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Hi there,

No jump racing again today but two AW cards and at Wolverhampton it would not surprise me to see 7lb-claiming apprentice Billy Loughnane go close on each of his five mounts, four of them for his father Mark.

He is proving more than worth his allowance and he has ridden 11 winners from his last 43 mounts, a strike-rate of 26%.

At Kempton Keyser Soze is equipped with blinkers for the first time at the age of nine (6.30). The son of Arcano has loads of talent, with the ability to travel smoothly through a race, and he has dropped 6lb in his last three starts from 90 to 84, having won off 87, 91, 96 and 101 in the past.

He is not easy to win with but at around 14 on Betfair, and with Tom Marquand a positive booking, he's worth an each-way interest.

I also like Kingdom Come in the next (7.00). Clive Cox's son of Kingman was well regarded when last seen two years ago and he ran well enough in two 7f maidens at Newbury and Doncaster.

There has been money for him from 4.8 to 2.5 and this suggests he is tuned up to go close.

In the first newcomer French Invasion is interesting (5.30). The three-year-old cost 55,000gns as a yearling but changed hands for just 12,000gns in August, now running in well-respected colours.

He has been backed from 5.3 to 2.9.

I suggest Keyser Soze each-way and Kingdom Come to win.

Bye for now

Marten

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