



THE LEG UP

Season Opening Preview

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RMHC Family Fun Day - Wednesday 9 October 2019

Race 1 - 1:24PM FURPHY REFRESHING ALE MAIDEN (2000 METRES)

Despite rising from 1400 to 2000 second up, it's hard to look past Peters Investments 4YO SENTIMENTAL GIFT. Well fancied when resuming at Belmont 28/9 and made up a stack of ground in a slowly run affair, clocking the second-fastest last 200m split of the day. Pike will put her to sleep early and she should have far too much closing speed for these late. UNDER THE ARCHERS and Troy Turner were mighty when finishing third after the saddle-slipped last start. Only runner capable of stretching Sentimental Gift. Likely leader APACHE RABBIT is improving with every run, while KEBALAH is next best.

Tips: 6-3-5-1
Suggested: 6. SENTIMENTAL GIFT win.

Race 2 - 1:59PM TABTOUCH - BETTER YOUR BET HANDICAP (1675 METRES)

Can make a case for most of these, but after finishing within a length of each other last start, these four should fight it out again, with PORPHYRIO on top. Ridden cold in a slowly-run affair at Belmont 25/9, she looked up against it on straightening, but launched late with the fastest last 200m of the day to fall only a head short of victory. With a similar patient ride, she can run over the top of these late. AMILLIONITE maps leader's back and should go close from these, while both FLYING TARGET and BLUE SANDGROPER showed depth to keep coming despite racing wide throughout last time.

Tips: 5-4-6-2
Suggested: 5. PORPHYRIO win.

Race 3 - 2:35PM AMELIA PARK MAIDEN (1200 METRES)

Competitive 3YO Maiden this, but have a lot of time for SPECIAL CHOICE and expecting her overcome her high draw and find a way to salute. Huge run on debut behind the brilliant Mia Dolce at Belmont in July and she stretched out nicely in her Lark Hill 23/9 trial win. Has some class about her and, with

even luck, should win. Have been impressed with the trial efforts of OLD MICK and he goes close on debut. Maps to lead or land in the box seat. LEICA JAGUAR is really knocking on the door, while recent trial winning first-uppers TRAMIKA and CASA ROSADA both warrant consideration.

Tips: 9-7-1-4
Suggested: 9. SPECIAL CHOICE win.

Race 4 - 3:10PM LJ HOOKER BUNBURY COLLIE MAIDEN (1000 METRES)

Pretty keen on BOOMTASTIC. Let up after being backed from \$3.50 to \$2.80 at Belmont 7/8, when leading and looking home, before getting swamped by the very well-regarded Windstorm. Has found a nice fresh option and with a clean getaway for Pike, she should land on-speed and control the race from there. OREO improved nicely second up at Northam and that form should hold up in this. Suited with another low draw and McNaught on board. ANGELIQUE'S FAME maps well and has shown enough at trials to be considered on debut, while recent trial winners RED WARRIOR and BOSNIPP will have admirers first up.

Tips: 7-9-11-8
Suggested: 7. BOOMTASTIC win.

Race 5 - 3:45PM AXIS HIRE MAIDEN (1400 METRES)

Low-confidence race, eventually opting to side with COSTA DEL SANTO. Have tracked him closely over the journey and while he still does plenty wrong, he certainly has some ability. Both efforts this prep have been strong, including his Belmont 21/9 result when attacking the line late, and with a reasonable run from a high draw, he should give this a shake. MISS MARANTA also has a tricky gate to overcome, but she's expected to get back and charge late also. MOAMA ROSE will attract a wave of support with Pike on board, while no surprise to see sharp improvement from GALAHS DO ROAR second up.

Tips: 1-3-8-9
Suggested: 1. COSTA DEL SANTO each way.



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Race 6 - 4:20PM RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES WA HANDICAP (1400 METRES)

Plenty to work with in this and SPEEDY MISS has to be a major player. Made the most of a sweet run to score a soft third-up win at Belmont last start and expecting her to go right on with the job. Maps to enjoy a similar running position and if saved up for one run by McNaught, Speedy Miss should be strongest late. BLACK DUCATI is smart and will take some beating back on her home deck. Anticipating positive tactics from the draw. GRAND DESIGN was nailed on the line by a smart one last time and looks poised to make an impact in this, while SWIFT MIRAGE and STRONG HEART have strong claims.

Tips: 8-7-9-6
Suggested: 8. SPEEDY MISS win.

Race 7 - 5:00PM CIVILCON CONSTRUCTION HANDICAP (1200 METRES)

Looking forward to seeing promising 3YOs MAROCCHINO and BOGART back in action and they look set to fight this one out. Marocchino made an impression in his winter prep, matching motors with some smart types, and breezed-up nicely in a 400m Lark Hill 23/9 trial. Needs some favours from the alley, but has the class to do some work and still figure. Bogart impressed in his debut win and must be respected. Appears ready to fire fresh with the blinkers added. VERDANDI is also returning from a break and certainly has some talent, while MINIKA and JARMAN are both race fit/in form contenders.

Tips: 4-8-12-9
Suggested: 4. MAROCCHINO each way.