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ANALYSING THE
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FIRST LEG 3.30 EST	SECOND LEG 4.10 EST	THIRD LEG 4.50 EST	FOURTH LEG 5.30 EST
<p>Mayfair Smallgoods Handicap 1500m</p> <p>Go wide in this tricky race. A study of the speed map shows that three lightly-weighted horses are likely to dominate the tempo of the race – (9) La Rocket, (10) I'm A Toff and (7) Crossthestart. Crossthestart is fit and ready, while I'm A Toff rises in class off a soft win at Kyneton, and gets Glen Boss to ride.</p> <p>They must go into your quaddie considerations, on form and on the way this race could be run to suit them. The topweights (1) Antidotes and (2) Greatwall Of China have to lump 58kg on a likely rain-affected track. Antidotes is a Stakes winner but he has won only twice from 25 starts.</p> <p>He was luckless last time. Greatwall Of China should be better for his first-up fourth at Bendigo and he is a proven wet tracker, so his chance improves with more rain. (6) Newgrange is smart when right and he is about ready to strike form. Barrier one is a plus.</p> <p>(4) Anyways and (8) The Original are both recent winners of the track and trip. Happy to risk the stayer (5) Gotta Keep Cool. 2/4/7/10 – 1/6/8/9 – 3</p>	<p>Tatts Leilani Classic F&M 1500m</p> <p>This is a leg in which we need to narrow the chances. Happy to leave out (9) Red Geisha and (11) Sisula and to a lesser extent (8) Loretta Belle, who needs firm ground. The topweight (1) Amberino ticks a lot of boxes and if there is a quaddie stand-out for punters looking to go wide for three legs with one anchor, then she could be it.</p> <p>Amberino loves the Valley (3 from 6) and loves dead ground (3 from 6), and she comes off a fourth (54kg) in the Summoned Stakes (1500m) at Sandown when she ran on hard. Three definite dangers are (6) Gratis, (7) Hanabananah and (10) Alexandra Gardens. Gratis had no luck in the Summoned and she is ready to improve; Hanabananah led throughout at the Valley last run and will lead again; Alexandra Gardens has won three from only four starts for trainer Peter Morgan and she keeps stepping up.</p> <p>Happy to bank on this four well ahead of the wet-trackers (2) Justsay Sumthink and (5) Uptown Lass, and (3) Hey Rosie and (4) Youthful High who both need it firm. 1 – 6/7/10 – 2/3/5/4</p>	<p>Swift Signs Handicap 2040m</p> <p>The appearance of two South Australians (2) Cosmic Commander and (10) The Ozie Boy, who fought out a 2225m race at Cheltenham two weeks ago, not only adds to the mix here but throws in a form line that is hard to line up against the locals. Both horses like to race forward and both are unknown on the Strathayr.</p> <p>The lightly raced (6) Geyser Peak comes off terrific runs at Caulfield (behind the smart Vigor) and at Flemington during the carnival. This looks a perfect race for him, especially over this extra trip (and with Boss in the saddle). (4) Raeburn is a winner over 1500m here and his last run over this course was a bottler after working hard on the pace. He is drawn to get a softer run. (3) Only He Knows and (8) China Causeway fought out a race on Ballarat Cup day. Doubt the winner is outside this six. 4/6 – 2/3/8/10</p>	<p>Legends Flying Handicap 1000m</p> <p>The dilemma here is to whether go narrow with the topweights or go very wide. We will gamble with the class at the top of the pack with (1) Northern Point and (2) Scenic Silver – both resuming – and (4) Gran Sasso.</p> <p>Northern Point has two wins at the course and is a first-up specialist (2-4). The claim for Brian Higgins (3kg) brings him in with the luxury weight of 54.5kg. Scenic Silver hasn't won inside 1170m, but he is outstanding fresh (3-5) and at the Valley (2-4). Both also handle the rain-affected ground. You can cover your bases with these two because Northern Point will be on the pace and Scenic Silver is the strong finisher.</p> <p>Go wider with (8) Jumaana, having her first run for Peter Moody and ridden by Glen Boss, who must go into the mix along with 1000m specialist (10) Kenny Kid and the lightly-raced boom horse (13) Diario. Risking (5) Snappy Tom (not suited by the inside draw), the honest (6) Mrs Waters (drawn too wide) and (3) Amerryking (trip too short). 1/2 – 4 – 8/10/13</p>
THE PLAYS			
\$50	1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10/1, 6, 7, 10/4, 6/1, 2, 4 52%	FIELD/1, 6, 7, 10/4, 6/1, 2 31%	
\$100	FIELD/1/2, 4, 6, 10/1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 13 41.6%	1, 2, 4, 7, 10/1, 6, 7, 10/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10/1, 2, 4 27.7%	
\$200	FIELD/1, 10/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10/1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 13 34.7%	1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10/1, 6, 7, 10/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10/1, 2, 4, 10 26%	
\$300	1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10/1, 7, 10/FIELD/1, 2, 4 37.9%	1, 2, 4, 7, 10/1, 6, 7, 10/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10/1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 13 41.6%	
\$500	FIELD/1, 7, 10/2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 10/1, 2, 4, 8, 10, 13 34.7%		
OUR FAVOURED BET	\$50	1, 2, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10/1, 6, 7, 10/4, 6/1, 2, 4 52%	