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RACE EIGHT (continued)

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BY THE GRACE (Andrew Noblet) 4g By God's Own-Rain Dance Lady (12:3-1-2): Wasn't far away when  $\frac{3}{4}$  len 4th (54.0) London Stripe 1600m C'field (Bm90) Oct 15. Missed the start then was disappointed for a run when nk,  $\frac{3}{4}$  len 3rd (54.0) You Rock, Saigon Tea 1800m F'ton 4&5yo Trophy-90 Nov 6. Made good late ground at Flemington but more depth here. Place looks best.

RACE SEVEN

ZULULAND (D Hayes & T Dabernig) 3c By Fastnet Rock-Dream Play (12:1-2-0): Never settled and always back in second half  $7\frac{3}{4}$  len 9th (56.5) Shooting To Win 1600m C'field Caulfield Gneas Oct 11. Worked across to **lead** before fading  $\frac{3}{4}$  len 6th (57.0) Moonovermanhattan 2040m **M** Valley The Vase Oct 25. Never settled in Caulfield Guineas G1 then 2040m found him out at MV. This much better race for him.

STRATUM STAR (D K Weir) 3c By Stratum-Purely Spectacular (10:3-2-1): Took over at 200m and held on bravely  $\frac{1}{2}$  nk win (57.5) Manhattan Avenue, Careless 1400m C'field Crown Lager Oct 18. Covered plenty of ground  $\frac{1}{2}$  nk 2nd (56.0) Kermadec 1600m F'ton Carbine Club Nov 1. Good tough win at Caulfield two back then arguably should have won the Carbine Club G3 last start when never on track and still just missed. Perfect draw and can win this.

PETROLOGY (D Hayes & T Dabernig) 3c By Fastnet Rock-Romantic River (8:2-2-0): Worked home solidly in straight  $3\frac{3}{4}$  len 6th (55.0) Stratum Star 1400m C'field Crown Lager Oct 18. Stayed tough final stages hd win (56.0) Chill Party, Tashbeeh 1800m F'ton Uhd Tv Stakes Nov 6. He was strong over the 1800m at Flemington last start, back to 1600m but expect him to be charging home.

LORD ASPEN (R W Huxtable) 3g By Good Journey-Lady Aspen (4:4-0-0): Won as he liked  $1\frac{3}{4}$  len win (59.0) Fitocracy, Black Caesar 1400m Morphettville Parks 3yo (Bm70) Oct 25. Took over at 200m and held on lg hd win (56.5) Orient Line, Ducal Castle 1400m F'ton Hilton Hotels Nov 8. Unbeaten gelding who was strong holding challengers off late at Flemington. Up to the 1600m for the first time but he races as though he will get the trip.

CARELESS (J A O'Shea) 3c By Exceed And Excel-Insouciance (10:0-3-2): Kept coming last 200m  $\frac{1}{2}$  nk,  $\frac{3}{4}$  len 3rd (55.0) Stratum Star, Manhattan Avenue 1400m C'field Crown Lager Oct 18. Was doing best work late  $3\frac{3}{4}$  len 5th (55.0) Kermadec 1600m F'ton Carbine Club Nov 1. Got stride too far back at Flemington and that was costly as he worked home okay. Will be in finish.

SEENAAN (**M** G Price) 3c By Murtajill-Rasasa (5:2-0-0): Finished too well lg nk win (56.5) Appoint, Takeover 1400m Seymour (Bm70) dead trk Oct 28. Held his ground  $2\frac{1}{4}$  len 6th (56.0) Lord Aspen 1400m F'ton Hilton Hotels Nov 8. He was only 2 lengths off Lord Aspen at Flemington last start and if holds that form will figure.

DUCAL CASTLE (P G Moody) 3g By Domesday-Princesa (5:1-1-2): Despite wanting to lay in finished hard ½ len win (60.0) Rib Eye, Distraught 1200m Mornington 3yo (Bm64) Oct 21. Finished off hard once clear lg hd, len 3rd (54.5) Lord Aspen, Orient Line 1400m F'ton Hilton Hotels Nov 8. He was the eye catcher powering home between runners at Flemington suggesting this trip will suit.

CHILL PARTY (T J Hughes Jnr) 3c By Nicconi-Dressed To Impress (6:2-1-0): Hit the line hard for strong 2½ len win (56.5) Wangtucky Rein, Basic Strategy 1590m Wangaratta (Bm64) Oct 13. Looked unlucky hd 2nd (56.0) Petrology 1800m F'ton Uhd Tv Stakes Nov 6. Arguably should have won at Flemington last start when just got held-up at vital stage and had to regather momentum. Back to the 1600m but watch for him late.

REKINDLED POWER (Paul Messara) 3c By Redoute's Choice-Rekindled Applause (3:1-0-1): Only got going late 4 len 6th (56.0) Kuro 1200m R'wick Brian Crowley dead trk Oct 18. Strolled in 3½ len win (58.0) Inauguration, Duke Of Brunswick 1400m Bendigo 3yo Mdn dead trk Oct 29. Back to maiden class at Bendigo last start and he dominated winning like good horse. This much harder but he has plenty of improvement in him.

BERISHA (Murray Johnson) 3g By Al Samer-Beheshta (3:1-1-0): Worked hard before just missing hd 2nd (58.0) Setinum 1300m Seymour 3yo Mdn dead trk Oct 19. Never on the track sht hd win (58.0) Roundabout, Florelle 1200m Kyneton 3yo Mdn dead trk Nov 5. Should have won after tough run at Seymour two back then no easier last start but proved too strong. Straight out of maiden class but he looks talented.

MOTEL MEMORIES (K M Keys) 3g By Shaft-Renano Brightia (3:1-0-0): Had tough run wide 5¼ len 5th (56.0) Rib Eye 1200m Cranbourne Mdn dead trk Oct 12. Proved too strong lg hd win (57.0) Dotherighthing, Rising Stock 1412m Seymour Mdn dead trk Nov 10. Relished the step up in distance to win at Seymour in maiden company last start. This tougher but drawn to get nice run in transit.

HEY CHARLIE (F Stockdale) 3c By Myboycharlie-Rivkin's Reserve (5:0-0-2): Pulled hard during race 5 len 6th (56.0) Somethinghappening 1200m Sale Mdn dead trk Oct 26. Best work final stages lg hd, len 3rd (54.0) Faraja, Bally Paddy 1205m Sale 3yo Mdn dead trk Nov 7. He races as though the extra trip will suit but he is still eligible for maiden class.

UNGRATEFUL ELLEN (R W Smerdon) 3f By Grey Swallow-Degeneres (6:1-1-1): Kept chasing hard final stages nk 2nd (54.0) Happy As Hell 1600m Hamilton (Bm70) dead trk Oct 26. Never got clear run at them 7 len 14th (55.5) Allelu 1700m F'ton 3&4yoF&M (70) Nov 6. She had plenty to offer at Flemington last start but never got clear at any stage. Takes on the boys here and she may surprise them.

#### RACE EIGHT

FAST 'N' ROCKING (D Hayes & T Dabernig) 4g By Fastnet Rock-For The Good Times (21:3-3-1): Finished too well lg nk win (57.0) Spirits Dance, Scapolo 1200m M Valley 4&5yo Hcp Oct 24. Held up at vital stage ½ hd, len 3rd (57.0) Eclair Big Bang, Boristar 1400m F'ton Hcp Nov 8. Good tough win at MV two back then did not have all that much luck in restricted room at Flemington. Sure to be in finish.

WE'RE GONNA ROCK (Tony Romeo) 8g By Fastnet Rock-Harrow (18:5-3-1): Only held ground from turn nk, 2¼ len 3rd (58.5) Sea Siren, Mental 1200m M Valley Manikato Stakes dead trk Oct 26 (2012) . Held ground 5½ len 11th (59.0) Atmospherical 1000m F'ton Earl Grey Stks Nov 6. First-up after two years at Flemington last start and thought his run was full of merit. Strips fitter for this and will be vast improver.

FLAMBERGE (P G Moody) 5g By Exceed And Excel-Razor Blade (22:7-2-3): Did not finish well enough 7¼ len 6th (57.5) Lucky Hussler 1400m C'field Moonga Stakes Oct 18. Made some late ground 3½ len 4th (60.5) Atmospherical 1000m F'ton Earl Grey Stks Nov 6. He was heavily supported at Flemington last start but just got a stride too far off them before finishing strongly last 100m. Sure to be competitive.

REPARATIONS (Anthony Freedman) 6g By Exceed And Excel-Hold To Ransom (27:9-1-2): Never on the track 5¾ len 15th (52.5) River Lad 1400m E Farm Stradbroke Hcp June 7. Wanted to wander back to inside last 200m 1¼ len win (55.5) Office Bearer, Final Crescendo 1200m F'ton Mss Security Nov 4. Powered through along inside to win as he liked at Flemington first-up. Only needs to hold form to win again.

GENERALIFE (J A O'Shea) 5g By Lonhro-Albaicin (24:8-1-5): Made some good ground from the back 3¼ len, len 3rd (56.5) Lucky Hussler, Under The Louvre 1400m C'field Moonga Stakes Oct 18. Worked home solidly ¾ len, sht ½ hd 3rd (57.0) Hucklebuck, Alma's Fury 1400m F'ton Yellowglen Nov 1. Unbeaten at this trip and won only start this track and distance. Ready to win again.

CHARLIE BOY (G A Ryan) 4h By Myboycharlie-Maritime (13:2-1-2): Stayed tough final stages ½ len, 1½ len 3rd (58.5) Aomen, Monton 1400m R'wick Hcp Oct 11. Did best work late ¾ len 4th (53.5) Deep Field 1200m F'ton Tab.Com.Au Nov 1. Not that far off class runner down the Flemington straight last start and the extra 100m will suit.

NEAREST TO PIN (L Macdonald & A Gluyas) 5g By Golden Lake-Princess Taylah (25:8-4-5): Held ground in behind leaders 2 len, nk 3rd (58.5) Thiamandi, Gig 1200m C'field Bletchingly dead trk July 26. Only got going late ¾ len 5th (53.0) Deep Field 1200m F'ton Tab.Com.Au Nov 1. Was held-up middle stages at Flemington and only got clear to run on late. Will be better from that outing and must include in multiples.

DON'T GET EXCITED (Stephen Theodore) 5g By Elvstroem-Tennessee Morn (25:8-3-2): Hit the line strongly 1½ len 5th (56.5) Eight Bills 1000m **M** Valley Open Hcp Oct 25. Only held position 6¾ len 12th (54.0) Reparations 1200m F'ton Mss Security Nov 4. Comes here third-up from spell, unbeaten in three starts at the track and unbeaten three tries at the distance. Looks nice race for him.

OFFICE BEARER (P G Moody) 5h By Officer-Street 'em Sheila (14:5-2-1): Was not far away out wide ¾ len 10th (57.5) In Cahoots 1200m C'field Italktravel Stk Oct 15. Hit the line hard 1¼ len 2nd (54.0) Reparations 1200m F'ton Mss Security Nov 4. Really powered home at Flemington last start and expect he will be finishing this off strongly.

BIG BUDDIE (A G Sawden) 6g By Lago Delight-Belle Of Drysdale (45:6-4-1): Kept coming in the straight 1½ len 4th (56.0) Petrify 1206m Benalla (Bm90) Oct 5. Run down after leading len 6th (59.0) Stereosonic 1200m Kyneton (Bm84) Nov 5. Has the speed to roll forward but this looks too tough.

SWEET AS BRO (L & T Corstens) 5g By High Chaparral-Successfilly (13:4-1-0): Just held his ground 4¼ len 6th (53.0) Le Roi 1600m **M** Valley Open Hcp dead trk Mar 29. Faded in run home 11¼ len 17th (54.0) Chautauqua 1200m F'ton Bobbie Lewis Sept 13. Had some support in the Bobbie Lewis G3 first-up but eased out from 300m. Had freshen-up and he is unbeaten second-up (2:2-0-0) .

JAZZ SONG (**M** G Price) 4m By Fastnet Rock-Absolut Glam (10:3-1-0): Worked hard early and had little left from turn 4¼ len 12th (55.5) Cosmic Endeavour 1400m E Farm Tatt's Tiara dead trk June 21. Jarred up on **firm** track 25¼ len last (54.0) Reparations 1200m F'ton Mss Security Nov 4. She may need a touch of give in the ground to find her best but she certainly has the ability to win this.

#### RACE NINE

SHE'S CLEAN (C J Waller) 6m By Redoute's Choice-Feather Duster (28:8-2-4): Hit line strongly despite laying in 1¼ len 4th (55.5) Avoid Lightning 1200m R'wick The Nivison dead trk Oct 18. Had tough run wide ¾ len 10th (56.5) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C Stakes Nov 4. She had little luck when always wide at Flemington last start and run best forgiven. Third-up and like her to the 1500m.

ESTONIAN PRINCESS (Scott Aspery) 4m By Snitzel-Meet My Sis (19:3-4-1): Stayed tough after leading lg hd 2nd (56.0) Neena Rock 1600m R'wick Angst Stakes Oct 11. Chased home solidly 1¼ len 5th (57.0) Bonaria 1600m F'ton Myer Classic Nov 1. Was less than 2 lengths off them in Group 1 class last start. Nice race for her.

POLITENESS (R W Smerdon) 4m By Street Sense-Berengaria (16:3-1-2): Chased home in leader dominated race 2½ len 5th (56.5) Sweet Idea 1400m C'field Tristarc Stakes Oct 18. Kept coming 1¼ len 7th (57.0) Bonaria 1600m F'ton Myer Classic Nov 1. She has been most consistent this campaign in some hot races. Deserves a win and the big Hillside straight will suit.

KOE (T & K O'Sullivan) 7m By Align-Go Anna (37:8-3-2): Hit the line hard lg hd 2nd (58.5) Mannopoly 1200m Hamilton (Bm78) dead trk Oct 26. Came from back near rear len 4th (54.0) Mannopoly 1300m Ararat **China** Bowl Nov 9. Has a big finish on her but this toughest test for a while.

SECRET TOY BIZNESS (J E & C Ledger) 5m By Written Tycoon-Alice In Toyland (23:5-2-2): Drove home late to just miss ½ nk 2nd (55.0) Slate On Edge 1500m **M** Valley Greys-Bm90 Oct 24. Powered between runners ¾ len win (54.0) Time To Plunder, Specter 1400m F'ton (Bm90) Nov 6. Only just missed at MV two back then went to Flemington and was much too strong. Up in class but she is racing well enough to figure.

ROSE OF CHOICE (P & P Snowden) 5m By Choisir-Danpegi (17:7-4-3): Just lacked race fitness sht nk, ½ nk 3rd (55.0) Avoid Lightning, Brook Road 1200m R'wick The Nivison dead trk Oct 18. Run down last stride len 2nd (55.5) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. Only fitness that cost her first-up in The Nivison G3 then winner came off her back to win at Flemington. Blinkers come off and she is winning chance.

AVA'S DELIGHT (D K Weir) 5m By Artie Schiller-Costa Kara (23:4-4-4): Back to inside and finished off 5½ len 7th (54.0) Suavito 1600m **M** Valley Eliza Pk Intl Oct 25. Got going late between runners 3¼ len 9th (55.0) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. She is always competitive in this class and will be major player final stages.

MINNIE DOWNS (**B** O Cox) 6m By Clangalang-Bush Beauty (30:4-8-3): Only held her ground out wide 4½ len 10th (54.0) Forever Loved 1400m F'ton Blazer Stakes Oct 4. Got going late 3½ len 9th (55.0) Sweet Idea 1400m C'field Tristarc Stakes Oct 18. Yet to find her best in some tough races this prep.

SPITFIRE LADY (**M** D Moroney) 5m By Hussonet-Galroof (24:4-6-1):

Stayed tough final stages 1¾ len 2nd (54.0) Alma's Fury 1400m Sunshine Coast (Metro) Glasshouse Hcp dead trk June 28. Never on the track 7¼ len 14th (55.0) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. Forget she went around at Flemington first-up as she was never closer than three wide from barrier 12. Drawn to get much better run here.

NAUTICAL (Ms N Burke) 5m By Niello-Magda (18:3-6-3): Did not finish off 4½ len 11th (54.0) Forever Loved 1400m F'ton Blazer Stakes Oct 4. Made some ground back to inside 3½ len 8th (55.0) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. Runs have been better than finishing positions suggest at recent starts when she has not been far away. Has big finish so don't dismiss.

NADEEM LASS (R D Griffiths) 5m By Nadeem-Danrego (26:2-6-4): Only got late run back to inside ½ hd, ½ nk 3rd (55.0) River Delta, Danestroem 1200m Geelong Black Pearl dead trk Oct 22. Hit line hard 2¼ len 7th (55.0) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. She hit the line okay at Flemington last start and the extra 100m ideal.

BELLE DE COEUR (C J Waller) 5m By Show A Heart-Harmony Hall (13:3-2-3): Minor injury 4¼ len 11th (56.0) Woodbine 1350m R'hill (Bm84) Sept 27. Eye catcher out wide 1¼ len 4th (55.0) Mahara 1400m F'ton H.K.J.C. Stakes Nov 4. No luck from barrier 11 at Flemington last start but just kept coming final stages and was only length away. Must include in chances.

DOUBLE DEE (Jason Warren) 5m By Dubleo-Sunset Express (21:4-3-5): Worked home final stages 3¼ len 7th (55.0) River Delta 1200m Geelong Black Pearl dead trk Oct 22. Run down after leading 7¾ len 11th (54.0) General Groove 1400m F'ton 4&5yo (90) dead trk Nov 4. Worked hard to **lead** from barrier 15 at Flemington and had little left late. Again drawn awkwardly and needs best.

KISS ME KETUT (Chris Diplock) 4m By Danroad-Make Me Dream (14:4-1-2): No luck from turn when held-up 9¼ len 6th (58.5) Shades Of Bella 1200m Mornington F&**M** (Bm78) dead trk Oct 9. Powered home from back ½ len 2nd (59.0) Khutulun 1600m Ballarat (Bm78) dead trk Oct 23. Has horror barrier and will have to go back. Look for big finish from turn.

LONHRUGE (R E Laing) 5m By Lonhro-Refuge (17:4-1-0): Only held ground 6¼ len 10th (55.5) The Messina Nymph 1100m C'field Alinghi Stakes Oct 18. Always well back 4½ len 7th (57.0) Suite Success 1200m **M** Valley F&**M** (Bm78) Oct 31. Loves this track (5:3-0-0) and is third-up from spell. Barrier makes it harder.

JUDICIAL ROCK (L & T Corstens) 4m By Fastnet Rock-Judged (15:2-3-0): Run down final stages 1¼ len 2nd (58.0) Duble Barrel Daisy 1000m Ballarat F&**M** (Bm70) dead trk Oct 23. Kept coming but just missed sht ½ hd 2nd (58.0) Eruption 1318m Geelong F&**M** (Bm70) Nov 8. Racing well in easier grade. May go forward and will be prominent for long way.

SHADOW OF THE MIST (L & T Corstens) 4m By Dane Shadow-Euchre (12:3-1-1): Never got clear run at them 3¼ len 7th (54.0) Let's Be A Star 1600m Mornington (Metro) F&**M** (Bm78) Sept 17. Much too strong 1½ len win (57.5) Miss Maggiebeel, Choice Princess 1400m Bendigo F&**M** (Bm70) dead trk Oct 29. Comes off dominant win at Bendigo last start and form from that race has been solid. Must respect.

REFER (Heath Connors) 4m By Fastnet Rock-Silken Song (12:1-0-3): Battled from the turn 6¼ len 9th (54.0) Suavito 1600m **M** Valley Eliza Pk Intl Oct 25. Covered ground and held on strongly 1¼ len 4th (59.5) Allelu 1700m F'ton 3&4yoF&**M** (70) Nov 6. Her run in easier **company** at Flemington was brave. Drawn to get ideal run and may sneak place.

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