

# Today’s Epsom racing tips



Epsom Racecourse presents its latest race meeting on Thursday evening, with a total of six races; five handicaps and a juveniles’ novice race.

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Kicking off the evening’s action is an apprentice handicap over a mile and two furlongs (5.50). Etretat won last time out at Newcastle just five days ago and carries a penalty as a result, although is given three pounds back by his claiming rider. He is more of an all-weather specialist, however, having never won a race on turf, and is easy to look past. Despite carrying top weight, Carnival Day looks capable of winning this due to remaining on the same mark as when running well for fourth of 12 at Yarmouth last time, and has good form at this track, which is a big positive.

Next is a two-year-olds’ novice run over seven furlongs (6.25). Of the six runners, Dylan Cunha’s Champagne Dream is the only newcomer here; a colt by Oasis Dream who is probably best watched this term, looking on paper to be more a next-season sort. William Knight’s horses are running well at present, and his colt Norfolk Blue looks to have a solid chance. This son of A’Ali placed a close second last time out at Lingfield, and is given a handy three pounds by his rider, Brandon Wilkie.

Race three is a mile and a half handicap (7.00). King’s Castle seeks a hat-trick, having won his last two starts at Ffos Las and Sandown under the same rider; seven-pound claimer Taryn Langley. He wears a first time hood, and shouldn’t have too much standing in his way here at a track that he likes. Chips And Rice ought to be in with a big chance here, fit from a hurdling campaign and now on a very workable Flat mark for today. Jockey Pat Cosgrave is in good form, and Robert Stephens’ horses are running well at present too.

Following is an extended mile fillies’ handicap (7.30). We have only four runners here, all of which have won at least one race this term. Pink Azalea seeks a hat-trick, having won her last two starts at Ripon and Carlisle, and has Jack Dace’s seven pounds in hand. Both Brielle and Revelance won their last starts, but Brielle’s win was more applicable to this race. She does have a lot of weight to shoulder now though, hence it might be better to side with Revelance today, whose form is of a very promising level.

Penultimately we have a seven-furlong handicap for three-year-olds (8.00). With nine runners, this is a competitive affair. Miakoda won his last start under Pat Cosgrave, who rides again today, and though this will be a tougher ask, this gelding may prove to suit this track quite well and could make a good show of himself. That said, he might not appreciate any rain that falls, so it may be safer to side with the likes of Uncle Simon, who can handle ground with some give and comes here in good form having been a very close second last time at Redcar, and represents a trainer in form.

Last of all is a six-furlong handicap of eight runners (8.30). Twirler carries a five-pound penalty , having won her last start at Windsor five days ago, but is given the weight straight back by her claiming rider, so could easily be in contention once again. David O’Meara’s veteran, the 11-year-old Musicka, is a course and distance winner who was last seen finishing third of eight at this track, so could also be a player despite carrying top weight.

### Epsom selections - Thursday:

5.50 – Carnival Day

6.25 – Norfolk Blue

7.00 – Chips And Rice

7.30 – Revelance

8.00 – Uncle Simon

8.30 – Musicka

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