

Racing report from Musselburgh

There was an afternoon meeting at Musselburgh on Wednesday with only 500 spectators watching on. Luckily Gordon Brown was there watching all the action.

Gordon Brown reports: Callum Rodriguez was full of praise for Gioia Cieca after the partnership scrambled home by a short-head in the feature race at Musselburgh on Wednesday.

The Keith Dalgleish-trained 15/2 chance was given a positive ride by his jockey as they held off odds-on favourite Tadreeb in a nail-biting finish to the Visit racingtv.com Handicap over seven-furlongs.

Rodriguez said: "He's a proper horse and wasn't totally disgraced in the Britannia Handicap at Royal Ascot. That was his first run on turf and he's a lovely type with a top American pedigree.

"I would say he doesn't want the ground any quicker than this but he'll stay further and he should have a decent future. He just took me there so easily and he clearly has tons of ability."

Dalgleish and Rodriguez teamed up 35 minutes later to complete a quick-fire double when Clay Regazzoni won by a neck in the Bet At RacingTV.com Handicap and land his first race on grass at the 23rd attempt.