



# THE LEG UP

## Meeting Preview

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Breeders Classic Day | Sunday 31 January 2021

### **Race 1 - 1:40PM BUNBURY CUP GA TICKETS ON SALE MAIDEN (1000 METRES)**

Tricky 3YO Maiden to kick off Breeders Classic Day and after the scratching of Premium Choice, opted to align with MERITIA first up. Has been off the scene for over 30 weeks, but his debut Belmont 1000m result against the likes of Born To Rule and Continuance lines up strong enough against this field. Would like to see Jason Whiting try and hold up from the low draw and that would leave Meritia close enough on straightening to impact. KIPITAKI was nosed out down the Pinjarra Straight 1000 last start and maps to be afforded every opportunity by Chris Parnham. STARLIFT is coming off a decent Belmont 18/01 trial win and gate one with 52kg brings her into contention on debut, while first-upper RANGA ROLL may find the 1000m too short but showed enough last prep.

Tips: 1-4-8-3 Suggested: 1. MERITIA win.

### **Race 2 - 2:15PM OWN THE DREAM MAIDEN (1100 METRES)**

WESTERN EMPIRE is widely considered the best maiden in the country and is on trial for a Melbourne summer/autumn carnival campaign, so it would be a shock if he isn't able to get the job done. A high draw and the 1100m journey do through up some interesting variables though, so you'd imagine he'll be spotting the leaders a reasonable head-start, but Western Empire's class and big engine should still see him prevail. Have been impressed with the recent trials of TAKEMEHOMETONIGHT and she's a factor on debut, especially from the kind draw. WARDIAN and ASTRO WARRIOR are both first up from spell but each showed plenty of potential during their initial racing campaigns, while the Lark Hill 11/01 trial win from COTCHIN suggests he'll be winning races.

Tips: 2-10-5-3 Suggested: 2. WESTERN EMPIRE win.

### **Race 3 - 2:50PM THE PASSIONATE BAKER MAIDEN (1400 METRES)**

The barrier draw has solidified SOMETHINGREADY as the horse to beat. Ran into a slick filly in Graceful Girl two back and then was victim of circumstances when beaten fave in a walk/sprint affair at Pinjarra 21/01. Anticipating much more positive tactics from Chris Parnham with the blinkers on and no surprise to see this filly lead them up and control the race from there. GINGER SENORITA has luckless at Ascot 20/01 and should've at least finished second to Hot Zed. Maps sweetly from this draw and is suited with a senior hoop back on board. Loved the way Peters Investments filly ANTIQUE JEWEL attacked the line last start, but from this draw she's more than likely

going to have to come from near last to win, while YARDMAN is a work in progress and has the talent to challenge for a top-four finish.

Tips: 9-11-10-1 Suggested: 9. SOMETHINGREADY win.

### **Race 4 - 3:20PM JCW ELECTRICAL MAIDEN (1675 METRES)**

Hasn't been kind to her followers in recent starts but more than happy to go one more time with TRISUEM. Flashed late and arguably a good thing beat at Pinjarra two back, and got shuffled out of position and stuck behind tiring runners at crucial stages when a beaten \$3.90 fave at Ascot last Saturday. Gun hoop Chris Parnham won't make the same mistakes again and kept out of trouble Trisuem breaks through. Long-time maiden JOLLY ODD is in the best form of her career, and expecting her to lead and take some catching again. SPECIAL PICTURE was a bit stiff at Pinjarra 21/01 and she looms as a major player, while KAYLANI endured a torrid run last start and will appreciate the step up to 1675m.

Tips: 8-7-10-9 Suggested: 8. TRISUEM win.

### **Race 5 - 3:50PM AMELIA PARK RACING AND BREEDING HANDICAP (2000 METRES)**

THE ROAN RANGER looks perfectly placed by local trainer Paul Roberts and is the standout on-topper, but thought if anything could knock him off it could be AHYOKA FROST with a 9kg pull in the weights. The Stefan Vahala yard are having a terrific run in recent times and this mare was quite good when placing behind Bombardment last start. Record suggests Ahyoka Frost will need every thing to go her way, but ridden to utilise her weight advantage by apprentice Keshaw Dhurun, she could cause the upset. The Roan Ranger is coming off a strong Ascot placing in much higher grade than this and maps to enjoy the run of the race from this alley. Possible leader ELLEVISTA is building fitness and could show some check, while the likes of ALL ON BLACK and MALAKHI are top-four considerations also.

Tips: 6-1-5-2 Suggested: 6. AHYOKA FROST win.

### **Race 6 - 4:20PM TABTOUCH - BETTER YOUR BET HANDICAP (1200 METRES)**

East-coast import BLAZING TYCOON looks set to give this a shake. Arrived in the West with quite a decent record and produced a nice first-up effort down the Straight 1000 at Pinjarra 21/01 when finishing on the placegetters' heels. Better suited at 1200m, has the gate speed to utilise this low draw and with Pike on



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Blazing Tycoon does look the one. DANNY GEORGE looks the big improver, coming out of the same Pinjarra 21/01 event when caught on the wrong side of the straight course. Ramoly going on and gate one are massive ticks, and Danny George will be going close. GLASGOW GIRL was swamped late at her first outing for new trainer Brad Graham. She looks every chance and finding the front and giving a big kick, while the consistent ANGELIQUE'S FAME gets another suitable map and won't be far away.

Tips: 2-1-4-5 Suggested: 2. BLAZING TYCOON win.

### **Race 7 - 4:50PM MISTY VALLEY THOROUGHBREDS GREENFIELDS LODGE BREEDERS' CLASSIC (1400 METRES)**

The 2021 Breeders Classic does look a race in two between quality fillies MAGICAL DREAM and SOLAIA, and expecting the might of the Cerise And White to prevail. Truck-loaded in betting (\$1.90 to \$1.45) when returning from a let up at Ascot 16/01, she was guided out of trouble by "The Wizard" Pike and cruised to a decisive win. From the awkward draw, Magical Dream won't want to let natural on-pacer Solaia out of her sights, but still confident the Dream Ahead filly will have the closing speed to get it done. Solaia is a real talent and she's more than capable of causing the upset. Respect. Stablemate and likely leader NO SURRENDER is no slouch either and is a tough bugger to get past, while HOT MIX was strong late behind the fave last start and is a filly with plenty of ability.

Tips: 2-6-1-7 Suggested: 2. MAGICAL DREAM win.

### **Race 8 - 5:30PM FURPHY - REFRESHING ALE HANDICAP (1400 METRES)**

Confident WESTERN RHYTHM is the right way to go. Things haven't gone exactly to plan this time in, going back to a mid-prep Lark Hill 11/01 trial to reset, but it appears to have done the trick and she was very stiff in her follow-up Ascot 16/01 outing. Will love William Pike back in the saddle and with even luck in transit, Western Rhythm will take some beating. NO APOLOGY is building into his campaign well and boxed on well in Graduation company at Ascot 23/01. Good use of Ramoly's claim and the draw enhances his claims also. Likely leader THAT'S FUNNY AZ strips fitter second up and is unbeaten at the Bunbury 1400m. vastly-improved local CHIEF ARCHER has to be a major player again, while promising 3YO filly MISCHIEVIOUS DIVA looks like going on with the job after a recent maiden victory.

Tips: 6-1-2-3 Suggested: 6. WESTERN RHYTHM win.