

**Welcome to the September 2014 edition of the Donn McClean Racing newsletter.**

### Looking ahead

This weekend is one of the most exciting weekends on the racing calendar, featuring, as it does, the inaugural Irish Champions Weekend. This is a two-day racing extravaganza, with Qipco Irish Champion Stakes day at Leopardstown on Saturday and Palmerstown House Estate Irish St Leger day at The Curragh on Sunday. Five Group 1 races in two days with such stars as Australia, Gordon Lord Byron, The Grey Gatsby, Leading Light, Rizeena and Tapestry set to run, it should be a cracking weekend in Ireland.



Saturday is also Ladbrokes St Leger day at Doncaster, with Derby runner-up Kingston Hill set to take his chance as long as the ground does not dry out too much. He will face stiff competition from Snow Sky, Romsdal, Windshear and Hartnell among others, with a big field set to line up in the final British Classic.



Then on Sunday, while Irish St Leger day is going ahead at The Curragh, France will host its annual Arc Trials day at Longchamp, with Treve's bid to get her Arc de Triomphe campaign back on track in the Prix Vermeille the highlight of the day there.



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### Looking back



Private Clients of Donn McClean Racing backed some decent winners in August, including [Duke Cosimo](#) (advised at 11/1) in the William Hill Silver Trophy at Ripon, [Absolutely So](#) (advised at 9/1) in the City of York Stakes at York and [Take Cover](#) (advised at 8/1) in the King George Stakes at Goodwood, and September has got off to a flyer.

On the first weekend of this month, Private Clients backed [G Force](#) at 11/1 to win the Betfred Sprint Cup at Haydock, and they backed [Battersea](#) at 8/1 to win the Bristol Heritage Handicap at Ascot.



Private Clients who are betting at €100 per point are showing a **net profit of €2,065** since the start of August, and are showing a **net profit of over €40,000** since the service began in 2009. They also hold some nice ante post positions on a couple of the autumn races.

For further information, visit [Donn's Bets](#).

## Horses To Follow

August was also a good month for followers of the Horses To Follow service on [www.donnmcclean.com](http://www.donnmcclean.com).

Take Cover (MP 8/1) won the King George Stakes at Goodwood, Esoterique (SP 12/1) won the Prix Rothschild at Deauville, Tapestry (MP 12/1) won the Yorkshire Oaks at York, Mutual Regard (SP 20/1) won the Ebor, also at York, Ribbons (MP 25/1) won the Prix Jean Romanet at Deauville, and Coulsty (SP 13/2) won the Prix de Meautry, also at Deauville. Then on the first weekend in September, G Force (SP 11/1), who was noted after an unlucky run in the Nunthorpe Stakes at York in August, won



the Betfred Sprint Cup at Haydock.

For more information, visit [Horses To Follow](#).

## HTF Private



Every week, Donn privately notes more horses than just the five horses that we put up on the Horses To Follow page on [www.donnmcclean.com](http://www.donnmcclean.com). HTF Private is a new service through which we provide access to Donn's private notes on more horses than those noted on the Horses To Follow page of our website.

This means that, for a small monthly fee, members are able to access more of the horses that Donn thinks might be worth backing the next time they run, as long as conditions are in their favour.



The notes on these horses are not as extensive as the short essays on the Horses To Follow page, but the sentiment is the same: that these horses should be worth following, and might be under-rated by the market in the future. There have been some notable winners from the HTF Private service already, including Glory Awaits (SP 11/2), Fury (SP 3/1), Elhaame (SP 9/4), Sir Maximilian (MP 5/2) and Sultanina (SP 11/2).

Private Clients of Donn McClean Racing receive the HTF Private service for free as part of their subscription, while the current Horses To Follow service continues in its current format as a free service to all.

For more information, visit [HTF Private](#).