



# THE LEG UP

## Meeting Preview

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### **Race 1 - 12:12PM MCCAFFÉ SOUTH WEST MAIDEN (1200 METRES)**

MY HIDDEN JOURNEY can make amends. Trialled well at Lark Hill 25/01 and was sent out a \$3.10 fave first up at Pinjarra 21/03, but was forced to race three wide/no cover the entire and his condition blew out late. Should have a nice platform to launch from after that searching hit-out and from this draw My Hidden Journey gets his chance. LOOKSNOTEVERYTHING continues to perform consistently and from gate one down on 53kg, has to be a top-four hope again. Like Chris Parnham going back on JONO and he should be peaking third up, while big watch on east-coast imports QUINTUS and CAPE LEOPARD at their WA debuts.

Tips: 1-9-2-5 Suggested: 1. MY HIDDEN JOURNEY win.

### **Race 2 - 12:52PM SUMMIT REALTY SOUTH WEST HANDICAP (1200 METRES)**

A refreshed LADIES OF LONDON looks the one to beat. So strong at the finish of her last outing 35 days ago and the form out of that race through Lipstick Flickers and Amelia's Contraire reads well. Can land in the box seat from this draw and has the class to win with 60kg. Strong finisher FAIR JUSTICE appears the main danger, herself coming off a 62-day break. Tends to race best fresh and saved up, she can make an impact late. Like the way CITY CIRCLE boxed on in Graduation company last start, OXBRIDGE wasn't far away in this grade at Pinjarra 6/02, while MISS ALIGNED could be a smoky down on 52.5kg.

Tips: 1-6-4-5 Suggested: 1. LADIES OF LONDON win.

### **Race 3 - 1:32PM CAPEL VALE WINERY HANDICAP (1200 METRES)**

VADETTE DE STAR will be all the rage. Made quite the impression when an explosive Ascot 20/02 debut winner, landing good bets in the process (\$4.80 to \$3.40). Should get a lovely smother in transit from the draw and if Vadette De Star sees daylight late good luck holding her out. SECRET PLAN is well-regarded but actually think VANE TEMPEST is the biggest threat to the on-topper. Has strong Kissonallforcheeks form, won really well last start and maps to stalk the leaders. Secret Plan goes good but maps rearwards and it'll be some effort to win from there, while ALPHA AND OMEGA and HOT ZED are promising types also.

Tips: 3-5-9-4 Suggested: 3. VADETTE DE STAR win.

### **Race 4 - 2:08PM MGB HANDICAP (1000 METRES)**

PLUTOCRACY was a good result last Saturday and happy to go again. One of three Simon A. Miller winners on the day, he tracked up in the three-wide line and gunned down Mood Swings in the last bound. Is going to relish the slick tempo likely to be carved out by ZIEBELL

and Plutocracy should be strongest late. GEMMA'S SON over-exerted when leading the Pinjarra Classic but was so brave to be beaten only 1.6L. Really good horse but 1300 back to 1000, bar plates on and coming off a gut-buster are genuine queries. Hard to fault EXCELLENT DREAM and no surprise to see him win again, while speed-machine Ziebell will be hard to catch as always.

Tips: 3-1-5-4 Suggested: 3. PLUTOCRACY win.

### **Race 5 - 2:45PM WILLIAM BARRETT & SONS VASE (1200 METRES)**

Kept coming back to talented 3YO CHARLETON EDDIE. Didn't get a lot of peace in front when resuming over 1000m at Ascot 20/02, but still gave a kick before being swamped by an exciting Vadette De Star late. Good solid workout to kick off his campaign and with a more economical run in front Charleton Eddie will take some getting past. Don't mind Adam Durrant keeping BOGART fresh over sprint trips and his first-up defeat of What About Moses with 60kg does stack up. WEAPONSON is suited back to 1200m but has another awkward draw to overcome, ABSOLUTE is absolutely flying, while the best of CRYSTAL SPIRIT could see him run a race first up.

Tips: 5-4-3-11 Suggested: 5. CHARLETON EDDIE win.

### **Race 6 - 3:20PM MISTY VALLEY THOROUGHBREDS GREENFIELDS LODGE BREEDERS CLASSIC (1400 METRES)**

Small but select field to contest the rescheduled Breeders Classic and confident the unbeaten TRIPLE MISSILE can take it right up to the outstanding KISSONALLFORCHEEKS. Triple Missile has been weapon-like in all three outings to date and while this is a major step up, expecting him to cut loose late and it'll take a good one to beat him. The proven Kissonallforcheeks is very good, and Chris Parnham's tactics will be interesting from this draw in what could be a slowly-run affair. MAGICAL DREAM is no slouch either and while she's had an interrupted prep, her best is good enough, while lookout for a sharper INDIGO BLUE with blinkers on.

Tips: 3-1-2-4 Suggested: 3. TRIPLE MISSILE win.

### **Race 7 - 3:57PM CITY & REGIONAL FUELS HANDICAP (1400 METRES)**

Wide-open handicap but with even luck PLETTTO really should be going close. Hit the line hard when resuming in the Pearl Classic before and really should've won second up at Ascot 20/02, when traffic issues proved costly in a walk-and-sprint. Like this draw for her, drops to 54.5kg and Pletto just needs galloping room late. WHAT ABOUT MOSES continues to improve deep into his campaign and expecting him to fight out the finish again. Race fit, in form and maps to advantage again. Lookout for DARK

MISSION launching late, while LIVING THE DREAM impressed last start but 60kg is a steadier and FA'LION MASCHINE can blow them all out.

Tips: 13-7-5-1 Suggested: 13. PLETTTO each way.

### **Race 8 - 4:35PM AMELIA PARK BUNBURY STAKES (1400 METRES)**

LAST OF THE LINE was scary good in a powerhouse Detonator Stakes victory two weeks back and despite plotting an unconventional pathway, still expecting him to prove victorious in this Bunbury Stakes. Has an outstanding 1400m profile, maps sweetly from this alley and should get the fast tempo he thrives on. Blinkers go on SON OF A GOD for his "grand final" and gee he's going to get a lovely run from this draw. Ticks a lot of boxes. SAMIZDAT was mighty in the Pinjarra Classic but has another high draw makes things difficult, while the Pinjarra Classic quinella CRYPTIC LOVE and WESTERN TEMPLE are in the mix again.

Tips: 4-14-2-5 Suggested: 4. LAST OF THE LINE win.

### **Race 9 - 5:10PM FURPHY BUNBURY CUP (2000 METRES)**

MONTELENA has the Bunbury Cup at her mercy. Hit the line hard first up and although a beaten \$2.70 fave in the crazy-fast Detonator Stakes two weeks back, she ran into a potential superstar in Last Of The Line with 4.3L back to third. Has the perfect platform to launch and kept out of trouble by Chris Parnham, Montelena gets it done. If there's going to be an upset it's likely to come from either PADDY'S SHADOW or DIVINE SHADOW, who come through the same races as Montelena and both should've finished closer last start. TRAP FOR FOOLS is coming off a Detonator Stakes gut-buster and has to lump 62kg, while UTGARD LOKI looks best of the rest.

Tips: 7-8-4-1 Suggested: 7. MONTELENA win.

### **Race 10 - 5:44PM TABTOUCH - BETTER YOUR BET HANDICAP (2000 METRES)**

WA Oaks bound Peters Investments filly RELIABLE STAR looks the one in the "Get Out". Is a maiden but was really stiff not to salute over 1800m in this grade at Ascot last Saturday and she'll no doubt appreciate the rise to 2000m. Relaxed in running tracking a genuine tempo, Reliable Star should be launching all over the top of them late. In-form mare BEAT THE BELL continues to run slashing races and has to be a factor. Another Cerise And White Oaks prospect ANTIQUE JEWEL could very well jump out of the ground at this trip, while BORN TO TRY is flying for Lindsey Smith and PORPHYRIO will be charging home late.

Tips: 11-5-9-6 Suggested: 11. RELIABLE STAR win.