

## Triolo odds shorten in run-up to cup

### HORSE RACING

SIZEABLE sums, in the build-up to Saturday's Paddy Power Gold Cup, have come for Nicky Henderson's Triolo d'Alene who is now 12-1 in some places from 20s last week.

Henderson's charge can, however, be still punted on at 14-1 with BetVictor, the sponsors, Coral and William Hill.

Selected ante-post last Friday, Grands Crus remains a solid 9-4 favourite for the race.

Meanwhile, Sunday's Racing Post Hurdle, formerly the Greatwood Hurdle, is all about one horse in the markets.

Another of Henderson's big guns, Darlan, has been punted off the boards and has come into 5-2 favourite from 6-1.

#### Already advised (on Friday, November 9)

Grands Crus to win the Paddy Power Gold Cup, 2pts 3-1 general (currently best available 9-4 general); Quantitativeasing to win Paddy Power Gold Cup, 0.5pt each-way 1/4 1, 2, 3, 4 20-1 general (currently best available 20-1 general).

## High-scoring draw a real possibility

### PREMIER LEAGUE SOCCER

IN recent seasons there has been fewer games than the north London derby to produce a substantial number of goals and given the shoddy defending likely to be on show at The Emirates Saturday a high scoring draw is a live possibility.

On that basis, splitting a one-point unit stake to back correct scores of 2-2, 3-3 and 4-4 is advised at 14s, 50s and 250-1 as the goals should flow.

#### Recommendations: Arsenal v Tottenham

Correct score 2-2, 0.5pt 14-1 Bet Victor; correct score 3-3; 0.25pt 50-1 general; correct score 4-4, 0.25pt 250-1 BetVictor, bwin.com (200-1 general).

Castlehaven's Liam Collins challenges Alan Cronin (Snr), in their recent Kelleher Shield final.

Picture: Larry Cummins



# Layers see Castlehaven progressing

## LAST WEEK

THERE were no weekend recommendations made last Friday evening with our ante-post recommendations of backing Grands Crus in the Paddy Power Gold Cup the only outlay which will hopefully yield a dividend Saturday.

However, there are plenty of interesting betting events coming up in the next few weeks.

SEVEN points superior is how the layers view Castlehaven's potential dominance over Stradbally in Sunday's AIB Munster Club SFC semi-final at Clonakilty.

The questions are does their stance accurately reflect the class differential between the two?

For the punters that have taken the opinion Haven are at least eight points superior Ladbroke's 6-5 -7 will appeal however there will be those that feel Stradbally are worthy of support at Boyles' 10-11 +7 while the bettors that foresee a handicap draw can avail of Boyles' and Paddy Power's 10-1.

However, it appears as if the layers have pitched the true handicap betting line relative to one or two points either side of the margin and therefore no value exists in punting on any of the three scenarios.

Haven's match betting odds

## BETTING

By PETER McNAMARA

range between 1-10 (bet365) and 1-16 (Power) while they are no greater than Ladbroke's 1-16 to qualify.

Stradbally, bidding to become the first Waterford team in the competition to win a match since they overcame Clare's Doonbeg back in 2008, are given little chance of an upset by the odds-compilers, particularly at Boyles who offer Pat Curran's unit at 8s to win in regulation time and 15-2 to qualify.

The match betting draw is 16-1.

Power's half-time/full-time double result market also reads interestingly.

Haven are 1-4 to lead at the end of both halves, 7s to win from a losing position at half-time, 11s to win after the sides are level at the interval and punters can take 40-1

for Haven to lead at half-time but end up drawing the match.

The enormity of the task Stradbally face is illustrated by the fact Curran's charges are 18-1 to be winning at half-time and full-time, 11-1 to win despite trailing at the break, 66s to be victorious despite the teams going in all-square at half-time, they are also 66s to be in front at the interval and draw while the draw/draw double result is 125s.

Power and Ladbroke's have priced up 'winning margin' markets on the match and Haven are threes to win by 4-6 points with the former firm.

And Power also offer the more appealing odds of the two firms about the prospect of James McCarthy's side prevailing by 7-9 points laying 100-30.

According to the layers, the third most likely winning margin Haven will advance by is the 1-3 points' possibility, Ladbroke's 4s the top odds in that instance.

The Magic Sign also lay the best odds for those expecting Haven to win by 10-12 or 13-15 points, punters can take 5s or 8s respectively.

However, Ladbroke's are actually wary of a landslide victory for the Cork County SFC kingpins.

Haven are just sevens to win by 16+ points with the firm though Power's 10s seems a bit more realistic given McCarthy's team do not rack up massive scores generally.

Stradbally are 13-1 with Power to win by 1-3 points, a whopping 28-1 with Ladbroke's to progress by 4-6 points and 50s with both firms to win by 7-9 points.

Meanwhile, the other semi-final in the province is expected to also be straightforward for favourites Dr Croke's.

The defending provincial champions and team considered the most likely to be triumphant again this year are just 1-10 to win Sunday's penultimate round meeting with Clonmel Commercials.

# Ten of the best sports movies you've probably never seen

AS PROMISED a mere 24 hours ago, today's long shot has more in common with lingering scene-setter of an alluring French woman as she crushes her feet into the sand beneath the rushing tide, than an outsider in the sporting field.

With it being film festival week, we promised to give you 10 sporting movies you probably haven't seen, but should.

If you simply want to get a decent bet that will very likely win you money, skip to the recommendation at the end.

#### The Longest Penalty in the World

This Spanish movie sees a local team about to win their first league title in their history. With seconds remaining, their goalkeeper gives away a penalty and as a result of the tackle, breaks his collar-

bone. The crowd invade the pitch and it is agreed the penalty will be taken a week later, with the sub keeper — an alcoholic layabout — in goals. Bonus: Contains the best trick to make a woman kiss you I've ever seen.

#### Midnight Sting

Ageing Lou Gossett Junior must beat 10 men in one night of boxing, otherwise his backer James Woods is in deep doo-doo. Bonus: Contains a lovely young Heather Graham.

#### The Great White Hype

Long before the Kitschkos came on the scene, many wondered whether a white man would ever again wear the heavyweight belt. Samuel L Jackson attempts to drum up interest in a white challenger against an undefeated



champ, who is so unworried about his opponent, he can barely run after an ice-cream van in training.

#### The Fortune Cookie

TV cameraman Jack Lemmon is knocked over by an NFL linebacker, who is wracked with guilt by what he's done, but that doesn't stop Lemmon's brother-in-law, Walter Matthau, from planning to sue.

#### Slap Shot

Paul Newman tries to haul an ice hockey team up by their bootlaces, helped by three innocent-looking but furiously competitive brothers. Al Pacino was supposed to pay the lead but fell out with the director when he asked him if he could skate.

#### Breaking Away

It's about cycling and a young man who wishes he was Italian, until he meets some Italian cyclists, who prove to have Lance Armstrong's sense of fair play, as they shove a bike pump in his spokes. A great, great film.

#### Let it Ride

Richar Dreyfuss backs four winners on one day at the track.

#### Somebody Up There Likes Me

The best film with a boxer named Rocky in it. Newman again, exceptional as Rocky Graziano.

#### Terry Tate Office Linebacker

A short film you can watch on Youtube right now. The funniest you'll probably ever see. The title explains a lot.

#### Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo

One of the little-known facts about Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo is that it was filmed primarily in a disused car park in Mahon. They used the Jack Lynch Tunnel as a substitute for the famous Monaco tunnel we all know so well from Formula 1.

**Recommendation:** OK, I got stuck by the time I reached the final one, but I'm in no doubt about Man City, Newcastle and QPR at 5-1 with William Hill.