

# THE TRIAL FILES

27/04/2024 ROSEHILL

## Race 7 – 2:30PM FAREWELL JAMES ROSS SPRINT BM94 (1100 METRES)

KAZOU likely to press forward to contest the lead from barrier 10. HARD TO SAY may press forward from out wide as well as RENOSU from his wide draw. KIPSBAY will want to hold the front from the inside gate with MANHOOD, EAGLE'S NEST and HOW'S THE SERENITY likely to hold a prominent position.

The trial of #15 KAZOU on 18/3 over 900m at Rosehill was fantastic. She jumped cleanly and led easily on that occasion and extended to win the trial by 8+ lengths in impressive fashion. Loved the style she won that heat in and she finds a winnable race here after missing the run last week when the meeting was abandoned. Jay Ford should be able to get across from the wide gate without too much hassle and providing that is the case she looks a strong winning chance with just 52.5kg on her back.

#12 KIPSBAY is a smart horse and the two trials leading into this suggest he is going well. We liked the most recent 1000m trial on 16/4 at Hawkesbury where he sat outside the leader and quickened nicely to win by 2L. He has good early speed and will want to hold the fence, but they may not want to engage in a speed battle given he is fresh here off a 330-day break.

#14 EAGLE'S NEST trialed well behind Remarque prior to being outclassed but not disgraced at Group 3 level in her first two runs this time in. The drop back in grade will be to her liking and she looks to get a soft run from barrier 2 for Tyler Schiller. Liked the trials of #7 WATEGOS. He has looked sharp in both efforts and like the way he has run through the line on both occasions to win. Think he is going very well and although the 1100m may be a touch short he is trialling too well not to include.

### SELECTION:

Two bet race. Main bet #15 KAZOU (win) with a saver on #7 WATEGOS (win).

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## Race 8 – 3:05PM VALE LONHRO BM100 (1500 METRES)

Interesting race with 13 runners engaged and 9 of them present first up. IKNOWASTAR looks the obvious leader and outside of him there doesn't look to be much speed at all. BETHENCOURT may elect to roll forward from the wide draw with WATERFORD and COSMIC VEGA potentially holding forward spots. The map looks a bit awkward for ST LAWRENCE so Tommy Sherry may press forward with IKNOWASTAR who has drawn alongside him.

#10 IKNOWASTAR put in a great run fresh off the back of a pair of very good trials. The trial leading in was particularly good and signalled that he has returned this prep a better horse following a winning streak last time in that culminated with starting \$5.50 in the Big Dance. He looks to get an uncontested lead in this event and has the fitness edge on most of his rivals. This race looks to set up perfectly against opposition littered with staying types first up that he can control from the front.

Liked the trial of #2 GREBENI on 23/4. He settled just behind the speed and once the gap opened at the 200m he sprinted well and was good through the line. His form at the end of last preparation was good and he is building an impressive career record. Barrier 16 likely means he gets a long way back but is one to watch with an eye towards 1600/2<sup>nd</sup> up. #3 AMOKURA is last season's Queensland Oaks winner who returned as a 4-year-old in the spring and raced well. The two trials this time in have been very good and she could run a good race fresh.

#11 ST LAWRENCE is a dead set fresh horse. He is unbeaten fresh from 4 goes and resumed here off two quiet trials. He looks one that could try and go forward with the obvious lack of speed and given how well he goes fresh he must be a chance. #4 WATERFORD has trialled well enough leading into this. His last 9 runs have all been in stakes grade and he will appreciate coming back to benchmark grade. He has a strong first up record but tends to get back in his races even when he draws in which could make it hard for him here.

### SELECTION:

#10 IKNOWASTAR (win) has come back in great order, and this looks a perfect race for him.



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