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## **Today's Sports Betting Preview** - By Rick Elliott

### **Another Three Points For Leicester Against Newcastle**

Seventh place is up for grabs in the second tier of the Premier League. It's a mini league within a league because the four contenders have no chance of breaking into the top six and finishing in the top half is virtually assured. Wolves, Everton and Watford are pushing for the highest possible finish but Leicester are the form team who have been transformed since Brendan Rodgers became the manager. Four successive wins have given LEICESTER momentum at just the right time and they are 6/1 with [BetVictor](#) without the Big Six.

The process of finishing best of the rest continues with a home match against Newcastle this evening. However, the visitors have the joint best defensive record in the bottom half so Leicester may take some time to break them down. City are dab hands at scoring late goals and Newcastle conceded more than the league average number of goals in the second half. The trends suggest the best bet is DRAW/ LEICESTER in the half time/full time market at 16/5 with [Ladbrokes](#).

If anyone is at a loose end at 3.30pm the Indian Premier League is great to watch. It's a Twenty20 competition involving eight franchises in India who play each other on a home and away basis. The grounds are always packed and the whole concept is dripping with advertising and sponsorship, driven by television and possibly betting. KOLKATA are the team to back against Delhi today at 8/13 with [bet365](#).

It's the first day of the Scottish Grand National meeting at Ayr and the card offers £163,000 in prize money which is excellent for the track. The richest race is the Listed handicap chase over two miles and four and a half furlongs at 3.25. It's an

open contest and bookmakers go 5/1 the field in the early betting. Value At Risk won the race last year but there has been a dip in form and Tommy Silver is weighted up to his best. GOLD PRESENT is the top weight but with a bit in hand and is the selection at 6/1 with Ladbrokes.

## **Race In Focus: Scottish Grand National** - By Ian Hudson

**Aye, Saturday April 13th 2019 - Four miles chase for horses aged five and over with 27 fences.**

### **Description**

In its different guises the race was first run in 1858 and took place at Bogside until 1966 when Ayr became the home. The Scottish Grand National took its name from the English equivalent at Aintree. It is one of the highest turnover races of the season after races at the Cheltenham festival and the Grand National. The only horse to win both Nationals in the same year is Red Rum in 1974. Little Polveir and Earth Summit achieved the double but in different years. The race has been shown live on television since 1989 and ITV will cover this year's renewal.

### **Winners Since 2009**

<b>Year</b>	<b>Horse</b>	<b>Jockey</b>	<b>Trainer</b>	<b>SP</b>
2009	Hello Bud	Paddy Brennan	N Twiston-Davies	12/1
2010	Merigo	Timmy Murphy	Andrew Parker	18/1
2011	Beshabar	Richard Johnson	Tim Vaughan	15/2
2012	Merigo	Timmy Murphy	Andrew Parker	15/2
2013	Godsmejudge	Wayne Hutchinson	Alan King	12/1
2014	Al Co	Jamie Moore	Peter Bowen	40/1
2015	Wayward Prince	Robbie Dunne	Hilary Parrott	25/1
2016	Vicente	Sam Twiston-Davies	Paul Nicholls	14/1
2017	Vicente	Sam Twiston-Davies	Paul Nicholls	9/1JF
2018	Joe Farrell	Adam Wedge	Rebecca Curtis	33/1

### **10 Year Trends**

The average starting price of the winners is 18/1.

The SP's ranged from 15/2 to 40/1.

There were no successful outright favourites.

7 winners started at double figure odds.

5 winners were in the range of 15/2 to 14/1.

2 winners started at 33/1 or bigger.

No winners were trained in Ireland.

There were 2 two-time winning trainers and jockeys.

The most common age of the winner was 9.

3 winners were aged 10 and over.

3 winners carried 11 stone or more.

The range of weights carried by the winner was 10-00 to 11-10.

## Records

Three horses have won the race three times but the latest treble was complete in 1956.

The leading jockey with 4 wins is Charlie Cunningham (1881 to 1889) and Mark Dwyer is the leading jockey at Ayr with 3 wins (1984 to 1996).

Neville Crump and Ken Oliver are the leading trainers and Ken Oliver has the most wins at Ayr (4 from 1970 to 1982)

## Leading Contenders

**BEWARE THE BEAR** (9/1 with bet365) won a competitive handicap chase at the Cheltenham Festival and has the stamina to run a big race. **VINTAGE CLOUDS** (10/1 with William Hill) fell at the first fence in the Grand National so didn't have a run. **CROSSHUE BOY** (12/1 with Coral) has been backed in from 33/1 and the race has been the horse's target for a year. **DINGO DOLLAR** (10/1 with Betfair) finished second behind Crosshue Boy in a novice's handicap chase at the meeting in 2018. **BIG RIVER** (10/1 with Paddy Power) was fourth behind Beware The Bear at Cheltenham and the form of that race should be confirmed at Ayr.

**Tip: Beware The Bear at 9/1 with [bet365](#).**

**Next Week's Race: bet365 Gold Cup**

## Previous Tips

Supreme Novices' Hurdle - Tornado Flyer at 16/1 (now 33/1) **NON RUNNER**

Arkle Challenge Trophy - Lalor at 5/1 (now 3/1) **PULLED UP**

Champion Hurdle - Laurina at 4/1 (now 4/1) **FOURTH**

RSA Chase - Topofthegame at 8/1 (now 9/2) **WON**

Champion Chase - Altior at 4/7 (now 1/2) **WON**

Ryanair Chase - Waiting Patiently 7/1 **NON RUNNER**

Paisley Park - Stayers Hurdle 9/4 (now 15/8) **WON**

Triumph Hurdle - Sir Erec 6/4 (now 5/4) **PULLED UP**

Gold Cup - Bellshill 14/1 (now 12/1) **PULLED UP**

Betway Bowl - Might Bite - No price yet **NON RUNNER**

Aintree Hurdle - Buveur D'Air 5/6 **SECOND**

Melling Chase - Waiting Patiently 8/1 (now 8/1) **THIRD**

Grand National - Rock The Kasbah 25/1 **BROUGHT DOWN**