BERNASCONI >> WYONG

TRAINER: TEAM HAWKES // JOCKEY: BRENTON AVDULLA

WYONG // RACE 3 // 1100 METRES
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2YO MAIDEN PLATE
MAIDEN // PRIZEMONEY: $35,000 // TRACK RATED: HEAVY 10

Race Overview

Bernasconi makes his debut here at Wyong. Currently there are 12 runners accepted (10 to run) with only two certain starters having had race day experience. The track is currently a Heavy 10 which obviously makes the race much harder to analyse, especially with so many of the field being unraced and on unknown conditions.

A CLOSER LOOK AT SOME KEY COMPETITORS

1. BERNASCONI
Two-year-old colt by Deep Field trained by Hawkes Racing. Making his debut here after two nice trials. He has shown that he has speed from the barriers in his trials, but has also shown the ability to finish the trial off nicely when asked. In both trials it still looked like he had a lot to offer and I would suggest that he also handles the wet conditions well. He should get a lovely run from barrier 4 with Brenton Avdulla in the saddle.

Watch the most recent trial here

5. SILENTSAR
A colt by Russian Revolution who has had one start for a third. Showed enough speed in that race to put himself in a nice spot and expect that he will again be on speed here. That race was on a Heavy 10 and he handled the conditions well enough. Certainly a leading contender with Jay Ford riding for Gerald Ryan and Sterling Alexiou.

Watch his only race start here

7. CONTROLOCRACY
A nice filly by More Than Ready and trained by Annabel Neasham. Had the one race start and was disappointing on that occasion. The recent trials have been more positive, especially the most recent. Very similar trial to Bernasconi, where she showed speed early but also wasn't asked to do a lot down the straight. She looked like she had plenty to offer and she should be put into the race nicely by Tommy Berry from barrier 2.

Check out her recent trial here

8. LUCKY VARIETY
Two-year-old filly by Capitalist and trained by Kris Lees. The most recent trial was very impressive to the eye. Cruised up to them under a tight hold and won the trial without being asked to do anything. Two ways to look at this, the first is the horse goes very well and could have blown them away if the jockey let her go. The second is, she might be a horse that travels well but doesn't have any gears. Again, we won't know until race day, but I would suggest from watching that, that she has plenty of ability.

Check out her most recent trial

ADAM MCGRATH'S SELECTIONS

SELECTIONS
8. LUCKY VARIETY
1. BERNASCONI
7. CONTROLOCRACY
5. SILENTSAR

BETTING PLAY (Bernasconi)
Certainly a winning chance in this race. At $5/$2 I think you can play each-way in this race and ensure you get your money back if he finishes in the top 3.

BETTING PLAY (Overall)
Really tough race to have a "betting strategy" with so many unknowns. I would be happy to play exactas and trifecta with 1,5,7,8, but I wouldn't be betting a lot of money in a race with so many uncertainties.