



**HARRY ARKWRIGHT** (*main image*)  
“Harry thinks he ‘looks bomb’ in his kit”, laughs Charlie as he introduces me to the 16-year-old schoolboy who is the latest novice rider to represent the Nimmo-Poste stable. Harry, to his credit, ignores Charlie’s attempt at teenage credibility as he explains how he got involved with the Station Yard team. “I’ve ridden horses all my life,” he explains, “and Susquehanna River – who’d had a year off – was given to me by Sam Bullard, whose son Patrick rode him in 2017. I jumped at the opportunity.”

Harry admits that race riding is very different to his previous equine experiences, as his debut between the flags showed, when he and Susquehanna River ran out at the first. “I was quite shocked,” he confesses, “but Fran and Charlie have been great and I’m going to learn from that. We went to Chaddesley Corbett next time and were fourth – he ran well and it was such fun.”

Harry, who has now competed four times in points – and missed out on a likely winner when Susquehanna River ran out at the last at Cocklebarrow recently - confirms that he has no ambitions yet beyond “seeing how far I can go as an amateur. I’d like to ride in a Hunter Chase, but want to win a point first.” An admirably grounded statement.

# TALKING SHOP PART TWO

## FRAN NIMMO & CHARLIE POSTE