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## **TODAY'S FREE SPORTS BETTING TIPS...**

Each Way Hits Ripon 14:50 - Cotubanama @ 20/1 Each Way

Early Odds Newmarket 17:20 - Abel Hardy @ 5/1 Win

<u>Value Wins</u> Chelmsford (A.W) 17:25 - Village Rock @ 12/1 Each Way

## Race In Focus: bet365 Gold Cup - By lan Hudson



Sandown, Saturday April 27th 2019.- Three miles and five furlongs chase for horses aged five and over with 24 fences.

#### Description

The race was first run in 1957 under the name of the Whitbread Gold Cup. It was the first major sponsorship deal for a horse race in Britain and at the time the longest continuous partnership. The association ended in 2001 but some traditionalists still call the race the Whitbread which

must irritate subsequent partners. The bet365 Chase is now run on the last day of the jumps season and the race is one of the most prestigious ling distance chases in the sport. Mr Frisk is the last horse to win the bet365 Gold Cup and Grand National and Desert Orchid is the last horse to win the race and the Cheltenham Gold Cup. Doubles with the two biggest chases of the season are rare. The 'Whitbread' is a much sought after race in its own right.

#### Winners Since 2009

2010 Church IslandAdrian HeskinMichael Hourigan20/12011 Poker de SivolaTimmy MurphyFerdy Murphy11/12012 Tidal BayDaryl JacobPaul Nicholls9/12013 Quentin CollognesAndrew TinklerHenry Daly14/12014 Hadrian's ApproachBarry GeraghtyNicky Henderson10/12015 Just A ParSean BowenPaul Nicholls14/12016 The Young MasterSam Waley-CohenNeil Mulholland8/12017 Henllan HarriSean BowenPeter Bowen40/1	Year	Horse	Jockey	Trainer	SP
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#### **10 Year Trends**

- The average starting price of the winners is 14/1.
- The SP's ranged from 13/2 to 40/1.
- There were no successful outright favourites.
- 6 winners started at double figure odds.
- 5 winners were in the range of 12/2 to 11/1.
- 2 winners started at 20/1 or bigger.
- 1 winner was trained in Ireland.
- There were 2 two-time winning trainers and jockeys.
- The most common age of the winner was 8.

- 2 winners were aged 10 and over.
- 2 winners carried 11 stone or more.
- The range of weights carried by the winner was 10-00 to 11-10.

#### Records

Four horses have won the race two times but the latest double was completed in 2003.

The leading jockey with 4 wins is Ron Barry (19771, 1973 and 1974).

Fulke Walwyn is the leading trainer with 7 wins between 1958 and 1984.

### Leading Contenders

The Young Master won the race in 2016 and is now weighted to be competitive again. Beware The Bear won a competitive handicap chase at the Cheltenham festival but was a late withdrawal when fancied for the Scottish Grand National at Ayr. Present Man has won two handicap chases at Wincanton and must be respected. However, ROCK THE KASBAH has the form to win the race despite running poorly in the Grand National before being brought down on the second circuit.

### Tip: Rock The Kasbah at 14/1 with bet365.

#### Next Week's Race: 2,000 Guineas

#### **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 Scottish Grand National - Beware The Bear 9/1 NON RUNNER

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

# **Tottenham Could Have Their Name Written On The Champions League Trophy**

Apparently luck and questionable decisions even out over the course of a season but that is no consolation for Manchester City. Two huge incidents in the Champions League match with Tottenham went to VAR and City were on the wrong end of both decisions. Tottenham were awarded a goal and City had the late decider ruled out after consultation with the video assistant referee. However, what was gained in the right decisions was lost in the climatic moment of scoring a goal or not. TOTTENHAM are 7/2 with **Coral** to win the Champions League.

A goal for Arsenal in tonight's Europa League match in Napoli means the Italian team will have to score four goals to progress to the semi-finals. Arsenal won the first leg of the tie 2-0 in London and that lead should be enough. However, they have a poor away record and avoiding defeat looks beyond them. Arsenal have not conceded in eight of 10 Europa League matches but have a big challenge to keep a clean sheet in this fixture. NAPOLI are 4/6 with Ladbrokes to win the match in 90 minutes. Chelsea have a 1-0 lead ahead of meeting Slavia Prague at home and a WIN TO NIL is within their compass and that outcome is 21/20 with **Coral**.

The highlight of the third day of the Craven meeting at Newmarket is the Group 3 Earl of Sefton Stakes over one and one furlong at 4.10. On ratings and form Elarqam is a worthy favourite but the horse has not run for 245 days. First Contact has won a decent handicap but that form might not be strong enough to win a race at this level. FOREST RANGER won the race last year so is proven over the course and distance and good enough to complete the double at 5/1 with **Ladbrokes**.