



THE LEG UP

Meeting Preview

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Race 1 - 1:04PM THE PASSIONATE BAKER MAIDEN (1000 METRES)

There's a bit to work with in this 3YO Maiden, but pretty confident KIMBERLEY BOY is the one to beat. Was fairly green when winning a 400m Lark Hill 19/10 trial, but came on significantly when coasting to the line to score a narrow-but-soft 950m heat win at Lark Hill 2/11. Looked like there was a fair bit left in the tank and with an economical run Kimberley Boy looks the one on debut. Fellow first-starters MERCANTO and LOVE DRUNK BABY are coming off encouraging trial victories and both are expected to have admirers. Mercanto does plenty wrong but has obvious talent, Love Drunk Baby couldn't have done much more in his two lead-up trials but maps rearwards from the outside alley, while ZAC LUVS TO FLY had no luck first up on Melbourne Cup Day and should rebound.

Tips: 3-5-4-1 Suggested: 3. KIMBERLEY BOY win.

Race 2 - 1:42PM CHAFF CITY MAIDEN (1200 METRES)

TESTING LOVE stands out. Was keen at her Ascot 3/11 debut, but she just got a length or two out of her ground in transit and simply ran out of runway, charging to the line for a closing second with gate nine the difference. Settles mid/back again from this draw, but Chris Parnham will no doubt be looking to put her into the race sooner and while 1400m would've been preferred, with clear running Testing Love should still be too strong late. Have plenty of time for SHEZA CHALMER and she was a touch stiff not to win on debut, trekking three wide/no cover the entire and clocking some of the best late splits of the day. Will enjoy a softer run from this draw and appears the logical danger. SCORPION STORMZ will win his share of races also and his sectionals mirrored those of Sheza Chalmer at Northam 29/10. Does look like settling at the rear though, while first-starter MONEY TWIST has shown enough at trials to warrant consideration, especially beginning from gate one.

Tips: 10-9-2-12 Suggested: 10. TESTING LOVE win.

Race 3 - 2:17PM VALE LIFE MEMBER JOAN MONEY MAIDEN (1675 METRES)

Going again with FEAR THE WIND. Have thrown him out at each of his first two appearance so far and he's been luckless on both occasions, running into major traffic issues at Ascot 14/10 and then being forced to race three wide/no cover at Bunbury 3/11. Bred to appreciate the mile (and beyond), maps soft from a low draw and is suited with Joe Azzopardi going back on, so this looks a good setup for Fear The Wind. Hard to fault the first two Northam efforts from TIBETAN BLACK this prep and she's another with a pedigree that'll appreciate this trip. Ridden patiently she should be hitting the line hard again late. FREQUENT FRIAR surprisingly landed in front first up at Northam 29/10 and almost pinched it. Fitter and ridden with cover he can

impact again, BLOCK OF LAND is proving very costly but could Shaun O'Donnell be the missing link, while THE ROAN RANGER has to be in contention second up back on his home track.

Tips: 10-12-2-3 Suggested: 10. FEAR THE WIND win.

Race 4 - 2:55PM AMELIA PARK MAIDEN (1400 METRES)

Thinking most will be looking to target NOBEL LAURENCE. Really caught the eye in his two Lark Hill barrier trials prior to an excellent Ascot 28/10 debut performance behind Smashing and Alpha And Omega, showing some brilliant closing speed. Maps to settle mid/back, so may be spotting some main dangers a decent head start, but the rise to 1400m is a positive and confidently handled by Mitch Pateman, Nobel Laurence should be steaming over the top of them late. Likely leader TREVERN should give him something to catch though. Nailed right on the line when attempting the lead throughout at his Ascot 28/10 debut and expecting him to come forward with race fitness and experience. STANDOUT ROSE was coming off two Lark Hill trial wins when close up at her Mt Barker 1/11 debut, but she did run out of room late and was a bit stiff to encounter some smart Steve Wolfe 3YOs on that occasion, while didn't mind the first-up effort from SWEET AS A BERRY and no surprise to see her figure prominently up to 1400m.

Tips: 7-6-11-8 Suggested: 7. NOBEL LAURENCE win.

Race 5 - 3:35PM CIVILCON CONSTRUCTION MAIDEN (1400 METRES)

THE WHITE WITCH looks placed to win. Has always shown plenty of promise she was heavily supported (\$3.60 to \$2.80) second up at Ascot 28/10, but just peaked on her run after looking the winner 200m from home. Will relish this low draw and with the blinkers on, The White Witch should sharpen up nicely and look to control this from on top of the speed. COMEALIBITCLOSER was over the odds when placing at Bunbury 3/11 and he's expected to play a part in the finish of this. Anticipating positive tactics from the high draw. Liked the first-up Ascot 28/10 effort from TILLY'S GOT TALENT and lookout for her attacking the line strongly late, while the likes of THEHUNTSMEN and TYPHOON BEN can challenge for top-four finishes also.

Tips: 11-9-12-2 Suggested: 11. THE WHITE WITCH win.

Race 6 - 4:15PM FURPHY - REFRESHING ALE HANDICAP (1400 METRES)

Reckon BEAT THE BRO is a Saturday horse in the making and despite the 61kg topweight should be mighty hard to beat first up. Knocked off a smart one in Giant Leap when kicking off his previous campaign, before going on to place twice on rain-affected Belmont tracks in July. Is capable of

holding a position from gate one and like the booking of Paul Harvey, so if Beat The Bro turns up he should fight out the finish. ON RED ALERT will enjoy coming back to his home track, but another high draw sees him mapping rearwards. Still, he has good closing speed and Laqdar Ramoly's 2kg claim will come in handy. SAMSURIAN has been building towards a peak and probably ended up in the inferior part of the track third up at Northam 25/10, GALLANT RANGER dug deep to score a fighting Northam maiden win and you must always respect Michael Lane runners in Bunbury, while THREE EZE can elevate into the top four second up from a break.

Tips: 1-2-10-7 Suggested: 1. BEAT THE BRO win.

Race 7 - 4:45PM TABTOUCH - BETTER YOUR BET HANDICAP (1000 METRES)

Found this short-course handicap a challenge and with low confidence have opted to side with AGENT JAY. Thought there was merit in his first-up Ascot 21/10 result and he is coming to a venue where his best results have been posted, so with even luck from a high draw a fitter Agent Jay should be really competitive. First-upper ANGELIQUE'S FAME has been readied for this assignment with two lead-up trials and with a lower draw may have had her on top, as she now maps in the back half. FLASH OF THUNDER has been beaten narrowly at Kalgoolie and Geraldton recently and drops significantly in weight with Keshaw Dhurun on board, while the best of more established types AMELIA BEDELIA and DOUBLE JEOPARDY should see them give this a nudge.

Tips: 5-7-9-4 Suggested: 5. AGENT JAY win.

Race 8 - 5:15PM JCW ELECTRICAL HANDICAP (1675 METRES)

Wide-open handicap to finish off and rolling with SAFE TO MAKEUP on top. Competed well during a WA Oaks campaign when with Trevor Andrews in the autumn and she should come forward nicely after her first appearance for Justin Warwick at Northam 25/10. Looks suited rising up to the mile with the blinkers going back on and she is capable of holding a forward/mid running position from gate one, so Safe To Makeup certainly makes appeal. CABLE GUY was one of the better runs on the day when resuming at Northam 29/10, coming from well back to finish third. Loves the mile and he has to be considered a major player. LYLE'S CHOICE is coming off a decisive Bunbury 3/11 third-up win and looks capable of saluting again, hard to fault in-form mare HIP WIGGLE, while the quirky PETTICOAT JUNCTION is always a risky proposition but can win on talent alone.

Tips: 10-1-2-3 Suggested: 10. SAFE TO MAKEUP win.