



WEEKLY REVIEW: of Saturday 7th September

### **WINTELLIGENCE PERFORMANCE REVIEW**

It was a solid day across the board with 10 Top Pick winners and 5 Value/Threat winners – 15 winners across the 29 races on offer – a winner identified in 52% of races from our top two selections.

Best Bet Mishani Lily \$2.30 destroyed her rivals which was good to see. Best Bet Arkansaw Kid looked the winner but was nailed late to 2<sup>nd</sup>. Best Each Way Private Eye got out to crazy odds late in betting - \$12/3.40 – and he ripped home against the pattern of the day but just missed 3<sup>rd</sup> frustratingly. A dominant win and two closeish calls for the Best Bets.

We managed to land four of our nine Key Plays across the day with Mishani Lily \$2.30, Manaal \$2.60, Pericles \$2.15 and Silmarillion \$2.40 getting the job done with a touch of ease. Other key plays at Randwick Zardozi, Thunderlips and Private Eye just had no chance against the unexpected on speed bias at Randwick.

**Winners included:** Mishani Lily \$2.30 (Best), Manaal \$2.60 (Key Play), Pericles \$2.15 (Key Play), Silmarillion \$2.40 (Key Play), Fleur De Monde \$4.40, Atmosphere \$2.45, Caboche \$5.00, Lincoln Rocks \$2.60, Evaporate \$2.80, Victory Win \$4.40 **Value:** Nails Murphy \$4.50, A Little Deep \$5.00, Miss Aria \$5.00, Spring Lee \$4.60, Buckaroo \$7.00

We look forward to another blockbuster day of racing this Saturday with the Makybe Diva Stakes (G1) meeting at Flemington which sees the clash of Via Sistina, Mr Brightside, and Pride Of Jenni, and a mouth-watering edition of the Run To The Rose (G2) at Randwick. We also see the return of Eagle Farm which is a pleasant surprise after what has felt like an eternity of back-to-back meetings at Doomben.

Onto next week!

## RESULTS SUMMARY

### **Top Pick Results**

Winners: 10  
Top 2 Finishes: 12  
Placings: 17  
From 29 races

### **Top Pick %**

Win Strike Rate: 35%  
Top 2: 42%  
Place Strike Rate: 60%

### **Top 2 Picks Results**

Top Pick Wins: 10  
Value/Threat Wins: 5

Wins: 15/29  
Win Strike Rate: 52%

## RUN OF THE DAY

### **MORNINGTON GLORY (Moonee Valley R9)**

*SP: \$9.00 Margin: 1<sup>st</sup> by 0.5L*

Mornington Glory continued the early Spring Group 1 trend in Victoria of the fit horse catching the 'class' horses on the hop. In a field of nine, Mornington Glory was the only horse who wasn't resuming from a break as he was shooting for three wins in a row around the 1000m at Moonee Valley. He found the front from barrier 1 and kept kicking late to hold the closers at bay keeping his unbeaten 1000m record intact from five attempts. A much deserved Group 1 victory for Mornington Glory, Gavin Bedgood, and Ethan Brown.

## **BLACKBOOKERS**

*A trio of horses at Randwick made good ground against the pattern of the day. One a Midway maiden, one a Group 1 performed import, and the other one of the country's most talked about horses.*

### **POWERS OF OPAL (Randwick R1)**

She is still a maiden at start four, but her effort in Midway grade on Saturday was excellent. It was very tough to make ground at Randwick on Saturday and she was competing at a distance below her best over the 1400m, but her work late was excellent. She ripped home late in the 4<sup>th</sup> fastest last 200m sectional of the meeting – impressive effort given it was a 1400m Midway and there were five 1000-1200m sprints on the program. She is crying out for 1600m now and you would assume she will target the 1600m Midway in a fortnight at Randwick where she will prove hard to beat.

### **ADELAIDE RIVER (Randwick R8)**

There is no doubting this blokes class. He was a three-time Group 1 placegetter in Europe before arriving in Australia. He contested a pair of races over the QLD winter and was very disappointing, but he pulled up with issues out of both runs. It was good to see him bounce back to form on Saturday in the Chelmsford Stakes (G2) over the 1600m which is well short of his best. He hit the line hard late to set his spring preparation up nicely. He wouldn't look out of the place in some of the Spring majors if he can find his best form.

### **AMELIA'S JEWEL (Randwick R9)**

There were plenty eyes on boom galloper Amelia's Jewel return in her first run for the Annabel Neasham yard, and she couldn't have done much more. It was tough to make ground at Randwick yet she ripped home into 2<sup>nd</sup> and was beaten only by a galloper who had the on speed advantage. It was only last Spring she stepped out to the mile 2<sup>nd</sup> up and put pay to multiple Group 1 winner Pride Of Jenni as a \$1.26 chance. She has returned in just as good order.

*The two big guns of the Australian sprinting ranks both returned in excellent order over trips short of their best – both recorded the fastest last 600m sectional of their respective meetings*

### **I WISH I WIN (Moonee Valley R8)**

I thought he was a good chance to take out the Moir Stakes (G1) on class alone, but he just set himself too big a task from back in the field in an on speed dominated contest. His work late was excellent ripping home in the meeting's fastest last 600, 400m and 200m sectionals. He is on track for The Everest.

### **BELLA NIPOTINA (Randwick R7)**

I actually wasn't expecting Bella to run as well as she did given the 1000m is well short of her best, but she was enormous ripping home on a tough day to make ground in the fastest last 600m sectional of the meeting. She just doesn't run poorly. She is also well on track for The Everest.

## **WINNERS TO FOLLOW**

*Two mares showed an elite turn of foot from a long way back at The Valley.*

### **A LITTLE DEEP (Moonee Valley R5)**

She returned in fine style this prep with a dominant win in BM84 Mares grade, but she was going to have to lift on Saturday stepping to stakes grade and taking on a smart sprinter in Arkansaw Kid, and lift she did. She sat back off a hot speed and ripped home over the top of Arkansaw Kid late – no easy feat. She is on an upwards trajectory and has plenty more in store this prep.

### **MISS ARIA (Moonee Valley R10)**

I included her as our Value selection on Saturday to keep her safe but I thought over the 1200m she would be the flashing light black booker to follow next start out to 1400m. She was aided by a terrific rails hugging ride from Blake Shinn, but her effort to put a BM84 field away from 12<sup>th</sup> in the run at Moonee Valley over a trip short of her best was enormous. She is a mare in the zone and will prove hard to beat out to 1400m wherever she heads next.

Have a good week,  
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