KOREA: Seoul Racecourse – Saturday August 1, 2020

Race 5: Class 6 (1200M) Allowance / KRW 40 Million

The three-year-old colts and fillies will line up in the fifth where there looks a handful of chances engaged. (4) DOKDO SARANG goes on top after finishing second on debut behind Raon Fashion. The Colors Flying filly let down with a nice turn of speed and whilst the time for the 1200m was not all that fast, it should be good enough to figure once again here. (11) A. P. PATEK is another that resumed in good style to finish second behind J.S. Power. The colt is likely to slot over after the start and stalk the leaders, before being asked for by Kim Yonggeun at the top of the straight. (6) HAECHAN has led and capitulated at both of his runs to date. He didn't go down by a big margin last time out, at his second run back he should show improvement. (8) CHOTOMA debuts after some very handy trials. If he breaks cleanly it will be interesting to see what he can do. Keep him safe on an each-way basis.

Selections	(4) Dokdo Sarang (11) A. P. Patek (6) Haechan (8) Chotoma
Next Best	2,9
Fast Start	5, 6, 9

Race 6: Class 6 (1300M) Allowance / KRW 40 Million

Just the fillies going here. (9) HAPPY MONTH has gone close on a number of occasions without having made the breakthrough. He ran a decent 4th at the distance last time and Moon Se Young keeps the faith today. He'll come from off the pace and can win. (5) WONDER PLACE beat a couple of these on her way to 2nd place in a similar all-filly affair on July 5th. She looked significantly better for the extended break and has a solid foundation to build on here. (4) HARUON ran 3rd in that race to continue her steady but sure progress. She's drawn well to get forward early today. (7) HANIL MOA comes in off a solid 2nd place over 1200M and can come into the reckoning while (6) WONDERFUL ORANGE may appreciate the drop back in trip having done most of her recent work over 1700M. The wildcard is (2) SPEED DANCER. She was so slow over 1400M a month ago that she got ordered back to trial but absolutely blitzed her heat two weeks ago, leading all the way in the kind of time that would win most five-furlong races at this class.

Selections	(9) Happy Month (5) Wonder Place (6) Wonderful Orange (2) Speed Dancer
Next Best	4, 7
Fast Start	1, 2, 4, 6

Race 7: Class 6 (1300M) Allowance / KRW 25 Million

Not the most exciting race you will see coming out of Korea today with plenty of these gallopers taking their time to break maiden status. We never thought we'd see the day that Moon Se-young would take his colours off and put the owner's silks of (5) BAEKDU GEOPO on, but that day has arrived. The Thunder Moccasin gelding is still looking for his maiden win at start sixteen but he gets a winnable assignment here. He hit the line well when resuming and if The Moon can keep him in touch with the leading division, he looks a big chance of breaking through. (6) SUN WINNER looks next best in the event coming of a fifth last time out. He has four fifth-placed performances from eleven starts, hardly an amazing record but such is the depth of this race. (3) GOLD BRIDGE placed last time out over the two turns and will drop back to the 1300m here today. The time for the 1700m was slow and he is yet to show any form over 1300m. (10) BLUE CHARM clocked a slow time over the 1400m last time out on a fast track. In saying that he has placed twice from four starts and should be considered.

Selections	(5) Baekdu Geopo (6) Sun Winner (3) Gold Bridge (10) Blue Charm
Next Best	7,9
Fast Start	2

Race 8: Class 5 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 40 Million

(3) SHINY FIRE steps up in class having won very nicely at the fourth time of asking over 1000M earlier this month. She steps up in trip for the first time as well but is nicely drawn to get to the early speed and could well win again. She's one of four in the race who tackle class 5 for the first time. Among the others is (5) BIG FACE who, while yet to win, has finished a good runner-up twice and should be competitive at this level. He too will be aiming for the lead early on. After winning on debut, (9) BIG PLAN struggled on his first crack at class 5 but was a very good trial winner two weeks ago in a fast time and can be given another chance today. Similarly, (8) GIVEN RUNNER and (10) DONGJJOK GLORY are both better than their respective latest outings – which came in the same race – suggest.

Selections	(3) Shiny Fire (5) Big Face (8) Given Runner (9) Big Plan
Next Best	10, 7, 11
Fast Start	1, 3, 5, 8, 9

Race 9: Class 5 (1300M) Handicap / KRW 40 Million

One of our specials on the card comes up in the ninth where there only looks to be two likely pacemakers. (11) CARVING CROSS was good when resuming last start to finish third behind Waeng Taeng I. The speedy type clocked an impressive time for the 1400m and with five weeks between runs he should be ready to bounce out of the gates and lead them, before proving too strong in the run home. (10) DREAM MONEY has won just the one race from eighteen

starts but is capable of finishing in the placings. The time clocked last time out for this distance was reasonable and the One Cool Cat gelding may get a trail across from Carving Cross. (1) WILD KINGDOM was a last start winner breaking maiden status at start four. The three-year-old will carry the same weight as per last start and is capable of sitting on speed once again and showing some cheek. (4) BODY STAR had to overcome a wide draw first up in an assignment tougher than this event. With a better drawn and an easier field he can figure in the minor money.

Selections	(11) Carving Cross (10) Dream Money (1) Wild Kingdom (4) Body Star
Next Best	7,8
Fast Start	1, 11

Race 10: Class 4 (1300M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

(7) HAEDEULMOE ran a good 4th behind Looking Good over 1400M on June 21st. He's win at this class already and the four-year-old has a good chance of scoring again in what is admittedly a tricky affair. It's taken (6) MONEY SIJANG just three starts to reach this level. She was a front-running winner over 1200M in an all-filly race at 1200M and while she is up in class and distance today, she carries a nice light weight and should be in the hunt. So too should (10) VICTORY KING. He has the fastest time of any of these over the 1300M and comes in off a nice 3rd place last start at 1400M. Look for him coming home fast and late. (9) GYORYONGDEUKSU enters the frame too following a good 4th place last start at this distance three weeks ago. The lengthy layoff may have benefitted (2) SAGWARANG more than most. He seemed to have lost his way since getting promoted to this level but looked well when winning a trial during the shutdown and is the wildcard here.

Selections	(10) Victory King (7) Haedeulmoe (6) Money Sijang (9) Gyoryongdeuksu
Next Best	2, 1
Fast Start	2, 6, 8

Race 11: Class 4 (1200M) Handicap / KRW 60 Million

There is plenty of speed engaged from wide draws in the eleventh, suggesting if the other runners in the field don't jump cleanly, they will get a long way back. (6) JEONGMUN SUMMIT should be able to position behind the speed and reel off a good last sectional. His first up run was good when finishing fourth behind Elite Lady clocking a reasonable time on a dry track. (1) SHARK JJANG looks one of the main chances engaged. The New Year's Day colt finished third last time out in this company but continues to carry big weights, which is the query. (8) RAON LIGHT MAN resumed after trialing three weeks back. The Musket Man gelding showed plenty of ability early on and is yet to finish no worse than fifth from seven starts. (9) K TOP KING was an all the way winner last time out over this journey. The handicapper pinged him

3kg for the win which will make this tougher. He will work forward early but there is every chance Moon Se-young may want the lead as well, who will be aboard (11) NALARA HILL on the outside of him. Good race.

Selections	(6) Jeongmun Summit (1) Shark Jjang (8) Raon Light Man (9) K Top King
Next Best	10, 11
Fast Start	9, 11

Race 12: Class 4 (1300M) Handicap / KRW 75 Million

Fillies – and one mare – only here. (11) JEOLYE comes in having run 4th in the GC Trophy earlier this month and ultimately looks set for a higher level than this. The wide draw shouldn't be too much trouble and she can go close here. (6) GEUMJAYU ran 3rd behind Blue Macaron at 1200M on June 28th. She was beaten by Jeolye back in February but has every chance of overturning that form here. From gate six, she should be on or very close to the pace from the start. (7) GEUMSEONG YEOWANG was hardly spectacular but likewise didn't do much wrong when 4th at class and distance on July 5th. This is arguably slightly weaker competition and she has every chance. (1) ECHO FIRST ON always seems to get a top jockey aboard but has struggled since returning to this level. (3) DOLGYEOK APEURO an in a fast time on a muddy track for 4th over this distance all the way back in January. She hasn't raced since January but looked well when trialing in June.

Selections	(6) Geumjayu (11) Jeolye (7) Geumseong Yeowang (3) Dolgyeok Apeuro
Next Best	1, 10
Fast Start	1, 6

Race 13: Class 3 (1800M) Allowance / KRW 75 Million

This race just might be the best chance all seven of these gallopers get to win another race, with a lack of form the common theme amongst them. (1) DEOBUREO SOOP looks hardest to beat coming off a third last time out in this grade behind Gallop Curlin. He lacks early dash therefore gate one is not much of an advantage, however if he can show the turn of foot shown last start, he is capable of passing the other six in the race. (5) LITTLE BOY FLASH was a last start winner when stepping up to the 1700m second up. The grey has always been consistent over the two turns and whilst he steps up in class, this is a race where he can run into the money once again. (6) THE SPIKER is a ten-start maiden who trialed well a fortnight ago. He has seven top four finishes from twelve starts and his runs over the two turns have been fair. (3) PRO MATHEUS looks next best and with two runs under his belt, should be hitting peak fitness for this assignment.

Selections (1) Deobureo Soop (5) Little Boy Flash (6) The Spiker (3) Pro Matheus
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Next Best	7, 4
Fast Start	2

Race 14: Class 3 (1800M) Allowance / KRW 75 Million

(4) SIMON QUEEN and (5) LOOKING GOOD both take their chances at class 3 level for the first time and both look to have solid claims. Distance-wise, Simon Queen is proven around two-turns having made her latest three starts at 1700M, winning one and running 2nd in two. However, Looking Good finished off extremely well over 1400M two starts back having started poorly, suggesting that he may well thrive on a bit of distance too. Both still have more in them and either could win here. Old-stagers (2) KING MESSENGER and (7) SARYEONI HEALING both have lots of experience at this level and while neither win out of turn, both know what it takes to finish in the money and they could potentially push the up and comers. (10) WILD DRAGON is one who has previously performed at this level and may well have benefited from the lengthy hiatus. We don't have much in the way of trials to go on though, so we'll make him the wildcard.

Selections	(5) Looking Good (4) Simon Queen (7) Saryeoni Healing (2) King Messenger
Next Best	10, 1
Fast Start	1

Race 15: Class 1 (1200M) Allowance / KRW 100 Million

An outstanding sprint to finish up with which sees the return of the excellent pairing of (4) MASK and (11) MALIBU BULPAE, both of whom are top line competitors. They are handed a very stiff assignment first up though. (3) DIA SOCKS may specialize in finishing as runner-up but he has been runner-up to the likes of Global Captain, Morfhis and Blue Chipper so while, as good as this race is, it is arguably his weakest set of rivals for some time with most yet to win in class 1. True his run in the Busan Ilbo last month didn't impress but he has to be given a top chance here. (7) COMPLETE SWEEP led all the way at class and distance on July 5th to defeat (1) HAVANA CHARLIE. He only goes up a couple of kilos in the weights for that win and has strong claims again. So too, for that matter, does Havana Charlie, a horse capable of running much faster than he did last time and who may well have come on for the run.

Selections	(3) Dia Socks (1) Havana Charlie (4) Mask (7) Complete Sweep
Next Best	11, 2, 8, 6
Fast Start	1, 7, 8, 6