Old rivals do battle for Cheltenham Gold Cup

Nicky Henderson, the Cheltenham Festival's most successful trainer with 50 winners to his name, believes Bobs Worth can defend his Gold Cup crown, but knows he faces tough competition from Silviniaco Conti, who was well in contention until he fell at the third last fence last year



Ireland, 2005

Born:

Trainer: Nicky Henderson

Owner: The Not Afraid P'ship

Jockey: Barry Geraghty (tbc)

Wins: 10 Starts:

Seconds: 2 Thirds: 1

Earnings: £656,503 Cheltenham Gold Cup (2013)

Hennessy Gold Cup (2012) RSA Chase (2012)

Albert Bartlett Novices Hurdle (2011)

Major race

victories

Charlie Hall Chase (2012)

Rising Stars Novices' Chase (2011)

Starts:

Mildmay Novices' Chase (2012)

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SILVINIACO CONTI

Wins: 11

Born: France, 2006

Trainer: Paul Nicholls

Owner: Potensis Ltd, C. Giles

Jockey: Ruby Walsh (tbc)

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Seconds: 1 Thirds: 4

Earnings: £528,265

Denman Chase (2013)

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