

November Novices' Chase – Greatwood Hurdle

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The NTF Approach



Dosage Trends & Dosage Points

+ Extended Trends Analysis

The alternative approach to handicapping the 2011

November Novices' Chase – Greatwood Hurdle

Introduction

Welcome to the latest NTF guide of the 2011/12 NH Season. Today's guide looks at the **November Novices' Chase** and the **Greatwood Hurdle** from **CHELTENHAM** and puts both contests under the spotlight and subjects them to the usual rigorous NTF Dosage analysis and extended trends analysis.

If the Dosage method is still an alien concept to you then please take a look through the example guide that I have recently been giving away.

Each race that I analyse is split over 6 sections –

- Section 1 highlights the Dosage trends, sourced from the previous 15 renewals, as well as running style trends and other key Dosage trends.
- Section 2 looks at this year's entrants and splits the field into likely winners, possible winners and unlikely winners based on Dosage
- Section 3 looks at the important trends that the past 15 winners had in common and looks to see which of today's runners best fit the trends
- Section 4 looks at the pace of the race and how each runner is likely to run and how the race may ultimately shape up
- **Section 5 is the race overview and where I look at compiling a short list based on trends, Dosage and Going**
- Section 6 is my selection section. This section always includes the **NTF selection** (the horse I think has a big chance based on its Dosage figures and trends profile) but depending on the size of field and/or competitiveness of the race there may also be an **NTF outsider/danger horse** (an outsider who I feel has a better chance than the market suggests or a horse I feel is a big danger to my selection) and/or a **potential Dosage buster** (a horse that has the potential to outperform its Dosage figures)

This NTF release is a guide to who are the likely winners based on the Dosage method and extended trends analysis. Although I have added a section with my own selections this segment is not the only way you can utilise the guide. What I have presented to you is a Dosage and trends breakdown of today's race. The entries for this race have been broken down, using trends and stats from the previous 15 renewals(if available), into likely winners, possible winners and unlikely winners based on Dosage. How you use these stats is entirely up to yourself. You could, if you wanted, follow my selections blindly, you could interpret the figures in your own way and come to your own conclusions, you could incorporate the figures into your own analysis and/or ratings, you could follow only the Dosage figures, you could follow only the extended trends analysis - the choice is exclusively yours. I have presented the stats in my regular NTF fashion and you can use them how you see fit.

I personally use Dosage and trends to aid my betting in a number of ways and hopefully you will too.

****We must remember that although trends and stats are a good pointer they are not a guarantee for future success.***

I hope enjoy the latest **NTF** guide ☺

Abbreviations that are used in this publication

Dosage Trends

DP = Dosage Profile

DI = Dosage Index

CD = Centre of Distribution

Dosage Points Angle (DPA)

PATB = Points Across The Board

Horses that have points in each category of their Dosage Profile

20+ = 20 or more total Dosage Points

Horses that have equal to or more than 20 points in their Dosage Profile

DQ = Dual Qualifier

Horses that have BOTH points across the board AND 20 or more points in their Dosage Profile

Best of luck for today, enjoy the guide and Happy Punting 😊

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Sunday 13th November 2011

Cheltenham

1.10 Grade 2 Novices' Chase

November Novices' Chase

2.20 Grade 3 Hcp Hurdle

Greatwood Hcp Hurdle

November Novices' Chase

Grade 2 / 2m / 4yo+



Dosage Trends

DP - 13/15 had 12 points or more in their DP
11/15 had between 12 & 20 points in their DP

DI - 12/13 had a DI of 1.67 or below
11/13 had a DI of 1.46 or below
1/13 had a DI below 0.60

Majority Range: 0.60 to 1.46 - 77% of winners

CD - 12/13 had a CD of 0.50 or below
10/13 had a CD of 0.30 or below
1/13 had a CD below -0.25

Majority Range: -0.25 to 0.50 - 85% of winners

DI & CD Average - DI 1.17 / CD 0.12 **DI & CD Median –** DI 1.22 / CD 0.25

Running Style

Front runners – 4
Close to Pace – 6
Hold Up – 5

Dosage points angle

4/15
(PATB) = 2 / (20+) = 2 / (DQ) = 1

2011 November Novices' Chase Entrants

Probable winners *(Based on Dosage)*

Form	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
31	L ELDORADO	2-3-5-2-2	PATB	14	1.15	0.07	FR
13	ASTRACAD	2-1-8-5-0	/	16	1.78	0.00	CP/HU
2P11	COURT IN SESSION	3-1-9-7-0	20+	20	0.74	0.00	FR
2	TOUBAB	1-1-7-3-0	/	12	0.85	0.00	CP/HU
712	DELPHI MOUNTAIN	3-2-11-8-2	DQ	26	0.68	-0.15	CP/HU

Possible winners *(Based on Dosage)*

FORM	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
311	LANCETTO	6-1-10-5-0	20+	22	1.20	0.36	FR
/	BELLVANO	0-1-4-1-2	/	8	0.60	-0.50	CP
/	AL FEROF	0-0-2-2-0	/	4	0.33	-0.50	CP

Unlikely winners *(Based on Dosage)*

FORM	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
*022	MAGGIO	5-1-7-1-0	/	14	2.11	0.71	FR










November Novices' Chase Extended Trends Analysis

- 1 15/15 had at least 3 previous NH victories
- 2 15/15 were either FR/IRE/GER bred
- 3 13/15 top 2 finish last time out
- 4 13/15 were NOT making their chasing debut
- 5 13/15 ran within past 29 days
- 6 13/15 had no more than 12 previous NH starts
- 7 12/15 were aged 4, 5 or 6
- 8 11/15 had made only 1 previous Chase start


NTF Trends	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Tot
LANCETTO	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	7/8
TOUBAB	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	7/8
DELPHI MOUNTAIN	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	6/8
L ELDOADO	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	6/8
MAGGIO	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	6/8
BELLVANO	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	5/8
AL FEROF	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	5/8
ASTRACAD	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	5/8
COURT IN SESSION	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	5/8

Trend follower (s) – LANCETTO - TOUBAB

November Novices' Chase Analysis

Horse	RS	Running Style
LANCETTO	FR	 FR
BELLVANO	CP	 CP
DELPHI MOUNTAIN	CP/HU	 CP/HU
AL FEROF	CP	 CP
ASTRACAD	CP/HU	 CP/HU
COURT IN SESSION	FR	 FR
L ELDOADO	FR	 FR
MAGGIO	FR	 FR
TOUBAB	CP/HU	 CP/HU

HU	CP	FR
	BELLVANO	LANCETTO
	DELPHI MOUNTAIN	COURT IN SESSION
	AL FEROF	L ELDOADO
	ASTRACAD	MAGGIO
	TOUBAB	



The above is just a quick snapshot of how the race may be run based on the perceived running styles of each horse.

This could be run at a lightning clip with **LANCETTO**, **COURT IN SESSION**, **L 'ELDOADO** and **MAGGIO** all possible front-runners.

2011 November Novices' Chase Overview

TRENDS

The runners that look best suited to this Grade 2 on the trends front are –

LANCETTO – 7/8

TOUBAB – 7/8

DOSAGE

TOUBAB

Dosage Green zone

LANCETTO

Dosage Orange Zone

GROUND (Ground conditions currently – Good to Soft)

Form on the ground -

LANCETTO – 2

TOUBAB – 5-1-4

2011 November Novices' Chase Selections

NTF Selection – A trappy Novices' Chase here with the stats not being a great help to us. With that in mind I'm willing to take a risk on **TOUBAB** (P Nicholls) coming on from his debut run at the track last month. He ran far to free that day and hopefully that pipe-opener will have taken the buzz off him a bit. He jumped well on his chasing debut and if Fehily can hold on to him for a bit longer he can take a hand in the finish.

Greatwood Hurdle

Grade 3 Hcp / 2m 110yds / 4yo+



Dosage Trends

DP - 15/15 had 10 points or more in their DP

12/15 had 16 points or more in their DP

DI - 13/15 had a DI of 0.85 and above

12/15 had a DI of 1.00 and above

1/15 had a DI above 3.00

Majority Range: 1.00 to 3.00 - 73% of winners

CD - 13/15 had a CD of 0.08 and above

12/15 had a CD of 0.17 and above

9/15 had a CD of 0.30 or above

Majority Range: 0.17 to 0.66 - 67% of winners

DI & CD Average - DI 1.76 / CD 0.32

DI & CD Median – DI 1.37 / CD 0.31

Running Style

Front runners – 2

Close to Pace – 4

Hold Up – 9

Dosage points angle

10/15

(PATB) = 1 / (20+) = 7 / (DQ) = 2

2011 Greatwood Hurdle Entrants

Probable winners *(Based on Dosage)*

Form	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
1	BRAMPOUR	6-4-10-2-0	20+	22	2.14	0.64	CP
73	ALAZAN	8-3-10-5-0	20+	26	1.60	0.54	FR
/	ANDHAAR	7-7-20-2-0	20+	36	2.00	0.53	HU/CP
*0	TOPOLSKI	7-1-22-0-0	20+	30	1.73	0.50	HU
/	THE BETCHWORTH KID	3-1-4-2-0	/	10	1.50	0.50	HU
111	ABERGAVENNY	7-1-10-4-0	20+	22	1.44	0.50	CP
1	PATEESE	3-3-6-1-1	PATB	14	1.80	0.43	CP
153	JACK COOL	8-1-11-6-0	20+	26	1.26	0.42	CP
4	PALAWI	3-0-6-0-1	/	10	1.50	0.40	FR
1	ULTIMATE	2-6-11-0-1	20+	20	2.08	0.40	FR
22327	NEARBY	6-4-20-4-0	20+	34	1.43	0.35	HU
214164	EIGHTYBARACKSTREET	4-2-10-4-0	20+	20	1.22	0.30	CP

Possible winners *(Based on Dosage)*

FORM	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
/	SON OF FLICKA	11-0-11-0-2	20+	24	2.20	0.75	CP/HU
32110	VIVA COLONIA	10-4-11-2-1	DQ	28	2.29	0.71	HU
42	VIA GALILEI	4-2-12-4-0	20+	22	1.20	0.27	HU
6	THIRD INTENTION	2-0-9-1-0	/	12	1.18	0.25	HU/CP
203232	INSPECTOR CLOUSEAU	3-4-8-4-1	DQ	20	1.22	0.20	HU
3	A MEDIA LUZ	4-1-13-6-0	20+	24	0.92	0.13	HU/CP
11	MOON DICE	0-1-11-0-0	/	12	1.18	0.08	CP/FR
28	KUMBESHWAR	4-3-11-6-2	DQ	26	0.93	0.04	CP/FR

Unlikely winners *(Based on Dosage)*

FORM	HORSE	DP	DPA	TOT	DI	CD	R/S
/	HARRY TRICKER	3-0-18-2-5	20+	28	0.75	-0.21	HU/CP
/	SANCTUAIRE	0-1-7-1-3	/	12	0.60	-0.50	HU
/	OLDRIK	2-0-2-0-0	/	4	3.00	1.00	HU
4	OLOFI	1-1-3-1-0	/	6	1.40	0.33	CP

Greatwood Hurdle Extended Trends Analysis

- 1 14/15 had between 1 & 4 prev hurdle wins
- 2 14/15 ran at a Grade 1 track last time out
- 3 13/15 won 1 of last 3 starts
- 4 12/15 rated between 129 & 149
- 5 12/15 were aged 5 or 6
- 6 12/15 had 10 or less previous hurdle starts
- 7 12/15 had no more than 11 NH starts
- 8 12/15 had a 59%+ W-P Hurdle S/R
- 9 12/15 carried 10-06 or more to victory
- 10 11/15 finished 1st or 2nd last time out
- 11 11/15 had 2 or less previous hurdle handicap starts
- 12 10/15 ran within past 32 days
- 13 10/15 were either a novice or 2nd season hurdler

NTF Trends

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Tot
BRAMPOUR	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	12/13
PATEESE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	12/13
TOPOLSKI	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	11/13
MOON DICE	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	11/13
THIRD INTENTION	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	11/13
KUMBESHWAR	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	10/13
ABERGAVENNY	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	10/13
EIGHTYBARACKSTREET	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	10/13
PALAWI	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	9/13
A MEDIA LUZ	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	9/13
THE BETCHWORTH KID	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	8/13
INSPECTOR CLOUSEAU	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	8/13
ANDHAAR	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	8/13
SANCTUAIRE	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	7/13
JACK COOL	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	7/13
VIA GALILEI	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	7/13
OLOFI	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	6/13
VIVA COLONIA	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	5/13
ALAZAN	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	5/13
NEARBY	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	N	4/13
SON OF FLICKA	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	4/13
OLDRIK	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	4/13
ULTIMATE	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	4/13
HARRY TRICKER	Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	3/13

Trend follower (s) – BRAMPOUR - PATEESE

Greatwood Hurdle Analysis

Horse	RS	Running Style
SANCTUAIRE	HU	→ HU
TOPOLSKI	HU	→ HU
BRAMPOUR	CP	→ CP
NEARBY	HU	→ HU
JACK COOL	CP	→ CP
MOON DICE	CP/FR	→ CP/FR
SON OF FLICKA	CP/HU	→ CP/HU
THIRD INTENTION	HU/CP	→ HU/CP
KUMBESHWAR	CP/FR	→ CP/FR
VIA GALILEI	HU	→ HU
THE BETCHWORTH KID	HU	→ HU
INSPECTOR CLOUSEAU	HU	→ HU
VIVA COLONIA	HU	→ HU
PALAWI	FR	→ FR
OLDRIK	HU	→ HU
A MEDIA LUZ	HU/CP	→ HU/CP
PATEESE	CP	→ CP
ABERGAVENNY	CP	→ CP
OLOFI	CP	→ CP
ANDHAAR	HU/CP	→ HU/CP
EIGHTYBARACKSTREET	CP	→ CP
ULTIMATE	FR	→ FR
HARRY TRICKER	HU/CP	→ HU/CP
ALAZAN	FR	→ FR

HU	CP	FR
SANCTUAIRE	BRAMPOUR	
TOPOLSKI	JACK COOL	MOON DICE
NEARBY	SON OF FLICKA	KUMBESHWAR
	THIRD INTENTION	
VIA GALILEI	OLOFI	PALAWI
THE BETCHWORTH KID	A MEDIA LUZ	ULTIMATE
INSPECTOR CLOUSEAU	PATEESE	ALAZAN
VIVA COLONIA	ABERGAVENNY	
OLDRIK	ANDHAAR	
	EIGHTYBARACKSTREET	
	HARRY TRICKER	

The above is just a quick snapshot of how the race may be run based on the perceived running styles of each horse.

PALAWI, ULTIMATE and ALAZAN should make this a real test and ensure a strong pace.

2011 Greatwood Hurdle Overview

TRENDS

The runners that look best suited to this Grade 3 Handicap on the trends front are –

BRAMPOUR – 12/13

PATEESE – 12/13

TOPOLSKI – 11/13

MOON DICE – 11/13

THIRD INTENTION – 11/13

KUMBESHWAR – 10/13

ABERGAVENNY – 10/13

EIGHTYBARACKSTREET – 10/13

DOSAGE

BRAMPOUR – PATEESE – TOPOLSKI – ABERGAVENNY – EIGHTYBARACKSTREET

Dosage green zone

MOON DICE – THIRD INTENTION – KUMBESHWAR

Dosage Orange Zone

GROUND (Ground conditions currently – Good to Soft)

Form on the ground -

BRAMPOUR – 3

PATEESE – 1-0

TOPOLSKI – 1-1

MOON DICE – 1

THIRD INTENTION – 2

KUMBESHWAR – 3-2

ABERGAVENNY – N/A

EIGHTYBARACKSTREET – 5-1-4-6-4

2011 Greatwood Hurdle Selections

NTF Selection – MOON DICE (P Flynn) – The impressive Galway Plate winner appears to have been targeted for this assignment having been given a short break since landing the valuable summer pot. He beat a decent field that by upwards of 4 lengths and plenty in behind that day have since boosted the form. He seems to thrive in big fields as his record in fields of 16 runners or more reads 3 wins from 5 starts (all his career (10 starts) victories in fact). Trainer Paul Flynn has also recognised the need to give his stable star a break between races as his record after a break of 90 days or more reads 6-1-1. The ground should pose little problem for the 6yo and he looks primed for his hat-trick bid.

NTF Outsider/Danger - BRAMPOUR (P Nicholls) – Joint tops the trends here and comes in off the back of a career best victory at Ascot last time out. He was reported to have undergone a breathing operation over the summer and that has clearly had the desired effect. With only 5 hurdle runs under his belt it's safe to assume there is still more to come from the 4yo and the 10lbs raise for his last run may not be enough to stop him getting involved here.

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