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Race 1 – 5:30PM BIVOUAC FIRST YEARLINGS HCP (1100m)

Interesting race for the 2-year-olds. Of the raced, #3 MISS PIERA put in the best performance on debut when 2nd. That effort came on a Heavy track so can expect some improvement here on a Soft 5. She has drawn well in barrier 5 for Dylan Gibbons and must be a chance with the race experience.

The first of the trailers that caught our eye is #6 GOOD SORT. Two quiet trials this time in have both been good, and she looks a filly with a lot of talent from a sire that has had some handy ones to race in his first prep in Tassort. The query is that she has drawn 10 and the general pattern from the Waller camp is to snag back from wide barriers, so she may be too far out of her ground, but she will run well. #10 VOILE was disappointing on debut at Caulfield when in the market and has been back to the trials since at Rosehill on 18/12. She was strong through the line there and can bounce back.

The one we are keen to have a spec on at a price (\$17) is #8 RAG QUEEN. The first trial was indifferent, but we really liked her second trial in the same heat as Voile on 18/12. She was put under pressure at the 300m mark but when asked for an effort she responded well, and we liked the way she moved. In an open race she is worth something small.

SELECTION:

#8 RAG QUEEN small each way.









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Race 2 – 6:00PM KIA ORA PRAGUE HCP (1100m)

Another interesting race for the 3-year-old fillies with many unraced. As is the case with races with many debutantes, the speed map is unclear, but speed looks to come from the Waterhouse horse TYCOON DESHAUNA, TE PANI and FICKLE.

#3 FICKLE trialled well on 20/11 at Randwick. Was a nice enough win and she looks a stylish horse. Really liked #5 SETOMBE's trial at Warwick Farm on 22/12. Like the way she lengthened late in that trial, and she looks quite a classy filly.

We were very taken by both of #6 SPEED PERSONIFIED's trials this time in. Pulled off heels in her first trial and accelerated beautifully to win before running on strongly again in her most recent trial on 29/12. Looks a filly with a beautiful actions and we are of the opinion she is smart.

#7 TYCOON DESHAUNA will go forward being a Waterhouse horse and with the riding engagement of Adam Hyeronimous. Her two trials this time in have been very promising. She was showed speed and won both well and is a good mover. Very good chance here.

SELECTION:

#6 SPEED PERSONIFIED & #7 TYCOON DESHAUNA both win – level staking for both.









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