

# TIP SHEET

JAPAN - 14th January 2022

## R1 - FUNABASHI | 13:30 | JPY ¥3,040,000 | RACE 1

6	BELLONA FLAVOR	Has not raced since finishing 2.5 lengths away in second over 1000m at this track 11 weeks ago. Same jockey Wada Joji engaged. Can break through this time.
2	SECOND LAYER	Three-year-old filly who has been thereabouts at each appearance to date. Last time out finished third over 1400m at Kawasaki. On-pacer who will take catching this time.
3	BOLD SATAN	Was in the money on debut two starts back at this track but followed up with a moderate performance when sixth over 1200m at this track last time. Go on the debut run. Sure to be about the money.
1	MERURU	Ran a much better race last time when facing the starter for just the second time, finishing second over 1200m at this track. Further improvement likely; worth including.
4	VINA HA LONG	Started at \$30.60 on debut last time out when fourth and beaten 10 lengths over 1000m at this track. Ryo Kosugi is aboard again. Better for that experience and can improve sharply.

## R2 - FUNABASHI | 14:00 | JPY ¥5,130,000 | RACE 2

6	MAILE LEI	Leontes colt from Pikake Lei on debut. Expected to measure up.
4	SOLEIL SMILE	Three-year-old filly out of Group 3 winning dam Able In Race. Has the pedigree and watch betting fluctuations.
5	BLACK CANNON	Unraced gelding by To The Glory out of Lady Brian. From the in-form Takahiro Inamasu stable. No surprise if he measured up.
2	HAPPINESS LANI	Son of Lani from Magna Carta making his debut. Worth watching for a market push.
3	STAR DRAGON	Poison Black colt from Hannah Rose on debut. Worth keeping very safe.

## R3 - FUNABASHI | 14:30 | JPY ¥1,520,000 | RACE 3

5	LAMBO BOY	Resumes after a break of eight months. Nice run on debut then failed to threaten when 14th over 1400m at Tokyo Dirt at the last outing prior to a spell. Likely to return bigger and better this prep.
6	B B FABLE	Course and distance winner who last start finished second, beaten one length, over 1200m at this track. Has the ability and is among the leading hopes.
4	LA CROISETTE	Has not raced since finishing fifth over 1200m at this track on October 28. Goes well first up. Should give a great sight.
9	SMART MIGNON	Finished midfield last start at Urawa over 800m, 6 lengths from the winner. Steps up in distance today. Hard to fault if at her best.
10	FRIEND J	Was below his best two back at this track then ran a much better race last start when third over 1400m at Urawa. Regular rider Kentaro Usui back aboard. Sure to be thereabouts.

## R4 - FUNABASHI | 15:05 | JPY ¥1,520,000 | RACE 4

4	HAKUSAN WINK	Racing well including a last-start win over 1500m at Urawa. Sure to get all the favours from barrier four. One of the main chances.
8	BLACK ARIES	Scored his maiden win last start as favourite over 1500m at Kawasaki. Has upside and can make it two on the trot.
9	NISHINO BRYANT	Doesn't win out of turn and ran below par last time when sixth over 1400m at Urawa and beaten 7 lengths. Will find this more suitable and can improve sharply.
3	LAP LEADER	Didn't inspire again last start, beaten 33 lengths over 1500m at Kawasaki. Better than recent runs suggest. Can feature.
7	POP UP REINE	Didn't inspire again last start, beaten 5 lengths over 1400m at Urawa. Better than recent runs suggest. Can feature.

**R5 - FUNABASHI | 15:35 | JPY ¥1,710,000 | RACE 5**

<b>2</b>	DANGAN SHOOT	Resumed at this track over 1200m last time out and finished fourth, beaten 5 lengths. Rates highly and should improve sharply.
<b>1</b>	S C ZORRO	Has been going well but didn't measure up last start when seventh over 1200m at Ohi. Finds a nice race and is worth another chance.
<b>3</b>	FILIUS ONE	Resuming from a spell of nine weeks. Last raced when second over 900m at Kawasaki. Expected to measure up.
<b>11</b>	VICTORY WALTZ	Five-year-old mare who drops in journey from the latest outing when fourth over 1600m at Kawasaki, finishing 2.25 lengths off the winner. Major player.
<b>8</b>	MIYANO KIDMAN	Settled back but kept coming to finish fifth over 1500m at Urawa last start. Should be at his top now and shouldn't be far away.

**R6 - FUNABASHI | 16:05 | JPY ¥1,900,000 | RACE 6**

<b>9</b>	FAIRY TRAIL	Yet to miss the top three in four runs at the distance. Last time out finished second over 1400m at Urawa. Should be right in the finish.
<b>4</b>	HIGHGARDEN	Was there on the turn then battled on fairly to finish fourth over 1200m at this track last time out. A bold showing is expected.
<b>5</b>	MARINO ARCADIA	Has been a model of consistency this time in work, most recently finishing third over 1400m at Urawa. Another big run is on the cards.
<b>12</b>	MALIBU STAR SONG	Stepping back in trip after finishing fifth over 1400m at Urawa last time out. Can improve and is worth thought.
<b>6</b>	SKY CANNA	Still a maiden after finishing eighth last start over 1400m at Urawa. Testing the patience but could take this out without surprising.

**R7 - FUNABASHI | 16:40 | JPY ¥1,900,000 | RACE 7**

<b>2</b>	SHINTO KING	Handy gelding who returned to the winners' list last start over 1500m at Kawasaki. Racing well and can go on with it.
<b>9</b>	JUN MOYURU	Finished seventh two runs ago at this track but found form last time out when he scored by 4 lengths over 1600m at Ohi. Excellent prospects in this suitable race.
<b>3</b>	RED ESTELLA	Resuming from a spell of 12 weeks. Last raced when seventh over 1800m at Hanshin Dirt. Usually kicks off her campaigns in positive fashion. Can kick off with a big run.
<b>4</b>	AMIFUJI UJO	Ran a better race last start to finish second over 1400m at Urawa. Likely to measure up.
<b>10</b>	MARUHIRO KING	Settled back from a wide draw last start before making a sustained run to finish seventh over 1400m at Urawa. Draws wide again today. Nicely placed and is worth including.

**R8 - FUNABASHI | 17:15 | JPY ¥2,470,000 | RACE 8**

<b>5</b>	SIEGER PRINCE	Going well including a last start win at this track as favourite last start over 1200m. 5 of his wins have come at this course and distance. Rates highly and will prove tough to beat here as always.
<b>12</b>	ETERNAL RUBY	Returned from a spell in good order last time out, winning over 1200m at this track. Strips fitter and is well-placed to take this out.
<b>8</b>	NINE GATES	Scored at this track two starts ago. Last time out found a couple better over 1200m at this track, 4 lengths from the winner. Well placed here. Great chance to atone.
<b>2</b>	DODO NI SAN SAN	Honest entire with a good top-three strike rate. Good effort last start but found a couple better over 1400m at Urawa. Very hard to beat.
<b>6</b>	GEMPACHI NOBLE	Five-year-old mare who drops in journey from the latest outing when fifth over 1600m at Kawasaki, finishing 4.5 lengths off the winner. Sure to be thereabouts.

**R9 - FUNABASHI | 17:50 | JPY ¥2,850,000 | RACE 9**

<b>13</b>	CRYSTAL SWAN	Shooting for a hat-trick of wins after scoring by half a length over 1400m at Kawasaki on December 13. In great form and can go on with it.
<b>8</b>	SPARAXIS	Poor winning strike rate overall with just one win from 14 starts. Last start scored a rare win over 1500m at Urawa. Has ability and is one of the major players.
<b>11</b>	KITTEN'S RUMBA	Poor winning strike rate overall with just one win from 12 starts. Last start finished third over 1400m at Kawasaki. Well placed this time and should play a big role.
<b>9</b>	VIA GLORIOUS	Seasoned galloper who ran a solid race last time when 2 lengths back in third over 1400m at Urawa. Still has plenty to offer and is worth including.
<b>4</b>	ANDANTE BIO	In the money two starts back at this track but couldn't back that up when unplaced over 1600m at Kawasaki last time. Worth following up.

**R10 - FUNABASHI | 18:35 | JPY ¥5,130,000 | RACE 10**

<b>6</b>	HASENO EXPRESS	Put the writing on the wall last start when he finished a close second at Ohi over 1200m. Akira Harita retains the ride. Very hard to toss.
<b>12</b>	BIG BAND	Back to earth last time out last time out when second over 1200m at this track. Form has been hard to fault - can make amends.
<b>7</b>	SMILE MYU	Resumes today after a successful maiden campaign, scoring four times from 14 starts. At the latest outing she finished seventh over 1600m at Mombetsu on July 13. Shows promise and worth following up.
<b>9</b>	FER A CHEVAL	Ran below her best two starts back but hit form again last time when second, beaten one length, over 1000m at Ohi. Rates highly and can measure up.
<b>1</b>	MOERE CONNECTOR	Settled well off the pace last start then made steady ground to finish 15th over 1200m at Ohi. Ready to peak after three runs back and is in the mix.

**R11 - FUNABASHI | 19:10 | JPY ¥7,600,000 | RACE 11**

<b>8</b>	WIN TAFEL	Not raced since finishing in the money over 2100m at Kawasaki on September 4 2019. Can return in winning form.
<b>7</b>	SMILE WE	Consistent galloper who has had two runs back from a spell. Last start finished third beaten 1.1 lengths over 1500m at Kawasaki. Handy strike-rate and is a winning chance.
<b>10</b>	JOHANN	Well held last start when ninth over 1400m at Hanshin Dirt to continue a run of plain efforts. Has been out of the money recently but finds the right race this time and gets his chance to feature.
<b>1</b>	GO MY WAY	Had been close to the mark before breaking through last time in fine fashion over today's trip at this track. Hard to toss in this type of form.
<b>11</b>	PURE OCEAN	Has good credentials over this distance. Safely held last time out when eighth over 1600m at Ohi. Hard to fault if at his best.

**R12 - FUNABASHI | 19:50 | JPY ¥4,560,000 | RACE 12**

<b>2</b>	MAD ROULETTE	Well-deserved win last start over 1600m at this track after a close second two runs back. Draws a good barrier and will be competitive again. Right in this.
<b>5</b>	MONSTRUOSO	Resumes after seven months in the paddock. Yet to miss the frame when fresh from a break. Key runner.
<b>10</b>	KAMBAN MUSUME	Was below her best two back at this track then ran a much better race last start when third over 1600m at this track. Leading contender.
<b>6</b>	HAKUSAN CHIKOCHAN	Was on the move turning for home and found the line strongly to finish third over 1600m at Kawasaki last time. Don't underestimate.
<b>12</b>	COPANO MENDES	Broke a long drought last time when he scored by a head at Urawa over 1400m. Genuine contender under these conditions.