

Handicap Chase Trainers To Follow

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Today I'm going to introduce you to three trainers whose handicap chasers should always be kept onside.

As you no doubt know by now I have a few approaches to making money from horse racing and one of my favourites is following trainers. Identifying profitable habits, behaviours and mini angles is the cornerstone of my betting and I'm excited to 'introduce' these trainers to you.

Enjoy this free report and I hope that together we can find some winners and make some profit along the way. (although that is never guaranteed ☺)

Happy Punting,

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Handicap Chase Trainers

1. TOM GEORGE

Micro-System Rules

1. Handicap Chases (includes Novice Handicaps)
2. Ridden by Paddy Brennan
3. November to April inclusive
4. Horse ran between 1-30 days ago

Results (2010-)

	Bets	Wins	Win%	P/L(SP)	Places	Place%	ROI(SP)	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Pic)	A/E
ALL	123	36	29.27	79.02	62	50.41	64.24	109.11	88.71	32.46	1.46
2014	20	7	35	28.25	12	60	141.25	41.63	208.13	14.79	2.1
2013	34	8	23.53	0.13	13	38.24	0.38	1.81	5.31	-6.06	1.28
2012	37	13	35.14	31.14	22	59.46	84.16	41.36	111.78	12.78	1.52
2011	26	5	19.23	4.75	10	38.46	18.27	6.71	25.81	-4.23	0.89
2010	6	3	50	14.75	5	83.33	245.83	17.61	293.43	15.19	3

Commentary

Tom George has demonstrated his consistency with his handicap chasers when they are fit and he has his main jockey, Paddy Brennan, up top. A near 30% strike rate and over 50% win and place strike rate since the beginning of 2010 is impressive. A £10 win bet on every one of the qualifiers since the start of 2010 would have won you £1091.10p. Averaging nearly 22 points a year to 1 point level stakes is a very good and this mini system is a worthy addition to anyone's betting portfolio. Importantly his 36 winners come from 27 different horses meaning that if he gets the right ammunition he knows what he is doing and as long as he keeps purchasing the right types of horses he should be profitable for a few years to come. Sometimes a trainer's success can be based on a small number of horses and their results can dip when they retire for example. There are no odds limits at the moment. Tom George has had winners up to 16/1 and only two qualifiers above 16/1 one of which one was placed at 50/1.

2. PAUL HENDERSON

Micro-System Rules

1. Handicap Chases (includes Novice Handicaps)
2. Irish Bred ONLY
3. Ridden by Tom O'Brien (+Paddy Brennan and James Best)
4. 25/1 or under

Results (2011- no data pre 2010):-

	Bets	Wins	Win%	P/L(SP)	Places	Place%	ROI(SP)	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Pic)	A/E
ALL	96	26	27.08	122.88	40	41.67	128	161.01	167.72	43.17	2.01
2014	27	8	29.63	42	13	48.15	155.56	49.29	182.54	14.98	2.4
2013	37	8	21.62	36.75	12	32.43	99.32	52.67	142.36	13.88	1.63
2012	18	6	33.33	39.38	8	44.44	218.78	53.4	296.66	8.96	2.43
2011	14	4	28.57	4.75	7	50	33.93	5.66	40.4	5.34	1.79

And broken down by jockey:-

Jockey	Bets	Wins	Win%	P/L(SP)	Places	Place%	ROI(SP)	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Pic)	A/E
Best, J A	7	2	28.57	3.38	3	42.86	48.29	4.6	65.64	-0.34	1.68
Brennan, P J	20	4	20	22	6	30	110	33.55	167.76	5.53	1.61
OBrien, T J	69	20	28.99	97.5	31	44.93	141.3	122.86	178.06	37.98	2.16

Commentary

Paul Henderson is vastly underestimated by the market with his Handicap Chasers and even more so when he puts the right rider up. Tom O'Brien is the main man now and when he gets the leg up the horse usually runs well. Likewise with Paddy Brennan although he is used sparingly and while he is only 4/20 I think his mounts are worth a second look for the foreseeable future. James Best is clearly one to keep an eye on because he has not had many rides. In fact his last ride for Henderson under the criteria was last October. But if he does get the leg up this season there is no reason not to back them, on what we have seen so far. Richard Johnson does get the odd ride for the stable but he is currently only 4/24 under the rules above and is unprofitable. However, I will be keeping a close eye on his mounts.

The market often lets Henderson's horses go off at big prices and they run consistently well. Anything over 5/1 is definitely worth an EW bet. The results are not skewed by loads of big priced winners either. In fact the stats for horses priced over 16/1 are 1 from 8 and +25 points at BFSP. He has had two 25/1 shots run and one of them placed. So for the moment I want to keep his bigger priced horses onside as every now and then one runs well.

Breeding: I have listened to Henderson a few times being interviewed on ATR, mainly at Pumpton and he has often talked about the buying ability of 'his man in Ireland'. Quite simply he has a good buying agent (s) in Ireland who sends him horses that can win. (Alright Benny would be a recent example) His record with GB and French Breds is poor and I simply think he gets a better quality of horse from Ireland. Even though it's a small sample 0/14 (2 places) for now his non- Irish Breds indicates they are best left alone for the moment.

These are pretty impressive figures for a micro-system and is another worth adding to your portfolio. A £10 bet on every horse at BFSP would have been worth a cool £1564.20, averaging nearly £400 a year.

3. SUE SMITH

Micro-System Rules

1. Handicap Chases (EXCLUDES Novice handicaps)
2. November to April Inclusive
3. Tracks: Bangor, Carlisle, Sedgefield ONLY
4. 14/1 or under

Results (2010-)

	Bets	Wins	Win%	P/L(SP)	Places	Place%	ROI(SP)	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Plc)	A/E
ALL	84	25	29.76	69.13	42	50	82.3	81.23	96.7	22.86	1.65
2014	18	6	33.33	22.5	12	66.67	125	24.6	136.69	11.95	1.86
2013	13	2	15.38	1.5	6	46.15	11.54	2.02	15.5	4.16	1.09
2012	21	6	28.57	20.13	9	42.86	95.86	21.41	101.97	0.44	1.36
2011	22	9	40.91	18.5	11	50	84.09	22.28	101.29	6.04	2.14
2010	10	2	20	6.5	4	40	65	10.91	109.15	0.28	1.38

By Track -

Track	Bets	Wins	Win%	P/L(SP)	Places	Place%	ROI(SP)	P/L(BF)	ROI(BF)	P/L(Plc)	A/E
Bangor	6	3	50	6	3	50	100	6.51	108.49	-0.06	2.14
Carlisle	29	9	31.03	35.75	15	51.72	123.28	43.42	149.73	13.62	1.78
Sedgefield	49	13	26.53	27.38	24	48.98	55.88	31.3	63.87	9.3	1.5

Commentary

Sue Smith, one of our very own OTT trainers, is establish a solid record when targeting her handicap chasers at these three tracks, and especially Carlisle and Sedgefield. Bangor is clearly one to keep an eye on but it looks as though she means business when heading to the Welsh track. Unlike the other two trainers in the report she does not do so well with her Novice Handicappers which may suggest she takes her time more with her chasers and builds them up slowly, before sending them to these tracks to bring home the money! All in all Sue Smith's handicap chasers should be kept onside under these conditions.

A Just a quick note on the tabs in the table, hopefully the majority are self-explanatory:-

- **P/L (BF)** - is profit/loss at Betfair SP. This is a price that in a worst case scenario the majority of punters can get (closed bookie accounts etc), and it is why I like to highlight it. I would always recommend using Best Odds Guaranteed Bookmakers. Exceptions would be 16/1 /20/1 + shots which can often be much higher on the exchanges –but then you have to take a chance that the price doesn't shorten.
- **Places** – This includes all those horses that have won and placed. Subtract the number of winners from this place figure to determine how many just placed, without winning.
- **P/L (Pic)** is the points profit from a single point bet on each selection in the Betfair Place Market, at Betfair Place SP.
- **A/E** stands for Actual/Expected and is the index of actual winners to expected winners. Calculating an index this way shows 'value' and thus value bets. If a stat/angle/system has *more winners than expected* then we have found a good thing for backing. If a stat has *fewer winners than expected* then we've found a weakness - an indicator of bad 'value' for betting purposes. So, if it is **1.00** that is exactly in line with what the market expects should happen – i.e. the exact number of winners you would expect based on the starting price of selections. Anything above 1.00 indicates that, based on the odds of the horses, the trainer/angle is having more winners than expected. In this case Nicholls has 50% more winners than expected based on their starting price, indicating that his winners are going off at bigger odds than they should be – which is a good thing! In this game you always want to be backing horses at a bigger price than their actual chance of winning- that is the key to long term profit.

How to use this Micro-System

As with all micro-systems you have two choices as to how you use them:-

1. You can back the qualifiers systematically, either to win or each way.
2. You can use this information to further enhance your own selection process.

Staking Advice

Staking is very personal and punters have different approaches that they are comfortable with. Firstly, and I know it's stating the obvious, but you should only ever bet what you can afford to lose.

I personally only ever bet to level stakes and have always done so. I am not into complicated staking plans. No doubt some of you will look at the results above and have clear views on the approach you would like to take.

As a general rule of thumb any approach that has around a 25% win strike rate can expect to hit a maximum losing run of 24 per 1000 bets. Obviously if the SR is slightly higher it will be a bit less than this.

For P.Henderson the longest losing run has been 9, which happened once, and the second longest was 6 which also happened once. T.George on the other hand has had a maximum losing run of 18 (once), 12 (once) and 8 (once). Sue Smith's longest losing run was 7 which happened once.

If you are going to back the selections systematically I would recommend using a 50 point bank for 1 point level stakes bets. This should more than cover their joint worst losing runs, if they happen to occur at the same time! I think it is safe to say that if collectively these three trainers lose a 50 point bank these angles would need to be re-evaluated. Of course if you bet EW you will get a return more often.

I recommend using Best Odds Guaranteed bookmakers. BFSP is the best approximation of BOG that we have and I would be confident returns would be better if able to take early prices as opposed to BFSP. Having said that, some of the qualifiers could be much bigger on the exchanges so you should be flexible with some of the qualifiers, especially those that are 16/1 or bigger.

Some of you may like to back these selections each way. You could bet 1 point win for all selections under 5/1 and ½ point EW when 5/1 or over. Given the consistent place strike rates for all three trainers EW betting should be considered when the price allows.

How to Find Selections

1. Go to www.racingpost.com
2. Use the search bar in the top right hand corner to search for the two trainers. Click on their names and a pop up box with his record should appear.
3. Click on the third tab along at the top of this box – 'Entries' – and from there scan down to see if there are any qualifiers that match the rules.
4. Go to oddschecker.com and check that the horse is in the right price range. Then place your bets with your preferred bookmaker or Betfair SP.

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The selections will be posted in the Today's Selections Page. Results will not be included as part of the OTT system results.

Happy Punting

And that's it. I'm a true believer that the best micro-systems are simple and selections should be easy to find. It doesn't come too much easier than this. As you have seen Tom George, Paul Henderson and Sue Smith do consistently do well in Handicap Chases.

As with all trainer angles and systems I will be keeping a close eye on performance to ensure that they stay profitable and perform above market expectations. I am a firm believer that trainers are creatures of habit and if they have found a successful method that works for them they will keep doing the same thing. The problem comes if the method or circumstances change. A trainer can suffer a virus in the yard which can affect performance for a whole season or more. They can start buying a different type of horse from a different source, or make changes to how and where they train. (such as the relaying of a different type of surface on their all-weather gallops, or the increased use of a swimming pool for example) There are numerous reasons why a trainer's results or speciality may change. That is also the reason why, with trainer angles, I don't think it is worthwhile looking beyond the last five or six years of results.

The great thing though is that when you do find a profitable angle based on the success and habits of a trainer that is still performing above market expectations, you can have increased confidence that it will continue – at least for the next two or three years, if not more.

That's it from me today.

I hope you enjoy this guide. I have every confidence that together we can make some extra spending money by following these selections.

I will be producing more guides like this over the coming months so keep a look out for those.

Do check out my blog – www.racingtopprofit.co.uk - where you will be able to find even more profitable information over the coming weeks and months. I have a few ideas for some regular features that I will share soon. Regular posts, including a 'Pace Wins the Race' daily post will start from next week, Monday 17th November.

Until the next time,

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