

THE PRICE WATCHER BLOG

Welcome to The Price Watcher Blog, where we take a value-led approach to the weekend's televised racing on ITV and aim to identify bets that the market may have overlooked.

Saturday's ITV racing is busy, with action coming from Carlisle, Beverley and Chester. From Group action at Carlisle to progressive handicappers at Beverley, there's plenty of quality on show, alongside some interesting two-year-olds that could make the day very intriguing from a betting perspective. Here's a look through the televised card and where the value might lie.

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1:30PM – CARLISLE

Wathnan's Opportunity looks a worthy favourite, but in a field of this size he's far too short to appeal from a betting perspective.

At the prices, Richard and Peter Fahey's Castle Stuart makes far more appeal as an each-way play at 9/1, especially with Grosvenor Sport offering extra each-way places.

He's put up two solid efforts this season at Doncaster and York, finishing sixth on both occasions. At York in particular, he raced keenly and was forced wide for much of the contest, so there's reason to upgrade that performance slightly. With a better-run race here, he looks capable of getting himself firmly into the frame.

Selection: [CASTLE STUART E/W – 9/1](#)

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1:45PM – BEVERLEY

David O'Meara's Mafting makes plenty of appeal here for a yard that knows how to place one to good effect.

He reappeared in April over this same 1m 2f trip at Redcar, and that run should have brought him on plenty after a break.

Since then he's been tried over further on his next two starts and has run with credit without really looking fully at home. The return to this distance now looks a clear positive, and he should be seen in a better light.

Selection: [MAFTING – 5/1](#)

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2:00PM – CARLISLE

Wathnan's Realign looks a solid value play at 5/1, especially with four places on offer with Grosvenor Sport.

His reappearance run at Newmarket was clearly needed after five months off, and that looked a stronger race than this. He was then withdrawn at Newbury due to unsuitable ground.

Now back down into a Class 3, a level he's already won at previously at Haydock, this setup looks much more suitable and gives him a strong chance of getting involved.

Selection: [REALIGN E/W – 5/1](#)

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2:15PM – BEVERLEY

Wathnan's filly Cosmic Mystery is the favourite, but having not seen her on the track yet, I'd be more than happy to take her on with Karl Burke's Kodi Bear Light, purely down to the form being in the book.



She built on her debut promise when winning at Thirsk two weeks ago. She saw out this trip of five furlongs perfectly, making all and finishing strongly through the line.

She's in the right hands to continue progressing and looks capable of going in again here.

Selection: [KODI BEAR LIGHT - 3/1](#)

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2:33PM – CARLISLE

Clive Cox's Redorange is back in action and looks the type to run another big race.

He suffered a luckless passage at York in the Lindum Handicap, where things didn't fall his way on the far side. He quickly made amends just four days later when justifying favouritism in a Sprint Series Qualifier at Windsor.



We know how effective Clive Cox is with sprinters, and this gelding still looks open to further progress as he moves through handicaps this season.

The booking of William Buick catches the eye, and he should be in with another strong chance if building on his recent form.

Selection: [REDORANGE 9/4](#)

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2:48PM – BEVERLEY

In the Two-year-old contest at Beverley, Wait Geordie looks a value selection at 10/1.

He made a taking debut winner at Bath, with that form since boosted by the subsequent wins of both the third and sixth home, which gives the race a solid look on paper.

Most recently he ran at Chester, where he again showed plenty of early speed before his effort faded in the closing stages - something that can often happen on that track given the nature of the circuit.

If Paul Mulrennan can get him to settle a touch better and travel more fluently into the race, he looks to hold solid claims of bouncing back and running a big one at this level.

Selection: [WAIT GEORDIE E/W – 9/1](#)

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3:10PM – CARLISLE

The in-form training partnership of John Gosden and Thady Gosden saddle Crepe Suzette here, a filly with strong class in the book after placing in Group 2 company last season.

She made her reappearance this year at Goodwood when sent off favourite, but things didn't go to plan as she failed to handle the track well and hung right under pressure.



She should be seen in a better light returning to a more conventional track, and is capable of confirming the end-of-season improvement she showed last year if putting her best foot forward.

Selection: [CREPE SUZETTE E/W – 9/1](#)

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3:30PM – CHESTER

Miami Matrix, formerly with Hugo Palmer, is back at Chester for trainer Patrick Morris, who had him in fine order when finishing a good fourth here at the May meeting.

He has strong course form, including wins over this course and distance on separate occasions, which is always a plus around this track. With a good draw in stall six again, he looks to have every chance of being competitive if reproducing his better efforts.

Selection: [MIAMI MATRIX E/W 9/1](#)

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3:45PM – CARLISLE

Laureate Crown arrives here with a perfect record, boasting two wins from two starts, and looks the most reliable option in the final televised race of the day.

Hugo Palmer is in good form, and this gelding has the profile of a strong, progressive miler. Physically he looks the part, and in his races he's shown a willing attitude, always doing enough in the closing stages to get the job done.

He should be competitive again here and looks set to be bang there at the business end once more.

Selection: [LAUREATE CROWN E/W 15/2](#)

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Best of luck if you're playing and remember always gamble responsibly!

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