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## 6/3/2025 PAKENHAM

## RACE 3 – 6:45PM BRIDGESTONE SELECT PAKENHAM MAIDEN PLATE (1600M)

Good 4 with the rail out 2m should ensure all runners have their chance. Doesn't look a lot of speed engaged in this. #4 HIGH PRAISE my go forward again as it did last start with #9 SHE'S A BEAUTY and #6 ALPINE GIRL settling closer from inside draws.

We have liked what we have seen at the trials from #3 ELITE POWER. The Autumn Sun gelding looks a big lump of a horse and will appreciate the 1600m on debut and further as his career progresses. He showed enough speed to settle handy in two 800m jump outs before trialling over the 1200m at Benalla on 17/2 with the blinkers applied. He sat off them there and we thought he trialled well, chasing home an impressive winner who subsequently won its Maiden on debut at Kyneton by 5.5L. Should get a nice trail behind the speed from gate 6 and if he can get clear air and build momentum upon straightening, he looks a good each way bet at \$10.

The short-priced favourite is #4 HIGH PRAISE. The debut run over 1200m at this track was very good, running home in good splits. He stepped up to the 1400m at his 2<sup>nd</sup> outing and we thought he was plain there. Landed in the 1/1, had every chance and was only even through the line. That run didn't scream 1600m next start, but he is bred to appreciate the trip and if you are forgiving of that run and are happy to go off the debut, he is clear top pick. We think there are enough doubts off that last effort to play around him at \$1.70.

Very even race outside of those mentioned. #2 KING EDWARD improved at its most recent trial and if they want to press forward from barrier 9, he can run a race on debut.

## **SELECTIONS:**

**#3 ELITE POWER** (each way)







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