

THE TRIAL FILES

28/07/2023 **RANDWICK**

Trial 1 – 1000m (1:00.78)

Field of 4 here but a quality trial all the same. **GOLDEN MILE** winning narrowly from **NORTH STAR LASS**. Liked the performance by **NORTH STAR LASS** here. The filly was coming off a couple of plain runs in the Autumn but looks to be going better this time in. She put a gap on third and was strong through the line. No knock at all on **GOLDEN MILE** who looks to have returned in pleasing order.

Trial 2 – 1000m (1:01.16)

Slower time than the previous but I was really taken with the performance here by the Melbourne Cup import, **HOO YA MAL**. This was his first trial in the spring after a failed Autumn Campaign. He's now settled in to Australia fully and although he's been off the scene for some time, he looks to be going really nicely here. He worked through between runners and found the line smartly, suggesting he's in for a good campaign.

Trial 3 – 900m (54.82)

Another Group Class trial and this was taken out by the smart **ALLIGATOR BLOOD**. **QUEEN OF THE BALL** led with the **BLOOD** settling on her outside. The pair went to the line untested but **ALLIGATOR BLOOD** proved too strong late and went on to win by a length. He looks to be going well. **CALL DI** finished off nicely in behind. Soft trial by all.

Trial 4 – 1200m (1:14.26)

Not the strongest trial field this but it was the Melbourne Cup placegetter **HIGH EMOCEAN** that caught the eye. The Maher and Eustace trained galloper looks to be going well this time in, find the line smartly in his second return trial.

Trial 6 – 1045m (1:03.30)

Trial was taken out by the talented **GARZA BLANCA** who moved well. This horse has shown talent in his 6 start career and ran blistering time in winning at Cranbourne at start 3. Second trial this time in and ready to go to the races now.

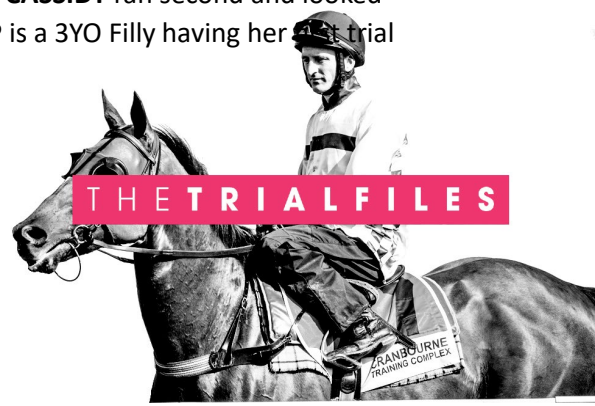
Loved the way **NINGALOO STAR** found the line in behind them here. She finished third but moved stylishly and closed powerfully. It was her second trial this time in and she looks to be going really nicely. Looking forward to her return.

Trial 8 – 1045m (1:04.22)

MISS COUVER finished over the top of **FOUJITA** under minimal pressure to win this trial impressively. Yet to debut and two plain trials prior but this was her first this campaign and she went well.

Trial 17 – 742m (44.26)

Two horse to keep an eye on fought out the quinella here. **BUTCH CASSIDY** ran second and looked good. Got a bit of time for this son of **Written Tycoon**. **A LOT OF LIP** is a 3YO Filly having her first trial and she won this nicely.



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RANDWICK BLACKBOOKERS:

T2 – HOO YA MAL

T6 – NINGALOO STAR

T8 – MISS COUVER

T17 – A LOT OF LIP

01/08/2023 CANTERBURY

Trial 1 – 902m (54.68)

Chris Waller with the top 4 here with LINDERMANN beating home PRINCESS GRACE, with MADAME POMMERY and the Slipper winner SHINZO in fourth. Hard to fault any of these trials. Loved the work from LINDERMANN, showing speed, settling second and proving too strong for his rivals. The Rosehill Guineas winner looks to be in good order heading towards the Spring. No knock on SHINZO who had a soft time of it in his racetrack return.

Trial 3 – 902m (53.42)

EXTREMELY LUCKY finished third here and he's the one we're keen to follow. The gelding was having his second trial for the Waller camp and he showed his powerful finish in this heat under a hold. The son of Extreme Choice has looked strong in two trials this time in and is clearly in good order. No surprise to see him win some nice races in the spring.

MILITARIZE worked home soundly from the back of the field in his return trial. The colt by Dundee won the Sires Produce and the Champagne in the Autumn as a 2YO and he looks like he'll get over some more ground as a 3YO.

Trial 4 – 1100m (1:07.94)

We saw Lindermann win trial 1 here in style and it was his rivals time to shine here in trial 4. We're talking about PERICLES who was pipped by Lindermann in the G1 Rosehill Guineas. His was a superb trial by PERICLES, settling second last before working home down the outside to win this in nice fashion. McDonald rode and he would have been rapt with this performance.

Trial 5 – 1100m (1:05.47)

This trial was won by a race fit DEVIL'S THROAT but it was the Melbourne Cup hopeful **WHITE MARLIN** who caught the eye, despite running 6th. The grey gelding was having his first trial since his 2nd in the Ramsden back in May and he would have some residual fitness. Loved the way he found the line here, closing off powerfully. He was in front 50-100m past the post and was full of running.



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Trial 7 – 1100m (1:06.04)

CARRAZANA – 3YO Gelding by Almanzor, trained by Chris Waller.

Second trial for this gelding who is yet to make his debut, and another sharp piece of work. McDonald jumped on which is a positive sign and have to love the way this guy moved as he found the line strongly. Second impressive piece of work and a horse to follow.

Trial 9 – 899m (54.26)

Smart and interesting trial field with OLENTIA taking this heat out, with KANDINSKY ABSTRACT, BARBER and POLITICAL DEBATE in behind. OLENTIA is a 4YO Mare who has won 4 from 5. Have to like the way she moved here winning this well.

KANDINSKY ABSTRACT made a serious impression on debut, winning at Canterbury by a big margin. He's a nice colt, son of Zoustar that couldn't have done much more in his return trial. McDonald rode and he didn't have a lot of clear galloping room in the straight. He worked to the line soundly and was strong after the post.

POLITICAL DEBATE couldn't keep up and was beaten a long way. No knock BARBER. MAD DARCEY found the line well but has race fitness on her side.

Trial 12 – 899m (53.36)

Hard connections to follow, particular when leading and first-up but can't fault the performance of **BONITA QUEEN**. She showed speed and won this impressively, running good time and showing a nice turn of foot when asked for an effort by Rachel King. Wary fresh but she looks speedy and will be winning races you'd suspect.

Trial 13 – 896m (55.31)

Very slow time here but is was the debutant for the Hawkes team in **FIRST LANDING** who caught the eye late, poking through between runners. He's a colt owned by Vinery Stud and looks a nice son of Deep Field that can make his presence felt on debut. Likely to be short odds given connections however.

CANTERBURY BLACKBOOKERS:

T3 – EXTREMELY LUCKY

T5 – WHITE MARLIN

T7 - CARRAZANA

T9 – KANDINSKY ABSTRACT

T12 – BONITA QUEEN

T13 – FIRST LANDING



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