

Sir Argus- Summary

Meet Sir Argus

Sir Argus is a **9-year-old gelding by Soldier of Fortune**, with an exciting profile and plenty of racing still ahead of him.

Last season, he competed at the highest level of novice company, lining up in a **Listed Novice Chase at the Punchestown Festival** in May 2025. He begins this syndicate with an **Official Rating of 125**, giving us a variety of exciting opportunities throughout the season.

The Racing Plan

Our campaign with Sir Argus will remain flexible, allowing us to place him where he has the best chance of being competitive.

As he is **still a novice over fences**, we can begin the season by targeting small-field novice handicap chases, where his experience and proven toughness should prove to be a real advantage. Having already competed in high-quality races, he possesses the resilience and ability to be competitive in these valuable opportunities.

Sir Argus will turn **10 years old in January**, making him eligible for the popular **Veterans' Chase Series**. One race that is firmly on our radar is the **£100,000 Veterans' Chase Final at Haydock in April**. Based on the ratings of previous renewals, his current mark of **125** would make him well qualified to take his chance in what is one of the highlights of the veterans' calendar.

While the exact programme will depend on his form and conditions throughout the season, our aim is to keep him happy, healthy and enjoying his racing. He is a genuine, enthusiastic horse who I believe will provide syndicate members with plenty of exciting days at the races, and I can envisage him running regularly throughout the campaign.

The Financial Side

Share Price- £1,885.88 + VAT for a 5% share

As the syndicate is VAT registered, we are able to reclaim the VAT paid on eligible expenses. At the end of each syndicate year, the reclaimed VAT will be distributed back to members in proportion to their shareholding.

In addition to your share of the reclaimed VAT, you will also receive your percentage of:

- Any prize money won during the year.
- Any surplus funds remaining in the syndicate's training account ("training pot").

These payments will be made at the end of the syndicate year regardless of whether you choose to renew your membership.

Should you wish to continue for a second year, **there is no need to purchase your share again**. Your initial share purchase secures your ownership, meaning that your second-year costs are significantly lower, as you will only be contributing towards the annual training and racing expenses.

What You'll Get

Throughout the year, I will organise exclusive syndicate mornings at the yard, giving all members the opportunity to visit, meet the team, and spend time with Sir Argus, as well as any other horses we have in training.

These visits will be carefully planned to ensure there is always plenty happening, providing you with a genuine behind-the-scenes insight into the day-to-day life of a racehorse in training.

I hope to hold one of the first syndicate mornings in **late autumn**, as my current aim is to have **Sir Argus** ready to run by **mid-October**. Naturally, National Hunt racing is heavily influenced by the weather, so this timetable may move slightly depending on ground conditions. If we receive sufficient rainfall, we may start a little earlier, while firmer ground could delay his debut until conditions are more suitable.

Race Days

Whenever **Sir Argus** runs, owners' and trainers' badges will be allocated to syndicate members.

These badges provide:

- Complimentary admission to the racecourse.
- Access to the exclusive Owners' & Trainers' facilities.
- Entry into the parade ring and paddock, allowing you to experience the excitement from behind the scenes.
- The opportunity to watch all races from the Owners' & Trainers' areas throughout the day.

There is nothing quite like watching your own horse compete from the owners' enclosure, and we will do our best to ensure as many members as possible can enjoy that experience each time Sir Argus runs.