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Highlights of Past Nationals

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~~Across~~ Aintree: Across the crowded stage of Grand National history strides a company of gallant horses and fearless riders. A story of surprise and drama: The plough-horse that won - the tragic fall of a Royal Champion.

In 1928. Forty-two runners. Only two finished - and Tipperary Tim won his first and only steeplechase!

One of the greatest - Golden Miller. He won in 1934.

The following year, (on the extreme right), he crossed his legs. ^{AND LOST HIS TACKLE} ~~But he~~

Did he really dislike Aintree? So Reynoldstown gained his first victory

Next year, Golden Miller refused. Davy Jones looked the winner until he ran out at the last fence. Cruel luck for the late Lord Mildmay...

So Reynoldstown won again - only the second double victory ^(in this century) 1938. One of the hazards of Aintree - a loose horse swerves across the leaders.

Victory by a head for the pony-sized Battleship and 17 year-old Bruce Hobbs.

^{THE WAR YEARS OVER THERE WAS A} ~~huge~~ huge field in 1948. But it was a two-horse race from the last fence. Sheila's Cottage won by a length. The first mare to win for forty-six years.

~~There was a pile-up in 1951 - when eleven runners were out~~

^{Here} that amazing first-jump pile-up in 1951 - when eleven runners were out of the race. (2)

But the most sensational race, was surely, last year's - when the Queen Mother's Devon Loch fell - on the flat - only fifty yards from victory!

^{AND E.S.B. WAS THE WINNER} Soon to house more National hopes - the stables revive thrilling

memories of great horses who have carved their names on Aintree's Roll of fame. (2)

And ~~though~~ this year's winner is...well, anybody's guess, ~~you can see~~

~~ertain of seeing every thrilling incident in this Newsweek - filmed by the world's greatest team of cameramen~~ BUT REMEMBER -

UNLESS YOU GO TO AINTREE YOU CAN ONLY SEE THE GRAND NATIONAL ON YOUR CINEMA SCREEN.