultima had just **1** winning favourite

# 2022

WAS MULLINS' MOST SUCCESSFUL CHELTENHAM

## **10 WINNERS**

FROM AN EXPECTED 8.7

HIS BEST **15.9%**STRIKE RATE



Mullins won 8 Mares' Hurdles in a row between 2009 and 2016 but he has landed just one (*Benie Des Dieux*, 2018) of the last 6 runnings



3RD)

Mullins doesn't run many in handicap chases, maybe with good reason

19 = 0
RUNNERS WINNERS

IN PREVIOUS **10** FESTIVALS

By contrast, in handicap hurdles he's enjoyed **8** winners from **128** runners

He trained the first 5 winners
of the Mares' Novices' Hurdle
(2016-2020) but in the last
2 years he has sent over 10
runners with a best finishing
position of third (Grangee, 2022)

# The Sporting Life Arkle is where Mullins over performs,

4 WINS

FROM AN EXPECTED 3, FROM JUST

12 RUNNERS

## WILLIE MULLINS

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