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I have been asked by a few Group 1 punter's to give some early tips for the feature races this Spring, so here they are (obviously a few of you, like me, do enjoy a few doubles... small outlay, a bit of fun and with a touch of luck.... Who knows !?!?!)

**CAULFIELD CUP:** ZIPPING, POMPEII RULER, RUN RITA  
RUN

**COX PLATE:** EL SEGUNDO, LAD OF THE MANOR, RACING  
TO WIN

**MELBOURNE CUP:** HEADTURNER, RAILINGS, CHERRY MIX

Good luck if having a flutter on the doubles...

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#### **SUMMARY OF LAST WEEK:**

Racing at MOONEE VALLEY was on a SLOW track with the rail True. They were winning off the inside rail (even leaders got off the inside) and running on was not a problem when tempo allowed...

**RUN OF THE DAY:** Thought the lightly-raced stayer SENTIRE (1<sup>st</sup>-up) was a cracking run. Could only manage fifth to the highly-rated SPIELMEISTER but he found the line very nicely and looks set for a big campaign. I reckon a few Country Cups are well within his grasp!

The winner SPIELMEISTER was (again) impressive, got the gap inside and was strong, it also worth noting, he was racing on the inside rail which was not the best ground. Runner-up ROUBECHON was held-up coming to the turn, lost a length and really stretched out... he will be smiling if/when Spielmeister takes another path!

FIELD HUNTER off a freshen came from back and wide (with trail) and ran on hard. Still flying! DOLPHIN JO did enough 1<sup>st</sup>-up. (Sectionals: Sentire & Field Hunter recorded virtually equal fastest final-200m split)

They ran 1:33.18 for the 1500m on Slow ground.

Race 1 at the Valley saw STAR KASEY sit second, move up and break away.. she is also 'flying'! Ran 1:38.99 for the 1600m. (1<sup>st</sup>-1000m was 62.00). Runner-up REGAL SUMMER continues to run great races here but she is still a MV maiden. SAFARI SUNBEAM found the line nicely, late. NOTHIN LIKE MARY came 4-wide 650m, ran ok and RULAN RUBY kept coming, was under pressure a fair way out today with big weight. 1.5L covered these five runners.

Race 2 and there was a blanket finish to the 3yoF Listed event/ 1000m run in 59.88. They ran along, INDUSTRIOUS led in 34.95 her 1<sup>st</sup>-600m (faster than Gp3 McEwan Stks) and was pressured all the way in a line of three, good effort! Winner PERMAISCUOUS does like the sting out of the track, sat back and hit the line hard. TESTAJLOY didn't get a ton of room and kept closing, did lay in a bit. SWEET VAELNTINA (wide with trail, ran on, last 400/200m fastest of race) and FUN IN FLIGHT (last and at it, hit the line, had 2<sup>nd</sup>-fastest final-400m)

DANDY KID !!! Sat 4-deep, won MV race number 317 or whatever, and retired... what a great horse to connections, great to see him well treated also. Ran 1:12.47 for the 1200m. Runner-up STYLISH SUNSET was slow out, last, circled field and just missed. KING'S PRIDE kept working home well at juicy odds, did have his chance but did run well 1<sup>st</sup>-up. LOUTONNE hit the line nicely, late. Had the fastest final 200m of the race. GLOBAL REIGN and SUPER FUND led in a modest 36.27 and were disappointing...

Race 5 and MONDANO drifted back, came 4-wide and really knuckled down late to get up at big odds... is a lovely type. DUE SASSO took the sit. Came into it 3-wide and got away... looked winner! MUZDAHER went forward to lead, ran along with a 34.87 1<sup>st</sup>-600m (faster than Gp3 McEwan Stks), held on well fresh. The horse that ran 2<sup>nd</sup>-last EL CAZADOR couldn't keep up early but his late secs were second only to the winner... interesting! They ran 59.59 for the 1000m, .29 faster than the fillies (race 2).

Race 6 (Gp3 McEwan Stks/ WFA/ 1000m) was run in 58.81 but they didn't go hard (1<sup>st</sup>-600m 35.31 – slower than both 3yo events). Winner MISS ANDRETTI moved up 3-wide before the turn and held on.. just, from SASSBEE who came off the winner's back (inside her) and did attack the line. CARGO CULT got back, made a move around and loomed a bit... very good return, good galloper! WATCHYERBACK ran on ok WFA. ROMAN ARCH did enough 1<sup>st</sup>-up... The first three home here did gap the rest.

In the last, SUNSHINE POWER led and got away with a 37.38 1<sup>st</sup>-600m but to her credit... she just kept running. FANFARES sat 3-deep, came 4-deep and kept closing. Real good trier this mare. PINSEMTOIT got up inside (too close inside???) made a run, got tired (or worst ground) late. MAXERELLE has become very honest, really ran on well 1<sup>st</sup>-up. CELTIC BLOOM last, came widest (no hope this tempo) was hitting the line, won the sectionals 'battle'... nice return! They ran 1:13.05, over half a second slower than DANDY KID.

#### THE FORGIVE FILE:

CARLA ETUDE (shuffled back to last), CON'S AMY (wide on speed), BEXAAR (very slow out but, all wins are wet and fresh), GRAPHICAL (wide, too keen!) and BENKO (slow out, came wide, did run on).

In Sydney, racing was at RANDWICK/ KENSINGTON. Big advantage to on-pace runners on Randwick surface where star

jockey Darren Beadman described the track as 'like a Violet Crumble'... nice simile. Dead Track.

RUN OF THE DAY: There is no doubting the class of WALK ALONE and her win was outstanding Vs track bias and she did record the fastest last 400m/200m splits of the day... However, the horse that ran second to her SHIRL PEGASUS gets the nod (photo!) for run of the day. She also had to make her run against a dynamite leader/on-pace bias, she was caught 3-wide without cover, then pushed 4-wide 600m and lost ground turning before picking up and hitting the line super! Her sectionals were bettered only those of WALK ALONE and she met said winner 5.5kg worse from their latest clash... Excellent run and she has real upside...

The pace was on in this (the Toy Show Qlty, race 6) as they ran a 47.63 1<sup>st</sup>-800m (Dead track). Other good runs: MELODY (got split, chased hard), PRIMA NOCTE (came widest, 3<sup>rd</sup>-fastest sectionals home) and NO PENALTY (passed a few). They ran 1:23.34 for the 1400m 1 x 100<sup>th</sup> of a second slower than Court's In Session in Warwick Stks. Good gallop!!!

To Race 4 and PITA HAPA led, was keen in the lead (looked to be over-racing) but kept going. Ran a 50.59 1<sup>st</sup>-800m (1800m class 4) and was tough... but very lucky! The idiot LANG cost itself another Sat/City race by running about. Fourth-placed EXINITE made a run early 3-wide and kept hitting the line despite not being fully ridden (jock was very concerned about the wayward Lang in front of him, and rightly so!)... this run was good. GRIZZ and RETURNOFTHEKING were ok for a mid-weeker.

PRIMUS finally returned to the winner's list in Race 5. Travelled up to win easily and did enough, was 1<sup>st</sup>-up with a big campaign ahead. Very smart horse! Ran 1:09.87 clearly faster than other two 1200m events (3yo's) off a 34.95 1<sup>st</sup>-600m (they didn't fly in front). Runner-up RESISTOR is under-rated, sat outside leader and fought hard albeit with bias in his favour. DREAM BALLAD ran on to the 200m then fitness gave out. PATEZZA made up terrific ground and hit the line sweetly Vs pattern.

Race 7 saw COURT'S IN SESSION lead (shock!) travel ok (as in, didn't tearaway) and held on. Yes, pattern was in his favour so jury still out but he did motor through his 1<sup>st</sup>-800m in 47.33 and overall time for the 1400m was 1:23.33 which was interesting when comparing to the F&M race won by Walk Alone. Had to love the return of RACING TO WIN, chased very gamely, had best sectionals home. DESERT WAR sat on hot speed 1<sup>st</sup>-up and was typically tough. EREMEIN up close to the speed (fresh!!!) and ran very well. AQUA D'AMORE came from back, came to outside and ran on, thought her effort was excellent on this track today and her final 400m split was bettered only by Racing To Win. HEADTURNER certainly did enough and wasn't knocked about this track 1<sup>st</sup>-up. GRAND ZULU & RAILINGS can also be filed under 'certainly did enough'

Race 8 the Silver Shadow saw GOLD EDITION continue her amazing form over such a long period (just amazing for a youngster!). Co-led, broke away and was a strong winner, runner-up MONTMELO got runs through inside and kept finding the line very well Vs pattern. Liked her effort and these two

spaced the rest... Ran 1:10.60 (.11 faster than colts) off a much slicker 1<sup>st</sup>-600m of 34.81.

Others: HEAT OF THE FIRE (squeezed up 250m on inside, hit line!), ASTOUNDED (wide early, forward to sit on speed, stuck on), TUESDAY JOY (won of the runs of the day! 5-wide, came 7-wide losing ground, kept coming, kept hitting the line... outstanding run!), COAST TO THE POST (slow out 2L, made up a stack of ground Vs bias) and MY LADY'S CHAMBER (late sec ok for easier) were all noteworthy.

In the last it was COURT COMMAND who got away with a 35.24 1<sup>st</sup>-600m before kicking right away... was backed... big win although bias/tempo a big help! He ran 1:10.71 which was a good gallop off a slow speed. STORMPEDE sat on speed, no match at all but stuck on. DIEGO GARCIA saved ground inside, ran on, had equal fastest final-200m split with winner. JUST MAMBO came from back and wide, ran on/held, ran ok.

THE FORGIVE FILE:

HASTA MANANA (made move very early + bias against), SET UP (very wide), ROSE STREET (coughing), FERRUCCIO (wide all way), GYPSY HONOUR (given no hope at all), MALCOLM (not his track the 'violet crumble'), CASH CARTER (wide run), ABSOLUTELYFABULOUS (3-wide trip), SLOW WALTZ (slow out, ridden up, ran ok), MY MIDDY (missed kick then bias/tempo against), ALL BLACK GOLD (wide, no cover, forward early), BACKDRAFT (too bad to be true. pulled-up coughing and rider concerned with action) and ASSERTIVE (back, wide and respiratory distress).

### **To Today's Selections...**

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

All ratings for CAULFIELD are for GOOD track, rail is out 10M. Rail was 7M last meeting here and there was no bias evident. In Sydney, racing is at ROSEHILL. Ratings are for GOOD Track. Rail True. Rail was out 6M here last meeting and track played ok.

#### **BET OF THE DAY (Melbourne – Win Bet)**

CAULFIELD – Race 5 No.3 – **MAYBE BETTER** – Quality galloper who was coming off a month break when just 1.3L off POMPEII RULER in the WFA Gp2 Liston Stks. This horse definitely measured up to some of the best gallopers around there and with the added fitness and step out to 1700m coupled up with the significant drop in grade he does look very hard to roll today! His previous run in a handicap when sitting on the speed and breaking away, running the fastest sectionals of the day was outstanding. His Caulfield form is excellent, he has drawn nicely and has the services of top-class hoop Craig Newitt steering. Like him here!

#### **BET OF THE DAY (Sydney – Each-Way)**

ROSEHILL – Race 7 No.1 – **MENTALITY** – What an amazing win 1<sup>st</sup>-up here over 1300m when he got to the outside and ran down a handy bunch of 3yo's whilst carting a lazy 61kg... He meets all of his rivals significantly better at the weights, for example, he meets runner-up HE'S NO PIE EATER 6.5kg better! He proved in the Autumn he is right up amongst the very best of his generation. His trial prior to his return was just super and he has come back a better horse than when he went out (and he went out a Gp1 winner!). Suspect barrier 9 will be ideal and Darren Beadman to ride, 1400m ideal 2<sup>nd</sup>-up and been working a treat... all big ticks. Go very well here with the pace on...

**BEST VALUE BET OF THE DAY:**

ROSEHILL – Race 6 No.2 – **ACTIVATION** – This talented galloper put in a very pleasing return to racing 1<sup>st</sup>-up in the Gp2 Liston Stks at WFA when he worked home nicely between runners despite never really getting enough galloping room and jockey could never really open throttle properly. He still managed the third-fastest final 600m split of the event and don't worry about him 2<sup>nd</sup>-up, he flies at this stage of his preparation. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep he won over today's journey of 1800m at Caulfield when he was sent to the lead after being wide early, he then stayed on the inside rail where no winners were on the day and held on to win with his 57.5kg, it was a great win Vs the pattern of the day. He had also won 2 of his previous 3 when racing 2<sup>nd</sup>-up, his failure (he still ran third!) was on a heavy track. He looks like he will get a nice run on the speed from gate 2 with not a lot of other gallopers likely to go forward. This looks the easiest race he has contested for a long time and early markets have him around the \$8 mark which is way overs!

**BEST EACH-WAY/ PLACE BET OF THE DAY:**

CAULFIELD – Race 2 No.1 – **EMPRESS LILY** – Beautifully bred Mare and you can just forget she went around 1<sup>st</sup>-up as she was found to be suffering from an irregular heartbeat. This is the easiest race she has contested in over 12 months and has been competitive with some of the best fillies in the land during her career. With that in mind, she is weighted to win on 54kg (after claim) and likely favourite PURDE has to give her 3kg here. Her last two 2<sup>nd</sup>-up runs have been excellent, her latest a 1.8L third to DOUBTING/ SERENADE ROSE when held-up along the inside before attacking the line and her previous she flashed home from last against a dynamite leader bias for a .5L third to PURE HARMONY. Come up \$9 in early markets and cannot see her missing each-way!

**BEST ROUGHIE OF THE DAY:**

ROSEHILL – Race 5 No.6 – **AT EASE** – Real quality Mare resuming and she is just so under-rated. She flies fresh. Her latest 1<sup>st</sup>-up run she got to the outside at Canterbury and flashed home over the top of them whilst recoding some sizzling sectionals. It was a similar story 1<sup>st</sup>-up at her previous campaign, she was back co-last, came to the outside and flew home again recording sectionals reserved for very good horses (tick over 11-flat)... and she is one! There looks good speed in this event which will suit her whirlwind finish and interestingly, she has come up double-figure odds whilst SUGARBOMB has come up favourite... AT EASE is a better racehorse than SUGARBOMB and continually beats her home and now meets her better at the weights... can't wait !

**BEST QUINELLA:**

ROSEHILL – Race 9: Roving 14-THE FREE STATER with 1,6,9,13

**BEST TRIFECTA:**

ROSEHILL – Race 5: Roving 6-AT EASE with 5,7,8,1

**TOP RATED RUNNERS:**

**CAULFIELD**

**Race 1 – 3yoF Open Hcp – 1400m**

1. 4 – AL ANOOD – Was jumping from 1000m-to-1410m last start at Flem when carting 58kg and co-led  $\frac{3}{4}$  L away on inside which is never a bonus! She was run down late by World Joy (who had gun run) and now gets a nice 1.5kg weight-pull on her. Gate 12 is awkward but if can slot in will be very hard to beat. E/way.
2. 9 – WORLD JOY – Had the drop on them last time but still, she won, and that run followed a terrific on-pace 4<sup>Th</sup> at Flem when left in front a long way out off a very fast-run race and she was 1100m-to-1430m there. Another drawn a touch awkward, on the up.
3. 2 – ULFAH – Did enough 1<sup>st</sup>-up when home her last 200m in 11.85 (De Lago Mist home 11.47). That was 1100m (not her go) and this is 1400m (more like it!), the claim sees her in very well (54kg on 53.5kg limit) and her only other 1400m run... she was narrowly beaten in Gp2 Sires Stks at Flem.
4. 3 – JUST MOMENTE – 1<sup>st</sup>-up at 1400m but Danny O'Brien trains. Both starts in Autumn were impressive (both wins) when running on strongly over 1000m then stepped straight to 1400m and won again. Expecting her to measure up here.
5. 7 – SUNNY SKIES – Was too keen in front last start at Flem when 5.3L off World Joy/ Al Anood and from gate 1, with added fitness (was 1000m-to-1410m there) and a more relaxed run in transit she can be competitive... value.

**Race 2 – F&M Open Hcp – 1600m**

1. 1 – EMPRESS LILY – reasons outlined
2. 2 – PURDE – Excellent 1<sup>st</sup>-up run when held-up to 350m, got out and flew home despite a slow early pace

- (49.14 1<sup>st</sup>-800m). 1600m form is very good and all five Oz starts just terrific. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up is only tiny query (unproven) but she is very good and will win plenty!!!
3. 11 – PAVLOVA – Through same race as Purde last start when 1<sup>st</sup>-up and came from last, peeled widest and ran on terrific Vs slow pace. Her run was slightly inferior to Purde to my eye but her sectionals were very similar and she is proven 2<sup>nd</sup>-up. (two preps back 1L 2<sup>nd</sup> to Assertive Guest at level weights/ last prep back & wide so forget the run). Value runner.
  4. 10 – MAGIC HARMONY – Smart and under-rated mare who won impressively 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Her 2<sup>nd</sup>-up record is much better than stats show as she is so often luckless. Last prep she rattled home to be beaten .5L by the smart Zenarta. Now with the very astute Mick Price stable so don't see her 'going backwards'...
  5. 5 – MISS THERON – So honest. Been in the money 14 of her 15 starts and form through last start fourth to Star Kasey/ Nothin Like Mary has stood up. That was 1<sup>st</sup>-up and she is two from two 2<sup>nd</sup>-up. A must for multiples...

### **Race 3 – Gp3 McNeill Stks 3yo (SWP) – 1200m**

1. 3 – HARADASUN – Was hard to miss that 1<sup>st</sup>-up run/win coming from last and recording the fastest sectionals home of the day (22.03/ 11.12 last 400/200m). That followed debut win by 10L. Small field means he stays out of trouble, could be anything but not taking odds on...
2. 4 – MISS FINLAND – Reigning champion 2yo and it's her crown to lose! Slipper win was totally dominant (no matter how good a run she had). Worst career run was 4<sup>th</sup> beaten 2.5L when having first Sydney start on a Slow track so very forgivable... and it wasn't 'bad'... her's to lose...
3. 5 – ZUPAONE – Won like a quality horse at Flem running very fast time (56.86). That was 1<sup>st</sup>-up... further improved? Well, would need to be to beat 3 & 4...
4. 6 – LECTRICE – Win in Adelaide before spell when wide all the way was that of a good filly. Scratched recently when hit her head at the barriers but missed no work. Competitive with the silk department in Autumn. She's in the mix...

### **Race 4 – Mares Open Hcp – 1100m**

1. 3 – MEGADEAL – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. She flies fresh. Won her latest 1<sup>st</sup>-up run by 2.5L at M.V. despite sitting 3-wide, no cover, the trip. Previous fresh run was a 1L second to Queen Of The Hill at Flem giving her weight. They ran 1-2.31 for the 1100m (and remember how good Q.O.T.H was up the straight!). Dry record excellent (won 3 of 6) with misses being 3.9L off Rewaaya when no luck and 'failing' one day at Flem when very nearly fell and was eased down.
2. 9 – PIN UP – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Resumes for O'Brien stable and she has real ability don't worry! Latest 1<sup>st</sup>-up run she did a power of work to lead, ran along in 34.69 1<sup>st</sup>-600m, then was attacked early before fighting them off and

- being swamped late by the swoopers... the run was excellent! Oh, her previous 1<sup>st</sup>-up run... she won by 6.5L... she can win this race!
3. 2 – FULLAZZ - 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Resumed last campaign with a narrow second to Biscayne Bay with Tesbury Jack third here at MV. Only MV 'miss' (from top 2) was 3.9L off Virage De Fortune in Champagne Stks when back and wide. Claim sees her in well. Including for sure...
  4. 6 – SWISH TRISH – Had support 1<sup>st</sup>-up and ran ok in easier grade (Beaten 1.8L but they ran super-fast... 56.49). she won 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep at MV (just, but the win was good, came wide before turn). She has the scalp of Magically on her CV...
  5. 8 – XAARANTHE – Saved ground and hit the line nicely on inside last start in hot race won by Storm Alert. Back to 1100m now where she is 1 from 1 (previous win) and she had best splits home of the day there... been in first-four 5 from 5 on dry tracks. Was thrashed by Megadeal last prep but she's better now.

#### **Race 5 – Listed D'urban Stks – 1700m**

1. 3 – MAYBE BETTER – reasons outlined
2. 11 – ASSERTIVE GUEST – What a win last start when wide all the way (4-wide 700m, working forward) and never covered. They don't win with that run! Effort previous run just as good when had similar (wide/tough) run. She has a group 1 4<sup>th</sup> at 1600m so don't expect 1700m to hold any fears. No weight but again, the draw !?!? Out of Mares grade now but did you see that last win?
3. 5 – SPEEDY KING – Was 3<sup>rd</sup>-up and 1100m-to-1410m when chased Spielmeister/ Roubechon all the way home at Flem. They have since run 1,2 again so that form is great. Expecting a peak-fit Speedy King here and do like the weight drop from 57 to 54kg. Way over the odds here!
4. 1 – SHOW BARRY – Super-honest racehorse who resumed with 2.4L seventh in Gp2 Liston. Carries weight well but does meet Maybe Better 2kg worse from Liston. The big plus, he flies 2<sup>nd</sup>-up (last prep beat Mock despite 3&4 wide trip before second to El Segundo). Gate 2 ideal... competitive.
5. 13 – MOLOTOV – Ran well 1<sup>st</sup>-up behind Spielmeister/ Roubechon at Flem (that form confirmed) when came from back and wide and ran on hard. Actually recorded the fastest final 400m of that event and his 2<sup>nd</sup>-up record says 2 wins from 3 including last prep when he won by 5L despite jumping 1200m-to-1600m. Bit of value here if you can get the fav beaten...?

#### **Race 6 – Gp2 Memsie Stks (WFA) – 1400m**

1. 5 – EL SEGUNDO – Could not have gone any better 1<sup>st</sup>-up flashing home off slow pace (1<sup>st</sup>-600m 36.28) and recording equal fastest final 400m split of the day. He won 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep before going on to Gp1 glory... real strong challenger to Lad Of The Manor for best horse in the land... Had no set-backs!

2. 11 – THIN AND CRISPY – Amazingly still under-rated. No luck vital stage 1<sup>st</sup>-up and flashed home. Stable reported he was a run short in the Liston when chopped out 250m and looked to be going very nicely. Love it when they keep finding the line under no urgings from rider. Super horse this! Double-figure odds? Peak fit 3<sup>rd</sup>-up, loves Caulfield, gate 4 with pace on... just needs that gap!!!
3. 2 – LAD OF THE MANOR – Had set-back and has missed work otherwise he is top pick. Absolutely outstanding in his 1<sup>st</sup>-up run last campaign this track/trip in the CF Orr Stks when he sat 3-wide and went forward before the home turn off a suicidal speed (1<sup>st</sup>-800m 46.73 that day... crazy!!!) and he held on to beat all-bar the swooper Perfect Promise. Won previous 1<sup>st</sup>-up run, this race, 12 months ago beating Our Smoking Joe on a Heavy track.
4. 8 – APACHE CAT – Ran a bottler 1<sup>st</sup>-up when third to Bel Danoro/ El Segundo despite racing keen. He always improves lengths 2<sup>nd</sup>-up. Strong win over God's Own 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep and won previous 2<sup>nd</sup>-up run (over same horse) despite sitting very wide, no cover. Touch of luck from 12 but speed on will suit.
5. 6 – ZIPPING – Great return when flew home 1<sup>st</sup>-up in the Aurie's Star recording equal fastest final 400m of the day (with El Segundo), 1400m suits much better and forget ran 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep when slow out and never out of trouble. Will win a very good race this Spring!
6. 12 – PERFECT PROMISE – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. She is a 1<sup>st</sup>-up specialist. Big win storming home off fast pace 1<sup>st</sup>-up in Autumn rolling Lad Of The Manor. Beaten by only St.Basil in a Stradbroke when fresh one day. Fresh is her go and if Minson sets up a fast pace, watch her fly... Great race!!!

#### **Race 7 – Open Hcp – 1400m**

1. 7 – BLAHNIK – Wasn't knocked about 1<sup>st</sup>-up when worked home in no clear galloping room. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep was here at 1400m when 3.2L off Thin And Crispy/ Serenade Rose. Dry track record is outstanding. Drawn well in a race of question marks and just may be the value...
2. 9 – MATRAS – Liked her 1<sup>st</sup>-up run through same race at Blahnik where she got back and worked home very nicely, she might be back? 2<sup>nd</sup>-up record is 2 wins from 3 with her miss being a 2.4L 5<sup>TH</sup> to Fantasia last prep when backed and worked home well but was 2<sup>nd</sup>-up off a serious injury there. Loves 1400m/ Caulfield. Expect her to run very well here...
3. 11 – TEMPLE HILLS – Third over the line 1<sup>st</sup>-up (relegated to 6<sup>TH</sup> on protest) and late sectionals were bettered only by winner Truly Wicked. Is 2 from 3 2<sup>nd</sup>-up and his 1400m record is nearly perfect (in quinella 5 of 6). Measured right up at first Oz start for new trainer (Moody) and right in this given any luck from horror draw (scratchings to come!)
4. 12 – BROCKMAN'S LASS – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Has a touch of quality this mare. 2L off Apache Cat/ God's Own 1<sup>st</sup>-up

last prep on Slow track measures up on it's own but the facts are, she has come on since then. No luck previous 1<sup>st</sup>-up (chopped out/ ran on). Winning chance!

5. 16 – BYWAY – Second emergency hoping to resume. 1<sup>st</sup>-up win last prep stamped him as a potential group horse when 4-wide on the speed, working, no cover and won easily over the very handy Juggle The Books. Flem win at next start by 4.3L in, wait for it, 1-21.68 for the 1400m was freakish. Promote right up if gains a start. 5-CHIACK-has place claims as he is just sooo honest...

### **Race 8 – Listed The Heath Open (SWP) – 1100m**

1. 16 – MAGICALLY – What a race! Looking for value here with this very smart mare resuming. Cannot get that Gp1 Galaxy run out of my head when she finished 2L fifth but got up inside the leader turning, on a swoopers track, off a sizzling 33.83 1<sup>st</sup>-600m split... she was clearly the best on-pacer in that event. This run was sensational. Forget wet track flop that followed when over the top. Stable report she's back better than ever and flying. Well drawn, no weight... e/way for me to finish the day...
2. 5 – TESBURY JACK – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Showed in the Autumn he could be anything this prep. Big, beautiful racehorse with a great engine. Can run very fast time (Flem win before spell 1-2.51 for 1100m. Caulf win prior over Magnus when 3W no cover all the way 1-8.4 for 1200m)... Very, very hard to beat!
3. 2 – CALIFORNIA DANE – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Thought he ran ok in the Gp1 Galaxy (but was a good risk) as a 3yo with top-weight. Was only 2.9L off them at the finish and does meet Magically 1kg better now. Another who can run sizzling times (holds MV 1200m record and beat Virage De Fortune there/trip also). Loved his recent trial. Gate 4 so gets run of the race.
4. 12 – SHADOWAYS – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Beaten by handicapper before spell. Great win 1<sup>st</sup>-up last prep when took off from the tail too soon, very wide with no trail and kept coming. Win this track/trip in April was outstanding when checked, back last, came outside and flew home. Run well here at value!
5. 14 – MAGNUS – Good on-pace effort in Adelaide 1<sup>st</sup>-up. 1L third to Tesbury Jack here at 1200m (meets him 1kg better) obviously has him in the mix. Beat California Dane on debut also. Gate 15, race 8, Caulfield sprints is not an issue... competitive...
6. 7-DEA and 15-CRIMSON REIGN definitely competitive also... great race!!!

## **ROSEHILL**

### **Race 1 – Class 6 Hcp – 1200m**

1. 2 – SERIOUS MONEY – Very nice 1<sup>st</sup>-up run when home hard to Keltic Flash. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep he was heavily backed and charged home to win over 1200m. Hot pace on here right up his alley (also accepted race 9 – this dual acceptor thing is painful). Good racehorse!
2. 1 – FOX LAKE – Very talented but still is a bit of a nut. 1<sup>st</sup>-up run with 62kg very good. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up win when went hard, took off too soon and rolled back to inside rail (slow lanes) was outstanding. 3<sup>rd</sup>-up run when 4-wide working forward was a forget run. In with 56kg after claim. Will have company in the lead, can he relax??? One day maybe??? (also accepted race 8)
3. 6 – FAST ‘N’ FAMOUS – Another who needs to learn to relax in his races. Shot away and hung on 2<sup>nd</sup>-up but clock says didn’t go hard up front. Will get pressure here but (very astute) trainer says he has improved and will relax better with the extra work poured in... has the ability and top-pick if 2,1 scratch (obviously)
4. 5 – TE DEUM – Loves 1200m. Won 4 of 6 at 1200m with 1 2<sup>nd</sup>. The miss was a .3L 4<sup>TH</sup> to Keltic Flash with Walk Alone second (here). Form-lines from that run say he measures up here... sits off fast pace here and over the odds.
5. 7 – SCOTCH GEM – Wasn’t flash last start but did have solid backing there. If can forgive that and go on previous 4<sup>TH</sup> to Fox Lake when ran on hard, he is in the mix.

### **Race 2 – Class 6 Hcp – 2000m**

1. 5 – EXINITE – Did like his run last week when back and came wide too soon trying to offset bias (?) making run early with no cart in. Kept closing despite not being fully tested as rider was worried about the very wayward Lang (fair enough!) in front of him. Out to 2000m now. When he got out to 2100m last prep he won by 5.5 Lengths! Speed on in this suits.
2. 6 – CANNON – In with no weight here (51.5kg). Form is ok from his Hawkesbury win 2-back and last start he was back and wide then sent forward 1000m from home to lead before hanging on very gamely. Fitter/better for that. Very hard to beat here!
3. 8 – ANABAA GOLD – Beaten favourite in midweek company last start but did miss the kick and was first attempt this distance range. Presume fitter/better? Previous win in Hawkesbury maiden when led and clearing out by 5.5L may be a better guide...
4. 7 – DUFFIELD – Beat Anabaa Gold last start in midweek when sat on the speed. That was first crack this distance range also and gets .5kg advantage for beating him last start. Has scope...
5. 1 – AL’S FLYER – Not won for ages but last few very forgivable (very wide/ injured). He hasn’t seen a field this week with this weight for a long time. Competitive.

### **Race 3 – F&M Class 3 Hcp – 1400m**

1. 5 – SAFWA – Well-bred mare resuming. Stable report she has had a few set-backs this campaign but she is above-average. Wide run when third to Magic Harmony (went on to be competitive in black-type) is a good pointer. Would like to see some market support but did trial well...
2. 1 – SWISHES – Was just a run 1<sup>st</sup>-up in Melbourne but she had trialled very well prior to that 'effort'. They can hit back switching stables from this stable and all three of her runs the 'Sydney way' have been very good (albeit city maidens).
3. 8 – COSTLY – Did just enough 1<sup>st</sup>-up but she wasn't suited at all there at 1000m. Now 1400m and she is 1 from 1 2<sup>nd</sup>-up (Gosford maiden win when wide all the way). 3L off Catechuchu in Keith Mackay Stks says she is talented enough... maybe one more to top her off? Market?
4. 3 – SEVEN STARS – Fitter for two runs back. Her only run here she beat all-bar Martiniforus over 1100m when running on hard. Has form at 1400m (wide 4<sup>th</sup> beaten .7L at Randwick) and last run she was backed \$13-to-\$10 before sitting wide and running on... chance!
5. 2 – TOR'S DANCER – Disappointed at 1600m last start. Back to 1400m where her previous form was good, but, they were wet tracks. Promote her if wet.

#### **Race 4 – Class 6 (SW) – 1500m**

1. 6 – OH OKLAHOMA – Liked his run 1<sup>st</sup>-up when well backed. Made up plenty of ground in leader dominated (and handy) race. Very good 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep with 59.5kg and gate 14 when beaten a lip by Anapine (Sepia third) despite sitting 3-wide on the speed all the way. Meets Sepia 2kg better from that clash and drawn beautifully today... weighted to win.
2. 8 – SEPIA – Touch of quality about this bloke. Very nice 1<sup>st</sup>-up run when held-up and found the line sweetly (fastest last 200m) Vs slow pace. Very good win 2<sup>nd</sup>-up two preps back by almost 3L (over Capanna). Forgive latest 2<sup>nd</sup>-up run on wet in Gosford Guineas. Is 1500m far enough? Likely good speed in this suits him best.
3. 3 – LEADING BID – Been hopeless on rain-affected tracks this campaign. He could very well jump out of the ground on a dry track. Loves this track, loves this distance and won or placed 10 of 11 on dry tracks!
4. 2 – CALIDAN – Another very solid performance last start when chased the talented Hippona all the way home. That was 1900m. Comes back to 1500m the scene of his win prior (here) when ran on hard Vs slow pace. Has a great love for the Rosehill track and handles all conditions...
5. 1 – LANDLOPER – Hopeless in wet 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Won 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep by 3.3L at Sandown with 58kg. Big weight but it's a high minimum and he is a good roughie here but must have dry!

#### **Race 5 – Listed F&M Sheraco Stks – 1100m**

1. 6 – AT EASE – reasons outlined
2. 7 – KAKAKAKATIE – Talented mare resuming. Has won her last two 1<sup>st</sup>-up including last prep at Canterbury/ 1200m when charged home to roll Rosecutter & Danasierra. Has the scalp of At Ease and Sugarbomb and pace on here suits. Hard to beat.
3. 8 – ROSECUTTER – Should have won all four of her starts this prep for mine. Strung-up last start and back, rider too quiet previously on leader biased track. Form ties in with these mares and suspect she has improved since they last clashed... Dry/ 1100m no worries.
4. 9 – PAULINI – Just 1 win but she resumes here and they do seem to be her best runs. Last prep she sat wide (no cover) and kept giving before finishing just 2.1L off Regal Cheer/ Street Smart in the Light Fingers Stks. Ran on hard fresh at previous campaign for 1.5L third to Mnemosyne/ Fashions Afield... a repeat of those runs sees her winning this with no weight...
5. 5 – SUGARBOMB – Nice enough win 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Stays down in the weights and has been competitive with these (better) mares throughout her career. 2<sup>nd</sup>-up record not flash but better than stats show (often no luck). Under the odds but concede a place chance given natural improvement.

#### **Race 6 – Listed Premiers Cup – 1800m**

1. 2 – ACTIVATION – reasons outlined
2. 4 – RUN RITA RUN – Like this horse. He resumes here and fresh record is strong. Just loved his recent trial... very competitive with Railings over a journey last prep often with much tougher run... good smokey for the bigger races and can run well here fresh at nice odds.
3. 9 – NEXGEN – Looks to have really come on this campaign. Big wins in Brisbane his last two one beating Regal Gaze clearly despite sitting wide all the way. Peak fit 4<sup>th</sup>-up and measures up here on closing fourth to Crums/ Warm Ride when last in Sydney.
4. 7 – ARTISTIQUE – Still yet to miss a place in 14 starts. Just handles everything you throw at her and gate 1 will see her get a gun run. A must for everything
5. 3 – BRAVE LANCER – Is 3 from 3 at 1800m. Produced some slick late sectionals last start over unsuitable trip off a freshen which says he's right on target for this. Definitely competitive here...
6. 11 – MOLOTOV – Promote right up if runs here (instead of Melb) for reasons above (see race 5 Melb)... Has 'Sydney way' form.

#### **Race 7 – Gp3 Golden Rose 3yo SW – 1400m**

1. 1 – MENTALITY – reasons outlined
2. 2 – EXCITES – Lot to like about his return when just 1.6L off Paratroopers after being slow out finding the line super. Still looked a little green which indicates we are yet to see the best of him. Fitter, 1400m suits better...Will make a very, very nice racehorse!

3. 14 – DE LAGO MIST – Kept finding the line 1<sup>st</sup>-up at Caulfield over unsuitable 1100m and had fastest final 400m split there. 1400m suits much better and fitter now. Always looked a filly that would really come on this prep and was very competitive with Mentality/ Excites in the Autumn... hmmm
4. 13 – GOLD EDITION – Freak 2yo/3yo filly who doesn't spell...well, none of them an spell, you know what I mean! Obviously outstanding last start beating a smart one in Montmelo (easily) even allowing for on-pace bias. Only 1400m run was very good (2<sup>nd</sup> to Danleigh in Qld Sires in swoopers race – always is that race!). Ideal draw, very hard to beat obviously...
5. 6 – EMPIRES CHOICE – Another very promising juvenile who pleased the eye 1<sup>st</sup>-up over 1300m. Was at it 600m and kept coming before being blocked for a run... was coming into it there.... Weights against here (Vs Mentality. 5kg diff.) and may want further than 1400m but should be motoring late...

#### **Race 8 – Gp3 Concorde Stks – 1100m**

1. 2 – REGAL CHEER – Had plenty against her 1<sup>st</sup>-up when worked to lead and was gone 150m. Interestingly, she did play up before the race and I just think you put the pen through the entire day! Will take sit off solid speed here back to 1100m and good effort 2<sup>nd</sup>-up last prep when 3-wide all the way and second to blowout horse Street Smart...
2. 9 – FOX LAKE – reasons above (see race 1)
3. 3 – UTZON – 1<sup>st</sup>-up. Big finisher who resumed last prep with narrow second to Collate (who got away with soft lead) and he may well have won but for being checked late... Previous fresh run he was beaten by on-pace bias. One before that beaten by very slow pace (and Cool Front) when flashed late. Very smart but can find excuses... Pace on here a big, big tick for him!
4. 11 – RIGHTSON – Was a month between runs when back & wide last start in very handy midweek field. Fitter now and very interestingly was backed off the map before being scratched late a week or so earlier. Obviously going well. Good value runner here.
5. 1 – UNDUE – Has the 58kg but is a Gp1 winner and trail/trackwork has been very good for his return. 3 from 3 at 1100m and 3.4L off Takeover Target in Gp1 Newmarket is a great pointer to how honest and talented he is. Nice alley. Must for multiples...

#### **Race 9 – Open Hcp – 1400m**

1. 14 – THE FREE STATER – Very gifted galloper who resumed with 3.5L 6<sup>th</sup> at WFA behind Paratroopers in the Premiere Stks when no excuses but never shirked his task. Back to this grade, out to 1400m (unbeaten in two good races!) and with no weight plus added fitness... he will run 1 or 2.

2. 13 – SERIOUS MONEY – reasons outlined in race 1 except for one point. He is unbeaten at 1400m himself. The danger if runs here...
3. 9 – KELTIC FLASH – Beat Serious money 2-back and did not have a soft lead there. Was the centre of a 3-way lead and kicked well. Beaten by the handy Neat Work in Canberra last start but they ran a record. Latest 1400m run when led, 3-wide, no cover was good. e/way.
4. 1 – NEWTON'S RINGS – Still flying! Won four straight carting massive weights and doing it easy. Gets in under the 60kg again after the claim and just loves it here and just loves the 1400m trip... would not know how to run a bad race.
5. 6 – BUTTEN SHAW – Dry tracker who trialled well. Has been in the money 17 of 18 starts on dry tracks. Good value if bone dry!

Good Luck !

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